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CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL

- 1870 Adam Stengle
- 1871 Levin W. Layfield
- 1876 Wilbur F. Corkran
- 1876 Edmund L. Hoffecker
- 1882 Charles H. Williams
- 1883 Vaughan S. Collins
- 1884 William A. Wise
- 1885 James W. Easley
- 1885 James D. Reese
- 1885 George W. Bowman
- 1885 Ellenzie C. Sunfield
- 1886 George E. Wood
- 1886 William R. Mowbray
- 1887 James H. Wilson
- 1888 Joshua W. Gray
- 1889 Vinal E. Hills
- 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
- 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 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
- 1910 Dayton E. McClain

1911 Oren B. Rice	1925 Glen E. Aldrich
1911 David J. Moore	1925 Henry M. Parks
1911 Charles W. Spry	
1912 Olie H. Connelly	1926 Frank A. Baker
1912 George E. Sterling	1926 Sidney B. Bradley
1912 Ivanhoe Willis	1926 Charles W. Branford
1912 Frank A. Lindhorst	1926 Harry V. Branford
1912 George W. Humphreys	1926 Otis P. Jefferson
	1926 Preston W. Spence
1913 Disston W. Jacobs	1927 James H. Brasher
	1927 John A. Clark
1914 Frank White	1927 Roscoe W. Campbell
1914 Norman C. Benson	1927 John R. Diehl
1914 Marion W. Marine	1927 Willard Everett
1914 William J. McKee	1927 Conrad Hamer
1914 Essell P. Thomas	1927 Harvey O. Hufnal
	1927 Rufus W. Mills
1915 Ralph C. Jones	1927 Paul E. Reynolds
1915 Luther M. Broadway	1928 Robert E. Green
1915 Alpha B. Frye	1928 Frederick C. Louhoff
	1928 James O'Neil
1916 Roy T. Thawley	1928 Alfred W. Strickland
1916 Charles C. Harris	1928 Roy L. Tawes
1916 Otis B. Reed	
1916 Lester E. Windsor	1929 Charles I. Carpenter
	1929 Elwood B. Eckhart
1917 Walter A. Hearn	1929 Grayson H. Wheatley
1917 Charles H. Atkins	
1917 William S. Grant	1930 Henry T. Caldwell
	1930 William J. Ennis
1918 Edmund W. Hervis	1930 Frank D. Milbury
1918 Robert S. Hodgson	1930 Roland H. Nelson
1918 Willard V. Moore	1930 Lucian L. Powell
1918 John T. Rowlenson	
1918 John W. Wootten	1931 Richard M. Green
1918 August F. Zimmerman	1931 Jacob C. Hanby
	1931 William H. Kohl
1919 Earl M. Shockley	1931 James F. Langrall
1919 John H. Whedbee	1931 Joseph B. Vaughn
	1931 Theodore O. M. Wills
1920 John C. Bolton	
1920 William L. Hess	1932 Leon W. Ross
1920 Ralph L. Minker	1932 George V. Turner
1921 Milton S. Andrews	1933 Joseph B. Dickerson
1921 Charles E. Davis	1933 Raymond W. Hallman
1921 Sylvanus T. Hamblin	1933 Ray W. Kirwan
	1933 D'Arcy A. Littleton
1922 Charles H. Hudson	1933 William M. Parker
1922 Wingate D. Short	
1922 Johnson H. Wright	1934 John E. French
	1934 Daniel T. Pritchard
1923 Walter G. Barlow	
1923 Lawrence E. Wimbrow	1935 Elmer L. Bennett
	1935 Frank G. Buckley
1924 Harry N. Bailey	1935 James H. Clow, Jr.
1924 Oler A. Bartley	1935 Ewell E. Crockett
1924 Oliver J. Collins	1935 Louis R. Dennis
1924 John E. Parker	1935 Waldo L. Dise
	1935 Walter A. Glass
	1935 John E. Jones

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
1925	Aldrich, Glen E.	Sy Albion, Mich.	1
1921	Andrews, M. S.	E Denton, Md.	3
1917	Atkins, C. H.	E Zion Cir. (P.O. North East, Md.)	3
1924	Bailey, H. N.	E Tangier, Va.	2
1926	Baker, F. A.	E Dagsboro, Del.	1
1923	Barlow, W. G.	E Galena, Md.	1
1924	Bartley, O. A.	E Brandywine (P. O. Wil., Del.)	2
1902	Baynard, O. T.	E Stockton, Md.	3
1892	Beauchamp, T. F.	E Greensboro, Md.	1
1935	Bennett, E. L.	P Elliott's Island, Md.	2
1897	Bennett, W. O.	R Hurlock, Md.	5
1914	Benson, N. C.	E Frederica, Del.	10
1907	Bicking, J. R.	E Berlin, Md.	5
1920	Bolton, J. C.	E Frankford, Del.	2
1885	Bowman, G. W.	R Laurel, Del.	30
1926	Bradley, S. B.	E Fruitland, Md.	1
1926	Branford, C. W.	E Chincoteague, Va.	3
1926	Branford, H. V.	E Rehoboth, Del.	2
1927	Brasher, J. H.	E Bridgeville, Del.	4
1907	Briggs, W. H.	R Wilmington, Del.	5
1915	Broadway, L. M.	R Wilmington, Del.	5
1935	Buckley, F. G.	P Pocomoke City, Md.	2
1904	Buckson, J. A.	R Ridley Park, Pa.	4
1894	Budd, H. G.	R Dover, Del.	5
1909	Bunting, J. J.	E D. S., Salisbury, Md.	1
1930	Caldwell, H. T.	E Felton, Del.	5
1927	Campbell, R. W.	E Camden, Del.	2
1928	Carpenter, C. I.	E Federalsburg, Md.	2
1927	Clark, J. A.	E Millsboro, Del.	4
1935	Clow, J. H., Jr.	P Marion, Md.	2
1883	Collins, V. S.	R Wilmington, Del.	7
1895	Collins, E. H.	R Marshallton, Del.	2
1924	Collins, O. J.	E St. Pauls (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	3
1902	Colona, J. W.	E Harrison St. (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	7
1912	Connelly, O. H.	E Lewes, Del.	2
1891	Cooke, G. A.	R Wilmington, Del.	1
1876	Corkran, W. F.	R Seaford, Del.	6

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1935	Crockett, Ewell E. P Girdletree, Md.	1
1900	Davis, Howard E Milton, Del.	2
1921	Davis, C. E. E Asbury (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1899	Dawson, G. W. E Hurlock, Md.	1
1935	Dennis, Louis R. P & D Concord, Md.	1
1927	Diehl, J. R. E Hopewell	2
	(P. O. Port Deposit, Md.)	
1933	Dickerson, J. B. D Stanton, Del.	3
1935	Dise, Waldo L. E Pittsville, Md.	1
1885	Easley, J. W. R 4632 Walnut St., Phila., Pa.	17
1929	Eckhart, Elwood B. E Parsonsburg, Md.	2
1902	Eldridge, J. S. E Millington, Md.	1
1930	Ennis, W. J. E Quantico, Md.	6
1927	Everett, Willard E Onancock, Va.	3
1905	Ford, D. J. R Camden, Del.	1
1934	French, J. E. P Cordova, Md.	2
1915	Frye, A. B. E Rising Sun, Md.	4
1902	Gardner, J. H. E Georgetown, Del.	2
1891	Geoghegan, J. H. R Newport, Del.	2
1895	Givan, D. J. E Mt. Vernon, Md.	1
1935	Glass, W. A. P Burrsville, Md.	1
1904	Goddard, A. C. E McCabe (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	4
1903	Goodhand, A. W. E Salisbury, Md. (Grace)	1
1917	Grant, W. S. E Ocean View, Del.	1
1888	Gray, J. W. R Willards, Md.	13
1928	Green, R. E. E Greenwood, Del.	3
1931	Green, R. M. D Christiana, Del.	5
1900	Greenfield, W. E. R Perryville, Md.	5
1903	Gunby, W. E. E Wilmington, Del. (D. S.)	1
1903	Habbart, W. E. E Leave of Absence	1
1910	Hallman, E. C. E Dover, Del. (D. S.)	1
1933	Hallman, R. W. E Hillcrest, Del.	2
1921	Hamblin, S. T. E Fairlee (P. O. Chestertown, Md.)	2
1927	Hamer, Conrad E Rock Hall, Md.	2
1931	Hanby, J. C. D Mt. Pleasant (P. O. Laurel, Del.)	2
1906	Harris, W. G. E Cambridge, Md.	5
1916	Harris, C. C. E Eastlake (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	6
1917	Hearn, W. A. E Laurel, Del.	1
1918	Henvis, E. W. E Cecilton, Md.	2
1909	Herson, Frank E Milford, Del.	9
1920	Hess, W. L. E Nassau, Del.	1
1889	Hills, V. E. E Cookman (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1918	Hodgson, R. S. E Red Lion (P. O. Bear, Del.)	1
1876	Hoffecker, E. L. R Easton, Md.	18
1897	Holt, T. S. R Federalsburg, Md.	24
1910	Hopkins, J. C. B. E Sudlersville, Md.	4
1922	Hudson, C. H. E Trinity (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	6
1912	Humphreys, G. W. E Salisbury, Md.	2

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1927	Hufnal, H. O. E Church Creek, Md.	1
1896	Jackson, Leolan E St. Michaels, Md.	2
1913	Jacobs, D. W. E Snow Hill, Md.	1
1907	James, O. E. R Baltimore, Md.	12
1926	Jefferson, O. P. E Perryville, Md.	2
1906	Johns, B. M. E Grace (P. O. Wilmington, Del.)	13
1899	Johnson, J. L. E Smyrna, Del.	3
1891	Jones, G. P. R Smyrna, Del.	7
1935	Jones, J. E. P Cheswold, Del.	2
1898	Jones, J. W. E Mt. Salem (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	5
1898	Jones, O. E. E Georgetown, Del.	5
1900	Jones, C. N. E New Castle, Del.	1
1915	Jones, R. C. E Delmar, Del.	2
1898	Kelso, H. B. E Pocomoke City, Md.	2
1904	Kelso, J. M. E Hillsboro, Md.	2
1933	Kirwan, Ray. W. D Queenstown, Md.	2
1931	Kohl, W. H. E Cherry Hill, Md.	2
1908	Landon, J. P. E Bishopville, Md.	1
1931	Langrall, J. F. E Farmington, Del.	4
1871	Layfield, L. W. R Greenwood, Del.	12
1912	Lindhorst, F. A. E Dover, Del.	4
1933	Littleton, D'Arcy A. D Ocean City, Md.	2
1928	Louhoff, F. C. E Odessa, Del.	4
1905	McCoy, J. C. E Newport, Del.	2
1905	McDade, H. R. E Port Deposit, Md.	1
1906	McDowell, E. W. E Richardson Park, Del.	1
1914	McKee, Wm. J. E Epworth (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1910	McClain, D. E. E Deal's Is., Md.	2
1914	Marine, M. W. E Middletown, Del.	1
1900	Martin, O. L. R Salisbury, Md.	12
1902	Matthews, W. E. R Smyrna, Del.	14
1930	Milbury, F. D. E Wyoming, Del.	5
1927	Mills, R. W. E Seaford, Del.	2
1920	Minker, R. L. E Immanuel (P. O. Crisfield, Md.)	1
1898	Moore, F. X. R New Freedom, Pa.	15
1911	Moore, D. J. E Chester-Bethel	1
	(P. O. Wilm., Del. R. F. D.)	
1918	Moore, W. V. E Still Pond, Md.	2
1905	Morgan, L. B. E Elkton, Md.	6
1886	Mowbray, W. R. R Lewes, Del.	10
1930	Nelson, R. H. E Beckwith (P. O. Cambridge, Md.)	4
1905	Nesbit, W. M. E Claymont, Del.	1
1907	Nichols, R. P. E Princess Anne, Md.	2
1890	Nutter, M. D. R Newark, Del.	6
1928	O'Neil, James E Kenton, Del.	2
1893	Outten, J. P. R Laurel, Del.	3
1924	Parker, J. E. E Harrington, Del.	2
1933	Parker, W. M. E Roxana, Del.	1
1925	Parks, H. M. E Marshallton, Del.	3

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1896	Poole, L. E. R Snow Hill, Md.	2
1900	Poole, W. C. E Dover, Del. (St. Paul's)	1
1930	Powell, L. L. E Bethel, Del.	1
1897	Prettyman, J. W. E St. Johns (P. O. Lewisville, Pa.)	3
1909	Prettyman, E. C. E Wilmington, Del.	21
1908	Price, J. T. E Chesapeake City, Md.	2
1934	Pritchard, D. T. P Somerset (P. O. Chance, Md.)	2
1916	Reed, O. B. E Ridgely, Md.	1
1885	Reese, J. D. R Houston, Del.	17
1907	Revelle, W. H. E Hockessin, Del.	2
1927	Reynolds, P. E. E North East, Md.	3
1911	Rice, Oren E Madeley (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1893	Richardson, J. T. R Middletown, Del.	7
1890	Rorer, V. E. R Philadelphia, Pa.	3
1932	Ross, Leon W. D Tilghman, Md.	1
1918	Rowlenson, J. T. E Asbury (P. O. Crisfield, Md.)	3
1910	Sard, T. J. E Union (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	3
1919	Shockley, E. M. E Selbyville, Del.	2
1892	Short, F. B. R Milford, Del.	2
1922	Short, W. D. E Oriole, Md.	2
1907	Smith, Tilghman E Clayton, Del.	1
1906	Sparklin, J. L. E St. Georges, Del.	3
1926	Spence, P. W. E Preston, Md.	2
1911	Spry, C. W. E Kent Island	2
	(P. O. Stevensville, Md.)	
1870	Stengle, Adam R Wilmington, Del.	21
1912	Sterling, G. E. E Phoebus, Va.	3
1892	Strickland, C. W. R Clayton, Del.	1
1928	Strickland, A. W. E Townsend, Del.	1
1885	Sunfield, E. C. R Barnegat, N. J.	14
1908	Sutton, J. W. E Elk Neck	1
	(P. O. North East, Md.)	
1928	Tawes, R. L. E Magnolia, Del.	2
1904	Taylor, E. B. R Springfield, S. C.	1
1916	Thawley, R. T. E Centreville, Md.	4
1903	Thomas, G. S. E Sharptown, Md.	3
1914	Thomas, E. P. E Dover, Del.	3
1932	Turner, G. V. D St. Thomas	1
	(P. O. Bishop's Head, Md.)	
1931	Vaughn, J. B. D Bethel and Town Point	5
	(P. O. Chesapeake City, Md.)	
1910	Wheatley, M. E. E Silverbrook (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1929	Wheatley, G. H. E Newark, Md.	3
1919	Whedbee, J. H. E Nanticoke, Md.	1
1908	White, Leonard E Newark, Del.	1
1914	White, Frank E Chestertown, Md.	4
1882	Williams, C. H. R Snow Hill, Md.	22

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1912	Willis, Ivanhoe E Anti-Saloon League	2
	(P. O. Marshallton, Del.)	
1931	Wills, T. O. M. D Ebenezer (P. O. Newark, Del.)	4
1887	Wilson, J. H. R Mt. Lebanon	9
	(P. O. Elsmere, Del.)	
1906	Wilson, Daniel R Centreville, Md.	11
1923	Wimbrow, L. E. E Scott (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1916	Windsor, L. E. E Seaford, Del.	10
1884	Wise, W. A. R Wilmington, Del.	6
1886	Wood, G. E. R Baltimore, Md.	4
1905	Woodell, W. R. R Blades (P. O. Seaford, Del.)	2
1918	Wootten, J. W. E Cape Charles, Va.	2
1922	Wright, J. H. E Easton, Md.	4
1918	Zimmerman, A. F. E East New Market, Md.	3

STREET ADDRESSES OF WILMINGTON PASTORS.

Asbury, C. E. Davis	222 Walnut Street
Bellefonte, J. C. Steen	1103 Rosedale Ave., Bellefonte, Wil- mington
Brandywine, O. A. Bartley	2206 Market Street
Cookman, V. E. Hills	Weldin Road, R. F. D.
Eastlake, C. C. Harris	2921 Tatnall St.
Epworth, W. J. McKee	922 Lombard Street
Grace, B. M. Johns	9th and Washington Sts.
Harrison Street, J. W. Colona	7th and Harrison Sts.
Hillcrest, R. W. Hallman	402 Hillcrest Ave., Hillcrest, Wil- mington
Kingswood, E. H. Collins	Marshallton, Del.
Madeley, Oren Rice	1218 "B" St.
McCabe, A. C. Goddard	2202 Boulevard
Mt. Salem, J. W. Jones	1701 Mt. Salem Lane
Scott, L. E. Wimbrow	3613 Washington St.
Silverbrook, M. E. Wheatley	201 Woodlawn Ave.
St. Paul's, O. J. Collins	1014 West 10th St.
Trinity, C. H. Hudson	727 East 22d St.
Union, T. J. Sard	507 Washington St.

SUPPLIES.

E indicates Local Elder. D indicates Local Deacon.

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
Adams, R. H.	E Brack-Ex (P. O. Elsmere, Del.)	16
Atkinson, W. F.	E Williamsburg, Md.	2
Beckwith, Walter L.	Church Hill, Md.	2
Buckson, W. C.	Whitesville, Del.	5
Campbell, David T.	D Powellville (P. O. Pittsville, Md.)	4
Cannon, C. G.	Hoopers Island (P. O. Fishing Creek, Md.)	3
Chadwick, J. B.	Little Creek, Del.	2
Conner, R. G.	Marydel, Md.	2
Fosnocht, W. E.	Mt. Lebanon, Del.	2
Graham, J. T.	E Houston, Del.	2
Haddaway, Lawrence	Galestown, Md.	1
Hanby, S. L.	D Lincoln, Del.	2
Hudson, A. T.	Crumpton, Md.	4
Kelley, J. P.	E Wye Mills, Md.	1
Kirby, R. L., Jr.	Westover, Md.	4
Knotts, L. L.	Edge Moor, Del.	2
Layton, J. E.	Holly Oak, Del.	11
Lynn, J. G.	E Bayside (P. O. Sherwood, Md.)	2
McClintock, W. L.	E Bozman, Md.	1
McCorkle, F. K.	E Blades (P. O. Seaford, Del.)	2
Pratt, L. V.	E Pomona, Md.	1
Prettyman, D. B.	E Trappe, Md.	3
Ralph, H. M.	Smith's Island (P.O. Ewell, Md.)	2
Sharpless, C. D.	E Mardela Springs, Md.	2
Steen, J. C.	E 1103 Rosedale Ave., Bellefonte, Del.	8
Thomas, A. G.	Crapo, Md.	2
Thornton, J. H.	E Charlestown, Md.	3
Travers, Alonzo	E Henderson, Md.	2
Willis, J. F.	Vienna, Md.	1
Wilson, R. H.	Fairmount (P. O. Upper Fairmount, Md.)	4
White, Alfred	D Hebron, Md.	1
Wood, David	Delaware City, Del.	1
Wright, E. N.	D Ellendale, Del.	2

LOCAL PREACHER'S DIRECTORY.

Local Elders.

Adams, R. H., Elsmere, Del.	McCorkle, F. K., Seaford, Del.
Atkinson, W. F., Williamsburg, Md.	McLain, L. T., Easton, Md.
Barrett, T. S., Rock Hall, Md.	McVey, Hiram, Greenwood, Del.
Covey, A. H., Chestertown, Md.	Pratt, L. V., Pomona, Md.
Crooks, E. B., Newark, Del.	Prettyman, D. B., Trappe, Md.
Cross, E. L., Berlin, Md.	Sharpless, C. D., Mardela Springs, Md.
Dutton, C. R., Milton, Del.	Steen, J. C., Bellefonte, Del.
Godwin, W. F., Atlantic City, N. J.	Steininger, C. V., Salisbury, Md.
Graham, J. T., Houston, Del.	Travers, Alonzo, Henderson, Md.
Hudson, John A., Seaford, Del.	Thornton, J. H., Charlestown, Md.
Kelley, J. P., Wye Mills, Md.	Watson, Merle M., Denton, Md.
Lynn, J. G., Sherwood, Md.	
McClintock, W. L., Bozman, Md.	

Local Deacons.

Campbell, David T., Pittsville, Md.	White, A. L., Hebron, Md.
Hanby, S. L., Lincoln, Del.	Wiley, J. H., Secretary, Md.
Walraven, E. D., Sudlersville, Md.	Wright, E. N., Ellendale, Del.

LICENTIATES.

Adams, W. H., Wilmington, Del.	Conner, Robt. G., Wilmington, Del.
Aiken, Edward, Nassau, Del.	Cook, C. W., Jr., Wilmington, Del.
Alfree, W. B., Holly Oak, Del.	Cooper, James H., Tilghman, Md.
Allen, Geo. S., Seaford, Del.	Covington, Henry, Centreville, Md.
Atwell, J. H., Seaford, Del.	Cranfield, Edgar, Wilmington, Del.
Beckwith, W. L., Sr., Cambridge, Md.	Crockett, Carey, Tangier, Va.
Beckwith, W. L., Jr., Church Hill, Md.	Curtiss, Albert E., Houston, Del.
Bishop, J. H., Dover, Del.	Dix, W. A., Crisfield, Md.
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1938—D. W. Jacobs, R. T. Thawley, M. S. Andrews.

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1937—Ministers: R. P. Nichols, J. J. Bunting.

Lay: Walter W. Hynson, E. J. Winder.

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1938—R. P. Nichols, L. E. Poole, R. T. Thawley, J. H. Wright.

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Wilmington District: W. A. Hearn, O. P. Jefferson, O. J. Collins.

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III
DAILY PROCEEDINGS
OFFICIAL JOURNAL

FIRST SESSION—WEDNESDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—The Wilmington Annual Conference assembled for its Sixty-Seventh Session in St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church, Seaford, Delaware, on Wednesday morning, March 27, 1935, at 9 o'clock, with Bishop Edwin H. Hughes presiding.

THE LORD'S SUPPER:—The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the District Superintendents and the Pastor of the Church.

The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

SECOND SESSION—WEDNESDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened in business session at 10.25 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding.

ROLL CALL:—The Roll was called by the Secretary of the previous Conference. 162 members and probationers answered to their names.

Conference arose and stood while the Secretary called the names of those who have died since last Conference.

ORGANIZATION:—**Secretary:**—On motion of Leonard White, J. R. Bicking was elected Secretary and he named the following assistants, and they were confirmed: O. A. Bartley and Wm. J. Ennis.

Treasurer:—J. J. Bunting was reelected Treasurer, and nominated the following assistants, who were confirmed: R. T. Thawley, V. E. Hills, W. H. Revelle, O. H. Connelly, J. E. Parker, W. H. Kohl, L. L. Powell, Wm. J. McKee, W. L. Beckwith, L. W. Ross, R. G. Conner, J. H. Clow.

Statistician:—J. W. Wootten was reelected Statistician, naming as his assistants: L. E. Windsor, First Assistant; W. L. McClintock, P. E. Reynolds, S. T. Hamblin, H. N. Bailey, R. W. Mills, O. J. Collins, H. O. Hufnal, Willard Everett, T. O. M. Wills, D. A. Littleton, J. B. Vaughn, F. A. Baker, R. M. Green, R. S. Hodgson, and they were confirmed.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM:—The program of the Conference as printed was made the official program, subject to change when deemed necessary.

AREA OF CONFERENCE:—The Area of the Conference was made to include the first eight rows of pews.

AUDITOR:—H. B. Kelso was reelected Auditor.

POSTMASTER:—E. H. Collins was reelected Postmaster.

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

SENIOR BISHOP'S CANE:—Bishop Hughes exhibited a cane which had been presented to Bishop Matthew Simpson by the late Rev. R. W. Todd, a member of the Wilmington Conference, and explained that, by the instructions of Brother Todd, the cane is to be handed down to the Senior Bishop of the Church.

QUESTION 27:—The Twenty-seventh Question, "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up.

G. A. Cooke then requested a statement from the Bishop relative to the meaning of this question, and the usual answer to it,—"Nothing against him." The Bishop explained that this meant there were no charges against the preacher's administration or character.

Leonard White, Superintendent of the Salisbury District, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of the District.

On behalf of the Salisbury District Ministers and their Wives, J. R. Bicking presented to the Rev. and Mrs. Leonard White a chest of silver.

L. W. Layfield spoke in appreciation of Leonard White's father, the Rev. John White.

DELAWARE STATE LEGISLATION:—On motion of Alvin C. Goddard, the Secretary was instructed to send telegrams of protest against House Bills #197 and #299 and Senate Bill #24, pertaining to Sabbath desecration and liberalization of liquor laws, to the President Protem of the Senate; the Speaker of the House, and to Governor C. Douglass Buck.

Conference instructed Dr. Goddard to assist the Secretary in drafting the telegrams.

RULES OF ORDER:—On motion of E. L. Hoffecker, the Rules of Order for the last Conference session were made the rules for this session.

PRINCESS ANNE QUARTET:—The Quartet from Princess Anne Academy sang two selections.

BISHOP'S DEVOTIONAL ADDRESS:—Bishop Hughes gave a devotional address on the subject "Christian Love."

ADJOURNMENT:—Conference then adjourned, W. E. Matthews pronouncing the benediction.

THIRD SESSION—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 2.30 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions.

QUESTION 9:—The Ninth Question, "Who have died?" was taken up.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

V. S. Collins was requested to preside at the Memorial Service.

The memoir of Thos. R. VanDyke was read by J. L. Sparklin; that of T. N. Given by Oren B. Rice; that of J. M. Lindale by V. S. Collins; that of R. K. Stephenson by W. A. Wise.

The memoir of Mrs. Marta Eaton Givan was read by W. F. Corkran; that of Mrs. Emma F. Shilling by B. M. Johns; that of Mrs. Martha H. Swain by Alfred White; that of Mrs. Harriett Brigham Nichols by John J. Bunting; that of Mrs. Jane Janvier Ewing by J. W. Colona, and that of Mrs. Laura Rebecca Cannon Smoot by Essell P. Thomas.

The memoir of John C. Galloway was read by Charles H. Hudson.

On motion of the Secretary the memoirs as read were received and ordered printed in the minutes.

Prayer was made by V. S. Collins.

BUSINESS SESSION:—The business session was resumed with Bishop Hughes in the Chair.

QUESTION 27:—The Twenty-seventh Question was resumed. Disston W. Jacobs, Superintendent of the Wilmington District, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of the work of the district.

On behalf of the ministers of the Wilmington District, O. A. Bartley presented Dr. Jacobs with a Gladstone Bag and other gifts.

E. C. Hallman, Superintendent of the Middletown District, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of the district.

W. E. Habbart, Superintendent of the Dover District, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of the district.

On behalf of the ministers of the Dover District, L. E. Windsor presented a gift of money to Brother Habbart.

The Bishop then presented Brother Hallman with a book entitled "Testament of Love" by Hubert Simpson.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, V. S. Collins pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION—THURSDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 9 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions.

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

MRS. MARY A. GIVEN:—E. C. Hallman announced the death of Mrs. Mary A. Given, on Tuesday, March 26, in the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia, and on his motion Conference requested Oren Rice to prepare a suitable memoir to be printed in the Minutes, without reading before the Conference.

CHARTERED FUND:—The Bishop presented a draft from the Chartered Fund for \$60 and it was ordered paid in favor of the Board of Stewards.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Rev. W. W. Banks, Secretary of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; Rev. Wyatt, of the Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference; Rev. Benjamin C. Warren, of the New York Conference; Rev. J. E. Gallagher, Rev. R. N. Wright and Rev. L. H. Zerr of the Philadelphia Conference; Rev. Graham of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church; Dr. Thos. S. Long, Executive Secretary of the Strawbridge Home for Boys, and Miss May Trimble, Deaconess representing the Strawbridge Home, were introduced.

QUESTION 27:—The Twenty-seventh Question, "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was resumed. The effective elders of the Salisbury, Wilmington, Middletown and Dover Districts were called, their characters passed, and they were asked the disciplinary questions relating to prorating ministerial support and full support of the benevolences.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:—On motion of E. P. Thomas, the Report of the Conference Board of Education was made the order of the day for Friday afternoon at the beginning of the United Session.

QUESTION 27:—The Twenty-seventh Question was resumed. G. A. Cooke, F. A. Lindhorst, E. C. Prettyman and Ivanhoe Willis were called and their characters passed.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—On motion of E. P. Thomas the following were elected members of the Board of Stewards for a term of three years, the Secretary casting the ballot: Ministerial, L. B. Morgan, L. E. Windsor; Lay—Wilmington District, F. P. Gentieu; Dover District, George S. Williams.

CHANGES OF RELATION:—On motion of Leonard White the requests of C. W. Strickland, E. B. Taylor and D. J. Ford, for a change of relation were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations, and also to the Board of Stewards. On motion of D. W. Jacobs the District Superintendents were requested to refer to the Committee on Conference Relations the names of those desiring to be placed on the list of Accepted Supply Pastors.

COMMISSION ON BOUNDARIES:—The following resolutions were presented by Leonard White, and on his motion they were adopted: Resolved: That the District Superintendents be authorized to appoint at any time in the Conference year a Commission on Boundaries endowed with the usual powers of such a commission, in case it seems advisable to negotiate with any neighboring conference as to any possible change of borders, or any possible transfer of a charge or charges.

COMMUNION OFFERING:—R. C. Jones announced that the communion offering amounting to \$42.04 had been given to the Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund.

WILMINGTON MISSIONARY SOCIETY:—On motion of D. W. Jacobs, at the request of the Society, \$3500 was ordered apportioned to the charges of the Conference for the support of the Wilmington City Missionary Society for the ensuing year, the said amount to be divided by the Superintendents and apportioned to the respective districts.

W. F. GODWIN:—On motion of Leonard White, the case of W. F. Godwin, who is completing his 5th year in the Supernumerary Relation, was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

QUESTION 49:—The Forty-ninth Question, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" was taken up. T. J. Sard presented an invitation from Union Church, Wilmington; and R. C. Jones presented an invitation from Delmar. On motion of the Secretary these invitations were referred to the Commission on Conference Entertainment.

TEMPERANCE REPORT:—On motion of Alvin C. Goddard, the report of the Temperance Committee was made the order of the day for Saturday morning, immediately after the arrival of the Laymen.

MARYLAND STATE LEGISLATURE:—On motion of Leonard White the Secretary was instructed to send a telegram to Senator O. Straughn Lloyd, urging him to use his influence to defeat the bill legalizing the sale of beverages of stronger alcoholic content than are now sold in the hotels of Wicomico County.

QUESTION 18:—The Eighteenth Question, "Who have been continued on Trial?" was taken up. John E. French and Daniel T. Pritchard were called, their characters passed, the Registrar reported and they were continued on trial and advanced to studies of Second Year. G. A. Cooke requested that he be recorded as voting in the negative, on the grounds that in his opinion, the course through which they had passed, was not legal.

QUESTION 20:—The Twentieth Question, "Who have been admitted into full Membership?" was taken up. Joseph B. Dickerson, Joseph B. Vaughn, Richard M. Green, Ray W. Kirwan, D'Arcy A. Littleton and Theodore O. M. Wills were called, their characters passed, the Registrar reported, the committee recommended, and on motion they were elected to Deacon's Orders, advanced to studies of Third Year and Con-

ference voted to admit them into Full Membership upon answering the usual Disciplinary Questions, the first two named under the Seminary Rule. William M. Parker was called, his character passed, the Registrar reported, the Committee recommended and on motion he was graduated from the Conference Course of Study, having been previously ordained Elder, and Conference voted to admit him into Full Membership upon answering the usual Disciplinary Questions. Raymond W. Hallman was called, his character passed, the Registrar reported, the Committee recommended, and on motion he was graduated from the Conference Course of Study, elected to Elder's Orders under the Seminary Rule, and Conference voted to admit him into Full Membership upon answering the usual Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION 21:—The Twenty-first Question, "What members are in studies of the Third Year?" was taken up. George V. Turner was called, his character passed, the Registrar reported and he was continued in Studies of Third Year.

QUESTION 22:—The Twenty-second Question, "What members are in studies of the Fourth Year?" was taken up. Jacob C. Hanby and Leon W. Ross were called, their characters passed, the Registrar reported, and they were advanced to studies of Fourth Year, the first named being conditioned in one study. Glen E. Aldrich was called, the Registrar reported, he was continued in studies of Fourth Year and on motion of E. C. Hallman his case was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

QUESTION 23:—The Twenty-third Question, "What members have completed the Conference Course of Study?" was taken up. Oliver J. Friedel, William H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson, Lucian L. Powell and James F. Langrall were called, the Registrar reported and on motion they were graduated from the Conference Course of Study and elected to Elders Orders, the last named under the Seminary Rule.

QUESTION 24:—The Twenty-fourth Question, "What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?" was taken up. David T. Campbell and Ernest N. Wright were called, their characters passed and they were elected to Deacons Orders under the Local Rule.

QUESTION 29:—The Twenty-ninth Question, "What accepted Supply Pastors now in charges are taking the Conference Course of Study?" was taken up. I. Conference Course of Study, First Year? Walter E. Fosnacht, Robert L. Kirby, Arthur T. P. Hudson and John F. Willis. Second Year. Joshua E. Layton, John E. Jones, Robert G. Conner and Alfred L. White. Third Year. Walter L. Beckwith and Ernest N. Wright. II. The Local Preachers Course of Study? Answer: None.

(b) Was the character of each accepted Supply Pastor now in charge examined? Answer: It was. (c) What Local Preachers have completed satisfactorily the studies prescribed, 1, For Deacons Orders? Answer, David T. Campbell. 2, For Elders Orders, None.

RETIRED SUPPLY PASTORS:—On motion of E. C. Hallman Conference voted: That each Church be requested to take a collection on Thanksgiving Day or some Sunday during the Thanksgiving period, for the Retired Supply Pastors of the Wilmington Conference, and forward the same to the Board of Stewards. That we grant Brother R. G. Conner, as treasurer of the Supply Pastors' Association, the privilege of publishing in this year's minutes, a brief report of the Association.

ALFRED I. DUPONT:—On motion of J. W. Colona the Bishop appointed E. C. Hallman, G. W. Dawson, and J. W. Colona a committee to draw up suitable resolutions of appreciation of the interest of Alfred I. Dupont and Mrs. Laura G. Walls in the Retired Supply Preachers.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Dr. John W. Long, President of Williamsport Dickinson Seminary and Junior College, and Dr. W. W. Davis, representing the Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland, were introduced and addressed the Conference.

QUESTION 20:—The Twentieth Question, "Who have been admitted into Full Membership?" was resumed. Joseph B. Dickerson, Joseph B. Vaughn, Richard M. Green, Ray W. Kirwan, D'Arcy A. Littleton, Theodore O. M. Wills, William M. Parker and Raymond W. Hallman were called, they answered the usual Disciplinary Questions and after an address by the Bishop on "Yield Yourselves Unto God" they were received into Full Membership.

TRUSTEES W. C. I.:—W. E. Gunby presented the following report of the Trustees of the Wesley Collegiate Institute and on his motion it was adopted by a rising vote with the recommendations contained therein:

Report of Trustees of Wesley Collegiate Institute.

The true optimist is not one who from the sidelines smiles at disaster and insists that all is well. Rather, it is the man, who with hopeful heart and cheerful energy puts his shoulder to the wheel, when it is bemired, and with undaunted spirit rallies the weary and disheartened to renewed endeavor.

A year ago at Newark the Board announced its policy to reopen the Wesley Collegiate Institute, at the earliest date at which conditions would seem to justify the hope of permanent success. The Board now announces its plan to open the School as of September 1936. After a further study of the problem the Board is convinced of the need of this School in the educational program of the State, and for the training of the future Members of this Conference, and for the enrichment of the life of the youth of this patronizing territory. Inquiries concerning the opening of the school keep coming. The members of our Board who are closest to the educational field are the most enthusiastic for the reopening of the School. A Principal of one of the best High Schools in the State said recently that fourteen of the 38 graduates in this year's class should attend the W. C. I. in preparation for College.

During the year the Board has met three times as a whole and the numerous committees have met repeatedly, as need has arisen. We have tried to conserve every interest of the school, its business and its property. Many bills have been collected, and debts are being paid as rapidly as income will permit. The proper legal status has been maintained with reference to our obligations. All accounts are audited by certified accountants, and those responsible are bonded. We feel keenly the responsibilities entrusted to us. Our interests are identical with yours. We wish we were able to make the kind of report we would like to make, but facts are stubborn.

As an integral part of the financial plans of the Board, looking toward the reopening of the School, the Trustees are asking that the Conference give its sanction to reopening the School, and to cooperate with the Board to this end, as follows:

1. That the Conference designate a "Save the Institute" Day to be observed throughout the Conference, on the 3d Sunday in May, or some other Sunday near that date, for three successive years, beginning this May 1935.
2. That the Conference authorize for this purpose a sum of not less than \$4,000 for each year.
3. That the Conference request the District Superintendents to apportion this amount among the several charges, just as any other apportionment is made.
4. That the Conference request the District Superintendents to give their support to the success of this movement, through district organization, correspondence, personal work, or any other methods which may seem best to their individual judgment.
5. That the Cash Receipts for this Fund be paid over promptly to the Treasurer of the Wesley Collegiate Institute, who will give vouchers for such funds.

W. E. GUNBY,
J. L. JOHNSON,
E. J. WINDER,
J. J. BUNTING,
H. H. NUTTLE.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION:—On motion of Leonard White Conference voted to omit the session scheduled for this afternoon.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:—On motion Conference voted to call an executive session immediately following the reading of the Journal on Friday morning.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Dr. Fred P. Corson, President of Dickinson College; Dr. George W. Henson, Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal Hospital, and Dr. Channing A. Richardson, of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, were introduced.

CORPORATE SESSION:—Conference convened in Corporate Session for the purpose of electing Ministerial Trustees of Wesley Collegiate In-

stitute, W. E. Gunby, President of the Board, presiding. The following were elected for a term of three years: Leonard White, T. S. Holt, D. W. Jacobs, E. W. McDowell, J. W. Colona and E. C. Hallman. G. W. Dawson was elected to fill the unexpired term of V S. Collins, resigned.

ADJOURNMENT:—The Bishop resumed the chair and Conference adjourned, E. L. Hoffecker pronouncing the benediction.

FIFTH SESSION—FRIDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 9 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL:—The Journal of Thursday's session was read and approved with the insertion of a record of the negative vote of G. A. Cooke on Question 18.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:—Conference went into Executive Session.

On motion of E. C. Hallman, Judge Walter A. Powell of Dover, Del., was invited to remain in the Executive Session and was granted the privilege of the floor.

J. H. Whedbee was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms.

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 Louis R. Dennis, John Edward Jones, Walter A. Glass, James H. Clow, Jr., Ewell E. Crockett, Frank G. Buckley and Elmer L. Bennett, and they were introduced.

The District Superintendents represented, the Committee recommended, the Registrar reported and by formal action they were Received on Trial and placed in Studies of First Year, with the exception of Louis R. Dennis, who was Received on Trial, placed in Studies of Third Year and elected to Deacon's Orders under the Seminary Rule.

QUESTION 16:—The Sixteenth Question, "Who have been Received on Credentials and from what Churches?" was taken up. On motion of Tilghman Smith, the credentials of Waldo L. Dise were recognized from the United Lutheran Church in America, and he was given the rank of Elder and exempted from the Conference Course of Study.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS:—On motion of Tilghman Smith the following were reelected members of the Committee on Ministerial Qualifications to serve for a term of three years: Leolan Jackson, L. B. Morgan, Frank Herson and J. W. Jones.

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

RECOGNITION OF ORDERS:—On motion of Howard Davis, the credentials of Leroy V. Pratt from the United Brethren Church were recognized and he became a Local Elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church and was continued on the list of Accepted Supply Pastors.

GLEN E. ALDRICH:—The Committee on Conference Relations reported in the case of Glen E. Aldrich, and on motion of E. C. Hallman, he was placed in the Supernumerary Relation and the Conference Secretary was instructed to notify him that he is ordered to appear before a Committee of Investigation at the next session of Conference with the purpose in view of Locating him on the grounds of inefficiency.

W. F. GODWIN:—The Committee on Conference Relations reported in the case of W. F. Godwin, who has completed five consecutive years in the Supernumerary Relation, and on motion of G. W. Dawson, he was Located according to the provisions of the Discipline, paragraph 212.

BARRATT'S CHAPEL:—On motion of E. C. Hallman, Judge Walter A. Powell made a statement of the legal status of Barratt's Chapel. On motion of W. E. Habbart, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Trustees of the Wilmington Annual Conference be instructed to carry out the resolution on page 184 of the Minutes of 1934, relating to church properties, as the said resolution may affect the historic Barratt's Chapel, to the end that proper audits and regular reports may be made, and that all the rights and interests of this Conference and of the General Church may be duly protected.

RESOLVED, Furthermore, That we request Judge W. A. Powell to continue his cooperation with the Conference Trustees, in order that all legal rights of our Conference be preserved in our relation to Barratt's Chapel, and to commit to writing the gist of his legal statement made to this Conference.

UNITED SESSION.

The members of the Lay Conference arrived at 11.30 o'clock and Conference went into United Session.

Bishop Hughes introduced I. Elmer Perry, President of the Lay Conference; Charles W. Cook, Jr., the Secretary, and Orlando M. Shockley, the Treasurer.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS:—The reading of the District Superintendent's Reports was dispensed with in the United Session.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—The Order of the Day, the devotional address of the Bishop, was cancelled at his own request.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Dr. John W. Langdale, Book Editor of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Dr. H. D. Bollinger, representing World Service; Dr. Easton, representing Morgan College, and Dr. G. W. Henson, Corresponding Secretary of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia, were introduced and addressed the Conference.

STRAWBRIDGE HOME:—The report of the Strawbridge Home for Boys was read by Thos. S. Long, and it was adopted.

J. W. Colona, Dr. C. Wilson Hughes and Mrs. Mary T. Gambrill were reelected Trustees of the Home, the Secretary casting the ballot.

I. ELMER PERRY:—I. Elmer Perry, President of the Lay Conference, assumed the Chair.

ADJOURNMENT:—Conference then adjourned, J. W. Easley pronouncing the benediction.

SIXTH SESSION—FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

UNITED SESSION.

OPENING:—Conference convened in United Session at 2.30 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions.

ORDER OF DAY—BOARD OF EDUCATION:—The Order of the Day, the consideration of the Report of the Conference Board of Education, was taken up. On motion of E. P. Thomas, J. H. Bishop, Conference Director of Christian Education, was granted the privilege of the floor and made his report. On motion of E. P. Thomas, the following recommendations of the Board were adopted, a substitute presented by J. R. Bicking having failed of adoption:

1. The Board recommends that the Program of Christian Education be continued during the next Conference year.
2. The Board, having reelected James H. Bishop to serve as its Executive Officer, requests the confirmation of the election.
3. The report of the nominating committee of the Board presenting names for election to membership on the Board be approved by the Conference. (See list.)
4. The Conference approve the election of Rev. E. P. Thomas and Mr. Ralph O. Dulany as official representatives of the Conference on the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education.
5. The Board recommends to the Annual Conference an appropriation asking of \$3600 for the Conference Board of Education.

The Bishop then addressed the Conference on Christian Education and on motion of G. W. Dawson, by rising vote, the Conference assured the Bishop that whole-hearted support would be given the program.

QUESTION 1:—The First Question, "Who are the officers of the Lay Conference?" was taken up. President, I. Elmer Perry; Secretary, Charles W. Cook, Jr.; Treasurer, Orlando M. Shockley.

QUESTION 2:—The Second Question, "Is the 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 monies, funds and so forth are bonded, and in what amounts, according to the requirements of the Discipline?" was taken up. Answer: J. J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer, \$25,000; W. A. Hearn, Treasurer of Board of Conference Trustees, \$20,000; Jefferson Cooper, Treasurer of Board of Stewards, \$30,000.

QUESTION 5:—The Fifth Question, "What are the items and aggregate of General Conference benevolences apportioned to this Conference and approved by this body for the ensuing year?" was taken up. Answer: World Service, \$60,404; Episcopal Fund, 2½ per cent. of cash salary paid for current year; General Conference Expenses, balance due for this quadrennium.

QUESTION 9:—The Ninth Question, "What is the Schedule of Minimum Support?" was taken up. Answer: It is deemed inadvisable to fix schedule now.

QUESTION 10:—The Tenth Question, "What are the approved claims for the support of the District Superintendents, Bishops and Conference Claimants for the ensuing year?" was taken up. Answer: District Superintendents claim was referred to the District Stewards; Bishop's Claim, 2½ per cent. of the cash salary paid for the current year; Conference Claimants, \$47,474.

I. ELMER PERRY:—I. Elmer Perry assumed the Chair.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, L. W. Layfield pronouncing the benediction.

SEVENTH SESSION—SATURDAY MORNING.

UNITED SESSION.

OPENING:—Conference convened in United Session at 9 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions. I. Elmer Perry led in prayer.

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

QUESTION 11:—The Eleventh Question, "What shall be the Evangelistic and Religious Educational Plan for the ensuing year?" was taken up. Answer: See printed report on Christian Education as adopted. G. A. Cooke made his report as Conference Evangelist.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—The Order of the Day, the report of the Temperance Committee, was taken up. A. C. Goddard presented and read the report of the Temperance Committee.

On his motion, the following were introduced and addressed the Conference: Ivanhoe Willis, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Delaware; Geo. W. Crabbe, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland; and Dr. Clarence True Wilson, Executive Secretary of the Board of Temperance Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On motion of D. W. Jacobs, Conference requested the Bishop to reappoint Ivanhoe Willis as Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Delaware.

The report of the Temperance Committee was then adopted.

NECESSITOUS FUND:—On motion of E. P. Thomas, the sum of \$2000 was ordered for Necessitous Cases.

DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER:—On motion of E. L. Hoffecker, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, First, That we appoint a day of fasting and prayer, when religious services shall be held in all our churches, and that we call upon God and humble ourselves before Him that we may prepare ourselves to receive His help in this time of our need.

Second, That we urge all our church members to present themselves before the Lord in devout and humble prayer on this fast day.

Third, That we humbly ask our resident Bishop and the District Superintendents to fix the day and to lead us in our call upon God for His mercy.

RETIRED SUPPLY PASTORS:—On motion of J. W. Colona the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. Alfred I. duPont, of Wilmington, Delaware, recognizing the justice and great need of pensions for the Retired Supply Ministers of this Peninsula, has given, during this Conference year, the sum of \$1400 for that purpose, the same having been distributed among these faithful servants of God according to his plan; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we desire to hereby assure Mr. duPont of our gratitude for the generous assistance he has rendered, through this gift, unto our Retired Supply Ministers; and we also desire to extend our thanks to Mrs. Laura G. Walls for her interest and services.

That we, as previously requested by action of this Conference, receive a free-will offering from all our churches this Conference year for the like purpose of making financial provision in the form of pensions for these humble and faithful ministers of Jesus Christ.

E. C. HALLMAN,
GEORGE WHITE DAWSON,
J. W. COLONA.

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES:—W. A. Hearn, Treasurer of the Board of Conference Trustees, read the Treasurer's report of the Board, also

the reports of the Barratt's Chapel Fund, and the Washington Foster Estate, and on motion of V. S. Collins, they were adopted and ordered filed.

On motion of W. A. Hearn, the following were elected members of the Conference Board of Trustees for a term of three years: D. W. Jacobs, R. T. Thawley, M. S. Andrews.

O. E. Jones was elected to fill the unexpired term of T. R. VanDyke, deceased.

I. ELMER PERRY:—I. Elmer Perry assumed the Chair.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Dr. J. M. M. Gray, Chancellor of the American University, Dr. Allan MacRossie, Executive Secretary of the Commission on Courses of Study of the Methodist Episcopal Church, were introduced and addressed the Conference.

BISHOP McDOWELL:—On motion of D. W. Jacobs, the Secretary was instructed to convey to Bishop Wm. F. McDowell the greetings and love of the Conference.

MINISTERIAL SESSION:—Conference convened in Ministerial session, Bishop Hughes presiding.

QUESTION 28:—The Twenty-eighth Question, "Who are accepted as Supply Pastors?" was taken up. Howard Davis presented the list of Accepted Supply Pastors from the Committee on Conference Relations, and on his motion they were confirmed. (See list.)

CHANGE OF RELATIONS:—On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations the requests of D. J. Ford, C. W. Strickland and E. B. Taylor for the Retired Relation on account of age were granted.

UNITED SESSION:—The United Session resumed with I. Elmer Perry in the Chair.

MRS. EDWIN H. HUGHES—MISS CAROLINE R. HUGHES:—Mrs. Edwin H. Hughes and Miss Caroline R. Hughes were introduced, and Mrs. Hughes addressed the Conference.

COMMISSION ON CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY:—On motion of J. H. Brasher Conference gave a vote of thanks to the Commission on Conference Courses of Study, through Dr. Allan MacRossie, for the publication of such booklets as the one recently published entitled "Experience."

SUMMER SCHOOL OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING:—On motion of R. P. Nichols, the Bureau of Conference Budget was directed to allow the sum of \$580 for the Summer School of Ministerial Training.

CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:—J. H. Kelson presented and read the report of the Conference Historical Society, and on his motion it was adopted.

Sidney B. Bradley presented a copy of his thesis on Bishop Richard Whatcoat to the Historical Society, through Bishop Hughes. A vote of thanks was given Brother Bradley for his gift.

O. A. Bartley read the Treasurer's report of the Conference Historical Society and it was adopted.

BISHOP HUGHES:—Bishop Hughes resumed the Chair.

NUMBER OF DISTRICTS:—E. J. Winder presented the following motion:

That the laymen recommend to the Bishop and membership of the Wilmington Conference to continue the four Districts as they now exist.

On motion of Tilghman Smith consideration of the motion was postponed until the Saturday afternoon session.

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY:—H. G. Budd presented the following nominations for Managers of the Conference Education Society, and they were elected: H. G. Budd, V. S. Collins, L. E. Wimbrow, V. C. Hitchens, L. M. Price, Levin E. Layfield to serve for a term of three years.

EXCUSED:—C. N. Jones was excused to attend a funeral.

BISHOP'S DEVOTIONAL ADDRESS:—Bishop Hughes delivered an inspiring address on the subject "Only A Layman."

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, E. B. Taylor pronouncing the benediction.

EIGHTH SESSION—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

UNITED SESSION.

OPENING:—Conference convened in United Session at 2.30 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions. Several laymen led in prayer.

I. Elmer Perry assumed the Chair.

WINDER RESOLUTION:—Consideration of the motion of E. J. Winder was resumed.

On motion of E. J. Winder debate was limited to three minutes for each speaker.

On motion of O. M. Shockley, the motion was laid on the table by vote of the laymen only.

BISHOP HUGHES:—Bishop Hughes resumed the Chair.

DELAWARE STATE ARCHIVES COMMISSION:—O. A. Bartley read the following resolutions and on his motion they were adopted:

WHEREAS frequent inquiries are made in the office of the Public Archives Commission at Dover, Delaware, for information concerning dates of births, baptisms, marriages, and deaths; and

WHEREAS the Public Archives Commission of Delaware could render more efficient service than at present if the Commission had at its disposal information concerning the exact location and the exact dates of old records kept by the churches of the various denominations of the State; and

WHEREAS this Conference wishes to cooperate with the Public Archives Commission of Delaware in the attainment of its worthy objects; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Archivist of Delaware under the authority of the Public Archives Commission of Delaware be invited to correspond with the various ministers of this Conference with a view to obtaining accurate information concerning old records of the congregations of this Conference and that the ministers be cordially invited to cooperate with the State Archivist of Delaware in supplying him with all the information he desires concerning old records in the possession of their respective congregations.

MARYLAND ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE:—Leonard White presented a request from the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland that four members of the Conference be placed on the Board of Directors of said organization, and on his motion the request was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

BUREAU OF BUDGET:—R. P. Nichols nominated the following as members of the Conference Bureau of Budget, and they were elected: E. M. Shockley to fill the unexpired term of R. K. Stephenson; D. W. Jacobs to fill the unexpired term of T. R. VanDyke, and M. S. Andrews for the term of three years.

On motion of R. P. Nichols the apportionment to the charges of 1% per cent. of the cash salary was continued.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS:—On motion of G. W. Dawson the following were elected members of the Committee on Conference Relations to serve for a term of three years: R. P. Nichols, L. E. Poole, R. T. Thawley, and J. H. Wright.

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

STATISTICIAN:—The report of the Statistician was read by J. W. Wootten, and was ordered received and printed in the Minutes. On motion he was reelected Statistician for the next session of Conference.

On motion of J. W. Wootten, Conference requested the District Superintendents to furnish the Statistician with a list of the apportionments of the items of ministerial support.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned.

NINTH SESSION—SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

ORDINATION SERVICE.

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

DEACONESS:—The President of the Conference Deaconess Board presented the name of Miss Ruth E. Wheatley and the Bishop consecrated her as Deaconess.

DEACONS:—The Secretary of the Conference called the names and presented those elected to Deacon's Orders, and Louis R. Dennis, Joseph B. Dickerson, Richard M. Green, Ray W. Kirwin, D'Arcy A. Littleton, Joseph B. Vaughn, Theodore O. M. Wills, David T. Campbell and Ernest N. Wright were ordained as Deacons, the last two named under the Local Rule.

ELDERS:—Those elected to Elder's Orders were called and presented and the Bishop, assisted by the District Superintendents and other elders ordained Oliver J. Friedel, Raymond W. Hallman, William H. Kohl, James F. Langrall, Roland H. Nelson and Lucian L. Powell as Elders.

The credentials of Waldo Dise and Leroy V. Pratt having been recognized they officially became Elders in the Methodist Episcopal Church, the last named under the Local Rule.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

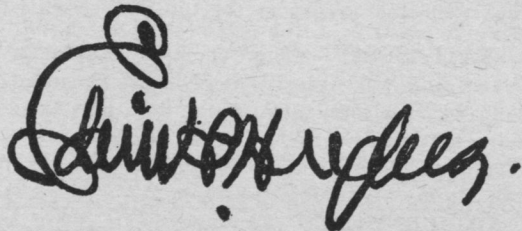
This is to certify that on the thirty-first day of March, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-five, I ordained as Deacons:

David T. Campbell	D'Arcy A. Littleton
Louis R. Dennis	Joseph B. Vaughn
Joseph B. Dickerson	Theodore O. M. Wills
Richard M. Green	Ernest N. Wright
Ray W. Kirwan	

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

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

they having been duly elected to the above orders respectively by the Wilmington Annual Conference. David T. Campbell and Ernest N. Wright were ordained under the Local Rule.



Seaford, Del.

Bishop.

TENTH SESSION—MONDAY MORNING.

OPENING:—Conference convened at 9 o'clock, Bishop Hughes presiding and conducting the devotions. Several men who were ordained on Sunday led in prayer.

JOURNALS:—The Journals of Saturday's sessions and Sunday's session were read and approved.

BISHOP McDOWELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND:—E. P. Thomas read a report of the Committee on the Bishop Wm. F. McDowell Scholarship and it was adopted, with the recommendation contained therein.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—E. P. Thomas read the report of the Board of Stewards and it was adopted with the recommendations contained therein.

DIRECTORS MARYLAND ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE:—Leonard White made the following nominations for Directors of the Maryland Anti-Saloon League and they were elected: L. B. Morgan, R. P. Nichols, J. R. Bicking, and D. W. Jacobs.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—On motion the report of Jefferson Cooper, Treasurer of the Board of Stewards, was ordered printed in the Minutes.

CONFERENCE AUDITOR:—H. B. Kelso, Conference Auditor, read his report, and it was adopted.

QUESTION 30:—The Thirtieth Question was taken up. The Bishop announced the transfer of Oliver J. Friedel to the Philadelphia Conference.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS:—Questions Thirty-two, Thirty-four, Thirty-five, Thirty-six and Thirty-seven were taken up with the answer "None" to each Question.

QUESTION 40:—The Fortieth Question, "Who are the Retired Ministers?" was taken up. On motion of G. W. Dawson, the request of G. A. Cooke for the Retired Relation on account of age was granted.

The Retired Ministers of the Conference were called, their characters passed and their Relation continued.

QUESTION 41:—The Forty-first Question, "Who have been granted Leave of Absence?" was taken up. W. E. Habbart was granted a Leave of Absence for one year, at his own request.

QUESTION 42:—The Forty-second Question, "Who are the Triers of Appeals?" was taken up. Answer: T. F. Beauchamp, J. W. Colona, Frank Herson, J. L. Johnson, and W. A. Wise. Reserves: G. W. Dawson and Leolan Jackson.

QUESTIONS 43 AND 44:—The Forty-third and Forty-fourth Questions were taken up and the answer to each was "No report."

QUESTIONS 45-46-47:—The Questions relating to Conference Claimants Funds and Apportionments were taken up, and Conference ordered proper notations made in the record.

BOARD OF STEWARDS:—L. E. Windsor presented the Auditor's report of the Board of Stewards, which was ordered printed without reading.

W. E. GUNBY:—W. E. Gunby assumed the Chair.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES:—On motion of O. A. Bartley, the report of the Goodwill Industries was ordered printed without reading.

DELMARVA INSTITUTE FOR YOUTH:—On motion of W. Vaughn Moore, the report of the Delmarva Institute for Youth was ordered printed in the Minutes.

BISHOP HUGHES:—Bishop Hughes resumed the Chair.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE:—A. C. Goddard read the report of the Committee on Social Service and it was adopted with the General Conference Memorial contained therein, G. A. Cooke voting in the negative.

DIRECTORS DELAWARE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE:—Ivanhoe Willis nominated the following as Directors of the Anti-Saloon League of Delaware, and they were elected: W. E. Gunby, O. E. Jones, E. J. Winder and J. L. Johnson.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:—M. S. Andrews presented the following resolutions, and they were adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Conference authorize its Board of Trustees to make proper legal claim to the St. Paul's insurance fund now held in the County Trust Co. of Hurlock, Md., which fund represents the insurance paid, together with accumulated interest, when St. Paul's church was burned; observing all disciplinary provisions of our church in securing and holding same.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES:—On motion of J. W. Colona, Leonard White was granted permission to prepare a list of Conference Committees and have it printed in the Minutes.

INTRODUCTION:—Dr. J. H. Morgan, President-Emeritus of Dickinson College, was introduced.

COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM:—On motion of T. J. Sard the following were named to the Commission on Evangelism, to serve for a term of three years: A. B. Frye, H. B. Kelso, J. R. Bicking.

W. S. Grant was elected to fill the unexpired term of T. R. VanDyke.

EDIT MINUTES:—On motion of O. A. Bartley, the Secretary was instructed to Edit the Minutes, and the Printed Journal was made the Official Journal of the Conference.

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH:—W. M. Nesbit read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and on motion of G. W. Dawson it was adopted.

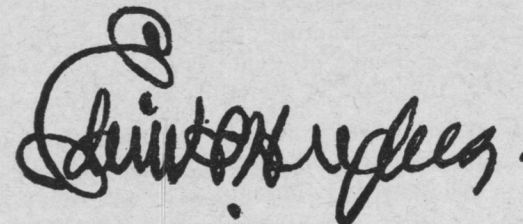
LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE:—On motion of J. W. Jones, the report of the Lord's Day Alliance Committee was ordered printed in the Minutes without reading.

RESOLUTIONS AND THANKS:—The report of the Committee on Resolutions and Thanks was presented by J. T. Price and it was adopted.

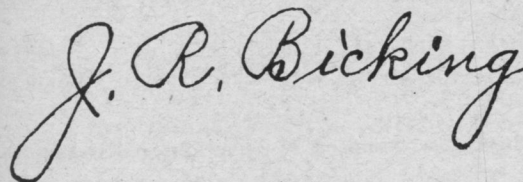
INTRODUCTIONS:—G. J. Hooker, M. E. Hungerford, J. G. Eaton, J. Leas Green and Lee Elliott, members of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, were introduced.

ADJOURNMENT:—On motion of Leonard White, it was ordered that after suitable devotions and the reading of the appointments, Conference stand adjourned until such time as called by the Resident Bishop.

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



President.



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.; Treasurer, O. M. Shockley, Showell, 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?**
J. J. Bunting, Conf. Treasur., \$25,000; 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, \$60,404; Episcopal Fund, 2½% of cash salary paid for current year; General Conference Expenses, Balance due this 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?**
Wesley Collegiate Institute \$4000.
9. **What is the schedule of Minimum Support?**
It is deemed inadvisable to fix the schedule now.

10. **What are the approved claims for the support of the District Superintendents, Bishops and Conference Claimants for the ensuing year?**
District Superintendents, referred to District Stewards; Bishops, 2½% of cash salary paid for current year; Conference Claimants, \$47,474.
 11. **What shall be the Evangelistic and Religious Educational Plan for the ensuing year?**
See Report of Board of Education. See Report of G. A. Cooke, Conference Evangelist.
 12. **What Standing Committees shall be appointed by this body?**
See list of Committees.
 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?**
None.
 15. **Who have been Readmitted?**
None.
 16. **Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?**
Waldo L. Dise, from United Lutheran Church in America. Given the rank of Elder and exempted from Conference Course of Study.
 17. **Who have been Received on Trial?**
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
Elmer L. Bennett, Frank G. Buckley, James H. Clow, Jr., Ewell E. Crockett, Walter A. Glass, John Edward Jones.
 - (b) In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.
Louis R. Dennis.
 - (c) Exempt from Course of Study under Seminary Rule.
None.
 18. **Who have been Continued on Trial?**
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
None.
 - (b) In Studies of Second Year.
John E. French, Daniel T. Pritchard.
 - (c) In Studies of Third Year.
None.
 - (d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
None.

- 19. Who have been Discontinued?**
None.
- 20. Who have been admitted into Full Membership?**
- (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.
Joseph B. Dickerson, Richard M. Green, Ray W. Kirwan, D'Arcy A. Littleton, Joseph B. Vaughn, Theodore O. M. Wills.
- (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.
Raymond W. Hallman, William M. Parker.
- (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.
Joseph B. Dickerson, Richard M. Green, Ray W. Kirwan, D'Arcy A. Littleton, Joseph B. Vaughn, Theodore O. M. Wills.
- (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
George V. Turner.
- 22. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?**
Jacob C. Hanby, Glen E. Aldrich, Leon W. Ross.
- 23. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?**
- (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.
Oliver J. Friedel, William H. Kohl, Roland H. Nelson, Lucian L. Powell.
- (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.
William M. Parker.
- (c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.
Raymond W. Hallman, James F. Langrall.
- (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.
David T. Campbell, Ernest N. Wright.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
- (c) Under the Seminary Rule.
Louis R. Dennis.
- (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?**
None.
- 27. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?**
Yes.
It was.
- 28. Who are accepted as Supply Pastors?**
Reuben H. Adams, William F. Atkinson, Walter L. Beckwith, William C. Buckson, David T. Campbell, Charles G. Cannon, J. B. Chadwick, Robert G. Conner, Walter E. Fosnocht, John T. Graham, Samuel L. Hanby, Arthur T. P. Hudson, John P. Kelley, Robert L. Kirby, Lawrence L. Knotts, Joshua E. Layton, Jefferson G. Lynn, William L. McClintock, Frank K. McCorkle, Leroy V. Pratt, Daniel B. Prettyman, Harlan M. Ralph, Charles D. Sharpless, James C. Steen, Arthur G. Thomas, John H. Thornton, Alonzo Travers, John F. Willis, Robert H. Wilson, Alfred L. White, David Wood, 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.
Walter E. Fosnocht, Robert L. Kirby, Arthur T. P. Hudson, John F. Willis.
2. In the Second Year.
Robert G. Conner, Joshua E. Layton, Alfred L. White.
3. In the Third Year.
Walter L. Beckwith, Ernest N. Wright.
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.
None.

- (b) Was the character of each Accepted Supply Pastor now in charge examined?
It was.
- (c) What Local Preachers have completed satisfactorily the studies prescribed?
1. For Deacon's Orders.
David T. Campbell.
 2. For Elder's Orders.
None.
30. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?
O. J. Friedel, Philadelphia.
31. Who have Died?
Thomas N. Given, Joshua M. Lindale, Robert K. Stephenson,
Thomas R. VanDyke.
32. Who have been Located at their own Request?
None.
33. Who have been Located?
William F. Godwin.
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?
None.
37. Who have been Expelled?
None.
38. What other personal Notation should be made?
1. Those whose Orders have been recognized without Admission to the Annual Conference.
L. V. Pratt received as an Elder from the United Brethren Church.
39. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?
Glen E. Aldrich (1).

40. Who are the Retired Ministers?
W. O. Bennett, G. W. Bowman, W. H. Briggs, L. M. Broadway,
J. A. Buckson, H. G. Budd, E. H. Collins, V. S. Collins, G. A. Cooke, W. F. Corkran, J. W. Easley, D. J. Ford, J. H. Geoghegan, J. W. Gray, W. E. Greenfield, E. L. Hoffecker, T. S. Holt, O. E. James, G. P. Jones, L. W. Layfield, O. L. Martin, W. E. Matthews, F. X. Moore, W. R. Mowbray, M. D. Nutter, J. P. Outten, L. E. Poole, J. D. Reese, J. T. Richardson, V. E. Rorer, F. B. Short, Adam Stengle, C. W. Strickland, E. C. Sunfield, E. B. Taylor, C. H. Williams, Daniel Wilson, J. H. Wilson, W. A. Wise, G. E. Wood, W. R. Woodell.
41. Who have been granted Leave of Absence?
W. E. Habbart.
42. Who are the Triers of Appeals?
T. F. Beauchamp, J. W. Colona, Frank Herson, J. L. Johnson,
W. A. Wise. Reserves: G. W. Dawson, 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, 2383 years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of \$24 per Year, \$57,192; For Necessitous distribution, \$2000; Total, \$59,192.
46. (a) What has been Received on these Claims?
From The Book Concern, \$0; From Annual Conf. Investments, \$11,718; From the Chartered Fund, \$60; From Pastoral Charges, \$27,656; From Board of Pensions and Relief, \$0; From Other Sources, \$0. Total, \$39,434.
- (b) How has it been Applied?
Under order of Stewards. See Report.
47. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?
\$47,474.
48. Where are the Preachers Stationed?
See List of Appointments.
49. Where shall the Next Session of the Conference be held?
Invitations from Union Church, Wilmington, Del., and Delmar, Del., referred to the Commission on Conference Entertainment.

V

APPOINTMENTS

DOVER DISTRICT.

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

Bayside, (Sup.) J. G. Lynn (2) (P. O. Sherwood, Md.)	Georgetown Circuit, James H. Gardner (2)
Blades, (Sup.) F. K. McCorkle (2) (P. O. Seaford, Del.)	(P. O. Georgetown, Del.) Greensboro, Md., T. F. Beauchamp (1)
Bozman and Neavitt, (Sup.) W. L. McClintock (1) (P. O. Bozman, Md.)	Greenwood, Del., R. E. Green (3) Harrington, Del., J. E. Parker (2)
Bridgeville, Del., J. H. Brasher (4)	Henderson, Md., (Sup.) Alonzo Travers (2)
Burrsville, Md., Walter Glass (1)	Hillsboro, Md., J. M. Kelso (2)
Camden, Del., R. W. Campbell (2)	Houston, Del., (Sup.) J. T. Graham (2)
Canterbury, Del., (Sup.) H. G. Budd (4)	Kent Island, C. W. Spry (2)
Centreville, Md., R. T. Thawley (4)	(P. O. Stevensville, Md.)
Chestertown, Md., Frank White (4)	Kenton & Hartley, James O'Neil (2)
Cheswold, Del., J. E. Jones (2)	(P. O. Kenton, Del.)
Church Hill, Md., (Sup.) Walter Beckwith (2)	Lewes, Del., O. H. Connelly (2)
Clayton, Del., Tilghman Smith (1)	Lincoln, Del., (Sup.) S. L. Hanby (2)
Concord, Louis R. Dennis (1) (P. O. Federalsburg, Md.)	Little Creek, Del., (Sup.) J. B. Chadwick (2)
Cordova, Md., John E. French (2)	Magnolia & Barratts Chapel, Roy L. Tawes (2)
Denton, Md., M. S. Andrews (3)	(P. O. Magnolia, Del.)
Dover, Del.: St. Paul's, W. C. Poole (1) Wesley, E. P. Thomas (3)	Marydel, Md., (Sup.) R. G. Conner (2)
Easton, Md., J. Harry Wright (4)	Milford, Del., Frank Herson (9)
Ellendale, Del., (Sup.) E. N. Wright (2)	Milford Neck, N. C. Benson (10)
Fairlee, S. T. Hamblin (2) (P. O. Chestertown, Md.)	(P. O. Frederica, Del.)
Farmington, Del., J. F. Langrall (4)	Milton, Del., Howard Davis (2)
Federalsburg, Md., C. I. Carpenter (2)	Mt. Zion, L. E. Windsor (6)
Felton, Del., H. T. Caldwell (5)	(P. O. Seaford, Del.)
Frederica, Del., N. C. Benson (10)	Nassau, Del., W. L. Hess (1)
Galestown and Reliance, (Sup.) Lawrence Haddaway (1)	Oxford, Md., (Sup.) George E. Wood (2)
Georgetown, Del., O. E. Jones (5)	Pomona, Md., (Sup.) L. V. Pratt (1)
	Preston, Md., Preston W. Spence (2)
	Queenstown, Md., R. W. Kirwan (2)
	Rehoboth, Del., H. V. Branford (2)

Ridgely, Md., O. B. Reed (1)	Trappe, Md., (Sup.) D. B. Prettyman (3)
Rock Hall, Md., Conrad Hamer (2)	Tunis Mills and Ferry Neck, Md., To be supplied
Seaford, Del., L. E. Windsor (10)	Union, Md., (Sup.) D. J. Ford (1)
Seaford Circuit, R. Ward Mills (2) (P. O. Seaford, Del.)	Woodside, Del., F. D. Milbury (2)
Smyrna, Del., John L. Johnson (3)	Wye Mills and Starr, (Sup.) J. P. Kelly (1)
St. Michaels and Royal Oak, Md., Leolan Jackson (2)	(P. O. Wye Mills, Md.)
Sudlersville, Md., J. C. B. Hopkins (4)	Wyoming, Del., F. D. Milbury (5)
Tilghman, Md., Leon W. Ross (1)	

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

J. J. Bunting, District Superintendent, (P. O. Salisbury, Md.). (1).

Beckwith and Spedden, R. H. Nelson (4) (P. O. Cambridge, Md.)	Gumboro, (Sup.) W. F. Corkran (1) (P. O. Seaford, Del.)
Berlin, Md., J. R. Bicking (5)	Hebron, Md., (Sup.) A. L. White (1)
Bethel, Del., L. L. Powell (1)	Hooper's Island, (Sup.) C. G. Cannon (3)
Bishopville, Md., J. P. Landon (1)	(P. O. Fishing Creek, Md.)
Cambridge, Md., W. G. Harris (5)	Hurlock, Md., G. W. Dawson (1)
Cape Charles, Va., J. W. Wootten (2)	Laurel, Del., W. A. Hearn (1)
Chincoteague, Va., C. W. Branford (3)	Mardela Springs, Md., (Sup.) C. D. Sharpless (2)
Church Creek, Md., H. O. Hufnal (1)	Marion, Md., J. H. Clow, Jr. (2)
Crapo, Md., (Sup.) A. G. Thomas (2)	Millsboro, Del., J. A. Clark (4)
Crisfield, Md.: Asbury, J. T. Rowleson (3)	Mt. Pleasant, J. C. Hanby (2) (P. O. Laurel, Del.)
Immanuel, R. L. Minker (1)	Mt. Vernon, Md., D. J. Givan (1)
Dagsboro and St. Georges, F. A. Baker (1) (P. O. Dagsboro, Del.)	Nanticoke, Md., J. H. Whedbee (1)
Deals Island, Md., D. E. McClain (2)	Newark, Md., G. H. Wheatley (3)
Delmar, Del., R. C. Jones (2)	Ocean City, Md., D. A. Littleton (2)
East New Market, Md., A. F. Zimmerman (3)	Ocean View and Millville, W. S. Grant (1) (P. O. Ocean View, Del.)
Elliott's Island, Md., E. L. Bennett (2)	Onancock, Va., Willard Everett (3)
Fairmount, (Sup.) R. H. Wilson (4) (P. O. Upper Fairmount, Md.)	Parsonsburg, Md., E. B. Eckhart (2)
Frankford, Del., J. C. Bolton (2)	Phoebus, Va., G. E. Sterling (3)
Fruitland, Md., S. B. Bradley (1)	Pittsville, Md., Waldo L. Dise (1)
Girdletree, Md., E. E. Crockett (1)	Pocomoke City, Md., H. B. Kelso (2)
	Pocomoke Circuit, F. G. Buckley (2) (P. O. Pocomoke City, Md.)
	Powellville, (Sup.) D. T. Campbell (4) (P. O. Pittsville, Md.)

Princess Anne, Md.,	R. P. Nichols (2)	Snow Hill, Md.,	D. W. Jacobs (1)
✓ Quantico, Md.,	W. J. Ennis (6)	Somerset,	D. T. Pritchard (2)
Roxana, Del.,	W. M. Parker (1)	(P. O. Chance, Md.)	
✓ St. Peters, ¹³⁰	W. D. Short (2)	Stockton, Md.,	O. T. Baynard (3)
(P. O. Oriole, Md.)		Tangier, Va.,	H. N. Bailey (2)
St. Thomas,	G. V. Turner (1)	Vienna, Md., (Sup.)	J. F. Willis (1)
(P. O. Bishop's Head, Md.)		Westover, Md.,	(Sup.) R. L. Kirby (4)
Salisbury, Md.,		Whitesville, Del.,	
✓ Asbury, ²⁰⁰	G. W. Humphreys (2)	(Sup.) W. C. Buckson (5)	
Grace,	A. W. Goodhand (1)	Willards, (Sup.)	D. T. Campbell (2)
Secretary, Md.,	J. P. Outten (2)	(P. O. Pittsville, Md.)	
Selbyville, Del.,	E. M. Shockley (2)	Williamsburg, Md.,	
✓ Sharptown, Md.,	G. S. Thomas (3)	(Sup.) W. F. Atkinson (2)	
Smith's Island,		Zoar Circuit,	L. L. Powell (1)
(Sup.) H. M. Ralph (2)		(P. O. Bethel, Del.)	
(P. O. Ewell, Md.)			

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

W. E. Gunby, District Superintendent, (P. O., 2705 Harrison St.,
Wilmington, Del.). (1).

Bethel and Town Point,	J. B. Vaughn (5)	Elk Neck,	J. W. Sutton (1)
(P. O. Chesapeake City, Md.)		(P. O. North East, Md.)	
Brack-Ex, (Sup.)	R. H. Adams (16)	Elkton, Md.,	L. B. Morgan (6)
(P. O. Elsmere, Del.)		Galena, Md.,	W. G. Barlow (1)
Cecilton, Md.,	E. W. Hervis (2)	✓ Hockessin and Cedars,	
Charlestown, Md.,		(P. O. Hockessin, Del.)	
(Sup.) J. H. Thornton (3)		Holly Oak, Del.,	
Cherry Hill,	W. H. Kohl (2)	(Sup.) J. E. Layton (11)	
(P. O. Elkton, Md.)		Hopewell,	J. R. Diehl (2)
Chesapeake City, Md.,		(P. O. Port Deposit, Md.)	
J. T. Price (2)		Marshallton, Del.,	H. M. Parks (3)
Chester-Bethel,	D. J. Moore (1)	Millington, Md.,	J. S. Eldridge (1)
(P. O. Wilm., Del. R. D. #1)		✓ Millington, Md.,	J. S. Eldridge (1)
Christiana, Del.,	R. M. Green (5)	Mt. Lebanon,	
Claymont, Del.,	W. M. Nesbit (1)	(Sup.) W. E. Fosnacht (2)	
Crumpton, Md.,		(P. O. Wilm., Del., R. D. #1)	
(Sup.) A. T. P. Hudson (4)		Newark, Del.,	Leonard White (1)
Delaware City, Del.,		New Castle, Del.,	C. N. Jones (1)
(Sup.) David Wood (1)		Newport, Del.,	J. C. McCoy (2)
Ebenezer,	T. O. M. Wills (4)	North East, Md.,	P. E. Reynolds (3)
(P. O. Newark, Del.)		Odessa, Del.,	F. C. Louhoff (4)
Edge Moor, Del.,			
(Sup.) L. L. Knotts (2)			

Perryville, Md.,	O. P. Jefferson (2)	WILMINGTON:	
Port Deposit and Colora,		✓ Asbury,	C. E. Davis (2)
(P. O. Port Deposit, Md.)		Bellefonte, (Sup.)	J. C. Steen (8)
Red Lion,	R. S. Hodgson (1)	Brandywine,	O. A. Bartley (2)
(P. O. Bear, Del.)		Cookman & Newark Union,	
Richardson Park, Del.,		(P. O. Wilm., Del. R. D. #1)	V. E. Hills (2)
(Sup.) E. W. McDowell (1)		Eastlake,	C. C. Harris (6)
✓ Rising Sun, Md.,	A. B. Frye (4)	Epworth,	W. J. McKee (1)
St. Georges & Summit,		Grace,	B. M. Johns (13)
(P. O. St. Georges, Del.)		Harrison Street,	J. W. Colona (7)
St. John's,	J. W. Prettyman (3)	✓ Hillcrest,	R. W. Hallman (2)
(P. O. Lewisville, Pa.)		Kingswood,	
St. Paul's,	E. W. Hervis (2)	(Sup.) E. H. Collins (1)	
Stanton, Del.,	J. B. Dickerson (3)	Madeley,	Oren Rice (2)
Still Pond and Betterton,		McCabe,	A. C. Goddard (4)
(P. O. Still Pond, Md.)		Mt. Salem,	J. W. Jones (5)
Townsend, Del.,		✓ Scott,	L. E. Wimbrow (2)
(P. O. North East, Md.)		Silverbrook,	M. E. Wheatley (1)
		St. Paul's,	O. J. Collins (3)
		Trinity,	C. H. Hudson (6)
		Union,	T. J. Sard (3)

F. A. Lindhorst, Field Director Board of Education of Methodist Episcopal Church, Wesley Quarterly Conference, Dover, Del. (4).
E. C. Prettyman, Superintendent Connecticut Anti-Saloon League, McCabe Quarterly Conference, Wilmington, Del. (21).
Ivanhoe Willis, Superintendent Anti-Saloon League of Delaware, Marshallton Quarterly Conference. (2).
W. E. Habbart, Year's Leave of Absence.
Miss Ruth Stow, The Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home, Wilmington, Del.
Miss Ruth E. Wheatley, The Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home, Wilmington, Del.
Miss E. Louise Smith, The Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home, Wilmington, Del.
Miss Louise Whitsitt, Asbury Church, Wilmington, Del.

VI REPORTS

(a) DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

DOVER DISTRICT.

W. E. HABBART, Superintendent.

Bishop Hughes, Fathers and Brethren:

In submitting this my sixth and final report, I desire first to record my sincere gratitude to my kind Heavenly Father for health and protection during the six years. I have no idea how far I have traveled, through heat and cold, storm and sunshine, night and day, but a plenty I am sure, and I have never had an accident of any kind, and have missed but very few engagements either because of sickness or weather.

I want to thank my brethren in the ministry and laity for their hearty cooperation in all the plans and policies I have suggested for the extension of God's Kingdom and the building up of His Church.

Deaths.

I think it is rather significant that during the last six years, of stress and storm, of soul and body, over which we had no control, ten of our splendid stalwart active men, in the midst of their labors were suddenly summoned to their heavenly reward, yet not one of them was on the Dover District, and of the long list of our honored retired men, 17 in all, who have answered the roll call in that land where we'll never grow old, only two of them were living within the bounds of the Dover District.

During the year two of the widows of our deceased ministers have gone to join the ranks of the triumphant.

Mrs. Martha H. Swain, died May 18th, 1934.

Mrs. Laura Cannon Smoot, died Jan. 16th, 1935.

Evangelism.

First and uppermost in the mind of the true shepherd is the fostering care of the sick and lost of his flock. I am thoroughly convinced that a good genuine revival would solve most of the problems of our churches, and major emphasis has been placed upon that subject during the year, and while there have been no outstanding revivals so far as members are concerned, yet there has been a general revival in most of our churches,

which has resulted in a quickened and revitalized membership which is so essential in the work of the Kingdom.

Mt. Pleasant leads the list with 61 conversions, and 50 accessions to the church. Wesley, Dover 21, Lewes 16, Bridgeville, Elliott's, Federalsburg and Laurel 14 each, Felton, Georgetown Ct. and Hoopers Island 10 each, Lincoln, Milton and Secretary 7 each, Canterbury 8, Little Creek 6, and others with lesser numbers.

Daily Vacation Church Schools.

This part of our educational program is gaining momentum rapidly and presents an opportunity to the young people of our churches to do some very constructive christian work during the vacation period, and at the same time presents an opportunity to the pastor to marshal the youth of his church for some vital service that may be helpful to them as well as those whom they teach, and wherever the effort has been put forth most gratifying results have been accomplished.

Georgetown leads the list with 229, Cambridge 156, Wyoming 96, Wesley, Dover 60, Camden 55, Felton 51, Woodside 48.

Epworth League and Young Peoples Work.

The youth of today will be the leaders of our church of tomorrow, and it is gratifying to note that the young people of our Epworth League and other kindred organizations are marshalling their forces and with renewed vigor are taking their places in the leadership of the church.

The Epworth League Institute was held in Dover in the Summer under the leadership of Rev. W. V. Moore as Dean. The Epworth League Convention held in Federalsburg in the Fall, under the leadership of Rev. R. W. Campbell, District President, and the Youth Conference held in Salisbury in the Winter under the leadership of Rev. J. H. Bishop, the Director of Religious Education of our Conference, were the high spots of the year for the activities of our youth, they were all well attended, and will leave their impression on the hearts and minds of the many who were present.

The Ladies Aid, the Womans Home, and the Womans Foreign Missionary Society, represent an army of the most consecrated, and self sacrificing women in our church, and by their ministry of love to all classes, at home and abroad, have brought sunshine out of the shadows, victory out of defeat, hope out of despair, and life out of death. They know no bounds. They fear no barriers. They suffer no defeats, "and in that day many will rise up and call them blessed."

Sesqui Centennial Celebration.

All over the District our preachers and people entered into the Sesqui Centennial Celebration with enthusiasm. Programs were arranged, special speakers were brought in, and our hearts rejoiced as we reviewed the growth and activities of our church for 150 years. Songs of thanksgiving were sung, and resolutions were made to re-consecrate and re-dedicate

ourselves to God that we may the better adjust ourselves to the program that has made our church such a militant force for God and His Kingdom.

Building and Improvements.

Comfort, convenience, and architectural beauty should help to dominate our activities in our church improvements. We have some beautiful churches on our District, and yet we feel that the best possible structure is not too good for a place of worship. In trying to keep abreast with the advanced ideas of religious education, we find many of our buildings inadequate, and our equipment antiquated. A building program is needed that will be commensurate with the religious and recreational needs of our day, and this church is an eloquent example of what can be done. This church with its modern educational building, which was in process of erection at our last session of Conference has been completed at a cost of \$23500.00, \$13750.00 of which has been paid, and all the rest covered by valid subscription.

The heroic and self sacrificing officials and people of Federalsburg have reduced the indebtedness on their church from \$4500.00 to \$3350.00 and have advanced the pastor's salary \$400.00.

Beckwith and Speddens, after having wiped out an old debt and beautified their church at Beckwith last year, got a new start this year and remodeled their church at Speddens and made it a gem of beauty, and modernized and decorated their parsonage at a cost of \$1100.00 most of which has been paid.

Wesley church, Dover reduced the debt on their church \$1000.00, Cambridge \$600.00, Church Creek repaired and decorated their church at a cost of \$600.00, Georgetown Ct. repaired and painted their parsonage at a cost of \$400.00, Lincoln repaired and painted their parsonage property at a cost of \$271.00 and many other small repairs have been made all over the District.

World Service.

The slogan of another religious group has been "Others" and the slogan of many Methodist churches in the past has been "as much for others as for ourselves" but during the last few years times have not been so good and we have been obliged to reduce our giving to this worthy cause, but a brighter day is dawning, and we are optimistic about the future, and during this conference year our preachers have conscientiously laid this subject on the hearts of their people, and in many instances an advance has been reported.

With thanksgiving to God for His wonderful goodness and mercy, and with sincere appreciation of all my brethren in the ministry and laity, I submit this report.

MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

E. C. HALLMAN, Superintendent.

To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are in the task of saving the world; grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We rejoice in the full measure of privilege that has been our in these days of golden opportunity. The tasks have been many and the responsibilities heavy, but our spirits have leaped with the thought there is delight in serving when the day needs us so much and the task of registering for God so glorious. We have watched the surge of evil as it attempted to overcome the Church Christ died to save. We have observed the widening gap between the brave and the dispirited. We have seen, from the high towers of official supervision, the long extended battle line and have cried aloud when we thought there was need of warning; but mostly we have freely mingled with the warriors and spoken the heartening word. We were all conscious there was needed something more than human strength and official supervision. Only the Divine could inspire us to complete the largest of tasks and bring us to the sunlit hills of victory. Being aware of the moment's opportunities for moulding the day for God and the future for humanity's good, we drove ourselves to the supreme task under God's inspiration and leadership.

In this great battle, we are called upon occasionally to pause long enough to pay the last tribute of respect to some fellow warrior. Brother T. R. VanDyke, a monument of energy and sanctified common sense, marched up the Appian Way of Glory, July 4th; Brother T. N. Given, one of our veterans, passed to the Land of Delight, on July 19th; Mrs. Marta E. Givan, beloved wife of our pastor at Galena, D. J. Givan, loosed from the grip of an incurable disease on October 4th, slipped from the moorings of life here, to safely land in the Harbor of Eternal Health over there. "And their works do follow them."

Early in July, Brother Glen E. Aldrich, a transfer from the Michigan Conference feeling the support inadequate, sent me his resignation as pastor of Oxford. At my request, Bishop Hughes appointed Brother George E. Wood to fill out the year. He has been happy and the people pleased. Preston, left vacant by the death of Brother VanDyke, was filled by the appointment of Preston W. Spence. Both the Prestons are happy in their new relationships.

The fundamental needs of humanity are the same whether they live in some isolated island or near the roar of the streets of some great city. The factors on the different sides of the equation of life may vary according to industry, knowledge, and opportunity; nevertheless a human being has certain factors that must be recognized in dealing with him. Food, shelter, raiment, and religion are the basic elements. No progress of any degree can be attained in ignoring these necessities. The struggle to secure the first three does play an important part in dealing with the last. The attitude in seeking the first three will determine the value of the last. Throughout the centuries, the Church has struggled to properly balance these elements. Occasionally she has become entangled in seeking more

than her share of the first three and found herself greatly embarrassed in the toils of the reaction. Most of her life she has forgotten herself in her eagerness to see that the balance is such that no injustice shall be meted out to any class. She does not hesitate to challenge the giants of selfishness, nor will she sidestep from the barons of greed, nor bow down before the knights of sensuality. The supreme struggle of all ages has been the battle to see that religion shall not be neglected nor wrongly emphasized. Ever before the Church has been its high call in Christ Jesus and His example of tender pity for the weak, his compassion for the erring and condemnation for the hypocritical.

That recurring phrase in the Scriptures, "and it came to pass," has a great suggestion for the Church of today. Life is a complicated entanglement of many invisible threads. Threads that are distant in their origin are nevertheless a part of our every day life. This Sesqui Centennial Year we have been trying to trace the origin of some threads that began centuries ago. We are bound to each other by gossamer links that are hard to detect but greatly missed if the link is broken. These invisible threads are susceptible to many modifications and relationships. Their position, when the shuttle of life's action passes, will determine the tapestry that will hang on the walls of time. In these days of strenuous living, many threads are the reverse of the position they should occupy, resulting in a hodge-podge of colors and many a misshapen angle of design.

The strongest argument affirming the existence of God is the thought of some directing genius in the affairs of men. The record of the various races confirms the belief that God has planned a great program that sweeps through the centuries and culminates in an eternal victory. This Master Weaver of the Eternities has clearly indicated the color scheme of the pattern. A streak of red for the sacrifice, a dash of blue for the truth, a bit of white for the purity, flecks of gold for the joy, splashes of grey for the failures, smudges of black for the sins, transparency for the motives, and purple for the generous deed. The trestle board of life has been so plainly marked, a wayfaring man or a fool may read and understand. The motif is none other than love; the prominent figures in the foreground are our old friends, Faith, Hope and Charity; the intricate twining vine is human brotherhood; the leaf and flowers are peace and good will toward all men; the soil is courage and understanding; the distant mountains are called Pure in Heart; the near volcano with its smoking crater represents the Presence. The road you see winding through the scene is paved with humility and bordered by deeds of Love.

If you should ask any part of the loom, what are you weaving, the answer may be a stem, leaf, or a flower. On examination the finished product might be a real work of art, perfect in symmetry, delicate of line, harmonious of color. Ask any one of us, what are you doing, and the answer will vary with the time and the personality asked. Some will tell you that they are pouring the oil of Gilead into bruised and broken hearts; others will say they are searching the thorn and bramble thickets for the lost; still others will reply they are teaching the little jewels to shine; many will answer they are revealing the hidden mysteries. The Master Weaver will tell you they are weaving into time and eternity His desires that it might come to pass.

When we attempt to single out individual threads in this great tapestry unsuspected surprises await us. Some threads have been dropped that by all means should have been carried. Others have been carried that should have been discarded. Still others, that we did not believe could be changed, have by herculean efforts, been placed in their right position. The smoothness of cloth depends upon many factors, not the least of which is straightened skeins. In the Mill of Life experienced weavers have spent tedious hours trying to untangle the knots and snarls of selfish actions; the work does not reveal itself in the quantity of the cloth woven but in the quality of the product. Here and there, a weaver must drop all other activities to fix the loom. The belt has been slipping because of the stubborn pride of some; or the cog that times the shuttle has shifted due to the carelessness of a worker; or some strings have parted that connect the pattern to the threads as a result of the loss of faith of a few; or the shuttle itself has not been sent to the reverse on account of the stopping lock becoming weary of well doing and has decided to take a vacation.

We are well aware of the fact any mill must be judged by its output rather than its income or machinery. Yet a complete understanding of any product should take into account the cost of producing that article. It is not how much you have produced but under what handicaps you have been able to keep the mill running, that truly tests the quality of the workmen. The distance you have traveled counts as much as the fact of being together in the judging of the quality of workmanship. In making this annual report to you as the Board of Directors, we are glad to inform you the mill has been kept running night and day throughout the fiscal year. We have had no labor troubles, the workers have lived in perfect harmony. In fact we pride ourselves on the fine spirit of brotherhood that prevails in our force. The Esperite de Corps is excellent. Team work has been a marked trait of the year. In case of need our men will gladly double up or carry extra loads. The spirit of helpfulness has been evidenced in the sympathy and practical help given when sickness visited any of our homes. The ideal of understanding and the high call of service to keep things moving for the Owner's profit and glory, was the underlying cause of this fine spirit.

Our books will not reveal all the year's work. That invisible and intangible thing we call encouragement cannot be reduced to figures. Yet the effect of the resurrection on the disciples is an outstanding example of what it will do. This year the element of encouragement has been a large factor in many fields. Its tocsin has leavened many communities into constructive programs. Nor can seeds that have been planted in spiritual gardens by faithful living and fearless preaching, watered by the tears of anguish of souls in petition for the revival of interest in things Divine and cultivated by unselfish works, be reduced to ink and paper. We cannot reduce to words the influence of godly men and women whose consecrated personality radiates the sunshine of contact with the great Sun of the Eternities. Nor can paper be made to tell the story of men facing defeat in breaking through the crust of indifference and selfishness, praying on in the anguish of spirit, until the victory floods their soul and through this brings the Church to a higher religious experience; nor will

the broken in heart, eased of their pain, because the Balm of Gilead has been applied, be heard. Yet these are essential to the atmosphere in the production of the finest of cloth.

Cultural environment in the form of a contented home life and the fine backing of a man's family also plays an important part in the success of his life's work. Surely our ministers' wives are making bricks out of straw in the management of the home and the beautiful results they achieve in the lives of their loved ones and the high esteem in which they are held, tells the story of woman's place in the life of the Church. The ladies of the District have wrought wonders in the various societies which they control. If we had our way we should have them report at every quarterly conference. They are so competent and resourceful, delightfully optimistic and so determined in their earnestness and because of these we are always glad to see them make their contribution to the local and general Church. The Ladies Aids of the District have contributed over \$12,000.00 to the cause. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies have done nobly and the contribution they have made will register here and hereafter. The Sunday School would be paralyzed if the lady teachers should strike. They are the background of many schools and the senior partner of several of our Churches.

As Directors you will be interested in the physical assets of the District. We have forty-five one room buildings; thirteen two room structures; and seventeen churches that have three or more rooms. In addition to the Churches we have seventeen separate community buildings, seven Churches that have social halls under the roof, and two social halls that are directly connected with the Church proper. We also own eight Churches that are closed. Two of these are in a dilapidated condition. One of these two has a reversion clause in their land deed. The others have, at different times, anniversaries and through this means keep the property in fairly good condition. Of the seventy-five active Churches, thirty-four are deeded outright to the Conference Trustees, thirty-three are deeded to the local trustees with some form of the trust clause incorporated in the deed, one is deeded to the local trustees without the trust clause but specifically mentions the Methodist Episcopal Church, seven have no deed except the fact of peaceful possession. Part of these antedate the American Revolutionary War. Every pastoral charge within the District has a parsonage. All of these follow the deeds of the Church property with a single exception and that is deeded in fee simple to the Ladies Aid of the Charge. All of this property is covered by insurance except five Churches and one Church House. The Superintendent has urged these to take out insurance pointing out its necessity. Poverty explains why some do not. The peculiar belief that it is God's house and it would be adding insult to injury in not trusting Him to take care of His own, gives the reason in the other instances.

The officials have seriously considered the needs of the property committed to their care. The years of struggle to meet the regular finances, has retarded the repairing of many buildings. The very fact that there is as much repairing and improving indicates a better financial condition throughout the District. This does not hold for those charges that are depending upon water products. The situation in such places is

the worst it has been in years. Oysters selling for as low as fifteen cents a bushel and rock fish selling for two cents a pound in February, indicates the struggle such charges must have to pay their pastor without burdening themselves with repairing. However, the record indicates more than the usual spending for these items. Smyrna leads the District in the amount of money spent for improvements. She refinishes the Lecture Room, repairs the kitchen of the Church, and does some minor work with an outlay of \$2400. Townsend redecorates the entire Church, refinishes the floors, papers the parsonage at a cost of \$1300. Denton spends \$1200 in overhauling the heating system, waterproofing the cellar and installing a new oil burning furnace. Marydel decided to paper and paint everything within reach. The pastor began painting Marydel Church on faith with no money or promise of any help and before long the fever mounted until the Templeville Church and the parsonage had been completely changed in looks. They also re-roofed one of the Churches and made other necessary repairs. They will gleefully tell you it was a good bargain in costing only \$682. A check for \$262 paid the bill of repairs to both of the Churches on the Wye Mills Charge and also included the wiring of the parsonage. Hillsboro has long desired to complete the bathroom in the parsonage. They have hesitated because of the expense. The good pastor persuaded them it was not only feasible but would be done. They take pride in the fact the bill of \$250 has been paid. Cheswold reports \$235 on improvements. Henderson reshingled the roof and the sides of the parsonage and rejoices the full amount of \$250 has been paid. St. Michael's and Rock Hall, inspired by their pastors, completed some much needed repairs to parsonage and church. In each case the cost was \$200. Other improvements over the District amounted to \$2,481. Total improvements \$9,260.

The outstanding achievement of the year in the building line, was the erection and dedication of the Burrsville Church. The people rallied round their pastor, Leon W. Ross, and built and dedicated free of debt or without asking for a penny from any missionary funds, a neat and attractive chapel at a cost of \$2300. Added to the sum spent by the other charges for improvements, gives us a grand total of \$11,500.

Our World Service items indicate we will be in advance of last year better than one hundred and fifty dollars. Nineteen charges have increased. Twelve will show a deficit. Five hold steady and the others have only a partial report. Twenty-five charges are paying a total of \$268 for General Conference Expenses, an increase of \$94 over last year. The Director of Religious Education receives \$343 from twenty-nine charges. A gain of six charges and \$12 over last year's giving. The Episcopal Fund will be in advance of last year's amount. Eight charges will pay less money but are meeting their apportionment in full. Ten charges are not meeting their apportionment but do increase in the amount given over last year. Five charges do not meet their apportionment and are paying less than last year. Four charges hold steady and the other charges increase over the previous year. The Conference Claimants figures are very interesting. Twenty four charges show an increase of \$903. Seven charges reveal a decrease of \$234. Three charges do not report the item. The other charges are holding steady. This will give the District a gain of \$669. Added to last year's gain the showing is commendable.

A rapid resume of the various departments will reveal some interesting facts. We have seventy-three Sunday Schools; forty-two Epworth Leagues with a membership of 1436; eight Junior Leagues with a membership of 212; one Junior Church; twenty Junior Choirs; sixty-nine Ladies Aid Societies; eleven Woman's Foreign Societies; eleven Woman's Home Missionary Societies; two Standard Bearers; four Kings Heralds; four Junior Missionary Societies; three Mother's Jewels and a host of organized Sunday School classes.

It is a joy to report we are more than doubling our number of conversions as compared to last year. They total nearly four hundred and fifty. Smyrna put on a great campaign with Billy Sunday as the drawing mecca. In spite of terrible weather, slippery roads and sickness, the meeting proved a benediction to the surrounding country. The other charges, the number of conversions reported was smaller, but there is a satisfaction in this that thirty charges reported conversions. The membership was carefully garnered. Smyrna leads the District with one hundred and fifty-four, many of whom were taken into membership before the Sunday Campaign started. The total for the District almost equals the number of conversions.

With pleasure we report the outstanding fact that undoubtedly there is a renewed interest in things spiritual. There is an increasing earnestness on the part of our pastors; in many places Church attendance is on the increase; there is a breaking up of fallow ground in that souls have been converted at some altars that have been barren for years; there is a decided increase of interest on the part of youth as manifests itself in their Youth Conferences, Epworth League Conventions, Training Conferences and in the serious way they are trying to help usher in the Kingdom of God. The old prophet said there was a stirring in the tops of the mulberry trees, and now it looks as if it has reached the roots as well.

You are not interested in the mechanics of the year's work and we shall not weary you in the telling of any save one small item that it seems should enter this report. This year we have tried to take the Gospel to the homes of the people. The Superintendent has insisted our men do the full work of the ministry which includes the visiting from door to door. The report only covers eleven months but our pastors report a total of 19,873 calls. Due to sickness the least number was 200, the highest 1200. The average for every man on the District was 509. It seems to me to answer the oft repeated criticism that our pastors do not visit. This shows that some do.

The years weaving is over. The tapestry of our activities will hang on the walls of time. We are content to let the future judge us. It seems only fair they should take into account the day of which we are a part; a day given over to stress in financial matters, a surge to find pleasure to drown the dullness of lives that have lost God, a critical attitude toward things religious and yet withal, a hunger for the real life as lived in Christ Jesus our Lord. If this is the last year for the District to function as such, we go down with all of our flags flying in victory over the flesh, the world and the devil. We know whom we believe and are persuaded that He whom we trust will guide us to the eternal victory.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

LEONARD WHITE, Superintendent.

Brethren:—

Under date of April 12, 1929 I wrote the following letter to the Ministers stationed on Salisbury District: "By the grace of God and the appointment of Bishop McDowell I have been placed at the head of the District. Years ago I made the following the guiding principle of my ministry: "Never to try to force open a door for myself; never to refuse to pass through a door that had been opened in the proper way by the proper hands." I have adhered faithfully to that principle throughout my entire Ministry. I have never asked anything for myself. I have never refused to take up the work assigned to me by the regularly constituted authority of the Church. In this last Appointment I was not consulted by the Bishop or any member of his Cabinet. I came to the position, as God is my judge, with clean hands. It is with the profoundest humility that I take up the duties of this, to me, tremendously responsible office. Its honors, so-called, I can lightly brush aside. Its duties lie heavily upon me. As a District and as a Conference we are confronted by tasks that challenge the very best that is in all of us. It is not My task. It is not Your task. It is Our task. And we are workers together with God. I plead for your heartiest cooperation and am confident I will receive it. Your brother and friend I was in the pastorate. I expect to remain your brother and friend in the temporarily changed relationship. Remember me often in your prayers as I shall bear you to the Throne of Grace". Thus humbly and prayerfully I entered upon my duties as Superintendent of Salisbury District. Six years later, at the close of this session of the Annual Conference, a wiser, shall I say, 'A sadder'? certainly, an even humbler man, I lay those duties down.

An Epochal Period.

The period intervening between those two dates, April 1929 and April 1935 marks an epoch in modern History if not indeed for all time. Events have taken place and are in the making that will inevitably effect profound changes in the social, economic, and perchance, religious life of men, not only in America, but throughout the entire world. There were foregleams of impending changes long before 1929. We came into office at the peak of what was widely proclaimed as the most prosperous era in all history. It was proudly declared that poverty had at last been banished from among men. Science and practical business had so solved the problem of production that not only the necessities but the luxuries of life would soon be made available for the rich, and also for those who heretofore had been poor. It was a worthy dream. A glorious Utopia. The Golden Age towards which mankind had been struggling through all ages. But, alas, it was built upon the shifting sands of a false economics and an even more devastating materialism. Men were absorbed in the making of

money, and, money possessed, in devising more and more sensuous ways of spending it. A perfect fever of speculation swept over the Western World. Huge fortunes were made overnight and as speedily dissipated. Even the Church was caught in the grip of the popular ferment. Hundreds of thousands, yea millions of dollars were poured out for edifices that ministered to selfish pride but were far beyond the needs of the communities they were to serve, and equally far beyond the ability of those communities to sustain under normal conditions. A corroding materialism was eating away at the very souls of men and destroying the spirit of the Church. There were some who saw the danger and sought to warn against it. But they were as voices crying in the wilderness. Few heard and fewer still heeded. In one of the first sermons I preached on the District I used these words: "We are in the midst of a death grapple between the flesh and the spirit. Upon its outcome depends the fate of civilization itself. If the sensual and material are victorious it will mean the end of the glorious progress the race has made". Some kind friends told me that I was an alarmist and worse. And yet the presence of this materialistic paralyzing blight within the Church itself was significantly felt in the changed attitude of our people towards our World Service Program. For the decline in World Service giving did not begin with the depression but antedated that economic cataclysm by several years. It was becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the public services of the church. From far and near came the complaint that the people were deserting the tabernacles of God, while a cloud of atheism, no larger than a man's hand perhaps, was very definitely lifting itself above the world's horizon. Then came the crash of October 1929, a crash whose effects were felt throughout the world. The airship to which we had entrusted our cargoes of happiness and well being took a nosedive and we are still suffering from the shock.

With the economic collapse came a moral panic that almost swept us off our feet. One of the most tragic reversals in moral idealism in all history came with the overthrow of the Prohibition Amendment. The good people of the land were gassed and shell-shocked into apathy and moral insensibility, so that with a laissez-faire, what's the use attitude, they permitted the wet wave to sweep away Prohibition with bewildering rapidity. An Administration that was swept into power through the slogan "A New Deal" gave the temperance people a bitter deal and set forth for the edification of the world the pitiful spectacle of a supposedly intelligent people trying to drink itself back to prosperity. This proving abortive, NIRA, triple A, FERA, PWA, HOLC, and all the rest of the alphabetical hodge podge was trotted out for public display. And as though there were not enough confusion the raucous voices of Father Coughlin, Huey Long and General Johnson fill the air with the choicest epithets heard outside a London fish-market.

Added to all of this, within our geographical limits, wide-spread drouth, a Chesapeake tidal wave and West Indian hurricane took terrific toll of our people. The bank moratorium, more keenly felt in Maryland than in any other State in the East hurt the Salisbury District, with all but 11 of its Charges in Maryland, more than any District in the Conference,

save possibly the Middletown District. Three of the five counties that comprise the District specialize in the raising of Irish potatoes. Only in one year of the six has this crop yielded a decent profit, so that most of the farmers in these sections are hanging on, not by the skin of their teeth, but by the shrivelled skins of Irish cobblers. The steadily depleted oyster beds in Chesapeake waters has produced an economic problem involving the very existence of the peoples in these sections, which if not solved will compel their removal to more favorable economic locations. According to a study made by a Commission headed by ex-Governor Harrington 10,000,000 bushels of oysters were taken out of Chesapeake waters in 1924. In 1934 only 1,666,000 bushels were marketed. It requires no vivid imagination to see what this means financially to these tide water sections.

All of this has combined to produce a condition that has tested the mettle of our people to the uttermost. Personally we feel that the tension of these years has been greater than that of the War period itself, for it has lacked the excitement, the thrill, the combative spirit, the martial enthusiasm, the passionate idealism of the War. Notwithstanding all of this we have kept steadily at our work, oftentimes like the Apostle to the Gentiles, "hard-pressed on every side, but never cut off; perplexed, but not driven to despair; routed, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed", or like that 19th century apostle of rugged optimism Robert Browning, we

"Have marched breast forward,
Never doubting clouds would break,
Never fearing though right be worsted wrong will triumph.
Hold we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better".

Like St. Paul we have never lost heart because we have been convinced that in our Christ we have the only One who can deliver the world out of its distresses, the only One who can heal the open sore of the world, the only One who has a solution to the distressing problems that confront and harass a sorely perplexed and bewildered humanity. Doubtless it has seemed to others as it has to ourselves that we have had this treasure in a mere earthen vessel, and an utterly unworthy vessel for such a treasure. Nevertheless it is because we have believed in that treasure and believed in it profoundly that we have been enabled to carry on with confidence in the face of all the difficulties that have thronged our pathway during these years.

The Last Year.

And now we come to the report for the last year of our term of service, a year, thank God, that has been free from unusual visitations of Nature, though acute economic distress continues.

Death has entered our Parsonage homes but once during the year. On August 23rd the beloved wife of the honored and well loved pastor of the Princess Anne Charge, Ransom P. Nichols, while visiting a son at Brockton, Mass. was called home to the fellowship of the Saints in light and was buried in the town of her childhood, North Adams. It has been

a lonely Parsonage at Princess Anne and our brother has needed, as perhaps never before in his life, the comforting and sustaining grace of that Christ whose gospel of the "blessed hope" he has so winsomely preached through the years.

Several of our Charges have been sorely bereft by the loss of some of their most devoted laymen. We feel that it is entirely appropriate that a report dealing with the state of the Church should take cognizance of the departure of the worthy laymen without whose devotion the Church could not continue. The Selbyville Church has lost two of its finest members, Layfield Long, Choir leader and Sunday School Superintendent and a faithful co-worker, Lee Stevens. But there is particular reason for mentioning two others who have been called to the fellowship of the Church Triumphant. Two years ago the first of the three men, Dr. George L. Vanderslice, who made possible by their enthusiastic devotion and princely liberality, the fine work we now have at Phoebus, Va. passed away after a brief illness. It was a staggering blow but the other two, L. M. Newcomb and W. S. Benthall assumed the additional burden and the church carried on. On Jan. 31 of this year Mr. Newcomb after a lingering illness breathed his last at his palatial home overlooking Hampton Roads. His church was dear to him as his own life and in his closing hours on earth his mind was busy with plans for its welfare. When his will was read it was discovered that he had made provision for the payment of a monthly sum of \$100 as long as the church was maintained on its present standard, proportional amounts to be paid if that standard was lowered. Though keenly feeling the loss of his magnetic personal leadership the church has voted to continue on present basis. A new spirit of determination has been developed, new blood has come into the Official Board to share the burden of leadership with Brother Benthall, the delegate to our United Session this year, and we predict a fine development for the church at this cross roads of the world.

One of the faithful members of the church at Nanticoke, Capt. W. S. Travers went to his Heavenly Home at about the same time leaving a bequest of \$1000 for the upkeep of the church at this point.

The Sesqui-Centennial.

The Sesqui-Centennial of Methodism was widely observed on the District. There were a number of local celebrations that were exceedingly worth while. At Immanuel Church, Crisfield a Pageant revolving around the Parson of the Islands and setting forth most strikingly the history of Peninsula Methodism was presented three times to audiences that filled the church to capacity while hundreds were turned away unable to obtain entrance. The Pageant was written by the Pastor, John J. Bunting, and produced such a deep spiritual impression that, in the feeling of Dr. Bunting himself, it was the main factor in a gracious revival which broke out immediately after and which resulted in over 80 conversions, the great majority of the converts being young people.

St. Peters, Annessex, the Mother Church of lower Somerset Co. observed its 150th Anniversary. Its young pastor, James H. Clow, Jr., serving his first Charge prepared a two weeks Program of exceptional

merit. The services were sustained by large congregations and gave a new impetus to the work, not only to St. Peters but to the entire Marion Charge of which it is a part. Services had been discontinued at Grace Church, Marion, but this far-visioned and consecrated young Pastor organized the young people of the entire Charge and they have established an evening service at Grace which is being well attended and is helping to solve the youth problem in this difficult field. Brother Clow is a candidate for Admission on Trial.

The Society at Quantico took its worthy part in this celebration by a series of meetings in honor of its 156th anniversary. W. J. Ennis is also serving his first Charge among us. Coming directly after graduation from the Asbury Seminary, having previously graduated from the college, he has already made his mark in this attractive rural charge. He is the second Pastor in the 156 years of its history to serve 5 years and has been urgently invited to continue for the sixth year, and apparently can remain as long as he desires. For five years the Superintendent has had no worry at Quantico.

Asbury-Salisbury also celebrated its 156th anniversary with a great Sunday morning service. A beautiful service of worship was crowned by an inspiring spectacle as the great congregation filed by the altar and deposited a free will offering of approximately \$1500 upon the collection plates, after which the Superintendent compressed an hour's sermon into 23 minutes, a feat few thought he could perform. Under the fine leadership of its Pastor, Dr. G. W. Humphreys, this great church is again catching its stride and moving forward to the commanding position in the Conference its inherent strength deserves. Every current obligation has been met, a long standing note covering deficit on Current Expenses in past years has been paid and a comfortable balance of \$500 remained in the Treasury. All of this without strain. A large class of new members, mainly adults, will be received on Easter Sunday. As an evidence of the fine spirit prevailing the Official Board voted unanimously to secure an Assistant Pastor. Asbury is coming back and coming fast and on a foundation that makes for permanency.

Among other celebrations Grace-Salisbury, a mere infant compared with the churches mentioned above, held a series of special services that were very successful from every view point. A large birthday cake with 25 candles and a replica of the church was upon the altar at the first Sunday morning service. The model of the church was to contain the birthday gifts of the congregation, but the flame from one of the candles came into contact with the material and the church, that is the model, went up in flames. We were able to make a spiritual application of the incident so that it enhanced rather than detracted from the impressiveness of the service.

These local anniversaries helped to create a favorable atmosphere for the District celebration the climax of it all. This took a two fold form, the presentation of the Pageant "The Spreading Flame" and the Oratorio, "The Evangel of the New World" both held in the auditorium of the State Teachers College at Salisbury. Originally planned as Methodist Episcopal affair we invited the other Methodist churches in Salisbury and vicinity to

participate and help make it a Methodist celebration. This they gladly did, cooperating with whole-hearted enthusiasm. Your Superintendent served as Chairman of the Joint Committee and had the fine assistance of Dr. Humphreys, who filled in everywhere, Revs. J. R. Bicking, who rendered invaluable aid with the preliminary arrangements as well as participated in the Pageant, Rev. R. C. Jones, in charge of the stage, E. M. Shockley, who made a matchless Francis Asbury and E. B. Eckhart in charge of the music—the whole being directed by Miss Dorothy Mitchell of the Asbury Church. The Pageant was superb. It can be described only in superlative terms. The fine auditorium was filled, every seat taken and scores standing during the entire two hours of the presentation. A holy spell seemed to rest upon all the participants. Aye, it seemed to many of us as though The Holy Spirit Himself had taken possession of us. This feeling was imparted to the audience, which sat for the most part in reverent silence, a more eloquent tribute than vociferous applause. We could have given an altar call with no sense of incongruity. All honor to all who helped in any way in making this one of the most memorable events in the history of the Methodism of the lower Peninsula.

The Oratorio held a month after the Pageant on Dec. 7th got caught in the swirl of Thanksgiving festivities and Christmas preparations. The churches of the District, whose pastors and people with fine loyalty had postponed their own special services in behalf of the Pageant were compelled to give themselves to their own activities. Notwithstanding through the tireless efforts and unflagging enthusiasm of Rev. E. B. Eckhart, with the capable and faithful assistance of Miss Frances Hopkins, organist and Choir leader at Asbury, the Oratorio was produced before an audience of between 800 and 900 people. The most popular part of the production was the arrangement of old Camp Meeting hymns prepared by Brother Eckhart himself. Altogether these various celebrations brought marked stimulus to the District. Our people know more of the Church and have a greater pride therein than ever before, while the spiritual results in many places were very evident. It was all very much worth while.

Improvements and Debt Liquidation.

Notwithstanding the difficult financial conditions that still prevail throughout the District, especially in our water sections, all but a very few of the Charges on the District have found it possible to expend for improvements amounts ranging from \$75 to over \$2000, to a total of over \$15000, while the indebtedness of the District has been reduced by over \$5000.

Selbyville renovated its auditorium with new paint, carpet etc. at a cost of \$2100. An indebtedness of \$1700 accumulated deficits for several years was added to this and the whole obligation of \$3800 has been wiped out. E. M. Shockley has had a splendid opening year of what promises to be a fruitful pastorate.

Delmar under the enthusiastic leadership of Ralph C. Jones has completed its building program. A rearrangement of the chancel carried out under the supervision of the pastor provides a most attractive interior,

while the grounds have been beautified by a wealth of shrubbery set out with an artistry that makes the whole a delight to the eye. The total cost was \$700. The Pastor and his loyal people are justly proud of their beautiful and well appointed church and are offering it together with the warm hearted hospitality for which they are noted for the session of the Conference in 1936.

One of the most noteworthy achievements in debt raising on the District and, considering the limitations of the field, within the Conference, has been wrought at Ocean City. With a burdensome debt of \$7000 on church and parsonage in default on interest and threatened with loss of parsonage, this little band of discouraged people, still struggling with the financial wreckage of the hurricane of 1933 which almost wiped out the resort, could not see a single ray of light to illuminate a dark and hopeless situation. But it was only the darkness that presaged the coming of the dawn. Inspired by the contagious enthusiasm and determination of the new pastor, D. A. Littleton, members of the congregation determined to work themselves out of their distressing situation no matter what the cost. Dr. F. W. Mueller, Superintendent of the Department of Church Extension of the Board of Home Missions visited the field and was impressed by the possibilities and the spirit of the people. He offered to secure a Revolving Loan of \$4000 if the congregation would raise \$3000 by October 1936. An evangelistic-financial campaign was put on under the leadership of Dr. Hunt. Over \$3600 was pledged and over \$1000 has already been paid in. The holder of the mortgage desired immediate payment and the Home Board has arranged to advance its loan of \$4000 six months and it may have been paid over before this report is read. An additional \$600 has been paid for interest and \$400 for improvements, with collection in full indicate the new life which pervades the church at Ocean City. In addition to hard work required for this achievement the pastor has found time to teach a Week-Day class in the Bible averaging in attendance 45. This work is carried on with the cooperation of the Principal and Faculty of the High School which adjoins our church. With the completion of the Inlet and the influx of new families which that will bring, a bright future awaits our church at Ocean City. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon this pastor and people.

Snow Hill \$1000, Asbury-Salisbury \$700, Pittsville \$700, Smith Island \$850, Frankford \$650, Cape Charles \$800, Immanuel-Crisfield \$420, Pocomoke \$400, Marion \$300, Tangier \$350 are among the larger items in this category.

Asbury-Crisfield has reduced its debt by \$1000, Immanuel-Crisfield \$750, Asbury-Salisbury \$750, St. Peters \$507, Tangier \$400, Somerset \$200, Smith Island \$200.

Christian Education.

We have given the most careful attention to this vital subject. We have urged fullest cooperation with Conference and District Programs and have taken advantage of every opportunity to keep this whole matter in all of its aspects in the foreground of our thinking and action. Never

was the need for a sane, intelligent and wholly Christian program of education in our churches greater than it is today. Never was there greater need for careful, sympathetic, dispassionate and unbiased study of this whole matter. Confusion and uncertainty as to organization, methods, curriculum, every aspect of the problem is quite general. I am thinking not simply of the problem in relation to our own Conference or even in Methodism, but in the entire Christian Church. Many among those who have been most earnest in their support of modern ideas and methods as applied to our educational program are beginning to wonder whether they have been working along the proper lines. The experts are not at all in agreement in this matter. It will not do to characterize those who raise questions as to this program as moss-backs and reactionaries, and dismiss them with a light contemptuous word. They are serious minded people, for the most part, preachers who love the Church and the souls of their people young and old; laymen who are burdened for the spiritual welfare of their boys and girls and the boys and girls of their friends and neighbors, and they are distressed because so many of these boys and girls who have been raised under Christian influences are being lost to the Church and to the Christian life. Certainly none of us can be satisfied with what we are achieving. With steadily mounting populations the numbers enrolled in our Church Schools and Young Peoples organizations are declining. All too many of our Church Schools are weaker, numerically than they were ten years ago. All too many of our churches have no other organization for young people than the Church School. There are conspicuous exceptions for which we thank God, but the general situation is one that causes us grave concern. May God give us the knowledge and the grace that are so much needed by all of us who are dealing directly, and are in intimate contact with these vital and difficult problems.

Standard Training Schools have been held at the following points on the District—Salisbury, Berlin, Princess Anne, and Cape Charles with a total enrollment of 386. Twenty Charges on the District were represented in these Schools. The District sent 12 delegates to the Summer Institute for Youth, the smallest of any year in the past six. The Annual Youth Conference which has become so important and successful a part of our entire Conference Program was held this year at Asbury Church, Salisbury. The total enrollment was 359, the Salisbury District furnishing 92 of this number. A very successful Epworth League Convention was held at Phoebus. A severe storm that swept over the Peninsula deterred many from braving the rough waters between Cape Charles and Old Point, but those who made the trip were well rewarded. The passage was not as rough as we feared it would be, the hospitality of the good people of Phoebus, the young and old, the splendid thoroughness of the arrangements made by the Pastor, and the excellence of the Program, made the Convention a memorable one.

A number of Institutes and Conferences of an inter-Denominational character have been held, our churches furnishing by far the largest percentage of delegates in attendance. Vacation Bible Schools were held at Ocean View with an enrollment of 20, Princess Anne with an average

of 40 and Grace-Salisbury with 25. Weekday Schools were held at Salisbury, Asbury and Grace cooperating and at Ocean City. I have no data on our Church School and Epworth League enrollment, but anticipate little change in either.

Evangelism.

We have sounded the evangelistic note throughout the year. In the sermons as well as the devotional addresses given at the various Quarterly Conferences, and in every way open to us we have declared our conviction that the best celebration of the Sesqui-Centennial would be to recapture the evangelistic passion and fervor of early Methodism. We have prayed oft and earnestly for gracious revivals in every Charge and have listened anxiously for "the sound of a going in the tops of the trees" and have not listened in vain. Showers of refreshing from the presence of the Lord have come to many of the churches.

A great meeting broke out at Tangier in connection with its annual Home Coming and continued for several months. The power of God was manifested in a marvelous way. The conversions numbered 242 and by actual count 180 of these had never professed conversion before. The last visit of the District Superintendent to this warm hearted people was a delightful one. Frankford had a great revival with 190 conversions at last report, conversions occurring at almost every service. This Charge advances its salary \$300 for next year. Immanuel-Crisfield as already reported had the finest meeting of years with 84 conversions. Deals Island, where D. E. McClain has captured the hearts of his people in a perfectly wonderful manner and is beloved as few pastors among us, reports 62 conversions. Ocean View reports 52, Pittsville 25, Smith Island 22, Cape Charles 20, Selbyville and Bishopville 19 each, Onancock 17, Stockton 15, Marion 17, and other with smaller numbers, totalling more than 1100. The pastors at Asbury-Salisbury and Sharptown report large classes who will unite with the respective churches at Easter. As far as we are able to compute there should be a net gain on the District of between four and five hundred Full Members.

Women's Organizations.

The usual faithful service has been rendered by the Women's Organizations of the District. The fact of the matter is many a victory has come out of what seemed inevitable defeat; triumph has crowned what oft-times seemed a lost cause through the courage, the vision, the tireless energy and devotion of the womanhood of the church. Again and again The Ladies Aid Societies have gone to discouraged, defeated Official Boards and provided the inspiration and the wherewithal that sent the laboring, puffing machine of church finance over the top. It is the simple truth to say that the doors of many a small church on Salisbury District and doubtless throughout the Conference have been kept open because a few heroic women simply would not quit but carried on in the face of incredible odds. All honor to these devoted women. We do not have any as many

Chapters of the Women's Missionary Societies as we desire. The presence of a live Women's Home or Foreign Missionary Society in a church stimulates every activity of that church. That the number of such societies is comparatively small is not due to any inefficiency or lack of interest on the part of the District officers. These fine women have worked faithfully and devotedly in the effort to build up the District organizations. The Chapters that are organized are doing splendid work and are deserving of unstinted praise.

Some Reflections on the End of an Era.

When I assumed the duties of this office I had certain definite ideas as to what might be done to justify the office and make it a valuable portion of our church machinery. When I faced up to the task I found that some of those ideas were not feasible. They were good enough as theories but not when brought up against the practical problems of administration. We discovered, for instance, that while we were supposed to be a Connectional Church, the spirit of individualism was still rampant among us. Too many of both preachers and churches were thinking in terms of their own needs and welfare. "Safety first" has been the slogan all too often. There has been too much of the "charity begins at home" spirit, not enough of the unselfishness, the self-forgetfulness, the sacrificial giving of self, which is the very essence of Christianity, whose presence is vital to Christian growth. We have been able to make but little impact upon this self-centered psychology, which to some extent is present in nearly all of our churches. The command to carry the redemptive and beneficent influence of the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth was coupled with the promise and pledge of the Divine Presence: "Lo, I am with you always even to the end of the age". That promise has been fulfilled through the centuries as witnessed by the progress and vitality of every branch of the Church which has had the missionary vision and passion. We search in vain for evidence of that Divine presence in any branch of the Church that has lost that vision and passion. Aberrations of doctrine have not been as destructive of the vitality and power of the Church as has the loss of the missionary purpose and spirit. The secret of the rapid and amazing growth of the Methodist Church in the early days was the unquenchable zeal to carry her message of experimental religion and Scriptural holiness to all lands and all peoples. At the Christmas Conference missionaries were sent to the West Indies and our itinerants pushed back the frontiers of our own land until they reached the Pacific and claimed a continent for Christ. We have hoped and prayed that in this period of anniversaries when we have been taking the backward look we might recover that evangelistic and missionary passion, that love for all men, regardless of race or condition, that led Cox to cry when dying, "Let a thousand fall, but let not Africa be given up". Nothing would cause the church at home to recover its waning prestige and power as would this recapture of a World Vision and of self-immolation upon the altar of World Service.

Several of our most difficult problems of administration have come out of attempted adjustment of salaries. There have been several instances of unreasonableness in this matter on the part of both pastors and laymen. We hold firmly to the principle that the right to a comfortable support inheres in the ministry. Recognizing the difficult financial conditions against which our people have been struggling we have not opposed, but in some cases have advocated reductions of salaries, contending only that such reductions be on reasonable basis and that with the return of normal economic conditions the preachers salaries be promptly restored to the levels from which they were dropping. When the pastor and his officials cannot agree as to what is a fair salary under existing conditions it seems to me wise for the pastor to give way rather than the church be rent by dissension. The unity and well being of the church should take precedence over the matter of a hundred or so dollars. It may mean sacrifice, but his whole ministry is sacrificial and surely we can make the sacrifice at this point that there be no schism in the body of Christ.

May I speak of another evil that has caused trouble in our midst? Namely, the habit of making frequent visits back to a Charge which one has just left. It is the blessed privilege of a preacher to make many warm and gracious friendships in the various Charges he serves. It is not necessary that those friendships should be dropped when he leaves the Charge, and no one suggests such a thing. An occasional visit to those friends is entirely in order. But when those visits become so frequent and are made under conditions that seriously embarrass the present pastor, then as we be brethren in a common ministry those visits should cease and the presence and influence of the former pastor should be withdrawn from that Charge. Especially should this be so if the former pastor has left a difficult situation behind him. When there is trouble in a church, especially when that trouble has centered about a former pastor whether he has been responsible for it or not, the less that former pastor has to do with that Charge the better for all concerned. I say these things out of bitter experience but with naught but kindness in my heart for all concerned. If what I have said in the three paragraphs above seems critical and censorious, let me disclaim such spirit and proclaim my profound admiration for the fineness of spirit, the graciousness, the deep-hearted love, the sincere and honest desire to please God and build up the Kingdom of His dear Son that characterize the great majority of the preachers and laymen with whom I have had the privilege of serving.

Summary of Six Years.

During the six year period we have raised nearly \$900,000 for all purposes. As compared with 1929 we have a decrease in Ministerial Support of 30%. Current Expenses have declined only 12½%, while Benevolences record the tragic decline of 60%. The total decline for all purposes has been 33⅓%. Personally I think that this is an unusually fine record especially in view of the fact that most of the loss was recorded in the two years of the Bank Moratorium which tied up the money of our people just before Conference and the hurricane which did more damage

in our territory than elsewhere in the Conference. This is not an alibi for none is needed. People who have shown the loyalty and devotion evidenced by this kind of sacrificial giving need no alibi. They have wrought well and deserve all possible credit.

Our membership statistics on first blush are disturbing. We have gained only about 1400 Full Members and have lost 800 in Church School enrollment and 300 in Epworth League membership. The fact is when I discovered the chaotic condition of our Membership Rolls I urged our Pastors to go over them carefully and revise them making them as accurate as possible. A number did this and as a result we reported in 1931 an apparent loss of over 1000 members. We have built up our present membership from that basis. I have no doubt that further revisions should be made. I would not, however, rest on this explanation of the small increase in our membership. The real cause has already been indicated in other sections of this report. There is not the emphasis upon the things of the spirit that there should be; there is not the evangelistic passion and zeal that we once had. Granted that Mass-Evangelism does not have the appeal it once did that does not discharge the Church from its responsibility for the Evangelistic task. This task is not a preacher's task only. It is the task of every Christian. It is not a task for a few weeks of intense and fervid effort during any particular year. It is a task for every day. "And the Lord added to the Church daily those who were being saved". O, that such a time would come again and come speedily.

Closing Words.

In closing this final report I want to try to express my great appreciation of the many kindnesses I have received from the preachers and laymen who have served with me during these difficult years. There have been differences of opinion from time to time. Bitter feelings have been stirred up and in some instances have lingered. This I regret with all my heart. I have not always been wise in my handling of the problems that have arisen from time to time. There are some things that I would do differently if I had them to do over again. But of one thing I am sure I have tried to deal fairly and justly with every preacher and every Charge that has been under my care. I have never permitted prejudice, resentment or favoritism to have any place in any decision I have had to make, nor has self-interest had any place with me. I have been jealous for the Church that I greatly love and have not spared myself in the effort to serve it. I have travelled 150,000 miles by automobile and have my fourth car for the six years. I have taken the poundings of Tangier Sound and of the Atlantic and Chesapeake off Cape Charles and Old Point, and risked the hazards of nightly travel over all kinds of roads and roads in all kinds of condition and have not spent 24 consecutive hours in bed and missed but one engagement because of illness. I have not imposed any burden upon any pastor or layman, calling upon them for help only in rare instances and under circumstances beyond my control. If a pessimistic note has come from these lips it has been an inadvertence, never with intent. Not even when the country of our love and devotion was retreating from the

high moral ground it has taken in the matter of the liquor problem, when men in high places were compromising for the sake of power and pelf, would we yield to pessimism and despair. We never confessed defeat and never gave up the fight. A battle has been lost but the war goes on and will until righteousness and decency are enthroned in our National life. I have had many rich experiences during these years. My wider experience of the problems of the Church has given me a greater sympathy and love for those loyal folks who are carrying the heavy burdens and with praiseworthy loyalty standing by the church, whether that church be at the prosperous City or the country cross roads, on the mainland or the islands. I will prize to the end the many friendships I have made and many, many times during the years that may yet be granted me my mind will be roaming over the District from Charge to Charge, praying for the churches and the individuals, grieving over their losses, rejoicing over their successes. Brethren and fellow-workers in a glorious Ministry I would summon you to a new vision of World Service; to a new passion for the salvation of men; to a new boldness in taking Christ to a harassed and perplexed world, a world which in its bewilderment is hitting blindly against the only thing that delivers it from its distresses, the Grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. In that glad day when every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that He is King to the glory of God the Father, I covet for myself and for each of you an approving smile and a "well done" from His blessed lips.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

D. W. JACOBS, Superintendent.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

With the pastors of the churches of the Wilmington District I bring you the greetings of a great host of loyal members and friends of the Methodist Episcopal Church. We do not come from our conquest of evil laden with rich material possessions, but as followers of a risen Christ and proclaimers of the Good News, as prophets of a new day when righteousness shall prevail among all men, we present our report of faithful service in the name of a Redeeming Christ.

The ranks of our pastors have not been broken during the year by death, nor has this dread monster entered any of their immediate homes.

The health of our retired brethren living within the bounds of this district has been fairly good according to their respective years.

Quietly on Oct. 16, 1934, Joshua M. Lindale, the only remaining survivor of the class which joined this Conference in 1879, went to receive his eternal reward from the One who said: "I go to prepare a place for you." For forty years he faithfully served this Conference and lovingly ministered to those to whom he was appointed.

It was in the evening of January 25, 1935, while comfortably sitting by his fireside that Robert K. Stephenson, within a few days of his eighty-first birthday, quietly laid down the robes of mortality and took up the mantle of the heavenly and went to join that great company who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Hosts of men and women on this peninsula revere his blessed memory.

Pastoral Changes.

On Sept. 15, 1934, Rev. Preston W. Spence, Jr., was appointed pastor of Preston charge on Middletown District. Rev. W. E. Fosnocht, who had served acceptably as supply pastor at Edge Moor for over seven years, was appointed to Mt. Lebanon charge. Rev. L. L. Knotts was appointed acting supply pastor at Edgemoor. Rev. W. L. Hess, granted leave of absence by action of Conference and at his own request last year, was appointed as pastor of Kingswood charge.

Ministers' Association.

A new constitution and by-laws have been adopted by the Ministers' Association of this district during the year. Its monthly meetings are well attended and are being held in different communities throughout the district, and the programs have been varied and of an interesting and instructive nature.

The Ministers' Wives' Association meets quarterly at the time and place of the meeting of the brethren.

District Parsonage.

Soon after being appointed to this position I learned that a committee had been appointed by the District Stewards a year or two before to plan for the relocation of the district parsonage.

I immediately became interested and active with the committee and we located a suitable home for the Superintendent of this district, and within a few months the present district parsonage located at 2705 Harrison Street in an excellent residential section of the City of Wilmington was purchased, and the property at 2310 Market Street, located on one of the busiest thoroughfares in the city and in a section rapidly becoming a business center, was sold. The newly purchased home was occupied by the Superintendent in October, 1929.

At the annual meeting of the District Stewards the following Spring the transaction was unanimously and enthusiastically approved, and since then each charge has been requested to remit annually an amount equal to one percent. of the pastor's salary for maintenance and cancellation of the mortgage. The response to this annual request has been exceedingly gratifying. With the annual payment of \$500.00 on the mortgage after this Conference session's receipts for this purpose are received by the Treasurer, the mortgage will have been reduced over two-thirds during the six years, leaving an amount which can be cancelled entirely within a very reasonable time by the continuation of the present plan of financing. No man need hesitate to become my successor because of the home nor the community in which he will be required to live.

Episcopal Residence.

About twelve years ago a duly appointed committee, representing the Conferences of this area, purchased an Episcopal Residence in the City of Washington.

At that time the cost of the property was distributed equitably among the Conferences, and an apportionment requested of each charge to cover said cost.

The minutes of 1929, six years ago, show one hundred and thirty-two charges in this Conference still owing on their apportionments, of which twenty-nine of those charges were on this district.

In the 1934 minutes we note all but fifteen charges on this district had paid in full their original apportionment, and of these fifteen, only seven had made no payment to this fund during the entire period.

Due to the failure of some charges in this and other Conferences to pay their apportionments promptly and in full, it became necessary for another committee to be appointed to consider the indebtedness against the property.

At the last session of our Conference a committee was appointed, which together with committees from the other Conferences, formed the Area Committee. This committee met early in the Conference year and redistributed the unpaid balance among the Conferences, and the Wilmington Conference committee placed in the hands of the Superintendents the apportionments for the charges of their districts.

Strawbridge Home for Boys.

The Wilmington Conference is extremely fortunate in having a part in the establishing and maintaining a Methodist orphanage—The Strawbridge Home for Boys. Already this institution is the home of a number of boys from this Conference territory, and these boys are being trained to be intelligent Christian citizens.

Methodist Episcopal Hospital.

Brethren, we cannot expect the Methodist Episcopal Hospital to continue its ministry of healing on such liberal terms to ministers and their families of this Conference and to not a few of the members and friends of our churches, unless we make a substantial expression of our appreciation that will assist them to meet their financial obligations. May the contributions from the churches of this Conference to this worthy institution greatly increase.

No more will the genial presence of Dr. Charles M. Boswell, who for many years was the embodiment of the loving service of that institution, grace our Conference sessions. We truly mourn his loss, but in Dr. George W. Henson, his successor, we will find a brother beloved, who asks for and has a right to expect and receive our hearty cooperation. All pastors on the district have been requested to present the work of this Hospital to their people and receive an offering for same. I trust this has been done.

The Christian Advocate.

Methodist journalism must be financially sustained. In these days of decreased incomes other economies may be made, but the very limited number of weekly news periodicals such as The Christian Advocate must not cease publication. The many reasons are obvious to all of us and do not need emphasizing in this report. Because of the value of the periodical and our people's need of same and in view of the fact that the list of subscribers in this Conference is the smallest proportionally in this paper's circulation area, diligent effort has been made to have each pastor present the claims of The Christian Advocate to his people and secure renewal of subscriptions and additional new subscribers. Many pastors have reported this has been done.

In order that each pastor may have a minimum basis on which to work, a goal based on one subscription to every thirty active members was set and he was so notified. On the basis of reports in 1934 minutes he was also advised of the additional number of subscribers necessary for his charge to reach its goal, and earnestly requested to make every effort to secure at least the minimum number of subscriptions from his people with as many over that number as possible. Return cards were mailed to pastors for report of success of campaign for subscriptions. The following charges reported to me having reached or exceeded their goal: Bethel and Town Point, Holly Oak, Newport, Perryville, Rising Sun, Epworth (Wilmington). Honorable mention shall be made of the following charges reporting one hundred percent renewals: Claymont, Port Deposit, McCabe, Mt. Salem, the first two reaching their goals with the exception of one subscription each.

I sincerely trust the final report to this Conference will show a greatly increased number of subscriptions to this periodical from the charges of this district.

Sesqui-Centennial and Anniversaries.

At the very beginning of this Conference year committees in local churches were appointed and plans made for the proper commemoration of the historic event of the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America. With but very few exceptions the churches of the district have observed this historic event sometime during the year.

Prominent speakers who have assisted the various churches on these occasions were Dr. William Warren Sweet, Professor of the History of American Christianity in the University of Chicago and author of "Methodism in American History", a book I have urged the churches of the district to purchase for their church school libraries, at the request of the pastor of Bethel Church gave his lecture on "Methodism and the Western March" in that historic church; Dr. Harkness of Crozier Theological Seminary, and Dr. William Gilbert of Drew University were speakers at Chester-Bethel; Dr. J. W. Long, President of Dickinson Seminary spoke at Christiana; Dr. H. C. Leonard of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, delivered an illustrated lecture on "The Romance of Methodism" at Claymont; Bishop Edwin H. Hughes and Dr. E. D. Kohlstedt spoke at Richardson Park; Dr. Charles L. Goodell at Mt. Salem.

Many of the churches of the district very successfully combined the observance of the Sesqui-Centennial with an anniversary service of the local church. Not a few of the programs were for a week's duration and were carefully planned so that a distinctly spiritual emphasis might be given while the historical facts were being related to the people. Pageantry played an important part in these services. At Claymont, Chester-Bethel, Cherry Hill, Ebenezer, Elkton, Newark, pageants impressively depicting important events in the life of the early Methodists were important features of the Sesqui-Centennial programs.

The "Jason Lee Special" arrived in Wilmington on the afternoon of April 30, 1934, and in Asbury Church, Wilmington, that evening a very largely attended service was held, the address being made by Bishop Titus Lowe; a very impressive religious pageant entitled "Two Thousand Miles For a Book" also inspired the large congregation present.

City Missionary Society.

With a greatly reduced budget we are continuing our City Missionary work and rendering an excellent missionary service to the needy sections of our city.

"East side" and "down town" are words freighted with denominational defeat to Methodism in the City of Wilmington within the next ten years unless a great financial interest is manifest by this Conference in our program of this Society.

Three additional workers should be placed immediately in as many churches where unusual opportunities await the church to more thoroughly christianize the throngs of people living in those communities, a large number of whom are youth today, but who will be the citizens of tomorrow, determining the policies of our city, state and nation.

Six years ago when we were appointed Superintendent, we also became by your action the Executive Secretary of this Society. During these six years your Society has experienced annually the extremely difficult problem of financing its work. Year by year the budget has been reduced and the program adjusted accordingly. Our workers have taken their reductions in salary with christian grace and have declared that the work must go on.

During these six years with constantly decreasing income all current expenses have been paid; unpaid bills amounting to over \$1,000 inherited by the present administration have been paid; \$1,000 has been paid on note of \$4,000 loaned the Society at time of purchase of lot at Brown and Banning Streets, Wilmington, Del., about nine years ago; and there are no current bills unpaid to date to my knowledge.

The old Wesley Church at the corner of Linden and Jackson Streets, Wilmington, has been sold during the year. After the mortgage on same and all other expenses incident to the sale of property were paid, the Society had only a few dollars in cash left on hand. However, we do hold a second mortgage which is being liquidated at the rate of \$50.00 per month and interest. These payments are being made regularly by purchasers of property.

The Society has its monthly meeting regularly. The budget for the ensuing year has been adopted, and as I turn the records over to my successor, I wish him success and request your cooperation that he may be able to enlarge the work during the coming year.

Christian Education and Young People's Organizations.

Progress, slow but sure and steady, is being made on this district in our program of education. We continue to have a number of our young people interested in the Summer Institute for Youth. While the attendance from this district was not what we desired, those who attended were greatly profited by the instruction received. It is possible to accomplish as much for the Kingdom in an Institute with a selected and interested group even though they be not large in numbers, as by having a large number who are not serious in their purpose to learn.

There were 347 in attendance at the three cooperative Standard Training Schools held within the bounds of the district. The November and February schools in Wilmington had a total enrollment of 269, of whom 191 were from our Methodist churches in and near the city. The North East school enrolled 78, of whom 58 were Methodists. 28 charges were represented in these schools.

It is in such schools as these that our teachers are being trained for more efficient work, and our prospective teachers are receiving instruction for their holy task of moulding the lives of the youth into faithful christian citizens of tomorrow. It is impossible to over estimate the value of such schools. They are a very vital part of our program.

One of the very important features of our Conference program is the Annual Youth Conference, which was held in Salisbury, Md. this year, February 22nd to 24th. Twenty-three charges on this district were represented at this Conference by 123 in attendance, which was over one-third of the total enrollment.

Too much praise cannot be given our Conference Director of Christian Education, Mr. James H. Bishop, for his diligence and care in preparing the program and providing for all the essential details connected therewith. The self-sacrificing consecration manifest by this christian gentleman in his work among us during these years has not only won our love for him personally, but challenges every thoughtful pastor to greater cooperation and to a more determined effort to promote the work of christian education in his respective charge.

Classes of youth for instruction following Decision (Declaration) Day in the Church Schools are being conducted by many of our pastors. Annually we have urged the organizing of such classes immediately after Easter and continuing same through period from Easter to Pentecost.

Reports from pastors show 1183 enrolled in Daily Vacation Church Schools; 1641 enrolled in Epworth Leagues or similar organizations; 669 in Junior (and Intermediate) Epworth Leagues; 529 in Junior and Young People's Choirs.

For the purpose of administration and a better organized youth program, the Epworth Leagues and Young People's organizations of the district have been divided into the Northern and Southern Divisions with officers elected by each Division. The combined officers of the two Divisions

with the District Superintendent presiding compose the District Cabinet, and this group formulates plans for the total youth program of the district.

Two largely attended and very interesting conventions were held during the year. The Northern Division met on May 19, 1934, in Scott Church, Wilmington; the Southern Division met on November 17, 1934, in our church at Rising Sun, Md. Excellent programs were rendered and officers elected and installed at both these conventions.

The annual mid-winter rally of the Northern Division was held in Union Church, Wilmington, on January 18, 1935. Notwithstanding fog seriously interfered with the attendance, a large congregation of youth, some of whom drove from almost the extreme southern part of the district, heard Dr. Jay S. Stowell deliver an illustrated lecture on "Adventures in Faith". The youth program of the district is in excellent condition.

Evangelism and Church Membership.

We have earnestly endeavored to make evangelism the supreme task during the year. The truth is not always pleasant to hear, but when it is the truth, we must listen and profit thereby. Therefore, the words of one writer challenge us when he says: "A gospel that does not change men and transform their surroundings has no claim upon the churches for continued support."

Believing this to be true, we have continued to call men from the error of their ways; we have sought to more firmly establish the professing christian in the faith.

A number of our churches have experienced real spiritual awakenings during the year.

With a distinctly spiritual message at the Sunday services and personal work among the people of the community, Christiana has received 45 during the year into full membership; Newark, 59; Grace, 54; St. Paul's, 38; McCabe, 33; Union, 20; Scott, 33; Harrison St., 16.

Special evangelistic services were held in many churches of the district and the spiritual life of the people was revived and strengthened. Among the churches holding such services with gratifying numerical results were Claymont with 47 received during the year; 18 conversions in such a meeting at Delaware City last Spring; 40 bowed at the altar at Newark Union; Madeley's three week's meetings resulted in 59 conversions; at Marshallton 105 people knelt at the altar consecrating and reconsecrating their lives to Jesus Christ. Gracious seasons of spiritual refreshing were experienced during the meetings at Ebenezer, Elkton, Holly Oak, North East, Brandywine. Eastlake conducted a tent meeting on a vacant lot near the church last summer under the direction of Dr. G. W. Cooke, and followed this by a protracted meeting last January. The pastor was assisted in the January meeting by Dr. J. L. Brasher. The two meetings resulted in 100 conversions and reconsecrations, and a real spiritual quickening of the church. In the last few weeks 26 more have accepted Jesus Christ under the leadership of Rev. C. C. Harris, Pastor of Eastlake Church.

When I report that the total number of full members received during the year is 603, and preparatory members enrolled 332, we must not forget that there are no Palm Sunday, Holy Week nor Easter in this Conference

year, and that an increasing number of our churches use the Lenten Season as an evangelistic opportunity and conduct their special evangelistic services during this period, receiving many of their members both into preparatory and full membership on Easter Sunday.

Last December I prepared and forwarded to each pastor carefully formulated suggestions for program of spiritual advance beginning January first and continuing to Pentecost, June ninth, with the request that pastors consider same when formulating plans for the conservation of the results of spiritual awakenings as well as preparing for special evangelistic efforts during the Lenten season.

Buildings, Improvements, Repairs and Indebtedness.

During the past five years while our people have been making sacrificial efforts to maintain their benevolence and current expense budgets, some of our church property has been very greatly neglected. Many of our churches are now compelled to make much needed repairs and improvements.

Zion, under the leadership of Rev. Charles H. Atkins, their pastor and a master workman in woodcraft, has built a very attractive and commodious community house costing \$3350.00, all but \$700.00 of which is paid and that amount provided for. The building has a seating capacity of 200 with stage and fully equipped kitchen. Notwithstanding the fact that Mrs. Sallie Gifford and her son, Ralph, gave \$1100.00 toward this project in honor of Dr. David Gifford, husband and father, the paying for this building within a few hundred dollars in a few months after it was completed is a remarkable achievement.

Improvement to church property has been made at St. John's. Rev. J. W. Prettyman, optimistic and tireless pastor of these good people, persistently encouraged them to improve their property until they finally yielded to his pastoral persuasions and agreed to do so. While wholeheartedly cooperating with him, they were fearful of being unable to meet the financial obligation incurred by painting the exterior of church and parsonage and redecorating the auditorium and church vestibule at a cost of \$1,100.00. The work was done and the money necessary to pay for same secured. The bill is paid, and the pastor's faith and the people's cooperation have been rewarded. No pastor is more dearly beloved by his people than is this good minister of Jesus Christ.

Extensive improvements to church property have been made by Brandywine Church, Wilmington. Soon after becoming pastor one year ago, Rev. O. A. Bartley began quietly planning to remodel the interior of the church auditorium. In due time he presented his plan to the officials of the church, and they accepted his suggestions and with the cooperation of the members and friends the improvements have been made and the entire interior of the church has been repainted at a total cost of \$1600.00, \$1000.00 of which has been paid and provisions made for the payment of the balance within the next few months.

The active group of young people composing the Epworth League of Cherry Hill church paid \$181.00 for the renovation of the interior of the church auditorium. An illuminated bulletin board in a public place in the town is an added means of calling the people's attention to the services

and program of the church on the hill nearby. The total paid for improvements is \$430.00.

Extensive repairs and improvements are contemplated soon to Chesapeake City parsonage, and to the North East church auditorium and church school room.

The parsonages at Newport, Chester-Bethel, Hockessin, New Castle, Christiana, Ebenezer, Madeley and Brandywine have been extensively improved and made more comfortable and attractive homes for the pastors and their families. A church school class at Ebenezer paid \$655.00, the cost of their improvements.

Since last Conference and before he was transferred as pastor of Mt. Lebanon Church, Rev. W. E. Fosnocht, who was beginning his eighth year at Edge Moor, led his people in the complete renovation of the interior of their church auditorium at Edge Moor, including the installation of a new metallic ceiling at a total cost of \$350., all of which was paid by October first.

\$700. was the cost of improvements made to the auditorium and church school rooms of Holly Oak under the leadership of Rev. J. E. Layton, who is serving his tenth year as pastor of this church. \$400. of this was paid by Feb. 1, 1935, and they expect to pay the balance by April 1st.

Not only have the grounds of the Marshallton church been greatly beautified but both the exterior and interior of the church building have been painted and an additional church school room provided to take care of the largest church school enrollment for many years. The total cost of improvements is \$800. which has been paid.

Grace Church, Wilmington, has made repairs and improvements which together with the installation of an oil burner in the parsonage cost \$2500. Claymont Church has redecorated their auditorium at a cost of \$600. all of which is paid. This church under the leadership of its faithful pastor, Rev. E. W. McDowell, is also making a substantial reduction on its indebtedness.

The church house at Perryville has been renovated and the parsonage improved.

On the evening of Feb. 24th fire damaged the parsonage on Elk Neck charge. Fortunately the family of the pastor, Rev. G. V. Turner, was absent from home, he being the only occupant of the house and the one who discovered the blaze. While the property was not destroyed it was considerably damaged by fire and water. When repairs are completed which are being made now it will provide a more comfortable home for the pastor and his family.

Many other churches have made improvements to their property of \$300. or less.

The total cost of repairs and improvements to property on the district is \$16,818. with but very little of this amount unpaid.

Along with meeting their current expenses and benevolences the churches have made substantial reductions in their indebtedness.

With the aid of the churches of the Conference, Richardson Park has been able to make a reduction of its indebtedness of \$6,075. making a

total reduction on the principal of the indebtedness during three years of \$13,350. During these three years this church has paid from its own resources on interest, etc., \$10,976, making a total of \$24,326 paid in three years, which does not include their current expense and benevolence budgets which have also been paid in full each year.

Newark has paid \$2,000. on indebtedness; North East, \$1,460; McCabe \$1240; Union, \$900; St. Paul's, \$600; Claymont, \$550; other charges smaller amounts. The total paid on indebtedness amounts to \$14,255.

At the beginning of this year the churches of this district carried an indebtedness of \$190,652, three-fourths of which amount was on property of four churches, leaving only \$56,448. against twenty-seven charges. Twenty-two charges, or nearly half, have no debt at all. Thus you see the district as a whole is not burdened by debt.

It is always impossible to determine the district's final totals in contributions to the various causes when the pastors submit their reports to the Superintendent two or three weeks in advance of the Conference session for not a few churches do not know what their exact amount of contributions to these causes will be until about the evening before the pastor leaves for Conference, but the reports of pastors and a somewhat increase in general economic conditions in this section of the country reveal the possibility of an increase in World Service and general benevolences from the churches of the district.

Due to the loyal cooperation of pastors, officials and members of the churches, a summary of the first five years of the present administration (figures are not available for the year now closing) shows this district now has a larger percentage of the church membership of the Conference than it did five years ago; it is also paying a larger percentage of the total cash salary, World Service, Conference Claimants, Conference Budget and other items. The detailed summary shows conclusively that the district has not only maintained its standard in comparison with the Conference at large during these unprecedented years, but has actually advanced in its earnest endeavor to promote the interests of the Kingdom of God. I rejoice in having had some little part in making this possible, being constantly encouraged along the way by the devotion and sacrifice of many officials and members of the churches throughout the district.

When our Presiding Bishop reads the appointments just before the adjournment I expect to be assigned as pastor of a church. I am happily looking forward to the opportunity of being a pastor again—of comforting the aged, of encouraging and ministering to those in sorrow and counseling with those who are perplexed and distracted by life's problems, of helping to guide the youth in ways of christian living. I have given my very best during these six years. The tasks would have been too arduous and the burdens unbearable had it not been for the loyal cooperation of pastors, officials and members of the churches who, in the midst of the most trying times this generation has ever experienced have freely given of their services and material possessions that the Gospel of Jesus Christ might continue its ministry of saving grace to the bodies and souls of men throughout the world. Most sincerely do I express to all who have collaborated with me during these six years my very great appreciation for their many, many kindnesses and expressions of their love and affection.

(b) STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

During the period of discussion which immediately preceded the repeal of the 18th amendment to the Constitution of the United States those who advocated the repeal made what they called "Sacred Promises" to the country as a whole regarding what should happen after repeal. These promises pledged the faith of political parties, of the organizations advocating repeal and of their spokesman that

- (1) The saloon should not return;
- (2) The temperance interest would not be neglected;
- (3) Adjustments in policy would be made from time to time to prevent social and economic injuries resulting from the reestablished legalized liquor trade;
- (4) Dry territory would be effectively protected from invasion of the nationally organized traffic in alcoholic beverages;
- (5) They told us that never again would we see the pernicious activity of the liquor interests in politics. Since repeal we have the liquor lobby at our nation's capitol. In the legislature of Maryland a member of the house of delegates openly charged on the floor that the brewers had a fund of \$100,000.00 to corrupt the legislature and force the passage of a sale tax bill to prevent the enactment of the beer tax bill. His charge stands unchallenged. Similar conditions exist in other states.

As far as our experience with repeal has been, we are justified in saying that on its record it must be judged socially disastrous.

Drinking and Driving.

The number of "drinking drivers" involved in fatal accidents has increased 29% and the number of drinking pedestrians involved in such accidents 53%, according to the report of an investigation made by the National Safety Council covering nine months of 1933 and nine months of 1934 in twelve of the large states and thirty-three additional cities. The investigation involved a population of sixty millions.

Drinking drivers involved in non-fatal accidents are reported to have increased 50% under repeal and drinking pedestrians so involved 64%. The Council found that from five to ten per cent of the drivers and pedestrians involved in fatal accidents are stated by city and state authorities to have been "under the influence of liquor" or "had been drinking" before the accident occurred.

"It is the Council's opinion that these percentages "understate by an undetermined amount the importance of alcohol as a contributing factor. One thorough study—the only one of its kind of which the Council is aware—showed alcohol as a factor in 60% of the accident cases."

"In the twelve states and 33 additional large cities covered by the National Safety Council's recent survey, the reporting area in 1934 had 11,168 motor vehicle fatalities, compared with 10,129 in the corresponding period of 1933, an increase of 10.3%. There was 28.6% increase, however, in the number of 'had been drinking' or 'intoxicated' drivers—from 441 in 1933, to 567 in 1934. In other words, the increase in drinking was nearly three times as great as would have been expected from the death increase along".

The report of the Superintendent of Public Safety in the city of Wilmington, Delaware shows that arrests for drunkenness during 1934, the first full year of repeal was 37% more than in 1932, the last full year of prohibition.

The record of convictions for offenses due to use of alcoholic beverages listed as of municipal and magistrates courts reported by the liquor commissioner of the state of Delaware shows that during 1934 arrests over the last six months of 1933 increased 27%.

Increase of Drunkenness.

That drunkenness is definitely on the increase is establishing by official returns not only from metropolitan cities but from small communities, from cities in which the liquor traffic operates licensed laws and states which have systems of control; and we regret to say some states which have modified their prohibition laws by permitting the sale of beer and beer only. This record of acute alcoholism pointing as it does to a major police problem, nevertheless is more alarming in its indications of a greatly increasing consumption of liquors making for chronic alcoholism and its consequential problems of dependency, disease and crime. From reports gathered from many authentic sources, we are forced to the opinion that the consumption of whiskey and other distilled spirits today is approximately twice what it was during the prohibition decade. For to the consumption of illicit liquors generally estimated by authorities as undiminished, we have added the consumption of nearly fifty million gallons of liquor legally produced and sold. The consumption of beer the first year of repeal reached the sum of one billion, two hundred million gallons which is approximately half what it was before prohibition indicating that the prohibition period lessened America's appetite for beer. Every month, however, shows an increase over the previous month and 'ere long our consumption will be back to the figure of pre-prohibition days.

A distressive factor in the present situation is a more general consumption of liquors by women involving as it does the interest of the American home and many millions of innocent children.

The concern of the repeal advocates during prohibition for the welfare of young women and girls does not square with the fact that the same interests now employ in many places young girls as bar maids and in restaurants where, as waitresses, they are compelled to serve alcoholic beverages.

We urge that public sentiment be cultivated for local option that the liquor traffic be driven from every community possible. Every local community ought to have the right to correct these conditions if it so

desires and we believe many communities now desire to repent of their sins in voting for repeal.

Many of those who worked for repeal and made promises to work for temperance after repeal are now either silently watching an ever increasing program of advertising designed to create a thirst for alcoholic beverages or they have purchased interest in the liquor business and are actively engaged in creating a market for their goods. We believed when they made their promises that they were lying with malice aforethought and the first sixteen months of repeal confirms our conviction.

As Methodists we have never, do not now, nor will we in the future surrender to the liquor traffic. We set ourselves squarely against all governmental policies designed for the purpose of producing revenue at the expense of personal and national honor and decency. We believe in a saloonless nation and in the complete and absolutely outlawry of the liquor traffic. We do not believe that it can be made a respectable business by any kind of system of control or regulation. We register our conviction that any system of control and regulation at its best is worse by far than prohibition ever was at its worst. Those who tell us that temperance and sobriety have been helped by repeal and that drunkenness has decreased as they promised are either wilfully ignorant of the facts or maliciously misrepresenting the facts. We reiterate our former position as Methodists that we will not give up the fight against the liquor traffic until this institution of sin and crime has been banished from the society of mankind. We will never approve or bless a social life built around the wine glass whether that society be in the White House at Washington or the hovels of Debauchery.

We pledge ourselves to the following ways of Temperance Education:

1. We must revive again the teaching of temperance lessons in the church school until every boy and girl in our Methodist Churches shall know the evil effect of alcohol on the human body and the sin and crime of the liquor business. We urge our pastors to present the temperance cause from their pulpits and to see that regular Temperance instruction is given in church school classes and Epworth Leagues.

2. We restate our position taken one year ago that we must go to our boards of Education in the several communities and see that laws be enacted which are systematic to temperance instructions in the public schools. The alcohol problem is an acute social question and those who are educated at public expense have a right to know what alcohol does to the mind, to the body, and to the character.

3. We pledge our support to our board of temperance in its program of temperance education and to the W. C. T. U. and the Anti-Saloon League in their efforts to stir the Christian church to a sense of its responsibility in this matter.

The way back to a saloonless nation is long and hard. It will come by years of careful training and education of our youth. But we as Methodists are willing to take that way and pledge our unwavering support to the cause of Temperance and the overthrow of the liquor traffic and to the elimination from our national, state and city governments of every opportunist politician who is willing to sell his soul for a mess of pottage from the breweries' stew.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Church of Christ, of which our Church is part, is called of God to meet this time of crisis. The Gospel of Love for God and Brotherhood among Men is the only real antidote for the war-spirit among the nations. High-sounding treaties and compacts limiting armaments will not prevent conflict, when hatred is in men's hearts. The Gospel, however, calls upon men to recognize all men as their brothers—and such recognition leads to perpetual peace. Let us continue unceasingly to send forth messengers of the Cross, until every knee bows to the Galilean.

"Waft, waft, ye winds, His story
And you, ye waters, roll—
Till, like a sea of glory,
It spreads from pole to pole—
Till o'er our ransomed nature
The Lamb for sinners slain,
Redeemer, King, Creator,
In bliss returns to reign."

The proclamation of the Evangel of Love, which culminates on Golgotha in the supreme self-sacrifice of the Son of God, is Evangelism. Any and all means employed to bring to pass a condition of the human mind and heart which will overthrow the prevailing conditions of selfishness and establish the Christian rule of life are part of an evangelistic program. Even as the faithful foreign missionary seeks to work this work in other lands—so the loyal minister of Christ labors for the spirit of sympathy and understanding among the diverse groups of our own economic, social and political order. Let us enter into men's problems, showing them that we believe that nothing that concerns human welfare is outside the Church's interest. Let us repeat the old slogan, "Christ for every life and for all of life!"

The programs of Religious Education and of Social Service, in the broadest and truest sense, are substantially part of this work of Evangelism. We are wholeheartedly for them.

We must bear in mind that the Kingdom of God is not only extensive but also intensive. The Holy Catholic Church includes the various denominations—and these denominations in turn consist of lesser groups. The ultimate strength of the vast Church Universal rests in the ten-thousands of local churches, and in the millions of Christian homes.

Martin Luther said "If the kingdom of God is to come with power we must begin with our children and teach them from the cradle". And God is represented as having said of his faithful servant Abraham, "I know Abraham, that he will teach his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment".

The Bible is the book of life because it is so uniquely a book of lives. It must have a large place in the Christian home. There is place for other literature, but in a Christian home all recreation, in fact every interest must tend toward the strengthening of the Christian character of each member of the family. We do not condemn the attendance of the "movies" but we emphatically insist that, as parents, we should know what pictures our children are seeing.

The modern home has tried to delegate its religious duties with regard to the children, to the church. The home has been saying to the church, "Here is my child, please make him religious for me." Religious education needs to return to the home. The home fires of vital faith must be re-lighted if we would mature our children in a home atmosphere that is sincerely Christian. Training in worship and instruction in religion must form the central program in any plan of family religious education. We need to rediscover the purpose and meaning of prayer. Many of us need to have a mental picture of father or mother leading the family devotions, lifting each member of the family by name to the throne of God. Doubtless we testify that the family altar was one of the strongest influences upon our lives. Parents who pray in the presence of their children do well. Those who teach or those who lead their children to pray do infinitely better.

The home and the church must work hand in hand. Neither can perform the inherent tasks of the other. And if each performs its task under the inspiration and leadership of the Spirit of God, we shall see a restoration of the family pew in the sanctuary.

We desire to repeat the definite conviction that the proper observance of the Sabbath Day is essential to man's highest good. We call upon all people strictly to honor this holy day, by precept and by example. Remember that there is little use to criticize the man who sells anything, while we ourselves are the buyers, nor to condemn one type of Sunday sport, while we indulge in another. Let us be as strict with ourselves as we are with others—and ever serve an enlightened conscience before God.

W. VAUGHAN MOORE,
RALPH C. JONES,
ROY T. THAWLEY,
WILLIAM M. NESBIT.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE.

We are living in a day of far reaching social experiment. It is very necessary at such a time that we have our objectives clearly in mind. Our efforts are to organize the economic, political and international life so that there will be greater prosperity and security, not for the few, but for all.

Recognizing that selfishness is the greatest barrier to the achievement of this end we turn to Jesus Christ who alone imparts that power in which men are able to bear one another's burdens, share equitably in the good things of life, and to respect each other's personal integrity and worth. We can never build a lasting and secure social order until we found it upon Jesus' principle of doing unto others as we ourselves would be done by.

The building of a new social order on this basis can never be without the guiding hand of the Church. It is high time the Church should take the lead in the development of the principles and practices that govern the economic order and control business and industry by planting them more definitely in the hearts of men. Until Jesus is put in the center of our

corporate life as well as our individual lives, insecurity will continue to haunt us and chaos will ever be a possibility.

Mindful of these things we declare our position upon some questions which now engage the attention of the people:

1. We commend the N. R. A. and all other such governmental measures in so far as they seek to put into practice the principle of sharing. We heartily support that hard-to-follow, nevertheless Christian principle of desiring nothing for ourselves that cannot be had by all, both here in our own land and throughout the world. We believe in the principle of governmental control over business in the common security of all citizens. We believe that prosperity, security and the increase of purchasing power for all arrived at by application of the principle of sharing is definitely Christian and that modern civilization is in grave danger of committing suicide if it is unwilling to go in that way. We commend the thousands of our citizens who have recognized the dawn of a new day in industry and business and who are now willing to try the Golden Rule.

We greatly regret that the President made the repeal of the 18th amendment one of the planks of the National Recovery Program. This course in our judgment was not only morally wrong but economically unsound and leaves a lasting blot upon this administration.

We are convinced of the futility of attempts of this administration toward the final elimination of unemployment in an era of surplus economy to raise prices by subsidizing scarcity, whether on farms or in factories, by artificial rebates or artificial tariffs. We firmly believe that in an economy of abundance such as is ours, unemployment will finally be eliminated only when the dominant motive of production is for use rather than for profit.

The old order of individualism is surely running its course and in large measure, today, a failure. This is due largely to the fact that the few who controlled the wealth and the national resources of the nation used them for their own profit. They dominated the major political parties and while they exalted liberty and freedom they granted themselves monopolies, high tariffs, subsidies, and the opportunity to exploit the masses. The so called prosperity of the old order was purchased too largely by the price of child labor, the slums, poverty, unemployment, insecurity, and the most glaring inequality in the distribution of wealth.

Our Christian Program can be realized only when we develop an intelligent, an unselfish, a thrifty, disciplined and religious people. We recognize the fact that we need a new economic man to accompany the new economic order. We renounce defiantly that desperate and ignorant doctrine, that poverty, unemployment and insecurity are inevitable. We believe that a new order is possible if we follow the Christian principle of sharing and that it is possible to bring in the day when "Every man may dwell under his own vine and fig tree, with none to molest or make him afraid".

In order to bring about this more equitable distribution of the good things of life we believe it should be recognized as a fundamental principle of the new order not only was it ordained that by the sweat of his face shall man eat his bread but that this is a privilege extended to and obligation imposed upon all mankind.

It is our firm conviction that laws should be enacted for the following purposes

1. Abolition of the sweat shop. The needle of womankind must no longer pay tribute to the greed of mankind.
2. A minimum wage for classes of workers based upon the cost to the laborer of producing a day's work, plus a normal profit.
3. Shortening the hours of labor to such a number of weekly hours as may be necessary to secure full time employment for all those who desire to work.

Free Christian Conference.

We extend our good will to our Brother Protestant Pastors of the New Reformation Movement who have opposed the so called "German Christians" in the interest of the prophetic freedom of the church. No race has a monopoly on God's favor and the church must never give its conscience into the keeping of the state. Should a similar condition as now exists in Germany arise in this country, we would prefer to go to the "Catacombs" and possess our souls ourselves rather than submit our souls to the custody of the State.

Crime, Its Cost and Elimination.

It is estimated that there are nearly 400,000 people in the United States who make their living from crime and that crime costs the nation in money somewhere from five to eleven billion dollars every year. We believe that the courts must administer the law with wisdom, courage and promptness but if at any time there seems to be a temporary failure of the courts, there can be no justification whatsoever in resorting to lynching to administer punishment. Lynching is a fatal blow against all law and order whether it is defended by the Governor of the State or the most sincere but misguiding citizen and can have no place in a Christian society.

International Affairs and Peace.

We register our firm conviction that war is unnecessary and that under modern conditions is futile and suicidal. The pronouncement of the general conference leads us to the inevitable conclusion that our fundamental conviction as expressed by that body is that war is sin, and to this we heartily subscribe. It involves the slaughter of human beings, the violation of personality, lying propaganda, a deliberate breeding of the spirit of hate, vast and unrestrained destruction of property, replaces the moral law with the doctrine of military necessity, dethrones the religion of Jesus and in his place crowns the War God.

We believe the time has come when the Christian church should say to the Government in no unmistakable terms that it cannot be counted upon to bless or support another war. The World War definitely taught us that the military way of handling disputes between nations is extremely

futile. We call upon our people to study the facts with regard to the World War, its results, and its so called peace treaty. The Versailles Treaty sowed more dragon's teeth for another war than it extracted. Any nation or group of nations that is guilty of signing a document like the Versailles treaty with such paragraphs as the reparation provision and the sole guilt clause will surely reap a harvest of insanity like unto the insanity of the treaty. Hitlerism is a logical product of the so called peace treaty.

It is our conviction that the United States of America should take definite steps toward peace education and world organization for the maintenance of international good will by joining the world court and the League of Nations on such terms and under such conditions as are in harmony with our commitments in the Paris Peace Pact. We greatly lament the recent defeat of the World Court protocols in the Senate. The discussion of this issue both outside and inside the Senate is unmistakable evidence that fear, suspicions and prejudice too largely control our international policies.

We commend our Government for all efforts made in the direction of elimination of war profits. We believe that one of the ways to eliminate military hysteria is to make war unprofitable to those who build ships and manufacture arms and ammunition. We call attention to the fact that dividend patriotism such as is defended by representatives of a corporation which before the war earned dividends of \$600,000 per year but during the war reached \$49,000,000 per year is not the type of patriotism which Christianity can sponsor. Following the breakdown of the 1927 Geneva Conference a result to which Wm. B. Shearer, employee of the "Big Three" ship building firms, contributed, a cruiser bill was passed which brought to the New York Ship Building Company 36% profit on the cruisers. To Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company "34% on the cruiser Houston" and "37.2% on the Augusta." It is high time that we take the profit out of war and out of preparation for war.

We look with disapproval upon the proposed expenditure of more than \$1,000,000,000.00 this year on the army and navy for purely military purposes, believing that it is in no sense for "National Defense". It is a calculated threat aimed at Japan. Never did the war profiteers and Jingoists show their power to greater effect than the achievement of this program of expenditure during the Nye investigation of the vast profits earned by fomenting war fears.

Methodist Youth Who Refuse Military Training Commended.

We commend the President of De Pauw University and its governing board in requesting the United States Army to withdraw the R. O. T. C. unit from the University's campus and curriculum, and recommend similar action to other Methodist institutions. Military training has no place in Christian educational institutions.

We commend those Methodist youth in universities and colleges, particularly those in the University of Maryland, Ohio State University and the University of California who refuse to violate their consciences by

submitting to compulsory military training. They are practicing the principles of our Methodist Episcopal Church as expressed by the General Conferences of 1928 and 1932, and deserve the support of all our people. We affirm the supremacy of the individual conscience, and hold it to be the most precious possession of State and school, as well as the student. It must not be violated.

Memorial to The General Conference.

Recognizing, as did the General Conference of 1932 that "It is imperative that there be some authorized agency in our church for the purpose of raising the social implications of the gospel of Jesus" we hereby memorialize the General Conference and instruct the secretary of this conference to forward same to the secretary of the General Conference, to create as an integral part of the program and organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a council, Commission or Committee on Social Relations, the purpose of which shall be the raising of the social implications of the Gospel of Jesus and the carrying on of a program of education through the regularly established agencies of the church as to the application of the gospel to all such questions as economic, race and international relations. Also that it provide for the creation of a committee on social relations as one of the standing committees of the quarterly conference in the local church.

REPORT OF DEL-MAR-VA INSTITUTE FOR YOUTH.

Registrations (1934).

District	Boys	Girls	Adults	Total	No. Charges
Dover District	5	16		21	4
Middletown District	3	10		13	6
Salisbury District	4	8		12	6
Wilmington District	4	15		19 (65)	8
Leaders and Officers			16	16	
	16	49	16	81	24

Finances (1934).

Receipts—1934	\$ 541.60
Balance on hand	58.81
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	\$ 600.41
From Youth Conference Funds	100.00
Advanced by Conference Board	19.79
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	\$ 720.20
Expenditures	720.20
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Balance on hand	000.00
Assets—Note held by Conference Board—\$219.00.	

REPORT OF WILMINGTON GOODWILL INDUSTRIES FOR YEAR 1934.

1934 was the largest year in the experience of the Wilmington Goodwill Industries. The total receipts for the year show \$24,426.01 this was an increase of \$2000.00 over the year 1933. Of this total receipts \$15,128.39 was paid out in self-respecting wages to 860 different persons.

During the year our two trucks made 12,025 calls and deliveries collecting 9089 bags of clothing, 2569 bags of paper and 7570 pieces of furniture.

The regular Chapel services were held and during the year the different ministers were invited to participate in our services and we feel that much good resulted.

The kindergarten at the Goodwill Industries opened September 17th 1934 with an enrollment of 15, since then 15 others have been added to the roll. Sixty per cent of these children are Polish, there are also Jewish and Italian children included.

The kindergarten is indeed appreciated by the parents, many of them under-privileged. Through the kindness of several dairy companies milk was furnished free six weeks, since, through donations from friends we have been able to serve a lunch of milk and crackers each day. Needless to say this is a period which is looked forward to with great pleasure by the children.

We feel that this work is a real worth while one in the community, as the nearest public kindergarten is seven blocks away, and we open our school to little ones who are too young to be admitted into the public school kindergarten. When the weather has been permissible the average daily attendance has been about twenty one.

It would be well if those who are trying to lift the world out of our present economic slump would study the workings at the Goodwill Industries. It is saving the waste of things, it is salvaging cast-off materials and, in the process, is paying self-respecting wages to thousands who have been thrown on the scrap heap. The Goodwill Industries stands at the very bottom of the industrial ladder. It gives opportunity to those broken by all kinds of misfortunes.

H. E. BEAUCHAMP, Supervisor.

CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Wilmington Conference Historical Society has had a very profitable, and interesting year in the service rendered various churches and individuals. Our sources of information have been freely consulted and found invaluable in helping those who were doing research work dealing with some phase of the history of the Conference. We were glad to assist in the many celebrations throughout the Conference during the year. The Sesqui Centennial of Methodism gave an impulse to things historical and made the Conference conscious of its rich heritage. We lay claim to many things of significance in the annals of the Church life. On this Peninsula

Whitefield preached Methodism before ever the first foundation stone of any Methodist Church was ever laid. Here Asbury found the only home he ever claimed as his own, a harbor and his citizenship rights. Here he was first elected to the General Superintendency, first told of the plans to ordain him, and witnessed the ordinances being legally administered for the first time in America. Here was born the General Conference, and it was here that the first altar call was ever issued in any church anywhere. Here the call was issued to the preachers to assemble in Baltimore and organize the Methodist Episcopal Church in America. Here Asbury found many preachers until he called this his Preacher Garden. From this Peninsula went some of the outstanding men who helped in shaping and moulding the thought of the day and leading the host of Israel into the Methodist Church. Here were born three of the great Bishops of the Church. From our ranks have gone men as secretaries of our Foreign Missionary Society that made enviable reputations. From us came the man who made possible the success of the Book Concern. In our territory started the greatest revival the Church has ever known. It swept into the fold more members than any other single move. It was here the Conference of a separate section was first held. Before that the Conference was for all the preachers. It was here the camp-meetings were fostered by the elite and lifted them from a gathering place to a real spiritual treat. This is the place that fostered the spirit of our movement when it was at a low ebb elsewhere, and here we find Methodism still true to the high call of its unique mission. The Historical Society is still gathering material. We beg any who have had celebrations to send us program material to be filed so future generations may have access to the things you have discovered.

E. C. HALLMAN, President,
JOHN M. KELSO, Research Secretary,
M. S. ANDREWS,
O. A. BARTLEY, Treasurer,
R. T. THAWLEY.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STRAWBRIDGE HOME FOR BOYS, INC.

We present herewith our Eleventh Annual Report:

The Charter.

There are certain fundamental facts about our Charter that you ought to know, showing how completely this Institution is under the control of the Church. The Strawbridge Home for Boys, Incorporated, is owned and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church. The 318 acre farm given by George W. Albaugh and his wife was deeded without any conditions whatsoever, so that if the Church did not establish an orphanage, it could be disposed of.

The Charter provides that the Trustees be elected annually upon the nomination of the Area Bishop and elected by the Conferences.

The Charter also provides that any boy of any denomination or of no denomination can be admitted. This makes it possible for a great Church to open its doors to any orphan or dependent boy, and give him a home and a chance. It also broadens the financial appeal so that those outside of our Church may help.

Our Educational Program.

We are using every possible means at our command to put on a Strawbridge educational program, so that our Methodist people might know what we are doing and the greatness of our needs.

OUR BOYS, our quarterly publication, has now reached a circulation of 11,300 copies per quarter and goes into the leading Methodist homes of the Baltimore and Wilmington Conferences.

Miss May Trimble, a Deaconess of exceptional ability, who has been assigned to us, is showing a very remarkable motion picture of our boys and their activities to many churches throughout this territory. We have the finest motion picture projector made by the Eastman Kodak Company. It was presented to the Home as a memorial to Miss Mary C. Stabler, deceased, our Chief House Mother from 1925 to 1933.

Our Finances.

Legacies and Endowment gifts paid during this Conference year amount to \$7,061.98. Bequests in process of settlement amount to \$38,000.00. Annuity gifts amounting to \$6,000.00 have also been received during this past year.

Almost all our securities are in Government Bonds paying about three per cent. interest, so generous offerings from you are imperative if we are to maintain the Home at its high standard and admit more boys. Our expenses for maintenance during the last fiscal year exceeded our income by \$1,496.99. However, we have been able to meet this obligation.

Repairs and Improvements.

Since the time the farm was given, we have not had the money for necessary improvements and repairs. At last, for sanitary as well as safety reasons, improvements had to be made at the barn. A friend gave \$2,800.00 for this purpose, and this money has been exhausted in the remodeling of the barn and the erection of other farm buildings.

We are now seeking money to build a farmer's house, and we have a pledge of \$500.00 toward it if the balance of \$2,500.00 can be secured.

Training For The Boys.

The Mechanical Arts shop and the building program have contributed much toward the training of our boys. During the past summer all of the buildings were painted by the boys, and a farm implement shed 20x50

feet was erected by them, under the direction of the Mechanical Arts teacher.

Altogether the year has been one of unusual success, for which we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS S. LONG,
Executive Secretary.

March, 1935.

We are asking this Conference to re-elect Dr. J. W. Colona, Dr. C. Wilson Hughes, and Mrs. Mary T. Gambrill as Trustees of the Strawbridge Home for Boys, Inc., representing this Conference.

DELMARVIA SUPPLY MINISTERIAL AID SOCIETY.

The Society was organized May 4, 1934 with the following officers: Mrs. Laura Walls, President; Robert L. Kirby, Jr., Treasurer; Robert G. Conner, Secretary. Since the above date the total amount of cash received is \$1544.

\$1400 of this sum is the personal contribution from Mr. Alfred I. DuPont.

The following Supply Pastors have received aid from this society: L. D. McLain, Nazarene, Thomas Barrett, M. E., Henry Covington, M. E., S. W. Sweeney, M. E., Samuel Cawman, M. E., John Galloway, M. E. deceased; C. W. Shellhouse, Holiness.

The last two named are now discontinued. Brother Galloway is deceased, and Brother Shellhouse has regained his health.

The total amount paid out of the Treasury is \$1,077.66, leaving a balance on hand April 3, 1935 of \$466.34.

Since the organization of this society in May 1934, not one applicant for aid has been refused and the respective amounts paid monthly to each minister was set by the applicant.

The ministers now receiving aid are Henry Covington of Centreville, Md., D. W. Sweeney, Hollywood, Md., Thomas Barrett, Rock Hall, Md., L. T. McLain, Easton, Md., Samuel Cawman, Queenstown, Md.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA WALLS, President,
ROBERT J. KIRBY, JR., Treasurer,
ROBERT G. CONNER, Secretary.

ANTI SALOON LEAGUE OF DELAWARE.

Methodist Episcopal Churches in Delaware that opened to the Anti-Saloon League and contributed to its work:

Harrison St., Wilmington, Mt. Salem, Wilmington, Kingswood, Wilmington, Trinity, Wilmington, Ebenezer, near Newark, Summit, Georgetown, Slaughter Neck, Clayton, Marshallton, Bellefonte, Red Lion, Kirkwood, Glasgow, Newark Union, Hockessin and Cedars, Felton, Mastens, Ocean View, Lincoln, Milton, St. Georges, Seaford Cir.—Bethel & Wesley, Bridgeville, Smyrna, Richardson Park, Odessa, Friendship, Kenton, Greenwood, Selbyville, Nassau, Cheswold, Camden, Wyoming, Dagsboro and St. Georges, Newport, Houston, Rehoboth, Christiana and Salem, Lewes, Claymont, Stanton.

REPORT OF G. A. COOKE, AS CONFERENCE EVANGELIST.

At the last session of our Conference, after consultation with the District Superintendents, I requested appointment to the work of Conference Evangelist. The Discipline says that the minister so appointed shall be under the direction of a District Superintendent, and at the end of the conference year shall make a full written report to his annual Conference, said report to include meetings and compensation. My first meeting was at Piney Neck, on the Fairlee Charge, where I spent about ten days assisting Bro. S. T. Hamblin. A fine community, but in need of revival. We preached to the church as well as to those on the outside. We visited among the people, and had good congregations. There was a free will offering of \$18.00 above expenses. Many were blessed who attended the meetings but there was no tabulation of spiritual results.

We held a meeting of eight days at Smith's Island, assisting Brother Harlan Ralph. The services were attended by large congregations night after night. Bro. Ralph co-operated splendidly and the results were all that could be expected. The quickening power of the Divine presence was quite manifest. The offering amounted to \$25.00 above expenses. So I have received about \$45.00 during the year from evangelistic work. I believe there is great need of evangelistic preaching in all our churches. Generally speaking our pastors are not definite enough in the application of gospel truth. As a result our people are in ignorance as to God's plan of salvation. Our chief business is to save souls. We should all consecrate ourselves to this task, then concentrate our talents and our time, toward a general revival of God's work throughout the bounds of our Conference. The pulpit should be instructive as to evangelical scriptural doctrine. The Class meeting system should be revived. Family altars should be erected in all our homes. Then Religion would be accepted as an essential of life. "Seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness" would be translated into experience. Isaiah tells us the cause of our trouble in Chapter 59, verses 1 and 2. "Behold the Lord's hand is not shortened that he cannot save, neither is his ear heavy, that he cannot hear; but your iniquities have separated between you and

your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that he will not hear." The answer to that condition is found in Chapter 60 verses 1 and 2. "Arise, shine, for thy light is come and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee."

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE.

Reaffirming our belief in the sanctity of the Lord's Day being vital to the prosperity of the church, the welfare of the home and safety of the state;

Reaffirming our belief that—Lord's Day Educational Program in the church and in church school is essential to the conservation of the Lord's Day;

Be it therefore resolved, by the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in session in Seaford, Delaware, March 27th, 1935 that we endorse the Educational Program of the Lord's Day Alliance and pledge ourselves as members of the Wilmington Conference to give this program a definite place in our church activities;

Be it further resolved, that we agree to preach an annual sermon on the scriptural foundations of the Lord's Day, to give three midweek prayer meetings to the Lord's Day observance, to give a brief period of seven to eight minutes three times a year in our church schools to the study of the Divine purpose of this day and wherever practicable an annual full Lord's Day Program;

Be it further resolved that we recommend that our churches and schools cooperate financially with the Lord's Day Alliance by taking some of the Alliance memberships: (1) Active, \$2.00, (2) Sustaining, \$5.00, or (3) Guarantors, \$10.00.

Be it further resolved that we recommend to our Dist. Supts. to request through their Quarterly Conferences, preferably the 1st, that the churches name a Lord's Day Alliance committee consisting of the Pastor, church school supt. and three others to promote the Lord's Day Educational program by the local church.

Be it further resolved that we commend the work of Dr. W. W. Davis of the Lord's Day Alliance in our conference territory.

LEONARD WHITE,
J. W. JONES,
W. G. HARRIS,
T. J. SARD,
G. W. DAWSON,
T. F. BEAUCHAMP,
OMAR E. JONES.

THANKS.

We come to the close of the 67th session of the Wilmington Annual Conference with grateful thanks to our Heavenly Father for His presence, and the inspiration of His Holy Spirit, imparting to the Conference the delightful atmosphere of brotherly love and kindness, which has characterized our sessions.

We are delighted in assembling in this fine and beautiful temple and express our thanks to the good people of Seaford Church, and its pastor, L. E. Windsor, for the splendid manner in which they have entertained the Conference.

We appreciate the courtesy of the Methodist Protestant Church, in opening its doors for the use of our conference, the First National Bank, for placing its facilities at our service; and the Press, for the generous space given our reports, also to the police and firemen who have contributed to our safety and comfort.

We wish to express our thanks to the churches of our whole Conference, who have really become our hosts by providing the funds necessary for our entertainment, and we pray that their hospitality may return to them in rich streams of spiritual blessing.

We cannot express in words, our appreciation for the presidency of our beloved Bishop Hughes. His administration has been efficient, wise, brotherly and kind. His Scripture expositions and sermons have breathed the spirit of true devotion, uplifting and illuminating, enabling us to realize more and more, that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is indeed the power of God unto salvation to all who believe. We have grown in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus, under his leadership.

A word of appreciation is also due Bro. J. R. Bicking, our conference secretary; Bro. J. W. Wootten, Statistician; and Bro. J. J. Bunting, treasurer; together with their faithful assistants, they who do the real hard work that makes the Conference sessions effectual in correct records.

Finally, to all the residents of Seaford and the country round about, to the hosts of attending friends from all parts of the Conference territory, we extend our hands, and give the warmth of our hearts, in fellowship and service to God and Methodism.

J. THOMAS PRICE,
C. W. STRICKLAND,
R. S. HODGSON.

REPORT OF**(d) CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN**

J. W. WOOTTEN, Statistician.

Assistants.

L. E. WINDSOR, 1st Asst.

R. W. Mills,	S. T. Hamblin,	P. E. Reynolds,
H. N. Bailey,	W. L. McClintock,	O. J. Collins,
H. O. Hufnal,	Willard Everett,	T. O. M. Wills,
J. B. Vaughn,	R. S. Hodgson,	R. M. Green,
		F. A. Baker.
	D. A. Littleton.	

REPORT OF**(e) CONFERENCE TREASURER**

J. J. BUNTING, Treasurer.

Assistants.

W. J. McKee,	W. L. Beckwith,	R. G. Conner,	V. E. Hills,
J. E. Parker,	R. T. Thawley,	O. H. Connelly,	
J. H. Clow,	W. H. Revelle,	L. L. Powell,	
	L. W. Ross,	W. H. Kohl.	

STATISTICAL DOVER DISTRICT.

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

* Indicates that no report was received. District Parsonage at Dover, Del., estimated value, \$15,000.

STATISTICAL DOVER DISTRICT.

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

STATISTICAL
DOVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Sunday Church Schools										Other Church Schools		
	Number of Schools	Enrollment		Church Membe'ip		Finances		Pupils Enrolled in Vac- ation Church Schools	Pupils Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Pupils Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Pupils Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Pupils Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	
		No of Classes Under 18 Years	No. of Classes Using Close- ly Graded Lessons	Pupils of all Grades	Nursery Roll	Home Department	Total Enrollment						Average Attendance
		Officers and Teachers	Pupils incl. Home Dept who are Ch'ch Mem. bers or Prep. Mem. Accessions to Ch. from Membership of S. S.											Rally Day Offering	Paid by S. S. to World Service not including Rally Day Offering	Expenses for Lesson Materials, Supplies, Etc.
1 Beckwith and Spedden	2	13	32	267	7	306	175	150	125	175			
2 Bethel	1	4	7	58		65	30			75			
3 Blades	3	18	12	340	15	396	200			174			
4 Bridgeville	1	12	24	216		240	150	140	12	160	240		
5 Cambridge	1	18	16	694	37	791	476	200	7	500	420	27	
6 Camden	1	10	9	163	12	204	105		16	89	135	60	
7 Canterbury	2	12	20	150		170	80		8	65	50		
8 Church Creek	3	7	25	205		230	140			90	6		
9 Crapo	4	6	9	22	112	134	100		2	30	115		
10 Dover St. Pauls	1	6	2	9		74	46	8		30	18		
11 Wesley	1	17	15	33	267	40	300	212	10	20	175	14	
12 E. New Market	2	9	3	22	161		183	100		16	24		
13 Ellendale	2	12	26	178	27	231	140		2	70	135		
14 Elliott's Island	1	3	12	128		140	95			25	52		
15 Farmington	4	23	40	285	23	384	151	59	13	6	74		
16 Federalsburg	1	18	13	32	228	20	280	163	7	11	92	246	
17 Felton	3	14	11	30	220	6	278	150		10	30	170	
18 Frederica	1	8	4	17	140	12	184	66		5	115	40	
19 Galestown-Rce	4	6	20	140		160	110			40	75		
20 Georgetown	1	19	19	38	490	60	603	153		50	250	125	
21 Georgetown Ct	4	17	36	235		271	260	264	10	8	92	150	
22 Greenwood	4	10	12	38	438	67	543	215	405	14	25	198	
23 Harrington	1	11	3	45	362	19	442	250	2	30	300	223	
24 Hooper's Isl'd.	2	5	3	16	74		90	65		5	25		
25 Houston	3	5	5	18	260		278	175			150		
26 Hurlock	1	13	4	24	138	8	170	80		3	5	97	
27 Laurel	1	32	32	52	491	28	596	399	346	14	10	465	
28 Lewes	1	13	11	26	371	30	462	151	218	16	12	100	
29 Lincoln	3	20	33	350		383	210	117			80	150	
30 Little Creek	1	5	1	7	53		60	25			35		
Magnolia and Barratts Chp	3	24	10	45	313	20	378	170	208	8	9	215	
31 Milford	1	30	16	47	453	14	539	155	254	15	6	298	
32 Milford Ne'k	1	1	11	53		64	26	41			26		
33 Millsboro	2	17	53	573	20	626	438	344	10	50	142	212	
34 Milton	1	10	7	18	173	22	225	109	115	3	12	110	
35 Mt. Pleasant	3	10	30	352	14	396	215	155	14	9	58	243	
36 Mt. Zion	1	5	3	13	119		132	56			5	25	
37 Nassau	4	9	30	400		430	275				100		
38 Rehoboth	1	18	17	26	170	40	236	117		16	72	360	
39 St. Thomas	4	18	50	350		400	300				100		
40 Seaford	1	25	22	51	489	24	586	292	279	20	111	325	
41 Seaford Circ't	3	11	7	51	315		366	220			30	125	
42 Secretary	1	7	15	80	10	90	70	40	7		75	50	
43 Vienna	4	11	40	200		240	125				75		
44 Williamsburg	3	17	4	24	138		162	100	36		36		
45 Woodside	1	3	2	6	47	1	54	30	25	2	3	6	
46 Wyoming	1	10	9	20	200		200	106	84	3	8	86	
47 Zoar Circuit	2	8	6	20	110	5	135	100	25		4	30	
Total	93	582	287	1307	11424	601	247	13517	7206	5370	192	373	3778
													7152
													168
													761

* Indicates that no report was received.

TREASURER'S
DOVER DISTRICT.

List No.	Disciplinary Benevolences as Ordered by the General Conf.										Benevolences as ordered by the Annual Conference													
	World Service										General Conference Expenses													
	Designated to										Education													
	Foreign Missions	Home Missions and Church Extension	Education (Incl. Theological Schs)	Hospitals, Homes (Deaconess Work)	Temperance Pr'ch'n and Public Morals	Pensions and Relief	American Bible Soc.	Total on Apportionment	Specials, Annulifes, Legacies, etc.	Children's Day Fund (Board of Education)	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Education	Conference Board of Education	Episcopal Residence	Domestic Missions	Hospitals & Homes, Edts, Buildings, Spec. Gifts	Conference Budget	Other Items	Annual Conf. Investm'ts for Conf. Claimants	City Missionary or Church Extension Society	Min'l Contin. Relief Fund	Total Benevolences Ord'd by Annual Conference
1	125						125					125												11
2	10						16					16												36
3	134						250					250												69
4	450	15	70	20			800		11			811												107
5	115	100	250				150					150												85
6	60						71					71												18
7	40						40					40												27
8	37						30					30												17
9	519	30	100	96			774					774												107
10	50						51					51												25
11	62						75					75												44
12	25						28					28												13
13	72						77					77												43
14	224						325					325												128
15	132						200					200												16
16	105						120					120												10
17	229						400					400												148
18	100						100					100												28
19	70						105					105												90
20	235						300					300												104
21	15						15					15												5
22	80						80					80												57
23	147						237					237												47
24	465						575					575												136
25	114						225					225												126
26	80						80					80												78
27	30						14					14												9
28	73						100					100												55
29	1060						1200					1200												210
30	20						20					20												104
31	30						300					300												57
32	225						333					333												29
33	308						65					65												11
34	51						5					5												50
35	5						5					5												49
36	145						158					158												122
37	16						72																	

STATISTICAL
MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

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

District Parsonage at Middletown, Del., estimated value \$10,000.

STATISTICAL
MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

Table with columns: Church Membership (Prepry Mm'l., Full Members), Church Property (Estimated Value of Land and Buildings, Parsonages, etc.), Miscellaneous (Local Preachers, Subscribers, etc.), and Epw'th League (Senior and Young People, Intermediate and Juniors).

STATISTICAL MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

Table with columns for NAME OF CHARGE, Sunday Church Schools (Enrollment, Finances), and Other Church Schools. Lists 40 churches and their respective statistics.

TREASURER'S MIDDLETOWN DISTRICT.

Table showing Disiplinary Benevolences and Benevolences as Ordered by the Annual Conference. Includes sub-sections for World Service and Designated to, with columns for various categories like Foreign Missions, Church Extension, and Educational expenses.

STATISTICAL SALISBURY DISTRICT.

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

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

STATISTICAL SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Table with columns: Church Membership (Prep'y Mem., Full Members: Now on Roll, Rec'd from P. M. or Prof'n of Faith, Received by Transfer, Full Mem'rs 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, Paid by Charge for Buildings and Improvements, Paid on Old Indebtedness, Present Indebtedness, Current Expenses, Local Preachers, Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society, Senior and Young People, Intermediate and Juniors), Miscellaneous (Subscribers to the Advo-cates, Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society, No. Cong. or Prch'g P'ces), Epw'th League.

STATISTICAL SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Table with columns: List No., NAMES OF CHARGES, Sunday Church Schools (Enrollment, Church Membe'ip, Finances), and Other Church Schools. Rows list various churches like Berlin, Bishopville, Cape Charles, etc., with numerical data for each category.

TREASURER'S SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Table with columns: List No., Disciplinary Benevolences as Ordered by the Gen. Conf., World Service (Designated to), Benevolences as Ordered by the Annual Conference, and General Conference Expenses. Rows list various categories of expenses and their amounts.

STATISTICAL WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Table with 18 columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, NAMES OF PASTORS, Support of Pastor, Support of District, Support of Bishops, Support Conf. Cl'mnts, Total Paid for Ministerial Support, Total Deficiency, Children Baptized, Adults Baptized.

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

STATISTICAL WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Table with 18 columns: Church Membership (Prep'y Memb., Full Members), Church Property (Value of Land, Parsonages, etc.), Miscellaneous (Local Preachers, etc.), Epw'th League (Senior and Young People, etc.).

STATISTICAL WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, Sunday Church Schools (Enrollment, Church Membe'ip, Finance), and Other Church Schools. Lists 49 churches and their respective statistics.

TREASURER'S WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Table with columns: Disciplinary Benevolences as Ordered By the Gen. Conf. (World Service, Designated to), and Benevolences as Ordered by the Annual Conference (General Conference Expenses, Education, etc.). Lists various financial categories and their amounts.

CIRCUIT REPORT.

Dover District.

Appointment	S. S. Members	Church Members	Cash Salary Paid	Paid to World Service
Beckwith	125		\$ 600	\$ 50
Spedden	175		600	75
East New Market			1200	50
Cabin Creek			266	
Ellendale			667	50
McColleys			167	12
Union			167	12
Farmington	90	37	365	29
Epworth	87	40	225	18
Prospect	66	35	175	14
Todds	105	73	235	19
Felton	208	156	1000	183
Manship	40	34	325	8
Masten	30	40	175	9
Hooper's Island	60	92	430	10
Mt. Zion	30	24	153	5
Vienna	65	50	249	
Salem	32	23	175	
Reids Grove	43	40	143	
Wainwrights	60	30	133	
Zoar	75	50	275	2
Unity	60	45	200	2
St. Thomas		25	150	

Middletown District.

Appointment	S. S. Members	Church Members	Cash Salary Paid	Paid to World Service
Bayside:				
Sherwood	66	54	\$ 500	\$ 100
Wittman	109	75	450	12
Church Hill			470	68
Prices			380	55
Roesville			150	22
Cordova	42	52	325	24
Matthews	62	57	325	24
Fairlee:				
Salem	40	31	400	16
Union	68	55	400	20
Grace	117	78	400	24
Henderson	40	47	400	25
Barclay	50	41	350	25
Bridgetown	45	41	250	
Hillsboro	77	116	850	122
Ebenezer	30	46	350	26

Appointment	S. S. Members	Church Members	Cash Salary Paid	Paid to World Service
Marydel			300	13
Templeville			300	14
Busic			100	
Thomas Chapel			200	
Pomona:				
Bond Chapel	50	90	450	20
Mowbray Chapel	40	50	185	10
Preston	109		1520	100
Bethlehem	100		280	35
Queenstown	43	20	333	5
Grasonville	90	57	272	17
Perry's Corner	30	36	293	3
Ridgely	119	171	1000	80
Burrsville	70	26	350	32
Still Pond			700	63
Betterton			700	
Tilghman	256	129	975	29
Fairbank	50	16	225	6
Wye Mills	112	69	600	43
Starr	86	54	300	27

Salisbury District.

Appointment	S. S. Members	Church Members	Cash Salary Paid	Paid to World Service
Bishopville (Wilson)	180	101	\$ 400	\$ 25
Showell	145	110	375	35
St. Martins	190	115	200	44
Friendship	50	57	133	3
Dagsboro	311	239	950	100
St. Georges	374	300	447	100
Frankford (Antioch)	250	220	950	86
Houston	100	105	250	14
Marion (St. Peters)	51	73	450	35
Quindocqua	61	79	427	50
Grace		25		
Nanticoke	148	92	531	21
Tyaskin	50	71	300	22
White Haven	30	33	289	8
Newark (Bowen)	121	170	800	57
Derrickson	50	50	200	
Wesley	40	16	200	
Ocean City (Atlantic)	175	153	900	27
Sinepuxent (Bethany)	28	55	250	
Onancock:				
Cokesbury			500	
Leatherbury			500	
Riverview			140	

Appointment	S. S. Members	Church Members	Cash Salary Paid	Paid to World Service
Pittsville (Ayers)	102		409	50
Melson	195		500	61
Wango	50		200	64
Pocomoke Circuit:				
Cokesbury	60	65	291	27
Emmanuel	60	50	178	13
Williams	15	29	151	
Powellville (St. Johns)	80	40	325	25
Mt. Pleasant	84	65	200	17
Friendship	86	50	225	25
Quantico	75	56	350	90
Rockawalkin	100	120	850	100
Wetipquin		10	200	
Roxana	250	160	600	150
Sound	191	145	600	80
St. Peters	141	210	1125	3
St. Stephens	33	33	375	
Selbyville (Salem)	359	384	2025	225
Ebenezer	40	86	175	25
Somerset:				
Rock Creek	125	77	500	65
Dame's Quarter	100	62	500	40
Stockton (Wesley)	57	77	600	40
Remson	96	124	350	48
Grace	200	55	250	40

Wilmington District.

Appointment	S. S. Members	Church Members	Cash Salary Paid	Paid to World Service
Bethel	60	45	\$ 575	\$ 71
Town Point	40	36	300	35
Charlestown	63	69	480	100
Principio	72	51	396	50
Cherry Hill	126	126	600	97
Elk Mills	80	75	250	16
Big Elk	40	41	250	20
Christiana	123	130	640	90
Salem	69	90	400	100
Elk Neck:				
Harts	46	32	200	12
Wesley		12	94	
Hopewell	141	160	800	140
Asbury	58	53	400	10
Red Lion	90	109	800	163
Glasgow	90	30	400	20
Kirkwood	65	33	300	12
St. Georges	192	136	850	150
Summit	70	33	350	20

(f) OTHER TREASURERS

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES

Treasurer's Report, March 18, 1935.

SAVINGS ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Bank, April 1, 1934	\$1242.75
Earnings on Investments	417.00
July 11, 1934, T. S. Holt Co.	300.00
Sept. 1, 1934, Sale of Thompson Sta. Church	15.00
Oct. 22, 1934, Sale of McKendree Church	25.00
Interest on Deposits	37.19

Total Receipts \$2036.94

DISBURSEMENTS.

March 19, 1934, Onancock Charge from Crownstown Church	\$ 75.00
Apr. 10, 1934, Beckwith from Thomas Fund	110.00
Apr. 10, 1934, Goshen from Carey Fund	115.00
Apr. 10, 1934, Clayton from Clifton Fund	25.00
Apr. 10, 1934, Parsonburg from Wimbrow Fund	45.00
Apr. 10, 1934, Chesapeake City from Lindsay Fund	60.00
Apr. 10, 1934, Historical Society	90.00
May 7, 1935, To Check Account	100.00
Tax . . . . .	.14

Total Disbursements \$ 620.14

Balance, Savings Account, March 18, 1935 \$1416.80

CHECK ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

May 7, 1934, Credit to Account	\$ 100.00
Earnings on Investments	144.00
Jan. 9, 1934, T. S. Holt Co.	300.00
Jan. 10, 1935, Sale of Crumpton Church Property	225.00

Total Receipts, Check Account \$ 769.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

June 15, 1934, Renewal of Bond for Treasurer	\$ 12.50
June 29, 1934, Attorney's Fee	15.00
Jan. 18, 1935, Box Rent	3.30
Feb. 12, 1934, Charged to Account	30.00
Mar. 11, 1934, Jefferson Cooper, Treas., T. S. Holt Co.	600.00
Mar. 18, 1934, Tax . . . . .	.04
Total Disbursements	\$ 660.84
Balance in Check Account 3-18-35	\$ 108.16
Balance, Savings Account 3-18-35	\$1416.80
Total, March 18, 1935	\$1524.96

W. A. HEARN, Treasurer.

BARRATT'S CHAPEL FUND.

Treasurer's Report, March 18, 1935.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Bank, April 1, 1934	\$ 147.40
Earnings on Investments	60.00
Interest on Deposits	1.87
Total Receipts	\$ 209.27

DISBURSEMENTS.

June 6, 1934, I. D. Short, for Repairs	\$ 100.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 100.00
Balance in Bank, 3-18-35	\$ 109.27

W. A. HEARN, Treasurer.

WASHINGTON FOSTER ESTATE.

Treasurer's Report, March 18, 1935.

Fourth account of W. A. Hearn, Treasurer of the Washington Foster Estate, debtor to the Washington Foster Estate April 1, 1934	\$12625.43
Ordered by Orphan's Court of Cecil Co., Md., to credit to Corpus an account of recovery of \$179 by settlement of debt on farm near Newark, Del.	179.00
Total Corpus March 18, 1935	\$12804.43

CORPUS, MARCH 18, 1935.

Mortgage, 6%, Elkton	\$1200.00
Mortgage, 6%, Rising Sun (\$2300) to Corpus	2204.43
Mortgage, 6%, Elkton	2000.00
Mortgage, 6%, Elkton	3700.00
Apr. 1, 1934, Balance to Corpus	21.00
Aug. 4, 1934, Check to Corpus from Bill of Sale	179.00
Dec. 6, 1934, Check, Surrender of mortgage	3500.00
	\$12804.43

RECEIPTS, SAVINGS ACCOUNT, MAR. 18, 1935.

Balance in Bank, Apr. 1, 1934	\$ 441.75
Earnings on Investments	36.00
Check, Aug. 4, 1934, to Corpus from Bill of Sale	179.00
Interest on Deposits	10.56
Total, Savings Account	\$ 667.31

DISBURSEMENTS.

Tax	\$.06
Apr. 10, 1934, R. J. McCauley, Recording Account	1.00
Apr. 17, 1934, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	25.00
Apr. 28, 1934, Pastor Elk Neck Charge	75.00
May 7, 1934, Credit to Checking Account	200.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 301.06
Balance to Savings Account, 3-18-35	\$ 366.25

RECEIPTS, CHECKING ACCOUNT.

May 7, 1934, Credit to Checking Account	\$ 200.00
Earnings on Investments	696.25
Dec. 6, 1934, Surrender of Mortgage	3500.00
	\$4396.25

DISBURSEMENTS.

Pastor Elk Neck Charge	\$ 700.00
May 9, 1934, Attorney	20.00
Sept. 28, 1934, Insurance	2.98
Dec. 26, 1934, Renewal of Tretasurer's Bond	36.66
Postage, Tax, etc.	1.38
	\$ 761.02
Balance to Checking Account, 3-18-35	\$3635.23
Balance, Savings Account	\$ 366.25
Total, Savings and Checking Account, 3-18-35	\$4001.48

W. A. HEARN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR.

Your Auditor has examined with painstaking care the accounts of the following Treasurers and believes each to be absolutely correct.

Rev. E. W. McDowell, Treasurer Conference Board of Ministerial Training.

Balance on hand March 22, 1934	\$ 37.72
Receipts during the year	525.00
Total receipts	\$ 562.72
Disbursements	\$ 499.02
Balance on hand March 18, 1935	\$ 63.70

Rev. J. J. Bunting, Conference Treasurer.

Balance on hand from 1934	\$ 135.76
Receipts	49274.90
Total receipts	\$49410.66
Disbursements	\$49266.25
Balance on hand March 27, 1935	\$ 144.41

Rev. W. J. Ennis, Treasurer of Minutes Publication Fund.

Balance March 29, 1934	\$ 52.10
Receipts	648.46
Total receipts	\$ 700.56
Disbursements	\$ 632.10
Balance on hand March 26, 1935	\$ 68.46

Rev. D. W. Jacobs, Treasurer Domestic Missions.

Balance March 28, 1934	\$ 120.22
Receipts	381.00
Total receipts	\$ 501.22
Disbursements	\$ 412.68
Balance March 27, 1935	\$ 88.54

Rev. D. W. Jacobs, Treasurer Wilmington District Maintenance.

Balance February 2, 1934	\$ 12.48
Receipts	50.04
Total receipts	\$ 62.52
Disbursements	\$ 62.52

Rev. Leonard White, Treasurer Domestic Missions.

Balance April 6, 1934	\$ 276.00
Receipts	353.00
Total receipts	\$ 629.00
Disbursements	\$ 508.35
Balance March 28, 1935	\$ 120.65

Rev. R. C. Jones, Treasurer Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund.

Received from R. K. Stephenson, former Trustee, Apr. 30, 1934	\$ 450.91
Receipts	158.33
Total receipts	\$ 609.24
Disbursements	\$ 174.00
Balance March 25, 1935	\$ 435.24

Mr. J. E. Walls, Treasurer Conference Educational Society—Riddle Fund.

Balance	\$2475.89
Receipts	74.50
Total receipts	\$2550.39
Disbursements	\$ 47.96
Balance March 20, 1935	\$2502.43

Mr. J. E. Walls, Treasurer Conference Educational Society.

Balance on hand	\$ 302.34
Receipts	565.84
Total receipts	\$ 868.18
Disbursements	\$ 510.36
Balance March 28, 1935	\$ 357.82

Mr. J. E. Walls, Treasurer Conference Budget.

Balance received from W. O. Hoffecker	\$ 65.90
Receipts	3333.00
Total receipts	\$3398.90
Disbursements	\$3270.25
Balance March 21, 1935	\$ 128.65

Rev. W. E. Habbart, Treasurer District Maintenance.

Receipts	\$ 365.00
Disbursements	\$ 365.00

Rev. W. E. Habbart, Treasurer Domestic Missions.

Balance April 5, 1934	\$ 4.85
Receipts	280.00
Total receipts	\$ 284.85
Disbursements	\$ 250.00
Balance March 29, 1935	\$ 34.85

Mr. G. F. Alderson, Treasurer Board of Education.

Balance March 31, 1934	\$ 43.28
Receipts	4395.89
Total receipts	\$4439.17
Disbursements	\$4411.82
Balance March 31, 1935	\$ 27.35

Rev. E. C. Hallman, Treasurer of Hinson's Chapel Lot Account.

Receipts from sale of trees	\$ 40.00
Disbursements	\$ 40.00

Rev. E. C. Hallman, Treasurer District Maintenance.

Balance on hand	\$ 91.25
Receipts	273.75
Total receipts	\$ 365.00
Disbursements	\$ 365.00

Rev. E. C. Hallman, Treasurer Domestic Missions.

Overdrawn last year	\$ 6.00
Receipts	231.00
Net receipts	\$ 225.00
Disbursements	\$ 200.00
Balance March 28, 1935	\$ 25.00

Mr. W. L. Overdeer, Treasurer Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Balance on hand	\$ 1.44
Receipts	4374.38

Total receipts	\$4375.82
Disbursements	\$4374.64

Balance March 28, 1935	\$ 1.18
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Also from O. A. Bartley, Treasurer Conference Historical Society; Jefferson Cooper, Treasurer Board of Stewards; W. A. Hearn, Treasurer Conference Trustees, Treasurer Barratt's Chapel Fund and Washington Foster Estate.

HUGH B. KELSO, Auditor.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WILMINGTON CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

March 27, 1935.

RECEIPTS.

March 31, 1934, Balance	\$ 16.48
April 14, 1934, Check, W. A. Hearn, Conf. Trustees	90.00

Total Receipts	\$ 106.48
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DISBURSEMENTS.

July 28, 1934, Check # 11, J. M. Kelso, Trunk Storage	\$ 1.00
Oct. 3, 1934, Check # 12, Chas. F. Eggleston, Treasurer, National Society Dues	10.00
Federal Check Tax04

Total Disbursements	\$ 11.04
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Total receipts	\$ 106.48
Total disbursements	11.04

Balance 3-27-35	\$ 95.44
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O. A. BARTLEY, Treasurer.

BISHOP WILLIAM F. McDOWELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Your committee desires to report that to date \$849.00 have been contributed to this fund, and interest to January 2, 1935 amounts to \$60.81, thus making a total of \$909.81. This money is deposited in the Peoples Bank of Denton, Maryland in the name of The William F. McDowell Scholarship.

It is the opinion of the members that this fund should be increased to \$1000.00 as was originally planned. We therefore advise that it be continued on deposit at interest until the Institute is reopened in 1936, and urge those who have subscribed amounts for this cause to make payments as early as possible so that the Scholarship created in response to our desire to express our love for Bishop McDowell may begin to function promptly with the reopening of the school.

The Committee:

E. P. THOMAS,
HARRY NUTTLE,
L. B. MORGAN,
DR. E. B. CROOKS,
W. G. HARRIS,
DR. A. C. HUMPHRIES,
THEODORE BEAUCHAMP,

THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

We are pleased to give you the heartening information that increases in Conference collections for the claimants this year are making a trend very apparent which leads us to believe that our church is again facing more fairly the right of our claimants to a comfortable support. In 1934 an increase of \$731.00 gave us ground for hoping that the ebbing tide of giving had turned. This year's offering being \$1329.00 in advance of that of last year gives this trend a setting of permanence. The increase does not reach the amount which permits a change of the rate, but enables us to hold steady with the cheering belief that our brethren have determined that the next alteration of our rates shall be made in the right direction.

Our Investments.

You now have \$202,177.00 invested in first mortgages mostly in the city of Wilmington. We feel that the Conference should be informed that the Board of Stewards has had to take title to four properties, representing an investment of \$6,210.00. This was done by the willing consent of people who felt that it was to their best interest to hand over the property to the board. These properties are carrying themselves by reason of the rent that we get from them. However, we desire you to know that it is not in the mind of the Board of Stewards to hold real estate any longer than will be necessary to dispose of it at a profit or a not too great loss to the endowment.

The Collections from the Churches.

The receipts from the charges for our claimants is \$27,656.00. The chartered fund has sent us \$60.00 and we have received \$11,718.00 from our investments, creating a total for distribution of \$39,434.00, permitting a rate of \$15.00 a year.

The offerings by districts are as follows:

Dover District	\$6360.00
Middletown District	5093.00
Salisbury District	5837.00
Wilmington District	10366.00

Trustees.

We request the appointment of L. E. Windsor as trustee for Mrs. Laura M. Williams and her children and John W. Jones as trustee for Mrs. Laura W. Burke.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. THOMAS, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

March 27, 1935.

RECEIPTS.

Balances from 1934	\$14460.73	
From Conference Treasurer	25390.00	
From Chartered Fund	60.00	
Support of Claimants from Charges	871.97	
Holt and Irons Incomes	720.00	
Interest from Investments	11284.46	
Interest from Bank Accounts	433.61	
Mortgage Reductions	1101.57	
Mortgage Record Satisfaction Fees	4.00	
Conference Communion Offering	35.00	
Total		\$54361.34

DISBURSEMENTS.

Annuitants	\$39766.26
Reynolds Legacy	57.02
Otis Memorial	35.02
Safety Box Rent	11.02
Bond of Treasurer	75.02
Expenses of Board	123.48

Invested in new Mortgages	1973.71
Balances in hand or Bank Deposits	12319.81
Total	\$54361.34
There is now invested in first mortgages, a total amount of . . . \$199,967.00	
And in real estate that past owners deserted or asked to be re-	
leased from and title now held by the Board 6,210.00	
Making a total of	\$202,177.00

Respectfully submitted,
 JEFFERSON COOPER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Board of Stewards.

Seaford, Delaware, March 29, 1935.

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

Brethren:

Having been appointed the Auditing Committee to examine the accounts and final transactions of your Board we respectfully submit our report.

The securities covering the investments of the Board for the Claimants of the Wilmington Conference were inspected on March 19, 1935.

These securities are in the form of first mortgages on real estate located in the city of Wilmington or adjacent territory and number 103, representing \$195,967.00. The insurance policies covering the investments amount to \$336,650.00 and are in the custody of our Treasurer. In addition to the foregoing, four properties have been deeded to the Board, representing an investment of \$6210.00 with insurance of \$9700.00, or a total of \$202,177.00 invested and \$346,350.00 insurance.

The accounts of the Treasurer have been audited and found to be correct, the balance being as follows: \$215.62 in the checking account and \$6556.80 in the savings account in the Farmers Bank of Dover. \$59.62 in the checking account and \$5487.77 in the savings account in the Fruit Growers National Bank and Trust Company of Smyrna, Delaware, or a total of \$12,319.81.

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

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 1935. They were approved by the Conference.

Date of Claim	Service	Distribution of Conference Funds.		Total	
		Annuitant Claim	Annuitant Allowed	Special Fund	
CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES					
MINISTERS					
1931	34	W. O. Bennett, Hurlock, Md.	\$816	\$510	\$510
1906	17	G. W. Bowman, Laurel, Del.	408	255	255
1931	24	Wm. H. Briggs, 302 W. 24th St., Wilmington, Del.	576	360	\$120 480
1932	28	J. A. Buckson, 417 Pine St., Ridley Park, Pa.	672	420	420
1931	16	L. M. Broadway, 3310 Madison St., Wilmington, Del.	384	240	160 400
1931	37	H. G. Budd, Dover, Del.	888	555	555
1934	39	E. H. Collins, Marshallton, Del.	936	585	585
1929	46	V. S. Collins, 2422 West St., Wilmington, Del.	1104	690	690
1935	37	G. A. Cooke, Wilmington, Del.	888	555	555
1930	53	W. F. Corkran, Seaford, Del.	1272	795	795
1919	34	J. W. Easley, 4632 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.	816	510	510
1934	43	J. H. Geoghegan, Silview, Wilmington, Del.	1032	645	645
1935	30	D. J. Ford, Camden, Del.	720	450	450
1925	35	J. W. Gray, Willards, Md.	840	525	525
1931	31	W. E. Greenfield, Perryville, Md.	744	465	75 540
1918	42	E. L. Hoffecker, Easton, Md.	1008	630	630
1911		T. S. Holt, Federalburg, Md.		*	
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
1924	16	O. L. Martin, Edmonston, Md.	384	240	240
1922	20	W. E. Matthews, Smyrna, Del.	480	300	75 375
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, 15 Kelly Ave., Newark, Del.	960	600	600
1933	40	J. P. Outten, Secretary, Md.	960	600	600
1934	38	L. E. Poole, Snow Hill, Md.	912	570	570
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, 318 Sterling Road, Elkins Park, Montgomery Co., Pa.	72	45	45
1915	40	Adam Stengle, 407 W. 21st St., Wilmington, Del.	960	600	600
1935	43	C. W. Strickland, Clayton, Del.	1032	645	645
1922	37	E. C. Sunfield, 143 Pleasant St., Hanover, Pa.	888	555	555
1934	42	F. B. Short, Milford, Del.	1008	630	630
1935	31	E. B. Taylor, Springfield, S. C.	744	465	465
1904	31	C. H. Williams, Snow Hill, Md.	744	465	465
1925	19	Daniel Wilson, 3721 Reisterstown Rd., 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	George E. Wood, Oxford, Md.	1032	645	645
1934	29	W. R. Woodell, Seaford, Del.	696	435	435
* Relinquished.					
CHILDREN.					
1930	8	Charles Law McCabe	48	30	30
1923	10	Sherman Williams	60	38	38
1923	10	Hugh Williams	60	38	38
SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.					
RETIRED SUPPLY MINISTERS AND WIDOWS.					
1931		T. S. Barrett, Rock Hall, Md.	260	260	260
1934		L. T. McLain, 124 N. Washington St., Easton, Md.	245	245	245
1933		Ella Horner, Laurel, Del.	245	245	245

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		Annuitant Claim	Annuitant Allowed	Special Fund		Total
CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES						
WIDOWS.						
1930	37	Alphonsa M. Alderson, 1001 Madison St., Wilm., Del.	\$666	\$416		\$416
1915	43	Mary R. Adams, Rehoboth, Del.	774	484		484
1903	21	Lydia M. Avery, 2749 Union St., San Francisco, Calif.	378	236		236
1926	18	Ida V. Brewington, Hebron, Md.	324	203	\$ 93	300
1934	42	Minnie F. Bounds, Brandywine Summit, Pa.	756	473		473
1915	30	Laura W. Burke	540	338		338
1924	30	Ella E. Burr, 3 Nassau Place, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y.	540	338		338
1909	31	Mary E. Chandler, Seaford, Del.	594	371		349
1925	33	Annie V. Carpenter, Crumpton, Md.	414	259		29 400
1920	23	Sarah W. Chairs, Bozman, Md.	108	68	50	259
1922	6	Blanche E. Compton, 741 N. 64th St., Phila., Pa.				50 118
1922	5	Nora B. Cochran, 517 Bellevue Ave., Hammonton, N. J.	90	56		56
1905	25	Mary E. Collins, 1607 W. 13th St., Wilmington, Del.	450	281		281
1931	26	Ethelyn S. Corkran, Sudlersville, Md.	468	293		293
1931	13	Mabel V. Cummings, Tilghman, Md.	234	146	100	246
1929	13	Emma M. Dawson, 347 Ilchester Ave., Baltimore, Md.	234	146	34	180
1931	32	Martie B. Dashiell, 230 E. 48th St., New York City.	576	360		360
1932	31	Addie T. Derricks, Odessa, Del.	558	349		349
1931	41	Ella G. Dulaney, Fruitland, Md.	738	461	59	520
1914	39	Bessie B. Fosnocht, 67 Putnam Ave., Whitneyville, Conn.	702	439		439
1931	23	Cora W. 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
1934	26	Martha L. Hastings, Seaford, Del.	468	293		293
1932	29	Grace E. L. Jones, 9110 34th Ave., Jackson Heights, L. I., N. Y.	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 Bayard Blvd., Wilm., Del.	882	551		551
1917	23	Sallie W. Martindale, Salisbury, Md.	414	259		259
1931	18	Elizabeth S. Marshall, 612 Tenn. St., Salem, Va.	324	203		203
1930	8	Ada L. McCabe, Bishopville, Md.	144	90		90
1920	31	Jennie S. Mitchell, Middletown, Del.	558	349		349
1930	25	Gertrude B. Moore, 238 Mariposa St., Apt. #401, Los Angeles, Calif.	450	281		281
1917	24	Minnie S. Morgan, 1400 W. 7th St., Wilm., Del.	432	270		270
1916	10	Pauline N. Murray, 601 Walnut St., Camden, N. J.	180	113		113
1909	35	Evelyn J. Nelson, 601 Walnut St., Camden, N. J.	630	394		394
1921	38	Elizabeth F. Neese, 221 Geddes St., Wilmington, Del.	684	428		428
1924	28	Lelia M. Northrup, 913 Park Place, Wilmington, 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
1934	35	Ida A. Prettyman, Galena, Md.	630	394		394
1932	26	Georgia M. Prouse, Jarretstown, Pa.	468	293		293
1928	18	Emma J. Reed, Milton, Del.	324	203	37	240
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
1905	12	Sarah D. Sidell, 220 Grove St., Montclair, N. J.	216	135	185	320
1935	37	Ada T. Stephenson, 300 W. 19th St., Wilmington, Del.	666	416		416
1922	8	Carrie W. Stallings, Lovettsville, Va.	144	90	225	315
1933	32	Della D. Taylor, Dover, Del.	576	360		360
1934	28	Jennie G. Taylor, 2903 Presbury St., Baltimore, Md.	508	315		315
1934	38	Sarah B. Van Dyke, 1506 W. 10th St., Wilm., Del.	684	428		428
1926	16	M. Louise Van Blunk, 902 Howard St., Camden, N. J.	288	180		180
1929	14	Sarah E. Walton, Route #1, New Castle, Del.	252	158		158
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. Williams, Rev. L. E. Windsor, Seaford, Del., Trustee	162	101	150	251
1923	10	Laura E. Williams, Rev. L. E. Windsor, Seaford, Del.	180	113	300	413
1923	19	Kate Williams, Georgetown, Del.	324	248		248

MEMOIRS

THOMAS R. VANDYKE.

Thomas R. VanDyke, son of Thomas and Mary Vandegrift VanDyke, was born on a farm near Cecilton, Md. April 25th, 1871. Made an orphan, before he was twelve years old, he went to live with his maternal grandfather. When eighteen he went to Wilmington and entered the employ of the Joseph Hamilton Company.

Converted at the age of ten, he very early in life gave evidence of possessing a rich Christian experience. While in Wilmington he connected himself with old St. Pauls Methodist Episcopal church then located on Market St. Here he soon had a class of boys in the Sunday School which he continued to teach while he remained in Wilmington.

About this time Brother VanDyke felt the urge to the Gospel ministry. The Church recognized his fitness and ability and he was granted Local preacher's license. He was greatly aided and encouraged by some of the laymen of the church, among them the late Samuel Baynard and Joseph Pyle who also pointed the way for him to make further scholastic preparation for the work of the ministry. As a boy he had attended the Public School in Cecilton, Md. In the fall of 1890 he entered the Wilmington Conference Academy in Dover. It was here the writer first met Bro. VanDyke and a lasting friendship between us began. And to-day I think no member of this Conference misses him more or feels more keenly his going from our midst than does the writer.

"I cannot say and I will not say
That he is dead! He is just away!

With a cheery smile and the wave of the hand
He has wandered into an unknown land,

And left us dreaming how very fair
It must be, since he lingers there."

In 1895 Bro. VanDyke was admitted to this Conference on trial and stationed at Oxford, Md. Reference to the Journal of the Conference will show that he served the following charges: Oxford, Pomona, Cape Charles, Whitesville, Tangier, Deals Island, Wesley, Berlin, Mt. Salem, Frostburg in the Baltimore Conference, Cecilton, Epworth, Newcastle, and Preston.

On August 15th, 1895 he married Miss Sarah B. Hall of Fairmount, Md. She proved herself a helpmate indeed, a true handmaiden of the Lord. Of this union four children were born: M. Louise, a teacher in the Wilmington High School, John E., associated with the grocery firm of Hearn Bros. in Wilmington; Thomas who died in infancy; and Paul S., cashier of the Provident Savings Bank at Preston, Md.

As a man Bro. VanDyke was genuinely honest, thoroughly upright and clean in word and deed. He possessed high ethical standards, lofty ideals, firm convictions. Strong and stalwart in physique, he was withal tender, gentle, sympathetic, patient. This old world can ill afford to lose such as he was.

As a pastor he ranked among the best. He was a good shepherd and knew well his flock. A wise and sympathetic counselor of the youth, he also knew how to comfort and encourage men and women of riper years. His absolute faith in the Son of God, his deep Christian experience, his sympathetic solicitude, imparted to those under his ministry a confidence in the Gospel of Comfort and good cheer, that made them want to know more of Him who is the Comforter and Sustainer of all who call upon Him in the hour of need.

As a preacher Bro. VanDyke possessed very marked natural gifts, which supplemented by his deep Christian experience and knowledge of spiritual things made him a strong preacher. Although handicapped as he was financially in his scholastic preparation for his chosen vocation, however by private study and earnest devotion to the work of the ministry he became in all respects an able preacher. He loved to preach the unsearchable riches of the Gospel of the Son of God. He believed the Bible to be the very Word of God; that the "Gospel of Christ is the power of God to the salvation of every one that believeth." He loved his Lord and Master and longed to make Him known to others.

The ministry of Bro. VanDyke was characterized by diligent, faithful and untiring labor. He proved himself a "Good minister of Jesus Christ." Both the spiritual and material interests of the churches he served were conscientiously cared for. In many charges he led his people in building and improving church and parsonage property. He also led in many glorious revivals. He never was happier than when pointing men to Lamb of God and having them bow at the altar of the church, seeking forgiveness of their sins and the blessed fellowship of the Savior. Untiring in his labors he endeavored to build well the Kingdom.

Though strong in body, he seemed to be and was, yet the time came when his physical strength yielded to the stress and strain and exacting demands of the present day ministry. Shortly after Conference, a year ago, he was ordered by his physician to the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia, for observation and treatment. Shortly after entering the hospital he underwent a major operation and for a time seemed to be gaining. Later a second operation was deemed advisable, but due to ravages of disease and depleted strength he did not rally, and on the morning of July 4th, 1934 the end came peacefully and he slipped through that thin veil which separates the life that is, from the life that is to be, the visible from the invisible; to join that innumerable company whose names are written in the "Lamb's Book of Life."

Impressive funeral services were held in the church at Preston, conducted by Rev. Leonard White, a long time friend, assisted by several of his brother ministers. From the church the body was borne to its last resting place in "God's beautiful Acre" at Old Drawyers near Odessa; there to await that day when "The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive shall be caught up together with them in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

J. L. SPARKLIN.

THOMAS NORTON GIVEN.

Another of the veteran standard bearers of the Wilmington Conference has failed to answer at the Annual Roll-Call, and has gone to join the ranks of the ascended soldiers of the King.

Rev. Thomas Norton Given son of Robert M. and Sarah Given was born in Swedesboro, New Jersey, January 21, 1854, and died in the Philadelphia Hospital July 19, 1934, thus sweeping through the wide circle of eighty years.

In early life he gave his heart to God and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. Recognizing him as the Lord's anointed, the church soon began to clothe him in official robes, which he wore unsoiled till he passed from Earth.

He had the witness of the Holy Spirit that he was God's child. He had a conscious call that God wanted him to preach the gospel of Christ.

He entered Pennington Seminary in 1876, and was graduated in 1881.

He was ordained Deacon in the Virginia Conference March 9, 1884, by Bishop Henry W. Warren at Waterford, Virginia, and ordained Elder February 12, 1888 at Berryville, Virginia, by Bishop John F. Hurst, and transferred to the Wilmington Conference, and assigned to the Rockland charge.

As a man, brother Given was gentle, sympathetic and kind to all with whom he associated in the christian ministry. He was God's good man, and nourished his spiritual life by prayerfully reading the Word. Whether preaching, or calling upon his flock, wherever he served, his quiet influence was felt by all with whom he came in contact.

The test of character is trial. When youth and health and strength are ours, when we have the full use of all our faculties, it is not difficult to maintain an attitude of happiness and patience, but when the shadows gather and we grope amid the shadows, compelled to relinquish our hold upon the affairs of active life, the test of faith and patience becomes severe. Fail here, and Christianity availeth nothing. Remain cheerful and happy under these circumstances, and we become living evidences of the reality of our Christianity.

He retired from active service in 1923, and became a member of the Cheswold Quarterly Conference. During his years of retirement he was abundantly sustained by divine grace. He fought a good fight and kept the faith and has gone to receive his crown.

He was united in marriage to Miss Mary A. Crouch of Philadelphia June 2, 1886 who served, and moved by his side in all the cares and triumphs of his ministry, she was spared to watch over his declining strength, and minister to all his needs.

From this union two sons were born, Robert G. Given of Chesapeake, Md. and Walter C. Given of Henderson, Md.

His pastoral record is as follows: Stanton, Somerset, Fruitland, Millsboro, Sharptown, Newark, Md., Church Creek, Burrsville, Hockessin, Red Lion, Charlestown, Armory, Henderson, Fairlee, Wye Mills, Roxana, Quantico, Delaware City, St. John's, Christiana and White Haven.

Brother Given did not serve the easy charges. Most of his ministry was on circuits where his salary was small, and the work hard, but this faithful minister accepted his appointments as of the Lord, and went cheerfully to the work assigned him.

The writer of this memoir visited him while in the Methodist Hospital and on one occasion he said, "I have lost all I have had in this depression, but I am glad to say I have a deep settled joy in my heart."

Funeral services were in charge of Rev. O. P. Jefferson, and the writer, with a number of our ministers assisting.

He was buried in the Bethel Cemetery near Chesapeake City, Md.

"O how sweet it will be in that beautiful land,
So free from all sorrow and pain,
With songs on our lips and with harps in our hands
To meet one another again."

OREN RICE.

JOSHUA MORRIS LINDALE.

On the twenty-sixth day of March, 1852, at Wyoming, Delaware, there came into the home of Thomas Purnell Lindale and Elizabeth Mileham, his wife, a baby boy, whom they named Joshua Morris.

Young Joshua developed much as any normal boy; but, doubtless because of home influences surrounding him, at a very early age gave indications of more than ordinary seriousness of demeanor, and inclined to be especially interested in things spiritual. No wonder that while yet in his "teens" he was converted, and at once began to take his studies more seriously; and feeling the call to "Preach the Word" started to prepare himself for that sacred duty. Not content with the educational advantages offered by the Seminary of his home town, (although at that time it stood so high educationally that some thought there was no need to found the Wilmington Conference Academy so long as the Wyoming Seminary functioned), he went to Drew Seminary where he was enrolled a member of the Class of 1879.

Thus prepared he presented himself to the Wilmington Annual Conference at its session of 1879, meeting in New Castle, Bishop Matthew Simpson presiding; and on Monday, March 24th, 1879, he was "admitted on trial", together with Olin S. Walton, Charles A. Grice, Alfred Smith, and Julius Dodd, all of whom preceded Brother Lindale to the realms of rest and of glory.

This class of 1879 was distinctive in one respect, viz: they were able to continue together throughout the entire four years of the "Conference Course of Study", not one failing to pass the examinations on the books, and not one failing to pass the moral and spiritual requirements of the "Committee on Ministerial Qualifications." So we see the five of them elected to "Full Membership," and then to "Deacons' Orders" by the Conference assembled at Lewes; and on Sunday, March 20th, 1881 Bishop Thomas Bowman ordained them all "Deacons," and at Cambridge, Mary-

land, Sunday, March 11th, 1883, all five were ordained "Elders" by Bishop Matthew Simpson, who had first "admitted them on trial" at New Castle four years before.

During these years while pursuing the "Conference Course of Study" he was sent as "Junior Preacher" as follows: In 1879 to Bridgeville, as "Junior" to Rev. R. C. Jones; in 1880 to Denton, as "Junior" to Rev. A. W. Milby. These two years as associate of these two men of God was a veritable post-graduate course in practical theology; for Brother Jones was a stalwart physically, and used his grand physique to the limit in doing the practical work of a busy Pastor; while good Brother Milby was a happy combination of the accurate, scholarly theologian and philosopher, and the sweet, trustful spirit of a mystic saint.

It was during this year at Denton that Bro. Lindale found a devoted young woman whom he persuaded to share the joys and sorrows of the itinerant ministry; so on Christmas eve, Dec. 24th, 1880 he was married to Miss Anna Bell Thawley, daughter of Henry and Ann Thawley, of near Burrsville, Md.—two saints who had trained their daughter by precept and example to be the ideal wife and companion to a Methodist minister. For thirty years she kept step with him, sharing and supplementing his work, and heartening him, in the following charges: '81-82, Woodlandtown; '83-84, Fruitland; '85-87, Pomona; '88-91, Bayside and Tilghman; '92-94, Cordova; '95-98, Sudlersville; '99-00, Federalsburg; '01-03, Church Hill; '04-06, Mt. Pleasant; and '07-10, Bethel and Summit.

During these years of active service God had sent three daughters to gladden their home; but the thirty years had left their mark on the frail body of Mrs. Lindale, and on Feb. 15th, 1910 she passed to her eternal reward, while her frail body was laid to rest in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Camden, Delaware.

No wonder that Bro. Lindale moved from Bethel and Summit at the end of that Conference year. To have remained at the same parsonage every room, every piece of furniture, every flower that bloomed in the garden would have reminded him of

"The touch of a vanished hand,
And the sound of a voice that is stilled."

So in '1912-13 we see him stationed at Hopewell; '13-15, at Red Lion; '16, Roxana; '17-18, Wye Mills. At the Conference session of 1919, meeting in Chestertown, Bro. Lindale was voted a change of relation from "active" to "retired", at his own request. Even then he did not cease from the work to which he had dedicated his life so many years before, but returned to Wye Mills as a "supply."

In 1920 we find him appointed to Pomona for his second pastorate there. In April he returned to his former charge, and returned to his work at Pomona bringing with him a second "Mrs. Lindale," in the person of Miss Emma Lee, whose gracious companionship was granted to him for only six months; for on October 26th, of that same year she passed to her heavenly home, as her memoir shows in the "Minutes of 1921."

This second bereavement within ten years seemed to break the spirit of our dear brother, and at the end of that Conference year he dropped from the list of itinerants, and settled in Chestertown. For some years he was in the home of our good brother A. H. Covey. About twelve years ago Bro. Lindale suffered a stroke, and since then was never well. For three years there was always a nurse in his home. As he partially recovered from the effects of the stroke he spent much of his time with his three daughters, in Baltimore, Wilmington and other cities where they resided.

But the loving care of faithful daughters could not overcome the handicaps of old age and disease. Never really robust, and now past eighty-two years of age, the shattered nervous system, the renal organs and finally the heart refused to function, and on the sixteenth of October, 1934, he quietly fell asleep. Funeral services were held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Eliason, Wilmington, in charge of the Rev. Roy T. Thawley, assisted by Dr. B. M. Johns and the writer, and interment was made in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Camden, Del., by the side of his first wife.

It was not my good fortune to have known Bro. Lindale intimately, but from my acquaintance I knew him to be a Brother minister of unblemished character, of sweet spirit, a loyal Methodist minister who cheerfully went wherever appointed, and one who rejoiced at every advance of the Lord's militant host in the building up "the kingdom." Modest and unassuming, it was always a pleasure to meet him at the annual sessions of the Conference, and to receive his smile of cordial greeting. One who knew him well recently told me, "He had a fine mind."

His three daughters survive him, viz: Mrs. Arlo A. Brown, wife of the President of Drew University, Madison, N. J.; Mrs. J. B. Eliason, of Wilmington, Del.; and Mrs. H. K. Dugdale, Baltimore, Md. Also one brother, Mr. William N. Lindale, Philadelphia, Pa.

VAUGHAN S. COLLINS.

ROBERT KERR STEPHENSON.

Robert Kerr Stephenson, son of Robert G. and Agnes M. Stephenson, was born January 31, 1854, at Port Deposit, Md.; and, after a highly useful life and ministry of more than four score years, quietly and quickly slipped apart from the family circle of his late home in Wilmington, on January 25th last, and went to receive that "inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, eternal in the heavens."

At the age of six being suddenly deprived of paternal companionship, he was left to the gracious benediction of a grandfather's household, where he continued to "be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

February 22, 1871, in the mid-week class meeting, held in the old stone church, now Nesbit Hall, he sought and found and confessed Christ as his saviour, from which hour he was frequently heard to say, "I have never questioned God's redeeming love and power."

With the increase of years, he manfully faced and accepted the challenge of greater needs, and, by virtue of certain fortunate contacts with one of the finest types of christian character in the community where he lived, he was greatly encouraged to "covet earnestly the best gifts", to place his confidence steadfastly in God, to hope and strive for further chance to more "thoroughly furnish himself unto all good works."

Converted, as he was, under the appealing and persuasive ministry of that prince of preachers and pastors, Thomas E. Martindale, with whom he often fellowshiped and took counsel, how perfectly natural for him to catch the vision, sense the meaning, and find in that pastor-friend, the very embodiment of those words of Holy Writ, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. And as a man is, so is his strength." How could there well fail to be generated in his heart a tremendous longing to be like-minded with that "good minister of Jesus Christ?"

Under the compulsion of those contacts he must have cried out, "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer." Hence, his resolution to "set his affections on things above", and adopt for himself that most excellent rule, "Whatsoever things are true, and just, and pure, and lovely, and of good report, if there be any virtue, any praise, think on these things." How well or near he succeeded in this none who knew him need to be told. That steady flow of fine testimonials that come to comfort those nearest to him by ties of nature, suffice to warrant the assertion, "Surely he was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost, and of faith, and much people were added unto the church."

Moved by a profound conviction that "life was not an idle dream, but a solemn reality, a sacred burden to be borne, the gift of God", with purpose and plan, for all of which a strict accounting would be required, he most earnestly sought to ascertain what the purpose and plan for him might be, with the determination of making everything conform thereto, to "fail not for sorrow, falter not for sin; but onward, upward, till the goal he might win."

He believed that "he who loves goodness, harbors angels, reveres reverence and lives with God", but never for a moment grew so egotistic as to claim he was such a man. However, if left to the decision of those who both lived and labored with him, the answer would be, "If every other man's life were a life like his, and every other man a man like him, this earth would be God's paradise."

He was a lover of good literature, purchased, pondered and, profiting thereby, invariably preached and practiced the wealth of good obtained therefrom. Nevertheless, no book that ever came from press or pen could ever take the place with him, that was given to the "Book of books." This was "the man of his counsel, the lamp unto his feet, the light unto his path", while to this he daily turned in quest of the secrets of his mental, and social, and moral and spiritual stamina. Then too, when preaching what he found therein, he brooked no doubt, offered no apology, made no compromise, while in practice he adhered so close to the very letter as well as spirit of the law, as to challenge more than the average of men.

On the morning of the day he passed away, at the family devotions, on finding the reading for that date, he closed the book and with radiant enthusiasm and assurance began to recite the First Psalm, then turning to his wife, remarked, "now it is your turn", whereupon she added to what he had used, that companion chapter, the 23d Psalm. Thus closed their last devotional hour together here on earth, in beautiful, mutual and perfect agreement, that, thus far along the way they had journeyed together, "God was not slack concerning his promise."

As a workman, "He studied to show himself approved unto God." Methodical, systematic, tirelessly he carried on his divinely given tasks. He "did with his might what his hands found to do", and when his willing feet could no longer take him where his big heart longed to go, he doubled the tax on hand and pen, and sent his heartening messages of sympathy and good cheer to scores of shut-ins, discouraged, sick and bereaved ones, therewith continuing his ever present ambition to "go about doing good."

He studiously planned to "become all things to all men, that he might by all means save some". He knew what it meant "to be a fisher of men, to launch into the deep, to cast the net on the right side of the ship, and find." He broke up the fallow ground," sowed the precious seed, cultivated, reaped, gleaned and safely garnered the fruits when gathered. He was good shepherd of the flock, knew the sheep by name, and jealously guarded the fold. His light was never hid under the bushel, but always found on the candle stick. His salt was not of the kind that loses its savor. His leaven was of the quality that "leaveneth the whole lump."

No one feature of all his long record was more pronounced than that of his love for, and success with young people. His strength here was extraordinary, magnetic, constraining. In this he excelled, and to this end, he sought by every legitimate means to remain youthful in spirit and mind and heart. Thus, still insisting on this right, he crossed the great divide, entered the fair land beyond, where "no one ever grows old", and lingering there, today is sating his life long quest at the fount of eternal youth.

He identified himself with various fraternal and benevolent organizations, Masonic, Knight Templars, Odd Fellows, Red Men, Junior American Mechanics and Rotary. In all of which he deported himself with such merit, either by election or appointment, to attain the highest honors and distinction, both local and national. For ten successive years he was Chaplain of the Delaware National Guards with the rank of Captain.

He was licensed to preach, and recommended for Admission on Trial in 1878 by the Quarterly Conference at Port Deposit. Admitted to Full Membership, Elected and Ordained Deacon in 1880; graduated from the Conference Course, Elected and Ordained Elder in 1882. Appointed Superintendent of Easton District in 1909. Appointed Superintendent of Dover District in 1910. Elected delegate to the General Conference for the session of 1912-16. Granted the Retired Relation, at his own request, in 1929. The fifty-one years of his Active ministry, in the order of his assignments, may be found in the printed Pastoral Record of the Conference Journal.

June 2, 1880, at Onancock, Va., he was wedded to Miss Nicoline M. Leatherbury, whose graceful and queenly spirit on February 11, 1890 went back to God who gave it. To them were born Agnes Martha and Harris Perry, the latter, but a few months before his father, on Aug. 28, 1934, joined his sainted mother in the better world. August 17, 1892 he was married to Miss Ada D. Truax of near Smyrna, who for 42 years proved a help-mate, indeed quite difficult to excel. To this union two sons were given. Robert Kerr, who after but a few months' stay in the parsonage here at Seaford, went to join the jewels above. Ralph Kenneth and Agnes Martha Stephenson, together with their mother, with genuine christian resignation and poise, accept this separation from father and husband, as only such can, who are comforted and sustained by all the sufficient grace of God.

Just before the final summons came, in company with his companion and seated in their room, now reading to each other as was their wont, then in an exchange of fine pleasantries, followed by a period of perfect quietness, both wholly unconscious that this was the last of similar evenings together on earth, the silence was broken by the slipping of a paper from his relaxing fingers, a subdued sign, and "He was not, for God took him."

"So fades a summer cloud away; so sinks the gale when storms are o'er;
So gently shuts the eye of day; so dies a wave along the shore."

Monday afternoon, January 28th, at his late residence in Wilmington, brief and appropriate services were held, under the direction of Superintendent Disston W. Jacobs, assisted by various members of the Conference, following which his mortal body was conveyed to Smyrna, and there interred in the family plot in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

W. A. WISE.

JOHN C. GALLOWAY.

Rev. John C. Galloway, son of the late Rev. Wm. K. and Lydia Galloway who were faithful members of Brandywine Methodist Episcopal Church in Wilmington, Delaware, was born November 7, 1882.

When he was twenty-one years of age he was united in marriage to Miss Mayme Evans. To this union were born five children, as follows, John, Edith, Catherine, Evelyn and Howard.

In the fall of 1907 Brother Galloway was brought under deep conviction for his sins. So mightily was he stirred that he found no rest until he yielded himself at the altar in Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church and was gloriously converted. There was such a complete change in his life that the men with whom he worked were amazed. He immediately united with the church and in less than three months was appointed class leader which office he held for eighteen years. He became very active in Christian work in his community spending much time in visiting the sick and speaking a word for his Master when opportunity presented itself.

His work was so pronounced that his pastor, Rev. R. H. Adams in 1910 recommended him to the quarterly conference for Local Preacher's License which was granted. He was talented and applied himself to the reading of the Bible and the best books within his reach. In this relation he assisted his brethren of the regular ministry.

Like his father who was a noted evangelist he won many souls for the kingdom. He held very successful evangelistic services. He was a good man and was continuously about his Father's business. Almost every Sunday he held services at the various welfare institutions for those who were shut in. He found much pleasure in preaching at the Sunday School Breakfast Mission to those whose lives had become blighted and wrecked by sin.

Brother Galloway had a positive faith—there was no question as to what he was to preach. He believed "Faith," and not doubt, was the victory that should overcome the world. Therefore, he counted not his life dear unto himself—but gave himself that he might so preach Christ that he might save others. He believed that Jesus was the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world and that the world was badly in need of that Redeemer. He believed that the supreme mission of the church was to save men. He was an enthusiastic worker. What his hands found to do he did it with his might.

Brother Galloway not only assisted his brethren of the regular ministry but served the following charges as a supply pastor. 1927-9 Cedars, 1931-2 Stanton, 1933 Church Creek. He was successful in advancing the work of the kingdom where he served.

In less than two months after moving to his last charge the break came, but with the assistance of friends he completed the year in a very satisfactory manner. At the conclusion of the conference year he was compelled to relinquish his work.

He then moved to Cranston Heights, near Marshallton where he lived the last ten months of his life. He quietly fell asleep on Monday evening, February 25, 1935.

The funeral services were held from his late home at two o'clock on Thursday afternoon February 28, 1935, and were in charge of the writer, assisted by Dr. D. W. Jacobs, District Superintendent, Rev. Walter Fosnacht, and Rev. Chas. W. Cook.

His body was laid to rest beside his mother in the Silverbrook Cemetery, there to await the resurrection of the just.

The abundance of beautiful flowers that surrounded his casket and the presence of the large number of friends were mute but eloquent testimonials of his great popularity.

Jesus while our hearts are bleeding,
O'er the spoils that death has won,
We would at this solemn meeting
Calmly say "Thy will be done."

By thy hands the boon was given,
Thou hast taken but thine own,
Lord of earth and God of Heaven,
Evermore, Thy will be done.

CHARLES H. HUDSON.

MRS. MARTHA H. SWAIN.

Martha H. Swain the daughter of Clayton C. and Martha A. Messick was born in Nanticoke Hundred, Sussex Co. Del., Dec. 25th, 1862. On March the 2nd, 1881, she was happily married to the Rev. Charles P. Swain, a highly respected and much beloved member of the Wilmington Conference. To this union nine children were born. Martha Swain was that type of a mother in whose ear the cry from the nursery sounded sweeter than the song of a prima-donna. Like the mother of John Wesley, Mrs. Swain spent the greater part of her time behind the closed doors of the parsonage, molding the moral, spiritual and intellectual life of her children. Kipling very fittingly describes her in his well known lines:

If I were drowned in the deepest sea
 Mother O Mine, Oh, 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

Not only her children, but many who knew her well will rise up in the Great Day and call her blessed. She was a sincere Christian; rarely ever absent from the public worship and the other means of grace; in the class meeting her testimony was always given with that warmth of feeling and charms of expression, that carried with it the conviction that here was one who had been with Christ and learned of Him.

There was one hymn familiar, I think, to most Methodists which Mrs. Swain took great delight in singing

Peace, peace, wonderful peace
 Coming down from the Father above
 Flow over my spirit forever I pray
 In fathomless billows of love.

Their last appointment was to Deal's Island where her husband's health broke and he failed rapidly; and when at last the end came, and his serene soul drew nearer and nearer to the bright beyond, his dying lips grew eloquent of a Christian's faith, and his impatient spirit longing for its flight, yet it lingered awhile to caress in the last fond tenderness of love the holy woman who had made his life complete.

After the death of her husband this bereaved wife moved with her eight children to Dover, Del. The youngest child a nursing babe on its mother's breast, the oldest perhaps not over twelve years. What a care and what a struggle was hers, but she had long since learned to believe that He who said, "Lo I am with you always" was faithful, and with faith and trust in Him and with the love and devotion of a Christian mother she reared those children to be an honor to her. On May the 18th, 1934, she passed away; but before her translation she had this testimony that she pleased God. She was laid to rest by the side of her husband on Deal's Island, just a few steps from the tomb of Joshua Thomas, the parson of the Island.

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

ALFRED L. WHITE.

MRS. HARRIET BRIGHAM NICHOLS.

The present world is not an abiding place. Always we are wanderers and pilgrims. Place and circumstance constantly submit to change. The flight of fortune, the change of conditions are the more painful because of the suddenness of passing. Destructive thunder from black clouds may not surprise, but a bolt from a clear sky paralyzes. In that manner came the sorrow that occasions this memoir. On a visit to dear ones, while encircled by their love, a queenly wife, loving mother was marked by death. The earthly tabernacle dissolved and the soul took its flight to that Eternal Home that is abiding.

Harriett Brigham Nichols was born on New England soil, at North Adams, Massachusetts, February 19, 1875. She was a daughter of Truman and Harriett Brigham, and through both her father and mother was an offspring of that family made famous by the military and patriotic exploits of Colonel Ethan Allen. In early childhood she was converted at a Methodist revival meeting, and joined the Congregational Church, the church of her parents. According to the cherished custom of her native state her parents gave her a good education. From the public school she went to Drury Academy, and for special training attended the State Normal School. From the time of graduation until her marriage she taught in the Public Schools of North Adams. After retiring from business her father moved to Amherst, the site of the nationally known college which bears that name, where she met Rev. Ransom P. Nichols. There they were married.

As a bride she went to Porto Rico, where her husband had employment in the Treasury Department of that Island. Eight years they lived in that delightful tropical atmosphere. Obedient to a heavenly call, Brother and Sister Nichols engaged in Home Missionary Work in the state of Utah for six years. In 1913 her husband joined the Wilmington Conference, and until her death last August she cheerfully accompanied him to the churches of this Conference. Two children were given to them, Doris and Ransom B. Nichols. Both were richly endowed by their Creator, and cultured parents developed their talents and graces into noble womanhood and manhood. Both survive to mourn the loss of mother and comfort a bereft father.

She was a faithful helpmeet in the ministry. Always a balance-wheel, her soul pure in its perfect love, and her heart was without guile. Her life constantly showed the New England heritage of conscience and rectitude in human conduct. With these were interwoven the virtues of loyalty, tenderness and sacrificial devotion to her home and her Saviour. Her husband always had in her a valuable assistant in the labors of a pastorate. A fine voice made her a desired member of any church choir. The Sunday School profited by her consecration and ability. Being the wife of Ransom P. Nichols she was versed in the details of administration and the development of religious education. All of which she was capable of using to the good of the church, and the growing minds entrusted to her care.

This preacher's wife and her household are the only neighbors in the effective ministry, living in the same town and worshiping at the same altar, that the writer has ever had. They were predecessors in the parson-

age at Smyrna. When Brother Nichols became Director of Religious Education he selected to reside in that good Methodist town. Her whole attitude was that of a good neighbor. Not once a suggestion of larger or better knowledge of the charge. Positively no condescending interference. We were all of the household of God—and at home in each other's home. She continued to take her place in that church just as diligently as during her husband's pastorate. While we record this as personal appreciation it testifies loudly to the spirit that she cultivated in her home, and the noble character that she possessed.

The end came suddenly. She died at Goddard Hospital, Brockton, Massachusetts, August 23, 1934, during the vacation visit to her son's home. Early in the day she gently passed away, and like the morning star at zenith quietly disappeared in God's heaven. The immediate cause of death was a blood clot in the heart valves.

Services were held at Brockton conducted by Rev. O. E. Crain, D. D., pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in that city. Her grave is in North Adams. After life's play and toil she returned to her homeland to lie down and rest awhile. Here she sleeps at the foot of the Mohawk Trail with Mt. Greylock, a majestic sentinel at her head. Around are "the eternal hills," and underneath are the "Everlasting Arms".

"There is no death! The stars go down
To rise upon some fairer shore;
And bright in Heaven's jeweled crown
They shine forever more.

And ever near us, though unseen,
The dear, immortal spirits tread;
For all the boundless universe
Is life—there are no dead".

JOHN J. BUNTING.

MARTA EATON GIVAN.

"For me to live is for Christ to live and to die will be gain".—The motto of the inspired apostle to the gentiles, was realized in the life and translation of our beloved sister, Marta Eaton Givan, devoted wife of our brother Daniel J. Givan. She was born October 4, 1872, and moved on to her heavenly home on the anniversary of her birth, October 4, 1934.

She was the daughter of devout, intelligent, Christian, Methodist parents,—hence she was born with rich endowments and to a glorious heritage. There is no such thing as being born into this world a Christian in the Spiritual sense of that term, but all children are born under those provisions of the Atonement by which their defects are provided for, just as are the sins of ignorance, the blunders and mistakes of adult people. We are always, in a measure, children in understanding. In this respect all children are born upon a common level, but the children of Christian parents, whether their spirit being is a part of their inheritance from their parent or the direct gift of God, or some kind of combination of the two, have the advantage that that part of their being which they do inherit

from their parents is of a higher order. That we know to be true with reference to the physical and mental, and must be true also of the purely spiritual. This emphasizes the tremendous and eternal importance of many things that ought to be burned into the consciousness of real and potential parents.

So Sister Givan was wonderfully blessed in that she had godly parents, and added to that was the godly home, Christian literature, the Church, and corresponding associations. These made her the leader of the children of her age, and especially in things religious. So it came about that when she took a definite stand in surrendering to Christ and dedicating herself to His Service, she was at once followed by ten of her intimate associates.

This marked her as a leader of her fellows, and a soul winner, a relation and a work that was prominent in her life, to the very end. In her home Church at Port Penn, she was intensely active; and when she allied herself by marriage with our Brother Givan, she entered upon the broad, responsible and trying field of a Methodist itinerant Minister's wife, with the purpose and zeal that won for her a large place in the communities where her lot was cast and the hearts of all the people that she was called upon to serve.

She was a woman of fine talents and her ability to serve was manifold. In the fields where she was called upon to labor, she always sought out the people, the places, and the kind of service most needing her help, and there she labored. So it came about that in some Churches she was most needed with the younger children; then with the Juniors; and again with the Seniors; and again with the old people. She seemed to be very much at home with all classes of people and all kinds of work that gave her an opportunity to win people to Christ. This was always her objective and in it she never failed of large Success.

In pastoral visitation from house to house, more needed now than ever, she went hand in hand with her husband and her great heart literally wept with those that wept and rejoiced with those that rejoiced. The fragrance of both her laughter and her tears will long abide in many a home in this Conference, and multitudes will rise up in the great day and call her blessed.

I hear the Master whom she loved and served now saying, "I was hungry and you gave me meat, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was naked and you clothed me, Sick and you visited me, In prison and you came unto me". This was the toil she loved and, like her Lord, she "went about doing good".

But while Sister Givan was first of all a Christian and loved the Lord supremely, and her Service to Him was her first Service and chief Joy; yet, she recognized her Secondary relationships, the duties they imposed and rejoiced in the Service they required.

Her devotion to her parents was beautiful and ceased only when angelic hands took over her tasks. Their memory was watered by her tears until she joined them where there is no weeping.

To her devoted husband whose shadows are the more dense and whose sorrows are the more crushing, because the light and Joy of his life has gone out, she was a help-meet indeed; not only in his work as a

Christian Minister, but in all that Sympathy, inspiration, counsel and all those ways that the instinct of true wifely affection knows how to render,— a true companion, the other Self from which there never can be a divorce. What an inspiration to think of the Joy of the union of two such Spirits, if indeed there is a separation at all. Jesus said, "I and my father will come unto you and make our abode with you." Then if there is an element in and about us in which the great Spirit may abide so as to be with us, and if we can joyfully and truthfully sing "Jesus comes and Walks with me, and Sweet Communion here have we," May not the Saintly Spirits of our loved ones live in the same elements and thus be with us? They are not asleep, they are not shut up, they are free!

In their holy estate, only one thing was denied our first parents. In our redeemed estate, only our place will be denied us. Death is not a transmigration nor a translation, but a transfiguration. On the Mount of Transfiguration, Jesus shows us what we are to be, and John says we are to be like that.

When the veil of the flesh falls away, we shall see as we are seen and know as we are known.

Two children were born to Brother and Sister Givan a daughter, Myrtle Ruth, who died in infancy and a son, Kenneth. He largely embodies the characteristics of both parents with those of the mother predominant. Upon him she lavished the affection and devotion of a great-hearted mother, to which he graciously responded in life and service, and sits by the side of his father in the shadow of a great loss.

How good the Lord is to give us a well-grounded assurance that Mothers shall have their children with them again forever.

Mrs. Givan's last illness was of long duration, and sometimes very painful. She fought courageously and at times with much hope, but the tide was against her and it was only the wavelets that now and then promised the current had turned to the flood.

In times of ease she gave herself much to the quotation of Psalms and hymns and beautiful poems with which she had stored her memory in years gone.

One day as Brother Givan sat by her bedside, she looked up into his face and said, "Father, I regret to leave you, but I want to go". In a little while she closed her eyes and her Spirit slipped away.

On Sunday, October 7, in the presence of a large concourse of people, at the parsonage in Galena, the funeral service was held by the writer assisted by Brother M. E. Wheatley, of Middletown, and the Sacred dust was buried in the beautiful cemetery of White's Chapel, near Lewes, Delaware.

"I would not live always; No,
Welcome the tomb!
Since Jesus hath lain there, I dread
not its gloom.
There, Sweet be my rest till He bid
me arise,
To hail in triumph descending the Skies."

W. F. CORKRAN.

MRS. LAURA REBECCA CANNON SMOOT.

Laura Rebecca Cannon Smoot was born in Dover, Delaware, May 10th, 1862. Her parents were Jerry and Sarah Cannon. She was married to the Rev. Thurston C. Smoot by Dr. E. L. Hoffecker in 1925. She shared with her husband in a pastorate at Oxford, Maryland, while he, then retired, was serving that Church as a supply.

Mrs. Smoot passed away on January 16th, 1935, and three days later her body was laid to rest by her pastor, Dr. B. F. Thompson, rector of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, Dover, Delaware.

She was an attractive Christian lady and deserves well having her name recorded among those of our number whom we have loved long since and lost for a while.

ESSELL P. THOMAS.

MRS. EMMA F. SHILLING.

Mrs. Emma F. Shilling, widow of the Rev. John Shilling, a former member of the Wilmington Conference, passed away on February 27th, 1935, in Wilmington, Delaware. Her death, closely following her eighty-ninth birthday, brought to an end a long life of service and devotion to her home and to the Church.

Mrs. Shilling was born on February 20th, 1846, the daughter of William and Susan Massey, on the Eastern Shore of Virginia where she lived until her marriage in 1870 to John Shilling. Four sons were born to them, William, Eli, Samuel and Frank, three of whom survive. Mr. Shilling died in 1884 during his second pastorate at Brandywine Church. Mrs. Shilling was left with four children and an aged mother all of whom were dependent upon her care. All who knew her during the years of struggle which followed speak most beautifully of her great faith and courage.

For many years Mrs. Shilling was a member of Grace Church. She, as her home duties became less confining, became more active in the organizations of the Church. She was always intensely interested in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and served for many years as the Secretary of Literature of the Conference and afterwards in the same capacity for the Philadelphia Branch. From 1920 until her death she was one of the Branch Managers.

Through all the years she sustained a keen interest in and a love for the Church. Her beautiful life will ever be cherished by her loved ones and friends.

B. M. JOHNS.

MRS. JANE JANVIER EWING.

Mrs. Jane Janvier Ewing, widow of the late Rev. Harvey Winfield Ewing, D. D., a former member of the Wilmington Conference, passed away on Wednesday morning of March 13th, 1935, in the Union Hospital, Elkton, Maryland.

Mrs. Ewing was born near Still Pond, Kent County, Maryland, December 4th, 1860. She was the daughter of Edwin Paynter Janvier, son of George and Catherine of New Castle County, Delaware. Her mother was Margaret Newman Janvier of Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

Mrs. Ewing was educated in the public schools of Kent County, Md., and the State Normal School of Maryland in Baltimore. After teaching school in Kent County, Md., for several years, she was married to the late Rev. Harvey W. Ewing in 1889, and for 43 years they labored together in the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Their lives were blessed by the birth unto them of one son, Murray J. Ewing, present Editor of the Cecil Whig, Elkton, Md. Mrs. Ewing is also survived by one sister, Mrs. C. C. Ward, of Crisfield, Md.

Mrs. Ewing was a semi-invalid a good part of her married life. On three occasions while her husband was a minister in Boston, Mass., she was in the Hospital for from three months to a year each time, and she always believed her remarkable recovery in each case was in answer to the prayers of the members of Winthrop Methodist Episcopal Church of which her husband was the minister. However, though handicapped by illness frequently through the years, she was nevertheless active in the various Women's societies of the Churches they served.

Mrs. Ewing was a woman of unusual charm. She had a sense of humor which made her personality most attractive in all circles in which she moved. She was not a disturber of the harmony and peace in their Church life, but a peacemaker at all times. She was alike the friend of the rich and poor, high and low, and hence was a most worthy helpmate of her distinguish husband. She was a woman of firm convictions, and with frankness and courage did not hesitate to express the same when duty prompted her.

All who knew Dr. and Mrs. Ewing can but bear testimony to the beauty of their home life. Her family, her Church, and her friends were ever dear to her heart. Her failing eye sight and increasing disabilities prevented her from Church attendance toward the last, but she kept the home fires of love and faith and hope burning upon the altar of her heart by prayer and communion with God, and so it is no wonder that her last expression was that she was going to her "Heavenly Father, and to join her Husband".

The services of memory were held from the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Palmer McFadden, Elkton, Md., on Friday, March 15th, 1935, at 2 P. M. with interment in Rosebank Cemetery. The Rev. D. W. Jacobs, D. D., Superintendent of the Wilmington District, was in charge of the services.

J. W. COLONA.

MRS. MARY A. GIVEN.

The subject of this memoir, Mrs. Mary A. Given, the widow of the Rev. Thomas Norton Given entered into her heavenly rest in just eight months after her devoted husband heard the call "come up higher".

For more than forty-nine years this good woman walked side by side with the love of her early days, cheering, comforting and inspiring him in his chosen work.

Hers was therefore the rare privilege of living for more than seventy-six years. She shared with her husband the joys and sorrows of an itinerant life. She was a most devoted wife and mother.

While in Philadelphia, Pa. on the 2nd of June, 1886 she became the wife of Brother Given. Those left to mourn the loss of this devoted mother are Robert G. Given of Chesapeake City, Md. and Walter C. Given of Henderson, Md.

At the time of her husband's death eight months ago, she had a break-down in health and was confined to her bed suffering great pain, not being able to attend her husband's funeral, she spent her last days with her son Walter C. Given of Henderson, Md. and he realizing her serious condition moved her to the Methodist Hospital in Philadelphia, where she passed away on March the 26th, 1935. Rev. Brother Cantwell a local preacher of Cheswold, Del. conducted her funeral, and laid her away in the Bethel Cemetery at Chesapeake City, Md. along side of her husband, to await that glorious morning when death shall be no more, and when the grave shall be robbed of its victory.

OREN RICE.

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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 EFFECTIVE
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
1823	Robert E. Kemp	Mar. 6, 1875	Greensboro, Md.	73	32
1832	Wesley Kenney	June 24, 1875	Smyrna, Del.	70	42
1835	Henry Sutton	Mar. 23, 1876	Philadelphia, Pa.	68	23
1871	George A. Campbell	Sept. 7, 1876	Frankford, Del.	30	4
1862	John W. Weston	Apr. 23, 1877	Wilmington, Del.	38	15
1837	John D. Curtis	July 25, 1877	Wilmington, Del.	61	40
1845	David R. Thomas	Feb. 13, 1878	Wilmington, Del.	58	30
1870	Andrew J. Crozier	Jan. 21, 1879	Wilmington, Del.	41	7
1829	Joshua Humphriss	Jan. 23, 1879	Salisbury, Md.	78	41
1868	Francis M. Chatham	May 29, 1878	Berlin, Md.	41	8
1857	Edward G. Irwin	Mar. 12, 1879	Wilmington, Del.	50	21
1848	John Hough	Mar. 27, 1879	Near Trenton, N. J.	58	31
1857	Thomas J. Williams	Mar. 29, 1879	New Castle, Del.	53	21
1870	William I. Bain	May 13, 1880	Pocomoke City, Md.	36	10
1832	William Urle	Nov. 13, 1880	Smyrna, Del.	67	43
1860	Thomas F. Plummer	Feb. 2, 1881	Wilmington, Del.	44	8
1833	Elijah Miller	Apr. 15, 1881	Sudlersville, Md.	71	49
1836	John W. Pierson	May 6, 1881	Wilmington, Del.	67	44
1880	Francis B. Quigley	Aug. 19, 1881	Hopewell, Md.	27	2
1873	Thos. J. Prettyman	Feb. 27, 1882	Newark, Md.	36	9
1865	Benj. W. Chase	Dec. 11, 1882	Seaford, Del.	48	17
1837	Lucius C. Matlack	June 24, 1883	Cambridge, Md.	67	46
1834	I. T. Cooper	Apr. 12, 1884	Camden, Del.	78	26
1829	Henry Colclazer	Dec. 18, 1884	Philadelphia, Pa.	75	55
1833	John L. Taft	May 30, 1884	Norristown, Pa.	72	41
1869	John Shilling	July 22, 1884	Wilmington, Del.	52	15
1842	Arthur W. Milby	June 13, 1886	Harrington, Del.	71	44
1840	Elon J. Way	July 5, 1886	Baltimore, Md.	75	26
1839	Valentine Gray	Jan. 21, 1887	Gap, Pa.	72	42
1881	Isalah D. Johnson	Mar. 4, 1887	Bridgeville, Del.	33	6
1859	Wm. J. O'Neil	Mar. 9, 1887	Church Hill, Md.	55	28
1854	Joseph Dare	Oct. 22, 1887	Newark, Del.	56	32
1886	Frank M. Morgan	Feb. 11, 1889	Philadelphia, Pa.	34	3
1849	William Merrill	Oct. 23, 1889	Upper Fairmt., Md.	75	28
1873	Isaac N. Foreman	June 12, 1890	Lincoln, Del.	47	17
1841	John Allen	Dec. 13, 1890	Brooklyn, N. Y.	72	33
1855	Samuel T. Gardner	Jan. 3, 1891	Pivot Bridge, Md.	60	33
1889	Samuel J. Baker	Sept. 22, 1891	Laurel, Del.	33	2
1870	Thos. O. Ayres	Oct. 4, 1891	Delaware City, Del.	53	21
1873	Thos. R. Creamer	Jan. 10, 1892	Milton, Del.	45	19
1840	Vaughan Smith	Nov. 21, 1891	Wilmington, Del.	79	43
1845	Charles Hill	June 22, 1892	Salisbury, Md.	70	47
1833	James L. Houston	Sept. 18, 1892	Trappe, Md.	82	32
1865	Alfred T. Melvin	Oct. 17, 1892	Bel Air, Md.	52	24
1859	Alfred A. Fisher	Dec. 12, 1893	Bridgeville, Del.	62	17
1857	Wm. B. Gregg	Jan. 24, 1893	Wyoming, Del.	68	36
1847	Joseph Robinson	Feb. 18, 1893	Perrymans, Md.	68	45
1835	George Barton	Mar. 19, 1893	Church Hill, Md.	84	11
1843	James A. Brindle	Apr. 6, 1894	Greensboro, Md.	73	48
1860	Nicholas M. Browne	Feb. 4, 1895	Middletown, Del.	58	35
1850	James Hubbard	Apr. 4, 1895	Philadelphia, Pa.	76	4
1857	James E. Bryan	Oct. 17, 1895	Baltimore, Md.	64	39
1892	John D. Lecates	Nov. 11, 1895	Wilmington, Del.	41	5

ENTERED MINISTRY	NAME	TIME OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	AGE	YEARS EFFECTIVE
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	Cordova, 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

Entered Ministry	Name	Time of Death	Place of Death	Age	Years Effective
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	Salisbury, Md.	72	16
1902	Benjamin F. Jester	July 13, 1923	Wilmington, Del.	66	11
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
1888	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	Godda, 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
1885	Daniel H. Willis	July 31, 1933	Washington, D. C.	87	28
1886	William P. Taylor	Dec. 10, 1933	Cleveland, Ohio	69	45
1882	Allison P. Prettyman	Feb. 18, 1934	Galena, Md.	81	35
1900	G. W. Hastings	Feb. 28, 1934	Blades, Del.	73	26
1872	John P. Otis	Mar. 4, 1934	Wilmington, Del.	87	47
1890	George W. Bounds	Mar. 6, 1934	Delmar, Del.	71	42
1895	Thomas R. VanDyke	July 4, 1934	Philadelphia, Pa.	63	39
1884	Thomas N. Given	July 19, 1934	Philadelphia, Pa.	80	34
1879	Joshua M. Lindale	Oct. 16, 1934	Wilmington, Del.	82	40
1878	Robert K. Stephenson	Jan. 25, 1935	Wilmington, Del.	81	51

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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	Centerville	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	J. P. Newman	A. S. Mowbray
31	" 22, '99	Cambridge	C. 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	W. A. Wise
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	" 28, '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	Crisfield—Asbury	H. Lester Smith	J. R. Bicking
64	March 29, '32	Salisbury—Asbury	W. F. McDowell	J. R. Bicking
65	March 29, '33	Rehoboth Beach	A. W. Leonard	J. R. Bicking
66	April 4, '34	Newark, Del.	E. H. Hughes	J. R. Bicking
67	March 27, '35	Seaford, Del.	E. H. Hughes	J. R. Bicking

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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.
1908. 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 15-25. 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 selected 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, criticise 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. Members in full connections please read discipline, Par. 199, Sec. 5.

13. Beginning with the Conference Year 1935 the following table will illustrate the change in grading from numerals to letters.

93-100	.....	A	.....	Excellent
86-92	.....	B	.....	Good
78-85	.....	C	.....	Fair
70-77	.....	D	.....	Passed
69-or below	.....	E	.....	Failure

CONFERENCE STUDIES.

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

First Year—

- The Abingdon Bible Commentary Leonard White
- 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 O. A. Bartley
- Paul and His Epistles E. M. Shockley
- Introduction in 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
- The Christian Mission in the Modern Work Leonard White

All written work on above books should be in the hands of the appropriate examiner on or before July 1, 1935.

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, 1936.

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

Monday, 7:30 P. M.

- Doctrines and Discipline M. S. Andrews

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 Life of Wesley and Methodism in American History should be in the hands of the examiner by March 1, 1936.

Tuesday, 1:30 P. M.

- Bible Biography W. H. Revelle

Candidates will please send written sermon to W. H. Revelle, by March 1, 1936.

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, 1935.

First Year—Jesus of History	E. W. Henvis
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	O. A. Bartley
Fourth Year—Biblical Readings	T. F. Beauchamp
Good Ministers of Jesus Christ	R. P. Nichols
Improving Religious Education Through Supervision ..	Tilghman Smith

December 15, 1935.

First Year—Bible Readings	O. A. Bartley
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, 1936.

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)	M. S. Andrews
The Work of Preaching	Tilghman Smith
The Abingdon Commentary (N. T. Articles)	Leonard White

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, 1935. 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	O. A. Bartley
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, 1936.

Schedule of Collateral Reading, Local Preachers' Course.

Oct. 15, 1935.

First Year—Biblical Readings (See D. & H.)	O. A. Bartley
First Year—The Life of Wesley	T. F. Beauchamp
Second Year—Abingdon Commentary (O. T. Studies)	R. S. Hodgson
Second Year—Biblical Readings (See D. & H.)	Frank Herson
Third Year—Beacon Lights of Prophecy	L. E. Windsor
Fourth Year—Phillips Brooks	W. H. Revelle

Dec. 15, 1935.

First Year—Evangelism	O. E. Jones
Second Year—The Rural Billion	J. W. Prettyman
Third Year—Biblical Readings (See D. & H.)	Tilghman Smith
Third Year—The Art of Preaching	E. M. Shockley
Fourth Year—Biblical Readings (See D. & H.)	T. F. Beauchamp
Fourth Year—Varieties of Present-Day Preaching	L. E. Windsor

Feb. 15, 1936.

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 will 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,

Richardson Park, Del.

T. F. BEAUCHAMP, Chairman,

Greensboro, 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.

(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, Annamessex; '15-16, Westover, '17-18, Phoebus; '19, Zoar; '20-23, Elliott's Is.; '24-28, White Haven; '29-33, Royal Oak; '34-, Williamsburg.
- Beckwith, W. L.—1932-33, Secretary; '34-, Church Hill.
- Cannon, Charles G.—1928, Church Creek; '29-30, Hooper's Island; '31-32, Vienna; '33-, Hooper's Island.
- Connor, Rob't. G.—1916, Edgemoor; 1931-33, Ellendale; '34-, Marydel.
- Hanby, Samuel L.—1919-21, Royal Oak; '22-24, Henderson; '25-27, Fairlee; '28-33, Concord; '34-, Lincoln.
- Hudson, Arthur T. P.—1925-26, Annamessex; '27-29, Ayers Chapel; '30-31, Williamsburg; '32-, Crumpton.
- Kelley, John P.—1912, Laws and Milford Neck; '13, Williamsville; '14-16, Ellendale; '17-19, Galestown; '20-21, Williamsburg; '22-23, Westover; '24-26, Bozman and Neavitt; '27-28, Marydel; '29, Bethel; '30-34, Gumboro; 35-, Wye Mills.
- Layton, Joshua E.—1923-24, Edge Moor; '25-26, Edge Moor & Holly Oak; '27, Holly Oak.
- Lynn, Jefferson G.—1930, Charlestown; '31-33, Henderson and Barclay; '34-, Bayside.
- McClintock, William L.—1923-25, Pomona; '26, Henderson; '27-34, Wye Mills & Starr; '35-, Bozman.
- Prettyman, D. B.—1910-16, Taylor's Island; '20-25, Girdletree; '26-32, Stockton; '33-, Trappe.
- Thomas, A. G.—New Jersey Conf., 1924-25, Vienna; 26-27, Houston; 28-30, Queenstown; '31-33, Marydel; '34-, Crapo.
- Thornton, J. H.—1906-7, Trinity (Wilm.); '08, Hockessin; '09, Christiana; '12, Port Penn; '13, Elsmere; '14-15, Elk Neck; '16-17, Town Point; '18, Red Lion; '19-21, Reliance; '22-23, Bethel; '24-26, Lincoln; '27-29, Beckwith & Spedden's; '30, Mardela Springs; '31-32, Greenwood; '33-, Charlestown.
- 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; '30-33, Bozman & Neavitt; '34-, Henderson.
- Wilson, R. H.—1912-13, Baltimore Conf.; '15-16, Lakesville; '17-19, Little Creek; '20-24, Annamessex; '25-27, Marion; '28-32, Bishopville; '34-, Fairmount.
- Wright, Ernest N.—1922-3, Little Creek; '24-27, Burrsville; '28-29, Henderson; '30-33, Fairlee; '34-, Ellendale.

(d) LAY CONFERENCE

FIRST SESSION—FRIDAY MORNING.

The Nineteenth Annual Session of the Laymen's Association of the Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Church was held in the Mount Olivet Methodist Protestant Church in Seaford, Delaware, on Friday March 29th and 30th, 1935. This was also the third Annual United Session of the Annual and Lay Conference.

The session was opened at 9:10 A. M. with President I. Elmer Perry leading the devotions. Prayers were offered by Dr. E. B. Crooks and I. Elmer Perry and a hearty welcome was given every delegate present. The secretary called the roll of delegates to which 150 responded as follows:

Dover District (40).

Blades, W. W. Tyndell; Bethel, Jacob Gootie; Bridgeville, J. H. Butler; Camden, W. W. Buckingham; Cambridge, Granville Hooper; Canterbury, Wilbur Kersey; East New Market, P. C. Clifton; Elliott's Island, Shelton Gray; Farmington, Mrs. N. Elliott; Federalsburg, T. H. Chambers; Felton, S. H. Hodgson; Galestown, B. Morris; Georgetown, H. E. Hudson; Greenwood, Charles Kinder; Harrington, W. W. Sharp; Houston, H. R. Moore; Hurlock, Mrs. Dalema Bradley; Lincoln, Horace Bennett; Little Creek, Mrs. J. B. Chadwick; Magnolia, Caleb W. Johnson; Milford, H. Haswell Pierce; Milford Neck, Harvey Thompson; Milton, J. H. Waples; Laurel, L. E. Collins; Lewes, Edson C. Lodge; Mt. Zion, Mrs. Mary Boyce; Millsboro, J. E. McGee; Mt. Pleasant, Elmer Workman; Nassau, R. M. Lank; Rehoboth, J. F. Hudson; Seaford, E. J. Winder; Seaford Ct., W. J. Russell; Secretary, T. A. Colbourne; Dover—Wesley, A. A. Hearn; St. Pauls, Harvey Farra; Vienna, Sewell Hurley; Williamsburg, E. J. Edgel; Woodside, Mrs. C. M. Morse; Wyoming, Fannie Marvel; Zoar Ct., F. W. Lawson.

Salisbury District (40).

Berlin, Herbert B. Powell; Bishopville, O. M. Shockley; Cape Charles, S. C. Churn; Chincoteague, J. T. Mears; Crisfield—Asbury, Gordon Milbourne; Immanuel, Dr. C. E. Collins; Dagsboro, John H. Long; Deals Island, J. Herbie Twigg; Delmar, W. S. Melson; Fairmount, Allen B. Ford; Frankford, Charles Lockwood; Fruitland, Austin A. Banks; Girdletree, Mrs. W. S. Townsend; Hebron, Vernon Killiam; Mardela, C. I. Bennett; Marion, Mrs. Manie Somers; Mt. Vernon, L. W. Ross; Nanticoke, A. W. Messick; Newark; Harry W. Bowen; Ocean City, G. P. Cropper; Ocean View, Timothy W. Melson; Onancock, J. M. Watson; Parsonsburg, E. Urie Oliphant; Pittsville, S. G. Truitt; Pocomoke City, S. A. Evans; Pocomoke Ct., W. V. Taylor; Powellville, D. Lawrence Pennewell; Princess Anne,

F. D. Layfield; Roxana, J. C. Evans; Salisbury—Asbury, A. R. Cornwell; Grace, V. P. Wilkins; Selbyville, W. A. Law; Sharptown, Curtis Wolff; Smiths Island, Raymond A. Evans; Snow Hill, A. C. Humphries, Sr.; Somerset, Dr. E. P. Simpson; Stockton, C. C. Pilchard; Tangier Island, Cary Crockett; Whitesville, W. C. Truitt; Willards, Miss Helen Shockley.

Middletown District (33).

Cecilton, Joseph P. Short; Centreville, Norman P. Walters; Chester-town, J. S. Kreeger; Church Hill, Miss Mary Chance; Clayton, J. E. Catts; Concord, Mrs. Ethel Meredith; Cordova, James Coulby; Crumpton, Thomas Smith; Denton, H. Earl Smith; Easton, C. Norman Jefferson; Fairlee, Mrs. Cora Edwards; Galena, Robert N. Bramble; Greensboro, James H. Thawley; Henderson, I. W. Poole; Kent Island, Stanley Lane; Kenton, Clifford Clark; Marydel, Medford Starkey; Middletown, J. E. Walls; Millington, N. A. Wallin; Oxford, Mrs. Edith Stevenson; Pomona, Wm. E. Greenwood; Preston, Harry B. Wright; Queenstown, J. K. Wrightson; Ridgely, Norman Outten; Rock Hall, Elwood Taylor; Smyrna, Lewis M. Price; St. Michael's, Joseph B. Hunt; St. Paul's, John Brown; Sudlersville, Spencer Walls; Tilghman, J. A. Cooper; Townsend, Richard Hodson; Trappe, Harvey L. Slaughter; Wye Mills, D. B. F. Wolcott.

Wilmington District (37).

Bethel and Town Point, Ernest Davis; Charlestown, A. F. Graham; Chesapeake City, Herbert Wilfong; Cherry Hill, W. P. McFadden; Christiana, Mrs. Henry C. Eastburn; Claymont, E. T. Seibert; Ebenezer, Jesse Patterson; Edge Moor, T. H. Dorman; Elkton, A. D. Dean; Marshallton, J. H. Foard; Mt. Lebanon, James D. Ayers, Sr.; Newark, Dr. E. B. Crooks; New Castle, G. T. Tobin; Newport, A. M. Craig; North East, A. C. Cameron; Perryville, J. L. Baker; Port Deposit; J. C. Eshleman; Rising Sun, J. T. Cameron; St. John's, Mrs. Mary Gallaher; Zion Circuit, J. F. Holt; Wilmington—Asbury, W. W. Seymour; Brandywine, G. L. Bilderback; Brack-Ex, Mrs. Ritner C. Hall; Cookman, J. R. Kendall; Eastlake, L. S. Gibson; Epworth, W. L. Overdeer; Grace, Mrs. Mary T. Gambrill; Harrison St., I. Elmer Perry; Hillcrest, F. A. Coulbourne; Madeley, Mrs. Herman Faulkner; McCabe, T. B. Ely; Mt. Salem, C. H. Brown; Richardson Park, Dr. E. R. Miller; Scott, C. P. Harvey; Silverbrook, J. F. Peeney; St. Paul's, W. E. Skellinger; Trinity, C. W. Cook, Jr.; Union, T. J. Biscoe.

At this time the president announced the following committees:—

Resolutions—Dr. E. B. Crooks, Newark Del.; O. M. Shockley, Bishopville, Md.; Spencer Walls, Sudlersville, Md.; H. R. Moore, Houston, Del.

Finance—C. H. Brown, Wilmington Dist.; F. D. Layfield, Salisbury Dist.; H. B. Wright, Middletown Dist.; J. F. Hudson, Dover Dist.

Credentials—T. B. Ely, Wilmington Dist.; Granville Hooper, Dover Dist.; W. S. Melson, Salisbury Dist.; Norman Outten, Middletown Dist.

We then proceeded to elect permanent officers and the following were nominated for President:—

I. Elmer Perry, Harrison St., Wilmington.
Harry B. Wright, Preston, Md.

The secretary appointed the following tellers:—

T. B. Ely, Wilmington.
J. C. Evans, Roxana.
Elwood Taylor, Rock Hall.
J. Haswell Pierce, Milford.

The result of the votes for president was:—

I. Elmer Perry (75).
H. B. Wright (56).

Charles W. Cook, Jr. of Trinity Church, Wilmington was unanimously elected secretary.

F. D. Layfield of Princess Anne and O. M. Shockley of Bishopville were nominated for Treasurer. The vote resulting as follows:—

O. M. Shockley (73).
F. D. Layfield (57).

E. J. Winder of the local church welcomed each and every layman to St. John's Church, Seaford, the seat of the Conference, and spoke of the hospitality of Seaford and that ample provision had been made to take care of every delegate for meals and lodging.

Prof. Easton of Morgan College, Baltimore, Md., a school for colored boys and girls, addressed the meeting. He stressed the work that was being done there with 426 colored students enrolled, most of whom were being trained for teachers and declared that "their work was making sons of men, men of God." Their property was worth over a million dollars and because of the great work being done is anxious that more students enroll from Delaware.

Rev. Ivanhoe Willis, Supt. of Anti-Saloon League of Delaware was introduced. He said, in part, that the problem of the liquor question could soon be solved if every evangelical church would line up solidly for temperance. He also spoke of some of the most vicious bills that had ever been before our Legislature, some having been passed or pending now. They threaten the very existence of morality in our state and it demanded a united front of all churches for the cause of righteousness and Christ. He asked the whole hearted support of our laymen against these bills and the secretary was authorized to send the following to the President Pro Tem of the Senate and the Speaker of the House at Dover.

Hon. Levi L. Maloney, Pres. Pro. Tem.

Dear Sir:—

We, the members of the Layman's Association of the Wilmington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, do earnestly petition your Honorable body not to pass House bill No. 197 or House bill No. 299, pertaining to shows and theatrical performances on Sunday, also Senate bill No. 24.

Yours very truly,

I. ELMER PERRY,
President.

C. W. COOK, JR.,
Secretary.

Hon. Harry A. Lyons, Speaker.

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I. ELMER PERRY,
President.

C. W. COOK, JR.,
Secretary.

It was the recommendation of the Credential Committee that the roll call as checked by the secretary be accepted as the roster of the delegates of this Lay Conference, the secretary to add such names that reported after the regular roll call, providing they were officially elected as delegates.

We adjourned at 10:55 A. M. to go into United Session with the ministers at the seat of Conference.

In the United Session, Bro. E. J. Winder of Seaford made a motion that it be the sense of this Conference to rescind the action taken in previous Annual Conference, that the number of districts be reduced from four to three. In view of the two previous Lay Conferences having thoroughly discussed this question and having voted decisively for reduction of the districts, upon a motion of G. L. Bilderback of Brandywine of Wilmington, it was decided, by a vote of 47 to 25, that the motion be laid on the table.

SECOND SESSION—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Laymen convened in separate session at 4 P. M. with the president presiding. We then received the report of the Committee on resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS.**Resolution No. 1—Thanks to Mt. Olivet Methodist Protestant Church.**

RESOLVED, That our appreciative thanks are hereby expressed to the pastor and members of the Mt. Olivet Methodist Protestant Church of Seaford, Delaware for their generous hospitality in furnishing us a place of meeting.

Resolution No. 2—Protesting the passage of certain laws before our Legislature at Dover.

RESOLVED, That we deplore the passage, or proposed passage, of bills which tend to break down the general observance of the Sabbath as a day of rest, of spiritual refreshment, and of religious observance.

Furthermore, that we enter our strong and determined opposition to Senate Bill No. 24, now before the Legislature of Delaware, which Bill would permit the sale of liquor in certain clubs on the Sabbath Day. We are certain that this supposed exception to our State laws forbidding the sale of liquor on the Sabbath will be but a beginning of Sunday liquor sales, and that it would be impossible to prevent such a supposed exception from becoming a general practice of Sunday liquor sales.

Resolution No. 3—Cooperation with law enforcement agencies.

RESOLVED, That we assure the Delaware State Liquor Commission, and the enforcement agencies of the State, of our willingness to cooperate in minimizing the socially evil effects which arise from the present system of open liquor sales. While the present licensing law is the law of our State we, as good citizens, will assist in enforcing the protective and restrictive provisions of this law.

Resolution No. 4—Appreciation of our Bishop, Edwin Holt Hughes.

As members of the joint session we lay members wish to express to Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes our admiration for the kindly and skillful manner in which he is presiding over the sessions of our Conference. We are grateful for his brotherly and spiritual manner which is an inspiration to us all.

Signed,

E. B. CROOKS,
H. R. MOORE.

The following resolution which had not been handed to the resolution committee was presented by L. S. Gibson of Eastlake, Wilmington, as follows:

Resolution No. 5—Regret of Legislation encouraging the lowering of our moral standards.

The Lay delegates of the Wilmington Conference in session at Seaford this 30th day of March do hereby convey their findings as follows:

Due to the repeal of the eighteenth amendment conditions morally are worse by far after sixteen months under repeal than any sixteen months during pre-prohibition or prohibition days.

That this Lay session absolutely refuse to sanction for adoption any legislation that tends to further degrade our moral standards.

Each of these resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Due to the late hour of the day many of our delegates had to be excused but we had a very interesting discussion of the needs of the church today and it was the consensus of opinion of all that the church needs to put on the whole armor of God and go forth under the leadership of King Emmanuel and win the world for Christ.

I. ELMER PERRY,
President.

CHARLES W. COOK, JR., Secretary,
820 Vandever Avenue,
Wilmington, Del.

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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 Gambrill, 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

- Aldrich, Glen E.**—1925-33, Michigan Conf.; 1934, Oxford; 1935, Supernumerary.
- Andrews, M. S.**—1921-23, At School; 24-27, Lewes; 28-32, Dover; 33-, Denton.
- Atkins, C. H.**—1917, Leipsic; 18-21, Lincoln; 22-28, Concord; 29-31, Tilghman; 32, Galena; 33-, Zion Cir.
- Bailey, H. N.**—1924, Farmington; 25, St. Paul's (Dover); 26, Marydel; 27-29, Crapo; 30-31, Seaford Circuit; 32-33, Hopewell; 34-, Tangier.
- Baker, F. A.**—1926-27, Millington; 28-31, Newark, Md.; 32-34, Fruitland; 35-, Dagsboro.
- Barlow, W. G.**—1923-24, Smith's Island; 25, Bishopville; 26-27, Georgetown Ct.; 28-29, Pittsville; 30, Cherry Hill; 31, Church Hill; 32-34, Tilghman; 35-, Galena.
- Bartley, O. A.**—1924, Claremont; 25-27, Hebron; 28-30, Preston; 31-33, New Castle; 34-, Brandywine (Wilm.).
- Baynard, O. T.**—1902-3, Henderson; 04, Royal Oak; 05-6, Crumpton; 07-9, Millville; 10-13, Chincoteague; 14, Armory; 15-17, Onancock; 18-19, Rehoboth; 20-21, Beckwith & Spedden; 22, Hillsboro; 23-24, Fairmount; 25, Galena; 26-27, Quantico; 28-29, Roxana; 30, Somerset; 31-32, Mt. Vernon; 33-, Stockton.
- Beauchamp, T. F.**—1892-3, Selbyville; 94-6, Smith's Isl.; 97-8, Mt. Vernon; 99-00, Williston; 01-4, Still Pond; 05-7, Federalsburg; 08-10, Berlin; 11-13, Wesley (Wilm.); 14-15, Secy. Wilm. City Missionary Society; 16-18, Chestertown; 19-20, Epworth; 21-24, Selbyville; 25-29, Georgetown; 30-34, Snow Hill; 35-, Greensboro.
- Bennett, Elmer L.**—1935, Elliotts Island.
- Bennett, W. O.**—1897-98, Queenstown; 99, Annapessex; 00, Fruitland; 01-2, Ridgely; 03-10, Sudlersville; 11-13, Bridgeville; 14-16, Cape Charles; 17, Cookman; 18-19, Berlin; 20-22, Laurel; 23-25, Greensboro; 26-28, Princess Anne; 29-30, Hurlock; 31-, R.
- Benson, N. C.**—1914, Queenstown; 15, Bishopville; 16-18, Georgetown Circuit; 19-20, Greenwood; 21-23, Seaford Circuit; 24-25, Rehoboth; 26-, Frederica.
- Bicking, J. R.**—1907, Elk Neck; 08-9, Cherry Hill; 10-12, East Lake; 13-16, Centerville; 17, Ridgely; 18-21, New Castle; 22-23, Pocomoke City; 24-26, Deal's Island; 27-30, Scott (Wilm.); 31-, Berlin.
- Bolton, J. C.**—1920-21, Clayton; 22-25, At School; 26-27, Pittsville; 28-33, Deal's Island; 34-, Frankford.
- Bowman, G. W.**—1885, Burrsville; 86-7, Beckwith; 88-9, Parsonburg; 90-1, Mt. Vernon; 92, Bethel & Summitt; 93, Wyoming; 94-5, Vienna; 96, Crapo; 97, E. New Market; 98, Gumboro; 99-0, Woodlawn; 01, Marshallton; 02-5, Sy.; 06-, R.
- Bradley, S. B.**—1926, Secretary, Md.; 27-29, Crumpton; 30-31, Ebenezer; 32-34, Chester-Bethel; 35-, Fruitland.
- Branford, C. W.**—1926, Pocomoke Circuit; 27-32, Ocean View; 33-, Chincoteague.
- Branford, H. V.**—1926, Ayres Chapel; 27-28, Marion; 29-33, Nanticoke; 34-, Rehoboth.
- Brasher, J. H.**—1925-31, Alabama Conf.; 32-, Bridgeville.
- Briggs, W. H.**—1907-9, Colara; 10-13, Zion Ct.; 14-15, Preston; 16-20, Selbyville; 21-25, Leave of Absence; 27-30, Sy.; 31-, R.
- Broadway, L. M.**—1915-16, Kingswood; 17-25, Madeley; 26-30, Perryville; 31-, R.
- Buckley, F. G.**—1935, Pocomoke Ct.

- Buckson, J. A.**—1904-7, Galestown; 08-11, Armory; 12-14, Beckwith; 15-19, Whitesville; 20-22, Zion Ct.; 23, Crumpton; 24-28, Millsboro; 29-31, Chester-Bethel; 32-, R.
- Budd, H. G.**—1894-7, Perryville; 98-02, Berlin; 03-6, Centreville; 07-10, Crisfield; 11-17, Principal, Wilmington Conference Academy; 18-25, President Wesley Collegiate Institute; 26-28, Greensboro; 29-30, Princess Anne; 31-, R.
- Bunting, J. J.**—1909, Mardela Springs; 10-11, Marion; 12-14, Mt. Vernon; 15-17, Seaford; 18-19, Ridgely; 20-22, Berlin; 23-24, Smyrna; 25-34, Immanuel (Crisfield); 35-, Dist. Supt. Salisbury District.
- Caldwell, H. T.**—1930, Church Hill; 31-, Felton.
- Campbell, R. W.**—1927-31, Magnolia; 32-33, Seaford Ct.; 34-, Camden.
- Carpenter, C. I.**—1928-30, North East Ohio Conf.; 31-33, Rehoboth; 34-, Federalsburg.
- Clark, J. A.**—1927-28, Hopewell; 29-31, East New Market; 32-, Millsboro.
- Clow, J. H., Jr.**—1935, Marion.
- Collins, V. S.**—1883, Dover & Cambridge; 84-5, Vienna; 86-7, Felton; 88-90, Scott; 91-3, Centreville; 94-6, New Castle; 97, Georgetown; 98-1900, Principal, Wilm. Conf. Academy; 01-3, Smyrna; 04-8, Port Deposit; 09-12, Middletown; 13-16, St. Paul's; 17-22, Dist. Supt., Salisbury District; 23-26, Cape Charles; 27-28, Delaware City; 29-, R.
- Collins, E. H.**—1895, Claymont; 96-7, Stanton; 98-9, St. George's; 00, Whitesville; 01-2, St. John's; 03, Chesapeake; 04-6, Marydel; 07-8, Still Pond; 09, Fairmount; 10-12, Parsonburg; 13-16, Madeley; 17-18, East Lake; 19, North East; 20-23, Trinity; 24-33, Harrington; 34-, R.
- Collins, O. J.**—1924-27, Charlestown; 28-29, Ebenezer; 30-32, Marshallton; 33-, St. Pauls (Wilm.).
- Colona, J. W.**—1902-3, Annapessex; 04-6, Princess Anne; 07-10, Bridgeville; 11-17, Georgetown; 18-22, Dover; 23-28, Dist. Supt., Wilmington District; 29-, Harrison St.
- Connelly, O. H.**—1912, Piney Neck; 13, Christiana; 14, Claymont; 15-16, Colara; 17-19, Roxana; 20-22, Millington; 23-26, Townsend; 27-29, Epworth (Wilm.); 30-33, Dagsboro; 34-, Lewes.
- Cooke, G. A.**—1891-99, Minn. Conference; 1900-5, N. Eng. Conf.; 1906-7, Troy Conf.; 1908-9, N. Y. Conf.; 1910-11, Somerset; 12-13, Tangier; 14-16, Wesley (Wilm.); 17-20, R.; 21-22, St. John's; 23-27, Frankford; 28, St. John's; 29, Sy.; 30-31, R.; 32-33, Mt. Pleasant; 34, Conf. Evangelist; 35-, R.
- Corkran, W. F.**—1876, Millsboro; 77, Harrington; 78-9, Barratt's Chapel; 80, Leipsic; 81-2, Magnolia; 83-5, Gumboro; 86-90, Asbury (Crisfield); 91-6, Dist. Supt. Salisbury District; 97-1902, Dist. Supt. Easton District; 03-4, Georgetown; 06-8, Newark, Del.; 09-17, Union; 18-25, Asbury (Crisfield); 26-28, Chestertown; 29, Field Secy., Conf. Claimant End. Com.; 30-, R.
- Crockett, E. E.**—1935, Girdletree.
- Davis, Howard**—1900, Little Creek; 01-2, Salem; 03-5, Powellville; 06-7, Marion; 08-9, Mt. Vernon; 10-13, Cape Charles; 14-17, Bridgeville; 18-19, Chaplain; 20-23, Lewes; 24-26, Trinity (Wilm.); 27-28, Cape Charles; 29-30, Selbyville; 31-33, Perryville; 34-, Milton.
- Davis, C. E.**—1921, At School; 22-24, Cheswold; 25-26, Professor Wesley Collegiate Institute; 27-29, Cherry Hill; 30-33, Hockessin; 34-, Asbury (Wilm.).
- Dawson, G. W.**—1899-0, Perryville; 01-2, Bethel; 03-5, Mt. Lebanon; 06-8, Wesley (Wilm.); 09-10, Deal's Isl.; 11-12, Harrison St.; 13-22, Asbury (Wilm.); 23-24, Georgetown; 25-28, Cecilton; 29-31, Centreville; 32-34, Greensboro; 35-, Hurlock.
- Dennis, L. R.**—1935, Concord.
- Diehl, J. R.**—1927-28, Greenwood; 29, Ellendale; 30, Mt. Vernon; 31-33, Cherry Hill; 34-, Hopewell.
- Dickerson, J. B.**—1933, Stanton.
- Dise, Waldo**—1928-34, United Lutheran Ch.; 1935-, Pittsville.
- Easley, J. W.**—1885-6, Girdletree; 87-8, Onancock; 89-91, Federalsburg; 92-3, Chestertown; 94-7, Centreville; 98-00, Brandywine; 01, Scott; 02-4, Harrison St.; 05-9, Kentucky Conf.; 10-11, Cor. Sec'y Wil. City Missionary Soc'y; 12-14, Snow Hill; 15-17, McCabe; 18, Cape Charles; 19-, R.

- Eckhart, E. B.**—1929-31, Oxford; 32, St. Johns; 33, Galena; 34-, Parsonburg.
- Eldridge, J. S.**—1902-11, New Jersey Conference; 1912-20, Northern New York Conference; 1921-22, Dagsboro; 23, Mt. Vernon; 24, Camden; 25-27, Milton; 28-29, Port Deposit; 30-34, Grace (Salisbury); 35-, Millington.
- Ennis, W. J.**—1930-, Quantico.
- Everett, Willard**—1927-28, Cheswold; 29-31, Hillsboro; 32, Newark, Md.; 33-, Onancock.
- Ford, D. J.**—1905, Betterton; 06, Henderson; 07, Royal Oak; 08-10, Powellville; 11-12, Cherry Hill; 13, Eastlake; 14-16, Seaford Circuit; 17-18, Nanticoke; 19-20, Frankford; 21, Mardela Springs; 22-24, Magnolia; 25-28, Wyoming; 29, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel); 30-32, Hebron; 33-34, Nassau; 35-, R.
- French, J. E.**—1934-, Cordova.
- Frye, A. B.**—1915-19, Blue Ridge-Atlantic Conference; 20, Concord; 21-23, Church Hill; 24-26, Ocean View; 27-28, Fruitland; 29-31, Greensboro; 32-, Rising Sun.
- Gardner, J. H.**—1902-3, Church Creek; 04-5, Marion; 06, Westover; 07-8, Onancock; 09-11, Millsboro; 12-13, Galestown; 14-17, Lincoln; 18-19, Seaford Circuit; 20-23, Crapo; 24-25, Crumpton; 26-29, Whitesville; 30-31, Frankford; 32-33, Hillsboro; 34-, Georgetown Circuit.
- Geoghegan, J. H.**—1891, Cordova; 92, Wye; 93, Armory; 94-5, Hopewell; 96-8, Church Hill; 99-00, Cherry Hill; 01-2, St. George's; 03-4, Girdletree; 05-7, Quantico; 08-9, Houston; 10-12, Ebenezer; 13-14, Delaware City; 15-16, Mt. Lebanon; 17-18, Newark, Md.; 19-20, Bethel Circuit; 21-26, Red Lion; 27-28, Kenton; 29-31, Trappe; 32-33, Bayside; 34-, R.
- Givan, D. J.**—1895-7, Parksley; 98, Chance; 99-00, Gumboro; 01-3, Farmington; 04-6, Hillsboro; 07-9, Odessa; 10, Madeley; 11-13, Harrington; 14-16, Princess Anne; 17-19, Milton; 20-25, North East; 26-28, Clayton; 29-33, Camden; 34, Galena; 35-, Mt. Vernon.
- Glass, W. A.**—1935-, Burrsville.
- Goddard, Alvin C.**—1904-08, Holston Conf., Wildwood Circuit, 04; At school, 05; Chattanooga, Epworth Church, 06-08; Chattanooga, Ridgedale Church, 09-10; At school, 11-12; Maine Conf., York, 13-14; Holston Conf., Knoxville, First Church, 15-17; Exec. Sec. Chattanooga Area, 18-19; Maine Conf., Portland, Chestnut St., 20-25; Agt. Conf. Claimants Commission, 26-27; Exec. Sec. World Peace Commission, 28-32; Wilmington Conf., Wilmington, McCabe Memorial, 32-.
- Goodhand, A. W.**—1903-5, Cheswold; 06-7, Stockton; 08-9, Frankford; 10-12, St. Peter's; 13-14, Hurlock; 15-17, Fairmount; 18-19, Still Pond; 20-21, Richardson Park; 22-24, Eastlake; 25-27, Phoebus; 28-29, Chincoteague; 30-32, Sharptown; 33-34, Millington; 35-, Grace (Salisbury).
- Grant, W. S.**—1917-19, Houston; 20-23, Rehoboth; 24-26, Church Hill; 27-32, Rock Hall; 33-34, Epworth (Wilm.); 35-, Ocean View.
- Gray, J. W.**—1888, Pocomoke Ct.; 89, Powellville; 90-1, Fruitland; 92-3, Smith's Isl.; 94, Somerset; 95-6, Roxana; 97-9, Crapo; 00, Chincoteague; 01-2, Mt. Vernon; 03-4, Lincoln; 05, Cordova; 06-7, Powellville; 08, Quantico; 09-10, Newark, Md.; 11-13, Bethel; 14-15, Chester-Bethel; 16-17, Ebenezer; 18-19, Charlestown; 20-21, R.; 22-23, Cherry Hill; 24, Delaware City; 25-, R.
- Green, R. E.**—1928, Pomona; 29-30, Fairlee; 31-32, At School; 33-, Greenwood.
- Green, R. M.**—1931-, Christiana.
- Greenfield, W. E.**—1900, Elk Neck; 01-5, Perryville; 06-13, Silverbrook; 14-17, Berlin; 18-27, Brandywine; 28-30, Berlin; 31-, R.
- Gunby, W. E.**—1903-4, Queenstown; 05-6, Odessa; 07-11, Princess Anne; 12-13, Easton; 14-17, Wesley (Dover); 18-22, Cambridge; 23-28, Dist. Supt., Dover District; 29-34, Newark, Del.; 35-, Dist. Supt. Wilm. District.
- Habbart, W. E.**—1903, Little Creek; 04-5, Fairlee; 06-7, Kenton; 08-10, Ridgely; 11-12, Crisfield; 13-16, Ridgely; 17-18, Mt. Salem; 19-24, Harrison St.; 25-28, Cambridge; 29-34, Supt. Dover District; 35-, Leave of Absence.
- Hallman, E. C.**—1910-19, North Indiana Conference; 1920-21, Ocean View; 22-23, Tangier; 24-27, Berlin; 28-29, Brandywine; 30-32, Denton; 33-34, Dist. Supt. Middletown Dist.; 35-, Dist. Supt. Dover Dist.
- Hallman, R. W.**—1933, At School; 34-, Hillcrest.

- Hamblin, S. T.**—1921-22, At School; 23-25, Houston; 26-28, Rehoboth; 29-31, Odessa; 32-33, Crapo; 34-, Fairlee.
- Hamer, Conrad**—1927, Ellendale; 28-29, At School; 30-32, Kenton; 33, Parsonburg; 34-, Rock Hall.
- Hanby, J. C.**—1931-33, Houston; 34-, Mr. Pleasant.
- Harris, W. G.**—1906-7, Christiana; 08-9, Marion; 10-12, Bishopville; 13-15, Frankford; 16-17, Sharptown; 18-22, Cookman; 23-29, Elkton; 30, Georgetown; 31-, Cambridge.
- Harris, C. C.**—1916-17, Claymont; 18-19, Kingswood; 20-24, Rising Sun; 25-27, Preston; 28-29, Sharptown; 30-, Eastlake (Wilm.).
- Hearn, W. A.**—1917, Asst. Pastor, Grace (Wilm.); 18-19, Y. M. C. A. Secretary and Chaplain 6th Marines, A. E. F.; 20-21, Newark, Md.; 22-24, Claymont; 25-27, Middletown; 28-31, Easton; 32-34, Richardson Park; 35-, Laurel.
- Hennis, E. W.**—1918, Elk Mills; 19-21, At School; 22-23, Claremont; 24-25, Onancock; 26, Newark, Md.; 27-28, Sudlersville; 29-33, St. Michaels; 34-, Cecilton.
- Herson, Frank**—1909-17, Philadelphia Conference; 18-26, Newark, Del.; 27-, Milford.
- Hess, W. L.**—1920-21, Stockton; 22-24, Hebron; 25-26, Hopewell; 27-28, Hillcrest; 29-31, Galena; 32-33, Frankford; 34, Leave of Absence; 35-, Nassau.
- Hills, V. E.**—1889-98, E. Maine Conf.; 99-02, Lincoln; 03-4, Gumboro; 05-7, Mt. Vernon; 08-9, Parsonburg; 10-15, Selbyville; 16-17, Asbury (Crisfield); 18-19, Pocomoke City; 20-22, Denton; 23-24, Wesley (Wilm.); 25-30, Mt. Pleasant; 31-33, Madeley (Wilm.); 34-, Cookman (Wilm.).
- Hodgson, R. S.**—1918, Canterbury; 19-20, At School; 21-24, Odessa; 25-26, Sudlersville; 27-30, Townsend; 31-33, Milton; 34, Dagsboro; 35-, Red Lion.
- Hoffecker, E. L.**—1876, Denton; 77, King's Creek; 78-9, Talbot; 80-2, Cambridge; 83-01, N. Y. Conf.; 02-4, Greensboro; 05-8, Fairmount; 09, Wesley (Dover); 10-15, D. S., Wilm. District; 16, Cor. Secy. Wilm. City Missionary Society; 17, Sabbatical Year; 18-, R.
- Holt, T. S.**—1897-00, St. John's; 01-4, Federalsburg; 05-6, Still Pond; 07-11, Sy.; 12-, R.
- Hopkins, J. C. B.**—1910-12, Trappe; 13-15, Greenwood; 16-18, Dagsboro and St. Georges; 19, Hebron; 20-27, Colorado Conf.; 28-29, Fairmount; 30-31, Still Pond and Betterton; 32-, Sudlersville.
- Hudson, C. H.**—1922-25, Hooper's Island; 26-29, Seaford Ct.; 30-, Trinity (Wil.).
- Hufnal, H. O.**—1927, Zoar Ct.; 28, Elk Neck; 29, Burrsville; 30, Marydel Larger Parish; 31, Crumpton; 32, Hooper's Island; 33-34, Pomona; 35-, Church Creek.
- Humphreys, G. W.**—1912-33, Phila. Conf.; 34-, Asbury (Salisbury).
- Jackson, Leolan**—1896-06, Holston Conf.; 07, Vienna; 08-9, Beckwith; 10-11, Wyoming; 12-14, Crapo; 15-16, Magnolia; 17-19, Princess Anne; 20-21, Tilghman's; 22-24, Sudlersville; 25-26, Ridgely; 27-29, Madeley; 30-33, Kent Island; 34-, St. Michaels.
- Jacobs, D. W.**—1913-14, Blades; 15-17, Rehoboth; 18-20, Bridgeville; 21-26, Milford; 27-28, Newark; 29-34, Supt. Wilmington District; 35-, Snow Hill.
- James, O. E.**—1907, Queenstown; 08-9, Roxana; 10, Fruitland; 11-12, Gumboro; 13-14, Farmington; 15, Annessex; 16, Sy.; 17-18, Colara; 19, Red Lion; 20-22, Mt. Lebanon; 23, Ebenezer; 24-, R.
- Jefferson, O. P.**—1926-27, Crumpton; 28-29, Ocean City; 30-31, Chincoteague; 32-33, Chesapeake City; 34-, Perryville.
- Johns, B. M.**—1906-23, Wyoming Conference; 23-, Grace (Wilm.).
- Johnson, J. L.**—1899-00, Galestown; 01-3, Greenwood; 04-6, Seaford Ct.; 07-11, E. New Market; 12-15, New Castle; 16-17, Scott; 18-24, Immanuel (Crisfield); 25-28, Harrison St.; 29-32, Supt. Middletown District; 33-, Smyrna.
- Jones, G. P.**—1891-3, Chincoteague; 94, Selbyville; 95-8, Cherry Hill; 99-01, Townsend; 02, Hurlock; 03, Brandywine; 04-6, Milford; 07-8, Middletown; 09-14, D. S. Salisbury Dist.; 15-19, Elkton; 20-22, Townsend; 23-24, Treas. Conf. Claimant Endowment Commission; 25-26, Corresponding Secretary, Conf. Claimant End. Commission; 27-28, Treasurer Conference Claimant Endowment Commission; 29-, R.

- Jones, J. E.**—1935-, Cheswold.
- Jones, J. W.**—1898, Annamessex; 99-03, Cookman; 04-5, Townsend; 06-7, Ridgely; 08, Ebenezer; 09-10, Rising Sun; 11-12, Deal's Island; 13-15, Frederica; 16-17, Middletown; 18, McCabe; 19-20, Cape Charles; 21-25, Delmar; 26-30, Pocomoke City; 31-, Mt. Salem.
- Jones, O. E.**—1898-9, Ingleside; 00-02, At School; 03-4, Delaware City; 05-7, St. John's; 08-10, Cecilton; 11-14, Seaford; 15-19, Lewes; 20-22, Chestertown; 23-28, Dist. Supt., Middletown District; 29-30, Cambridge; 31-, Georgetown.
- Jones, C. N.**—1900, Leipsic; 01-2, At School; 03, Colora; 04-5, Cookman; 06, Chesapeake City; 07-8, St. Georges; 09-10, Preston; 11-12, Delaware City; 13-15, Hopewell; 16-19, Clayton; 20-22, St. Michaels; 23-24, Denton; 25, Princess Anne; 26-27, Ocean City; 28-30, Milton; 31-34, Townsend; 35-, New Castle.
- Jones, R. C.**—1915, Vienna; 16-17, Bishopville; 18-20, At School; 21-24, Kent Island; 25-29, Silverbrook; 30-33, Lewes; 34-, Delmar.
- Kelso, H. B.**—1898, School; 99-00, Elliott's; 01-2, Powellville; 03-5, Williamsburg; 06-9, Magnolia; 10, Galestown; 11-14, Rehoboth; 15, Concord; 16-20, Mt. Pleasant; 21-23, Perryville; 24, Phoebus; 25-29, Claymont; 30-33, Tangier; 34-, Pocomoke City.
- Kelso, J. M.**—1904, Mardela; 05-6, School; 07-8, Ellendale; 09, Trappe; 10, Fairlee; 11-12, Queenstown; 13-14, Nassau; 15-17, Farmington; 18-19, Crapo; 20-22, Houston; 23-28, Professor Wesley Collegiate Institute; 29-32, Professor Williamsport Dickinson Seminary; 33, Hillcrest; 34-, Hillsboro.
- Kirwan, Ray W.**—1933, Cheswold; 34-, Queenstown.
- Kohl, W. H.**—1931-33, Pittsville; 34-, Cherry Hill.
- Landon, J. P.**—1908-30, Colorado Conf.; 1931, Girdletree; 32-33, St. Thomas; 34, Nanticoke; 35-, Bishopville.
- Langrall, J. F.**—1931, At School; 32-, Farmington.
- Layfield, L. W.**—1871, Princess Anne; 72, Claymont; 73-5, Elk Neck; 76-8, Charlestown; 79-81, Bethel; 82-4, Claymont; 85-7, St. George's; 88-90, E. N. Market; 91, Magnolia; 92-3, Zion; 94-6, Epworth; 97-9, Smyrna Ct.; 00-3, Camden; 04-8, Greenwood; 09-14, Felton; 15-17, Hurlock; 18, Chester-Bethel; 19-23, Delaware City; 24-, R.
- Lindhorst, F. A.**—1912-19, Illinois Conference; 1920-24, Nebraska Conference; 1925-29, Director of Religious Education; 30-31, At School; 32-, Board of Education, M. E. Church.
- Littleton, D'Arcy A.**—1933, Pocomoke Cir.; 34-, Ocean City.
- Louhoff, F. C.**—1928, Stanton; 29-31, Elk Neck; 32-, Odessa.
- McCoy, J. C.**—1905-6, Royal Oak; 07-8, Pomona; 09-10, Tilghman; 11, Galesfown; 12-13, Marshallton; 15-19, Zion; 20-22, St. George's; 23-24, Milton; 25-31, Rising Sun; 32-33, Cecilton; 34-, Newport.
- McDade, Howard**—1905-19, Philadelphia Conference; 20-21, Claymont; 22, Salisbury Circuit; 24-25, St. Peter's; 26, Tilghman; 27-29, Kent Island; 30-33, Newport; 34, New Castle; 35-, Port Deposit.
- McDowell, E. W.**—1906, Elliott's Isl.; 07-9, Bishopville; 10-12, Mt. Pleasant; 13-14, Ocean View; 15-16, Somerset; 17-19, Hillsboro; 20-21, Pocomoke City; 22-24, Middletown; 25-29, Eastlake; 30-34, Claymont; 35-, Richardson Park.
- McClain, Dayton E.**—1910-33, Maine Conf.; 09-13, Milo Jnc. and Milo; 14-15, Calais, Knight Mem.; 16-18, Bar Harbor; 19-20, Centenary; 21-26, Field Agt. Board Education; 27-32, American University; 33, Supt. Anti Saloon League of Del.; 34-, Wilmington Conf., Deal's Island.
- McKee, Wm. J.**—1914-31, Northern Minnesota Conf.; 32-33, Somerset; 34, Roxana; 35-, Epworth (Wilm.).
- Marine, M. W.**—1914-15, Hickman; 16-17, Powellville; 18-19, Stockton; 20-22, Felton; 23-24, Princess Anne; 25-28, Selbyville; 29-34, Laurel; 35-, Middletown.
- Martin, O. L.**—1900-01, Westover; 02-3, Quantico; 04-5, St. George's; 06-7, Somerset; 08-9, Parsonburg; 10-17, Located; 18, Annamessex; 19-20, White Haven; 21-23, Bethel & Town Point; 24-, R.
- Matthews, W. E.**—1902, Marion; 03-4, Newark, Md.; 05-7, Bethel; 08-12, Smyrna Ct.; 13-14, Magnolia; 15-16, Felton; 17-19, Cordova; 20-21, Hebron; 22-, R.
- Milbury, F. D.**—1930, At School; 1931-, Wyoming.

- Mills, R. W.**—1927-33, St. Peter's; 34-, Seaford Cir.
- Minker, R. L.**—1920, Assistant Pastor, Grace (Wilm.); 21-24, At School; 25-29, New Hampshire Conf.; 30-34, Silverbrook; 35-, Immanuel (Crisfield).
- Moore, F. X.**—1898, Marion; 99-00, Newark, Md.; 01, Fruitland; 02-3, Westover; 04-7, Hopewell; 08-11, New Castle; 12-14, Still Pond; 15-19, Port Deposit; 20, Newport; 21-, R.
- Moore, D. J.**—1911-12, Christiana; 13, Queenstown; 14-15, Trappe; 16-17, Parsonburg; 18-19, Millington; 20, Mt. Vernon; 21-24, Trappe; 25-26, Felton; 27-28, Ridgely; 29-32, Millsboro; 33-34, Ocean View; 35-, Chester-Bethel.
- Moore, W. V.**—1918, Mardela Springs; 19-20, At School; 21-22, Newport; 23-25, Seaford; 26-30, Mt. Salem; 31-33, Selbyville; 34-, Still Pond.
- Morgan, L. B.**—1905, Leipsic; 06-8, Williamsburg; 09-10, Concord; 11-13, Georgetown Ct.; 14-23, Chincoteague; 24-29, Richardson Park; 30-, Elkton.
- Mowbray, W. R.**—1886, Sassafras; 87-8, Royal Oak; 89-92, Pomona; 93-6, Smyrna Ct.; 97, Nanticoke; 98-00, Zion; 01-6, Bridgeville; 07-11, Lewes; 12-15, Milford; 16-22, D. S. Dover District; 23-25, Cookman; 26-, R.
- Nelson, R. H.**—1930-31, Millington; 32-, Beckwith.
- Nesbit, William Marsiglia**—1905-7, N. Y. Conf., student supply; 1908, Newark Conf., Westwood; 09-12, Basking Ridge; 13-16, East Orange; 17-23, N. Y. E. Conf., Brooklyn, N. Y.; 24-5, New Rochelle; 26-7, Glen Cove; 28-30, Watertown, Conn.; 41-32, Wilmington Conf., Union Ch., Wilmington; 33-34, Hurlock; 35-, Claymont.
- Nichols, R. P.**—1907-12, Salt Lake City, Utah; 13-14, Newport; 15-17, Still Pond; 18, Epworth; 19-22, Smyrna; 23, Director of Religious Education; 24-25, Pocomoke City; 26-27, Easton; 28-33, Federalsburg; 34-, Princess Anne.
- Nutter, M. D.**—1890-2, Hurlock; 93-4, Beckwith; 95-6, Gumboro; 97-8, Marydel; 99-00, West Va.; 01-4, St. Peter's; 05, Stockton; 06-8, Tangier; 09-12, Hurlock; 13, Parsonburg; 14-20, Chesapeake City; 21-22, Hillcrest; 23-26, Hockessin; 27-28, Church Hill; 29, Mt. Vernon; 30-, R.
- O'Neil, James**—1928, Farmington; 29-31, Nassau; 32-33, Blades; 34-, Kenton.
- Outten, J. P.**—1893-4, Williamsburg; 95-6, E. N. Market; 97-8, Rock Hall; 99-01, Nassau; 02-3, Onancock; 04-5, Cape Charles; 06, Crisfield; 07-9, Kent Isl.; 10, Frankford; 11-12, Madeley; 13-16, Cookman; 17-20, Deal's Island; 21-24, Preston; 25-28, Camden; 29-31, Bridgeville; 32, Girdletree; 33-, R.
- Parker, J. E.**—1924, Marydel; 25-26, Kenton; 27-30, Felton; 31-33, Princess Anne; 34-, Harrington.
- Parker, W. M.**—1933, Cordova; 34, Concord; 35-, Roxana.
- Parks, H. M.**—1925-26, Little Creek; 27-28, Mt. Lebanon; 29-31, St. John's; 32, Delaware City; 33-, Marshallton.
- Poole, L. E.**—1896, Queenstown; 97-8, Charlestown; 99-02, Chesapeake; 03-5, Pocomoke; 06, Elkton; 07-10, Georgetown; 11-12, Epworth; 13-14, Newark, Del.; 15-21, Snow Hill; 22, New Castle; 23-25, Mt. Salem; 26-28, Centreville; 29-33, Cape Charles; 34-, R.
- Poole, W. C.**—1900-01, Queenstown; 02-3, Fairlee; 04-7, Church Hill; 08-10, McCabe; 11-12, Nanticoke; 13, Anti-Saloon League; 14, Richardson Park; 15, Galena; 16-17, Ocean City; 18-20, Parsonburg; 21-22, Frankford; 23-27, St. John's; 28-31, Chesapeake City; 32, Chincoteague; 33-34, Hebron; 35-, St. Paul's (Dover).
- Powell, L. L.**—1930, Secretary; 31-32, Pomona; 33-34, Bishopville; 35-, Bethel.
- Prettyman, J. W.**—1897, Piney Neck; 98, Crumpton; 99-00, Church Creek; 01-2, Crumpton; 03-4, Cordova; 05-6, Lincoln; 07, Girdletree; 08-10, Crapo; 11, Hillsboro; 12-17, Rock Hall; 18-19, Sharptown; 20-22, Somerset; 23-32, Zion Circuit; 33-, St. Johns.
- Prettyman, E. C.**—1909-10, Royal Oak; 11-12, Red Lion; 13-14, Ebenezer; 15-29, Supt., Dept. of Delaware, Maryland Anti-Saloon League; 30-, Dept. of Conn., Anti-Saloon League.
- Price, J. T.**—1908, Royal Oak; 09-10, Charlestown; 11-12, Tilghman; 13, St. Johns; 14, Burrsville; 15-16, Blades; 17-19, Camden; 20-23, Hurlock; 24-25, Perryville; 26, Madeley; 27, Deal's Island; 28, Frankford; 29-31, Fruitland; 32-33, Still Pond; 34-, Chesapeake City.
- Pritchard, D. T.**—1934-, Somerset.

- Reed, O. B.**—1916-17, Marydel; 18-20, Church Hill; 21, Chesapeake City; 22, Hockessin; 23-26, Hillcrest; 27-29, Hockessin; 30-31, Locsted; 32, Trappe; 33-34, Mt. Vernon; 35-, Ridgely.
- Reese, J. D.**—1885, Chincoteague; 86-7, Bayside; 88, Pomona; 89-90, Royal Oak; 91-2, Appoquinimink; 93, Girdletree; 94, Crapo; 95-6, Williston; 97-8, Nassau; 99-00, Mt. Vernon; 01-2, Houston; 03-4, Beckwith; 05, Tilghman; 06, Colora; 07-9, Chester-Bethel; 10, Cherry Hill; 11, Wye; 12-13, Hockessin; 14-15, Hebron; 16-17, Trappe; 18, Oxford; 19-, R.
- Revelle, W. H.**—1907, Annessex; 09-10, Quantico; 11-14, Newark, Md.; 15-17, Mt. Vernon; 18-19, Somerset; 20-21, Hillsboro; 22-26, Rock Hall; 27-29, Trinity (Wilm.); 30-32, North East; 33, Cookman; 34-, Hockessin.
- Reynolds, P. E.**—1927-28, Vienna; 29-32, Hillcrest; 33-, North East.
- Rice, Oren B.**—1911, Powellville; 12, St. John's; 13-14, Pomona; 15, Delaware City; 16-17, Stockton; 18-19, Mt. Vernon; 20-21, East New Market; 22-25, Chester-Bethel; 26-29, St. Georges; 30-32, Parsonsburg; 33, Kenton; 34-, Madeley (Wilm.).
- Richardson, J. T.**—1893-98, E. M. Conf.; 99-00, Church Hill; 01-5, Denton; 06, Frederica; 07, North East; 08-9, Rock Hall; 10-12, Cookman; 13-15, Mt. Pleasant; 16-19, Preston; 20-23, Harrington; 24-27, Chesapeake City; 28, Odessa; 29-, R.
- Rorer, V. E.**—1890-20, Phila. Conf.; 1921-29, Indiana Conf.; 30-32, St. Paul's (Wilm.); 33-, R.
- Ross, Leon W.**—1932-33, Church Hill; 34, Ridgely; 35-, Tilghman.
- Rowlenson, J. T.**—1918-22, Crumpton; 23-24, Cecilton; 25-27, Chincoteague; 28-32, Phoebus; 33-, Asbury (Crisfield).
- Sard, T. J.**—1910-11, Burrsville; 12-13, Armory; 14-17, Tangier; 18-22, Scott; 23-25, Chestertown; 26-32, Asbury (Crisfield); 33-, Union (Wilm.).
- Shockley, E. M.**—1919, Bayside; 20-22, At School; 23-25, Still Pond; 26-29, North East; 30-33, Brandywine (Wilm.); 34-, Selbyville.
- Short, W. D.**—1922, Greenwood; 23, Charlestown; 24, Crapo; 25, Trappe; 26-28, East New Market; 29, Still Pond; 30-31, At School; 32, Millington; 33, Ridgely; 34-, St. Peters.
- Short, F. B.**—1891-1903, Wilmington Conference; 1904-12, Oregon Conference; 1913-17, Columbia River Conference; 1918-20, Oregon Conference; 1921-22, Philadelphia Conference; 1923-32, Transferred to Wilmington Conference and appointed Lecturer for Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals; 33, Leave of Absence; 34-, R.
- Smith, Tilghman**—1907, Canterbury; 08, Christiana; 09-10, Pomona; 11, Girdle-tree; 12-14, Marion; 15-17, Bethel; 18-19, E. New Market; 20-22, Still Pond; 23-25, St. Michaels; 26-29, Marshallton; 30-34, Port Deposit; 35-, Clayton.
- Sparklin, J. L.**—1906-7, Farmington; 08-10, Cordova; 11, Sudlersville; 12-13, Odessa; 14-16, Church Hill; 17-18, Millsboro; 19-20, Wyoming; 21-22, Georgetown; 23-29, Newport; 30, Madeley (Wilm.); 31-32, Hurlock; 33-, St. Georges.
- Spence, P. W.**—1926-29, Christiana; 30-31, Delaware City; 32-33, Mt. Lebanon; 34-, Preston.
- Spry, C. W.**—1911, Marshallton; 12-13, School; 14, Mardela; 15, Ocean City; 16, Lakesville; 17, Vienna; 18-20, Farmington; 21-22, Georgetown Ct.; 23-24, Greenwood; 25-26, Magnolia; 27-28, Blades; 29-32, Clayton; 33, Rock Hall; 34-, Kent Island.
- Stengle, Adam**—1870-1, Chincoteague; 72, Gumboro; 73-4, Quantico; 75-6, E. N. Market; 77-9, Crisfield; 80-2, Union; 83-5, Middletown; 86-90, Union; 91-2, Port Deposit; 93-7, Smyrna; 98-02, Georgetown; 03-8, D. S. Salisbury Dist.; 09, Conference Evangelist; 10, Sy.; 15-, R.
- Sterling, G. E.**—1912-13, Pittsville; 14, Bishopville; 15-16, Marion; 17-18, Ocean View; 19-20, Fairmount; 21-24, Galena; 25-28, Bridgeville; 29-32, Cookman; 33-, Phoebus.
- Strickland, C. W.**—1892, Little Creek; 93-4, Elliott's Isl.; 95, Pocomoke Ct.; 96-7, Parsonsburg; 98-9, Chincoteague; 00-1, Quantico; 02-4, Nassau; 05, Williston; 06, Newport; 07-8, St. Peter's; 09-10, Greenwood; 11-12, Bozman; 13-15, Nanticoke; 16-18, Frankford; 19-22, Pittsville; 23, Deal's Island; 24-29, Tangier; 30-32, Epworth (Wilm.); 33-34, Clayton; 35-, R.

- Strickland, A. W.**—1923-29, Charlestown; 30, Crumpton; 31-34, Red Lion; 35-, Townsend.
- Sunfield, E. C.**—1885-98, N. J. Conf.; 99-00, Chestertown; 01, Millington; 02-4, Conf. Evangelist; 05-6, Felton; 09-11, Perryville; 12-13, Secy City Missionary Society; 14-15, Parsonburg; 16, Eastlake; 17-18, R.; 19-21, Eastlake; 22-, R.
- Sutton, J. W.**—1908, Claremont; 09-10, Williamsburg; 11-12, Nassau; 13-14, Fruitland; 15, Sy.; 16, Galena; 17, Marion; 18-19, Hopewell; 20-21, Bozman; 22-23, Cordova; 24, Kenton; 25, Crapo; 26-27, St. Thomas; 28, Georgetown Ct.; 29-30, Blades; 31, Fairmount; 32, Bishopville; 33-34, Vienna; 35-, Elk Neck.
- Tawes, R. L.**—1928-29, Millington; 30-32, Ridgely; 33, Ocean City; 34-, Magnolia.
- Taylor, E. B.**—1904, M. P. Church; 04, Ellendale; 05-6, Pomona; 07, Fairlee; 08-10, Red Lion; 11-13, Charlestown; 14-15, Stockton; 16-18, Greenwood; 19, Nanticoke; 20-21, Powellville; 22-23, Fruitland; 24, Annessex; 25, Claremont; 26-28, Onancock; 29, Frankford; 30, Crapo; 31, Blades & Epworth; 32, Nassau; 33, Girdletree; 34, Royal Oak; 35-, R.
- Thawley, R. T.**—1916-17, Red Lion; 18-24, At School; 25, Mt. Vernon; 26, Port Deposit; 27-28, Tilghman; 29-31, Cecilton; 32-, Centreville.
- Thomas, G. S.**—1903-5, Elliott's; 06-10, Georgetown Ct.; 11-14, Concord; 15-20, Kent Island; 21-22, Deal's Island; 23-25, Pittsville; 26-29, Dagsboro; 30-32, St. Georges; 33-, Sharptown.
- Thomas, E. P.**—1914-15, Pittsville; 16-17, School; 18-20, Ocean City; 21-22, Epworth (Wilm.); 23-28, Laurel; 29-32, Smyrna; 33-, Dover.
- Turner, G. V.**—1932-34, Elk Neck; 35-, St. Thomas.
- Vaughn, J. B.**—1931-, Bethel & Town Point.
- Wheatley, M. E.**—1910-11, Blades; 12-13, Burrsville; 14-15, St. John's; 16-18, Concord; 19-21, Centreville; 22-24, Ridgely; 25-29, Denton; 30-34, Middletown; 35-, Silverbrook (Wilm.).
- Wheatley, G. H.**—1929-32, Onancock; 33-, Newark, Md.
- Whedbee, J. H.**—1919, Trappe; 20-21, Cordova; 22-24, East New Market; 25, Seaford Ct.; 26-28, Bethel; 29-31, Hopewell; 32-33, Magnolia; 34, Pittsville; 35-, Nanticoke.
- White, Leonard**—1908-9, Fairlee; 10, Asst. Supt. Peninsula Anti-Saloon League; 11-13, Cordova; 14-16, St. Michaels; 17-18, Centreville; 19-22, Mt. Salem; 23-25, Dover; 26-28, Delmar; 29-34, Supt. Salisbury District; 35-, Newark, Del.
- White, Frank**—1914, Royal Oak; 15-16, Cordova; 17-19, Galena; 20-21, Ridgely; 22-25, Centreville; 26-29, Snow Hill; 30-31, Richardson Park; 32-, Chester-town.
- Williams, C. H.**—1882, Bridgeville; 83, E. N. Market; 94-6, Church Creek; 87-9, Stockton; 90, Sharptown; 91-3, Marshallton; 94-7, Mt. Pleasant; 98-00, Greenwood; 01, Preston; 02-4, Fruitland; 05-6, Gumboro; 07, Sy.; 08-10, Hebron; 11-12, Ocean View; 13, Colora; 14-, R.
- Willis, Ivanhoe**—1912, Royal Oak; 13-16, Tilghman's; 17-19, St. George's; 20-24, Marshallton; 25, Somerset; 26-28, Galena; 29, Delaware City; 30-33, Kingswood (Wilm.); 34-, Supt. Anti-Saloon League of Del.
- Wills, T. O. M.**—1931, Mt. Lebanon; 32-, Ebenezer.
- Wilson, J. H.**—1887-91, Va. Conf.; 92, Parksley; 93, Preston; 94, Hooper's Isl.; 95-6, Tilghman; 97-8, Williamsburg; 99-01, Georgetown Ct.; 02, Beckwith; 03-4, Houston; 05-6, Sharptown; 07-11, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel); 12, Girdle-tree; 13, Roxana; 14, Sy.; 15-18, Bethel Circuit; 19, Colora; 20-22, Charlestown; 23-26, Mt. Lebanon; 27-, R.
- Wilson, Daniel**—1906, Wye; 07, Tilghman's; 08-10, Crumpton; 11-14, Smith's Island; 15-18, St. Peter's; 19-21, Onancock; 22-24, Hopewell; 25-, R.
- Wimbrow, L. E.**—1923, At School; 24-26, Asst. Pastor Grace (Wilm.); 27-29, St. John's River Conf.; 30, Associate Pastor Grace (Wilm.); 31-33, Pocomoke City; 34-, Scott (Wilm.).
- Windsor, L. E.**—1916, Henderson; 17, Little Creek; 18-20, Mt. Pleasant Ct.; 21-22, At School; 23-25, Dagsboro; 26-, Seaford.

Wise, W. A.—1884-5, Kingswood; 86-7, Red Lion; 88-9, Cape Charles; 90, Berlin; 91-2, Pocomoke; 93-4, Silverbrook; 95-8, North East; 99, Harrington; 00, Onancock; 01-3, North East; 04-6, Seaford; 07-11, Centreville; 12-15, Scott; 16-21, D. S., Easton District; 22, D. S., Middletown District; 23-26, Scott; 27, Port Deposit; 28-29, Lewes; 30-, R.

Wood, G. E.—1886, Crumpton; 87, Kings Creek; 88-9, Hallwood; 90, Chincoteague; 91-4, Claymont; 95, Bishopville; 96-7, Cannon; 98-9, Parsonburg; 00-1, Magnolia; 02-3, E. N. Market; 04-6, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel); 07-8, Newark, Md.; 09-10, Onancock; 11-13, Sy.; 14, Cherry Hill; 15-16, St. George's; 17-18, Rockland; 19, Girdletree; 20-21, Bethel; 22-23, Lincoln; 24-25, FredERICA; 26-28, Trappe; 29, Marion; 30-31, Beckwith; 32-, R.

Woodell, W. R.—1905-1921, Blue Ridge-Atlantic Conf.; 1917-18, Sy.; 1922, Pocomoke Circuit; 23, Fruitland; 24, Stockton; 25-26, Fairmount; 27, Roxana; 28-29, St. Thomas; 30-31, Mt. Pleasant; 32, Williamsburg; 33, Burrsville; 34-, R.

Wootten, J. W.—1918, Westover; 19-21, Fruitland; 22-25, Tilghman; 26-29, Somerseset; 30, Ocean City; 31-33, Scott (Wilm.); 34-, Cape Charles.

Wright, J. H.—1922-25, At School; 26-28, Cookman; 29-31, Chestertown; 32-, Easton.

Zimmerman, A. F.—1918-19, Nassau; 20-21, Bishopville; 22-23, Stockton; 24, Mt. Vernon; 25-30, Smith's Island; 31-32, Ocean City; 33-, East New Market.

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