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- 1870 Adam Stengle
- 1871 Lavin W. Layfield
- 1872 John P. Otis
- 1876 Wilbur F. Corkran
- 1876 Edmund L. Hoffecker
- 1878 Robert K. Stephenson
- 1879 Joshua M. Lindale
- 1882 Allison P. Prettyman
- 1882 Charles H. Williams
- 1883 Vaughan S. Collins
- 1884 William A. Wise
- 1884 Thomas N. Given
- 1885 James W. Easley
- 1885 James D. Reese
- 1885 George W. Bowman
- 1885 Daniel H. Willis
- 1885 Ellenzie C. Sunfield
- 1886 George E. Wood
- 1886 William R. Mowbray
- 1886 William P. Taylor
- 1887 James H. Wilson
- 1888 Joshua W. Gray
- 1889 Vinal E. Hills
- 1890 George W. Bounds
- 1890 Melvin D. Nutter
- 1890 Virgil E. Rorer
- 1891 Joseph H. Geoghegan
- 1891 George A. Cooke
- 1891 George P. Jones
- 1892 Theodore F. Beauchamp
- 1892 Clarence W. Strickland
- 1892 Francis B. Short
- 1893 John P. Outten
- 1893 James T. Richardson
- 1894 Henry G. Budd
- 1895 Edward H. Collins
- 1895 Daniel J. Givan
- 1895 Thomas R. Van Dyke
- 1896 Luther E. Poole
- 1896 Leolan Jackson
- 1897 John W. Prettyman
- 1897 Thomas S. Holt
- 1897 William O. Bennett
- 1898 Omar E. Jones
- 1898 John W. Jones
- 1898 Frederick X. Moore
- 1898 Hugh B. Kelso
- 1899 John L. Johnson
- 1899 George W. Dawson
- 1900 Howard Davis
- 1900 Clarence N. Jones
- 1900 William C. Poole
- 1900 Goldsborough W. Hastings
- 1900 William E. Greenfield
- 1900 Oscar L. Martin
- 1902 William E. Matthews
- 1902 James H. Gardner
- 1902 Oram T. Baynard
- 1902 James W. Colona
- 1902 Joseph S. Eldridge
- 1903 Arthur W. Goodhand
- 1903 George S. Thomas
- 1903 Walter E. Gunby
- 1903 William E. Habbart
- 1904 Joseph A. Buckson
- 1904 Alvin C. Goddard
- 1904 John M. Kelso
- 1904 Edwin B. Taylor
- 1905 Lewis B. Morgan
- 1905 Daniel J. Ford
- 1905 Jesse C. McCoy
- 1905 Howard R. McDade
- 1905 William R. Woodell
- 1905 William M. Nesbit
- 1906 Daniel Wilson
- 1906 William G. Harris
- 1906 John L. Sparklin
- 1906 Emory W. McDowell
- 1906 Benjamin M. Johns
- 1907 William H. Briggs
- 1907 Tilghman Smith
- 1907 Oden E. James
- 1907 John R. Bicking
- 1907 William H. Revelle
- 1907 Ransom P. Nichols

1908 John W. Sutton
 1908 Leonard White
 1908 James T. Price
 1908 Jesse P. Landon

1909 John J. Bunting
 1909 Edgar C. Prettyman
 1909 Frank Herson

1910 Melvin E. Wheatley
 1910 Thomas J. Sard
 1910 Ernest C. Hallman
 1910 John C. B. Hopkins

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 1911 David J. Moore
 1911 Charles W. Spry

1912 Olie H. Connelly
 1912 George E. Sterling
 1912 Ivanhoe Willis
 1912 Frank A. Lindhorst

1913 Disston W. Jacobs
 1913 F. D. Lawrence

1914 Frank White
 1914 Norman C. Benson
 1914 Marion W. Marine
 1914 William J. McKee
 1914 Essel P. Thomas

1915 Ralph C. Jones
 1915 Luther M. Broadway
 1915 Alpha B. Frye

1916 Roy T. Thawley
 1916 Charles C. Harris
 1916 Otis B. Reed
 1916 Lester E. Windsor

1917 Walter A. Hearn
 1917 Charles H. Atkins
 1917 William S. Grant
 1917 William F. Godwin

1918 Edmund W. Henvis
 1918 Robert S. Hodgson
 1918 Willard V. Moore
 1918 John T. Rowlenon
 1918 John W. Wootten
 1918 August F. Zimmerman

1919 Earl M. Shockley
 1919 John H. Whedbee

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 1920 William L. Hess
 1920 Ralph L. Minker

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 1921 Charles E. Davis
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 1924 Oler A. Bartley
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1925 Henry M. Parks

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 1926 Harry V. Branford
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 1926 Preston W. Spence

1927 James H. Brasher
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 1927 Roscoe W. Campbell
 1927 John R. Diehl
 1927 Willard Everett
 1927 Conrad Hamer
 1927 Harvey O. Hufnal
 1927 Rufus W. Mills
 1927 Paul E. Reynolds

1928 Oliver J. Friedel
 1928 Robert E. Green
 1928 Nathaniel B. Lawrason
 1928 Frederick C. Louhoff
 1928 James O'Neil
 1928 Alfred W. Strickland
 1928 Roy L. Tawes

1929 Charles I. Carpenter
 1929 Elwood B. Eckhart
 1929 Grayson H. Wheatley

1930 Henry T. Caldwell
 1930 William J. Ennis
 1930 Frank D. Milbury
 1930 Roland H. Nelson
 1930 Lucian L. Powell

1931 Richard M. Green
 1931 Jacob C. Hanby
 1931 William H. Kohl
 1931 James F. Langrall
 1931 Joseph B. Vaughn
 1931 Theodore O. M. Wills

1932 Leon W. Ross
 1932 George V. Turner

1933 Joseph B. Dickerson
 1933 Raymond W. Hallman
 1933 Ray W. Kirwan
 1933 D'Arcy A. Littleton
 1933 William M. Parker

ALPHABETICAL ROLL AND DIRECTORY

Note:—In column headed "Relation," the following abbreviations are used: "E" denotes Elder; "D," Deacon; "P," Probationer; "R," Retired; "Sy," Supernumerary.
 The figures in the first column indicate the year of admission on trial; those in the last column, the year of appointment or relation.

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1921 Andrews, M. S.	E Denton, Md.	1
1917 Atkins, C. H.	E Zion Cir. (P.O. North East, Md.)	1
1924 Bailey, H. N.	E Hopewell (P.O. Port Deposit, Md.)	2
1926 Baker, F. A.	E Fruitland, Md.	2
1923 Barlow, W. G.	E Tilghman, Md.	2
1924 Bartley, O. A.	E New Castle, Del.	3
1902 Baynard, O. T.	E Stockton, Md.	1
1892 Beauchamp, T. F.	E Snow Hill, Md.	4
1897 Bennett, W. O.	R Hurlock, Md.	3
1914 Benson, N. C.	E Frederica, Del.	8
1907 Bicking, J. R.	E Berlin, Md.	3
1920 Bolton, J. C.	E Deal Island, Md.	6
1890 Bounds, G. W.	E Delmar, Del.	2
1885 Bowman, G. W.	R Laurel, Del.	28
1926 Bradley, S. B.	E Chester-Bethel (P. O. Boothwyn, Pa.)	2
1926 Branford, C. W.	E Chincoteague, Va.	1
1926 Branford, H. V.	E Nanticoke, Md.	5
1927 Brasher, J. H.	E Bridgeville, Del.	2
1907 Briggs, W. H.	R Wilmington, Del.	3
1915 Broadway, L. M.	R Perryville, Md.	3
1904 Buckson, J. A.	R Ridley Park, Pa.	2
1894 Budd, H. G.	R Dover, Del.	3
1909 Bunting, J. J.	E Crisfield, Md.	9
1930 Caldwell, H. T.	D Felton, Del.	3
1927 Campbell, R. W.	E Seaford, Del.	2
1928 Carpenter, C. I.	E Rehoboth, Del.	3
1927 Clark, J. A.	E Millsboro, Del.	2
1883 Collins, V. S.	R Wilmington, Del.	5
1895 Collins, E. H.	E Harrington, Del.	10
1924 Collins, O. J.	E Marshallton, Del.	4
1902 Colona, J. W.	E Harrison St. (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	5
1912 Connelly, O. H.	E Dagsboro, Del.	4
1891 Cooke, G. A.	E Mt. Pleasant (P.O. Laurel, Del.)	2
1876 Corkran, W. F.	R Seaford, Del.	4
1900 Davis, Howard	E Perryville, Md.	3
1921 Davis, C. E.	E Hockessin, Del.	4

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1899 Dawson, G. W.	E Greensboro, Md.	2
1927 Diehl, J. R.	E Cherry Hill (P.O. Elkton, Md.)	3
1933 Dickerson, J. B.	P Stanton, Del.	1
1885 Easley, J. W.	R 4632 Walnut St., Phila., Pa.	15
1929 Eckhart, Elwood B.	E Galena, Md.	1
1902 Eldridge, J. S.	E Grace (P.O. Salisbury, Md.)	4
1930 Ennis, W. J.	E Quantico, Md.	4
1927 Everett, Willard	E Onancock, Va.	1
1905 Ford, D. J.	E Nassau, Del.	1
1928 Friedel, O. J.	D At School	3
1915 Frye, A. B.	E Rising Sun, Md.	2
1902 Gardner, J. H.	E Hillsboro, Md.	2
1891 Geoghegan, J. H.	E Bayside (P.O. Sherwood, Md.)	2
1895 Given, D. J.	E Camden, Del.	5
1884 Given, T. N.	R Cheswold, Del.	11
1904 Goddard, A. C.	E McCabe (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1917 Godwin, W. F.	S Milton, Del.	4
1903 Goodhand, A. W.	E Millington, Md.	1
1917 Grant, W. S.	E Epworth (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1888 Gray, J. W.	R Willards, Md.	11
1928 Green, R. E.	E Greenwood, Del.	1
1931 Green, R. M.	P Christiana, Del.	3
1900 Greenfield, W. E.	R Perryville, Md.	3
1903 Gunby, W. E.	E Newark, Del.	5
1903 Habbart, W. E.	E Dover, Del.	5
1910 Hallman, E. C.	E Middletown, Del.	1
1933 Hallman, R. W.	P and D At School	1
1921 Hamblin, S. T.	E Crapo, Md.	2
1927 Hamer, Conrad	E Parsonburg, Md.	1
1931 Hanby, J. C.	P Houston, Del.	3
1906 Harris, W. G.	E Cambridge, Md.	3
1916 Harris, C. C.	E Eastlake (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	4
1900 Hastings, G. W.	R Blades, Del.	5
1917 Hearn, W. A.	E Richardson Park, Del.	2
1918 Hennis, E. W.	E St. Michaels, Md.	5
1909 Herson, Frank	E Milford, Del.	7
1920 Hess, W. L.	E Frankford, Del.	2
1889 Hills, V. E.	E Madeley (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	3
1918 Hodgson, R. S.	E Milton, Del.	3
1876 Hoeffcker, E. L.	R Easton, Md.	16
1897 Holt, T. S.	R Federalsburg, Md.	22
1910 Hopkins, J. C. B.	E Sudlersville, Md.	2
1922 Hudson, C. H.	E Trinity (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	4
1927 Hufnal, H. O.	E Pomona (P.O. Chestertown, Md.)	1
1896 Jackson, Leolan	E Kent Is. (P.O. Stevensville, Md.)	4
1913 Jacobs, D. W.	E Wilmington, Del.	5

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1907 James, O. E.	R Cambridge, Md.	10
1926 Jefferson, O. P.	E Chesapeake City, Md.	2
1906 Johns, B. M.	E Grace (P.O. Wilmington, Del.)	11
1899 Johnson, J. L.	E Smyrna, Del.	1
1891 Jones, G. P.	R Smyrna, Del.	5
1898 Jones, J. W.	E Mt. Salem (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	3
1898 Jones, O. E.	E Georgetown, Del.	3
1900 Jones, C. N.	E Townsend, Del.	3
1915 Jones, R. C.	E Lewes, Del.	4
1898 Kelso, H. B.	E Tangier, Va.	4
1904 Kelso, J. M.	E Hillcrest, Del.	1
1933 Kirwan, Ray. W.	P Cheswold, Del.	1
1931 Kohl, W. H.	D Pittsville, Md.	3
1928 Lawrason, N. B.	E Oxford, Md.	2
1913 Lawrence, F. D.	E Salisbury, Md.	2
1908 Landon, J. P.	E St. Thomas (P. O. Bishop's Head, Md.)	2
1931 Langrall, J. F.	D Farmington, Del.	2
1871 Layfield, L. W.	R Greenwood, Del.	10
1879 Lindale, J. M.	R Chestertown, Md.	15
1912 Lindhorst, F. A.	E Dover, Del.	2
1933 Littleton, D'Arcy A.	P Pocomoke City, Md.	1
1928 Louhoff, F. C.	E Odessa, Del.	2
1905 McCoy, J. C.	E Cecilton, Md.	2
1905 McDade, H. R.	E Newport, Del.	4
1906 McDowell, E. W.	E Claymont, Del.	4
1914 McKee, Wm. J.	E Somerset (P.O. Chance, Md.)	2
1914 Marine, M. W.	E Laurel, Del.	5
1900 Martin, O. L.	R Salisbury, Md.	10
1902 Matthews, W. E.	R Smyrna, Del.	12
1930 Milbury, F. D.	E Wyoming, Del.	3
1927 Mills, R. W.	E St. Peter's (P.O. Oriole, Md.)	7
1920 Minker, R. L.	E Silverbrook (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	4
1898 Moore, F. X.	R New Freedom, Pa.	13
1911 Moore, D. J.	E Ocean View, Del.	1
1918 Moore, W. V.	E Selbyville, Del.	3
1905 Morgan, L. B.	E Elkton, Md.	4
1886 Mowbray, W. R.	R Lewes, Del.	8
1930 Nelson, R. H.	D Beckwith (P.O. Cornersville, Md.)	2
1905 Nesbit, W. M.	E Hurlock, Md.	1
1907 Nichols, R. P.	E Federalsburg, Md.	6
1890 Nutter, M. D.	R Newark, Del.	4
1928 O'Neil, James	E Blades, Del.	3
1872 Otis, J. P.	R Wilmington, Del.	15
1893 Outten, J. P.	R Laurel, Del.	1
1924 Parker, J. E.	E Princess Anne, Md.	3
1933 Parker, W. M.	P & E Cordova, Md.	1

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1925 Parks, H. M.	E Delaware City, Del.	2
1896 Poole, L. E.	E Cape Charles, Va.	5
1900 Poole, W. C.	E Hebron, Md.	1
1930 Powell, L. L.	D Bishopville, Md.	1
1882 Prettyman, A. P.	R Galena, Md.	17
1897 Prettyman, J. W.	E St. Johns (P.O. Lewisville, Pa.)	1
1909 Prettyman, E. C.	E Wilmington, Del.	19
1908 Price, J. T.	E Still Pond, Md.	2
1916 Reed, O. B.	E Mt. Vernon (P. O. Princess Anne, Md.)	1
1885 Reese, J. D.	R Houston, Del.	15
1907 Revelle, W. H.	E Cookman (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1927 Reynolds, P. E.	E North East, Md.	1
1911 Rice, O. B.	E Kenton, Del.	1
1893 Richardson, J. T.	R Middletown, Del.	5
1890 Rorer, V. E.	R Philadelphia, Pa.	1
1932 Ross, Leon W.	P Church Hill, Md.	2
1918 Rowlenon, J. T.	E Asbury (P.O. Crisfield, Md.)	1
1910 Sard, T. J.	E Union (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1919 Shockley, E. M.	E Brandywine (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	4
1892 Short, F. B.	E New York City	13
1922 Short, W. D.	E Ridgely, Md.	1
1907 Smith, Tilghman	E Port Deposit and Colora (P. O. Port Deposit, Md.)	4
1906 Sparklin, J. L.	E St. Georges, Del.	1
1926 Spence, P. W.	D Mt. Lebanon and Kingswood (P. O. Rockland, Del.)	2
1911 Spry, C. W.	E Rock Hall, Md.	1
1870 Stengle, Adam	R Wilmington, Del.	19
1878 Stephenson, R. K.	R Rehoboth Beach, Del.	5
1912 Sterling, G. E.	E Phoebus, Va.	1
1892 Strickland, C. W.	E Clayton, Del.	1
1928 Strickland, A. W.	E Red Lion (P.O. Bear, Del.)	3
1885 Sunfield, E. C.	R Barnegat, N. J.	12
1908 Sutton, J. W.	E Vienna, Md.	1
1928 Tawes, R. L.	E Ocean City, Md.	1
1886 Taylor, W. P.	R Cleveland, Ohio	3
1904 Taylor, E. B.	E Girdletree, Md.	1
1916 Thawley, R. T.	E Centerville, Md.	2
1903 Thomas, G. S.	E Sharptown, Md.	1
1914 Thomas, E. P.	E Dover, Del.	1
1932 Turner, G. V.	P Elk Neck (P.O. North East, Md.)	2
1895 Van Dyke, T. R.	E Preston, Md.	3
1931 Vaughn, J. B.	P Bethel and Town Point (P.O. Chesapeake City, Md.)	3
1910 Wheatley, M. E.	E Middletown, Del.	4

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1929 Wheatley, G. H.	E Newark, Md.	1
1919 Whedbee, J. H.	E Magnolia, Del.	2
1908 White, Leonard	E Salisbury, Md.	5
1914 White, Frank	E Chestertown, Md.	2
1882 Williams, C. H.	R Snow Hill, Md.	20
1885 Willis, D. H.	R Cambridge, Md.	21
1912 Willis, Ivanhoe	E Asbury (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1931 Wills, T. O. M.	P Ebenezer (P.O. Newark, Del.)	2
1887 Wilson, J. H.	R Mt. Lebanon (P. O. Rockland, Del.)	7
1906 Wilson, Daniel	R Centreville, Md.	9
1923 Wimbrow, L. E.	E Pocomoke City, Md.	3
1916 Windsor, L. E.	E Seaford, Del.	8
1884 Wise, W. A.	R Wilmington, Del.	4
1886 Wood, G. E.	R Baltimore, Md.	2
1905 Woodell, W. R.	E Burrsville (P.O. Denton, Md.)	1
1918 Wootten, J. W.	E Scott (P.O. Wilm., Del.)	3
1922 Wright, J. H.	E Easton, Md.	2
1918 Zimmerman, A. F.	E East New Market, Md.	1

SUPPLIES.

E indicates Local Elder. D indicates Local Deacon.

Name	Appointment	Year
Adams, R. H.	E Brack-Ex (P.O. Elsmere, Del) ...	14
Atkinson, W. F.	E Royal Oak, Md.	5
Beckwith, Walter L.	Secretary, Md.	2
Buckson, W. C.	Whitesville, Del.	3
Campbell, David T.	Powellville (P.O. Pittsville, Md.) ...	2
Cannon, C. G.	Hoopers Island, Md.	1
Conner, R. G.	Ellendale, Del.	3
Fosnocht, W. E.	Edge Moor, Del.	7
Galloway, J. C.	Church Creek, Md.	1
Graham, J. T.	E Marion, Md.	4
Hanby, S. L.	D Concord (P.O. Federalsburg, Md.) ...	5
Hastings, T.	Zoar (P. O. Milford, Del)	1
Hudson, A. T.	Crumpton, Md.	2
Jester, J. R.	Bethel, Del.	4
Jones, J. E.	Williamsburg, Md.	1
Kelley, J. P.	E Gumboro (P.O. Frankford, Del.) ...	4
Kirby, R. L., Jr.	Westover, Md.	2
Layton, J. E.	Holly Oak, Del.	9
Lynn, J. G.	E Henderson and Barclay ...	3
	(P. O. Henderson, Md.)	
McClintock, W. L.	E Wye Mills, Md.	7
McCorkle, F. K.	E Roxanna, Del.	4
McLain, L. T.	E Mardela Springs, Md.	3
Prettyman, D. B.	E Trappe, Md.	1
Ralph, H. M.	Georgetown Ct., Del.	4
Romans, M. T.	Smith's Island (P.O. Ewell, Md.) ...	3
Sharpless, C. D.	E Queenstown, Md.	3
Steen, J. C.	E 1103 Rosedale Ave., Bellefonte, Del.	6
Sylvester, W.	Elliott's Island, Md.	1
Thomas, A. G.	Marydel, Md.	3
Thornton, J. H.	E Charlestown, Md.	1
Travers, Alonzo	E Bozman, Md.	4
Walraven, E. D.	D Little Creek, Md.	1
Willis, J. F.	Lincoln, Del.	3
Wilson, R. H.	Fairmount ...	2
	(P. O. Upper Fairmount, Md.)	
White, Alfred	D St. Paul's (P.O. Dover, Del.) ...	7
Wright, E. N.	Fairlee (P.O. Chestertown, Md.) ...	3

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Ex-Officio, District Superintendents.

Ministerial—R. K. Stephenson, T. R. Van Dyke, E. W. McDowell, J. T. Rowleson, G. W. Bounds, R. T. Thawley, L. E. Windsor, W. A. Hearn.

Laymen—G. H. Thomas, H. L. Cannon, J. Roscoe Wheatley, W. O. Hoffecker, A. C. Humphries, F. D. Layfield, R. S. Loomis, W. L. Overdeer.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE.

J. W. Jones, W. G. Harris, R. L. Minker, G. W. Dawson, O. E. Jones, T. F. Beauchamp, T. J. Sard.

TRIERS OF APPEALS.

L. E. Poole, E. C. Hallman, W. A. Wise, J. W. Colona, Frank Herson.
Reserve—G. W. Dawson, Leolan Jackson.

BOARD OF STEWARDS.

Term Expires 1934:

Middletown Dist., Ministerial, E. P. Thomas; Lay, Jefferson Cooper.
Salisbury Dist., Ministerial, J. W. Jones; Lay, Ralph O. Dulaney.

Term Expires 1935:

Wilmington Dist., Ministerial, L. B. Morgan; Lay, F. P. Gentieu.

Dover Dist., Ministerial, L. E. Windsor; Lay, George Williams.

TRUSTEES OF WILMINGTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Term Expires:

1934—W. F. Corkran, W. A. Hearn, T. R. Van Dyke.

1935—R. K. Stephenson, W. O. Bennett, M. S. Andrews.

1936—J. T. Richardson, John M. Kelso, M. E. Wheatley.

MANAGERS OF CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Term expires:

1934—Ministers: R. P. Nichols, J. J. Bunting.

Lay: A. B. Magee, E. J. Winder.

1935—Ministers: H. G. Budd, V. S. Collins, L. E. Wimbrow.

Lay: V. C. Hitchens, L. M. Price, Mayrice F. Alexander.

1936—Ministers: M. E. Wheatley, D. W. Jacobs, M. S. Andrews.

Lay: W. O. Hoffercker, A. C. Humphries, J. M. Tawes.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

E. C. Hallman, J. M. Kelso, Ivanhoe Willis, M. S. Andrews, R. T. Thawley, O. A. Bartley.

TRUSTEES OF WESLEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Term expires:

1934—Ministerial: W. G. Harris, O. E. Jones, E. P. Thomas, W. E. Gunby, R. P. Nichols, J. J. Bunting.

Lay:—J. G. Townsend, Jr., W. O. Hoffercker, W. W. Mack, Wilmer F. Davis, A. W. Tawes, Ed. Willim.

1935—Ministerial:—G. P. Jones, T. R. Van Dyke, D. W. Jacobs, E. W. McDowell, J. W. Colona, E. C. Hallman.

Lay:—A. B. Magee, V. C. Hitchens, H. H. Nuttle, E. J. Winder, W. H. Jump, E. F. Melson.

1936—Ministerial: J. L. Johnson, V. S. Collins, W. F. Corkran, L. B. B. Morgan, T. F. Beauchamp.

Lay:—Frederick E. Warrington, Thomas J. Mowbray, Ralph O. Dulaney, Granville Hooper, Melvin Hopkins.

MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

Term expires:

1934—R. C. Jones, Tilghman Smith, W. G. Harris, M. S. Andrews.

1935—Leolan Jackson, L. B. Morgan, Frank Herson, J. W. Jones.

1936—M. W. Marine, L. E. Windsor, M. E. Wheatley, J. W. Colona.

BUREAU OF CONFERENCE BUDGET.

Term expires:

1934—J. W. Colona, R. P. Nichols, H. H. Nuttle.

1935—M. S. Andrews, T. R. Van Dyke, W. O. Hoffercker.

1936—T. F. Beauchamp, R. K. Stephenson, J. Everett Walls, Roland Messick.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

Term expires:

1934—Howard Davis, G. W. Dawson, E. W. McDowell, G. S. Thomas.

1935—R. P. Nichols, L. E. Poole, R. K. Stephenson, J. H. Wright.

1936—G. P. Jones, J. J. Bunting, J. W. Jones, C. C. Harris.

STRAWBRIDGE HOME FOR BOYS.

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Dover District: M. Haswell Pierce, W. Fell Davis, W. B. Thornburgh.

Middletown District: Mrs. Grace Rambo, H. H. Nuttle, Mrs. Clara Whitby.

Salisbury District: Miss Janet Nute, Ralph O. Dulany, C. A. Bunting.

Wilmington District: Mrs. Maude G. Thornton, G. France Alderson, and William Harris.

Laymen.

Dover District: M. Haswell Pierce, W. Fell Davis.

Middletown District: Mrs. Grace Rambo, Harry Higman, H. H. Nuttle.

Salisbury District: Miss Janet Nute, Ralph O. Dulany, Everett E. Hearn.

Wilmington District: Mrs. Maude G. Thornton, Thomas Warren.

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Member of General Board: Clarence A. Short.

Pastor of Church in College Town: Frank White, W. E. Gunby, F. D. Lawrence.

Dean of Delmarva Institute: W. Vaughan Moore.

Managers of Conf. Education Society: G. E. Sterling.

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Drew University: C. N. Jones, D. W. Jacobs.

Garrett Biblical Institute: L. E. Wimbrow.

Boston Univ. School of Theology: Alvin C. Goddard, Henry G. Budd.

Wesleyan University: M. S. Andrews.

Dickinson College: J. J. Bunting, Ralph Minker.

Princess Anne Academy: Leonard White.

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District Superintendents, Ex-Officio.

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Laymen—F. M. Jones, T. R. Ingram, R. F. Powell, W. J. Davis, C. N. Jefferson, F. R. Nuttle, John G. Townsend, Jr., C. A. Ewing.

AREA COUNCIL MEMBERS.

Dover District—Ministers: R. P. Nichols; Reserve, L. E. Windsor. Laymen: T. J. Taylor; Reserve, E. S. Hubbard.

Middletown District—Ministers: R. T. Thawley; Reserve, E. P. Thomas. Laymen: J. Herman Anderson; Reserve, L. M. Price.

Salisbury District—Ministers: J. J. Bunting; Reserve, T. J. Sard. Laymen: O. M. Shockley; Reserve, W. V. Taylor.

Wilmington District—Ministers: J. W. Jones; Reserve, J. W. Wootten. Laymen: W. L. Overdeer; Reserve, E. L. Haines.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANT ENDOWMENT COMMISSION.

District Superintendents, Ex-Officio.

Dover District—Ministers: O. E. Jones, L. E. Windsor, M. S. Andrews, M. W. Marine. Laymen: E. J. Winder, Dr. G. Layton Grier, E. C. Lodge, Granville Hooper, V. C. Hitchens, Prof. C. A. Short, Frank M. Jones.

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Salisbury District—Ministers: J. J. Bunting, J. R. Bicking, L. E. Wimbrow, W. V. Moore, F. D. Lawrence, J. T. Rowleson, T. F. Beauchamp. Laymen: J. G. Townsend, Jr., W. P. Jackson, R. A. Parsons, L. M. Newcomb, John Leonard, C. W. Cordrey, R. O. Dulaney.

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District Superintendents Ex-Officio.

Ministerial: J. J. Bunting, W. G. Harris, W. E. Gunby, E. C. Hallman.

Laymen: M. H. Yeatman, Granville Hooper, C. B. Grace, J. G. Townsend, Jr.

EVANGELISM.

Term expires:

1934—T. R. Van Dyke, T. J. Sard, F. D. Lawrence,

1935—A. B. Frye, H. B. Kelso, J. R. Bicking.

1936—R. C. Jones, C. C. Harris, J. H. Wright.

COMMISSION ON CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

The District Supts.; Secretary of the Conference, The Chairman and the Treasurer of the Bureau of Conf. Budget. Dover Dist., O. E. Jones, E. J. Winder; Middletown Dist., M. E. Wheatley, J. E. Walls; Salisbury Dist., J. J. Bunting, Ralph Dulaney; Wilmington Dist., J. W. Colona, Willis Overdeer.

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L. E. Windsor, Frank White, L. E. Poole, V. E. Hills.

STATE OF THE CHURCH AND SOCIAL LIFE.

W. V. Moore, R. C. Jones, R. T. Thawley, W. M. Nesbit.

RESOLUTIONS AND THANKS.

R. S. Hodgson, J. T. Price, C. W. Branford, C. W. Strickland.

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Middletown District, H. H. Nuttle, Denton, Md.
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President, Henry G. Budd, Dover, Del.
Secretary, M. E. Wheatley, Middletown, Del.
Treasurer, W. O. Hoffecker, Smyrna, Del.

III
DAILY PROCEEDINGS
OFFICIAL JOURNAL

FIRST SESSION—WEDNESDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—The Wilmington Annual Conference assembled for its Sixty-Fifth Session in the Conference Auditorium, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, on Wednesday morning, March 29, 1933, at 8.30 o'clock, Bishop Adna W. Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions.

ROLL CALL:—The roll was called by the Secretary of the previous Conference, 145 members and probationers responding.

ORGANIZATION:—**Secretary:**—On motion of D. W. Jacobs, J. R. Bicking was elected Secretary and named the following assistants, who were confirmed: O. A. Bartley and W. J. Ennis.

GREETINGS TO ABSENT MEMBERS:—On motion the Secretary was instructed to send greetings of the Conference to sick and aged members unable to be present.

POSTMASTER:—On motion of Leonard White, G. W. Bounds was elected Postmaster.

STATISTICIAN:—The Statistician, J. W. Wootten, nominated as his assistants the following and they were confirmed: L. E. Windsor, W. L. McClintock, P. E. Reynolds, S. T. Hamblin, H. N. Bailey, R. W. Mills, O. J. Collins, F. D. Milbury, H. O. Hufnal, Willard Everett, T. O. M. Mills, J. B. Vaughan, G. V. Turner, R. S. Hodgson, F. A. Baker and R. M. Green.

TREASURER:—The Treasurer, J. J. Bunting, nominated as his assistants, V. E. Hills, J. E. Parker, R. H. Nelson, R. T. Thawley, O. H. Connelly, A. F. Zimmerman, F. C. Louhoff, W. H. Revelle, L. L. Powell, W. H. Kohl, Leon W. Ross and H. T. Caldwell, and they were confirmed.

BAR OF CONFERENCE:—The bar of the Conference was fixed at the near side of the fifth window from the platform.

QUESTION 27:—The Twenty-seventh Question, "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up. The preachers on each of the districts were called and each District Superintendent stated there was nothing against the moral character of any of the preachers on his district.

JOHN A. HUDSON:—On motion of Leonard White, the case of John A. Hudson was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations according to paragraph 188 of the 1932 Discipline.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—The following were nominated and elected members of the Board of Stewards to serve for a term of two years, the Secretary casting the ballot: Wilmington District, Ministerial, L. B. Morgan; Lay, F. P. Gentieu; Dover District, Ministerial, L. E. Windsor; Lay, George Williams.

QUESTION 14:—The Fourteenth Question, "Who have been Received by Transfer and from what Conference?" was taken up. The Bishop announced the transfer of Alvin C. Goddard from the Maine Conference, and that of Wm. J. McKee from the Northern Minnesota Conference, and they were introduced.

CHANGE OF RELATIONS:—On motion of their District Superintendents the following requests for changes of Relation were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations: those of Virgil E. Rorer and J. P. Outten from Effective to Retired and that of Francis B. Short for a year's Leave of Absence.

WELCOME TO BISHOP LEONARD:—On motion of D. W. Jacobs the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote, the Bishop responding:

"In view of the fact that previous engagements made before being assigned to this area prevent our Resident Bishop, Edwin H. Hughes, from presiding at this session of our Conference, we hereby extend to Bishop Adna W. Leonard our cordial greetings and a hearty welcome as our presiding officer."

GAVEL:—On behalf of the Wilmington Conference Historical Society, E. C. Hallman presented to the Bishop a gavel made by the students of the Manual Training Department of the Denton, Md., High School, from an original sill taken from Barratt's Chapel.

TRIERS OF APPEALS:—On motion of J. J. Bunting the following were nominated and confirmed as Triers of Appeals: L. E. Poole, E. C. Hallman, W. A. Wise, J. W. Colona and Frank Herson; Reserves, G. W. Dawson and Leolan Jackson.

STATISTICAL CALL:—On motion of R. T. Thawley, the pastor's reports were gathered.

UNITED SESSION.

The members of the Lay Conference arrived at 9.40 o'clock and were escorted to their seats by Conference Host C. Irving Carpenter, Conference standing and singing, "Work for the night is coming." Bishop Leonard presided at the United Session, welcomed the officers and members of the Lay Conference, and introduced I. Elmer Perry, President, and C. W. Cook, Secretary, both of whom made brief addresses. Secretary Cook affirmed that the Roll of the Lay Conference would be accurate and complete when handed to the Secretary of the Conference.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM:—Leonard White, on behalf of the Cabinet, introduced a motion that the Conference Program be arranged so that

Conference could adjourn by noon Saturday. V. S. Collins offered the following substitute, which was adopted: That the program as printed be the Official Program of the Conference.

BUREAU OF CONFERENCE BUDGET:—On motion of H. H. Nuttle each minister and layman who felt able to do so was requested to waive his right to his allowance for entertainment from the Bureau of Conference Budget and to notify the committee of the same.

THE LORD'S SUPPER:—The Bishop administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by the District Superintendents and the pastor of the local church.

MARYLAND BEER LEGISLATION:—Leonard White presented the following resolutions and on his motion they were adopted:

The Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session at Rehoboth, Del., with a representation of ministers and laymen approximating 400, and representing a constituency of more than 30,000 on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, strongly protest against the passage of the State Beer Bill now pending in the Maryland Legislature, legalizing the sale of beer in every County in the State. The entire Eastern Shore was dry under Local Option twenty-five years before the adoption of the 18th. Amendment and we believe is predominantly dry at the present time. We insist, in all fairness, that these Counties and the other Counties in the States that were dry before National Prohibition should be exempt from this Bill until the people have had an opportunity to pass upon the issue.

THE HAWKE BILL:—Ivanhoe Willis presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Rehoboth, Del.,
March 29, 1933.

Hon. C. Douglass Buck,
Governor, State of Delaware,
Dover, Del.

Dear Sir:

WHEREAS, A Bill known as the Hawke Bill has passed the House and Senate for the purpose of setting up a program to elect delegates to a State Convention for the purpose of voting on the repeal of the 18th. Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and,

WHEREAS, The said Hawke Bill provides that 17 delegates shall be elected in the State—5 from Sussex County, five from Kent County, and 7 from New Castle County—these delegates to be voted on throughout the State; and,

WHEREAS, We believe that the delegates to such a convention should be elected from the respective legislative districts of the State, and by the same plan by which the Representatives of the State are elected, thus giving the State a Convention of thirty-five delegates, each Representative District electing its own delegate,

We, therefore, the members of the Wilmington Annual Conference, consisting of equal representation of laymen and ministers, do, hereby, petition Your Excellency to veto the Hawke Bill and let a program be provided whereby delegates may be elected to the State Convention according to the above plan, and with no uninstructed delegates.

SABBATH LEGISLATION:—On motion of D. W. Jacobs the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, There have been introduced and received favorable report of the Committee in the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware two bills, one for the legalizing of baseball and other athletic events on Sunday in or near the City of Wilmington, and the other to legalize the opening of motion picture theatres on Sunday throughout the State; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we the members of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in United Session with laymen officially elected by our churches, representing 40,000 members and constituents residing within the State of Delaware, do hereby respectfully request our representatives to use their influence and vote to defeat this legislation which we believe to be inimical to the best interests of the citizens of our commonwealth; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded immediately by our Secretary to the presiding officers of the House of Representatives and Senate at Dover, Delaware with the sincere request that it be read before those bodies when in regular session assembled.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and the United Session then adjourned the Bishop pronouncing the Benediction.

SECOND SESSION—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

UNITED SESSION.

Conference convened in United Session at 2:15 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

R. K. Stephenson was requested to preside at the Memorial Service. The memoir of Harvey W. Ewing was read by J. W. Colona, that of Charles T. Jones by Howard Davis, that of Edmund H. Derrickson by F. C. Louhoff, that of James T. Prouse by E. W. McDowell, and that of Harry Taylor by M. S. Andrews.

The memoir of Mrs. Emma L. Layfield was read by Leonard White, that of Maria O. Poole by O. T. Baynard, that of Mrs. Georgia Jester by W. E. Habbart, that of Mrs. Julia E. Tompkinson by D. W. Jacobs, that of Florence L. Grant by O. E. Jones, that of Mrs. Lida J. Smith by M. S. Andrews.

On motion of the Secretary they were received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

The memoir of Mrs. Margaret Burke to be prepared by W. F. Corkran was ordered printed in the Minutes.

Bishop Leonard concluded the Memorial Service with prayer.

BISHOP LEONARD:—Bishop Leonard resumed the Chair and reviewed the Disciplinary Questions which are to be asked during the United Session.

CHANGE IN PROGRAM:—On motion of Leonard White the motion to adopt the printed program was reconsidered and the following changes made; Conference to convene Thursday at 8:45, with an address by the Bishop at 11:15; conference to convene each morning thereafter at 8:45 o'clock with the Bishop's address at 11:30 o'clock.

NUMBER OF DISTRICTS:—On motion of Tilghman Smith, consideration of the report of the Committee on Number of Districts was made the order of the day for Thursday morning after the necessary Disciplinary Questions are asked.

GREETINGS:—Bishop Leonard read a telegram from Bishop Edwin H. Hughes expressing his regret that he is unable to attend our Conference and extending his greetings and best wishes.

On motion of D. W. Jacobs the Secretary was instructed to send greetings to Bishop Hughes from Bishop Leonard and the Conference.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES:—On motion of W. E. Habbart the following were made a Committee on Committees to nominate the members of all special and standing committees after consultation with the Cabinet: L. E. Windsor, E. C. Hallman, T. F. Beauchamp, E. W. McDowell, and J. W. Colona, member at large.

ADJOURNMENT:—The United Session then adjourned.

THIRD SESSION—THURSDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened in United Session at 8:45 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions. T. R. VanDyke led in prayer.

JOURNAL:—The Journals of Wednesday's sessions were read and approved.

QUESTION 2:—The Second Question, "Is this Annual Conference Incorporated according to the Requirements of the Discipline?" was taken up.

Answer: "It is, Corporate Title, "Trustees of the Wilmington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

QUESTION 3:—The Third Question, "What Officers and Persons holding Moneys, Funds, etc., are bonded and in what amount according to the requirements of the Discipline?" was taken up. Answer: John J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer, \$50,000; W. A. Hearn, Treasurer Board of Conference Trustees, \$20,000; Jefferson Cooper, Treasurer Board of Stewards, \$30,000.

QUESTION 5:—Under Question 5, "What are the Items and Aggregate of General Conference Benevolences apportioned to this Conference and approved by this Body for the ensuing Year?" on motion of V. S. Collins the Cabinet was authorized to furnish the Secretary for publication in the Minutes the figures on the basis of 2½ percent of cash salary for the Conference now closing for the Episcopal Fund, also apportionments for World Service and General Conference Expenses.

QUESTION 27:—The Twenty-seventh Question, "Was the character of each Preacher examiner?" was resumed. The District Superintendents were called, their characters passed, and W. E. Habbart read the combined report of the District Superintendents. Leonard White read the section on Temperance. The Report as read, and portions not read were ordered printed in the Minutes.

TEMPERANCE RESOLUTIONS:—On motion of H. G. Budd Conference endorsed the section on Temperance in the District Superintendent's Report as expressing the sentiment of the entire Conference, and to be given out as the Resolutions on Temperance for this session of Conference.

On motion of A. C. Goddard, the following committee was appointed to report on ways and means to print this report and provide it for the constituency of the Conference: Frank Herson, J. H. Wright, J. T. Rowleson, and Howard Davis. Said committee was instructed to report at this afternoon's session.

ORDER OF DAY—COMMITTEE ON NUMBER OF DISTRICTS:—The Order of the Day was called and J. W. Colona presented a Majority Report and moved its adoption. Tilghman Smith then presented a Minority Report and moved to substitute it for the Majority Report.

RULES SUSPENDED:—On motion of L. B. Morgan the Rules were suspended and time for J. W. Colona presenting the Majority Report and Tilghman Smith presenting the Minority Report was extended to twenty minutes each.

TIME EXTENDED:—On motion of J. J. Bunting time was extended and after discussion Conference adjourned to meet at the close of the Corporate Session.

CORPORATE SESSION:—Conference convened in Corporate Session, W. E. Gunby presiding, for the purpose of electing Ministerial Trustees of Wesley Collegiate Institute.

On motion of L. B. Morgan the Corporate Session adjourned until the close of the Conference session this morning.

CONFERENCE RESUMED IN REGULAR SESSION:—Conference resumed in regular session.

1934 UNITED SESSION:—The following resolution was presented by I. Elmer Perry, President of the Lay Conference, and it was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the United Session of the Annual Conference and Lay Conference for the year 1934 take place on Friday and Saturday instead of Wednesday and Thursday.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and on motion of V. S. Collins Conference adjourned to reconvene at 2:15 this afternoon and to resume consideration of the Number of Districts after the address by Dr. W. J. Davidson. The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

CORPORATE SESSION:—The Corporate Session was resumed and the following were nominated and elected trustees of the Wesley Collegiate Institute for a term of three years: J. L. Johnson, V. S. Collins, L. B. Morgan, W. F. Corkran, and T. F. Beauchamp. E. P. Thomas was elected to fill the unexpired term of one year of R. K. Stephenson, resigned.

FOURTH SESSION—THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

UNITED SESSION.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 2:15 o'clock in United Session, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions. I. Elmer Perry led in prayer.

Dr. W. J. DAVIDSON:—The Bishop presented Dr. W. J. Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who addressed the Conference.

Dr. JOHN R. EDWARDS:—Dr. John R. Edwards, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions was introduced and spoke in the interests of World Service.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—The Order of the Day, discussion of the Minority Report of the Committee on Number of Districts, was resumed.

On motion of Prof. Dr. E. S. Crooks, each speaker was limited to two minutes.

After discussion, on motion of J. J. Bunting the Previous Question was called, and after presentation by Tilghman Smith and J. W. Colona, Item #1 in the Minority Report calling for Three Districts was voted on by the Ministers of the Conference and the result was a tie vote. The Bishop declared that no decision having been made the present status of Four Districts is therefore continued.

A vote of expression of opinion by the Lay Conference called by

I. Elmer Perry resulted in a vote of 72 for and 53 against Item #1 in the Minority Report.

ITEM #2 Minority Report:—On motion of J. W. Colona Item #2 was then considered. J. W. Colona then offered the Disciplinary Plan in Paragraph #329 of the Discipline as a substitute for Items #2 and #3 in the Minority Report.

On motion of D. W. Jacobs the matter was referred to the Annual Meeting of the District Stewards for their consideration and for their opinion to be expressed to the Conference next year.

On motion of E. C. Hallman the same Committee on Number of Districts was continued and authorized to present the Disciplinary Financial Plan to each District Stewards Meeting.

QUESTIONS 6 & 7:—Questions 6 & 7 were taken up but are to be answered later.

QUESTION 8—RICHARDSON PARK CHURCH:—Under question Eight, D. W. Jacobs presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension has approved the soliciting of designated gifts for the Richardson Park Church; and,

WHEREAS, Our Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension has also approved such solicitation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we, ministers and laymen assembled in United Session, approve the soliciting of designated gifts from individuals and churches for the Richardson Park Church to the amount of \$5,000 by October 1, 1933.

QUESTION 11:—The Eleventh Question, "What shall be the Evangelistic and Religious Education Plan for the Ensuing Year?" was taken up. H. H. Nuttle, Treasurer of the Conference Board of Education, presented Prof. W. B. Thornburgh, Mrs. Claude G. Thornton and Miss Marguerite Sterling who addressed the Conference.

W. E. Gunby presented the report of the Conference Board of Education which on motion of J. W. Colona was adopted with all the recommendations contained therein, including a request that the Bishop appoint James H. Bishop as Conference Director of Christian Education.

James H. Bishop was then introduced to the Conference.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—On motion of W. E. Gunby, consideration of the reopening of Wesley Collegiate Institute was made the Order of the Day for Friday morning after the reading of the Journal.

QUESTIONS 12 and 13:—Questions 12 and 13 were taken up with the Answer, NONE.

ADJOURNMENT:—After appropriate remarks by the Bishop and I. Elmer Perry and the singing of a hymn, the United Session adjourned for this year, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

FIFTH SESSION—FRIDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 8:45 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions, Dr. W. J. Davidson led in prayer.

JOURNALS:—The Journals of Thursday's sessions were read and approved.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—On motion of L. B. Morgan, it was voted to reconsider the motion setting the bond of the Treasurer of the Board of Stewards at \$50,000.

On motion of L. B. Morgan the bond was reduced to \$30,000.

INTRODUCTION:—R. A. Brooks, representing the Methodist Book Concern, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

ORDER OF DAY—WESLEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE:—The Order of the Day was taken up and W. E. Gunby presented the report of the Trustees of Wesley Collegiate Institute and moved adoption of the recommendations contained therein.

On motion of L. B. Morgan the privilege of the Floor was granted to H. H. Nuttle, Treasurer of the Board. After discussion, on motion of J. H. Brasher the previous question was called, and the recommendations of the Board were then adopted.

W. E. Gunby then presented the following nominations for a Follow-Up Committee to undertake to carry out the said recommendations, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, W. E. Gunby, J. L. Johnson, Melvin Hopkins, W. W. Mack, Harry H. Nuttle, E. P. Thomas, E. C. Hallman, E. F. Melson, T. J. Mowbray, Granville Hooper, and the District Superintendents; and on motion of V. S. Collins they were elected.

W. J. DAVIDSON:—Dr. W. J. Davidson was introduced and addressed the Conference concerning the action on Wesley Collegiate Institute.

EXCUSES:—L. E. Wimbrow and V. S. Collins were excused to attend funerals.

JOHN R. EDWARDS:—John R. Edwards, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interests of World Service.

STRAWBRIDGE HOME:—The report of the Strawbridge Home for Boys was read by Thomas S. Long, and it was adopted. J. W. Colona, Dr. C. Wilson Hughes, and Mrs. Mary T. Gambrill were elected Trustees of the Home, the Secretary casting the ballot.

BOOK CONCERN ACCOUNTS:—M. D. Richard, representative of the Book Concern addressed the Conference concerning preachers accounts.

TIME EXTENDED:—On motion of G. A. Cooke time was extended, Conference to adjourn after the Bishop's address.

EPISCOPAL FUND:—On motion of Leonard White the Conference Treasurer was instructed to send all monies in his hands for the Episcopal Fund to Dr. John R. Race at the earliest possible moment.

BISHOP'S ADDRESS:—Announcements were made and after singing a hymn, Bishop Leonard addressed the Conference on the Atonement, using as his text, "There they crucified Him."

ADJOURNMENT:—Conference then adjourned, G. A. Cooke pronouncing the benediction.

SIXTH SESSION—FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 2:15 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions, W. F. Corkran led in prayer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:—On motion of Tilghman Smith an Executive Session was ordered for Saturday morning.

BAR OF CONFERENCE:—The vote setting the Bar of the Conference was reconsidered and on motion of C. I. Carpenter the Bar of the Conference was changed to the middle of the third window from the platform.

QUESTIONS 15 & 16:—Questions Fifteen and Sixteen were taken up with the Answer: None.

QUESTION 18:—The Eighteenth Question, "Who have been Continued on Trial?" was taken up. Richard M. Green, Joseph B. Vaughn and Theodore O. M. Willis were called, the Registrar reported and on motion they were continued on Trial in the Studies of the First Year.

Jacob C. Hanby, Leon W. Ross, and George V. Turner were called, the Registrar reported and on motion they were continued on Trial and Advanced to Studies of Second Year, the last named being Conditioned in one Subject.

QUESTION 19:—The Nineteenth Question, "Who have been Discontinued?" was taken up. Walter L. Russell was called, the Registrar reported that he was automatically discontinued by the Law of the Church, and Conference ordered the proper notation to be made in the Record.

QUESTION 22:—The Twenty-Second Question "What members are in Studies of Fourth Year?" was taken up. Henry T. Caldwell and Preston W. Spence were called, the Registrar reported and on motion they were Advanced to Studies of Fourth Year.

QUESTION 26:—The Twenty-Sixth Question "Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our schools?" was taken up. Oliver J. Friedel was called and he was left without appointment to attend a school not our own by a two-thirds vote of the Conference.

QUESTION 30:—The Thirtieth Question "Who have been Transferred and to what Conferences?" was taken. The Bishop announced the transfer of Henry G. Budd, Jr. to the New England Conference; Peter B. Burleigh to the Minnesota Conference, and William E. Harrison, Jr. to the Detroit Conference.

QUESTION 9:—The Ninth Question "What is the Schedule of Ministerial Support?" was taken up with the Answer: No report was possible at this time.

WILMINGTON CITY MISSIONARY AND CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY:—D. W. Jacobs presented the report of the Wilmington City Missionary and Church Extension Society and on his motion it was adopted with the recommendations contained therein.

GOUCHER COLLEGE:—The Secretary announced the election of Senator John G. Townsend as a Trustee of Goucher College.

SESQUI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE:—On motion of D. W. Jacobs the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That we request our presiding officer to appoint a committee of four, one from each district, to arrange for a program in the 1934 session of our Conference to commemorate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of our church at the Christmas Conference of 1784.

The following committee was appointed: E. C. Hallman, J. M. Kelso, R. C. Jones, and J. R. Bicking.

STEWARDSHIP:—A request from the Board of Education for the appointment of a Stewardship Committee was referred to the Cabinet with power to act.

PUBLICATION OF CONFERENCE MINUTES:—On motion of the Secretary consideration of the report of the Committee on Publication of Conference Minutes was taken up.

The Secretary read the report of last year found on page 131 of the 1932 Minutes and offered the following as a substitute for that report:

1. That the Annual Conference assume the financial responsibility for the publication of the Conference Minutes beginning with the 1933 session.
2. That the minutes be sent to the pastors C. O. D.
3. That the Secretary follow the usual custom of securing advertising matter.
4. That the Conference designate one of its members as Treasurer of the Minutes Publication Fund.
5. That the Secretary continue to supervise the publication and distribution of the Minutes.

On motion of L. B. Morgan this substitute was amended so as to give the Secretary the authority to edit the material for publication but not so as to do violence to the substance of any report.

The substitute was then adopted as amended.

TEMPERANCE RESOLUTIONS:—J. H. Wright presented a report from the Committee on Printing Temperance Resolutions and on motion of G. W. Dawson it was recommitted to the Committee with the request that it confer with Dr. Clarence True Wilson.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS:—On motion of J. W. Colona Conference requested the Bishop and his cabinet to dispense with the joint report of the District Superintendents and each Superintendent be requested to prepare a separate report not to consume more than twenty minutes.

BUREAU OF CONFERENCE BUDGET:—T. R. VanDyke nominated the following as members of the Bureau of Conference Budget to serve for a term of three years: T. F. Beauchamp, R. K. Stephenson, J. Everett Walls and Roland Messick; and they were elected.

GOOD WILL INDUSTRIES:—The Report of the Good Will Industries was read by O. A. Bartley and on his motion it was adopted.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:—On motion of E. C. Hallman, the Secretary was requested to print at the bottom of the Treasurer's Report a brief statement concerning the banking situation.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned.

SEVENTH SESSION—SATURDAY MORNING.

OPENING—EXECUTIVE SESSION:—Conference convened in Executive Session at 8:45 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions. John J. Bunting led in prayer.

DOORKEEPERS:—J. H. Gardner, H. O. Hufnal, C. W. Branford, and P. W. Spence were appointed doorkeepers.

JOURNAL:—The Journals of Friday's sessions were read and approved.

NECESSITOUS FUND:—On motion of E. P. Thomas the sum of \$2412 was ordered for necessitous cases.

QUESTION 17:—The Seventeenth Question "Who have been Received on Trial?" was taken up. The recommendations were received in due form for Admission on Trial of J. B. Dickerson, Ray W. Kirwan, D'Arcy A. Littleton, Wm. M. Parker and Raymond W. Hallman, and they were introduced. The Registrar reported, the Committee recommended, the District Superintendents represented and by formal action J. B. Dickerson, Ray W. Kirwan and D'Arcy A. Littleton were Received on Trial and placed in Studies of First Year; Raymond W. Hallman was Received on Trial placed in Studies of Third Year and elected to Deacon's Orders under the Seminary Rule; and Wm. M. Parker, now a Local Elder, was received on Trial and placed in Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.

QUESTION 20:—The Twentieth Question "Who have been admitted into Full Membership?" was taken up. O. J. Friedel, Wm. H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson, and Lucian L. Powell were called, the Registrar reported, the Committee recommended, the District Superintendents represented and on motion they were elected to Deacon's Orders, advanced to

Studies of Third Year, and Conference voted to admit them into full Membership upon answering the usual Disciplinary Questions.

James F. Langrall, already a Deacon, was called, the Registrar reported, the Committee recommended, the District Superintendent represented and on motion he was Continued in Studies of Fourth Year and Conference voted to admit him into Full Membership upon answering the usual Disciplinary Questions.

SUMMER SCHOOL:—On motion of T. F. Beauchamp Conference directed the Bureau of Budget to allow the sum of \$600 for the Summer School of Ministerial Training.

QUESTION 23:—The Twenty-Third Question "What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?" was taken up. Elwood B. Eckhart, Frederick C. Louhoff, Alfred W. Strickland, and Grayson H. Wheatley were called, the Registrar reported, and on motion they were graduated from the Conference Course of Study and elected to Elders Orders. Sidney B. Bradley and Robert E. Green were called, the Registrar reported and on motion they were graduated from the Conference Course of Study and elected to Elders Orders under the Seminary Rule, Sidney E. Bradley to be ordained at the convenience of the Resident Bishop.

SUPPLY PASTORS:—The following resolutions were presented by T. F. Beauchamp and were adopted:

"WHEREAS, The 1932 Discipline advises Accepted Supply Pastors to take the Conference Course of Study (foot note under Par. 203) therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Wilmington Conference now in session recommends that all Accepted Supply Pastors take the Conference Course of Study including the Studies listed for Admission on Trial instead of the Local Preachers Course."

QUESTION 28:—The Twenty-Eighth Question "Who are accepted as Supply Pastors?" was taken up. Howard Davis presented the list of Accepted Supply Pastors as recommended by the Committee on Conference Relations and on motion this report was adopted. (See list).

QUESTION 29:—The Twenty-Ninth Question "What Accepted Supply Pastors now in charge are taking the Conference Course of Study?" was taken up. E. N. Wright and Joshua E. Layton are taking the Conference Course of Study in the First Year. David T. Campbell is taking the Local Preachers Course of Study in the Fourth Year.

QUESTION 29 Ib:—Question 29 Ib "Was the Character of each Accepted Supply Pastor now in charge examined?" was taken up. Answer: Yes.

QUESTION 33:—The Thirty-Third Question "Who have been Located?" was taken up. G. W. Dawson presented the recommendation of the Committee of Conference Relations that John A. Hudson be Located under paragraph 188, section 2 of the Discipline.

On motion of W. A. Wise, J. A. Hudson was granted the privilege of addressing the Conference.

On motion of V. S. Collins the recommendation of the Committee was approved and John A. Hudson was Located, Conference to retain his Credentials.

Leonard White requested the Bishop to give a ruling as to the right of the Conference to retain these Credentials.

GEORGE S. ALLEN:—On motion of R. T. Thawley, W. F. Corkran was given permission to receive Geo. S. Allen into Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

QUESTION 36:—The Thirty-Sixth Question "Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?" was taken up. Conference ordered the name of Claude W. Clark to be recorded with the notation "withdrawn under complaints."

EXECUTIVE SESSION:—The Executive Session then adjourned and Conference convened in Regular Session.

FUNDS IN BANK:—J. W. Colona offered resolutions relative to Church Funds tied up in banks and not now available and after discussion on motion of R. P. Nichols Conference referred the whole matter to the following committee with the request that it report on Monday morning: J. W. Colona, J. J. Bunting, and E. C. Hallman.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS:—On motion of Tilghman Smith the following were elected to serve on Board of Ministerial Qualifications for a term of three years: M. W. Marine, L. E. Windsor, M. E. Wheatley, and J. W. Colona.

TIME EXTENDED:—Announcements were made and Time was Extended.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Dr. Clarence True Wilson, General Secretary of Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals, Mrs. Clarence True Wilson, and their daughter Miss Elizabeth Mary Wilson were introduced to the Conference. Dr. Wilson addressed the Conference.

QUESTION 20:—The Twentieth Question "Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?" was resumed. Oliver J. Friedel, William H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson, Lucian L. Powell, and James F. Langrall were called, the Bishop addressed the Class, they answered the usual Disciplinary Questions and were Received into Full Membership. Dr. Clarence True Wilson led in prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION:—Conference voted to meet this afternoon at 2:30 instead of 2:15 o'clock.

ADJOURNMENT:—Conference then adjourned the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

EIGHTH SESSION—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 2:15 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions, H. G. Budd led in prayer.

QUESTIONS 43 & 44:—The Forty-Third and Forty-Fourth Questions were taken up with the Answer: No Report.

QUESTION 45:—The Forty-Fifth Question "What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?" was taken up and Conference ordered the proper notations to be made in the Record.

COMMITTEE on COMMITTEES:—L. E. Windsor presented the following resolutions from the Committee on Committees and on his motion they were adopted. A section recommending the appointment of a committee on Pro-rating was not adopted.

Your Committee desires to make the following recommendations:

FIRST, That a Nominating Committee consisting of one minister from each District and one at large, the District Superintendents ex-officio, be raised by the Conference for the purpose of making nominations annually of all Standing Committees, Special Committees, Commissions, Boards, and Organizations of the Conference whose charter does not determine the method of election. And that this Committee be appointed annually by the presiding Bishop at the time of the organization of the Conference. This provision shall not prevent the naming of special committees as the Conference deems them necessary.

It is further recommended that a Commission on Conference Entertainment consisting of one minister and one Layman from each District of the Conference, the Secretary of the Annual Conference, the Chairman and Treasurer of the Bureau of Conference Budget, and the District Superintendents ex-officio, be appointed. To which shall be referred all invitations for the entertainment of the session of the Conference. The Commission shall decide upon the place where the Conference is to meet not later than four months before the Conference session.

L. E. Windsor, for the Committee, then offered the nominations for the various Boards, Standing Committees, and Commissions and on his motion they were elected.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:—A motion of G. W. Dawson to set up a Temperance Committee was on motion of D. W. Jacobs referred to the Committee on Committees.

QUESTION 49:—The Forty-Ninth Question "Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?" was taken up. The following invitations were received. 1. To Asbury Church, Wilmington, Del. by Ivanhoe Willis on Plan #3; 2. To Ebenezer Church, Easton, Md. by J. Harry

Wright on Plan #3; 3. To our church at Newark, Del. by W. E. Gunby on Plan #3.

On motion of J. W. Colona these invitations and any others were referred to the Commission on Conference Entertainment.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—E. P. Thomas presented the report of the Board of Stewards and it was adopted.

CIRCUIT RECORDS:—E. C. Hallman presented the following resolutions and they were adopted:

"Inasmuch as there are no tabulated statistics in our Minutes indicating the strength of each separate Church of a Circuit and also no way to know the names of the churches comprising the circuit. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we request the Secretary to include a blank in the envelope sent the pastors indicating the name of the Circuit, the name of each church comprising the Circuit, their membership, the ministerial support, and World Service giving. Be it also

RESOLVED, That this information be published in our Minutes and that this become operative in 1934."

RESOLUTIONS—BOARD OF EDUCATION:—Leonard White presented the following resolutions and they were adopted, the Secretary being instructed to send a copy to Dr. F. C. Eislen, Chicago:

"The Wilmington Conference has noted with pleasure the recent action of the Board of Education relative to the topics which our Epworth Leagues are to study during 1934. We agree with the Board in its new policy to place greater emphasis upon the experience centered approach to the problems of Christian living. We are also delighted to learn that greater emphasis is to be placed upon the 'great affirmations of our faith', and that a larger place is to be given to subjects that have a definite Bible basis."

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS:—On motion of Howard Davis the following were elected members of the Committee on Conference Relations to serve for a term of three years: J. L. Sparklin, J. J. Bunting, J. W. Jones, and C. C. Harris.

CHANGE OF RELATION:—On the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations the requests of Virgil E. Rorer and John P. Outten for the Retired Relation were granted.

QUESTION 39:—The Thirty-Ninth Question "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?" was taken up. Wm. F. Godwin was called, and he was continued in the Supernumerary Relation for the Fourth Year.

QUESTION 41:—The Forty-First Question "Who have been granted a Leave of Absence?" was taken up, and on the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations Francis B. Short was granted a leave of Absence for one year.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:—W. A. Hearn, Treasurer of the Conference Board of Trustees presented his report and it was received and ordered printed in the Minutes; together with reports of the Barratt's Chapel Fund, and the Washington Foster Estate.

M. S. Andrews presented the following nominations for members of the Conference Board of Trustees and they were elected, the Secretary casting the ballot: J. T. Richardson, John M. Kelso, and Melvin E. Wheatley, for a term of three years.

ADJOURNMENT:—Conference adjourned, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

NINTH SESSION—SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Ordination Service.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 3 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions.

Deacons:—The Secretary of the Conference called the names and presented those elected to Deacon's Orders, and Oliver J. Friedel, Raymond W. Hallman, William H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson and Lucian L. Powell were ordained as Deacons.

Elders:—Those elected to Elder's Orders were called and presented and the Bishop, assisted by the District Superintendents and other elders ordained Elwood B. Eckhart, Robert E. Green, Frederick C. Louhoff, Alfred W. Strickland and Grayson H. Wheatley as Elders.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

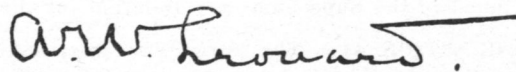
This is to certify that on the second day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-three, I ordained as DEACONS

Oliver F. Friedel	Roland H. Nelson
Raymond W. Hallman	Lucian L. Powell
William H. Kohl	

and, assisted by the District Superintendents and other Elders, I ordained as ELDERS

Elwood B. Eckhart	Alfred W. Strickland
Robert E. Green	Grayson H. Wheatley
Frederick C. Louhoff	

they having been duly elected to the above orders respectively by the Wilmington Annual Conference.



Rehoboth Beach, Del.

Bishop.

TENTH SESSION—MONDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 8.45 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL:—The Journals of Saturday's sessions were read and approved.

QUESTION 26:—The Twenty-Sixth Question, "Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our schools?" was resumed. The name of Raymond W. Hallman was added to this list.

STATISTICIAN:—The Fourth Question was taken up and J. W. Wootten, Statistician, read his report, which was received and ordered printed in the Minutes. On motion of J. R. Bicking, J. W. Wootten was elected Statistician of the Conference for the next session.

TREASURER:—J. J. Bunting, Treasurer, read his report, which was received and ordered printed in the Minutes. On motion of Leonard White, J. J. Bunting was elected Treasurer for the next session of Conference.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING:—After consultation with the Registrar the Bishop appointed the members of the Board of Ministerial Training. See list.

QUESTION 40:—The Fortieth Question, "Who are the Retired Ministers?" was taken up. The Retired Ministers of the Conference were called, their characters passed, and their relation continued.

SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTY:—Leonard White was granted permission to sell certain church properties on the Salisbury District, namely, Zion Church on Fruitland Charge and Crowsontown Church.

SUPPLY PASTORS:—On motion of W. E. Habbart each Accepted Supply Pastor was directed to hand in a record of the churches he has served with dates, and that this record be printed in the Minutes.

MINISTERIAL CONTINGENT RELIEF FUND:—R. K. Stephenson, Trustee of the Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund, read his report, which was adopted, and on motion of J. L. Johnson he was reelected.

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY:—L. E. Wimbrow nominated the following to serve for a term of three years on the Conference Education Society, and they were elected, the Secretary casting the ballot: M. E. Wheatley, D. W. Jacobs, M. S. Andrews, W. O. Hoffecker, A. C. Humphries and J. M. Tawes.

OFFICIAL VISITORS:—H. G. Budd presented nominations for Official Visitors to schools and colleges and they were confirmed.

RICHARDSON PARK:—At the request of D. W. Jacobs, W. A. Hearn reported on the work at Richardson Park.

EXCUSED:—J. T. Rowleson was excused to attend a funeral.

DELMARVA SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR YOUTH:—The report of the Delmarva Summer Institute for Youth was read by W. V. Moore, Dean, and was adopted. Date for the 1933 Institute was set for July 8-16.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:—J. H. Wright made the following report of the Committee on Printing Temperance Resolutions, and it was adopted:

"That Conference through the Secretary request the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals to publish the section of the District Superintendent's Report that deals with the Prohibition question. Copies of this pamphlet will then be available to the ministers at a minimum cost, and at no expense to the Conference.

Distribution will be a cooperative action on the part of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals and the Anti-Saloon League of Delaware and Maryland."

AUDITOR'S REPORT:—H. B. Kelso, Conference Auditor, read his report, which was adopted and on motion of Leonard White he was re-elected.

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF CHURCH AND SOCIAL SERVICE:—L. E. Wimbrow read the report of the Committee on State of the Church and Social Service, which with an amendment by A. C. Goddard was adopted.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:—L. E. Windsor for the Committee on Committees presented nominations for the special Temperance Committee and they were elected.

COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM:—On motion of L. E. Windsor, the following were elected members of the Commission on Evangelism to serve for a term of three years: R. C. Jones, C. C. Harris and J. H. Wright.

F. D. Lawrence was elected to fill the unexpired term of Samuel McWilliams.

COMMITTEE ON UNAVAILABLE FUNDS:—J. W. Colona requested that the Committee on Unavailable Funds be discharged without further action on the matter and on his motion the request was granted.

DIVORCE:—On motion of J. H. Wright the matter of Divorce Legislation in the Delaware Legislature was referred to the Committee on State of the Church and Social Service and to the District Superintendents, their report to be printed in the Minutes.

On motion of V. S. Collins, Conference immediately protested against all such divorce legislation.

COMMUNICATIONS OF APPRECIATION:—On motion of R. L. Minker the Secretary was instructed to extend our appreciation to Dr. W. J. Thompson, Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, Dr. Clarence True Wilson, and Dr. W. J. Davidson for their contributions to the program of the Conference.

BISHOP McDOWELL:—On motion of W. V. Moore, Conference instructed the Secretary to send greetings to Bishop McDowell from the Conference and from Bishop Leonard.

INTRODUCTION:—Mrs. C. I. Carpenter was presented to the Conference by the Bishop.

RESOLUTIONS AND THANKS:—The report of the Committee on Resolutions and Thanks was presented by J. C. B. Hopkins, and it was adopted by a rising vote.

EDIT MINUTES:—On motion of Leonard White the Secretary was ordered to edit the Minutes and the Printed Journal was made the Official Journal of the Conference.

JOURNAL:—The Journal of the morning session was approved without reading.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENT:—On motion of D. W. Jacobs the Bishop was requested to appoint E. C. Prettyman, Superintendent of the Connecticut Anti-Saloon League.

ADJOURNMENT:—On motion of Tilghman Smith it was ordered that after suitable devotions and the reading of the appointments, Conference be adjourned.

APPOINTMENTS:—Appointments were read, the Bishop pronounced the benediction and Conference adjourned.

A. W. Leonard

President.

J. R. Bicking

Secretary.

IV DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

A. UNITED SESSION.

1. **Who are the members of the Lay Conference present, and who are its officers?**
(See Secretaries' record for names of members.) President, I. Elmer Perry, Wilmington, Del.; Secretary, Charles W. Cook, Jr., Wilmington, Del.; Granville Hooper, Cambridge, Md.
2. **Is the Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirement of the Discipline?**
It is. Corporate Title, "Trustees of the Wilmington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church."
3. **What Officers and Persons holding Moneys, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what Amounts, According to the Requirement of the Discipline?**
John J. Bunting, Conf. Treas., \$50,000; W. A. Hearn, Treas. Board of Conf. Trustees, \$20,000; Jefferson Cooper, Treas. Board of Stewards, \$30,000.
4. **What are the Statistical and Financial Reports for the year?**
 - (a) From the Statistician. See Statistical Report.
 - (b) From the Treasurer. See Treasurer's Report.
 - (c) Other items. See various reports.
5. **What are the Items and Aggregate of General Conference Benevolences apportioned to this Conference and approved by this body for the ensuing year?**
World Service, \$88,798; Episcopal Fund, \$6,638; General Conference Expenses, \$5,143 (for the Quadrennium).
6. **What Reports and Exhibits are presented by the Conference Boards and Institutions?**
See answers 43-47.
7. **What are the Items and Aggregate of Annual Conference Benevolences approved by this body for the ensuing year?**
No report possible at this time.
8. **What approved financial campaigns are to be carried on in this Conference during the ensuing year, and for what amounts?**
Richardson Park, \$5,000, on basis of designated gifts as approved by Board of Home Miss. and Ch. Ex. and the Conf. Board of Home Missions.
9. **What is the schedule of Minimum Support?**
No report is possible at this time.

10. **What are the approved claims for the support of the District Superintendents, Bishops and Conference Claimants for the ensuing year?**
District Superintendents, not yet determined; Bishops, \$6,638; Conference Claimants, \$58,860.

11. **What shall be the Evangelistic and Religious Educational Plan for the ensuing year?**
See report of Board of Education.

12. **What Standing Committees shall be appointed by this body?**
None.

13. **What other items of business shall be considered by this United Session?**
None.

B. ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSION.

14. **Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?**
Alvin C. Goddard, Maine, Sept. 1, 1932; William J. McKee, Northern Minnesota, Aug. 1, 1932.
15. **Who have been Readmitted?**
None.
16. **Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?**
None.
17. **Who have been Received on Trial?**
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
Joseph B. Dickerson, Ray W. Kirwan, D'Arcy A. Littleton.
 - (b) In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.
Raymond W. Hallman, William M. Parker.
 - (c) Exempt from Course of Study under Seminary Rule.
None.
18. **Who have been Continued on Trial?**
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
Richard M. Green, Joseph B. Vaughn, Theodore O. M. Wills.
 - (b) In Studies of Second Year.
Jacob C. Hanby, Leon W. Ross, George V. Turner.
 - (c) In Studies of Third Year.
None.
 - (d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
None.
19. **Who have been Discontinued?**
Walter L. Russell.

- 20. Who have been admitted into Full Membership?**
- (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.
Oliver J. Friedel, William H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson, Lucian L. Powell.
- (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.
James F. Langrall.
- (c) Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.
None.
- (d) Ordained Deacon, having been previously elected by — Conference.
None.
- 21. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?**
- (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.
Oliver J. Friedel, William H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson, Lucian L. Powell.
- (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
None.
- 22. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?**
Henry T. Caldwell, James F. Langrall, Preston W. Spence.
- 23. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?**
- (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.
Elwood B. Eckhart, Frederick C. Louhoff, Alfred W. Strickland, Grayson H. Wheatley.
- (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.
None.
- (c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.
Robert E. Green.
Sidney B. Bradley—to be ordained at the convenience of the Resident Bishop.
- (d) Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.
None.
- (e) Ordained Elder, having been previously Elected by — Conference.
None.
- (f) Ordained Elder elsewhere under our Election.
None.
- 24. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?**
- (a) As Local Preachers.
None.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
- (c) Under the Seminary Rule.
Raymond W. Hallman.
- (d) Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.
None.

- 25. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?**
- (a) As Local Deacons.
None.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
- (c) Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.
None.
- 26. Who have been left without Appointment to Attend One of our Schools?**
Raymond W. Hallman, Oliver J. Friedel.
- 27. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?**
Yes.
- 28. Who are accepted as Supply Pastors?**
Reuben H. Adams, William F. Atkinson, William C. Buckson, Walter L. Beckwith, Charles G. Cannon, David T. Campbell, Robert G. Conner, Walter E. Fosnocht, John C. Galloway, John T. Graham, Samuel L. Hanby, Arthur T. P. Hudson, John R. Jester, Edward C. Justis, John P. Kelley, Robert L. Kirby, Jr., Joshua E. Layton, Jefferson G. Lynn, Wm. L. McClintock, Frank K. McCorkle, Levin T. McLain, Daniel B. Prettyman, Harlan M. Ralph, Maurice M. Romans, Charles D. Sharpless, James C. Steen, Arthur G. Thomas, John H. Thornton, Alonzo Travers, Edward Walraven, John F. Willis, Robert H. Wilson, Alfred L. White, Ernest N. Wright.
- 29. (a) What Accepted Supply Pastors now in charge are taking**
- I. The Conference Course of Study?**
1. In the First Year.
Ernest N. Wright and Joshua E. Layton.
2. In the Second Year.
None.
3. In the Third Year.
None.
4. In the Fourth Year.
None.
- II. The Local Preachers' Course of Study?**
1. In the First Year.
None.
2. In the Second Year.
None.
3. In the Third Year.
None.
4. In the Fourth Year.
David T. Campbell.

- (b) Was the character of each Accepted Supply Pastor now in charge examined?
Yes.
- (c) What Local Preachers have completed satisfactorily the studies prescribed?
1. For Deacon's Orders.
None.
 2. For Elder's Orders.
None.
30. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?
Henry G. Budd, Jr., New England; Peter B. Burleigh, Minnesota; William E. Harrison, Jr., Detroit.
31. Who have Died?
Edmund H. Derrickson, Harvey W. Ewing, Charles T. Jones, James T. Prouse, Harry Taylor.
32. Who have been Located at their own Request?
None.
33. Who have been Located?
John A. Hudson.
34. Who have Withdrawn?
- (a) From the Ministry.
None.
 - (b) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church.
None.
 - (c) By surrender of the Ministerial Office.
None.
35. Who have been Deprived of the Ministerial Office?
None.
36. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?
Claude W. Clark.
37. Who have been Expelled?
None.
38. What other personal Notation should be made?
None.
39. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?
Wm. F. Godwin (4).
40. Who are the Retired Ministers?
W. O. Bennett, G. W. Bowman, W. H. Briggs, L. M. Broadway, J. A. Buckson, H. G. Budd, V. S. Collins, W. F. Corkran, J. W. Easley, T. N. Given, J. W. Gray, W. E. Greenfield, G. H. Hast-

- ings, E. L. Hoffecker, T. S. Holt, O. E. James, G. P. Jones, L. W. Layfield, J. M. Lindale, O. L. Martin, W. E. Matthews, F. X. Moore, W. R. Mowbray, M. D. Nutter, J. P. Otis, J. P. Outten, A. P. Prettyman, J. D. Reese, J. T. Richardson, V. E. Rorer, Adam Stengle, R. K. Stephenson, E. C. Sunfield, W. P. Taylor, C. H. Williams, D. H. Willis, Daniel Wilson, J. H. Wilson, W. A. Wise, G. E. Wood.
41. Who have been granted Leave of Absence?
Francis B. Short.
42. Who are the Triers of Appeals?
L. E. Poole, E. C. Hallman, W. A. Wise, J. W. Colona, Frank Herson. Reserves: G. W. Dawson and Leolan Jackson.
43. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?
No report.
44. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?
No report.
45. What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?
For Annuity distribution, 2352 years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of \$24 per Year, \$56,448; For Necessitous distribution, \$2412; Total, \$58,860.
46. (a) What has been Received on these Claims?
From The Book Concern, \$0; From Annual Conf. Investments, \$12,382; From the Chartered Fund, \$0; From Pastoral Charges, \$25,406; From Board of Pensions and Relief, \$0; From Other Sources, \$0—Total, \$37,788.
- (b) How has it been Applied?
See report of Board of Stewards.
47. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?
\$58,860.
48. Where are the Preachers Stationed?
See List of Appointments.
49. Where shall the Next Session of the Conference be held?
To be determined by the Commission.

V
APPOINTMENTS

DOVER DISTRICT.

W. E. Habbart, District Superintendent, (P. O., Dover, Del.). (5).

Beckwith & Spedden, R. H. Nelson (2) P. O. Cornersville, Md.	Hoopers Island, (Sup.) C. G. Cannon (1) P. O. Fishing Creek, Md.
Bethel, Del., (Sup.) J. R. Jester (4)	Houston, Del., J. C. Hanby (3)
Blades, Del., James O'Neil (3) P. O. Seaford, Del.	Hurlock, Md., W. M. Nesbit (1)
Bridgeville, Del., J. H. Brasher (2)	Laurel, Del., M. W. Marine (5)
Cambridge, Md., W. G. Harris (3)	Lewes, Del., R. C. Jones (4)
Camden, Del., D. J. Givan (5)	Lincoln, Del., (Sup.) J. F. Willis (3)
Canterbury, Del., (Sup.) H. G. Budd (2)	Little Creek, Del., (Sup.) E. D. Walraven (1)
Church Creek, Md., (Sup.) J. C. Galloway (1)	Magnolia and Barratt's Chapel, J. H. Whedbee (2) P. O. Magnolia, Del.
Crapo, Md., S. T. Hamblin (2)	Milford, Del., Frank Herson (7)
Dover, Del.:	Milford Neck, N. C. Benson (8) P. O. Frederica, Del.
St. Paul's, (Sup.) A. L. White (7)	Millsboro, Del., J. A. Clark (2)
Wesley, E. P. Thomas (1)	Milton, Del., R. S. Hodgson (3)
East New Market, Md., A. F. Zimmerman (1)	Mt. Pleasant, G. A. Cooke (2) P. O. Laurel, Del.
Ellendale, Del., (Sup.) R. G. Conner (3)	Mt. Zion, L. E. Windsor (8) P. O. Seaford, Del.
Elliott's Is., Md., (Sup.) W. Sylvester (1)	Nassau, Del., D. J. Ford (1)
Farmington, Del., J. F. Langrall (2)	Rehoboth, Del., C. Irving Carpenter (3)
Federalsburg, Md., R. P. Nichols (6)	St. Thomas, J. P. Landon (2) P. O. Bishop's Head, Md.
Felton, Del., H. T. Caldwell (3)	Seaford, Del., L. E. Windsor (8)
Frederica, Del., N. C. Benson (8)	Seaford Ct., R. W. Campbell (2) P. O. Seaford, Del.
Galestown & Reliance, (Sup.) W. F. Corkran (1)	Secretary, Md., (Sup.) W. L. Beckwith (2)
P. O. Seaford, Del.	Vienna, Md., J. W. Sutton (1)
Georgetown, Del., O. E. Jones (3)	Williamsburg, Md., (Sup.) J. E. Jones (1)
Georgetown Ct., (Sup.) H. M. Ralph (4)	Wyoming, Del., F. D. Milbury (3)
P. O. Georgetown, Del.	Zoar Circuit, (Sup.) T. Hastings (1)
Greenwood, Del., R. E. Green (1)	P. O. Milford, Del.
Harrington, Del., E. H. Collins (10)	

MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

E. C. Hallman, District Superintendent, (P. O., Middletown, Del.). (1).

Bayside, P. O. Sherwood, Md.	J. H. Geoghegan (2) (Sup.) A. G. Thomas (3)	Marydel, Md., A. W. Goodhand (1) P. O. Millington, Md.
Bozman and Neavitt, (Sup.) Alonzo Travers (4) P. O. Bozman, Md.		Millington and Dulaney, P. O. Millington, Md.
Burrsville, P. O. Denton, Md.	W. R. Woodell (1)	Odessa and Friendship, F. C. Louhoff (2) P. O. Odessa, Del.
Cecilton, Md., J. C. McCoy (2)		Oxford, Md., N. B. Lawrason (2)
Centreville, Md., R. T. Thawley (2)		Preston, Md., T. R. Van Dyke (3)
Chestertown, Md., Frank White (2)		Pomona, H. O. Hufnal (1) P. O. Chestertown, Md.
Cheswold, Del., Ray H. Kirwan (1)		Queenstown, Md., (Sup.) C. D. Sharpless (3)
Church Hill, Md., Leon W. Ross (2)		Ridgely, Md., W. D. Short (1)
Clayton, Del., C. W. Strickland (1)		Rock Hall, Md., C. W. Spry (1)
Concord, (Sup.) S. L. Hanby (5) P. O. Federalsburg, Md.		Royal Oak, Md., (Sup.) W. F. Atkinson (5)
Cordova, Md., W. M. Parker (1)		St. Michaels, Md., E. W. Hennis (5)
Crumpton, Md., (Sup.) A. T. Hudson (2)		Smyrna, Del., J. L. Johnson (1)
Denton, Md., M. S. Andrews (1)		Still Pond and Betterton, J. T. Price (2) P. O. Still Pond, Md.
Easton, Md., J. Harry Wright (2)		Sudlersville, Md., J. C. B. Hopkins (2)
Fairlee, (Sup.) E. N. Wright (3) P. O. Chestertown, Md.		Tilghman, Md., W. G. Barlow (2)
Galena, Md., E. B. Eckhart (1)		Townsend, Del., C. N. Jones (3)
Greensboro, Md., G. W. Dawson (2)		Trappe, Md., (Sup.) D. B. Prettyman (1)
Hillsboro, Md., J. H. Gardner (2)		Wye Mills and Starr, (Sup.) W. L. McClintock (7) P. O. Wye Mills, Md.
Henderson and Barclay, (Sup.) J. G. Lynn (3) P. O. Henderson, Md.		
Kenton and Hartley, O. B. Rice (1) P. O. Kenton, Del.		
Kent Island, Md., Leolan Jackson (4) P. O. Stevensville, Md.		
Middletown, Del., M. E. Wheatley (4)		

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Leonard White, District Superintendent, (P. O., Salisbury, Md.). (5).

Berlin, Md., J. R. Bicking (3)	Crisfield, Md.:
Bishopville, Md., L. L. Powell (1)	Asbury, J. T. Rowlenon (1)
Cape Charles, Va., L. E. Poole (5)	Immanuel, J. J. Bunting (9)
Chincoteague, Va., C. W. Branford (1)	Dagsboro & St. Georges, O. H. Connelly (4) P. O. Dagsboro, Del.

Deals Island, Md., J. C. Bolton (6)	Powellville,
Delmar, Del., G. W. Bounds (2)	(Sup.) D. T. Campbell (2)
Fairmount, (Sup.) R. H. Wilson (2)	P. O. Pittsville, Md.
P. O. Upper Fairmount, Md.	Princess Anne, Md.,
Frankford, Del., W. L. Hess (2)	J. E. Parker (3)
Fruitland, Md., F. A. Baker (2)	Quantico, Md., W. J. Ennis (4)
Girdletree, Md., E. B. Taylor (1)	Roxana, Del.,
Gumboro, (Sup.) J. P. Kelley (4)	(Sup.) F. K. McCorkle (4)
P. O. Frankford, Del.	St. Peters, R. W. Mills (7)
Hebron, Md., W. C. Poole (1)	P. O. Oriole, Md.
Mardela Springs, Md.,	
(Sup.) L. T. McLain (3)	Salisbury, Md.:
Marion, Md.,	Asbury, F. D. Lawrence (2)
(Sup.) J. T. Graham (4)	Grace, J. S. Eldridge (4)
Mt. Vernon, O. B. Reed (1)	Selbyville, Del., W. V. Moore (3)
P. O. Princess Anne, Md.	Sharptown, Md., G. S. Thomas (1)
Nanticoke, Md., H. V. Branford (5)	Smith's Island,
Newark, Md., G. H. Wheatley (1)	(Sup.) M. T. Romans (3)
Ocean City, Md., R. L. Tawes (1)	P. O. Ewell, Md.
Ocean View and Millville,	Snow Hill, Md.,
D. J. Moore (1)	T. F. Beauchamp (4)
P. O. Ocean View, Del.	Somerset, W. J. McKee (2)
Onancock, Va., W. Everett (1)	P. O. Chance, Md.
Parsonburg, Md., Conrad Hamer (1)	Stockton, Md., O. T. Baynard (1)
Phoebus, Va., G. E. Sterling (1)	Tangier, Va., H. B. Kelso (4)
Pittsville, Md., W. H. Kohl (3)	Westover, Md.,
Pocomoke City, Md.,	(Sup.) R. L. Kirby (2)
L. E. Wimbrow (3)	Whitesville, Del.,
Pocomoke Ct., D. Littleton (1)	(Sup.) W. C. Buckson (3)
P. O. Pocomoke City, Md.	Willards, Md.,
	(Sup.) J. W. Gray (11)

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Disston W. Jacobs, District Superintendent, (P. O., 2705 Harrison St., Wilmington, Del.). (5).

Bethel and Town Point,	Chester-Bethel, S. B. Bradley (2)
J. B. Vaughn (3)	P. O. Boothwyn, Pa.
P. O. Chesapeake City, Md.	Christiana, Del., R. M. Green (3)
Brack-Ex, (Sup.) R. H. Adams (14)	Claymont, Del., E. W. McDowell (4)
P. O. Elsmere, Del.	Delaware City, Del., H. M. Parks (2)
Charlestown, Md.,	Ebenezer, T. O. M. Wills (2)
(Sup.) J. H. Thornton (1)	P. O. Newark, Del.
Cherry Hill, J. R. Diehl (3)	Edge Moor, Del.,
P. O. Elkton, Md.	(Sup.) W. E. Fosnocht (7)
Chesapeake City, Md.,	Elk Neck, G. V. Turner (2)
O. P. Jefferson (2)	P. O. North East, Md.

Elkton, Md., L. B. Morgan (4)	St. John's, J. W. Prettyman (1)
Hockessin and Cedars,	P. O. Lewisville, Pa.
C. E. Davis (4)	Stanton, Del., J. B. Dickerson (1)
P. O. Hockessin, Del.	Zion Circuit, C. H. Atkins (1)
Holly Oak, Del.,	P. O. North East, Md.
(Sup.) J. E. Layton (9)	
Hopewell, H. N. Bailey (2)	WILMINGTON:
P. O. Port Deposit, Md.	
Marshallton, Del., O. J. Collins (4)	Asbury, Ivanhoe Willis (2)
Mt. Lebanon, P. W. Spence (2)	Bellefonte, (Sup.) J. C. Steen (6)
P. O. Wilm., Del., R. F. D. #1.	Brandywine, E. M. Shockley (4)
Newark, Del., W. E. Gunby (5)	Cookman, W. H. Revelle (1)
New Castle, Del., O. A. Bartley (3)	Eastlake, C. C. Harris (4)
Newport, Del., H. R. McDade (4)	Epworth, W. S. Grant (1)
North East, Md., P. E. Reynolds (1)	Grace, B. M. Johns (11)
Perryville, Md., Howard Davis (3)	Harrison Street, J. W. Colona (5)
Port Deposit and Colora,	Hillcrest, J. M. Kelso (1)
Tilghman Smith (4)	Kingswood, P. W. Spence (2)
P. O. Port Deposit, Md.	Madeley, V. E. Hills (3)
Red Lion, A. W. Strickland (3)	McCabe, A. C. Goddard (2)
P. O. Bear, Del.	Mt. Salem, J. W. Jones (3)
Richardson Park, Del.,	Scott, J. W. Wootten (3)
W. A. Hearn (2)	Silverbrook, R. L. Minker (4)
Rising Sun, Md., A. B. Frye (2)	St. Paul's, To be supplied
St. Georges and Summit,	Trinity, C. H. Hudson (4)
J. L. Sparklin (1)	Union, T. J. Sard (1)
P. O. St. Georges, Del.	

F. A. Lindhorst, Field Director Board of Education of Methodist Episcopal Church, Wesley Quarterly Conference, Dover, Del. (2).

E. C. Prettyman, Superintendent Connecticut Anti-Saloon League, McCabe Quarterly Conference, Wilmington, Del. (19).

F. B. Short, Year's Leave of Absence.

O. J. Friedel, left without appointment to attend school. (3).

R. W. Hallman, left without appointment to attend school. (1).

Miss Ruth Stow to The Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home, Wilmington.

Miss Ruth E. Wheatley, to The Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home, Wilmington.

Miss Catherine E. Frey, Mary Todd Gambrill Neighborhood Home.

VI REPORTS

(a) DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

To the Presiding Bishop and Brethren
Assembled in United Session:

We, your co-laborers, come to the close of another Conference year and herewith render report of our stewardship. For the loving kindness of our Heavenly Father and your loyal cooperation we are devoutly thankful.

The following is the list of ministers, their wives and widows who during the year have entered "the continuing city", that blessed abiding place of the redeemed:

Effective Minister.

Charles T. Jones, died Aug. 28, 1932, at Principio Furnace, Md.

Retired Ministers.

Harvey W. Ewing, died April 5, 1932, at Newark, Del.
Edmund H. Derrickson, died Oct. 18, 1932, at Odessa, Del.
James T. Prouse, died Dec. 31, 1932, at Gordon Heights, Del.
Harry Taylor, died Feb. 8, 1933, at Dover, Del.

Wives and Widows.

Mrs. Levin W. Layfield, died April 4, 1932, at Greenwood, Del.
Mrs. Maria O. Poole, died May 9, 1932, at Drexel Hill, Pa.
Mrs. Georgia Jester, died July 5, 1932, at Wilmington, Del.
Mrs. Julia E. Tomkinson, died Oct. 8, 1932, at Rehoboth Beach, Del.
Mrs. Florence H. Grant, died Dec. 4, 1932, at Rock Hall, Md.
Mrs. Margaret Burke, died Jan. 18, 1933, at Newark, Del.
Mrs. Lida J. Smith, died Feb. 16, 1933, at Dover, Del.

"O, what are all my sufferings here,
If, Lord, thou count me meet
With that illustrious host to appear
And worship at thy feet.
Give joy or grief, give ease or pain,
Take life or friends away.
But let me find them all again
In that eternal day."

Brief and appropriate memoirs will be presented and read at the Memorial Service.

It is our purpose in this report to briefly review the work for the several districts in relation to three main subjects; namely, buildings and improvements, christian education and young people's work and evangelism and church membership. No separate district reports will be printed in the minutes this year.

Welcome To The Laymen.

The period from the convening of the General Conference in May, 1932 up to and including the sessions of the Spring Conference of 1933 is fraught with profound significance in the development of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It marks the successful culmination of more than a century of agitation for the active and equally responsible association of Ministers and Laymen in solving the problems and formulating the program within the Annual Conferences which constitute our great Connec-tional Methodism.

Since the adjournment of the General Conference in a steady succession of Annual Conferences laymen have sat down with the ministers in United Session with equal privileges and responsibilities. Today the Wilmington Conference takes its place in the happy procession as we welcome the representative Laymen of the Charges of our Conference to full participation in the burdens and responsibilities, the privileges and joys that come to those who are working together for the upbuilding of our Methodism and the Kingdom of God on the Delmarva Peninsula.

Never have we been called upon to grapple with graver problems. Never have we been called upon to face greater difficulties. Never have we been challenged to more heroic devotion and self-sacrifice. Never have there greater need for sympathy and understanding, for mutual forbearance, for patience and charity. Organized religion has never been more bitterly assailed. The shattering of our ideals, the collapse of our ethical standards, is appalling. On the other hand, never has God been nearer, the resources of His wisdom and strength more available than now. Laymen of the Wilmington Conference, you have come to the Kingdom at such a time as this! Let us together prove that coming Providential, God-inspired and God-directed! Let us stand shoulder to shoulder in the common fight! Let us bend to the common task! Following closely the Head of the Church as He sets His face steadfastly to go, not to another crucifixion but to His coronation, we will together help to bring in a new and better day for the glory of God and the prosperity of Zion.

Legislation Affecting the Supply Pastor.

The last General Conference passed some legislation giving recognition to the supply pastor, and provided means by which he can better equip himself for the major duties that devolve upon him, by taking the conference course of study, or the local preacher's course of study, and attending the sessions of the Summer School of Ministerial Training. These rules apply to all supply pastors under 40 years of age, and likewise to all whose appointments began subsequent to 1920.

This legislation further provides that his character, fitness, training, and effectiveness be examined by the committee on Conference Relations, and passed by the Annual Conference.

This legislation further provides, that the supply pastor shall attend the sessions of Conference, and shall have the privilege of speaking on any question that comes before that body.

DOVER DISTRICT.

Evangelism and Church Membership.

The true Disciple of Christ has always tried to be a winner of souls, and that should be the chief object of the ministry and the Church.

Since assuming the responsibility of this office I have prayed that the entire District might be engulfed with the baptism of the Holy Ghost that would make every minister and layman a winner of souls.

Revivals have been held in nearly all the churches on the District, and in most instances the presence of the Lord has been manifested in the salvation of precious souls. Brother Whedbee of Magnolia, leads the list with 68, J. F. Langrall of Farmington 37, H. M. Ralph of Georgetown Ct. 33, W. G. Harris of Cambridge 21, E. B. Taylor of Nassau 18, James O'Neil of Blades 15, J. F. Willis of Lincoln 15, E. H. Collins of Harrington 14, and many others with 12 or less have brought in their sheaves with rejoicing and laid them at their Masters feet.

MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

Evangelism.

We have given Evangelism the first place in our thinking and the chief place in our hearts.

Evangelistic campaigns, mass and visitation, have been held in every church on the District with varying results. The returns are incomplete at this time but the reports that have come indicate a wide spread interest in things spiritual and a substantial gain in membership.

In many charges, large classes have been organized in Membership Training and received into church fellowship while other classes will be received on Easter Sunday.

In many churches, revival fires have burned as in days past and many have found the Lord at the Altar of prayer; proving conclusively that the days of Mass Evangelism have not passed.

Salisbury District Evangelism.

Last year over 1200 conversions were reported on Salisbury District with a net increase of over 500 in Full Membership. The record for this year is rather disappointing. During the first three years of the present Superintendency, Group Evangelistic meetings under the direction of the District Superintendent were held touching almost all points on the District. This past year the ministers decided against the Group Plan. During the first three years we never reported less than 1000 conversions. This year the number so far as I have been able to check up on the reports

in hand is about 600. We state the fact. We make no comment thereon. Two points on the District have had sweeping revivals. Smith's Island decided to discontinue the Camp Meeting temporarily, because of financial conditions. To take its place the pastor planned a series of one week meetings in each church on the Island. The Lord honored the work and 228 conversions were the result. With the number added last year this makes an increase in Full Membership of 280 in the two years of this pastorate, bringing the membership of the churches up to 608 out of the 850 people on the Island. There are less than 100 over 10 years of age not connected with the church.

Revivals follow the Rev. R. H. Wilson as flowers spring up in the pathway of the sun. Fairmount has had the greatest revival meetings in recent years. Ninety conversions were the immediate result. Flowing from this is a transformed spirit, courage instead of despair, harmony instead of contention. With improvement in the economic conditions Fairmount is bound to come back. It should be said that both of these pastors are Supplies.

At Dagsboro there were 56 conversions. A class of 25 young people, who had decided for Christ on Decision Day were trained by this careful, steady going pastor and received into Full Membership. This pastorate is one of the most thorough and fruitful on the District. A very fine year in every department of the work at Fruitland was crowned with 31 accessions. The Ladies Aid at Siloam the country appointment of this Charge submitted one of the best reports we have had since coming on the District. Pittsville added 18 making 106 brought into the Full Membership of the church in two and a half years. Only three of these have become inactive and the pastor declares that these will be brought into line again. Onancock with 34, Tangier 26, Roxana 30, Parsonsburg 17, Somerset 14, and other Charges with smaller numbers bring this total to about 600.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Evangelism and Church Membership.

For purposes of administration this district is divided into ten groups. Late last Summer and early Fall the Superintendent held group conferences with the pastors at which time subjects of vital importance to the program of the Church were considered, among which was the evangelistic emphasis in the pastor's presentation of the gospel message and in the general program of the Church.

Reports from pastors covering the year's work show that in many of the churches special evangelistic services have been conducted with gratifying numerical and spiritual results.

Rev. O. P. Jefferson, Pastor of Chesapeake City, reports sixteen conversions following a visitation evangelistic campaign combined with the evening evangelistic appeal.

The Pastor of Claymont, Rev. E. W. McDowell, conducted an evangelistic meeting in Aniline Village, located just north of Claymont and in which community no religious services were held, after twenty-eight

accessions had been received as the result of evangelistic efforts in the Claymont Church.

After a careful religious survey of the homes within the bounds of the Hopewell Charge the Pastor, Rev. H. N. Bailey, conducted a three weeks' evangelistic service resulting in twenty-six conversions.

Rev. O. A. Bartley, Pastor at New Castle, planned carefully his evangelistic emphasis during the Lenten Season which included group prayer meetings, visitation evangelism combined with the evening evangelistic services. His program will climax at Easter.

That folk will respond to a strong evangelistic message Sunday after Sunday in the regular services of the church is proven by Rev. A. B. Frye, Pastor of Rising Sun, who has seen sixteen persons converted at the altar of his church during the year. He also had fifteen conversions resulting from special meetings. This has also been the method of Rev. J. C. Galloway, Pastor of Stanton, who has had eighteen accept Christ during the regular Sunday evening services.

Gracious revival fires have burned at the altars of the churches at Edge Moor, Rev. W. E. Fosnacht, Pastor; Holly Oak, Rev. J. E. Layton, Pastor; Eastlake, Rev. C. C. Harris, Pastor, whose meetings continued five weeks with sixty conversions and reconsecrations; Trinity, Rev. C. H. Hudson, Pastor, with eighty-one conversions at the conclusion of a five weeks' meeting.

Other charges reporting special evangelistic services having been conducted are;—Cherry Hill, Christiana, Elkton, Newport, Port Deposit, Red Lion, Richardson Park; and in Wilmington, Asbury, Brandywine, Kingswood and Scott.

An unusual experiment in group evangelistic meetings was conducted by the Claymont group of churches, which group includes Chester, Bethel, Holly Oak, Newark Union, Claymont, Edge Moor, Bellefonte and Hillcrest. These meetings began Oct. 9th and concluded Feb. 26th with two weeks out for the Christmas season. The pastors of the seven churches assisted each other in the meetings. This creates interest on the part of the members of the church, furnishes valuable and sympathetic assistance to the pastor of the church, lends variety to the presentation and appeal of the gospel message, and when earnest pastoral visitation has been made previous to and during the time of such meeting and care is exercised in the conservation of the results such a group arrangement may be very beneficial to the church. We commend this plan to the favorable consideration of other groups of the district.

No Palm Sunday nor Holy Week nor Easter comes within this Conference year. An increasing number of our churches carefully plan and conduct their special evangelistic services during this period. Therefore, no report can be made at this time of the results of such services.

The following increases in full membership have been reported:—Grace 77; Brandywine 56; Silverbrook 50; Brack-Ex 30; Richardson Park 45; Mt. Salem 26; Chester-Bethel 25; McCabe and St. Georges 23 each; Union 25; Zion Circuit 21; Harrison Street 18; Elkton 16; Scott 15; Hockessin 13; twenty-six other charges each report having received 12 or less.

DOVER DISTRICT.

Christian Education and Young Peoples Work.

We are always delighted with the progress our country is making in education, and while our children and youth are being taught the principles of secular education in our schools and colleges, we are endeavoring, on the Dover District, to develop a program of Religious Education, dominated by true and vital Christian faith and life, that will inspire our young people to seek the highest New Testament experience.

Five Standard Training Schools have been held during the year. At Georgetown, Cambridge, Milford, Dover, and Federalsburg, with a total enrollment of 326 young people who are training for larger and more definite Christian Service.

21 enrolled in the Summer Institute for Youth at Dover where they spent a week under the influence and inspiration of some of our best and most consecrated Christian leaders.

43 of our young people participated in the Third Annual Youth Conference at McCabe Church in Wilmington in February, and returned to their home Churches with new vigor and determination to do their part in the building of Gods Kingdom on Earth.

The Epworth League, with Rev. W. G. Harris as the District President has made some rapid strides during the year, and has done most effective work. As a real training camp for real christian service we have found no substitute for the Epworth League.

A District Convention was held at Bridgeville in the Fall, which was attended by a large number of young people from all over the District, and a well planned program was rendered that inspired and thrilled all who were present. At that Convention Rev. R. W. Campbell was elected President, and is now laying his plans for an intensive years work.

Eight Daily Vacation Church Schools were held on the District during the year with an attendance of about 850. Only those who have held such schools can estimate the real value of them in the program of your church. I trust the day will come when every pastor and church will be interested in this important work.

MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

Christian Education.

Christian Education has had a large place in the program of pastors and officials on Middletown District. Standard Training Schools have been held at Easton and Chestertown with representatives in the Federalsburg and Dover Schools totalling seventy seven from the District representing fifteen charges. Three Schools of Religion and twelve Daily Vacation Bible Schools with a total enrollment of five hundred and forty two have been held. Eleven were registered in the summer Institute for Youth and thirteen in the Youth Conference. \$203.55 given for Education on Rally Day and \$82.03 for North Africa (24-Hour-A-Day).

Never have the Epworth Leagues of the District reached the high point of efficiency now attained under the faithful leadership of the Rev.

M. E. Wheatley, president of the Senior group, and Miss Lena Lewis, Superintendent of the Junior Leagues of the District. There are now thirty two Senior and seventeen Junior Chapters. Two efficiency Conferences have been held, one in September with sixty workers present and one in February with more than one hundred Presidents and Vice Presidents present. There were two hundred and twenty-two registered representatives at the Annual Convention and at a District Wide Convocation held in Centreville M. E. Church on the evening of February 9th more than five hundred young people heard Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes deliver a marvelous message on "The Power Of A Purpose."

There are now in active operation on the District thirty two organized Young People's Choirs with a total membership of about twelve hundred bringing the Gospel message in song to waiting hearts to the delight of pastors, parents and friends of youth and the inspiration of congregations. This movement has become a contagion and is destined to be a great spiritual power in every church.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

The program for Youth and Christian Education on Salisbury District has been vigorously pushed during the year. Some of the results considering the adverse conditions against which we have had to contend have been surprisingly gratifying. Five Standard Schools have been held within the District. All of these were co-operative schools and had a total enrollment of 420—172 being from our Denomination. A new venture was the School at Oriole with an enrollment of 37. This enrollment is considerably below the figures of last year, due to the financial situation. The District sent 35 delegates to the Summer Institute for Youth and had 87 out of a total registration of 260 at the Youth Conference held in McCabe, Wilmington. One church sent 4 delegates to this Conference and these young people were so enthused that the pastor has already started a movement to send at least 25 to the next Conference. Two Charges, Selbyville and Salisbury, sent 25 and 22 delegates respectively. A significant fact in this connection is that both of these Charges have local Directors of Religious Education. The District Council was badly disorganized through removals from the District of some of our most active workers. The chief Counselor, Rev. O. P. Jefferson, was transferred to the Wilmington District in the middle of the year in order to take up studies at Drew. Several members of the Cabinet entered college to prepare for definite Christian service, a direct result of our Youth Program. The District Superintendent called in Revs. W. Vaughn Moore and Frank A. Baker and a District Conference was arranged and held at Fruitland early in December. From standpoint of Program it was the most successful the District has ever held and there were over 100 registered delegates. Very fine Daily Vacation Bible Schools were held at 4 central points, Salisbury, Selbyville, Princess Anne, and Pittsville, with an attendance of approximately 500.

The District raised \$439 through Rally Day offerings for the Conference Budget and \$96 for the Algerian project. Neither of these amounts

was satisfactory to us but they were the best we could do under the circumstances. The District was asked to raise in Designated Gifts \$325 and all of this has been promised and unless the bank situation has prevented has been paid in.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Christian Education and Young People's Work.

The Wilmington District has had a very successful year in its christian education and young people's work.

One denominational standard training school was held within the bounds of the district last May with an enrollment of 160, 134 of whom were Methodists.

A cooperative school was held at North East, Md., last October with an enrollment of 101, 67 of whom were Methodists. Thirty-three of our people were enrolled in an interdenominational school held under the auspices of the Wilmington Council of Churches last November. In the second semester of this school which was held in Harrison Street Church last February out of an enrollment of 101, 70 were from our churches. Thirty different charges were represented in these schools.

The Summer Institute for Youth continues to furnish a very much needed course of instruction for our young people. Only 22 persons were enrolled from this district in that Institute last year. Permit me to urge the pastors to give more attention to this part of our Conference program for youth.

What was pronounced by the leaders and many others as our most successful Annual Youth Conference met in February in McCabe Church, Wilmington, with an enrollment of 260, 89 of whom were from this district. The program was carefully prepared and the sessions were both inspirational and instructive.

The Vacation Church School in many of our churches is an important part of their christian education program. It is very encouraging to note the increasing number of rural churches whose pastors are conducting a Vacation Church School at a central place and transporting by bus and automobile their boys and girls for religious instruction. The enrollment of these schools on this district was 1170.

Another result of our program of christian education during the past few years is the degree to which our pastors and people are now faithfully endeavoring to conserve the religious life of our youth. This is demonstrated by the care with which decision days in church schools are planned and conducted and the youth organized in preparatory classes for instruction in church membership. The churches of the district report 661 under instruction for church membership which number does not include hundreds of youth received during the Lenten and Easter Seasons with which the last Conference year closed but which have been instructed during this Conference year and have been received into full membership. It only includes the number on roll at the present time, which number will be greatly increased during the next two weeks for many churches conduct their decision day services on Palm Sunday. We must

not forget that we have no Palm Sunday nor Easter Sunday in this year's report.

The church schools of the district contributed \$690. In Rally Day Offerings, and the young people's organizations contributed \$153 on the 24-hour-a-day plan for the Algerian youth.

The Epworth League continues to function in nearly all of our churches as a distinct but cooperative organization. It truly endeavors to "promote intelligent and vital christian living among our young people and train them for leadership in the church." Our district officers are faithfully and enthusiastically performing their duties.

Junior Epworth Leagues and Junior Choirs are providing very excellent means of instructing and edifying a large company of the younger youth of our churches.

DOVER DISTRICT.

Building And Improvements.

There have been but few building projects on the Dover District this year. Perhaps the most outstanding one was Old Barratt's Chapel, our "Cradle of Methodism" on the Peninsula. It has been thoroughly renovated. A new floor, and the gallery, which was so decayed that it was not safe to go up into it has been repaired, and a new lighting system installed, and the interior repainted at a cost of between seven and eight hundred dollars.

East New Market, led by the pastor, Rev. D. J. Moore, purchased a building in the center of the town, and remodeled it for a Church House and recreational center at a cost of \$1550.00. The Asbury Church on the Blades Charge led by the pastor, Rev. James O'Neil, has been painted, and a new piano installed, and the Gregg Church on the same charge has been repainted and a new heating plant installed, both projects costing \$750.00. The parsonage at Magnolia, J. H. Whedbee pastor, has had a new bath room installed.

Old debts have been reduced as follows, Harrington \$700.00, Federalsburg, \$350.00, Lincoln, \$300.00, Secretary, \$250.00, Milton, \$220.00, Cambridge, \$200.00.

Improvements of Middletown Districts.

Improvements have been made to many churches and parsonages over the District during the year and more are in contemplation as soon as the financial crisis shall have passed.

At Trappe, under the splendid leadership of the pastor, Rev. O. B. Reed, a bath room fully equipped has been installed in the parsonage and the church completely renovated and beautified. The entire cost of this improvement was met in full on the day of re-opening.

The Ladies Aid Society of Cecilton church at the beginning of the Conference year installed a bath room with all modern improvements in the parsonage.

The Assembly room of the Church School at Preston has been decorated at considerable cost. Bethlehem church on the same charge has

been painted without and decorated within. The pastor, the Rev. T. R. Van Dyke, was the inspiration for these improvements.

The interior of Kingsley church on Kent Island charge under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Leolan Jackson, has been thoroughly renovated. All improvement costs paid in full.

Other charges making improvements to church or Parsonage property or reduction of old debts are, Tilghman, Denton, Sudlersville, Easton, Smyrna, Sherwood, Odessa, Queenstown, Pomona, Marydel, Centreville, Royal Oak, Greensboro, Hillsboro, Galena, Betterton, Crumpton, Cheswold, and Bozman, Kenton-Hartly.

Salisbury District, Building and Improvements.

The major building program on the Salisbury District this year has centered at Delmar. After several years of vexatious delay, the new Pastor, George W. Bounds was able to harmonize the conflicting elements and work out a plan which with some modification is essentially the plan adopted during the pastorate of the present District Superintendent. The church has been raised, new windows placed in the basement, hardwood floors laid over the concrete, giving a very attractive and adequate Social Hall and Sunday School room. The steeple of the church has been removed and a square tower constructed and the whole church veneered with brick making a surprisingly attractive building. Plans had been laid for building a two story L and extensive alterations to the auditorium immediately after Conference. Some delay may be necessitated due to the condition of the Bank in which most of the Building Fund is deposited. The improvements thus far made have cost \$5600 and there is about \$12,000 in the Fund towards financing the Sunday School Building. When completed and it will be this year we trust Delmar will have a church up to date, attractive and adequate for a modern program of Christian Education. The spirit of the congregation is fine, harmony reigns and the pastor is deservedly popular and goes back to finish the job.

The men of Grace, Salisbury, many of whom were out of work decided that it was an opportune time to provide much needed space for the rapidly growing Sunday School and a Social Hall for their many and varied activities. So they donated their time and secured much of the necessary material from various friends of the church, and under the direction of skilled contractors they labored at the task, having a mind to work, and now have a fine basement and Sunday School room, costing approximately \$500 much of the cash being raised by the Young Peoples organizations. There is a bright future ahead of this church as the section of Salisbury in which it is located is steadily growing and in the membership are some of the most devoted and energetic Methodists on the District.

The church and parsonage at Pittsville have been painted, the grounds around both beautified with cement walks and new grass plots, making one of the most attractive rural properties in the Conference. Plans are already formed for work inside the church and the installing of a bath room in the parsonage. Much of this work has been done and will be carried to completion under the direction of the pastor. Other improve-

ments on the District, including the installation of a new heating plant at Tangier total about \$2500, while with incomplete reports it appear that indebtedness has been reduced about \$2000.

Wilmington District, Building and Improvements

The outstanding building project on this district has been completed this year at Newark, Del., under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Walter E. Gunby, D. D. Having accumulated a substantial sum of money with which to build adequate facilities for their rapidly expanding educational program, this church has just completed the erection of a very modern educational building. In the construction of the new building adjoining the present church extensive remodeling and renovation of the church sanctuary were made, including the installation of a new pipe organ. Of the total cost of \$52,000, there remains an unpaid indebtedness of \$21,000, against which are assets approximating \$8,000. The indebtedness has been provided for without seriously embarrassing the local budget. More than \$9,000 in cash has been raised and paid this year on this building program.

Mt. Lebanon has a new parsonage located at McDaniel Heights, a growing suburban community. The cost, \$7,000, was provided for by the sale of the old parsonage. They have also made extensive repairs to their church building.

Soon after moving to Perryville the pastor, Rev. Howard Davis, discovered there was no Protestant Chapel at the United States Veterans Administration Hospital at Perry Point, Md. At his request the authorities provided a room in one of the buildings and he has been successful in interesting individuals and organizations in the project so that now there is a well-equipped Protestant Chapel on that reservation.

Scott Church, Wilmington sold their parsonage and purchased a new home for their pastor in the rapidly growing residential section in the northern part of the city. The church sanctuary has been renovated and redecorated, the cost of which, \$1300, is provided for by a legacy left by one of the loyal members of the church.

Big Elk Chapel on Cherry Hill charge, Ebenezer Church on Zion Circuit, Hockessin, Kirkwood Church on Red Lion Charge have all been thoroughly renovated.

Ebenezer and Holly Oak are hoping to cancel their indebtedness on property this year. Newport has paid the last of their indebtedness. Claymont, Elkton, New Castle, Port Deposit, Rising Sun, Eastlake, Harrison Street and Trinity are making reductions in their indebtedness.

Richardson Park has reduced its indebtedness by \$3600 which was secured through the cooperation of many of the churches of the Conference by designated gifts, and has paid over \$3,000 interest this Conference year.

Repairs and improvements to church and parsonage properties totaling \$13,544 are reported by the following charges:—Bethel and Town Point, Charlestown, Cherry Hill, Chesapeake City, Chester-Bethel, Christiana, Claymont, Delaware City, Ebenezer, Elkton, Hockessin, Holly Oak, Hope-

well, Marshallton, Mt. Lebanon, New Castle, North East, Perryville, Port Deposit, Red Lion, St. Georges, Zion Circuit; and in Wilmington, Asbury, Breck-Ex, Brandywine, Cookman, Eastlake, Epworth, Grace, Harrison Street, Hillcrest, Madeley, Mt. Salem, St. Paul's, Silverbrook and Union.

The attention of all pastors and church officials is called to Paragraphs 363 and 364 of the 1932 discipline regarding incurring debts for building and improvements, and we request faithful observance of these requirements.

World Service.

The General Conference, which met in Atlantic City in May, 1932, made some important changes in our program for World Service. This did away with the central promotion body, with headquarters in Chicago. The World Service Commission as such, with reduced numbers, is retained.

The fiscal year of the World Service Commission was, by act of the General Conference, changed to correspond with the fiscal years of the various annual conferences.

The Commission, after deducting certain preferentials, made the following basis of recommended division of undesignated money for distribution to the various Boards:

Board of Foreign Missions	37.25%
Board of Home Missions and Church Extension	37.25
Board of Education	16.35
Theological Schools	2.85
Board of Hospitals, Homes and Deaconess Work	1.75
Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals	1.67
Board of Pensions and Relief	1.61
American Bible Society	1.27

Designated Gifts.

The General Conference provided that World Service credit shall be given and vouchers issued for any monies received for any of the constituent boards for institutions under the direction, or any objects included in the program of the Boards approved by the World Service Commission, except for bequests, estate notes, gifts to permanent funds, emergency relief appeals.

This made it possible for contributors to designate freely their contributions within the limits prescribed. It, at the same time, opened the door for an unusual measure of requests for designated gifts. The experience of the first year under this system shows the very great necessity of emphasizing the action taken by the General Conference, as follows:

"The Constituent Boards are urged to give special emphasis to the support of the General Benevolence program of the Church to the end that the important recurring items in the programs of the Boards may be steadily maintained."

The effect of the depression throughout the country has added to the appeals for designated gifts, because every Board and many institutions partially supported by the Boards are suffering unusual hardships.

The Board of Foreign Missions has assisted in cultivation for World Service during the conference year by visits from one of the Corresponding Secretaries, Associate Secretaries from the office and missionaries from the field.

It is one of the great privileges of this historic Methodist field of service to help spread the good news of redemption to the whole world. If St. Paul had not turned westward, India and the East would have perhaps been Christian countries today and our land and other parts of the great West had been left in barbarism. If the early Methodist itinerants had faltered in their line of duty, this important peninsula may not have been dotted with churches and schools giving us a civilization of which we are proud. We cannot hesitate, therefore, to spread the Gospel even at a time like this, else we betray the very essence of that spirit which brought Christ into earth's contact and made Him the world's Redeemer by way of Calvary and the Resurrection.

Church Finances.

We are convinced that the Church of Jesus Christ is the one institution that has kept this generation from dropping to even lower depths of economic disaster. Its message of hope, of good will, of the value of all human life; its story of the Christ Who redeems men from sin, is the one note of confidence and courage that has resounded throughout the nation, stimulating faltering faith and increasing the courage of multitudes of people when the clouds of national bankruptcy and despair hung ominously overhead. We further believe it is the one institution that can effectively minister to all mankind and thereby prepare the way for the brotherhood of man as a reality among the nations of the earth. Being convinced of the absolute necessity of the Church it is our duty to properly finance this institution in accordance with our ability to do so.

We are strongly of the opinion that the financial program of the average church must be given more careful and systematic attention. Not only should all churches formulate a budget (what is to prevent a church of 50 members from having a budget as well as a church with 1500 members), but there should be annually a careful solicitation of all members and friends of the church, and our people should be encouraged to give systematically. This is by far a more satisfactory solution of the churches' finances than the method too often used in many churches of making the last few weeks of the Conference year one procession of financial drives after the other. The reports presented at this Conference will show conclusively that the churches making satisfactory reports are those that have carefully planned and systematically worked their financial program during the year. No church can minister most effectively to its community nor satisfactorily assist in the extension of Christ's Kingdom around the world without an adequate financial plan.

While it is true it is the duty of our loyal laymen to manage and provide the finances it is none the less the duty of the minister to render

every possible assistance in an advisory capacity when finances are under consideration, and it is his special duty to see that his people are informed of the Church's program at home and abroad and instruct them in the principles of christian stewardship. "If our people can be educated to see the truly tremendous and significant task of the Church, and surrender themselves whole-heartedly to follow Christ in the building of the Kingdom of God in the world, then and then only can they be relied upon to give and give sacrificially." It is the minister's privilege to avail himself of every assistance which the Board of Benevolence of the Church are only too glad to render and so plan his church's program that his people will catch a vision of the supreme work of the church and their high privilege as stewards, then finances become a means to an end and not just an end in themselves. We respectfully refer our pastors to the Every Member Plan manual prepared by our Service Department, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill., as the best booklet in print giving financial suggestions with educational objectives. It will be sent you for the asking.

The discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church sets forth an adequate financial plan which can be worked out by any and all churches, and also outlines the principles of christian stewardship as taught by our Church, and further specifies under Duties of Pastors that it is the minister's duty to teach his people these principles, and we most respectfully urge all pastors and officials who are not observing these disciplinary requirements to do so immediately upon the beginning of the new Conference year.

The financial reports submitted at this Conference will show marked decreases. This is due to the unusual economic conditions which seriously effected the giving of many of our people, to the unprecedented bank holiday which was declared during the last few weeks of our Conference year, and to the fact that not a few of our churches have monies deposited in banks, some of which have not opened as yet, and others are permitting only a small percentage of withdrawals on deposits. We must admit some of the deficit might have been avoided if more careful attention had been given to the finances month by month throughout the year. Many of our pastors and people have made earnest and sacrificial efforts during these past few weeks, working under the most discouraging conditions they have ever faced to make satisfactory financial reports to this Conference.

Sabbath Observance.

The Christian Sabbath was instituted to meet the deepest needs of humanity. In fact it is part and parcel of life itself. The moral welfare of any people is contingent on the right use of this holy day. It was one of the first institutions planted on American soil. It is recognized in the second Article of the Federal Constitution. Laws that protect it from secularism and commercialism have been pronounced constitutional by our Supreme Court.

The Sabbath Day is the battle ground between the forces of materialism and spirituality.

The proper observance of the Sabbath must have a large place in our

Religious Education Program, that the home and church may be held steady for a worshipful day. It is fortunate that up-to-date literature is now available on the proper observance of this day. The Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland has published "The Day of Worship," which is a complete answer to those who would destroy the day.

We, therefore, recommend that all our Pastors give the Lord's Day Educational Program a large and definite place in their Church work and the great facts concerning the origin, history and purpose of it be so taught that it may be restored to its rightful place in home, church and State.

We further recommend that the Wilmington Conference declare its convictions in the sanctity of the Sabbath as an integral principle in human life and that we record our disapproval of all efforts made in legislative bodies to make this Day a Holiday instead of a holy day.

We further declare there shall be no surrender in this fight for right and the churches of the Wilmington Conference will not stand by and see the safeguards of the Sabbath broken down.

The demand from certain groups for the removal of all legal safeguards to the end that this day shall become a Godless Holiday makes the church to face a tremendous task. This is our fight and we must and will gird ourselves for the battle.

As the guardians of the privileges sacred to the church we owe much to the work of the Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland through its capable and efficient Secretary, Dr. W. W. Davis. The christian people of this peninsula should rally to his leadership as never before in the crusade which must be carried on in every community in behalf of the education of the people concerning the values contingent upon the righteous observance of the Christian Sabbath.

In Conclusion.

This brief record shows only some of the things which have been accomplished for God and His Kingdom, within the bounds of our Conference, during the year, and while our accomplishments have not been what we had hoped for, yet they savor of loyal service, and true sacrifice, and as such we lay them at His feet.

We wish here to record our deep sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for strength of body, mind and soul with which to discharge all the obligations that have devolved upon us, and to record our high appreciation to our brother ministers, their officials, and congregations for their cordial and kindly co-operation in all the unusual circumstances through which we have passed during this eventful year.

D. W. JACOBS, President,
W. E. HABBART, Secretary,
J. L. JOHNSON,
LEONARD WHITE.

Note: The section on Temperance written by Leonard White, was adopted as the Temperance Resolution of the Conference, and is as follows:

(b) STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

TEMPERANCE REPORT BY LEONARD WHITE.

This Conference Year 1932—for which we are reporting—will go into the records as one of the blackest in American history. The unparalleled economic collapse, with its resultant terrible and widespread distress has been matched by a spiritual dearth, a blighting of idealism and a lowering of ethical standards appalling to Christian men and women everywhere.

The attitude of those in control of the Nation's destinies towards the liquor problem has been and continues to be one of political expediency, characterized by a moral cowardice and a calloused and blatant selfishness that must make every true lover of God and of his fellowmen hang his head in shame and wonder if "Ichabod," "Her glory had departed," is about to be written over the portals of the American Republic.

From the holding of the Conventions of the major political parties to the railroading through Congress of the Repeal Amendment and the Beer Bill, the record is a sordid one. The scenes enacted at those Conventions and broadcast over the Country were disgusting in the extreme. It was commonly reported and not denied that when the planks in the platforms dealing with the Prohibition issue came before the Conventions the policemen were withdrawn from before the entrances to the Convention Hall and the hoodlums of Chicago swarmed into the galleries to drown out with their drunken shouts the voices of those who supported Prohibition and fought against the adoption of wet planks. The Republican plank was a compromise, said to have been drawn by the President himself, and holding some comfort for the advocates of Prohibition. The Democratic plank was for "naked Repeal." The chief Presidential candidate, who became the nominee of the Convention, showed his mastery of practical politics, by stealing the thunder of his principal opponents, who were dripping wet, and instructing the delegates pledged to him to abandon their moderate position and vote for straight repeal, thereby converting what would have been a minority into a majority report and carrying it overwhelmingly through the Convention. He then flew to Chicago and announced: "From this hour the 18th Amendment is doomed." In his acceptance address President Hoover tore up his Party platform and urged repeal with certain qualifications. As the Socialists had taken the same position, Prohibition was eliminated as a controversial issue. The "drys" had no adequate vehicle for the expression of their views and millions of them voted the Democratic ticket solely on economic grounds. And yet it has been repeatedly asserted that the election was a mandate for the destruction of Prohibition, an entirely false interpretation of that political upheaval, not believed even by those who put it forth as an excuse for the drastic and autocratic methods by which they seek to tear down the dykes of Prohibition and inundate the country with a flood of intoxicating liquors.

When the last Congress convened for its last Session, without waiting for organization or the customary courtesy of notifying the President, an affront without precedent in American legislative history, the Speaker

of the House and Vice President elect, drunk with power, sought to jam through a Repeal Amendment and was defeated by only six votes. Then came the totally unexpected collapse of the Prohibition forces in the Senate, when men who had been dry for years, fell over each other in the effort to win the favor of the wet millionaires and get aboard the beer trucks, Senator Hastings of Delaware being among those who thus lowered their colors and betrayed their constituents. The Repeal Amendment was then speedily passed by the House, the Party whip forcing into line enough votes for its passage. As this report is being written the news is flashed over the radio and spread in screaming headlines in the papers throughout the country that the President has signed the Beer Bill and that beer will be on sale at 12.01 A. M. April 7th, throughout the country, except where still prohibited by State statutes. Quite a ceremony was made of the signing of this Bill, the President expressing the hope that the photographers had caught his smile and presenting pens to the American Legion and the American Federation of Labor. The scenes attendant upon the passing of the Bill by the House were simply riotous, dry Congressmen who desired to speak being howled down with cries of, "Vote, Vote! Give us our Beer!" A picture was taken and sent throughout the country and the world of a group of the more prominent wets gathered about a keg of near beer drinking to the return of the real stuff. An edifying spectacle at a time when millions are starving in this and other lands, when banks are closed in many places throughout the country and the threat of another horrible war hangs over the Nations of the world! And yet we are exhorted to conquer our fears and have confidence in our leaders.

What is this Beer Bill and what is it supposed to do? It legalizes the brewing and sale of beer which is non-intoxicating within the meaning of the Constitution and fixes the alcoholic content at 3.2% by weight and 4% by volume. But on the testimony of the brewers themselves as quoted by Floyd Gibbons in an article in *The Cosmopolitan* this was the average alcoholic content of beer in pre-Prohibition days. To say that such beer was not intoxicating convicts a man of ignorance, or makes it difficult to believe in his honesty. The old time saloon was a beer saloon and nine-tenths of the liquor sold there was beer and it was beer that stretched the patrons out dead-drunk or sent them reeling and staggering to poverty-stricken homes and crushed and blighted families. The Attorney-General of Pennsylvania calls for the immediate passage of regulatory measures to prevent the State from being inundated by a flood of beer. Passing over the fact that we were given to understand that that State and all other States have always been flooded, that Prohibition had driven everyone to drink, and more was being consumed than ever before in our history, we would inquire, "Why be alarmed over such an impending inundation? If this beer is non-intoxicating, what is there to fear? Why attempt to regulate it at all? The fact of the matter is Congress has passed and the President has smilingly signed a Bill which permits the manufacture and sale of a beverage that everybody knows is intoxicating in fact and thus is in violation of the Constitution. And responsibility for this must be placed squarely upon the man who but a few days before had taken an oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States. The financial argu-

ment has been the main one used in bringing about this disgraceful situation. Those who are connected with the making and distribution of intoxicating liquor are thinking in terms of money and money only. The wet millionaires, like Irene DuPone, want their taxes reduced. The President wants the budget balanced. The moral and spiritual welfare of the Nation are immaterial when placed alongside this dominant motive. Crucify the manhood and womanhood, yes and, under the new deal the childhood of the Nation on a keg of beer or a barrel of whiskey for the financial returns and be sure that the photographers catch the smile when the Bill is signed. To say that these measures are in the interest of true Temperance is pap for babes or fools. To promote temperance would defeat the very purpose back of the Anti-Prohibition movement. The more intoxicating liquor sold the more revenue derived therefrom. If the public is to drink up the deficit of the Nation, if the taxes of the wet millionaires are to be reduced, the consumption of liquors must be encouraged and extended. Partial Prohibition in Canada was destroyed, presumably in the interest of true Temperance. Five years later the consumption of alcoholic liquors had increased more than 60%, crimes of violence usually associated with intoxicating liquor, including crimes against women, had increased in similar ratio, and, most significant of all, bootlegging, which the new measures were supposed to wipe out, had increased in like proportion. And this is what is offered to this Nation to take the place of Prohibition. If the rich men and society women who have financed and aggressively pushed the fight against Prohibition had really wanted a temperate and sober Nation they could have had it by withdrawing their patronage and support from the boot-legger and supporting Prohibition.

There is one bit of comfort for those of us who dwell within the Delmarva Peninsula. Two of the three Senators from this section, our own John G. Townsend, Jr., of Delaware, and Philip Lee Goldsborough, the Republican Senator from Maryland, voted against both Repeal and the Beer Bill. Senator D. O. Hastings voted for Repeal and against beer. The other Senator from Maryland is "bad Tydings" to every decent citizen of the so-called Free State and special wet-nurse to the brewers. A special word of commendation should be recorded for Congressman T. Alan Goldsborough, Democratic Congressman from the Eastern Shore, and the only dry Congressman in Maryland, who despite the terrific pressure put upon him by the leaders of his Party, defying threats of loss of patronage and opposition in the Primaries in the next campaign, voted dry to the very last.

What of the future? What are the foes of the liquor traffic to do now? Leave the field to the wets, as some suggest, hoping that in horror at the conditions that will inevitably ensue, the reaction in our favor will be speedy and decisive? In God's name, No! God knows and the wets in moments of candor admit that the conditions will be terrible enough. Motor Vehicle Commissioner Baughman of Maryland has already asked for an additional 60 Highway policemen, declaring "if and when the 18th Amendment is repealed the roads will be a madhouse until the people are sated." Are we to fold our arms and permit such a thing to happen with-

out a fight? Bishop Hughes in his masterly address at the Prohibition Emergency Conference at Washington gives the unanswerable reply to that—"We decline to compromise by inaction. We refuse to give a free path to troops that they may have a chance for passing pillage. We cannot consent to submit to ad interim ravages of typhoid, or small pox, or the Black Death, in order that people may directly be more impressed by the horrors of the diseases. When we recover our best insight we perceive with clarity that we cannot consent to a five year reign of evil or yield to wickedness in order that righteousness may return with alleged renewal of strength. The victory for repeal and for beer must be won, if won at all, only against all the opposition that uncompromising hearts can produce. We are ready to go to the last little election booth with our cause, if we be accorded the rights given to citizens in the making of even minor laws. We shall fight for fairly organized conventions; and then for conscientious expression; and then for moral decisions—not covenants with evil or terms of betrayal of a great Cause for "pieces of silver" whose appropriate resort will be "Aceldama, the field of blood." This address of our Resident Bishop has been printed by our Board of Temperance and can be secured in quantities. We strongly urge our ministers to secure a large number of copies for distribution among their people. It will come to them like a trumpet blast rallying them to the desperate fighting that is at hand. Whatever the outcome of that fight, whether the 18th Amendment is retained or repealed the fight against this enemy of God and man will go on. We are under no delusion as to the terrific nature of the struggle ahead of us. The machinery of the great political parties is in the hands of men who, so far as Prohibition is concerned, are utterly ruthless and unscrupulous, our enemies have unlimited funds at their disposal while our treasuries are depleted and our friends suffering cruelly from the depression. The means of public communication, the newspapers, the radio, the movies, are all in the main controlled by the enemies of Prohibition. Nevertheless we will fight on, believing that "Right is right since God is God, And right the day must win, To doubt would be disloyalty, To falter would be sin." And when victory comes as it will, it will be so complete, so secure, that no combination of selfish rich, political opportunists and social panderers will be able to spatch from our hands the fruits of victory.

STATE OF THE CHURCH AND SOCIAL SERVICE.

The Church.

We confess our abiding faith in the Christian Church in general and in the Methodist Episcopal Church in particular. The Church has a message for this generation. She must continue to stand for industrial democracy, and cry out against a social order that makes no provision against unemployment. We hold that the individual is of more value than profits and dividends—or the loss of them—and that the Golden Rule shall operate in business affairs.

The Sacrificial Spirit.

The "Faith of our fathers" is fine to sing about, but we need more of their daring faith and sacrificial service in our churches today. We call for an increasing number of our members to answer the distressing needs of our time by an actual demonstration of the Christly spirit by giving themselves, and more of their means to the support of His church. We can see no way through these foggy days of financial uncertainty for the church, except by the unparalleled sacrificial giving and serving on the part of all of our members.

Fewer and Better Churches.

For the amount of support that we have available, we have too many churches. Many communities are "Church Poor,"—for they have more than they can adequately maintain. We believe that the interests of the Kingdom are larger than any one branch of the Christian church, therefore, we feel that many of our present struggling churches should be merged to better serve the various communities, and to avoid the unwholesome competition between the churches which endangers the very end for which they exist. Christ expects our first loyalty.

The Gambling Spirit.

We deplore the fact that there is abroad in our land the gambling spirit. We believe that the widespread speculation with the money of other persons contributed to the financial panic that we have experienced, and we are amazed that many of our members have been lured in that direction. We call upon all of our ministers to show by precept and example a more excellent way than that of the Stock Exchange.

War and Peace.

We voice our most vigorous protest against the spreading war spirit which is abroad in Europe and the Far East. The Church cannot bless another war. The Church stands for peace and disarmament.

"We petition the Government of the United States to grant to members of the Methodist Episcopal Church who may be conscientious objectors to war the same exemption from military service as has long been granted to members of the Society of Friends and other similar religious organizations. Similarly, we petition all educational institutions which require military training, especially the University of Delaware and the University of Maryland, to excuse from such training any student belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church who has conscientious scruples against it. We hold that military training does not belong in the curriculum of an educational institution and that it is not conducive to the best citizenship.

"We earnestly petition the Government of the United States to cease supporting all military training in civilian educational institutions.

"We believe it to be the duty of the Churches, and earnestly urge all our pastors to be diligent in giving moral support to those individuals who hold conscientious scruples against participation in military training or service."

Well Trained Ministry.

Methodism was born in a University. John Wesley was convinced that a trained mind and a warm heart were essential for an effective ministry. We believe that it is more necessary now than ever to maintain a high educational standard for all men entering our ministry. We further hold that our preachers who would be "Good ministers of Jesus Christ" must meet their financial obligations promptly. No man can hope to uphold the dignity of the church in general and the ministry in particular who goes from place to place leaving behind unpaid bills. Carelessness in this respect has led to much unfavorable criticism of the church by those whom we seek to lead into the Christian Way. We call upon all official boards to be systematic in meeting the salary payments of the ministers so that there may be no cause for their getting heavily in debt in their community.

The Church and Wet Legislation.

We refer you to the Temperance report written by Leonard White. Let no Methodist permit this nefarious business to operate in our Conference territory! We expect every man to do his duty, and do it now.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Conference Board of Education recommends:

1. The continuance of the Program.
2. The emergency limitation of the Program with the Budget not to exceed \$4000.
3. The appointment of James H. Bishop as Director of Christian Education for the year 1933-1934. He is already elected by the Board.
4. The church apportionment asking of \$2500.
5. The Rally Day goal of \$2500.
6. The election of the new Board as nominated at the annual meeting—Ministerial: Dover, L. E. Windsor, M. W. Marine, O. E. Jones; Middletown, E. P. Thomas, E. W. Hennis, J. H. Wright; Salisbury, O. H. Connelly, F. A. Baker, L. E. Wimbrow; Wilmington, E. M. Shockley, W. A. Hearn, J. W. Colona. Lay—Dover, M. Haswell Pierce, W. Fell Davis, W. B. Thornburgh; Middletown, Mrs. M. Grace Rambo, Harry Nuttle; Salisbury, Miss Janet Nute, Mrs. Ralph Dulaney; Wilmington, G. F. Alderson, Mrs. Maude Thornton. District Superintendents, Pastors in College Towns, all members of Conference Education Society.

CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Wilmington Conference Historical Society has had a very active and profitable year. Our collection of material has been augmented by the addition of several hundred volumes of historical worth, among them being one of the first editions of the first book ever published by our Book Concern. Our possessions have become so bulky there is an imperative need of a separate room to house them.

It was a pleasure to us to furnish the Historic Marker Commission of Delaware, at their request, material of all Methodist Churches in the State prior to 1812. We were glad to assist several churches to trace their history and help others celebrate their anniversaries. We are now preparing to entertain on May 24, in Asbury Church, Wilmington, the Association of Methodist Historical Societies.

Our Society has purchased, and the officers are now working on, a filing system so our material will be available. Our Research Secretary, John Kelso, has done yeoman service; painstaking, accurate and indefatigable, he has covered and filed every item of interest that touches the Conference in the Christian Advocate from its first issue to the present. He has also covered the Conference Minutes from 1773-1932 and many other books and magazines. He has made a special study of the Onancock Charges (his boyhood home) and has a valuable collection of documents and material covering Accomac County Methodism. Our President, E. C. Hallman, has read and filed every reference of value to the Conference in the following books: Steven's History of the Methodist Church, Bang's History of the M. E. Church, Lee's History of Methodism, Lorenzo Dow's Life, Asbury's Journal, Todd's Methodism on the Peninsula, Boehm's Reminiscences, Lednum's Rise of Methodism in America, Light on Early Methodism—Phoebus, Jesse Lee's Life, Coke's Journal, Abbott's Life, Thomas Ware's Life, Freeborn Garrettson's Life, and many pamphlets and documents. Our file is becoming increasingly valuable and, we hope, of use to the Conference.

MILTON S. ANDREWS,
O. A. BARTLEY.

TRUSTEES OF WESLEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees held at Wesley Church, Dover, Delaware, Jan. 12, 1933, Bishop Edwin Hughes, being present, a Committee to be named by the Resident Bishop and the President of the Board of Trustees, was authorized to make a survey of the conditions obtaining with relation to the advisability of Reopening the Wesley Collegiate Institute, and to make recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

This Committee, consisting of Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, W. E. Gunby, J. L. Johnson, Frederick Warrington, D. W. Jacobs, W. H. Jump, J. W. Colona, J. J. Bunting, met at the Y. M. C. A. Building in Wilmington, January the 26th, 1933, and prepared a list of Recommendations to be submitted to the Board of Trustees.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, called Feb. 23, 1933, to hear this report, the Board of Trustees, after amending the report somewhat, adopted the recommendations unanimously, and authorized that they be brought here and submitted for Conference action. The following is the list of Recommendations:

Your Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that an earnest effort be made to reopen the School; it being the conviction that the history of the Institution, and its prospect for future usefulness justify sacrificial efforts for the maintenance of Wesley Collegiate Institute.

But it is also our decided opinion that the reopening should be made only when certain elements of success are apparent, and this in an assured form.

We therefore recommend that the Wesley Collegiate Institute be reopened when the following conditions have been met:

1. That there be an assured enrollment of not fewer than seventy-five.
2. That the current obligations apart from the Mortgage Claims be paid off from Gifts, or from the settling of claims receivable.
3. That the permission of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church be secured for Designated Gifts, with World Service credit, up to a figure of \$6,000, for a period of three years, and that when this third condition shall have had \$4,000 definitely pledged, it shall be deemed as met.
4. That Personal, or Church Subscriptions without World Service credit, in addition to the terms of the third provision be pledged to the amount of \$1,000 per year for three years.
5. That the Citizens of Dover and Vicinity be canvassed, under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, or some other responsible local body, and in cooperation with a committee from the Board of Trustees for a sum of \$2,000 per year for three years.
6. That the income from the Endowment Fund, over and above the interest charges on any remaining debt be estimated at not less than \$4,000.
7. That when the full sum of \$11,000 from any or all the above sources shall be definitely assured or realized, it is understood that the terms for reopening the School are properly met.
8. In Conclusion.—It is evident to your Committee, as it must be evident to the Board of Trustees, that the enthusiastic adoption of this report by the Wilmington Conference, and the following up of this adoption by the constant and unwavering support of the Institute, are utterly necessary in order to the success of this effort; it being understood that the School is to be maintained and administered with a distinctly Christian emphasis, inasmuch as our only reason for its maintenance, apart from other institutions, lies in this function of training and holding our Young People in allegiance to Christ.

REPORT OF GOODWILL INDUSTRIES, YEAR 1932.

The year 1932 has been a very trying one for Goodwill Industries. The demand for work and relief was greater, yet the supply of materials was smaller and the quality very inferior to previous years. Yet Goodwill is carrying on. The total sales for the year 1932 showed a 51% increase over the previous year, which according to National figures was the largest increase of any Industries in the country. Total receipts for the year amounted to \$21,191.16. This was an increase of \$3818.97 over the year 1931. Of this total receipts, \$12,191.50 was paid out in self-respecting wages to 405 different persons. These persons, most of whom were handicapped in some way, worked with us long enough to earn the necessary

clothing or cash as the case might be. They left, feeling better because they had retained their self-respect through work instead of charity. During the year 4970 new names were added to our list of contributors, which now totals more than 10,000. 11,852 truck calls were made, which yielded 10,416 bags of clothing, 2570 bags of paper, and 4375 pieces of furniture. 52,274 persons made purchases in our stores during the year. During the year a new truck was purchased, also a new multigraphing outfit, total value \$1,668.51. So much for the material side of the work.

During the year regular chapel services were held each morning of the week excepting Saturday. Through our services contacts were made with 2536 persons. It is felt that the religious phase of our work is most important. Folks coming to us for help need more than just material help. Many of them are either non-christian or just nominal christians and need the uplift of our religious services. So we have attempted to bring these folks into a closer relationship with God. During the year different ministers were invited to participate in our services and we feel that much good resulted.

On February 1, 1933, Rev. G. W. Harris resigned as Superintendent to accept the position of Business Director of the Southern Area Goodwill Industries with headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky. The Goodwill Board of Directors in conference with Dr. Helms of Boston has appointed Mr. Herbert Beauchamp as Supervisor for the remainder of the year. Mr. Beauchamp is carrying on the work well even in the face of very adverse conditions.

REPORT OF WILMINGTON CITY MISSIONARY AND CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

One-third of the present population of the United States, or well over 40,000,000 persons, are of foreign-born parentage; that is, either they were actually born in foreign countries or are the children of persons born in other countries, and of this total group 14,000,000 are foreign-born.

We are rapidly building in this country a new race. But we are not so much interested in just building a new race of people as we are in the kind, the quality of the race we are building.

Among the many organizations assiduously laboring to make this new race of Ameriman manhood and womanhood qualified spiritually as well as intellectually to successfully serve its day is the Wilmington City Missionary and Church Extension Society. In an age when great wealth combines with unscrupulous politicians and compromising statesmen to place the shackles of the legalized liquor traffic on American manhood and womanhood; when so-called "hunger marchers" publicly declare their leaders to be avowed Communists; when crass materialism is flaunting its atheistic conceptions and beliefs in the presence of our impressionable youth, our Society's workers were never more needed than they are today.

We have been compelled to discontinue the program at Wesley Center. The Boys' Club, supported mainly by prominent people in the city of Wilmington, purchased the Bethany Baptist Church, one square from our

Wesley Church, and has remodeled the property and now has an excellent, up-to-date building for community service work and is rendering a much needed program for that community. Realizing the continuance of our program at Wesley would mean in some respects a duplication of effort in the same community, and not having sufficient funds with which to continue the program, your Society closed Wesley Center, July 31, 1932.

The property of Wesley Church and parsonage, on which there is a mortgage of \$3,000, held by the Board of Stewards of this Conference, is for sale. Until the Society, who holds title to the property, is in position to cancel the mortgage either by sale of the property or otherwise, the interest on this mortgage will be included in the budget and paid from receipts of the Society.

Our work at Sixth Avenue has been placed under the direction of the Pastor of Asbury Church. Mrs. Lillian Biddison, a consecrated leader in this mission field for years, will continue her superintendency of the work. It will also be necessary for the Society to continue its financial assistance to this work.

We have had an extremely difficult financial year. Because of decreased receipts from distributable World Service funds the Board of Home Missions notified us that beginning July 1, 1932, we would only receive 50% of the amount we expected to receive from Home Board maintenance. They gave us the permission to secure the other 50% in designated gifts with World Service credit. We were successful in securing the consent of a number of official boards and quarterly conferences to designate part of their World Service monies to this worthy cause, and by so doing we avoided a very serious deficit in our Society's budget up to Dec. 31, 1932.

In December we were notified that we would only receive 25% of the approved amount from the Board of Home Missions, and for the calendar year 1933 we would be compelled to secure 75% in designated gifts. Thus it will be necessary for me to request amounts be designated by the churches for the Society's work or else close the work entirely and dismiss our workers. I am sure you do not desire the work discontinued. The procedure we are now following in the securing of designated gifts with World Service credit is not the plan we would prefer to follow, but due to the legislation of the last General Conference and the constantly decreasing receipts of the Home Board from the World Service distributable funds, it is the only method available by which it is possible to secure adequate funds with which to continue the missionary program of our own and other conferences in the United States.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all who have contributed to the support of the Society, and especially to those who remitted their apportionments in answer to the appeals sent out by our treasurer from time to time during the year.

I recommend that \$3,500 be apportioned to the churches of the Conference for the support of the Society the ensuing year, this amount to be divided by the Superintendents and apportioned to the respective districts.

Respectfully submitted,

DISSTON W. JACOBS,

District Superintendent of Wilmington District.

THE STRAWBRIDGE HOME FOR BOYS, INC.

We submit our ninth annual report in this year of financial stress, and we give thanks to God for the remarkable demonstration of loyalty from our contributors, which has enabled us to "carry-on" so far without debt.

Our Christmas offering receipts this year were half as much as they were a year ago, and we depend upon this annual offering to carry us through the lean months of the year. Therefore, we look forward to the coming fall expenses with some degree of anxiety. The recent closing of the banks, the loss of money and positions by many of our contributors, and the financial situation makes an appeal imperative if we are to continue to take more orphan boys or keep the boys we now have. Contributions of food have been a great help in this time of falling income, and we hope that the pastors will stress the importance of these donations in those churches where there seems to be a lack of money offerings.

A well-thought-out advertising scheme has been of inestimable value in bringing money to our Home. "Our Boys," our quarterly magazine, has a circulation of ten thousand copies; and we also send out a variety of appealing literature.

Four wills have been probated for Endowment during the past year amounting to \$15,900.00, but only a thousand dollars of this amount has been received because of the decrease in the value of securities. We note that Mrs. Ruth A. Cahall of Chestertown, Maryland has recently died and willed \$500.00 to the Strawbridge Home.

Several months ago one of our pastors gave a thousand dollars for a Memorial Endowment, which represents one of the most sacrificial gifts we have ever received. He was an orphan boy himself and felt the need of a Home like ours.

Our Religious Program is as follows: Daily morning devotions, a Sunday night service at the Home, and Sunday School and Sunday morning service at our local Church. Our pastor at the Sykesville Church has a Probationer's class of fifteen of our boys, and he meets with them at the Home every week.

We must have a sympathetic understanding of the background of each boy. They all come out of broken homes, and it is no small undertaking to redeem them from their former environment. A kind but firm disciplinary policy has its reward in the reclaiming of many of our boys and making them responsive to our training.

They are educated at the public school, and under a competent instructor are also trained in our Mechanical Arts Shop at the Home. We also give them instruction in vocal music, and the boys have given an operetta in two of the largest churches in Baltimore.

Reginald McNamara, a Wilmington Conference boy, will graduate from high school in June; and James Richards, our oldest boy, is making a fine record at Western Maryland College.

We are glad to report the continued health of our boys, which, doubtless, is the result of regular habits, a balanced diet, and advantages of outdoor life on the farm.

The farm produces sufficient grain to feed our stock, and in summer time supplies our tables with a variety of fresh vegetables. We also have an accredited dairy herd, which gives an abundance of pure milk.

The beautiful picnic grove, pavilion, boat lake, and swimming pool are our greatest advertising features in the summer time. Every week dates are reserved for Methodist organizations, and throngs of people enjoy the pleasures of our picnic grounds.

Methodist Day is our annual great occasion, when thousands of our people gather in our amphitheatre for a day of inspiration and recreation.

The growing importance of this work and its ministry to the poor, dependent, and orphan boy is evidenced by the continued interest of our people.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS S. LONG,

Executive Secretary.

March, 1933.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVORCE LAWS.

We, the Wilmington Annual Conference, in session assembled, protest against any change looking toward liberalizing the divorce laws of the State of Delaware, and we especially protest against the Bennett divorce bill becoming law.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

We come to the close of the sixty-fifth session of the Wilmington Annual Conference of 1932 and 1933 with hearts filled with praise and thanksgiving for the innumerable blessings of our God.

First: We desire to express our thanks to Rehoboth Beach Church and its pastor, the Reverend C. Irving Carpenter, and all others who cooperated with him, for the splendid manner in which the Conference and friends have been entertained. We desire also to thank the friends who have opened their homes, for their generosity and hospitality.

Second: We appreciate the courtesy of the homes, offices and public buildings that have been opened to the members of the several committees of our Conference.

Third: To the newspapers and correspondents both of Wilmington and Rehoboth for the space given to the reports of our labor and work.

Fourth: Words fail to express our appreciation of our beloved Bishop Leonard for his presiding over our Conference, for the kindness extended to each member of the Conference, for his masterful and inspirational addresses and for the Godly influence he leaves with each of us to carry on the Master's work for the coming year.

Fifth: We desire in this, the Fourth week of our Lenten Season, to thank the Almighty God for the gift of his Son Jesus Christ and for His presence with us and blessings upon us during this session of our Wilmington Conference.

REPORT OF

(d) CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN

J. W. WOOTTEN, Statistician.

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R. W. Mills,

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F. D. Milbury,

H. O. Hufnal,

Willard Everett,

T. O. M. Wills,

J. B. Vaughn,

R. S. Hodgson,

R. M. Green,

F. A. Baker.

REPORT OF

(e) CONFERENCE TREASURER

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W. H. Revelle,

L. L. Powell,

R. H. Nelson,

L. W. Ross,

H. T. Caldwell,

W. H. Kohl.

STATISTICAL

DOVER DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, NAMES OF PASTORS, Ministerial Support (Total Claim Including House Rent, Total Paid Including House Rent, Rental Value of Parsonage, Support District Supt., Support Bishop, Support Conf. Cl'mnts, Total Paid for Ministerial Support, Total Deficiency), Baptisms (Children Baptized, Adults Baptized).

District Parsonage at Dover, Del., estimated value, \$15,000.

STATISTICAL

DOVER DISTRICT.

Table with columns: Church Membership (Prep'ty Mem., Received During Year, Now on Roll, Rec'd from P. M. or Prof'n of Faith, Received by Transfer, Full Members on Roll, Including Inactive Members, Inactive Members, Removed by Transfer, Deaths During Year), Church Property (Churches, Estimated Value of Land and Buildings, Parsonages, Estimated Value of Land and Buildings, Value of Other Properties, Endowments, Bonds, etc., Paid by Charge for Building and Improvements, Paid on Old Indebtedness Not Including Interest, Present Indebtedness Incl. Debt on Current Exp'ses, Current Expenses not incl. Ministerial Support), Miscellaneous (Local Preachers, Subscribers to the Advertisements, Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society, No. Cong. or Prch'g P'ces, Senior and Young People, Intermediate and Juniors).

STATISTICAL

MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	Sunday Church Schools														Other Church Schools		
	Number of Schools	No. of Classes Under 18 Years	No. of Classes Using Closely Graded Lessons	Enrollment					Church Membe'ip Pupils incl. Ho'e Dept. not B.C. who are Ch. Mem. or Prep. Mem. Accessions to Church from Memb. of S. S.	Rally Day Offering	Finances				Enrollment Leadership Training Classes	Pupils Enrolled in Vacation Church Schools	Pupils Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools
				Officers and Teachers	Pupils of all Grades	Nursery Roll	Home Department	Total Enrollment			Average Attendance	Paid by S. S. to World Service not including Rally Day Offering	Expenses for Lesson Materials, Supplies, Etc.				
1 Bayside.....	2	7	6	22	130			152	75	75	1	15	80	100			
2 Bozman.....	2			30	260			290	120				85	150			
3 Burrsville.....	3			20	220			240	90		2		30	90			
4 Cecilton.....	1	8	2	16	65	23		104	45	45		10	100	100			
5 Centreville.....	1	12	12	20	214	17	18	269	120	125		10	25	125		45	
6 Chestertown.....	1	14	9	32	289	20	60	401	150	210		20	286	350			
7 Cheswold.....	1	10	10	25	132	15	15	187	110				100	164			
8 Church Hill.....	3	9	2	30	178	10		218	110	85	2	14	69	120			
9 Clayton.....	1	8	5	25	255			280	160				138	150			
10 Concord.....	3	12	4	28	226	21		275	130		8			93			
11 Cordova.....	2	8	5	15	104			119	65		9	5	45	62			
12 Crumpton.....	3	8		24	100			124	75					100			
13 Denton.....	1	15	14	26	230	15	42	313	165	165		23	37	275			
14 Easton.....	1	15	13	27	261	25		313	158	200	24	25	75	492		24	
15 Fairlee.....	3	11	5	38	270			308	165				65	48			
16 Galena.....	2	10		20	92			112	65					8			
17 Greensboro.....	1	15	3	28	272	26	22	348	145	50				200			
18 Hillsboro.....	2	14	7	21	111	28		160	100					120			
19 Henderson.....	3	9	4	33	125			158	70				105	122			
20 Kenton.....	3	8	12	24	155			179	85				60	78		32	
21 Kent Is.....	3			45	330			375	240				32	200			
22 Middletown.....	1	12	6	18	257	18	24	317	119					100		60	
23 Maryland.....	4	10	15	17	208			225	125		4			100			
24 Millington.....	2	6	1	19	172	14	18	223	67				8	75			
25 Odessa.....	2	6	12	29	170			199	110		20		5	148		27	
26 Oxford.....	1	4		8	109	17	33	167	51				5	50		50	
27 Preston.....	3			30	202	10		242	140	156				150			
28 Pomona.....	2	5		16	95	10	8	129	55	90	7	3	12	50			
29 Queenstown.....	3	10		21	170			191	77	37	2		25	50			
30 Ridgely.....	1	10	10	19	134	15		168	70			5	75	75			
31 Rock Hall.....	1	12	10	30	330		8	368	165		2			100			
32 Royal Oak.....	1	4	1	9	40			49	30	2	1		25	20			
33 St. Michal's.....	1	12	12	35	184	16	8	243	88	90		9	29	140	9	33	
34 Smyrna.....	1	14	9	25	235	25	30	315	185	112	4		267	214	8		
35 Still Pond.....	2	20	16	31	155	25	16	227	130	93		2		200			
36 Sudersville.....	1	9	5	25	101		12	138	65				124	124		40	
37 St. Pauls.....	1	4		10	65			75	30	20	2	5	30	21			
38 Tilghm'n Is.....	2	9	6	33	379	60		472	190			20	80	152			
39 Townsend.....	2	15	13	25	261		14	300	150		9			160			
40 Trappe.....	1	6	8	15	80	12	12	119	40		16		34	100			
41 Wye.....	2	10	2	28	167			195	110	105	2	7	40	110			
Total.....	76	378	239	992	7533	414	332	9287	4446	1660	123	157	2022	5242	35	271	100

TREASURER'S

MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

List No.	Disciplinary Benevolences as Ordered by the Gen. Conf.											Benevolences as Ordered by the Annual Conference											
	Distributable	World Service									Total Disciplinary Benevolences	General Conference Expenses			Conference Board of Education							Total Benevolences Ord'd by Annual Conference	
		Designated to										Educational Endowments Buildings, Special Gifts	Conference Board of Education	Domestic Missions	Hospitals & Homes, Edts Buildings, Spec. Gifts	Conference Budget	Other Items	Annual Conf. Investm'ts for Conf. Claimants	City Missionary or Chur'h Extension Society	Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund			
1	30	50	10	22						112		2									6	33	
2	85									85			5								5	20	
3	50									50													
4	135	15	10	20						180		10								12	16	78	
5	105	25	10	35						175		23	21							29	20	87	
6	400									553		10	376	138						202	27	313	
7	100									100										8	10	70	
8	83									83										21	31		
9	147									172		10								27	20	122	
10	42	43	17	62						168		5								21	2	64	
11	42									50		2								5	7	59	
12	26									31										31	20	59	
13	10	181	30	70						291		25	29							31	20	109	
14	50	5	25	75						160		10	340	245						32	20	149	
15	94									94										6	5	23	
16										10												9	
17	180	30								224												41	
18	105									105		6		61								25	
19	60									60												12	
20	26									26												39	
21	60									75													
22	462									462			103	339						10		65	
23	18									34												16	
24	147									147		5	80	164						5		29	
25	156									156		16	9	29						18	8	113	
26	44	1	10							60										8		21	
27	161									268		15								15		50	
28	15									20													
29	20									31												15	
30	70									80												24	
31	40	100								140												62	
32	28									58												29	
33	96	10	15	16						137												54	
34	246	90	140							500		17	122	275						9		146	
35	41									83		2	183							10		70	
36	75	33	65							173		3								6		83	
37	30									30												3	
38	100									100												15	
39	25									67		10										17	
40										34												17	
41	27	5	10	15						65		4										3	
3631	588	530	631	5	64					5449		160	1412	1365						8386	49	12	
																					335	153	412
																					575	434	40
																					77	81	2142

Owing to the fact that many banks were closed and church funds not available, many charges show a decrease in benevolences and ministerial support.

STATISTICAL SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, NAMES OF PASTORS, Ministerial Support (Total Claim, Support of Pastor, Support of District Supt., Support of Bishops, Support of Conf. Cl'mnts, Total Paid for Ministerial Support, Total Deficiency), Baptisms (Children Baptized, Adults Baptized).

Distric Parsonage at Salisbury, Md., estimated value \$15,000.

STATISTICAL SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Table with columns: Church Membership (Prep'ry Mem., Full Members), Church Property (Churches, Estimated Value of Land and Buildings, Parsonages, etc.), Miscellaneous (Local Preachers, Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society, etc.), Epw'th League (Senior and Young People, Intermediate and Juniors).

STATISTICAL WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, NAMES OF PASTORS, Ministerial Support (Total Claim, Support of Pastor, Support of District Supt., Support of Bishops, Support of Conf. Cl'mnts), Bap-tisms (Children Baptized, Adults Baptized), Total Paid for Ministerial Support, Total Deficiency.

District Parsonage at 2705 Harrison St., Wilmington, Del., estimated value \$15,000.

STATISTICAL WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Table with columns: Church Membership (Prep'y Memb., Full Members, Deaths During Year), Church Property (Estimated Value of Land and Buildings, Parsonages, Value of Other Properties, etc.), Miscellaneous (Local Preachers, Subscribers to the Advo-cates, Amount Contributed by Ladies Aid Society, etc.), Epw'th League (Senior and Young People, Intermediate and Juniors).

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—Recapitulation by Districts.

NAME OF DISTRICT	Support of Pastor				Support of District Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support of Conference Claimants		Total Paid for Ministerial Support		Church Schools		Epw'rth League				
	Total Claim Includ- ing House Rent.	Total Paid Includ- ing House Rent.	Total House Rent.	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Paid Includ- ing House Rent & Adm. Exp.	Total House Rent & Adm. Exp.	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Church Schools	Officers and Teachers	Departments	Church School Current Expenses	Senior and Young People	Intermediate and Juniors	
Dover.....	74615	68422	6875	5200	45171483	1107	9045	6315	80361	9982	931382	13237	8344	1338	318	8344	1338	318	
Middletown.....	65615	59682	7840	4609	38581138	687	7990	3181	67408	11044	751992	1775	5049	947	307	5049	947	307	
Salisbury.....	85215	76432	9815	5272	44071646	943	11599	5477	87259	16473	941348	15743	8657	1221	801	8657	1221	801	
Wilmington.....	101485	99201	13675	5144	48422042	1591	13989	10673	116307	6353	691553	16094	12302	1144	848	12302	1144	848	
Conference total.....	326930	303737	38205	20225	17624309	4328	42623	25646	351335	44752	3335975	54374	34352	4670	2274	34352	4670	2274	
Last year.....	348570	341905	39465	21663	207836678	5524	45567	34587	402036	20308	3275421	55392	40086	4912	2315	40086	4912	2315	
Increase.....	21640	38168	1260	1438	3659	3691196	2944	8941	50701	24444	4	1043	5734	242	41	4	1043	5734	242
Decrease.....																			

NAME OF DISTRICT	Church Membership				Church Property				Miscellaneous														
	Bap- tisms	Prep'ry Mem.	Full Membership	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value of Other Properties, Bonds, etc.	Value of Other Properties, Bonds, etc.	Estimated Value of Land	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value of Other Properties, Bonds, etc.	Value of Other Properties, Bonds, etc.	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advo- cates	Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society	Number of Congregations or Preaching Places							
Dover.....	459	25	274	285	147	12570	919	49	157	103	819650	45159000	48260	13268	3968	24827	26270	38	375	11049	83		
Middletown.....	332	16	219	162	133	162	8574	727	49	139	78	671250	42136750	19222	5485	2773	56177	15626	14	120	13228	4	
Salisbury.....	382	38	368	376	369	101	14574	4496	58	173	90	192100	44197600	53300	14752	2791	90192	27117	29	130	13544	88	
Wilmington.....	619	64	650	1169	402	543	15902	1509	186	176	67	1959800	44235600	111720	68634	13450	184763	73284	28	208	18177	68	
Conference total.....	1745	143	1511	1980	1189	953	51620	4651	342	645	338	4578800	178729850	237502	102139	22982	335959	43247	99	842	55098	332	
Last year.....	1993	209	2257	1476	2306	790	47967	4772	577	650	340	4626800	178819350	258520	62094	41300	321469	43374	97	710	69969	332	
Increase.....	248	66	746	1117	1117	163	3653	121	235	5	2	48000	89500	26018	40045	14490	1127	2	126	14871	.....	
Decrease.....																							

TREASURER'S REPORT.
RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

NAMES OF DISTRICTS	Disciplinary Benevolences as Ordered by the General Conf.												Other Cash Items				Benevolences as Ordered by the Annual Conference													
	Foreign Missions	Home Missions and Church Extension	Education (Incl. Theological Schs)	Hospitals, Homes & Deaconess Work	Temperance, Proh'n and Public Morals	Pensions and Relief	American Bible Soc.	Total on Apportion- ment	Specials, Annuities Legacies, etc	Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Mis- sionary Society	Woman's Home Mis- sionary Society	Total Disciplinary Be- nevolences	Support of District Super- intendents	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference Claimants	General Conference Expenses	Total Other Cash Items	Educational Endowments Buildings, Special Gifts	Conf. Board of Education	Domestic Missions	Hospitals & Homes Rds Buildings, Spec. Gifts	Conf. Budget	District Parsonage	Other Items	Annual Conf. Investments for Conf. Claimants	City Missionary or Chur- ch Extension Society	Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund	Total Benevolences Or- dered by the Annual Conference	Grand Total
Dover.....	7747	440	670	1185	15	89	5	10151	10	227	1011	1237	12636	4546	1098	6355	26	12016	75	462	258	221	888	502	44	2673	27325	27325		
Middletown.....	3631	588	530	631	5	64	5	5449	4	160	1412	1365	6386	3854	667	3091	49	7661	41	335	153	412	675	434	40	77	81	2142	18189	
Salisbury.....	6436	1126	1758	970	10	154	4	10461	45	126	1056	1328	13016	4407	946	5477	2	10832	295	205	447	64	672	883	18	138	35	2550	26398	
Wilmington.....	13543	3257	3458	1618	25	281	5	22187	1000	284	6598	5987	36056	4841	1591	10673	22	17127	606	312	240	1149	600	1735	50	996	25	5755	59153	
Total.....	31357	5411	6416	4404	55	588	15	48248	1055	797	10077	9917	70094	17648	4302	25596	99	47636	75	1698	1170	937	3284	600	2554	108	1434	185	13120	131065
Totals for 1930-1931								72767		1004	12305	11191	97329	20685	5534	35287	1606	63946		24662	175	1822	4230		5001	834	2538	270	18549	179797
Increase.....								24519		207	2228	1274	27255	2937	1232	9691	1507	16310		768	1005	885	946		2447	736	1104	85	5329	48732
Decrease.....																														

(f) OTHER TREASURERS

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY,

W. O. HOFFECKER, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

	General Fund	Riddle Fund
1932		
March 26, To Balance	\$ 129.43	\$2405.29
March 28, Check Board of Education, Chicago	30.00	
March 28, Check M. E. Wheatley, Middletown Ch.	5.00	
April 15, Cash Pocomoke City Charge	1.00	
April 23, Check Board of Education, Chicago	30.00	
June 1, Interest on Savings Account		46.53
June 11, Check Board of Education, Chicago	30.00	
June 11, Check W. O. Hoffecker (Loan)	5.00	
June 11, Check, Interest on Rogers mortgage	45.00	
June 13, Check Board of Education, Chicago	30.00	
June 20, Check, Transfer of Interest on Savings Ac- count from Riddle Fund to General Fund	637.12	
June 20, Return of Bilbrough and Chism payments..		200.00
July 11, Check Board of Education, Chicago	30.00	
July 15, Check Security Trust Company		300.97
July 15, Transfer interest on Savings from Riddle F'd	175.09	
Oct. 11, Check Security Trust Company		47.04
Nov. 10, Interest on Rogers mortgage	45.00	
Dec. 1, Interest on Savings account		38.53
Dec. 6, Check Security Trust Company		161.79
Total	\$1192.64	\$3200.15

DISBURSEMENTS.

1932		
May 7, By Check, Sidney Bradley		\$ 100.00
May 27, By Check, George Homer Murphey	\$ 25.00	
May 27, By Check, John Edward French	25.00	
May 27, By Check, Ewell E. Crockett	25.00	
May 27, By Check, James Otis McAllister	25.00	
May 27, By Check, Harry H. Conner	25.00	
May 27, By Check, Ray W. Kirwan	25.00	
May 27, By Check, Frederick Howard Truitt	25.00	
May 27, By Check, Willard W. Sylvester	25.00	
June 11, By Check, Raymond W. Hallman	37.50	
June 11, By Check, Robert E. Green	37.50	
June 13, By Check, W. O. Hoffecker returning loan..	5.00	
June 20, By Check, James F. Langrall	37.50	
June 20, By Check, Transferring Interest on Savings Account to General Fund		637.12
June 20, By Check, Bilbrough & Chism payments . . .	200.00	
July 15, By Check, Transferring Interest on Savings Acct. from Riddle Fund to General Fund		175.09
July 15, By Check, Tax . . . . .	.02	
July 15, By Check, Tax . . . . .		.02
Nov. 12, By Check, Harry Conner	25.00	
Nov. 12, By Check, Raymond W. Hallman	37.50	
Nov. 12, By Check, Robert E. Green	37.50	
Nov. 12, By Check, Melvin E. Wheatley, Jr.	37.50	
Nov. 12, By Check, Sidney Bradley		100.00
Dec. 1, By Check, Tax . . . . .		.04
Dec. 1, By Check, Tax . . . . .	.12	
Total	\$ 655.14	\$1012.27
March 25, 1933, To Balance	\$ 537.50	\$2187.88
	\$1192.64	\$3200.15

TREASURER'S REPORT, BUREAU OF CONFERENCE BUDGET.

RECEIPTS.

1932	
March 26, To Balance	\$ 291.97
April 2, To Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer	2000.00
April 4, To Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer	1000.00
April 6, To Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting	3.75
April 9, To Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer	1000.00
April 14, To Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer	212.00
July 30, To Check, Rev. E. W. McDowel, refund Sum. Sch. excess	65.00
Total Receipts	<u>\$4572.72</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

1932	
April 1, By Check, H. L. Harcum, Assistant	\$1000.00
April 4, By Check, H. L. Harcum, Assistant	1000.00
April 4, By Check, Rev. J. R. Bicking, Conf. Sec., Expense	25.00
April 4, By Check, H. L. Harcum, rubber stamp and pad	4.00
April 4, By Check, William Wright, Sexton	25.00
April 4, By Check, H. L. Harcum, Assistant	600.00
April 7, By Check, Spencer Walls, 1 day's attendance at Conf. . . . .	.60
April 11, By Check, Rev. G. W. Bounds, Conference Postmaster	15.00
April 11, By Check, J. R. Taylor, printing 300 receipts	2.00
April 11, By Check, Rev. L. E. Windsor, Staistical Sec., expense	3.84
April 11, By Check, H. L. Harcum, Assistant	240.85
April 14, By Check, Rev. Leonard White	6.50
April 14, By Check, Mary Knotts, 1 day's attendance at Conf.	2.35
April 15, By Check, George Clark, 1 day's attendance at Conf.	2.35
April 15, By Check, E. P. Wyatt, Conference Treasurer's bond	125.00
April 16, By Check, W. O. Hoffecker, Personal Bond	12.50
April 28, By Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conference Treas., exp.	8.85
April 29, By Check, Mrs. E. S. Corkran, 1 day's attend. at Conf.	1.20
April 29, By Check, C. H. Layfield, 1 day's attendance at Conf. . . . .	.75
May 9, By Check, H. L. Harcum, balance due in full settlement	1.30
May 10, By Check, W. O. Hoffecker, expressage . . . . .	.47
May 20, By Check, H. L. Harcum, for services	25.00
May 20, By Check, Rev. R. H. Nelson, 4 day's attend. at Conf.	9.40
July 1, By Check, Rev. E. W. McDowell, Summer School	700.00
July 1, By Check, Tax . . . . .	.02
Total Disbursements	<u>\$3811.98</u>

1933

March 27, By Balance	\$ 760.74
	<u>\$4572.72</u>

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

HARRY H. NUTTLE, Treasurer.

March 31st, 1932 to March 28th, 1933.

RECEIPTS.

In hand, March 31st, 1932	\$ 270.13
Received from Conference Treasurer, 1931-32	1318.00
Received from Churches, 1932-33	1011.00
Refunds, Training Schools, Promotion Expense, etc.	254.24
Rally Day Offerings	1776.97
Designated Gifts	200.00
Bulletin	1.25
Net—Money borrowed from Peoples Bank (\$2283.00)	2194.94
Temporary Loan from H. H. Nuttle	200.00
Correction of Error in charging up check	15.00
Total Receipts	<u>\$7241.53</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Salary, James H. Bishop	\$2291.92
House Rent	500.00
Travel and Field Expense	999.02
Supplies and Postage	138.55
Telephone and Telegraph	82.06
Clerical	1045.00
Office Rent	183.00
Printing	53.25
Insurance	5.45
Interest paid	20.28
Notes paid Peoples Bank 1931-32	1300.81
Miscellaneous	15.92
Payment of Loan from H. H. Nuttle	200.00
Error—Check charged to wrong account	15.00
	<u>\$6850.26</u>
Balance in hand March 28th, 1933	\$ 391.27

ASSETS.

Bond of F. A. Lindhorst	\$ 500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	150.00
	<u>\$ 650.00</u>

LIABILITIES.

Notes to Peoples Bank of Denton, Md.	\$2283.00
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MINISTERIAL CONTINGENT RELIEF FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance, March 31, 1932	\$ 357.97	
Received from Conference Treasurer	140.00	
Received from Pastors	160.49	
Interest on Deposits	20.06	\$ 678.52

DISBURSEMENTS.

John L. Johnson, District Needs	\$ 100.02	
Disston W. Jacobs, District Needs	50.02	
J. R. Bicking, Printing	3.50	\$ 153.54
Balance in Treasury		\$ 524.98

R. K. STEPHENSON, Trustee.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

W. O. HOFFECKER, Trustee.

RECEIPTS.

1932	
April 14, To Check, Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conf. Treasurer	\$1590.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

1932	
April 25, By Check, Rev. W. E. Habbart, Dover District	\$ 337.00
April 25, By Check, Rev. J. L. Johnson, Middletown District ...	370.00
April 25, By Check, Rev. Leonard White, Salisbury District	402.00
April 25, By Check, Rev. D. W. Jacobs, Wilmington District	481.00
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	\$1590.00

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES.

Treasurer's Report, March 29, 1933.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Bank, March 29, 1932	\$1110.91	
Earnings on Investments	571.00	
Aug. 2, T. S. Holt Fund for Supply Pastors	300.00	
Aug. 2, Loan, Publishing Conference Minutes	456.25	
Sept. 24, Loan, Publishing Conference Minutes	51.00	
Jan. 27, T. S. Holt Fund for Supply Pastors	300.00	
Interest on Account	28.16	\$2817.32

DISBURSEMENTS.

1932

April 7, Beckwith, from the Thomas Fund	\$ 110.00	
April 7, Goshen, from the Carey Fund	115.00	
April 7, Clayton, from the Clifton Fund	25.00	
April 7, Parsonburg, from the Wimbrow Fund	45.00	
April 7, Chesapeake City, from the Lindsay Fund ...	60.00	
April 7, Historical Society, Conowingo Fund	117.00	
May 6, Loan, Publishing Conference Minutes	500.00	
June 14, Renewal of Treasurer's Bond	12.50	
Sept. 28, Loan, Publishing Conference Minutes	200.00	
June 14, By Check, Charged against Receipts	25.00	
1933		
Jan. 25, Box Rent	5.50	
Mar. 29, Tax04	\$1215.04

Balance in Bank, March 29, 1933	<hr/>	\$1602.28
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W. A. HEARN, Treasurer.

BARRATT'S CHAPEL FUND.

Treasurer's Report, March 29, 1933.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Bank, March 29, 1932	\$ 672.05	
Earnings on Investments	60.00	
Interest on Account	20.88	\$ 752.93

DISBURSEMENTS.

Jan. 24, To Services of Attorney	\$ 50.00	
Feb. 18, To Expense, Proceedings in Court	13.71	
Mar. 29, Tax04	\$ 63.75

Balance in Bank, March 29, 1933	<hr/>	\$ 689.18
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W. A. HEARN, Treasurer.

WASHINGTON FOSTER ESTATE.

Treasurer's Report, March 29, 1933.

Second Account of Walter A. Hearn, Treasurer of the Washington Foster Estate, Debtor to amount re- ceived of the Washington Foster Estate, July 21, 1931	<hr/>	\$13504.43
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CORPUS, March 29, 1933.

Mortgage, 6%, Elkton	\$1200.00	
Mortgage, 6%, Newark	4600.00	
Mortgage, 6%, Rising Sun, (\$2300) to Corpus	2204.43	
Mortgage, 6%, Elkton	3500.00	
Mortgage, 6%, Elkton	2000.00	
Total Corpus, March 29, 1933		\$13504.43

INCOME.

Balance in Bank credited to Income, Mar. 17, 1932	\$ 661.57	
Receipts from Investments	688.00	
Interest on Account	38.13	\$1387.70

DISBURSEMENTS.

1932		
Mar. 28, Check, R. J. McCauley, Recording Account	\$ 1.00	
Apr. 7, Check, Expenses	10.47	
June 21, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	50.00	
July 1, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	25.00	
Aug. 11, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	50.00	
Sept. 9, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Oct. 13, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Oct. 21, Check, Insurance	2.98	
Oct. 31, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Nov. 26, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Dec. 13, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Dec. 21, Check, Renewal Treasurer's Bond	36.66	
1933		
Jan. 13, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Feb. 17, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00	
Mar. 14, Check, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	50.00	
Mar. 28, Check, Tax . . . . .	.24	\$ 751.35
Balance in Bank credited to Income, Mar. 29, 1933		\$ 636.35

W. A. HEARN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF DEL-MAR-VA INSTITUTE FOR 1932.

Enrollment	Boys	Girls	Total
Dover District	3	18	21
Middletown District	4	7	11
Salisbury District	9	26	35
Wilmington District	9	13	22
Leaders and Counselors			21
Total			110

FINANCE.

Receipts	\$ 942.10
Expenditures	932.32
Total Balance for 1932	\$ 9.78

Request that the date of the 1933 Institute be inserted in the Conference Minutes, July 8-16, 1933.

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR.

Your Auditor has examined with much care the accounts of the following Treasurers and believes each to be entirely correct:

- Rev. Leonard White, Treasurer of Domestic Missions.
 Rev. W. E. Habbart, Treasurer of Domestic Missions; Treasurer of World Service Maintenance.
 Rev. John L. Johnson, Treasurer of Domestic Missions; Treasurer of World Service Maintenance.
 Rev. D. W. Jacobs, Treasurer of World Service Maintenance.
 Rev. R. K. Stephenson, Treasurer Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund.
 Rev. J. J. Bunting, Treasurer of Wilmington Annual Conference.
 Rev. O. A. Bartley, Treasurer of Wilmington Conference Historical Society.
 Rev. E. W. McDowell, Treasurer of Summer School of Theology Fund.
 Rev. W. A. Hearn, Treasurer of Conference Trustees, Treasurer of Barratt's Chapel Fund, Treasurer Washington Foster Estate.
 Mr. W. O. Hoffecker, Treasurer of Domestic Missions, Treasurer of Conference Budget, Treasurer of Wilmington Conference Education Education Society, including the Riddle Fund.
 Mr. H. H. Nuttle, Treasurer Board of Church Schools.
 Mr. Jefferson Cooper, Treasurer Board of Stewards.

HUGH B. KELSO,
 Conference Auditor.

BOARD OF STEWARDS.

The practical wisdom of possessing and continually increasing a considerable Conference Claimant Endowment fund, is brought into bold relief against the background of our collections from the charges for the year now ending. We have received on apportionment \$25,406.00, but our investments of \$202,540.00 have earned \$12,382.00, our total sum for distribution therefore being \$37,788.00. Were there no income from investments we should be compelled to set the rate at ten dollars a year, while in fact the rate must only be reduced to fifteen dollars a year, from eighteen. If pro rating on collected salaries of fifteen hundred dollars and above had been practiced, our rate this year would have met with slight reduction.

Knowing that surface conditions are particularly misleading this year, we are not inclined to offer criticism of any preachers relation to

this deficit. But we urge the brethren to practice the duty of pro rating as regularly as their salaries are received. To avoid continuance of the present suffering of the Claimant collections, which this year has been out of proportion to reductions in pastors collected salaries, our recommendation must become your fixed habit, until these unsettled times are past.

There are a few charges in which money was collected for this cause and placed in bank, awaiting conference. That money is now unavailable. We ask the pastors of such charges, if they have not already discussed their own local situation with us, to be particularly alert to send us these sums, or any parts of them, as soon as they can be withdrawn.

We must be careful to protect the interest of the men and women whose comfort and well being depend so largely on our careful planning and our faithful observance of the responsibilities of pro rating. The law requires a sharing ministry in Methodism. The efficient and whole hearted leadership which these retired men and women gave our generation should bring us graciously to the place of a sharing ministry. In no other way can we get the rate going in the right direction.

We ask for the appointment of Lester Windsor as trustee for Laura Williams and her four children.

E. P. THOMAS,
For the Board of Stewards.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Rehoboth, Delaware, April 1, 1933.

To the Board of Stewards of the Wilmington Conference,
Methodist Episcopal Church.

Brethren:

As the Auditing Committee of your Board we respectfully submit the following report:

On March 14, 1933, we conducted an inspection of the securities covering the investments of the Board for the Claimants of the Wilmington Conference. These securities are in the form of 107 first mortgages on real estate located in the city of Wilmington and immediate vicinity and amount to a total of \$202,540.00. The investments are covered by insurance policies held by the Treasurer to the amount of \$349,700.00.

The payments of interest have been very closely collected when consideration is given to the times through which we are passing, there being a shortage of only about four per cent. with good prospects of the major portion of this being in hand at an early date.

The properties on which investments had been made during the year, were visited and a good margin exists between the value of the properties and the amount of the mortgages.

The Treasurer's accounts have been audited and the same found to be correct, the balance on hand being \$12,280.60 in the Savings Account and \$69.92 in the Checking Account or a total of \$12,350.52.

L. E. WINDSOR,
FRANK P. GENTIEU,
Auditing Committee.

BISHOP'S RESIDENCE FUND.

Statement of Morris E. Swartz, Financial Secretary, to Close of 1933
Conference Session.

(Charges whose names are omitted have paid their apportionment in full. Please note suggestions at the end of this statement.)

Dover District.

Charge	Quota	Paid	Due
Beckwith and Spedden	\$ 73.00	\$ 36.50	\$ 36.50
Bethel	56.00	—	56.00
Blades and Epworth	36.00	—	36.00
Bridgeville	93.00	5.00	88.00
Camden	64.00	5.00	59.00
Canterbury	50.00	—	50.00
Church Creek and Taylor's Is.	45.00	—	45.00
Crapo	51.00	—	51.00
Dover, St. Paul's	21.00	—	21.00
Dover, Wesley	158.00	—	158.00
East New Market	85.00	—	85.00
Ellendale	46.00	—	46.00
Farmington and Epworth	71.00	16.00	55.00
Frederica	86.00	6.00	80.00
Galestown	29.00	—	29.00
Greenwood	73.00	43.00	30.00
Hooper's Island	33.00	—	33.00
Houston	64.00	5.00	59.00
Hurlock	69.00	—	69.00
Laurel	181.00	—	181.00
Lincoln	73.00	—	73.00
Little Creek	34.00	—	34.00
Magnolia and Barratt's Chapel	81.00	—	81.00
Milford Neck	33.00	3.00	30.00
Milton	89.00	30.00	59.00
Mt. Pleasant	64.00	—	64.00
Nassau	67.00	—	67.00
Rehoboth	85.00	28.00	57.00
Reliance	63.00	—	63.00
St. Thomas	50.00	—	50.00
Seaford Circuit	95.00	—	95.00
Secretary	—	—	—
Vienna	33.00	11.00	22.00
Williamsburg	41.00	—	41.00
Wyoming	70.00	—	70.00
Zoar Circuit	—	—	—

Middletown District.

Charge	Quota	Paid	Due
Barclay Circuit	—	—	—
Bayside	34.00	16.00	18.00
Burrsville	32.00	—	32.00
Clayton	57.00	28.00	29.00
Cordova	47.00	5.00	42.00
Galena	53.00	10.00	43.00
Greensboro	79.00	20.00	59.00
Henderson	27.00	9.00	18.00
Hillsboro	57.00	51.00	6.00
Kent Island	76.00	—	76.00
Kenton	44.00	10.00	34.00
Marydel	53.00	23.00	30.00
Pomona	40.00	10.00	30.00
Preston	68.00	25.00	43.00
Queenstown	42.00	20.00	22.00
Ridgely	64.00	27.00	37.00
Rock Hall	62.00	11.00	51.00
Trappe	43.00	—	43.00
Wye Mills and Starr	26.00	—	26.00

Salisbury District.

Charge	Quota	Paid	Due
Ayres Chapel	60.00	—	60.00
Bishopville	70.00	—	70.00
Claremont	30.00	—	30.00
Crisfield, Asbury	188.00	—	188.00
Dagsboro and St. Georges	110.00	—	110.00
Deal's Island	100.00	—	100.00
Delmar	120.00	70.00	50.00
Fairmount	105.00	—	105.00
Frankford	80.00	—	80.00
Fruitland	85.00	—	85.00
Girdletree	65.00	—	65.00
Gumboro	70.00	—	70.00
Hebron	65.00	—	65.00
Mardela Springs	45.00	—	45.00
Marion	50.00	—	50.00
Mt. Vernon	85.00	—	85.00
Nanticoke	69.00	—	69.00
Newark	59.00	—	59.00
Ocean City	35.00	—	35.00
Ocean View and Millville	85.00	—	85.00
Onancock	120.00	20.00	100.00
Parsonsborg	85.00	—	85.00
Phoebus	44.00	11.00	33.00
Pittsville	70.00	—	70.00

Charge	Quota	Paid	Due
Pocomoke City	135.00	—	135.00
Pocomoke Circuit	50.00	—	50.00
Powellville	60.00	—	60.00
Quantico	80.00	10.00	70.00
Roxana	70.00	—	70.00
St. Peter's	84.00	—	84.00
Salisbury, Grace	50.00	—	50.00
Selbyville	129.00	—	129.00
Smith's Island	105.00	70.00	35.00
Somerset	85.00	—	85.00
Stockton	115.00	—	115.00
Tangier	159.00	59.00	100.00
Venton	10.00	—	10.00
Westover	39.00	—	39.00
White Haven	29.00	—	29.00
Whitesville	100.00	—	100.00
E. H. Dashiell	—	100.00	—

Wilmington District.

Charge	Quota	Paid	Due
Bethel and Town Point	18.00	—	18.00
Cedars	—	—	—
Colora	24.00	10.00	14.00
Hopewell	60.00	50.00	10.00
New Castle	140.00	—	140.00
North East	101.00	—	101.00
St. John's	30.00	—	30.00
Wilmington—			
Asbury	85.00	10.00	75.00
Cookman	75.00	55.00	20.00
Eastlake	92.00	50.00	42.00
Epworth	128.00	—	128.00
Madeley	105.00	—	105.00
Mt. Salem	120.00	—	120.00
St. Paul's	315.00	248.00	67.00
Trinity	105.00	5.00	100.00
Union	188.00	—	188.00

Note: The above apportionments, with a few exceptions, were made eleven years ago. This will account for blanks in the quota column. Please try to clean up this Conference year.

Make checks and money orders payable to Morris E. Swartz, Financial Secretary.

Pastors who find it difficult to raise this fund will find, in most places, the Ladies' Aid Society willing to help to care for the "Area Parsonage."

MEMORIAL FUNDS FOR CONFERENCE CLAIMANT ENDOWMENT.

To William A. Clash, husband; Eben E. Payne, father; and Maria Coke Payne, mother—By Mrs. William A. Clash, Cambridge, Md.	\$7,000.00
To Mrs. Eliza P. Clark, Milford, Del. By action of the Conference in recognition of bequest	\$7,100.00
To Mrs. Annie C. West, Middletown, Del. By action of the Conference in recognition of bequest	\$3,254.35
To William Chance, father; and Susan Chance, mother. By Charles B. Chance, Sudlersville, Md.	\$ 150.00
To Rev. John Hough, father, and Rebecca E. Hough, mother. By Mrs. James P. Hoffecker, Smyrna, Del.	\$ 500.00
To Margaret Layton Grier, mother. By Drs. G. Layton and Frank L. Grier, Milford, Del.	\$1,000.00
To Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilson, parents. By Timanus J. Wilson and wife, North Tonowanda, N. Y.	\$1,000.00
To Rev. John R. Bailey, of the Philadelphia Conference, father. By Henry J. Bailey, Wilmington, Del.	\$1,000.00
To Eli Saulsbury, former U. S. Senator, and official of Wesley Church, Dover, Del., uncle. By Senator Willard Saulsbury, Wilmington, Delaware	\$1,000.00
To Rev. Alfred T. Scott, father. By Henry P. Scott, Wilmington, Delaware	\$5,000.00
To Emma Prettyman, wife. By Rev. C. W. Prettyman, Carlisle, Pa.	\$ 500.00
To Vaughan S. Collins Fund	\$ 500.00
To Anna Victoria Collins Fund of Victor, N. Y. By Mary Collins Sprague, Executrix, Claremont, Va.	\$3,156.26
To Etta Pilchard, mother. By Dr. S. N. Pilchard, Salisbury, Md.	\$ 500.00

APPROPRIATIONS TO CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

The following tables indicate the amounts appropriated by the Stewards to the various Claimants upon the Conference funds at the session of 1932. They were approved by the Conference.

Date of Claim	Service	Distribution of Conference Funds.				Total
		CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES				
		Annuity Claim	Annuity Allowed	Special Fund		
MINISTERS						
1931	34	W. O. Bennett, Hurlock, Md.	\$816	\$510	\$	510
1906	17	G. W. Bowman, Laurel, Del.	408	255		255
1931	24	W. H. Briggs, 302 W. 24th St., Wilmington, Del.	576	360	120	480
1931	16	L. M. Broadway, 3310 Madison St., Wilmington, Del.	384	240	152	392
1932	28	J. A. Buckson, 417 Pine St., Ridley Park, Pa.	672	420		420
1931	37	H. G. Budd, Dover, Del.	888	555		555
1929	46	V. S. Collins, 2422 West St., Wilmington, Del.	1104	690		690
1930	53	W. F. Corkran, Seaford, Del.	1272	795		795
1919	34	J. W. Easley, 4632 Walnut St., Phila., Pa.	816	510		510
1923	34	T. N. Given, Cheswold, Del.	816	510		510
1925	35	J. W. Gray, Willards, Md.	840	525		525
1931	31	W. E. Greenfield, Perryville, Md.	744	465	55	520
1929	26	G. W. Hastings, Seaford, Del.	624	390		390
1918	42	E. L. Hoffecker, Easton, Md.	1008	630		630
1911	10	T. S. Holt, Federalsburg, Md.	240	*		
1924	16	O. E. James, Central Y. M. C. A., Baltimore, Md.	384	240		240
1929	38	Geo. P. Jones, P. O. Box #3, Mystic, Conn.	912	570		570
1924	53	L. W. Layfield, Greenwood, Del.	1272	795		795
1919	40	J. M. Lindale, 1106 Greenhill Ave., Wilmington, Del.	960	600		600
1924	16	O. L. Martin, Edmonston, Md.	384	240		240
1922	20	W. E. Matthews, Smyrna, Del.	480	300	150	450
1921	23	F. X. Moore, New Freedom, Pa.	552	345		345
1926	40	W. R. Mowbray, Lewes, Del.	960	600		600
1930	40	M. D. Nutter, Newark, Del.	960	600		600
1919	47	J. P. Otis, 2107 Washington St., Wilmington, Del.	1128	705		705
1933	40	J. P. Outten, Laurel, Del.	960	600		600
1917	35	A. P. Prettyman, Galena, Md.	840	525		525
1919	34	J. D. Reese, Frederica, Del.	816	510		510
1929	36	J. T. Richardson, Middletown, Del.	864	540		540
1933	3	V. E. Rorer	72	45		45
1915	40	Adam Stengle, 407 W. 21st St., Wilmington, Del.	960	600		600
1929	51	R. K. Stephenson, Smyrna, Del.	1224	765		765
1922	37	E. C. Sunfield, 143 Pleasant St., Hanover, Pa.	888	555		555
1931	45	W. P. Taylor, 2216 Grandview Ave., Cleveland, Ohio	1080	675		675
1904	31	C. H. Williams, Snow Hill, Md.	744	465		465
1925	19	Daniel Wilson, 3721 Reisterstown Road, Balto., Md.	476	285		285
1927	39	J. H. Wilson, 9 Spruce Ave., Elsmere, Del.	936	585		585
1930	46	W. A. Wise, 317 W. 19th St., Wilmington, Del.	1104	690		690
1932	43	Geo. E. Wood, 4004 Roland Ave., Baltimore, Md.	1032	645		645
1913	28	Daniel H. Willis, Cambridge, Md.	672	420		420
WIDOWS						
1915	43	Mary R. Adams, Rehoboth, Del.	774	484		484
1930	37	Alphonso N. Alderson, 1001 Madison St., Wilm., Del.	666	416		416
1903	21	Lydia M. Avery, 2519 Calif. Ave., Santa Monica, Cal.	378	236		236
1903	9	Selma C. Bowie, 37 Red Road, Chatham, N. J.	162	101	125	226
1926	18	Ida V. Brewington, Hebron, Md.	324	203	97	300
1915	30	Laura W. Burke, 1400 W. 7th St., Wilmington, Del.	540	338		338
1924	30	Ella E. Burr, 3 Nassau Place, Hemstead, L. I., N. Y.	540	338		338
1925	33	Annie V. Carpenter, Seaford, Del.	594	371	29	400
1909	31	Mary E. Chandler, Crumpton, Md.	558	349		349
1920	23	Sarah W. Chaires, Bozman, Md.	414	259		259
1922	5	Nora B. Cochran, 517 Bellvue Ave., Hammonton, N. J.	90	56		56
1905	25	Mary E. Collins, 1607 W. 13th St., Wilmington, Del.	450	281		281
1922	6	Blanche E. Compton, 741 N. 64th St., Philadelphia, Pa.	108	68	100	168
1931	126	Ethelyn S. Corkran, Church Hill, Md.	468	293		293
1931	13	Mabel V. Cummings, Tilghman, Md.	234	146	100	246
1929	13	Emma Morgan Dawson, 347 Ilchester Ave., Balto., Md.	234	146		146
1931	32	Martie B. Dashiell, 602 Park St., Salisbury, Md.	576	360		360
1932	31	Addie T. Derricksen, Odessa, Del.	558	349		349
1931	41	Ella G. Dulany, Fruitland, Md.	738	461		461
1932	37	Jane J. Ewing, Newark, Del.	666	416		416

Date of Claim	Service	CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES	Annuity Claim	Annuity Allowed	Special Fund	Total
WIDOWS—(Continued)						
1914	39	Bessie B. Fosnacht, 67 Putnam Ave., Whitneyville, Ct.	702	439		439
1931	23	Cora Wix Faulkner, Delmar, Del.	414	259		259
1908	27	Mary E. Grise, Pocomoke City, Md.	486	304		304
1921	34	Elizabeth B. Guthrie, Kenton, Del.	612	383		383
1932	29	Grace E. L. Jones, Charlestown, Md.	522	326		326
1919	17	Mary J. Kenney, Selbyville, Del.	306	191		191
1917	9	H. Bertrude Lewis, Laurel, Del.	162	101		101
1930	49	Tryphena MacSorley, 2209 Baynard Boul., Wilm., Del.	882	551		551
1917	23	Sallie W. Martindale, Salisbury, Md.	414	259		259
1931	18	Elizabeth S. Marshall, 612 Tennessee St., Salem, Va.	324	203		203
1930	8	Ada Law McCabe, Bishopville, Md.	144	90		90
1920	31	Jennie S. Mitchell, Middletown, Del.	558	349		349
1930	25	Gertrude B. Moore, 238 S. Mariposa St., Los Angeles, Calif.	450	281		281
1917	24	Minnie S. Morgan, 1400 W. 7th St., Wilmington, Del.	432	270		270
1916	10	Pauline N. Murray, 3905 Spruce St., Phila., Pa.	180	113		113
1909	35	Evelyn J. Nelson, 1025 Spruce St., Phila., Pa.	630	394		394
1921	38	Elizabeth F. Neese, 221 Geddes St., Wilm., Del.	684	428		428
1924	28	Lelia M. Northrup, 913 Park Place, Wilm., Del.	508	315		315
1917	32	M. Cornelia O'Brien, 2709 Jefferson St., Wilm., Del.	576	360		360
1882	8	Emma Prettyman, Salisbury, Md.	144	90	150	240
1932	26	Georgia M. Prouse, Edgemoor, Del.	468	293		293
1928	18	Emma J. Reed, Cheswold, Del.	324	203		203
1919	29	Mary B. Roberts, 143 W. Cedar Ave., Merchantville, N. J.	522	326		326
1929	35	Janie M. Smith, Denton, Md.	630	394		394
1884	15	Emma F. Shilling, 600 Delaware Ave., Wilm., Del.	270	169		169
1905	12	Sarah D. Sidell, 220 Grove St., Montclair, N. J.	216	135	225	360
1922	8	Carrie W. Stallings, Lovettsville, Va.	144	90	225	315
1901	12	Martha H. Swain, Dover, Del.	216	135	170	305
1933	32	Della D. Taylor, Dover, Del.	576	360		360
1926	16	M. Louise Van Blunk, 902 Howard St., Camden, N. J.	288	180	50	230
1929	14	Sarah E. Walton, Route #1, New Castle, Del.	252	158	60	218
1927	39	Martha S. Watt, 17 Homer St., Worcester, Mass.	702	439		439
1918	21	Lulu V. G. Westerfield, Port Deposit, Md.	378	236		236
1924	16	Belle V. White, Salisbury, Md.	288	180	154	334
1929	9	Carrie E. Wilson, Aberdeen, Md.	162	101	150	251
1923	10	Laura M. Williams	180	113	300	413
1923	19	Kate Williams, Georgetown, Del.	342	214		214
CHILDREN						
1930	25	E. Tennyson Moore	150	94		94
1930	8	Charles Law McCabe	48	30		30
1923	10	Grace Williams	60	38		38
1923	10	Maleta Williams	60	38		38
1923	10	Sherman Williams	60	38		38
1923	10	Hugh Williams	60	38		38
SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.						
RETIRED SUPPLY MINISTERS.						
		T. S. Barrett, Rock Hall, Md.				260
		Horace Truitt, Girdletree, Md.				230
WIDOWS OF SUPPLY MINISTERS.						
		Ella Horner, Laurel, Del.				230
		*Relinquished.				

VII MEMOIRS

HARVEY WINFIELD EWING.

Harvey Winfield Ewing, Retired member of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, passed away suddenly while working in his garden at his home on Kentway, Newark, Delaware, on the afternoon of April 5th, 1932, before a physician could reach him. Dr. Ewing, apparently in his usual good health, had just returned from the session of the Conference held in Salisbury, Maryland, where he had rendered what was possibly the most conspicuous service of his ministry in the delivery of that profound, eloquent and comforting Memorial Address, published in the Conference Minutes of 1932, and which is indeed a fitting valedictory to his distinguished career.

Dr. Ewing was born near Blake, Cecil County, Maryland, December 1st, 1858. The names of his parents were William Henry and Eliza Henderson Ewing. He was hence 73 years of age at the time of his passing.

Dr. Ewing had had a long and notable career as a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, having served 37 years in the active ministry, during which time he was the pastor not only of many of the leading Churches of this Conference but also of other Conferences as well. He was admitted into membership in the Wilmington Conference in the spring of 1887 and from then until March, 1924, when he was granted Retired Relations, he served the following Charges and Conferences: 1887-89, Madeley Church, Wilmington, Delaware; 90-92, Immanuel Church, Crisfield, Maryland; 93-96, Tome Church, Port Deposit, Maryland; 97-98, Mt. Salem Church, Wilmington, Delaware; 99, Union Church, Covington, Kentucky Conference; 1900-06, Winthrop St. Church, Boston; 1907-13, Trinity Church, Wooster, Mass.; 14-18, First Church, Morgantown, West Virginia Conference; 19-23, Union Church, Wilmington, Delaware. 24-32, Retired. But Dr. Ewing's usefulness as a minister did not cease when he accepted Retired Relations. Few were the Sundays when he was not in the pulpit of some brother, preaching and helping in every way possible. Indeed Dr. Ewing was in a very real sense an active minister up to the moment of his summons to appear before the Throne of God.

Dr. Ewing, when a young man planning, under the Providence of God, to dedicate his life to His service and to invest the same in the ministry of the Church, sensed the need and value of an adequate education. He planned his program of education for his future ministry with the evidence of this knowledge in the background of his thinking, and he would not and did not permit any consideration or influence to swerve him from his fixed ambition and course. Hence after having graduated from New London Academy, New London, Pa., he entered Delaware College in 1880 and graduated therefrom in 1884 with an A. B. degree. In September

1884 he matriculated at Drew Seminary, Madison, N. J., from which School of the Prophets he graduated with a B. D. degree in 1887. At Drew he had the wonderful privilege of sitting at the feet of such teachers and prophets as Butts, Miley, Strong, Crooks and Upham.

His whole life and services to and for others were transfigured with such a type of culture all of which enriched, magnified and multiplied the spiritual values of his ministry. In 1903 Iowa Wesleyan University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

Dr. Ewing did not cease to study when he left the schools and entered the active ministry. He loved to live with his books. Do not misunderstand. He was no recluse. He loved the out of doors. The foliage, the flowers, the birds, the mountains and valleys, the seas, all had a charm for him. But he loved his library. He was in no sense provincial, but as broad as the world in the scope of his reading. He verily lived with the poets, philosophers, scientists, historians, musicians, moralists and theologians. He always responded readily to the call to deliver an address or bring a paper on a given subject to a body of his brother ministers and whatever the subject, it was always presented with that profound, dignified and masterly touch characteristic of the man. Dr. Ewing was a scholar of wide reading but he maintained absolutely the Christian point of view and of course his conclusions inevitably led him to Christ.

Dr. Ewing was primarily a preacher. He did other things well, but he was at his best in his preaching. His bearing, his gestures and his very tones in his speech were not assumed but natural. He brought his sermon out of his text and context. He spared no effort to master the background of his text and context before he planned the program of his message. Hence the main body of his sermon consisted logically of the setting forth and the enforcement of the truths and lessons wrapped up in that text. He was indeed an exegetical preacher and it is not surprising therefore that, when he stood forth as a prophet of God his hearers could and did easily lay hold of the illuminating, inspiring and comforting truths and lessons set forth and would be constrained under the power of the spirit to tie up their minds, hearts, souls and conduct to these great messages. He will be remembered by his parishioners everywhere across the future as primarily God's prophet of the better life. And if those who heard him preach the Word and point out the Way, the Truth and the Life, do not live right, walk by faith with God and ultimately enter triumphantly into the Holy City above, no blame for their failure can be laid at the door of this faithful prophet of God, and of the Way in which to walk with Him and to Him at last.

That something, however, which formed both the foundation and superstructure of his career was not his education, nor his scholarship, nor yet was it his rare ability to both prepare great sermons and preach the same with unction and spiritual power. The mainspring of this remarkable life with all its issues in good works was his **character**. Dr. Harvey Winfield Ewing was first and always a man, a Christian gentleman, always and everywhere a Christian gentleman. All of the many fine gifts of his took on their value from what he was. He was a brother indeed respected, admired, trusted and beloved by all who knew him. His character was the result of his early training in a Christian home, his conversion to

God in his youth and his constant growth in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. He never ceased to grow in knowledge and in the spirit. Christian character was the first and fundamental consideration in the plans and purposes of our beloved brother.

Dr. Ewing was married on April 25th, 1889, to Miss Jane Annette Janvier, of Still Pond, Md. The ceremony was performed by Dr. W. L. S. Murray, a brother-in-law, in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, Del. He is survived by his wife and one son, Murray Janvier Ewing, editor of the Cecil Whig, Elkton Md. The service of memory was held from his late home in Newark, Delaware, Dr. D. W. Jacobs, his District Superintendent, being in charge and assisted by Dr. W. E. Gunby, his pastor, Dr. Everett Hallman, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Newark, Delaware, and Dr. R. K. Stephenson, Smyrna, Delaware. Interment in Rose Bank Cemetery, Calvert, Maryland.

"Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

J. W. COLONA.

CHARLES TURNER JONES.

Charles Turner Jones, son of the late William Jones and Mary Jane Jones, was born on a farm near Cambridge, Md., on March 30, 1872.

In the spring of the year 1877 his parents moved to Baltimore, Md., when his school life was begun.

In 1890 he entered Pennington Seminary in Pennington, N. J., graduating therefrom in 1893. He entered Dickinson College in Carlisle, Penna., in the fall of that year. It was during his Junior year at Dickinson that he took a supply work at Greencastle, Penna. He remained there during the summer months and the early fall. He then returned to Dickinson and graduated with his class in the year 1900. Drew Theological Seminary conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Divinity during that same year.

He was ordained Deacon by Bishop Andrews and Elder by Bishop Warren by whom he was received into the North Indiana Conference in 1903, and after serving there for four years was transferred to the Wilmington Conference.

The Conference minutes of 1931 give the charges he served and the years in the Wilmington Conference.

Almost immediately upon his entry into the North Indiana Conference he was married in Baltimore, Md., to Grace E. Little, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Joseph H. and Susanna Little. Of this union three sons were born, one of which died in infancy. The two surviving sons, Merritt Stanley, and Walden E. R. Jones were home with their father on the day of his death, which occurred in Principio Church, on Charlestown Charge, on Sunday morning, August 28th, 1932 at 10:35 o'clock.

Of him it can be truly said: "He died in the harness."

In speaking of his death, the editor of the Christian Advocate said: "He was a very zealous worker and in his evangelistic services won many converts, some of whom are among our most prominent young ministers."

Funeral services were conducted by his District Superintendent, Disston W. Jacobs. His interment was in the beautiful Druid Ridge Cemetery in Baltimore, Md.

HOWARD DAVIS.

EDMUND HANDY DERRICKSON.

Edmund Handy Derrickson, son of Jehu B. and Sarah E. Derrickson, was born January 21, 1854, on a farm near Frankford, Sussex County, Delaware, and quietly "fell asleep" Tuesday, October 18, last, at his late residence in Odessa, Delaware, where, on Friday in the same week, after fitting services in charge of Rev. F. C. Louhoff, his pastor, assisted by District Superintendent John L. Johnson and various other members of the Conference, his body was laid to rest in the nearby cemetery of Old Drawyer's Presbyterian church.

Thus closed a rather lengthy and well-ordered life.

It is perfectly safe to assume, that the early trend, and subsequent course of Brother Derrickson's life, were largely attributable to the religious character of his ancestry. His parents and grandparents were devout christians, quite prominently affiliated with that sturdy and highly respected type of Methodism that, in their day, so markedly characterized the section of the Wilmington Conference territory in which they lived. And it was amid such wholesome moral and religious environment, and under the favoring influence of a godly parentage, and a christian home-life, that his boyhood days were spent. His father's death occurred when Edmund was but 9 years old; hence the guidance and shaping of the lad's adolescent years were largely devolved upon his devout mother who so carefully and sacrificially carried on the religious policy and practice of the family life that, at the age of 18, this son was converted, immediately related himself to the church at Roxana, and, at once, sought to find his heart's fondest attractions among the religious activities of the young life in that community. Very soon thereafter, being clearly convinced of a call to the christian ministry, he endeavored to secure for himself necessary preparation for that work. To this end he promptly applied himself and successfully completed such public school advantages as were proffered by the county in which he resided. And, being desirous of becoming more "thoroughly furnished unto every good work," he entered Delaware College at Newark, where, all too soon, the foreshadowings of the frail physique and failing health, determined his inability to continue the definite drain made upon his limited strength. The urge to preach so persisted, however, that he resolved to so employ his time with reading such literature and studying such books as might, and did, prove of great value to him in the work of his after years. While thus engaged, in the year of 1883 while teaching in the nearby public schools, he was solicited by the Rev. John A. B. Wilson, then presiding elder of the Dover District, and was appointed

assistant to the Rev. Wilbur F. Corkran in the work of Gumboro Circuit. In the following Spring, along with eight other young men, but two of whom survive, he was "admitted on Trial" at the session of this Conference held in Asbury church, Wilmington, March 1884, Bishop W. L. Harris, presiding, and by that session was assigned to his first pastorate at Pocomoke Circuit.

His years of "active service" number 37, and his several assignments include Pocomoke Circuit, Newark, Sharptown, Girdletree, Mt. Vernon, Nanticoke, St. Peters, Marydel, Church Hill, Oxford, all in Maryland; Onancock, Va.; Mt. Pleasant, Cheswold, and Odessa, Delaware. In 1921, under the disciplinary provision relative to age, he was granted the Retired relation, and for more than 12 years, proved very helpful to both church and pastor at Odessa, where he held Quarterly Conference relations, and in which town he resided until his decease.

He was twice married, first, on April 8, 1886, to Miss Georgeana Ellis of near Snow Hill, and a capable and promising help-meet who, however, was called to her heavenly reward July 8, 1888. Then, while pastor at Girdletree, he was united in "holy matrimony" to Miss Adaline Tilghman of Somerset county, who for two score years shared with him the ever varying experiences incident to the Methodist itinerancy, and who, together with their only child, Miss Myrtle Tilghman Derrickson, mourn the passing of a devoted husband and father.

The printed record of his ministerial labors contains ample data to warrant the following conclusions; He was a good man, a minister in holy things that "needeth not to be ashamed", a diligent and tireless pastor, a trustworthy and unfailing friend, a man with the courage of his convictions, a fearless defender of right and the sane denunciator of wrong, and withal, he administered the spiritual and temporal interests of both church and home so wisely and well, that nothing, and no one, suffered detriment because of any carelessness or neglect on his part.

Wherefore, serenely confident in, and comforted by, the promise, the power and purpose of him who said, "Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of his sleep"; and, again, "Because I live, ye shall live also"; so our friend sleepeth, biding the time of his further and final commendation by Him, "whose (he) was, and whom (he) served".

"How mildly upon the wandering cloud the sunset beam is cast;
'Tis like the memory left behind when loved ones breathe their last.

But soon the morning's happier light, its glory shall restore,
And eyelids that are sealed in death, shall wake to close no more."

F. C. LOUHOFF, JR.

JAMES TURNER PROUSE.

The Rev. James Turner Prouse was born July 10, 1851, on a farm, near Brookview, Dorchester County, Md., and went to his Heavenly Home from his earthly home, "We Like It", Gordon Heights, Del., Dec. 31, 1932. He was the son of Eben and Hester Prouse.

Educated in the Public Schools of his state, and in the East New Market Academy, he entered upon a career as teacher in the public schools before he was twenty-one years of age, and for nine years he taught in the schools of Dorchester and Caroline counties. He then served for two years as Postmaster of East New Market, during which time his call to the Gospel ministry became so clear and convincing, that like Paul, he felt, "woe unto me, if I preach not the Gospel". By this time he had been a licensed exhorter for five years, and his church recognizing his gifts, grace and usefulness, recommended him to the quarterly conference for license to preach. A license was granted and bears the date of May 9th, 1885, and was signed by the Rev. A. W. Milby, Presiding Elder. Feeling the need for a more advanced education, if he was to answer the Call, he immediately entered Drew Seminary for further preparation, but discovered before the first year had elapsed that his health would not permit him to continue his studies and at the same time supply a charge, which latter was necessary in order for him to meet his school expenses and to take care of his family. Accordingly in the spring of 1886, he (with fifteen others, sixteen in the Class) was admitted on Trial in the Wilmington Annual Conference.

His pastoral record follows:—1886, Quantico; 87, Ellendale; 88, Church Creek; 89-90, Nassau; 91, Annessex; 92, Mt. Vernon, 93-94, Talbot; 95-96, Kenton; 97, Trappe; 98-99, Red Lion; 1900-02, Charlestown; 03, Christiana; 04-06, Chester-Bethel, 07-08, Kingswood; 09, Hockessin; 10, Marshallton; 11, Claymont; 12, Sy.; 13-32, Retired.

Brother Prouse was happily and fortunately married to Miss Georgia Herrick, of East New Market, in the Methodist Episcopal Church of that town, by the Rev. William R. Lane. She was fitted perfectly by temperament and affection for the difficult task of providing a pleasant and loving home in which to rear and educate with so great care their five wonderful children, all of whom with her survive him. The children are, Mrs. Wilbur Emory, Toledo, Ohio; the Rev. Clarence M. Prouse, Jarrettown, Pa.; Mrs. Ethel E. Stewart, Swarthmore, Pa.; the Rev. Howard H. Prouse, Audobon, N. J.; and the Rev. Willard G. Prouse, Philadelphia, Pa.

His funeral was held in Grace Church, Wilmington, Del., Wednesday afternoon, January 4th, 1933, in charge of his pastor, Dr. B. M. Johns, assisted by Drs. Disston W. Jacobs, the District Superintendent, Vaughan S. Collins, and J. W. Colona. Interment was in the Riverview Cemetery, Wilmington, Del.

His was not a rugged constitution, yet his powers of endurance were most remarkable. When he was applying for admission on trial, some of his friends discouraged him, saying that the work of the itinerant ministry would be too exacting and that he would be unable to stand the strain. Yet was he a member of the Wilmington Conference for nearly half a century, twenty-six years of which he spent in the pastorate serving some of the most difficult fields in our conference. He was widely known from one end of the Delmarva Peninsula to the other, and all who came within his circle of friendship, knew him to be more than an ordinary man. He believed that God had called him into the ministry of His Church, and was happy in the service of God, and glad to have a place where he could declare the truths of the Gospel to the people.

He was a man of God and full of the Holy Spirit—a devoted, loving, loyal disciple of Jesus Christ, and a noble defender of the faith. He passionately loved and labored for the Church of his choice. Content with his lot wherever cast, even when old age crept upon him, he never murmured or complained, nor did he lose interest in his church.

"Now the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.
Father, in thy gracious keeping
Leave we now, Thy servant sleeping."

E. W. McDOWELL.

HARRY TAYLOR.

Harry Taylor was born May 4, 1873 in Queen Anne County, Maryland near the town of Sudlersville. He was the eldest son of Benjamin F. and Anna Skinner Taylor. He attended the rural school near his home and later the public school in the town of Sudlersville. In January 1893 he was admitted to the Wilmington Conference Academy and was graduated from that institution in June 1897.

His conversion dates from the time when he was fourteen years of age while he was attending service in the Wye Mills Methodist Episcopal Church. The records there reveal the fact that he was admitted into full membership in June 1890. Soon thereafter he felt that he was called to preach, and was granted an exhorter's license in 1892 by the Reverend J. D. LeCates. In was in the church of his conversion, Wye Mills, that he preached his first sermon. It was said that he was greatly discouraged by what he then considered the failure of his effort. But the encouragement of some of his friends coupled with his own perseverance led him to continue in the direction he had started, with the result that he enrolled as a student in the Wilmington Conference Academy to better prepare himself for his life work.

The year of his graduation saw him admitted on trial in the Wilmington Annual Conference which was holding its session that year in Chestertown. His first appointment, which was given him at that time, was Little Creek, Delaware. During the interval between his appointment to Little Creek, and his graduation in June, he carried the triple burden of his conference course of study, his church work, and the intensive preparation necessary for his graduation. On April 14, 1899, he was married to Miss Della Tinley Draper of Dover, who, throughout his ministry, was a constant source of inspiration and help to him in his work.

At the conference in 1900, he was admitted into full membership and ordained deacon by Bishop Edward G. Andrews. Two years later, at Crisfield he was ordained elder by Bishop Isaiah Joyce. The record of his ministry shows that he served the following charges: Little Creek,

Vienna, Williamsburg, Burrsville, Georgetown Circuit, Charlestown, Mt. Pleasant, St. Georges, Crumpton, Cordova, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel), Bethel, Seaford Circuit, Frederica, Cherry Hill, Red Lion.

In 1929, due to the condition of his health, he was forced to ask for the retired relation which was granted. He and his wife took up their residence in Dover where they affiliated themselves with Wesley Church. During this period he was able on occasion to do a certain amount of work, and was always glad to go at the call of the district superintendent or neighboring pastors. At the time of the illness which resulted in his death, he was the regularly appointed supply pastor at Viola and Canterbury, his work there having begun in November of the year just past. Prior to that time and during the same autumn, he was in much demand as special preacher at the anniversaries and home-comings in many of his former charges. Some of those who heard him on such occasions said they had never heard him preach with more effectiveness than he did then.

In the early morning hours of February 8, 1933, he passed on to his eternal reward after an illness which confined him to his home for a period of about six weeks, but against which, in reality, he had been waging a losing battle for a much longer time. He is survived by his widow, and two brothers and four sisters. The funeral service was held in Wesley Church, Dover, on Saturday afternoon, February 11, with district superintendent W. E. Habbart in charge, assisted by Dr. H. G. Budd, Dr. W. E. Gunby, and the pastor of the church, the Reverend M. S. Andrews. Despite the fact that there was a heavy fall of snow the night before and during the morning, a large number of persons were present, many of them from distant points. Interment was in Lakeside Cemetery, Dover.

Brother Taylor's spirit as the writer knew him, was one of true friendship and helpfulness. He was one of those many people, who, while their names are not blazoned across the public view, go about quietly and persistently doing their work with fidelity and courage. His ministry through his thirty two years of active service was useful and acceptable. His pastorates were fruitful ones, and were generally distinguished by distinct gains in membership and sound financing.

Brother Taylor's creed might have been that expressed in the lines written by Edgar A. Guest.

To live as gently as I can;
 To be, no matter where, a man;
 To take what comes of good or ill,
 And cling to faith and honor still;
 To do my best, and let that stand,
 The record of my brain and hand;
 And then, should failure come to me
 Still work and hope for victory.
 To be without pretense or sham
 Exactly what men think I am.
 To leave some simple mark behind
 To keep my having lived in mind.

M. S. ANDREWS.

MRS. MARGARET A. BURKE.

Mrs. Margaret A. Burke, the widow of the Rev. Asbury Burke, was born Apr. 12th, 1851 in Ithaca, New York. She was the daughter of Ralph and Harriett Ackerman. Her childhood and youth were guided and moulded by godly home and church and christian influences. She was married to Asbury Burke by the Rev. J. E. Bryan at Camden, Del., Feb. 3rd, 1871, several years before Brother Burke entered the Ministry, and it was largely through her influence that her husband responded to the call to the Ministry of the Gospel, and joined the Wilmington Conference. In the work of the Ministry she was a real helpmeet to her husband, giving herself wholeheartedly to the interests of the churches they were called upon to serve. Many of their parishoners will rise up in the Great Day and call her blessed.

Mrs. Burke leaves behind two children to mourn her departure, Dr. Merritt Burke, of Newark, Del., and Mrs. J. F. Layton, and six grandchildren. Her gracious influence and beautiful example assure us that her memory is as ointment poured forth.

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Burke has made her home in Wilmington and spent the summers at Brandywine Summit. At the time of her decease, Jan. 18th, 1933, she was on a visit to her son, Dr. Merritt Burke, of Newark, Del.

Her passing was like the fading of a beautiful day, giving full promise of a fair tomorrow. Her dust was laid, by tender hands, beside that of her beloved husband in Barratt's Chapel Cemetery. In life they were one and in death they are not separated.

W. F. CORKRAN.

MRS. EMMA L. (RUTTER) LAYFIELD.

A new preacher had come to Epworth Church in the city of Wilmington, the home church of the writer of this Memoir. The home of John White was the preacher's home, where the prophets of God were loved and honored. It was natural, therefore, that after the service of the morning, the new preacher should go to this home for dinner. The writer, a lad of 12, walked by his side. He listened to the conversation, as the preacher spoke of his family, and heard these words, which have lingered in his memory, "Mamma is just a motherly, homebody." There could be no more apt description of Mother Layfield than that contained in these tender words spoken by her devoted and now lonely husband. We were in her Sunday School class and well remember how her motherly heart, filled with tenderness and patience held in subjection a group of a dozen of as restless, exuberant, boisterous youngsters as ever tormented a teacher. After three years our paths parted and did not touch again until we had heard the call to the ministry and joined the ranks of the itinerants. She called us then one of her boys, a title which we wore with humble pride.

Emma L. Rutter was born on a farm near Mt. Pleasant Church in Brandywine Hundred in September, 1851. She was of good Methodist

stock, her father being a Class Leader in Mt. Pleasant Church. She was early converted and gave herself to Christian service, at the time of her death being the last but one of the charter members of Claymont Methodist Episcopal Sunday School. At her father's death, when she was but 12 years of age, her mother moved to Claymont, where she came to maturity. With her sister she was successfully operating two millinery establishments when an eloquent young preacher became pastor of the Claymont Church. They fell in love with each other and on February 25th, 1873 they were married by Dr. J. B. Maddox in Madison St. Church, Chester, Pa. Thus began a union singularly fortunate and happy and which continued on this side of the veil for nearly 60 years.

Mrs. Layfield's true sphere was in the home. We do not mean by this that she was not interested in the work of the church or failed in any service thereto. Far from it. She taught in the Sunday School and delighted in doing so. She worked with the Ladies Aid and Missionary Societies and in all the activities of the various churches she and her husband served together. But in the home she reigned supreme. She was wont to say, "I am not the preacher. My job is to keep the preacher fit." And she made a good job of it. If unable to accompany him to the service she always tried to meet him at the door on his return, to rejoice with him if he had had liberty or to inspire and encourage if the going had been hard. In going to a hard appointment she was wont to say, "Well, if it's hard Scrabble we'll make it good Scrabble." And she did her full part in that gracious task. But she was not so absorbed in her husband and his work as to be neglectful of the other duties of the home. She was an ideal mother. Kipling described her in his well known lines:

"If I were drowned in the deepest sea,
Mother o'Mine, Mother o'Mine,
I know whose love would go down to me,
Mother o'Mine, Oh Mother o'Mine.

"If I were hanged on the highest hill,
Mother o'Mine, Oh Mother o'Mine,
I know whose love would follow me still,
Mother o'Mine, Oh Mother o'Mine."

Three children blessed the union, Harry and Paul and the daughter Blanche, now Mrs. John Todd of Greenwood, Delaware. Paul and Blanche still survive, Harry having preceded his mother into the eternal life.

After completing 53 years of service in the itinerant ranks Brother Layfield and his wife, a little worn and tired with the hard work of the strenuous years, retired from the active work, and went to live in the beautiful home of their daughter and son-in-law at Greenwood. Their life here was ideal. Surrounded by those who loved them, mingling with the old friends and former parishoners they dwelt in quietness and peace for a few years. Then the old restless urge to preach came back to Father Layfield. Calls came from far and near and he gladly responded. Pastors died and he was called on to finish the year. Difficulties in Pastoral adjustment occurred and he was thrown into the breach. Mrs. Layfield, however, continued to live her quiet and placid life in the shelter of the

home nest to welcome her mate when he again flew to her side like a homing pigeon and there within the glass enclosed porch they could be seen side by side, he with his book, she with her embroidery, the Bible close at hand. On April 4th last she quietly passed on, as Brother Layfield puts it, "tired, but content," into her heavenly home, leaving the children sad, the husband lonely but all cherishing the hope of the day when they will say "Good morning" again and be forever with the Lord and each other.

Funeral services were conducted in the home in charge of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Thornton, assisted by the writer and other ministers. Interment was at Barratt's Chapel, where by the side of her loved boy Harry, she awaits the resurrection glory.

LEONARD WHITE.

MARIA O. POOLE.

Servant of God, well done
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The Battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last.

Maria O. Poole, the daughter of Nicholis O. and Elizabeth Smith, was born at Adams, Sussex Co., Del., Sept. 1, 1843. Sister Poole was well born, her parents were faithful members of the Methodist church in their community. She and the other children of the family were cradled in the doctrines of our church and during her whole life never swerved from that early training, converted and joining the church in her early girlhood days and giving to it a long and faithful service. When a young woman, she went to Philadelphia and engaged in business. She united with Central Methodist church and carried into her business the teaching of Christ.

On April 6, 1881, she was happily married to Rev. John W. Poole, an honored member of this conference. Her home was truly a Methodist one. Sister Poole was refined, intelligent and spiritual, she was well fitted for the sphere in life she was called to fill, a helpmate in every way to her faithful companion, who was called to receive his crown on Sept. 30, 1917. At the retirement of her husband they moved to Philadelphia, where they lived to finish their task in the Master's Vineyard. They were among the first members of Simpson Methodist church. Later in life she and her children moved to Drexel Hill, Pa., uniting with Broad Street Memorial Methodist church.

Because of failing health and eyesight, she was not able to attend her last named church or enjoy the blessings of the sanctuary that she loved but this did not cloud her spiritual vision. The Ladies Auxiliary and Bible class often visited her and found it a rich blessing to spend a while in her home. She was always patient and ever ready to bow to the will of her Heavenly Father and often spoke of her home-going to the writer, with a joy and reality as one would speak of entering their earthly home.

Sister Poole is survived by two daughters, one filling an honored po-

sition in the Junior High School work in their city, the other gave up a fine position to take up the duties of their home in caring for Mother. Each of these daughters have always been willing workers in the program of their church. The Master called her on May 9, 1932, and she joined her husband in the land of eternal day.

Her funeral services were held in their home on May 11, 1932, in charge of Dr. Geo. W. Babcock, her pastor, assisted by Rev. Wm. J. Downing and the writer. Her body was laid to rest beside her husband in the Hollywood cemetery at Harrington, Del.

O. T. BAYNARD.

MRS. GEORGIE ANNA JESTER.

Mrs. Georgie Anna Jester, daughter of George and Elizabeth Young, was born at Frederica, Delaware in 1856, and very early in life was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. On April 29th, 1876 she was united in marriage to Benjamin F. Jester, and assisted him during the next 10 years, in his preparation for the ministry, which he entered in the Spring of 1886.

Sister Jester, though quiet and unassuming in manner, was a devoted and faithful companion to Brother Jester in all the arduous duties that devolved upon him during his 30 years in the ministry.

The Autumn of her life was spent in solitude, in reverent and humble submission to the will of God, awaiting the day of her coronation which took place July 5th, 1932.

She is survived by one son, Mr. B. D. Jester, of Wilmington, Del., and two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Atwood, and Miss Laura Jester, both of Philadelphia, Pa.

"Her children arise up, and call her blessed."

W. E. HABBART.

JULIA REDFORD TOMKINSON.

Julia Redford Tomkinson was born Feb. 25, 1851, at Norwich, Conn., the daughter of Rev. Benjamin Redford and his wife, Hannah Parker Redford.

Early in life she gave evidence of unusual mental attainment, and her course in Wilbraham Academy, from which institution she graduated in 1873, was but the beginning of her search for knowledge.

She was the author of two books. One "Doris" a story of Mt. Holyoke College in novel form, which won the admiration of lovers of fiction. The other one was "Seraphina," a child labor story.

While living at Rehoboth Beach, Del., during the World War, a vacancy occurred in the principalship of the public school of that town, and upon the request of the local Board of Education she accepted the position and at the age of sixty-seven satisfactorily performed the duties of that exacting position for a year.

For many years she had read her New Testament in Greek as well as English, and the day she was taken ill, then over eight-one years of age, from which illness she never recovered, she was reading Virgil.

For her literary achievements, among which was a hymn she composed for Dickinson College, that institution conferred on her the honorary degree of Master of Arts at its commencement exercises in 1905, at which time her son, Paul, was receiving his well earned degree of Master of Arts, and her daughter, Mabel, now Mrs. James W. Lattomus, received her Bachelor of Arts degree.

She was loyal in her services and affection to the Church, presiding in the parsonage homes of the parishes her husband served with christian grace and devotion. For several years she was corresponding secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of this Conference. Many of her poems and short articles were written for and published by the various periodicals of the Church.

The influence of her godly home in the days of her youth together with her quest for knowledge, which extended into the realm of the religious life, led her early in life to accept Jesus Christ as her Saviour. God was her Father; One who understood and cared and this she profoundly believed. She had proven Him true to His promises many times and through an unusual experience that seriously threatened to terminate her earthly existence in her early married life, her faith was firmly established.

Possessed of an unusual intellectual grasp and broad tolerance, her grace and charm and sensitive spirituality won for her many friends. She will be remembered by those who knew her best for her high purposes, deep convictions, strong faith and courageous optimism.

Having been born in a Methodist parsonage and acquainted with the opportunities for service which such a birthright permits, when the sincere and well trained young preacher, William E. Tomkinson, sought her for his life companion, she consented, and they were married Dec. 23, 1874. Five children were born of this union. Two boys died early in life. One son, Paul Eldridge, died in June, 1917, at the age of twenty-five, just as he was to assume the position of Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Dickinson College, his alma mater. Two daughters, Mrs. Julia A. Hill and Mrs. James W. Lattomus, mourn the loss of this gifted mother.

She departed this life Oct. 8, 1932, at her summer home at Rehoboth Beach, Del. A service of memory and respect was conducted in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Rehoboth on October 11, 1932, by Dr. B. M. Johns, Pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, Del., her Pastor, assisted by Dr. V. S. Collins, a friend of many years, and Rev. C. Irving Carpenter, Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Rehoboth. Interment was made in Odd Fellow's Cemetery at Smyrna, Del.

"Tenant in no transient tomb, let me lie.
Put me somewhere I can stay when I die.
Flowers blooming o'er me,
Breezes whispering low,
Birds their vespers singing
As Westward they go!
Let these chant a requiem soft and low for me,
She has been 'appointed' for eternity."

DISSTON W. JACOBS.

FLORENCE HOWELL GRANT.

Robert Browning, in "Rabbi Ben Ezra," sings valorously:

"Let us not always say
 'Spite of this flesh to-day
 I strove, made head, gained ground upon the whole!'
 As the bird wings and sings
 Let us cry, 'All good things
 Are ours, nor soul helps flesh more, now that flesh helps soul!'"

No more fitting word do I know to characterize the life of this one of whom we are thinking to-day who through years of invalidism displayed a rare spirit that gave strength to a weak and almost helpless body, and compelled that poor body to serve the great purposes of the soul.

Florence Howell Grant was born in Wilmington, Jan. 23, 1886. Her parents were John and Marian Howell, who were long members of old Asbury Church. She was educated in the public schools of the city and grew to young womanhood in the life and activities of the church. On Aug. 6, 1906, she was married to W. Stanley Grant, of our Conference. Seven children were born into their home, all of whom are living; Leonard H., Stanley, Jr., Esther M., Russell C., Bayard W., Gladys M., and Harold P. At the time of marriage, her husband was working at his trade as a carpenter and also regularly supplying an appointment. It was largely through her influence and help that he answered the call for full time service, secured his preparation, and entered the Conference. Five years of happy, fruitful activity followed and then came the paralytic stroke at Rehoboth on Jan. 22, 1923. For months life was in doubt but gradually a bit of strength came back, though never afterward did she have the full use of her powers. These ten years have been years of pain and weakness and at times almost complete helplessness, the last two being spent practically in bed. Happy release came through what we call death at Rock Hall, Dec. 3, 1932. The funeral services were in charge of the Rev. John L. Johnson, District Superintendent, assisted by the following ministers: Charles H. Atkins, Ernest Wright, Frank White, E. C. Hallman, and the writer.

Just a brief word cannot begin to speak our gratitude for the services of the gracious, lovely womanhood God has given to the parsonages of our Church, and of this preacher's wife in special. A devoted Christian, rarely gifted, lovable and winning in temperament, she took an active part with her husband in the work of the Church in the days of her strength. But, after all, I question if her greatest and richest services were not given after the active work of life was over. Never have I seen in weakness and physical helplessness a stronger, braver, sweeter spirit. In many visits to her home because of our relation together to the Church, I have never witnessed anything but cheerfulness, happiness in her family, eager interest in her Church, and a pretty full knowledge of the work of the Church. You would not know of her physical disability, you would not think of it, except as she moved before you. In the last service in her

her Church in which it was my privilege to share, she sang a duet with her husband. I still remember the sweet effectiveness of that song and the tightness that came into my throat as I saw this little woman with the broken body but the brave spirit pouring out her heart in melody before the Lord. Hers was a sheer triumph of the soul, as Browning sings, over the flesh, a triumph that helps to make more real and sure that blessed company of the Immortals in Heaven, to which she now belongs, of whom it is written, "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night . . . and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

OMAR E. JONES.

LIDA JANE SMITH.

Mrs. Lida Jane Smith, widow of the Reverend George Patchin Smith, was born April 10, 1859 on a farm near Dover, Delaware. She was the daughter of John Henry and Susan Moore Clow. She attended the public school at Leipsic, the land upon which the building stood having been donated by her father.

She was married on July 7, 1907, to the Reverend George Patchin Smith. She proved herself a faithful helpmeet. By her wise planning and careful saving, she was enabled to provide for their retirement in a comfortable home in Dover. There they lived amid the happy surroundings of their many friends until Brother Smith's death in 1925. She continued to maintain her home in Dover until the time of her death on February 16, 1933.

Funeral services were held at her home Sunday afternoon, February 19, 1933, and were in charge of her pastor, the Reverend M. S. Andrews. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery, Dover.

M. S. ANDREWS.

VIII ROLL OF HONORED DEAD.

(a) MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE

"They Rest From Their Labors And Their Works Do Follow Them."

ENTERED MINISTRY	NAME	TIME OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	AGE	YEARS EF FECTIVE
1859	John E. Elliott	Nov. 8, 1868	Snow Hill, Md.	30	10
1836	Thos. J. Quigley	Oct. 19, 1870	Laurel, Del.	65	44
1850	Daniel Titlow	Feb. 7, 1871	Philadelphia, Pa.	48	4
1867	Amos A. Ewing	Jan. 19, 1872	Cecil County, Md.	30	4
1848	Alfred Cookman	Nov. 13, 1872	Newark, N. J.	43	23
1827	Jas. Augustus Massey	July 9, 1871	Royal Oak, Md.	64	38
1859	James Brandreth	Oct. 3, 1872	Frankford, Del.	34	13
1825	T. J. Thomson	Nov. 29, 1874	Wilmington, Del.	71	49
1828	Robert E. Kemp	Mar. 6, 1875	Greensboro, Md.	73	32
1832	Wesley Kenney	June 24, 1875	Smyrna, Del.	70	42
1835	George A. Campbell	Mar. 23, 1876	Philadelphia, Pa.	68	23
1871	John W. Weston	Sept. 7, 1876	Frankford, Del.	30	4
1837	John D. Curtis	Apr. 23, 1877	Wilmington, Del.	38	15
1845	David R. Thomas	July 25, 1877	Wilmington, Del.	61	40
1870	Andrew J. Crozier	Feb. 13, 1878	Wilmington, Del.	58	30
1829	Joshua Humphriss	Jan. 21, 1879	Wilmington, Del.	41	7
1868	Francis M. Chatham	Jan. 23, 1879	Salisbury, Md.	78	41
1857	Edward G. Irwin	May 29, 1878	Berlin, Md.	41	8
1848	John Hough	Mar. 12, 1879	Wilmington, Del.	50	21
1857	Thomas J. Williams	Mar. 27, 1879	Near Trenton, N. J.	58	31
1870	William I. Bain	Mar. 29, 1879	New Castle, Del.	53	21
1832	William Urle	May 13, 1880	Pocomoke City, Md.	36	10
1860	Thomas F. Plummer	Nov. 13, 1880	Smyrna, Del.	67	43
1833	Elijah Miller	Feb. 2, 1881	Wilmington, Del.	44	8
1836	John W. Pierson	Apr. 15, 1881	Sudlersville, Md.	71	49
1880	Francis B. Quigley	May 6, 1881	Wilmington, Del.	67	44
1873	Thos. J. Prettyman	Aug. 19, 1881	Hopewell, Md.	27	2
1865	Benj. W. Chase	Feb. 27, 1882	Newark, Md.	36	9
1837	Lucius C. Matlack	Dec. 11, 1882	Seaford, Del.	48	17
1834	I. T. Cooper	June 24, 1883	Cambridge, Md.	67	46
1829	Henry Colclazer	Apr. 12, 1884	Camden, Del.	78	26
1833	John L. Taft	Dec. 18, 1884	Philadelphia, Pa.	75	55
1869	John Shilling	May 30, 1884	Norristown, Pa.	72	41
1842	Arthur W. Milby	July 22, 1884	Wilmington, Del.	52	15
1840	Elon J. Way	June 13, 1886	Harrington, Del.	71	44
1839	Valentine Gray	July 5, 1886	Baltimore, Md.	75	26
1881	Isaiah D. Johnson	Jan. 21, 1887	Gap, Pa.	72	42
1859	Wm. J. O'Neil	Mar. 4, 1887	Bridgeville, Del.	33	6
1854	Joseph Dare	Mar. 9, 1887	Church Hill, Md.	55	28
1886	Frank M. Morgan	Oct. 22, 1887	Newark, Del.	56	32
1849	William Merrill	Feb. 11, 1889	Philadelphia, Pa.	34	3
1873	Isaac N. Foreman	Oct. 23, 1889	Upper Fairmt., Md.	75	28
1841	John Allen	June 12, 1890	Lincoln, Del.	47	17
1855	Samuel T. Gardner	Dec. 13, 1890	Brooklyn, N. Y.	72	33
1889	Samuel J. Baker	Jan. 3, 1891	Pivot Bridge, Md.	60	33
1870	Thos. O. Ayres	Sept. 22, 1891	Laurel, Del.	33	2
1873	Thos. R. Creamer	Oct. 4, 1891	Delaware City, Del.	53	21
1840	Vaughan Smith	Jan. 10, 1892	Milton, Del.	45	19
1845	Charles Hill	Nov. 21, 1891	Wilmington, Del.	79	43
1833	James L. Houston	June 22, 1892	Salisbury, Md.	70	47
1865	Alfred T. Melvin	Sept. 18, 1892	Trappe, Md.	82	32
1859	Alfred A. Fisher	Oct. 17, 1892	Bel Air, Md.	52	24
1857	Wm. B. Gregg	Dec. 12, 1893	Bridgeville, Del.	62	17
1847	Joseph Robinson	Jan. 24, 1893	Wyoming, Del.	68	36
1835	George Barton	Feb. 18, 1893	Perryman, Md.	68	45
1843	James A. Brindle	Mar. 19, 1893	Church Hill, Md.	84	11
1860	Nicholas M. Browne	Apr. 6, 1894	Greensboro, Md.	73	48
1850	James Hubbard	Feb. 4, 1895	Middletown, Del.	58	35
1857	James E. Bryan	Apr. 4, 1895	Philadelphia, Pa.	76	4
1892	John D. Lecates	Oct. 17, 1895	Baltimore, Md.	64	39
		Nov. 11, 1895	Wilmington, Del.	41	5

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1859	Thomas E. Bell	Mar. 21, 1895	Easton, Md.	58	
1868	James Conner	Sept. 10, 1896	Selbyville, Del.	59	28
1862	Merritt Hulburd	Oct. 10, 1896	Wilmington, Del.	54	34
1873	Newton McQuay	May 1887	St. Michaels, Md.	57	21
1896	William G. Chance	Sept. 13, 1897	Quantico, Md.	33	2
1848	Wm. B. Walton	June 21, 1898	Salisbury, Md.	77	43
1850	John B. Quigg	July 30, 1898	Wilmington, Del.	72	46
1845	John H. Caldwell	Mch. 11, 1899	Dover, Del.	79	45
1860	Andrew D. Davis	Apr. 13, 1899	Georgetown, Del.	72	35
1845	Henry Sanderson	Aug. 16, 1899	Ridley Park, Pa.	80	34
1859	Edwin H. Hynson	July 27, 1899	Smyrna, Del.	64	39
1845	Wm. E. England	Jan. 20, 1900	Philadelphia, Pa.	79	48
1857	Thos. S. Williams	Jan. 20, 1900	North East, Md.	65	41
1888	Chas. P. Swain	May 22, 1900	Deal's Island, Md.	41	12
1874	David F. Waddell	Dec. 20, 1900	Westminster, Md.	48	28
1836	Benj. F. Price	Mar. 22, 1901	Elkton, Md.	84	60
1851	Jas. W. Hammersly	Apr. 19, 1901	Brooklandville, Md.	78	40
1877	Walter E. Avery	Apr. 22, 1902	Wilmington, Del.	50	25
1860	J. Owen Sypherd	Sept. 3, 1902	Wilmington, Del.	69	39
1872	John D. Kemp	Sept. 21, 1902	Chestertown, Md.	65	30
1856	William F. Talbot	Feb. 26, 1903	Dover, Del.	73	27
1859	Chas. F. Sheppard	Apr. 13, 1903	Frankford, Del.	65	41
1843	Thos. H. Haynes	May 23, 1903	Smyrna, Del.	81	51
1853	Geo. A. Phoebus	May 28, 1903	Brooklyn, N. Y.	74	33
1868	Jonathan S. Willis	Nov. 24, 1903	Milford, Del.	74	43
1867	John D. Rigg	Dec. 16, 1903	Hockessin, Del.	65	27
1869	Edward Davis	Jan. 9, 1904	Newark, Md.	84	28
1856	John France	Mar. 10, 1904	Wilmington, Del.	69	48
1879	E. K. Creed	Apr. 24, 1904	Philadelphia, Pa.	58	25
1890	E. R. Sidell	May 14, 1904	Philadelphia, Pa.	43	14
1853	J. B. Merritt	July 8, 1904	Fairlee, Md.	78	32
1872	G. W. Wilcox	Dec. 15, 1904	Salisbury, Md.	62	20
1889	James E. Graham	July 13, 1905	Seaford, Del.	52	16
1853	Robert W. Todd	Jan. 18, 1906	Baltimore, Md.	75	52
1858	S. T. Morris	Apr. 13, 1906	Roselle Park, N. J.	73	45
1879	C. A. Grise	Apr. 12, 1907	Berlin, Md.	51	28
1868	W. R. MacFarlane	Feb. 18, 1908	Hockessin, Del.	71	40
1898	F. E. Bloxton	Mar. 5, 1908	Nanticoke, Md.	40	10
1869	W. R. Gwinn	Mar. 13, 1908	Baltimore, Md.	67	34
1876	Albert Chandler	June 22, 1908	Bethel, Del.	58	32
1870	E. H. Nelson	Oct. 27, 1908	Delaware City, Del.	62	39
1860	H. W. Bolton	Jan. 8, 1909	Camden, Del.	69	
1859	J. T. VanBurkalow	Feb. 3, 1909	Dover, Del.	81	42
1869	E. H. Miller	Jan. 22, 1911	Sharptown, Md.	66	43
1876	W. L. P. Bowen	Mar. 11, 1911	Newark, Md.	77	17
1866	E. E. White	Dec. 26, 1912	Oxford, Md.	69	46
1853	W. M. Warner	Apr. 16, 1913	Millington, Md.	83	41
1897	J. W. Talley	Aug. 9, 1913	Near Wilm., Del.	42	9
1868	I. G. Fosnocht	Dec. 3, 1913	Smyrna, Del.	65	45
1858	H. S. Thompson	Apr. 1, 1914	Smyrna, Del.	79	52
1865	G. W. Burke	Apr. 30, 1914	Smyrna, Del.	78	42
1872	R. H. Adams	Sept. 11, 1914	Philadelphia, Pa.	71	42
1869	T. B. Hunter	Nov. 12, 1914	Monrovia, Cal.	77	42
1876	E. C. MacNichol	Oct. 18, 1914	Philadelphia, Pa.	60	38
1880	J. R. Cannon	Feb. 8, 1915	Chance, Md.	56	34
1865	James Carroll	Apr. 15, 1915	Milford, Del.	91	34
1871	William L. S. Murray	Feb. 26, 1916	Wilmington, Del.	67	44
1901	R. H. Lewis	Aug. 30, 1916	Fishing Creek, Md.	41	12
1876	T. A. H. O'Brien	Oct. 21, 1916	Salisbury, Md.	63	40
1887	S. M. Morgan	Jan. 6, 1917	Wilmington, Del.	63	27
1864	T. E. Martindale	Feb. 16, 1917	Salisbury, Md.	73	52
1893	H. A. G. Westerfield	June 17, 1917	Port Deposit, Md.	51	23
1886	Asbury Burke	Sept. 4, 1917	Newport, Del.	66	31
1870	John W. Poole	Sept. 30, 1917	Philadelphia, Pa.	91	18
1901	William H. Kenney	Apr. 16, 1918	Selbyville, Del.	69	17
1884	Emerson P. Roberts	Aug. 6, 1918	Middletown, Del.	64	34
1884	Wilmer Jaggard	Nov. 21, 1918	Millsboro, Del.	62	34
1887	Ralph T. Coursey	Jan. 5, 1919	Wyoming, Del.	56	31
1885	James M. Mitchell	Sept. 25, 1919	Millington, Md.	61	32
1878	Charles A. Hill	Oct. 11, 1919	Smyrna, Del.	62	39
1870	Joseph A. Arters	Dec. 14, 1919	Dentova, Md.	86	40
1886	Clinton T. Wyatt	Feb. 7, 1920	Denton, Md.	56	34
1884	Daniel F. McFaul	Mar. 6, 1920	Wilmington, Del.	82	34
1878	Howard T. Quigg	Apr. 4, 1920	Newport, Del.	61	42

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1892	William O. Hurst	Aug. 4, 1920	Phoebus, Va.	54 28
1878	Gordon R. Neese	Feb. 10, 1921	Wilmington, Del.	62 41
1881	Frederick J. Cochran	Oct. 11, 1921	Hammonton, N. J.	71 40
1858	William W. Redman	Feb. 24, 1922	Lincoln, Del.	86 28
1869	Phillip H. Rawlins	Nov. 11, 1921	Seaford, Del.	87 39
1887	Zach H. Webster	Dec. 10, 1921	Denton, Md.	63 33
1862	George S. Conaway	Feb. 25, 1922	Smyrna, Del.	86 44
1889	James W. Fogle	Feb. 26, 1922	Seaford, Del.	61 29
1888	William P. Compton	Mar. 11, 1922	Lansdowne, Pa.	63 20
1876	Louis E. Barrett	Mar. 25, 1922	Chestertown, Md.	78 43
1912	George W. Williams	Oct. 6, 1922	Mt. Vernon, Md.	50 10
1892	Wm. S. H. Williams	Mar. 3, 1923	Georgetown, Del.	71 25
1903	Walter W. White	June 21, 1923	Wilmington, Del.	62 16
1902	Benjamin F. Jester	July 13, 1923	Wilmington, Del.	72 16
1892	Van P. Northrup	Sept. 27, 1923	Baltimore, Md.	54 31
1898	George R. Ellis	Dec. 1, 1923	Millsboro, Del.	61 25
1871	William E. Tomkinson	Dec. 26, 1923	Harrisburg, Pa.	86 23
1888	Warren Burr	Feb. 12, 1924	Hempstead, L. I.	72 30
1886	William G. Koons	May 14, 1924	Rising Sun, Md.	60 31
1866	James Esgate	Nov. 9, 1924	Riverside, Cal.	85 5
1888	Frank F. Carpenter	Jan. 7, 1925	Cambridge, Md.	58 37
1871	Thomas H. Harding	Feb. 8, 1925	Wilmington, Del.	84 35
1890	Julius A. Brewington	April 5, 1925	Hebron, Md.	68 30
1876	Thomas E. Terry	June 25, 1925	Magnolia, Del.	80 39
1893	William L. White	July 23, 1925	Easton, Md.	72 31
1896	George P. Smith	Sept. 30, 1925	Dover, Del.	72 26
1905	Jos. M. S. Van Blunk	Nov. 29, 1925	Salisbury, Md.	57 15
1885	Robert Watt	Dec. 20, 1926	Worcester, Mass.	70 38
1876	John M. Collins	Mar. 28, 1927	Wilmington, Del.	81 27
1881	Sewall N. Pilchard	June 9, 1927	Salisbury, Md.	68 40
1888	Wesley W. Chaires	Sept. 13, 1927	Bozman, Md.	70 23
1910	Harry E. Reed	Dec. 8, 1927	Philadelphia, Pa.	51 17
1888	George W. Stallings	Feb. 3, 1928	Lovettsville, Va.	71 33
1883	William B. Guthrie	Mar. 30, 1928	Kenton, Del.	78 37
1879	Olin S. Walton	April 3, 1928	Red Lion, Del.	73 27
1889	Truston C. Smoot	April 23, 1928	Jacksonville, Fla.	68 35
1873	William M. Greene	June 23, 1928	Milton, Del.	81 22
1868	C. W. Prettyman	June 28, 1928	Carlisle, Pa.	84 43
1871	Frans O. B. Wallin	July 4, 1928	Ahlefors, Sweden	90 30
1879	Alfred Smith	July 18, 1928	Camden, Del.	76 38
1883	George L. Hardesty	Sept. 15, 1928	Wilmington, Del.	75 31
1916	Joseph P. Wilson	Nov. 17, 1928	Baltimore, Md.	53 11
1884	William F. Dawson	Nov. 26, 1928	Hurlock, Md.	71 45
1920	Joshua B. McCabe	May 29, 1929	Wilmington, Del.	38 9
1888	George T. Alderson	Sept. 18, 1929	Wilmington, Del.	65 41
1876	George W. Townsend	Dec. 23, 1929	Ridley Park, Pa.	82 38
1870	George E. Reed	Feb. 7, 1930	Harrisburg, Pa.	84 52
1873	Frank C. MacSorley	Feb. 11, 1930	Middletown, Del.	79 53
1905	Charles W. Moore	May 20, 1930	Catonsville, Md.	59 25
1873	Robert Roe	Nov. 15, 1930	Easton, Md.	85 38
1902	Edward H. Marshall	Jan. 6, 1931	Salem, Va.	77 23
1900	Frank N. Faulkner	Apr. 27, 1931	Delmar, Del.	64 23
1886	Henry S. Dulany	May 17, 1931	Wilmington, Del.	77 45
1894	John H. Beauchamp	June 4, 1931	Wilmington, Del.	68 37
1918	Wade H. Cummings	Sept. 10, 1931	Baltimore, Md.	55 13
1886	William W. Sharp	Sept. 29, 1931	Baltimore, Md.	78 39
1899	Edward H. Dashiell	Nov. 1, 1931	Delmar, Del.	58 32
1881	Louis P. Corkran	Nov. 27, 1931	Church Hill, Md.	79 36
1888	John F. Anderson	Jan. 21, 1932	Wilmington, Del.	73 34
1887	Harvey W. Ewing	Apr. 5, 1932	Newark, Del.	73 37
1903	Charles T. Jones	Aug. 28, 1932	Principio, Md.	60 29
1884	Edmund H. Derrickson	Oct. 18, 1932	Odessa, Del.	78 37
1886	James T. Prouse	Dec. 31, 1932	Gordon Hts., Del.	81 26
1897	Harry Taylor	Feb. 8, 1933	Dover, Del.	59 32

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(c) CONFERENCE SESSIONS

No.	Date	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1	March 17, '69	Wilm'ton—Asbury	M. Simpson	S. L. Gracey
2	" 16, '70	Port Deposit	E. S. Janes	S. L. Gracey
3	" 8, '71	Dover	L. Scott	S. L. Gracey
4	Feb'y 21, '72	Laurel	E. R. Ames	T. E. Martindale
5	March 5, '73	Easton	L. Scott	T. E. Martindale
6	" 4, '74	Salisbury	L. W. Wiley	T. E. Martindale
7	" 17, '75	Smyrna	E. S. Janes	T. E. Martindale
8	" 15, '76	Wilm'ton—Union	L. Scott	T. E. Martindale
9	" 7, '77	Milford	E. R. Ames	T. E. Martindale
10	" 13, '78	Chestertown	R. S. Foster	T. E. Martindale
11	" 19, '79	New Castle	M. Simpson	T. E. Martindale
12	" 17, '80	Dover	E. G. Andrews	T. E. Martindale
13	" 16, '81	Lewes	Thos. Bowman	John D. Rigg
14	" 8, '82	Middletown	J. F. Hurst	John D. Rigg
15	" 7, '83	Cambridge	M. Simpson	John D. Rigg
16	" 5, '84	Wilm'ton—Asbury	W. L. Harris	John D. Rigg
17	" 12, '85	Snow Hill	S. M. Merrill	John D. Rigg
18	" 4, '86	Elkton	W. F. Mallalieu	John D. Rigg
19	" 17, '87	Crisfield	H. W. Warren	John D. Rigg
20	" 7, '88	Wilm'ton—Union	C. D. Foss	John D. Rigg
21	" 20, '89	Easton	R. S. Foster	John D. Rigg
22	" 26, '90	Milford	Thos. Bowman	John D. Rigg
23	" 19, '91	Centreville	C. H. Fowler	John D. Rigg
24	" 16, '92	Wilm'ton—Grace	E. G. Andrews	A. S. Mowbray
25	" 15, '93	Middletown	S. M. Merrill	A. S. Mowbray
26	" 21, '94	Salisbury	J. H. Vincent	A. S. Mowbray
27	" 20, '95	Smyrna	J. F. Hurst	A. S. Mowbray
28	" 18, '96	Dover	H. W. Warren	A. S. Mowbray
29	" 17, '97	Chestertown	J. M. Walden	A. S. Mowbray
30	" 23, '98	Lewes	C. P. Newman	A. S. Mowbray
31	" 22, '99	Cambridge	J. D. Foss	A. S. Mowbray
32	" 21, '00	Wilm'ton—Epworth	E. G. Andrews	A. S. Mowbray
33	" 20, '01	Wilm'ton—Grace	Daniel A. Goodsell	A. S. Mowbray
34	" 19, '02	Crisfield	I. W. Joyce	A. S. Mowbray
35	" 18, '03	Easton	Earl Cranston	A. S. Mowbray
36	" 16, '04	Dover	J. M. Fitzgerald	A. S. Mowbray
37	" 15, '05	Wilm'ton—Grace	D. A. Goodsell	W. A. Wise
38	" 14, '06	Pocomoke City	C. C. McCabe	W. A. Wise
39	" 20, '07	Smyrna	J. F. Berry	W. A. Wise
40	" 18, '08	Wilm'ton—Asbury	D. A. Goodsell	W. A. Wise
41	" 17, '09	Milford	D. H. Moore	W. A. Wise
42	" 16, '10	Salisbury	J. W. Hamilton	W. A. Wise
43	" 15, '11	Wilm'ton—Asbury	T. B. Neely	W. A. Wise
44	" 13, '12	Wilm'ton—St. Pauls	L. B. Wilson	W. A. Wise
45	" 26, '13	Crisfield	J. F. Berry	W. A. Wise
46	April 1, '14	Berlin	Earl Cranston	W. A. Wise
47	March 24, '15	Laurel	R. J. Cook	W. A. Wise
48	" 29, '16	Wilm'ton—Union	J. F. Berry	D. W. Jacobs
49	" 28, '17	Seaford	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
50	" 20, '18	Dover	F. M. Bristol	D. W. Jacobs
51	" 26, '19	Chestertown	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
52	" 24, '20	Wilm'ton—Grace	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
53	" 30, '21	Crisfield—Immanuel	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
54	" 22, '22	Cambridge	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
55	April 4, '23	Dover	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
56	March 26, '24	Wilm'n—Harrison St.	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
57	" 25, '25	Wilm'n—McCabe	W. P. Thirkield	D. W. Jacobs
58	" 24, '26	Dover	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
59	" 23, '27	Salisbury	F. J. McConnell	D. W. Jacobs
60	" 23, '28	Wilm'ton—Union	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
61	April 2, '29	Wilm'n—Harrison St.	W. F. McDowell	D. W. Jacobs
62	March 26, '30	Wilm'n—Silverbrook	F. D. Leete	J. R. Bicking
63	April 8, '31	Salisbury—Asbury	H. Lester Smith	J. R. Bicking
64	March 29, '32	Crisfield—Asbury	W. F. McDowell	J. R. Bicking
65	March 29, '33	Rehoboth Beach	A. W. Leonard	J. R. Bicking

(d) GENERAL

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

1872. J. B. Quigg, T. J. Thompson, Wesley Kenney, Charles Hill. Reserves—
J. D. Curtis, R. W. Todd.
1876. L. C. Matlack, W. E. England. Reserves—J. B. Quigg, J. H. Caldwell.
1880. L. C. Matlack, A. W. Milby, Charles Hill. Reserves—J. H. Caldwell, R.
W. Todd.
1884. J. H. Caldwell, Charles Hill, J. B. Quigg. Reserves—T. E. Martindale, J.
A. B. Wilson.
1888. Jacob Todd, J. A. B. Wilson, N. M. Brown. Reserves—W. S. Robinson,
John France.
1892. W. L. S. Murray, Alfred Smith, R. H. Adams. Reserves—T. E. Martin-
dale, T. E. Terry.
1896. Merritt Hulburt, L. E. Barrett, Alfred Smith, W. F. Corkran. Reserves—
W. E. Avery, V. S. Collins.
1900. Robert Watt, T. E. Martindale, W. F. Corkran, C. S. Baker. Reserves—
A. S. Mowbray, J. D. C. Hanna.
1904. A. S. Mowbray, W. F. Corkran, Adam Stengle, C. S. Baker. Reserves—
C. T. Wyatt, W. G. Koons.
1903. A. S. Mowbray, Adam Stengle, W. G. Koons, S. M. Morgan. Reserves—
C. T. Wyatt, Robert Watt.
1912. C. A. Hill, R. K. Stephenson, Robert Watt, G. P. Jones. Reserves—E. L.
Hoffecker, C. W. Prettyman, G. T. Alderson.
1916. Robert Watt, E. L. Hoffecker, R. K. Stephenson, T. A. H. O'Brien. Re-
serves—G. T. Alderson, C. T. Wyatt.
1920. W. A. Wise, Robert Watt, H. G. Budd, W. R. Mowbray. Reserves—G. T.
Alderson, V. S. Collins, J. W. R. Sumwalt.
1924. G. T. Alderson, E. H. Dashiell, T. F. Beauchamp, F. C. MacSorley. Re-
serves—J. W. Colona, O. E. Jones, W. E. Gunby.
1928. J. W. Colona, W. E. Gunby, O. E. Jones, J. J. Bunting. Reserves—Leon-
ard White, D. W. Jacobs, E. H. Dashiell.
1932. W. E. Habbart, D. W. Jacobs, Leonard White, J. L. Johnson. Reserves—
J. J. Bunting, W. E. Gunby, E. C. Hallman.

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MISCELLANEOUS

(a) PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS

RULES.

1. For General Rules governing Examinations and Courses of Study, see Discipline, 1932, Paragraphs 198, 199, 200, 201, and 202.
2. All examinations shall be in writing, both questions and answers. Each student will be required to furnish his own writing materials. Ten questions must be submitted on each subject, and a choice of ten out of twelve may be allowed. Name, name of examiner, and name of subject must appear on each paper.
3. Examiners shall report grades of students to Registrar as follows: For all required written work, on subjects taught at Summer School, by July 10th; for all written work received, by Nov. 15th; all written work received and corrected, February 15th; all other work, both written and examinations, by Wednesday after Conference convenes.
4. All undergraduates and accepted supply pastors who are not students in one of the Theological Schools of our Church, or who do not hold certificates in lieu of subjects taught, are now required by order of the General Conference to attend the Summer School of Theology, which will be held this year at Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa., July 17-27. Board and lodging will be paid by the Conference.
5. No candidate will be admitted or advanced in classes with conditions, who has failed in more than one subject, nor shall he be examined in studies in advance of the class to which he belongs, except as the Discipline provides, and in no case shall a candidate for full admission be received, or a candidate for Elder's Orders be so elected until every requirement shall have been fully met.
6. All required written work shall be sent direct to the appropriate examiner as per schedule, who will correct, criticize and return direct to the student, and a failure to get same in the hands of the Examiner after it has been due more than 30 days, will mean a deduction in grade made of 10% from paper. Papers on written work will not be accepted at Seat of Conference. No Examiner is permitted to excuse a student from the provisions of this rule except by vote of Board.
7. No student will be admitted to the Examination in any subject unless his required written work in that subject is in the hands of the proper Examiner.
8. In pursuing their studies, students may feel free at any time to seek help or advice from the examiner, provided, however, that the examiners may not discuss examinations or grades with the undergraduates. The Registrar alone is authorized to do this.

9. Applications for acceptance of certificates in lieu of examinations should be made to the Registrar by January 1st of each year, who, in concurrence with the Board, will have authority to decide upon the acceptance of such certificate.

10. An undergraduate failing to pass an examination on any given subject will not be given the second examination on the same subject during the Conference year.

11. An undergraduate desiring entertainment by the Conference at the Summer School shall give to the Registrar written assurance that he intends to remain in this Conference until two years after graduation from the Course of Study, and in case he decides to transfer, and should do so within the specified time, he shall refund the money so spent in his behalf.

12. Probationers in the Conference are reminded that the discipline allows two years only on Trial for purposes of annuity upon retirement. Par. 345, Sec. 2. Mambers in full connection please read discipline, Par. 199, Sec. 5.

CONFERENCE STUDIES.

MID-YEAR EXAMINATIONS FOR UNDERGRADUATES AT SUMMER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY.

First Year—

The Abingdon Bible Commentary W. E. Gunby
The Work of Preaching Tilghman Smith
Psychology of Religious Experience Frank Herson

Second Year—

The Abingdon Bible Commentary R. S. Hodgson
The Church in History J. M. Kelso
Religious Education R. P. Nichols
a. New Tendencies in Teaching Religion.
b. Pastor and Religious Education.
c. Method in Teaching Religion.

Third Year—

Pastoral Office J. J. Bunting
Paul and His Epistles E. M. Shockley
Introduction to Philosophy L. E. Windsor

Fourth Year—

Systematic Theology M. S. Andrews
a. The Doctrine of God.
b. God and Ourselves.
c. Outline of Christian Theology.
Individual and Social Order R. S. Hodgson
Improving Religious Education W. E. Gunby

All written work on above books should be in the hands of the appropriate examiner on or before July 1, 1933.

EXAMINATIONS FOR UNDERGRADUATES AT CONFERENCE.

Tuesday, 1:30 P. M.

First Year—The Teachings of Jesus O. E. Jones
Third Year—The Religions of Mankind E. W. Hervis

The required written work on above studies must be in the hands of the proper examiner on or before March 1, 1934.

EXAMINATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL TO BE HELD AT THE SEAT OF THE CONFERENCE.

Monday, 7:30 P. M.

Doctrines and Discipline W. E. Gunby

Tuesday, 9:00 A. M.

Life of John Wesley T. F. Beauchamp

Tuesday, 10:00 A. M.

Methodism in American History J. M. Kelso

Tuesday, 11:00 A. M.

Selections from Wesley M. S. Andrews

Written work on above subject should be in the hands of the examiner by March 1, 1934.

Tuesday, 1:30 P. M.

Bible Biography W. H. Revelle

Tuesday, 3:00 P. M.

Candidates will please send written sermon to W. H. Revelle, by March 1, 1934.

All papers submitted by the candidate shall be examined with reference to the use of English, and the character of this work shall be taken into account in determining the grade in each subject. This rule shall apply throughout the Course.

Schedule of Collateral Reading.

October 15, 1933.

First Year—Jesus of History E. W. Hervis
The Technique of Public Worship R. P. Nichols

Second Year—Biblical Readings, etc.	Frank Herson
Beacon Lights	L. E. Windsor
Jesus and Ourselves	E. M. Shockley
Third Year—Biblical Readings	Tilghman Smith
Martin Luther	J. J. Bunting
Fourth Year—Biblical Readings	T. F. Beauchamp
Good Ministers of Jesus Christ	R. P. Nichols
Christ at the Round Table	Tilghman Smith

December 15, 1933.

First Year—Bible Readings	J. J. Bunting
Evangelism	O. E. Jones
Second Year—The Rural Billion	J. W. Prettyman
Francis Asbury	Frank Herson
Third Year—The Art of Preaching	E. M. Shockley
Christian Faith and Life	W. H. Revelle
Fourth Year—The Preacher as a Man of Letters	E. W. Henvis
Phillips Brooks	W. H. Revelle

February 15, 1934.

First Year—The Story of Methodism	J. M. Kelso
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	L. E. Windsor
Second Year—(a) Wesley's Sermons (Vols. I-II)	O. E. Jones
(b) Plain Account of Christian Perfection	O. E. Jones
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	O. E. Jones
Third Year—Religion In Life	J. W. Prettyman
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	R. S. Hodgson
Fourth Year—Religion In Life	J. W. Prettyman
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	M. S. Andrews

ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS.

Accepted Supply Pastors are now required to take the Conference Course of Study or the Local Preachers' Course of Study Year by Year. Read Paragraphs 171, 172 and 201, Sec. 7—1932 Discipline.

COURSE OF STUDY FOR LOCAL PREACHERS.

Mid-Year Examinations for Local Preachers at the Summer School of Theology.

First Year—	
Discipline (1932)	W. E. Gunby
The Work of Preaching	Tilghman Smith
The Abingdon Commentary (N. T. Articles)	W. E. Gunby

Second Year—	
The Abingdon Commentary (General and O. T. Articles)	R. S. Hodgson
Church in History	J. M. Kelso
Religious Education	R. P. Nichols
Third Year—	
The Abingdon Commentary (New Testament Studies)	W. H. Revelle
Paul and His Epistles	E. M. Shockley
Psychology of Religious Experience	Frank Herson
Fourth Year—	
Outline of Christian Theology	M. S. Andrews
Teachings of Jesus	J. W. Prettyman
Christ at the Round Table	Tilghman Smith

Written work on above subjects should be in the hands of the appropriate examiner on or before July 1, 1933. If Accepted Supplies are taking the Conference Course of Study, they will follow Schedule of Studies for Undergraduates.

Examination for Local Preachers at Conference.

Tuesday, 1:30 P. M.

First Year—The Art of Writing English	T. F. Beauchamp
Second Year—The Pastoral Office	J. J. Bunting
Third Year—Religions of Mankind	E. W. Henvis
Fourth Year—Technique of Public Worship	R. P. Nichols

Tuesday, 3:00 P. M.

First Year—Jesus of History	E. W. Henvis
Second Year—American History	J. M. Kelso

Written work on above subjects should be in the hands of the appropriate examiner on or before March 1, 1934.

Schedule of Collateral Reading, Local Preachers' Course.

Oct. 15, 1933.

First Year—The Life of Wesley	T. F. Beauchamp
Second Year—Abingdon Commentary (O. T. Studies)	H. S. Hodgson
Third Year—Beacon Lights of Prophecy	L. E. Windsor
Fourth Year—Phillips Brooks	W. H. Revelle

Dec. 15, 1933.

First Year—Evangelism	O. E. Jones
Second Year—The Rural Billion	J. W. Prettyman
Third Year—The Art of Preaching	E. M. Shockley
Fourth Year—Varieties of Present-Day Preaching	L. E. Windsor

Feb. 15, 1934.

First Year—Story of Methodism J. M. Kelso
 Second Year—New Tendencies in Teaching Religion..... Frank Herson
 Third Year—Selections from Wesley M. S. Andrews
 Fourth Year—Christian Faith and Life R. S. Hodgson

Local Preachers' Orders.

Local Preachers who have taken the Local Preachers' Course and are candidates for Deacons' Orders must have passed the four years' Course of Study for Local Preachers, and, in addition, must complete satisfactorily the course entitled, "A Study of John's Gospel" as provided by the Commission on the Courses of Study.

Local Deacons who are candidates for the Local Elders' Orders must complete in addition to the four years' Course of Study for Local Preachers and the Course entitled "A Study of John's Gospel," the course entitled "Pauline Christianity" as provided by the Commission on Courses of Study.

Local Preachers who shall have completed satisfactorily the Conference Course of Study shall be eligible to Deacon's and Elder's orders under conditions indicated in Par. 193, Sec. 2, and Par. 196, Sec. 2—1932 Discipline.

E. W. McDOWELL, Registrar,
 Claymont, Del.

T. F. BEAUCHAMP, Chairman,
 Snow Hill, Md.

(b) CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER

I. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

1. The President shall call the Conference to order, punctually, at all times determined upon for the opening of its sessions, have each opened by appropriate devotional exercises, and see that all the business pertaining to the Conference shall be brought forward and transacted in a proper and orderly manner, according to the provisions of the Discipline and the Rules of the Conference.

2. He shall preserve order in all the proceedings, holding speakers strictly to the question, and call them to order when they wander from the point, violate the Rules of Order, or use any improper language.

3. He shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference by any two members.

4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for.

5. When two or more members claim the floor at the same time, he shall decide who is entitled thereto.

II. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

1. The Secretary shall keep a fair and correct record of all the proceedings of the Conference, to be read at the opening of each session, subject to correction by Conference.

2. He shall carefully preserve the journal and papers of the Conference placed in his custody, and shall not allow any person but a member to examine the same, but shall, ad interim, upon the unanimous request of the District Superintendents, furnish a copy of any paper or document in his possession to be used for the best interest of our work; he shall produce the journals and papers at each annual session, and see that the same be forwarded to the General Conference.

3. In an appendix prepared for that purpose, he shall record all reports and documents ordered upon record by the Conference, and all documents so recorded shall be referred to on the journal.

III. DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS.

1. Each member of the Conference will be expected and required to be present at the opening of each session to participate in the devotional exercises, unless unavoidably detained; and no member may absent himself, without leave, from the seat of the Conference.

2. When a member would speak on any question, he shall arise in his place and respectfully address the President; refrain from all personalities and discourteous language. And no member shall speak more than once on the same question until every member who chooses to speak shall have spoken; nor shall any member speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than ten minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference. Provided, however, that a committee making a report through its chairman or one of its members selected by the committee or by its chairman, shall be entitled to ten minutes to close the debate, either to oppose the motion to lay the report on the table or this permission not having been used, to close the debate on the motion to adopt.

3. When a member is called to order by the President, or by any member through him, he shall take his seat until the point of order is decided by the President.

4. Any member may call for the division of the question, which shall be granted when, in the judgment of the President, the same will admit of it.

5. When a question has been decided by a vote of Conference, any member who may have voted with the prevailing side, may move for a reconsideration of the same.

6. It shall be in order to move the Previous Question—that is, that the question be taken without further debate—on any measure pending except in cases in which moral character is involved. If the call for the Previous Question be sustained by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting, the Main Question shall be put; nevertheless, under this rule, after the Previous Question has been ordered, it shall be in order to divide, or to move to refer, or to recommit, or to lay on the table. It shall not be in order for a member to move the Previous Question or to move to lay on the table at the close of a speech in which he has discussed the pending question.

7. Any member may demand the "yeas and nays" upon any question, and if ONE FIFTH of the members present, and voting, shall second such demand, the vote shall be taken.

8. Any member may object to the reading of a paper, and when such objection is made the reading shall be dispensed with, unless the Conference, without debate, shall otherwise order.

9. No motion, unless seconded, shall be entertained; and all motions and resolutions shall be reduced to writing by the member presenting them, if so desired by the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference.

10. When a motion is made, seconded, and entertained by the President, it shall be in possession of the Conference, but it may be withdrawn at any time by the mover with the consent of the seconder before a decision is had thereon, or an amendment entertained by the President.

11. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a member has the floor, when such a motion cannot be made without his consent.

12. In discussing the reports of committees, the chairman of the committee whose report is under consideration, or such members of the same as the committee may agree upon, shall be entitled to close the debate.

IV. QUESTIONS TO BE TAKEN WITHOUT DEBATE.

1. All motions, simply to adjourn.
 2. All motions to lay on the table.
 3. Motions on the "previous question."
 4. Demand for "yeas and nays."
 5. All appeals from the decision of the President, except that the appellant shall state the reason for his appeal and the President the reason for his ruling.
 6. All motions for extension of time, either of a member on the floor, or the session of Conference.
 7. All motions to re-commit.
 8. All motions to reconsider, except the member so moving shall state his reasons therefor.
 9. All motions to place documents, reports or other papers on record.
- All questions that may arise in the course of Conference proceedings, not determinable by these Rules of Order, shall be determined by the President, in accordance with established parliamentary law subject to appeal to the Conference.

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(c) SUPPLIES AND LOCAL PREACHERS

PASTORAL RECORD OF ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS.

Note. This is only a partial list. All that have been sent to the Secretary are printed.

- Adams, R. High—1903-7, Edge Moor; '08-9, Marshallton; '10-11, Richardson Park; '12-19, Trinity, Wilmington; '20- , Brack Ex.
- Atkinson, Wm. F.—1896-7, Asst. Westover; '98, Venton; '99-03, Mardela Springs; '04-5, Salisbury Circuit; '06-08, Lakesville; '09-14, Annessex; '15-16, Westover; '17-18, Phoebus; '19, Zoar; '20-23, Elliott's Is.; '24-28, White Haven; '29- , Royal Oak.
- Cannon, Charles G.—1928, Church Creek; '29-30, Hooper's Island; '31-32, Vienna; '33- , Hooper's Island.
- Hanby, Samuel L.—1919-21, Royal Oak; '22-24, Henderson; '25-27, Fairlee; '28- , Concord.
- Hudson, Arthur T. P.—1925-26, Annessex; '27-29, Ayers Chapel; '30-31, Williamsburg; '32- , Crumpton.
- Layton, Joshua E.—1923-24, Edge Moor; '25-26, Edge Moor & Holly Oak; '27- , Holly Oak.
- McClintock, William L.—1923-25, Pomona; '26, Henderson; '27- , Wye Mills & Starr.
- Travers, Alonzo—1909-11, Holland Island; '12, Riverside; '14-16, Piney Neck; '17-18, Salem; '19-21, St. Paul's, Dover; '22-24, Ellendale; '25-27, Williamsburg; '28-29, Cordova; '30- , Bozman & Neavitt.
- Wright, Ernest N.—1922-3, Little Creek; '24-27, Burrsville; '28-29, Henderson; '30- , Fairlee.

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(d) LAY CONFERENCE

Morning Session.

The Lay Conference of the Wilmington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held in Epworth M. E. Church, Rehoboth, Del., on Wednesday, March 29, 1933.

The session opened at 8.40 A. M. with a devotional meeting conducted by Brother E. J. Winder of Seaford. The enrolling secretary, Prof. C. A. Short, called the business session to order, and Brother I. Elmer Perry, of Wilmington, was made temporary chairman. The roll was then called by the enrolling secretary, to which 126 delegates responded, as follows:

Dover District.

Bethel, Del., J. M. Gootee; Blades, L. H. Clifton; Bridgeville, T. S. Smith; Cambridge, Granville Hooper; Camden, J. M. Lynch; Dover—St. Paul, W. S. Short; Dover—Wesley, A. A. Hearn; Ellendale, J. W. Warren; Elliott's Island, Oscar Jones; Federalsburg, W. Fell Davis; Felton, S. C. Hughes, Sr.; Georgetown, H. E. Hudson; Georgetown Circuit, J. Hollis Dodd; Harrington, W. W. Sharp; Houston, Howard R. Moore; Hurlock, H. N. Harper; Laurel, J. A. Prettyman; Lewes, W. E. Walsh; Lincoln, W. H. Macklin; Magnolia & Barratt's Chapel, D. H. Coverdale; Milford Neck, H. A. Thompson; Millsboro, F. S. Parker; Milton, Geo. H. Waples; Mt. Zion, E. B. Hastings; Nassau, J. H. Davidson; Seaford, E. J. Winder; Seaford Circuit, C. T. Vincent; Vienna, E. T. Barnard; Williamsburg, Roland Poole; Zoar Circuit, Frank Lawson; Milford, Thomas Davis; Wyoming, Mrs. Mattie Townsend. Total 32.

Middletown District.

Bayside, Howard T. Landon; Burrsville, George McClellan; Cecilton, M. Earl Davis; Centerville, Miss Eleanor Maddox; Chestertown, Md., J. C. Loud; Cheswold, Jefferson Cooper; Church Hill, A. G. McFarland; Clayton, J. E. Katz; Concord, H. H. Nuttle; Cordova, J. L. Gardner; Crumpton, Thomas J. Smith; Denton, J. L. Everngham; Easton, J. Roscoe Wheatley; Fairlee, B. F. Rash; Galena, J. D. Davis Jr.; Hillsboro, Charles Jarrell; Henderson & Barclay, T. H. Cecil; Kenton & Hartly, C. W. Guthrie; Middletown, J. Everett Walls; Millington & Dulany, N. A. Wallen; Oxford, A. R. Conley; Preston, E. T. Moore; Queenstown, J. K. Wrightson; Ridgely, Walter Bennington; Rock Hall, E. M. Culley; Royal Oak, Mrs. Cora B. Boley; St. Michaels, J. B. Hunt; Smyrna, W. O. Hoffecker; Sudlersville, Spencer Walls; Tilghman, James A. Cooper; Townsend, Walter E. Hart; Wye Mills & Starr, M. M. Price. Total 32.

Salisbury District.

Berlin, Harry E. Palmer; Bishopville, O. M. Shockley; Chincoteague, J. W. Winder; Crisfield—Asbury, G. E. Milbourne; Crisfield—Immanuel, Dr. C. E. Collins; Dagsboro & St. Georges, James Williams; Delmar, W.

B. Stephens; Fairmount, W. J. Blake; Frankford, Wm. T. Brasure; Fruitland, Levin A. Powell; Gumboro, Walter W. Gray; Mardela Springs, Elmer L. Bennett; Ocean City, Thomas A. Cropper; Ocean View & Millville, T. H. Hudson; Parsonburg, Sampson Purdue; Pittsville, Algie E. Wimbrow; Pocomoke Circuit, W. V. Taylor; Powellville, Fred Kelley; Roxana, Chas. E. Rickards; Salisbury—Asbury, H. L. Harcum; Salisbury—Grace, V. P. Wilkins; Selbyville, W. A. Law; Smith's Island, A. H. Marsh; Snow Hill, C. A. Clark; Tangier, Capt. T. J. Pruett; Whitesville, W. C. Pruitt. Total 26.

Wilmington District.

Bethel & Town Point, W. S. Dean; Brack-Ex, Miss Emma Reed; Chesapeake City, Herbert Wilfong; Christiana, Mrs. Robert Cashell; Claymont, E. T. Seibert; Ebenezer, C. E. Guthrie; Edge Moor, T. H. Dorman; Holly Oak, Mrs. J. B. Hanby; Hopewell, H. H. Kirk; Marshallton, W. H. Wingate; Mt. Lebanon, A. C. Husbands; Newark, Dr. E. B. Crooks; New Castle, Wm. Deakyne; Newport, A. M. Craig; Perryville, W. H. Cole; Red Lion, Mrs. Maude G. Thornton; Richardson Park, Dr. E. R. Miller; St. George's & Summit, Mrs. Mattie S. Gam; St. John's, Mrs. Edna Everett; Stanton, J. I. Laurent; Zion Circuit, J. F. Holt; Port Deposit & Colora, J. C. Eshelman.

Wilmington—Asbury, Miss S. Pearl Lynam; Brandywine, G. L. Bilderback; Eastlake, Mrs. Laura Houston; Epworth, W. L. Overdeer; Grace, Mrs. Mary T. Gambrill; Harrison Street, I. Elmer Perry; Hillcrest, H. H. Sutton; Kingswood, Mrs. W. A. DeCorse; McCabe, T. B. Ely; Mt. Salem, C. H. Brown; Scott, C. P. Harvey; Silverbrook, J. F. Peeney; St. Pauls, Albert Dougherty; Trinity, C. W. Cook Jr.; Union, Willard W. Sylvester. Total 37.

A committee on Credentials was appointed consisting of Brothers Geo. H. Waples, Milton; W. H. Wingate, Marshallton; Granville Hooper, Cambridge; W. T. Brasure, Frankford; and Sister Clara B. Boley, Royal Oak. They reported the following recommendation: Your Committee on Credentials recommend that the roll as called and checked by the enrolling secretary be accepted as the roster of the delegates of this lay conference. Additional names of now absent delegates shall be added to roll upon reporting as present, providing their names are on the official list as submitted by the enrolling secretary. Any delegate expecting to be absent from the United Session will report to the Committee on Credentials, stating whether the alternate is to be seated. Any question of the right of a delegate to sit in a session of the United Conference shall be submitted to this committee not later than 1.30 P. M. today, March 29, 1933." Upon motion the recommendations were adopted.

The permanent organization was taken up and the following were nominated and elected as officers for the Lay Conference to meet in joint session with the Ministers Conference in the Conference Auditorium:

Chairman—I. Elmer Perry, of Wilmington,
Secretary—Charles W. Cook Jr., of Wilmington.

Dr. E. B. Crooks offered the following resolutions:

Number 1—That a session of the Lay Conference be called at 1.00 P. M., today, for the purpose of the election of officers for the ensuing year and that the Executive Committee of the Conference consider the preparation of a suitable time and program for a meeting of the Conference at the next conference. Resolution adopted.

Number 2—Be it resolved that a committee of five shall be appointed by the President of this Lay Conference, who, with the officers of the conference, shall constitute a Committee on Relations with Annual Conference.

They shall be empowered to consider questions affecting the Lay Conference between the Sessions of the United Conference and shall have authority to confer with committee from Annual Conference in arranging the time of the United Conference sessions and in providing for special features in the Conference program to secure consideration of same during United Session. Same was adopted and Chairman appointed Brothers W. L. Overdeer, Wilmington, J. Everett Walls, Middletown, E. J. Winder, Seaford, O. M. Shockley, Bishopville, and I. Elmer Perry, Wilmington, as this committee.

We adjourned at 9.34 A. M. to meet in United session with the Ministerial Conference, and to convene again in separate session at Epworth Church at 1.00 P. M.

In the joint session, by motion of our chairman, Bro. I. Elmer Perry, in accordance with Par. 98, Sec. 2, of the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church (1932), we voted to meet at the joint session of the next annual conference on Friday and Saturday instead of Wednesday and Thursday as we have done this year.

Afternoon Session.

The devotional exercises were led by W. Fell Davis, Vice-President of Dover District. A further check of the delegates was made and 11 names were added to the roster. We then completed the officers of this session of the Lay Conference by nominating and electing Bro. Granville Hooper of Cambridge as our treasurer.

In accordance with resolution No. 2 of the morning session we then proceeded to the election of officers of the Laymen's Association for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

President—Prof. C. A. Short of Dover.

Vice Presidents—

Dover District—W. Fell Davis, Federalsburg.

Middletown District—H. H. Nuttle, Denton.

Salisbury District—A. C. Humphries, Snow Hill.

Wilmington District—Dr. E. B. Crooks, Newark.

Secretary—Chas. W. Cook Jr., Wilmington.

Treasurer—Granville Hooper, Cambridge.

By motion of Dr. E. B. Crooks, it was voted that the Chairman of the Conference Bureau on Entertainment distribute blanks to each and

every delegate in order that those who desired to waive their rights to expenses at this session of Conference, may do so.

The Lay Conference then adjourned at 1.25 P. M. "sine die" to meet in the afternoon United session of the Annual and Lay conferences. In this session, the Laymen went on record by a vote of 72 to 53 in favor of the minority report of the Committee appointed at the Last Annual Conference, that the number of districts in the Wilmington Conference be reduced from four to three.

I. ELMER PERRY,
Chairman.

CHAS. W. COOK, JR.,
Secretary.

OFFICERS OF LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

1872—President, John F. Williamson; Secretaries, Dr. W. T. Collins, I. T. Matthews.

1876—Pres., R. J. Jump; Secretaries, I. T. Matthews, J. H. Bell.

1880—Pres., John F. Williamson; Secy's, P. F. Causey, Dr. R. J. Price.

1884—Pres., Henry F. Pickles; Secy's, Dr. R. J. Price, Henry S. Dulaney.

1888—Pres., H. C. Dodson; Secy's, Dr. R. J. Price, W. H. Dashiell.

1892—Pres., I. T. Matthews; Sec'y, Joseph Smithers.

1896—Pres., H. F. Pickles; Secy's, R. M. Cooper, J. W. Coley.

1900—Pres., Chas. B. Lore; Secy's, R. M. Cooper, J. S. Collins.

1904—Pres., Chas. B. Lore; Secy's, R. M. Cooper, Wesley Webb.

1908—Pres., W. O. Hoffecker; Secy's, C. A. Short, A. R. Spaid.

1912—Pres., R. D. Jones; Secretaries, C. A. Short, H. R. Moore.

1916—Pres., E. J. Winder; Secretaries, C. A. Short, A. Galt Starr.

1920—Pres., H. C. Conrad; Secretaries, C. A. Short, V. C. Hitchens.

1921—Pres., H. C. Conrad; Secretary, C. A. Short.

1924—Pres., I. Elmer Perry; Secretaries, C. A. Short, John Shilling.

1925—Pres., I. Elmer Perry; Secretaries, C. A. Short, John Shilling.

1928—Pres., H. H. Nuttle; Secretaries, C. A. Short, C. W. Cook.

1929—Pres., H. H. Nuttle; Secretaries, C. A. Short, C. W. Cook.

1932—Pres., O. M. Shockley; Secretaries, C. A. Short, C. W. Cook.

OFFICERS OF LAY CONFERENCE.

1933—Pres., I. Elmer Perry; Secy., C. W. Cook; Treas., Granville Hooper.

LAY DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

- 1872—Delegates, Daniel M. Bates, Walter H. Thompson.
Alternate, John F. Williamson, Thomas Mallalieu.
- 1876—Delegates, John F. Williamson, Thomas Mallalieu.
Alternate, W. J. Jones, Dr. Geo. C. Tyler.
- 1880—Delegates, I. T. Matthews, T. B. Coursey.
Alternate, J. F. Dawson, P. F. Causey.
- 1884—Delegates, F. A. Ellis, Alfred G. Cox.
Alternate, Dr. A. E. Sudler, Jos. Pyle.
- 1888—Delegates, H. P. Cannon, L. S. Melson.
Alternate, Joseph Pyle, Dr. A. E. Sudler.
- 1892—Delegates, Dr. A. E. Sudler, Joseph Pyle.
Alternate, I. T. Parker, J. W. Melson.
- 1896—Delegates, Dr. W. L. Gooding, W. H. Jackson.
Alternates, T. J. Truxton, G. F. Jones.
- 1900—Delegates, Chas. B. Lore, G. E. Hukill, Jos. E. Holland, Geo. A. Cox.
Alternates, S. H. Baynard, G. C. Moore, J. W. Fletcher, L. E. P. Dennis.
- 1904—Delegates, C. B. Lore, H. P. Cannon, R. M. Cooper, J. E. Ellegood.
Alternates, A. W. Sisk, Geo. C. Moore, L. S. Melson.
- 1908—Delegates, J. P. Holland, I. T. Parker, W. O. Hoffecker, R. D. Jones
Alternates, John G. Townsend, Jr., Joseph W. Coley, J. C. Mullikin.
- 1912—Delegates, Chas. H. Jefferson, John G. Townsend, Wm. Saulsbury,
Joseph W. Coley.
Alternates, Mrs. Jeannie M. Field, A. W. Sisk, Wm. T. Records.
- 1916—Delegates, E. J. Winder, Thos. H. Bock, Melville Gambrell, Martin B. Burris.
Alternates, I. M. Lenderman, W. O. Hoffecker, L. E. P. Dennis.
- 1920—Delegates, E. C. Hardesty, H. C. Conrad, L. Atwood Bennett, J. W. Wheatley.
Reserves, Joseph Mallalieu, R. F. Powell, J. S. Mullin, Jr.
- 1924—Delegates, I. Elmer Perry, W. Harry Jones, Orlando Harrison, T. N. Rawlins.
Reserves, W. O. Hoffecker, E. P. Wyatt, H. C. Conrad.
- 1928—Delegates, W. Newton Jackson, H. H. Nuttle, W. G. Abbott, E. F. Melson.
Reserves, W. B. Smith, Jr., W. T. Brasure, C. M. Phillips.
- 1932—Delegates, Clarence A. Short, Arthur C. Humphries, Willis L. Overdeer, J. Everett Walls.
Reserves, J. T. Mears, I. Elmer Perry, E. J. Winder.

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PASTORAL RECORD

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