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- BISHOP ADNA WRIGHT LEONARD** **President**
J. R. BICKING **Secretary**
T. J. SARD **Conference Host**

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I OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

PRESIDENT

BISHOP ADNA WRIGHT LEONARD

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ADNA WRIGHT LEONARD, Washington, D. C.

SECRETARY

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L. E. WIMBROW, Denton, Md.

II
(A) BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Question 9—

- a. **Board of Ministerial Training**—Frank Herson, O. A. Bartley, L. E. Wimbrow, R. S. Hodgson, R. T. Thawley, Melvin Wheatley, Jr., M. W. Marine, J. J. Bunting, E. W. Hervis, O. P. Jefferson, R. E. Green, C. M. Elderdice, L. E. Werner, John M. Kelso, Waldo L. Dise.

- b. **Committee of Traveling Elders on Conference Relations and Ministerial Qualifications:**

Conference Relations—

- 1944 1942—F. A. Baker, R. T. Thawley, J. H. Wright, J. W. Townsend.
 1942 1943—John M. Kelso, J. L. Sparklin, Carlton M. Harris, M. E. Hungerford.
 1943 1944—A. B. Frye, E. C. Hallman, J. T. Turkington, Guy Leister.

Ministerial Qualifications—

- 1944 1942—Frank Herson, T. C. Mulligan, R. J. Yow.
 1942 1943—M. W. Marine, L. E. Windsor, F. D. Milbury, H. T. Caldwell.
 1943 1944—R. C. Jones, Tilghman Smith, R. E. Green, W. P. Kesmodel.

- c. **Committee on Accepted Supplies**—From Com. on Conf. Relations—J. H. Wright, Frank Baker, J. A. Trader, R. C. Jones, A. B. Frye, John W. Townsend.

From Board Ministerial Training—Frank Herson, O. A. Bartley, M. W. Marine, L. E. Wimbrow, J. J. Bunting.

- d. **Committee on Investigation:** J. L. Johnson, O. H. Connelly, J. W. Jones, C. M. Elderdice, W. E. Gunby and Reserves W. P. Roberts, J. R. Diehl.

- e. **District Boards of Church Location and Building:**

Dover: J. W. Colona, P. W. Spence, M. E. Hungerford, W. W. Sharp, Walter H. Warrington, Henry Graves.

Easton: D. W. Jacobs, Charles Jarvis, C. L. Roe, Earl Ewing.

Salisbury: G. E. Sterling, W. P. Kesmodel, R. F. Loss, J. C. Stevenson, Walter Sheperd, E. M. Nichols.

Wilmington: T. J. Sard, M. W. Marine, J. M. Kelso, T. B. Ely, Otis Figs, Fred E. Warrington.

- f. **Trustees of Annual Conference:**

- 1944—D. W. Jacobs, R. T. Thawley, M. S. Andrews.
 1942—J. M. Kelso, F. B. Bailey, M. E. Wheatley, Sr.
 1943—E. C. Hallman, O. E. Jones, R. J. Yow.

- g. **Annual Conference Committee on World Service and Finance:**

Dover District—Fulton Downing, R. S. Brock, Frank Herson; **Easton District**—Granville Hooper, E. P. Thomas; **Salisbury District**—George W. Phillips, J. L. Green; **Wilmington District**—J. Everett Walls, Walter H. Stone, E. M. Shockley.

- h. **Town and Country Commission:**

Bishop A. W. Leonard, W. A. Hearn, J. Earl Cummings, O. J. Collins, Ralph Jones, Preston Spence, C. S. Jarvis, J. L. Johnson, O. A. Bartley, Guy McWilliams, J. B. Dickerson, H. P. Fox, R. E. Nichols, Mrs. W. W. Sharp, Mrs. Joseph M. George, Mrs. J. Leas Green, T. Blair Ely, W. T. Malone, T. J. Turkington, Stanley B. Sutton, Esther Nagle, George Thawley.

- i. **Annual Conference Deaconess Board:**

(Miss) Arabella Crothers, Louise Whitsitt, Darla Brown, Eleanor Nye. Pres. P. W. Spence, V. P. H. M. Parks, Mrs. Margaret Kirk.

- j. **Annual Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension:**

J. L. Johnson, L. W. Price, C. L. Roe, Paul E. Reynolds, A. C. Humphreys, C. M. Elderdice, O. A. Bartley, W. L. Overdeer, Robert Green, Henry Morgan, George E. Sterling, Guy McWilliams, Preston W. Spence, Mrs. W. W. Sharp, (the Conf. Lay Leader) and (2 nominated from Youth Organization) and two women. Mrs. A. Lambert, Mrs. J. L. Green.

- k. **Annual Conference Board of Education:**

S. B. Bradley, J. B. Dickerson, George Thawley, R. E. Green, J. H. Wright, W. I. Collins, E. E. Coleman, F. D. Milbury, L. C. Randall, L. E. Werner, J. W. Townsend, H. P. Fox, Sen. W. Fell Davis, R. O. Bailey, M. Haswell Pierce, Mrs. J. R. Jones, Clyde Walls, Gilbert Smith, Lawrence Lee, F. G. Livingood, R. E. Nichols, H. G. Groves, Everett Hearn, Emma Turkington, Louise Burns, R. W. Hallman, John A. Wright.

- l. **Annual Conference Board of Temperance:**

O. E. Jones, Prof. George Macklin, G. H. Waples, T. C. Mulligan, Prof. W. J. Robinson, F. A. Baker, Leonard White, J. H. Pinto, Mrs. W. T. Hearn, J. B. Dickerson, R. M. Green, Mrs. Helen Simpson (remarried), Esther Nagle, Robert Brendt.

- m. **Annual Conference Board of Lay Activities:**

W. B. Thornburgh, J. E. Walls, Fulton Downing, Conrad Noland, W. C. Meintzer, Guy McWilliams, W. T. Malone, O. M. Shockley, W. D. Mower, Earl F. Dawson, T. B. Ely, Otis Figs.

- n. **Annual Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes:**

Same as Trustees of Strawbridge Home for Boys.

- o. **Annual Conference Commission on Evangelism:**

R. E. Green, William Murray, T. J. Turkington, Stanley B. Sutton, O. H. Connelly, George H. Cursey, Thomas J. Sard, Charles W. Cook, Jr.

p. **Distributing Committee:**

E. P. Thomas, S. B. Bradley, E. M. Shockley.

q. **Annual Conference Board of Conference Claimants:****Ministerial**

1942—D. W. Jacobs, H. R. Deal.

1943—J. W. Jones, W. P. Roberts.

1944—E. P. Thomas, L. E. Windsor.

Lay

1942—C. L. Horsey, C. N. Satterfield.

1943—Frank Gentieu, R. O. Dulany.

1944—C. N. Jefferson, E. J. Winder.

r. **Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support.**

The Board of Conference Claimants.

s. **Other Committees, Commissions or Boards:****TRUSTEES OF WESLEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE**

Pres., W. E. Gunby; V. Pres., J. E. Walls; Secy.-Treas., H. H. Nuttle; Attorney, Ellwood F. Melson.

Ministers

1942—J. L. Johnson, J. E. Cummings, G. W. Dawson, L. B. Morgan, E. M. Shockley.

1943—Bishop of Washington Area, J. J. Bunting, O. E. Jones, W. E. Gunby, E. P. Thomas, W. A. Hearn.

1944—Leonard White, J. W. Colona, D. W. Jacobs, T. S. Holt, E. C. Hallman, L. E. Windsor.

Lay

1942—W. T. Overdeer, O. M. Shockley, F. E. Warrington, W. H. Warrington, Granville Hooper.

1943—John G. Townsend, J. Everett Walls, G. F. Alderson, W. Fell Davis, Arthur G. Hearn, U. Lee Harmon.

1944—H. H. Nuttle, W. H. Jump, M. Haswell Pierce, E. F. Melson, E. J. Winder, W. J. Storey.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

E. C. Hallman, President; Vice Presidents, O. E. Jones, Ivanhoe Willis, Walter H. Stone, M. S. Andrews, W. I. Collins, R. T. Thawley. J. M. Kelso, Research Secretary. O. A. Bartley, Secretary and Treasurer.

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Maryland:—T. C. Mulligan, J. Leas Green, R. W. Hallman, H. N. Bailey, Melvin E. Wheatley, Jr., R. S. Hodgson, J. B. Dickerson, Edgar Hubbard, O. M. Shockley, Mrs. H. P. Fox, Mrs. Wellington Tawes, Norman Jefferson.

Delaware:—O. E. Jones, J. L. Johnson, E. M. Shockley, P. W. Spence, E. P. Turner, T. C. Hutchins, Robert S. Brock, H. P. Edenfield.

Committee to represent Peninsula Conference at the session of the Baltimore Conference with reference to adjustment of mutual financial interests
J. Leas Green, W. A. Hearn, J. H. Wright.

MANAGERS OF THE CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY

1942—L. E. Wimbrow, C. M. Harris, J. Leas Green.

Lay: L. M. Price, Earl Dawson, Harvey B. Moore.

1943—E. M. Shockley, L. C. Randall, A. B. Frye.

Lay: Arthur Hearn, E. J. Winder, Samuel Nowell.

1944—M. S. Andrews, R. S. Hodgson, M. E. Wheatley, Sr.

Lay: A. C. Humphreys, J. Millard Tawes, Granville Hooper.

Officers—President, A. C. Humphreys; Vice President, E. M. Shockley; Treasurer, J. Millard Tawes; Secretary, Melvin E. Wheatley, Sr.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Pastor of entertaining church, the Resident Bishop and the District Superintendents.

TRUSTEES STRAWBRIDGE HOME

Bishop A. W. Leonard, William L. Todd, Essel P. Thomas, Sen. John G. Townsend, Jr., Frank M. Shook, J. Earl Cummings, Ralph J. Yow, Mrs. W. Fell Davis, Mrs. C. A. Schuler.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE

Dover District: S. B. Bradley, O. E. Jones, T. C. Jones, A. A. Hearn.

Easton District: T. J. Turkington, R. J. Yow, F. B. Bailey, W. Fell Davis.

Salisbury District: O. H. Connelly, E. C. Graham, Milton Pope.

Wilmington District: T. J. Sard, O. A. Bartley, L. E. Windsor for Delaware. H. N. Bailey, J. B. Dickerson, Conrad Hamer for Maryland.

EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

E. P. Thomas, T. C. Mulligan, M. W. Marine, Frank Herson, L. E. Wimbrow, J. A. Trader.

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL SERVICE

J. W. Colona, George E. Sterling, E. M. Shockley, W. P. Roberts, W. A. Donaway.

COMMISSION ON CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT**The District Superintendents**

Dover District: O. E. Jones, E. J. Winder.

Easton District: F. D. Bowers, Charles S. Clarkson.

Salisbury District: Tilghman Smith, A. Wellington Tawes.

Wilmington District: E. J. Bond, W. L. Overdeer.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON LOCAL PREACHERS

Dover District: R. E. Green, H. V. Branford, E. L. Bennett.
Easton District: W. P. Roberts, F. A. Baker, Carlton Harris.
Salisbury District: H. P. Fox, Waldo Dise, O. H. Connelly.
Wilmington District: B. M. Johns, C. C. Harris, R. M. Green.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE

R. L. Tawes, M. E. Wheatley, Sr., T. C. Jones, J. B. Vaughn, Leon W. Ross.

RESOLUTIONS AND FRATERNAL GREETINGS

E. R. Shield, D. W. Jacobs, C. W. Branford, J. J. VonHagel, H. N. Bailey.

MUSIC AND WORSHIP

R. E. Green, J. T. Turkington, E. B. Eckhart, J. B. Dickerson.

TRUSTEE OF MINISTERIAL CONTINGENT RELIEF FUND

R. W. Hallman.

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TRUSTEES OF WESLEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

President—W. E. Gunby, Easton, Md.
Vice President—J. Everett Walls, Middletown, Del.
Secretary-Treasurer—Harry H. Nuttle, Denton, Md.
Attorney—Elwood F. Melson, Wilmington, Del.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

President—Frank Herson, Milford, Del.
Vice President—O. A. Bartley, Newark, Del.
Registrar—L. E. Wimbrow, Denton, Md.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President—E. C. Hallman.
Research Secretary—J. M. Kelso.
Secretary and Treasurer—O. A. Bartley.

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY

President—A. C. Humphreys.
Vice President—E. M. Shockley.
Treasurer—J. Millard Tawes.
Secretary—M. E. Wheatley, Sr.

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

President—H. P. Fox.
Vice President—J. W. Townsend.
Secretary-Treasurer—J. E. French.

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES

President—J. M. Kelso.
Vice President—O. E. Jones.
Secretary—F. B. Bailey.
Treasurer—R. T. Thawley.

(B) ROLLS OF CONFERENCE MEMBERS

Chronological Roll

1876 Edmund L. Hoffecker	1901 Charles R. Strausburg
1881 John A. Rood	1902 Oram T. Baynard
1884 William A. Wise	1902 James W. Colona
1886 George E. Wood	1902 James H. Gardner
1887 James H. Wilson	1902 William E. Matthews
1889 Vinal E. Hills	1903 Arthur W. Goodhand
1890 Melvin D. Nutter	1903 Walter E. Gunby
1890 Virgil E. Rorer	1903 William E. Habbart
1891 Joseph H. Geoghegan	1903 George S. Thomas
1891 George P. Jones	1904 Edward J. Bond
1892 Dorsey Blake	1904 Joseph A. Buckson
1892 Clarence W. Strickland	1904 Frank M. Clift
1893 George Hines	1904 John M. Kelso
1893 John P. Outten	1904 Edwin B. Taylor
1894 Henry G. Budd	1905 John T. Bailey
1895 Edward H. Collins	1905 Daniel J. Ford
1895 Daniel J. Givan	1905 Jesse C. McCoy
1895 George A. Morris	1905 Howard R. McDade
1896 Frank A. Holland	1905 Lewis B. Morgan
1896 Leolan Jackson	1905 Winfred P. Roberts
1896 Luther E. Poole	1905 William R. Woodell
1897 Charles P. Butler	1906 Charles M. Elderdice
1897 William O. Bennett	1906 Benjamin M. Johns
1897 Thomas S. Holt	1906 John L. Sparklin
1897 John W. Prettyman	1907 John R. Bicking
1898 John W. Jones	1907 William H. Briggs
1898 Omar E. Jones	1907 Oden E. James
1898 Hugh B. Kelso	1907 William H. Revelle
1898 Frederick X. Moore	1907 Tilghman Smith
1899 George W. Dawson	1908 Arthur L. Grey
1899 John L. Johnson	1908 Jesse P. Landon
1899 Thomas R. Woodford	1908 James T. Price
1900 Howard Davis	1908 Leonard White
1900 Charles I. Flory	1909 John J. Bunting
1900 Clarence N. Jones	1909 Frank Herson
1900 William C. Poole	1909 Marion E. Hungerford
	1909 Edgar C. Prettyman
	1910 Ziba Adams
	1910 Hamilton P. Fox
	1910 Ernest C. Hallman
	1910 John C. B. Hopkins
	1910 Dayton E. McClain
	1910 Thomas J. Sard
	1910 Melvin E. Wheatley, Sr.

1911 David J. Moore	1922 Otho G. Brewer
1911 William C. Mumford	1922 Moreland E. Dearholt
1911 Oren B. Rice	1922 Charles E. Hudson
1911 Charles W. Spry	1922 Thomas C. Mulligan
1912 William F. Bauscher	1922 Wingate D. Short
1912 Olie H. Connell	1922 Thomas J. Turkington
1912 Charles M. Griffeth	1922 Johnson H. Wright
1912 George E. Sterling	1923 F. B. Bailey
1912 Ivanhoe Willis	1923 Walter G. Barlow
1913 Disston W. Jacobs	1923 Roy L. Jones
1914 Norman C. Benson	1923 Louis C. Randall
1914 Thomas C. Jones	1923 Charles L. Reiter
1914 Marion W. Marine	1923 John A. Trader
1914 William J. McKee	1923 Lawrence E. Wimbrow
1914 Essel P. Thomas	1924 Harry N. Bailey
1914 Frank White	1924 Oler A. Bartley
1915 Alpha B. Frye	1924 Oliver J. Collins
1915 Ralph C. Jones	1924 John E. Parker
1916 James P. Adams	1924 Charles W. Robb
1916 John P. George	1925 Henry M. Parks
1916 Charles C. Harris	1926 Frank A. Baker
1916 Otis B. Reed	1926 Sidney B. Bradley
1916 Roy T. Thawley	1926 Charles W. Branford
1916 Lester E. Windsor	1926 Harry V. Branford
1917 Charles H. Atkins	1926 E. E. Coleman
1917 Charles H. Dobson	1926 W. Irvin Collins
1917 Walter A. Hearn	1926 W. A. Donaway
1917 Peter M. R. Schauer	1926 Otis P. Jefferson
1918 Edmund W. Henvis	1926 Preston W. Spence
1918 Robert S. Hodgson	1927 John A. Clark
1918 Gilbert S. Ross	1927 John R. Diehl
1918 John T. Rowlenson	1927 Willard Everett
1918 John W. Wootten	1927 Conrad Hamer
1918 Ralph J. Yow	1927 Harvey O. Hufnal
1919 Guy E. Leister	1927 Rufus W. Mills
1919 John L. Green	1927 Paul E. Reynolds
1919 Andrew T. McFarland	1928 Robert E. Green
1919 Earl M. Shockley	1928 Frederick C. Louhoff
1919 John W. Townsend	1928 James O'Neil
1919 John H. Whedbee	1928 Albert M. B. Snapp
1920 Edward C. Graham	1928 Alfred W. Strickland
1920 Gilbert E. Turner	1928 Roy L. Tawes
1920 Frank M. Volk	1929 Charles I. Carpenter
1921 Milton S. Andrews	1929 Elwood B. Eckhart
1921 Jacob Earl Cummings	1929 Grayson H. Wheatley
1921 Charles E. Davis	1929 Clark S. Marshall
1921 Sylvanus T. Hamblin	1930 Henry T. Caldwell
1921 Henry G. Holdway	1930 William J. Ennis
1921 Francis R. Holland	1930 Frank D. Milbury
1921 Joseph B. Pettus	1930 Lucien L. Powell

- 1931 Richard M. Green
- 1931 Jacob C. Hanby
- 1931 William H. Kohl
- 1931 James F. Langrall
- 1931 John H. Mark
- 1931 Joseph B. Vaughn

- 1932 Lee Elliott
- 1932 James J. VonHagel
- 1932 James M. Kay
- 1932 Asa E. Kniceley
- 1932 Henry N. Nicklas
- 1932 Leon W. Ross
- 1932 Walter H. Stone

- 1933 Jesse C. Byrd
- 1933 Joseph B. Dickerson
- 1933 Raymond W. Hallman
- 1933 Ray W. Kirwan
- 1933 D'Arcy A. Littleton

- 1934 John E. French
- 1934 C. Stanley Lowell
- 1934 Daniel T. Pritchard
- 1934 Henry H. Schauer

- 1935 Elmer L. Bennett
- 1935 Frank G. Buckley
- 1935 James H. Clow, Jr.
- 1935 Ewell E. Crockett
- 1935 Waldo L. Dise
- 1935 Harvey B. Flater
- 1935 Walter A. Glass
- 1935 Carlton M. Harris
- 1935 John E. Jones
- 1935 Robert E. Van Cleaf
- 1935 Leslie E. Werner

- 1936 Walter L. Beckwith
- 1936 Charles S. Clarkson
- 1936 Ira E. Crum
- 1936 Vernon M. Goodhand
- 1936 Frederick H. Truitt
- 1936 Elmer R. Shield

- 1937 William P. Kesmodel
- 1937 Robert F. Loss
- 1937 George H. Murphy
- 1937 Melvin E. Wheatley, Jr.

- 1938 Charles E. Ennis
- 1938 Harold Fordham
- 1938 Edward S. Gault
- 1938 Robert W. Hastings
- 1938 Jasper L. Jones
- 1938 Milton H. Keene
- 1938 Harry K. Krams
- 1938 Leroy V. Pratt
- 1938 Paul E. McCoy
- 1938 Brooks E. Reynolds
- 1938 Charles H. Squires

- 1939 David W. Baker
- 1939 George W. Goodley, Jr.
- 1939 Charles S. Jarvis

- 1940 Frank O. Baynard
- 1940 William H. Hudson

- 1941 John J. Bunting, Jr.
- 1941 Harry H. Conner
- 1941 Raymond J. Cooke
- 1941 Harold M. Davis
- 1941 Arthur W. Goodhand, Jr.
- 1941 Edward J. Hemphill, Jr.
- 1941 Ralph W. Hopkins

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
1916 Adams, J. P.	R	1
1910 Adams, Ziba	E Dagsboro, Del.	2
1921 Andrews, M. S.	E Ridgely, Md.	1
1917 Atkins, C. H.	E Zion Cir. (P. O. North East, Md.) ..	9
1923 Bailey, F. B.	E Federalsburg, Md. (Christ)	5
1924 Bailey, H. N.	E Perryville, Md.	4
1905 Bailey, J. T.	R Georgetown, Del.	3
1939 Baker, D. W.	D Warwick, Md.	1
1926 Baker, F. A.	E Federalsburg, Md. (Union)	2
1923 Barlow, W. G.	E Wye Mills, Md.	2
1924 Bartley, O. A.	E Newark, Del.	3
1912 Bauscher, W. F.	E Cecil Cir. (P. O. North East, Md.) ..	2
1940 Baynard, F. O.	P Stanton, Del.	1
1902 Baynard, O. T.	R Chincoteague, Va.	2
1936 Beckwith, Walter L.	E Magnolia, Del.	3
1934 Bennett, E. L.	E Dagsboro, Del.	2
1897 Bennett, W. O.	R Hurlock, Md.	11
1914 Benson, N. C.	E Houston, Del.	2
1907 Bicking, J. R.	E Immanuel, (P. O. Crisfield, Md.) ..	6
1892 Blake, Dorsey	R Greenwood, Del.	16
1904 Bond, Edward J.	E McCabe (P. O. Wilmington, Del.) ..	4
1926 Bradley, S. B.	E Seaford, Del.	1
1926 Branford, C. W.	E Middletown, Del.	1
1926 Branford, H. V.	E Lewes, Del.	2
1922 Brewer, O. G.	E Wesley Chapel, Rock Hall, Md.	1
1907 Briggs, W. H.	R Elsmere, Del.	1
1935 Buckley, F. G.	E Concord, Md. (P.O. Federalsburg) ..	3
1904 Buckson, J. A.	R Rehoboth, Del.	10
1894 Budd, H. G.	R Dover, Del.	11
1909 Bunting, J. J.	E Promotional Director of Educa- tion, Camden, Del.	1
1941 Bunting, J. J., Jr.	P D. S. Salisbury, Md.	1
1897 Butler, C. P.	E Blades, (P. O. Seaford, Del.)	2
1933 Byrd, J. C.	E Sharptown, Md.	1
1930 Caldwell, H. T.	E Chesapeake City, Md.	6
1929 Carpenter, C. I.	E Chaplain U. S. Army, Langley Field, Va.	5
1927 Clark, J. A.	E Frankford, Del.	3
1936 Clarkson, C. S.	E Oxford, Md.	1

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
1904 Clift, F. M.	R Preston, Md.	5
1935 Clow, J. H., Jr.	E Quantico, Md.	1
1926 Coleman, E. E.	E Seaford, Del. (Olivet)	6
1895 Collins, E. H.	R Marshallton, Del.	8
1924 Collins, O. J.	E D. S., Wilm. Dist. P. O. Wilm., Del.	1
1926 Collins, W. I.	E Salisbury, Md. (South)	3
1902 Colona, J. W.	E Smyrna, Del.	6
1912 Connelly, O. H.	E Berlin, Md.	6
1941 Conner, Harry H.	P and D Frederica, Del.	1
1941 Cooke, R. J.	P At School	1
1935 Crockett, Ewell E.	E Nanticoke, Md.	4
1936 Crum, Ira E.	E Ellendale, Del.	2
1921 Cummings, J. E.	E D. S., Easton, Md.	2
1921 Davis, C. E.	E Queenstown, Md.	1
1941 Davis, Harold M.	P Farmington, Del.	1
1900 Davis, Howard	R Lewes, Del.	4
1899 Dawson, G. W.	R Middletown, Del.	3
1922 Dearholt, M. E.	E Pittsville, Md.	1
1927 Diehl, J. R.	E Parsonsburg, Md.	6
1933 Dickerson, J. B.	E Rising Sun, Md.	3
1935 Dise, Waldo L.	E Fruitland, Md.	3
1917 Dobson, C. H.	R Federalburg, Md.	9
1926 Donoway, W. A.	E Preston, Md.	1
1929 Eckhart, Elwood B.	E Hebron, Md., Nelson Memorial	3
1906 Elderdice, C. M.	E Crisfield, Md., (Mt. Pleasant)	9
1932 Elliott, Lee	E Laurel Cir., Del.	14
1938 Ennis, C. E.	D Marydel, Md.	4
1930 Ennis, W. J.	E Selbyville, Del.	1
1927 Everett, Willard	E Felton, Del.	3
1935 Flater, H. B.	E Still Pond, Md.	1
1900 Flory, C. I.	R Waynesboro, Va.	1
1905 Ford, D. J.	R Camden, Del.	7
1938 Fordham, Harold	E Tilghman, Md.	4
1910 Fox, H. P.	E Salisbury, Md. (Asbury)	5
1934 French, J. E.	E New Castle, Del.	2
1915 Frye, A. B.	E Richardson Park, Del.	4
1902 Gardner, J. H.	E Bivalve, Md.	1
1938 Gault, E. S.	E Chaplain U. S. Army	1
1891 Geoghegan, J. H.	R Newport, Del.	8
1916 George, J. P.	E Harbeson, Del.	5
1895 Givan, D. J.	R Snow Hill, Md.	1
1935 Glass, W. A.	E Christiana, Del.	1
1903 Goodhand, A. W.	E Hillcrest, P. O. Wilmington, Del.	3
1941 Goodhand, A. W., Jr.	P At School	1
1936 Goodhand, Vernon M.	E Chaplain U. S. Army	1
1939 Goodley, G. W.	E Ebenezer (P. O. Newark, Del.)	1
1920 Graham, E. C.	E Hebron, Md. (St. Paul's)	4
1919 Green, J. L.	E Salisbury, Md. (Bethesda)	8
1928 Green, R. E.	E Harrington, Del.	4
1931 Green, R. M.	E Hockessin, Del.	4

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1908 Grey, A. L.	E Goldsboro, Md.	1
1912 Griffeth, Charles M.	E Cecilton, Md.	2
1912 Gunby, W. E.	E Easton, Md.	1
1903 Habbart, W. E.	E Chester-Bethel, P. O.	
	Wilmington, Del., R. D.	4
1910 Hallman, E. C.	E Laurel, Del.	3
1933 Hallman, R. W.	E Mt. Olive, Delmar, Del.	1
1921 Hamblin, S. T.	E Hopewell, P. O. Port Deposit, Md.	6
1927 Hamer, Conrad	E Northeast, Md.	1
1931 Hanby, J. C.	E Townsend, Del.	2
1916 Harris, C. C.	E Eastlake, P. O. Wilm., Del.	12
1935 Harris, C. M.	E Easton, Md. (Trinity)	3
1938 Hastings, R. W.	D Church Hill, Md.	3
1917 Hearn, W. A.	E D. S., Dover, Del.	3
1941 Hemphill, Ed. J., Jr.	P Kingswood, 205 Harmony St.,	
	New Castle, Del.	1
1918 Hervis, E. W.	E Millsboro, Del.	3
1909 Herson, Frank	E Milford, Del.	15
1889 Hills, V. E.	R P. O. Wilmington, Del., R. D.	6
1893 Hines, George	R Oxford, Md.	1
1918 Hodgson, R. S.	E Newport, Del.	1
1876 Hoffecker, E. L.	R Easton, Md.	24
1921 Holdway, H. G.	E Cambridge, Md.	1
1896 Holland, F. A.	R Childs, Md.	2
1921 Holland, F. R.	R Salisbury, Md.	11
1897 Holt, T. S.	R Federalburg, Md.	30
1910 Hopkins, J. C. B.	E Clayton, Del.	2
1941 Hopkins, R. W.	P and D Charlestown, Md.	1
1922 Hudson, C. H.	E Trinity, P. O. Wilm., Del.	12
1940 Hudson, W. H.	P At School	1
1927 Hufnal, H. O.	E Greenwood, Del.	3
1909 Hungerford, M. E.	E Milford, Del. (Calvary)	3
1896 Jackson, Leolan	R Ridgely, Md.	1
1913 Jacobs, D. W.	E Cambridge, Md. (Zion)	3
1907 James, O. E.	R Baltimore, Md.	18
1939 Jarvis, C. S.	D Easton, Md. (Calvary)	2
1926 Jefferson, O. P.	E Centreville, Md. (Epworth)	2
1906 Johns, B. M.	E Grace, P. O. Wilm., Del.	19
1899 Johnson, J. L.	E Delmar, Del., (First)	1
1900 Jones, C. N.	E Epworth, P. O. Wilm., Del.	2
1891 Jones, G. P.	R Mystic, Conn.	13
1935 Jones, J. E.	E Roxanna, Del.	4
1938 Jones, J. L.	E Greenwood, Del. (Grace)	1
1898 Jones, J. W.	E Port Deposit, Md.	5
1898 Jones, O. E.	E Georgetown, Del.	11
1915 Jones, R. C.	E D. S. Salisbury Dist., P. O.	
	Salisbury, Md.	1
1923 Jones, R. L.	E Dorchester, P. O. Vienna, Md.	1
1914 Jones, T. C.	E Harrington, Del. (Trinity)	2

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1931 Kay, J. M.	E St. James, P. O. Wornton, Md.	4
1938 Keene, M. H.	E Mardela, Md. (Emmanuel)	1
1898 Kelso, H. B.	E Clayton, Del. (Ewell's)	1
1904 Kelso, J. M.	E Marshallton, Del.	6
1937 Kesmodel, W. P.	E Georgetown, Del. (Grace)	1
1933 Kirwan, R. W.	E Greensboro, Md.	3
1932 Kniceley, A. E.	E Beckwith, Md.	2
1931 Kohl, W. H.	E Smith's Island P. O. Ewell, Md.	2
1938 Krams, H. K.	D St. Michaels, Md. (Sardis)	1
1908 Landon, J. P.	R Topeka, Kansas	2
1931 Langrall, J. F.	E Hoopers Is. and Hosier Memorial, P. O. Fishing Creek, Md.	1
1919 Leister, G. E.	E Pocomoke City, Md. (Bethany)	5
1933 Littleton, D. A.	E Chaplain U. S. Army	1
1937 Loss, R. F.	E Kent Island, P. O. Stevensville, Md.	1
1928 Louhoff, F. C.	E Rock Hall, Md.	6
1934 Lowell, C. S.	E Claymont, Del.	2
1914 Marine, M. W.	E Dover, Del.	1
1931 Mark, J. H.	R Clayton, Del.	1
1939 Marshall, C. S.	R Clayton, Del.	9
1902 Matthews, W. E.	R Smyrna, Del.	20
1910 McClain, D. E.	E American University, Wash., D. C.	3
1905 McCoy, J. C.	E Rehoboth, Del.	1
1938 McCoy, P. E.	E Galena, Md.	1
1905 McDade, H. R.	E Sharptown, Md. (Asbury)	2
1919 McFarland, A. T.	E St. Peters, P. O. Oriole, Md.	2
1914 McKee, W. J.	Sy. Ireland	4
1930 Milbury, F. D.	E Mt. Salem, P. O. Wilm., Del.	2
1927 Mills, R. W.	E Gumboro, Del.	1
1911 Moore, D. J.	E Red Lion, Del.	4
1898 Moore, F. X.	R New Freedom, Pa.	21
1905 Morgan, L. B.	R Middletown, Del.	1
1895 Morris, G. A.	R Salisbury, Md.	10
1922 Mulligan, T. C.	E Cambridge, Md. (St. Paul's)	15
1911 Mumford, W. C.	E Bishopville, Md.	2
1937 Murphy, G. H.	E Bethel (P. O. Ches. City, Md.)	4
1932 Nicklas, H. N.	E Odessa, Del.	2
1890 Nutter, M. D.	R Newark, Del.	12
1928 O'Neill, James	E Pittsville, Md. (Ayers)	1
1893 Outten, J. P.	R Laurel, Del.	9
1924 Parker, J. E.	E Ocean View, Del.	3
1925 Parks, H. M.	E Asbury, (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	6
1921 Pettus, J. B.	E Somerset, (P. O. Chance, Md.)	1
1896 Poole, L. E.	R Snow Hill, Md.	8
1900 Poole, W. C.	R Easton, Md.	6
1930 Powell, L. L.	E Cherry Hill, P. O. Elkton, Md.	2
1938 Pratt, L. V.	E Caroline, (P. O. Hobbs, Md.)	1
1909 Prettyman, E. C.	Sy. Conn. Anti Saloon League	1
1897 Prettyman, J. W.	R North East, Md.	6

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1908 Price, J. T.	R East New Market, Md.	6
1934 Pritchard, D. T.	E Mt. Pleasant, (P. O. Laurel, Del.)	2
1923 Randall, L. C.	E Centreville, Md. (Grace)	10
1916 Reed, O. B.	E Wyoming, Del.	3
1923 Reiter, C. L.	R Baltimore, Md.	1
1907 Revelle, W. H.	E Sudlersville, Md.	4
1938 Reynolds, B. E.	D Newark, Md.	2
1927 Reynolds, P. E.	E Chestertown, Md. (First)	6
1911 Rice, O. B.	R Trappe, Md.	2
1924 Robb, C. W.	E Allen, Md.	1
1905 Roberts, W. P.	E Chestertown, Md. (Christ)	6
1881 Rood, J. A.	R Millington, Md.	1
1890 Rorer, V. E.	R Elkins Park, Pa.	9
1918 Ross, G. S.	E Seaford Cir. (P. O. Seaford, Del.)	1
1932 Ross, L. W.	E Salisbury, Md. (Grace)	2
1918 Rowlenon, J. T.	E Crisfield, Md. (Asbury)	9
1910 Sard, J. T.	E Union, (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	9
1934 Schauer, H. H.	E Trappe, Md.	1
1917 Schauer, P. M.	E Leeds, Md. (P. O. Elkton, Md., R.D.)	2
1936 Shield, E. R.	E Snow Hill, Md. (Bates Mem.)	3
1919 Shockley, E. M.	E Harrison St. (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1922 Short, W. D.	E Madeley, (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	4
1907 Smith, Tilghman	E Princess Anne, Md.	3
1928 Snapp, A. M. B.	E Church Hill, Md.	3
1906 Sparklin, J. L.	E St. Georges, Del.	9
1926 Spence, P. W.	E Bridgeville, Del.	3
1911 Spry, C. W.	E Bethel, Del.	3
1938 Squires, C. H.	E Bayside (P. O. Sherwood, Md.)	2
1912 Sterling, G. E.	E Snow Hill, Md. (Whatcoat)	3
1932 Stone, W. H.	E Hillsboro, Md.	2
1901 Strausburg, C. R.	E Fairlee (P. O. Chestertown, Md.)	2
1928 Strickland, A. W.	E Millington, Md.	2
1892 Strickland, C. W.	R Rehoboth, Del.	7
1928 Tawes, R. L.	E Hurlock, Md. (Washington)	4
1904 Taylor, E. B.	R Springfield, S. C.	7
1916 Thawley, R. T.	E Brandywine (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1914 Thomas, E. P.	E St. Paul's (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1903 Thomas, G. S.	R Farmington, Del.	1
1919 Townsend, J. W.	E Peninsula, (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	3
1923 Trader, J. A.	E Salisbury, Md. (Trinity)	2
1936 Truitt, F. H.	E Mt. Vernon, (P. O. Princess Anne, Md.)	2
1922 Turkington, T. J.	E Denton, Md. (Grace)	11
1920 Turner, G. E.	E First (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	2
1935 Van Cleaf, R. E.	E Hurlock, Md. (Unity)	3
1931 Vaughn, J. B.	E Milton, Del. (Goshen)	4
1920 Volk, F. M.	E Scott (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	1
1932 Von Hagle, J. J.	E Milton, Del. (Grace)	1
1935 Werner, L. E.	E Laurel, Del. (Christ)	3

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1910 Wheatley, M. E., Sr.	E Elkton, Md.	6
1937 Wheatley, M. E., Jr.	E Lincoln City, Del.	3
1929 Wheatley, G. H.	E Marion, Md. (Trinity)	2
1919 Whedbee, J. H.	E Nassau, Del.	3
1914 White, Frank	E Ocean City, Md.	1
1908 White, Leonard	E Deals Island, Md.	3
1912 Willis, Ivanhoe	R Marshallton, Del. Supt. Anti-Saloon League of Delaware	3
1887 Wilson, J. H.	R Elsmere, Del.	15
1923 Wimbrow, L. E.	E Denton, Md. (First)	3
1916 Windsor, L. E.	E Conf. Treasurer, Field Agent, Board of Conf. Claimants, Wilmington, Del.	2
1884 Wise, W. A.	R Wilmington, Del.	12
1905 Woodell, W. R.	R Delmar, Del.	8
1886 Wood, G. E.	R Dover, Del.	10
1899 Woodford, T. R.	R Orlando, Florida	6
1918 Wootten, J. W.	E Pocomoke City, Md. (Salem)	6
1922 Wright, J. H.	E Silverbrook (P. O. Wilm., Del.)	6
1918 Yow, R. J.	E Cambridge, Md. (Grace)	3

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 Elkton—Harry W. Pippin (P); A. D. Dean.
 Galena—Robert Bramble (P); James H. Davis.
 Hockessin—James H. Polk; Richard C. Enos (P).
 Holly Oak—Mrs. Martin Burriss (P); Mrs. J. E. Layton.
 Hopewell—George W. McCullough; W. B. Thomas.
 Leeds—Robert J. McCauley; William Deaver.
 Marshallton—John H. Foad (P); W. H. Wingate.
 Millington—Henry L. Higman (P); Sudler G. Wiest.
 Mt. Lebanon—Francis Savage (P); John Fouracre.
 Newark—Earl F. Dawson (P); W. F. Lindell.
 Newark, Union—Mrs. Elizabeth Barlow.
 New Castle—George T. Tobin (P); William Deakyne.
 Newport—A. M. Craig; H. E. Gregg.
 North East—A. C. Cameron; Mrs. Lidie Voshell.
 Perryville—W. J. Bartlett; W. H. Cole.
 Port Deposit—Walter Todd; E. L. Gibson.
 Red Lion—W. F. Silver (P); Mrs. Bessie Conner.
 Richardson Park—A. T. Evans (P); M. F. Squires.
 Rising Sun—F. B. Roberson (P); E. L. Haines.
 St. George's—H. L. Gray; Mrs. Hannah Golt.
 St. John's—Leon Ewing; Mrs. Mary Gallaher.
 St. Paul's (Md)—W. B. Loller; Mrs. Mary Rhoades.
 Stanton—Mrs. Flora Boyce; Calver Talley.
 Warwick—Mrs. Jennie Custis Price (P); Mrs. Raymond Thornley.
 Zion Circuit—Earl Best (P); William England.
 Wilmington:
 Asbury—John McIntosh (P); W. H. Adams.
 Brandywine—George L. Bilderback (P); R. S. Loomis.
 Brack Ex.—Leonard E. Barnes (P); Miss Emma Reed.
 Bellefonte—E. Price Lowe (P); Harry A. Hurst.
 Eastlake—Luther H. Broadway; Mrs. Minne Miller.
 Epworth—Willis L. Overdeer (P); David H. Gehman.
 First—Robert P. Egnor; Mrs. Georgia Saddler.
 Grace—Arthur A. Wilmot (P); George A. Culver.
 Harrison St.—I. Elmer Perry; George B. Crossan (P).

Hillcrest—Frank A. Coulborne (P); Walter B. Alfree.
 Kingswood—Mrs. William Lowe (P); S. L. Bowers.
 Peninsula—Lawrence Lee (P); E. C. Hastings.
 Madeley—Mrs. Anne Faulkner (P); Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson.
 McCabe—T. B. Ely (P); J. Morton Baxter.
 Mt. Salem—Clinton H. Brown (P); James H. Gray.
 Scott—Charles P. Harvey (P); Harry H. Parker.
 Silverbrook—Fred E. Warrington; J. F. Peeney.
 St. Paul's—Howard P. Edenfield; Miss Rietta Emerson (P).
 Trinity—Charles W. Cook, Jr. (P); Mrs. Clara Whitesell.
 Union—Mrs. Mary Allston (P); Harold Vigneulle.

Supplies

Name	Relation and Appointment	Year
E. indicates Local Elder D. indicates Local Deacon.		
Adams, R. H.	Brack-Ex (P. O. Elsmere, Del.)	22
Allen, Geo. S.	Crapo, Md.	6
Andersen, John H.	Church Creek, Md.	3
Bailey, J. T.	Canterbury, Del.	1
Bailey, J. F.	Westover, Md.	1
Byrd, E. M.	Mardela, Md. (St. Paul's)	2
Campbell, D. T.	Powellville, Md. (P. O. Pittsville)	10
Chadwick, J. B.	Pocomoke, Md. (Circuit)	1
Conner, R. G.	Kenton, Del.	4
Cursey, Ellwood	Kennedyville, Md.	2
Dillard, Harmon	Grace, (P. O. Dover, Del.)	3
Elliott, Milton	St. Thomas (P.O. Bishops Head, Md.)	1
Fosnocht, W. E.	Mt. Lebanon (P. O. Wilm., Del., R. D.)	8
Graham, J. T.	Bozman, Md.	3
Hackett, W. O.	Henderson, Md.	3
Horning, D. O.	Pomona (P. O. Chestertown, Md.)	1
Hudson, A. T. P.	Whites Chapel, Powellsville, (P. O. Pittsville, Md.)	2
Justis, E. Carrol	St. Martins, Md. (P. O. Hopeton, Va.)	1
Kirby, R. L. Jr.	Burrsville, (P. O. Denton, Md.)	2
Knotts, L. L.	Elk Neck, (P. O. North East, Md.)	2
Layton, J. E.	Holly Oak, Del.	17
McClintock, W. L.	Cheswold, Del.	3
McCorkle, F. K.	St. John's, (P. O. Lewisville, Pa.)	2
Perdue, E. S.	Friendship, (P. O. Salisbury, Md. R. D.)	3
Pigueron, G. H.	Vienna, Md.	2
Revelle, Wm. H. Jr.	St. Michaels, Md. (Southerland)	2
Steen, J. C.	1103 Rosedale Ave., Bellfonte, Del.	14
Stevens, Willard	Stockton, Md.	1
Smith, J. W.	Galestown, Md.	3
Taylor, Byron	Cordova, Md.	1
Thomas, A. G.	Whitesville, Del	6
Thornton, J. H.	Grove, (P. O. Preston, Md.)	2
Townsend, Lloyd	Stengle, (P. O. Salisbury, Md.)	3
Turkington, Albert A.	Whaleyville, Md.	3
Tyler, E. B.	Cordova, Md.	1
Willis, J. F.	Elliott, Md.	1
Wilson, R. H.	Mariners, (P. O. Crisfield, Md.)	2
Wood, D. E.	Fairmont, Md.	3
Wright, E. N.	Georgetown Circuit, (P. O. Georgetown, Del.)	5

Local Preachers Directory

LOCAL ELDERS

Adams, R. H., Elsmere, Del.
 Allen, G. S., Crapo, Md.
 Atkinson, W. F., White Haven, Md.
 Brewington, A. L., Salisbury, Md.
 R. D.
 Covey, A. H., Chestertown, Md.
 Conner, R. G., Kenton, Del.
 Cross, E. L., Cambridge, Md.
 Fosnocht, W. E., Mt. Lebanon, Del.
 Godwin, W. F., Atlantic City, N. J.
 Graham, J. T., Bozman, Md.
 Hanby, S. L., Wilm., Del., R. D. #3
 Hudson, A. T. P., Pittsville, Md.
 Hudson, J. A., Seaford, Del.

Kirby, R. L., Denton, Md.
 Kelsner, C. M., Princess Anne, Md.
 Layton, J. E., Holly Oak, Del.
 McClintock, W. L., Cheswold, Del.
 McCorkle, F. K., Lewisville, Pa.
 Minker, R. L., Wilmington, Del.
 Steen, J. C., Bellefonte, Del.
 Travers, Alonzo, Chestertown, Md.
 Thornton, J. H., Preston, Md.
 Turkington, A. A., Whaleyville, Md.
 Willis, J. F., Elliott, Md.
 Wood, David, Fairmount, Md.
 Wright, E. N., Georgetown, Del.

LOCAL DEACONS

Anderson, J. H., Church Creek, Md.
 Campbell, D. T., Pittsville, Md.
 Cursey, E. W., Kennedysville, Md.
 Knotts, L. L., Elkton, Md.

Walraven, E. D., Sudlersville, Md.
 Wiley, J. H., Secretary, Md.
 Wilson, R. H., Crisfield, Md.

LICENTIATES

Abbott, W. E., Marshallton, Del.
 Adams, Philip, Federalsburg, Md.
 Adams, Lester, Wilmington, Del.
 Adams, W. H., Wilmington, Del.
 Aiken, Edward, Greenwood, Del.
 Alfree, W. B., Holly Oak, Del.
 Allen, Jacob S., Jr., Wilmington, Del.
 Bailey, Jas., Salisbury, Md.
 Baker, Charlie, Harbeson, Del.
 Bean, P. C., Rock Hall, Md.
 Bennett, C. I., Mardela Springs, Md.
 Boulden, J. C., Elkton, Md.
 Broadway, L. H., Wilmington, Del.
 Buckson, Thomas, Lewes, Del.
 Bundick, S. M., Crisfield, Md.
 Byrd, E. M., Mardela, Md.
 Campbell, Miss Emma., Wilm., Del.
 Cantwell, W. S., Cheswold, Del.
 Carroll, Howard, Duke University,
 Durham, N. C.
 Cassons, R. F., Viola, Del.
 Cason, W. G., Georgetown, Del.

Catlin, Glen, Mardela Springs, Md.
 Coulborn, A. T., Cambridge, Md.
 Cook, C. W., Jr., Wilmington, Del.
 Cooper, James, Tilghman, Md.
 Covington, E. E., Queen Anne, Md.
 Curtis, A. C., Ohio
 Davis, J. A., Pocomoke City, Md.
 Dicky, R. Earle, Christiana, Del.
 Dix, Wm. J., Baltimore, Md.
 Dougherty, Geo. W., Wilm., Del.
 Ely, T. B., Wilmington, Del.
 Emerson, Rietta M., Wilm., Del.
 Enos, Richard, Marshallton, Del.
 Fogwell, S. J., Centreville, Md.
 Ford, Walter, Smyrna, Del.
 Fordham, Mrs. Harold, Tilghman,
 Md.
 Gibson, L., Wilmington, Del.
 Golt, John, Jr., Stanton, Del.
 Graham, Albert, North East, Md.
 Hall, Orlando, Bishop, Md.
 Heath, H., Elkton, Md.

Herron, S. H., Wilmington, Del.
 Hill, Austin W., Hockessin, Del.
 Holton, J. F., Mardela Springs, Md.
 Howie, Miss Annie, Salisbury, Md.
 Hudson, T. H., Ocean View, Del.
 Hudson, Wilson, Millville, Del.
 Isenberg, Burton, Seaford, Del.
 Jester, John R., Church Creek, Md.
 Johnson, W. H., Federalsburg, Md.
 Jones, H. C., New Castle, Del.
 Justis, C. E., Hopeton, Va.
 Kohl, Mrs. W. H., Ewell, Md.
 Law, W. A., Selbyville, Del.
 Lehman, David, Wilmington, Del.
 Le Compte, O. H., Vienna, Md.
 Lewis, Benjamin L., Baltimore, Md.
 Littleton, V. C., Ellendale, Del.
 Maddrix, W. E., Crisfield, Md.
 Manuel, Warren, Roselle, Del.
 Marsh, Edward, Rhodes Pt., Md.
 Marsh, Charlie, Tylerton, Md.
 McCorkle, Mary A., Lewisville, Pa.
 McWilliams, Guy, Cambridge, Md.
 Mills, Pauline J., Harbeson, Del.
 Moffatt, C. S., Dover, Del.
 Mower, W. D., Hurlock, Md.
 Moyer, K. H., Seaford, Del., R. D.
 Nelson, Clarke, Crisfield, Md.
 Perdue, Sampson, Salisbury, Md.
 Ralph, Harlan, Delmar, Del.
 Ralph, Wm., Elkton, Md.
 Revelle, Wm. H., Jr.
 Roe, A. J., Grasonville, Md.
 Roehm, Carl, Marshallton, Del.
 Rowelson, W. E., Sherwood, Md.
 Savage, L. W., Leipsic, Del.

Seymour, W. W., Wilmington, Del.
 Shinney, Roy, Queen Anne, Md.
 Shockley, O. M., Showell, Md.
 Shockley, E. L., Parsonsburg, Md.
 Shores, Thomas, Monie, Md.
 Simmons, J. Carlyle, Wilm., Del.
 Smith, Mrs. Howard, Federalsburg,
 Md.
 Smith, J. William, Salisbury, Md.
 Smith, R., Jr., Wilmington, Del.
 Stevens, Willard, Stockton, Md.
 Talley, Nelson, Sr., Wilm, Del.
 Taylor, Elwood, Chestertown, Md.
 Thomas, Charles W., Rock Hall, Md.
 Thornton, Mrs. M. G., Kirkwood, Del.
 Timmons, C. A., Ellendale, Del.
 Todd, Brady R., Wingate, Md.
 Todd, Edward, Elsmere, Del.
 Truitt, C. W., Millsboro, Del.
 Turkington, Emily B., Whaleyville,
 Md.
 Twigg, J. H., Deal's Island, Md.
 Tyler, Byron, Chestertown, Md.
 Tyler, Edgar S., Salisbury, Md.
 Vincent, Kenneth, Pocomoke City,
 Md.
 Walker, Mrs. Kathryn, Perryville,
 Md.
 Watson, C. R., Onancock, Va.
 Wilcox, Clarence, Cambridge, Md.
 Wilkins, Clarence, Millsboro, Del.
 Wilmot, A. A., Claymont, Del.
 Wimmer, Edward, Roselle, Del.
 Winder, E. J., Seaford, Del.
 Workman, Cortland, Georgetown,
 Del.

III

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL JOURNAL

FIRST SESSION—TUESDAY EVENING

OPENING:—The Peninsula Annual Conference convened in its second annual session in Union Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware, on Tuesday, May 13, 1941 at 8 p. m., Bishop Adna Wright Leonard, 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.

MEMORIAL SERVICE:—J. W. Colona was requested to preside at the Memorial Service. A hymn was sung and E. M. Shockley read the names of the ministers and ministers' wives who have died during the year, with the name of the minister who prepared the memoir as follows: Clarence M. Cullum written by J. P. George; James L. Nichols written by John W. Townsend; August F. Zimmerman written by John J. Bunting; John A. Wright written by G. A. Morris; Annie Keith Wright written by G. A. Morris; Eleanor Betts written by C. M. Elderdice; Martie B. Dashiell written by H. P. Fox; Gertrude Dulany written by Frank A. Baker; Elizabeth W. Guthrie written by R. G. Conner; Mary J. Kenney written by Wm. H. Briggs; Sarah B. VanDyke written by John L. Sparklin; Wilson C. Buckson written by E. C. Hallman; Daniel B. Prettyman written by Essell P. Thomas; Sarah M. Atkinson written by E. E. Crockett; Virginia Cantwell written by O. P. Jefferson; Sarah R. Johnson written by J. P. George.

After the singing of another hymn the Memorial Address was delivered by the Rev. Frank Herson.

BISHOP RESUMES CHAIR:—The Bishop then resumed the chair and called the Conference to order in business session at 10.05 p. m.

ROLL CALL:—The Secretary called the roll of Ministers, Accepted Supplies, and Lay Members of the Conference. 181 Ministers out of a total of 240; and 20 out of 29 Accepted Supplies, and 76 Lay Members out of a total of 238, answered to their names.

ORGANIZATION:—On motion of J. J. Bunting, J. R. Bicking was reelected Secretary and named the following assistants: O. A. Bartley, Raymond W. Hallman, and J. W. Townsend.

STATISTICIAN:—G. E. Leister was reelected Statistician and named the following assistants: See list.

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

CONFERENCE PROGRAM:—On motion the printed program was made the official program of the Conference subject to change when deemed necessary.

The Bishop announced that the Class of new members would be received on Saturday morning.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH—DIOCESE OF DELAWARE:—Bishop Leonard announced the receipt of the following telegram:

"The 157th. Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware extends cordial greetings and felicitations to the presiding bishop and members of the annual Peninsula Conference of the Methodist Church now assembled in the city of Wilmington.

Signed: Rt. Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, Bishop and Clerical and Lay Delegates of the Convention

On motion the Secretary was authorized to make proper response in the name of the presiding bishop and members of the Conference.

SUNDAY LIQUOR SALES—MARYLAND COUNTIES:—On motion of H. P. Fox the Secretary was authorized to send a telegram to Governor Herbert R. O'Connor requesting him to sign certain bills outlawing the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday in five Eastern Shore Counties of Maryland.

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

COMMUNION OFFERING:—R. C. Jones announced that the Communion Offering for Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund was \$44.85.

COLLECTION OF REPORTS:—Statistical reports were collected.

MRS. ADNA W. LEONARD:—On motion of H. P. Fox Bishop Leonard presented Mrs. Leonard to the Conference.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made; the Bishop made a statement relative to the administration of the Conference and Conference adjourned at 11 o'clock, Bishop Leonard pronouncing the benediction.

SECOND SESSION—WEDNESDAY MORNING

OPENING:—Conference convened at 9 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions. D. W. Jacobs led in prayer followed by the Lord's prayer in unison.

COMMITTEE ON JOURNAL:—On motion of H. P. Fox Conference ordered a Committee to examine and report on the Journal, and on motion of J. L. Green the Bishop was authorized to appoint such a committee. The Bishop appointed E. C. Hallman, T. C. Mulligan, and W. Irvin Collins.

CONFERENCE REPORTS:—On motion of E. C. Hallman the following resolutions were adopted:

1. E. C. Hallman moves that the Conference Statistician be instructed to watch carefully the sheet marked Table number I, item 5, and if any pastor has included in the total number of members reported from last year, the nonresident list, the Conference grant the Statistician power to subtract the number of nonresident members so reported from the total, so that item number 5 and item number 10, shall be on the same comparative basis.

2. E. C. Hallman moves that every pastor that has not already broken down the items 9, 10, and 11, in the sheet marked Table number III, be instructed so to do, thus enabling the Conference Treasurer to know what is to be applied to world service and what is intended for Annual Conference Interests.

COURTESY COMMITTEE:—On motion of W. E. Gunby, D. W. Jacobs and J. H. Wright were made the Committee on Courtesy.

BISHOP LEONARD:—On motion of Leonard White the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The North Eastern Jurisdictional Conference of 1940 assigned to the Washington Area as Resident Bishop, Bishop Adna Wright Leonard, thereby making him Resident Bishop of the Peninsula Annual Conference, and

WHEREAS, At the first session of the Peninsula Conference since his assignment to the Area he has come to us as our Presiding Officer.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Peninsula Conference in its second annual session assembled hereby extends its most cordial greetings to Bishop Leonard both to the Area and to the presidency of our session and assure him of our earnest and sincere prayers for God's richest blessings upon him and the Conference as we labor together at the tasks of the Kingdom.

W. E. Gunby presented to Bishop Leonard a gavel and perisphere made from wood taken from Barratt's Chapel, and made by Rev. C. H. Atkins. Bishop Leonard, in accepting the gifts, said that the perisphere is symbolic of the world influence of Methodism.

QUESTION 5:—The Fifth Question, What are the Reports of the District Superintendents as to the status of the work within their Districts? was taken up. W. A. Hearn, Superintendent of the Dover District, J. Earl Cummings, Superintendent of the Easton District, J. J. Bunting, Superintendent of the Salisbury District, and Walter E. Gunby, Superintendent of the Wilmington District, were called and they read reports of the work within their respective Districts.

BISHOP HUGHES:—Upon the suggestion of Bishop Leonard Conference authorized the Secretary to send suitable greetings to Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, former Resident Bishop of the Washington Area, now retired and living in Washington, D. C.

J. J. BUNTING:—F. M. Volk in behalf of the ministers of the Salisbury District presented to J. J. Bunting, retiring Superintendent, a gift, after which J. W. Wootten read an original poem in tribute to Brother Bunting, who then responded expressing his appreciation for the loyalty and friendship of the men of the District.

QUESTION 24:—The Twenty-fourth Question, Who are Transferred to Other Annual Conferences? was taken up. Bishop Leonard announced the transfer of H. R. Deal to the Baltimore Conference, and J. E. Bartlett to the Florida Conference.

QUESTION 25:—The Twenty-fifth Question, Who are Received by Transfer from other Annual Conferences? was taken up. Bishop Leonard announced the transfer of J. A. Trader from the Baltimore Conference and C. Stanley Lowell from the Florida Conference.

QUESTION 9:—The Ninth Question, Are the Boards, Commissions, or Committees of the Annual Conference Appointed or Elected? was taken up. On nomination of the Cabinet.

Answer: the Board of Ministerial Training was appointed by the Bishop. The Committee of Traveling Elders on Conference Relations and Ministerial Qualifications, the Committee on Accepted Supply Pastors, the Committee of Investigation, the District Board of Church Location and Building were elected by the Conference. See list.

On motion of J. M. Kelso, D. W. Jacobs, M. S. Andrews, and R. T. Thawley were elected members of the Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference for a term of three years, the Secretary casting the ballot.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:—R. T. Thawley, Treasurer of the Conference Board of Trustees, presented his report and on his motion it was ordered received and printed in the minutes without reading.

QUESTION 2:—The Second Question, What Rules have been adopted to govern the Procedure of this Conference? was taken up. Answer: See Conference Minutes of 1940.

QUESTION 3:—The Third Question, Is the Annual Conference Incorporated? was taken up. Answer: It is.

QUESTION 4:—The Fourth Question (a) What Officers and Persons holding Money, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what Amounts? was taken up. Answer: L. E. Windsor, Treasurer of the Annual Conference and Treasurer of the Board of Conference Claimants—\$30,000. R. T. Thawley, Treasurer of Board of Conference Trustees—\$10,000.

QUESTION 45:—The Forty-fifth Question, Who are the Retired Ministers? was taken up. On motion of the Committee on Conference Relation, the following were retired and referred to the Board of Conference Claimants: C. I. Flory, Leolan Jackson, D. J. Givan, L. B. Morgan, George Hines, and J. P. Adams, the last named under Par. 1318.

CONFERENCE TREASURER:—On motion of L. E. Windsor, Conference agreed to accept the totals of the Treasurer's report as being a sufficient report from the Treasurer.

EXCUSES:—Conference excused several men to attend to various ministerial duties.

LETTERS OF SYMPATHY AND GREETING:—Conference authorized the Secretary to send a letter of sympathy to the Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Hungerford in the death of Mrs. Hungerford's mother, and letters of greeting to the following who are aged or ill: I. Elmer Perry, W. R. Woodell, Lee Elliott, J. Harry Wilson, and W. F. Atkinson.

BISHOP'S HOUR:—Bishop Leonard then addressed the Conference on the incident of the two disciples on the way to Emmaus. Conference then adjourned, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

THIRD SESSION—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

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

QUESTION 9:—The Ninth Question was resumed. The Cabinet was authorized to make nominations for two lay members of the Commission on World Service and Finance.

On motion of J. E. Cummings Conference authorized the organization of a Town and Country Commission, the Cabinet to make the nominations.

Conference authorized the organization of a Deaconess Board.

The Cabinet presented nominations for the Board of Missions and Church Extension, the Board of Temperance, the Annual Conference Board of Lay Activities, and they were elected. The Bishop appointed Leonard White as the convener of the Board of Lay Activities.

The Cabinet presented nominations for the Commission on Evangelism and the Committee of Ministerial Qualifications and they were elected.

E. P. Thomas, S. B. Bradley and E. M. Shockley were recognized as the Distributing Committee.

On motion of J. H. Wright the Board of Conference Claimants was recognized as the Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support.

INTRODUCTIONS:—G. W. Henson, Corresponding Secretary of the Methodist Hospital in Philadelphia, Dayton E. McLain, Vice-President of the American University were introduced and addressed the Conference.

STRAWBRIDGE HOME:—F. Reid Isaac presented the report of the Superintendent of the Strawbridge Home and it was adopted and the following trustees were elected the Secretary casting the ballot: Bishop Adna W. Leonard, William L. Todd, Rev. Essell P. Thomas, Senator John G. Townsend, Jr., Frank M. Shook, Rev. J. Earl Cummings, Rev. Ralph J. Yow, Mrs. Wilmer Fell Davis, Mrs. C. A. Schuler.

CHAPLAINS:—C. I. Carpenter and D. A. Littleton, chaplains in the United States Army, were introduced and each gave a word of greeting.

BISHOP'S HOUR:—On motion of Leonard White the Bishop's Hour was set at 11 o'clock Thursday morning.

MUTUAL AID:—On motion of H. P. Fox, the Bishop was requested to grant time for the annual meeting of the Mutual Aid Society Thursday morning.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY:—E. C. Hallman read the report of the Conference Historical Society and it was ordered received and printed in the minutes.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION—THURSDAY MORNING

OPENING:—Conference convened at 9 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions. C. E. Forlines led in prayer.

JOURNAL:—The Journal of Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon was approved on motion of the Committee on Journal.

GROUP INSURANCE:—C. M. Harris read the report of the Treasurer of the Commission on Group Insurance and it was ordered received and printed in the minutes.

On motion of M. S. Andrews the Commission on Group Insurance was discontinued and all matters relating to the payment of premiums, etc. were referred to the Commission on World Service and Finance with the request that the Commission make a study of these problems and report its findings to the Conference.

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE:—G. William Phillips and J. Everett Wall, laymen were added to the Commission on World Service and Finance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS:—On motion of J. Harry Wright the District Superintendents were requested to make a report to the annual session of the Conference relating to the work of their respective districts.

CORPORATE SESSION—MUTUAL AID SOCIETY:—Conference convened in Corporate Session for the purpose of transacting business of the Mutual Aid Society, H. P. Fox, President presiding.

CHAIR:—The Corporate Session adjourned and the Bishop resumed the Chair.

HOME FOR THE AGED:—W. P. Roberts presented the Treasurer's report of the Home For The Aged, Westminster, Maryland and it was ordered received and printed in the minutes.

INTRODUCTIONS:—George W. Henson, representing the Board of Publications, C. E. Forlines, President Westminster Theological Seminary, Fred G. Holloway, President Western Maryland College, John A. Fetzer, supervisor of missions among migrants on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and the State of Delaware under the Maryland-Delaware Council of Churches and the Home Missions Council, were introduced and addressed the Conference.

BISHOP'S HOUR:—The Bishop then addressed the Conference describing the work of the Committee on Camp Activities and Chaplains in the Army and Navy.

Chaplain Irving Carpenter sang a solo "The Holy City."

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB:—The Glee Club of the American University, Washington, D. C. rendered several selections.

CORPORATE SESSION—WESLEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE:—The Conference convened in Corporate Session for the purpose of electing Ministerial trustees of Wesley Collegiate Institute, W. E. Gunby, President presiding. The following were elected for a term of three years: Leonard White, J. W. Colona, D. W. Jacobs, T. S. Holt, E. C. Hallman, L. E. Windsor.

The Corporate Session then recessed to meet again this annual session on the call of the President in consultation with the presiding bishop.

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

FIFTH SESSION—THURSDAY AFTERNOON

OPENING:—Conference convened at 2.30 o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions, O. J. Collins led in prayer.

INTRODUCTION:—C. L. Calkins representing the Board of Pensions was introduced and presented a check from the Chartered Fund in the amount of \$75 which was ordered paid to the Conference Treasurer.

Bert Constance representing the Lord's Day Alliance was introduced and addressed the Conference.

PROPERTY ADJUSTMENTS:—After a preliminary statement by John R. Edwards of the Baltimore Conference, E. P. Thomas read the report of the joint committee of the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences, and the Trustees of the Headquarters Building of the Maryland Conference of the former Methodist Protestant Church, and it was adopted with the recommendations contained therein.

After a preliminary statement by E. A. Sexsmith of the Baltimore Conference, Leonard Smith read the report of the Joint Committee of the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences relating to property adjustments and on motion of H. P. Fox it was adopted and referred to the Commission on World Service and Finance for proper action.

The Joint Committee was then authorized to name three of its members to a committee for the purpose of presenting this report to the next session of the Baltimore Conference.

Leonard White then led in prayer, and Conference sang "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

INTRODUCTION:—D. Stewart Patterson representing the General Conference Board of Lay Activities was introduced and addressed the Conference.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned to the Enrichment Hour.

SIXTH SESSION—FRIDAY MORNING

OPENING:—Conference convened at nine o'clock, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions. J. W. Prettyman, a retired minister, and T. Blair Ely, Layman, led in prayer. Conference recited the 23rd Psalm in unison.

JOURNAL:—The journals of Thursday morning and afternoon sessions were approved on motion of the Committee on Journal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:—On motion of J. H. Wright, conference ordered an executive session for Saturday morning immediately after the report on the journal.

CONFERENCE LAY LEADER:—W. Twilley Malone, Chairman of the Board of Lay Activities, announced that T. Blair Ely had been nominated Conference Lay Leader and he was elected. He was then introduced and addressed the Conference.

QUESTION 38:—The 38th question, "Are all ministerial members blameless in their life and official ministration?" was taken up. The ministerial members of the Dover District, of the Easton District, of the Salisbury District, of the Wilmington District were called and their characters passed. Each of the four District Superintendents was called and his character passed.

GOVERNOR O'CONNOR:—H. P. Fox announced that Governor O'Connor of Maryland had signed all of the bills relating to the inhibition of Sunday sale of alcoholic beverages.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—The re-convening of the Corporate Session of W. C. I. was requested as the order of the day for that afternoon session immediately following devotions. W. E. Gunby as President of the Corporation issued a call for such a meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS:—Dr. Carl Quimby representing the Division of Foreign Missions of the Board of Missions was introduced and addressed the Conference.

QUESTION 17:—The 17th question, What financial campaigns are approved in this Conference for the ensuing year, and for what Amounts? was taken up. W. E. Gunby presented the following resolutions which were adopted. (Resolutions under par. 854).

That Conference approval be given to the Wilmington District, to raise funds, or to render whatever assistance may be possible under the leadership of the District Superintendent toward the following projects:—

1. The providing of an adequate place of worship and facilities for Christian Education at Holly Oak Charge, and—

2. The giving of all possible assistance to the revitalization program at the First (formerly M. P.) Church at 36th and Washington Streets early in the Conference Year, and toward the raising of funds to assist in the financial efforts to reduce their indebtedness, and reconstruct their financial situation.

EXCUSED:—Several members of the Conference were excused from various sessions.

SALE OF PROPERTIES:—On Motion of R. T. Thawley, permission was granted for the sale of the following properties, when the District Boards shall meet and approve; the Fletcher property in Dorchester County on the Easton District; Severson's Church between Dover and Smyrna on the Dover District; Central Church or Chapel in Indian River Neck, Sussex Co., Dela. on the Dover District; and property at Redden, Del; also on the Dover District.

INTRODUCTIONS:—F. W. Wilkinson of the Board of Temperance was introduced and addressed the Conference.

EDUCATION SOCIETY:—On nomination of L. E. Wimbrow the following were elected to serve as managers of the Education Society for a term of three years: M. S. Andrews, R. S. Hodgson, M. E. Wheatley, Sr., A. C. Humphreys, J. Millard Tawes, Granville Hooper.

GREETINGS:—On motion of H. P. Fox the Secretary was instructed to send greetings to the A. M. E. Conference now in session.

ADJOURNMENT:—After announcements were made Conference adjourned, Bishop Leonard pronouncing the benediction.

SEVENTH SESSION—FRIDAY AFTERNOON

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

CORPORATE SESSION:—On motion of G. W. Dawson Conference reconvened in Corporate session for the purpose of transacting business relating to Wesley Collegiate Institute, W. E. Gunby, President, presiding.

CORPORATE SESSION ADJOURNED:—The Corporate Session then adjourned.

INTRODUCTION:—Dr. Harry W. McPherson representing the Board of Education was introduced and addressed the Conference.

METHODIST STUDENT DAY:—On motion of W. E. Gunby the second Sunday in June was set as Methodist Student Day in this Conference.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned to the Enrichment Hour.

EIGHTH SESSION—SATURDAY MORNING

OPENING:—Conference convened at nine o'clock in executive session, Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions.

QUESTION 28:—The 28th question, Who are admitted on trial? was taken up. John James Bunting, Jr., Raymond Jervis Cooke, Harold Morrow Davis, Arthur Weedon Goodhand, Jr., Edward Johnson Hemphill, Jr. and Ralph Wendell Hopkins were called, their characters passed, the registrar reported, the District Superintendent represented, the committee recommended, and they were admitted on trial and placed in studies of first year. Harry Hanson Connor was called, his character passed, the registrar reported, the committee recommended, the District Superintendent represented, and he was admitted on trial exempt from Conf. Course of Study and elected to Deacon's Orders under the seminary rule.

QUESTION 29:—The 29th question, Who have been continued on trial? was taken up. Frank O. Baynard and William H. Hudson were called, their characters passed, the registrar reported, and they were continued on trial and advanced to studies of second year.

QUESTION 31:—The 31st question, Who are admitted into full membership? was taken up. George Walter Goodley, Jr., Charles Samuel Jarvis, Paul Ewing McCoy, Charles Harvey Squires, Melvin Ernest Wheatley, Jr., were called, their characters passed, and Conference admitted them into full connection subject to answering properly the disciplinary questions.

David William Baker was called, his character passed, he was elected to Deacon's orders, advanced to studies of third year and Conference voted to admit him into full connection subject to answering properly the disciplinary questions.

QUESTION 33:—The 33rd question, What members are in studies of fourth year? was taken up. Charles Elwyn Ennis, Robert W. Hastings, Harry K. Krams, George H. Murphy, Brooks E. Reynolds were called, their characters passed and they were advanced to studies of fourth year.

QUESTION 34:—The 34th question, What members have completed the studies of fourth year? was taken up. Walter A. Glass, George W. Goodley, Jr., Charles Samuel Jarvis, Milton Henry Keene, Paul Ewing McCoy, Charles Harvey Squires, Melvin Ernest Wheatley, Jr. were called, their characters passed and they were graduated from the Conference Course of study and elected to Elder's Orders, the last six under the Seminary Rule.

QUESTION 36:—The 36th question, "What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?" was taken up. John Hjalmar Andersen was called, his character passed and he was elected to Deacon's Orders as a Local Preacher.

Harry Hanson Connor was called and he was elected to Deacon's Orders under the Seminary Rule.

QUESTION 40:—The 40th question, (a) What accepted supply pastors under full-time appointment are taking the Conference Course of Study? was taken up. Answer—

In the first year.—James Hopkins Bailey, Albert E. Curtis, William O. Hackett, J. W. Smith, Willard Leslie Stevens.

In the second year.—Milton R. Elliott, Arthur G. Thomas.

In the third year.—John Hjalmar Andersen.

In the fourth year.—Ellwood W. Cursey, Lawrence L. Knotts, Robert H. Wilson.

The Local Preachers course of study.—None.

40 (b) Are the accepted supply pastors blameless in their life and official administration? They are.

QUESTION 41:—The 41st question, What local preachers have completed satisfactorily the studies prescribed? was taken up. Answer.—

1. For Deacon's orders. John Hjalmar Andersen.
2. For Elder's orders. None.

QUESTION 39:—The 39th question, Who are the Accepted Supply pastors? was taken up. See list in Disciplinary Questions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS:—J. L. Sparklin for the Committee on Conference Relations made the following recommendations that R. Ward Mills be changed from Supernumerary relation to effective.

That G. S. Thomas receive the retired relation under #232.

That John Mark be retired under #1318 requiring a three fourths vote and his case be referred to the Committee on Conference Claimants.

That the relation of E. C. Prettyman be changed from effective to Supernumerary at his own request.

That R. L. Minker be given a certificate of Location at his own request under #235.

That W. J. McKee be continued in the Supernumerary relation for the fourth year.

On motion the report of the Committee was adopted and the above changes in relation effected.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:—F. D. Milbury read the report of the Board of Education and it was adopted with the recommendations contained therein, the recommendations being considered seriatim.

L. E. Werner, Conference Counsellor, read his report and it was adopted.

J. B. Dickerson gave the report of the Summer Camp at Camp Horse Shoe and it was accepted.

On nomination of the cabinet the members of the Board of Education were then elected. See list.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND BALTIMORE CONFERENCE:—J. L. Green, W. A. Hearn, and J. H. Wright were named to the committee to attend the session of the Baltimore Conference to represent this Conference in the matters of property adjustments now pending before the two Conferences.

STATISTICIAN:—J. W. Wooten read the report of the Statistician and it was received and ordered printed in the minutes.

INTRODUCTION:—Edward Laird Mills representing the Christian Advocate was introduced and addressed the Conference.

INTRODUCTION:—G. W. Crabbe, General Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of America and E. C. Prettyman, Supt. of Anti-Saloon League of Conn. were introduced and addressed the Conference.

GOVERNOR O'CONNOR:—Wilmer Fell Davis read a communication from Governor Herbert R. O'Connor stating his approval of certain marriage laws adopted by the Maryland Legislature, and on his motion the Secretary was instructed to send a letter of appreciation to the Governor for his action in signing the bills.

TREASURER:—L. E. Windsor read the report of the Conference Treasurer and it was received and ordered printed in the minutes.

On motion of J. W. Colona Conference requested each pastor to send to the Conference Treasurer only vouchers or checks.

EXTENSION OF TIME:—Time was extended for the purpose of receiving the class into full membership.

COLLECTION:—On motion of J. J. Bunting an offering was received to assist a retired member.

RECEPTION OF CLASS:—The Bishop addressed the Class to be received into Full Membership, and after answering the usual Disciplinary Questions the Class was so admitted.

Bishop Leonard presented diplomas to those who were graduated from the Course of Study.

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

NINTH SESSION—SATURDAY AFTERNOON

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

A duet was sung by Jack and Arlene Eckhart, children of the Rev. E. B. Eckhart.

M. E. Wheatley, Sr. led in prayer.

JOURNAL:—The Journal of Friday morning and afternoon session was approved on motion of the Committee on Journal.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION:—C. M. Elderdice presented the report of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and it was adopted.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY:—On motion of W. E. Gunby, the officers of the Conference Historical Society were confirmed as follows: E. C. Hallman, President, O. E. Jones, Ivanhoe Willis, Walter H. Stone, M. S. Andrews, W. I. Collins, R. T. Thawley, Vice-Presidents; J. M. Kelso, Research Secretary, O. A. Bartley, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Committee was requested to provide ample time for the Memorial Service.

DEACONESS BOARD:—W. E. Gunby presented the report of the Deaconess Board and it was adopted.

AUDITOR:—H. B. Kelso read the report of the Conference Auditor and it was received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

QUESTION 11:—The Eleventh Question was taken up. Answer NONE.

QUESTION 12:—The Twelfth Question, "What are the apportionments Transmitted by the General Commission on World Service and Finance"? was taken up. For General Benevolences "See World Service Report".

For Episcopal Fund, 2¼th percent of pastors cash salary for current year.

General Administration Fund, one quarter of one percent of Pastors cash salary annually.

QUESTION 13:—The Thirteenth Question was taken up.

J. L. Green for the Commission on World Service and Finance reported the World Service askings to be \$115,541, and the Conference interest \$29,570.

These amounts with the following ratios of money received were approved by the Conference.

Ratio Annual Conference Interests	.425
General Benevolences, World Service	.575

QUESTION 14:—The Fourteenth Question was called, answer, "NONE".

QUESTION 45:—Forty-Fifth Question, "Who are the Retired Ministers?" was taken up. The retired Ministers reported from the last session of Conference were called, their characters passed and they were continued in the same relation. R. Ward Mills having already been placed in the effective list.

Those retired at this session are, C. I. Flory, Leolan Jackson, George Hines, D. J. Givan, L. B. Morgan, J. P. Adams, John Mark and G. S. Thomas.

AREA PROGRAM:—The report of the Area Council was discussed by H. P. Fox and on his motion the Conference endorsed a Conference program to cooperate with the Area Council Program and to be broken down into District Programs.

COMMITTEES:—The following Resolution was presented by J. Earl Cummings and adopted.

That the District Superintendents be empowered to appoint the Lord's Day Alliance Committee and also to name any other generally accepted Committees which inadvertently this Conference may fail to name before adjournment.

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION:—On Motion of O. P. Jefferson the secretary was instructed to communicate with Senator Wilmer Fell Davis, Senator Dudley Roe and others who have helped bring about the Sunday beer legislation in Maryland.

TEMPERANCE REPORT:—T. C. Mulligan read the report of the Temperance Committee and on his motion it was adopted.

EVANGELISM:—R. J. Yow read the report of the Commission on Evangelism and on motion it was adopted.

ELWOOD MELSON:—On motion of J. L. Green, conference extended to Elwood W. Melson a hearty vote of thanks for his work in clearing the deed on Middletown Parsonage.

TITLES OF DISTRICT PARSONAGES:—On motion of J. L. Green, Conference ordered that titles to District Parsonages be in the name of the Conference Board of Trustees.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE:—On motion the secretary was instructed to continue the same Anti-Saloon League representatives as last year.

BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS:—The report of the Board of Conference Claimants was read by L. E. Windsor and on his motion it was adopted. The following were elected to serve for a term of three years on the Board of Conference Claimants. Ministerial, E. P. Thomas, L. E. Windsor, Lay, C. N. Jefferson, E. J. Winder.

OFFERING:—An offering was taken to help defray the expense of the entertaining church.

GOOD WILL INDUSTRIES:—The report of the Good Will Industries was ordered printed in the Minutes without reading.

MINUTES:—On motion of J. L. Green, the method of distributing the minutes was left to the Secretary.

The minutes are to be sent free to the pastors. If they are sold the money is to be applied to the conference benevolences for the coming year.

W. E. GUNBY:—On behalf of the ministers of the Wilmington District, Melvin E. Wheatley, Sr., presented a gift to Dr. W. E. Gunby, retiring District Superintendent. L. L. Powell read an original poem. Dr. Gunby responded. Dist. Supts. Cummings and Hearn also paid tribute to the two retiring superintendents, W. E. Gunby and J. J. Bunting.

Committee on Resolutions and Thanks:—The report of the committee on resolutions and thanks was read by E. R. Shield and on motion it was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT:—On motion of J. W. Wootten, it was ordered that after suitable devotions, remarks by the Bishop and the reading of the appointments, Conference adjourn.

DEVOTIONS:—Bishop Leonard addressed the Conference and G. W. Dawson led in prayer.

BISHOP HUGHES:—A letter of response from Bishop Hughes was read by the secretary.

ADJOURNMENT:—The appointments were read and Conference adjourned, Bishop Leonard pronouncing the benediction.

A. W. Leonard
Presiding Bishop.

J. R. Bicking

Secretary

IV

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

The Minutes of the Peninsula Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, held in Union Church, Wilmington, Delaware, from May 13, 1941, to May 19, 1941.

Bishop Adna W. Leonard, presiding..

1. **Organization**—The following Officers were Elected.
Secretary: J. R. Bicking, P. O. Crisfield, Maryland.
Treasurer: L. E. Windsor, P. O. Wilmington, Delaware.
Statistician: G. E. Leister, P. O. Pocomoke City, Maryland.
2. **Rules**—What Rules have been Adopted to Govern the Procedure of this Conference?
See minutes of 1940.
3. **Is the Annual Conference Incorporated?**
It is.
4. **What Officers and Persons holding Money, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what Amounts?**
L. E. Windsor, Treasurer of the Annual Conference, and Treasurer of the Board of Conference Claimants, Joint Bond, \$30,000.
R. T. Thawley, Treas. of Board of Conference Trustees, \$10,000.
5. **What are the Reports of the District Superintendents as to the Status of the Work within their Districts?**
See the District Superintendents Reports.
6. **What is the Report of the Conference Treasurer?**
See Report.
7. **What is the Report of the Statistician?**
See Report.
8. **Are the Records of Secretaries, Treasurers and Statisticians kept according to the Forms prescribed by the Laws of the Church?**
They are.
9. **Are the Boards, Commissions, or Committees of the Annual Conference Appointed or Elected?**
See list in Minutes.
10. **Who is Elected Conference Lay Leader?**
T. Blair Ely.

11. What date is determined for Enrollment Sunday for the American White Cross and the Golden Cross Society?
No action.
12. What are the Apportionments Transmitted by the General Commission on World Service and Finance to this Annual Conference?
For General Benevolences (World Service)
World Service Reports.
For Episcopal Fund
2 ¼ % Pastor's Salary, for Current year.
For General Administration Fund
½ of 1 per cent. Annually.
13. What Amounts are Approved as being the Apportionments to each District of the Conference for the General Conference Budget?
See Report.
14. What are the Annual Conference Interests as participating in the Conference Budget, and what Amounts are allotted to each District and approved?
See W. S. Report.
15. What is the Report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and what Appropriations to the Conference Claimants are reported and approved?
See Report.
16. (a) What method is approved to provide the amount necessary for the support of the District Superintendents?
Through World Service Commission.
(b) If approval is by the Conference, what amount is determined for the support of the Superintendent of each District?
6% Pastor's Cash Salary.
17. What financial campaigns are approved in this Conference for the ensuing year, and for what Amounts?
Holly Oak, Del. Educational Building, First Church, Wilmington, to reduce indebtedness, etc.
18. What are the Reports, Recommendations, and Plans of the Boards of the Conference?
See various Reports.
19. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension of Disbursements of Missionary Aid within the Conference?
No report.
20. Is there a schedule of Minimum Support for Pastors? If so, what is it?
No.

21. What are the objectives of this Conference for the coming year as stated by the Bishop in charge, or a committee appointed by him?
See Report of Area Council.
22. Where shall the Next Session of the Conference be held?
Referred to Commission on Conference Entertainment.
23. Who have had their Credentials Restored without Readmission to the Conference?
None.
24. Who are Transferred to other Annual Conferences?
H. R. Deal, Baltimore, J. E. Bartlett, Florida.
25. Who are Received by Transfer from other Annual Conferences?
J. A. Trader, Baltimore, C. Stanley Lowell, Florida.
26. Who are Readmitted?
(a) After Voluntary Location.
None.
(b) After Involuntary Location.
None.
(d) After Withdrawal.
None.
(e) By Judicial Procedure or by General Conference.
None.
27. What Ministers coming on Credentials from other Evangelical Churches are Received?
(a) As Local Preachers, on Recognition of their Orders, on Recommendation from a Quarterly Conference.
None.
(b) Into Membership on Trial or in Full Connection, on Recognition of their Orders, and on Recommendation by a District Conference or a Quarterly Conference.
None.
(c) Into Full Membership, on Recognition of Credentials.
None.
(d) On Trial, from the Ministry of another Methodist Church.
None.
28. Who are Admitted on Trial?
(a) In Studies of First Year.
John James Bunting, Jr., Ralph Wendell Hopkins, Raymond Jervis Cooke, Harold Morrow Davis, Arthur Weedon Goodhand, Jr., Edward Johnson Hemphill, Jr.

- (b) **In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.**
None.
- (c) **Exempt from Course of Study under the Seminary Rule.**
Harry Hanson Conner.
- 29. Who have been Continued on Trial?**
- (a) **In Studies of First Year.**
None.
- (b) **In Studies of Second Year.**
F. O. Baynard, William H. Hudson.
- (c) **In Studies of Third Year.**
None.
- (d) **In Studies of Fourth Year.**
None.
- 30. Who are Discontinued?**
None.
- 31. Who are Admitted into Full Membership?**
- (a) **Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.**
David William Baker.
- (b) **Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.**
George Walter Goodley, Jr., Charles Samuel Jarvis, Charles Harvey Squires, Melvin Ernest Wheatley, Jr. Paul Ewing McCoy.
- (c) **Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.**
None.
- (d) **Ordained Deacons, having been previously elected by Annual Conference.**
None.
- 32. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?**
- (a) **Admitted into Full Membership this year.**
David William Baker.
- (b) **Admitted into Full Membership previously.**
None.
- 33. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?**
Charles Elwyn Ennis, Robert W. Hastings, Harry K. Krams, George H. Murphy, Brooks E. Reynolds.
- 24. What Members have Completed the Studies of Fourth Year?**
- (a) **Elected and Ordained Elders this year.**
Walter A. Glass.
- (b) **Elected and Ordained Elders previously.**
None.

- (c) **Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.**
George W. Goodley, Jr., Charles Samuel Jarvis, Milton Henry Keene, Paul Ewing McCoy, Charles Harvey Squires, Melvin Ernest Wheatley, Jr.
- (d) **Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.**
None.
- (e) **Ordained Elders, having been previously elected by Annual Conference.**
None.
- (f) **Ordained Elders elsewhere under our Election.**
None.
- 35. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?**
- (a) **As Local Preachers.**
John Hjalmar Andersen.
- (b) **Under Seminary Rule.**
Harry Hanson Conner.
- (c) **Under Missionary Rule.**
None.
- (d) **Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.**
None.
- 36. 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.
- 37. Who have been left without Appointment to Attend School?**
Raymond J. Cooke, Arthur W. Goodhand, Wm. H. Hudson.
- 38. Are all Ministerial Members Blameless in their Life and Official Administration?**
Yes.
- 39. Who are Accepted Supply Pastors?**
Reuben H. Adams, George S. Allen, John H. Andersen, James H. Bailey, David T. Campbell, Robert G. Conner, Albert E. Curtiss, Ellwood W. Cursey, Milton Ray Elliott, Walter L. Fosnocht, John T. Graham, William O. Hackett, Arthur T. P. Hudson, Robert L. Kirby, Lawrence L. Knotts, Joshua E. Layton, William L. Mc Clintock, Frank K. Mc Corkle, George H. Pigueron, E. Sampson Purdue, W. H. Revelle, Jr., John W. Smith, J. C. Steen, Willard Leslie Stevens, Arthur G. Thomas, J. H. Thornton, Otis Lloyd Townsend, A. A. Turkington, Edgar B. Tyler, John F. Willis, Robert H. Wilson, David E. Wood, Ernest N. Wright.

40. (a) What Accepted Supply Pastors now under full-time appointment are taking

I. The Conference Course of Study?

1. In the First Year.

James Hopkins Bailey, Albert E. Curtis, William O. Hackett, J. W. Smith, Willard Leslie Stevens, Otis Lloyd Townsend.

2. In the Second Year.

Milton R. Elliott, Arthur G. Thomas.

3. In the Third Year.

John Hjalmar Andersen.

4. In the Fourth Year.

David T. Campbell, Ellwood W. Cursey, Lawrence L. Knotts, Robert H. Wilson.

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) Are the Accepted Supply Pastors blameless in their Life and Official Administration?

They are.

41. What Local Preachers have Completed Satisfactorily the Studies Prescribed?

1. For Deacon's Orders.

John Hjalmar Andersen.

2. For Elder's Orders.

None.

42. What Ministerial Members have Died during the year?

Clarence M. Cullum, James L. Nichols, John A. Wright, August F. Zimmerman.

43. Who have had their Conference Membership terminated?

(a) By Voluntary Location.

R. L. Minker.

(b) By Involuntary Location.

None.

(c) By Surrender of the Ministerial Office and Credentials. None.

(d) By Judicial Procedure.

None.

(e) By Withdrawal.

(1) To Join the Ministry of another Church.

None.

(2) From the Ministry.

None.

(3) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church.

None.

(4) Under Complaints or Charges.

None.

44. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?

William J. McKee (4), Edgar C. Prettyman (1).

45. Who are the Retired Ministers?

J. P. Adams, J. T. Bailey, O. T. Baynard, W. O. Bennett, Dorsey Blake, W. H. Briggs, J. A. Buckson, H. G. Budd, E. H. Collins, F. M. Clift, Howard Davis, G. W. Dawson, C. H. Dobson, C. I. Flory, D. J. Ford, J. H. Geoghegan, D. J. Givan, George Hines, V. E. Hills, E. L. Hoffecker, F. A. Holland, F. R. Holland, T. S. Holt, Leolan Jackson, O. E. James, G. P. Jones, J. P. Landon, J. H. Mark, C. S. Marshall, W. E. Matthews, F. X. Moore, L. B. Morgan, G. A. Morris, M. D. Nutter, J. P. Outten, L. E. Poole, W. C. Poole, J. W. Prettyman, J. T. Price, C. L. Reiter, O. B. Rice, J. A. Rood, V. E. Rorer, C. W. Strickland, E. B. Taylor, G. S. Thomas, Ivanhoe Willis, J. H. Wilson, W. A. Wise, W. R. Woodell, T. R. Woodford, G. E. Wood.

46. Who are granted Sabbatical Leave?

None.

47. What Appointments of Preachers are made on the Recommendation of the District Superintendents and confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the Conference?

D. L. McClain, V. P. of American University.

48. What Institutions and Organizations are approved by three-quarters vote of the Conference for Appointment of Ministers in the Effective Relation with Annuity Claim?

None.

49. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

See list of appointments.

V
APPOINTMENTS

DOVER DISTRICT

W. A. HEARN, Superintendent, (P. O. Dover, Del.) (3)

All Appointments in Delaware.

Bethel,	C. W. Spry (3)	Houston,	N. C. Benson (2)
Blades, (P.O. Seaford, Del)		Indian River, (P.O. Milton)	
	C. P. Butler (2)		J. J. Von Hagel (1)
Bridgeville,	P. W. Spence (3)	Kenton and Hartley,	
Canterbury, (Sup.)	J. T. Bailey (1)	(Sup.)	R. G. Conner (4)
Camden,	J. J. Bunting, Jr. (1)	Laurel:	
Cheswold,		Centenary,	E. C. Hallman (3)
(Sup.)	W. L. McClintock (3)	Christ & Portsville,	
Clayton:			L. E. Werner (3)
Ewell's	H. B. Kelso (1)	Laurel Circuit,	Lee Elliott (14)
St. Paul's	J. C. B. Hopkins (2)	Leipsic, (P. O. Clayton)	
Dagsboro, St. Georges,			H. B. Kelso (1)
	E. L. Bennett (2)	Lewes,	H. V. Branford (2)
Dagsboro Circuit,	Ziba Adams (2)	Lincoln City,	
Dover:			M. E. Wheatley, Jr. (3)
Grace, (Sup.)	Harmon Dillard (3)	Magnolia and Barratt's,	
St. Paul's,			W. L. Beckwith (3)
	(Sup.) G. S. Thomas (1)	Middletown,	C. W. Branford (1)
Wesley,	M. W. Marine (1)	Milford:	
Ellendale,	I. E. Crum (2)	Avenue,	Frank Herson (15)
Farmington,	Harold Davis (1)	Calvary,	M. E. Hungerford (3)
Felton,	Willard Everett (3)	Milford Neck, (P.O. Frederica)	
Frankford,	J. A. Clark (3)		H. H. Conner (1)
Frederica,	H. H. Conner (1)	Millsboro,	E. W. Hervis (3)
Georgetown:		Milton:	
Grace,	W. P. Kesmodel (1)	Goshen,	J. B. Vaughn (4)
Wesley,	O. E. Jones (11)	Grace,	J. J. Von Hagel (1)
Georgetown Circuit,		Mt. Pleasant, (P.O. Laurel)	
	(Sup.) E. N. Wright (5)		D. T. Pritchard (2)
Greenwood,	H. O. Hufnal (3)	Mt. Zion, (P.O. Bethel)	
(Grace) and Cannon,			C. W. Spry (3)
	J. L. Jones (1)	Nassau and Unity,	
Gumboro,	R. W. Mills (2)		J. H. Whedbee (3)
Harbeson,	J. P. George (5)	Ocean View and Millville,	
Harrington:			J. E. Parker (3)
Asbury,	R. E. Green (4)	Odessa,	H. N. Nicklas (2)
Trinity,	T. C. Jones (2)	Rehoboth,	J. C. McCoy (1)

Roxana,	J. E. Jones (4)	Townsend,	J. C. Hanby (2)
Seaford:		Whitesville,	
	Mt. Olivet and Gethsemane,	(Sup.)	A. G. Thomas (6)
	E. E. Coleman (6)	Woodside, (P. O. Wyoming)	
St. John's,	S. B. Bradley (1)		O. B. Reed (4)
Seaford Circuit,	G. S. Ross (1)	Wyoming,	O. B. Reed (4)
Selbyville,	W. J. Ennis (1)	Zoar, (P. O. Bethel)	C. W. Spry (3)
Smyrna,	J. W. Colona (6)		

EASTON DISTRICT

J. EARL CUMMINGS, Superintendent, (215 S. Hanson St., Easton, Md.) (2)

All Appointments in Maryland.

Bayside, (P. O. Sherwood)		Dorchester, (P. O. Vienna)	
	Harvey Squires (2)		R. L. Jones (1)
Beckwith and Spedden		East New Market, (To be supplied)	
	A. E. Knically (2)	Easton:	
Bozman, (Sup.)	J. T. Graham (3)	Calvary,	C. S. Jarvis (2)
Burrsville, (P. O. Denton)		Ebenezer,	W. E. Gunby (1)
	(Sup.) R. L. Kirby (2)	Trinity,	C. M. Harris (3)
Cambridge:		Elliott, (Sup.)	J. F. Willis (1)
Grace,	R. J. Yow (3)	Fairlee, (P. O. Chestertown)	
St. Paul's,	T. C. Mulligan (15)		C. R. Strausburg (2)
Zion,	D. W. Jacobs (3)	Federalsburg:	
Cambridge Circuit,		Christ,	F. B. Bailey (5)
	H. G. Holdway (1)	Union,	F. A. Baker (2)
Caroline, (P. O. Hobbs)		Goldshoro,	A. L. Grey (1)
	L. V. Pratt (1)	Greensboro,	R. W. Kirwan (3)
Centreville:		Grove, (P. O. Preston)	
Epworth,	O. P. Jefferson (2)	(Sup.)	J. H. Thornton (2)
Grace,	L. C. Randall (10)	Henderson & Barclay,	
Chestertown:		(Sup.)	W. O. Hackett (3)
Christ,	W. P. Roberts (6)	Hillsboro-Queen Anne,	
First,	P. E. Reynolds (6)		W. H. Stone (2)
Church Creek,		Hosier Mem. & Hoopers Island,	
(Sup.)	J. H. Andersen (3)	(P. O. Fishing Creek)	
Church Hill,	R. W. Hastings (3)		J. F. Langrall (1)
Church Hill-Millington,		Hurlock:	
	A. M. B. Snapp (3)	Washington,	R. L. Tawes (4)
Concord, (P. O. Federalsburg)		Unity and Williamsburg,	
	F. G. Buckley (3)		R. E. Van Cleaf (2)
Cordova, (Sup.)	E. B. Tyler (1)	Ingleside,	R. W. Buckingham (1)
Crapo, (Sup.)	G. S. Allen (6)	Kennedyville,	
Crumpton, (To be supplied)		(Sup.)	Elwood Cursey (2)
Denton:		Kent Island, (P. O. Stevensville)	
First,	L. E. Wimbrow (3)		R. F. Loss (1)
Grace,	T. J. Turkington (11)	Marydel,	C. E. Ennis (4)

Oxford, Charles Clarkson (1) St. Thomas, (P. O. Bishops Head)
 Pomona, (P. O. Chesterton) (Sup.) Milton Elliott (1)
 (Sup.) D. O. Hornung (1) Secretary, (To be supplied)
 Preston, W. A. Donaway (1) Still Pond and Betterton,
 Queenstown, C. E. Davis (1) H. B. Flater (1)
 Ridgely, M. S. Andrews (1) Sudlersville, W. H. Revelle (4)
 Rock Hall, F. C. Louhoff (6) Tilghman, Harold Fordham (4)
 Royal Oak, (To be supplied) Trappe, H. H. Schauer (1)
 St. James, (P. O. Worton) Vienna, (Sup.) G. H. Piguero (2)
 Wesley Chapel of Kent, (P. O.
 J. M. Kay (4) Rock Hall O. G. Brewer (1)
 St. Michaels: Wye Mills W. G. Barlow (2)
 Sardin, H. K. Krams (1)
 Southerland,
 (Sup.) W. H. Revelle, Jr. (2)

SALISBURY DISTRICT

R. C. JONES, District Superintendent, (P. O. Salisbury, Md.) (1)

All Appointments in Maryland Except Delmar

Allen, C. W. Robb (1) Newark, B. E. Reynolds (2)
 Berlin, O. H. Connelly (6) Ocean City, Frank White (1)
 Bishopville, W. C. Mumford (2) Parsonsburg, J. R. Diehl (6)
 Bivalve, J. H. Gardner (1) Pittsville:
 Crisfield: Ayres, James O'Neill (1)
 Asbury, J. T. Rowleson (9) Grace, M. E. Dearholt (1)
 Immanuel, J. R. Bicking (6) Pocomoke City:
 Mariners, (Sup.) R. H. Wilson (2) Bethany, G. E. Leister (5)
 Mt. Pleasant, C. M. Elderdice (9) Salem, J. W. Wootten (6)
 Deals Island, Leonard White (3) Pocomoke Circuit, (P. O. Pocomoke city)
 Delmar, Del.: (Sup.) J. B. Chadwick (1)
 First, J. L. Johnson (1)
 Mount Olive, R. W. Hallman (1) Powellville:
 Fairmount, (P. O. Upper White's Chapel, (P.O. Pittsville)
 Fairmount) (Sup.) D. E. Wood (3) (Sup.) A. T. P. Hudson (2)
 Friendship and St. Luke, St. John's, (P. O. Pittsville)
 (Sup.) E. S. Perdue (3) (Sup.) D. T. Campbell (10)
 (P. O. Salisbury, R. #3) Princess Anne, Tilghman Smith (3)
 Fruitland, Waldo Dise (3) Quantico, J. H. Clow (1)
 Galestown, (Sup.) J. W. Smith (3) Salisbury:
 Girdletree, (To be supplied) Asbury, H. P. Fox (5)
 Hebron: Bethesda, J. Leas Green (8)
 Nelson, E. B. Eckhart (3) Grace, Leon Ross (2)
 St. Paul's, E. C. Graham (4) South, W. I. Collins (3)
 Stengle,
 Mardela: (Sup.) Lloyd Townsend (3)
 Immanuel, M. H. Keene (1) Trinity, John A. Trader (2)
 St. Paul, (Sup.) E. M. Byrd (2) Sharptown:
 Mt. Vernon, F. H. Truitt (2) Asbury, H. R. McDade (2)
 Nanticoke, E. E. Crockett (4)

Sharptown, St. Peters, (P. O. Oriole)
 Mt. Vernon, J. C. Byrd (1) A. T. McFarland (2)
 Smith's Island, (P. O. Ewell) Trinity and Quindocqua (P. O.
 W. H. Kohl (2) Marion), G. H. Wheatley (2)
 Snow Hill: Westover,
 Bates Mem. E. R. Shield (3) (Sup.) James F. Bailey (1)
 Whatcoat, G. E. Sterling (3) Whaleyville,
 Somerset, (P. O. Chance) (Sup.) A. A. Turkington (3)
 J. B. Pettus (1) Willards,
 St. Martins, (P. O. Hopeton, Va.) (Sup.) Lloyd Townsend (3)
 (Sup.) E. C. Justis (1) Stockton,
 (Sup.) Willard Stevens (1)

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

O. J. COLLINS, District Superintendent, (P. O. Wilmington, Del.) (1)

Bethel and Town Point, Leed's, Md., P. M. Schauer (2)
 (P. O. Chesapeake City, Md.) (P. O. Elkton, Md. R. D.)
 C. Homer Murphy (4) Marshallton, Del. J. M. Kelso (6)
 Cecil Circuit, W. F. Bauscher (2) Millington, Md.,
 (P. O. North East, Md.) A. W. Strickland (2)
 Cecilton, C. M. Griffeth (2) Mt. Lebanon, Del.
 Charlestown, Md., (Sup.) W. E. Fosnocht (8)
 (P. O. Wilm., Del. R. D.)
 Cherry Hill, Md., L. L. Powell (2) Newark, Del., O. A. Bartley (3)
 (P. O. Elkton, Md.) Newark-Union.,
 Chesapeake City, Md., (Sup.) V. E. Hills (6)
 H. T. Caldwell (6) (P. O. Welden Road, Wilm., Del.)
 Chester-Bethel, W. E. Habbart (4) New Castle, Del., J. E. French (2)
 (P. O. Wilmington, Del., R. D.) Newport, Del., R. S. Hodgson (1)
 Christiana, Del., W. A. Glass (1) North East, Md.,
 Claymont, Del., Conrad Hamer (1)
 C. Stanley Lowell (2) Perryville, Md., H. N. Bailey (4)
 Delaware City, Del., Port Deposit, Md. J. W. Jones (5)
 E. J. Hemphill (1) Red Lion, Del., D. J. Moore (4)
 (P.O. 205 Harmony St., New Castle.) Richardson Park, Del.
 Ebenezer, G. W. Goodley, Jr. (1) A. B. Fry (4)
 (P. O. Newark, Del.) Rising Sun, Md.,
 Elk Neck, Md., J. B. Dickerson (3)
 (Sup.) L. L. Knotts (2) St. George's, Del.,
 (P. O. North East, Md.) J. L. Sparklin (9)
 Elkton, Md., M. E. Wheatley (6) St. John's,
 Galena, Md., P. E. McCoy (1) (Sup.) F. K. McCorkle (2)
 Hockessin, Del., R. M. Green (4) (P. O. Lewisville, Pa.)
 Holly Oak, Del., St. Paul's, Md., C. M. Griffeth (2)
 (Sup.) J. E. Layton (17) (P. O. Cecilton, Md.)
 Hopewell, Md., S. T. Hamblin (6) Stanton, Del., F. O. Baynard (1)
 (P. O. Port Deposit, Md.) Warwick, Md., D. W. Baker (1)

Zion Circuit, Md., C. H. Atkins (9)	Harrison St., E. M. Shockley (1)
(P. O. North East, Md.)	Hillcrest, A. W. Goodhand (3)
Wilmington:	Kingswood, E. J. Hemphill, Jr. (1)
Asbury, H. M. Parks (6)	(P. O. 205 Harmony St., New Castle)
Brandywine, R. T. Thawley (1)	Peninsula, J. W. Townsend (3)
Bellefonte, (Sup.) J. C. Steen (14)	Madeley, W. D. Short (4)
Brack Ex.	McCabe, E. J. Bond (4)
(Sup.) R. H. Adams (22)	Mt. Salem, F. D. Milbury (2)
(P. O. Elsmere, Del.)	Scott, F. M. Volk (1)
Eastlake, C. C. Harris (12)	Silverbrook, J. H. Wright (6)
Epworth, C. N. Jones (2)	St. Paul's, E. P. Thomas (1)
First, G. E. Turner (2)	Trinity, C. H. Hudson (12)
Grace, B. M. Johns (19)	Union, T. J. Sard (9)

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

- C. I. Carpenter, Chaplain, U. S. Army. (5)
 E. S. Gault, Chaplain, U. S. Army. (1)
 D'Arcy Littleton, Chaplain, U. S. Army. (2)
 V. M. Goodhand, Chaplain, U. S. Army. (1)
 Dayton E. Mc Clain, Vice Chancellor, American University. (3)
 L. E. Windsor, Conference Treasurer, (P. O., 1001 River Road, Wilmington, Del.) (2)
 J. J. Bunting, Promotional Director of Education, (P. O. Camden, Del.) (1)
 Ivanhoe Willis (Retired) Supt. Anti Saloon League of Delaware. (2)

Left Without Appointment to Attend School.

- R. J. Cooke. (1)
 A. W. Goodhand, Jr. (1)
 William H. Hudson. (1)

MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE RELIEF FUND.

The Ministerial Contingent Relief Fund of the Peninsula Conference is used, upon unanimous recommendation of the District Superintendents, to help any member of the Conference who may, through accident or misfortune during the Conference year, be reduced to want. Not infrequently, there is tragic need for this fund. The Conference urges every church to take a special Communion offering preferably at the first Communion of the calendar year, and to send this offering to Rev. E. C. Hallman, Laurel, Del. Let no church fail to contribute to this needed fund.

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REPORTS

(a) DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

DOVER DISTRICT

WALTER ASBURY HEARN, Superintendent.

Bishop Leonard and Members of the Peninsula Conference:

With the conclusion of the first Jurisdictional Conference Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, whom we had learned to honor and love, came to the close of his Episcopal career. We were deeply moved to see this man of God retire from the active service of the Church. Bishop Adna Wright Leonard was assigned to the Washington Area to take up the task where Bishop Hughes had laid it down. One of the unique advantages of Methodism is its diversification of ministry through its method of appointments. We believe this advantage begins with the Episcopacy and runs through the whole series of appointments to the humblest church and pastor.

Upon the arrival of Bishop Leonard in Washington the whole Area immediately became conscious of a different type of administration and felt the effect of that change. We are slow in making changes. However, the several cabinet meetings, the Area meeting in York, another in Washington and still another in Baltimore—the Group Meetings in Baltimore and the great gathering of leaders and delegates from each District of the Area for the two-day session of the Washington Area Council in First Church, Baltimore, have fully convinced the people of this conference that we have a new type of leadership in Bishop Adna Wright Leonard. We trust that this leadership will bring new vision, new methods of cooperation, new inspiration and achievement to our entire Area. Bishop Leonard, we covet for you the same love, esteem and loyalty of our people as was accorded our beloved Bishop McDowell and Bishop Hughes.

Changes within the District

Because of transfers and deaths a number of changes have been made. On June 16, W. H. Baker was appointed to Clayton Ewell's, L. K. Welch having transferred to the Baltimore Conference. On June 23, J. T. Bailey was appointed to supply Canterbury. October 19, brother W. C. Buckson, Dover St. Paul, our youthful supply pastor of eighty one summers, passed on to his heavenly reward. W. S. Cantwell has most acceptably supplied the work. Brother Cantwell also met with great sorrow by the passing on of his beloved and faithful wife, Mrs. Virginia Cantwell. The great tragedy and shock of the conference year came just before Christmas when brother A. F. Zimmerman, motoring to Western Maryland College to greet his daughters and bring them home for the Christmas holidays, met with an automobile accident and died the next day, Dec. 21, from the effects of this accident.

The good people of Seaford Circuit have been so gracious as to grant Mrs. Zimmerman and her family the privileges of the parsonage until conference time, and also continued the salary until Feb. 1. Harry H. Conner has successfully supplied Seaford Circuit for the balance of the year.

We are recommending the retired relationship for brother L. B. Morgan who has given 36 years of active service to this conference. This retirement is made necessary by complicated responsibilities in the parsonage home.

Evangelism

We always speak of our Church as an evangelistic Church. To be evangelistic there are several characteristics the Church must possess. Our Church must have Evangelistic fervor, Missionary zeal, Stewardship consciousness and an Evangelistic Education approach to its youth. Such characteristics should be found first of all, in the pulpit ministry. However, they cannot forever survive, even in the pulpit, if there is a constant apathy in the pew towards these elemental necessities of Methodist life.

The churches of the district that have led in receiving new members into the church are—Harrington Trinity, Milton Goshen and Rehoboth 20; Millsboro and Seaford Mt. Olive 21; Mt. Pleasant 23; Georgetown Wesley 31; Smyrna 25; Greenwood-Grace and Cannon 26; Magnolia and Milford Avenue 27; Harrington Asbury 52; Seaford St. John's 47 and Laurel Centenary 50. Between 600 and 700 Preparatory Members and Full Members have been reported.

Methodist Youth

Early in the conference year we called to the district parsonage six ministers and asked them to become sub-district counselors under the leadership of Preston W. Spence as district counselor. This resulted in a district organization with 225 young people enjoying the organization meeting and banquet at Milford Avenue Church. George Thawley of Smyrna was elected president and he, with the members of his cabinet, has accomplished a splendid piece of work. 261 attended the Youth Rally at Harrington Asbury Church, Feb. 14. Monthly meetings have been held by the sub-district groups with attendance ranging from 40 to 180. In some instances the young people have assisted the pastor by conducting cottage prayer meetings preparatory to the evangelistic services held in the church. Whether we shall have an Executive Secretary or not this conference may determine, but the Discipline of the Methodist Church provides ample opportunity for the local church to harness the activity of our youth in every department of the Church. There shall be youth representatives on the General Boards of Missions and Education; membership on Official Boards and a Youth Council in each Church.

Throughout the district our vested choirs of Juniors, Intermediates and Young Adults are making an enviable contribution to the orderliness, dignity and content of our worship services. Our pastors, their wives and the directors of music are to be commended for the splendid accomplishments in this field. In turn, we are certain that these young people are receiving spiritual food that will build for real Christian character.

Our Institution

Across the street from the district parsonage is the Wesley Collegiate Institute. I do not presume to make a report for the Trustees of that institution. As a Methodist I look upon it every day and believe that as long as the school remains closed as it now is, there will continue to go out from its high steps, brick walls and beautiful campus an ominous silence detrimental to all of Methodism on this Peninsula.

Before we definitely decide to dispose of this valuable property may I call to the attention of this body the fact that aside from the Wesley Collegiate Institute, the Peninsula Conference does not have one institutional enterprise within its conference boundaries. A neighboring conference across the Chesapeake has twenty-two such institutions. That fact alone is a reflection upon and is detrimental to the Spiritual Life of our people. We ought to give expression to our religion in some tangible, philanthropic form within our borders. We have an army of youth worthy of every sacrifice we may make, and they are the best assets the State and the Church can possibly have.

Lay Activities

Lay Leaders have been elected in all the charges. The American citizen is being challenged to qualify himself to meet the responsibilities of this day. The Methodist Layman is being called upon to qualify in similar fashion to serve his God through the medium of the Church. The annual conferences are constantly demanding higher standards of its young ministers. Surely with all the publications and supplies coming from our Publishing Houses our laity can be well informed and adequately equipped for the tasks of the Church. We are proud of the laymen elected as members of this conference. Let us keep our standards high, always sending to the annual conference the best qualified men from our respective churches. To make this plan more feasible the annual conference should cooperate by shortening the conference session. Reports can be abbreviated and combined. Since the fiscal year ends on a date fixed a year in advance, this year April 30, reports could be mailed to the seat of the annual conference bearing the post mark of approximately three days prior to the opening session.

District Finances

A preview indicates that Ministerial Support will be paid almost in its entirety. The district was asked to raise \$3000 as its part in the Good Samaritan offering and responded with a gift of \$3254 reported to date. Our World Service goal is "at least as much for World Service in the united Church as was paid last year by the same churches in the former denominations." Reports lead us to believe that the district will reach this goal. Our hope is that it shall exceed it. We are remarkably free from indebtedness on the Dover District. I doubt if there are many, if any, districts in all Methodism with an indebtedness as small as that of the Dover District. Last year's report shows the amount to be less than \$22,000. With churches and

parsonages valued at one and one-half millions of dollars and practically free of debt, we are in splendid condition to venture more largely into the needs of the world.

Clayton St. Paul, Cheswold, Sand Hill on the Georgetown Circuit, Millville, Magnolia and Middletown have had elaborate anniversary and reopening services following repairs to their church properties. Middletown leads the way with a beautifully decorated sanctuary and an offering on the morning of October 13 of \$3000. The reopening at Sand Hill was a big affair for a small church. We are proud of these loyal people. Other improvements and expenditures are as follows: Dover Wesley \$2635 for a new oil heating system; Seaford Mt. Olivet and Gethsemane \$2000 for oil heating and renovations; Felton \$1020; Magnolia redecorated at a cost of \$1400; Rehoboth \$1091; Ocean View and Millville \$1200; Clayton St. Paul \$880; Georgetown Wesley \$800; Harrington Trinity \$950; Nassau \$735; Lincoln \$600 and others of smaller amounts. Seaford St. John's leads in the reduction of old indebtedness with \$1700. Gumboro is now in the course of building a new parsonage to cost approximately \$2200, \$1800 of this amount is in hand.

Reports show 695 subscribers to the Christian Advocate and 136 to the Methodist Women and World Outlook. Georgetown Wesley leads in 115 subscriptions to the Advocate. There are 98 Woman's Societies of Christian Service organized with 4950 members enrolled. These societies have contributed more than \$10,000 to the local church budget and \$1300 to Missions. The women are doing heroic work. It would be impossible to keep some of our smaller churches open without the cooperation of our loyal women.

More than 600 children and young people attended our institute, summer camp and Daily Vacation Bible Schools. Our inter-church Standard Training School in Dover is always conducted on a high level and is always successful.

We report the following increases in salary: Harrington Trinity and Laurel Christ increased the salary this year \$100. Increases for the next year are Bridgeville \$50, Canterbury \$50, Harrington Asbury \$200, Gumboro \$300. Georgetown Grace takes on new life and determination by attaching an afternoon appointment with a salary of \$150 and adding \$350 to the salary at Grace to make the total for the charge for the new year \$2000, an increase of \$500. Decreases amount to not more than \$400, making the net increase for next year \$1000.

Sale of Lots

The lots at Harbeson were sold at public auction for \$205. After the expenses of the sale were deducted the balance was given to the trustees of Harbeson Church for improvements to the Harbeson Church property.

Other District Activities

The ministers and ministers' wives have met monthly. Helpful programs have been presented and a delightful fellowship is maintained through these monthly gatherings. The district has been enriched by the fact that Wesley Church, Dover, with E. M. Shockley as pastor host, gladly opened its doors for the entertaining of many conference wide gatherings. It was in

this church the delegates met October 4, for the organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Peninsula Conference. Methodist Day for the conference was observed in this same church Tuesday, Oct. 29. At this time a formal welcome was extended to Bishop and Mrs. Adna Wright Leonard by Dr. J. J. Bunting in behalf of the conference. On Jan. 22 the annual conference met in Wesley Church in special session at the call of Bishop Leonard. The first meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service was held within the bounds of the Dover District November 15, at Milford Avenue Church. The District W. S. C. S. was organized in Harrington Asbury Church October 24. All of these activities have brought rich influences to the members of the churches within the district.

Sabbath Observance

I cannot close this report without expressing my disappointment in the report of the State Committee on recommended changes in our Delaware Sunday Blue Laws. I commend the special committees appointed to represent the Methodist Church and other sister Denominations in opposing the changes in our laws. Evidences are beginning to appear of the far reaching effects that will follow the changes which our lawmakers have seen fit to enact. Moving picture theatres are opening on Sunday in many of our towns throughout the State. This we regret and I trust that our people of Delaware will refuse to condone such changes.

To the best of my ability I have presented the causes and various benevolences of the Church. I have visited all the charges. I have traveled many miles within and without the borders of the conference to represent the church in committees appointed to solve the problems and promote the plans of Unification. My brethren in the ministry and the membership of our churches have been most gracious and cooperative in all our endeavors. With gratitude to our heavenly Father for the land in which we live, for the Church of which we are a part and for a place in which to serve this report is humbly submitted. It has been a pleasure to serve.

EASTON DISTRICT

J. EARL CUMMINGS, Superintendent.

Bishop Leonard and Brethren:

"Time Marches On!", and another conference year is a matter of history and entirety and it is now my high privilege to report briefly for the Easton District. Whatever has been accomplished for the extension of Christ's Kingdom is due to the consecrated and cooperative efforts of my brethren of the ministry and my brethren of the laity. I desire also to express my gratitude to Bishop Leonard and my fellow-superintendents for their comradeship and encouraging counsel.

Ad Interim Adjustments

Shortly after the adjournment of our 1940 Conference Session, Reverend John Humphrey was appointed the Supply Pastor of the Hooper's Island Charge. At his own request on November 1, 1940, he was released from further service. Since Jan. 1, 1941, Reverend L. A. Smith, has served as the Supply Pastor.

Deaths

After a brief illness the beloved Pastor of our Trappe Charge for the past seven years, the Reverend Daniel B. Prettyman, on January 14, 1941, received his appointment in the Heavenly Conference. Brother Prettyman was an able preacher, gifted in prayer, a good pastor and a faithful servant of the church. Since Feb. 1, Reverend O. B. Rice has served faithfully and effectively Trappe Charge.

Retirements

Three of our brethren will request the retired relationship, Reverend C. I. Flory, who was ordained in 1900 an Elder in the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South; Reverend Leoland Jackson, who was ordained in 1896 an Elder in the former Methodist Episcopal Church; and Reverend George Hines, who was ordained in 1893 an Elder in the former Methodist Protestant Church. Together these honored brethren have served a total of 134 years. They now retire as Methodists. We all desire for them through the remaining years the Lords grants continued happiness and usefulness.

Building and Improvements

The following charges and churches report the expenditure of \$500 or more: Bozman, \$500; Beckwith & Spedden, \$600; Cambridge, St. Paul's, \$1200; Cambridge, Zion, \$2,590; Centreville, Grace, \$1,067; Easton, Ebenezer, \$500; Easton, Trinity, \$731; Federalsburg, Union, \$600; Greensboro, \$750; Ridgely, \$827; Ruthsburg-Ebenezer, \$1,664; Hillsboro-Queen Anne, \$4,000; East New Market, \$1,011; Denton, First, \$594.

Our Benevolent Budget Honor Roll

The following charges report 100% payment on all apportionments: CAROLINE; CHESTERTOWN, CHRIST; CHESTERTOWN, FIRST; EASTON, EBENEZER; DENTON, FIRST; FEDERALSBURG, CHRIST; FEDERALSBURG, UNION; KENT ISLAND; OXFORD; OXFORD, ST. PAUL'S; ROCK HALL; VIENNA. It would be a source of very great pleasure to list all charges on this Honor Roll.

Compassion Day Offering

The Easton District accepted and paid its apportionment of \$3,000. 27 of the 63 charges paid their quotas in full. Union Church, Federalsburg, deserves special mention in that it paid more than twice the quota assigned. A detailed statement of the Compassion Day Offering on the Easton District will be presented to our Bishop.

Church Union

Four merged churches have completed a full year's work. All reports indicate that these ventures of faith have succeeded far beyond the dreams of those who dared to set forth on a new and untrodden path. The Hillsboro-Queen Anne Church has spent this year on parsonage and church improvements, \$4,000. The Vienna Charge has advanced the salary support of the pastor for next year to \$1500. One of these charges is on the Honor Roll, having paid in full all apportionments, the other almost reached the 100% goal. Trappe Charge though greatly handicapped by the death of the pastor has made excellent progress through the fine and loyal efforts of its laymen and women. Ruthsburg-Ebenezer Church is a remarkable example of church unity. The framework of the new church is that of the former Ebenezer M. E. Church, the memorial windows, the pulpit furniture, and the pews are from the former Ruthsburg M. P. Church. Altogether \$1,664 was expended in the making of a new and beautiful rural church. This church has also paid 100% on its apportionments. What has been accomplished in these merged churches is a tribute to the pastors and the laymen who have given a public witness to the faith that, "the Methodists are one people."

The District Parsonage

The Uniting Conference created the new Easton District. The new superintendent found himself for the third time in his ministry with an appointment with no parsonage. Being thrust out on the curbstone was not therefore a new experience. With the aid of the Easton pastors and their laymen a house on Aurora Street was found and leased for one year. Some personally owned furniture and some relics from the attic of the Middletown Parsonage gave a measure of comfort to the superintendent and his family.

In a called meeting the District Stewards elected a Board of Trustees and on the authority of the quarterly Conferences in harmony with the disciplinary provisions the said Trustees purchased a lot, 100x105 feet, on South Hanson Street and contracted for the erection of a modern brick-veneer colonial house.

The local building committee after consultation with the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance agreed that the sum of \$12,500 be set as the maximum amount to be spent for house and lot. The Trustees treasurer reports that the sum of \$12,499.66 has been expended. The Trustees have kept within the budget and have thirty-four cents to spare. The Easton District now has a parsonage well-located, substantially built and with all modern appurtenances. It is a parsonage of which any Methodist anywhere and at anytime can be justly proud. Everlasting credit must be given to the building committee and the Trustees for the manner and method in which they carried through to completion their task.

The Trustees are as follows: Frank M. Shook, President, C. Norman Jefferson, Sec.-Treas., T. Birdsell Andrews, Granville Hooper, Charles Moore, C. N. Satterfield, E. S. Walls, Harry B. Wright, and C. Albert Matthews.

The Building Committee consisted of the President, the Sec.-Treas. and C. Albert Matthews. Mr. William H. Elliott was the architect and The Eley Construction Co., the builder.

Ministerial Support

A few charges due to unusual circumstances have felt compelled to reduce their pastoral support. The following have gladly made substantial increases for the next year: Vienna, \$300; Easton, Calvary, \$200; Greensboro, \$200; Centreville, Grace, \$100; Easton, Trinity, \$100; Marydel, \$100; Secretary \$100; Tilghman, \$75; Grove, \$50. Let it again be emphasized that a pastor's salary is more than bread and butter, beans and gasoline. It is also the means whereby a man can buy books, attend Summer schools and conferences, and thus increase his skill and efficiency in the work of the greatest of all callings.

Our Youth Work

The Easton District Youth Council and five County Councils are fully organized and doing constructive work under the leadership of the District Youth Director, Reverend H. Kirby Krams. More than 500 youths attend the monthly council meetings for study, inspiration, service and social activity.

A very successful Youth Institute was held in Zion Church, Cambridge, on March 20, with 320 youth present.

Women's Societies for Christian Service

Under the wise leadership of Mrs. E. Z. Collings, the district organization is functioning successfully. County sub-districts have been created in order to inspire and aid local societies. More than 60 churches have organized their women's work in accordance with the W. S. C. S. plan.

Lay Activities

Each charge has elected a Lay Leader. Immediately after conference adjournment these leaders will be called together for formal organization and the adoption of a program in harmony with the disciplinary provisions. There lies before us no more challenging endeavor than that of mobilizing our man-power in the interest of Kingdom extension. Too many men are spectators and too few are participants in the battle of the church against the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Methodist Literature

Consistently Methodists have been urged to subscribe to The Christian Advocate, The World Outlook, The Methodist Women, and the Methodist Laymen, not simply because these are Methodist Publications but because they also represent Christian Literature at its best. Church schools have been urged to buy and use the literature approved by our General Board of Education.

Church Membership and Church Registers

According to reports received there will be a net loss of membership on the Easton District. While this is very evidently due to the close pruning of the registers it is nonetheless a source of great concern. Five charges report no accessions.

Many church registers have been so carelessly kept and are in such a state that only Heaven's Recording Angel knows the membership. The pastor who consistently and conscientiously keeps his church register neat and accurate is a saint of the first order. We have need of more saints on the Easton District.

Observations and Convictions

Firstly, We must stop talking about Evangelism and begin to do the work of an evangelist. Too many churches are relying upon the upsurge that some itinerant evangelist may or may not produce. There is no substitute for systematic evangelistic efforts on the part of the pastor and his laymen. A church that does not function as a life-changing and a recruiting agency and a pastor who does not seek to introduce men and women and youth to Christ may exist but certainly they do not live and help live. There is a very definite need for the use of old-fashioned and new-fashioned evangelistic techniques. All over the world men are being mobilized for military purposes. It is high time that the church push aside the insignificant and the inconsequential and set itself to the task of recruiting men for the spiritual warfare which confronts every nation under the sun.

Secondly, More thought and effort must be given in the planning and development of church budgets. In too many churches the budget becomes a boo-git. The financial system that lets every item in the budget slide until a week before conference and then enlists all the stewards in a grand rodeo to collect the dollars needed, may on occasions be successful but it is surely not a healthy or a scripturally approved plan. 1900 years ago the Apostle Paul outlined a financial program that is still effective. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him," Methodist Official Boards, be scriptural and be practical, adopt the Pauline system of church finance. There is none better. It is the very best.

Thirdly, Our local churches are the fundamental units in organized Christianity. Pastors and officials must be alive and alert and seek always to use improved, modern and thoroughly scriptural procedures. In a machine age horse and buggy methods do not work in business, in government, in education, nor in the church. Also, there seems to me to be a great need for a coordinated and an integrated program in local churches, districts, conferences, areas, and in the church at large. There should, of course, be no attempt to regimentate all our activities but there are certain common objectives in the task of all the churches to which we ought to give ourselves in a united and like manner. Our Area Program will give us a starting base.

Lastly, Somehow I feel that we need a sense of the urgency of Christianity's mission and message for these chaotic days. When all the world is upside-down no preacher or church can afford to dissipate time and energy in pink-tea affairs. Preaching is not a profession but a passion. The church

is not a fossil, the remains of an extinct civilization, but a force and a fellowship. Nonchalant attitudes in the pulpit and in the pew will never convert a world mad with the lust for possessions, place and power. The world needs Christ. Germany needs Christ, Russia needs Christ, England needs Christ, Japan needs Christ, China needs Christ, America needs Christ. There is no other saving Name. Let us therefore put an end to our whispering campaigns and let us gladly and boldly proclaim the good news that Jesus Christ is now and ever shall be the World's Redeemer.

A few weeks ago at the conclusion of a worship service the pastor called for the singing of the old and familiar hymn, "My Faith looks up to Thee". Though not gifted as many of you are I also sang. But when we reached the last line of the second verse I stopped singing. The words, "Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire", would not leave me. Over and over again I kept saying to myself, "a living fire," "a living fire." What does it mean? This answer came to me then and I have since been unable to dislodge it from my mind. It means that we are to be walking and talking torches of love and devotion, burning out our lives by giving to others the light and warmth that we have received from the Light of the World. I breathed then a prayer that no other heard save my Lord, "O God, if my life has been as cold and as uninspiring as a snuffed out candle, set me aflame, help me to become a walking, talking torch, a living fire".

Members and friends of the Peninsula Conference our needs are many and varied but surely there is no greater need than that we shall become living fires, walking and talking torches for our Lord and Christ. His Kingdom must come and His Will must be done here on earth as it is in heaven.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

JOHN J. BUNTING, Superintendent

Bishop Leonard, Fathers and Brothers:

"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair." "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

We count it a high privilege to greet and welcome the President of the Annual Conference Session, Bishop Adna Wright Leonard. Richly endowed by nature, of most excellent parentage, educated in Methodist institutions, experienced and successful both in the pastorate and the episcopacy, and holding the Faith which is dear to the Methodists of this Conference territory, he is competent to, and will render us the leadership that will be blessed of God and praised by men.

It has been a good year. Not superlative, but progressive. Neither fatal illness, nor accident has invaded the active ranks. Only three changes occurred in the list of printed appointments. In September, John J. Bunting, Jr., vacated the pastorate of St. Paul's Mardela Springs to attend Drew Theological Seminary. Late in November, William H. Hudson deemed it prudent to

lay down the labors at St. Martin's and seek the environment and treatment which would conserve his health. Rev. E. M. Byrd supplied the former vacancy, and Rev. E. Carroll Justis has most successfully held together the work at St. Martin's. On the last Sunday of November, Rev. H. R. Deal assumed the pastoral duties of Lewis Memorial, Washington, D. C., and Rev. John A. Trader became minister of Trinity, Salisbury, Maryland. It was a direct exchange of pastoral relations, and by all reports and signs a good one.

The ranks of the retired broke at many points. Rev. J. A. Wright and wife were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided. Mrs. Martie B. Dashiell, Mrs. Ella G. Dulany, Mrs. Eleanor Betts, and Mrs. W. F. Atkinson ceased their pilgrimage, and laid down the feebleness of the flesh to wear the image of the heavenly. Except in the case of Mrs. Betts, your superintendent was present at all of the funeral services.

Reports indicate numerous gains in improvements and financial credit. Allen under the leadership of Rev. R. F. Loss purchased an unoccupied public school building and remodelled it, and now have a spacious and modernly equipped community center at a cost of \$2500. Patience and sacrifice still operate at Asbury, Crisfield. The church program flourishes and every year a slice is carved off the debt. This year about \$1,000. Fruitland is out of debt. St. Paul's, Hebron beautified the sanctuary at a cost of \$500. All things are renewed within White's Chapel, Powellville. Hard work by the pastor made the improvement possible. Rev. J. Leas Green, who fills the unforgiving minute with sixty seconds worth of distance run, has seen Bethesda, Salisbury move forward to the extent of \$16,000. This church now has a large Memorial Basement Hall, with attractive and convenient equipments. Grace people of Pittsville overhauled the interior of their church and installed new heating method. Newark pays off a debt, which lacked only three years of being of voting age. Rev. W. I. Collins is the proud occupant of a new parsonage, valued at \$4,000., beautiful for situation, next door to St. Andrew's Church. Trinity Church, Salisbury, damaged by fire in January 1940, is restored. The first worship service was held on Palm Sunday, and the congregation pronounced the interior of this famous church more beautiful than ever. Cost \$26,000. Appropriate re-opening exercises will be observed next fall. The walls and ceiling of Asbury-Sharptown have been painted, and the bill paid. Smith's Island has continued to hum in constructive activity. The new church at Ewell was dedicated on the third Sunday in July. Brother Kohl has led successfully in all church affairs. He also conducted the camp meeting, and a financial campaign at Tylerton, where the debt is now reduced to \$800. The policy now of the island people is "pay as you go." From the ashes of the old church House at Oriole a new one has risen, evaluated at \$2,000. On nearly every charge there was a touch of improvement added to church and parsonage, which enhanced the convenience and charm of the buildings in which God's children live, and worship.

Advances in ministerial support have not been either numerous, or large. Four charges step up the salary. Newark estimates the salary for the ensuing year \$200. in advance of the closing year. St. John's-Powellville \$100., Stengle-Salisbury \$65., St. Paul's-Hebron \$100.

In other years, following the ensample of all good superintendents, we have made the anvil, and the welkin ring with exposition and exhortation bearing on World Service. Our conviction has not ceased, nor eloquence expired. More than two thirds of the pastors of the Salisbury District met a new plan of apportionments. This plan was generally known to the members of the former Maryland, and Virginia Conferences, but it was new to those who came from the Wilmington Conference. The World Service Commission, and district superintendents explained, and besought support of the plan. For six months of the year the prospect was anything but pleasing; considerable pick-up was made in the latter half. We could not this year put into operation paragraph 845 of the 1940 Discipline. I do, however, report that all pastors showed a willingness to strive for as large giving this year as in the preceding year.

In this report I desire to avoid any critical, or pessimistic expressions, yet I have serious forebodings about future church finances. The war in Europe has assumed large proportions, and the direful effects will be world wide. The spending program of the federal government, and the lease-lend bill forces the administration to impose onerous taxes such as Americans have never known in the history of their nation. The pending tax bill hits everybody, and the middle class, which is the church sustaining class, will be hurt the most. This may be the long-sought-for-moment, when planners and wild-eyed dreamers of new orders hope to eliminate and to liquidate the middle class, or it may be an unavoidable elbow turn of history which says finis to that stratum of citizenry, which has been the strength of all English speaking nations, most especially our own, The United States of America.

The good samaritan offering went over big on our district. Quota for the district was \$3,000., and only three thousand was set up as the goal. More than \$3300. was reported as raised. Broadcasting station W. B. O. C. contributed some time each day for a week that the field might be cultivated. The appeal was popular and the team work on the part of pastors and laymen was complete.

It is the consensus of opinion that one of the finest pieces of legislation in the new church is that which created the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The uniformity of it makes it workable; its vision is as broad as Wesley's; its balance between local and connectional interests will give it a hearing and win favor among all groups. At all first Quarterly Conferences pastors and officials were informed about the forth coming change in the name and nature of the woman's organization. Representative leaders in this work have attended all connectional meetings. Of the 122 churches 87 are organized as directed by the discipline, 14 continue the aid societies, the remaining have no woman's organization. I am grateful to all the women who contributed of time and talent to bring this to pass. Space permits the mention of only two names. Mrs. P. E. Douglass for her diligent and accurate shaping of the temporary framework which led to the permanent organization, and Mrs. Fred P. Adkins for her experience and tact in visitation for the purpose of establishing local units.

What shall I say of christian education? I have seen a variety of plans tried. A quarter of a century ago a member of the Conference was set aside

to advise and promote Epworth League activities. Following that futile effort, a gracious and gifted brother was appointed director of religious education. Then came two men with special training in the field of education. At the beginning of the present incumbency the responsibility of the promotion of youth activities rested on the doorstep of the district superintendency. After awhile there evolved the counsellor plan. To-day the board of education and the superintendents are carrying on a plan built along county, or group lines, directed by a pastor leader of each group, or unit.

In thought and action there have been three classes respecting a full-time, paid director of education. One class approved the plan and supported it with time, voice, and money. Those persons believed that there must be constant, uniform, and organized christian culture of our youth to keep them in the church. The antithesis of such a plan was a group the members of which took a passive attitude, or one of outspoken opposition. They usually held two points of objection, namely, that the program of education was supplanting evangelism, and that the emphasis was upon principles of psychology rather than the plan of salvation through the atonement. The third group wished for the golden mean, where the virtues of each would be welded into an instrument for the cultivation of our youth.

In the field of legislation workers in christian education are not so fortunate as the leaders in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, for there is no one name, and uniformity of operation is difficult to attain. Without a director, or some experienced helper, very few pastors are able to reorganize the local church according to either plan outlined in paragraph 1139. Pastors on our district have approached this problem, but very few have reached perfection.

In spite of change and decay the young have not been neglected. For twenty-five years there has been an Annual Conference League, or Young People's Institute. Annually each district spent a day or two for youth instruction in leadership work. For years the Youth Conference has stood out as a major mid-winter event, largely and enthusiastically attended, and carried forward by learned instructors, and widely known speakers. Results of this manifold program were beneficial, and do, and will abide.

This year Rev. I. W. Collins, faithfully supported by Rev. E. R. Shield, and Rev. J. R. Bicking have organized and led the youth program on the Salisbury District. Divisions have followed county lines. At times the monthly attendance was very, very large, and youth is always buoyant. Our plan has kept alive interest and action, and throughout the year there was progressive growth.

Here is how I see the situation. The program must be larger. You cannot pull a double load with one horse, and that one underfed. Our denominational Board of Education functions through education in the local church, and educational institutions. The Central Pennsylvania, the Virginia, and the recent Maryland Conferences co-ordinated the conference college and the directorate of education in the local church. They secured a stability which the former Wilmington Conference did not obtain. These two branches must be linked together. Peninsula Methodists send their children, money, and prayers north, west, and south, while our only institution closes, and remains emptied, and the walls echo no song and laughter of aspiring and

growing young Methodists. Some sincere persons as well as the critical and hostile aver there is no place for a Methodist school in our Conference, and that we cannot operate it. All the while the states, Roman Catholic Church, and non-de-script groups establish schools in our midst, and to our utmost chagrin do much of it with our money, and use the very buildings formerly owned and occupied by leading methodists. All of us may ponder the action of conservative and richly endowed Harvard University, which recently recognized Junior Colleges. It is unthinkable that 65,000 Methodist members, to say naught of the constituency, cannot support one school in our Conference. Painful sacrifice is not required; only solidarity of purpose.

Lay Leader was a new office to fifty-two charges in the new district. Every charge now has a lay leader, and a district meeting was held December 17, 1940. W. T. Malone became district lay leader. At that meeting the superintendent assisted by several pastors endeavored by addresses, charts, literature to acquaint the laymen with the duties of lay leadership, district steward, the new legislation on christian education, and the prerogatives of the Commission on World Service and Finance, and the needs of the church. Layman's Day was observed in a very wonderful manner February 28, 1941, and for the success of which the said District Leader, W. T. Malone, performed a great service, and put a lay speaker in almost every pulpit.

In the twilight moment of an incumbency a man is inclined to speak in reflection, and probably utter a mild exhortation. Already you have heard me at those points of greatest impression, and gravest concern. You will allow me a few repetitions.

From the comments and contacts of these six years, I conclude that what the man in the pew desires more than anything else is that his minister shall preach. Sure he is pleased to have a man who is a good pastor, and leads an exemplary life, and is versed in every up-to-date plan for the enrichment of the community. But, if the Sunday morning sermon evidences shallowness of thought, no food for soul, or tonic for life and mind, he departs from the Lord's House disappointed, and sometimes lapses into the worst of all conditions—indifference. Paul wrote, "Preach the word."

Debts maybe explained by the sanguine atmosphere of America, the standard of living, and personal equations. Income is a minor component. Years ago a bishop of the M. E. South Church, presiding at a conference session in Salisbury, told a class that people would forgive them of any and all transgressions, except one. If you take a man's money and never repay, he never forgives, never forgets. Consider this. The person who damages the name of a minister is not so much the creditor who writes the bishop and superintendent, as that gracious, liberal, church loving, self-righteous creditor who does not write, who marks the loan off as a loss, and then tells every successor to that pulpit for fifty years, and groups of preachers and laymen that so-and-so borrowed such and such an amount from him and did not pay any attention to it, but he, the leader, loved the church and the ministry so much that he would lose it before he would complain to conference officials,—he would lose it and forget about it. A strange forgettor. Paul is wise at this point. "Owe no man!"

On the matter of mileage, I have gone to every charge for the three quarterly conferences, and at least one preaching engagement, and answered all special calls. That is my stewardship report on distance. God forbid that I should glory in gasoline. There are a few pastors who cover more miles than I do, some as many, and a large number almost as much. That time and distance proportionated to pastoral calling, rapidly becoming a lost art would yield a larger dividend for the Kingdom.

Thirty years ago my first superintendent, and six years ago my last to date, dealt with that problematic habit of pastors who double their trouble by visiting and re-visiting former charges. Those leaders thought carefully and spoke kindly. I must leave it as they said it. All that I could advise disturbed pastors-in-charge was, and is, make yourselves more serviceable than any predecessor.

It seems that revivalism in the Methodist Church has slowed down, and fervor cooleth. In some quarters we find more effort to reform society, and less to redeem the individual. Not infrequently have I urged pastors to be their own evangelists. Scrupulous care should be taken before any pastor, or officials employ man, or woman to be a winner, or watcher of souls. Detailed preparation must be the ground work laid, before public meetings begin. Not that the revival should be a listless perennial; however, I do feel that devotional services during Holy Week hardly fulfill the annual requirement of time and effort which evangelism properly demands of us. Methodism is a Church, because it was a Crusade for Christ.

A very personal word! If there ever were any persons retiring from this office cynical and discouraged, I am not to be placed in that class. These have been six happy years. Surely the golden age of my life. The preachers and their wives have always shown Mrs. Bunting and me the finest consideration. From April 1935 to this moment there is not recorded a single controversial word with any preacher. Never once have they let me down. My admiration for the ministry is more exalted than ever. To them go my thanks forever. Also I know that the Methodist Church is composed of Millions of noble and consecrated men and women. I am grateful to a kind providence which brought me twenty years ago into the fellowship of Bishop Hughes, and Dr. Allan MacRossie who now rests from his constant labors for the ministry of our church, but his work shall abide forever. In the inner circle of life I am indebted to my mother, my wife, my son for the love and help and inspiration which they have generously contributed to my life and ministry. In the affairs of life the Methodist Church is alpha and omega to me. No other institution, organization, or segment of our human order of things compare with her. She led my feet in the path of light, educated me, and gave me place and opportunity in her ministry, and some day her ministries of truth and mercy will guide me safely to the portals of perfect peace and glory.

"Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

"To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power both now and ever. Amen."

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. E. GUNBY, Superintendent

Representing the Pastors of the Churches of this District, and the People called Methodists, now happily reunited, it is again my happy privilege to welcome this, the second session of the Peninsula Conference to the warm fellowship of the Wilmington District, and to the City of Wilmington.

Greetings to Bishop Leonard, who comes for the first time as the Resident Bishop of the Washington Area, to preside over the destinies of this new Conference, and to all the Members and Friends here assembled! "Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ!" May your presence among us prove a blessing to all our mutual interests, and may the enrichment of His grace, Who is the great Head of the Church, and Whose mercy is over all, be manifest in all our hearts, and lives, and in the conduct of all business, through the days just ahead! Let us bring to this session the quality of devotion, and loyalty and faith, that shall make our Church glorious in Christian helpfulness, and make of her the most efficient agency for the expression of God's redemptive purposes, so deeply needed in this confused, perplexed, bewildered world!

1. District Changes. We rejoice that no break has come in the active ranks this year. From the Retired list the Rev. J. L. Nichols, an honored member of the former Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and living in Newark, Delaware has passed to his reward. Mrs. Sarah B. VanDyke, widow of the Rev. Thomas R. Van Dyke has triumphed over death and joined her husband in the eternal summer-lands of God. After a highly successful though brief pastorate at Claymont, the Rev. James Earl Bartlett was transferred to Florida. The Rev. C. Stanley Lowell came in direct exchange and is giving a splendid account of his ministry. The stimulation of his leadership is manifest in a quickened Church, a widening ministry, and a voluntary increase in pastoral support. In response to a call from the Government, the Rev. Vernon Myers Goodhand, left Christiana a few weeks ago, after a highly successful ministry of three years, to take up the work of a Chaplain and is stationed in the South.

2. The Woman's Society of Christian Service. The Missionary Organizations and the Aid Societies, after a long period of devoted service, brought their work to a close at the appointed time. With characteristic alertness, devotion and organizing ability, and despite necessitated confusion, incidental to the period of transition, their work has been set up, and already is functioning with increasing efficiency, and gives hopeful promise for devoted service toward all the varied interests of the Church and the Kingdom for the years ahead. The organization throughout the District is just about complete, and will make a splendid report of the few months they have been serving.

3. City Missionary Society. Without change in personnel the work has been carried on again this year. Business meetings are held monthly and all funds are administered with much care. The Society supplements the support of three Pastors, employs a Deaconess for work in three Churches, a full-time Director of Christian Education at a Mission Center, and a special Worker for the Mission School on Maryland Avenue. We have had a

splendid year, and have kept within our budget, but confess to some sense of insecurity, as we await the results of our new system of Conference finance. Any necessitated curtailment of this work, in the presence of ever-enlarging opportunities would indeed be tragic to the interests of hundreds of children, whose lives are enriched through the service activities of this organization.

4. World Service. Even in this day, slothful indifference and even determined opposition are still found toward the wider fields of Christian effort. However, intelligent planning and well-directed effort seldom fail to elicit sympathetic support. The World Service claims have been presented in all of the usual ways. Many of our Churches stand as noteworthy examples of World Service giving, and consistently overpay their assessments. The changed financial system brought an actual reduction in World Service askings to some of our Churches, but these have pledged not to take advantage of the new system, but to sustain their high level of the previous year. We confidently expect the receipts to be well in advance of the apportionments this year.

5. Drink Menace. Social drinking increases among the youth, and particularly among the women. The drinking driver infests our highways, Bootlegging flaunts itself, brazen and unmolested. The public press points monthly with undisguised pride, to the constantly mounting revenues resulting from this iniquitous traffic, which grows daily more defiant, giving the impression that the Liquor Commission is to "promote", rather than to control the legalized traffic in drink! In God's world of values there is no proper place for this accursed thing, entrenched among us, which defies all laws, human and Divine, and preys upon the weaknesses of human kind. The finished fruits of alcohol constitute the most damaging witnesses against its right to live. The Church not only must support the Christian ideal of sobriety in individual and corporate life, but also must organize, direct, and wage a determined campaign against this monstrous iniquity, until an outraged public sentiment shall destroy forever this "sum of all villainies."

6. The Christian Sabbath. The liberalization of the existing safeguards protecting the interests of the Christian Sabbath, as a day of rest and worship, and works of mercy and necessity, as enacted by the present Legislature, is not in the interest of the Church, the Home, or the Public Welfare. Churches of many denominations, and other allied Agencies seeking the general welfare, protested mightily against the relentless and insidious propaganda of a selfish and brazen commercialism, in its determined and ruthless encroachments against the sanctity of the Christian Sabbath. Respect for the Christian Sabbath is fundamental to the very existence of the Church, and indispensable to the security, and the perpetuity of a Democratic and Christian civilization. The vested interests behind the commercialized amusements seem to have been the leading offenders in depriving through legal enactments, the people of this fair State, of those moral safeguards, which down through the years have guaranteed to us and our children, the Christian Sabbath, as a day of rest and worship and personal enrichment. Not content with six days and nights of the week selfish commercialism now flaunts its wares, unashamed, under legal protection, on the Christian Sabbath!

7. **The Christian Advocate** has sprung full-grown into a highly merited prominence and favor. Subscription lists have grown apace, and will grow increasingly. May the day soon dawn when at least one denominational weekly shall be read in every Methodist Home. Certainly no Pastor, or other Church officer will willingly deny himself the inspiration and helpfulness of this periodical.

8. **District Meetings** have been held monthly. Notable speakers and musicians have brought varied programs of a high order. These occasions have provided needful opportunities for directive leadership, fostered a District morale, and made possible, enriching social fellowships for the ministers, their wives, and families.

9. **The District Parsonage** is held by a Board of Trustees, elected by the District Stewards. Plans are operative to complete the payment of the indebtedness from the present income and face the new year free of debt.

10. **Some Denominational Reflections for the Days Ahead.** Wilmington is experiencing an expansive building boom. There are rapidly developing communities in which certain types of Denominational work should be inaugurated, looking forward to the time when Chapels and Churches would follow to meet the religious needs of the people. In paragraph 1034 the Discipline makes provision for such needs by means of an Annual Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension. At Holly Oak hundreds of dwellings are being erected and our present Church facilities are utterly inadequate for the present, much less for the future, and very poorly represent our Denomination. They have a beautiful location, with ample lot, and are doing a splendid work under overcrowded conditions, and deserve the support of the general Church. This loyal Group cannot provide without assistance the facilities needed for this rapidly developing community. They have some \$3000 and with even limited help, and with such remaining debt as they could reasonably carry, a strong Church would doubtless develop within a brief time.

Another case in point is the former First Methodist Protestant Church at 36th and Washington Streets. Here is the first Unit of a Church plant, costing some \$50,000, on an ideal location, in the midst of a growing community of homes, with two large schools nearby, serving the educational needs of the neighborhood.

The people are faithful and true, but the debt of \$30,000 partly covered by a legacy, has made the burden heavy, and this fact has kept many of the fainthearted from casting their lot with this splendid Group. There is not a more promising Church opportunity in this City. The case is entirely meritorious and will pay future dividends to the Denomination if help is given right early. The hope is indulged that something definite can be done by this session. Dr. Mueller of the Church Extension Department has visited this field, participated in a Sunday morning service, and met with the Official Family. Plans are under way to inaugurate a revitalization Program in June, and to attempt to raise funds to meet immediate needs, to reduce the debt, and to take advantage of contingent reduction in interest rates. This Church simply must be saved! Something should be done to lift the im-

mediate burden, and an Annual Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension should be set up to give directive help and support to these and similar projects as they arise.

11. **State of the Churches.** The Churches have never enjoyed more efficient pastoral leadership than now. The workers are well-trained and without exception are loyal, devoted and true. Church attendance has increased and enrollments within the Church Schools have enlarged. The splendid results of an attendance campaign participated in by many Churches are still visible. The Lenten period was marked by much activity and meetings of significance were addressed by notable Church leaders. The Churches have never worked together with freer accord or more manifest satisfaction. The Church is more outspokenly militant against the encroachments of evil. Revivals of varying degrees of success have been conducted and the ingatherings of Palm Sunday and Easter are in advance of recent years. Many small advances have been made in pastoral support. Young People's work, Institutes, Conventions, Camps, Vacation Schools, Training Schools for Leadership, have been carried forward with varying degrees of success and evident satisfaction. The Churches and their Leaders have faced their tasks with intelligent consecration. Many debts have been reduced: McCabe by \$15,000; Richardson Park by \$3500; Newport by \$1000 and many others. Grace Church contemplates an expansive program and has raised approximately \$100,000 for this development, and most of it is in cash. Many improvements have been made. The claims of Jesus Christ have been faithfully presented and the year closes with a gratifying measure of success.

12. **Personal Word.** This has been the busiest year I have ever known. The confusions necessitated by the unfinished tasks of the Union have added to my burdens. The merciful favors of God have been richly bestowed. I have responded to every call of duty that my crowded schedule would permit. All with whom I have labored have met me with courtesy, kindness, and co-operation. As the servant of the Church unmerited favors have come to me and mine. The year has been rich in opportunity and the Lord of the Harvest has crowned with blessings our labors of love together. This Conference has bestowed upon me about all the honors in its power to give. All of these have been accepted with appreciation, and I have meant to be worthy, and to give my best in service and devotion. Now I come to the conclusion of my second full term as a District Superintendent, 1923-1929 on the Dover District and 1935-1941 on the Wilmington District.

Within this finest of all human fellowships—the Christian Ministry—Mrs. Gunby joins with me in expressive appreciation for the uniform courtesies, and the personal enrichments we have found, working with you. With gratitude to God for the abundant opportunities to serve, and for the constant, and overflowing mercies received, we pledge anew our devotion, our loyalty and our love. To Him be the glory!

(b) BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

TEMPERANCE REPORT

Methodists have a great heritage in matters pertaining to the temperance cause. Almost every personality of Methodism has possessed a great passion for the cause of Abstinence, from our great leaders to the most humble of the clergy. However, your temperance committee is possessed of a degree of fear that this passion may be lessening; we are mindful of scenes and facts that cause us to state this fear; Some of our clerical colleagues indicate that their official members are engaging in cock-tail parties. There are signs of a dangerous apathy on the part of some Methodist leaders. It has become the popular thing never to speak disparagingly of this "popular and economically profitable" trade in alcoholic liquors in many places of religion.

We are convinced that the spirit and tendency of materialism, and paganism continue to express themselves through the wet forces. We see enough money spent in one fiscal year in America for alcoholic liquor to support our World Service program for 625 years, enough money spent in Crime to support the same program for 1825 years, the total amount spent for alcoholic beverages in one year more than trebles the total world possessions of the Methodist Church. These expenditures may give our state and federal treasures handsome revenues but these by no conceivable stretch of imagination can match the cost in the destruction of character, personality and human life. We are convinced that much of the money spent in the liquor traffic could be and should be spent for constructive efforts, housing, feeding, hospitalization, education, etc.

It is evident that we need pioneers in another and a new crusade for Temperance.

Commendations

We wish to commend the achievements and efforts of all Ministers and Churchmen who have so courageously fought the traffic in liquor during the past year. Our successes in the halls of legislation have not been stunning, on the other hand, our losses have been very small. Then, too, there are individual personalities who have been Christian in a practical way. They have stood for the cause of right in their respective communities in a glorious way. To list the clergy who have done this would be consuming too much space. However, we wish to commend Senator W. F. Davis for his unending efforts in introducing a bill in Maryland State Legislature which would have prevented the sale of alcoholic beverages, on the Sabbath and also his support of five dry bills restricting Sunday sales in the five counties on the Eastern shore of Maryland. And for sponsoring other legislation of vital importance toward the abolition of the deplorable marriage racket in Maryland. Also we wish to commend Mr. Carl Hoffman, a member of Deals Island church for introducing a bill governing the sale of alcoholic beverages

in Somerset County. We commend Dr. Geo. W. Crabbe, General Superintendent of Anti-Saloon League of America and Temperance

Recommendations

If your temperance committee is to be worthy of its name and existence, there are definite recommendations that should be carefully considered and eventually put into action.

We should endeavor to promote the General Board of Temperance program.

We will of necessity have to build a unified program; for instance, throughout our territory, as well as the church, we should strive for improved conditions in our places of military promotion, we should protest the drinking scenes portrayed in so many motion pictures, we should ask the proper authorities to reject licenses for trade in intoxicating beverages. Too many licenses have been already been granted.

We recommend that each Church build a specific approach to the problem, and in the approach; drama, preaching and educational presentations of our own Board of Temperance and Public Morals material will be helpful. We are particularly concerned about emphasizing the fine articles in our periodicals such as the Christian Advocate and the Epworth Highroad.

We recommend an attempt toward the correlation of all of the present temperance agencies.

We recommend the promotion of graded temperance lessons in week day schools, and religious daily vacation Bible schools in all departments of the Church, and careful observation of the quarterly Temperance lessons.

We urge continued educational and legislative action throughout the conference.

We recommend cooperation with all temperance agencies, particularly the W. C. T. U. and the Anti-Saloon League.

We recommend cooperation with the new Educational program of the W. C. T. U.

In this report we have inferred that we are glad of the fact that we are "holding our own". However, this is not the case. This committee instead makes an urgent appeal for a Conference that is willing to pioneer in a great but difficult crusade for a control and eventually the elimination of the liquor business.

Submitted by,

THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

T. C. MULLIGAN, Chairman
J. B. DICKERSON, Secretary

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE LORD'S DAY

Among the General Rules laid down by John Wesley for the conduct of the people called Methodists was one which made the observance of the Lord's Day, by cessation of "ordinary work therein or by buying or selling, a requirement." We believe that it is well for us to frequently bring the attention of our people to this Rule in these days. The ways in which we use our Sundays are searching tests of our real selves. We need to thoroughly and conscientiously surrender ourselves to the control of the Spirit of Christ. For only thus can we hope to discover how to make our Sundays Godlike.

We believe that blessings of infinite value come to those who properly honor the Lord's Day. We believe that the safety and the progress of Christian civilization in no small measure depend upon the devotional observance of this great day. We deplore the action of the General Assembly of Delaware during the recent session which repealed most of the laws upon the statute books of this State pertaining to the observance of the Lord's Day. This action shows how powerful are the commercialized interests of this State in their efforts to turn the Lord's Day into a day for money-making and unholy pleasure seeking.

We rejoice in the successful efforts of the God-fearing people of certain counties of the Eastern Shore of Maryland in securing the passage, during the recent session of the General Assembly of Maryland of bills forbidding the sale, or the disposal otherwise, of intoxicating liquors on the Lord's Day in those counties on and after June 1, 1941. We express our sincere appreciation to those members of the General Assembly of Maryland who supported these Bills and thus secured their passage. While the liquor forces, we understand, were diligent in their efforts to dissuade the governor of Maryland from signing these Bills on the grounds of the questioned constitutionality of the same, yet we greatly rejoice that their efforts have proved futile, as the Governor has signed these Bills, thus making them laws. We wish to register our deep appreciation to Governor Herbert R. O'Connor for this noble act.

We respectfully urge that our Pastors and Churches give the Lord's Day the place it deserves in the educational and devotional programs of our church activities. We pledge our full co-operation to the Lord's Day Alliance working in our midst and to its properly appointed representatives,—the Reverend Ivanhoe Willis and the Reverend Bert Constance.

Signed

THOS. J. SARD
O. H. CONNELLY
HARRY N. BAILEY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STRAWBRIDGE HOME FOR BOYS, INC. TO THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE, MAY, 1941

How better can the work of Strawbridge Home be described than by painting a picture of the need of one of our boys and how we have sought to serve him.

His name is Billy. He came to us when barely four years of age. He is now five, and a lovable, delicate little lad with light hair and blue eyes. Tragedy had thrown a grim shadow across his pathway. His father was deported to South Africa as an undesirable alien. What was left of his family was neither able nor interested in meeting his great need.

The aging grandmother brought him and his brother to us with a plea for assistance. Our Social Worker, in turn, called upon Billy and his grandmother. Very sympathetically and kindly Billy's needs were discussed. As the lines in the picture became clearer, and as we considered carefully his best interests; all of us, including the Admissions Committee of the Board of Trustees, could see that this child should have the benefits of care at Strawbridge.

Since becoming a member of our family, Billy's progress, along with that of other boys, is a subject of discussion at the regular weekly meetings of our Staff. The Social Worker, who is on a half-time basis, is keeping a record of his development and individual needs.

Part of growth is the maintenance of good health. Billy goes regularly to the dentist. He will undergo a complete physical examination once a year. On one of his visits to the Harriet Lane Clinic with the Social Worker, there was discovered a slight heart murmur. Recently he was taken ill. Our family physician was called in. Later he was sent to the hospital for a three weeks stay. Now he is well and happy again. Good, wholesome, nourishing food, with plenty of milk, butter, and eggs, are given him regularly.

During the past year the playroom of the building in which he lives has been remodeled and beautified with many juvenile accessories in equipment and decoration. He sleeps in an attractive, clean room, in a little maple bed, with plenty of air and light, beautiful pictures, and colorful decorations, all made possible by the gift of one man in memory of his mother.

Next fall Billy will go to the Public School at Sykesville, along with his brother. The big county bus will come in and pick him up with the other forty-seven boys at the Home. His school teacher will be another new personality aiding in his advance. High School awaits him, and even college, if he wishes it. The best that our democratic educational system can give is his.

Billy has spiritual needs. He goes to church school at the Sykesville Methodist Church. Here other interested and devoted persons feel and know the hunger in his life, and do their best to satisfy. Each evening at the Home he gathers with other boys about the knee of his housemother—a devoted Christian woman, who for ten years has mothered homeless boys. Here he listens to a story and breathes his little prayer. Once a week a service is held in which all participate. An effort is made to interpret the love of God the Father, and to show in simple story the way of Christ in daily living.

To this frightened, unhappy little boy, upon whose inner being the injustices of life have had more effect than you might think, we have tried to give affection, recognition, understanding, and a sense of security. He is having the chance to be a normal youngster. He is happy.

All of this, and more, has been made possible by the gifts from your churches. Many of the churches of those former branches of Methodism, of which Strawbridge was not a part, have accepted us and claimed us as their own. We thank God and take courage.

Our receipts for the past year have been the best in our history, but they have not fully met our needs, in spite of the most painstaking economies. At the close of 1939 we were \$2,000 in arrears. Last year we needed \$1,200 to complete our obligations. This year we have absorbed the obligations payable on last year's account, paid \$100 on our \$2,000 note, and have come within \$940.92 of meeting all expenses for 1940-41. There is not a dollar of mortgage indebtedness on the Home. Many of our Methodist folk are remembering Strawbridge in their Wills.

Quite a number of improvements have been made in our property in an effort to better our living conditions. Among these are: an infirmary room in each building, one the gift of the late Dr. Eugene Stagmer, and the other a memorial by Mrs. W. H. Smith. A girls' class from Grace Church, Reisters-town, made over a bedroom, giving it a more attractive, homelike appearance. As a result of a gift from the Dessa Monks Estate, chifferobes have been provided for the older boys, and the kitchen has been modernized. Mr. Herbert V. and William H. Anders, and Miss Marguerite B. Anders gave a sanitary drinking fountain for the Carroll Building. The Men's Brotherhood of the Baltimore Conference erected a Dairy Building on the farm, fully equipped, except for a refrigeration plant, which is now being sought by these men.

Other improvements are needed: The equipment of a playroom in the Carroll Building, an outdoor playground for all groups, and a small laundry building. The Strawbridge Cottage needs a sanitary drinking fountain.

Our affiliation with the Child Welfare League of America has brought us a wealth of information about trends and methods in the field of caring for dependent children. Our relationship to the Baltimore Council of Social Agencies has brought us into contact with agencies similar to our own within the State. The Superintendent of the Strawbridge Home is serving as Chairman of the Committee on the Institutional Care of Children, under the Division of Family and Child Care Agencies.

There were 43 appeals for service made to us during the past year. We have had to tell most of the applicants that we could not consider them because we did not have beds for the boys, and did not know how many years it would be before we would come to their application. About twelve said they would go on the waiting list. In June we will have four vacancies. Each year the problem becomes more acute. A new dormitory building is our outstanding need.

Our closing word is a plea. Will each church in the Conference give a free will offering during the coming year? There are no assessments, no quotas, no goals, just a request to the minister and laymen from each Charge

to help make it possible for the members of the local church to have some part in this ministry. We cannot go ahead to include more needy boys within our services, until we can see the green light of additional generosity.

Behind this plea are the lives of forty-eight boys. Yesterday they felt the cruelty of circumstances over which they had no control. For many there was tragedy. Today is their chance to make a new adjustment to life. Tomorrow they will be called upon to take their place in an uncertain world. Break this picture into its forty-eight parts, look into the eyes of one of these boys, and then look back into your own life. Do you recall anything of your childhood blessing or burden that would urge you now to share with these boys some of your present benefits?

John Hay was Secretary of State in the Cabinet of Theodore Roosevelt. He was something of a poet too. His poem entitled "Little Breeches" is the story of a father after a long search in a snow storm, finding his four-year-old safely resting in a sheep fold. I quote the last verse in conclusion:

"How did he git thar? Angels.
He could never have walked in that storm:
They jest scooped down and toted him
To whar it was safe and warm.
And I think that saving a little child,
And fotching him to his own,
Is a derned sight better business
Than loafing around the Throne."

F. REID ISAAC,
Superintendent.

We are asking the Peninsula Conference to elect the following Trustees for the coming year:

- Bishop Adna W. Leonard
- William L. Todd.
- Rev. Essell P. Thomas
- Sen. John G. Townsend, Jr.
- Frank M. Shook
- Rev. J. Earl Cummings
- Rev. Ralph J. Yow
- Mrs. Wilmer Fell Davis
- Mrs. C. A. Schuler

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO THE 1941 SESSION OF THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE**

Bishop Leonard and Members of the Peninsula Conference:

A long while ago a man was reading the book of Isaiah in mid-day darkness. His travels had brought him in contact with this marvelous book. His heart told him that he had found a treasure but his mind was not illuminated to understand its stirring contents. There was another man on that road whose mind could clearly bear testimony to the reality of Isaiah's written word. This man seeing the groping of his fellowman asked if he understood what he was reading. He answered by saying, according to Moffatt, How can I possibly understand it, unless someone puts me on the right track? This is one of the earliest accounts of Christian Education. It is a type with which no one can find fault. What Phillip did for the Ethiopian corresponds exactly to that which Paul did for the Philippian Jailer. Today there are many reading God's words in the dark. They are living but not God's abundant life. Eyes they have but they see not for in their seeing they see not that for which God created their powers to see.

Your Board conceives its task to be to aid people to live day by day Christ-like lives. The starting upon the Christian way is clear and simple. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved. But the living of a Christ-like life in this our world with its ever increasing myth of power an idea of material's ability to fulfill our every desire is not easy. With what ease one can go on the wrong track! Many need to be put on the right track. Here is where the Church must function. Jesus said to his disciples, ye know the way. Dare we assume he meant us too? Jesus did not say that those to whom he said were favored with a knowledge that no others could have. We can have it and we must have it, and we must see that others have it.

Early in the past Conference year we met to consider the leadership of our activities for Youth and to coordinate them. A plan of successive rise to Deanship was conceived. We chose three men to act together as leaders for the Camp, 3 for Youth Conference, and 3 for Institute. A Dean was chosen who would serve in the capacity as Dean of the Institute for two years. This was thought feasible because he would have only one year of this work. After this period the Dean goes out and the person who has been acting as manager would become Dean. Then the Counselor would be made Manager. A new Counselor would be chosen. Thus every successive Dean would be a new man but would have had three years training. The retiring Dean reports that there was the largest number of delegates at this last session than any year since 1929, 140. Every person who came found something there that he will long remember.

Our Conference Counselor, Rev. J. B. Dickerson, who had been doing such a notable work throughout our Conference felt he must resign due to the pressure of the expanding work in his own Church and with his University work. His resignation was accepted with regrets and Rev. L. E. Werner of Laurel, Del. was chosen his successor. In spite of all handicaps Bro. Werner has done a good work of which he shall report.

The Westminster Theological Seminary made available for us through its extension work, courses that would help us very much. I for one felt that it did my preaching a real service. This will no doubt be enlarged for us during the coming year. We ought to realize that, if a course may have the same title as one we might have taken in the Seminary, all the light upon it was not exhausted nor have our minds reached the highest possible saturation point concerning it. There is a freshness about drinking from running streams and leading our ministry with a growing mind.

Since your Chairman was on the committee that worked out policies for the program of Christian Education in the Washington Area those policies are thought of in guiding our recommendations. We recommend

1. That we promote programs of Christian Education in our local Churches which shall be in keeping with the best Educational Principles and in harmony with our Discipline.
2. In the words of our Discipline Par. 1120 we seek to "develop a comprehensive and unified program of Education which will lead to a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, the Christian religion, and the Christian church, to provide for worship, fellowship, activities and education in the Christian way of life."
3. That since the pastor is responsible for the total educational program of the Church Par. 1138 all pastors be brought to see that the work of Christian Education is one of their major responsibilities and should be ranked with preaching and pastoral work in the pastor's plan of program.
4. That we will cooperate with the Board of Ministerial Training, the Conference Board of Missions, the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the Board of Lay activities in such a way as to coordinate and correlate the work of these boards within the field of Christian Education as required by the discipline.
5. That since the Board of Education is charged with the responsibility for Missionary Education in the church school, Par. 1143, let us promote the missionary spirit in all activities and see that missions is continually emphasized in the curriculum.
6. That Church School Literature approved by our Board of Education be used by all ages in our Church Schools for we believe it to be the best literature available for Methodist People.
7. That our Churches patronize our own Methodist youth activities such as Institutes and Camps in preference to all others as best to train our young people to be loyal members of the Methodist Church.

A phrase that came out of recent debate lingers in the mind. It was spoken relative to the work of Wesley Collegiate Institute. Bearing the burden during the heat of the day. When we were forced to take our Youth activities from that central base of Peninsula Methodism we had the feeling of twilight. Yesterday made us realize that twilight comes twice during 24 hours. It not only comes at the close of a day but also at its beginning. Now it seems as if it is at the dawn of a new day for Methodist Youth activity. No longer will we have to fit our schedule to suit some other institutions convenience but we can plan to divide groups according to our Disciplinary divisions and hold meetings at times most suitable to the needs of our people.

From a center of our Conference activity shall come youth whose inspiration and vision have been supplied by Methodist leaders in a Methodist institution. With our District Superintendents in charge of the Educational work on their special Districts and the visitation of our Bishop to aid us the sky opens and we get our bearings from sailing on, and on.

The road from Gaza to Egypt is still traveled by seekers who want to know about God. We have a call to be there and a real place to serve. The passion of God so swept Philip that space and differences were not barriers to the sharing of an illuminated mind and a burning heart. This combination can still do wondrous things. Will we answer the challenge and urgent need of our day? Oh, God! Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage that we fail not man or Thee.

The program of the Board of Education has been carried out by men in the pastorate. The time they could give to the work of the Board of Education was limited. In spite of the limitations mentioned, and many others, the work of the Board has been carried on. I recognize a great need. We do not need more young people in our camps and Institutes and other schools, though we would like to have them. We do not need greater programs. The great need of this conference in the realm of Christian Education is a more sympathetic and understanding and cooperative ministry. The time has come when no minister of the gospel can ignore or treat lightly the great values and implications of Christian Education. It is to the appeal for sympathetic cooperation that I would direct your attention this year. Help us to help your people, that together we may "Study to show ourselves approved unto God, as workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Submitted by

REV. L. E. WERNER.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COUNSELOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Counselor System was continued by the Board of Education for the past conference year as a means of promoting the program of Christian Education in the Peninsula Conference.

The report that follows is for that part of the year beginning with October when your present Counselor assumed the responsibilities of that office. For the first few months of the year the Rev. J. B. Dickerson carried on the work of the Counselor.

The major task of the year was the reorganization of the youth work of the conference. The previous youth organization of the conference was composed of the Epworth Leagues and did not take into its ranks other youth of the church. The new organization is in keeping with the provisions of the discipline whereby a youth division is created including in its membership all youth between the ages of 12-23 regardless of the local church organization to which they may belong. This organization was begun in the local church with the organization of youth divisions. The District organization followed and I am now able to report that three Districts are completely

organized with Youth Divisions and that the fourth district will complete its organization in the very near future, perhaps before the close of this session of conference. The conference youth officers will be elected by the youth of the conference at this session of the Annual Conference. Youth Rallies in each District resulted in an enrollment of more than 900 young people under the direction of more than 50 consecrated leaders.

Leadership training schools were held again this year in many places throughout the conference and the result of the training received in these schools is continually being felt in our local churches. No community can afford to ignore the values that these schools offer for the development of the leaders for our churches.

Daily vacation Bible Schools were conducted in several areas of our conference under the sponsorship of the local churches involved and again these schools demonstrated their value both to children and to the leaders who gave of their time and talents.

The summer institute and Intermediate camp were vital parts of the program of the Board this past year. I recognize that many changes must be made in these two programs. I covet your patience and cooperation as we endeavor to make these phases of our program more adequately meet the needs of our youth and the needs of youth leadership in your local church. The Dean of the Institute and the Director of the Camp are hard at work planning for the opening of the Institute and Camp this year and they will have a word to add at the conclusion of this report regarding their particular interests.

PENINSULA CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Your Historical Society has had a very profitable and successful year of service. We have been able to assist many churches with their anniversaries, either in person or with material. In some instances we have furnished the legal information that was of vital importance to local situations.

Since Unification we have been trying to complete our files of official minutes of the other branches of Methodism. We now have complete files of the Maryland Annual Conference Minutes. We also have a complete file of the General Conference Minutes of the Methodist Protestant Church. We have a complete list of appointments, as far as published, of the Methodist Episcopal branch, the Methodist Protestant branch but not of the Methodist Episcopal South branch. This is in alphabetical order and covers the territory of the Peninsula Conference. We also have completed this year an alphabetical list of every Methodist minister that ever served any length of time on the Peninsula. If he was born here, worked here or died here, we have him listed. The place of his birth, death and burial, if known, is noted.

The Conrad Collection of Methodist books, sadly depleted by vandals, is now housed in the Hall of Records in Dover. We have an agreement with the State Archives Commission, anything we place there may be withdrawn at any time on orders of our Society. We are most fortunate in securing such full cooperation with such an important group. We propose to make this the center of our research. Any historical data, such as a complete record of membership, past and present, deaths, baptisms and marriages, should be recorded with them. Seventy churches have their records of this type, filed there.

The questionnaires we sent out this year has been answered by ninety-five churches. We are still receiving them. It is not too late to help us with these. We have on hand the histories of eighty some different churches.

John M. Kelso, our research secretary, is seeking the names of every member of closed churches. He is also quietly doing wearisome detail work very few men would have the patience of undertaking.

We are joining the Bridgetown congregation in celebrating their anniversary this Fall. This Church is the oldest building within our Conference. It dates back to 1773 and has been continuously used by us since 1778.

It is necessary to increase the capacity of our files. They are so crowded now with materials, it is accumulating in the overflow departments.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. HALLMAN,
President.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The supreme task of the Church is to win souls to personal allegiance to Jesus Christ and to nurture them into the full meaning of true discipleship. The spirit of evangelism should permeate the entire program of United Methodism. As in the days of Historic Methodism there must be in our day an authentic resurgence of spiritual life and power. The crucial time in which we are now living makes it imperative that modern Methodism should feel anew the spiritual and evangelistic urgency that was continually upon the heart of the founder of Methodism from the very moment of his Aldersgate "Heart-Warming" experience to the day of his death. If we are to have a program of sustained evangelism, the spirit of it must be instilled into the life and thought of our people called Methodist. They must know what Methodism stands for, what gave it birth, and the power that made possible its remarkable growth and wide spread influence. We are not as much concerned with the particular technique of a program of evangelism as we are with the spirit and underlying purpose of evangelism. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Zachariah 4:6. It was the spirit that made St. Paul, St. Augustine, Martin Luther and John Wesley the powerful force each one proved to be in his respective generation. Oh, how United Methodism needs the power of the spirit today. Let the people of the Methodist Church of today follow the example of the Wesleys and Whitefield in the formation of small groups for concerted and habitual prayer in the cultivation of the spirit and again we will possess a consuming evangelism.

Dr. Richard Roberts reminds us of the need of the present situation: "These are days which try men's souls. Russia has gone atheist, as though man can live by bread alone. Hitler is the exponent of a cynicism which sees no virtue save in race and soil. Europe is today the battlefield on which rival cultures are fighting, each against the other for its own life, and God alone foresees the issue. We may be trembling on the verge of another "dark age" and if night falls upon Europe, America cannot escape its bleak shadow. Over against this possibility is the calling of Christian men to wage a holy war of prayer upon the diabolisms that are laying waste our human heritage

and hope, and to evoke a deep and far-flung spiritual quickening throughout this land—hence to Europe, and (please God) to the rest of the world. If this is to come to pass serious men and women must make common cause, in small companies, to seek the gift of the Holy Spirit. And so far as I can see, it is the only way to a constructive liquidation of the grim tragedy of these times." It is obvious that the Church must have a way of securing the decisions of men for Christ and a way of recruiting adherents to organize Christianity. The Church must evangelize or die. In the last paragraph of the Historical Statement of the 1940 Discipline is the following: "The three branches that have united to form the Methodist Church have always believed that the only infallible proof of any genuine Church of Christ is its ability to seek and save the lost; to disseminate the pentecostal Spirit and life; to spread Scriptural holiness over all lands and to reform all continents by the Gospel of Christ. And the sole object of the rules, regulations and usages of the Methodist Church is that it may fulfill in all places and years its original divine commission as a leader in evangelism, in reforms and in fraternal relation with all branches of the one Church of Christ, with which it gladly confesses its partnership in the spiritual conquest of the whole world for the Son of God."

On August 6, 1786, John Wesley wrote: "I am not afraid that the people called Methodist should ever cease to exist either in Europe or America. But I am afraid lest they should exist only as a dead sect, having the form of religion without the power. And this undoubtedly will be the case unless they hold fast both the doctrine, spirit, and discipline with which they first set out."

We notice with hearty approval that the 1940 Discipline provides that the Committee on Membership and the Committee on Evangelism in the local Church can be composed of the same persons. We believe that it will be greatly to the advantage of any congregation to merge these two committees, for next to the pastor himself, the membership committee is in personal touch with the members of the Church and thereby is afforded an opportunity for extraordinary evangelistic effort and influence.

We believe that four very definite visible benefits should result from any well planned and prosecuted evangelistic effort. Namely, additions on profession of faith in every congregation. In studying the statistics of our church, this has not always been true in recent years. Second, there should be a definite effort to awaken and reclaim inactive church members, and this is no easy task, for our experience has taught us that all too often it is harder to win a backslider to Christ than to win a new convert. Third, to deepen and enrich the spiritual life of the active members. It is so easy for us to overlook the important matter of "Growth in Grace" on the part of all members in our enthusiasm for new members. Fourth, a concerted and persistent effort on the part of all pastors in following up members who move from one locality to another, lest they should be lost sight of and their Church membership be allowed to lapse.

Faithfully and respectfully submitted,

RALPH J. YOW
RALPH C. JONES

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE FROM THE PENINSULA AND BALTIMORE ANNUAL CONFERENCES AND FROM THE TRUSTEES OF THE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE, CONCERNING THE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING OF THE FORMER MARYLAND CONFERENCE IN BALTIMORE

Pursuant to action taken in the Baltimore and Peninsula Annual Conferences in special session—the Peninsula Conference, January 22, and the Baltimore Conference, January 14: Bishop Leonard appointed the following Joint Committee on the property of the Headquarters Building of the former Maryland Conference at 516 North Charles Street, Baltimore:

Baltimore: Rev. John R. Edwards, Rev. Frank R. Bailey, and Rev. S. K. Cockrell
 Peninsula: Rev. E. P. Thomas, Rev. S. B. Bradley, and Rev. E. M. Shockley

The following were named by the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church: Rev. E. C. Makosky, F. Murray Benson, Esquire, and Rev. J. Earl Cummings.

On February 10, 1941, the Joint Committee met, electing John R. Edwards of the Baltimore Conference, Chairman, and Essel P. Thomas of the Peninsula Conference, Secretary.

Communications were entered upon with representatives of the Board of Publications of the Methodist Church.

On February 19, 1941, the Joint Committee of nine met the following representatives of the Board of Publications: Dr. George W. Henson, Member of the Board; Mr. Benjamin J. Whitmore and Dr. Fred D. Stone, Publishing Agents; and Dr. J. Edgar Washabaugh, representative of the New York office. After lengthy and careful conversations an agreement was reached that the representatives of the Board of Publications should recommend to their Executive Committee the purchase of the Headquarters Building for the sum of \$105,000.00. The Commissions on World Service and Finance of the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences have voted approval. Word is awaited from the Board of Publications. F. Murray Benson, Esquire, will represent the Joint Committee in negotiations.

There are two phases of the indebtedness against the Headquarters Building: First, the mortgage and demand notes totaling \$119,000; second, an insurance contract with the New York Life Insurance Company created to reduce the indebtedness, requiring annual premiums until 1966. These premiums will be \$2,201.99 annually until 1946, after which there will be important annual reductions for each period of four years until the expiration of the contract.

The Joint Committee agreed to share responsibility on the basis of 66 per cent for the Baltimore Conference and 34 per cent for the Peninsula Conference. In the indebtedness of \$119,000, there is the sum of \$23,100 of the Maryland Annual Conference invested funds for Conference Claimants. These statements are made to give fuller meaning to the figures below. The following table will explain the obligations and the respective

shares of the two Conferences on the basis of the proposed sale and division of Annual Conference responsibilities:

Annual Premium on insurance to 1946	\$2,202.00
Baltimore's obligation annually to 1946	1,453.32
Peninsula's obligation annually to 1946	748.68
Total indebtedness in addition to the insurance	\$119,000.00
Amount to be received for the building	105,000.00
Balance to be paid to creditors	\$ 14,000.00
Baltimore share of the unpaid debt (66% of above)	\$ 9,240.00
Peninsula share of the unpaid debt (34% of above)	4,760.00
	\$ 14,000.00

Your Joint Committee recommends, upon approval of the Commissions on World Service and Finance, that each Annual Conference write its Annual Conference Askings for next year not less than \$2,500 divided upon the agreed ratio. The Peninsula Conference's share is \$850.00.

Respectfully submitted,

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADJUSTMENT

The Joint Committee on Adjustment of the Assets and Liabilities of the former Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, appointed at the 1940 sessions of the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences, begs to submit the following report:

This Joint Committee has held two sessions of the entire Committee and several meetings of sub-committees. A communication was prepared and ordered sent to the Board of Missions and Church Extension requesting a hearing before the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension. Following the receipt of this communication, Dr. F. W. Mueller, of the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension, met with Bishop Leonard and a sub-committee of these two conferences at Dover, Delaware, in October. Through the courtesy of Dr. Mueller, a sub-committee composed of Dr. John R. Edwards, Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, Dr. A. H. Robinson, and Dr. L. B. Smith, from the Baltimore Conference, and Dr. W. E. Gunby, Dr. J. L. Green, Dr. J. E. Cummings, and Rev. W. A. Hearn, of the Peninsula Conference, with Dr. F. R. Bayley, representing Bishop Leonard at the request of the Bishop, was granted a hearing, November 28, 1940, before a special committee from the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension, followed by another hearing before the entire Division itself.

Subsequent to this hearing, at the suggestion of the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension, Bishop Leonard appointed this sub-committee as a special committee to continue negotiations with the Division of Home

Missions and Church Extension, through its Secretary, Dr. F. W. Mueller, looking toward a cooperative plan between the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension and these two conferences for the ultimate solution of these problems.

This sub-committee held a conference with Dr. F. W. Mueller in Baltimore, March 24, 1941. While no commitments were made, Dr. Mueller was sympathetic with the committee's desire for a mutual approach to the solution of the problems involved. Recognizing the Lewis Memorial Church as the major problem, Dr. Mueller made an engagement to visit this church on April 26-27. Following his visit, he expressed his most favorable impression of the outlook of this church in a very large residential section of the District of Columbia. He strongly urged a campaign for the reduction of the debt on this church, and offered the facilities of the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension as far as possible in the conduct of such a campaign.

The entire Joint Committee held its last meeting in Baltimore, April 30th, and after a careful consideration of all matters involved, **unanimously** passed the following recommendations to be submitted to the two conferences:

1 That the ratio of distribution of the assets and liabilities involved between the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences be the same as that recognized in the askings for World Service from these two conferences, viz. .661 to .339.

2 Adjustment of the Lewis Memorial Church obligations—

Total obligation (a) Mortgage	\$37,500.00
(b) Notes	22,700.00
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		\$60,200.00

(a) That Lewis Memorial Church be requested to assume the mortgage indebtedness of \$37,500.00, and that transfer of the title be made by the Church Extension Society of the former Maryland Annual Conference to the Lewis Memorial Church as soon as possible thereafter.

(b) That the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension be asked to assist the Lewis Memorial Church in refinancing the mortgage.

(c) That the remaining obligations of the Church Extension Society for the Lewis Memorial Church, consisting of notes amounting to \$22,700.00, be recognized as a part of the total obligation to be divided between the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences.

(d) That a payment of \$5,000.00 be made on this amount of \$22,700.00 from funds which the Church Extension Society received from the Board of Missions of the former Methodist Protestant Church for the Lewis Memorial Church.

(e) That the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Board of Missions and Church Extension be requested to refinance the balance of these notes, amounting to \$17,700.00 on a note for five years, to be guaranteed by the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences.

(f) That in refinancing this amount an effort be made by personal solicitation, in cooperation with the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, to reduce the amount of this loan.

3 That for the purpose of clearing our records, the Ella Martin note of the Church Extension Society of \$10,000.00, now being carried by the Edmondson Avenue Church, be recognized as the obligation of the Edmondson Avenue Church, but that in any request for interest reductions of the obligations of the Church Extension Society, this note shall be included.

4. That the remaining obligations for which the Church Extension Society is responsible, amounting to \$45,624.00, be divided between the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences upon the basis established.

5 That the following assets of the Church Extension Society, together with any other assets which may become available to the same, be recognized as a credit on the above mentioned obligations of \$45,624.00 on the basis established:

(a) "Wright's Adventure" Farm, Trappe, Maryland, Second Mortgage at 6% (Interest being paid regularly when due) \$ 3,975.70

(b) St. Andrew's Russian Orthodox Church Mortgage (formerly known as Alnutt Memorial Church, Baltimore, Md.) 10,450.00

(Mortgage to be paid off at the rate of \$50. per month, with interest at 1½% per annum, for ten years, balance payable in full at the end of ten years, from February 15, 1941).

(c) Cash in bank \$13,511.10
Less—reserve for interest payments pending adjustments 2,011.00

\$11,500.00

Less—amount to be paid on Lewis Memorial Church notes \$ 5,000.00 \$ 6,500.00

Net Assets \$20,925.70

6 That the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society be authorized to pay interest charges on the above obligations, out of funds in hand, for the Conference year of 1941-1942, or such part of the same as may be necessary.

7 That, in order to amortize these obligations and to pay the interest charges, we request the Commissions on World Service and Finance of Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences to include in their askings an amount sufficient to cover these obligations on such term of years as the Conferences may determine from year to year. That for the next Conference year a minimum of \$9,000.00 be fixed for this purpose.

8 We recognize the continuance of the Church Extension Society of the former Maryland Annual Conference, and recommend that the carrying out of these adjustments, as adopted by the two annual conferences be the function of the Church Extension Society, through its Board of Managers, in cooperation with the Commissions on World Service and Finance of these two conferences.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE FOR BALTIMORE CONFERENCE

COMMITTEE FOR PENINSULA CONFERENCE

- C. H. Lambden
- A. H. Dudley
- J. S. German
- E. J. Paige
- L. S. Ensor
- W. C. Scott
- A. H. Robinson
- E. E. Bradley
- C. K. Ray
- M. M. McLean
- E. G. Latch
- Mrs. J. H. Werner
- J. R. Edwards
- E. A. Sexsmith
- L. B. Smith

- J. Harry Wright
- M. H. Marine
- M. E. Hungerford
- W. P. Roberts
- H. R. Deal
- J. W. Colona
- Granville Hooper
- W. E. Gunby
- J. J. Bunting
- J. L. Green
- J. E. Cummings
- W. A. Hearn

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The Annual Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension held a luncheon meeting at the Y. M. C. A., Friday, May 16th. J. L. Johnson was elected chairman and C. M. Elderdice secretary of the Board. Dr. Karl Quimby, secretary of the Board of Missions, Department of Cultivation and Education, was present and addressed the Board making a number of helpful suggestions for the developments of its activities.

Mrs. Arthur Lambert, Mrs. J. L. Green and Mrs. W. W. Sharp of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, were elected to membership on the Board. The Board voted unanimously to recommend to the Bishop for appointment as Conference Secretary of Missions, P. W. Spence, Jr., and for District Secretaries, W. A. Glass, J. E. Jones, C. M. Harris and R. F. Loss.

The Board also voted unanimously to recommend to the Conference that a Missionary Institute be held in each Conference District, preferably in the month of October.

JOHN L. JOHNSON, Chairman
C. M. ELDERDICE, Secretary

REPORT OF THE GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF WILMINGTON, DEL. TO THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE OF 1941

In making this, a report of the work at the Goodwill Industries of Wilmington for the past year, some mention must be made of the fact that the Industries has experienced several changes in leadership during the twelve month period under discussion. Rev. Henry M. Parks, pastor at Asbury, was asked by the Board of Directors to serve as temporary head and assumed that office early in September. He continued in this capacity for four months at the end of which time, due to the pressing duties of the Church it was necessary that he be relieved. Mr. Albert Telfer of St. Louis, Mo., succeeded Mr. Parks and served as acting Superintendent while the present leader was training at the National Training School of Goodwill Industries in Washington, D. C. and Baltimore. On Thursday, April 3rd., J. Carlyle Simmons of Wilmington was appointed permanent superintendent, by action of the Board of Directors and entered the work immediately.

It would seem that the constant change in leadership throughout the year would have retarded the progress of the institution. However, this was not the case, for, due to the fine work of the temporary leaders and the loyal and diligent efforts of the workers, the Industries has steadily moved forward in its particular service to the community.

Some twenty-five persons are now engaged in the work. Among them are those handicapped by orthopedic, organic, visual and various other disabilities. In addition to providing the handicapped workers with a constant though moderate weekly wage, the organization has served well its purchasing public by making it possible for persons of limited income to secure desired clothing and household articles at a price well within their means.

The public at large has been particularly kind in its support, in that between fourteen and fifteen thousand contributors have made it possible to carry on the work.

The Goodwill Kindergarten is steadily growing under the capable direction of its teacher, Mrs. DesJardins. Plans for the expansion of this very important part of Goodwill service are now under consideration and with the coming of fall, additional opportunities will be offered to the children of the community.

The organization and its new leader earnestly solicit the interest and support of Ministerial and Lay Methodism of the Peninsula Conference and extend to them a sincere invitation to visit the scene of our activities and examine the purposes, policies and methods under which the Goodwill Industries operates.

Respectfully submitted

J. CARLYLE SIMMONS, Superintendent

- ELMER R. SHIELD
- SIDNEY R. BRADLEY
- CHARLES W. BRANFORD
- L. J. VON HAGEN
- HARRY N. BAILEY

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND FRATERNAL GREETINGS

In behalf of the Conference now in session we express our appreciation and thanks:

To Bishop Adna Wright Leonard, as our Presiding Bishop, for the wonderful way he has conducted our Conference sessions and for his deep spiritual devotional messages.

To the Official Board, the Minister, Reverend J. T. Sard and his assistants; Mr. Harold H. Vigneulle, choir leader; Miss Kathryn Townsend and Miss Helena Huff, organists, and the choir; Mrs. Harold Vigneulle, office secretary, Mrs. Charles Connelly and Miss Helena Huff, her assistants; Mrs. Annie Carver, Mrs. Amy Huff and the members of the W. S. C. S. circles for the care of dining room and kitchen; Mrs. Catherine Stevens and representatives of the Philathea Bible Class for care of cloakroom; Mrs. Lizzie McCaully and Mrs. Bertha McCaully Foster, the flower committee; the ushers, in charge of Mr. Walter K. Jeffers; members of Union Methodist Church, and the sexton for entertaining this conference in such a royal way.

To Dr. W. E. Gunby, District Superintendent of Wilmington District as district host.

To the Conference Program Committee for their painstaking efforts in providing an excellent program which has proven to be interesting and inspirational to the cause for which it was prepared.

To the homes which extended to the members of the Conference such gracious hospitality.

To his Excellency, Governor Walter W. Bacon; his Honor, Mayor Albert W. James; the members of the City Council; the firemen; and the police force of the City for their friendly courtesies extended to our group in connection with parking of cars, directing pedestrian traffic and giving information to visitors.

To the public press and reporters; To Rev. E. B. Eckhart for his untiring service at the organ; To Christian Missionary Alliance; To West Presbyterian Church; To Security Trust Co.; To Elwood Melson for use of his office; To Elliott Co.

To all others who have contributed to the success of the Conference.

Last year we expressed our regret that Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes was retiring from this area. We wished him health, happiness and many more years for Kingdom building on this earth. We pledged to him our love and our loyalty to the great Christian ideals for which he had given his life.

Today we rejoice with the presence of Bishop Adna Wright Leonard and in his coming we too wish him health to enable him to discharge his duties, happiness for his contentment, and many years for the advancement of God's Kingdom. Bishop Leonard, we pledge to you our love and loyalty in carrying out the tasks before us.

- ELMER R. SHIELD, Chairman
- SIDNEY B. BRADLEY, Secretary
- CHARLES W. BRANFORD
- J. J. VON HAGEL
- HARRY N. BAILEY

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Your Commission on World Service and Finance acting under authority of the discipline of the Methodist Church, paragraphs 832-841, submits the following report:

The total needs of the Peninsula Conference are presented under three headings:

- I. Ministerial Support. This includes salaries of pastors, Bishops, District Superintendents, and Conference Claimants.
- II. General Administration Fund. This includes expenses of the Judicial Council, the sessions of the General Conference, General Conference Commissions, and Committees and authorized interchurch activities.
- III. Benevolences. This includes all Annual Conference interests and World Service.

The amounts recommended by the Commission on World Service and Finance as the basis for fixing the ratios for the several interests of the Conference are as follows:

- I. Ministerial Support:
 - 1. Pastor's Salaries 342, 449.
 - 2. District Superintendents, 6% of pastor's salary.
 - 3. Episcopal Fund, 2 1/4 % of Pastors salary.
 - 4. Conference Claimants, \$48,000 to be apportioned to the several charges by the Board of Conference Claimants.
 - II. General Administration Fund. 2% of pastors salary for the Quadrennium, 1/2 % Annually.
 - III. Benevolences.
 - A. Annual Conference Interests:

1. Group Insurance	\$ 3500.00
2. Board of Education	1000.00
3. City and Domestic Missions	6600.00
4. Maintenance of Episcopal Residence and Area Expense Fund	1200.00
5. Treasurer's Salary	1500.00
6. Conference Entertainment	5500.00
7. Headquarters Building and Church Extension Obligations	4000.00
8. Interest and debt reduction on District Parsonages	2500.00
9. Lay Activities	250.00
10. Board of Home Missions and Church Extension	300.00
11. Ministerial Training	500.00
12. Secretary's Allowance	100.00
13. Contingent Fund	2620.00
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Total Annual Conference Interests	\$29570.00
 - B. World Service \$115,541.00
- Total Benevolences \$145,111.00

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Recapitulation

I. Ministerial Support:	
1. Pastors Salary	\$342,449.00
2. District Superintendents	20,547.00
3. Episcopal Fund	7,705.00
4. Conference Claimants	48,000.00
II. General Administration Fund 1,712.00	
III. Benevolences:	
A. Annual Conference Interests	29,570.00
B. World Service	115,541.00
Total	\$565,524.00

Recommendations

- That the ratio for distribution of Benevolences for Annual Conference Interests be .425% and for World Service .575%.
- That each church be urged to accept for this year from the Benevolent askings at least 10% more than the amount it paid during the last year.
- That the distribution of the above askings be made to the several charges by the Commission in collaboration with the District Superintendents after the adjournment of the Conference.
- That the Commission be authorized to instruct the treasurer to borrow such funds as are necessary to pay the District Superintendents monthly.
- That the Commission on World Service and Finance make a thorough study of the salary scale of the Conference and report at the next session of the conference as to the advisability of fixing a minimum salary for all those in full membership.
- That in order to stimulate regularity in the payment of Benevolences.
 - That Pastors and church treasurers be requested to remit monthly to the annual conference treasurer whatever funds they may have received.
 - That we request the Bishop and District Superintendents to arrange for a mid-year one day session of the Annual Conference and that each charge strive to pay one half of all ministerial and conference obligations by that date.
 - That the Commission on World Service and Finance prepare statements for distribution by the District Superintendents of the amounts paid by each charge on the above askings during the quarter.

Total Annual Conference Interests	\$29,570.00
Total Benevolences	\$115,541.00
Total	\$145,111.00

DOVER DISTRICT TABLE

Church	Worshipers	Members	Worshipers	Members	Worshipers	Members	Worshipers	Members	Worshipers	Members
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Total	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000

(d) CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN

G. E. LEISTER, Statistician

Assistants

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| J. W. Wooten, | Sylvanus T. Hamblin, | D'Arcy A. Littleton, |
| F. G. Buckley, | W. L. McClintock, | Ellwood Cursey, |
| F. A. Baker, | B. L. Lewis, | W. E. Lewis, |
| G. H. Pigueron, | J. B. Pettus, | J. J. Von Hagel. |

REPORT OF

(e) CONFERENCE TREASURER

L. E. WINDSOR, Treasurer

DOVER DISTRICT, TABLE #3 (Continued)

List No.	Charge and Church	BENEVOLENCES (Continued)				Woman's Work		Church School Finances				
		Spl. Gifts to Gen. Benevolences (World Service)	Sp. Gifts. to Cf. Bnvl. (For Causes Incl. in Cnt. Bdg.)	General Administration Fund	Jurisdictional Conference Expense	Woman's Society of Christian Service, Local Work	Woman's Society of Christian Service, Sent to Conference Treasurer	Methodist Student Day	Church School Rally Day	World Service Sundays	Lesson Materials, Supplies, Etc.	Paid by Church School to All Other Causes
1	Bethel	12	3	3								
2	Blades	36	6	6								
3	Bridgeville	81	10	10	120	170	8		160	115	50	
4	Camden	67	8	8	225				82	96	83	
5	Canterbury	8		1						15		
6	Cheswold	39	6	6	290				95	157	159	
7	Clayton: Ews & Ds	11			420		24	17	47	126	129	
8	St. Paul's	44	7	7	215	5			135	100	100	
9	Dagsboro-St. George's	85	10	10						320		
10	Dagsboro Ct.	30	5		7	5				48	242	
11	Dover: Grace	12		3	233					7	12	18
12	St. Paul's	8	1	2								
13	Wesley	168		13	282	296	13	10	113	123	89	
14	Ellendale	30	5	5	407					75	129	
15	Farmington	30			300							
16	Felton	26	9	9	360	24			5			
17	Frankford	34	7	8	227					55	25	25
18	Frederica	9			90					80	50	59
19	Georgetown: Gr.-Heb.	11								92	125	
20	Wesley	140		13	136	44	10	20	300	120	300	
21	Georgetown Circuit	36	6	6						65		
22	Greenwood	27	4	4	425	5				114	98	
23	Grace & Cannon	36	6	6	315	45	15	13	50	200	100	
24	Gumboro				5					86	185	
25	Harbeson & Lewes		4	6	284	1				124		
26	Harrington: Asbury	100	6	9	218	20	10	10	335	413	23	
27	Trinity	67	7	5	455	10		10	63	112	28	
28	Houston	33	6	6				5	131	95	30	
29	Indian River	4		1								
30	Kenton & Hartley	41	4		684	11				44		
31	Laurel: Centenary	189	13	13	211	231	5		40	210	390	
32	Christ-Portsville	124		9	114	40			222	78	75	
33	Laurel Circuit	42	5		322					60	150	
34	Leipsic	4	1	1						10		
35	Lewes, Bethel	81	9	9		20			126	260		
36	Lincoln City	56	6	6	150					178	85	
37	Magnolia & Bar. Cp.	63	2	7	1170	5		5		156	14	
38	Middletown	22	10	10	608	155				130		
39	Milford: Avenue	128	16		564	100	22	12	195	495		
40	Calvary	80	8	8	741	77				347		
41	Milford Neck									8	22	
42	Millsboro	93	9	9	96	25	5		189	254		
43	Milton: Goshen	79	7	7	125	30	5	5	101	77	36	
44	Grace	52	1	1	25	5	5	5	5	100	125	
45	Mt. Pleasant	54	7		853					99		
46	Mt. Zion	6										
47	Nassau & Unity	46	3	3	955	3			14	42		
48	Ocean View-Mill'e	74	8	8						135	275	
49	Odessa	58	5	7	269	44	10	7	109	128		
50	Rehoboth	54	7	7	30					63	71	
51	Roxanna	146	8	8	498					218		
52	Seaford: Mt. Olivet-Geth.	110	11	11	360	61				145	124	
53	St. John's	138	13	13	77	157				149	106	
54	Seaford Ct.	73	5		896	5			84	400	200	
55	Selbyville	115	12	12	110	150			200	104	159	
56	Smyrna	114		13	77	151	15	10		108	34	
57	Townsend	62	8		481	13				110	45	
58	Whitesville	10			325					150		
59	Woodside	5	1		150					8	25	
60	Wyoming	56	7	7	180	46				125	150	100
61	Zoar	6								18	26	
Total.....		3415	265	322	15405	1959	162	255	3266	7549	4156	

DOVER DISTRICT, TABLE #3 (Continued)

List No.	Charge and Church	MISCELLANEOUS											
		Buildings and Improvements	Paid on Indebtedness, Not Including Interest	Paid for Interest on Indebtedness	Paid for Insurance Premiums	Race Relations Sunday	Other Current Expenses and Incidentals	Home for Aged	Hospital	Orphanage	Contingent Relief	Other Items	Grand Total for Year, Less Any Items Reported Twice
1	Bethel												806
2	Blades												1747
3	Bridgeville		1100	16	50		990		10		27	5690	
4	Camden	150			30		300				8	3203	
5	Canterbury	50			3		56					453	
6	Cheswold	443			25		167		3		19	2911	
7	Clayton: Ews & Ds	90			52		148					1932	
8	St. Paul's	850			118		416		41	5	73	4096	
9	Dagsboro-St. George's	700						10	20		37	4004	
10	Dagsboro Ct.	24			30							1683	
11	Dover: Grace	106	84	81	26		125					1388	
12	St. Paul's						100					566	
13	Wesley	3155		60	82		1810		50		53	10570	
14	Ellendale	300			64							2295	
15	Farmington											1685	
16	Felton	1080			42							3958	
17	Frankford	130			36		200					2788	
18	Frederica											1683	
19	Georgetown: Gr.-Heb.			222			405					2994	
20	Wesley	262		30	74		530	10	10	10	55	6406	
21	Georgetown Circuit	800										2122	
22	Greenwood	485			15							2982	
23	Grace & Cannon	50	25		48		400					3358	
24	Gumboro	624			107		249					1847	
25	Harbeson & Lewes	200					150	10				2352	
26	Harrington: Asbury				58		200					4861	
27	Trinity	668	70	5	116			44	19		36	4422	
28	Houston	950			118		475					1678	
29	Indian River											472	
30	Kenton & Hartley	120					30					3037	
31	Laurel: Centenary	312	150	45	27		151		4		25	8178	
32	Christ-Portsville	610			62		1914	20	27		25	3520	
33	Laurel Circuit	168	200	140	67							2008	
34	Leipsic	200			17		15					367	
35	Lewes, Bethel				10		75		2			5887	
36	Lincoln City	400	300	36	158		1525		4		5	3167	
37	Magnolia & Bar. Cp.	600			85		300					5379	
38	Middletown	1900										5735	
39	Milford: Avenue	1900			140							6606	
40	Calvary	480	218	173	8		700		40		15	5026	
41	Milford Neck											329	
42	Millsboro	208	632				413	20	5		25	2799	
43	Milton: Goshen	125			30	3	360		6		20	3189	
44	Grace				17		225	6			1	2248	
45	Mt. Pleasant	514	179		30							3589	
46	Mt. Zion	65						50	2			507	
47	Nassau & Unity						430					3877	
48	Ocean View-Mill'e				45		416	20	15		17	4383	
49	Odessa	1185			68		290					3138	
50	Rehoboth	169			40		118		10			2465	
51	Roxanna	52			87							3700	
52	Seaford: Mt. Olivet-Geth.	161	23	83			547					7865	
53	St. John's	3002			120							6518	
54	Seaford Ct.		1400	60	58				15		8	3864	
55	Selbyville	204			120							5789	
56	Smyrna	400			156	10	650		56	5	15	6995	
57	Townsend	523	325	188	101		1539					3424	
58	Whitesville		325	18	50		400		9			1851	
59	Woodside	50	100		25		100					406	
60	Wyoming											2944	
61	Zoar	250			60							460	
Total.....		24715	5099	11992	615	13	17266	6	267	357	20	523	206192

SALISBURY DISTRICT, TABLE #1

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, Name of Pastor, MEMBERSHIP (Baptisms, Preparatory, Full Membership), and Total Full Members.

SALISBURY DISTRICT, TABLE #1 (Continued)

Table with columns: List No., CHURCH PROPERTY (Church Buildings, Value of Buildings, etc.), and INSURANCE (Insurance Carried, Churches Damaged, etc.).

(e) OTHER TREASURERS

TRUSTEES OF THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

May 1, 1941.

GENERAL FUND.

May 1, 1940, Balance on hand	\$ 233.06	
June 15, Loan from Bank	50.00	
Jan. 18, 1941, Redemption of Bonds	3432.18	
May 1, 1941, Income from Investments for year	602.57	
May 1, 1941, Reduction of mortgage	336.84	
Bal. from sale of property	12.00	
Credit from Holt Fund, postage	.10	
May 1, 1941, Total receipts for year	\$4666.75	\$4666.75

DISBURSEMENTS.

May 22, 1940, Trustees Beckwith Church	\$ 115.00	
Trustees Goshen Church	115.00	
Trustees Clayton Church	25.00	
Trustees Chesapeake City Church	60.00	
Trustees Parsonsburg Church	45.00	
Total to Churches from investments	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00
July 19, O. A. Bartley, Hist. Society	60.00	
July 30, Delmarva News, printing letterheads	5.00	
Aug. 30, Record books for Secy. and Treas. Seal, supplies etc.	16.35	
June 15, Renewal of Treasurer's Bond	12.50	
June 24, Payment of loan, Balto. Trust Co.	50.10	
Sept. 30, Oct. 10, Certified copies of deeds	3.75	
Oct. 18, Legal fee	25.00	
Nov. 3, Rental of deposit box	3.33	
Dec. 20, Melson & Killoran services, securing of Charter, costs, recording etc.	71.50	
Feb. 3, Melson & Killoran for investment	3750.00	
To May 1, 1941, Secretary & Treasurers expenses, travel, investment, postage, phone etc.	43.50	
Total Disbursements	\$4401.03	\$4401.03

May 1, 1941, Balance on hand in Gen. Fund check acct. \$ 265.72

SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

(Handled by check in Gen. Fund).

March 8, 1941, Received from sale Harbeson lots	\$ 205.00	
Mar. 18, Jas. B. Carey, Atty. fee, costs of sale	27.50	
Treasurer's expense in sale	5.50	
Apr. 3, Order of W. A. Hearn, D. S. to Trustees Beaver Dam Meth. Church, Harbeson, Del.	160.00	
	\$ 193.00	\$ 193.00
May 1, 1941, Bal. on hand, sale of Church Property and credited to General Fund		\$ 12.00

T. S. HOLT FUND.

RECEIPTS

July 2, 1941 Redemption of shares of stock	\$20900.00	
Special contribution T. S. Holt	100.00	
To May 1, 1941 Income from investments	1181.10	
Total receipts	\$22181.10	\$22181.10

DISBURSEMENTS

July 2, 1941 Melson & Killoran for investment	\$21000.00	
Mar. 1 L. E. Windsor, Treas. Bd. of Stewards	1170.00	
Apr. 5 Costs on Transfer of Mortgages	11.00	
Credit to Gen. Fund, postage	.10	
Total disbursements	\$22181.10	\$22181.10
May 1, 1941 No balance on hand.		

BARRATTS CHAPEL FUND.

SAVINGS ACCT.

May 1, 1940 Bal. on hand to savings acct.	\$363.26	
Jan. 2, 1941 Interest on savings	5.81	
May 1, 1941 Income for year from investments	63.01	
Total Receipts for year	\$432.08	\$432.08

DISBURSEMENTS

Sept. 20, 1940 Invested in securities	363.02	
Costs of investment	3.00	
Total disbursements	\$366.02	\$366.02
May 1, 1941 Bal. to savings account		\$ 66.06

WASHINGTON FOSTER ESTATE

Second Account of Roy T. Thawley, Treasurer of the Washington Foster Estate, debtor to the Estate

May 1, 1941

CORPUS

Mortgage # 1. Elkton Md. 6%	\$1200.00	
Mortgage # 2. Rising Sun, Md. (\$2300.00)	2204.43	
By action of Board 1939, interest reduced from 6% to 5%.		
Mortgage # 3. Elkton, Md. 6%	2000.00	
Mortgage # 4. Elkton, Md. 6%	3700.00	
Mortgage # 5. Elkton, Md. 5%	3700.00	
Total Corpus May 1, 1941		\$12804.43

RECEIPTS FOR YEAR. SAVINGS ACCT.

May 1, 1940 Balance on hand	\$403.00	
Income from investments	72.00	
Interest on savings	7.49	
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		\$482.49	\$482.49
May 1, 1941 Bal. to savings account		\$482.49
May 1, 1940 Bal. on hand check account	\$223.46	
Income from investments	549.50	
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Total receipts for year	\$772.96	\$772.96

DISBURSEMENTS

Insurance on Wesley Chapel	\$ 5.65	
Salary Pastor Elk Neck	.....	600.00	
Renewal of Bond	13.33	
Postage, travel, etc.	13.25	
Furniture for Wesley Chapel	24.50	
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Total disbursements	\$656.73	\$656.73

May 1, 1941 Balance on hand to check acct. \$116.23

ROY T. THAWLEY, Treas.

Audited and found correct
Hugh B. Kelso, Auditor
May 6, 1941

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

Dover District

Walter Asbury Hearn, Superintendent

RECEIPTS

Balance 5/15/1940	.....	\$189.94	
6/17/40 From W. H. Revelle, Treas.	.....	\$459.00	
9/21/40 Balance from Methodist Advance	60.04	
5/5/41 From W. H. Revelle, Treas.	48.00	
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		\$567.04	
Total Receipts, 5/12/1941	\$756.98	
Total Disbursements to 5/12/1941	\$590.00	
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Balance in Domestic Missions Fund, 5/12/41	\$166.98	

WALTER A. HEARN, Supt.

MAINTENANCE FUND

Balance 5/15/1940	.....	\$ —
5/12/41 Received from W. L. Overdeer, Treas.	..	\$165.00
5/12/41 Disbursements	.....	165.00

WALTER ASBURY HEARN, Superintendent
Dover District

Financial Statement of the Treasurer, Mutual Relief Association, Peninsula Conference, as of May 7, 1941

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand May 9, 1940	.....	\$ 457.53
Received during the year	.....	4,454.66
Total	.....	4,912.19

EXPENDITURES

Claim No. 2 Mrs. E. J. Bond	.....	\$327.60
No. 3 Mrs. Sarah Johnson	.....	349.00
No. 4 Mrs. John A. Wright	.....	350.00
No. 5 Mrs. Martie B. Dashiell	.....	347.00
No. 6 Rev. John A. Wright	.....	335.00
No. 7 Mrs. Sarah VanDyke	.....	333.00
No. 8 Mrs. Gertrude Dulany	.....	333.00
No. 9 Rev. A. F. Zimmerman	.....	333.00
No. 10 Rev. D. B. Prettyman	.....	333.00
No. 11 Rev. C. M. Cullum	.....	333.00
No. 12 Rev. J. L. Nichols	.....	333.00
No. 13 Mrs. Eleanor Betts	.....	333.00

\$4,039.60

Bond for Treasurer	.....	5.63
Redeeming returned checks	.....	3.00
Printing, postage, etc.	.....	123.73
Cost of incorporation & Seal	.....	27.25

159.61

Total	.....	\$4,199.21
Balance on hand	.....	\$ 712.98

This Balance is held as follows:

On hand in Assessment No. 13	.....	\$306.00
On hand in Reserve Fund	.....	395.98
Payments made in advance	.....	11.00

\$712.98

E. M. SHOCKLEY, Secretary-Treasurer

Dover, Delaware, May 7, 1941.

GROUP INSURANCE REPORT, May 12, 1941

Receipts

Balance on hand, May 16, 1940	\$ 635.79
Received from Conference Treasurer	3264.15
Received on premiums from men insured	828.70
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	\$4728.64

Disbursements

Paid Prudential Insurance Co. on premiums	\$4620.70
Paid C. M. Harris, Treas. (expenses)	12.11
Paid Easton National Bank (expenses)	7.50
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Total Disbursements	\$4640.31
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Balance, May 12, 1941	\$ 88.33

(This report was audited May 14, 1941 by Hugh B. Kelso,
Conference Auditor)

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

Rev. W. E. Gunby, Treasurer of Wilmington District Domestic Missions

Balance April 30, 1940	\$ 117.00
Receipts	891.04
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Total receipts	\$ 1008.04
Disbursements	1042.04
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Overdraft April 30, 1941	\$ 34.00

Rev. O. A. Bartley, Treasurer Peninsula Conference Historical Society

Balance May 14, 1940	\$ 108.54
Receipts	60.00
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Total receipts	\$ 168.54
Disbursements	141.60
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Balance May 5, 1941	\$ 26.94

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

Receipts	\$ 950.00
Disbursements	\$ 950.00

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

Balance May 15, 1940	\$ 386.29
Receipts	192.25
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Total receipts	\$ 578.54
Disbursements	160.35
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Balance April 18, 1941	\$ 418.19

Rev. L. E. Wimbrow, Treasurer Board of Ministerial Training

Balance April 30, 1940	\$ 236.65
Receipts	525.00
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Total receipts	\$ 761.65
Disbursements	432.56
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Balance April 30, 1941	\$ 329.09

Rev. W. A. Hearn, Treasurer Dover District Domestic Missions

Balance May 15, 1940	\$ 189.94
Receipts	567.04
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Total receipts	\$ 756.98
Disbursements	590.00
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Balance May 14, 1941	\$ 166.98

Rev. Roy T. Thawley, Treasurer Barratt's Chapel Fund

Balance May 1, 1940	\$ 363.26
Receipts	68.82
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Total receipts	\$ 432.08
Disbursements	366.02
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Balance May 1, 1941	\$ 66.06

Rev. Roy T. Thawley, Treasurer Washington Foster Estate

Check Account

Balance May 1, 1940	\$ 223.46
Receipts	549.50
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Total receipts	\$ 772.96
Disbursements	656.73
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Balance May 1, 1941	\$ 116.23

Savings Account

Balance May 1, 1940	\$ 403.00
Receipts	79.49
Total receipts	\$ 482.49
Balance May 1, 1941	\$ 482.49

Rev. Roy T. Thawley, Treasurer Conference Trustees

General Fund

Balance May 1, 1940	\$ 233.06
Receipts	4433.69
Total receipts	\$ 4666.75
Disbursements	4401.03
Balance May 1, 1941	\$ 265.72

Rev. C. M. Harris, Treasurer Group Insurance, Peninsula Conference

Balance May 16, 1940	\$ 635.79
Receipts	4092.85
Total receipts	\$ 4728.64
Disbursements	4640.31
Balance May 12, 1941	\$ 88.33

Rev. J. Earl Cummings, Treasurer of Easton District Domestic Missions

Receipts	\$ 526.43
Disbursements	426.43
Balance May 1, 1941	\$ 100.00

Rev. J. Earl Cummings, Treasurer of Easton District Maintenance Fund

Balance May 15, 1940	\$ 96.25
Receipts	348.75
Total receipts	\$ 445.00
Disbursements	\$ 445.00

Rev. E. M. Shockley, Treasurer Mutual Relief Association

Peninsula Conference

Balance May 9, 1940	\$ 457.53
Receipts	4454.66
Total receipts	\$ 4912.19
Disbursements	4199.21
Balance May 7, 1941	\$ 712.98

Rev. W. A. Hearn, Treasurer Dover District Maintenance Fund

Receipts	\$ 165.00
Disbursements	165.00

Rev. J. J. Bunting, Treasurer Salisbury District Domestic Missions

Balance May 15, 1940	\$ 127.00
Receipts	484.04
Total receipts	\$ 611.04
Disbursements	\$ 611.04

Rev. J. J. Bunting, Treasurer of Salisbury District Maintenance Fund

Balance May 15, 1940	\$ 6.88
Receipts	325.00
Total receipts	\$ 331.88
Disbursements	\$ 331.88

HUGH B. KELSO, Conference Auditor

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF HOME FOR THE AGED AT WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND TO MARCH 15, 1941

Balance in hands of Treasurer March 15, 1940	\$ 206.43
Received from Treasurer Maryland Annual Conference	3,010.00
Entrance fees from applicants received during year	2,175.00
Appropriation from State of Maryland	1,500.00
Net income from rentals of Baltimore real estate	779.34
Life insurance received on account of death of guests	849.96
Cash donation from Miss Emma Hogg	\$100.00
North Baltimore Church	58.00
Christ Church Chestertown	25.85
St. Johns Church Baltimore	200.00
Whatcoat Methodist Church	10.00
Mrs. William C. Scott	100.00
Total	\$ 598.85
Life insurance paid on account of death Miss Kate Murray	79.10
Total receipts	\$9,098.68

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid out for bills for table use	\$2,311.12
salaries and wages	2,993.49
supplies of all kinds	398.49
special expenses	1,375.44
ordinary expenses	1,416.08
Balance in hands of Treasurer March 15, 1941	602.06
Total	\$9,098.68

I also beg to report that the amount of the invested fund at the close of the year as appraised amounts to \$98,109.24, and the accounts have been audited by the following committee: Samuel B. Schofield, Eugene P. Makosky and George K. Mather.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE OF DELAWARE

Contributions from the Churches of the Peninsula Methodist Conference during the year.

The following Churches marked by an asterisk indicate that they have been visited.

*Asbury	\$ 12.00
Brandywine	15.00
*Bridgeville	27.00
*Clayton	73.00
*Cheswold	19.00
*Dagsboro-St. George's	37.00
*Delmar	27.00
*Dover	53.50
*Ebenezer	24.00
*Epworth	6.00
Farmington	10.00
*Georgetown	55.00
Grace-Wilmington	20.00
Harrington-Asbury	12.00
*Harrington-Trinity	28.77
*Hockessin	37.00
Holly Oak	28.00
*Houston	7.00
Harrison Street	75.00
*Kenton	25.00
*Laurel-Centenary	25.00
*Marshallton	75.00
McCabe	44.00
Millsboro	25.00
*Milton	20.00
Milford-Avenue	15.00
Milford-Calvary	8.50
Mt. Salem	11.00
*Newark	24.00
*New Castle	16.00
Newport	8.00
*Ocean View	17.75
Odessa	21.00

*Red Lion	14.00
Richardson Park	49.00
Seaford	8.00
*Selbyville	15.00
*Silverbrook	23.00
*St. George's-Summit	53.00
St. Paul's-Wilmington	28.00
Trinity-Wilmington	25.00
Union-Wilmington	59.00
Claymont	68.00

TREASURER'S REPORT PENINSULA CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Conference Year 1940-41

RECEIPTS

Balance May 14, 1940	\$108.54
August 2, 1940—R. T. Thawley, Treasurer	60.00
Total	\$168.54

DISBURSEMENTS

Oct. 8, 1940—E. C. Hallman—Stamps, etc.	\$ 11.60
Oct. 8, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Oct. 16, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Oct. 23, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Nov. 1, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Nov. 1, 1940—J. A. Prettyman, printing	7.25
Nov. 6, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Nov. 19, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	24.00
Nov. 27, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Dec. 2, 1940—Iva E. McGee, Secretary	12.00
Dec. 2, 1940—E. C. Hallman, Secretarial supplies	3.75
April 2, 1941—Farmers Bank of Del., Trunk storage	1.00
May 2, 1941—C. F. Eggleston, Treas., National Assoc. dues	10.00
Total	\$141.60

SUMMARY

Total Received	\$168.54
Total Disbursed	141.60
Balance May 5, 1941	\$ 26.94

O. A. BARTLEY,
Treasurer.

Audited May 14, 1941.
Correct.

HUGH B. KELSO,
Conference Auditor.

ACCOUNT OF L. E. WINDSOR

June 14, 1941

Peninsula Annual Conference
of Methodist Church

Gentlemen:

I have made a cash audit of the bank accounts of your Treasurer, Rev. L. E. Windsor, and find them as follows:

Deposits

In Farmers' Trust Co. of Newark, Del.	\$ 86979.94
Security Trust Co. of Wilmington, Del.	67473.50
	<u>\$154453.44</u>
Less: Checks Drawn	66233.39
Balance in Banks—May 16, 1941	<u>\$ 88220.05</u>
In Farmers' Trust Co. of Newark, Del.	\$ 20746.55
Security Trust Co. of Wilmington, Del.	67473.50
	<u>\$ 88220.05</u>

The balances in both banks as of May 16, 1941 were verified by correspondence. The receipts from the various churches and other sources were not verified by correspondence.

Yours respectfully,

JOSEPH L. PYLE,
Certified Public Accountant.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

In submitting the report of the Board of Conference Claimants we desire to call your attention to the following items:

We have received from the churches for distribution during the coming year the sum of \$46,988. This is an increase of nearly \$8,000 over last year.

Our income from invested funds has been \$20,452. This item represents a thirteen month year. Our year heretofore has closed on March 31st. Since our Conference year has been set to close on April 30th, we have made our year for income from investments to conform with all other items of finance. Taken on a twelve month basis this represents a substantial increase in income from investments over the previous year. This has been made possible by the close supervision of investments and the keeping of our payments on mortgages reinvested.

We have also received \$75 from the Chartered Fund and \$15 from the treasurer of the Ministers' Wives' Association. Our total receipts for the year from all sources are \$66,545.

We are responsible for the Annuity on 2754 years for the Peninsula Conference and 227 years outside. This makes a total responsibility of 2981 annuity years.

We desire to recommend to you that the annuity rate be set at \$20 per year of service. This represents an increase of \$2.00 per year. This also represents the disciplinary rate for the Peninsula Conference.

We have received \$50 from the trustees of Mt. Pleasant Church, Wilmington. This is to be added to the Endowment Fund. The Treasurer of our Board reports also that two wills have been drawn making the Board of Conference Claimants a beneficiary to the extent of several thousand dollars.

Your funds are invested in first mortgages on residences in or about Wilmington. There are no other investments than these. These mortgages are at the interest bearing rate of six per cent, and are monthly amortizing. There is practically no delinquency either in the payment of interest or reduction of mortgage. We have these mortgages together with insurance policies and other papers in a fire proof safe in the treasurers office.

An audit of the treasurers accounts will be made immediately after the adjournment of Conference and will be published in the Minutes.

We recommend that the sum of \$48,000 be apportioned to the churches of the Conference and that the same schedule of apportionment be used as that of last year.

We further recommend that the sum of \$3,000 be set aside to be used for necessitous cases during the year.

FRANK P. GENTIEU, Chairman.

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 Tonawanda, 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
To J. Thomas Kinder Memorial Fund	\$20,000.00
To Dr. T. A. H. O'Brien and M. Cornelia O'Brien, his wife. By children Dr. Theo. W. O'Brien and Miss Annie R. O'Brien	\$ 500.00
To Rev. S. M. Morgan	\$ 2,965.00
To Rev. I. G. Fosnocht	\$ 500.00

		Distribution of Conference Claimants Funds		
		CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES		
Date of Claim	Years of Service	Annuitant Claim	Special Fund	Total
MINISTERS				
1941	22	Adams, J. P.		\$440
1940	34 1/2	Bailey, J. T., Georgetown, Del.	\$440	\$440
1940	33	Baynard, O. T., Chincoteague, Va.	690	690
1931	34	Bennett, W. O., Hurlock, Md.	760	760
1922	32	Blake, Dorsey, Greenwood, Del.	680	680
1931	20	Briggs, W. H., 11 N. Clifton Ave., Elsmere, Del.	640	640
1932	27	Buckson, J. A., Rehoboth, Del.	400	\$320 720
1931	37	Budd, Henry G., Dover, Del.	540	540
1937	33	Clift, F. M., Preston, Md.	740	740
1934	39	Collins, E. H., Marshallton, Del.	660	660
1938	35	Davis, Howard, Lewes, Del.	780	780
1939	40	Dawson, George W., Middletown, Del.	700	700
1933	16	Dobson, C. H., Federalsburg, Md.	800	800
1941	38 1/2	Flory, C. I., Waynesboro, Va.	320	77 397
1935	30	Ford, D. J., Camden, Del.	770	770
1934	43	Geoghegan, J. H., Newport, Del.	600	600
1941	45	Givan, D. J., Snow Hill, Md.	860	860
1936	47	Hills, V. E., Weldin Road, Wilmington, Del.	900	900
1941	42	Hines, George, Oxford, Md.	847	847
1918	42	Hoffecker, E. L., Easton, Md.	840	840
1940	44	Holland, F. A., Childs, Md.	760	760
1931	10	Holland, F. R., Salisbury, Md.	880	880
1911	10	Holt, T. S., Federalsburg, Md.	200	100 300
1941	43 1/2	Jackson, Leolan, Ridgely, Md.	Claim Relinquished	
1924	16	James, O. E., Central Y. M. C. A., Baltimore, Md.	870	870
1929	38	Jones, George P., Mystic, Conn.	320	320
1940	29	Landon, Jesse P., 946 Chester St., Topeka, Kan.	760	760
1941	3	Mark, J. H., Clayton, Del.	553	553
1931	2	Marshall, C. S., Clayton, Delaware	60	240 300
1922	20	Matthews, W. E., Smyrna, Del.	40	164 204
1921	23	Moore, F. X., New Freedom, Pa.	400	164 564
1941	36	Morgan, Lewis B., Middletown, Del.	460	460
1932	37	Morris, G. A., Salisbury, Md.	720	720
1930	39	Nutter, M. D., Newark, Del.	740	740
1933	40	Outten, J. P., Laurel, Del.	763	763
1934	38	Poole, L. E., Snow Hill, Md.	800	800
1936	36	Poole, W. C., Easton, Md.	760	760
1936	39	Prettyman, J. W., North East, Md.	720	720
1936	28	Price, J. Thos., East New Market, Md.	780	780
	14 1/2	Reiter, C. L., 4219 Ivanhoe Ave., Baltimore, Md.	560	180 740
1940	27	Rice, O. B., Trappe, Md.	290	114 404
	35	Rood, J. A., Millington, Md.	540	540
1933	43	Rorer, V. E., 318 Sterling Rd., Elkins Park, Pa.	700	700
1935	42	Strickland, C. W., Rehoboth, Del.	813	813
1935	31	Taylor, E. B., Springfield, S. C.	840	840
1939	27	Willis, Ivanhoe, Marshallton, Del.	620	620
1927	39	Wilson, J. H., 9 Spruce Ave., Elsmere, Del.	540	540
1930	46	Wise, W. A., 317 W. 19th St., Wilmington, Del.	720	720
1932	43	Wood, G. E., Dover, Del.	920	920
1934	24 1/2	Woodell, W. R., Delmar, Del.	860	860
1936	37	Woodford, T. R., 311 Liberty St., Orlando, Fla.	490	490
			740	740
WIDOWS				
1915	42 1/2	Adams, Mary R., Rehoboth, Del.	\$638	\$638
1930	37 1/2	Alderson, Alphonsa M., 900 Park Place, Wilmington, Del.	563	563
1903	20 1/2	Avery, Lydia M., 1439 Jefferson St., San Francisco, Cal.	308	\$ 64 372
1936	44 1/2	Beauchamp, Bessie D., 810 W. 20th St. Wilmington, Del.	668	668
1934	39 1/2	Bounds, Minnie F., 800 W. 29th St. Wilmington, Del.	593	593
1926	18	Brewington, Ida V., Hebron, Md.	270	90 360
1939	16	Broadway, Fannie E., 200 W. 30th St., Wilmington, Del.	240	120 360
	33	Cain, Bessie, Clayton, Del.	495	495
1925	33	Carpenter, Annie V., Rehoboth, Del.	495	495
1920	23	Chairs, Sarah W., Bozman, Md.	345	345
1922	5	Cochran, Nora B., Hammonton, N. J.	75	75
1905	23	Collins, Mary E., 1607 W. 13th St., Wilm., Del.	345	15 360
1922	6 1/2	Compton, Blanche E., 741 N. 64th St., Phila., Pa.	98	82 180
1936	35 1/2	Cooke, Bertha C., 231 N. Rodney St., Wilm., Del.	453	453
	6	Crouse, Jennie, Denton, Md.	90	90 180
1941	43	Cullum, Mrs. C. M., Lewes, Del.	645	645
1931	13	Cummings, Mabel V., Tilghman, Md.	195	105 300

Date of Claim		Years of Service	Distribution of Conference Claimants Funds CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES	Annual Claim	Special Fund	Total
Date of Claim	Years of Service					
1929	13		Dawson, Emma M., 347 Ilchester Ave., Balto., Md.	195	69	264
1932	31		Derrickson, Addie T., Odessa, Del.	465		465
1931	22		Faulkner, Cora W., Delmar, Del.	330		330
1936	31		Greenfield, Ella K., Perryville, Md.	465		465
1936	30 1/2		Harris, Myrtle T., Elkton, Md.	458		458
1934	27		Hastings, Martha L., Seaford, Del.	405		405
	28		Hodge, Emma F., Crisfield, Md.	420		420
1932	26 1/2		Jones, Grace L., 8206 34th Ave., Jackson Heights, Long Island	395		395
	32		Jones, Anna, Delmar, Del.	480		480
1917	9		Lewis, Bertrude H., Laurel, Del.	135		135
1930	8		McCabe, Ada L., Middletown, Del.	120		120
1938	32		McDowell, Nettie W., 204 W. 31st St., Wilm., Del.	480		480
1930	49		MacSorley, Tryphena, 2209 Blvd., Wilmington, Del.	735		735
1917	23		Martindale, Sallie W., Salisbury, Md.	335		335
1920	32		Mitchell, Jennie S., Elkton, Md.	480		480
1930	25		Moore, Gertrude B., 4475 W. 12th St., Los Angeles, Cal.	375		375
1916	9 1/2		Murray, Pauline N., 932 N. 65th St., Phila., Pa.	143		143
1941	21		Nichols, Laura W., Newark, Del.	315		315
1924	26 1/2		Northrup, Lelia M., 913 Park Place, Wilm., Del.	398		398
	19		Owens, Sallie M., Salisbury, Md.	285	15	300
1934	35		Prettyman, Ida A., Galena, Md.	525		525
1882	8		Prettyman, Emma, Salisbury, Md.	120	120	240
1932	26		Prouse, Georgia M., Jarrattown, Pa.	390		390
	43		Randall, Matilda, Hobbs, Md.	645		645
1928	17 1/2		Reed, Emma J., 525 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster, Pa.	263	73	336
1937	9		Reese, Ella M., Frederica, Del.	135	165	300
1938	36		Richardson, Caroline A., Middletown, Del.	498		498
1919	28 1/2		Roberts, Mary B., Merchantville, N. J.	428		428
	12		Sherwood, Mrs. W. N., 908 Shallock Ave., Wilm., Del.	180		186
1936	28 1/2		Short, Mabel H., Milford, Del.	357		357
1929	34		Smith, Sanie M., Denton, Md.	510		510
	1		Smith, Rebecca, Salisbury, Md.	15	85	100
1935	4		Smith, Mrs. W. C., Penny Farms, Fla.	60		60
1936	29		Stengle, Mary G., 407 W. 21st St., Wilm., Del.	435		435
1935	36 1/2		Stephenson, Ada T., 300 W. 19th St., Wilm., Del.	548		548
1940	27		Sutton, Mrs. J. W., Princess Anne, Md.	405	60	465
1933	31		Taylor, Della D., Dover, Del.	465		465
1934	28 1/2		Taylor, Jennie G., 2916 Westwood Ave., Baltimore, Md.	428		428
1926	14 1/2		VanBlunk, M. Louise, Bonnie Blink, Cockeysville, Md.	218		218
	15		Walter, Isabella, Milford, Del.	225		225
1929	9		Walton, Sarah E., Bear, Del.	135	105	240
	37		Warner, Susan V., Salisbury, Md.	555		555
1918	20 1/2		Westerfield, Lulu V., Port Deposit, Md.	308	112	420
1923	9		Williams, Laura M., Buxton, N. C.	135	225	360
1938	26		Williams, Lida S., Cambridge, Md.	390		390
	4		Yingling, Ella, Laurel, Del.	60	60	120
1941	20 1/2		Zimmerman, Helen, Seaford, Del.	308		308
CHILDREN						
1930	9 1/2		McCabe, Charles L., Middletown, Del.	\$ 48		\$ 48
1941	29		Nichols, Anne, Newark, Del.	145		145
1941	29		Nichols, Peggy, Newark, Del.	145		145
1940	27		Sutton, John W., Princess Anne, Md.	135		135
1941	20 1/2		Zimmerman, Mary Ann, Seaford, Del.	103		103
1941	20 1/2		Zimmerman, Fred, Seaford, Del.	103		103

VII MEMOIRS

CLARENCE M. CULLUM

Reverend Clarence Manley Cullum was born September 1, 1862 at Zanesville, Ohio. In 1884 at the age of twenty-two he was converted in Hampden Methodist Church, Baltimore. Soon thereafter he heard the call to the Ministry. He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Hampden Methodist Church. During the eight ensuing years he preached as a licentiate in Baltimore. He was one of the local preachers who helped to organize Keen Memorial Methodist Church in Baltimore. In 1892 he was received into the former Maryland Conference and was ordained an Elder in 1893. During his ministry he served fourteen charges, two of which he served twice, giving forty-three years of active service.

He was married to Miss Mattie Taylor on June 13, 1882. To this union there were born four children, Clarence Manly, Jr., Wilson, Mrs. Mamie Garner and Mrs. Beulah King. A few years ago one daughter, Mrs. Beulah King, preceded her father to the mansions not made with hands. Brother Cullum fell asleep in Jesus on Thursday, March 20, 1941, at nine A. M.

His first appointment after entering the Conference was Mt. Nebo, Pennsylvania. His last appointment was Clayton, Delaware. Because of ill health in 1935 at the age of seventy-one years he asked his Conference for Superannuation Relationship which was granted with much regret.

His greatest pleasure was to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He told me that he remembered when the Holy Spirit came upon him and became the power of his preaching. Brother Cullum had great faith in prayer. For the last three years he suffered much in the flesh but without complaint. He rejoiced that Jesus was his Savior. Oh how he longed to see those to whom he ministered learn to know his Savior. Being a faithful pastor he was loved by all those whom he served. By using his feet as well as his head he brought them in, experiencing some great revivals. While pastor of Harbeson Charge Brother Cullum had a revival in which a score of people were converted. One member of his church told me he would never forget Brother Cullum because Brother Cullum led him to know his Christ. Shortly after he entered the former Maryland Conference, I became acquainted with Brother Cullum and in a few years we became intimate friends. Being a Christian Gentleman he always had a kind word for everyone and won his way into the hearts of his people. I thank God for such a brother Minister. He has laid his armor down, another must take it up. I am sure that he has heard his Father say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter into the Blessedness of thy Father."

Private funeral services were held in the Atkins Funeral Parlor, Lewes. The services were conducted by J. P. George, assisted by Wm. Leishman of the Presbyterian Church and C. W. Strickland. The interment was made in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Lewes, Delaware.

J. P. GEORGE

REV. JAMES LAWRENCE NICHOLS

Born: June 2, 1870, Oxford, Maryland.

Educated: Westminster Theological Seminary from which he graduated in 1900, later at Western Maryland College in 1927.

Entered the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1900, and was ordained in 1903.

Up until the time of the World War, he served the following pastorates: West Wilmington—Wilmington, Del., Dover, Del., Lynchburg, Va., Whaleyville, Centerville, Eutaw, and Seaford, Del.

He then entered the work of the Young Men's Christian Association with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, and did most acceptable work among the soldiers there.

Following the Armistice in 1918 upon his return he was appointed to Federalsburg, Md. in 1919. In 1922 he was appointed to Westminster and to Crisfield in 1926. He went to Milford, Del. in 1929 where at the beginning of his fourth year in this busy pastorate his health broke.

At the session of the Conference in 1932, he was placed on the roll of Superannuates, and remained there until his passing on April 2, 1941.

This is a mere recital in brief form of the record of the ministerial career of this man of God.

But how little of the tale is told in such a recital of historical entries!

Rev. L. B. Smith says of him: "Without irreverence or disrespect in any sense whatsoever, we can all say that Jim Nichols was a 'jolly good fellow,' with the definition of that expression reaching in him its highest degree of meaning.

"He was jolly, always full of wholesome fun and good humor. 'Happy am I; I'm always happy' would fit into his daily songs throughout his entire life. He did not let the shadows that inevitably fell across his pathway, shut out the light of God's countenance lifted upon him day by day.

"He believed with Henry Ward Beecher that 'Despondency is ingratitude, hope is God's worship,' and he agreed with Jane Porter that 'Life is a warfare; and he who easily desponds deserts a double duty—he betrays the property of man, which is dauntless resolution; and he rejects the providence of that all-gracious Being who guides and rules the universe.'

"Our brother was a devout Christian.

"To him God was a very real, and Jesus Christ was an ever abiding Friend—the best one he had.

"Implicitly he believed that God had written to him in the Bible, and that this blessed book was God's word. He was not at all ashamed to be called at times a bit extreme, provided it was in the direction of a strict adherence to the inspiration and infallibility of the Bible. He studied the Bible, and faithfully presented it in his teaching and in his preaching.

"Possessed with an evangelistic passion, he believed that the Bible contained the message of Christ to lost sinners, and that, when it was faithfully preached, it would make men wise unto salvation.

"He loved people, saints and sinners. The former he wanted to edify and help to grow more Christlike; the latter he wanted to see saved. The two tasks consumed all that was in him in a consecrated life and ministry.

"He was impatient with slow progress toward the right. His zeal and enthusiasm always kept paces ahead of his possibilities and sometimes his judgment. He would plunge into tasks that others would shun because of the difficulties and hindrances in the way. And if he failed he did so with his face set toward their accomplishment. This bold optimism never left him, even in the years of his sore affliction.

"He was a militant reformer. If necessary, he stood ready to resist unto blood, striving against sin.

"He was an uncompromising foe to public evils. Always at the forefront in every campaign against evils of all kinds, his voice was heard in pulpit and elsewhere, and when his voice was weakened by affliction so that he could not take the platform against it, he took it to the writing page, and his pen began to wage a warfare that was most effective.

"He never reached greater eloquence in public speaking than when he was arraigning a public wrong. In the language of Mrs. Hale 'His eloquence was classic in its style, not brilliant with explosive coruscations of heterogeneous thoughts, at random caught, and scattered like a shower of shooting stars that end in darkness.' No, his noble mind was clear, and full, and stately, and serene. His earnest and undazzled eye he kept fixed on the sun of Truth, and breathed his words as easily as eagles cleave the air; and never paused till the height is won, and all who listened followed where he led."

And what more might I say?

His passing came suddenly in his home at Newark, Delaware, on the above date.

Funeral services were held in Emmanuel Methodist Church, Westminster, Maryland on April 5, 1941, in charge of his pastor, Rev. O. E. Bartley, assisted by A. W. Ewell, Dr. F. G. Holloway, C. E. Forlines and Rev. L. B. Smith who made the address much of which is given in this obituary. He was laid to rest in the cemetery at Westminster among many of his friends and fellow workers.

J. W. TOWNSEND

AUGUST F. ZIMMERMAN

In the early morning of December 21, 1940, at the Dover Hospital, in the same city where he secured his education, and was admitted to the Conference, August F. Zimmerman passed from this finite life to the life eternal. Death resulted from a frightful automobile accident, which occurred in the morning of the preceding day on the Delaware highway north of Canterbury.

Brother Zimmerman, son of August F., and Barbara M. Zimmerman, was born May 2, 1893, and received his religious training in the Lutheran Church in Baltimore. In the upper teen age he found his way to the Wesley Collegiate Institute, which became to him in the largest degree an alma mater. Here he graduated in 1915, and spent the next two years in Dickinson College. In following the Conference Course of Study, he was a pioneer student in the Summer School of Ministerial Training at Ocean Grove, N. J., 1922.

The Wilmington Conference in 1918 admitted him on trial. Four years thereafter he was ordained a deacon, and on the 30th of March, 1924 he was ordained as an elder. Nassau, Bishopville, Stockton, Mt. Vernon, Smith's Island, Ocean City, East New Market, and Seaford Circuit were blessed with his ministry.

On February 20, 1918, he was married to Miss Helen E. Brown, who with the four children, Leah Isabelle, Barbara, Mary Anne, and Howard survive to mourn the tragic loss, and cherish the memory of this servant of the Church.

So far as a person can, by force of will and labor, make a contribution to the developing of his own personality, it can be truthfully said he was a selfmade man. Lions stood in his path, yet through faith and works he overcame. He sensed the best, and served with all his faculties.

In labors he was abundant. To toil of muscle and mind he was no stranger, or rebel. On Smith's Island he was a veritable Atlas for bearing heavy loads. The children were small, details of three churches exacting, the economic condition terrific, because of the general depression, and storms, yet he did not complain. He went further and kept alive the torch of public education by teaching in the public school. At the conference session he was a competent and loyal assistant to the Conference Treasurer.

Nature richly endowed him with a voice adapted to singing and public speech. Tender emotions delightfully enhanced his evangelistic appeals. He made contacts at every angle of life. None could surpass him as pastor comforting the sick and troubled. He had fellowship with youth in sports on land and sea, and thereby won many to Christ.

He was happiest in his own lovable family. From their infancy to the last moment of life, he talked of his children. And labored that they should not be limited in life's struggle, and as they grew, and excelled in scholarship his cup overflowed with joy.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. A. Hearn, assisted by Revs. John L. Johnson, and E. E. Coleman, and Bishop William McClelland and the writer. Elaborate floral tributes, a large congregation, in which were friends from former charges and scores of brother ministers, bore impressive testimony to the worth of his life. He fought a good fight; he kept the faith.

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

JOHN J. BUNTING

REV. JOHN A. WRIGHT

Rev. John A. Wright, a retired minister of this Conference, whose death occurred at his home in Delmar, Delaware, Nov. 17, 1940, was born on a farm near Millington, Md., Nov. 8, 1859. He was received into the Mary-

land Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1892, and gave thirty-seven years to the active ministry at the following charges: Leipsic, Delmar, Georgetown, and Cannon in Delaware; Stewartstown, Pa.; Hallwood, Va. and Dorchester, Kemptown, Union and Hurlock in Maryland.

In 1929, Brother Wright retired because of physical infirmities, and for eleven years enjoyed a quiet rest with his devoted companion of over fifty years, until the union was broken four months before his death by the passing of Mrs. Wright, July 21, 1940.

Four sons and one daughter survive these godly parents. They are Mrs. W. E. Ritchie, Delmar, Del.; Harper K. Wright, Bridgeville, Del.; John A. Wright, Cambridge, Md.; George S. Wright, Media, Penna.; and Rev. Wm. F. Wright, pastor of Douglas Memorial Church, Washington, D. C., and Secretary of the Baltimore Conference. Three grandsons are in the ministry, Rev. Wm. J. Wright, pastor of the Methodist Church, Delta, Pa., and Revs. Malcolm F. and Harold B. Wright, who graduated at the Westminster Theological Seminary this month and will enter the active ministry as soon as they are admitted into the Annual Conference and assigned to pastoral charges.

Brother Wright did not have the advantage of a higher education, yet his messages always manifested a careful preparation, and were most effectively delivered. They were designed always to win souls to Christ and to build up souls in Christ. He preached and prayed with intense emotion, and when he did so, his hearers always felt that God was very near.

This man of God manifested a symmetry of ministerial qualifications. As a tender hearted pastor, he made friendships that neither time or distance was allowed to break. His good sense and excellent judgment made his appointment to difficult fields of labor imperative, because of delicate problems which had to be solved and real tasks in church building and remodeling, debt raising and other projects, which had to be performed.

Though handicapped by small salaries, this wonderful father and mother found a way to educate all their children, and to give them advantages which they themselves never received. It is to their honor that their offspring have not disappointed them, nor shown their investments to have been wasted.

John A. Wright belonged up front in the congregation of the righteous, because he was one of them well described by the Psalmist (Psa. 112: 4-6) in these words: "He is gracious and full of compassion, and righteous. A good man showeth favour . . . will guide his affairs with discretion. Surely he shall not be moved forever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance."

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. A. Donaway; assisted by the District Superintendent, Dr. J. J. Bunting, Rev. G. A. Morris, and Dr. L. B. Smith, who preached the sermon. Interment was in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Smyrna, Del.

G. A. MORRIS
L. B. SMITH

MRS. JOHN A. WRIGHT

Mrs. Annie K. Wright, wife of Rev. John A. Wright, preceded her beloved husband into their Heavenly Home, Sunday, July 21, 1940, from their earthly home at Delmar, Del., after more than fifty years of blissful sojourn together on earth. Before her marriage, she was Miss Annie K. Harper, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Harper of Leipsic, Del.

The home life of this wonderful couple, before entering the itinerant ministry, for thirty-seven years in the parsonages of nine charges to which they were appointed in the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, located in Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and for the eleven years they tarried together in their quiet haven at Delmar, was in every sense most beautiful. Five children and four grandchildren survive. They are listed in the Memoir of their father on these pages.

Mrs. Wright was a beautiful Christian character throughout her life, a quiet woman, devoted and tender, in whom "the heart of her husband safely trusted." Certainly she did "him good and not evil all the days of her life." Yes, she opened "her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue was the law of kindness," looking "well to the ways of her household," and eating "not the bread of idleness." No wonder, therefore, "her children arise up and call her blessed."

Her parsonage home was a rendezvous of restless souls seeking friendship and counsel in life's intricate problems. Her presence was a joy to members of the congregation in the pastoral visitations of her husband. Her aid was sought in every branch of the church life, and her testimony was always faithful witnessing for Christ.

"The Housewife" by Catherine Coblentz seems to contain her daily prayer:

"Jesus, teach me how to be
Proud of my simplicity.

Sweep the floors, wash the clothes
Gather for each vase a rose.

Iron and mend a tiny frock
Taking notice of the clock.

Always having time kept free
For childish questions asked of me.

Grant me wisdom, Mary had
When she taught her little lad."

Funeral services at Delmar, Del., were conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. A. Donoway, assisted by the District Superintendent, Dr. J. J. Bunting, and Revs. M. E. Hungerford, George A. Morris, and John T. Bailey.

Interment was in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Smyrna, Del.

G. A. MORRIS
L. B. SMITH

MRS. ELNORA BETTS

Mrs. Elnora Betts was born at Roxana, Del., June 2, 1861. She was the daughter of David and Furnetty Green. She was educated in the public schools of Delaware, and when she was thirteen years old was converted and joined the church. On September 5, 1878, she became the wife of the Rev. Artemas Washington Betts, an honored minister of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and for fifty-seven years, until his death on July 26, 1935, she shared with him the joys and sorrows incident to the life of a Methodist itinerant. She was a real helpmate to her husband, a faithful co-worker with him in the high calling of the Christian ministry, and his comfort and inspiration during the long years of their earthly pilgrimage together. After his death, she lived on for a while in the little home they had built at Grove, in Caroline County, Maryland, and then divided her time for the remaining years of her life among her five children.

It was at the home of her son, Martin G. Betts, at Denton, Maryland, that she finished her course on earth, and on April 10, 1941, she departed to be "forever with the Lord" and to join her devoted companion in the heavenly home. Rev. T. J. Turkington, pastor of Grace Church, Denton, and the Rev. H. H. Schauer, pastor of Caroline Charge in the same County, visited her in her last illness and found her fully prepared for her impending translation. Funeral services were held in the former Methodist Protestant Church at Dagsboro, Delaware, and were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Ziba Adams. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Millsboro, Delaware. She is survived by the following children: David L. of Dagsboro, Delaware; Calvin L. of Grove, Maryland; Artemas R. of Crisfield, Maryland; Martin G. of Denton, Maryland, and Mrs. Harry Evans, of Roxana, Delaware.

Mrs. Betts, being friendly herself, had a wide circle of friends, with whom she kept in touch through personal correspondence, and the many letters and cards which she received attested the expansive outreach of her winsome personality. She was extremely fond of children, and they were instinctively drawn to her by her kindly interest in them. A beautiful spirit of Christian charity, which was a predominant feature of her character, revealed itself in a practical solicitude for the poor and needy, and, like the beloved Dorcas of New Testament history, she was "full of good works and almsdeeds which she did." She loved her Lord, her church, her family and her fellowmen, and manifested that love in faithful, loyal and devoted service.

Mrs. Betts has entered into that eternal rest that remaineth to the people of God, there to lay her precious sheaves at the Master's feet and receive from His precious hands "the crown of glory that fadeth not away." She has joined the white-robed multitude of the redeemed who are "before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in his temple. And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads . . . and they shall reign for ever and ever."

C. M. ELDERDICE.

MARTIE B. DASHIELL

Martie B. Barton was born in Hillsboro, Maryland, on December 21, 1873, in which community she grew to young womanhood. Her grammar school days were spent at home under the instructions of a governess, following which she attended Wesleyan Female Institute, Staunton, Virginia.

When she was 24 years of age she was married to the Reverend Edward H. Dashiell, and followed with him the experiences of a Methodist Ministry until his death.

The last few years of Mrs. Dashiell's life were spent in New York City where she was actively engaged and busily worked each day. Her unflagging zeal sustained her even in her illness. Until within a few days of her death she continued in active work. She died on the 13th of November, 1940. Funeral services were held in Salisbury where she had lived for six years in the District Parsonage, and where she had many friends. She rests in Parsons Cemetery where the dust of her late husband is likewise interred. She leaves one daughter, Miss M. Adela Dashiell of New York City.

H. P. FOX.

ELIZABETH WEST GUTHRIE

Elizabeth West Guthrie, daughter of John W. and Phoebe Ann Coates, was born October 18, 1861, on a farm in Sussex County, Delaware. When she was a small child, her parents moved near Harmony, Caroline County, Maryland, where they continued to farm.

She was educated in the public Schools of Caroline County, Maryland, and reared in the environment of a Christian home and community.

At the early age of eight years she came under the influence of the Holy Spirit being converted to the Christian life of service and righteousness. Through the years she nurtured her spiritual life by her fidelity to the Sunday School and Church. Faithfully she served as a teacher in the Church School for many years, until overtaken by death at her home at Kenton, Delaware, February 10, 1941.

On November 25, 1886, she was married to The Rev. William B. Guthrie and thereafter for thirty-four years and four months co-labored with her husband in the Service of the Lord and the work of the Kingdom until Rev. Guthrie retired in 1921 at which time they made their home in Kenton, Delaware.

Her beloved husband preceded Mrs. Guthrie in the journey to the "City not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens" on March 30, 1928.

Mother Guthrie is survived by five children, two of whom are residing in Maryland and three in Pennsylvania.

Her Faith was indeed fixed on nothing less than Jesus blood and righteousness, and she triumphantly faced the future happy in the consolation that,

"It is not death to die, To leave this weary
road,

And midst the brotherhood on high, To be at
home with God.

Jesus, thou Prince of Life, Thy chosen can-
not die!

Like Thee, they conquer in the strife, To
reign with Thee on high."

ROBERT G. CONNER.

MRS. SARAH R. JOHNSON

Mrs. Sarah R. Johnson, the widow of Reverend W. W. Johnson, passed out of her sufferings to be with her Lord on June 1, 1940 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Naomi Marsh. Mrs. Johnson was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter R. Hornéy. She was born August 1, 1859, in Grasonville, Maryland, was converted in her teens, and was united with Grasonville Methodist Church. Mrs. Johnson was married on May 20, 1884, to W. W. Johnson. To this union there were two daughters, Flossie Joseph and Naomi Marsh. Her husband preceded her to the sunlit eternity twenty years ago.

She was an ardent worker in the church. Not only satisfied with her Christian life, she would speak to others about her Lord and their soul. Mrs. Johnson was much loved by the people wherever she went. During the Johnson's pastorate in Lewes, Delaware, the Groome Memorial Church was erected and today stands as a memorial to them. The members of this church say that Mrs. Johnson worked faithfully with her husband. Visiting during her illness I found her to be in fine spirits. Mrs. Johnson transferred her membership to Groome Memorial Methodist Church and ever proved faithful to the end.

Her funeral service was held in the Atkins' Funeral Parlor on June 1, 1940 at 2 P. M. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, the writer of this memoir. The interment was made in the Lewes Methodist Cemetery.

She now rests from her labors and is enjoying the eternal rest with her loved ones and her Saviour.

Where she hath gone
No evening shadows linger cold and gray;
No winds of winter chill the summer day;
A fadeless springtime blooms upon the way
Where she hath gone

Where she hath gone
No wailing note awaketh sigh or moan;
The old glad songs take up a gladder tone,
There's laughter, sweeter far than we have known
Where she hath gone

Where she hath gone
We, too, some day will go if we so will,
And while transcendent raptures through us thrill
Our souls shall meet, redeemed, yet loving still
Where she hath gone

J. P. GEORGE.

MARY J. KENNEY

Mary J. Suydam Kenney, widow of the late Rev. Wm. H. Kenney, passed on to her Heavenly Home, December 23, 1940. Until her last hour she was tenderly cared for by her daughter, Mrs. Florence K. Rowland, in whose home she died at Collingsdale, Pa. The body of Mrs. Kenney was laid to rest by the side of her husband in the Red Men's Cemetery, Selbyville, Del. The funeral services were in charge of the Rev. Stuart Thomas of Central Methodist Church, Collingsdale, Pa., and the Rev. Roy T. Thawley, Salem Methodist Church, Selbyville, Del., of which Mrs. Kenney was a member at the time of her transition to the church triumphant.

Mrs. Kenney was born at Dubuque, Ia., October 7, 1856. After living some years in Prescott, Wisconsin she moved to Philadelphia, Pa., where in due course of time she met her future husband, Wm. H. Kenney. After their marriage in 1885 they moved to Baltimore, Md., where Mr. Kenney engaged in business. However, in early life, he had felt a definite call to the ministry to which he now yielded. After serving acceptably as a supply minister he was made a full member of the Wilmington Conference and ordained elder in 1905. The married life of the Kenneys was one of complete happiness. Having the sure foundation of conversion in early life, Mrs. Kenney fitted beautifully into all her parish responsibilities throughout their ministry together. Her faith was serene, a reflection of her favorite verse in Psalm 16, "The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places, yea I have a goodly heritage." One could fittingly summarize the motives and activities of her whole life by using the words of our Lord who said of another woman, "She hath done what she could."

After the death of Brother Kenney in 1918, Mrs. Kenney was made welcome in the homes of her two daughters, Mrs. Florence K. Rowland, Collingsdale, Pa., and Mrs. Alice S. Alexander of Wilmington, Del. And so we may say, as one privileged to be intimate with the family of Brother and Sister Kenney.

"More homelike seems the vast unknown
Since they have entered there;
To follow them is not so hard
Wherever they may fare.
They cannot be where God is not,
On any sea or shore,
Whate'er betides, thy love abides,
Our God, forever more."

W. H. BRIGGS

SARAH HALL VANDYKE

Sarah Hall VanDyke was born at Fairmount, Md., June 21, 1872. Her parents, John and Mary E. Hall, were folk of deep religious convictions and instilled the principles of the Christian life in the hearts and minds of their children early in life. Thus the subject of this memoir came into a deep and rich Christian experience while still a child. She became a teacher in the Sunday School in her early teens and thus early in life began a life of Christian work and service.

She graduated from the Fairmount Academy in June, 1890, and in September of that same year entered what was then known as the Wilmington Conference Academy. It was there the writer first met her—we were classmates—and for three years had the opportunity to observe and mark her noble character, her Christian zeal and fervor, her loyalty to the moral and religious convictions she possessed as the result of her early training in a Christian home.

After graduating from the Conference Academy she taught in the Public Schools of Somerset County, Md. for two years. On August 15th, 1895 she married the Rev. T. R. VanDyke, which event culminated a beautiful romance which began while they were both students at the Conference Academy. Bro. VanDyke at that time was stationed at Oxford, Md. and it was there she began her life as the wife of an itinerant minister, to share with him in the toils and pleasures of the itinerancy. With an undaunted faith she went forward in the path of duty and sacrifice, leaving in the various charges they served the radiance and fragrance of a beautiful, devoted, conscientious Christian life. She always did what she could to advance the cause of Christ.

As a wife she was indeed a helpmeet. The writer visited their home at various times and rarely has it been our privilege to visit in homes where we found greater devotion or more beautiful family spirit, and Christian loyalty. The romance of their youth seemed to linger through all the years they journeyed together. Her home was pervaded by the atmosphere of Christian affection and genuine hospitality.

As a mother she was loving and gentle but conscientious. And we are sure the words of the Wise Man will be fulfilled in her case, viz. "Her children rise up and call her blessed. Many daughters have done virtuously but thou excellest them all."

While stationed at New Castle Sister VanDyke was stricken with paralysis. For ten years or more she was an invalid suffering at times severely, yet through it all maintaining a faith and patience born only of deep devotion and consecration to Him who is the hope of all who suffer. While stationed at Preston, Md., Bro. VanDyke died. It now seemed her cup of suffering was full to overflowing. Still she was calm and uncomplaining, patiently awaiting the time when she could join the loved one who had gone on ahead to prepare, as it were, for her coming. The daughter, Miss Louise, made a home for the mother in Wilmington, where she and the two sons, John and Paul, did everything possible for the ease and comfort of mother.

On November 28th, 1940, the Master said "It is enough, come up higher, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord," and she quietly folded up her tent and slipped out into the morning of eternal day, where

"There is a land of pure delight,
Where saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain."

Appropriate funeral services were held at the McCrery funeral home in Wilmington, conducted by Rev. C. N. Jones, assisted by Dr. W. E. Gunby, Dr. B. M. Johns and others. Her body was interred in God's beautiful acre at Old Drawyers beside that of her husband, there to await the resurrection of the just. She leaves to mourn her going three children, M. Louise, a teacher in Wilmington; John E., associated in business with Hearn Bros., Wilmington and Paul S., cashier of Provident Savings Bank, Preston, Md., and one sister, Miss Elizabeth Hall, of Chicago. And now—

"She walks in soft white light,
And summers high in bliss,
Upon the hills of God."

JOHN L. SPARKLIN

WILSON C. BUCKSON

On May 24, 1859, the village of Leipsic, Delaware received the announcement from two of its citizens, William and Levinia Buckson, a son had been born to them and was to be named Wilson C. Buckson.

He, like the other lads of the community, grew up as a normal boy; attended the public schools, and on gaining his majority, began to farm in the general neighborhood of his birthplace. This he continued to do until 1910. By that time the urge to preach was so strong, he enlisted in the ranks of the supply ministry of the Wilmington Conference.

In its simplest aspect, faith is a quest for values. To venture as far as trying to harmonize an individual life to God's standard and service, is consecration. In following such a course, permitting it to take you to the hard fields as well as the pleasant pastures, is of itself an ordination within the soul of such an individual.

Wilson C. Buckson made such a consecration. To venture into a new profession at fifty is in itself evidence of his faith. While not ordained by any bishop, he nevertheless had an inward ordination that fitted him for the task of leading the flock of God. His ability was unusual, and his achievements outstanding. He cheerfully gave of his best and unsparingly spent his strength for the cause he loved so much.

From the time of his volunteering to the day of his death, October 19, 1940, he continued in the ministry, serving the following places: Little Creek, Lakesville, Salem, Christiana, Hooper's Island, Vienna, Canterbury, and Viola, Reliance, Nassau, Lincoln, Houston, Whitesville, Little Creek, and St. Paul's, Dover, where he died.

His funeral service was held in St. Paul's Church, Dover, in charge of his Superintendent, W. A. Hearn. The following brethren assisted in the service: W. E. Gunby, E. M. Shockley, N. C. Benson, W. L. McClintock and the writer.

Brother Buckson was married three times, Susan Ann Ford Buckson and Alice Bradshaw Buckson, having preceded him in death. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Virginia Wood Melvin Buckson, one daughter, Mrs. Mamie Anderson of Cheswold, three sons, W. Sebrun and Harold of Dover; and Wilson Chandus of Cheswold.

His remains were gently laid to rest in old Bethel Church Cemetery near Cheswold. He is greatly missed by a large circle of friends, and somehow, Conference will not be just the same minus his genial personality and infectious laugh. He has entered into the joy of his Lord and his works will follow him.

Sincerely submitted,

E. C. HALLMAN

Laurel, Delaware.

March 27, 1941.

DANIEL BAGWELL PRETTYMAN

Daniel Bagwell Prettyman was born near Millsboro, Delaware, on May 13th, 1866. He belonged to a family in which Methodism was held in high and devout regard. Two of his brothers became ministers in the Wilmington Conference, Rev. A. P. Prettyman deceased, and Rev. John W. Prettyman, who is held in high honor and in deep love among us. Another brother, Mr. Joseph A. Prettyman, a layman of Laurel, Delaware, has served his local church with distinction as Superintendent of the Church School for many years.

Having attended the Wilmington Conference Academy as a ministerial student, Mr. Prettyman was sent to Taylor's Island, Maryland, his first pastorate. Here he met and married Augusta Travers, daughter of Judge Levi Travers. One son was born to this union, Mr. Levi D. Prettyman of Colorado. Upon the death of Judge Travers, Mr. Prettyman became a farmer for several years, during which period his wife died. On March 14th, 1918, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Travers, daughter of Professor William C. Travers, a member of the faculty of the Maryland Agricultural College. Their son, Daniel Travers Prettyman, is a student in the University of Maryland Law School.

Resuming the ministry in 1920, he was sent to Girdletree, Maryland, where he was pastor for six years; in Stockton he remained seven years and served the Trappe Church for nearly eight years. This record of long pastorates supplies the opportunity to secure an appreciation of the exceptional qualities of this man of God. His personality was genial and attractive. His genuinely gracious Christian bearing secured him a growing host of friends as the years advanced. He greatly cared for people and therefore constantly mingled with them and served then in many pastoral ways. He was a preacher of more than average ability, always placing well the claims of our Lord upon human life. He has gained for himself in the parishes he served a permanent place in the affections of the people. Surely another faithful servant has gone to hear his Master say, "well done!"

Brother Prettyman was promoted to Heavenly experiences January 14th, 1941. The funeral was held in the Trappe Church Friday, January 17th. His Superintendent, Dr. J. Earle Cummings, was in charge, assisted by Rev. W. D. Gould, Rev. E. C. Graham, Rev. O. B. Rice and Rev. Essell P. Thomas. He was laid to rest in the Travers family lot in the cemetery at Taylor's Island.

He walked with God, by faith, in solitude,
 At early dawn or tranquil eventide;
 In some lone leafy place he would abide
 Till his whose being was with God imbued.
 He walked with God amid the multitude;
 No threats or smiles could his firm soul divide
 From that beloved presence at his side
 Whose still small voice silenced earth's noises rude.
 Boldly abroad to men he testified
 How "the Lord cometh" and "the judgment brings;"
 Gently at home he trained his sons and daughters;
 Till, praying, a bright chariot he espied
 Sent to translate him, as on angels' wings,
 To walk with God beside heaven's "living waters."
 —From "Enoch," by Wilton.

ESSELL P. THOMAS

MRS. W. F. ATKINSON

Sarah Margaret Hudson was born in the vicinity of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland, January 3, 1856, in which community she grew to young womanhood.

Busy with the tasks and activities of a farm home she developed a keen interest in the work of the Church. At the age of 14 she was helping actively in the Church School, and under the pastorate of the late Robert Roe, she joined the Church.

The episodes and incidences of her girlhood were the usual ones for the young people of that time and place. In 1881 she was married to Reverend W. F. Atkinson, whom she had known for many years and who, like herself, was interested and loyal to the work of the Church.

In 1892 Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson decided to give all their time to the work of the Christian ministry. The first four years of this period were spent in evangelistic work and were highly successful. The remaining years until they recently retired were spent in the pastorate. The record of their experiences in the churches Mr. Atkinson supplied read almost like a modern chapter from the Acts of the Apostles. Her devotion, her practical common sense, and her unflagging zeal contributed largely to the success of these pastorates. When the time for retirement came for them, as it must come for all of us, every community in which they served were eager to have them return for the remaining years of their lives. They went back to White Haven where they had so successfully labored, and where they remained until last November when ill and feeble Mrs. Atkinson was taken to the Peninsula General Hospital in Salisbury. On the 28th of December she went to her coronation. Scores of people remember with increasing gratitude her kind ministrations and faithful devotion.

Funeral services were held on New Year's, 1941 at the White Haven Church, and her tired frail body was laid to rest in the historic cemetery at Princess Anne. Thus within the compass of a few sentences do we note a life of richness and beauty the full measure of which time can never tell.

E. E. CROCKETT
 Nanticoke, Md.

VIRGINIA CLARK CANTWELL

Virginia Clark Cantwell, wife of Reverend William S. Cantwell, passed from a beautiful earthly life to enter the glorious beyond, on March 3, 1941, at the age of seventy-nine years. Mrs. Cantwell, the daughter of Charles W. and Mary Kenton Clark, was born in Kenton, Delaware, on May 28, 1862. She was married to William S. Cantwell on March 19, 1890 and three children came to bless this happy home, Elsie B., now Superintendent of Nurses in the Chestnut Hill Hospital, Philadelphia; Nellie (deceased) and William H., a prominent business man of Wilmington. Mrs. Cantwell spent her entire life in Delaware where she made for herself a host of friends.

At a very early age she joined the Methodist Church and throughout her life remained true to the vows she took, giving always her best to the Master whom she served with a rare devotion and in whom she had such great and abiding faith.

It was the writer's high privilege to visit the Cantwell home often during and after his pastorate at Cheswold. During each visit, he was impressed by Mrs. Cantwell's cheerfulness, high idealism and particularly by her patient, constant and affectionate care for her blind husband whom she loved tenderly and for whom she was most solicitous. Many happy hours were spent by her in reading audibly God's Holy Word and other good literature for both Brother Cantwell's and her own inspiration and enlightenment. How she was blessed in this daily schedule for reading only the intimate friends of the family knew. One of the beautiful poems she read was later quoted frequently by Brother Cantwell in sermons to the satisfaction of his congregation:

"I have a friend so precious
 So very dear to me;
 He loves me with such tender love,
 He loves so faithfully;
 I could not live apart from Him
 I love to feel Him nigh
 And so we dwell together,
 My Lord and I."

The Cantwell home was a happy one. Always the home under Mrs. Cantwell's care was an example for the community in neatness, taste, and good housekeeping, but as a wife and mother, her life shone at its greatest splendor. Truly her son, daughter and husband will rise up and call her blessed.

Funeral services were held at the home of the Deakynes in Smyrna. She was laid to rest in the beautiful Odd Fellows Cemetery at Smyrna.

Such a life as that of Mrs. Cantwell will ever live in the love and life of her children and friends. She will also live in the church and the world which she blessed with her presence and love. She wrought well; she suffered patiently; she grew old gracefully; and she died in the faith of Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour.

The little poem of Maud Louise Ray epitomizes so well her attitude of life that I quote it in closing:

"To love some one more dearly ev'ry day,
To help a wandering child to find his way,
To ponder o'er a noble thought, and pray,
And smile when evening falls.
To follow truth as blind men long for light,
To do my best from dawn of day till night,
To keep my heart fit for His Holy sight,
And answer where He calls,
This is my task."

OTIS P. JEFFERSON

ELLA G. DULANEY

Ella G. Dulaney, widow of the late Reverend Henry S. Dulaney, entered this earthly life at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 25, 1852. She entered into her heavenly life at Salisbury, Maryland, November 20, 1940.

She attended a Presbyterian church and Sunday School at Philadelphia and joined the church in her girlhood.

She was graduated from the schools in Philadelphia and taught school at Shad Point, Maryland, where she met Mr. Henry S. Dulaney, who was in the mercantile business at Fruitland, Maryland. A strong friendship sprang up between these two and speedily ripened into love and they were united in marriage, November, 1879, by the Reverend Wilbur F. Corkran. To this union was born one son, Earl, who survives his mother and is now living in New York City.

In the spring of 1886, Brother Dulaney offered himself to the Wilmington Conference for the itinerate ministry. He was accepted. Brother and Sister Dulaney were appointed to Holland's Island. The success that awarded their labors on that island was nothing less than phenomenal. It marked the beginning of a long, successful ministry. For forty-five years, Sister Dulaney spent herself untiringly in sixteen charges of the Wilmington Conference.

While serving Grace Church, at Salisbury, Maryland, for the second time, Brother and Sister Dulaney celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in November, 1929, and were remarried by the Reverend Wilbur F. Corkran who married them in 1879.

After the death of her husband in 1932, Sister Dulaney located in Fruitland, Maryland, where she again gave herself to the work of Kingdom building in St. John's Church. She was an untiring worker for the Woman's Home Missionary Society and organized several in the charges which she served. She was a perpetual member of the W. H. M. S.

Mrs. Dulaney's christian life was one of devotion to her family and to her church. She attracted a large circle of true and lasting friends. In every pastorate she was a willing, efficient helper. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and a consistent friend.

Funeral services were held in St. John's Methodist Church, Fruitland, Maryland, by her pastor, Reverend Waldo L. Dise. She was laid to rest by the side of her husband in the Parson's Cemetery in Salisbury, Maryland.

I know thou art gone to the home of thy rest,
Then why should my soul be so sad?
I know thou hast gone where the weary are blest,
And the mourner looks up and is glad,
Where love has put off in the land of its birth
The stains it had gathered in this,
And Hope, the sweet singer that gladdens the earth,
Lies asleep on the bosom of Bliss.
I know thou hast gone where thy forehead is starred
With the beauties that dwell in thy soul,
Where the light of thy loveliness cannot be marred
Nor the heart be flung back from its goal.
I know thou hast drunk from the Lethe that flows
Through a land where they do not forget,
That shuts over memory only repose,
And throws from it only regret.

I cannot say, and I will not say, that she is dead. She is but away.

With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand
She has wandered into an unknown land,
And leaves us dreaming how very fair,
It needs must be, as she is there.

—F. A. BAKER.

VIII

ROLL OF HONORED DEAD
DECEASED MINISTERIAL MEMBERS

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

Entered Ministry	Name	Time of Death	Place of Death	Age	Years Effective
1908	John W. Sutton	Apr. 11, 1939	Princess Anne, Md.	63	27
1886	William R. Mowbray	Apr. 25, 1939	Wilmington, Del.	78	40
1907	Ransom P. Nichols	May 8, 1939	Salisbury, Md.	65	32
1876	Wilbur F. Corkran	May 10, 1939	Lewes, Del.	85	53
1883	Vaughan S. Collins	July 7, 1939	Wilmington, Del.	80	46
1885	Ellenzie C. Sunfield	Nov. 20, 1940	Wayne, N. J.	80	35
1892	John A. Wright	Nov. 17, 1940	Delmar, Del.	80	37
1918	August F. Zimmerman	Dec. 21, 1940	Dover, Del.	47	22
1892	Clarence M. Cullum	Mch. 20, 1941	Lewes, Del.	78	43
1900	James L. Nichols	Apr. 2, 1941	Newark, Del.	70	29

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HISTORICAL

(a) CONFERENCE SESSIONS

No.	Date	Place	Bishop	Secretary
Organizing Session				
1	Oct. 31, '39	Salisbury, Md.	E. H. Hughes	J. R. Bicking
Adjourned Session				
	May 15, '40	Wilmington—Grace	E. H. Hughes	J. R. Bicking
Special Session				
Jan. 22, '41	Dover—Wesley	A. W. Leonard	J. R. Bicking	
2 May 13, '41	Wilmington—Union	A. W. Leonard	J. R. Bicking	

(b) GENERAL

General Conference Delegates

1940. J. J. Bunting, W. A. Hearn, T. C. Mulligan.
Lay—Orlando M. Shockley, Bettie S. Brittingham, Wilmer Fell Davis.

Jurisdictional Conference Delegates and Reserves to General Conference

1940 D. W. Jacobs, W. E. Gunby, Winfred P. Roberts, E. P. Thomas, E. C. Hallman.
Lay—H. B. Wright, Frederic P. Adkins, Harry E. Walls, Luther Bennett, C. N. Satterfield.

Reserves to Jurisdictional Conference

J. L. Green, J. R. Bicking, Frank Herson.
Lay—W. L. Overdeer, Granville Hooper, H. H. Nuttle.

X

MISCELLANEOUS

(a) PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS

RULES

1. For General Rules governing Examinations and Courses of Study, see Discipline, 1940, Paragraphs 1095 ff and 1751 ff.
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 5th; for all written work received, by November 15th; all written work received and corrected, April 15th; all other work, both written and examinations, by Tuesday before 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 7-17. 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 student. Failure to get work into the hands of the Examiner when due, will mean a deduction of ten points from grade of paper, and no work WILL BE RECEIVED by the Examiner after it has been due more than fifteen days. 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 con-

currence 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. 1100. Members in full connections please read discipline, Par. 1099. Supply Pastors read Par. 1112.

13. The following table will illustrate the method in grading by numerals and letters. Send students their grades by letters; send grades to the Registrar by numerals only. See Rule # 3.

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 O. T. J. M. Kelso
- The Work of Preaching O. A. Bartley
- Psychology of Religious Experience M. W. Marine

Second Year—

- The Abingdon Bible Commentary N. T. R. S. Hodgson
- The Church in History M. E. Wheatley, Jr.
- Religious Education L. E. Werner

- a. Teaching for Christian Living.
- b. Pastor and Religious Education.
- c. Teaching Religion To-day.

Third Year—

- Pastoral Office W. L. Dise
- Paul and His Epistles J. J. Bunting
- Introduction in Philosophy C. M. Elderdice

Fourth Year—

Systematic Theology M. S. Andrews

- a. The Doctrine of God.
- b. God and Ourselves.
- c. A Faith for To-Day.

Social Salvation R. S. Hodgson

The Christian Mission in the Modern World J. M. Kelso

All written work on above books must be in the hands of the appropriate examiner on or before June 30, 1941, to be eligible to attend Summer School with room and board paid by the Conference. See Rules 6 & 7.

EXAMINATIONS FOR UNDERGRADUATES AT SEAT OF CONFERENCE.

Tuesday 10:00 A. M.

First Year—The Teachings of Jesus M. S. Andrews

Third Year—The Religions of Mankind E. W. Henvis

Tuesday, 1:00 P. M.

Third Year—The Church and Society Frank Herson

All written work on above books must be in the hands of the appropriate Examiner by April 1, 1942.

EXAMINATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL AT SEAT OF CONFERENCE

Tuesday, 9:00 A. M.

Life of John Wesley Frank Herson

Tuesday, 10:30 A. M.

Methodism in American History M. E. Wheatley, Jr.

Tuesday, 1:00 P. M.

Doctrines and Discipline R. T. Thawley

Tuesday, 2:30 P. M.

A Bible Biography R. E. Green

Written work on Life of Wesley and Methodism in American History must be in the hands of the appropriate Examiner by April 1, 1942.

Candidates will please send written Sermon to O. P. Jefferson, by April 1, 1942.

All papers submitted by the candidate will 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 31, 1941

First Year—Biblical Readings (See D. & H.)	O. A. Bartley
The Technique of Public Worship	L. E. Werner
Second Year—Biblical Readings, etc.	M. W. Marine
Beacon Lights	C. M. Elderdice
Third Year—Biblical Readings, etc.	W. L. Dise
The Art of Preaching	J. J. Bunting
Fourth Year—Biblical Readings, etc.	O. P. Jefferson
Christ's Alternative	L. E. Werner
Phillips Brooks	R. E. Green

December 31, 1941

First Year—Jesus of History	E. W. Hervis
Are You an Evangelist?	R. T. Thawley
Second Year—Psychology and Life	Frank Herson
Creative Men	J. J. Bunting
The Christian Enterprise Among Rural People	O. P. Jefferson
Third Year—Martin Luther	O. A. Bartley
Christianity Tested	R. E. Green
Fourth Year—Improving Religious Education Through	
Supervision	W. L. Dise
The Preacher as a Man of Letters	E. W. Hervis

March 15, 1942

First Year—The Story of Methodism	M. E. Wheatley, Jr.
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	C. M. Elderdice
Second Year—John Wesley: Sermons, etc.	R. T. Thawley
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	R. E. Green
Third Year—Religion in Life	M. W. Marine
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	R. S. Hodgson
Fourth Year—Religion in Life	M. W. Marine
Homiletical Work (See D. & H.)	M. S. Andrews

ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS

Accepted Supply Pastors are now required to take the Conference Course of Study Year by Year. Read Paragraph 1112—1940 Discipline.

Accepted Supply Pastors who shall have completed satisfactorily the Conference Course of Study will be eligible to Deacons' and Elders' orders under conditions indicated in Par. 254, and Par. 262, 1940 Discipline.

L. E. WIMBROW, Registrar,
Denton, Md.

FRANK HERSON, Chairman,
Milford, Del.

(b) CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER

- Rule 1. The Conference shall meet at 9.00 A. M., and adjourn at 12.30 P. M. But the Conference may, in its discretion, alter the time of meeting and adjournment.
- Rule 2. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference; but in case of such an appeal the question shall be taken without debate, except that the appellant may make a simple statement of the grounds of his appeal.
- Rule 3. All resolutions and motions shall be in writing, if the President, Secretary, or any two members request it.
- Rule 4. When a motion is made and seconded, or a resolution is introduced and seconded, or a report presented and read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference; but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover, with the consent of the Conference, at any time before amendment or decision.
- Rule 5. The motion to Lay on the Table, or to Take from the Table, and for the Previous Question, shall be taken without debate.
- Rule 6. No new motion or resolution shall be entertained until the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following motions shall intervene, which shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, namely:
- (1) To fix the time to which the Conference shall adjourn.
 - (2) To Adjourn.
 - (3) To take a recess.
 - (4) To lay on the table.
 - (5) For the previous question.
 - (6) To postpone to a given time.
 - (7) To refer.
 - (8) To substitute.
 - (9) Amendment.
 - (10) To postpone indefinitely.

A motion to amend shall be in order, and a substitute for both amendments may be received, which substitute may be amended only once, and if a substitute be accepted, it shall operate as an amendment to the original proposition.

- Rule 7. When a member is about to speak in debate, or to deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise and respectfully address the President, but shall not proceed until recognized by him.
- Rule 8. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, or uses personalities or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, and any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.
- Rule 9. When a member desires to a question of privilege, he shall briefly state the question; but it shall not be in order for him to proceed until the President shall have decided it a privileged question.

- Rule 10.** No person shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than ten minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.
- Rule 11.** When any motion or resolution shall have been acted upon by the Conference, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side to move a reconsideration; but a motion to reconsider is a non-debatable motion and shall be decided without debate.
- Rule 12.** No member shall absent himself from the service of the Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.
- Rule 13.** No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar of the Conference at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of the Conference when such member has been necessarily absent.
- Rule 14.** Every member who is within the bar at the time a question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, shall excuse him.
- Rule 15.** It shall be in order for him to move that the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending, except in cases in which character is involved, and if sustained by two-thirds, the question shall be taken.
- Rule 16.** The motion to adjourn shall be taken without debate, and shall always be in order, except, (1) when a member has the floor; (2) when a question is actually put, or a vote is being taken; (3) when the question is pending on seconding the demand for the previous question; (4) when the previous question has been called and sustained, and is still pending; and (5) when a motion to adjourn has been negatived and no business or debate has intervened.
- Rule 17.** These rules shall not be suspended or amended except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.

E. C. HALLMAN,
J. LEAS GREEN,
H. P. FOX.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL SESSION

Daily Proceedings

DOVER, DELAWARE

MORNING SESSION

The Peninsula Annual Conference convened in special session, at the call of the resident bishop, in Wesley Church, Dover, Delaware, on Tuesday morning, January 22, 1941, with Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions.

The roll call was taken, cards being distributed and collected for this purpose.

On behalf of the Cabinet Dr. Gunby presented and read the following resolutions. After discussion by several ministers and a word of explanation by Dr. John R. Edwards of the Baltimore Conference, the resolutions were adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, in the consummation of Methodist union the disposition of the headquarters building of the publishing interests of the Methodist Protestant Church in Baltimore has presented a complicated and involved problem, for the following reasons:

1. The building was designed, erected and maintained for the purposes of the Board of Publication of the Methodist Protestant Church but vested as to title in the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

2. One-third of the space was used by the President and the administrative boards of the Methodist Protestant Church and this space was vacated by the processes of Methodist Union.

3. The Maryland Annual Conference is now divided by mergers into six Conferences, leaving no single existing Conference responsible for the maintenance of said building.

4. That the reduced rental income is at present insufficient to pay operating costs, taxes, interest, and amortization charges since the financial support of the Maryland Annual Conference has been withdrawn due to the dissolution of said Conference; and,

WHEREAS, the logical solution of this problem is the acquisition of this building by the Board of Publication of the Methodist Church for the purpose of housing its depository in Baltimore; and,

WHEREAS, said building has been offered to the Board of Publication of the Methodist Church at a price equal to the indebtedness on said building, and negotiations are now in progress between the Board of Publication of the Methodist Church and the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference is reluctant to enter into any agreement with the Board of Publication without the consent and the assured cooperation of the Peninsula Annual Conference;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that a committee of three of this Conference be appointed by the presiding Bishop to act in cooperation with a similar committee of the Baltimore Annual Conference and the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Protestant Church in negotiating the sale of the property at 516 No. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., and that said committee shall have power to consent to said sale in the name of the Peninsula Conference of the Methodist Church, provided said sale shall contemplate the assumption of all indebtedness now outstanding against the building; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if after negotiations it shall be necessary to sell said building for less than the total amount of indebtedness then said committee is authorized and empowered to consent to such compromise, only with the consent and agreement of the Commission of World Service and Finance of the Peninsula Annual Conference.

W. E. GUNBY,
DISSTON W. JACOBS,
ESSELL P. THOMAS,
W. A. HEARN,
JNO. J. BUNTING.

Dr. J. Leas Green, chairman of the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance, addressed the conference on behalf of the commission.

Dr. H. P. Fox spoke in the interests of the Contingent Relief Fund and also the Mutual Relief Association. On motion, the secretary of the Mutual Relief Association was requested to notify the members of the Conference of the death of any of the ministers or their wives, informing them of funeral arrangements, etc.

The Commission on World Service and Finance was instructed to advance the cost of cards, etc., amounting to \$10 or \$15.

COMMISSION ON INTERCHURCH ACTIVITIES: On motion of H. P. Fox, the following were elected to serve on the Committee on Interchurch Activities: J. J. Bunting, W. P. Roberts and O. E. Jones.

MARYLAND SUNDAY CLOSING LAW: The secretary was instructed to send a letter to each of the Senators of the nine Eastern Shore Counties of Maryland urging them to vote for the State Wide Bill for inhibiting the sale of alcoholic beverages from Saturday night, midnight until 6 o'clock Monday morning.

DELAWARE LEGISLATION, THE SABBATH DAY: L. E. Windsor presented and read the following resolutions and on his motion they were adopted.

Dover, Delaware
January 22, 1941

We, the members of the Peninsula Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, assembled in special session, wish to re-affirm the action of the Annual Conference at its regular session assembled in Wilmington, on May 20, 1940, namely, that the Church cannot compromise with any

invasion of "The Lord's Day that violates the fundamental principles of Worship and Rest." Every time honored ideal in connection with the Christian Sabbath of necessity must be conserved.

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

We pledge our support to The Lord's Day Alliance, to its duly authorized representative, the Rev. Ivanhoe Willis, and authorize him to bring to the attention of our State Legislators and its several committees our unaltered and unalterable views towards the Sabbath, with the instruction that these resolutions express our sentiment and no other individual can speak for us.

We move the adoption of this resolution and that a copy of it be placed on the minutes of our Conference, and that the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of it to each Legislator of the State of Delaware.

COMMISSION ON CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT: W. E. Gunby announced that at a meeting of the Commission on Conference Entertainment the invitation from Union Church, Wilmington, for Conference to be held in that church was unanimously accepted.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE PROGRAM: W. E. Gunby presented and read the following resolutions which were adopted.

At a recent meeting of the Conference Committee on Entertainment an invitation from Union Methodist Church, Wilmington, was unanimously accepted for the holding of the session of the Peninsula Conference in May, 1941. It was brought forth at that meeting that the Committee on Program for the Conference Session does not exist, and the Committee recommended that this Special Session be requested to create such a Committee.

MOTION—"That the Pastor of the Entertaining Church, the Superintendent of that District, the Conference Lay Leader, and the President of the Conference Board of Education, and the Secretary of the Annual Conference constitute the Committee on Conference Program, and that Resident Bishop be a member in advisory capacity."

CONFERENCE LAY LEADER: W. E. Gunby announced the illness of I. Elmer Perry, Conference Lay Leader and on Motion the office was declared vacant.

Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, Bishop Leonard pronouncing the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION

OPENING:—Conference reconvened at 1.30 o'clock, with Bishop Leonard presiding and conducting the devotions.

Counselors or Adjusters. Bishop Leonard announced the appointment of the following as the committee of three to serve from this conference, they

having been nominated by the Cabinet: E. P. Thomas, S. B. Bradley and E. M. Shockley, giving them authority to elect their own chairman.

BISHOP'S ADDRESS:—Bishop Leonard addressed the conference on vital matters, including Overseas Relief, the Area Council, and items concerning the conference program and polity.

SALE OF HARBESON LOTS:—The following Resolutions were presented by W. A. Hearn and on his motion they were adopted:

That permission be granted to sell lots at Harbeson, Delaware, on approval of District Board of Church Location.

GOAL FOR COMPASSION DAY OFFERING:—On motion of W. E. Gunby, the sum of \$13,000 was accepted as the goal for the Good Samaritan Offering, this sum to be apportioned to the district and then to the individual charges.

Bishop Leonard then led in prayer, asking for divine guidance in the World Crisis.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING:—Bishop Leonard announced the appointment of Melvin E. Wheatley, Jr. to fill a vacancy on the Board of Ministerial Training, at the request of the Board.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADJUSTMENT:—W. E. Gunby read the report of the Joint Committee on Adjustment, to be filled with the secretary but not to be printed.

APPRECIATION:—Bishop Leonard for the Conference, voiced our appreciation to E. M. Shockley and Wesley Church, thanking them for opening their church to the conference and for all their courtesies.

ADJOURNMENT:—Announcements were made and the special session finally adjourned, Bishop Leonard pronouncing the benediction.

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