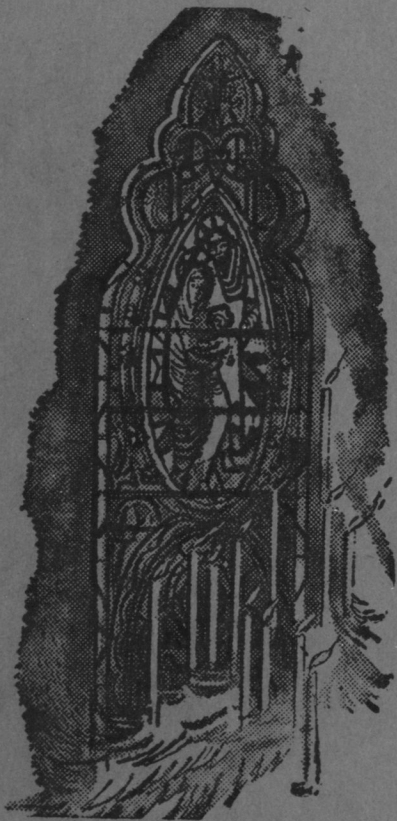


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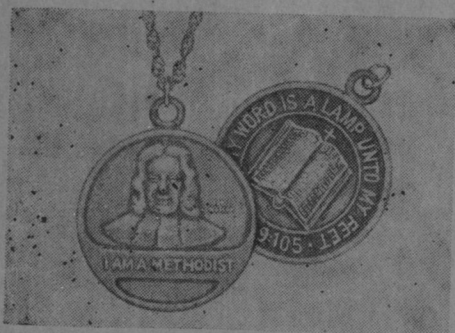


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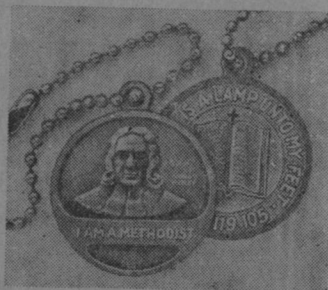
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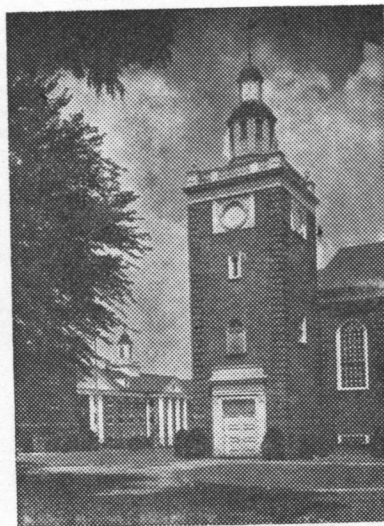
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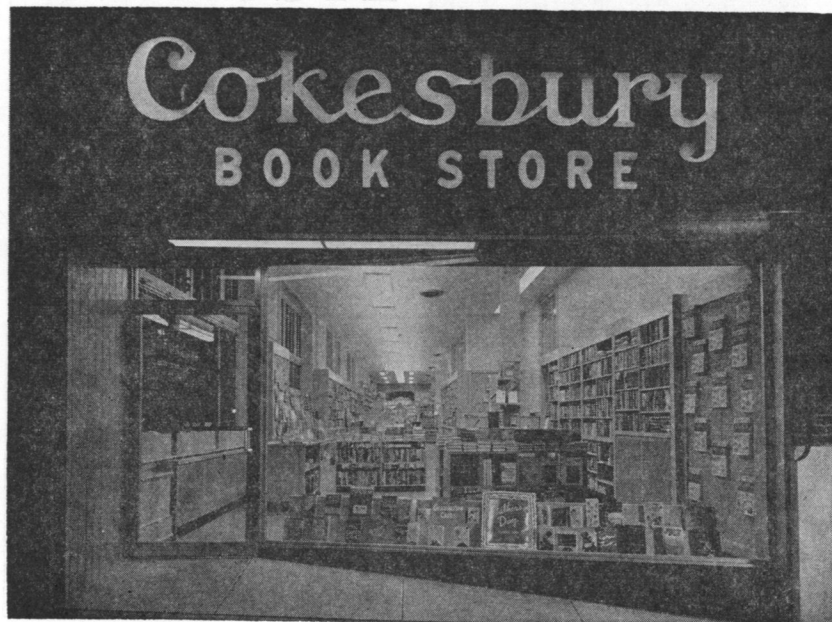
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- 1944 Perry O. Hill
- 1945 Ellwood W. Cursey
 1945 Rollan E. Ferry
 1945 William D. Geoghegan
 1945 William H. Reville, Jr.
 1945 Donzell C. Wildey
 1945 Howell O. Wilkins
- 1947 Alexander E. Dougherty
 1947 Rudolph G. Given
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- 1948 Gerald A. Foster
 1948 Edwin J. Horney
- 1949 Otho Gracen Brewer, Jr.
 1949 William Hemphill, Jr.
 1949 James Richard Hughes
 1949 Edwin Charles Thomas
 1949 Lloyd Bernard Troutman
 1949 Richard C. Staszsky
- 1950 Nelson Bayless Benjamin
 1950 William B. Bundick
 1950 Thomas Churn
 1950 Howard Ernest Evans
 1950 William Hitchens
 1950 Harry C. Jeffers
 1950 Ralph Leland Minker, Jr.
 1950 Charles Trader

- 1951 Alfred Jason Blundon
 1951 Donald O. Clendaniel
 1951 Arley B. Golden
 1951 Willard L. Robinson
- 1952 Richard H. Bready
 1952 Ira E. Doyle
 1952 Arthur Hastings
 1952 Robert C. Hicks
 1952 George H. Moore
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- 1953 Charles E. Covington
 1953 Daniel G. Higgins, Jr.
 1953 John A. Irwin
- 1954 Richard S. Gibson
 1954 Joseph V. Holliday
 1954 Francis T. Michels
 1954 Harold E. Nunemaker
 1954 Reginald H. Wheatley
 1954 Edward R. Wilkins
- 1955 Manuel Buarque
 1955 Leland Brooks Hall
 1955 Ralph Elwood Hughes
 1955 Charles Edwin Lashbury
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- 1956 Walter Hamilton Beckwith
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 1956 Howard Lee Gordy, Jr.
 1956 William Maxwell Tees Hankins
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 1957 George Clinton Godfrey
 1957 Robert Wilkins Helms
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 1957 Olin J. Shockley, Jr.
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Renner, Lawrence S.	(E)	Felton, Del.		2
Roberts, M. J.	(E)	East New Market, Md.		1
Roberts, William		St. Martin's	Berlin, Md.	2
Romine, Ralph		Crapo, Md.		1
Russell, Thomas I				
Seymour, Samuel		Rock Hall, Md.		1
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Smith, Robert		Charlestown, Md.		2
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 Carey, Niel, Pittsville, Md. Lynch, Harold, Frankford, Del.
 Carmean, Walter, Frankford, Del. Macklin, George T., Milford, Del.
 Chaffinch, Leonard, Bridgeville, Del. Martin, Oscar, Laurel, Del.
 R. D. O'Day, Ralph, Seaford, Del. R. D.
 Culver, Job, Laurel, Del. Pepper, Carl, Selbyville, Del.
 Dorman, Miss Wilma, Laurel, Del. Powell, Paul M., Delmar, Del. R. D.
 R. D. Richards, Clayton, Bridgeville, Del.
 Downing, Fulton J., Harrington, Del. Rogers, John R., Milford, Del.
 Duff, Charles, Clayton, Del. Shugard, Henry, Millsboro, Del.
 Dukes, Donald, Laurel, Del. R. D. Tingle, Elias, Frankford, Del.
 Dukes, Silas, Laurel, Del. R. D. Tingle, Harry, Berlin, Md. R. D.
 Faix, Tom, Milford, Del. Windsor, Granville, Laurel, Del.
 Faulkner, James, Laurel, Del. Windsor, James B., Laurel, Del.
 Kennedy, Kenneth, Laurel, Del. R. D. Winebrenner, Guy, Harrington, Del.

EASTON DISTRICT

Local Preachers

Cannon, Mrs. Bertha B., Cambridge, Md. Hurst, Donald Jes, Preston, Md.
 Kinnamon, G. Neal, Cambridge, Md.
 Costen, Harold P., Cambridge, Md. Poole, Roland S., Williamsburg, Md.
 Covington, E. E., Centreville, Md. Todd, Bradye R., Wingate, Md.
 Dobson, Howard M., Oxford, Md. Whiteside, Harold C., Cambridge, Md.
 Eldridge, Mrs. Ernestine, Federalsburg, Md. Wilcox, Clarence O., Cambridge, Md.
 Guyer, Mrs. Minnie, Fishing Creek, Md.

Certified Lay Speakers

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 Dorowing, George A., Rock Hall, Md. Rawlins, Raymond B., Greensboro, Md.
 Downey, Jesse B., Rock Hall, Md. Eley, Clarence P., Ingleside, Md.
 Harman, U. Lee, Marydel, Del. Todd, W. Monroe, Crocheron, Md.
 Lewis, James M., Wingate, Md. Turpin, J. Francis, Federalsburg, Md.
 Lord, Oscar L., Templeville, Md.

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 Maddrix, William E., Crisfield, Md. Howie, Miss Annie, Salisbury, Md.
 Lawson, Wilmer M., Crisfield, Md. Marsh, Edward, Rhodes Point, Md.
 Twigg, J. Herbie, Deal Island, Md. Marsh, Charles, Tylerton, Md.
 Hoffman, Moffit, Mt. Vernon, Md. Hall, Orlando, Bishop, Md.
 Turkington, Mrs. Emily B., Oriole, Holland, Miss Barbara, Stockton, Md.
 Md. Bishop, George W., Whaleysville, Md.
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 Smallwood, Woodrow, Showell, Md. Taylor, Wilson, Salisbury, Md.
 Riffin, John, Crisfield, Md. Smith, Richard, Salisbury, Md.
 Sterling, Harwood, Crisfield, Md. Brown, Claude, Parsonsburg 1, Md.
 Hoffman, Mrs. Agnes, Crisfield, Md. Wheatley, Robert W., Sharptown,
 Lockerman, LeRoy, Delmar, Del. Md.
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 Nichols, Charles Sr., Mt. Vernon, Md. Evans, Waverly, Tylerton, Md.
 Webster, Northam, Mt. Vernon, Md. Hill, Welton, Snow Hill, Md.
 White, William R., Parsonsburg, Md. Mills, Mrs. Pauline J., Chance, Md.
 Ayres, Russell, Parsonsburg, Md. Hoffman, Carl, Wenona, Md.
 Palmer, Harry R., Pocomoke City, Baker, Robert, Berlin, Md.
 Md. Palmer, Lester, Berlin, Md.
 Lynch, Robert J., Salisbury, RD 5, Palmer, Mrs. Lester, Berlin, Md.
 Md. McCabe, Charles, Bishop, RD 2, Md.
 Toadvine, William, Salisbury, RD 5, Lynch, Irvin, Berlin, RD 1, Md.
 Md. Hudson, Clinton, Berlin, RD 1, Md.
 Taylor, Richard, Quantico, Md. Jones, John, Berlin, RD 2, Md.
 Fleming, A. L., Salisbury, Md. Gillis, Miss Mary, Berlin, RD 1, Md.
 Messick, Donald, Salisbury, Md. Church, Lake, Salisbury, Md.
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 Hancock, Maurice, Salisbury, Md. Gladden, Herbert, Wenona, Md.

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 Campbell, Miss Emma, Wilmington, Gibson, Lawrence, Wilmington, Del.
 Del. Graham, Albert F., North East, Md.
 Carmean, James A., Wilmington, Del. Hanby, R. G., Wilmington, Del.
 Condit, Fletcher, Wilmington, Del. Harding, Dr. Earl A., Wilmington,
 Cook, C. W., Wilmington, Del. Del.
 Foraker, John O., Wilmington, Del.

Honeychurch, T. H., Wilmington, Roberts, Richard M., Elkton, Md.
 Del. Schneider, E. W., Jr., Wilmington,
 Johnson, Russell, Rising Sun, Md. Del.
 (E) Jones, Jasper L., Elkton, Md. Seidel, Dr. Geo. R., Wilmington, Del.
 Leader, James, Wilmington, Del. Seymour, W. W., Wilmington, Del.
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 Manuel, Warren, Wilmington, Del. Stevens, H. Ray, Elkton, Md.
 (E) Minker, R. L., Sr., Wilmington, Todd, Edward, Wilmington, Del.
 Del. Veasey, Don, Elkton, Md.
 Prettyman, George, North East, Md. Warner, Robert, Rising Sun, Md.
 Reynolds, Raymond E., Wilmington, Del.

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 Brown, Clinton H., Wilmington, Del. Del.
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 Cahall, William, Wilmington, Del. Del.
 Carmean, Wayne, Montchanin, Del. Meck, Harry Jr., Wilmington, Del.
 Curtis, David, Wilmington, Del. Norden, Arthur, Wilmington, Del.
 Deakayne, Aubrey, Wilmington, Del. Porter, A. E., Delaware City, Del.
 Foster, Clifford T., Jr., Wilmington, Randolph, Jack, Elkton, Md.
 Del. Roberts, Richard, Elk Mills, Md.
 Fuhr, Denny, Wilmington, Del. Robins, Chester, Wilmington, Del.
 Gill, Theodore, Wilmington, Del. Smith, Roy, Wilmington, Del.
 Hagerty, Clarence Jr., Wilmington, Sorenson, Vernon, Wilmington, Del.
 Del. Stierle, William, Wilmington, Del.
 Hollingsworth, Wm. P., Wilmington, Tarburton, Leon J., Wilmington, Del.
 Del. Trost, Henry, Wilmington, Del.
 Holloway, Carl J., Wilmington, Del. Turek, Paul J., Wilmington, Del.
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 Del. Del.
 Jenkins, Paul W., Wilmington, Del. Watson, Kenneth, Wilmington, Del.
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DOVER DISTRICT

Charge:

Bethel—(P) Harry M. Spicer, Bethel, Del.; Linwood Tyndall (R) Laurel, Del. R. D. 3.
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Bridgeville—Leroy Truitt, Bridgeville, Del.; Paul Lynch (R), Bridgeville, Del.
Camden—Frank Manahan, Camden, Del.; W. B. Simpson (R), Camden, Del.
Cannon—(P) Mrs. Horace Carmean, Georgetown, Del., R. D.; Roy Hill (R), Georgetown, Del. R. D.
Cheswold—(P) Gilton McCrystal, Dover, Del. R. D.; Clifford Anderson (R), Dover, Del. R. D.
Clayton—(P) Roy Rogers, Clayton, Del.; James Jones (R), Clayton, Del.
Dagsboro-Bethel—(P) Wilson O. McCabe, Dagsboro, Del.; Harry W. Bunting (R), Dagsboro, Del.
Dover-St. Paul—Norman Hammond, 1469 S. Gov. Ave., Dover, Del.; Mrs. Guy Spicer, (R) 36 Pine St., Dover, Del.
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Felton—Mrs. Lynn Torbert, Felton, Del.; Mrs. Katherine McGinnis (R), Felton, Del.
Frankford—J. Walter Carmean, Frankford, Del.; Elias Tingle (R), Frankford, Del.
Frederica—Mrs. Jeanette Webb, Frederica, Del. R. D.; Mrs. Dorothy Robbins (R), Frederica, Del. R. D.
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Georgetown-Wesley—Warren Wheatley, Georgetown, Del.; Klinton Kephart (R), Georgetown, Del.
Georgetown-Circuit—Everett Moore, Georgetown, Del.; Ralston Pettyjohn (R), Georgetown, Del.
Greenwood—Stuart Gibson, Greenwood, Del.; R. O. Mai (R), Greenwood, Del.
Gumboro—Robert Smith, Millsboro, Del.; John Revel (R), Millsboro, Del.
Harbeson—(P) Lawrence Mason, Milton, Del. R. D. 3; Mrs. Olga Davidson (R), Harbeson, Del.
Harrington-Asbury—(P) Fulton J. Downing, Harrington, Del.; Howard Wagner (R), Harrington, Del.
Harrington-Trinity—Albert Thistlewood, Harrington, Del.; Randall Knox, Jr. (R), Harrington, Del.

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Houston—Hubbard Macklin, Houston, Del.; William Biggs (R), Houston, Del.
Indian Mission—Lincoln Harmon, Millsboro, Del.; Levi Street (R), Millsboro, Del.
Kenton—Edward Hughes, Kenton, Del.; Clifford Clark (R), Kenton, Del.
Laurel-Centenary—(P) Lewis C. Boyce, Laurel, Del.; Ralph Obier (R), Laurel, Del.
Laurel-Christ—(P) James M. Lowe, Laurel, Del. R. D.; Mrs. Madelyn Rue (R), Laurel, Del. R. D.
Laurel-Circuit—(P) Norman O'Neal, Laurel, Del.; Arthur Williams (R), Laurel, Del.
Lewes-Bethel—Alton L. Brittingham, Lewes, Del. R. D.; E. C. Lodge, Sr. (R), Lewes, Del.
Lewes-Groome—Charles Baker, Lewes, Del. R. D.; Clifford Johnson (R), Lewes, Del.
Lincoln—(P) Carlton Argo, Milford, Del. R. D.; Ernest Watson (R), Milford, Del. R. D.
Little Creek-Leipsic—(P) Edward Wilson, Leipsic, Del.; Mrs. Elizabeth Short (R), Little Creek, Del.
Middletown—J. E. Walls, Sr., Middletown, Del.; (P) John N. Sparks, Jr. (R), Middletown, Del.
Magnolia—(P) Caleb Johnson, Magnolia, Del.; Mrs. Margaret Farrow (R), Magnolia, Del.
Milford-Avenue—George T. Macklin, Milford, Del.; John Roger (R), Milford, Del.
Milford-Calvary—(P) Joseph Isaacs, Milford, Del.; Roy Pettyjohn (R), Milford, Del.
Millsboro—(P) Edward Cordrey, Millsboro, Del.; Roy Jones (R), Millsboro, Del.
Millville—Theodore Coffin, Frankford, Del.; Harry Cobb (R), Millville, Del.
Milton—(P) Ralph Reed, Milton, Del.; Paynter Sharp (R), Milton, Del.
Mt. Pleasant—(P) Norman Lowe, Laurel, Del. R. D. 2; Lester Williams (R) Laurel, Del. R. D. 3.
Nassau—(P) Leroy Murray, Milton, Del.; Everett Hopkins (R), Lewes, Del.
Ocean View—Harry Dukes, Jr., Millville, Del.; Herman Mumford (R), Millville, Del.
Odessa—Harry McNatt, Odessa, Del.; Dorothy Elston (R), Middletown, Del. R. D.; Florence Taylor (R), Odessa, Del.; Margie Loven (R), Odessa, Del.
Rehoboth—Franklin Quillen, Rehoboth, Del.; Fred Hudson (R), Rehoboth, Del.
Reliance—(P) Mrs. Bessie Truitt, Seaford, Del.; Ralph O'Day (R), Seaford, Del.
Roxana—(P) John O. Mumford, Millsboro, Del.; Carl Pepper (R), Selbyville, Del.
St. Georges—(P) Everett West, Frankford, Del.; Raymond Townsend (R), Frankford, Del.

- Seaford-Mt. Olivet—W. O. Covey, Jr., Seaford, Del.; Earl B. Tull (R), Seaford, Del.
 Seaford-St. Johns—Dr. Kenneth Madden, Seaford, Del.; (P) Jacob H. Moore (R), Seaford, Del.
 Seaford Circuit—(P) Manning Fleetwood, Bridgeville, Del.; (P) William Milliner (R), Seaford, Del.
 Selbyville—(P) Arthur R. Hudson, Selbyville, Del.; Peter Whaley (R), Selbyville, Del.
 Smyrna—(P) Leroy Waters, Clayton, Del.; Joseph Ennis (R), Clayton, Del.
 Townsend—Mrs. Mabel Beardsley, Townsend, Del.; Mrs. Susie Anderson (R), Smyrna, Del.
 Whitesville—(P) Vaughn A. Carey, Pittsville, Md. R. D. 1; Harold B. White (R), Pittsville, Md. R. D. 1.
 Wyoming—Mrs. Mattie Townsend, Wyoming, Del.; S. W. Harrison (R), Wyoming, Del.

EASTON DISTRICT

Charge:

- Bayside—(P) D. H. Higgins, Claiborne, Md.; Harvey J. Jarboe (R), Sherwood, Md.
 Beckwith-Spedden—(P) Mrs. Odie Wilcox, Cambridge, Md., R. D.; Mrs. Hilda L. Marshall (R), Cambridge, Md., R. D. 3.
 Bozman-Neavitt—(P) Raymond Higgins, Neavitt, Md.; Samuel Phillips (R), Neavitt, Md.
 Burrsville—Arthur Taylor, Harrington, Del.; William Croll (R) Denton, Md., R. D.
 Cambridge-Grace—Robert H. Christopher, Killarney Rd., Cambridge, Md.; Ellison R. Clayton (R) Glenburn Ave., Cambridge, Md.
 Cambridge-St. Paul's—(P) Dr. Russell P. Smith, Cambridge, Md.; Frank E. Ero (R), Cambridge, Md.
 Cambridge-Zion—(P) Raymond Matthews, Cambridge, Md.; Floyd Willey (R), Cambridge, Md.
 Centreville-Epworth—Charles A. Anthony, Centreville, Md.; William F. Green (R), Centreville, Md.
 Centreville-Grace—(P) Lewis Davis, Centreville, Md.; John Cannon (R), Centreville, Md.
 Chestertown-Christ—(P) Orville B. Bennett, Chestertown, Md.; J. Willis Wells (R), Chestertown, Md.
 Chestertown-First—Kenneth Trumbauer, Chestertown, Md.; Richard B. Groves (R), Chestertown, Md.
 Church Creek—(P) Mrs. Velma Delaha, West End Ave., Cambridge, Md.; Mrs. Jerome Shenton (R), 209 Oakley St., Cambridge, Md.
 Church Hill—(P) E. Clyde Walls, Church Hill, Md.; A. G. MacFarland (R), Church Hill, Md.
 Concord—J. Orland Fluharty, Denton, Md., R. D.; Harry H. Nuttle (R), Denton, Md.
 Crapo—Mrs. Mattie Foxwell, Crapo, Md.; (P) Mrs. Ruby Hughes (R), Crapo, Md.

- Crumpton—William Skinner, Crumpton, Md.; Bernard Merrick (R), Crumpton, Md.
 Denton-First—H. Earle Smith, Denton, Md.; (P) Judge J. DeWeese Carter (R), Denton, Md.
 Denton-Grace—(P) John R. Ricards, Denton, Md.; Samuel Nowell (R), Denton, Md.
 East New Market—(P) Charles Hurley, East New Market, Md.; (P) Mrs. Mae MacAllister (R), Rhodesdale, Md. R. D.
 Easton-St. Mark's—John Clarence North, Easton, Md.; C. Norman Jefferson (R), Easton, Md.
 Fairlee—Carl Plummer, Chestertown, Md., R. D.; Hope Raleigh (R), Chestertown, Md., R. D.
 Federalsburg-Christ—(P) W. A. Wheatley, Jr., 201 Buena Vista Ave., Federalsburg, Md.; Ralph Nagel (R), Federalsburg, Md.
 Federalsburg-Union—(P) Wilmer F. Davis, Federalsburg, Md.; O. G. Martino (R), Federalsburg, Md.
 Friendship—Mrs. Reita K. Smith, Cambridge, Md. R. D. 2; Crawford Pomroy (R), Cambridge, Md., R. D. #1.
 Goldsboro—T. Noble Jarrell, Sr., Goldsboro, Md.; Luther T. Bennett, Sr., (R), Greensboro, Md.
 Greensboro—(P) Raymond B. Rawlins, Greensboro, Md.; Charles S. Biltbrough (R), Greensboro, Md.
 Harmony—C. Brooks Nagel, Preston, Md., R. D. 2; Elmer Kelley (R), Preston, Md., R. D.
 Hillsboro-Queen Anne—Charles Harris, Queen Anne, Md.; Robert Barton (R), Queen Anne, Md.
 Hooper's Island—(P) Raymond H. Simmons, 316 Pryor Ave., Salisbury, Md.; William Cannon (R), Fishing Creek, Md.
 Hurlock—(P) P. E. Douglas, Hurlock, Md.; Mrs. F. Baynard Harper (R), Hurlock, Md.
 Ingleside—Clarence P. Eley, Ingleside, Md.; W. R. Phillips (R), Barclay, Md.
 Kennedyville—Mrs. William L. Hopkins, Galena, Md.; Mrs. William E. Anthony (R), Kennedyville, Md.
 Kent Island—(P) Ernest Porter, Stevensville, Md.; (R) Lester Lee, Chester, Md.
 Marydel—J. Seward Dailey, Marydel, Md.; Howard Logan (R), Marydel, Md.
 Oxford—A. B. Harris, Oxford, Md.; W. W. Tull (R), Easton, Md.
 Preston—Howard M. Harris, Preston, Md.; W. S. Bonner (R), Preston, Md.
 Queenstown—(P) Herbert Carter, Queenstown, Md.; Robert McClyment (R), Grasonville, Md.
 Ridgely—(P) Mrs. Mildred Kern, Denton, Md.; W. D. Marvell, Jr., (R), Ridgely, Md.
 Rock Hall—(P) W. Stanley Grant, Rock Hall, Md.; Joseph Ashley (R), Rock Hall, Md.
 Royal Oak—Ellwood Greenhalgh, Royal Oak, Md.; Mrs. Lucy Pastorfield (R), Royal Oak, Md.
 St. James—Ralph D. Williams, Worton, Md.; B. Reginald Cooper (R), Worton, Md.

- St. Michaels-St. Lukes—(P) Hambleton Harrison, St. Michaels, Md.; Mrs. Hambleton Harrison (R), St. Michaels, Md.
- St. Thomas—(P) Bradye R. Todd, Wingate, Md.; Malcolm Wheatley (R), Wingate, Md.
- Secretary—(P) Gerald Williams, Secretary, Md.; Mrs. Evelyn Turpin (R), Salem, Md.
- Still Pond-Betterton—(P) William L. Ford, Still Pond, Md.; Floyd Smith (R), Betterton, Md.
- Sudlersville—(P) Alan S. Walls, Sudlersville, Md.; John Taylor (R), Sudlersville, Md., R. D.
- Tilghman—Albert Fluhart, Avalon, Md.; (P) Mrs. Mabel Cummings (R), Tilghman, Md.
- Trappe—(P) S. E. Simpson, Trappe, Md.; E. T. Carter, (R), Trappe, Md.
- Vienna—(P) J. Leslie Bradley, Vienna, Md.; Mrs. Sylvia Reid (R), Vienna, Md.
- Wesley Chapel—Jesse Downey, Rock Hall, Md.; Robert Tucker (R), Rock Hall, Md.
- Williamsburg—Roland S. Poole
- Wye Mills—(P) Omar Dulin, Jr., Queen Anne, Md., R. D.; E. E. Covington (R), Centreville, Md., R. D.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

Charge:

- Allen—(P) Austin Banks, Route 1, Salisbury, Md.; Purnell Brumbley (R), Rt. 1, Salisbury, Md.
- Berlin—(P) Elton Parsons, Berlin, Md.; A. P. Christopher (R), Berlin, Md.
- Bishopville—Casher Hickman, Bishop, Md.; Woodrow Smallwood (R), Showell, Md.
- Crisfield-Immanuel—J. Millard Tawes, Crisfield, Md.; Matthew Walters (R), Crisfield, Md.
- Crisfield-Asbury—(P) Loren Sterling, Hall Highway, Crisfield, Md.; (P) Joseph H. Pinto, Asbury Ave., Crisfield, Md. (R).
- Crisfield-Mariners—(P) Elton Whittington, 38 W. Main, Crisfield, Md.; John D. Crockett (R), Rt. 1, Box 143, Crisfield, Md.
- Crisfield-Mt. Pleasant—J. Edwin Tawes, Crisfield, Md.; Charles L. Landon (R), Crisfield, Md.
- Deal Island—(P) Herbie Twigg, Deal Island, Md.; Horace Webster (R), Wenona, Md.
- Delmar-First—(P) V. J. Carmean, Delmar, Del.; Albert Hearn (R), Delmar, Del.; Thomas Nelson (R), Delmar, Del.
- Delmar-Mt. Olive—(P) Alvin S. Culver, Rt. 3, Delmar, Md.; Andrew Horsey (R), 906 E. State St., Delmar, Md.
- Fairmount—Mrs. Grover Holland, Upper Fairmount, Md.; (P) Curtis Farrow (R), Westover, Md., Route 1.
- Fruitland—(P) Irl Hobbs, Fruitland, Md.; Mrs. Samuel R. Atkinson (R), Fruitland, Md.
- Galestown—Mrs. Charles Stack, Rt. 3, Seaford, Del.; (P) Mrs. Elma Windsor (R), Rt. 3, Seaford, Del.

- Hebron-Nelson—William R. McKnight, Hebron, Md.; George Dennis (R), Mardela, Md.
- Hebron-St. Pauls—(P) Miss Ruth Ellis, Salisbury, Md., Rt. 2; Alton Hastings (R), Hebron, Md.
- Mt. Hermon—(P) Charles E. Tilghman, Rt. 4, Salisbury, Md.; Mrs. Charles E. Tilghman (R), Rt. 4, Salisbury, Md.
- Mardela—(P) Mrs. May Twilley, Rt. 2, Mardela, Md.; Charles Wright, Sr., (R), Mardela, Md.
- Mt. Vernon—(P) Carl Wagner, Rt. 1, Princess Anne, Md.; (P) Edwin Murray (R), Rt. 1, Princess Anne, Md.
- Nanticoke-Bivalve—Mrs. Clarence Darby, Nanticoke, Md.; Russell Langrell (R), Bivalve, Md.
- Newark—James R. Bowen, Newark, Md.; Everett Nock (R), R. D. Snow Hill, Md.
- Ocean City—(P) Preston Adkins, Ocean City, Md.; Granville Cropper (R), Ocean City, Md.; Olin Shockley, Sr., (R), Ocean City, Md.
- Oriole—Mr. Lydie Hall, Monie, Md.; Walter Laird (R), Princess Anne, Md., Rt. 3.
- Parsonsborg—Mrs. Nora Whayland, Rt. 5, Salisbury, Md.; (P) Mrs. George Taylor (R), Parsonsborg, Md.
- Pittsville-Ayres—(P) Algie Wimbrow, Rt. 1, Parsonsborg, Md.; Vernon Downes (R), Pittsville, Md.
- Pocomoke-Bethany—(P) L. Chester Young, Pocomoke City, Md.; Edward East, (R), Pocomoke City, Md.
- Pocomoke-Salem—(P) Carl Davis, Pocomoke City, Md.; Mrs. Ralph Taylor (R), Rt. 1, Pocomoke City, Md.
- Powellville—Glenn Massey, Rt. 1, Berlin, Md.; Norman Dennis (R), Rt. 2, Pittsville, Md.
- Princess Anne—J. B. Green, Princess Anne, Md.; (P) J. Edward White (R), Princess Anne, Md.
- Quantico—Quincey Blevins, Rt. 5, Salisbury, Md.; Howard Hamburg (R), Rt. 1, Quantico, Md.
- Salisbury-Asbury—(P) W. Newton Jackson, 501 Camden Ave., Salisbury, Md.; Wilbur Rounds (R), 313 Ohio Ave., Salisbury, Md.
- Salisbury-Bethesda—(P) A. L. Fleming, 413 Wicomico St., Salisbury, Md.; William F. Toadvine (R), Rt. 4, Salisbury, Md.
- Salisbury-Grace—Miss Annie Howie, 921 E. Church St., Salisbury, Md.; Mrs. Elizabeth Seabrease (R), 427 Elizabeth St., Salisbury, Md.
- Salisbury-St. Andrews—(P) Claude Brown, Rt. 1, Parsonsborg, Md.; William Corbin (R), 749 S. Division St., Salisbury, Md.
- Salisbury-Trinity—(P) W. F. Messick, 114 Walnut St., Salisbury, Md.; Mrs. Thomas White, Jr., (R), Salisbury, Md.; Mrs. A. B. Boulden (R), Lake Side Drive, Salisbury, Md.
- Sharptown-Asbury—(P) Donald Wheatley, Rhodesdale, Md.; James Bennett (R), Sharptown, Md.
- Sharptown-Mt. Vernon—Robert H. Owens, Sharptown, Md.; Woolston S. Wheatley (R), Laurel, Delaware.
- Smith Island—Mrs. Katherine Bradshaw, Tylerton, Md.; (P) Mrs. Thelma Marshall, Tylerton, Md. (R).

- Snow Hill-Bates—(P) Mrs. M. S. Lingo, Newark, Md.; Mrs. John Gordy (R), Rt. 2, Snow Hill, Md.
- Snow Hill-Whatcoat—Ralph Lee Chapman, Snow Hill, Md.; John F. Davis (R), Snow Hill, Md.
- Somerset—L. Albert Anderson, Chance, Md.; Mrs. Roland Parks, (R), Chance, Md.
- St. Martins—Orlando Hall, Bishop, Md.; Mrs. Elizabeth Mumford (R), Rt. 1, Berlin, Md.
- Stockton—Ralph Boston, Stockton, Md.; J. T. Outten (R), Stockton, Md.
- Trinity-Quindocqua—(P) Norman L. Adkins, Marion Station, Md.; William Windsor (R), Marion Station, Md.
- Whaleysville—(P) George W. Bishop, Whaleysville, Md.
- Willards-Grace—Frank Shockley, Pittsville, Md.; Grover Nicholson (R), Willards, Md.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

Charge:

- Aldersgate—(P) Dudley Finch, 201 Pinehurst Rd., Fairfax, Wilmington 3, Del.; Fletcher Condit (R), Ebright Rd., Wilmington 3, Del.
- Bayview-Bethel—(P) Harold Karschner, North East, Md., R. D.; Mrs. Mary King (R), North East, Md.
- Bellefonte—E. Price Lowe, 700 Marion Ave., Bellefonte, Wilmington 3, Del.; Mrs. Dorothy Cowgill (R), 1101 Prospect Ave., Bellefonte, Wilmington 3, Del.
- Bethel-Chesapeake City—(P) Robert Given, Chesapeake City, Md.; Herbert Wilfong (R), Chesapeake City, Md.
- Cecil United Parish—(P) J. Allen Wilkinson, Lewisville, Pa.; Warren Johnson (R), Nottingham, Pa. Rt. 1.
- Charlestown—Clarence G. Neese, Perryville, Md., R. D.; Samuel Craig (R), Perryville, Md., R. D.
- Cherry Hill—Thomas N. Kay, North East, Md.; Lyman A. Spence (R), Stockton St., Elkton, Md.
- Cecilton—Mrs. Miriam Burris, Cecilton, Md.; Mrs. Earl Spry (R), Earleville, Md.
- Christ (Brack-Ex)—(P) Leonard E. Barnes, 5 N. Clifton Ave., Roselle, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Sarah F. Crosson (R), 2511 Main Rd., Elsmere, Wilmington, Del.
- Chester Bethel—(P) Mrs. Norman Byers, Rt. 3, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Watson Talley (R), Rt. 3, Wilmington, Del.
- Christiana—(P) Mrs. Ida Eastburn, Bear, Del.; Mr. Alfred Howell (R), Christiana, Del.
- Claymont—(P) Otis F. Figgs, 4659 Malden Dr., Liftwood, Wilmington, Del.; George C. Newton (R), 3 W. Court Ave., Claymont, Del.
- Delaware City—A. E. Porter, Delaware City, Del.; Mrs. I. P. Cornog (R), Delaware City, Del.
- Ebenezer—(P) Mrs. Louise Dempsey, Newark, Rt. 3, Del.; Mrs. Gilbert Unger (R), Newark, Rt. 3, Del.
- Elkton—(P) Isaac W. Strahorn, 104 Park Circle, Elkton, Md.; A. Eugene Loomis, (R), 7 Walter Boulden St., Elkton, Md.

- Galena—James D. Davis, Galena, Md.; Mrs. R. K. Fears, Sr., (R), Chesapeake City, Md.
- Hillcrest—(P) Frank A. Colbourne, 209 Beverly Place, Hillcrest, Wilmington 3, Del.; Mrs. Howard Pooley (R), 805 Rodman Road, Bellefonte, Wilmington, Del.
- Hockessin—Harry Russell, Hockessin, Del.; Stuart Baillieul (R), Hockessin, Del.
- Cedars—(P) Mrs. Clifford Brown, 9 Walnut Ave., Brookland Terrace, Wilmington, Del.; Clarence Hagerty, Jr. (R), 2406 Maple Avenue, Cedars, Wilmington, Del.
- Holly Oak—(P) Herbert Dempsey, Jr., 533 Clayton St., Wilmington, Del.; Leon Scott (R), 1601 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington, Del.
- Hopewell—(P) Mrs. Geo. McCullough II, Port Deposit, Md., R. D.; Mrs. Arthur Benjamin (R), Port Deposit, Md., R. D.
- Kingswood-of-Brookside—James Minn, 6 Mallboro Dr., Brookside, Newark, Del.; J. Allen Gill (R), 13 Chaucer Dr., Brookside, Newark, Del.
- Kirkwood—Charles B. Lynch, Kirkwood, Del.; Mrs. Harvey S. Ogden (R), Kirkwood, Del.
- Marshallton—(P) C. C. Mattern, 2406 Tapley Lane, Limestone Acres, Wilmington, Del.; Hugo A. Frank (R), 2828 Newport Gap Pike, Wilmington, Del.
- Millington—(P) Harry Higman, Millington, Md.; Claude Everett (R), Millington, Md.
- Minquadale—(P) Marguerite Griffith, 216 Minquadale Blvd., New Castle, Del.; (P) Catherine Jester (R), 218 E. Hazedel Ave., Minquadale, New Castle, Del.
- Mt. Lebanon—Lowell Mercer, Mendenhall, Pa.; Stephen Smith, (R), Concord Pike, McDaniel Hgts., Wilmington, Del.
- Newark—(P) E. F. Dawson, 243 W. Main St., Newark, Del.; Martin J. Gauger, (R), Paper Mill Road, Newark, Del.
- New Castle—(P) C. Elmer Megginson, 106 W. 6th St., New Castle, Del.; Major N. Travers, Sr., (R), 116 W. 5th St., New Castle, Del.
- Newport—(P) Ernest Spicer, 101 N. Walnut St., Newport, Del.; Arthur Craig, (R), 207 Stonehurst Drive, Newport, Del.
- North East—(P) Albert F. Graham, North East, Md.; Mrs. R. O. Bailey (R), North East, Md.
- Perryville—(P) Mrs. John Warner, Perryville, Md.; Mrs. Edward Krummel (R), Aiken, Md.
- Port Deposit—Chester Kimble, Port Deposit, Md.; John Bond (R), Port Deposit, Md.
- Red Lion—Carlton Gibbon, Pennsville, N. J.; Mrs. Bessie Conner (R), Newark, Del., R. D.
- Richardson Park—John Palmer, 25 Champlain Ave., Richardson Park, Wilmington, Del.; S. A. Hellen (R), 305 S. duPont Rd., Wilmington, Del.
- Rising Sun—Wm. G. Graham, Rising Sun, Md.; Habbart McCoy (R), Rising Sun, Md.
- St. Georges—James C. Ginn, Middletown, Del.; John R. Butler, Jr., (R), Middletown, Del.
- Stanton—(P) Mrs. Virgil Cale, Mill Lane, Stanton, Del.; Mrs. Anna Leasure, (R), 101 Argonne Ave., Stanton, Del.

Warwick—Fletcher Hevlow, Warwick, Md.; Herbert Hudson (R), Warwick, Md.

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Brandywine—(P) Wm. P. Hollingsworth, 2912 W. 3rd St., Wilmington, Del.; Ivah Hudson (R), 507 Holly Oak Rd., Pennrock, Wilmington, Del.

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Harrison Street—(P) Marvin W. McKay, 404 West 35th St., Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Harry B. Hygate (R), 729 Nottingham Rd., Wilmington, Del.

Madeley—(P) Kenneth Watson, 622 New Castle Ave., Wilmington, Del.; Gladys Cushing (R), 4145A New Castle Ave., Eden Park, New Castle, Del.

McCabe—Dr. Wm. F. Melson, 2913 VanBuren St., Wilmington, Del.; Richard L. Hallett (R), 11 Marlin Dr., Brookside, Newark, Del.

Mt. Salem—(P) Clinton H. Brown, 9 N. Clifton Ave., Roselle, Wilmington, Del.; Clyde R. Hailey (R), 38 Hurst Rd., Deerhurst, Wilmington, Del.

Peninsula—A. J. McCrery, Jr., 300 Weldon Rd., Liftwood, Wilmington, Del.; T. L. Payne, (R), 123 W. 37th St., Wilmington, Del.

Scott—G. T. Ellis, 1004 Jefferson St., Wilmington, Del.; Ralph Parker (R), 214 W. 14th St., Wilmington, Del.

Silverbrook—(P) Henry Honeychurch, 603 N. Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington, Del.; Clarence Thompson (R), 9 S. Ford Ave., Colonial Hgts., Wilmington, Del.

St. Paul's—J. Wallace Watson, 210 Oakwood Rd., Fairfax, Wilmington, Del.; (P) Clifford T. Foster, Jr., (R), 125 W. 37th St., Wilmington, Del.

Trinity—(P) Charles W. Cook, Jr., 820 Vandever Avenue, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Rachel Murphy (R), 940 E. 17th St., Wilmington, Del.

Union—(P) Lacey Wilson, 718 S. Scott St., Wilmington, Del.; Earl Short (R), 2 Popular Ave., Oak Grove, Wilmington, Del.

Wilmington Manor—John Selfridge, 217 W. Roosevelt Ave., Wilmington Manor, New Castle, Del.; Ralph Armstrong (R), 91 University Ave., Wilmington Manor Gardens, New Castle, Del.

III

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Official Journal

FIRST SESSION — THURSDAY MORNING

THE LORD'S SUPPER: The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, assisted by the District Superintendents and the host pastor, William F. Dunkle.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: The Memorial Service was conducted by Frank Buckley, Ralph Jones and A. T. McFarland.

In loving memory we pause to read the names of those who during the Conference year have been translated to their heavenly home and whose names have been transferred to the eternal records of the Church Triumphant.

Ministers:

Arthur E. B. Blundon
Howard Davis
Vinal E. Hills
Frederick C. Louhoff

Wives and Widows:

Mrs. Wm. F. Bauscher
Mrs. Daniel J. Given
Mrs. Ernest C. Hallman
Mrs. Dayton E. McClain
Mrs. John P. Outten
Mrs. Wm. C. Poole

We thank Thee for the dear and faithful dead, for those who have made the distant heavens a home for us, and whose truth and beauty are even now in our hearts. One by one Thou dost gather the scattered families out of the earthly light into the heavenly glory, from the distractions and strife and weariness of time to the peace of eternity. We thank Thee for the labors and the joys of these mortal years. We thank Thee for our deep sense of the mysteries that lie beyond our dust, and for the eye of faith which Thou hast opened for all who believe in Thy Son. May we live altogether in Thy faith and love, and in that hope which is full of immortality. Amen.

O Lord, support us all the day long
Of this troublous life,
Until the shadows lengthen,
And the evening comes,
And the busy world is hushed,
And the fever of life is over,
And our work is done.
Then, of Thy great mercy,
Grant us a safe lodging
And a holy rest,
And peace at the last;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OPENING: The Peninsula Annual Conference convened in its eighteenth annual session in Grace Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware, May 16, 1957 at 9:00 A. M., Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding.

ORGANIZATION MOTION: The following motions were presented by W. L. Beckwith, Secretary, and were adopted by the Conference:

1. That the bar of Conference be made to include the first twelve rows of pews on the main floor of the sanctuary.
2. That the printed program be the program of the Conference subject to necessary changes.
3. The committee on approval of the Journal, D. T. Pritchard, G. A. Foster, and Walter H. Stone.
4. The roll call be taken by all members signing cards and handing them to the secretaries.
5. Ralph L. Minker, Jr. be named reporter for "Together" and other church papers.
6. William Hemphill, Jr. be named agent for "Religion in Life."
7. The Conference Minutes be made the Official Journal and the Secretary be authorized to edit and condense the same.
8. The Secretary send greetings to all members not able to attend the Conference Session.
9. Members may be excused from sessions upon report to their Superintendents or the Secretaries.
10. The Commissions and Committees as printed in the Minutes become the Commissions and Committees of the Conference with such corrections as need be made.
11. Motions on the floor must be presented to the Secretary on forms provided for this purpose.
12. The Committee on the Journal is to present its report immediately after the Devotional service.
13. If and when the customary drafts are received from the Chartered Fund and the Publishing House, they shall be endorsed and turned over to the proper treasurer.
14. George W. Goodley be named chairman of ushers and doorkeeper for Executive Session, with the following assistants:

F. O. Baynard	H. B. Flater
F. G. Buckley	William B. Hitchens
A. J. Blundon	E. J. Horney
D. O. Clendaniel	O. E. Mercer
C. E. Covington	W. L. Robinson
R. E. Ferry	J. J. VonHagel

ROLL CALL: The Secretary distributed cards and the following answered the roll call:

Ministers 212

Laymen 104

COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION: Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam nominated the following committee on investigation, which was elected by the Conference: C. W. Branford, C. S. Clarkson, O. H. Connelly, R. E. Green, J. J. VonHagel. Reserves: R. S. Hodgson, B. E. Reynolds, T. J. Turkington.

PRESENTATION: William F. Dunkle, host pastor, presented Mrs. G. Bromley Oxnam who was cordially welcomed by the Conference.

Preston W. Spence presented Leoland Jackson, who had just answered the roll call for the sixtieth consecutive time.

O. A. Bartley presented John L. Sparklin who had just answered the roll call for the fiftieth consecutive time.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS: The characters of the ministerial members and District Superintendents of the Peninsula Conference were passed and the District Superintendents presented their reports as follows:

- O. A. Bartley, District Superintendent of the Dover District presented his report.
- P. W. Spence, District Superintendent of the Easton District presented his report.
- J. E. French, District Superintendent of the Salisbury District presented his report.
- J. W. Link, District Superintendent of the Wilmington District presented his report.

All reports were received by the vote of the Conference.

RESOLUTION: The following resolution was presented by John E. French and adopted by the Conference: Under the law of the church, two members of the present cabinet will be returning to the pastorate at the close of this session of the Annual Conference. BE IT RESOLVED, therefore that the Conference express to Dr. O. A. Bartley and Dr. Preston W. Spence its deep appreciation for their fine leadership, for their brotherly spirit and for their great interest and zeal in the work of the church and for the Kingdom of our Lord.

Adjournment: Conference adjourned for the Corporate Session of Wesley Junior College.

WESLEY JUNIOR COLLEGE CORPORATE SESSION

The annual corporate session of Wesley Junior College was held in Grace Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware at 11:00 a. m. on Thursday, May 14, 1957. The Rev. Howell O. Wilkins, president of the Board of Trustees presided.

The minutes of the previous session were adopted as printed in the conference minutes.

Dr. J. Paul Slaybaugh, president of Wesley Junior College, made the following report:

Enrollment 1956-1957

The enrollment this past year was:

	Other			Total
	Resident	Full Time	Part Time	
First Semester	178	30	17	225
Second Semester	169	32	24	225

This is the largest enrollment in the history of the school.

1957-1958 Prospects

Because no special effort has been made to encourage enrollment for next year, the number of unsolicited applications, while encouraging, is about 32 per cent lower than as of May 15 last year. There is, however, a larger potential second-year class for next year in this year's freshman class than in any previous year.

Students Entering Other Institutions from Wesley**1956 Graduates**

Nineteen entered the following colleges and universities: Wilkes College, The American University, Lehigh University, University of Delaware, Western Maryland College, University of Maryland, West Virginia Wesleyan University, Hood College, Indiana Technical Institute, University of Pennsylvania, University of Virginia, Washington College, Southern Methodist University, Hunter College, and University of Colorado. Two withdrew.

The Wesley registrar's office was able to obtain reports for twelve for the first semester. These had a total of seventy-seven subject marks. Two marks were "F." Sixty per cent of the marks were above a median "C."

1957 Graduates

Fifty students expect to graduate on June 2. Of these and others who are transferring—most of whom will have three semesters of credit—thirty have been accepted as indicated at the following colleges and universities: University of Alabama; Alma College (Mich.); American University (5); Boston University; Bridgewater College (2); Columbia University; Cornell University; University of Dayton (Ohio); University of Delaware; Drew University; East Carolina Teachers College; Fairmount College (W. Va.); Florida Southern; Glenville State Teachers' College (W. Va.) (4); Kansas State University (2); Kansas State Teachers' College; University of Kentucky; Lebanon Valley College; Lycoming College (2); Milwaukee School of Engineering; Moravian College; University of North Carolina; North Carolina State University (3); Otterbein College; Pennsylvania Military College; University of Pennsylvania (Wharton School of Finance); Rider College; Transylvania College; Union College (Ky.); Upsala College; University of Virginia; Western Maryland College; West Virginia Wesleyan; Youngstown (Ohio) University.

The number of acceptances is in excess of the number of applicants because several have been accepted by more than one institution. All graduates are being admitted to Junior Classes.

Faculty

The teaching staff numbers seventeen full-time and ten part-time persons. Five of the part-time teachers are also serving in other capacities to make up a full load. Several of the part-time persons are teaching only one or two classes. There were only three changes of full-time people. It is felt that replacements strengthened the faculty.

Organizations and Groups Meeting at Wesley

The college this year has been privileged to act as host to several of the Conference commissions and committees; also, monthly meetings of A. A. U. W. and the first state-wide Police Institute.

Other groups scheduled to meet on the campus during the summer are: The Delaware Youth Temperance Council, Delaware Girls' State Convention, Delaware High School Music Camp, and the Peninsula Conference W. S. C. S. Ira T. Ellis, Treasurer, Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College made the following report:

Wesley Junior College expects to finish this year with all operating expenses for the year paid, and with a surplus of perhaps \$10,000 available for debt service. We finished the previous year with a deficit of \$13,400.

Receipts from tuition and other fees are higher this year, and our financial situation has also been improved by the receipt of Conference Askings amounting to \$35,900, compared with \$32,800 in the previous year.

In addition to operating expenses, of course, we have obligations for debt service of \$16,500 for the year, principally for interest and reduction of debt assumed to purchase property for expansion. Furthermore, we have installed a new fire escape on Old Main at a cost of \$3,450. To the extent the operating surplus will not cover these charges, we shall need to increase our borrowings.

Rev. Ralph C. Jones, Chairman of the nominating committee, nominated the following ministerial trustees for re-election: They were elected as follows:

Term Expires in 1960

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Washington, D. C.
 Rev. W. H. Hudson, Chestertown, Maryland
 Rev. Howell O. Wilkins, Wilmington, Delaware
 Dr. John J. Bunting, Jr., Newark, Delaware
 Dr. John E. French, Salisbury, Maryland
 Rev. David Baker, Richardson Park, Delaware

William B. Simpson, general chairman for the Wesley College Development Fund Campaign, reported a total to date of \$413,000.00.

Rev. Howell O. Wilkins, President, Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College made the following report:

A year ago interest in Wesley Junior College was aroused as never before. During the year the administration, faculty and students have kept the school on a new high level. It became clear the school would have to close unless large sums of money were forthcoming. We from our several churches know, however, that the knowledge of a need is not the equivalent of fulfilling that need. The action of the Alumni and Friends is making it possible for people who want Wesley to develop to show their interest by producing the funds needed to begin its improvement. These groups will turn the funds over to the Trustees on completion of the campaign. With the successful completion of the campaign now in sight, the Board of Trustees have accepted the obligation of raising \$250,000 in addition to the funds raised by the Alumni and Friends. The Board of Trustees recommend the following to the Corporate Session:

1. Instruction from the Corporate Session to prepare a revised charter to be presented to the Corporate Session one year hence.
2. Select several Trustees to take part in the first conference to train Trustees set up by the Methodist Church in cooperate with the National Council of Churches.
3. Request that this session of the Peninsula Annual Conference appoint a Commission on Higher Education as requested by the General Conference to aid in developing support to our educational institution.

All over the country support for church colleges is growing. If our Conference and its people will support the proposals mentioned above, we can have a good, significant school.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

WILLIAM B. SIMPSON, Secretary

At the close of the Corporate Session of Wesley Junior College, Conference was called to order by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam.

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE: The Commission on World Service and Finance made the following recommendation which was adopted by the Conference:

The Commission on World Service and Finance recommends to the Annual Conference the raising of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) for the development of Wesley Junior College.

We further recommend the method of raising this fund be referred to a Commission on Higher Education, with power to evolve plans and report to the 1958 session of the Annual Conference. The Commission on World Service and Finance is to be a part of the Commission on Higher Education.

WESLEY JUNIOR COLLEGE: The following motion was made by Wilmer Fell Davis and adopted by the Conference: That this Peninsula Conference vote to continue Wesley Junior College.

APPRECIATION: The following motion was made by O. A. Bartley and adopted by the Conference: That a vote of thanks be given to Dr. W. B. Simpson for his efforts in leading the campaign for Wesley Junior College to a successful conclusion.

PENINSULA CONFERENCE QUADRENNIAL COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION: The following quadrennial committee on higher education was nominated by Clinton H. Brown and elected by the Conference:

1. Amoss, Rev. Howard W. (Salisbury District Minister)
2. Chandler, George R. (Commission on World Service and Finance)
3. Conference Lay Leader: Clinton H. Brown
4. Conference President, W. S. C. S.: Mrs. Earl Sylvester
5. Cooke, Rev. R. J. (Salisbury District Minister)
6. Devilbiss, Dr. Wilbur (President, Salisbury State Teachers' College) (Board of Education)
7. Dunkle, Dr. W. F., Jr. (Wilmington District Minister) (Board of Education)
8. Figgs, Otis (Commission on World Service and Finance)
9. Fleming, A. L. (Commission on World Service and Finance)
10. Giffert, Principal George W. (Wilmington District Layman)

11. Goodley, Rev. G. W. (Easton District Minister)
12. Hall, Rev. Leland (Wilmington District Minister) (Wesley Foundation)
13. Holsinger, Francis (Easton District Layman)
14. Hornung, Rev. D. O. (Commission on World Service and Finance)
15. Hughes, Rev. J. R. (Wilmington District Minister) (Board of Education)
16. Kesmodel, Rev. W. P. (Easton District Minister) (Wesley Foundation)
17. Lennon, Mrs. W. E. (Easton District Laywoman)
18. Lindell, Prof. W. F. (Wilmington District Layman) (Board of Education)
19. Livingood, Dean F. G. (Washington College)
20. McCoy, Rev. Paul E. (Commission on World Service & Finance)
21. Miller, Rev. Alton S. (Commission on World Service & Finance)
22. Miller, Dr. George R. (Dover District Layman)
23. Morgan, Horace (Commission on World Service and Finance)
24. North, Sen. John Clarence (Easton District Layman)
25. Parsons, Elton (Salisbury District Layman)
26. Perkins, Dr. John (President, The University of Delaware)
27. Pigueron, G. H., Jr. (Commission on World Service & Finance)
28. Rowe, Thomas (Salisbury District Layman)
29. Simmons, Raymond (Easton District Layman) (Board of Education)
30. Simpson, Dr. William (Dover District Layman)
31. Slaybaugh, Dr. Paul (President, Wesley Junior College)
32. Stone, Rev. Walter H. (Commission on World Service & Finance)
33. Supt., Dover District: Rev. R. L. Tawes
34. Supt., Easton District: Dr. J. Leas Green
35. Supt., Salisbury District: Dr. John E. French
36. Supt., Wilmington District: Dr. John N. Link
37. Tawes, Mrs. Wellington (Salisbury District Laywoman)
38. Thomas, Rev. Edwin (Dover District Minister)
39. Timmons, Edgar (Dover District Layman)
40. Trader, Dr. John A. (Dover District Minister)
41. Wildey, Rev. D. C. (Dover District Minister) (Board of Education)
42. Wilkins, Rev. H. O. (Wilmington District Minister)

ANNOUNCEMENTS were made and Conference adjourned to re-convene at 3 o'clock, Preston W. Spence pronouncing the benediction.

SECOND SESSION — THURSDAY AFTERNOON

OPENING: Conference convened at 3:00 P. M., Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding.

TRANSFERS: Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam announced the following transfers:

- Amoss, Howard M., from Baltimore Conf. to Peninsula Conf. 5/16/57
 Vernon, Roy C., from Peninsula Conf. to Virginia Conf. 5/1/57
 Bartley, Oler A., from Peninsula Conf. to Baltimore Conf. 5/19/57
 Harris, Carlton M., from Peninsula Conf. to Baltimore Conf. 5/18/57
 Mercer, O. E., from Peninsula Conf. to Ohio Conf. 5/18/57

RESOLUTION: O. A. Bartley presented the following resolution which was adopted by the Conference:

GRACE CHURCH, MILTON, DELAWARE

During the Conference year of 1952-53, under the leadership of the Rev. Harold M. Davis and the Rev. Richard H. Bready, cooperating with the official Boards of Goshen and Grace Methodist Churches, Milton, Delaware, and because of the great shortage of ministers, a plan was devised by which the two churches would be served by one pastor who would live in the Grace Parsonage.

Bishop Oxnam approved the plan and at the 1953 Conference, the Rev. Frank M. Volk was appointed to serve both churches. His work was eminently satisfactory. As in all such cases there was some friction, but we feel Brother Volk handled it well.

During this period, the opinion was developed that the real answer to the problem was a merger of the two churches under the supervision of one official board. On Monday, March 15, 1954, the official Board of Goshen Church passed a motion asking that a committee of three from each of the churches be named for the purpose of studying the possibility of a merger "sometime in the future."

Before leaving the charge in 1955, Brother Volk appointed this committee. At the Conference of 1955, the Rev. Ellwood W. Cursey was appointed to the Charge. Almost immediately he was asked when the merger committee would meet. He suggested that such meeting be delayed until after the summer period, and after he had had a chance to study the situation.

In the Fall, meetings of the committee were held and in February 1956 a plan of a merger was submitted by the official boards of both churches and a copy sent to every member of both churches 21 years of age and over.

Congregational meetings were set as follows: Goshen, Feb. 10, 1956; Grace, Feb. 16, 1956. The District Superintendent presided over both meetings.

The vote at the Goshen meeting was as follows: For, 40; against, 8; several not voting.

The vote at the Grace meeting was: For, 13; against, 56.

Immediately thereafter great pressure was exerted on the one hand to have the pastor removed, and on the other to have him stay. Also, as to when the services of worship should be held.

After many discussions of the problems involved with the Superintendents, with Bishop Oxnam and with interested laymen, the Bishop decided to reappoint Brother Cursey and directed him to live in the Goshen parsonage, and give an evening service to Grace Church. Previous to this decision an earlier morning hour had been offered, also one immediately after noon, or afternoon, if it were desired. None of these alternatives was accepted.

Since the last session of Conference, the congregation has boycotted all services conducted by the regularly appointed pastor, although he has gone to the church each Sunday as directed. Nothing has been paid on salary, nor on the apportionments.

In September of 1956, the District Superintendent put before the Dover District Board of Church Location and Building the salient facts as he knew them as they were documented by the written record. He requested that no action be taken.

On April 29, 1957, with the situation being unchanged except for the fact that some eighteen of the leaders of Grace Church had changed their membership to Goshen Church, the District Board of Church Location and Building was called to meet in Avenue Methodist Church, Milford, Delaware with the following members present: Mr. M. Haswell Pierce, Secretary; Rev. J. Earl Cummings, Rev. A. E. Dougherty, and Rev. Robert Van Cleef. The District Superintendent presided.

Representatives of both churches were invited by letter to be present. Rev. Ellwood W. Cursey and Mrs. Hilda Hastings represented Goshen. Mr. Raymond Spencer and Mr. Rathell Reed represented Grace. The members of the Board discussed with both groups the possibility of making adjustments so as to give further opportunity to solve the problems involved, and under the leadership of another pastor. After approximately three hours of such discussion, with each group separately, the Board passed the following motion: "On motion by Mr. Daugherty, seconded by Mr. Cummings, discontinuance of preaching service was recommended, and it was also recommended the Church be placed in the hands of the Conference Board of Trustees. Carried unanimously."

During the discussion with Mr. Spencer and Mr. Reed, a question was asked to the effect that perhaps the people of Grace Church really would like to purchase the interest of the Methodist Church and become an independent group. This suggestion was received with considerable enthusiasm, and on May 2nd a certified letter was delivered to me, with a return receipt requested, in which it was related that the official board of Grace Church had met with 98% present and had voted to buy the interest of The Methodist Church.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Peninsula Annual Conference assembled in Grace Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware, in regular session on the 16th day of May, 1957 does hereby declare and direct that Grace Methodist Church, Milton, Delaware be discontinued as an appointment of this Conference, under paragraph 188 of the 1956 Discipline, the Bishop, the four District Superintendents, and the Dover District Board of Church Location and Building consenting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Peninsula Conference Board of Trustees be, and is hereby, instructed to take over supervision of the property.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if, and when, the Board should decide to dispose of the property, the proceeds of same shall be turned over to the Peninsula Conference Board of Missions to be used for Church Expansion purposes.

CHAPLAINS PRESENTED: Robert E. VanCleaf, chairman of the Committee on Relation to Chaplains made the following presentation:

"It is an honor for me to present the following members of our Conference who are on active duty: Chaplain C. I. Carpenter, Conrad Hamer, and Vernon Goodhand.

We also have with us several chaplains who are on active duty within the bounds of the Peninsula Conference; Chaplain Glaze of the Virginia Conference; VanLandingham of the Little Rock Conference; and Chaplain Milner, a member of the Texas Conference. A total of seven members of the Peninsula Conference now hold reserve commissions in the Army, Navy and National Guard."

BARRATT'S CHAPEL: The following resolution was presented by O. A. Bartley and adopted by the Conference:

WHEREAS the Trustees of Barratt's Chapel have offered to give title in fee simple of this "Cradle of Methodism" to the Peninsula Conference Historical Society, Inc. that the Chapel may be kept as a "Shrine of Methodism," along with a parcel of ground surrounding the Chapel;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Peninsula Annual Conference instruct the Peninsula Conference Historical Society, Inc. to accept this offer and to proceed to inaugurate such necessary actions as to assume full and complete care of same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Peninsula Annual Conference shall, and does hereby, order that the income from all trust funds which may now be held by the Conference, or may in the future come into the control of the Conference, be paid to the Peninsula Conference Historical Society, Inc., in order that Barratt's Chapel may be maintained forever as a "Shrine of Methodism."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Conference request of the presiding Bishop that Barratt's Chapel always be listed among the appointments of the Conference.

ADJOURNMENT: Conference adjourned for the Corporate Session of The Mutual Relief Association:

MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE MEETING OF THE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, INC.

The annual corporate meeting of the Mutual Relief Association was held on Thursday, May 16, 1957 at Grace Church, Wilmington, Delaware. The Rev. George W. Goodley presided and the reports of the secretary and treasurer were presented by the Rev. Otho G. Brewer, Jr.

The following nominations were presented by the Board of Directors to the corporate meeting:

For President: George W. Goodley
For Vice-President: Harvey B. Flater
Secretary and Treasurer: Otho G. Brewer, Jr.

As Directors, with terms expiring 1960:
Walter A. Donoway
George W. Goodley
Edwin C. Thomas

Upon motion, the above nominees were declared elected.

The President gave a brief report of the work of this voluntary association and emphasized the importance of having all eligible ministers and their wives become members.

Upon motion, the corporate meeting was adjourned and the Conference session resumed.

OTHO G. BREWER, JR., Secretary

At the close of the Corporate Session of Mutual Relief Association, Conference was called to order by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam.

PRESENTATION: Dr. J. Edgar Washabaugh, the associate editor of the publishing interest of The Methodist Church was presented and addressed the Conference. Dr. Washabaugh presented a check from the Methodist Publishing House in the amount of \$6,408.77 as their annual contribution to the Board of Pensions.

PRESENTATION: A check for \$75.00 was presented as a Chartered Fund dividend to the Conference.

PRESENTATION: D. C. Wildey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, presented Dr. Henry M. Bullock, Executive Secretary, Editorial Division, Board of Education, who addressed the Conference on the subject of "The Advancement in our Methodist Church School Publications."

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: W. O. Hackett presented the report of the Historical Society, which was approved by the Conference. He also presented the certificate of incorporation of the Historical Society, which was approved, to be printed in the Journal without reading.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS: The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by Clinton H. Brown and adopted by the Conference. The nominating committee made the following request: That replacements to fill vacancies on Committees and Commissions be made only after approval by the Committee on Nominations through the District Superintendent, and that the names and dates of committee members be listed in columns rather than in paragraph form in the Conference Journal, using double columns if possible.

ORDER OF THE DAY: The following motion was made by John N. Link and adopted by the Conference:

Since several Constitutional Amendments have been sent by the General Conference for action by this session of the Peninsula Annual Conference, I move that consideration of these Constitutional Amendments be made the Order of the Day tomorrow, Friday at 11:00 A. M.

MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS: On the nomination of Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Paul E. McCoy was elected a member of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications.

INTER-BOARD COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE NEWS BULLETIN: The report of the Inter-Board Committee on Conference News Bulletin was presented by O. A. Bartley and adopted by the Conference with the exception of Item #6, which reads as follows: #6. That the World Service Commission be requested to allocate annually the sum of \$6500 to cover the cost of publication thus making it unnecessary to depend on advertisements and subscription lists. This item was referred to the Commission on World Service and Finance.

CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY: William O. Hackett was named convener of the Conference Historical Society by the Cabinet.

PRESENTATION: Dr. J. S. Ladd Thomas, Dean of the School of Theology of Temple University was presented and addressed the Conference.

CHAPLAINS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL: The report of the Committee on Relation to Chaplains was presented by Robert VanCleaf and received by the Conference.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, O. A. Bartley pronouncing the benediction.

EVENING SERVICE 7:45 P. M.

Evening Service was held commemorating the quarter-millennium of Charles Wesley: Biographical background of Charles Wesley, with the interpretation and singing of a number of his hymns, Dr. James R. Houghton, Prof. of Sacred Music, Boston School of Theology, Boston University. William F. Dunkle, Jr., host pastor, presided.

THIRD SESSION — FRIDAY MORNING

DEVOTIONS: 8 A. M., Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding and Dr. Ralph W. Sockman bringing the message of the hour.

OPENING: Conference convened at 9:00 A. M. with Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding.

COMMITTEE ON JOURNAL: Walter Stone reported for the Committee on Journal, finding the Journal to be correct for the first two sessions. His report was accepted and the Journal approved by the Conference.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES: The report of Goodwill Industries was received and ordered printed without reading.

PRE-CONFERENCE REPORTS: Bishop Oxnam stressed the importance of all Conference Reports appearing in the Pre-Conference Publication.

MOTION: O. A. Bartley made the following motion which was adopted by the Conference:

Moved that the Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College be requested to place any revision of the charter of that institution in the hands of the members of the Conference at least thirty days in advance of the next session.

TELEVISION, RADIO & FILM COMMISSION: The report of the Television, Radio and Film Commission was presented by William O. Hackett and received by the Conference.

TOWN AND COUNTRY COMMISSION: On motion of John N. Link, the report of the Commission on Town and Country work was received and ordered printed without reading. The name of Henry Caldwell was approved as the Executive Secretary of The Town and Country Commission.

BOARD OF PENSIONS: The report of the Board of Pensions was presented by H. B. Mitchell, chairman. Mr. Mitchell was assisted in this report by the Treasurer of the Board, Ira S. Pruitt, and the Secretary, George W. Goodley. The report of the Board was adopted and the pension rate fixed at \$52.00 for next year.

RESOLUTIONS: The following resolutions were presented by George W. Goodley, Secretary of the Board of Pensions, and adopted by the Conference:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: In recognition of the bequest of approximately \$600,000 made to Board of Pensions of the Peninsula Annual Conference by the late Edgar L. Haynes of Wilmington, Delaware, who died September 16, 1956 at the age of 95 years,

And in gratitude for the generosity of this son of an honored Methodist Minister, the late Reverend Thomas H. Haynes who served for fifty-one effective years in the itineracy on this Peninsula,

And in acknowledgement of the continuing blessings which this bequest will bring to our annuitants in the form of retirement benefits,

We therefore, as a Conference, express our sincere appreciation for this bequest and thus honor our benefactor, the late Edgar L. Haynes and his father, the late Reverend Thomas H. Haynes.

And be it ordered that this resolution be printed in full in the 1957 Journal and thereafter listed in the page of Memorial Gifts and Bequests.

From the 1939 Annual Conference Journal, page 478, the following statement was extracted,

"The following amounts have been received thru bequests: . . . from the Thomas H. Bock Estate, \$16,248.85 of the \$25,000 bequest."

In recognition of the receipt of the final balance of the bequest during this past Conference Year, it seems fitting that the following resolution be presented to the Conference:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: In recognition of the bequest of \$25,000 made to the then Board of Stewards of the Wilmington Annual Conference by the will of the late Thomas H. Bock, a devoted layman and Official Board member of Antioch Church, Princess Anne, Maryland

And in gratitude for the benefits made possible to our annuitants from the return on investments of this sum across the years

And be it ordered by the Conference that this recognition and acknowledgement be given by having this resolution printed in the 1957 Journal of the Peninsula Annual Conference and thereafter made an item in the annual listing of Memorial Gifts and Bequests.

MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS: The report of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications was presented by John J. Bunting and received by the Conference.

MOTION: John J. Bunting presented the following motion which was adopted by the Conference:

Upon recommendation of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications, I move that the Conference year 1955-56 for Richard H. Bready, now not counted as a year of effective service because of failure to complete studies of that year (Paragraph 346 of the 1952 Discipline), be now recorded as a year of effective service by the vote of this Conference (also provided for in Paragraph 346).

REGISTRAR'S REPORT: W. H. Revelle, Jr., the Registrar of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications presented the following report which was adopted by the Conference:

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS 1956-1957

Disciplinary Questions: Part II Ministerial Practice

21. Who are the Approved Supply Pastors? Paragraph 317)

Abbott, Wilmer E. (E)

Anderson, John H. (E)

Archer, William T., Jr.

*Bishop, George

*Burge, Charles D.

Carlson, Ray

Clawson, Edgar J.
Covington, Henry
Davis, Charles D.
*Echart, E. B.
Elliott, Milton R. (E)
Ellis, Ralph A.
Fisher, Harry L.
*Florian, Robert B. (E)
Fosnocht, Walter E. (E)
Fox, Clarence J. (E)
Garrett, William J. (E)
Graham, Bruce R.
Guyer, Harry M. (D)
Hamilton, W. W. (E)
*Hayes, Clarence H.
Henderson, Gerald
Hill, William A. (E)
*Hope, Clifton
Hudson, William O.
Hughes, Ralph H. D. (D)
Layton, J. Edward (E)
McWilliams, Guy H. (E)
Milliner, Milton C. (D)
*Missimer, Leslie D.
Payne, Romie H., Jr.
*Pigueron, George H. III.

*Plumline, James L.
*Pruett, Dale
Pusey, Irvin
Renner, Lawrence S. (E)
Roberts, Maxwell J. (E)
Roberts, William
*Russell, Thomas I.
*Seymour, Samuel
*Short, Robert C.
Shufelt, Vinton D. (E)
*Smith, Joseph
Smith, Kyle
Smith, Miss Muriel C. (E)
Smith, Robert
*Spedden, Harold C.
*Stanton, B. Leland
*Starnes, Ronald
Steen, James C., Jr. (E)
*Stellges, George L.
*Stookey, Lawrence
*Strickler, Charles
Townsend, O. Lloyd (E)
Turner, William A. (E)
Warner, Robert
Wilkins, Clarence E. (E)
Wilson, G. Francis

* New This Year

(E) Elders
(D) Deacons

21a. Student Approved Supply Pastors and schools in which they are enrolled.

Archer, William T., Jr., Washington College
Burge, Charles D., Washington College
Carlson, Ray, Temple School of Theology
Clawson, Edgar J., Temple School of Theology
Covington, Henry, Washington College
Davis, Charles D., Lycoming College
Ellis, Ralph A., University of Delaware
Graham, Bruce R., Salisbury State Teachers
Henderson, Gerald, Temple School of Theology
Payne, Romie H., Jr., Washington College
Pigueron, George H., III, Asbury College
Pruett, Dale, Will enter college this fall
Pusey, Irvin, University of Delaware
Short, Robert C., University of Delaware
Spedden, Harold C., Salisbury State Teachers
Strickler, Charles, Temple School of Theology

21b. Part time Approved Supply Pastors

None

21c. Full time Approved Supply Pastors and progress each has made in course of study.

Abbott, Wilmer E., Elder, Course completed
Anderson, John H., Elder, Course completed
Elliott, Milton H., Elder, Course completed
Fosnocht, Walter E., Elder, Course completed
Fox, Clarence J., Elder, Course completed
Garrett, William J., Elder, Course completed
Guyer, Harry M., Deacon, Continued in 3rd year
Hamilton, W. W., Elder, Course completed
Hill, William A., Elder, Course completed
Hope, Clifton, Advanced to 3rd year
Hudson, William O., Beginning 1st year
Hughes, Ralph H. D., Deacon, Advanced to 4th year
Justis, E. Carroll, Elder, Course completed
Knotts, Lawrence L., Elder, Course completed
Layton, J. Edward, Elder, Course completed
McWilliams, Guy H., Elder, Course completed
Milliner, Milton C., Deacon, Advanced to 4th year
Renner, Lawrence S., Elder, Course completed
Roberts, Maxwell J., Elder, Course completed
Shufelt, Vinton D., Elder, Course completed
Smith, Miss Muriel C., Deacon, Course completed
Steen, James C., Jr., Elder, Course completed
Townsend, O. Lloyd, Elder, Course completed
Turkington, Albert A., Elder, Course completed
Turner, William A., Elder, Course completed
Wilkins, Clarence E., Elder, Course completed
Wilson, G. Francis, Advanced to 3rd year

25. Who are (recommended to be) admitted on trial:—

a. With degrees from approved colleges and credits from approved schools of theology?

Bailey, Richard Douglas. Address: Farmington, Del. Age: 23. Licensed to preach: 1953. Home Church: Ocean Grove, N. J. College: Asbury. Graduated: 1956. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Completing 1st year. Deacon's orders: 1957.

Barton, Charles Edward, Jr. Address: Bozman, Md. Age: 28. Licensed to preach: 1956. Home Church: Hillsboro-Queen Anne. College: Washington. Graduated: 1956. Degree: B.S. Seminary, Westminster. Completing 1st year.

Godfrey, George Clinton. Address: Blades, Del. Age: 24. Licensed to preach: 1954. Home Church: Millsboro. College: American University. Graduated: 1956. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Completing 1st year. Deacon's orders: 1957.

Randolph, David James, Jr. Address: Elkton, Md. Age: 23. Licensed to preach: 1951. Home Church: Elkton. College: Univ. Delaware. Graduated: 1956. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Drew. Completing 1st year. Deacon's orders: 1957.

Shockley, Olin J., Jr. Address: Ellendale, Del. Age: 24. Licensed to preach: 1952. Home Church: Berlin. College: Washington. Graduated: 1956. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Completing 1st year. Deacon's orders: 1957.

Whitlock, Robert Preston. Home address: Chesapeake City, Md. Age: 23. Licensed to preach: 1954. Home Church: Richardson Park. College: University of Delaware. Graduated: 1956. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Drew. Completing first year. Deacon's orders: 1957.

- 25b. With degrees, from colleges not accredited by University Senate and credits from approved schools of theology?

Helms, Robert Wilkins. Address: Wilmington, Del. Age: 24. Licensed to preach: 1955. Home Church: Aldersgate. College: Bob Jones. Graduated: 1955. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Completing 2nd year.

26. Who are continued on trial and with progress in their ministerial studies:

a. In approved schools of theology?

Beckwith, Walter Hamilton	Leary, Charles Randolph
Dore, William	Lucia, Frank
Gordy, Howard Lee, Jr.	Michels, Francis Truman
Hankins, Wm. Maxwell Tees	Owens, William Henry
Jones, William LeRoy	Simpers, John William, Jr.
Stapleton, Joseph Gordon	Todd, Omro Milton

27. Who on trial are discontinued?

McGinnis, Willard Simperts

28. Who are (recommended to be) admitted into full connection?

Buarque, Manuel. Address: Vienna, Md. Age: 41. Home Church: Burrsville. Licensed to preach: 1951. College: Washington. Graduated: 1954. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Will graduate 1957. On trial: 1955. Deacon: 1955.

Hughes, Ralph Elwood. Address: Hockessin, Del. Age: 25. Home Church: Atonement, Claymont. Licensed to preach: 1953. College: University of Delaware. Graduated: 1953. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Graduated: 1956. On trial: 1955. Deacon: 1955.

Lasbury, Charles Edwin. Address: Wilmington, Del. Age: 26. Home Church: Hammond, Indiana. Licensed to preach: 1950. College: Indiana University. Graduated: 1954. Degree: B.S. Seminary: Westminster. Will graduate: 1957. On trial: 1955. Deacon: 1955.

Nunemaker, Harold Earl. Address: Elkton, Md. Age: 30. Home Church: Grove City, Penn. Licensed to preach: 1951. College: Grove City. Graduated: 1954. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Will graduate: 1957. On trial: 1954. Deacon: 1955.

Phillips, Roy Benjamin. Address: Townsend, Del. Age: 29. Home Church: Gumboro, Del. Licensed to preach: 1950. College: Washington. Graduated: 1954. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Temple. Will graduate: 1957. On trial: 1955. Deacon: 1955.

Trader, Charles Littleton. Address: Church Hill, Md. Age: 59. Home Church: Mt. Pleasant, Crisfield. Licensed to preach: 1948. College: Western Maryland. Graduated: 1925. Degree: A.B. Seminary: Conference course 1957. On trial: 1950. Deacon: 1955.

29. Who have been (recommended to be) elected deacons:

a. Theological students?

Bailey, Richard Douglas
Godfrey, George Clinton
Lucia, Frank

Randolph, David James, Jr.
Shockley, Olin J., Jr.
Whitlock, Robert Preston

b. Approved supply pastors?

Hope, Clifton

Wilson, G. Francis

31. Who have been (recommended to be) elected elders:

a. Theological graduates?

Buarque, Manuel
Hughes, Ralph Elwood
Lasbury, Charles Edwin

Nunemaker, Harold Earl
Phillips, Roy Benjamin

b. Course of study graduates?

Bready, Richard Hugh

Trader, Charles Littleton

c. Approved supply pastors?

Florian, Robert Bruce

Smith, Miss Muriel Clair

For Information Only:—

Those who have completed the studies for License to Preach this conference year.

Bishop, George W.
Burge, Charles D.
Holland, Miss Barbara

Hurst, Donald J. 1956
Spedden, Harold
Strickler, Charles E.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. REVELLE, JR.,

Registrar Peninsula Conference Board of M. T. & Q.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS: The following report of the Committee on Conference Relations was presented by Elwood Cursey and adopted by the Conference:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS, May 1957

We recommend that the following men be continued in retirement for physical disability under Par. 1617-4:—H. N. Bailey, E. E. Crockett, W. J. Ennis, J. C. Hanby, Robert Hastings, and G. E. Turner.

We recommend that the following men who have been in retirement for physical disability and who are now 65 years of age or over be given retirement under Par. 369:—H. G. Holdway, W. D. Short.

We recommend that E. W. Henvis be continued for the fifth year in the Supernumerary relation under Par. 365.

We recommend that the following men, at their request, be given the retired relationship under Par. 369:—Frank Baker, C. E. Davis, S. T. Hamblin, Ralph Jones, E. C. Justice, L. L. Knotts, A. T. McFarland, R. T. Thawley and L. E. Wimbrow.

We recommend that C. L. Reiter be reinstated under Par. 413 to the active relationship and retired under Par. 369.

We recommend that Elwood B. Eckhart have his credentials restored as a Local Elder under Par. 993.

We recommend that H. H. Schauer be granted Voluntary Location by his own request under Par. 374.

BARRATT'S CHAPEL: The following motion was made by O. A. Bartley and adopted by the Conference:

Moved that the Secretary of the Annual Conference be instructed to write a letter to Mr. John C. Darby, Frederica, Delaware, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Barratt's Chapel expressing the appreciation of the Conference to that Board for its generous offer to the Conference Historical Society giving them title to Barratt's Chapel.

EVANGELISM: The report of the Board of Evangelism was presented by H. C. Jeffers and accepted by the Conference.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: The following proposed constitutional amendments were adopted by the Conference:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 11 TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

At its fifth quadrennial session, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 25-May 7, 1956, the General Conference of The Methodist Church by more than the constitutional majority of two-thirds (2/3) vote on Monday morning, May 7, 1956, voted to send down to the Annual Conferences of The Methodist Church for their consideration and action, the following proposed Amendment to the Constitution of The Methodist Church.

Amend Paragraph 5, Article 1 of the 1952 Discipline of The Methodist Church, which reads as follows:

"5. Article 1.—The General Conference shall be composed of not less than 600 nor more than 800 delegates, one half of whom shall be ministers and one half lay members, to be elected by the Annual Conferences." By

substituting the figure 900 in line two for the figure 800, so that the Paragraph when amended will read as follows:

"5. Article 1.—The General Conference shall be composed of not less than 600 nor more than 900 delegates, one half of whom shall be ministers and one half lay members, to be elected by the Annual Conferences."

OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES

At the session of the Peninsula Annual Conference of The Methodist Church, held in Wilmington, Delaware on May 17th, 1957 the above proposed Amendment to the Constitution of The Methodist Church came before the Annual Conference, in Conference assembled, and after being read and officially presented, was voted on. The number of members of the Annual Conference present and voting was 159; the number voting AYE was 159; the number voting NO was 0.

G. BROMLEY OXNAM, President
WALTER L. BECKWITH, Secretary

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 10 TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH CONCERNING ADDITIONAL LAY MEMBERS IN THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

At its fifth quadrennial session, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 25-May 7, 1956, the General Conference of The Methodist Church by more than the constitutional majority of two-thirds (2/3) vote on Monday morning, May 7, 1956, voted to send down to the Annual Conferences of The Methodist Church for their consideration and action, the following proposed Amendment to the Constitution of The Methodist Church.

Amend Section VII, Paragraph 21, Article 1 of the 1952 Discipline of The Methodist Church, which reads as follows:

21. Article 1.—The Annual Conference shall be composed of all the traveling preachers in full connection with it, together with a lay member elected by each pastoral charge. The lay members shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and shall have been for the four years next preceding their election members of one of the constituent churches forming this union, or of The Methodist Church. By inserting after the first sentence, the following sentence: "EACH PASTORAL CHARGE SERVED BY MORE THAN ONE MINISTER IN FULL CONNECTION SHALL BE ENTITLED TO TWO LAY MEMBERS." The Paragraph when amended will read as follows:

21. Article 1.—The Annual Conference shall be composed of all the traveling preachers in full connection with it, together with a lay member elected by each pastoral charge. EACH PASTORAL CHARGE SERVED BY MORE THAN ONE MINISTER IN FULL CONNECTION SHALL BE ENTITLED TO TWO LAY MEMBERS. The lay members shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and shall have been for the four years next preceding their election members of one of the constituent churches forming this union, or of The Methodist Church.

**OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
ANNUAL CONFERENCES**

At the session of the Peninsula Annual Conference of The Methodist Church, held in Wilmington, Delaware on May 17, 1957 the above proposed Amendment to the Constitution of The Methodist Church came before the Annual Conference, in Conference assembled, and after being read and officially presented, was voted on. The number of members of the Annual Conference present and voting was 166; the number voting AYE was 166; the number voting NO was 0.

G. BROMLEY OXNAM, President
WALTER L. BECKWITH, Secretary

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
METHODIST CHURCH CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF CHURCHES
OR/AND ANNUAL CONFERENCES FROM ONE JURISDICTION
TO ANOTHER**

At its fifth quadrennial session held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 25-May 7, 1956, the General Conference of The Methodist Church by more than the constitutional majority of two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote, on Wednesday morning, May 2, 1956, voted to send down to the Annual Conferences of The Methodist Church for their consideration and action, the following proposed Amendment to the Constitution of The Methodist Church.

FIRST:

Article 1 of Division Two, Section VIII of the Constitution of The Methodist Church shall be amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph with the heading:—

"ABOLITION OF THE CENTRAL JURISDICTION"

The Central Jurisdiction shall be abolished when all of the Annual Conferences now comprising it have been transferred to other jurisdictions in accordance with the voluntary procedure of Article V of this section. Each remaining bishop of the Central Jurisdiction shall thereupon be transferred to the jurisdiction to which the majority of the membership of his area have been transferred, and the Central Jurisdiction shall then be dissolved.

SECOND:

The Constitution of The Methodist Church shall be amended by adding a new Article to be known as Article V of Division Two, Section VIII and to read as follows:

1. A local church may be transferred from one Annual Conference to another in which it is geographically located upon approval by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting in each of the following:
 - a. The Quarterly Conference of the local church.
 - b. A Church Conference of the local church.
 - c. Each of the two Annual Conferences involved.

The vote shall be certified by the secretaries of the specified conferences to the bishops having supervision of the Annual Conferences involved, and upon their announcement of the required majorities the transfer shall immediately be effective.

2. An Annual Conference may be transferred from one jurisdiction to another upon approval by:
 - a. The Annual Conference desiring transfer, by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting. The secretary of the conference shall certify the vote to the College of Bishops of the jurisdiction of which the conference has been a part.
 - b. The remainder of the jurisdiction from which transfer is to be made, by a two-thirds majority of the total Annual Conference members present and voting. The vote shall be taken in the other Annual Conferences of the jurisdiction and certified by their secretaries of the College of Bishops, which shall determine whether two thirds of the total vote in the jurisdiction is favorable.
 - c. The jurisdiction to which transfer is to be made, by a two-thirds majority of the total Annual Conference members present and voting. The vote shall be taken in the various Annual Conferences of the jurisdiction and certified by their secretaries to the College of Bishops, which shall determine whether two thirds of the total vote in the jurisdiction is favorable.

Upon announcement by the two Colleges of Bishops of the required majorities the transfer shall immediately be effective.

3. The vote on approval of transfer under either subparagraph 1 or 2 shall be taken by each Annual Conference at its first session after the matter is submitted to it.
4. Transfers under the provisions of this article shall not be governed or restricted by other provisions of this Constitution relating to changes of boundaries of conferences.

THIRD:

Whenever twenty-five per cent of the local-church membership of the Central Jurisdiction have been transferred by this process to another jurisdiction or jurisdictions, the bishop of the area from which the largest number have been transferred shall be transferred to the jurisdiction which has received the largest number by such transfer, and the representation of the Central Jurisdiction on the boards and agencies of the church shall thereafter be proportionately reduced.

**OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

At the session of the Peninsula Annual Conference of The Methodist Church, held in Wilmington, Delaware on May 17, 1957 the above proposed

Amendment to the Constitution of The Methodist Church came before the Annual Conference in Conference assembled, and after being read and officially presented, was voted on. The number of members of the Annual Conference present and voting was 145; the number voting AYE was 145; the number voting NO was 0.

G. BROMLEY OXNAM, President
WALTER L. BECKWITH, Secretary

PRESENTATIONS: Dr. I. Hurst Anderson, President of The American University, Washington, D. C. was presented and addressed the Conference.

Howard Amoss, the new pastor of Bethesda Church, Salisbury, Md. was presented to the Conference.

Dr. Lowell S. Ensor, President of Western Maryland College, Westminster, Md., was presented and addressed the Conference.

Dr. Ernest F. Tripp, Secretary of the General Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church was presented and addressed the Conference.

Dr. Frank Bevin, Treasurer of the Commission on Chaplains was presented and addressed the Conference.

HOSPITALS AND HOMES: The report of the Board of Hospitals and Homes was presented by George E. Sterling and accepted by the Conference. The following directors of the Board of Hospitals and Homes were approved by the Conference on the request of the Board: Laymen: Mrs. Clinton H. Brown, Dr. Brady Dayton, Mr. Avery W. Hall, Mr. Robert Huey, Mrs. Granville Hooper, Dr. Walter H. Lee, Judge William J. Story, Mr. J. Wallace Watson, and Mr. Carroll W. Griffith. Ministers: O. G. Brewer, Jr., Hartwell S. Chandler, J. Earl Cummings, A. B. Frye, William Hemphill, Jr., George E. Sterling, Preston Spence, Walter Stone and Donzell C. Wildey.

HOME FOR AGED: J. Earl Cummings, Chairman of the Committee on Hospitals and Homes presented a report on the Home for the Aged which was accepted by the Conference.

BOARD OF MISSIONS: The report of the Board of Missions was presented by Jervis Cooke, Chairman and accepted by the Conference. The following recommendations by the Board of Missions were adopted by the Conference:

1—That the month of February again be designated Missionary Cultivation month. If possible there be a District School of Missions, in addition to the usual cultivation programs in the local Churches.

2—That Churches give careful consideration to the needs represented by World, National and Conference Advance Specials, that they continue to support World Service and these "Second Mile" projects.

3—That William Hemphill, Jr. be appointed Conference Missionary Secretary for the coming year.

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was accepted by the Conference to be printed in the Journal without reading.

PRESENTATION: Louis Dennis, the Conference Missionary who has been serving in Borneo was presented and addressed the Conference.

ANNOUNCEMENTS were made and Conference adjourned, William F. Dunkle pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION — FRIDAY AFTERNOON

OPENING: The Conference convened at 2:30 P. M., Bishop Oxnam presiding.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE: The report of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was presented by Mrs. Earl Sylvester, Conference President and received by the Conference.

MOTION: On the motion of John Clarence North, the Conference expressed its appreciation to Mrs. Earl Sylvester for her excellent report.

LAY ACTIVITIES: The report of the Board of Lay Activities was presented by Clinton H. Brown, Conference Lay Leader, and received by the Conference.

MOTION: On motion of John N. Link, Clinton H. Brown was elected Conference Lay Leader for the ensuing year.

MOTION: On motion of Clinton H. Brown, the following District and Associate District Lay Leaders were elected by the Conference:

Conference Lay Leader—Clinton H. Brown, Wilmington, Delaware

Dover District Lay Leader—John R. Rogers, Milford, Delaware

Associate District Lay Leaders:

Henry Price, Smyrna, Delaware

Paul Powell, Laurel, Delaware

Elias Tingle, Frankford, Delaware

Easton District Lay Leader—Walter B. Palmer, Denton, Md.

Associate District Lay Leaders:

Carl Plummer, Chestertown, Maryland

John Clarence North, Easton, Md.

Raymond H. Simmons, Salisbury, Md.

David I. King, Goldsboro, Md.

Horace Morgan, Queen Anne, Md.

Salisbury District Lay Leader—Elton W. Parsons, Berlin, Md.

Associate District Lay Leaders:

John T. Bruehl, Berlin, Md.

William R. McKnight, Hebron, Md.

Elton Whittington, Crisfield, Md.

Wilmington District Lay Leader—Clifford T. Foster, Wilmington, Del.

Associate District Lay Leaders:

David R. Montgomery, Wilmington, Del.

William Graham, Rising Sun, Maryland

Thomas S. Lodge, New Castle, Delaware

Lawrence S. Gibson, Wilmington, Delaware

QUADRENNIAL COMMITTEE OF THE LOCAL CHURCH: The report of the Quadrennial Committee of the Local Church was presented by J. J. Von Hagel and received by the Conference.

MINISTERS ASSISTANCE: The report of the Committee on Ministers Assistance was presented by J. Earl Cummings and received by the Conference.

RESOLUTION: The following resolution was presented by J. Earl Cummings and adopted by the Conference:

BE IT RESOLVED: That a committee of five (5) consisting of the President of the Board of Pensions, the Chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, the Chairman of Minister's Assistance, the President of the Board of Directors of the Mutual Relief Association and one District Superintendent be appointed and directed to study ways and means whereby present conference programs concerned with minister's benefits may be consolidated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this committee report its findings to the 1958 conference session.

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES: The report of the Conference Trustees was presented by F. B. Bailey and received by the Conference to be printed without reading.

PRESENTATION: John N. Link presented Melvin E. Jewett, the Exec. Secretary of the Wilmington-New Castle County Council of Churches who addressed the Conference.

METHODIST HOSPITAL: On motion of O. A. Bartley, the Secretary was directed to print the report of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital of Philadelphia in the Peninsula Conference Journal.

CHILD CARE: On motion of J. Earl Cummings, the report of the Board of Child Care was received by the Conference and ordered printed without reading.

ANNOUNCEMENTS were made and Conference adjourned, A. J. Jackson pronouncing the benediction.

EVENING SERVICE — 7:45 P. M.

The evening service was in charge of the Conference Board of Lay Activities. The address was given by Dr. Robert G. Mayfield, Exec. Secretary of the Denominational Board of Lay Activities, Clinton H. Brown, Conference Lay Leader, presiding.

FIFTH SESSION — SATURDAY MORNING

DEVOTIONS: 8 A. M., with Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding and Dr. Ralph W. Sockman bringing the message of the hour.

OPENING: Conference convened at 9:00 A. M. with Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding.

COMMITTEE ON JOURNAL: Gerald A. Foster reported for the Committee on Journal finding the Journal to be correct for the third and fourth sessions. His report was accepted and the Journal approved by the Conference.

MOTION: On motion of Gerald A. Foster, the Conference granted permission to the Committee on Journal to edit and approve the minutes of the remaining sessions without reporting to the Conference.

MOTION: The following motion was made by Howell O. Wilkins and adopted by the Conference:

That we include in the minutes the resolution adopted by the Alumni and Friends of Wesley concerning the use of funds raised for Wesley Junior College and the conditions set by the Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College before their request for Conference action was made.

The resolution associated with the above motion reads as follows:

RESOLVED, That in the likelihood of such action by the Peninsula Annual Conference, to be regarded as evidence of the continuation of the college as a certainty, we therefore instruct the treasurer of the Alumni Association to transfer to the treasurer of the college any money or pledges, remaining after all expenses of the campaign are paid, to be used by the Board of Trustees for such purposes as they deem to be for the best interests of the college.

The conditions set by the Board of Trustees for the continuation of Wesley Junior College are as follows:

- a. The successful completion of the Alumni Campaign for \$500,000;
- b. Action by the Alumni Association and Friends of Wesley as incorporated bodies to the effect that the total of all subscriptions secured in the Alumni Campaign will be paid without condition to the Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College to be spent in the extension program of the College;
- c. A decision upon the part of the Annual Conference to continue the College and to cooperate in its development;
- d. Acceptance of the recommendation made by the Commission appointed by the Annual Conference; namely, that \$1,500,000 be secured as the first part of the development program, said \$1,500,000 to be used as follows:
 - (1) The construction of an administration and educational building to cost approximately \$750,000;
 - (2) The construction of a women's dormitory to cost approximately \$350,000;
 - (3) The purchase of such additional property as may be necessary for campus development;
 - (4) The payment of the present debt of \$203,550.

CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN: G. E. Leister presented the report of the Conference Statistician which was received with appreciation by the Conference.

CONFERENCE TREASURER: John F. Kelso presented the report of the Conference Treasurer which was received with appreciation by the Conference.

WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE: Otis Figs presented the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance, recommending the continua-

tion of the budget of last year, and the report was adopted by the Conference.

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS: The report of the Board of Social and Economic Relations was presented by A. Jason Blundon, Vice Chairman, and adopted by the Conference, to be printed in the Journal without reading.

BOARD OF TEMPERANCE: The report of the Board of Temperance was presented by F. Douglas Milbury and adopted by the Conference.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: The report of the Legislative Committee was presented by William O. Hackett and adopted by the Conference to be printed in the Journal without reading.

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY: Earl F. Dawson, Chairman, presented the report of the Conference Education Society which was adopted by the Conference. The Conference Education Society nominated the following members to the Board of Managers, who were approved by the Conference:

Terms expiring 1958:

Ministers: R. S. Hodgson, D. T. Pritchard, M. E. Wheatley
Laymen: Samuel Nowell, J. Millard Tawes, Wm. F. Messick

Terms expiring 1959:

Ministers: William Hudson, H. B. Flater
Laymen: Ralph J. O'Day, S. Edward Simpson

Terms expiring 1960:

Ministers: C. S. Clarkson, J. B. Vaughn, Willard L. Robinson
Laymen: E. F. Dawson, Jacob H. Moore, Dr. John Shilling

Representatives on Conference Scholarship Committee:
E. F. Dawson, M. E. Wheatley

CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS: The report of the Conference Commission on Christian Vocations was presented by W. P. Kesmodel and adopted by the Conference.

PRESENTATIONS: Dr. Norman L. Trott, President of Wesley Theological Seminary was presented and addressed the Conference.

Dr. Reid Isaac of the Board of Child Care of the Baltimore and Peninsula Conferences was presented and addressed the Conference.

CONFERENCE SESSION: An invitation was extended to the next annual session of the Conference to meet in Atlantic Church, Ocean City, Maryland by the Pastor, Ralph L. Minker, Jr. All invitations were referred to the Committee on Entertainment by action of the Conference.

COMMITTEE ON COURTESIES: R. S. Gibson, Secretary of the Committee on Courtesies presented their report which was adopted by the Conference.

BOARD OF EDUCATION: J. R. Hughes, Chairman of the Board of Education presented his report which was adopted by the Conference. D. C. Wildey, Executive Secretary presented his report which was adopted by the Conference.

PRESENTATION: D. C. Wildey presented the following members of the Youth Council and Conference and District Workers:

Conference Youth Council:

President, Eddie Scarfe, Middletown, Delaware
Vice-President, Conrad Cohen, Milford, Delaware
Secretary, Penny Krams, Wilmington, Delaware
Treasurer, Charles Duff, Clayton, Delaware

Other Officers:

Shirley Altemus, Wilmington, Delaware
Thomas Carter, Newark, Delaware
Charles Gordy, Snow Hill, Md.
Donna Harmon, Berlin, Md.
Pam Moore, Cambridge, Md.
Mary Catherine Smith, Delmar, Md.
Wayne Turner, Cambridge, Md.

Conference and District Workers:

Conference Director of Youth Work, Edwin Thomas, Odessa, Del.

The District Directors are as follows:

Charles Covington, Dover
George Moore, Easton
Howard Evans, Salisbury
Kirby Krams, Wilmington

RECOMMENDATIONS: D. C. Wildey presented the following recommendations which were adopted by the Conference:

The Board of Education of the Peninsula Conference recommends that a committee be appointed by the Bishop to study and prepare plans for purchasing, building or acquiring property for a Peninsula Conference Methodist Center, the findings of this committee to be presented to the next annual session of The Peninsula Conference.

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE: The Commission on World Service and Finance recommends that \$2125.00 be granted to the Board of Education to be used to complete the settlement on the farm adjoining Pe-Co-Meth Camp.

FULL MEMBERSHIP: The following Ministerial Candidates to be received into full membership were called: Manuel Buarque, Ralph Elwood Hughes, Charles Edwin Lasbury, Harold Earl Nunemaker, Roy Benjamin Phillips and Charles Littleton Trader. Bishop Oxnam addressed the group using the subject "The Three R's of the Ministry", and observing the order for reception into full membership, asked the usual questions and appropriate answers were given.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING MINISTERS: Frank A. Baker, Charles E. Davis, S. T. Hamblin, Ralph E. Jones, E. Carroll Justice, Lawrence L. Knotts, Andrew T. McFarland, C. L. Rieter, Roy T. Thawley and Lawrence E. Wimbrow who have received the retired relationship this year were called. A brief service was conducted by Bishop Oxnam and they were presented with certificates and buttons in recognition of their loyal and devoted service to the church.

PRESENTATION: Bishop Oxnam presented and highly recommended the recent biography of Charles Wesley by Bishop Charles Wesley Flint.

PRESENTATION: Fulton Downing, the Dover District Lay Leader was present by Bishop Oxnam. Mr. Downing presented O. A. Bartley, the retiring District Superintendent of the Dover District with a gift of a bill-fold and purse from the men of the Dover District, which was graciously received by O. A. Bartley.

PRESENTATION: Bishop Oxnam presented Miss Anne Robinson, Director of the Washington Area Methodist Information Office.

APPRECIATION: Preston Spence, retiring District Superintendent of the Easton District expressed his appreciation to the laymen of the District for a purse presented to him recently.

MOTION: Preston Spence presented the following motion which was adopted by the Conference:

I move that after the reading of the appointments tomorrow, this Conference shall adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT: Conference adjourned, L. E. Wimbrow pronouncing the benediction.

SIXTH SESSION — SUNDAY AFTERNOON, — 3:00 O'CLOCK

ORDINATION SERVICE

Conference convened at Grace Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presiding.

The secretary presented the following candidates for Deacon's Orders and they were ordained by Bishop Oxnam:

Richard Douglas Bailey, George Clinton Godfrey, Clifton Hope, Frank Lucia, David James Randolph, Jr., Olin J. Shockley, Jr., Robert Preston Whitlock and G. Francis Wilson.

The secretary presented the following candidates for Elder's Orders and they were ordained by Bishop Oxnam, assisted by the Superintendents and other Elders:

Richard Hugh Bready, Manuel Buarque, Robert Bruce Florian, Ralph Elwood Hughes, Charles Edwin Lasbury, Harold Earl Nunemaker, Ray Benjamin Phillips, Muriel Clair Smith and Charles Middleton Trader.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that on this 19th day of May, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Seven, I ordained as Deacons: Richard Douglas Bailey, George Clinton Godfrey, Clifton Hope, Frank Lucia, David James Randolph, Jr., Olin J. Shockley, Jr., Robert Preston Whitlock and G. Francis Wilson.

And assisted by the District Superintendents and other Elders, I ordained as Elders: Richard Hugh Bready, Manuel Buarque, Robert Bruce Florian, Ralph Elwood Hughes, Charles Edwin Lasbury, Harold Earl Nunemaker, Roy Benjamin Phillips, Muriel Clair Smith and Charles Middleton Trader.

G. Bromley Oxnam

Presiding Bishop.

Grace Methodist Church
Wilmington, Delaware

APPOINTMENTS: Appointments were read and Conference adjourned, Bishop Oxnam pronouncing the benediction.

G. Bromley Oxnam

Presiding Bishop.

Walter L. Beckwith

Secretary.

IV
DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Minutes of the Peninsula Annual Conference, held in Grace Methodist Church, Wilmington, Delaware, from May 16, 1957, through May 19, 1957.

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, presiding.

Date when organized, October 31, 1939. Number of this Session, 18th.

Part I. Organization and General Business

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (§§629, 803)?
Secretary? Walter L. Beckwith, P. O. R. D. #1, Crisfield, Maryland.
Statistician? G. E. Leister, P. O. Bethel, Delaware.
Treasurer? John F. Kelso, 600 Becker Ave., Woodcrest, Wilmington, Delaware.
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (§625.) Yes; through the Board of Trustees.
3. Bonding and auditing:
 - a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded and in what amounts? (§§640, 729, 807). John F. Kelso, Conference Treasurer, \$50,000. Ira S. Pruitt, Treasurer of the Board of Pensions, \$50,000.
 - b) Have the books of said officers or persons been audited? (§§640, 729, 803, 807.) Yes.
4. Have the conference boards, commissions and committees been appointed or elected (§§666-80, 695, 721). [answer Yes or No]:
 - a) Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications? Yes.
 - b) Committee on Conference Relations? Yes.
 - c) District Committees on Ministerial Qualifications? Yes.
 - d) Committee of Investigation? Yes.
 - e) District Boards of Location and Building? Yes.
 - f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.
 - g) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.
 - h) Commission on Town and Country Work? Yes.
 - i) Deaconess Board? Yes.
 - j) Board of Missions? Yes.

- k) Board of Education? Yes.
 - l) Board of Temperance? Yes.
 - m) Board of Lay Activities? Yes.
 - n) Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes.
 - o) Board of Evangelism? Yes.
 - p) Board of Pensions? Yes.
 - q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes.
 - r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes.
 - s) Commission on Minimum Salaries? Yes.
 - t) Commission on Promotion and Cultivation? Yes.
 - u) Committee on Reserve Pensions? Yes.
 - v) Quadrennial Committee on Local-Church Goals? Yes.
 - w) Optional commissions and committees? Yes.
5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church. (§662.) Yes.
 6. What is the report of the statistician? (See report.)
 7. What is the report of the treasurer? (See report.)
 8. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See supplementary report.)
 9. What is the schedule of minimum salaries for pastors? (§826). Apportionment $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% of the preachers current cash salary. Payments as follows: Conference members, Single \$2,800.00; Married \$3,200.00. Supply Ministers: Single \$2,400.00; Married \$2,800.00.
 10. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (§§801-2.) Appt. 6% of Pastor's cash salary. Amount of salary determined by average of 20 highest salaries in the conference.
 11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? (§§1623, 1645 § 4.) Percentage of Pastor's current cash salary as recommended by the Board of Pensions.
 12. What are the apportionments to this conference:
 - a) For the World Service Fund? \$110,601.00.
 - b) For the Episcopal Fund? 2% of Pastor's cash salary.
 - c) For the General Administration Fund? \$4,777.00.
 - d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? \$3,782.00.
 - e) For the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$1,000.00.

13. What is the percentage division between world service and conference benevolences for the current year:
World service? 55%. Conference benevolences? 45%.
14. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the conference agencies:
- What is the report of the Board of Pensions and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (§1623.) See report. Annuity rate \$52.00 for 1957-58.
 - What is the report of the Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (§1303.) See report.
 - What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (§§791-812). See report.
 - What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? (§§675-77.) See report.
 - What are the other reports? See reports.
15. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (§1618 § 2c, 9.)
Determined by the Board of Pensions of the Annual Conference.
16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (§1559.) None.
17. Conference lay leader (§1507):
- Clinton H. Brown, 9 N. Clifton Ave., Roselle, Wilmington, Del.
 - What is his report? See report.
 - Who are district and associate lay leaders? (§1510.)
- DOVER: John R. Rogers, Milford, Del., Associates:—Paul Powell, Laurel, Del., Elias Tingle, Frankford, Del.
- EASTON: Walter B. Palmer, Denton, Md., Associates:—Carl Plummer, Chestertown, Md., John Clarence North, Easton, Md., Raymond H. Simmons, Salisbury, Md., David I. King, Goldsboro, Md., Horace Morgan, Queen Anne, Md.
- SALISBURY: Elton W. Parsons, Salisbury, Md., Associates:—John T. Bruel, Berlin, Md., William R. McKnight, Hebron, Md., Elton Whittington, Crisfield, Md.
- WILMINGTON: Clifford T. Foster, Wilmington, Del., Associates:—David R. Montgomery, Wilmington, Del., William Graham, Rising Sun, Md., Thomas S. Lodge, New Castle, Del., Lawrence S. Gibson, Wilmington, Del.
18. What local churches have been:
- Organized? (§155.) None.
 - Merged? (§§186-87.) None.
 - Discontinued (§§126, 188, 354.) Milton Grace, Milton, Del. Under Par. 188—1956 Discipline.

- Relocated, and to what address? None.
- Transferred into this conference from the Central Jurisdiction, and with what membership (§532):
 - This year? None.
 - Previously? None.

PART II. PERTAINING TO MINISTERIAL RELATIONS

19. Are all the ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.
20. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? (§931.)
C. W. Branford, C. S. Clarkson, O. H. Connelly, R. E. Green, J. J. VonHagel. RESERVES:—R. S. Hodgson, B. E. Reynolds, T. J. Turkington.
21. Who are the approved supply pastors: See list.
- Student approved supply pastors? (§§317 § 1, 318), and in what schools are they enrolled?

Archer, William T., Jr., Washington College
Burge, Charles D., Washington College
Carlson, Ray, Temple School of Theology
Clawson, Edgar J., Temple School of Theology
Covington, Henry, Washington College
Davis, Charles D., Lycoming College
Ellis, Ralph A., University of Delaware
Graham, Bruce R., Salisbury State Teachers
Henderson, Gerald, Temple School of Theology
Payne, Romie H., Jr., Washington College
Pigueron, George H., III, Asbury College
Pruett, Dale, Will enter college this fall
Pusey Irvin, University of Delaware
Short, Robert C., University of Delaware
Spedden, Harold C., Salisbury State Teachers
Strickler, Charles, Temple School of Theology
 - Part-time approved supply pastors (§§317, § 2, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study? None.
 - Full-time approved supply pastors (§§317 § 3, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study?

Abbott, Wilmer E., Elder Course completed
Anderson, John H., Elder Course completed
Elliott, Milton H., Elder Course completed
Fosnocht, Walter E., Elder Course completed
Fox, Clarence J., Elder Course completed
Garrett, William J., Elder Course completed
Guyer, Harry M., Deacon Continued in 3rd year
Hamilton, W. W., Elder Course completed

Hill, William A., ElderCourse completed
 Hope, CliftonAdvanced to 3rd year
 Hudson, William O.Beginning 1st year
 Hughes, Ralph H. D., DeaconAdvanced to 4th year
 Justis, E. Carroll, ElderCourse completed
 Knotts, Lawrence L., ElderCourse completed
 Layton, J. Edward, ElderCourse completed
 McWilliams, Guy H., ElderCourse completed
 Milliner, Milton C., DeaconAdvanced to 4th year
 Renner, Lawrence S., ElderCourse completed
 Roberts, Maxwell J., ElderCourse completed
 Shufelt, Vinton D., ElderCourse completed
 Smith, Miss Muriel C., DeaconCourse completed
 Steen, James C., Jr., ElderCourse completed
 Townsend, O. Lloyd, ElderCourse completed
 Turkington, Albert A., ElderCourse completed
 Turner, William A., ElderCourse completed
 Wilkins, Clarence E., ElderCourse completed
 Wilson, G. FrancisAdvanced to 3rd year

22. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? (§1631.)
 All who serve.
23. What preachers, coming from other evangelical churches, have had their orders recognized (§411): None.
 a) As local deacons? None.
 b) As local elders? None.
24. Who have been admitted from other evangelical churches as traveling preachers: [See note under question 33.]
 a) As members on trial: Deacons? None
 Elders? None.
 b) As members in full connection: Deacons? None.
 Elders? None.
25. Who are admitted on trial: [List alphabetically. See note under question 33.]
 a) With degrees from approved colleges and credits from approved schools of theology? (§§323-24.)
 Richard Douglas Bailey, Charles Edward Barton Jr., George Clinton Godfrey, David James Randolph, Jr., Olin J. Shockley Jr., Robert Preston Whitlock.
 b) With degrees from colleges not accredited by the University Senate and credits from approved schools of theology? (§325 § 1.)
 Robert Wilkins Helms.

- c) With degrees from approved colleges and completion of the introductory studies for the ministry? (§325 § 2.)
 none.
- d) With partial college work, completion of the four-year course of study, and six years' service as approved supply pastors? (§325 § 3.) None.
26. Who are continued on trial; and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies (§330):
 a) In approved schools of theology? Walter Hamilton Beckwith, William Dore, Howard Lee Gordy Jr., Wm. Maxwell Tees Hankins, William LeRoy Jones, Joseph Gordon Stapleton, Charles Randolph Leary, Frank Lucia, Francis Truman Michels, William Henry Owens, John William Simperts, Jr., Omro Milton Todd.
 b) In the four-year course of study? None.
 c) In the two years of special study? (§343 § 2.) None.
27. Who on trial are discontinued? Willard Simperts McGinnis.
28. Who are admitted into full connection? [List alphabetically. See note under question 33.]
 Manuel Buarque, Ralph Elwood Hughes, Charles Edwin Lasbury, Harold Earl Nunemaker, Roy Benjamin Phillips, Charles Littleton Trader.
29. Who have been elected deacons (§393): [See note under question 33.]
 a) Theological students? Richard Douglas Bailey, George Clinton Godfrey, Frank Lucia, David James Randolph Jr., Olin J. Shockley Jr., Robert Preston Whitlock.
 b) Members on trial in the course of study? None.
 c) Approved supply pastors? Clifton Hope, G. Francis Wilson.
 d) Other local preachers? None.
 e) Missionaries? None.
 f) Chaplains? None.
30. Who have been ordained deacons? [See note under question 33.]
 Richard Douglas Bailey, George Clinton Godfrey, Frank Lucia, David James Randolph Jr., Olin J. Shockley, Jr., Robert Preston Whitlock
31. Who have been elected elders (§403): [See note under question 33.]
 a) Theological graduates? Manuel Buarque, Ralph Elwood Hughes, Charles Edwin Lasbury, Harold Earl Nunemaker, Roy Benjamin Phillips.
 b) Course of study graduates? Richard Hugh Bready, Charles Littleton Trader.

- c) **Approved supply pastors?** Robert Bruce Florian, Miss Muriel Clair Smith.
- d) **Other local preachers?** None.
- e) **Missionaries?** None.
- f) **Chaplains?** None.
- 32. Who have been ordained elders?** [See note under question 33.]
- Manuel Buarque, Ralph Elwood Hughes, Charles Edwin Lasbury, Harold Earl Nunemaker, Roy Benjamin Phillips. Course of study graduates:—Richard Hugh Bready, Charles Littleton Trader. Approved supply pastors:—Robert Bruce Florian, Miss Muriel Claire Smith.
- 33. Who have been admitted or ordained to accommodate other conferences:**
- a) **Admitted: On trial?** None.
Into full connection? None.
- b) **Ordained after election by this conference: Deacons?** None.
Elders? None.
- c) **Ordained after election by other conferences: Deacons?** None.
Elders? None.

[NOTE: Members of this conference who were admitted or ordained through the accommodation of other conferences during the year should be listed under Questions 24-32, whichever are appropriate, along with their fellow members who were admitted or ordained at the current session, in each case the date and accommodating conference should be recorded. Under Question 33 should be listed persons, now members of other conferences, who were members of this conference only during the period necessary for their admission or ordination, if at all. In each case the conference of which the person is now a member, and any other conference involved, should be recorded. Transfers preceding or following actual service in this conference should be listed under Questions 36-37.]

- 34. Who are readmitted:**
- a) **As deacons?** None.
- b) **As elders?** C. L. Reiter.
- 35. What retired members have been made effective?** None.
- 36. Who have been received by transfer?** [List alphabetically. If probationer, so indicate. See note under question 33.]

Name	Conference	Date
Howard M. Amoss,	Baltimore,	5/16/57

- 37. Who have been transferred out?** [List alphabetically. See note under question 33.]
- | Name | Conference | Date |
|--------------------|------------|---------|
| Oler A. Bartley, | Baltimore, | 5/19/57 |
| Carlton M. Harris, | Baltimore, | 5/18/57 |
| O. E. Mercer, | Ohio, | 5/18/57 |
| Roy C. Vernon, | Virginia, | 5/1/57 |
- 38. Who have had their conference membership terminated:**
- a) **By voluntary location?** H. H. Schauer.
- b) **By involuntary location?** None.
- c) **By withdrawal?** None.
- d) **By judicial procedure (expelled)?** None.
- 39. Deceased:** [List alphabetically:]
- a) **What ministerial members have died during the year?**
- Retired:** Howard Davis, Vinal E. Hills, Frederick C. Louhoff
Effective: Arthur E. B. Blundon, 12/25/93, 12/25/56, 1924.
On trial: None.
- b) **What approved supply pastors have died during the year?** None.
- c) **What deaconesses have died during the year?** None.
- 40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?** (§365.)
- | Name | Number of Years |
|--------------|-----------------|
| E. W. Henvis | 4th |
- 41. Who are granted sabbatical leave?** (§364.) None.
- 42. What ministerial members have been retired:** [List alphabetically.]
- a) **This year?** F. A. Baker, C. E. Davis, S. T. Hamblin, Ralph C. Jones, A. T. McFarland, C. L. Reiter, R. T. Thawley, L. E. Wimbrow.
- b) **Previously?** J. P. Adams, C. H. Atkins, H. N. Bailey, W. G. Barlow, J. R. Bicking, E. J. Bond, Sidney Bradley, H. V. Branford, W. H. Briggs, T. B. Brinton, Ralph Collis, Ewell E. Crockett, J. R. Diehl, C. H. Dobson, C. M. Elderdice, W. J. Ennis, C. I. Flory, A. B. Frye, J. H. Geohegan, J. P. George, Wm. Francis Godwin, E. C. Graham, W. S. Grant, W. E. Gunby, J. C. Hanby, R. W. Hastings, H. G. Holdway, M. E. Hungerford, Leoland Jackson, O. E. Jones, C. N. Jones, J. W. Jones, Omar Jones, Roy L. Jones, Thomas C. Jones, J. P. Landon, Robert Loss, Dayton E. McClain, H. R. McDade, William McKee, R. W. Mills, D. J. Moore, L. B. Morgan, J. E. Parker, J. B. Pettus, J. T. Price, O. B. Reed, W. H. Revelle, Gilbert Ross, T. J. Sard, P. R. Schauer, E. M. Shockley, W. D. Short,

Tilghman Smith, J. L. Sparklin, Charles Spry, C. R. Strausburg, C. W. Strickland, E. P. Thomas, G. E. Turner, Melvin Wheatley, J. H. Whedbee, Leonard White, G. E. Wood, John Wootten, J. Harry Wright.

43. What approved supply pastors have been retired:

- a) **This year?** E. Carroll Justis, L. L. Knotts.
 b) **Previously?** J. T. Graham, A. T. Hudson, T. H. Hudson, W. H. Johnson, Robert L. Kirby, J. W. Smith, Albert Turkington.

44. Who are appointed to attend school? [List alphabetically.]

Walter H. Beckwith, Ralph E. Hughes, John W. Simperts, Jr., Richard C. Staszkesky.

45. What is the number of:

- a) **General Information:** Pastoral charges? 210. Approved supply pastors? 58. Received on trial? 7. Received into full connection? 6. Transferred in? 1. Transferred out? 4. Received from other evangelical churches? 0. Readmitted? 1. Discontinued? 0. Withdrawn? 0. Expelled? 0. Located? 1. Deceased? 4. Local preachers? 60. Women under appointment? 1. Retired made effective? 0. Retired serving as supply pastors? 11.

District Parsonages: Total value? \$145,000.00. Indebtedness? ?.
 District parsonages? 4.

b) Ministerial members:

(1) **On trial:**

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| (a) As pastors? | 16 |
| (b) Under special appointment? | 0 |
| (c) Appointed to attend school? | 2 |

Total on trial?	18
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(2) **In full connection:**

(a) **Effective:**

- | | |
|---|-----|
| (i) As pastors and district superintendents? .. | 121 |
| (ii) Under special appointment? | 12 |
| (iii) Appointed to attend school? | 2 |
| (iv) On sabbatical leave? | 0 |

Total effective?	135
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(b) Retired?	74
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(c) Supernumerary?	1
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Total ministerial members: [Add total on trial, effective, retired, and supernumerary.]	228
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46. What other personal notation should be made? None.

PART III. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

- 47. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the coming year? (See supplementary report.)**
- 48. Where shall the next conference session be held? Referred to the Committee on Program and Entertainment.**
- 49. Is there any other business?** No.
- 50. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Conference Session? See appointments.**
- 51. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? (See list of appointments.)**

APPOINTMENTS

DOVER DISTRICT

ROY L. TAWES, Superintendent, (1) (431 N. State St., Dover, Del.)

Telephone: Dover 3082

All Appointments in Delaware.

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Bethel			Frankford	L. E. Windsor	(2)
Portsville			Frederica		
Mt. Zion	G. E. Leister	(5)	Trinity		
Blades			Sardis	Charles R. Leary	(2)
Asbury			Georgetown		
Epworth	George C. Godfrey	(3)	Grace	T. C. Mulligan	(7)
Bridgeville	A. J. Blundon	(2)	Wesley	C. S. Clarkson	(1)
Camden	F. G. Buckley	(1)	Georgetown Circuit		
Cannon Circuit			Bethesda		
Cokesbury			Providence		
Trinity	(Gerald Henderson)	(3)	St. John's		
Cheswold			Zoar	Frank Lucia	(2)
Down's Chapel			Greenwood Circuit		
	Olin J. Shockley, Jr.	(1)	Greenwood Methodist		
Clayton			Greenwood Grace		
Ewells-St. Paul's			St. Johnstown		
	(Guy H. McWilliams)	(1)		Frank O. Baynard	(2)
Dagsboro:			Gumboro		
Bethel			Bethel		
Christ	C. H. Squires	(1)	Westwoods		
Dover:				James F. Langrall	(8)
Wesley	John A. Trader	(9)	Harbeson		
St. Paul's and Air Base			Sand Hill	(Dale Pruitt)	(1)
	E. R. Wilkins, Associate	(2)	Harrington		
Ellendale			Asbury	Richard S. Gibson	(2)
Chaplain's Chapel			Trinity	Chester O. Wilcox	(2)
McColley's Chapel			Hartley		
	(E. B. Eckhardt)	(1)	Friendship		
Farmington				(Robert F. Loss, Jr.)	(2)
Salem			Houston		
Bethel			Williamsville	R. W. Kirwan	(1)
Epworth			Indian Mission	(Dale Pruitt)	(1)
Todd's Chapel			Kenton	(Clarence E. Wilkins)	(1)
	Richard D. Bailey	(2)	Laurel		
Felton			Centenary	Dale L. Ruth	(1)
Manship			Christ	Arthur H. Hastings	(2)
Viola	(L. S. Renner)	(2)			

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Laurel Circuit			Nassau		
Horsey's Grove			Conley's Chapel		
Shiloh			White's Chapel		
Trinity			Zion	Kenneth Dickey	(2)
St. Paul's	Lee Elliott	(30)	Ocean View	Chas. E. Covington	(2)
Lewes			Odessa	Edwin C. Thomas, Jr.	(6)
Bethel	A. E. Dougherty	(9)	Rehoboth	Ira E. Doyle	(2)
Groome	A. E. Dougherty	(3)	Reliance	(Milton C. Milliner)	(10)
Lincoln			Roxana		
Cedar Neck			Sound		
Slaughter Neck			Hickory Hill	W. H. Kohl	(1)
	(W. W. Hamilton)	(2)	St. George's		
Leipsic and Little Creek			(Clarksville)	Perry O. Hill	(1)
	(O. B. Reed)	(2)	Seaford		
Magnolia			Mt. Olivet	Walter H. Stone	(15)
Barratt's Chapel			St. John's	W. O. Hackett	(1)
Bowers Beach	W. LeRoy Jones	(2)	Seaford Circuit	(Milton Elliott)	(2)
Middletown	Robert Van Cleaf	(2)	Selbyville	J. Earl Cummings	(5)
Milford			Smyrna	W. H. Revelle, Jr.	(1)
Avenue	Robert E. Green	(4)	Townsend		
Calvary	F. D. Milbury	(2)	Immanuel		
Millsboro			Scott	Roy B. Phillips	(2)
Grace			Whitesville		
Carey's	D. O. Hornung	(3)	Bethany		
Millwood	F. D. Milbury	(2)	Bethesda		
Milton			Line	(To be Supplied)	
Goshen	Conrad Hamer	(1)	Wyoming	A. M. B. Snapp	(2)
Millville	(M. E. Wheatley)	(1)			
Mt. Pleasant					
King's					
St. George's	(J. E. Layton)	(5)			

EASTON DISTRICT

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All Appointments in Maryland

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Bayside			Bozman		
Claiborne			Neavitt	(Roy L. Jones)	(1)
Sherwood			Burrsville		
Wittman	To be Supplied		Hickman		
Beckwith			Union		
Spedden			Wesley		
Antioch	(W. O. Hudson)	(2)	Prospect	(John H. Anderson)	(2)

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Cambridge			Friendship		
Grace	R. C. Hubbard	(12)	Chateau	(Geo. L. Bennett)	(1)
St. Paul's	Wm. Hemphill, Jr.	(1)	Goldsboro	O. M. Todd	(4)
Zion	A. S. Miller	(9)	Greensboro	G. H. Wheatley	(9)
Centreville			Harmony		
Epworth	E. W. Cursey	(1)	Grove	To be Supplied	
Grace			Hillsboro		
Chestertown			Queen Anne		
Christ			Matthewstown		
Director of Wesley				Harold Fordham	(2)
Foundation	W. P. Kesmodel	(1)	Hooper's Island		
First	W. H. Hudson	(8)	Hooper's Memorial		
Church Creek			Hoosier Memorial		
Bethlehem				(Harry M. Guyer)	(2)
Chaplain Memorial			Hurlock		
Gethsemane			Unity		
Joppa			Washington	Edwin J. Horney	(2)
Milton			Ingleside		
White Haven			Busic		
	(George L. Stellges)	(1)	Marvin Memorial		
Church Hill			St. Paul's (Henry Covington)		(2)
Price			Kennedyville	(E. J. Bond)	(11)
Union	Charles L. Trader	(2)	Kent Island		
Concord			Dominion		
Bloomery			Kingsley		
Chestnut Grove			Trinity-Downs	R. H. Bready	(3)
	(C. E. Barton, Jr.)	(1)	Marydel		
Crapo			Henderson		
Bound's			Templeville		
Ebenezer				(W. M. T. Hankins)	(2)
St. John's			Oxford	D. T. Pritchard	(6)
Street's			Preston		
Wesley	To be supplied		Bethlehem		
Crumpton	W. P. Kesmodel	(1)	Choptank	John A. Irwin	(1)
Denton			Queenstown		
First	George W. Goodley	(2)	Calvary		
Grace	T. J. Turkington	(27)	Immanuel		
East New Market			Wye	Jos. V. Holliday, Jr.	(2)
Brookview			Ridgely		
Eldorado			Bridgetown		
Trinity			Thawley's	(Vinton Shufelt)	(1)
Wesley	(J. Maxwell Roberts)	(1)	Rock Hall		
Easton			Piney	(Samuel J. Seymour)	(2)
St. Mark's	H. F. Chandler	(5)	Royal Oak	(J. T. Price)	(8)
Fairlee	(E. P. Thomas)	(2)	St. James		
Federalsburg			Worton		
Christ	George H. Moore	(2)	Lynch	William Dore	(3)
Union	Donald O. Clendaniel	(2)			

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
St. Michaels			Tilghman		
St. Luke's			St. John's	Ira E. Crum	(2)
	Addison L. Smith	(3)	Trappe		
St. Thomas			Faith Chapel	J. G. Stapleton	(5)
Bethany			Vienna		
Wingate			Elliott		
Zion	(Lloyd Townsend)	(1)	Reids Grove	Manuel Buarque	(2)
Secretary			Wesley Chapel		
Bucktown			Raum Chapel		
Salem	(Miss Muriel Smith)	(6)		(Wm. T. Archer, Jr.)	(2)
Still Pond			Williamsburg	George H. Moore	(1)
Betterton	Robert H. Hodgson	(2)	Wye Mills		
Sudlersville			Cordova		
Double Creek			Starr	(Joseph C. Smith)	(1)
	H. Clifford Jeffers	(1)			

SALISBURY DISTRICT

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All Appointments in Maryland except Delmar

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Allen			Fairmount		
Siloam			Christ		
Washington			Mt. Olive		
	(Harry L. Fisher II)	(2)	Rehoboth	(Harold Spedden)	(2)
Berlin	J. B. Vaughn	(1)	Fruitland	Frank M. Volk	(3)
Bishopville			Galestown		
Showell			Woodland		
Wilson			Cokesbury	(John W. Wooten)	(2)
Zion	(Clarence Fox)	(1)	Hebron:		
Crisfield			Nelson		
Asbury	W. L. Beckwith	(1)	St. Paul's of Mardela		
Immanuel	J. Howard Link	(2)		O. G. Brewer, Sr.	(1)
Mariners			St. Paul's		
St. Peters			Charity	(Kyle Smith)	(2)
Westover	James O'Neil	(2)	Mardela		
Mt. Pleasant			Emanuel		
	Walter A. Donaway	(1)	Snethen		
Deal Island			Mt. Pleasant	J. Melvin Kay	(2)
St. John's			Mt. Hermon		
Wenona	W. I. Collins	(4)	St. Luke's		
Delmar				(Edgar J. Clawson)	(4)
First	John W. Townsend	(14)	Mt. Vernon		
Mt. Olive			Asbury		
Mills Chapel			John Wesley		
	L. Calvin Randall	(2)	Friendship	R. G. Given	(1)

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Nanticoke			Salisbury		
Bivalve			Bethesda	Howard M. Amoss	(1)
Oak Grove			Grace	James J. VonHagel	(3)
Tyaskin	(George Bishop)	(1)	St. Andrew's		
Newark			Stengle	Elmer L. Bennett	(1)
Bowen			Trinity	R. Jervis Cooke	(1)
Cedartown	(Clifton Hope)	(2)	Sharptown		
Ocean City			Asbury		
Atlantic			Riverton	F. Howard Truitt	(5)
Sinapuxent			Sharptown		
	Ralph L. Minker, Jr.	(3)	Mt. Vernon		
Oriole			Mt. Hermon		
St. Peter's			Wheatleys	H. Norman Nicklas	(6)
St. Stephens			Smith's Island		
	(A. A. Turkington)	(12)	Ewell		
Parsonsborg			Tylerton		
Jerusalem			Rhodes Point	Waldo L. Dise	(2)
Bethel			Snow Hill		
Zion	(W. Austin Hill)	(4)	Trinity		
Pittsville			Bates	Harvey B. Flater	(5)
Ayres			Snow Hill		
Melson			Whatcoat	Howard E. Evans	(1)
Wango	(Wm. J. Garrett)	(2)	Somerset		
Pocomoke			Rock Creek		
Bethany			Dames Quarter		
Quinton	Chas. W. Branford	(2)		(R. Ward Mills)	(7)
Pocomoke			St. Martins		
Salem			Campbelltown		
Cokesbury	Elmer R. Shield	(5)	Friendship		
Powellville			Taylorville		
Friendship			Ebenezer	(William Roberts)	(2)
Mt. Olive			Stockton		
Mt. Pleasant			Girdletree		
Mt. Zion			Portersville		
St. John's			Remson	(G. Francis Wilson)	(4)
White's Chapel			Trinity		
	To be Supplied)		Quindocqua		
Princess Anne	O. G. Brewer, Jr.	(7)	Phoenix	(William A. Turner)	(2)
Quantico			Whaleyville		
Rockawalkin			New Hope		
Wetipquin			Rehoboth	J. Thomas Churn	(2)
White Haven			Willards		
	Howard L. Gordy, Jr.	(1)	Pittsville: Grace		
Salisbury				O. H. Connelly	(3)
Asbury	J. Robert Mackey	(10)			

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Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Aldersgate	J. R. Hughes	(3)	Elkton, Md.	Harold M. Davis	(5)
Bayview			Galena, Md.		
Bethel	Francis Michels	(4)	Olivet		
Bellefonte, Del.			Town Point		
	(Leslie D. Missimer)	(1)		(Charles Strickler)	(2)
Bethel			Hillcrest, Del.		
Chesapeake City, Md.				Howell O. Wilkins	(2)
	Robert P. Whitlock	(2)	Hockessin, Del.		
Cecilton, Md.				David James Randolph	(1)
St. Paul's			Holly Oak, Del.		
Zion	(R. H. Payne)	(4)		(Ralph Ellis, Jr.)	(2)
Cecil United Parish			Hopewell, Del.		
Calvert				(Clarence H. Hayes)	(1)
Ebenezer			Kingswood-of-Brookside, Del.		
Leeds				Milton H. Keene	(4)
Moore's Chapel			Kirkwood, Del.	(J. C. Steen)	(10)
Union			Marshallton, Del.	R. E. Ferry	(1)
Zion	Harold E. Nunemaker	(3)	Millington, Md.	N. B. Benjamin	(3)
Cedars (Geo. H. Piguero, III)	(1)		Minquadale, Del.		
Charlestown, Md.				(Robert W. Helms)	(2)
Harts Chapel (Elk Neck)			Mt. Lebanon	(W. E. Fosnocht)	(21)
Principio			Mt. Pleasant, Md.		
St. John's (Charlestown)				(Lawrence Stooky)	(1)
Wesley Chapel			Newark, Del.	J. J. Bunting, Jr.	(8)
	(Robert Smith)	(2)	Newark, Del.		
Cherry Hill, Md.				Wesley Foundation L. B. Hall	(3)
Elk Mills			New Castle, Del.	P. E. Reynolds	(9)
Big Elk (Stanton B. Leland)	(1)		Newport, Del.	R. M. Green	(6)
Chester			North East, Md.	F. B. Bailey	(2)
Bethel	C. Edwin Lasbury	(1)	Perryville, Md.		
Christ Church			Asbury	Wm. H. Owens	(2)
(Brack-Ex) Wm. B. Hitchens	(1)		Port Deposit, Md.		
Christiana, Del.			Tome	H. M. Parks	(4)
Salem	A. B. Golden	(7)	Red Lion, Del.		
Claymont, Del.	A. J. Jackson	(2)	Glasgow		
Delaware City, Del.			Lebanon	(Irvin Pusey)	(2)
	(James L. Plumline)	(1)	Richardson Park, Del.		
Ebenezer	W. L. Robinson, Jr.	(2)		D. W. Baker	(1)

Church	Minister	Yrs. Served	Church	Minister	Yrs. Served
Rising Sun, Md.			Eastlake	O. P. Jefferson	(5)
Janes			Grace	W. F. Dunkle, Jr.	(10)
Rowlandsville	H. T. Caldwell	(9)	Harrison St.	J. E. Jones	(4)
St. George's, Del.			Madeley	(W. E. Abbott)	(7)
Summit	(E. Ray Carlson)	(2)	McCabe	J. B. Dickerson	(8)
St. John's			Mt. Salem	W. B. Bundick	(4)
Lewisville	(Robt. C. Short)	(1)	Peninsula	Preston W. Spence	(1)
Stanton, Del.	(R. H. D. Hughes)	(2)	Scott	(R. T. Thawley)	(5)
Warwick			Silverbrook	G. E. Sterling	(9)
Mt. Olivet			St. Paul's	P. E. McCoy	(5)
Rehoboth (Sassafras)			Assistant		
	(Charles D. Burge)	(2)		(Ronald L. Starnes)	(1)
Wesley Community Chapel			Trinity	D'Arcy A. Littleton	(1)
	(P. R. Schauer)	(4)	Union	Gerald A. Foster	(1)
Wilmington, Del.			Wilmington Manor, Del.		
Brandywine	H. Kirby Krams	(5)	Brooks E. Reynolds		(13)
Calvary	Harry H. Conner	(2)	(Supply)		

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

1. With Annuity Claim Against the Peninsula Conference.

- E. E. Coleman, Chaplain, Veterans Hospital (8) Christ Church Quarterly Conference.
- V. M. Goodhand, Chaplain, U. S. Air Force (11) Christiana, Delaware Quarterly Conference.
- George H. Pigueron, Jr., Executive Director, Homes for the Aged of the Peninsula Annual Conference of The Methodist Church, Incorporated (1) Union Church, Wilmington Quarterly Conference.
- L. B. Troutman, Chaplain, U. S. Air Force (5) Hillsboro, Maryland Quarterly Conference.
- Donzell C. Wildey, Executive Secretary, Peninsula Conference Board of Education (2) Wesley, Dover Quarterly Conference.

2. Without Annuity Claim Against the Peninsula Conference.

- C. I. Carpenter, Chaplain, U. S. Air Force (21) Union Church, Federalsburg Quarterly Conference.
- W. A. Glass, Registrar, Drew University (12) Christiana, Delaware Quarterly Conference.
- W. D. Geohegan, Assistant Professor of Religion, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine (4) Delaware City, Delaware Quarterly Conference.
- E. J. Hemphill, Chaplain, U. S. Navy (14) New Castle, Delaware Quarterly Conference
- D. G. Higgins, Jr., Chaplain, U. S. Army (2) Christ, Federalsburg, Maryland Quarterly Conference.
- R. W. Hopkins, Chaplain, U. S. Navy (9) Perryville, Md. Quarterly Conference.
- Reginald H. Wheatley, Missionary to Panama (2).

PENINSULA CONFERENCE—1957

DEACONESS APPOINTMENTS

- Genevieve Poppe, Director, Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home, Wilmington, Del.
- Jennie Propert, Parish Worker, Union Church, Wilmington, Delaware.
- Louise Whitsett, Parish Worker, Wilmington Manor, Delaware.

Left Without Appointment to Attend School

- Walter H. Beckwith
- Ralph E. Hughes
- John William Simperts, Jr.
- Richard C. Stazesky

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REPORTS

(a) District Superintendents

DOVER DISTRICT

O. A. BARTLEY, Superintendent

Bishop Oxnam and Members of the Conference:

It is reliably reported that the vast majority of the citizens of this nation enjoy stories of the "Old West." Unashamedly I admit to being one of them. One of the favorite themes of those stories is "The Last Round-up." Usually the story deals with some old cowboy, or rancher, or horse, or dog who has come to the "last round-up." It oftentimes is very unclear what is to happen to this old "whatever it is" after the last great act of sacrifice and service, but always we know it is the last, and so the author gallops along, creating sympathy, with a tinge of the sadness of farewell, and making the central character somewhat of a hero.

Now it is always dangerous to press any analogy too far and that is true in this case, at least I hope you won't because I do not claim to be either an old cowboy, or rancher, or horse, or dog, and the only tinge of the sadness of farewell I can now think of is the sadness of unachieved goals. Nevertheless this is my "last round-up" of the work of the Dover District over the past six years, and I suspect it is now time for me to get the horses into the corral.

"And they shall walk with Him in white"

It is with compassionate regret that I record the passing into the "Great Beyond" of several of our beloved friends. On June 21, 1956, Mrs. W. C. Poole died. She was the widow of a long time member and benefactor of the Conference. Then, on October 18th, Frederick Charles Louhoff, who came out of retirement to help the District in an emergency, suffered a severe stroke from which he never recovered, and after intense suffering died on November 24th. Barely had we recovered from this sad parting when the word came that Arthur E. B. Blundon, who assumed the pastorate of Whatcoat Church in Camden, Delaware at the last session of the Annual Conference, had suffered a heart attack. For a while after the seizure it appeared that he might recover, but on Christmas morning, in his sleep, he quietly slipped away.

Mrs. Lida R. Outten, widow of the late J. P. Outten, went to meet him on February 9, 1957, and on April 3, our brother, Howard Davis, who twice served the Church of my boyhood, was struck by an automobile and killed instantly. And the last of this "long line of splendor" was Mrs. Ernest C. Hallman, widow of a good friend of many of us in this Conference today, in which group this writer is proud to be included. After a long period of declining health, she crossed over the river on April 13. To all who now

have left only memories, and walk in sorrow because of the separation from their beloved, we offer our thanksgiving that they walked among us and our prayers that your sorrow might be somewhat assuaged by your faith in "the Risen Lord."

Post-Conference Appointments

When Bishop Oxnam read the appointments at the last session of Conference, the Kenton Charge was "to be supplied." In order to solve the problems involved in this appointment, the Charge was divided and immediately after the session closed, the Rev. Robert F. Loss, Jr., a member of this Conference and retired because of health, was appointed to the Hartley and Friendship Churches and on June 13, the Rev. F. C. Louhoff consented to care for the church in Kenton. Upon the death of Brother Louhoff, the Rev. Charles H. Atkins agreed to serve Kenton until the close of this Conference session.

Upon the death of the Rev. A. E. B. Blundon, pastor of Whatcoat, Camden, the Rev. John E. Parker who had been the beloved pastor of that Church volunteered to carry on the work as long as his health would permit. The Lord has been good to him, to the Church, and us. Brother Parker has done more than was expected of him; he carried on plans that Brother Blundon had inaugurated; he devised new plans and programs, and the Camden folk cooperated in a wonderful way to the extent that all obligations, financial and spiritual, have been met. Furthermore, during the past two years a program of renovation had been carried out for the sanctuary and educational unit. Hardly had it been completed when a fire was started by a youngster playing in the building, and although it was discovered in time to prevent a great loss to the building itself, all the renovation work was damaged by fire and smoke so that the entire plant will need to be cleaned and repainted. Through the courtesy of the Caesar-Rodney High School Board of Education the church school and the worship services are being held in the high school buildings. Neither the death of their pastor, nor a fire, daunted the fine spirit of these people. We offer them our commendation and thanks.

To Know Is To Advance

The needs of the program of Christian Education in this Conference are so great as to be almost beyond comprehension. This is true of every level of work, whether it be child, youth, or adult. Some have worked diligently over the years to bring some semblance of cohesion, of understanding, of vitality to the program, and I believe this Conference is proud of what they have done. At the last session this responsibility was given to new leadership; to the Rev. James H. Hughes as the President of the Board of Education, and to the Rev. D. C. Wildey as Executive Secretary. The task is in good hands, but they can not achieve for us what is in the end our responsibility. Let us undergird the effective leadership of these activities with our own labors and our prayers.

To speak of education in general and not to speak of Wesley Junior College in particular would seem unfair and unjust. In spite of all the problems and passions engendered by the needs of this institution, this much

can be said. No matter what the final verdict may be, we honor those men and women who have shown determination, enthusiasm, and almost religious zeal in the effort to preserve for Peninsula Methodism this institution. I hope they succeed.

The Kingdom Grows But Slowly

Although every minister on the District has given special attention to the effort to win accessions to the Church, it has actually taken about twenty members to win one. 1308 have been won this year but of these more than four hundred have come by transfer. It is very likely that the total membership figure will show a decrease due to losses by death, transfer and by removal as ordered by the quarterly conference. This is not reported as criticism of the efforts of our ministers for most of them have struggled hard to win those who have been won. For example a very interesting and effective regional program was developed by the churches in the Milford-Harrington area under the personal direction of Dr. Leslie Ross of the General Board of Evangelism. This United Methodist Mission consisted of visitation, prayer vigils, and public services conducted in Calvary Church, Milford. Every report I have received from the churches participating in the program indicates that this cooperative effort was a success. I commend the foresight and dedication of the men who planned and worked out this achievement.

It is apparent to all who are experienced in church work that more effort is required to win a small number in some churches than a large number in others. The presentation therefore of the following table of accessions listing churches receiving 20 or more is in no sense derogatory of those who have won a lesser number:

Dover—Wesley	150	Milton—Goshen	33
Milford—Avenue	73	Houston	32
Seaford—Mt. Olivet	58	Rehoboth	31
Roxana	56	Seaford Circuit	30
Smyrna	48	Hartley	29
Milford—Calvary	43	Cheswold	28
Lewes—Bethel	42	Selbyville	27
Seaford—St. John's	39	Georgetown—Grace	25
Ellendale	37	Mt. Pleasant	25
Laurel—Centenary	35	Frankford	22
Millsboro	35	Lincoln	20
Wyoming	34	Nassau	20
Harrington—Asbury	33		

The World Is Our Parish

The reports of the Pastors to me indicate that the District has paid the full acceptance of the apportionment for World Service and Conference Benevolences, but failed to reach the full apportionment by approximately \$400.00. In view of the large increase in apportionments over the preceding year we feel that both ministers and churches are to be congratulated on their loyalty to the program of the Methodist Church.

Reports also indicate certain special days and causes have been observed with the following results:

Board of Child Care	\$ 4,027
Advance Specials	2,622
Wesley Junior College	10,353
Wesley Foundation	5,318
Wesley Theological Seminary	8,514
Fellowship of Suffering and Service	1,449
Week of Dedication	1,088
Rally Day	1,971
Hungarian Relief	1,825

The House Of The Lord

The year has been marked by a number of fine achievements in programs of building and improving church property.

Wesley Church, Georgetown is rapidly bringing to a close the first stage of its building and renovation program costing \$75,000.00 which is financed in such a way that very little debt will remain at the conclusion of the pledge paying period. The building should be completed by July.

Bethel Church in Lewes had the happy experience of having its new educational unit consecrated for service on March 31, a service in which this writer was pleased to participate. The total cost will be in the neighborhood of \$165,000.00.

The new St. Paul's of Odessa, costing about \$110,000.00 is rapidly going forward and should be ready for occupancy by early Fall. This Church has moved ahead over the past five years from a ministerial support of \$1400.00 per year to a present total support of \$4280.00, has paid its other obligations, and undertaken the building of a new church. Methodism goes forward in Odessa!

On Sunday, April 8, 1957, I had one of the most gratifying experiences of my service on the District when I preached at the consecration service for the completed sanctuary of Calvary Church, Milford. The history of the tragic loss by fire has been told already and needs no repetition now, but this beautiful sanctuary consecrated to the service of our Lord, along with the very functional educational unit, all at a cost of about \$250,000.00 and all of which very likely will be paid within the next three years, is a tribute to the loyalty and sacrifice of the people and the ministers who have served them through this period, Ralph C. Jones, Donzel C. Wildey, and F. Douglas Milbury.

Blades Church has purchased the land just north of it, and a fine home located thereon which is now being used as the parsonage, and the former parsonage is being used for educational purposes.

I have already reported the fact that the Rev. Robert F. Loss, Jr. was appointed to the Hartley Church after the last session of Conference. The transformation which has taken place in the life of that church is amazing. Under his personal leadership and direction a financial campaign was put on to raise funds for an education addition costing \$25,000.00. The campaign was a success raising \$20,000.00 in cash and pledges but it did more than

that. It showed to the members and friends of that Church that Hartley Methodism has a "looking-up" future.

Time and space will not permit me to tell of other splendid achievements in building and improving our property. I shall merely list a number of what appear to be significant enterprises.

Bridgeville educational unit is now in use.

Epworth and Salem Churches on Farmington Charge, renovated.

Georgetown Circuit Churches have paid in full for the new parsonage and are in process of renovation programs costing \$9000.00.

Houston has done considerable remodeling of the parsonage.

Christ Church, Laurel, is spending \$7500.00 to improve the parsonage and rebuild the organ.

Goshen Church, Milton, spent \$5500.00 on the parsonage.

The three churches on the Mt. Pleasant Charge have improved and remodeled each of the Churches so that it would be hard to find three nicer looking rural churches.

Roxana Church is now building a \$25,000.00 addition to their church school facilities nearly all covered by cash and pledges.

Seaford—St. John's now has \$45,690.00 cash on hand for its new building.

Wyoming has reduced the debt on its new educational building to \$1200.00 and placed four lovely stained windows in the new unit thus completing their building project.

Many more things could be written about the willingness of our people to give that the Lord's House might be beautiful and functional, but this is enough to indicate the trend. A total of \$92,574.00 was paid on debt reduction and \$293,256.00 on buildings and improvements.

The Womans Society of Christian Service

Once again I wish to offer my commendation to the officers and members of the District W. S. C. S. Their reports will show a decided increase in activity and giving over the previous year, and from all accounts the attendance at the Spring meeting at Calvary Church, Milford was the largest ever. At that meeting the Society did me the honor of presenting to me a beautiful volume of poetry suitably inscribed with my name on the cover, and because I could not be present in person to receive it I take this opportunity to acknowledge my thanks for their remembrance.

Lay Activities

For five years I have had the pleasure of working with the Lay Leader of this District, Fulton J. Downing, and since he has requested that he be relieved of this duty at this Conference I wish to express the appreciation of all of us for his contributions to the lay activities of the District and Conference. He has the honor of completing his service with what is perhaps the best year of the five. That is certainly true of the annual laymen's dinner held in Avenue Church, Milford when about 400 men had the privilege of hearing Bishop Fred P. Corson deliver the address.

The communion breakfasts for men held at Smyrna, Harrington-Asbury, Laurel-Centenary with the men of Christ Church as hosts, and Lewes gave

a spiritual impetus to the whole District. 934 men attended these services of communion and contributed \$671.00 to the Board of Child Care. To Fulton Downing and his helpers we offer our thanks.

Ministerial Support

Increases in support for next year are as follows:

	Salary	Expense	Utilities
Blades	—	—	\$400
Camden	—	\$200	—
Clayton	—	100	300
Dover—Wesley and St. Paul's	\$1000	200	—
Ellendale	—	—	100
Farmington	—	300	—
Dover—Wesley and St. Paul's	—	—	—
Georgetown—Wesley	500	—	Changed to salary \$300
Frederica	—	—	500
Georgetown—Grace	750	—	—
Harbeson	100	—	—
Harrington—Asbury	—	300	—
Harrington—Trinity	100	retroactive—not reported	—
Houston	—	—	200
Laurel—Centenary	500	—	60
Laurel—Christ	—	200	—
Laurel—Circuit	—	200	—
Magnolia	200	200	—
Middletown	—	—	150
Milford—Calvary	150	retroactive—not reported	—
Millsboro	500	—	—
Milton—Goshen	500	200	—
Mt. Pleasant	200	—	—
Nassau	—	100	—
Ocean View	100	200	250
Odessa	200	—	—
Rehoboth	250	—	—
Reliance	300	—	—
Roxana	400	100	decreased
St. George's	1000	—	—
Seaford—St. John's	—	—	300
Seaford Circuit	—	200	100
Smyrna	300	—	—
Townsend	200	100	100
Wyoming	200	—	—
Indian Mission	100	—	—

Grand Total for the three items is \$12,510.00.

Since this is my last report as District Superintendent, I thought it fitting to give a brief summary of some of the salient facts as reported in the Conference Journal beginning with 1951, the year I was appointed. Minis-

terial support in 1951 was \$137,044.00. For the year 1957-58 it will be \$198,400.00 an increase of \$83,166.00 on salary alone. Add to this the amount of \$21,810.00 for expense which was not reported until 1953 and you come up with a total increase of \$104,970.00 or an average of approximately \$15,000.00 per year.

In the six years, 8308 were received into the churches, but the net increase is only 1604. In round figures we must get 8 to increase by one.

Church School enrollment has increased by 4280 (estimate).

Membership in Methodist Men from 1955 (first report) has increased by 761 with a gain in societies of 15.

From '52 to '57 the District raised \$50,287.00 for Wesley Junior College.

During the same period \$527,658.00 were paid on debt and \$1,690,191.00 on buildings and improvements.

World Service and Conference Benevolences received \$281,933.00 and the net increase in church membership was 1604.

These are but figures it is true, but back of the figures are men and women, ministers and laymen, struggling to do the Lord's work and as I come to the close of my service I wish to say to each of them who has served with me at any time: "Surely the Lord has seen your good work and there is laid up for you a crown of righteousness."

The End

This is the end of an era. Shortly there will be a new beginning, at the same stand it is true, but under new management, and for this reporter a new start at a new stand, in a new place. I wish therefore to express appreciation to all who have had any measure of relationship to me and to this period of time. To Bishop Charles Wesley Flint who appointed me and whose gracious spirit will always be held in fond recollection; to Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam who has put up with me for five years and through whose guidance and advice many a rough road has been travelled safely; to Hamilton Fox whose great heart and kind spirit are memories to be cherished; to Arthur Jackson who helped to induct me into the intricacies of District administration and to Preston Spence and John Link and John French whose understanding and patience have made cabinet work a little more bearable, to all these my humble and profoundly grateful word of appreciation.

And to the ministers and laymen of the District who have been loyal to the program of our Methodism in a way that enlarges my spirit every time I think of it, and most of all to my Father who has given me the health and stamina which have enabled me to meet all my obligations except for two days when I wrecked an automobile, and this year when some new fangled bug got hold of me and laid me low for a while; to Him for His blessings upon me and my family through the dark days of illness and death which we experienced and finally to Him that He has brought me to this end of an era, and incidentally to the end of this report, to Him I offer the thanks and appreciation of his believing servant who seeks only to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. BARTLEY

EASTON DISTRICT

PRESTON W. SPENCE, JR., Superintendent

Bishop Oxnam and members of the Peninsula Annual Conference:

Again, as Superintendent of the Easton District, and this for the last time, I bring to you a report representing the labors, the consummation of dreams, of the ministers and laymen on the fifty-two charges of the Easton District:

Our District Families

This year I do not have to bring to you the report of any deaths within our parsonage homes, or in the homes of retired members of our Conference.

Two of our young men, the Reverend E. J. Horney of Hurlock, and the Reverend C. E. Barton, Jr. of Bozman, this year enhanced their lives and enriched the lives of the communities in which they shall live, by taking unto themselves wives. We are glad to record these events, and to officially extend to them our most sincere best wishes.

Three of our parsonage homes have been blessed by the arrival of babies—to the Reverend and Mrs. William M. T. Hankins, of Marydel, William M. T. Hankins II. born July 15, 1956; to the Reverend and Mrs. Ralph Romine, of Crapo, Ella Mae Romine, born July 20, 1956; and to the Reverend and Mrs. Lawrence S. Burris at Sherwood, Lawrence S. Burris, Jr., born March 2, 1957.

Last year when appointments were read, two charges were left to be supplied. As soon as the proper steps could be taken to satisfy legal requirements, Lawrence Burris, student at Wesley Theological Seminary, was appointed to Bayside; and Samuel J. Seymour, graduate of Temple University and School of Theology, was appointed to Rock Hall. Early in September, George D. White, who had been appointed to Wye Mills, suffered a physical break, and subsequently had to be relieved of his work. Doctor Arthur S. Walls, retired member of the Philadelphia Conference, living in Sudlersville, willingly took up this work, and has successfully carried it through to the conclusion of the Conference year.

This year, two men of our District will be discontinuing as pastors; Reverend Ralph C. Jones, pastor at Ridgely, who has served for forty-two years in the itinerancy, now requests retirement. We wish for him and Mrs. Jones the very finest.

Doctor Walter E. Gunby, who five years ago, agreed to look after a church for three weeks, now comes to the place where he must ask to be relieved. This is not an occasion when we speak of his retirement. We just thank him for extending the three weeks to this number of years, and pray God's richest blessing upon him and Mrs. Gunby.

This year, when appointments are read, the following changes in charge alignment will be noted: first, one minister will be appointed to the two churches, Epworth and Grace, in Centreville. Also, the Williamsburg charge will be served by the pastor of Federalsburg, Christ.

Commission on Evangelism

The high note of the ministry of every man is always to see the results of his labor recorded in the transformed lives of men, women, and children.

Every man in this District is solemnly committed that this is his first responsibility. Each of us regards buildings as important, and finances as essential, but all of us are aware that lives redeemed marks the highest level of our endeavor. This year, according to reports given me, 847 persons have been added to the Methodist Fellowship within the District.

Charges receiving ten or more persons are as follows:

Beckwith-Spedden 11; Burrsville 25; Cambridge-Grace 66; Cambridge-St. Paul 26, Cambridge-Zion 48; Centreville-Epworth 12; Centreville-Grace 14; Chestertown-Christ 15; Chestertown-First 16; Concord 11; Denton-First 34; Easton-St. Mark's 96; Federalsburg-Union 23; Goldsboro 12; Greensboro 19; Harmony 18; Hillsboro-Queen Anne 13; Hurlock 25; Ingleside 10; Kent Island 22; Marydel 12; Queenstown 22; Rock Hall 24; St. James 33; St. Michaels 35; St. Thomas 15; Sudlersville 16; Tilghman 10; Trappe 40; Wesley Chapel 11.

Commission on Missions

The District has supported the program of our Conference Board of Missions, and I am very happy to commend our District Missionary Secretary, the Reverend H. C. Jeffers, and the Conference Missionary Secretary, Reverend William Hemphill, Jr., who lives within the bounds of the Easton District, for an excellent job in cultivation. These men worked faithfully, have made themselves and missionary material available to churches, and have been used—not to the extent which they would like to have been used—but by an increasingly growing number of churches the story of missions as it is supported by Methodists may be known.

Commission on Education

One of the very heartening phases of the report of every church is the continued interest in education in general, and the Church School in particular. Almost without exception, the very finest leadership in the churches of this District are giving themselves to their local church schools. I know it is not necessary to say it, but sometimes some things need to be said simply to re-affirm them. Therefore, let us remember that the most exacting task of the Church is that which is placed upon a man or a woman when they assume responsibility as teacher or an administrator in their Church School. The fine number of people who accept these responsibilities, and discharge them faithfully and with consecration, is a thing which ought not to be lightly passed over, and ought always to be remembered with gratitude by the leadership of the Church. Their labors will not be forgotten by the people, particularly the boys and girls whom they influence, but we of the General Church likewise should not omit our expression of appreciation.

This year there has come to my attention at least two attempts on the part of a local church or a county organization to assist these teachers. St. Mark's Church, Easton, has continued its plan of a week-end school, and churches in the vicinity have been invited to send their teachers to receive the benefits of this program.

In Caroline County an interdenominational school was held very successfully in First Church, Denton.

Commission on Stewardship and Finance

The churches of the District have had a good year so far as reduction of existing debt, or raising funds for renovating and enlarging their plants. We report as follows the churches paying \$1000 or more:

Charge	Paid on Old Debt	Building and Improvements
Beckwith-Spedden		\$13,225.
Bozman-Neavitt	\$ 200.	940.
Burrsville		2,000.
Cambridge, St. Paul's	1,125.	1,672.
Centreville, Epworth	1,200.	1,700.
Centreville, Grace	2,950.	200.
Chestertown, Christ	3,500.	400.
Chestertown, First		1,029.
Church Hill	4,000.	1,160.
Denton, First		11,618.
East New Market	1,239.	1,000.
Greensboro		1,200.
Hillsboro-Queen Anne		1,300.
Hooper's Island		1,593.
Queenstown	3,450.	500.
St. James		1,417.
St. Michaels	750.	1,550.
Secretary	1,444.	110.
Still Pond	300.	3,304.
Sudlersville	2,232.	5,925.
Trappe	6,132.	219.
Wye Mills		3,500.

In addition to these there are several churches where special projects deserve mention:

On the Concord charge, Concord Church in preparing for their One Hundredth Anniversary, made significant renovations, installed leaded glass windows at a total cost of \$6,500, with all bills paid. Bloomery Church added a church school wing at a cost of \$5,000.

The Crumpton Church, having paid the last \$500. on their educational unit, dedicated it this year.

Christ Church, Federalsburg, paid on old indebtedness \$5,500. completing their very fine educational building.

Unity-Washington Church, in Hurlock, saw its educational unit completed at a cost of \$110,603.42. This building now makes the Hurlock Church one of the finest units in the District. All who have seen it have felt that the wise planning given by the minister and laymen have created a building in which people have far more to show for what they have spent than can normally be said.

St. Paul's Church, Ingleside, renovated at a cost of \$6,000.

The Kingsley Church on the Kent Island charge purchased the abandoned school in their community. They plan to remodel it so that they will

have recreational facilities. The charge reports having paid \$700 on old debt, and \$11,449 on improvements.

The Church at Oxford, having previously made the final payment on their lovely sanctuary, held the Dedication Services last Fall.

The Graysonville Church, on the Queenstown charge, purchased the school adjacent to their building, giving them increased facilities, but more important, giving them considerable additional land.

The Bethany Church at Crocheron, on St. Thomas charge, made a significant addition, transforming that little chapel into one of the loveliest buildings in that area.

Wye Mills, under the leadership of Arthur S. Walls, remodeled and redecorated our lovely little church at Wye, at a cost of \$3,500. paid in full.

Five churches of the District have significant projects in the process of completion:

Cambridge, Grace spent \$29,488 on additional educational facilities.

Cambridge, Zion paid \$112,155 on improvements. They now have their educational unit complete, their sanctuary closed in, and their total indebtedness stands at less than \$100,000. They are discussing the matter of finishing the interior of that sanctuary.

Easton, St. Mark's, paid \$135,139 on their building. The new St. Mark's Church is well on the way toward completion. They hope to be using their new building by Christmas, and plan official opening services during the Lenten season.

Preston is erecting an educational unit at an approximate cost of \$60,000.; \$45,000. having been received in cash and pledges.

Wesley Chapel of Kent is erecting a lovely ranch type brick parsonage at a cost of \$23,704.; \$11,000. having been raised and paid.

Union Church, in Federalsburg, is planning an educational unit to cost \$100,000. and have approximately half of that in cash or pledges.

The Church in Vienna is proposing to erect an educational unit to cost \$58,000. The Elliott Island Church on the Vienna charge, will add a recreational hall to cost \$8,000.

In addition to these, the following charges have increased ministerial support for a total of \$5,180.00:

Charge	Salary	Expense Account	Utilities
Beckwith-Spedden	\$300.		
Bozman-Neavitt		\$200.	
Cambridge, St. Paul's	300.		
Centreville, Epworth	300.		
Centreville, Grace			\$300.
Chestertown, Christ	200.		
Church Hill	200.		100.
Easton, St. Mark's		100.	
Federalsburg, Christ		100.	
Federalsburg, Union	500.		
Goldsboro	300.		
Hillsboro-Queen Anne			100.
Hurlock, Unity-Washington	100.	100.	

Kent Island	260.		
Oxford		200.	
Preston	200.		
Queenstown		50.	
Ridgely			150.
St. James		200.	
St. Michaels			120.
Trappe	300.		
Vienna	250.	250.	

The important fact regarding income for ministers on the Easton District is that in a six year period the total has increased from \$140,088 in April, 1952 to \$186,885 in 1957, or \$46,797 in the six year period.

Organizations

Again I pay my respects to our District W. S. C. S., who under the consecrated leadership of Mrs. Walter B. Palmer, have held two fine District-wide meetings, have held their regular officers' Training Sessions, and are reporting several new societies organized within the District this year.

The Board of Lay Activities, under the guidance of Walter B. Palmer, District Lay Leader, and the Associate County Lay Leaders, have continued to advance the work among men. Our District Banquet met with its usual success, having approximately 300 men present. Our Lenten Communion Breakfast continues to grow, so that this year we had a total of 701 men attend the five County meetings held, beginning with the first Sunday of Lent. Our contribution to the Board of Child Care, received in the offering of these Services amounted to \$425.00.

Our District M. Y. F. organized on the County level, each County holding its regular monthly meetings and attracting goodly numbers of our young people. This year our District was host to the first Young Adult Bible Conference, which met in Zion Church, Cambridge. In the planning stages we hoped there would be at least 75 young adults. In registrations they tripled their expectations. Every report indicates fine acceptance of this program.

With these remarks I conclude not only this report, but the final report to this Annual Conference. The six years have been filled with interest and excitement. I am appreciative of the fact that I have come to know persons whom otherwise I could never have known, and having come to know them, carry a very high regard for their devotion to the Church and to God's Kingdom.

I have tried in these six years to do what seemed to me to be the thing that I should do. Sometimes it has not been easy; sometimes it has been a delight. In the warmest possible manner, I want to say to each of you who have been with me when it has been hard, or who have been with me when it has been easy, a very deep word of appreciation for you. I believe the District has real possibilities. I shall eagerly observe from now on all the things that occur within the Churches here.

I again record my very sincere appreciation for all the kindness and consideration shown me by my colleagues who are serving, or who have

served with me in the Cabinet, to Bishop Oxnam and Bishop Flint for their confidence and understanding.

In all of my gratitude I am not unmindful of the mercies of an ever wise and good God, whose presence I have always felt and known, and whose Spirit I humbly pray will always be with me.

Respectfully submitted,

PRESTON W. SPENCE, JR., Superintendent.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

JOHN E. FRENCH, Superintendent

Bishop Oxnam and Members of the Conference:

Bertrand, an earlier Marquis de Fenelon was once asked by his king to draw up a document "putting the Massacre of St. Bartholomew in the best possible light." The Marquis is said to have replied, "Sire, you should have given this task to those responsible." Whatever has taken place on the Salisbury District during the year 1956-1957 is not to be compared with the Massacre of St. Bartholomew, but the illustration serves the purposes of this freshman district superintendent, now making his first report to the annual conference, in that it provides him with the opportunity to say two things: First, he is anxious that the facts and figures now about to be presented shall be seen in "the best possible light"; and secondly, he wishes to be the first to recognize that this is more than the report of a district superintendent. It is the recording of the faithful work and stewardship of all who are described by the word "responsible." I shall always be grateful to Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, to my colleagues in the Cabinet, to Dr. Arthur J. Jackson, my immediate predecessor in this office, and to all my coworkers on and off the Salisbury District who have helped me to do the work of a superintendent and achieve the goals of our great church.

Changes

Early in the conference year certain changes had to be made. In July, Bro. Robert Warner asked to be relieved of his work at Galestown, and the Rev. John W. Wooten, recently retired, answered the call of his church once more and moved into the parsonage there. Dr. J. R. Bicking had asked at years end to be relieved of his work at Newark, but had agreed to continue serving until a proper successor could be found. In August 1956, The Rev. Clifton Hope took over the duties of this charge. There have been no other changes in the pastoral ministry. Yet changes of other nature are bound to occur. Some have entered into the Land where the Lamb is the Light thereof. Death has taken Mrs. Flossie Hearn Givan, widow of the late Rev. Daniel J. Givan, who since the death of her husband had resided in Salisbury. Birth brought young Timothy Layton Fisher as the first-born son to gladden the hearts of his parents, The Rev. and Mrs. Harry L. Fisher II of Allen. Matrimony enters the picture, too. In August, The Rev. J. Thomas Churn took Miss Jean Von Hagle as his bride to live

with him in their parsonage home at Whaleysville. And, finally, the pending retirement of five of the ministers on the Salisbury District, who are seeking that relationship at this session of our conference, causes me to wish with Charles Lamb that we could "stand still at the age to which we are arrived . . . and be no older." Our best wishes go with Brothers Lawrence E. Wimbrow, A. T. MacFarland, Frank A. Baker, Lawrence L. Knotts and E. Carroll Justis. We shall always be grateful for them and for the fine service they have rendered to the church.

Membership and Evangelism

Early in the year we faced the fact that while the District reports substantial gains in membership each year, there is always a corresponding loss far greater than should be. The result is that the real gain is far too small. There is a tendency on the part of many local Commissions on Membership and Evangelism to be more conscious of the presence of those who ought to come off the rolls of the church than of those who ought to come on. According to reports given me, two charges have failed to report a single accession during the year, several have reported losses exceeding their gains. Yet, there is the brighter side. Several of our charges have made concerted efforts in the field of Evangelism, and by one method or another have brought others into the Fellowship of Christ and His church. Trinity Church, Salisbury, reports the greatest number. They have received 79 new members. Asbury, Salisbury, has received 67; Bethesda, Salisbury, 46; and Grace, Salisbury, 39. Other charges reporting 20 or more accessions are Crisfield, Immanuel; Delmar, Mt. Olive; Fruitland; Mt. Vernon; Parsonsburg; Pittsville-Ayres; Salisbury, St. Andrews; Snow Hill, Whatcoat; Stockton-Girdletree and Willards. Charges reporting ten or more accessions are Berlin; Crisfield, Asbury; Deal Island; Delmar, First; Fairmount; Galestown; Hebron, Nelson; Mt. Hermon; Nanticoke-Bivalve; Ocean City; Oriole; Pocomoke, Bethany; Powellville; Princess Anne; Sharptown, Asbury; Snow Hill, Bates; St. Martins and Trinity-Quindocqua. Total accessions reported for the conference year are 771.

One of the more significant pieces of work now being done on the Salisbury District is that of Atlantic Methodist Church, Ocean City, where the pastor and a small congregation of approximately 250 souls seek to provide a helpful summertime ministry to an estimated 25,000 Protestants coming into that resort every week-end. They are to be commended not only for their fine church program for children and youth, but for having brought Dr. Ralph W. Sockman and the noted Australian Evangelist, Dr. Alan Walker to Ocean City last Summer. Pastor Martin Niemoller of Germany and The Honorable J. Ernest Wilkins, Assistant Secretary of Labor and President of The Judicial Council of The Methodist Church have already accepted invitations to participate in the program this summer.

Education

In his book, EARLY AMERICAN METHODISM, Dr. Wade Crawford Barclay reminds us that the first DISCIPLINE in answer to the question, "But what shall we do for the Rising Generation? Who will labour for

them?" contains this injunction among others: "Preach expressly on Education." In keeping with that great tradition The Salisbury District reports:

1. The establishment of The Wesley Foundation on the campus of The State Teachers College at Salisbury, with The Rev. J. Robert Mackey as director and Mrs. Margaret Bloodworth as the first paid worker in this field. Last Summer the Campus-Church Relations Committee of our Conference Board of Education appropriated the sum of \$1,800.00 for this work. Our appreciation for this program and our understanding of the need for such a program is reflected in the fact that 44 of the 45 charges on The Salisbury District have met all or part of their apportionments for the Wesley Foundation and have given \$4,596.00 to this cause.

2. Our interests must be divided, of course. The Conference had asked the churches on The Salisbury District for a total apportionment of \$8,767.00 for Wesley Junior College. Thirty-three of our forty-five charges accepted and paid their apportionments in full, eleven charges accepted and paid part; only one failed to report any contribution at all. Total contributions paid on apportionment for Wesley Junior College this year amount to \$8,179.00. A new interest, that of Westminster Theological Seminary, now Wesley Theological Seminary, has had good response among our people. Forty-two charges report that \$7,740.00 has been given to this institution in the first year of this quadrennium.

3. Christian Workers Schools were held in each of the three sub-Districts. A Seminar was conducted for the training of youth workers, and two conferences for Children's workers were held during the year. Forty-five charges reported Rally Day offerings in the amount of \$1,226.00. Thirty-four charges conducted Daily Vacation Bible Schools reporting a total enrollment of 2,733. Our churches on the Salisbury District in cooperation with The Council of Churches for Maryland and Delaware have entered into a program to provide for the educational and religious needs of the children of migrant workers coming into Somerset and Wicomico Counties and being stationed at labor camps near Allen and Westover, Maryland. The churches will underwrite the salary of a worker to be provided by the Council. Several of our pastors are enrolled in the School for Town and Country Church Leaders being held at Westminster this Summer, and at least three churches on the district are reporting new men who are beginning their studies for the Christian ministry. In several instances, financial aid is being provided to some extent to further the education of these men.

Missions

Mr. Henry Thoreau once said, "The cost of a thing is the amount of what I call life which is required to be exchanged for it, immediately or in the long run." As I write about these figures I like to think of them not as apportionments or contributions, but as expressions of the amount of life our district has been willing to exchange for the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ.

During the year we have increased our giving to World Service and Conference Benevolences by \$15,250.00. Thirty-nine charges have met their apportionments in full; all have contributed toward the grand total of

\$58,173.00. More than half of our charges have shared the varied interests of Advance Specials and have given \$10,193.00 for these causes. For this "second mile" giving by which the Kingdom is extended far beyond basic World Service, several churches deserve honorable mention. Asbury Church, Salisbury, continues to underwrite the salaries of Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Hartman, Missionaries to the Philippines, and has paid \$4800.00 for their support. Bethesda Church, Salisbury, continues to pay \$2400.00 toward the support of Gilbert Bascom, Missionary to Japan. Trinity Church, Salisbury, has assumed the responsibility for educating Manuel Antonio Santiago, a Puerto Rican Methodist ministerial student and has given \$905.00 this year. Whatcoat Church, Snow Hill, gave \$350.00 for the work of Louis and Madeline Dennis in Borneo. Parsonsburg gave \$208.00 for the Dennises and Church Extension. Stevenson Church, Berlin; Grace, Salisbury; St. Andrews, Salisbury; and Sharptown, Mt. Vernon each gave \$100.00 or more for Advance Specials designated or otherwise.

Forty-three of our charges contributed \$2,642.25 to Hungarian Relief. \$4,688.50 was given to The Board of Child Care; \$1,375.00 to The Fellowship of Suffering and Service (World-Wide Communion); \$1,337.00 for the Week of Dedication; \$1,226.00 for Rally Day and \$656.50 for the Methodist Youth Fund, making a total of \$80,291.25 given for all items reported in this paragraph.

Stewardship and Finance

\$170,440.00 has been allocated for ministerial support on The Salisbury District for the ensuing year, an increase of \$9,136.00 over the previous year. The following 30 charges have participated in the advance:

Charge	Salary	Expense	Utilities	Total Increase
Bishopville	\$3,000	\$300	—	\$600
Crisfield:				
Asbury	5,500	—	—	300
Immanuel	5,300	400	—	500
Mariners	3,200	400	—	300
Mt. Pleasant	4,200	300	—	300
Delmar, First	4,300	500	—	200
Delmar, Mt. O.	4,300	300	—	300
Fairmount	2,800	200	—	400
Galestown	2,700	—	—	100
Hebron, St. P.	3,000	500	—	300
Mt. Vernon	3,500	300	—	500
Nanticoke	2,800	500	—	200
Ocean City	4,500	500	—	500
Oriole	3,000	300	—	300
Parsonsburg	3,200	200	\$ 36	86
Pittsville-Ayres	3,100	500	200	200
Pocomoke, Salem	4,500	500	—	500
Powellville	3,200	—	—	200
Princess Anne	4,500	250	—	250

Quantico	3,200	300	—	150
Salisbury, Asbury	7,500	300	—	300
Salisbury, Grace	4,600	400	—	400
Salisbury, St. Andrews	4,000	400	—	350
Sharptown: Mt. Vernon	3,200	400	—	200
Smith Island	4,000	500	—	200
Snow Hill, Bates	4,000	500	—	500
Snow Hill, Whatcoat	4,200	400	200	200
Stockton-Girdletree	3,300	500	—	400
Trinity-Quindocqua	2,800	500	200	200
Willards, Grace	3,300	200	—	200

\$9,136.00

\$190,327.65 has been expended for Building and Improvements with 40 charges participating. Outstanding among these are: Antioch, Princess Anne which began the construction of a new educational unit on September 30, 1956, which is expected to cost \$120,000—\$47,462 has been expended for this purpose during the year.

Jerusalem Church on the Parsonsburg Charge has completely rebuilt and refurbished its Sanctuary and made other improvements costing \$29,382.00.

Stockton Church on the Stockton-Girdletree Charge remodeled the Sanctuary, replacing the floor and roof at a cost of \$11,350.00.

Cokesbury Church on the Pocomoke, Salem Charge built a new social hall costing \$6,700.00 and Stengle Church on the St. Andrews Charge, Salisbury, is in process of erecting new church school classrooms the cost of which is not yet determined. The work is being done by members of the congregation.

Whatcoat Church, Snow Hill spent \$13,283.00 for the installation of a new pipe organ and St. Andrews Church, Salisbury, spent \$7,110.00 for the rebuilding of their church kitchen and for installation of new furniture and heating equipment.

Other churches reporting an expenditure of \$5000.00 or more for building and improvements include Mardela, Emmanuel; Sharptown, Mt. Vernon; and Trinity Quindocqua on the Marion Station charge.

\$50,617.00 has been paid on debts by 17 charges on the district.

Methodist Men and The Woman's Society of Christian Service

Our District has 23 chartered Methodist Men's organizations reporting a total active membership of 1,049. Under the District leadership of Elton W. Parsons and his sub-District associates, John T. Bruehl, Elton Whittington and William R. McKnight these men are becoming increasingly active. There were 31 representatives from The Salisbury District at the Laymens Annual Retreat at Camp Pecometh last Fall. In December nearly 200 Methodist Men gathered at Bethesda Church, Salisbury, for the first annual Salisbury District Banquet. Old projects have been continued, new ones have been undertaken. The Lenten Communion breakfast in each of the sub-Districts is now firmly established. This year 455 men attended these services and gave \$355.00 in offerings to The Board of Child Care. A new

project, that of sponsoring THE METHODIST MEN'S HOUR over Station W. B. O. C., Salisbury, has met with much approval. The Methodist Men of The Salisbury District have paid \$28.00 each Sunday for a period of 26 weeks in order to make this program available to our people. Local groups have helped with such projects as the building of a new cabin at Camp Pecometh, and several groups as well as individuals have offered their services to the district superintendent for cultivation and promotion of the work among new and weaker groups.

Turning our attention to the W. S. C. S., all of the good things usually said about their work may be said once more. They are well organized and have an excellent program. Our District President, Mrs. W. Frank Daugherty reports that we have 92 organized Societies and 12 District Members, and that under the rules and regulations of the W. S. C. S. the District may be reported as fully organized. She states that the District has met all the askings and supported all the projects of the parent body. \$10,600.00 has been given by the W. S. C. S. to Missions during this year. Mrs. Daugherty will retire as district president at the end of this year and will be succeeded by Mrs. Milton Pope of Salisbury. The Superintendent wishes to express his deep appreciation to Mrs. Daugherty and to the officers who have assisted her during her four years in office and to commend them for their fine service to the church.

Likewise, I would express my deep appreciation to all who have helped me in any way. Their number is so great I can not enumerate, but I am always thankful for the helping hands of ministers and laymen who, like myself are vitally interested in the success of our work. And to my Heavenly Father who remembers me even when I forget Him, I offer my humble and sincere thanks.

JOHN EDWARD FRENCH, Superintendent

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

J. N. LINK, Superintendent

Bishop Oxnam and Members of the Peninsula Annual Conference:

Some one has aptly observed that "Time rushes on with a resistless, un-remitting stream, yet treads more soft than e'er did midnight thief that slides his hand under the miser's pillow and carries off his prize."

Changes

One of our retired ministers, and the widow of one of our ministers, were called from the Church Terrestrial to the Church Celestial during this year. Mrs. William F. Bauscher was called Home on January 11, 1957, and the Rev. Vinal E. Hills on January 24, 1957. Appropriate memoirs have been prepared by selected members of our Conference and will be included in the Journal of this Conference Session.

The Reverend Robert W. Helms, Pastor of the Minquadale Methodist Church, and Miss Florence Wolf were united in Holy Matrimony in June,

1956. The Reverend Charles Strickler, Pastor of the Galena Charge, and Miss Mary Jervis were married in August, 1956.

Three babies came to live in our District Parsonages this Conference year. Karl Allan, son of the Reverend and Mrs. Robert P. Whitlock, was born June 2, 1956. Nancy Jo, daughter of the Reverend and Mrs. Harold Nunemaker, was born September 22, 1956. Robert Franklin, son of the Reverend and Mrs. William H. Owens, was born February 22, 1957.

January 31, 1957, the Reverend Willard S. McGinnis was released from the pastorate of Chester-Bethel at his own request. On February 1, 1957, the Reverend C. Edwin Lasbury, assistant pastor of St. Paul's Church, Wilmington, was appointed student-pastor of Chester-Bethel Church.

Three faithful pastors of the District are asking for retirement this year: the Reverends C. E. Davis, S. T. Hamblin, and R. T. Thawley.

Conversions

2,724 persons were received into full membership in the churches of the Wilmington District this Conference year as compared to 2,362 last year, an increase of 362. An analysis and comparison of this number impels one to "thank God and take courage" because of evidences that the pastors and people are becoming increasingly aware of their evangelistic privilege and responsibility. 1,487 of the 2,724 new members were received on profession of faith and from preparatory classes as compared to 1,237 received by transfer from other Methodist Churches or letters from other denominations, an excess of 250. For the first time in years, each and every charge reported accessions to membership.

Forty-four Charges reported accessions of 10 or more new members:

310	Wilmington Manor	42	St. Paul's
266	Aldersgate	37	Harrison Street
149	Claymont	37	Perryville
128	Grace, Wilmington	36	North East
119	Newark	33	Cherry Hill
104	Bethel-Chesapeake City	33	Marshallton
101	Union	32	Hockessin-Cedars
97	Newport	31	Peninsula
91	Kingswood of Brookside	30	Bellefonte
90	Stanton	27	Rising Sun
89	Calvary, Wilmington	23	Eastlake
83	Richardson Park	22	Madeley
65	Christ, Roselle	18	Kirkwood
60	Elkton	17	Charlestown
59	Cecil United Parish	17	Port Deposit
56	New Castle	16	Ebenezer
55	Hillcrest	16	Mt. Salem
54	Holly Oak	15	Christiana
50	Silverbrook	14	Millington
47	Brandywine	14	St. Georges
46	Red Lion	10	Chester-Bethel
44	McCabe	10	Trinity, Wilmington

Contributions

All but 8 Charges accepted their World Service and Benevolence Askings in full. All Charges paid in full the amounts accepted. Two Charges, Bellefonte and McCabe, not only accepted their askings in full, but overpaid them. Five Charges did not accept their askings in full, but paid more than they accepted.

All but seven Charges paid their askings for Wesley Junior College in full. Only one Charge paid nothing. One Charge overpaid. The total asked was \$11,647. The total paid was \$12,154, an increase of \$507 over this year's askings, and an increase of \$1,864 over last years contributions to Wesley Junior College.

All but eight Charges paid their askings by \$1,000. The total asked

All but eight Charges paid their askings for the Wesley Foundation. Grace Church overpaid its askings by \$1,000. The total asked was \$6,956. The total paid was \$8,689, an increase of \$1,733 over this year's askings, and an increase of \$6,133 over last year's contribution to the Wesley Foundation.

All but eleven Charges paid their askings for the Westminster Theological Seminary in full. The total amount asked was \$11,531. The total amount reported paid was \$10,436.

Advance Specials reported this year aggregated \$26,015, a decrease of \$4,911 from last year's Advance Specials, but an increase of \$11,924 over the Advance Specials reported in 1955. The decrease from last year's record total of \$30,926 can be traced to the tremendous effort made last year to provide X-ray and other expensive equipment for the Doctors Edgar and Elizabeth Miller as they left to start their hospital in Kathmandu, Nepal. It is especially noteworthy that Grace Church, Wilmington, contributed a total of \$13,755 for Advance Specials for World and National Missions.

Nineteen Charges report \$100 or more for Advance Specials:

\$13,755	Grace	361	Chester-Bethel
2,225	Christ, Roselle	317	Claymont
1,277	Brandywine	316	Peninsula
1,225	Richardson Park	245	St. Georges
1,129	Cecil United Parish	200	Elkton
1,045	Union	165	Cherry Hill
800	St. Paul's	124	Eastlake
687	Newark	122	Harrison Street
600	Hillcrest	120	Stanton
598	Newport		

The Fellowship of Suffering and Service Offerings reported this year total \$2,481, a decrease of \$75.

Rally Day offerings aggregated \$1,992, a decrease of \$21.

Week of Dedication offerings amounted to \$1,937, an increase of \$50.

The Methodist Youth Fund reported was \$1,168, a decrease of \$31.

The Board of Child Care offerings amounted to \$4,015, a decrease of \$275.

The offering reported for the Hungarian Relief Appeal was \$3,381.

The total increase in ministerial support reported aggregates \$16,680. \$12,420 is for increased salaries. \$4,260 is for expense accounts.

Thirty-two Charges increased pastors' salaries as follows:

\$1,500 increase:	Grace Church, Wilmington
900 increase:	Port Deposit
700 increase:	Wilmington Manor
600 increase:	Newark
500 increase:	Aldersgate, Chester-Bethel, Claymont, Cedars, New Castle, Richardson Park, Calvary of Wilmington, St. Paul's of Wilmington
440 increase:	Cecilton
400 increase:	Newport
300 increase:	Bellefonte, Kingswood-of-Brookside, Harrison Street
260 increase:	Brandywine
200 increase:	Bethel-Chesapeake City, Christ of Roselle, Christiana, Elkton, Hockessin, Holly Oak, Hopewell, Marshallton, Millington, Mt. Lebanon, Rising Sun, Stanton, East- lake of Wilmington
120 increase:	Ebenezer

Sixteen Charges increased Expense Accounts as follows:

\$500 increase:	Chester-Bethel, Red Lion, Stanton
400 increase:	Hockessin
360 increase:	Delaware City
300 increase:	Bethel-Chesapeake City, Cedars
200 increase:	Bayview-Bethel, Galena, Kirkwood, St. Georges, Trinity of Wilmington
150 increase:	Millington
100 increase:	Elkton, Calvary of Wilmington
50 increase:	Cherry Hill

Religious Education continues to receive strong emphasis within the Local Churches and in the Sub-Districts. While cooperating in all Inter-denominational Christian Workers' Schools in the various communities, and in the Sub-District Methodist Schools, it is encouraging to note the increasing number of Local Churches having Christian Workers' Schools for their own active and potential teaching and administrative staffs. The high quality of instruction and the larger response are impressive. Forty-eight Churches held Vacation Church Schools with 5,626 pupils enrolled, an increase of 402.

Under the capable and consecrated leadership of Mrs. O. E. Mangum, the District President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and Dr. C. S. Clarkson, the District Secretary of Missions, the interest in and contributions for both World and National Missions have reached an all-time high. The finest of audio-visual and literary resources have been provided and utilized, strong leadership has been developed, and the horizon of missionary cultivation has been broadened as evidenced by the spread of Advance Specials: Alaska, American Indian Work, Belgian Congo, Brazil, Formosa, India, Korea, Nepal, Panama, Puerto Rico, Rhodesia Sandora in Africa, Sarawak, as well as many different types of National Missionary projects.

Thirty-two Methodist Men's Organizations were reported, an increase of five over last year. Several others are about to be chartered. 1,853 members were reported in the 32 Methodist Men's Organizations. Clifford T. Foster, Jr., District Lay Leader, has proved to be a worthy successor of Clinton H. Brown in vigorously and successfully stimulating the active functioning of existing Methodist Men's Organizations, and promoting the formation of new ones. The Monthly Third Sunday Morning Breakfast for Lay Leaders in the Hotel DuPont continues to be a source of rich fellowship and inspiration. Francis L. Highfield is the president this year. The number of Methodist Men's Organizations promoting Communion Breakfasts in their Local Churches is encouraging.

Twenty-three Methodist Young Adult Fellowships report a membership of 806, a decrease of 496.

Forty-two Methodist Youth Fellowships report a membership of 1,377, an increase of 75.

Day Nurseries and Kindergartens in the Aldersgate, Ebenezer, Hillcrest, Holly Oak, Marshallton, Wilmington Manor Churches are rendering real community service, expanding the Christian Education programs, providing added staff resources.

Cultivation in the whole field of Christian activity has been aided by the increasing emphasis in, and the use of our outstanding Methodist literature, especially the new family periodical, "Together." Charges that had almost no subscriptions to the old Christian Advocate now have large subscription lists for "Together." Six Churches were reported as having subscriptions for all of their active families: Bellefonte, three Churches of the Cecil United Parish (Leeds, St. John's, Zion), Ebenezer, Stanton, St. Paul's of Wilmington.

The Wilmington District Church Extension Society is slowly continuing to grow. No intensive campaign for Sustaining Memberships at \$10 each was made this year. Because there had been such a large increase in Benevolence and other askings for this year, it was deemed best to give these increased askings a chance to be paid in full. Nevertheless \$4,405, representing 440 Sustaining Memberships have been received from 31 churches and more are coming in daily. This indicates a growing awareness of and response to, this vital project of Church Extension. Even a glance at the exhibit in Grace Fellowship Hall of projects already assisted by the Church Extension Society will demonstrate its value.

The Television Ministry of "The Circuit Rider" under the leadership of Dr. G. H. Pigueron, Jr., has continued through the past six months of this Conference year, has just signed off for the summer and will return in the autumn. It has exerted a blessed Christian ministry as attested by many responses.

Construction

During this past year, 31 Charges report a total of \$238,914 paid on indebtedness for past construction, an increase of \$75,430 over the amount paid on debt last year. Charges paying \$1,000 or more on Debt this year are:

\$29,090	Christ, Roselle	4,000	Elkton
18,467	New Castle	3,317	Hockessin-Cedars
18,378	Grace	3,000	St. Paul's
17,000	Peninsula	2,580	North East
15,635	Richardson Park	2,476	Trinity
13,200	McCabe	2,000	Union
11,000	Newport	2,000	Wesley Foundation—Univ. of Del.
8,229	Stanton		
8,173	Eastlake	1,765	Marshallton
6,900	Newark	1,456	Cherry Hill
6,575	Aldersgate	1,399	Calvary
5,500	Hillcrest	1,200	Minquadale
4,270	Holly Oak	1,000	Ebenezer

During this Conference Year, construction, renovation and expansion in the form of the building and improvement of sanctuaries, educational units, parsonages, the purchase of land and buildings for expansion, installation and renovation of organs, etc., in 48 Charges totaled \$503,609, a decrease of \$77,801. Charges reporting spending \$1,000 or more on Building and Improvements during the Conference year are:

\$136,500	Kingswood-of-Brookside	\$2,700	Port Deposit
79,251	Aldersgate	2,600	Newport
75,522	Grace	2,363	Bellefonte
28,686	Newark	2,178	Mt. Lebanon
21,569	Silverbrook	2,175	Bayview-Bethel
20,354	Marshallton	2,144	Galena
18,120	Wesley Found'n-U. of Del.	2,100	Madeley
14,733	Harrison Street	1,967	Trinity, Wilmington
9,800	Union	1,548	Cherry Hill
8,600	Perryville	1,500	Elkton
7,499	McCabe	1,357	Christiana
7,450	Brandywine	1,355	Hillcrest
7,424	Hockessin-Cedars	1,300	Millington
6,100	Richardson Park	1,233	Eastlake
6,000	St. Paul's Wilmington	1,080	Minquadale
5,700	Rising Sun	1,048	Calvary, Wilmington
4,032	Christ, Roselle	1,007	North East
4,003	Red Lion	1,000	Holly Oak
3,450	Bethel-Chesapeake City		

These statistics take on new meaning when broken down into the following partial summary:

Purchase of Land for Expansion

Aldersgate Church has purchased six lots adjacent to its property providing for future expansion.

Newark Methodist Church has recently purchased the property adjoining the Church to the east on Main Street at a cost of \$35,000. Upon the expiration of the lease held by the present tenant, the building now on the

property will be razed, thus providing additional parking space, and enhancing the physical setting of the Church buildings.

Rosebank Church, at Calvert on the Cecil United Parish, having sold its small lot and building to the Maryland State Roads Commission to make way for a dual highway, has purchased four acres nearby on the new dual highway.

Salem Church, on Christiana Charge, has recently purchased four acres for its expansion. A soft ball diamond has been prepared and is already being used. Plans are being prepared for an Educational and Social Building.

The Wilmington District Church Extension Society has purchased for \$21,000, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres on the Faulk Road, adjacent to the new Senior High School soon to be erected and across from the Elementary School recently erected. On this site it is hoped that the new Asbury Church will arise.

The Wilmington District Church Extension Society also has an option on six lots on a strategic corner opposite a proposed shopping center in the Meadowview housing development planned to be erected between Elk Mills, Cecil County, Maryland, and Newark, Delaware.

Sanctuaries and Educational Units under Construction this year

Aldersgate Church is completing an L shaped educational unit costing \$125,000 which will provide educational facilities unsurpassed by any church of any denomination in Metropolitan Wilmington.

Cedars' educational unit is just about completed and is giving this growing Church a new chance to reach into the housing developments around it.

Hillcrest is building a splendid new educational unit with construction now at the window level. Costing \$75,000, it is expected that the entire building and its furnishings will be paid for in June, 1959.

Hockessin Church has completed four new class rooms in its hitherto unused basement. The Methodist Men are building a stairway to an unused balcony in Fellowship Hall for two additional class rooms.

Kingswood-of-Brookside formally consecrated its semi-contemporary styled Sanctuary and first educational unit on January 6, 1957 at a cost of nearly \$200,000. This commodious and beautiful building of the youngest Church in our District is making a tremendous appeal to this new community. With an intelligent and vigorous program matching the building, this Church Extension venture of three years ago is rapidly developing into one of our strongest churches.

Perryville Church added two new class rooms in the basement of its Church House.

Wilmington Manor will probably move into the first units of its new buildings in a month or two. Erected at a cost of \$300,000, the Fellowship Hall, which will double for awhile as the Sanctuary, Class Rooms, Chapel, of daring contemporary architecture, but beautiful rather than grotesque, this great and growing Church is moving into its larger destiny.

Renovations

Air Conditioning: Bellefonte has installed two one-ton air conditioners in its sanctuary windows. Hockessin has permanently installed a large

exhaust fan to cool the air of its sanctuary. Peninsula has purchased a large air-conditioning unit which will be installed before summer arrives. Rising Sun has also installed air conditioners.

Carpeting of its sanctuary from wall to wall has been accomplished by Perryville this year.

Flood Lighting the exterior of its building has been provided by Bellefonte Church, and flood lighting is planned for this summer by Minquadale Church.

Garage: Hockessin Charge has erected a modern garage for the pastor's automobile.

Heating Plants have been installed in Madeley Church and Church House, in Red Lion parsonage, and will be installed in Madeley parsonage this summer.

Kitchens have been remodeled and modernized in Bellefonte and Grace Churches. Also in the Perryville parsonage.

Landscaping of the lawn and the installation of new sanctuary **Lighting Fixtures** have been provided by Bellefonte Church.

Organs have been purchased by Bellefonte Church, and Summit Church on the St. Georges Charge. The pipe organ of Harrison Street has been rebuilt.

Parking space, amiesited, has been provided between the Richardson Park Church and parsonage. Christ Church, Roselle, has also expanded its parking area.

Painting of the exterior and/or interior of the Church, Educational Rooms and/or Parsonages has characterized the renovations in the Big Elk, Cedars, Glasgow, Harrison Street, Hockessin, McCabe, Minquadale, Newark, Perryville, Red Lion, Richardson Park, Silverbrook, and St. Georges Charges. On January 3, 1957, fire gutted the basement floor of the Newark Church and caused smoke damage throughout the building. The total damage was \$30,000. The damaged section of the building was restored, destroyed equipment was replaced, and the entire interior of the building was redecorated, including the sanctuary.

Parsonage: Silverbrook Church purchased the Bailey Home adjoining the Coley Building of Silverbrook Church on Lancaster Avenue. The house, situated on a spacious lot, has been thoroughly remodeled at a cost of \$35,000 and is now occupied as the Silverbrook Parsonage.

Roof replacement was made at the Perryville and Red Lion Churches.

Worship centers in Sanctuaries, Chapels, or Church School Rooms were installed or provided at Bellefonte, Cedars, Hockessin Churches and Wesley Community Chapel. The Altar, Pulpit, Baptismal Font, Chancel Rail of Wesley Community Chapel were provided by the Men of Grace.

Prospectus

Asbury Church, Perryville Charge, is negotiating for land across the road on which to build an educational and social building.

Asbury Church, Wilmington, is being used for services by the Asbury Memorial congregation of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (formerly the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church) pending the consummation of the sale of the Asbury Church building to that congregation. A faulty title

to the property owned by the Asbury Memorial Congregation at 11th and DuPont Streets is now in the process of legal adjustment. When the sale of our old Asbury has been consummated, it is expected that the first steps will be taken to organize the New Asbury Congregation at the Faulk Road sets of tentative plans have been prepared, the Building Fund is growing. to the New Asbury Church at the 1958 Session of the Peninsula Annual Conference.

Baldwin Church, on the Cherry Hill Charge, has spent this year preparing for needed expansion. Possible new sites have been explored, several sets of tentative plans have been prepared, th Building Fund is growing. It is hoped that the new building will arise this new Conference year.

Chesapeake City has accepted plans for a \$65,000 Educational Building. \$41,000 have been raised in cash and pledges. Construction is expected to begin early this summer.

Christiana, rapidly being encircled by housing developments, is aware that its day of opportunity is at hand. The year has been spent in careful survey of sites, plans have been submitted, discarded, revised, and have now reached the stage for action. A representative of the Fund Raising Department of the Church Extension Section of our Board of Missions will conduct the financial canvass next month. It is expected that construction will begin this summer on an educational building separate from the present building, the first unit in a complete re-arrangement of buildings on the present site.

After many years of wishful thinking and talking about an educational building at Galena, definite action has started following the generous gift of \$15,000 by the local Odd Fellows' Lodge.

Holly Oak has engaged an architect and a surveyor to give intelligent direction to its preparation for a much needed educational unit.

Hopewell likewise has secured an architect's floor plans and drawing of a proposed elevation for an educational unit to adjoin its present building.

Millington has authorized a Building Committee, adopted in principle the tentative plans for an educational building on adjacent land purchased several years ago, and hopes for early action.

Mt. Salem Church is planning renovations to its Sanctuary and Educational Building this new Conference year. It is expected they will cost at least \$25,000

Newport Church plans to erect at an early date the Spire which will complete the Sanctuary recently built.

Rosebank Church, Calvert, Cecil United Parish, has secured plans for a lovely brick veneer Sanctuary and first unit of an educational building. The plans have been approved by the District Board of Church Location and Building. It is expected that construction will begin on the new site of four acres when the new dual highway is sufficiently completed. Until then, the Rosebank congregation will continue worshipping in the recently sold building until it is demolished, then in the Community Hall or Calvert Public School Building, until construction of the new Church is completed.

Salem Church on Christiana Charge has erected a planning Committee to have plans prepared for the educational building to be erected on the four acres recently purchased. A financial campaign will be conducted simultaneously with the Christiana campaign.

Stanton Church has just completed a financial campaign directed by the Kirby-Smith Organization which brought in cash and pledges aggregating \$54,000. An overall plan has been projected for a new Sanctuary, Educational Building, and Parsonage on the 6 ¼ acres recently purchased adjacent to the new Junior High School site on Limestone Road. The first unit to be built will be the educational unit.

Summit Church on St. Georges Charge will remodel its Sunday School room this summer to provide for more effective teaching facilities.

Wesley Church, Charlestown Charge, is having stained glass windows installed. They will be dedicated in June.

Wherever one goes in the Wilmington District, he is conscious of the throbbing of new interest, new awareness of the necessity of adequate facilities in order that the Church of Jesus Christ may function effectively and new willingness to sacrifice time, tithes, and talents to bring these things to pass.

The District Parsonage Family desires to express sincere appreciation for each and every courtesy shown, for each cooperative project shared.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. LINK,
Superintendent.

(b) Boards, Commissions and Committees

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELATIONSHIP TO CHAPLAINS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL

As in past years, the Committee has systematically contacted members of our conference who have entered into the field of the chaplaincy, either on active duty with the Armed Forces or in the Veterans Administration. In addition to personal letters from members of the committee, conference calendars and copies of the official journal were mailed to active duty chaplains. At the time of the last session of the conference a luncheon was held for as many active duty chaplains and members of the committee as could attend, and another is being planned for this year. Contact and coordination with our Methodist Commission on Chaplains has been maintained, and friendly relations established with Methodist chaplains serving within the bounds of the Peninsula Conference.

The number of members of our conference now serving as full or part time chaplains is constantly growing, as evidenced by the following: chaplains on active duty with the Army—1, with the Navy—1, with the Air Force—4, and with the Veterans Administration—1. In addition, chaplains now holding Reserve commissions are: Army—2, Navy—2, and National Guard—3. D'Arcy Littleton was recently retired from the Army Reserves, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, after serving faithfully for a period of twenty years.

Pastors and groups are reminded of the importance of maintaining contact with the young men and women serving in the Armed Forces of our country.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. VANCELEAF, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHILD CARE

The average American is asking three questions, according to Mrs. Maurene Newberger, of Oregon:

1. What will I do when I get old?
2. What will happen to me if I have a long illness?
3. What can be done to make children happier, healthier and better educated?

These three questions highlight the three phases of our Methodist philanthropy: Care of the aged, hospital service, and child care.

Your Board of Child Care is always concerned about what can be done to make children happier, healthier and better adjusted.

With this objective in mind, the Board employed the Child Welfare League of America, collaborating with the General Board of Hospitals and Homes of the Methodist Church, to study carefully what is being done in our program to the end of making dependent and neglected children, happier, healthier, and better educated.

Survey reports sometimes reveal many faults, failures, and insufficiencies in a program; but this one gave the Board a feeling of pride in achievement. While almost devoid of criticism, the survey report did offer many constructive suggestions which can be used for increasing efficiency and for future development and expansion. These are being studied and steps are being planned for moving forward.

One immediate change that has been made grew out of the following suggestion of the survey: "The addition of a worker in this service (Foster Home Program) is essential if the Agency (Board of Child Care) is to provide a well-rounded program to its clientele. At the present time the worker in adoption must of necessity develop the study homes for the placement of infants prior to adoption, thus reducing the time that can be spent in the study of adoptive applicants and in the development of background material concerning adoptable children. The responsibility of developing study homes should be placed in the hands of the foster home finder along with the responsibility for the development of temporary foster homes for children in need of this care."

An experienced and qualified worker has been assigned to this position and is moving in to aid the Board in extending its services to more children, especially to younger ones.

However, most of the children who are brought to us needing help are unhappy children. In most cases this is due to circumstances that led to separation from their families and accustomed surroundings. Often they have been subjected to neglect and deprivation. They are sometimes critical of their parents, but more often defend them, and distrust the judgment and motives of courts, agencies, and community in their efforts to provide opportunities and the kind of care essential for their healthy growth. Children whose parents desert them are prone to believe that the agency knows where they are and will not permit them to visit. They are aware of problems of illness, instability, and discord between parents and make allowances for them. They worry about them, and are persistent and pleading in wanting to see and hear from them. When uprooted from their families, they may become seriously withdrawn from normal activities, or react with rudeness and defiance, as an expression of their disturbance.

Good care away from home is not the same as belonging to own families. Good standards and environment are not enough to make up for the loss of parents. Our service is of value only as we are able to offer help to both the children and their parents, with patience and understanding, holding each to their responsibilities, toward enabling them to re-establish themselves in revitalized family living.

Thus, the most important factor in bringing happiness to these unfortunate ones is the understanding, skill and love of the team of competent, trained, and devoted persons—Houseparents, Executive, Case Workers, and others.

They become healthier because of regular hours with proper amount of rest; as well as healthy outdoor play; good wholesome food, served attractively, eaten leisurely, in a happy environment; scheduled physical check and constant, appropriate, needed medical attention, including correction services; periodic visits to the dentist. Very often these attentions and services are effective ways of establishing the kind of relationship that

helps solve their emotional problems which thwart happiness. The institutions operate under most rigid sanitary regulations.

The institution's cooperation with the public school, helps stimulate the learning process of many of these children whose deprivations have left a mark on their mental development. Good houseparents spend many hours in homework assistance. Activity in local Parent Teacher Associations brings the teachers closer to us and our needs. The case worker shares with the school the underlying problems and needs of our wards, gaining for them understanding, insights, and special interest by the teachers. Two boys, William Mathis and Richard Van Fossen, complete high school this year. William will go on to college. Richard is seeking an outlet in commercial art.

These services during the past twelve months, have been available to 75 girls and boys—a large number to receive so much individualized and intensive treatment.

A constructive service is often rendered at the point of application, even if the child is not received for care. Statistics for this conference year tell a story. We have considered 55 applications—34 for boys, 21 for girls. About half were referred by public agencies. Nine boys and 8 girls have been accepted for placement. Of 38 remaining, 11 were withdrawn by parents who made other plans; 3 were withdrawn by agencies because of change in the family situations; 4 were referred to other agencies because a different service was needed; 8 boys could not be served because there was no vacancy in the appropriate age group; 8 teen-age girls, with serious emotional disturbances could not be offered casework services; 4 applications are pending for boys 11 to 14 years of age.

There were 29 other children who received care in Foster Boarding and Foster Study Homes and Adoption Homes. Most of this work was done by two persons—Miss Helene M. Schneidereith, Case Work Supervisor, and Mrs. L. Margaret Harris, Foster Study Home and Adoption Worker. For three months, Miss Charlotte Exley, Case Worker, helped clear adoptive applicants, and to find foster study homes. During the coming year, another worker, Mrs. John O. Sharrett, will be assigned full time in this field, thus expanding the service.

There were twelve adoptions consummated during this period. Seven other babies are living with their new parents, awaiting completion of the process. This required a large portion of Mrs. Harris' time in the study and selection of the adoption parents and the supervision of the baby in its new home and finally, preparation of material for the court.

Two babies were returned to parents who married subsequent to their birth.

An additional service in this field was to 17 unmarried mothers. Mrs. Harris finds real satisfaction, as does the Board, in helping these girls to make decisions and to leave our counselling service with head erect and an understanding of the nature and cause of their problems, which will fortify them in their future.

We continue to be mindful of our goals to provide help best fitted to individual needs of children and their parents.

This is the story of what you are doing through your Board of Child Care to make children happier, healthier, and better educated:

"But I have seen the dead arise,
The spring wake fair and strong,
And doubt has changed to soaring faith,
Despair to love and song."

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. PARKER, President
F. REID ISAAC, Executive Director

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS

The Conference Commission on Christian Vocations was created some few years ago as the possible answer to the need of bringing about closer cooperation among the Conference Boards and Agencies in (1) promoting within the Conference the general philosophy of Christian Vocation and (2) enlisting high calibre young men and young women for life service in Church-administered vocations.

The need is obvious. The tendency for ministers and laymen alike to yield to the forces of personal pride and ambition in seeking and competing for the highest place of position and power, sometimes ruthlessly, in business and Church alike makes expedient the constant, fresh presentation of the ideal of Christian Vocation. We are all called of God to present our minds, souls and bodies, "a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God which is our reasonable service." We must be made more conscious of our high calling as Christians to devote ourselves to productive activity in life so that the material and spiritual needs of humanity might be served, and the good life made available to more people. Personal gain must be rejected as an acceptable generating force for Christian life and action.

The Church's ministry to the world can be maintained and expanded only through the life and work of trained, devoted men and women. It is our responsibility, under God, to find, recruit, guide, encourage, and train young men and women for service to God through the many offices of the Church. Our task here is twofold. First, to seek and find the talent, and second to help each committed person through expert counselling, to find the place best suited for him and where he can render the best service.

This is a big task. The cooperation of every conference agency working with young people is necessary. The help of every pastor and adult touching the lives of youth in the local Church is needed.

The Commission on Christian Vocations of the Conference is in the process of developing a program designed to serve both the need of Church and the need of the individual. To this end The Reverend R. G. Belcher met with the Commission early in the year, and The Chairman of the Conference Commission and The Executive Secretary of the Conference Board of Education attended the Northeastern regional meeting on Recruitment and Guidance for Church Vocations held in New York on November 28-30, 1956. The following should have a place in the Conference Program of The Commission on Christian Vocations:

1. To bring Local Churches to develop ways of reaching young people with the sense of Christian vocation and following them through the various stages leading to a proper place in a Church-administered occupation.
2. To develop trained and effective Counselors who can be resource persons in working either with local Churches or with individual youth.
3. To make available resource materials and information to Conference Agencies, local Churches and individuals working in this field.
4. To promote the coordination of all agencies of the Conference working with the recruitment and training of youth with respect to Christian vocation.
5. To work with The Board of Education of the Conference in compiling a roll of all persons making commitments to full time Service in Church-centered vocations.
6. To bring together for inspiration, instruction and fellowship those who have made life commitments to Church vocations.

The Conference Commission on Christian Vocations will make every effort to constructively put into operation a plan of action which will be helpful, satisfy the need and avoid duplication or overlapping of effort.

W. P. KESMODEL,
Chairman of the Commission

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our Board of Christian Education is vitally concerned that the educational work of the local church be Christ centered. Everything that we do in our church school should have but one purpose—that of developing Christian personalities and relating those personalities to every area of life—social, economic, political, etc. It is imperative that we analyze our church music, our literature, our craft work and our recreation and ascertain its value in the shaping of Christian character. The teaching of Christian truth is not enough in itself. Great traditional truths must be brought into vital relationship with the everyday experiences of the people.

We feel that the literature of the Methodist Church, its youth programs and its overall educational philosophy is good, but we are concerned that not enough of it has been put into use by the local churches. Too many of us are not using either the literature or the program. As a matter of fact, there are 123 churches in this conference who are not yet using the materials approved by our Board of Christian Education. Uniformity is not necessarily a virtue in itself, neither is diversity, especially if it implies that we do not all have the same high Christian purpose.

Your Board of Christian Education does not desire to dictate local programs, but we are anxious to counsel with all churches in order to help them with their educational programs. Mr. Wildey and his assistant are always available to discuss your educational procedures, methods, and of course, the underlying philosophy that governs the writing of our church school literature. We want all of our churches to use the best techniques of God and man to help our people grow into true images of Christ.

Our Executive Secretary will be more specific in his report on the work of our various committees. There has been much effort to organize the committees of the Board into active units. We are pleased with what has been accomplished.

Our committee on Wesley Foundation has expanded the work at the University of Delaware; the program has been extended to include Washington College and Salisbury State Teachers College.

Our camp committee is planning to expand and improve our present camping facilities. One of its major projects is the purchase of 267 acres of land adjacent to the present camp. What a tremendous opportunity this will give us to serve more completely the camping needs of our conference!

In our youth program we are completely dependent on the cooperation of all of our ministers and local youth councils. Any failure in this area must be attributed to lack of local participation. We have a large number of fine young people in our churches. We are, I am sure, giving them spiritual nourishment, but somehow we are missing the thousands of young people that are at our doorsteps. There are too many young people in the intermediate age group and especially in the senior group who are not church related. One of the most serious indictments of the church of Jesus Christ is that for every young person in the church there are five or ten standing on the street corner or sitting in the local pool room. It is imperative that we change this situation. Your constructive criticism and your personal cooperation will effect a great improvement in this area of Christian Education.

This has been Mr. Wildey's first year as executive secretary. He has done a splendid job in becoming acquainted with all the areas of Christian Education. He has been ably assisted by his committees and committee chairmen. I am sure that in this new conference year we will begin to see the development of an even stronger and better educational program. However, let me conclude with this emphasis: the educational program of any conference is dependent upon the cooperation of the local church, its teachers, counselors and ministers.

May tomorrow bring new life in Christ to all people because we have broadened our visions to the unlimited horizons of Christian service and have brought Christ into a real and practical relationship to daily activity.

JAMES R. HUGHES
Chairman of the Peninsula Conference
Board of Christian Education

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The responsibilities and concerns of the Board of Education are many and varied. They move in the life of our Church strengthening, guiding, supporting, and encouraging the work from the local church throughout the broad areas of development fostered by The Methodist Church. Christian education has as its aim: the "bringing of persons into a living relationship

to Jesus Christ and His Church." Working toward this aim, the Board cooperates with all other Boards and Committees in the local church, in the Annual Conference, and beyond the bounds of the Conference. It is through this cooperative effort that progress has been and will continue to be achieved in this field of endeavor.

To bring order to this report, which will of necessity deal with a variety of subjects, the work of various committees of the Board will be presented.

Children's Work

Through the efforts of the Conference Director of Children's Work, Miss Annie Howie, and her staff, there has been a reawakening of the desire to bring understanding and purpose by the use of Methodist material throughout our churches. The two major projects in this field were sponsored, planned and directed by Miss Howie and her District Directors, Mrs. Roy Vernon, Mrs. Gordon Stapleton, Miss Jean Middleton, and Miss Mary White.

In January Dr. Mary Alice Jones, Director of the Department of Christian Education of Children, Board of Education, Nashville, Tennessee, visited each of our Districts and directed Conferences on "Teaching Children in the Church School." As a follow-up of this emphasis there were four District Workshops held in April on "Methodist Literature and Its Use in Our Church School." Classes in Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary and Junior Work were taught by qualified instructors. These conferences and Workshops were available to the Superintendents, teachers, and workers in the Division of Children's Work from the local churches of the Conference.

This phase of our field work is developing leadership which will be most beneficial in the coming years. Each District and Sub-District has volunteer field workers cooperating closely with the local church to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian education with children. Plans are being made to organize observation centers throughout the Conference where teachers may secure assistance by observing actual teaching situations. Literature clinics are also in the realm of possibility for this coming year.

Youth Work

One of the most highly organized areas of our work is in the Youth field. Rev. Edwin C. Thomas, Conference Director, has worked diligently with his District Directors, Rev. Charles Covington, Rev. Dale L. Ruth, Rev. Howard E. Evans, and Rev. H. Kirby Krams, and the Conference Youth Council to promote interest and concern among Adult Workers with youth and the young people of the Conference. Mr. Kendall McCabe, Conference Youth President, has been a marked credit to the program in every way.

Conference-wide enterprises for the year were pointed up by a calendar of events printed and made available to each young person. In June the MYF President from each church was invited to PeCoMeth for a two-day period of training. A Workshop on the Fall Action Project "Drinking and Christian Living" was presented with young persons from all over the Conference attending. This was followed by sub-district and local meetings on the subject. A Conference Training School for Christian Witness Missions was held. Workers prepared by this School participated in Witness

Missions in many local churches. Among other achievements were: A well-attended Senior Week at PeCoMeth; a two-day visit to the United Nations by 35 youth and 6 adults; the Fall Youth Conference with 207 in attendance; regular meetings in the Sub-Districts for inspiration, information, and fellowship; the Annual Youth Layman's Day Conference; training of select youth leaders in experiences beyond the Conference level at the Regional MYF Workshop, National School on Alcohol Study, National Conference of Methodist Youth, and others.

Plans are now underway for the youth of the Conference to assist in supporting an Exchange Student from another country to study at one of our high schools.

Volunteer persons have carried this work as far as possible. To expand further in this field will necessitate the securing of a paid staff member devoting the majority of his time to Youth Work. Further development of this work is vital to the future of our youth and the Methodist Church.

Adult Work

This work has become increasingly important as the need for additional effort in the Young Adult and Older Adult fields is realized. Rev. Harvey Flater is the Conference Director of this work. The Young Adults have been active this year and were sponsors of The Bible Conference, with Rev. Alton Miller as Director, which was attended by 366 persons during the three sessions. Plans are now going forward for a Bible Conference to be held in each of the four Districts next year. The Young Adult Week-End at PeCoMeth is on the way to becoming the center for training of this group. This summer they will meet on July 29-30 with Miss Anita Ankeney, Conference Young Adult President, as Director.

A promise of future development was forthcoming when 23 adults, attending the Adult Convocation at Buck Hill Falls this winter, recommended that an Adult Convocation be planned for the Peninsula Conference. This will enable much needed additional emphasis to be given Adult Work in our area.

Leadership Education

One of the greatest needs in our Conference is to recruit and train leaders in Christian education. This year various types of training schools were developed. They were held in Bay View, Camden, Denton (Interdenominational), Easton, Georgetown, Harrington, Pocomoke City, Salisbury, Wilmington, and for various local church groups. As a result of the various types of schools held, a plan was evolved for training experiences during the next two years. The emphasis in 1957-58 will be on sixteen week-end training schools, four on each District with the teaching staff being recruited from persons within our Conference. They will specialize in "Teaching Children," "Teaching Youth," "Teaching Adults," and "Improving the Church School." This staff will be instructed at a central training center. Following the instruction, they will be assigned to Leadership Schools in the four Districts, which will be scheduled for October and November. Other schools, which have been held for several years for longer periods of time, will be carried on much as before. From the list of instructors,

Fellowship Teams will be formed to assist churches as needed, in local training clinics. In 1958-59 there will be a return to the longer period of instruction in specific fields of need revealed by survey. Persons in each Sub-District and District have been selected to assist in planning and activating these leadership schools.

Specialized training is expected to be secured by persons from our Conference at the Regional MYF Workshop, Lycoming, Pa.; the Recreational Workshop, Pennington, N. J.; Youth School of Alcohol Studies, Adrian, Mich.; National Conference of Methodist Youth, Denver, Colorado; U. C. Y. M., PeCoMeth, Md.; Children's Workers' Laboratory School, Westminster, Maryland; Children's Workers Seminar for Laboratory Instructors, Jumonville, Pa.; Adult Convocation, Buck Hill Falls, Pa.; National Conference on Family Life, Chicago, Ill.; the National Conference on Christian Education, Cincinnati, Ohio, and others. These training experiences will give us a corps of trained persons to assist in the ongoing program throughout the Conference and into the local churches.

Directors of Christian Education

This year Dr. Ralph H. Collis, Chairman of the Committee on Directors of Christian Education, reports three full-time accredited Directors and seven persons classified as Educational Assistants employed by local churches in the Conference.

Directors—

Miss Doris Hoover
Miss Genevieve Poppe
Miss Mary G. White

Educational Assistants—

Miss Ruth Benoit
Mrs. Albert Bloodsworth
Mrs. Ralph Hall Collis
Miss Jean Middleton
Mrs. Dorothy Moore
Mrs. Margaret Storus
Mrs. John Wright

The certification of the directors of Christian education is supervised by the Conference Board of Education and is granted when standards, recommended by the General Board of Education, are met.

Certification of Ministers of Music was made possible by the 1956 General Conference. Persons qualifying for this office will be certified when their credentials have been reviewed and found to satisfy the standards of the office by the Conference Board of Education.

Wesley Foundation

A Wesley Foundation is the organized educational ministry of the Methodist Church at a state or independent college or university. This work with Methodist Students at the non-church related institutions of higher learning, is progressing under the Conference Board of Education's Com-

mittee on Campus-Church Relations headed by Dr. William F. Dunkle, Jr.

There are three institutions within the bounds of the Peninsula Conference that are the concern of this Committee: University of Delaware, Salisbury State Teacher's College, and Washington College. An evaluation of the student religious work of the Methodist Church at these three institutions was made, on request of the Conference Board of Education, by Dr. Thaxton Springfield, Director-Minister of the Wesley Foundation, University of Florida. This report was the basis for the development of the action taken during the year. It is generally accepted that institutions of higher learning are anticipating their enrollment to double by 1970. This year the University enrolled about 2,000 students, 422 of them Methodists; Salisbury State about 364 enrolled, 166 Methodists; and Washington College about 500 students, 106 Methodists. In these three schools there are about 694 Methodists with the expectation of a continuing growth in numbers. Our Conference has recognized the challenge of a ministry to the Methodist students in these institutions. The 30-cents-per-member asking begun last year, will enable this work to continue and expand.

The work at the University had already developed to the degree of having a full-time co-director, Rev. Leland B. Hall, working with Dr. J. J. Bunting, Minister of Newark Church, the director. During this year, Methodism became the first denomination to have a physical plant for its activities on the University Campus when it purchased, remodeled and thus established a Wesley Foundation Center, The Wesley House. There is a stimulating program carried on at The Wesley House, planned and administered by the Wesley Foundation Council. The objective is to "create a religious fellowship and program that will help students grow religiously and socially." The program includes regular services of worship, fellowship, forums, outstanding speakers, discussions, retreats, student conferences, interfaith activities, and the opportunity for counseling concerning personal or religious problems. Due to the Wesley House and the stimulating program, the response of the students has better than doubled over last year. The Wesley House has indeed become "a home away from home" for the students. The University has a greater concentration of Methodist students than any other school in the Conference. The Wesley Foundation there has been recognized for its fine work and accredited by the Wesley Foundation Commission on Standards.

With the student work progressing at the University it was felt by the Campus-Church Committee, that activity could now be entered into more vigorously at the other two schools. Rev. Robert Mackey, Minister of the Asbury Methodist Church, was named Director and Mrs. Albert Bloodsworth was secured to act as co-director of the Methodist student work at Salisbury State. Contact was made with the Administration, Faculty, and students with excellent response from all groups. The program has been directed to meet the needs and interests of the students. Since this work began in November there has been constant progress as more and more students have been reached. Ministers and lay people have cooperated with Mrs. Bloodsworth in helping meet the opportunities as they arise. This school is also preparing for expansion and the Methodist student work is being planned to expand with it.

At Washington College the evaluation revealed a large number of Methodist Ministers had received their college training there and showed the potential of this school for Wesley Foundation activities. The need for an experienced person to direct the Methodist Student work on campus was greatly felt. In February Rev. Leland B. Hall began giving one day each week, from his work at the University of Delaware, to the student work at Washington. The response to this guidance and counsel has been great with the group now completely organized and the meetings showing steady increases in attendance. Also involved in the work at Washington College is a joint program with other Protestant groups. Our Methodist and the ecumenical activities promise to have a great religious influence on the campus. This proves again the value of well-trained leadership in working with students.

Now Methodist student work has been established at each of the three non-church related schools in our Conference under competent leadership. The money received from the local churches for the Wesley Foundation is being put to work to provide fuller opportunity for the spiritual growth of our students.

We as Christians cannot forget our responsibilities to our college students. Dr. W. S. Tyler has written, "In the present members of our colleges we have the future teachers and rulers of our nation—the professional men and women of influence of the coming generation—the rising hope of our country, the Church and the World." To fail to provide religious opportunities for these students during the time of their specialized training is to fail our Church and our World. Every Methodist Church can share in this work by giving support to the 30-cents-per-member asking this year for Wesley Foundation.

PeCoMeth

The program at the Conference Camp is being planned for the eleventh year. It has developed from a small program until now it ministers to over one thousand persons each summer. The ministry is to children, youth, and adults. PeCoMeth reaches out to the majority of our churches imparting Christian faith, fellowship and instruction as those attending return to their home church better prepared to serve.

Two years ago a building was constructed to serve as chapel, recreation and assembly hall. This has been paid for and has been invaluable to the projected effort for a more complete program. Other improvements have been completed always with the goal of increasing the effectiveness of PeCoMeth. These recent improvements have been financed entirely by the income from PeCoMeth. Even so, the cost per camper has been kept at a very reasonable figure. This summer it will be \$3.00 per day and \$3.00 registration for a week of camp. Week-end conferences will have a slightly different rate. Throughout the Peninsula other denominations and groups have begun to move into this field of endeavor. We feel that this is not competition since there is such a great demand for this service. It is necessary, however, that our horizon be expanded to recognize the growing demand by our people for this opportunity.

Since more and more persons desire to avail themselves of the experience at PeCoMeth, the Camp Committee of the Board of Education has

recommended that facilities be expanded to meet the needs. The seven acres, now being used, are strained to the utmost. The only alternative is to secure more land for expansion or fail to accept the challenge to serve the Methodist people of our Conference. Our duty is to serve. The Board of Education will continue to strive, with your support, to expand and strengthen the camping program to meet the needs of our Conference.

This past summer, 97 Seniors, 319 Intermediates, 473 Juniors, 109 School of Missions, 54 U. C. Y. M., and others who attended Young Adult Week-End, Church School Superintendent's Conference, and the Layman's Retreat, swelled the total attendance. The hours spent in inspiration, study, fellowship and recreation were the means of bringing each person into a living relationship to Jesus Christ and the Christian way of life. The Layman's Retreat was so inspiring the men showed their appreciation by pledging the erection of an additional cabin at PeCoMeth for this summer. Under the leadership of Mr. Clinton Brown, Conference Lay Leader, this project is being completed. The value of PeCoMeth as a Conference Center for training has continued to increase. The Presidents of all the MYF's in the Conference are invited to attend the President's Confab at PeCoMeth where they receive instruction which enables them to serve in their local churches more effectively. Increased emphasis is being placed on the Older Youth Week-end in an attempt to strengthen this program in our churches. Recognizing that any Camp is only as effective as the counselors and teachers, a week-end is being reserved to instruct those who will serve in these capacities during the Summer at PeCoMeth. This instruction will better prepare our workers and directors for an effective program of camping experiences. Striving for more mature counselors is one of our projects this summer. To assure the availability of these persons each church must begin to assume the responsibility of making available for the Program Staff at PeCoMeth at least one adult for every six or less campers. Our Counselors are volunteer persons generously giving their time and energy to provide leadership for this phase of the program of Christian education. Ministers are frequently called upon to assist in this work. Their churches must consider this an honor and give encouragement to this area of the ministry.

This summer the program at PeCoMeth will include four weeks for Juniors, four weeks for Intermediates, one week for Seniors, a week for the Woman's Society of Christian Service School of Missions for Girls, and a week for the United Christian Youth Movement. Other experiences will be two- to three-day week-ends for Older Youth, Young Adults, Laymen, Church School Superintendents, Camp Counselor training, Methodist Student Movement, and the Conference Christian Education Field Worker's Retreat. PeCoMeth is truly becoming the Peninsula Conference Training Center.

Areas of Special Concern

Filmstrip Library—The Board of Education has established a filmstrip library to assist local churches, workers' conferences, and leadership schools in the use of such an audio-visual aid for their programs. The library consists of 122 filmstrips. The filmstrips have been used 301 times with 100 of them being shown once or more during the last nine months. They

range in subject matter through children, youth, adult, and leadership training phases of our work. These have been more widely used than ever before as the Board continues the policy of making them available without charge. The library is in the office of the Executive Secretary of the Board and the filmstrips can be secured through that office. Listings were printed from time to time in THE PEN, the Christian Education Newsbulletin.

Rally Day—This day has been used to point our local churches toward the Fall program of Church and Church School. It has also been the day, set by action of General Conference, for "emphasizing the importance of Christian Education and for receiving an offering for the Conference Board of Education for the program of its local church division." This offering, directed to the Conference Treasurer, has been used by the Board in two ways: Five thousand dollars is directed to the emphasis on Christian education in the local church. All received beyond that figure is used to assist in carrying on the Summer training program at PeCoMeth. It is suggested that each church sponsor a Rally Day during the month of September.

World Service—The importance of our Church Schools in giving financial support to our World Service & Conference Benevolences must not be overlooked. The Conference Journal of last year reported \$89,169 as the Church School offering for this item and the total paid by the churches, \$179,357. This shows 50% of the total coming from the Church Schools and 50% received from other sources. This is possible even though from a membership of nearly 75,000 over 40% are children under 12 years of age. The Christian training in Bible, churchmanship, social issues, missions, etc. will continue to foster the desire on the part of the church school members to give support to the causes of Christ and His Church.

Methodist Literature—The fact that of 373 churches reporting last year, 123 stated that they were using lesson materials that were not approved by the Methodist Church, should shock us. The Board of Education has appointed a Literature Committee to proceed toward correcting this weakness. There are at least ten reasons why Methodist Churches should use Methodist Church School Literature—

1. It is based on the Bible used as Jesus used the Scriptures.
2. It strengthens family life religion.
3. It is true to the Christian faith and Christian moral standards for men and society as Methodists understand them.
4. It teaches loyalty to Methodist missions and other World Service causes and special benevolences.
5. It undergirds all phases of our church life.
6. Its teaching plans are plain and workable and its educational methods sound.
7. It is graded according to the age of pupils.
8. It is a unified whole, building in each age group upon what has gone before.
9. It meets the needs of churches of all types and sizes.
10. The General Conference has repeatedly retained in the Discipline, the requirement that the local church Commission on Education, Pars. 225 (3) and 232 (5), and the pastor, Par. 352 (18), see that our church schools use Methodist-approved church school literature.

Every encouragement is being given churches desiring to change to Methodist material. Sample materials will be sent on request from the Methodist Publishing House and the first six months' order on Methodist material can be secured at a 50% deduction. It is necessary that persons be not only encouraged but also prepared to use this literature if a profitable experience is expected. The Literature Committee has directed communications and suggestions to those churches not using proper material. The Executive Secretary is available for council, teaching helps are on hand from the office of the Methodist Board of Education in Dover, leadership schools and literature clinics are sources of assistance. Our goal is: Every Methodist Church using Methodist material.

Extended Sessions—Daily Vacation Church Schools are held in many of our churches. Over 14,400 attended last year and there has been a continuous increase in numbers during the past few years. This means that nearly one-half of those enrolled in our Church Schools also receive a week or two of special training in this field of Christian Education. The hours spent in this training are equivalent to about 26 weeks spent in the Church School on Sunday. This is a significant increase in the vital area of religious training often overlooked by many of the local churches. Every church should make it possible for the children to secure this training either by having a Vacation Church School or cooperating with others in this important phase of the work.

Another opportunity is in the Week-Day School. This takes place either during the time when children are released from public school or following the public school hours. The Commission on Education of the local church must take initiative in giving support to increasing the time available for religious instruction of children and young people. The importance of such needful support has been emphasized from the beginning of our Church in a question addressed to every minister on becoming a full member of a conference: "Will you diligently instruct the children in every place?" We should ask ourselves if our local church is putting forth every effort possible to further Christian Education?

Goals

Wesley Foundation

- Strengthen projects at all three Wesley Foundations
- Promote 30-cents-per-member for Wesley Foundations
- Amortize debt on Wesley House
- Cooperate with Inter-Conference Student Movement

Local Church

- Emphasize recruitment and training of Church School teachers
- Methodist Literature in Methodist Churches
- Daily Vacation Church School available for every Methodist child
- Increase 10% in Church School Attendance
- Increase 25% in Rally Day Offering

Conference

- Additional stress on Christian Vocations
- More specific work with MYF

- Adult Convocation
- District Bible Conferences
- Conference Music Institute
- Refresher Training Conference for Directors of Christian Education and Educational Assistants
- Conference Film and Literature Library

Camping

- Secure land for expanded services
- Consider year-round camp program
- Full-time Camp Manager
- More mature counselors from every participating church

It has been said, "Life up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" and also "but the laborers are few." Therefore, to the laborers in the harvest field of Christian Education, we extend grateful words for your faithfulness and service. May your numbers grow.

Respectfully submitted,

DONZEL C. WILDEY, Executive Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM

Our Conference Board appreciates the cooperation of Bishop Bromley Oxnam, the District Superintendents, the District Secretaries, the Pastors, and all laymen who have worked earnestly to promote the evangelistic emphasis this year.

This plan of evangelism takes prayer, planning, preparation and persistency. This plan does not work itself. It must have flesh.

Christ used this plan. He sent the twelve and the seventy, two by two. The living Christ commanded His disciples to Go. This is the year of the Local Church Emphasis, and local churches can choose, because of a sincere desire to win persons to Christ.

The Mission to America, recently concluded by the Methodist Board of Evangelism, was an unusual evangelistic campaign, because it had an unusual evangelist. The evangelist, now becoming well known to American Methodists, is the Rev. Alan Walker of Australia. Son of a slum preacher, he makes a point in his own ministry to reach low-income families, people in prisons and hospitals, and others out of the normal reach of churches. He is especially interested in recovering Protestantism's rapport with laboring people. Seattle newsman, Lane Smith, called him "an evangelist who speaks softly but carries a big punch." As you know, our Conference Board of Evangelism cooperated with the Atlantic Methodist Church of Ocean City, Maryland in promoting a four-day program last August 28-31 with the Rev. Alan Walker as guest evangelist.

One of the great concerns that all of us share is the fact that our churches are not winning as many persons to Christ on Profession Faith as they should. A recent study of BARREN CHARGES and of NEAR-BARREN by Dr. Albert C. Hoover, Methodist Statistician, should bring us to our knees in prayer and to our feet in action. The time is short for us

to do something about it in every District, and Charge, and Church for this current 1957 year. The greatest season and opportunity for evangelism is during the pre-Easter days when the eyes of the world are turned towards Christ, the cross of Calvary, and the resurrection fact, but surely none of us will stop even with Easter.

"LAYMEN MAKE DISCOVERY," says BISHOP WILLIAM C. MARTIN, following Visitation Evangelism Mission several years ago.

"One of the permanent results of the All-Texas Evangelistic Mission will be a new discovery made by the laymen. Many of them have found out for the first time, by actual experience, that they can bring people to Christ. They did not believe this before, and went out reluctantly. Now they have had the joy of knowing it can be done. They have experienced the thrill of seeing people whom they have introduced to Christ go to the altar of the church.

"What next? It would be an unpardonable oversight if any pastor should fail to direct this newly released energy so that it will continue to express itself in day-by-day relationships. If you do not already have it in your church, this is the time to start a Big Brother group, a Fisherman's Club, or some kind of organization with regular meetings for fellowship and encouragement. Some of the new converts will be the most active members.

"Literally thousands of people have been reached during the campaign with an appeal to take Christ's way of life who did not quite come to the crucial decision. If they are neglected now, they will drift back into the old ways of indifference and sin. There is no time for relaxation. On circuits, some of the churches have not yet been reached. These congregations ought not to be denied the privilege of their share in this revival. Everywhere we should move ahead with evangelism. We are in this business for life and we say, 'Thank God for a Church that believes in evangelism.'"

Goals

Through regular promotion of the program of evangelism as outlined by the General and Conference Boards of Evangelism in cooperation with the District Committee on Evangelism:

1. Deepen the spiritual life of all members of the church by encouraging the regular practice of the Holy Habits: Daily Devotions, Church Attendance, Bible Reading, Christian Witnessing.
2. By organizing Prayer Crusades—Individual prayer, family prayer, prayer groups, prayer vigils.
3. By making available helpful evangelistic literature for the people of the church.

Why Plan for Visitation Evangelism?

1. Because it is one of the very effective methods Jesus used.
2. Because it is a method Jesus taught His disciples and other followers, and directed them to use. (Matthew 10; Luke 10).
3. Because it is cooperative evangelism, involving the help of the laymen, as well as the minister, in vital evangelistic contacts.
4. Because it is adaptable to almost all kinds of circumstances.

5. Because it goes out to people where they are and expresses Christian interest and concern.

6. Because it discovers the specific problem and need of an individual before any attempt is made to meet the supposed need or problem.

7. Because it is flexible as to time and number of contacts and the content of the evangelistic conversation, giving the Holy Spirit opportunity to guide.

How Proceed With Visitation Evangelism?

1. Determine the natural area for which your church is responsible.
2. Secure a map of the area locating the homes, schools, churches, and other points of interest. Mark on the map both the Methodist homes and the unchurched homes.
3. Group the homes in natural neighborhoods. These neighborhood groups will be very important for your work of evangelism, also for other phases of the church program.
4. Make a survey of the entire area, using family survey cards instead of individual survey cards.
5. Get this survey in useable form. a. Place the name of each prospect on a separate card. b. Give all available information on this card. c. Keep all prospects from the same family grouped together.
6. Prayerfully select and train a group of personal workers. Instill in them confidence in themselves and their ability to lead people to Christ.

A week of Lay Visitation Evangelism will help the pastor and church to reach the unchurched and unaffiliated people in the church community. It will enable a church to meet its minimum objectives in evangelism. It will make evangelism the central objective, and in a week a church should secure one new member for each twenty active members in the church.

Community Evangelism—You Do Have Persons To Win

—40% of the population of America is unchurched.

—In the average community, 40 out of every 100 persons are unchurched.

—The average church has 40 prospects for every 60 members—it now has two-thirds as many prospects as it has members.

Suggestions to Eliminate Barren Charges by Causing Them to Become Fruitful

District Superintendent and District Secretary of Evangelism

Locate the barren (and near-barren) charges.

Concentrate attention and plans on them—in Quarterly Conferences, on visitation and preaching occasions.

Inspire pastors, church schools, commissions, official boards to win persons, to cause church to grow, spiritually and numerically.

Study and share Quarterly Conference report forms for Commission on Membership and Evangelism with District Committee on Evangelism and launch plan and program under leadership of District Secretary of Evangelism or Vice-Chairman of District Committee.

Bring in a few neighboring pastors and laymen on a particular day for a quick, well-planned and directed campaign of visitation evangelism in a barren charge.

Pastor

Visit for definite decisions for Christ.

Preach for verdict.

Work constantly for a deepened spiritual life of all church members, and for spiritually enriched church services.

Visit with a layman for decisions for Christ.

Send out two pastor-trained laymen as a team in visitation evangelism.

Invite neighboring pastor to come in and bring one or two teams of laymen to visit with a few selected local persons.

Conduct a training class for Church membership and the Christian life composed of children and youth in church school and in families in the charge.

Commission on Membership and Evangelism

Order some visitation evangelism materials, study them and use them.

Just to have and study the "how" booklet, the prospect cards, the commitment card folder, and the instruction or "review" leaflets, will help give desire, "know-how," and courage. (From Tidings, 1908 Grand Ave., Nashville 5, Tenn.)

Go over church roll and church school roll, listing every member of the family of every person who is on either roll, and count as a prospective member every such person who is not a church member.

Train and send out one or more teams of laymen for visitation evangelism from Commission members and church membership.

Conference Prayer Resolution

We call upon all our churches to encourage their members to reaffirm their faith in the power of prayer. We hope that they will individually and collectively cultivate the habit of prayer until they pray without ceasing.

We urge them to join with Christian people in the World Wide Prayer Life Movement to pray for peace and brotherhood among nations and races that God's will may be known and obeyed by all mankind.

We commend to our churches participation in the World Wide Prayer Life Movement with such measures as prayer vigils, prayer altars, prayer cells, personal prayer lists, and all other prayer practices as may be commended to them and as are in harmony with their faith and spirit.

Dr. Harry Denman, Executive Secretary of the General Board of Evangelism, was the speaker for Evangelistic Services during Holy Week at St. Paul's Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

The Devotional Services during Conference will be from 8 A. M. to 9 A. M. Friday and Saturday mornings, May 17th and 18th. The speaker for both mornings will be Dr. Ralph Sockman. Every minister should endeavor to take advantage of this opportunity to enrich his spiritual life.

"TELL AMERICA ABOUT CHRIST"

"GO . . . MAKE DISCIPLES . . ."

"BE WITNESSES . . . BEGINNING AT JERUSALEM . . . (AT HOME)"

H. C. JEFFERS, Chairman

D. O. CLENDANIEL, Executive Secretary

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF WILMINGTON

Report To Peninsula Conference 1956-57

A comparison of Goodwill Industries records for the past year, with those of other previous years, seems to indicate that the agency can again report continued progress in every phase of its operations. The advances made during the year, while not sufficient to keep pace with the ever increasing demands for rehabilitation services, were, it is believed, enough to indicate, that at the very least, the agency is moving in the right direction.

New record all-time highs were established in the basic, supporting industrial activities of the agency, but of far greater importance, the real progress of the year was made in providing higher levels of economic security, self-respect, and human dignity for a growing list of handicapped Goodwill employees.

With the help of its many hundreds of friends in Wilmington and northern Delaware, Goodwill Industries was able to provide steady, useful and gainful employment for a total of 62 handicapped persons during the year. 37, or about 60% of the total number were occupationally handicapped by disabilities of such nature and severity, that employment, for them, in regular competitive industry, was practically impossible. 16, could have, perhaps, under certain sheltered conditions taken a place in regular industry if suitable job opportunities could have been made available. Only 9 of the total number, were considered sufficiently equipped, mentally and physically, to have engaged in normal, unrestricted work activities.

In nearly every instance, the workers employed came from established homes in Wilmington or nearby suburban communities. 44 were male and 18 were female. Ages ranged from 17 to 78 years. Many of the workers faced, not only the responsibility of supporting themselves but also the added responsibility of providing for dependent children.

As in the past, Goodwill Industries provided its services for handicapped people without regard for race, creed or color. As a point of information only, 12 colored and 50 white persons were employed during the year. 42 were members of, or expressed a preference for, one of the various protestant denominations. 20 indicated their faith as being Roman Catholic.

Handicapping conditions encountered during the year were classified under 19 different categories, including a variety of orthopedic disabilities, total blindness, infantile paralysis, cerebral palsy, defective hearing and

speech, mental retardation, respiratory ailments, social handicaps, and the disabilities occasioned by advanced age.

While many of the "take home" benefits afforded by the Goodwill program extend into areas which are not subject to measurement in terms of statistics or records, there is one basic benefit which can be recorded and measured as a contributing factor in the development of the other more important but less evident desired results. The tangible benefits resulting from each handicapped worker's self-help efforts during the year are the wages he or she earns and receives from the agency each week. These opportunity wages amounted to \$58,470.00 for the past year, an increase of 17% over the amount spent for the same purpose a year ago. The average hourly wage rate was raised from 72 cents to 81 cents, and the average weekly payroll reached a new all-time high at nearly \$1200.00.

Its more than likely that the largest majority of the handicapped workers employed during the year, would, if it were not for the opportunities provided by Goodwill Industries, have had to depend on some form of public relief for the support of themselves and their families. Rather than being considered as tax burdens or public charges, Goodwill workers were, we are happy to report, tax payers themselves. They paid to the Federal government the sum of \$4724.00 in withholding taxes and \$1194.00 in social security payments. This is an important, positive factor in our community responsibility, for these men and women, and their families are useful, productive citizens making a valuable contribution to their respective communities.

Two additional staff members were appointed during the year to fill needs created by the agency's gradually expanding program. A member of the Peninsula Conference was appointed to serve as Chaplain on a part-time basis and was available for consultation with our people as well as having responsibility for the direction of the agency's religious program. We were able too, to secure the services of an outstanding orthopedic surgeon, practicing in the Wilmington area, to act as medical consultant.

With a record breaking total budget of \$85,677.00 Goodwill Industries was better than 90% self-supporting during the past year. This means that, with the aid of an interested, actively supporting public in supplying the needed discarded materials, plus the diligent efforts of severely handicapped workers in reclaiming these articles for further use, the agency was able to maintain its program and at the same time achieve some degree of growth with but a minimum of dependence on cash subsidies. In this latter connection, Goodwill Industries very gratefully received an allocation of \$7000.00 from the United Community Fund of Northern Delaware, Inc.

Although there has been a marked degree of progress and growth during recent years, Goodwill Industries is aware of the fact that it has not been able to keep pace with the rapidly growing need in the community for much larger and greatly improved rehabilitation services. Population growth; extension of the life span; increasing incidence of disability; these and other factors, all contribute to a current and future need for expanded operations. The agency is confronted with a major challenge in trying to find an early solution to its problems of inadequate physical facilities and program limitations.

The responsibility of Goodwill Industries in the community is to provide the best possible service in the form of effective social and vocational adjustment opportunities for every handicapped person who applies to the agency for help. To this end we dedicate our best efforts and shall continue to work, hope and pray for a closer approach to the agency's true potential in the days which are ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CARLYLE SIMMONS, Executive Secretary

REPORT OF HISTORICAL SOCIETY

We wish to report that the Historical Society has been incorporated under the law of the State of Delaware and shall be known as the Historical Society of the Peninsula Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, Inc.

In accordance with the intent of the certificate of incorporation, your existing Society has requested the Conference Committee on Nominations to nominate the first twenty-four directors of the corporation.

We recommend that the following certificate of incorporation be approved by this Annual Conference.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, INC.

FIRST: The name of this corporation is HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, INC.

SECOND: Its principal office in the State of Delaware is to be located c/o The Archives Building, Dover, Delaware, and the resident agent in charge thereof, is the corporation itself.

THIRD: The objects and purposes proposed to be promoted and carried on are to collect, preserve and maintain historical records and shrines relating to Methodism in Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

FOURTH: The corporation shall have the following powers:

a. For any of the purposes of the corporation and not for pecuniary profit, to take, own, hold, deal in, mortgage or otherwise give liens against, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer or in any manner whatsoever dispose of real property within or without the State of Delaware, wherever situated.

b. For any of the purposes of the corporation and not for profit, to build, purchase or obtain by devise, gift or otherwise, any and all real and personal property within or without the State of Delaware, wherever situated.

c. For any of the purposes of the corporation and not for pecuniary profit, to enter into, make and perform contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose with any person, firm, association or corporation, municipal body politic, country, territory, state, government or colony, or dependency

thereof, and without limitation as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the corporation, whether secured by a mortgage or otherwise, insofar as may be permitted by the laws of the State of Delaware for a non-stock, non-profit corporation to do.

d. For any of the purposes of the corporation and not for pecuniary profit, without a limit as to amount, to borrow or raise moneys, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute, pledge, issue, sell or otherwise dispose of promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures and other instruments, whether negotiable or non-negotiable, transferable or non-transferable, and other evidences of indebtedness whether secured by mortgage or otherwise, as well as to secure the same, and all obligations arising therefrom by mortgage or otherwise, either alone or jointly with any other person, firm or corporation of the whole or any part of the property of the corporation to be acquired; to confer upon the holders of any of its obligations such powers, rights and privileges as from time to time may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors, except as may be prohibited by law, to loan money with or without collateral security.

e. For any of the purposes of the corporation and not for pecuniary profit, to have one or more offices to conduct its business, carry on its obligations and plot its objectives within or without the State of Delaware and other states, the District of Columbia, the territories, colonies and dependencies of the United States and in foreign countries, without restrictions as to place or amount but subject to the laws of such State, District, territory, colony, dependency or country.

It is the intention that each of the objects and purposes and powers expressed in each of the paragraphs of the Fourth Article of this Certificate of Incorporation shall, except where otherwise specified, be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other paragraph or of any other article of the Certificate of Incorporation, but that the objects, purposes and powers and the enumeration of specific purposes and powers shall not be construed to restrict in any manner, the general terms and powers of this corporation, nor shall the expression of one thing be deemed to exclude another although it be of like nature.

FIFTH: No capital stock shall ever be issued and no dividend shall ever be paid.

SIXTH: The conditions and regulations of membership and the rights or other privileges of the classes of members, shall be determined and fixed by the constitution and by-laws. The corporation shall be supported by the annual dues of its members, initiation fees, assessments, fines, voluntary contributions and/or from other business transactions that the Board of Directors may deem advisable for the best interest of the corporation. The by-laws of the corporation shall provide for the regulation of the affairs and business of the corporation and for such dues, fines, assessments and other requirements as the members of the corporation shall, from time to time, determine. The corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, which Directors shall be elected by the members of the corporation as provided by the by-laws. The corporation shall have as officers, a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided for from time to time by the by-laws.

SEVENTH: The names and places of residence of the original incorporators are as follows:

Mary C. Hudson, Georgetown, Delaware
 Louise M. West, Georgetown, Delaware
 Ann M. Couch, Georgetown, Delaware

EIGHTH: The existence of the incorporation is to be perpetual.

NINTH: The private property of the members shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

TENTH: The Board of Directors of the corporation shall not be less than three nor more than twenty-four, to be elected in accordance with the by-laws.

a. The Directors shall have power to make and to alter or amend the by-laws and to authorize and cause to be executed, mortgages and liens without limit as to the amount, upon the property and franchises of the corporation.

b. The members and Directors shall have power to hold their meetings outside of the State of Delaware, and at such places as may be from time to time designated by the by-laws or by resolution of the members or directors, except as otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of Delaware.

c. The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter or repeal any provisions contained in this Certificate of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed, by the statutes of the State of Delaware and all rights and powers conferred on Directors and members herein, are granted subject to this reservation.

We, the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware, do make, file and record this Certificate and do certify that the facts herein stated are true and we have accordingly hereunto set our Hands and Seals this day of, A. D. 1957.

WITNESS:

WILLIAM O. HACKETT (SEAL)
 PERRY O. HILL (SEAL)

THE BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

Our bishop has said that we are a Church with a message and a mission. This was reaffirmed in a statement by the General Conference in 1956. It said, in part, "That the Methodist Church affirms that God has laid upon His people the obligation to care for the sick, the aged, and children in distress, and to accomplish this purpose, hospitals and homes should be established and supported by the Church. The Church has a divine mission to meet human need."

Our Christian concern for human welfare grew from the healing and helping ministry of Christ. Our Methodist concern for human welfare is a direct outgrowth of John Wesley's ministry to the sick, the needy, and the orphans, more than two centuries ago. From that day to this we have been peculiarly aware of the necessity to serve mankind in his most urgent requirements. As the Church's agency for health and welfare, we are striving

to fulfill the needs that make life more abundant for all persons—in hospitals; in homes for children and child-care agencies; in homes for senior citizens; in services to unmarried mothers and their babies. Actually we have said in effect what the inscription on the statue of Liberty says: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free . . . send these, the homeless, tempest tossed, to me. I lift up my lamp beside the Golden Door."

We may be justly proud of our achievements in this field of Health and Welfare: 48 homes for children, 80 homes for older citizens, 74 hospitals for the diseased and infirm, and seven homes for youth, annually caring for a total of 1,367,755 persons. This vast number was served and cared for by a personnel staff of 41,750 persons, including doctors and nurses.

In spite of our rapid expansion in this field, we are today running a poor second. Other denominations, especially the Catholics and the Jews, have moved faster than we have and are still taking advantage of every opportunity to expand their ministry to "The lame, the halt and the blind."

There is increasing need to enlarge, and perfect our Child-care facilities. An increasing number of children still need care in a "home away from home." They are the unfortunate victims of broken homes, unwed parenthood, criminal neglect, and desertion. Our Strawbridge Home for Boys, and our Kelso Home for Girls, within the boundaries of the Baltimore Conference, and now jointly supported by the Baltimore and Peninsula conferences, are helping to meet the needs of these unfortunate children within our conference, through our Child-Care agency. This work is largely supported by the annual Christmas offering from the churches. We urge your continual support of this worthy agency of the Church.

Hospitals are more and more crowded. The need to increase their facilities increases as the days come and go. Let us lend a hand where we can, especially remembering our Methodist Hospital in Philadelphia, that for so many years has served the interests of the Peninsula Conference.

Methodism's care for older persons is becoming more and more necessary. We cannot, as a Church, neglect our responsibility to youth. This we must do if we would live.

Bishop F. Gerald Ensley, speaking at the annual meeting of the Board of Hospitals and Homes in Chicago, using as a basis for his address that great sentence that closes the 121st Psalm: "The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore," had this to say "that the Church had not been a laggard in caring for those "Going out"—the youth to high adventure as missionaries, educators, servants of Christ in many fields. That was evidenced by the action of this body yesterday in its recommendations for the advancement of Wesley Junior College. We are determined to prepare our youth for the "going-out" processes of life's high adventures. But what about that increasing multitude who have been out all the day through? Now the day is over, and they must "come in" from their labors. What about these? There are now 15,000,000 "senior citizens" in America, 65 years of age and older. In less than 25 years, this number will increase to 21,000,000. These older citizens are entitled to certain basic privileges; economic security, adequate health services, suitable housing for the sunset hours of life; participation

in communal living; and self-expression. These things we would provide for the senior citizens of the Methodist Church, and within the bounds of the Peninsula Conference, when our plans for the Methodist Country House become brick and stone. I shall ask that the privilege be granted to Dr. Earl Cummings, president of the Board of Directors for the Methodist Country House, to make his report of the progress of this project as a part of this report.

In view of the expanding services of our Church in the field of Health and Welfare, we would urge upon our ministers and lay leaders the necessity of guiding the vocations of our youth in the direction of these special services and opportunities which our Church is offering, such as nursing, laboratory technicians, house-mothers, administrators, and a thousand and one other affiliated vocations. "The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

Since the Four Commissions have been set up in our Local Church planning, doing away with a multitude of committees, the Board of Hospitals and Homes is largely left out. We would urge that we make use of the optional committee in our churches under the general title of the Committee on Hospitals and Homes. The purpose of this committee is to assist in making our churches aware of the work and opportunities of this Board—its on-going program on the whole church level, and especially in our own and adjacent conferences.

Your Board of Hospitals and Homes, in keeping with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation of "HOMES FOR THE AGED OF THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, INC.," submits the following nominees for Directorship in the said corporation: Laymen: Mrs. Clinton H. Brown, Dr. Brady Dayton, Mr. Avery W. Hall, Mr. Robert Huey, Mrs. Granville Hooper, Dr. Walter H. Lee, Judge William J. Story, Mr. J. Wallace Watson, and Mr. Carroll W. Griffith. Ministers: Rev. O. G. Brewer, Jr., Rev. Hartwell S. Chandler, Dr. J. Earl Cummings, Rev. A. B. Frye, Rev. William Hemphill, Jr., Rev. George E. Sterling, Rev. Preston Spence, Rev. Walter Stone, and Rev. Donzell C. Wildey.

GEORGE E. STERLING, Chairman
MRS. MILTON C. MANLOVE, Secretary

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL

Philadelphia, Pa.

Patient Service in 1956

We had 62,353 days of in-patient service; 902 babies born; 16,207 dispensary visits; 9,625 emergency ward visits; 2,679 private out-patient visits; 3,340 social service case work services; 4,032 operations performed; 4,535 anesthetics administered; 9,066 pharmacy prescriptions and drug orders; 9,393 X-Ray examinations; 2,319 electro-cardiograms; 83,222 laboratory procedures; 2,647 physical therapy patients; 1,071,040 pounds of laundry and 360,351 meals served to patients and personnel.

Personnel Changes

Trustee—J. Bruce McCullough withdrew to serve on the Commission on World Service and Finance. Harry J. Kuljian, President of Harry A. Kuljian, Engineers, was elected a Trustee.

Medical Staff—Many Doctors were advanced in position on the Staff and some were transferred from one Staff to another. The following were added: In the Medical Department—Nicholas J. Rocco, M.D., and Philip E. Ingaglio, M.D.; In Psychiatry—Merrill I. Lipton, M.D.; In Pediatrics—Margaret L. Williams, M.D., as Chief and William J. Rashkind, M.D.; In Ophthalmology—Anthony De Tullio, M.D.; In Obstetrics and Gynecology—Wesley W. Bare, M.D. To the Consulting Staff—William C. Thoroughgood, M.D. in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and Lawrence J. McStravog, M.D. in Bronchoesophagology. To the Courtesy Staff—Raymond E. Seidel, M.D., Lester E. McGear, M.D., Robert A. Johnson, M.D. and Frank Mattei, M.D.

Property Improvements

Renovations to provide better quarters for the Social Service, Clinic Personnel, the Pharmacy, the Telephone Operators and the Business Office. Complete renovations of 13 private and 2 semi-private rooms and the re-decoration and installation of air conditioning in the Nursery. Renovation of B. Building and PA Building baths, of the Nurse Call System in the PA Building and of Curtain equipment in the semi-private and ward rooms. Repainting of Smoke-fire barriers in the Student Nurses' Homes and showers in the bathrooms of these homes. Providing of student nurse classrooms in the B. Building to enable patient participation in the clinical teaching program. Renovation of the food preparation and service areas with new cafeteria and dining room. A conveyor tray assembly line, specially designed Dri-Heat Hot Plate Unit and enclosed tray trucks. Remodeled dishwashing area to provide adequate facilities for the washing of all dishes.

Major Items of New Equipment

Ice cube machines, Cassette changer for X-ray, Labor beds, Furniture for 13 private and 3 semi-private rooms, a Jefferson Ventilator Machine, Fluoroscope for Medical Conference Room, 25 Bassinets complete with mattresses, Microfilm equipment and a Photostat machine, Film projector, Infant Circle Absorber, Glove Conditioner and Tester and a Surgical Light for the Emergency Ward.

New Projects for Which Money Is Needed

Renovations—Further Fire Prevention measures—(Total cost of which is not fully determined as yet). Renovations of our Student Nurses' Homes (cost per room approximately \$300; Renovations and Refurnishing of Patients' Rooms (Cost per room approximately \$1,250); New Wall covering for the First Floor Halls (\$2,000).

New Equipment—Audiology (Hearing) Department \$1,500; Children's Ward \$800; Pathology \$3,000; Laundry \$2,000; Maternity \$1,630; Nursing \$2,550; Operating Rooms \$4,175; Dietary \$350; Pharmacy \$450; Physical Therapy \$650 and Miscellaneous \$4,000.

Finances

Maintenance Fund Contributions 1956—Philadelphia Conference and Churches \$70,291.98; New Jersey Conferences and Churches \$8,234.33; Central Pennsylvania Conference Churches \$1,289.00; Peninsula Conference Churches \$728.51 and contributions from other than Churches \$10,228.87 for a total of \$90,772.69.

Special Projects Contributions 1956—Quadrennial Fund—Philadelphia Conference \$2,100; New Jersey Conference \$1,120; Campaign Funds \$1,436.57; from Ford Foundation for Capital Improvements \$52,300; Other Special Projects \$29,721.13.

Public Relations

In this Conference Year the Executive Secretary has represented the cause of the Hospital in 31 Philadelphia Conference Churches and in 8 New Jersey Conference Churches. We express our thanks to the many ministers and laymen who have made this possible. We also wish to express our thanks to the Conference and to the Churches for their contributions.

Several Foundations and Trusts have given money to our Hospital and this has been greatly appreciated. The Ford foundation was the largest amount we have thus received and we hope it will be a stimulus for others to give. A number of Business Concerns have also made contributions and we hope to enlarge our income from this source.

We have had many groups of people from the churches come to make a tour of the Hospital and we are always glad to arrange for this by appointment. Many others have come and conducted worship services as arranged by the Chaplain.

The Woman's Association contributed \$13,549.44 for the linen and other supplies to the Hospital in 1956. They also conducted the Snack Shop with the help of many volunteers and from the proceeds thereof they gave \$1,250 for the renovation of a Patient Room and \$1,043.50 for a Glove Conditioner and Tester.

The Gift Shop has been well run by the Gift Shop Committee and during the past year they paid \$1,000 to the Hospital, one-half of which was toward the renovation of a Patient Room.

The Doctors' Wives Association gave us \$610.57 toward the renovation of a Patient Room and paid for the new stand for the Urn in the Solarium and the replanting of the plants therein.

The Gray Ladies under the leadership of Mrs. Melville K. Ketcham and Mrs. Kenneth R. Boohar have given many hours of valuable service to the Hospital.

Space prevents me from giving adequate credit to our Board of Trustees, the Medical Staff, the Employees and the thousands of others who have by their contributions of time, service and money helped the hospital to carry on its work.

In closing may I say that we are always aware that we are a Methodist Church Hospital and strive to render a ministry unto the Spiritual needs of our Patients as well as the physical needs. To this end we commend our Chaplain for his fine work. We believe that our Hospital is the healing arm of the Church carrying out the work of Christ.

FRANK PRENTZEL, JR., Executive Secretary

HOMES FOR THE AGED OF THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, INC.

The members of this corporation have met frequently this past conference year and in accord with its Articles of Incorporation have taken the following steps toward the establishment of a home for the aged within the bounds of the Peninsula Conference.

1. A site on the Kennett Pike, approximately three and one-half miles from the center of Wilmington and opposite the well-known Winterthur Estate, has been selected and a contract for the purchase of the same has been signed.

2. A reputable firm of architects, Dollar, Bonner and Blake, of Wilmington, have been retained and tentative building plans have been approved.

3. The Methodist Country House, is the name that has been adopted for the proposed home for the aged. An attractive brochure has been printed which describes the site and the type of buildings proposed. It also contains desirable and helpful information for all who may be concerned.

4. Special gifts have been solicited by the acting Executive-Director, the Rev. George H. Pigueron, Jr.

5. In each district of our conference a gathering of ministers and laymen have had presented to them the present status in our program for the establishment of a home for the aged and the proposed plans for the future. Approximately 350 ministers and laymen attended these four meetings.

6. We have respectfully requested our bishop, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, to appoint for the conference year 1957-58 on a full time basis as the Executive-Director, the Rev. George H. Pigueron, Jr.

We, the members of the corporation, are fully aware of the magnitude of the task that lies ahead. We are encouraged by the fine response that our project has received and believe that through prayer and hard work the end sought will be achieved.

We wish to thank all of you for the full measure of cooperation that you have given and that you will continue to give.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EARL CUMMINGS, President
J. WALLACE WATSON, Vice-President
GEORGE E. STERLING, Secretary

REPORT OF THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

Most of the credit for what has been accomplished in the laymen's work in the Peninsula Conference must go to the District Lay Leaders. They are dedicated Christian laymen. I am glad to use this report as a means of having you know them better, they are:

Dover District, Fulton J. Downing, Harrington, Del.
He is an official in Asbury Church, Harrington, Del.
This is his fifth year as District Lay Leader.
He is Treasurer of the Harrington Lumber & Supply Co.

Easton District, Walter B. Palmer, Denton, Md.
He is an official in First Methodist Church, Denton, Md.
This is his first year as District Lay Leader.
He owns and operates the Soil Service Co., Denton, Md.

Salisbury District, Elton W. Parsons, Washington St., Berlin, Md.
He is an official in the Berlin Methodist Church, Berlin, Md.
This is his first year as District Lay Leader.
He is District Manager for the Sinclair Refining Co., Berlin, Md.

Wilmington District, Clifford T. Foster, 125 W. 37th St., Wilmington 2, Del.

He is an official of St. Pauls Church, Wilmington, Del.
This is his first year as District Lay Leader.
He is Vice-President and General Manager of the Delaware Coach Co., the public transportation system in Wilmington.

Methodist Men

We are happy to report a net gain of 10 Chartered Methodist Men's Organizations. Our goal for the quadrennium is 40, 10 for each District. We should have no trouble reaching this goal. However there are 214 charges in our Conference with a total of but 85 Methodist Men's Organizations. You see we have a long way to go to reach our ultimate goal of Methodist Men in every charge.

Laymen's Banquets

All four Districts had Laymen's Banquets this year, the Salisbury District for the first time. The attendance was excellent. Dover District, 320; Easton District, 215; Salisbury District, 200; Wilmington District, 100. It should be said that the Wilmington District limits attendance to the lay leader and the minister from each church.

Communion Breakfasts

In the Dover District 4 communion breakfasts were sponsored by the Laymen; in the Easton District, 6; in the Salisbury District, 3. The interest in these breakfasts has grown phenomenally, for example in the Easton District alone more than 800 attended the breakfasts. In the Wilmington District our men support the large annual communion service sponsored by the Federation of Men's Bible Classes.

Laymen's Sunday

About 75% of our churches observed Laymen's Sunday. If your church does not, we urge your participation in this significant inter-denominational service. We also urge that the Laymen's Day service be the main service of the day. Your lay leader should be charged with the responsibility of arranging the program under the guidance of the minister.

Lay Speaking

In answer to the question, "Estimate the number of laymen who, with some degree of regularity, are filling vacant pulpits as lay speakers" the answers were, Dover District, 20; Easton District, 25; Salisbury District, 2; Wilmington District, 2. It would seem in the two latter Districts something must be done to enlist the services of more of our laymen to fill pulpits in case of emergency. I am sure something will be done.

Laymen's Weekend Retreat

Last September at Camp PeCoMeth about 125 men from all over our Conference registered for our Annual Retreat. The reports that have come to me are most gratifying. Not only was this a season of good fellowship but in a very real way we felt God's presence. Over and over again men are telling others of their blessed experiences at this Retreat. We extend our thanks to those who helped: Dr. John N. Link, Dr. John French, Dr. O. E. Bartley, Mr. Granville Hooper, Mr. Carl Walton, Lay Leader of the Newark, N. J. Conference. Our special thanks go to Rev. Donzell Wildey, Mrs. Wildey, and their staff. Our next retreat will be Saturday and Sunday September 7th and 8th, 1957. Every layman is invited.

Because Camp PeCoMeth needs more accommodations for young people and also for the men who will attend our next retreat, the laymen of the Peninsula Conference are undertaking the financing of a new cabin at a cost of \$1500.00. Every layman in this Conference will want to have a part in this most worthy enterprise. I will be glad to receive your contributions.

National Conference of Methodist Men

The Second National Conference of Methodist Men will be held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, July 19th to 21st, 1957. Every church has been sent literature by the General Board of Lay Activities. I have written all District Lay Leaders, Associate District Lay Leaders and many others about this Conference. Because the General Board is requesting registrations be sent in directly to them, I have no way of knowing how many are going from this Conference. Our quota is 37. I cannot recommend this Conference too highly. Every active Methodist man should be interested.

Conference Lay Leader

I attended all four Laymen's Banquets. I have filled 25 speaking engagements during this year and attended many meetings of Committees and Commissions. I did not attend the Jurisdictional Laymen's Conference at Buck Hill Falls because to do so would have made it necessary to miss one of the District Laymen's Banquets and a Methodist Men Charter presentation service. I felt my duty was at home.

To Our Ministerial Brethren

The Lay Leader in your church is an important person. He should be recognized by you and your church as such. As chairman of your Committee on Nominations see to it that the most trustworthy, the most consecrated,

the most capable, and the most devoted man in your church is your Lay Leader regardless of what other official positions he may hold. Take him into the pulpit with you several times a year and have him make the prayer, read the scriptures, or even preach the sermon if he is capable of doing so. Keep him in as lay leader for at least 4 years, or even 8 years if possible. Finally, have him meet with you frequently to talk over and plan the work of the church. Especially ask his help when problems arise. Look upon him as a confidant and a trusted advisor. If he is the right man for the job he will be of great help to you and your church.

At times the Conference Lay Leader or a District Lay Leader may visit your church worship services unexpectedly. Unless he is already well known, be sure to recognize his presence by having him rise and introducing him to your people. Do this not because of the man but because of his official position in the Church.

Conclusion

In our work in the Church we become so busy about so many things we sometimes tend to lose sight of main objectives. As I see it, the main objectives of the Church and of all our efforts are to win men to Christ, to evangelize the world, to establish the Kingdom of God on earth. As your Conference Lay Leader, with God being my helper, I will not lose sight of these great objectives.

Respectfully submitted,

CLINTON H. BROWN, Conference Lay Leader

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE FOR DELAWARE

Your Legislative Committee for the State of Delaware is seeking to keep abreast of the deliberations of our General Assembly currently in session. We attempt to keep our churches alerted on crucial issues. We are working in cooperation with the Legislative Committee of the Wilmington-New Castle County Council of Churches, that when possible we may bring a strong protestant voice to the attention of our representatives.

Your committee has been present in the legislative halls talking with members about issues of grave concern to our churches. A great amount of time has been spent in addition contacting the members of the General Assembly at their homes or businesses and encouraging other citizens to make their opinions known by personal contact, in writing, and presence at important public hearings.

Your committee intends to continue this program of service to our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN C. THOMAS, JR., Chairman

COMMITTEE ON MINISTER'S ASSISTANCE

The following men or their heirs have received the benefits of the Minister's Assistance plan during the past conference year:

Otis B. Reed (Age 72—Conf. Member)
 Roy L. Jones (Age 72—Conf. Member)
 Melvin E. Wheatley (Age 72—Conf. Member)
 Albert A. Turkington (Age 72—Approved Supply)
 John R. Bicking (Age 72—Conf. Member)
 Frederick C. Louhoff (Deceased—Conf. Member)
 Vinal E. Hills (Deceased—Conf. Member)

In the six years that the Minister's Assistance plan has been in effect 40 men or their heirs have received the benefits as follows: 20 deceased, 11 because of disability and 9 having attained the age of 72.

The annual payment of each member for the conference year of 1957-58 is due on or before Nov. 1, 1957. Any member who fails to make his full payment on or before that date is a delinquent member and is subject to the penalty as set forth in Art. VI of the plan.

The Minister's Assistance plan is printed in full on pages 708-711 in the 1951 Peninsula Conference Journal. Every minister is urged to read the plan. Membership is on a voluntary basis but the benefits are such that every eligible man should seek membership.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EARL CUMMINGS, Chairman
 OTIS F. FIGGS
 HENRY B. MITCHELL
 JOHN F. KELSO, Treasurer

THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS

Your Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications continues to strive to maintain the high standards for the ministry established by the Peninsula Conference and at the same time to provide maximum guidance and help for ministerial candidates.

The first year of a new quadrennium is a year of transition for the Board and its candidates. Because of changes made in regulations by the General Conference of 1956, the Chairman and Registrar attended a two-day meeting in Washington in January sponsored by the Department of In-Service Training to be informed concerning these changes.

Those who had already begun the studies for the Local Preacher's License and who had begun a year in the old Course of Study were permitted to finish their work under the previous plan. The new courses go into effect for every one as of the 1957 Session of the Conference, and will remain in effect for the next four years. All of them are to be taken by correspondence through the following address: The Correspondence Office, In-Service Training, Department of Ministerial Education, P. O. Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

All of the regulations for the Quadrennium 1956-1960 will be listed in the 1957 Journal. Candidates are urged to study these regulations in order to check any changes which may affect them.

The second annual Orientation Program for Candidates sponsored by the Board was held on Friday, December 28, 1956 at the Newark (Delaware) Church. It was expanded from a dinner meeting in 1955 to an afternoon and evening meeting. In the afternoon a panel of four ministerial candidates discussed the theme "College and Seminary as Preparation for the Ministry"; and one of our District Superintendents led a discussion on "What is Distinctive About Methodism?" In the evening a guest speaker dealt with the theme "What Makes a Good Minister?" Twenty candidates and ten Board members participated in this program.

This year the Board introduced a new piece of Conference literature entitled "Steps Into The Methodist Ministry." This booklet, a copy of which was sent to each minister of the Conference, includes the regulations for Conference membership and ordination as outlined in the 1956 Journal. The 1957 edition of this booklet will be prepared shortly after Conference and again sent to each minister. The booklet is available to all persons interested in any phase of ministerial preparation beginning with the Local Preacher's License.

Interviews have been conducted by the Board with a total of sixteen candidates. Psychological tests and interviews have been administered to fourteen candidates. The required physical examinations have also been taken at Salisbury and Wilmington. The full list of recommendations will be presented by the Registrar at the Conference Session.

The School for Approved Supply Pastors will be held at Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland, from June 17 to July 12. This school is arranged so that a Supply can complete four courses during one session, thereby securing credit for a full year's work. Scholarships are available from our Board. All ministers are reminded of the Regional Pastor's School to be held at Westminster Theological Seminary from August 26 to August 30.

The Chairman, the Registrar, the Secretary and all other members of the Board are available at all times to be of assistance to those seeking ministerial training and advancement. At the same time, the Board reminds each pastor of a charge that the work of ministerial recruitment and guidance begins in the local church, and its inception is largely determined by the local minister. We therefore urge each pastor to acquaint himself with the basic requirements for Conference membership and ordination so that he may convey this information to candidates.

Especially important is the guidance offered in the area of college and seminary training. Graduation only from colleges and seminaries approved by the University Senate of the Methodist Church is accepted for Conference membership. Still more important is that our candidates receive the best training possible in college and seminary—in the academic field, in terms of the atmosphere of faculty and student association, and in terms of the theological viewpoint being consistent with that of the Methodist church.

Especially do we urge theological training in a Methodist seminary; or if for very valid reasons, a candidate chooses a non-Methodist seminary, that he choose only the most outstanding.

Our ideal of ministerial preparation is not that of narrow denominationalism. To the contrary, it is breadth of preparation, which every man must have these days to serve the church credibly. But that preparation should be thorough, and should equip a man for service in the church of his choice, in this case, the Methodist church. When a man has had such preparation, he comes to the door of the church fully informed and in full accord with her principles and objectives. He is then ready to serve to the fullest advantage. In this way he is "a workman that needest not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth"; and his church will rejoice in the fruits of his labor.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. BUNTING, JR., Chairman
WILLIAM H. REVELLE, JR., Registrar
J. ROBERT MACKEY, Secretary

REPORT OF THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Shortly after the close of the last session of the Annual Conference the Board was called together for the purpose of organization for the new Quadrennium by the designated convenor, The Reverend William Hemphill, Jr. The following officers were elected:

President—The Rev. R. Jervis Cooke
Vice-President—Mr. William E. Matthews
Secretary—The Rev. John Irwin

The Treasurer of the Annual Conference, Mr. John F. Kelso, is the treasurer of this Board. An executive committee was established according to the plan suggested in the Discipline. In addition to the elected officers, this committee includes the four District Superintendents and three members at large, namely: Mr. Ralph Palmer, Mr. Elton Parsons and The Rev. Ira Doyle.

The Full Board met for a Fall and a Spring meeting and the Executive Committee met such other times as was necessary to conduct the business of the Board. A fine spirit of cooperation marks the relationships within the Board, and the members indicate a high sense of responsibility in their attendance and participation in the meetings of the Board. For this spirit, the Chairman is deeply grateful.

One of the primary responsibilities of the Board is the matter of Missionary Cultivation. Our Conference Missionary Secretary, The Rev. William Hemphill, Jr., and his staff of District Secretaries have done an unusually fine job this year. These Secretaries are: Dover District, The Rev. Ira Doyle; Easton, The Rev. H. C. Jeffers; Salisbury, The Rev. Rollan Ferry, and Wilmington, The Rev. Charles Clarkson. We are deeply indebted to The Rev. and Mrs. Louis Dennis for their part in our Cultivation program. This fine couple, home on furlough from their work in Borneo, gave four months this year to the work of Missionary Education and cultivation. They were scheduled a month in each of our Districts and their personal word and witness has been of untold influence in the lives of those who heard

them and in the Churches in which they appeared. In addition to this, we observed the month of February for Missionary emphasis in our Churches using other missionary speakers and the growing film library of our Board.

During the year the Board has had a concern not only for the regular World Service work of the Methodist Church but also for the Advance Specials. The Board has endorsed a program calling for the continued support of existing Specials and in particular the work in Nepal of the Doctors Miller, and the work in Borneo of the Dennis's; while in the field of National Missions we have a continuing concern for Puerto Rico and the Alaska Methodist College. Our Conference Board has designated two Conference Advance Specials and urges our Churches to contribute as they are able. The first of these is Church Extension within the Conference, and the other, the Ministry to Agricultural Migrants within our Conference area.

Again this year Missionary Aid has been given a limited number of charges. In each case, it is to be hoped that the aid will be short term assistance and that the work may thereby be so strengthened as to lead to an early self support. Occasionally, there is a situation, unusual in nature, which will require aid over a longer time. Applications for such aid are carefully studied and regularly reviewed. Each case is dealt with solely on its own merits. We have been very gratified to see Church after Church, thus helped in a time of urgent need, find new strength and courage to resume self support. These same Churches then by their Benevolent giving make possible a helping hand to others.

During the year we have continued those Special Projects which have proved to be so successful in the past, namely: support of a Deaconess to work in Wesley Chapel of DuRoss Heights; partial support of the work at the Dover Air Force Base (this in conjunction with the General Commission on Camp Activities through the Methodist Churches of Dover) and the underwriting of the salary for the Minister at Kingswood-of-Brookside Church, Newark, Delaware. This latter project is an excellent example of a successful Church Extension project. Here we have a new community, a new congregation. They have built a Church with some aid from the Conference Board as well as the General Board, but with a great degree of the cost borne by local gifts, and at the same time have assumed the responsibilities for their church budget and this year returned to us nearly three-fourths of the salary paid their pastor. It has been a real thrill to follow the development of this young Church on its road to maturity and greatness.

In addition to these projects, we have this year added the support of a Deaconess to work through Union Church, Wilmington. This is but one step in the direction of a program which we hope will serve the needs of a changing community and especially cover those people left in the area formerly served by Asbury Church. Further steps are under consideration and other action should soon follow.

As in years past and perhaps for years to come, the majority of our funds have been used for Church Extension. We have shared in the purchase of land for several Churches and made material grants to other parishes for Church and Education plants. We have continued a practice of recent years in making available a very limited amount of aid as an incentive fund to help in the construction or remodeling of parsonages. We are quite pleased with the results which these grants have stimulated.

The matter of Church Extension is under continual study by the Board and it is our hope that we shall be able to move forward into some new and promising situations during the coming months.

Recommendations: The Conference Board of Missions recommends:

1—That the month of February again be designated Missionary Cultivation month. If possible, there be a District School of Missions, in addition to the usual cultivation programs in the local Churches.

2—That Churches give careful consideration to the needs represented by World, National and Conference Advance Specials, that they continue to support World Service and these "Second Mile" projects.

3—That The Rev. William Hemphill, Jr. be appointed Conference Missionary Secretary for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. JERVIS COOKE, President

REPORT ON INTER-BOARD COMMITTEE ON NEWS BULLETIN

Pursuant to the instructions of the Peninsula Annual Conference, as recorded on pages 37 and 38 of the 1956 Journal, representatives of various Boards and Commissions were convened in Wesley Church, Dover, on September 19, 1956 for the purpose of organizing an Inter-Board Committee on News Bulletin.

O. A. Bartley was elected Chairman, Douglas Milbury, Vice-Chairman and Charles E. Covington, Secretary.

At this meeting two actions were taken; first, "That we ask the Executive Secretary and the Board of Education to continue publication of the Christian Education News Bulletin until this Board comes in with a new publication to replace it." After considerable study, two sub-committees, one on policy and one on finance, were appointed by the Chairman.

On January 14, 1957 the Inter-Board Committee met to receive reports and again on March 28, 1957. As a result of these discussions your committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the Editorial Board be composed of one representative from each of the following Boards and Commissions:

Board of Education
Board of Missions
Board of Evangelism
Board of Social and Economic Relations
Board of Hospitals and Homes
Board of Lay Activities
Board of Temperance
Town and Country Commission
Commission on Radio and T. V.
Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service

and any other Board or Commission which might request representation.

2. That nine issues be published each year as follows:

September 15
October 15
November 15
December 15
January 15
February 15
March 15
April 15
May-June issue on June 15

3. That the publication be eight pages, 9½x12, four column, gloss finish.
4. That for the present 10,000 copies be printed each issue for general distribution to the churches through the Pastor.
5. That the selection of the editor for the publication be delegated by the Conference to the Editorial Board.
6. That the World Service Commission be requested to allocate annually the sum of \$6500 to cover the cost of publication thus making it unnecessary to depend on advertisements and subscription lists.

Your committee further decided to publish one experimental issue before the 1957 session of the annual conference using the title "The Peninsula Conference Methodist?" The question mark indicates that the name for the publication would be selected later after the members of the Conference had opportunity to suggest other and perhaps more fitting names.

The experimental issue was made possible through the efforts of the Rev. D. C. Wildey who acted as editor, and the Boards represented on the committee agreed to use a portion of their promotional funds for this purpose. The Commission on World Service and Finance also cooperated. To all these we wish to extend our appreciation.

The Inter-Board Committee on News Bulletin

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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF PENSIONS

Bishop Oxnam, Ministers and Laymen of the Conference, Ladies and Gentlemen. My report as Chairman of the Board of Pensions is going to be rather unique, in that I am going to have help from the Treasurer, and the Vice-Chairman of our Board to make contributions to this report.

However, while I am on my feet I want to express my thanks for all the help, interest, and influence that has been contributed to our Board during the past conference year. At this point I think I should mention the interest and willingness of the General Board of Pensions to co-operate and help us in any way that they can. At our request, the General Board sent Mr. Ernest F. Tripp to one of our meetings during the past year and Dr. Calkins has sent Mr. Tripp to this conference to be available to us for any service he may give us at this time.

This is your Board and we want your inquiries at all times. If, at any time you have correspondence or, care to meet with us, please address our secretary, and we will do everything in our power to meet your wishes. We have only one objective, and that is: to pay retired Ministers, their widows and children as large a pension as we possibly can.

H. B. MITCHELL, Chairman

THE 1956-57 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PENSIONS

The Board of Pensions is pleased to report to the Conference on its stewardship of this most important phase of our Christian fellowship.

In accordance with the action of the 1955 Annual Conference requiring that "the audited report of the Board of Conference Claimants (now the Board of Pensions) shall be published in the Journal of the succeeding year" (page 240), the audit of the year ending April 30, 1956 is attached herewith for record.

Our able and efficient treasurer, Mr. Ira S. Pruitt also attaches his report for the Conference Year just closed, subject to audit.

We report with deep appreciation the receipt of approximately \$300,000 from the bequest of the late Edgar L. Haynes to the Board of Pensions during the past year. According to the terms of the bequest, we may expect a total of \$600,000 when final settlement is made of the estate. An appropriate resolution has been prepared to acknowledge this generous bequest.

Also we are pleased to announce the final settlement of the Thomas H. Bock Estate which has brought a total of \$25,000 to the Endowment Fund since 1939. An appropriate resolution will also be offered in acknowledgement of this bequest.

Your Board has made great strides toward the goal of diversification of investments as required by the Pension Code set forth in the 1956 Discipline (see 3, par. 1012, item 4). A considerable portion of the bequests received during the past year have been in high grade securities.

As a matter of convenience in the operation of the business of the Board, steps are currently being taken to make the Equitable Security Trust Company of Wilmington, Delaware the depository of all its entrusted funds.

Attention of the ministers is called to Section 2 of the Resolution on

Conference Claimants Endowment Fund, passed by the 1945 Session of our Annual Conference (page 44, 1945 Journal) which reads: "Be it resolved, that the Peninsula Annual Conference hereby approves in addition to the aforesaid campaign an annual assessment on the salary of each minister in the Conference as follows:

- On a minister whose salary is \$2000 or more—1% thereof;
- On a minister whose salary is less than \$2000—½% thereof.

We can report with much satisfaction that most of our ministers are responding promptly to their responsibility for payment of this assessment, especially now that regular notices are being sent out each year.

On the basis of income from all sources during the past year, your Board is pleased to recommend to this Conference that the annuity rate be raised from \$50. to \$52. for the year 1957-58.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. GOODLEY, Vice-Pres.

BOARD OF PENSIONS INVESTMENT OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS

		Assets	Pct. of Fund
Schedule			
	Cash	\$ 12,883.86	1.27
A	Mortgages	537,910.62	52.90
B	Stocks	425,296.50	41.83
C	Bonds	36,579.73	3.59
D	Miscellaneous	4,095.73	.41
	TOTAL	\$1,016,766.44	\$100.00

Statement

Cash Received & Disbursements

Endowment Fund

	Balance, May 1, 1956	\$ 2,929.65
RECEIPTS:		
	Mortgage Payments	\$ 63,568.07
F	Sale Stock	15,420.53
	Ministers Contributions	4,257.85
	Kinder Fund	8,168.09
	Legacy Thos. Bock	6,825.11
	Legacy Edgar Haynes	12,000.00
	Miscellaneous	1,164.98
	Total Receipts	\$111,404.63
		\$114,334.28

DISBURSEMENTS

G	Securities Purchased	92,074.38	
	Kinder Fund Invested	8,168.09	
	Miscellaneous	1,207.95	
	Total Disbursements		\$101,450.42
	BALANCE		\$ 12,883.86

STOCKS

No. Shares	SCHEDULE "B" STOCKS	Cost or Book Value	Market Value 4/30/57	Div. Rec'd
42	Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. Common	\$ 3,991.07	\$ 3,732.75	\$121.50
40	Aluminum Limited	4,377.10	5,540.00	81.60
100	American Home Products	10,459.81	13,950.00	327.50
35	American Tel. & Tel. Corp.	6,169.25	6,221.25	315.00
100	Armstrong Cork Co. Common	3,205.88	2,825.00	150.00
76	Atlas Powder Company Common	6,599.33	5,434.00	45.60
195	Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co. Common	9,579.38	8,823.75	97.50
225	Best Foods Inc. Common	10,640.62	10,125.00	112.50
100	Bethlehem Steel Corp. Common	4,233.99	4,600.00	126.00
100	C. I. T. Financial Corp. Common	4,638.00	4,412.50	240.00
50	Caterpillar Tractor Co. Common	2,789.61	4,531.25	105.00
67	Central Penn. National Bank of Phila.	2,819.58	2,650.69	33.50
100	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co. Common	6,088.97	6,375.00	375.00
100	Christiana Securities Co. 7% Preferred	13,950.00	13,550.00	350.00
113	Delaware Power & Light Co. Common	4,190.17	5,424.00	232.10
400	E. I. duPont & Co. Common	82,282.68	77,200.00	827.50
200	Equitable Security Trust Co.	17,900.00	16,900.00	400.00
100	Federated Department Stores, Inc.	3,658.13	3,100.00	160.00
14	First National Bank of Baltimore	800.00	721.00	35.00
100	Ford Motor Co. Common	5,828.29	5,800.00	120.00
100	General Electric Co. Common	5,999.83	6,337.50	175.00
200	General Foods Corp. Common	8,974.18	8,600.00	360.00
100	General Mills, Inc. Common	6,916.88	6,550.00	300.00
1,222	General Motors Corp. Common	57,033.88	52,087.75	761.00
40	Goodrich Company Common	3,148.84	2,880.00	88.00
182	Hershey Chocolate Corp. Common	8,902.83	10,101.00	91.00
14	International Business Machines	4,376.60	8,008.00	55.00
100	Kennecott Copper Corp.	12,439.52	11,537.50	500.00
30	Libbey Owens Ford Glass Co. Common	2,417.64	2,265.00	108.00
100	Link Belt Co. Common	5,415.38	6,775.00	330.00
102	Monsanto Chemical Co. Common	4,680.66	3,595.50	101.00
100	Montgomery Ward & Co.	4,173.19	3,787.50	125.00
103	New York State Electric & Gas Corp. Com.	4,242.94	3,926.87	206.00
100	Philadelphia Electric Co. Common	4,002.96	3,962.50	185.00
75	Philadelphia National Bank	2,845.83	2,714.06	65.00
110	Public Service Co. of Colorado	4,674.73	4,867.50	184.50
163	Pullman, Inc., Common	10,717.25	10,432.00	122.25
100	Radio Corp. of America Common	4,943.94	3,625.00	150.00
69	Republic Steel Corp. Common	3,815.13	3,682.87	51.75
50	R. J. Reynolds Co. Class B Common	2,693.75	2,837.50	40.00
145	Shell Oil Company Common	12,802.29	12,071.25	72.50
220	Socony Mobile Oil Co., Inc.	10,700.76	12,622.50	457.00
100	Southern California Edison Company Com.	5,158.03	5,012.50	240.00
299	Southern Company Common	6,249.53	6,877.00	256.48
100	Standard Oil of California	4,889.43	5,325.00	153.75
100	Standard Oil Co. of N. J.	5,940.90	6,025.00	215.00
278	United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co.	7,000.00	20,259.25	556.00
100	United State Steel Corp. Common	5,937.74	6,375.00	270.00
	TOTAL INVESTMENT IN STOCK	\$425,296.50	\$435,056.74	

Par Value	SCHEDULE "C" BONDS	Cost or Book Value	Market Value 4/30/57	Interest Rec'd
10,000	American Telephone & Telegraph Co. 4% 's-85	\$ 10,121.40	\$ 10,037.50	None
15,000	Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. 4% 's-72	16,068.75	16,650.00	None
15,000	Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. 4% 's-72	16,068.75	16,650.00	None
500	Radio Corporation of America 3 1/2 's-80	527.08	483.75	\$17.26
10,000	Scott Paper Co. 3's-71	9,862.50	9,500.00	19.17
	TOTAL BONDS	\$ 36,579.73	\$ 36,671.25	

Par Value	SCHEDULE "D" MISCELLANEOUS INVESTMENT	Cost or Book Value	Market Value 4/30/57	Interest Received
\$4,058.54	Board of Pensions of The Methodist Church Missouri Corp.	\$ 4,058.54	\$ 4,058.54	\$ 239.39
	Interest Accrued	35.19	35.19	
	Corporate Board of Finance Methodist Church South	1.00	1.00	248.33
	Lots at Gwinhurst	1.00	1.00	
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 4,095.73	\$ 4,095.73	

No. Shares	INCOME INVESTMENT	Cost or Book Value	Market Value 4/30/57	Interest Received
300	Wilmington Trust Company	\$57,300.00	\$58,650.00	\$ 1,500.00
30M	U. S. Treasury Bills due 6/6/57	29,761.12	29,892.10	
	TOTAL INCOME INVESTMENT	\$87,061.12	\$88,542.10	\$ 1,500.00

SCHEDULE "E" RECONCILEMENT OF FUND

Value of Fund May 1, 1956	\$ 678,325.78
ADDITIONS TO FUND:	
Ministers Contributions	\$ 4,257.85
Legacy Edgar L. Haynes	312,000.00
Legacy Thomas Bock	6,825.11
Profit on Sale Securities (Schedule F)	165.17
Miscellaneous Contributions	1,000.00
TOTAL ADDITIONS TO FUND	324,248.13
DEDUCTIONS FROM FUND:	\$1,002,573.91
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	807.47
Loss on Sale Securities (Schedule F)	807.47
VALUE OF FUND APRIL 30, 1957	\$1,001,766.44

No. Shares	SCHEDULE "F" SECURITY	SECURITIES SOLD Sale Price	Cost or Book Value	Profit or (Loss)
8 shs	Diamond Ice & Coal Co. Pfd.	\$ 839.52	\$ 840.00	(\$.48)
35 rts	American Tel. & Tel.	236.60	236.60	None
81 shs	Penna. Salt Co. Common	4,600.24	4,961.25	(361.01)
309 rts	Southern Company	22.79	22.79	None
270 shs	Adams Express Common	6,386.42	6,221.25	165.17
	Transferred to Income Investment	600.00	600.00	None
135 shs	Penna. Railroad Co.	2,734.96	3,180.94	(445.98)
	TOTAL	\$ 15,420.53	\$ 16,062.83	(\$642.30)

No. Shares	SCHEDULE "G" Security	Securities Purchased Cost
13 shs	Delaware Power & Light Co.	\$ 456.12
1/4 sh	International Business Machines	109.75
50 shs	Standard Oil of California	2,588.55
40 shs	Kennecott Copper Corp.	5,020.30
15 shs	E. I. duPont Co. Common	3,262.56
50 shs	General Electric Corp.	3,241.74
1/2 sh	Socony Mobile Oil Co. Common	29.50
100 shs	Southern Company	2,213.44
100 shs	Ford Motor Co.	5,828.29
40 shs	Kennecott Copper Corp.	5,160.52
100 shs	Montgomery Ward Co.	4,173.19
12 shs	Socony Mobile Oil Co.	631.85
50 shs	American Home Products Co. Common	6,176.70
2 shs	Allied Chemical Corp. Common	78.68
10M	Scott Paper Co. 3's-71	9,862.50
20 shs	Socony Mobile Oil Co. Common	910.00
15M	Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. 4% 's-72	16,068.75
20 shs	Kennecott Copper Corp.	2,258.70
10M	Amer. Tel. & Tel. Corp. 4% 's-85	10,121.40
12M	Mortgage J. Frank Darling	12,000.00
40 shs	Bethlehem Steel Corp. Common	1,881.84
	TOTAL SECURITIES PURCHASED	\$ 92,074.38

IRA S. PRUITT, Treasurer

**REPORT OF THE QUADRENNIAL COMMITTEE ON THE
LOCAL CHURCH OF THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE**

Our Committee heartily approves the emphasis of the General Conference on the strengthening of the local church in all its areas of life and work.

It has noted with approval the distribution of the copies of the "Self Study Guides Toward a More Effective Church" and the booklets assisting in this study. It has been advised that most of the Churches of the Conference have made their initial self study. We believe that the more sincerely this study is conducted and followed up, the more effective will our churches be in the service of our Lord.

We have also noted with approval the booklet "Christ and Myself" by Bishop Charles W. Brashears, a copy of which was sent to each pastor by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, with the suggestion that copies of it be sent to all our members. We believe that this booklet should lead us to reconsecrate our lives to greater Christian living and service. We recommend that all the ministers and the thousands of members who received copies of that booklet, read it again and let its full impact reach the inner recesses of our lives so that our Lord may again speak a clear word to us individually and as a church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. VON HAGEL, Chairman

REPORT OF RADIO, TELEVISION AND FILM COMMISSION

As a result of the extensive and intensive promotional effort put forth by the General Church Radio, Television and Film Commission this past year, I am sure that ministers and layleaders are well acquainted with the goals, needs and accomplishments of the Commission.

The television program, "The Way", has been used by WBOC-TV in Salisbury. Radio Stations WKSJ in Milford, WBOC in Salisbury and WJWL in Georgetown have used the Methodist Men's Hour recorded programs. The Upper Room series for Christmas, Lent and National Family Week has been used by Station WJWJ in Georgetown. A survey of work by our Conference men shows a high percentage of participation in such programs as Morning Devotions. Possibly 30% of free time donated by the various broadcast stations is being used by Methodists. The radio and television ministry holds a great potential for service through the local pastor and church. Two of our pastors have served as Directors of Religious Programs for their neighborhood broadcasting stations. Rev. George Pigueron is to be commended.

We recommend that all churches use this radio and television ministry to the fullest extent and that pastors and laymen make greater use of the Methodist Church Film Library available through the Methodist Publishing House.

WM. O. HACKETT

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND
FRATERNAL GREETINGS**

The Peninsula Annual Conference expresses thanks:

To our Heavenly Father for His presence and leadership during the sessions of this Annual Conference;

We wish to express our love and appreciation to Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, our resident Bishop, who has presided during this Eighteenth Session of the Peninsula Annual Conference. We are also very pleased that Mrs. G. Bromley Oxnam has been present for the conference;

To Dr. John N. Link and his committee on Conference Program and Entertainment;

To the minister, the officials and members of Grace Church, for entertaining this Annual Conference in a most wonderful way, we are indebted;

To the Ministers' Wives Association for the Altar Flowers for the Holy Communion and Memorial Services;

To the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Grace Church for flowers and coffee served during the "Coffee Break";

The Conference guest speakers challenged and inspired us and to them we are grateful;

To St. Paul's church for making available their plant for our Youth Laymen's Day;

To the press and radio for their coverage of Conference news;

To Harrison Street Church for being host to the Ministers' Wives Association;

To the choir and organist of Grace Church for their ministry of music;

To the Methodist Book Store for the fine display of books and helpful materials;

To those making available other printed materials and helpful information;

To the City of Wilmington and the Police Department for the courtesies shown and service rendered to those attending the Conference;

To our Annual Conference Secretary, the Reverend Walter L. Beckwith, and his associates;

To the above-mentioned and all who in any way have enriched our Conference, we are grateful;

To all who have provided leadership in the Conference Boards, committees and commissions; to those charged with administrative duties; to all who have cared for records, statistics and finances and in particular to our Conference program committee, so ably assisted by the District Superintendents, we express our appreciation for the entire Conference program and to all who have in any way been related to the conference sessions.

RICHARD S. GIBSON, Secretary

REPORT OF BOARD OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS OF PENINSULA CONFERENCE

The Board has been concerned with the purpose of its existence and methods by which it can best proceed in carrying out its program.

Reverend Jason Blundon and Marvin McKay attended the Churchman's Washington Seminar, February 26-March 1, at which they joined in a discussion of the problems and social concerns of the Church and Government.

Mr. Blundon represented your Board at the National Chairman's Conference, held in Chicago, March 19-22.

Reports from both of these meetings were exceedingly valuable and highlights are included in the following statement.

Our Purposes, Aims, and Goals

The Board plans first to prepare itself for work in its field through study and research, to gain an understanding of social forces, the problems of human need which they create, and the possible solutions to these problems.

It must educate and inform the members of the churches of this Conference about these problems, and awaken in them the sensitivity of Christian conscience which will respond with concern and action.

We seek to inform and train the people of the churches that they may study and explore these problems individually and together, drawing the ethical implications from daily events, and applying Christian solutions wherever possible.

The Area of Our Concern

The Board of Social and Economic Relations is primarily concerned with human need and suffering, injustice, and inequality, exploitation and infringement, resulting from the faults or malfunctions of our domestic social institutions, and susceptible to solution or improvement through the use of social processes. Some typical areas of this kind are:

1. Brotherhood and Race Relations
2. Citizenship and Civic Affairs
3. Civil Rights and Religious Liberties
4. Economic Life and Industrial Relations
5. Public Morals
6. Family Life and Welfare
7. Social Health and Welfare
8. Rural Conservation and Agriculture
9. Ethics in the Church

The Organization of Our Work

The following are suggestions as to how the preceding purposes may be accomplished:

As the official agency at work in social problems, the Board should bring the Social Creed (and other pronouncements of the Church) to life and action wherever possible within its purview.

We should stimulate the interest and concern of every local church at every level in the social aspect of the Christian Gospel.

We strongly recommend the formation of a Fifth Commission in every church as provided at the last General Conference and recommended by the District Superintendents Conference in Chicago.

The Fifth Commission is The Commission of Christian Social Relations and will be responsible for development of these principles in the local church.

The Church believes that all true advancement of society is inspired by and based on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

It is this belief that prompts Christians to love their fellow man and to seek the highest good for all. Economic justice and political freedom are only good insofar as they express the will of God as revealed in the gospel of Christ.

To accomplish economic justice and political freedom, we, as individual Christians, should reexamine our own lives and determine whether we, as individuals, have become complacent, self-righteous, or prideful.

Christians today must be strong in our belief and in our actions that we may be a living testimony, worthy of the Master.

JOSEPH W. BROSIUS, Chairman
A. JASON BLUNDON, Vice-Chairman
MARVIN W. MCKAY, Secretary

REPORT OF TOWN AND COUNTRY COMMISSION

As the current conference year began, the Commission was completing plans for survey materials to be used by the local town and country churches. This was intended to be a study of the effectiveness of the local church program. Inasmuch as the general quadrennial plans for the church included a self-study guide for use in all churches, the Commission's plans were not launched.

Four scholarships of twenty-five dollars each have been made available for use in the School for Town and Country Church Leaders, July 16-August 2, 1957, at Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland.

The proposed Conference news-organ has the support of the Commission and has been given some financial support.

A suggested service for use on Rural Life Sunday (Rogation Sunday) was mailed to each pastor. This day holds increasing significance for our churches—both rural and urban.

This year's mission study book, **High Hours of Methodism in Town-Country Churches**, by C. M. McConnell, highlighted the rural church and its needs. If not already used, it is recommended for study.

Materials which might be of value are: "Methodist Rural Fellowship Bulletin," published by the Methodist Rural Fellowship, Northwood, Iowa; "Christian Rural Fellowship Bulletin"; and "Rural Missions." The latter two are published by the Christian Rural Fellowship, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Attention is called to the Town and Country Church Development Program. Inquiries should be directed to 69 South Colonial Avenue, Westminster, Maryland.

Your Town and Country Commission is desirous to be of service to the cause of the rural church. The resources of the Commission are available to those who wish to draw upon them.

We recommend that Henry T. Caldwell be appointed as Conference Secretary of Town and Country Work for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

PERRY O. HILL, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TEMPERANCE 1957

The past year has been one in which the people have become awakened to the problem of the drinking driver as a menace upon the highway. Today's high powered automobile demands that each one who drives must be at his best if he is to remain a safe driver. Even a little alcohol present within the bloodstream of a driver of today's fast car must be thought of as creating a potential killer. In the hands of a drunken driver what is the difference between a gun and a powerful automobile? The President of the United States is speaking out against this social menace as are also several of our state governors. Our police are becoming active in this area. For these efforts we are glad.

But we are alarmed at the subtleness and insidious ways in which the Brewers Association is trying to make our beloved America more drink conscious. One of their latest attempts to ensnare older people is to say that drink has a therapeutic value for the depression that comes with advancing years. Some without thinking too clearly will be taken in by this kind of propaganda.

Your Board of Temperance recommends to every church a careful study of the 1956 Discipline of our Church concerning total abstinence. It is clear and challenging. PR 2023 "Abstinence Among Church Leaders" reads thus: "It is recommended that NO member be nominated for or appointed to any official position in the church or church school who is not a morally disciplined person, with special reference to total abstinence from alcoholic beverages." A similar opinion is repeated in part of paragraph 207 of the Discipline. Our Church has made clear its position. We recommend that each local church bear this in mind when choosing leaders who are vested with leadership in its program.

Your Board was happy to have had a part in the Methodist Youth Fall action project by supplying on 31 occasions the Film "Far From Alone" to Workshops, Camp activities, Subdistrict meetings, and local Churches. The Film has been used at two Womans Society of Christian Service Executive meetings. There are a few of our churches that have Alcoholic Anonymous meetings held in their buildings. We feel that certain progress has been made.

Next year we are planning to send a number of people to various training opportunities in order that there might be several resource persons

upon which our churches may call for service in this important field. We must train, educate, and assist our people to take definite stands on the side of Temperance. We hope all of our Methodists will give unqualified endorsement to the program our Board of Temperance has set forth centering around these four major emphases:

- (1) Positive Education for a life free from beverage alcohol. This is the heart of the board's total effort.
- (2) Commitment to Abstinence is a natural and logical outgrowth of commitment to Christ.
- (3) Rehabilitation of those who suffer because of beverage alcohol is clearly the obligation of all Christians.
- (4) Legislation as an effective means to outlaw beverage alcohol is a natural outgrowth of the concern of informed citizens.

Some Goals

1. To help every church have a significant commitment program.
2. To train local church leaders, youth leaders, and campus leaders for facing alcohol problems.
3. To help ministers and churches to rehabilitate alcoholics.
4. To work for the passage of national legislation and to work on state legislation issues.
5. To help every church develop an effective temperance program.
6. To maintain a well-functioning conference board of temperance.
7. To foster study and action on the use of tobacco.
8. To provide for study and action on gambling.
9. To foster proper control of salacious literature and films.

Respectfully submitted,

F. DOUGLAS MILBURY, Executive Secretary

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESLEY JUNIOR COLLEGE

This statement was not presented earlier as the most recent report of the Development Campaign influences strongly the point of view taken.

Enrollment

1956-1957

The enrollment this past year was:

	Resident	Other		Total
		Full Time	Part Time	
First Semester	178	30	17	225
Second Semester	169	32	24	225

This is the largest enrollment in the history of the school.

1957-1958 Prospects

Because no special effort has been made to encourage enrollment for next year, the number of unsolicited applications, while encouraging, is about 32 per cent lower than as of May 15 last year. There is, however, a larger potential second-year class for next year in this year's freshman class than in any previous year.

Students Entering Other Institutions from Wesley

1956 Graduates

Nineteen entered the following colleges and universities: Wilkes College, The American University, Lehigh University, University of Delaware, Western Maryland College, University of Maryland, West Virginia Wesleyan University, Hood College, Indiana Technical Institute, University of Pennsylvania, University of Virginia, Washington College, Southern Methodist University, Hunter College, and University of Colorado. Two withdrew.

The Wesley registrar's office was able to obtain reports for twelve for the first semester. These had a total of seventy-seven subject marks. Two marks were "F". Sixty per cent of the marks were above a median "C".

1957 Graduates

Fifty students expect to graduate on June 2. Of these and others who are transferring—most of whom will have three semesters of credit—thirty have been accepted as indicated at the following colleges and universities: University of Alabama; Alma College (Mich.); American University (5); Boston University; Bridgewater College (2); Columbia University; Cornell University; University of Dayton (Ohio); University of Delaware; Drew University; East Carolina Teachers College; Fairmount College (W. Va.); Florida Southern; Glenville State Teachers' College (W. Va.) (4); Kansas State University (2); Kansas State Teachers' College; University of Kentucky; Lebanon Valley College; Lycoming College (2); Milwaukee School of Engineering; Moravian College; University of North Carolina; North Carolina State University (3); Otterbein College; Pennsylvania Military College; University of Pennsylvania (Wharton School of Finance), Rider College, Transylvania College; Union College (Ky.) (2); Upsala College; University of Virginia; Western Maryland College; West Virginia Wesleyan; Youngstown (Ohio) University.

The number of acceptances is in excess of the number of applicants because several have been accepted by more than one institution. All graduates are being admitted to Junior Classes.

Faculty

The teaching staff numbers seventeen full-time and ten part-time persons. Five of the part-time teachers are also serving in other capacities to make up a full load. Several of the part-time persons are teaching only one or two classes. There were only three changes of full-time people. It is felt that replacements strengthened the faculty.

Organizations and Groups Meeting at Wesley

The college this year has been privileged to act as host to several of the Conference commissions and committees; also, monthly meetings of A. A. U. W. and the first state-wide Police Institute.

Other groups scheduled to meet on the campus during the summer are: The Delaware Youth Temperance Council, Delaware Girls' State Convention, Delaware High School Music Camp, and the Peninsula Conference W. S. C. S.

J. PAUL SLAYBAUGH, President
Wesley Junior College

Wesley Junior College expects to finish this year with all operating expenses for the year paid, and with a surplus of perhaps \$10,000 available for debt service. We finished the previous year with a deficit of \$13,400.

Receipts from tuition and other fees are higher this year, and our financial situation has also been improved by the receipt of Conference Askings amounting to \$35,900, compared with \$32,800 in the previous year.

In addition to operating expenses, of course, we have obligations for debt service of \$16,500 for the year, principally for interest and reduction of debt assumed to purchase property for expansion. Furthermore, we have installed a new fire escape on Old Main at a cost of \$3,450. To the extent the operating surplus will not cover these charges, we shall need to increase our borrowings.

IRA T. ELLIS, Treasurer
Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College

Report of Nominating Committee

Report of Development Campaign

A year ago interest in Wesley Junior College was aroused as never before. During the year the administration, faculty and students have kept the school on a new high level. It became clear the school would have to close unless large sums of money were forthcoming. We from our several churches know, however, that the knowledge of a need is not the equivalent of fulfilling that need. The action of the Alumni and Friends is making it possible for people who want Wesley to develop to show their interest by producing the funds needed to begin its improvement. These groups will turn the funds over to the Trustees on completion of the campaign. With the successful completion of the campaign now in sight, the Board of Trustees have accepted the obligation of raising \$250,000 in addition to the funds raised by the Alumni and Friends. The Board of Trustees recommend the following to the Corporate Session:

1. Instruction from the Corporate Session to prepare a revised charter to be presented to the Corporate Session one year hence.
2. Select several Trustees to take part in the first conference to train Trustees set up by the Methodist Church in cooperation with the National Council of Churches.
3. Request that this session of the Peninsula Annual Conference appoint a Commission on Higher Education as requested by the General Conference to aid in developing support to our educational institution.

All over the country support for church colleges is growing. If our Conference and its people will support the proposals mentioned above, we can have a good, significant school.

HOWELL O. WILKINS, President
Board of Trustees of Wesley Junior College

**REPORT OF WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
PENINSULA CONFERENCE, THE METHODIST CHURCH**

Bishop Oxnam, Members of the Conference and Friends:

It has been said that reports are a measurement of our progress. That of course is true, but to many people they are simply a necessary part of our work, tiresome to read, and extremely boring to hear. As I looked through my records and scanned former reports of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Peninsula Conference, I discovered that there was very little I could tell you which would be new and different. We are still carrying on the same kind of work; our purpose is still the same; and the figures I can give you are only an indication of our unity and strength. Therefore, I decided to depart from the usual type of report and tell you a story instead. I know the women in the congregation will be much more interested in my narrative, and the Ministers and laymen, though they may say "Isn't that just like a woman" will not dare to go to sleep—they might miss something.

Here then, is the story of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, as gleaned from the Log of our crew, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven.

On June 1, 1956, after idling in our home port for several weeks, awaiting new orders which it had been rumored we were to receive before embarking on a voyage into the Fifth Quadrennium, we set sail on the good ship "Peninsula," with our banner "The Spirit of Christ—For All of Life" unfurled to the breeze. Our crew was a good one, experienced and well qualified to carry out the orders handed us. It was well, however, that we did not know we were starting on a voyage in which we would encounter many storms. Our orders stated we were to stop at 362 local ports; that we were to instruct them in the use of the new reports, which were to be sent in three times each year instead of four. Also we were to make quite clear the fact that the Secretary of Christian Social Relations no longer was charged with the duty of administering Local Church Activities. Instead, there would now be a Chairman of Local Church Activities. Neither of these orders elicited any particular disappointment or enthusiasm. The order that did seem to startle some was that the local minister was to be a member of the local Executive Committee—not just a figure-head—but with vote. A few asked questions about this order. The ministers said nothing.

Our first call was at Camp PeCoMeth, on the beautiful Chester River, where 109 girls between the ages of 15 and 17 were the guests of the local societies. As usual, many had been turned away because of insufficient facilities. However, after five days of Christian training, fellowship and recreation, twenty girls who had attended the camp for three years, were graduated. Fifteen girls responded to the call to Christian Service and four made a commitment to Christ. The annual plea was made for more counsellors. As we left the camp site, storm clouds could be seen in the distance.

Our next call was the Conference School of Missions and Christian Service, held at Wesley Junior College, Dover, Delaware under the direction

of our department of Missionary Education. Great skill was needed to pilot our craft up the shallow St. Jones River, but we finally arrived and found a school of 250 women participating. A fine staff of teachers and workshop leaders had been engaged, and as a result of the experience they shared, 84 full time students were trained to present the study books in their local churches. As an added stimulus to put forth extra effort, six Educational Seminars were planned to be held in the four districts in September, and we were told later than 837 women attended these meetings, with the result that 100 societies met the requirements for Jurisdiction Recognition.

As we left Dover, we could see the storm was getting closer, in fact warnings had been posted, but thinking that we had a seaworthy craft and an experienced crew, we proceeded on up the Delaware River and landed at Wilmington, where an Intercultural Workshop on World Understanding was being held. This workshop, sponsored by the Wilmington District, was the first to cross Jurisdictional lines, on a district basis. It was well received, as women from both Delaware and Peninsula Conferences met to find ways in which Christians devoted to the principles of democracy and brotherhood could make progress toward building a better community. Another such workshop held later in the year in Dover District, met with similar success. We heard of many ways of promoting World Understanding, but the two that met with enthusiasm were the UNICEF Program, in which children and youth worked enthusiastically to collect monies for the needy children of the world. Their efforts for the current year netted a total of \$2625.94. Also the United Nations and its program has been promoted through trips planned for the local women so that they might gain a better understanding of important issues. These things, together with interest in the study course "Youth in a Responsible Society—a Christian's Concern" give emphasis to the fact that Methodist women in all sections of the church are demonstrating an active concern for building Christian attitudes and practices in all phases of human relations.

While in Wilmington, we inspected our Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home and the Mary Todd Gambrill Neighborhood House, both of which come under the supervision of the Board of Conference Projects of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We thought we were fortunate to be there at the time an Open House was being held. It was thrilling to greet women from the furthestmost parts of our conference, who had come this day leaving supplies which almost filled a room and amounted to many hundreds of dollars in value. The work of our Conference Projects continues to go forward, despite the fact that the staff has been reduced from four full-time workers to two full-time workers, a part time worker, and some volunteer help from in and around Wilmington. The efforts of our reduced staff to keep pace with the growing need in these areas of Wilmington which are steadily becoming more troublesome, merit the appreciation of every Methodist in Peninsula Conference, man and woman. This is not a situation peculiar to our own projects. Other work throughout the Woman's Division is suffering from a like shortage of workers. As our crew returned to their ship, they had nothing but praise for the devotion of our two full-time workers, as well as for the members of the Conference Board who assist them at all times.

Being brought face to face with this great need for workers was responsible for our stopping in at the Fall District Meetings. We had been told that the program of these meetings had been planned around the Fourth Quadrennial Goal—"To confront the local church with the challenge of recruitment for missionary and deaconess service"—and that Mrs. Ewart Turner, Northeastern Jurisdiction Secretary of Missionary Personnel was to speak on the subject "The Call Is To Me." Mrs. Turner brought a vital message, and as she spoke our thoughts turned to our girls, Rosalie Jenkins in Brazil; Maud Goff in Korea, and also to Lillian Montgomery who has recently gone to Korea as a short term missionary. These girls who accepted the CALL to serve in the foreign field, are doing a wonderful work.

Our voyage would have been tiring indeed but for the fact that we were privileged to drop anchor during late November and spend a time apart in all four districts, where Mrs. Bertha Jarrett and Mrs. Richard Creedon of the Koinonia Foundation were conducting inspiring meetings. Here we saw real evidence of the growth of the fruits of the spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Here we learned of the great increase in prayer groups; the popularity of the study of "Paul's Letters to Local Churches" and the fact that 76 societies observed the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial with a total offering of \$3,390.40 which goes to special projects of the Woman's Division.

Many bits of news were picked up at our various ports of call, such as the thrilling news of the 12 zone meetings held in one year in Dover District; and this, mind you, in addition to a Fall and Spring District Meeting, two Seminars, and two Retreats; the trips the Easton District President made to each quarterly conference at the suggestion of her District Superintendent, thus giving her an opportunity to present the work of the Woman's Society to the smaller local society; the nurseries provided in the Wilmington District so that young mothers might attend the District Meetings; and that in Salisbury District all local churches have either a W. S. C. S. or a District Member. Encouraging were the figures which indicated that our membership has increased by approximately 750 new members, and that our local societies have continued to increase their pledge to missions, until this year the Conference pledge to missions amounted to \$49,000.00. Do you realize that this is an increase of 272% since that time in 1940—sixteen years ago—when Peninsula Conference first pledged \$10,500.00? This is by no means all that is given. The Supply giving always exceeds the askings by as much as 100%, and supplemental giving adds several thousands of dollars to the total in our Treasurer's Report. Interesting too was the news about the Spring District Meetings, when the program centered around the Second Goal—"To accept responsibility in the total program of the local church" and Miss Fay Tucker, a Deaconess from a local church in New Jersey was the guest speaker.

I suppose no journey is ever completely perfect. Certainly ours was not. The clouds we had noticed in the distance at Camp PeCoMeth were now hovering low over-head. We were sorry we had ignored the storm warnings, but it was too late. Suddenly, or so it seemed, the storm broke on all sides. One of our crew resigned; another decided this would be her

last voyage. Frantically the Captain sent out an S. O. S. calling all women who could possibly do so, to volunteer their services. Our Girl's School of Missions was in danger. The activities of our Adult School of Missions might even be curtailed. All hands on board quickly manned the life boats, but happily the tempest just as quickly blew itself out. Today—the sun is again shining on our Girl's School of Missions. The School of Missions and Christian Service will open on schedule July 15th.

The storm was hard on our craft, however, and we put in at the Northeastern Jurisdiction Meeting in March for repairs. What we got was a complete over-hauling. Where were our credentials (The Charter of Racial Policies)? We didn't have them with us just then. Why not? The other 19 Conferences had them! (Mutiny in the air). Indirectly the Captain was again questioned. Where was Peninsula Conference at the time of the Missions Conference? Our reasons for absence didn't seem to weigh much here, either. By this time the Captain was almost in a mood to abandon ship, but with as much dignity as she could muster, got her crew together and sailed for home, grimly determined to get out that Charter of Racial Policies, dust it off and try to have it ready as a proper credential for the next Jurisdiction Meeting, and to under-gird that determination with Goal 5—"To create a fellowship without barriers in local church and community," as well as Goal 7—"To speak and act boldly in Christ's name for justice and peace for all people."

Having had very little experience with sea-going vessels, I am not certain whether or not post-scripts may be added to the Ship's Log. Nevertheless, I do want to report certain additional facts.

Since writing this record, the Conference Woman's Society has held its Annual Meeting—May 9th., to be specific. Our guest speaker on that occasion was Dr. Frederick Wertz, President of Lycoming College, whose message concerned Methodist Institutions of Higher Education, and was in keeping with our own Quadrennial Goal to interpret the place of educational institutions of the Woman's Division in the world mission of the church.

The Treasurer's Report disclosed that again we had gone over the top in the payment of our pledge to missions, and that a total for all work amounting to \$63,337.00 had been sent to the Woman's Division. Standing Rules were adopted as a substitute for those By-laws which had been rendered obsolete by General Conference and Woman's Division action; Officers were elected and installed for the ensuing biennium; the Charter of Racial Politics was ratified, without a single dissenting vote. For this latter action, I am extremely grateful, for now our credentials are in order for the next Jurisdiction Meeting. I have also been given to understand that our Conference Projects have been fortunate enough to secure an additional worker beginning September 1st.

I wish to thank the District Superintendents, the Ministers,—every-one, who has in any way helped to promote the work of our organization in Peninsula Conference, and since I was honored by again being elected President for the next two years, I wish to again solicit your support and understanding, not only for myself but for the 24,560 women in this Conference, whose interest, loyalty, prayers and service have made possible whatever greatness has been achieved in Peninsula Conference. To them I

pay the highest tribute. May the Spirit of Christ guide us in all our life, as together we face the second year of the Fifth Quadrennium.

ISABELLA W. SYLVESTER, President
Peninsula Conference
Woman's Society of Christian Service.

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Last year you adopted the largest budget in our history, then went back to your churches and raised the money. On behalf of the Conference and members of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation to the ministers and laymen for their help in making this possible.

There will be no change in the budget or apportionments this year. Any additional amounts or new items will be paid from Contingent Fund.

We plan to make a comprehensive study of health insurance for our ministers and submit same for your consideration at the next regular session of the annual conference.

There will be a new budget presented next year, therefore, it will be necessary that all Boards submit their budgets on or before December 1, 1957, to the Chairman in order that the Commission have ample time for the consideration of all items.

We make the following recommendations:

1. Episcopal Fund—2% of pastor's current cash salary.
2. District Superintendent's Fund—6% of pastor's current cash salary.
3. Conference Claimants—Percentage of pastor's cash salary as recommended by the Board of Conference Claimants.
4. Minimum Salary—½% of pastor's current cash salary.
5. The honorarium of \$350 for the Secretary and \$200 for the Statistician and other conference expenses not provided for in the budget be paid from the Contingent Fund.
6. The following changes in the minimum Salary Scale:

Supply Ministers—	Single	\$2400
	Married	2800
Conference Members—	Single	\$2800
	Married	3200

7. For the Board of Social and Economic Relations—\$100.
8. Wesley Junior College: \$0.50 per member.
9. For Protestants and other American United—\$250.
10. Jointly with the Conference Board of Trustees and Local District Parsonage Committee, that a special committee composed of the Chairman of the Peninsula Annual Conference Board of Trustees, the Chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, the Chairman of the Salisbury District Parsonage Committee, and the Lay Leader of the Salisbury District be authorized to sell the present Salisbury District Parsonage and provide a suitable District Parsonage at Salisbury.

11. That a special committee composed of the Chairman of the Peninsula Annual Conference Board of Trustees, the Chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, the Chairman of the Conference Board of Education, be authorized to sell the present Cecil Street, Dover property and provide a suitable residence for the Executive Secretary of the Board of Education.
12. A blanket bond covering all Treasurers of the various units, Boards, Commissions, and incorporated subsidiaries of the Peninsula Annual Conference be purchased and the premium paid by the Conference.
13. After consideration of the Conference newspaper, the Commission finds that there are no Conference monies available for its publication and recommend that the matter be re-referred to the editorial board.

Respectfully submitted:

Laymen	Ministers
GEORGE P. CHANDLER, Secretary	W. H. STONE
OTIS F. FIGGS, Chairman	PAUL E. McCOY
EDGAR TIMMONS	D. O. HORNUNG
J. C. NORTH	G. H. FIGUERON, JR.
A. L. FLEMING	ALTON S. MILLER
HORACE MORGAN	

BUDGET WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

1957-1958

Ministerial Support

Episcopal Fund
District Superintendents
Conference Claimants
Minimum Salary

General & Conference Administration Expenses

General Administration	\$ 4,777
Jurisdictional Administration	1,000
Interdenominational Cooperation	3,782
Area Administration	4,300
Conference Entertainment	7,000
Bonding & Auditing	1,300
Treasurer's Salary	2,500
Treasurer's Expense & Assistance	800
Interest & Reduction of Debt	3,500
Maintenance of Residence	
Executive Secretary Board of Education	750
Insurance	500
Conference Journal	3,000
Contingent Fund	10,000

43,209

General and Conference Benevolence

World Service	110,601
Methodist TV Fund	5,000
Conference Board of Missions	
Cultivation & Supplementation	7,000
Migrant Work within Conference	1,000
Church Extension	47,000
Conference Board of Education	11,000
Board of Evangelism	400
Board of Lay Activities	400
Board of Temperance	500
Board of Ministerial Training	700
Board of Social & Economic Relations	250
Legislative Committee—Delaware	150
Conference Claimants Necessitous Cases	5,000
District Supts.—Ministers' Contingent Relief	2,000
Ministers' Assistance	6,000
Westminster Theological Seminary	2,000
Commission on Town & Country Work	500
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Special Askings	199,501
Wesley Junior College	38,541
Wesley Foundation	11,562
Relocating Westminster Theological Seminary	38,541
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	88,644

REPORT OF**(c) CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN**

G. E. LEISTER, Statistician

Assistants**J. J. VON HAGEL****P. O. HILL****REPORT OF****(d) CONFERENCE TREASURER****JOHN F. KELSO, Treasurer**

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, CHURCH SCH'LS (General Information, Church School Members, etc.), W. D. S. C. (No. of Societies, Membership, etc.), METHO-DIST MEN (Number Chartered, etc.), PROP. & OTHER ASSETS (Estimated Value of Church Buildings, etc.), and 28-41 (numerical columns).

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH (Paid on Principal and Interest, etc.), MINISTERIAL SUPPORT (Paid Pastor, Associate Pastor, etc.), and District Superintendent's Fund (Apporportioned, Paid).

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, MINISTERIAL SUPPORT (Episcopal Fund, Conference Claimants' Fund, Minimum Salary Fund), CONNECTIONAL FUND (General Administration, Jurisdictional, Area, Conf., and Dist. Administration, Interdenominational Cooperation Fund), BENEVOLENCES (World Service and Conference Benevolences, World Service Special Gifts, General Advance Specials, Week of Dedication). Rows include churches like Bayside, Beckwith-Spedden, Bozman-Neavitt, etc.

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, BENEVOLENCES (Fellowship of Suffering and Service, Television Ministry Fund, W. S. C. S. (Including W. S. C.) Cash Sent to District and Conference Treasurers, Methodist Student Day, Methodist Youth Fund, Race Relations Sunday, Conference Benevolences: Colleges and Universities, Wesley Foundation, Hospitals, Homes for Children, Youth and the Aged, Conference Advance Specials, Church School Rally Day, All Other Benevolences). Rows include churches like Bayside, Beckwith-Spedden, Bozman-Neavitt, etc.

Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48c, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-54, 55b, 56c, 57-74

Table with columns: Charge and Church, CHURCH SCH'L'S (General Information, Church School Members, etc.), W. D. S. C. (No. of Societies, etc.), METHO-DIST-MEN (Number Chartered Groups, Membership, etc.), PROP. & OTHER ASSETS (Estimated Value of Church Buildings, Equipment, etc.). Rows include churches like Allen, Berlin, Bishopville, etc.

Table with columns: Charge and Church, EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH (Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness, etc.), MINISTERIAL SUPPORT (Pastors and Associate Pastors), District Superintendent's Fund (Appportioned, Paid). Rows include churches like Allen, Berlin, Bishopville, etc.

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, CHURCH SCH'L'S (General Information), W. D. S. C., METHO-DIST MEN, PROP. & OTHER ASSETS. Rows include Aldersgate, Bayview, Bellefonte, Del., Bethel—Chesapeake City, Cecilton, Cecil United Parish, Charlestown, Md., Cherry Hill, Md., Chester—Bethel, Christ Church (Brack-Ex.), Christiana, Del., Claymont, Delaware City, Del., Ebenezer, Elkton, Md., Galena, Md., Hillcrest, Del., Hockessin, Del., Holly Oak, Del., Hopewell, Del., Kingswood of Brookside, Kirkwood, Del., Marshalton, Del., Millington, Md., Minquadale, Del., Mt. Lebanon, Newcastle, Del., Newark, Del., Newport, Del., North East, Md., Perryville, Md., Port Deposit, Md., Red Lion, Del., Richardson Park, Del., Rising Sun, Md., St. Georges, Del., Stanton, Warwick, Wesley Chapel, Wilmington—Brandywine, Calvary, Eastlake, Grace, Harrison St., Madeley, McCabe, Mt. Salem, Peninsula, Scott, Silverbrook, St. Paul, Trinity, Union, Manor.

Table with columns: List No., Charge and Church, EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH, MINISTERIAL SUPPORT Pastors and Associate Pastors, District Superintendents' Fund. Rows include Aldersgate, Bayview, Bellefonte, Del., Bethel—Chesapeake City, Cecilton, Cecil United Parish, Charlestown, Md., Cherry Hill, Md., Chester—Bethel, Christ Church (Brack-Ex.), Christiana, Del., Claymont, Delaware City, Del., Ebenezer, Elkton, Md., Galena, Md., Hillcrest, Del., Hockessin, Del., Holly Oak, Del., Hopewell, Del., Kingswood of Brookside, Kirkwood, Del., Marshalton, Del., Millington, Md., Minquadale, Del., Mt. Lebanon, Newcastle, Del., Newark, Del., Newport, Del., North East, Md., Perryville, Md., Port Deposit, Md., Red Lion, Del., Richardson Park, Del., Rising Sun, Md., St. Georges, Del., Stanton, Warwick, Wesley Chapel, Wilmington—Brandywine, Calvary, Eastlake, Grace, Harrison St., Madeley, McCabe, Mt. Salem, Peninsula, Scott, Silverbrook, St. Paul's, Trinity, Union, Manor.

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
To Mrs. Wm. A. Clash, Cambridge, Md. By Action of the Conference in recognition of bequest	4,625.00
To Rev. T. S. Holt, in honor of his gift. By Action of Conference	25,000.00
To Rev. Edwin H. Dashiell, D.D., Ex. Sec. of Conf. Claim End. Comm. 1916-20. By Rev. & Mrs. Ralph C. Jones, 1945	1,000.00
To the Rev. A. D. Dick, my grandfather, for more than 50 years a member of the Maryland Conference. By Wilmer Fell Davis	1,000.00
To Mrs. Samuel B. Wright, Mrs. Mollie E. Fisher and Mrs. Carrie C. Short. By Clarence A. Short	300.00
To William Francis Asbury Humphreys. By Ruth Wood Humphreys	500.00
To Rev. Thomas H. Haynes, father. By Edgar L. Haynes of Wilmington, Delaware	600,000.00
From the Thomas H. Bock estate	25,000.00

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Peninsula Annual Conference
of the Methodist Church

Gentlemen:

In accordance with instructions we have made an audit of the cash received and disbursed by the Treasurer of

**THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

for the twelve months ended April 30, 1957 and present herewith our report as contained in the following:

Folio 2 Exhibit "A"—Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement
Folio 4 Exhibit "B"—Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement— Board of Missions
Folio 5 Exhibit "C"—Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement— Minister's Assistance Fund
Folio 6 Exhibit "D"—Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement— The Methodist Country House
Folio 7 Schedule No. 1—Annual Conference Benevolences
Folio 8 Schedule No. 2 Annual Conference Administration
Folio 9 Schedule No. 3 Other Benevolences

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

Dated at Wilmington, Delaware
May 10, 1957

FOLIO 2 EXHIBIT "A"

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

Balance, April 30, 1956:		
Checking Account	\$ 76,661.63	
Savings Account	20,200.54	\$ 96,862.17
Ministerial Support:		
District Superintendents and Parsonages, Received on Apportionment	44,968.00	
Disbursed	\$ 40,300.00	
Transferred to Contingent Fund	4,668.00	44,968.00
Episcopal Fund,		
Received on Apportionment	14,880.50	
Disbursed	14,880.50	

Conference Claimants,			
Received on Apportionment		153,318.00	
Disbursed		153,318.00	
Minimum Salary,			
Received on Apportionment	3,661.75		
Savings Account Interest . . .	606.00	4,267.75	
Disbursed		1,642.00	2,625.75
World Service and Conference			
Benevolences:			
Received on Apportionment . .		212,930.01	
Disbursed			
World Service	117,111.47		
Annual Conference Benevo-			
lences (Schedule No. 1)	90,818.54		
Transferred to Contingent			
Fund	5,000.00	212,930.01	
Administration:			
Received on Apportionment,			
Conference-wide	46,117.44		
Wilmington District	4,066.00		
Other Receipts and Refunds . .	4,842.29	55,025.73	
Disbursed,			
Interdenominational Corpora-			
tion	3,782.00		
General Administration	4,777.00		
Area Administration	4,300.00		
Jurisdictional Fund	500.00		
Annual Conference Adminis-			
tration (Schedule No. 2)	33,564.79		
Wilmington District Office			
Expense	4,066.00		
Transferred to Contingent			
Fund	3,535.94	54,525.73	500.00
Other Benevolences (Schedule No. 3)			
Received on Apportionment and			
Gifts		173,455.57	
Disbursed	197,861.81		
Transferred to "Methodist			
Country House" Account	8,679.28		
Transferred to Contingent Ac-			
count	30.37	206,571.46	(33,115.89)

Contingent Fund:			
Transfers from Other Funds . .			13,234.31
Balance, April 30, 1957:			
Checking Account		59,299.80	
Savings Account		20,806.54	\$ 80,106.34

(See Comparative Summary of Funds on last page)

FOLIO 4 EXHIBIT "B"

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATEMENT
BOARD OF MISSIONS

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

Balance, April 30, 1956			\$ 20,098.52
Receipts:			
Peninsula Annual Conference		\$ 61,918.54	
20% Undesignated General Ad-			
vance Specials—1953-57 . . .		3,275.67	
Undesignated Conference Ad-			
vance Specials—1953-57 . . .		1,979.00	
Estate of F. W. Funk		127.59	67,330.80
			\$ 87,399.32
Disbursements:			
Missionary and Supplemental Aid—			
Deaconess—Wilmington			
Manor \$3,000.00			
less: Payroll Taxes			
deducted, not			
disbursed	42.53	\$ 2,957.47	
Deaconess—Wilmington			
Union		2,000.00	
Maryland Avenue			
Mission		270.00	
On Ministerial			
Salaries		3,950.01	9,177.48
Special Projects—			
Cultivation Fund		1,200.00	
Migrant Work		1,000.00	
Dover Air Base		1,500.00	
Kingswood-of-Brookside			
Salary	5,000.00		
less: Reim-			
bursement	3,250.00	1,750.00	5,450.00

Church Extension—		
Aldersgate	6,000.00	
Wilmington Manor	3,271.67	
Kingswood-of-Brookside	15,000.00	
Purchase of lot on Faulk Road	5,000.00	
Stanton	2,000.00	
Salisbury—Grace	5,000.00	
Allen (Parsonage)	500.00	
Ocean City (Summer Program)	500.00	
Easton	7,500.00	
Sudlersville	1,000.00	
Trappe	500.00	
Middletown	2,000.00	
Blades (Parsonage)	500.00	
Ewells-St. Pauls, Clayton	1,250.00	50,021.67
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Miscellaneous	220.77	64,869.92
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Balance, April 30, 1957		\$ 22,529.40

FOLIO 5 EXHIBIT "C"

**CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATEMENT
MINISTERS ASSISTANCE FUND**

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

Balance, April 30, 1956:		
Delaware Trust Company—Checking Account	\$ 7,848.28	
Wilmington Savings Fund Society—Savings Account	5,162.86	\$ 13,011.14
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Receipts:		
Peninsula Annual Conference	6,000.00	
Premiums Received	2,485.00	
Special Contribution	5.00	
Interest on Savings Account	154.86	8,644.86
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		21,656.00
Disbursements:		
Benefits Paid	7,000.00	
Miscellaneous Administrative Expense	45.20	7,045.20
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Balance, April 30, 1957:		
Delaware Trust Company—Checking Account	9,293.08	
Wilmington Savings Fund Society—Savings Account	5,317.72	\$ 14,610.80
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FOLIO 6 EXHIBIT "D"

**CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATEMENT
THE METHODIST COUNTRY HOUSE**

For the Period February 2, 1957 to April 30, 1957

Receipts:		
Transferred from General Fund	\$ 8,679.28	
Gifts	4,231.95	\$ 12,911.23
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Disbursements:		
Stationery and Printing	171.65	
Equipment Purchased—Typewriter	27.50	
Legal Expense	313.65	
Travel and Entertainment	443.90	
Telephone	65.60	
Honorarium—Geo. H. Pigueron	500.00	1,522.30
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Balance, April 30, 1957		\$ 11,388.93

FOLIO 7

SCHEDULE NO. 1

ANNUAL CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

	Expended	Appropriated
Board of Missions	\$ 61,918.54	\$ 55,000.00
Board of Education	11,000.00	11,000.00
Board of Ministerial Training	700.00	700.00
Board of Temperance	500.00	500.00
Board of Evangelism	400.00	400.00
Board of Lay Activities	400.00	400.00
Board of Social and Economic Relations	250.00	250.00
Ministers Assistance	6,000.00	6,000.00
Conference Claimants Necessitous Cases	5,000.00	5,000.00
Ministerial Contingent Relief	2,000.00	2,000.00
Town and Country Commission	500.00	500.00
Delaware Legislative Committee	150.00	150.00
Westminster Theological Seminary	2,000.00	2,000.00
Methodist TV Fund		5,000.00
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	\$ 90,818.54	\$ 88,900.00

SCHEDULE NO. 2

FOLIO 8

ANNUAL CONFERENCE ADMINISTRATION

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

	Expended	Appropriated
1956 Conference Session Expenses	\$ 7,250.23	\$ 7,000.00
1956 Conference Journal	2,832.28	3,000.00
Interest and Reduction of Debt	3,527.96	3,500.00
Maintenance of Cecil Street Residence, Dover, Del.		750.00
Insurance	292.82	500.00
Salary of Treasurer	2,490.00	2,500.00
Treasurer's Assistance and Expense Fund	765.80	800.00
Bonding and Auditing	1,350.00	1,300.00
Contingent Fund—		
Reimbursement 1955-56 Dis-		
trict Parsonage Expenses .. \$ 2,024.14		
Wilmington District Parsonage		
Relocation	1,522.49	
Salisbury District Parsonage		
Repairs	1,250.00	
Dover District Parsonage Re-		
pairs	288.00	
Honoraria—Secretary and Stat-		
istician	550.00	
Loan to Wesley Foundation of		
Newark	8,700.00	
Other	721.07	10,000.00
	<u>15,055.70</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
	\$ 33,564.79	\$ 29,350.00

SCHEDULE NO. 3

FOLIO 9

OTHER BENEVOLENCES

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

	Received	Disbursed
Special Gifts to World Service	\$ 334.00	\$ 334.00
General Advance Special—		
Designated	30,125.80	29,953.80
Undesignated	830.15	16,378.40
Week of Dedication	4,764.85	4,764.85
Fellowship of Suffering and Service	6,557.80	6,557.80
Student Day	3,779.50	3,779.50
Rally Day	6,468.75	6,468.75
Conference Advance Special	922.00	2,469.00

Wesley Foundation—		
On Apportionment	20,048.75	18,300.00
Through Loan	8,700.00	8,700.00
Wesley Junior College	35,877.50	35,877.50
Westminster Theological Seminary	31,546.00	31,546.00
Hospitals	351.00	351.00
Homes—		
Child Care	13,429.15	13,429.15
Aged	1,159.00	10,421.11
Other	50.00	50.00
Race Relations	1,027.00	1,027.00
Methodist Youth Fund	3,103.00	3,103.00
Other	4,381.32	4,350.95
	<u>\$173,455.57</u>	<u>\$197,861.81</u>

FOLIO 3

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Balance April 30, 1956	Balance April 30, 1957
Contingent Fund	\$ 34,226.32	\$ 47,460.63
General Advance Special Fund	15,548.25	172.00
Minimum Salary Fund	19,817.71	22,443.46
Conference Advance Special Fund	1,547.00	
Home For The Aged Fund	17,941.39	
Wesley Foundation	7,781.50	9,530.25
Jurisdictional Fund Reserve		500.00
	<u>\$ 96,862.17</u>	<u>\$ 80,106.34</u>

(e) OTHER TREASURERS

TREASURER'S REPORT

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY, INC.

Peninsula Annual Conference

		March 25, 1957			
1956	Apr. 2 Balance as of last report	\$ 826.64	\$ 544.27	\$ 305.98	\$ 179.21
1956 Receipts					
May 10	Rev. Jno. F. Kelso, Treas. Stu-				3,210.60
June 7	dent Day Fund				
June 7	Interest on Conference Trust-	112.50			
June 7	tee's Note—1 Year				
June 8	Interest on Conference Trust-	103.13			
June 8	tee's Note—11 Months				
Sept. 9	Security Trust Co. Riddle		56.90	56.90	
Dec. 22	Security Trust Co. Riddle		58.67	58.66	
Dec. 22	Security Trust Co. Riddle		28.57	28.57	
1957	Mar. 8 Security Trust Co. Riddle		71.01	71.01	
Mar. 9	Interest on U. S. A. Bond	22.50			
		<u>\$1,064.77</u>	<u>\$ 759.42</u>	<u>\$ 521.12</u>	<u>\$3,389.81</u>

	Check No.	General Fund	Riddle Fund	Riddle Fund Impounded	Student Day Fund
1956					
Sept.					
14	Richard Bailey, Temple University	281	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. W. M. T. Hawkins, Temple University	282	—	—	50.00
14	Gerold M. Henderson, Temple University	283	—	—	50.00
14	Harold E. Nunemaker, Temple University	284	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. Olin J. Shockley, Temple University	285	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. Henry Covington, Washington College	286	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. Ronnie H. Payne, Jr., Washington College	287	—	—	50.00
14	John A. Davis, Univ. of Delaware	288	—	—	50.00
14	Francis B. Frampton, Univ. of Maryland	289	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. Geo. C. Godfrey, Westminster Theo. Sem.	290	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. LeRoy Jones, Westminster Theo. Sem.	291	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. J. Gordon Stapleton, Westminster Theo. Sem.	292	—	—	50.00
14	Rev. Omro M. Todd, Westminster Theo. Sem.	293	—	—	50.00
14	Delbert Kohl, Western Md. College	294	—	—	50.00
14	Brian Loss, Swarthmore College	295	—	—	50.00
14	Robert B. Phillips, Syracuse University	296	—	—	50.00
14	John T. Randolph, Drew University	297	—	—	50.00
14	Richard C. Staszkesky, Yale University	298	—	—	50.00
14	C. David Trader, West Va. Wesleyan	299	—	—	50.00
14	Alyn Waters, Tennessee Wesleyan	300	—	—	50.00
14	*Wesley Jr. College	301	—	—	50.00
14	Lawrence E. Staton, Drew Seminary	302	—	100.00	—
Nov. 19	Rev. Geo. D. White, Washington College	303	—	—	50.00
Nov. 30	Barbara L. Rawlins, University of Md.	304	—	—	50.00
Dec. 30	Rev. Chas. R. Leary, Temple University	305	—	—	100.00
1957					
Jan.					
24	Richard Bailey, Temple University	306	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. W. M. T. Hawkins, Temple University	307	—	—	50.00
24	Gerald M. Henderson, Temple University	308	—	—	50.00
24	Harold E. Nunemaker, Temple University	309	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. Olin J. Shockley, Temple University	310	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. Henry Covington, Washington College	311	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. Ronnie H. Payne, Jr., Washington College	312	—	—	50.00
24	John A. Davis, Univ. of Delaware	313	—	—	50.00
24	Francis B. Frampton, Univ. of Maryland	314	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. Geo. C. Godfrey, Westminster Theo. Sem.	315	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. LeRoy Jones, Westminster Theo. Sem.	316	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. J. Gordon Stapleton, Westminster Theo. Sem.	317	—	—	50.00
24	Rev. Omro M. Todd, Westminster Theo. Sem.	318	—	—	50.00
24	Delbert Kohl, Western Md. Col.	319	—	—	50.00
24	Brian Loss, Swarthmore College	320	—	—	50.00

24	Robert G. Phillips, Syracuse University	321	—	—	—	50.00
24	John T. Randolph, Drew University	322	—	—	—	50.00
24	Richard C. Staszkesky, Yale University	323	—	—	—	50.00
24	C. David Trader, West Va. Wesleyan	324	—	—	—	50.00
24	Alyn Waters, Tennessee Wesleyan	325	—	—	—	50.00
24	*Wesley Junior College	326	—	—	—	300.00
24	Geo. D. White (Cancelled)	327	—	—	—	—
24	Barbara L. Rawlins, Univ. of Maryland	328	—	—	—	50.00
24	Raymond Davis, Univ. of Delaware	329	—	—	—	50.00
Feb. 14	Charles E. Strickler, Temple Univ. "Loan"	330	90.00	—	—	—
			\$ 90.00	\$ 100.00	—	\$ 3,100.00

1957
Mar. 25 Cash Balance \$ 974.77 \$ 659.42 \$ 521.12 \$ 289.81

* The following students have been awarded Peninsula Conference Scholarships covering the amount of money allotted to Wesley Junior College for the year 1956-1957:

Kenneth Eugene Meredith	\$ 200.00
Barbara Louise Gicker	200.00
Joseph Edward Vaughn	200.00
Beatrice E. Way	200.00

Total paid to Wesley Junior College \$ 800.00

Statement of Assets as of March 25, 1957

Checking Account Bank of Crisfield	\$2,445.12
U. S. Government Bond	1,000.00
Note—Trustees Peninsula Annual Conference	2,500.00
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Notes Receivable:	
Rev. H. Kirby Krams	\$200.00
John C. Street	100.00
Charles E. Strickler	90.00
	\$390.00

\$8,835.12

Respectfully submitted,

J. MILLARD TAWES, Treasurer

May 17, 1957

Conference Secretary
Peninsula Annual Conference
of the Methodist Church

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions we have made an examination of the Treasurer's records of

CAMP PECOMETH

PENINSULA CONFERENCE METHODIST CAMP

OF

THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

for the period May 5, 1956 to April 29, 1957 and found them to be correct as summarized below:

Balance May 4, 1956	1,310.60
Receipts	21,929.59
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	23,240.19
Disbursements	21,310.82
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Balance, April 29, 1957	1,929.37

Respectfully submitted,

COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

PENINSULA CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Financial Statement—May 1956 - May 1957

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, May 1, 1956	\$1041.36
Board of Trustees, Peninsula Conference, Richard M. Green, Treas., Interest on Conowingo Fund	120.17
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Total Receipts	1161.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Albert W. Cliffe, Treas., 1956 dues in Northeastern Jurisdiction Association of Historical Societies	15.00
Paul E. Reynolds, Expenses to Historical Society session, Atlantic City, N. J.	14.00
Roy T. Thawley, Expenses, Transfer of records to Dover, Del.	9.00
William O. Hackett, Travel and expense	24.70
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Total Disbursements	62.70

Balance on hand, May 1, 1957	1098.83
First National Bank North East, Maryland	

PERRY O. HILL, Treasurer

May 17, 1957

Conference Secretary
Peninsula Annual Conference
of the Methodist Church

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions we have made an examination of the Treasurer's records of the

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

OF

THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

for the period May 26, 1956* to May 1, 1957 and found them to be correct as summarized below:

Balance, May 25, 1956	\$1,041.36
Receipts	120.17
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	1,161.53
Disbursements	62.70
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Balance, May 1, 1957	\$1,098.83

Respectfully submitted,

COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

**THE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE
PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH
INCORPORATED**

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1956-57

Balance on hand as of May 12, 1956	\$1301.60
consisting of	
Savings Account	\$ 927.53
Checking Account	374.07
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	\$1301.60
Interest on account in Wilmington Savings Account	\$ 28.06
Received on Assessments and Membership Fees	1896.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS

DISBURSEMENTS

Claim No. 1—Rev. F. C. Louhoff	11/24/56	\$300.00
2—Mrs. E. J. Bauscher	1/11/57	300.00
3—Rev. V. E. Hills	1/25/57	300.00
4—Mrs. F. H. Givan	1/25/57	300.00
5—Mrs. L. R. Outten	2/ 9/57	300.00
6—Rev. Howard Davis	4/ 3/57	300.00
7—Mrs. E. M. McClain	4/22/57	300.00

Other Expenditures

Renewal of Treasurer's Bond	5.00
Filing of Annual Report	5.00
Postage, Mimeographing, etc.	76.89
Honorarium to Treasurer	50.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$2236.89

Balance on hand as of May 13, 1957 \$ 988.77

This balance consists of

Savings account	\$755.59
Checking account	233.18
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	\$988.77

OTHO G. BREWER, JR., Secy.-Treas.
May 13, 1957

May 17, 1957

Conference Secretary
Peninsula Annual Conference
of the Methodist Church

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions we have made an examination of the Treasurer's records of

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

OF

THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

for the period May 12, 1956 to May 13, 1957 and found them to be correct as summarized below:

Balance May 11, 1956	\$1,301.60
Receipts	1,924.06

	<u>3,225.66</u>
Disbursements	2,236.89

Balance May 13, 1957 \$ 988.77

Respectfully submitted,

COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

May 15, 1957

Conference Secretary
Peninsula Annual Conference
of the Methodist Church

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions we have made an examination of the Treasurer's records of

MINISTERIAL CONTINGENT RELIEF FUND

OF

THE PENINSULA CONFERENCE

OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

for the twelve months ended April 30, 1957 and found them to be correct as summarized below:

Balance, April 30, 1956	\$1,677.54
Receipts	1,552.08

	<u>3,229.62</u>
Disbursements	2,735.00

Balance, April 30, 1957 494.62

Respectfully submitted,

COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

May 17, 1957

Conference Secretary
Peninsula Annual Conference
of the Methodist Church

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions we have made an examination of the Treasurer's records of

TOWN AND COUNTRY COMMISSION

OF

THE PENINSULA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

for the twelve months ended May 16, 1957 and found them to be correct as summarized below:

Balance May 15, 1956	\$ 50.20
Receipts	500.00
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	550.20
Disbursements	58.23
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Balance May 16, 1957	\$491.97

Respectfully submitted,

COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

Rev. Richard M. Green
117 E. Market Street,
Newport, Delaware

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to instructions we have made an audit of your records as Treasurer of the following funds:

**CONFERENCE TRUSTEES GENERAL FUND
BARRATT'S CHAPEL FUND
WASHINGTON FOSTER ESTATE**

for twelve months ended April 30, 1957 and present herewith the following statements:

- Exhibit "A" Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement—
Conference Trustees General Fund
- Exhibit "B" Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement—
Barratt's Chapel Fund
- Exhibit "C" Cash Receipts and Disbursements Statement—
Washington Foster Estate
- Schedule No. 1 Mortgages Owned
- Schedule No. 2 Securities Owned

Respectfully submitted,

COE, LUKENS & O'DONNELL

Dated at Wilmington, Delaware
May 8, 1957

EXHIBIT "A"

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATEMENT

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES GENERAL FUND

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

Balance, April 30, 1956:	
Checking Account	\$ 7,570.64
Savings Account	1,032.64
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	\$ 8,603.28

Receipts:

Interest from Savings Account		30.98
Income from Investments:		
Mortgage Interest (Net)	\$ 3,926.07	
Dividends	255.00	4,181.07
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Mortgage Amortization		19,509.50
Melson & O'Hora—Overpayment of June transmittal		33.48
Received for Investment—		
Robert Hodgson	2,500.00	
Cannon—Lofland Estate	500.00	
Janes Methodist Church, Rising Sun, Md.	2,000.00	5,000.00
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Sale of American Corner Church		550.00
Sale of Jones Church, Dover District ..		100.00
Sale of Boulden Church		10.00
Refund, Salisbury and Wilmington Parsonages Insurance		167.24
Refund, Conference Treasurer Insur- ance		164.19
Washington Foster Estate Service Charge		54.94
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		29,801.40
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		38,404.68

Disbursements:

Interest on Trust Funds		1,221.32
Spedden Methodist Church—Return of Trust Fund		1,500.00
Ingleside Methodist Church—Return of Trust Fund		3,000.00
Treasurer's Salary		150.00
Secretary's Salary		100.00
Secretarial Help		100.00
Annual Meeting		50.15
Travel and Telephone Expense		91.99
Insurance		315.99
Securities Purchased—		
10 shares General Motors	404.54	
60 shares American Telephone & Telegraph	10,614.67	
100 shares Socony Mobil Oil Company	4,900.00	15,919.21
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Mortgage Investment—Melvin Snelling		2,227.27
R. Lee Murphy, Treasurer—Proceeds from sale of American Corner Church		495.00
Stanton Methodist Church—Educational Grant ..		1,000.00
Kingswood-of-Brookside Methodist Church—Edu- cational Grant		1,000.00

Melson & O'Hora—Return of Overpayment	33.48	27,304.41
Balance, April 30, 1957:		
Checking Account	10,136.65	
Savings Account	1,063.62	11,200.27

EXHIBIT "B"

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATEMENT

BARRATT'S CHAPEL FUND

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

Balance, April 30, 1956		\$ 1,131.76
Receipts:		
Income from Investments	50.64	
Interest from Savings Account	33.92	84.56
Balance, April 30, 1957		1,216.32

EXHIBIT "C"

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATEMENT

WASHINGTON FOSTER ESTATE

For Twelve Months Ended April 30, 1957

Balance, April 30, 1956:		
Checking Account	\$ 2,249.15	
Savings Account	621.93	\$ 2,871.08
Receipts:		
Interest from Savings Account	17.20	
Interest from Investments (net)	669.54	
Mortgage Amortization	3,299.24	3,985.98
Disbursements:		
Register of Wills, Cecil County, Maryland	1.00	
Insurance—Wesley Chapel	5.40	
Treasurers Bond	13.33	
Salary—Elk's Neck Pastor	600.00	
Wesley Chapel—Interest on Cemetery Fund Investment	9.00	
Investment—100 shares General Motors Corp.	4,022.44	
General Fund Service Charge	54.94	4,706.11
Balance, April 30, 1957:		
Checking Account	1,511.82	
Savings Account	639.13	2,150.95

SCHEDULE NO. 2

SECURITIES OWNED

April 30, 1957

	Cost	Market Value	Income
General Fund:			
48 shs Atlas Powder Co.—Common	—	\$ 3,390.00	\$120.00
60 shs American Telephone & Telegraph	\$10,614.67	10,657.50	135.00
10 shs General Motors	404.54	423.75	—
100 shs Socony Mobil Oil Co.	4,900.00	—	—
	15,919.21	14,471.25	255.00
Barratt's Chapel Fund:			
15 shs E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co. \$4.50 Pfd.	1,288.02	1,560.00	50.64
Washington Foster Estate:			
100 shs General Motors	4,022.44	4,237.50	—

MARCH 31, 1957

MORTGAGES OWNED

SCHEDULE NO. 1

General Fund and Poole Estate:

Name	Address	Date of Mortgage	Balance Mar. 31, 1957	Interest Paid To
Archer F. Emerson & Susanne Agnes	4 Laurel Ave., Gwinhurst, Wilmington, Del.	9/7/48	2,629.78	3/1/57
Cole, Oliver, Jr. & Mable L.	719 E. Sixth Street, Wilmington, Del.	6/11/52	2,640.96	3/1/57
Dorsey, James W. & Margaret D.	405 Sherman Street, Wilmington, Del.	3/11/52	1,902.59	2/1/57
Edwards, Claudia V.	425 S. Heald Street, Wilmington, Del.	7/30/54	5,000.00	2/1/57
Epler, Earl A., Jr. & Bertha F.	Altoona Avenue, Minquadale, New Castle, Del.	9/13/51	1,518.19	3/1/57
France, Robert G. & Louise F.	110 Smyrna Ave., Gwinhurst, Wilmington, Del.	10/22/51	5,710.36	3/1/57
Henson, James & Henrietta	1006 Poplar Street, Wilmington, Del.	6/13/50	2,141.90	3/1/57
Johnson, George B., Jr. & B. Lavenia	418 Queen Street, Wilmington, Del.	6/3/52	2,617.39	3/1/57
Kappuf, Charles, Jr. & Lillian M.	Fairwinds, Bear, Del.	6/19/50	295.44	3/1/57
Lemon, Clarence M. & Lillian A.	Christiana Acres, New Castle, Del.	6/9/54	7,360.29	3/1/57
Moody, Abram H. & Loreta A.	7th & Spruce Streets, Wilmington, Del.	9/18/47	1,257.44	4/1/57
Mt. Enon Baptist Church	1029 Lombard Street, Wilmington, Del.	12/13/46	3,723.38	3/1/57
Phillips, James & Mary V.	Hamilton Park, New Castle, Del.	6/4/52	3,479.06	3/1/57
Ross, Samuel J. & Mary V.	Liberty Grove, Md.	6/30/52	3,470.14	2/1/57
Shelling, G. Melvin & Frances C.	703 Bennett Street, Wilmington, Del.	4/27/57	2,227.27	2/1/57
Sturgis, Gouidy S. & Josephine R.	Marshallton Heights, Wilmington, Del.	2/6/53	140.00	3/1/57
Tamone, Victor J. & Mildred V.	816-18-20 Poplar Street, Wilmington, Del.	6/26/53	5,011.15	2/1/57
Thornton, Isaac	308 Poplar Street, Wilmington, Del.	4/3/50	4,858.10	2/1/57
Wildner, Addison D. & Bertha T.	308 Poplar Street, Wilmington, Del.	10/15/51	3,750.05	2/1/57
			59,740.69	

Washington Foster Estate:

Allender, Garrett A. & Clara E.	Elkton, Md.	5/7/36	3,700.00	11/7/56
Creswell, Grover M. D. & Stella R.	5 Huston Ave., Minquadale, New Castle, Del.	10/23/51	2,787.10	2/1/57
Runions, Allen P.	Duross Heights, New Castle, Del.	2/28/52	1,811.67	4/1/57
			8,278.77	

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION
RETIRED MINISTERS
Annuity Rate \$52.00

Year 1957-58

Peninsula Conference

NAME	Total App'vd Years	Penin.		Other		Total Annuity	Relief	Supply Annuity \$1630, \$16
		Years	Annuity	Years	Annuity			
Adams, J. P.	22	7	364	15	851	1215		
Atkins, Charles H.	35 1/4	35 1/4	1833			1833		273
Balley, Harry N.	22 1/4	22 1/4	1157			1157		39
Baker, Frank A.	31 1/4	31 1/4	1625			1625		156
Barlow, W. G.	19	19	988			988	250	
Bicking, John R.	45 1/4	45 1/4	2353			2353		
Bond, Edward J.	42 1/4	9 1/4	481	33	1728	2209		
Branford, Harry V.	29	29	1508			1508		78
Briggs, William H.	20	20	1040			1040	200	
Brinton, Thomas B.	10 1/2	8 1/2	442	2	84	526		
Collis, Ralph H.	43 1/2	4 1/2	234	39	1859	2093		
Crockett, Ewell	12 1/4	12 1/4	637			637	812	98
Davis, Charles E.	41	36	1872	5	262	2134		
Diehl, John R.	29 1/4	29 1/4	1521			1521		117
Dobson, C. H.	16	5	260	11	618	878	362	39
Elderdice, Charles M.	50 1/4	41 1/4	2145	9	522	2667		49
Ennis, William J.	14 1/4	14 1/4	741			741		
Flory, C. I.	40 3/4	2 3/4	143	38	1935	2078		
Frye, Alpha B.	40 1/2	37 1/4	1937	3 1/4	156	2093		
Geohegan, Joseph H.	43	43	2236			2236		39
George, John P.	32 1/4	25 1/4	1313	7	371	1684		156
Godwin, William F.	10	9	468	1	39	507		
Graham, Edward C.	32	19	988	13	704	1692		156
Grant, W. Stanley	34	28 1/2	1482	5 1/2	292	1774		273
Gunby, Walter E.	41 1/4	41 1/4	2145			2145		
Hamblin, Sylvanus T.	36	36	1872			1872		39
Hanby, Jacob C.	22	22	1144			1144		312
Hastings, Robert W.	15	15	780			780	750	
Holdway, Henry G.	28 1/4	10 1/4	533	18	770	1303		
Hungerford, Marion E.	36 1/4	27 1/4	1417	9	482	1899		39
Jackson, Leolan	43 1/2	34 1/2	1794	9	423	2217		
James, Oden E.	16	16	832			832	208	
Jones, Clarence N.	42 1/4	42 1/4	2197			2197		39
Jones, John W.	45 1/4	45 1/4	2353			2353		78
Jones, Omar E.	50 1/4	50 1/4	2613			2613		
Jones, Ralph C.	42	42	2184			2184		39
Jones, Roy L.	32 1/2	14 1/2	754	18	954	1708		
Jones, Thomas C.	44 1/4	19	988	25 1/4	1427	2415		
Landon, J. P.	31	9	468	22	885	1353		351
McClain, Dayton E.	21 1/4	5 1/2	286	15 1/4	473	759		
McDade, Howard R.	39 1/4	26 1/4	1365	13	702	2067		
McFarland, Andrew T.	37 1/2	18 3/4	975	18 3/4	612	1587		
*McKee, W. J.	13 1/4	13 1/4	689			689		
Mills, Rufus W.	19 3/4	19 3/4	1027			1027		361
Moore, David J.	37 1/4	37 1/4	1937			1937		78
Morgan, Lewis B.	36 1/4	36 1/4	1885			1885		
Parker, John E.	29 1/4	29 1/4	1521			1521		312
Pettus, Joseph B.	34 1/2	19 1/2	1014	15	795	1809		

NAME	Penin.			Other		Total Annuity	Relief	Supply Annuity \$1630, \$16
	Total App'vd Years	Years	Annuity	Years	Annuity			
Price, J. T.	28	28	1456			1456		78
Reed, Otis B.	38 1/4	38 1/4	1989			1989		156
Reiter, Charles L.	18 1/2	8 1/2	442	10	491	933		
Revelle, William H.	42 1/4	42 1/4	2197			2197		39
Ross, Gilbert S.	38 1/4	32 1/4	1677	6	348	2025		
Sard, Thomas J.	37 1/4	37 1/4	1937			1937		78
Schauer, Peter M. R.	36 1/4	26 1/4	1365	10	580	1945		78
Shockley, Earl M.	28	28	1456			1456		78
Short, Wingate D.	22 1/4	22 1/4	1157			1157		254
Smith, Tilghman	41 1/4	41 1/4	2145			2145		39
Sparklin, John L.	36 1/4	36 1/4	1885			1885		20
Spry, Charles W.	37 1/4	37 1/4	1937			1937		68
Strausburg, Charles R.	46	28	1456	18	1024	2480		68
Strickland, Clarence W.	43	43	2236			2236		
Thawley, Roy T.	41 1/4	41 1/4	2145			2145		20
Thomas, Essell P.	42 1/4	42 1/4	2197			2197		
Turner, Gilbert E.	32	24	1248	8	464	1712		
Wheatley, Melvin E.	46 1/4	46 1/4	2405			2405		78
Whedbee, John H.	33 1/4	33 1/4	1729			1729		59
White, Leonard	35 1/4	35 1/4	1833			1833		78
Wimbrow, Lawrence E.	34 1/4	29 3/4	1547	4 1/2	248	1795		
Wood, George E.	43	43	2236			2236		
Wootten, John W.	38 1/4	38 1/4	1989			1989		78
Wright, J. Harry	29 1/4	29 1/4	1521			1521		
	2378	1975 1/2	102726	402 1/2	20099	122825	2582	4390

* Additional Pension paid from M R P F.
Bradley, Sidney B.—Relinquished.
Loss, Robert F.—Relinquished.

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION

WIDOWS

Annuity Rate \$39.00

Year 1957-58

Peninsula Conference

NOTE: "Widow's Approved Years" are the Approved Years with husband and are multiplied by seventy per cent of the rate for Retired Ministers.

NAME	Penin.			Other		Total Annuity	Relief	Supply Annuity \$1630, \$16
	Widow's Years App'vd	Years	Annuity	Years	Annuity			
Adams, Ziba	31 1/2	22 1/2	878	9	348	1226		
Alderson, George T.	37 1/4	37 1/4	1453			1453		
Allen, George S.	15	15	585			585		293
Andrews, Milton S.	19 3/4	19 3/4	770			770		
Bennett, William O.	30 3/4	30 3/4	1199			1199		
Blake, Dorsey	32	22	858	10	402	1260		
Blundon, A. E.	31 1/2	3 1/2	137	28	627	764		
Broadway, Luther M.	16	16	624			624	180	

NAME	Penin.			Other		Total Annuity	Relief	Supply Annuity \$1630, \$16
	Widow's App'vd Years	Years	Annuity	Years	Annuity			
Budd, Henry G.	26 1/2	26 1/2	1034			1034		
Bunting, John J., Sr.	35 3/4	35 3/4	1394			1394		
Butler, C. P.	16 3/4	16 3/4	653			653		
Cain, F. S.	33	18	702	15	605	1307		
Carpenter, Frank F.	32 3/4	32 3/4	1277			1277		
Clark, J. A.	22 1/4	22 1/4	868			868		
Colona, J. W.	37 1/2	37 1/2	1463			1463		
Compton, Wm. P.	6 1/4	6 1/4	244			244	120	
Cullum, C. M.	43	30	1170	13	517	1687		
Cummings, Wade H.	13	13	507			507		
Davis, Wilson	10 3/4	4 1/2	176	6 1/4	236	412	100	
Dawson, George W.	15 1/2	15 1/2	605			605		
Dawson, Wm. F.	13	13	507			507	235	
Dearholt, Moreland E.	25	11	429	14	523	952		
Ennis, Charles E.	13 1/4	13 1/4	517			517		
Faulkner, Frank N.	22	22	858			858		
Ford, Daniel J.	28 1/2	28 1/2	1112			1112		
Goodhand, Arthur W.	29	29	1131			1131		
*Gould, Robin	33 1/2	3	117	30 1/2	836	953		
Grey, Arthur L.	6 3/4	6 3/4	263			263	132	
Habbart, William E.	38	38	1482			1482		
Harris, Charles C.	34 3/4	34 3/4	1355			1355		
Harris, William G.	30 1/2	30 1/2	1190			1190		
Hastings, Goldsboro W.	27	27	1053			1053		
Herson, Frank	32 1/4	30 1/4	1180	2	76	1256		
Hines, George	34	24	936	10	392	1328		
Hodge, G. R.	28	11	429	17	676	1105		
Holland, Francis R.	10	5	195	5	186	381		
Holland, F. A.	40	26	1014	14	541	1555		
Hopkins, J. C. B.	34 3/4	26 1/4	1024	8 1/2	214	1238		
Hufnal, Harvey O.	24 3/4	24 3/4	965			965		
Jacobs, D. W.	30 3/4	30 1/4	1180			1180		
Jones, C. Turner	26 1/2	25 1/2	995	1	32	1027		
Jones, George P.	34 3/4	34 3/4	1355			1355		
Kelso, Hugh B.	47	47	1833			1833		
Kelso, John M.	41 1/4	41 1/4	1609			1609		
Kniceley, Asa E.	19 3/4	12 3/4	497	7	172	669		
Lewis, Raymond H.	9	9	351			351		
Louhoff, F. C.	27	27	1053			1053	205	
McCabe, Joshua B.	8	8	312			312		
McCorkle, F. K.	27	25	975	2	74	1049		
McCoy, Jesse C.	37 1/4	37 1/4	1453			1453		
McDowell, Emory W.	31 3/4	31 3/4	1238			1238		
Mark, J. H.	3	3	117			117	148	
Morris, G. A.	11	10	390	1	37	427		
Mumford, William C.	31 3/4	18 3/4	731	13	486	1217		
Nichols, J. L.	21	14	546	7	284	830		
Powell, Lucian L.	23 1/2	23 1/2	917			917		
Prettyman, John W.	28 3/4	28 3/4	1121			1121		22
Richardson, James T.	36	30	1170	6	126	1296		
Roberts, Winfred P.	43 1/2	29	1131	14 1/2	584	1715		
Rood, John A.	29 1/4	22 1/4	868	7	281	1149		
Rowlenson, John T.	33	33	1287			1287		
Sherwood, W. N.	12	10	390	2	74	464	57	

NAME	Penin.			Other			Total Annuity	Relief	Supply Annuity \$1630, \$ 16
	Widow's App'vd Years	Years	Annuity	Years	Annuity	Total Annuity			
*Short, Francis B.	28¾	14¾	575	13½	400	975			
Smith, J. S.	1	1	39			39			
Smith, W. C.	4	2	78	2	78	156			
Sutton, John W.	27	27	1053			1053			
Van Blunk, Joseph M.	14¾	14¾	575			575			
Walter, A. J.	15	12	468	3	111	579			
Woodell, W. R.	26½	12¼	478	14¼	485	963			
Woodford, T. R.	35¾	20	780	15¾	639	1419			
Yingling, J. M.	4	4	156			156	180		
Zimmerman, August F.	22¾	22¾	887			887			
	1803	1511¾	58962	291¼	10042	69004	1255	652	

* Additional pension paid from M R P F.
Holt, Thomas S.—Relinquished.

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION

CHILDREN

Annuity Rate \$13.00

Year 1957-58

Peninsula Conference

NOTE: "Father's Approved Years" are the total number of Father's Approved Years and are multiplied by one-fourth of the rate for Retired Ministers.

Name of Mother or Guardian Name of Child	Age	Father's Approved Years	Peninsula Years	Peninsula Annuity	Total Annuity	Annuity Supply
Ennis, Mrs. Charles E. Anna Carolyn	18	13¾	13¾	172	172	
Ennis, Mrs. Charles E. John Albert		13¾	13¾	172	172	
Ennis, Mrs. Charles E. Sarah Della		13¾	13¾	172	172	
Powell, Mrs. Lucian L. Carolyn Reva	18	23½	23½	306	306	10
Powell, Mrs. Lucian L. Ruth Ann	10	23½	23½	306	306	10
		86¾	86¾	1128	1128	20

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION

SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

Annuity Rates: Retired \$39.00; Widows \$29.25; Children \$9.75

Year 1957-58

Peninsula Conference

Name	Years	Annuity	Relief
MINISTERS			
Graham, John T.	37	1443	
Hudson, A. T. P.	23	897	337
Kirby, Robert L.	30	1170	75
Johnson, Wm. H.			
Justice, E. Carrole			
Knotts, L. L.			
Turkington, Albert A.			

WIDOWS

Barrett, Mrs. Emma C.	16	468	
Campbell, Mrs. David T.	12	351	
Cannon, Mrs. Bertha B.	14	410	
Conner, Mrs. Robert G.	20	585	178
Horner, Mrs. Ella	18	527	
Kelley, Mrs. Annie E.	24	702	
McClintock, Mrs. Mary E.	23	673	
Prettyman, Mrs. Elizabeth	20	585	
Romans, Mrs. M. T.	12	351	
Smith, Mrs. Rona May	10	293	
Thomas, Mrs. A. G.	6¾	197	122
Travers, Mrs. Alonzo	22	644	
Wilson, Mrs. R. H.	30	878	
Wood, Jessie	14	410	
Wright, Mrs. Minnie G.			

(g) CIRCUIT REPORTS

Dover District

Church	Full Members	S. S. En- rollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevo- lences	Wesley Jr. College
Bethel	80	125	1,300.00	274.00	38.00
Mt. Zion	100	131	1,300.00	343.00	48.00
Portsville	29	40	400.00	95.00	14.00
Blades	211	263	1,250.00	449.00	103.00
Asbury	72	127	625.00	225.00	37.00
Epworth	73	88	625.00	225.00	36.00
Cannon	157	163	1,248.00	391.00	72.00
Cokesbury	46	84	676.00	149.00	21.00
Trinity	83	66	676.00	205.00	43.00

PENINSULA CONFERENCE

MAY

Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevo- lences	Wesley Jr. College
Cheswold	157	96	2,700.00	550.00	72.00
Downes Chapel	49	52	600.00	183.00	28.00
Dagsboro					
Bethel	214	320	2,800.00	813.00	105.00
Christ	101	101	500.00	260.00	51.00
Ellendale	118	204	2,400.00	200.00	—
Chaplins	62	65	650.00	100.00	—
McColley	48	65	550.00	100.00	—
Farmington					
Bethel	30	51	625.00	136.16	21.62
Epworth	43	94	625.00	136.16	21.62
Salem	30	98	625.00	136.16	21.62
Todd's	65	58	625.00	136.16	21.62
Felton	223	311	3,400.00	507.00	107.00
Manships	22	32	—	169.00	36.00
Viola	70	89	—	169.00	36.00
Frederica					
Trinity	236	222	2,750.00	712.00	127.00
Sardis	59	62	450.00	186.00	33.00
Georgetown					
Bethesda	72	97	750.00	249.50	41.25
Providence	77	78	750.00	249.50	41.25
St. John's	113	135	750.00	249.50	41.25
Zoar	67	124	750.00	249.50	41.25
Greenwood	167	254	1,700.00	543.00	90.00
Grace	58	102	1,300.00	361.00	59.00
St. Johnstown	44	78	500.00	181.00	29.00
Gumboro	103	137	1,500.00	387.00	47.00
Bethel	32	86	750.00	193.00	25.00
Westwoods	78	96	850.00	194.00	25.00
Harbeson	118	119	1,600.00	925.00	61.00
Sand Hill	28	42	500.00	200.00	—
Hartley	69	160	800.00	116.00	23.00
Friendship	63	24	800.00	116.00	22.00
Laurel					
Horsey's Grove	33	38	650.00	146.00	13.00
Shiloh	56	62	725.00	190.00	35.00
St. Paul's	68	123	850.00	240.00	45.00
Trinity	116	153	775.00	213.00	40.00
Lincoln	117	286	1,500.00	354.00	60.00
Cedar Neck	25	—	500.00	118.00	20.00

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Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevo- lences	Wesley Jr. College
Slaughter Neck	53	174	1,000.00	235.00	41.00
Little Creek	76	40	500.00	96.00	16.00
Leipsic	42	78	500.00	96.00	16.00
Millsboro					
Grace	518	500	3,600.00	1,576.00	288.00
Carey's	113	165	900.00	394.00	72.00
Mt. Pleasant	132	213	1,000.00	386.00	60.00
King's	90	147	1,000.00	386.00	60.00
St. George's	150	275	1,000.00	386.00	60.00
Nassau					
Conley's	140	162	1,500.00	456.00	68.00
White's	110	138	1,200.00	365.00	54.00
Zion	37	47	300.00	91.00	14.00
Roxana	159	253	1,500.00	1,060.00	69.00
Sound	146	211	1,500.00	1,060.00	67.00
Hickory Hill	104	137	900.00	353.00	42.00
Seaford					
Bethel	72	92	1,000.00	948.00	144.00
Concord	106	185	1,000.00	—	—
Wesley	122	160	1,000.00	—	—
Townsend					
Immanuel	207	301	2,400.00	722.00	98.00
Scott	39	43	600.00	180.00	25.00
Whitesville					
Bethany	39	56	750.00	204.60	27.90
Bethesda	21	21	500.00	136.40	18.60
Line	132	135	1,250.00	341.00	46.50
Wyoming	294	268	3,200.00	872.00	134.00
Woodside	24	47	400.00	50.00	11.00
Union	28	—	400.00	50.00	11.00
Easton District					
Bayside					
Claiborne	30	29	550.00	106.00	6.00
Sherwood	67	46	1,200.00	213.00	7.00
Wittman	70	72	550.00	75.00	—
Beckwith	91	99	1,064.00	314.00	43.00
Spedden	145	158	1,736.00	512.00	71.00
Bozman	68	83	850.00	247.52	31.00
Neavitt	144	112	950.00	317.48	—

Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevolences	Wesley Jr. College
Burrsville					
Hickman	14	49	350.00	70.00	9.00
Prospect	33	49	450.00	88.00	10.00
Union	62	91	650.00	125.00	17.00
Wesley	25	56	650.00	125.00	17.00
Church Creek					
Bethlehem	33	18	350.00	102.00	16.00
Chaplain Memorial	19	45	350.00	84.00	10.00
Gethsemane	21	16	350.00	125.00	11.00
Joppa	57	38	350.00	66.00	27.00
Milton	87	66	350.00	187.00	44.00
Whitehaven	77	94	1,400.00	210.00	39.00
Church Hill	242	171	2,500.00	691.00	108.00
Price	97	92	1,000.00	252.00	40.00
Union	30	27	800.00	132.00	—
Concord	135	108	1,430.00	389.00	63.50
Chestnut Grove	62	57	675.00	194.50	31.75
Bloomery	53	73	595.00	194.50	31.75
Crapo					
Bounds	13	54	500.00	83.00	7.00
Ebenezer	50	67	600.00	158.00	22.00
St. John's	20	58	500.00	83.00	7.00
Streets	25	—	360.00	52.00	11.00
Wesley	18	24	560.00	94.00	12.00
Denton					
Grace	262	132	2,708.00	761.00	121.00
Ames	32	68	542.00	152.00	24.00
East New Market					
Brookview	46	75	725.00	175.00	24.00
Eldorado	52	75	725.00	175.00	24.00
Trinity	158	202	1,800.00	350.00	81.00
Wesley	26	35	—	—	—
Friendship	109	75	500.00	230.00	—
Antioch	84	54	500.00	230.00	—
Chateau	52	49	500.00	150.00	—
Harmony	107	211	2,600.00	503.00	52.00
Grove	48	65	500.00	194.00	20.00
Hillsboro	242	181	3,100.00	1,038.00	119.00
Matthews	11	14	400.00	82.00	6.00
Hooper's Island					
Hoosier	134	157	1,800.00	291.00	30.00
Hoopers	28	93	900.00	—	—

Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevolences	Wesley Jr. College
Ingleside	87	135	1,400.00	330.00	43.00
Barclay	63	55	870.00	202.00	26.00
Busic	14	25	330.00	79.00	11.00
Kent Island					
Dominion	68	89	500.00	189.00	35.00
Kingsley	81	103	1,000.00	348.00	44.00
Trinity Downs	188	135	2,000.00	714.00	89.00
Marydel	87	90	1,300.00	312.00	48.00
Henderson	31	28	600.00	124.00	16.00
Templeville	58	55	700.00	230.00	29.00
Preston					
Bethesda	196	141	3,900.00	750.00	120.00
Bethlehem	26	38	—	—	—
Choptank	22	56	—	—	—
Queenstown					
Calvary	96	100	1,350.00	356.00	48.00
Immanuel	123	223	1,350.00	356.00	48.00
Wye	71	55	1,350.00	355.00	49.00
Rock Hall	209	279	3,000.00	1,966.00	91.00
Grace	35	80	600.00	378.00	—
St. James	230	109	1,950.00	670.00	108.00
Lynch	44	32	390.00	120.00	20.00
Worton	74	40	660.00	210.00	34.00
St. Thomas	42	60	1,134.00	196.00	30.00
Bethany	42	85	566.00	98.00	15.00
Wingate	52	85	566.00	98.00	15.00
Zion	48	146	1,134.00	187.00	30.00
Secretary	122	138	1,500.00	225.00	59.00
Bucktown	42	41	414.00	58.00	—
Salem	44	70	400.00	75.00	13.00
Still Pond	88	95	1,320.00	285.00	40.00
Betterton	110	103	1,980.00	428.00	60.00
Sudlersville					
Calvary-Asbury	243	247	3,600.00	833.00	119.00
Double Creek	48	76	900.00	200.00	22.00
Tilghman	264	210	2,650.00	890.00	134.00
St. John's	40	44	350.00	110.00	17.00
Trappe	200	141	2,560.00	643.00	102.00
Faith Chapel	32	42	140.00	61.00	—

Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevolences	Wesley Jr. College
Vienna	243	209	2,600.00	714.00	55.00
Elliott	50	82	700.00	205.00	21.00
Reid's Grove	58	63	700.00	175.00	15.00
Wesley Chapel	207	267	3,000.00	1,911.00	100.00
Raum Chapel	92	139	—	—	46.00
Wye	61	51	1,265.00	216.00	—
Cordova	59	59	621.00	35.00	—
Starr	20	21	414.00	98.00	14.00
Salisbury District					
Bishopville					
Showell	174	174	900.00	225.00	64.00
Wilson	118	184	900.00	300.00	64.00
Zion	96	135	900.00	287.00	63.00
Crisfield					
Mariners	141	128	1,792.00	396.00	32.00
St. Peters	51	37	1,008.00	224.00	26.00
Deal Island					
St. Johns	89	152	1,800.00	475.00	10.00
St. Pauls	105	110	1,200.00	317.00	36.00
Fairmount					
Christ	145	152	1,800.00	453.00	68.00
Mt. Olive	55	46	500.00	132.00	26.00
Rehoboth	55	48	500.00	125.00	27.00
Galestown					
Cokesbury	40	70	733.00	153.00	20.00
Woodland	70	69	733.00	153.00	30.00
Woodland	75	75	733.00	153.00	34.00
Hebron					
Nelson	68	64	1,000.00	477.00	32.00
Nelson	140	140	2,000.00	1,087.00	65.00
Mardela					
Emmanuel	93	140	1,885.00	519.00	48.00
Snethen	98	131	710.00	171.00	48.00
Mt. Pleasant	58	40	405.00	106.00	—
Mt. Hermon					
Friendship	169	116	1,700.00	1,000.00	84.00
St. Luke	30	40	450.00	200.00	22.00
St. Luke	39	30	450.00	300.00	27.00
Mt. Vernon					
Asbury	118	186	1,500.00	362.00	46.00
John Wesley	81	104	1,500.00	363.00	46.00

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Nanticoke	104	112	864.00	249.00	39.00
Bivalve	65	98	864.00	249.00	39.00
Oak Grove	31	—	459.00	132.00	20.00
Tyaskin	47	44	513.00	146.00	23.00
Newark, Md.					
Bowen	142	94	1,820.00	454.00	70.00
Cedartown	28	20	420.00	105.00	16.00
Ocean City					
Atlantic	250	199	3,500.00	905.00	125.00
Bethany	50	76	700.00	171.00	25.00
Oriole					
St. Peters	200	216	2,250.00	772.00	80.00
St. Stephens	41	30	750.00	—	—
Parsonsburg					
Jerusalem	166	188	1,600.00	453.00	86.00
Bethel	66	84	800.00	226.50	33.00
Zion	97	135	800.00	226.50	36.00
Pittsville					
Ayres	209	261	1,240.00	542.00	101.00
Melson	213	165	1,240.00	542.00	106.00
Wango	60	56	620.00	271.00	30.00
Pocomoke City					
Bethany	323	265	3,700.00	1,125.00	157.00
Quinton	33	27	400.00	161.00	17.00
Pocomoke-Salem					
Salem	436	332	4,500.00	1,407.00	213.00
Cokesbury	68	48	500.00	148.00	38.00
Powellville					
Friendship	52	50	375.00	136.00	7.00
Mt. Olive	82	50	375.00	136.00	28.00
Mt. Pleasant	67	69	375.00	136.00	28.00
Mt. Zion	48	—	625.00	227.00	46.00
St. John's	110	143	625.00	222.00	—
White's Chapel	96	98	584.00	114.00	17.00
Quantico					
Rockawalkin	49	108	625.00	180.00	26.00
Rockawalkin	142	177	1,450.00	440.00	68.00
Wetipquin	22	—	330.00	101.00	11.00
White Haven	41	28	495.00	151.00	22.00
St. Andrews					
Stengle	201	318	2,950.00	790.00	91.00
Stengle	38	156	700.00	161.00	19.00

Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevolences	Wesley Jr. College
Sharptown					
Asbury	200	268	3,000.00	747.00	100.00
Riverton	48	48	500.00	150.00	21.00
Sharptown					
Mt. Vernon	110	199	2,230.00	554.00	55.00
Mt. Hermon	57	62	600.00	188.00	29.00
Wheatley	33	58	170.00	92.00	17.00
Smith Island					
Ewell	276	303	1,710.00	722.00	124.00
Tylerton	123	170	1,235.00	521.00	76.00
Rhodes Point	92	75	855.00	360.00	62.00
Snow Hill					
Bates	305	195	2,667.00	849.00	56.00
Trinity	131	94	1,333.00	424.00	28.00
Somerset					
Rock Creek	59	60	1,000.00	160.00	20.00
Dames Quarter	30	45	1,000.00	40.00	—
St. Martins					
Campbelltown	32	—	300.00	103.00	15.00
Ebenezer	28	—	500.00	41.00	16.00
Friendship	44	—	600.00	141.00	20.00
St. Martin's	56	—	600.00	192.00	28.00
Taylorville	56	—	600.00	185.00	27.00
Stockton					
Girdletree	121	125	1,270.00	367.00	21.00
Portersville	42	27	395.00	118.00	18.00
Remson	94	85	840.00	265.00	15.00
Trinity					
Phoenix	75	55	1,320.00	258.00	40.00
Quindocqua	40	29	660.00	129.00	19.00
Trinity	73	50	1,320.00	258.00	40.00
Whaleysville					
New Hope	93	138	1,450.00	322.00	47.00
Rehoboth	78	79	1,116.00	259.00	39.00
Rehoboth	18	16	334.00	—	—
Willards					
Grace	206	213	1,700.00	544.00	98.00
Grace	142	112	1,600.00	512.00	50.00
Wilmington District					
Bay View	120	135	1,960.00	489.44	63.50
Bethel	51	55	640.00	154.56	26.50
Bethel-Chesapeake City					
Bethel	48	32	900.00	145.00	12.00
Trinity	261	177	2,100.00	579.00	84.00

Church	Full Members	S. S. Enrollment	Pastor's Salary	Benevolences	Wesley Jr. College
Cecilton					
Zion	154	346	1,971.00	550.00	—
St. Pauls	51	89	729.00	203.00	27.00
Cecil United Parish					
Calvert	75	117	889.00	288.00	30.00
Ebenezer	71	126	615.00	312.00	42.00
Leeds	52	51	889.00	268.00	28.00
Lewisville	119	183	1,059.00	434.00	57.00
Moore's Chapel	80	71	889.00	331.00	44.00
Union	61	73	923.00	303.00	31.00
Zion	100	140	1,161.00	364.00	43.00
Charlestown, Md.					
St. John's	83	99	852.00	171.00	21.00
Principio	54	70	852.00	171.00	21.00
Hart's	12	42	576.00	36.00	—
Wesley Chapel	7	—	120.00	—	—
Washington Foster Estate			600.00		
Cherry Hill					
Baldwin	139	135	2,000.00	701.00	40.00
Big Elk	127	98	1,000.00	444.00	51.00
Big Elk	35	—	200.00	93.00	10.00
Christiana					
Salem	146	162	1,800.00	569.00	74.00
Salem	82	66	900.00	284.00	37.00
Galena					
Town Point	144	136	2,200.00	172.00	72.00
Town Point	14	35	400.00	27.00	14.00
Perryville					
Asbury	258	274	2,600.00	818.00	139.00
Asbury	51	50	600.00	260.00	32.00
Port Deposit					
Tome	190	350	2,300.00	403.00	137.00
Mt. Pleasant	90	120	600.00	280.00	25.00
Red Lion					
Glasgow	163	184	1,942.00	529.00	70.00
Glasgow	37	90	558.00	100.00	24.00
Rising Sun, Md.					
Harmony	52	51	500.00	206.00	33.00
James	350	370	3,700.00	1,243.00	180.00
Warwick					
Mt. Olivet	101	115	1,480.00	684.00	53.00
Rehoboth	15	12	620.00	98.00	10.00

VII MEMOIRS

ARTHUR E. B. BLUNDON

One of the joys of the Christian Ministry is the fellowship of its brotherhood. It is in the warmth of that fellowship, and as "laborers together with God" that we knew Arthur Blundon. Ours is a mutual task, and together with others he shouldered well his portion, and often the portion which would have been another's. During the years that Brother Blundon served the Church, "he made full proof of his ministry." He was a tireless, energetic worker, never satisfied until he brought results to the Church. Fidelity to pastoral work enabled him to share, in an unusual way, the experiences of his people. The following poem, which Arthur wrote during his seminary days, expresses his outlook:

DO IT NOW

Act now—don't wait for chance or fate
To bring the prize;
Seize now the rope that's held by hope,
And realize.

Climb high; don't stop, there's room on top
Where eagles fly;
Above the mass, and doubting class,
Great honors lie.

Fight on; don't yield life's battlefield
To friend or foe;
Press to the front, receive the brunt,
And strike the blow.

Be brave and true in all you do;
Hold honor high,
Be sure you're right, then force the fight,
And win or die.

—A. E. B. Blundon

Such was the blessing given his people to endear them to God and His Church. Such was the devotion to his family. Little doubt it cost him the sunset years of life. No one ever dreamed the price would be paid so soon.

Arthur Edward Brainard Blundon was born on December 25, 1893 at Indian Islands, Fogo, Newfoundland, Canada, the son of the late William and Rebecca Blundon. He was licensed to preach by the Gloverstown Circuit of the Newfoundland Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada in 1916, and for three years he was an itinerant missionary preacher serving concurrently 14 churches in the southwest corner of Newfoundland. He attended Mount Allison University and was a graduate of Potomac University and the Gordon School of Theology. In 1924, he was admitted to the Northern New York Conference, and was ordained by Bishop Burt. The following year, he married the former Sadie LeValiant of Port-Aux-Basques,

Newfoundland. Arthur is survived by his wife and three children, Eileen (Mrs. Charles Burge), Brainard, and A. Jason Blundon.

In 1953, he was transferred to the Peninsula Conference, to serve at Hillsboro-Queen Anne, Maryland. He had been pastor at Whatcoat Church, Camden, Delaware, since last May.

Always planning for "Days ahead," Arthur Blundon entered Kent General Hospital in Dover after Thanksgiving, with high expectations of physical fitness for the pastorate in the Church and the Kingdom of God. Returning home ten days before Christmas, his expectations continued. God's higher plans were begun when death came as he peacefully slept; his 63rd birthday—early Christmas morning, December 25, 1956.

Arthur loved his last pastorate; its locale, its people. He called it, "The Vestibule of Heaven." It proved to be just that.

Services were conducted on December 28th at Whatcoat Church, with Dr. O. A. Bartley, and Rev. John E. Parker officiating. Burial was at Odd Fellows' Cemetery, Camden, Delaware. His new-found-land was the Church and Her people, the Kingdom of God, and his Christ, whom he loved more than life.

JOHN E. PARKER

HOWARD DAVIS

Howard Davis was born February 1, 1873, in Baltimore, Maryland. He was one of twelve children in a family where love of Christ and His Church were the foundations of the home.

On April 25, 1900, he married Nancy Jane Shoemaker, also of Baltimore. Their life together was marked by deep devotion to each other and to the ministry they shared in the Methodist Church. They had been married fifty-five years when Mrs. Davis died in 1955.

Howard Davis was a chaplain in the United States Army during World War I and ministered to the spiritual needs of American soldiers in France.

During the thirty-eight years of his ministry in the Wilmington and Peninsula Conferences, he served at Little Creek, Salem, Powellville, Marion, Mt. Vernon, Cape Charles, Bridgeville, Lewes, Trinity (Wilmington), Selbyville, Perryville, Milton. Following his retirement, he and Mrs. Davis made their home in Lewes. He maintained an active interest in the churches of the Conference and taught a Bible Class at Bethel Church, Lewes, for many years.

He enjoyed remarkably good health all his life, and his death came suddenly when he was struck by an automobile near his home on the evening of April 3, 1957. Funeral services were held in Bethel Methodist Church, Lewes, with the pastor, A. Edward Dougherty, in charge; and he was laid to rest beside his beloved wife in the Methodist Cemetery in Lewes.

He is survived by his daughter, Thelma Davis Teuscher (Mrs. John), Springfield, Illinois, and a granddaughter, Nancy Jane Teuscher, Chicago, Illinois.

Howard Davis was my friend, and I cherish the memory of many hours of happy fellowship with him.

A. E. DOUGHERTY

VINAL E. HILLS, SR.

This memorial of the Rev. Vinal E. Hills, Sr., is intended to give some of the salient points of his long and useful ministry in the Methodist Church. Brother Hills was born on a rocky Maine farm near the town of Northport, December 30, 1867. He graduated from East Maine Seminary, Boston University and Taylor University. At Boston University, three classmates, Edwin Holt Hughes, Francis J. McConnell and Edward Blake, later became outstanding bishops of the Methodist Church. It can be said that Brother Hills easily belonged intellectually in such a group of men.

In 1889 Brother Hills was married to Miss Georgia Jewet of Westport, Maine. Three children of that marriage are still living. Mrs. Florence V. Turner with whom he made his home after retirement, Vinal E. Hills, Jr., and Georgia Hills.

After serving in the ministry 11 years in his native state of Maine he transferred to the old Wilmington Conference now Peninsula Conference, where he labored acceptably in full connection for 36 years, until retirement. His appointments during this period were as follows: Lincoln, Gumboro, Mt. Vernon, Parsonsburg, Selbyville, Asbury (Crisfield), Pocomoke City, Denton, Wesley (Wilmington), Mt. Pleasant (Wilmington), Madeley, Cookman, Retired 1936.

On retirement Brother Hills became a member of Union Methodist Church, Wilmington and rarely missed a service except when preaching as supply at other points. During his active membership in the Conference he was assistant treasurer for 18 years and treasurer for 12 years. Also because of his qualifications he served as the examiner of student ministers in the subjects of homiletics and Bible.

On January 25, 1957 at the age of 90, "He was not, for God took him." The funeral services were conducted by his minister of Union Methodist Church, the Rev. George Pigueron and Wilmington District Superintendent, the Rev. John Link. His mortal body was laid to rest in Newark Union Cemetery, Wilmington.

"For us who knew you, dread of age is past;
You took life, tiptoe, to the very last;
It never lost for you its lovely look;
You kept your interest in its thrilling Book;
To you, death came, no conqueror, in the end—
You merely smiled to greet another friend."

W. H. BRIGGS

FREDERICK CHARLES LOUHOFF, JR.

Frederick Charles Louhoff, Jr. was born in Baltimore, Maryland on January 16, 1886. From the day he gave his life to our Lord he served his Master faithfully, for his was not a hermit's soul dwelling in a fellowless firmament above, but he was one who lived by the side of the road where the race of men traveled by. As he lived by the side of the road he entered into the lives of men, women, boys and girls, telling them the story of

His Lord and His Love. Today, for hundreds, when his name is mentioned, there is a prayer of thanksgiving for his life.

For twenty seven years, he served the Methodist Church faithfully, beginning his ministry at Stanton in 1928 and serving churches at Elk Neck, Rock Hall and Deal's Island in Maryland and Odessa, Ocean View, Millville, Nassau and Houston in Delaware. In 1955, he retired from the active ministry only to return to the work a few months later, becoming pastor of the church at Kenton, Delaware.

On November 29, 1917, he took for his wife, Miss Elma N. MacIntosh, who has always been a worthy and faithful help mate of her companion in the work of the Christian ministry.

On November 24, 1956, after five weeks of suffering, he entered the Church Triumphant. Funeral services were held in Wilmington, Delaware conducted by Dr. O. A. Bartley, Superintendent of the Dover District, assisted by the writer.

Above all else, Brother Louhoff was a pastor, ministering to the sick, destitute, troubled and lonely. He loved the young and they loved him. He believed the World of God and fearlessly preached the same. He was warm, friendly and generous. He was an evangelist, holding revival after revival seeking the lost souls and winning them for Christ.

The theme of his ministry is expressed in the words of this hymn which he used often:

"There is a spot to me more dear
Than native vale or mountain;
A spot for which affection's tear
Springs grateful from its fountain.
'Tis not where kindred souls abound,
Tho' that is almost Heaven,
But where I first my Saviour found,
And felt my sins forgiven.
That is the greatest place on earth to me.

"Hard was my toil to reach the shore,
Long tossed upon the ocean;
Above me was the thunder's roar,
Beneath, the waves' commotion.
Darkly the pall of night was thrown
Around me, faint with terror;
In that dark hour how did my groan
Ascend for years of error.

"Sinking and panting as for breath,
I knew not help was near me,
I cried, "Oh, save me Lord, from death,
Immortal Jesus, hear Me."
Then quick as thought I felt Him mine,
My Saviour stood before me,
I saw His brightness round me shine,
And shouted, 'Glory! Glory!'

"Oh, sacred hour! Oh, hallowed spot!
 Where love Divine first found me;
 Wherever falls my distant lot,
 My heart shall linger round thee.
 And when from earth I rise, to soar
 Up to my home in Heaven,
 Down will I cast my eyes once more,
 Where first I was forgiven."

WILLIAM O. HACKETT

EMMA JANE SCHAFER BAUSCHER

Emma Jane Schafer Bauscher was born January 14, 1883 in Baltimore, Maryland. She was one of ten children of Henry and Mary Schafer. Her father was one of the founders of the Violetville Methodist Church near Baltimore, and he was superintendent of its Church School for many years.

She was married on June 17, 1906, in Violetville, to the Reverend William Francis Bauscher. Three children were born of this union, two sons, William Elmer and Allen Simpson, and a daughter, now Mrs. Helen Catherine Bryan.

Her husband, the late Reverend William F. Bauscher, graduated from Westminster Theological Seminary in Westminster, Maryland, and united with the Methodist Protestant Church in 1912. He served faithfully thirty-one years in the active Ministry and was retired in the Peninsula Conference in 1943. On June 10, 1947, while residing in Baltimore, he was lifted from the shadows of earth into the Light of heavenly life.

Mrs. Bauscher, in her work as a minister's wife, played the organ and piano, sang in the choir, taught in the Church School, and on several occasions when her husband was ill, delivered the sermons.

She had her faith firmly founded in her Heavenly Father, whose hand she recognized as guiding her daily. She was a person of great fortitude, a help and inspiration to those around her.

After her husband's death in 1947, she made her home in Baltimore and attended Hiss Memorial Methodist Church where she was active in the W. C. T. U. and other organizations of the Church.

She passed on to join her faithful husband and be with her Heavenly Father January 11, 1957. Her body was laid to rest in Parkwood Cemetery. Her Pastor, the Reverend Clarence Fossett, conducted the funeral services.

Her children can rise up and call her blessed, for her Godly influence and example through the years as a mother and companion of her husband in the ministry made her life glorify her Maker. The world is a better place in which to live because she lived and labored as a servant of God. Her life was well spent for her Master.

CHARLES S. CLARKSON

FLOSSIE HEARNE GIVAN

Flossie Hearne Givan, daughter of Louder T. Hearne and Fannie H. Hearne, was born in Gumboro, Delaware on July 31, 1886. As a young woman she taught school in Sussex County, Delaware, and came to Salisbury in 1907. For some years she served as church secretary at Asbury Methodist Church in Salisbury and in 1936 she married the late Reverend Daniel J. Givan, member of the Peninsula Conference and was his faithful and devoted wife for seven years. She died on January 25, 1957. Funeral services were conducted by the Reverend J. Robert Mackey and she is buried in Parsons Cemetery in Salisbury, Maryland.

She was a loyal servant of the Church and is sadly missed by many friends who remember her quiet manner and service to God and His Church.

J. R. MACKEY

MAY TAYLOR HALLMAN

May Taylor Hallman was born September 10, 1885 at Magnolia, Delaware. She was the daughter of John Wesley Taylor and his wife, Emma Carter Taylor. Her education was secured from the public school in Magnolia.

On September 9, 1909, May Taylor was married to the Reverend E. C. Hallman. This happy couple first made their home at Millgrove, Indiana. From this marriage were born two children, Raymond W. and Harold T., both of whom have found success in the business world.

On April 13, 1957, after several years of failing health, May Taylor Hallman passed from this life into the life immortal. Funeral services were held in Epworth Methodist Church, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware on April 16, 1957. The writer of this memoir was the officiating minister. Interment was made in the Bethel Cemetery, Chesapeake City, Maryland.

During the period of her illness it was my privilege to visit with Mrs. Hallman many times. Her faith was a wonder to behold. No word of complaint, nor the question "why" ever came from her lips. To the end she was interested in the Church and would anxiously ask questions about its progress. Her love of God and her allegiance to His way of life preached many sermons to those who visited her during her illness. Many times visitors came to bring comfort and went away comforted themselves. Some came to bring hope and went away with their own hope renewed. Even while she was dying, she was teaching others how to live.

"Earth to earth, and dust to dust;"
 Calmly now the words we say;
 Left behind, we wait in trust,
 For the resurrection day.
 Father, in thy gracious keeping
 Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

IRA EUGENE DOYLE

EDNA MAY McCLAIN

Edna May McClain, daughter of James Polk Insley and Biddie Messick Insley, was born in Bivalve, Maryland, February 15, 1884. She was educated in the public school of Wicomico County, Maryland.

On March 27, 1901 she was married to Dr. Dayton E. McClain, now Vice-President of the American University, Washington, D. C. There were two children by this union: Dr. Preston L. McClain of Baltimore, Maryland and Mae McGregor of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. McClain was one of eight children, all of whom have been called to their eternal rest, but one, Walter G. Insley, of Delmar, Delaware. She was converted in childhood and dedicated her life to Christ and His church.

Edna May McClain loved the ministry. There were no detours on the many roads she walked with her husband across the years. Everywhere this faithful couple served the testimony of character, witnessed for the Gospel.

She loved preachers and their wives and maintained a lively interest in their appointments. No fire of jealousy was ever allowed to burn in her heart or damaging gossip find utterance on her lips. She rejoiced in the success of other people, sympathized with them in the hurts and sorrows and ever extended the helping hand of a sincere friend.

Edna May McClain loved her church. She and her husband served churches in the Maine Conference, Deal Island and Zion Church, Cambridge, Maryland.

Edna May McClain loved life. She had an abundance of native wisdom, a good sense of humor and a strong faith. Her interpretation of life was spiritual. She faced hard situations without complaint. She believed in the triumph of right over wrong. She asked little of life but gave much. Her religion was real; her growth in grace constant; and her influence widespread. Whatever the duties of her husband, they were hers also. She walked side by side with Dr. McClain. Never could he have found a better helpmate. In the 56 years of their married life, they were truly "one."

On April 22, 1957, in Emergency Hospital in Washington, D. C., the Angel said: "It is enough. Come now and rest," and the spirit moved out of this earthly tent into that House not made with hands eternal in the Heavens.

Funeral services were conducted in Washington, D. C. Graveside services were conducted in Parsons Cemetery, Salisbury, Maryland by the Rev. J. Robert Mackey, Pastor of Asbury Methodist Church, Salisbury, Maryland.

The following poem is expressive of the spirit and life of this servant of God:

There is a path of peace and rest for pilgrims here below;
The Saviour's footprints mark the way—the way I long to go.

It may not lead to wealth and fame, Nor worldly pleasures bring;
But it will lead someday into the City of the King.

The longing of my soul is not for kings of earth to meet;
But that I may, when life is o'er, sit down at Jesus' feet.

To see my Saviour face to face and like my Lord to be;
And learn his wisdom, love and grace through all eternity!

GUY H. McWILLIAMS

GRACE HOLMES POOLE

Grace Holmes Poole was born in Easton, Maryland on September 25, 1884. Her parents, Daniel Thaddaeus Holmes, and his wife, Anna Melissa, were devout Christians and pillars of the Church.

Education for her life's profession was secured by Grace Holmes Poole, first in the public school at Easton, Maryland, and later at Johns Hopkins and Columbia Universities.

Forty two years of her life were devoted to teaching in the public schools at Easton, Maryland where she made a great imprint on the lives of her pupils.

On September 12, 1945, at the age of sixty one, Grace Holmes became the wife of the Reverend William C. Poole. The couple made their home in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. This union lasted only a few years for on December 24, 1949 Reverend Poole departed this life, for the life eternal.

Almost seven years later, June 21, 1956, the summons to come Home was answered by Mrs. Poole.

Funeral services were held on June 25, 1956, in the Frampton-Carroll Funeral Home, Easton, Maryland. The writer of this memoir officiated at the service assisted by the Reverend C. W. Strickland and the Reverend H. F. Chandler.

Internment was made in Spring Hill Cemetery, Easton, Maryland.

There are two words which characterize the life of Grace Holmes Poole. They are service and suffering. During her younger years she devoted her time to making good citizens through education. In the sunset years of her life she devoted her time to bringing sunshine into the life of her husband.

Although she suffered much, she complained little. She bore her affliction, not as a cross, but as a challenge. The last hours of her life were calm as she awaited the call, unafraid.

Now she knows the real truth of those beautiful words penned by her husband—

"Sunrise with Jesus for eternity."

IRA EUGENE DOYLE

VIII
ROLL OF HONORED DEAD
DECEASED MINISTERIAL MEMBERS

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

Entered Ministry	Name	Time Death	Place of Death	Age	Years Effective
1905	William R. Woodell	Jan. 19, 1944	Delmar, Del.	72	29
1914	Marion W. Marine	Feb. 18, 1944	Dover, Del.	59	30
1890	Virgil E. Rorer	June —, 1944	Jacksonville, Fla.	—	43
1896	Luther E. Poole	July 4, 1944	Snow Hill, Md.	74	38
1891	George P. Jones	Oct. 17, 1944	Mystic, Conn.	80	34
1895	Edward H. Collins	Aug. 13, 1944	Wilmington, Del.	75	39
1929	Clark S. Marshall	Dec. 31, 1944	Clayton, Del.	84	2
1892	Dorsey Blake	Mar. 20, 1945	Milford, Del.	80	52
1897	John W. Prettyman	May 14, 1945	Zion, Md.	80	39
1899	Thomas R. Woodford	June 21, 1945	Orlando, Florida	73	37
1914	Norman C. Benson	July 21, 1945	Philadelphia, Pa.	70	31
1905	Daniel J. Ford	Oct. 23, 1945	Camden, Del.	75	30
1904	Frank M. Clift	Nov. 25, 1945	Springfield, Pa.	75	33
1902	James W. Colona	Apr. 24, 1946	Wilmington, Del.	74	41
1905	John T. Bailey	Sept. 27, 1946	Milford, Del.	74	33
1904	Joseph A. Buckson	Feb. 9, 1947	Rehoboth Beach, Del.	82	28
1903	George S. Thomas	Jan. 23, 1947	Tampa, Florida	75	38
1910	Ziba Adams	Mar. 7, 1948	Port Republic, N. J.	75	32
1897	C. P. Butscher	July 11, 1947	Baltimore, Md.	64	30
1910	J. C. B. Hopkins	Jan. 29, 1948	Seaford, Del.	80	47
1914	Frank White	Dec. 27, 1947	Rising Sun, Md.	71	28
1897	William O. Bennett	Nov. 9, 1948	Felton, Del.	82	33
1903	Arthur W. Goodhand	Feb. 6, 1949	Wilmington, Del.	86	38
1910	Ernest C. Hallman	Sept. 22, 1948	Lewes, Del.	62	37
1909	Frank Herson	July 30, 1948	Milford, Del.	64	39
1897	Thomas S. Holt	Nov. 20, 1948	Federalburg, Md.	76	14
1911	Oren B. Rice	Aug. 31, 1948	Trappe, Md.	76	28
1921	Francis R. Holland	May 1, 1948	Salisbury, Md.	82	9
1903	William E. Habbart	Feb. 1, 1950	Wilmington, Del.	76	40
1893	George W. Hines	Mar. 28, 1950	Stewartstown, Pa.	80	51
1906	Benjamin M. Johns	Oct. 24, 1949	Unadilla, N. Y.	74	43
1898	Hugh B. Kelso	Mar. 11, 1950	Wilmington, Del.	74	47
1931	John H. Mark	Jan. 28, 1950	Bridgeton, N. J.	74	10
1900	William C. Poole	Dec. 24, 1949	Lewes, Del.	74	35
1912	Ivanhoe Willis	Sept. 21, 1949	Wilmington, Del.	76	27
1902	Oscar T. Baynard	May 11, 1950	Dover, Del.	76	38
1908	Arthur L. Grey	May 19, 1950	Easton, Md.	75	35
1904	John M. Kelso	May 19, 1950	Dover, Del.	72	41
1898	Frederick X. Moore	Sept. 4, 1950	Baltimore, Md.	76	23
1938	C. E. Ennis	June 16, 1952	Salisbury, Md.	39	13
1922	M. E. Dearholt	Dec. 24, 1951	Fayetteville, Pa.	58	25
1916	C. H. Harris	May 3, 1952	Easton, Md.	65	36
1902	W. E. Matthews	June 23, 1951	Smyrna, Del.	93	20
1914	F. K. McCorkle	Mar. 5, 1952	Blades, Del.	80	27
1918	J. T. Rowlenson	July 14, 1951	Dagsboro, Del.	67	33
1921	Milton S. Andrews	July 12, 1952	Wilmington, Del.	56	19
1896	Frank A. Holland	Mar. 6, 1953	Hurlock, Md.	82	40
1905	W. P. Roberts	Nov. 23, 1952	Mt. Airy, Md.	70	43
1899	George W. Dawson	Nov. 23, 1953	Middletown, Del.	80	40
1912	Charles M. Griffeth	Apr. 29, 1954	Baltimore, Md.	68	34
1917	Walter A. Hearn	Dec. 14, 1953	Wilmington, Del.	68	36
1927	Harvey O. Hufnal	May 2, 1954	Lewes, Del.	49	25
1913	Disston W. Jacobs	Nov. 4, 1953	Rehoboth Beach, Del.	67	30
1930	Lucian L. Powell	Oct. 2, 1953	Seaford, Del.	50	23
1884	William A. Wise	Dec. 2, 1953	Wilmington, Del.	91	46
1929	Asa E. Kniceley	Mar. 15, 1955	Salisbury, Md.	63	23
1895	George A. Morris	Aug. 2, 1954	Salisbury, Md.	84	37
1893	John P. Outten	June 25, 1954	Laurel, Del.	85	40
1904	Edwin B. Taylor	Springfield, S. C.			
1909	John J. Bunting, Sr.	May 19, 1955	Hurlock, Md.	69	46
1927	John A. Clark	May 17, 1955	Wilmington, Del.	72	22
1947	Wilson Davis	Oct. 10, 1955	Easton, Md.	45	8
1922	Charles H. Hudson	Aug. 22, 1955	Wilmington, Del.	72	27
1899	John L. Johnson	Jan. 20, 1956	Smyrna, Del.	81	45
1924	Arthur E. B. Blundon	Dec. 25, 1956	Camden, Del.	63	32
1900	Howard Davis	Apr. 3, 1957	Lewes, Del.	84	38
1889	Vinal E. Hills	Jan. 25, 1957	Wilmington, Del.	90	47
1928	Frederick C. Louhoff	Nov. 24, 1956	Wilmington, Del.	70	27

IX
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
	Oct. 31, '44	Dover: Wesley	C. W. Flint	J. R. Bicking
	Sept. 15, '49	Dover: Wesley	C. W. Flint	W. L. Beckwith
	June 12, '50	Dover: Wesley	C. W. Flint	W. L. Beckwith
Regular Session				
2	May 13, '41	Wilmington: Union	A. W. Leonard	J. R. Bicking
3	May 13, '42	Wilmington: McCabe	A. W. Leonard	J. R. Bicking
4	May 12, '43	Wilmington: Union	R. J. Wade	J. R. Bicking
5	May 17, '44	Wilmington: McCabe	E. H. Hughes	J. R. Bicking
6	May 16, '45	Wilmington: St. Paul's	C. W. Flint	J. R. Bicking
7	May 15, '46	Wilmington: McCabe	C. W. Flint	J. R. Bicking
8	May 14, '47	Wilmington: Union	C. W. Flint	W. L. Beckwith
9	May 17, '48	Wilmington: Union	Clare Purcell	W. L. Beckwith
10	May 12, '49	Salisbury: Bethesda	C. W. Flint	W. L. Beckwith
11	May 18, '50	Wilmington: Union	F. P. Corson	W. L. Beckwith
12	May 17, '51	Dover: Wesley	C. W. Flint	W. L. Beckwith
13	May 15, '52	Wilmington: Grace	C. W. Flint	W. L. Beckwith
14	May 14, '53	Wilmington: Union	G. B. Oxnam	W. L. Beckwith
15	May 13, '54	Wilmington: St. Paul	G. B. Oxnam	W. L. Beckwith
16	May 12, '55	Wilmington: Grace	G. B. Oxnam	W. L. Beckwith
17	May 24, '56	Dover: Wesley	G. B. Oxnam	W. L. Beckwith
18	May 16, '57	Wilmington: Grace	G. B. Oxnam	W. L. Beckwith

(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.

General Conference Delegates

1944 O. J. Collins, W. A. Hearn, T. C. Mulligan.
Lay—T. Blair Ely, Elwood F. Melson, Wilmer Fell Davis.

Jurisdictional Conference Delegates Reserves to General Conference

1944 J. J. Bunting, R. C. Jones, J. R. Bicking, J. E. Cummings, E. P. Thomas.
Lay—C. Norman Jefferson, C. N. Satterfield, J. W. Smith, Granville Hooper, V. E. Hearne.

Reserves to Jurisdictional Conference

S. B. Bradley, H. P. Fox, O. A. Bartley.
Lay—Luther Bennett, Willis L. Overdeer, Norman P. Walters.

General Conference Delegates

1948 E. P. Thomas, T. C. Mulligan, R. M. Green.
Lay—Wilmer Fell Davis, J. A. Wright, T. Blair Ely.

Jurisdictional Conference Delegates**Reserves to General Conference**

1948 H. P. Fox, L. E. Windsor, O. A. Bartley, J. R. Bicking, L. E. Wimbrow.
Lay—A. R. Hudson, Mrs. Phillips E. Douglas, E. F. Melson, R. O. Dulany, Granville Hooper.

Reserves to Jurisdictional Conference

1948 S. B. Bradley, R. C. Jones, R. E. Green.
Lay—C. Norman Jefferson, Fulton Downing, W. L. Overdeer.

General Conference Delegates

1952 R. M. Green, L. E. Wimbrow, L. E. Windsor.
Lay—J. Millard Tawes, Wilmer Fell Davis, Mrs. Harry Hygate.

Jurisdictional Conference Delegates**Reserves to General Conference**

1952 Joseph Dickerson, John French, R. T. Thawley, Robert Green, John J. Bunting, Jr.
Lay—Granville Hooper, Clinton Brown, F. J. Downing, A. R. Hudson, O. M. Shockley.

Reserves to Jurisdictional Conference

1952 H. P. Fox, A. J. Jackson, D. E. McClain.
Lay—Blair Ely, Elias Tingle, J. A. Wright, Jr.

General Conference Delegates

1956 O. A. Bartley, J. N. Link, C. I. Carpenter.
Lay—Granville Hooper, John Downing, Wilmer Fell Davis

Jurisdictional Conference Delegates**Reserves to General Conference**

1956 J. Leas Green, John French, J. J. Bunting, Jr., P. W. Spence.
Lay—Clinton H. Brown, Mrs. Earl Sylvester, S. Edward Simpson, Fulton Downing.

Reserves to Jurisdictional Conference

1956 A. J. Jackson, R. M. Green, W. F. Dunkle.
Lay—Harry Nuttle, Arthur Hudson, Leonard Barnes.

X**REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS****For Receiving Local Preacher's License, Annual Conference Membership and Ministerial Orders in the Peninsula Conference.**

It is the policy of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications to follow the disciplinary requirements. Therefore this Board:

- a. Requires that all necessary documents be presented to the Board before it officially will interview applicants for recommendation for Admission on Trial. The Board will however, always be available for guidance.
- b. Refuses to recommend any candidate who has not fulfilled all disciplinary requirements according to the rules of the Board.
- c. Will oppose the election of such candidates in the Executive Session.

Summarize Procedures required by the Methodist Discipline, 1952; and the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications of The Peninsula Conference.

a. Procedures For Obtaining A Local Preacher's License:

- 1) Paragraph 305 of the Methodist Discipline says: "No member is authorized to preach without a license."
- 2) Since the Peninsula Annual Conference holds District Conferences, a person desiring a Local Preacher's License must take the following steps: (Paragraph 306, 1, The Methodist Discipline 1956)
 - a. Secure the recommendation of the Quarterly Conference of the church of which he is a member.
 - b. Apply to the district superintendent in writing.
 - c. Appear before, and secure the written approval of, The District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications.
 - d. Pass satisfactory written examinations in the studies prescribed for candidates for License to Preach.
 - e. Be examined on the subjects of Doctrine and Discipline.
 - f. Agree to abstain from the use of tobacco and other indulgences which may injure his influence.

b. Procedures For Retaining a Local Preacher's License:

- 1) Make a report by October 1 to the District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications concerning activities during the past year and desire for renewal of Local Preacher's License.
- 2) A local preacher who is enrolled as a pretheological or theological student in a school, college, university, or school of theology accredited or approved by the University Senate, preparing for the traveling ministry shall present annually to the District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications a statement of his academic progress from the school he is attending.

- 3) A local preacher who is not a student as defined in 1) above shall pursue the four-year ministerial course of study under the Department of Ministerial Education. The course must be completed within eight years after the date of issue of the first license to preach; provided, however, that this shall not apply to those licensed before May 1, 1956.

c. Procedures For Receiving Annual Conference Membership:

1) On Trial

- a) Present a recommendation duly signed by:
- (1) The President and secretary of The District Conference.
 - (2) Or by the chairman and secretary of The District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications.
- b) Must be a graduate of an approved Liberal Arts College.
- c) Must have completed at least one fourth of the work required for a bachelor of divinity or equivalent degree in a school of discipline, and present a satisfactory certificate of good health on the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications shall require a transcript of credits from each applicant before recognizing any of his educational claims.
- d) Deposit with the registrar of The Conference Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications:
- (1) The prescribed form containing satisfactory written answers to questions as to age, religious and church experience, call to the ministry, educational record, and plans for service in the church.
 - (2) A satisfactory certificate of good health. This physical examination must be taken in the Clinic of The Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, Delaware, or with Dr. David Gilmore, Salisbury, Md. (See 3 c below.)
- e) Be approved on the basis of a psychological test and interview administered at the University of Delaware in Newark, Delaware. ((See 3 d below.)
- f) Under special conditions the Annual Conference, by a three-fourths vote, may admit a candidate in accordance with the provisions of The Discipline.

2) Full Membership

- a) Must be a graduate of a Theological Seminary accredited by the University Senate. At least one year of Seminary work should be done in a Methodist Seminary. Where it has not been, then special work shall be required to secure adequate instruction in Methodist History, Doctrine and Policy.
- b) Must have served under regular appointment under the supervision of a district superintendent in one of the positions specified in Paragraph 432, Section 1-6 of the Discipline, for at least two years since being admitted on trial.

- c) Must have been elected to Deacon's Orders.
- d) Must answer before the Conference the questions in Paragraph 345 of the Discipline.
- e) Must present a recently issued Certificate of good physical health. (See 1 d 2) above).
- f) Any candidate for admission into full connection on the basis of a bachelor of divinity or equivalent degree whose transcript does not show the equivalent of two semester hours of credit in Methodist history, polity, and doctrine shall be required to pass examinations in these subjects administered by the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications in accordance with the standards established by the Department of Ministerial Education.

d. Procedures For Receiving Ministerial Orders:

1) Deacons:

- a) Have authority to:
- (1) Preach
 - (2) Conduct Divine Worship
 - (3) Perform the Marriage Ceremony
 - (4) Administer Baptism
 - (5) Assist an Elder in Administering The Lord's Supper

b) Eligibility:

- (1) Seminary Students:
- (a) Must have been Local Preachers two full years.
 - (b) Must have been admitted on trial.
- (2) Members on Trial in the Course of Study:
- (a) Must have been on Trial in The annual Conference two years.
 - (b) Must have completed satisfactorily the first two years of the Conference Course.
- (3) Approved Supply Pastors:
- (a) Must have been approved supply pastors under appointment for two consecutive years.
 - (b) Must have completed:
 1. The Introductory Studies for the Ministry.
 2. The first two years of the Conference Course of Study.
- (4) Local Preachers:
- (a) Must have been Local Preachers for four consecutive years.
 - (b) Must present to the Annual Conference a recommendation for Deacon's Orders from The District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications.
 - (c) Must have completed two years of the ministerial course of study.

2) Elders:

a) Have Authority to:

- (1) Preach
- (2) Conduct Divine Worship
- (3) Administer the Sacraments of Baptism and The Lord's Supper
- (4) Perform the Marriage Ceremony

b) Eligibility:

(1) Seminary Students

- (a) Must have been Deacons for at least one year.
- (b) Must have been admitted into Full Connection.

(2) Course of study graduates

- (a) Must have been received into Full Connection in The Annual Conference
- (b) Must have been Deacons for at least two years.

(3) Approved Supply Pastors

- (a) Must have been under appointment for two full consecutive years as deacons and have completed the ministerial course of study under the supervision of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications.

(4) Local Preachers

- (a) Must have been Deacons for four consecutive years.
- (b) Must present recommendation for Elder's Orders from the District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications.
- (c) Must have completed the entire ministerial course of Study.

e. Ministers from Other Churches:

- 1) Ministers coming from other evangelical churches, provided they present suitable testimonials of good standing through the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications, and give assurance of their faith, Christian experience, and other qualifications, and give evidence of their agreement with us in doctrine and discipline, and present a satisfactory certificate of good health on the prescribed form, from a physician approved by the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications, and meet the educational requirements may be received into our ministry, as indicated in Paragraph 411 of the Methodist Discipline.

f. Other Specific Regulations

a) Studies:

- 1) Studies for License to Preach and The Introductory Studies for the Ministry are to be taken through the **Correspondence Office of In-Service Training, Department of Ministerial Education, Post Office Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.**
- 2) Approved Supply Pastors are reminded of the School for Approved Supplies at Wesley Theological Seminary this year from June 17 to July 12. This school, like others throughout the country is arranged so that a Supply can complete four courses during one session, thereby securing credit for a full year's work. Scholarships are available from our Board on a pro rata basis to Approved Supplies who are high school graduates. These same courses can be taken through the Correspondence Office, but the Board strongly recommends the Approved Supply Pastors' School for a more thorough program of study and helpful contact with instructors and fellow-ministers.
- 3) The Student's Handbook, which can be purchased at the Methodist Publishing House, 516 North Charles Street, Baltimore 3, Maryland, is to be used in connection with all courses taken through the Correspondence School. It contains questions which are to be answered on the various books.

b) Personal Interviews:

- 1) Each candidate for Admission on Trial, and for Admission into Full Membership, must appear before the Executive Committee of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications at Wesley Junior College, Dover, Delaware, Monday, March 10, 1958 for personal interviews concerning his qualifications and fitness for the Christian Ministry. Each candidate will be contacted concerning the hour of his interview.
 - 2) Notification of intention to appear before the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications shall be sent to the Registrar at least ten days before this meeting.
- c) A recently issued certificate of good health shall be required of each candidate for admission on Trial, and another when he applies for Admission into Full Membership.
- 1) This certification shall be on the comprehensive form provided by The Commission on Ministerial Training, and may be secured from the Registrar.
 - 2) The examination must be taken through the Clinic of The Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, Delaware or with Dr. David Gilmore, Salisbury, Md. Arrangements for examinations should be made at least three weeks before the March meeting of the Board.
- d) Psychological tests:

- 1) The date for these tests is being set for Monday, February 3, 1958 and will be administered at Newark, Delaware. Each candidate will be contacted concerning the hour of his tests for February 3 or, if necessary, on another date.
 - 2) Interviews concerning the tests are being set for Monday, February 24, 1958, and will be arranged by appointment with each candidate for February 24, or if necessary on another date.
 - 3) The purpose of the psychological testing is to provide counsel and guidance for the candidates.
- e) Approved Supply Pastors:
- 1) Any local preacher desiring to become an approved supply pastor must have his character, fitness, training and effectiveness passed by a three-fourths majority vote of the District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications, and by the Annual Conference after an interview and recommendation by the Conference Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications.
 - 2) Full time approved supply pastors, other than seminary students, who are giving their full time to pastoral work under the district superintendents are required to take the conference course of study, including The Introductory Studies for the Ministry, and to complete the entire course within eight years.
 - 3) Any approved supply pastor who fails to meet these requirements shall not be appointed by a district superintendent.
 - 4) A part-time approved supply pastor shall be required to complete at least two books annually in the Conference Course of Study, until the course is completed.
 - 5) An unordained approved supply pastor, only while serving as a regularly appointed pastor of a charge, shall be authorized to administer the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper and, if the laws of the state permit, to perform the marriage ceremony within the bounds of the charge to which he is assigned; provided that (a) he shall have passed the introductory studies for the ministry and (b) each succeeding year he shall be enrolled as a regular full-time student in a pretheological or theological course in a college, university, or school of theology accredited or approved by the University Senate, or shall have passed one full year of the ministerial course of study looking to full ordination. Failure to complete one full year annually shall cause suspension of this privilege.
 - 6) A part-time approved supply pastor (other than a student pastor) who completes each year two books of the conference course of study, and continues until he is graduated from the course, shall be authorized to administer the Sacrament of Baptism, and if the laws of the state permit, to perform the marriage ceremony, within the bounds of his pastoral charge.

XI

MISCELLANEOUS

(a) CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER

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- 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. All reports of the Boards, Commissions and Committees, shall be published and mailed to the Members of the Annual Conference ten (10) days prior to the date of meeting of the Annual Conference. Reports to be included in this mailing must be in the hands of the Secretary thirty (30) days prior to such Session.
- Rule 18. No report shall be received or adopted by the Conference until a copy has been placed in the hands of the Secretary.
- Rule 19. These rules shall not be suspended or amended except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.

F. A. BAKER, Chairman
 W. I. COLLINS
 E. C. THOMAS
 W. L. ROBINSON
 Chaplain, CONRAD HAMER

XII

PASTORAL RECORD

- Adams, J. P.**—1916, Maryland; 16-17—Mapleside and Fairview; 18—Mt. Tabor, Wash.; 19, without appointment at his request; 20, Broadway and Lauraville, Ass't.; 21, without appointment at his request; 22-23, withdrawn; 24, Reliance; 25, Calvary and Walker's Chapel; 26, Mt. Nebo; 27, Clayton; 28, Grace-land Park; 29, Dir. Rel. Work, Starr Church; 30, Greenbackville; 31, Harmony; 32, Emmanuel; 33, Superannuate; 34, Amelia; 35, Marley; 36, Cumberland Cir.; 37, Grove; 38, Deer Creek; 39, Dover; Pen. Conf. 40, Queenstown; 41—Retired.
- Atkins, C. H.**—1917, Wilmington M. E. Conf. 1917—Leipsic; 18-21—Lincoln; 22-28, Concord; 29-31, Tilghman; 32, Galena; 33, Wil. and Peninsula Conf. 33-41 Zion Cir.; 42-46, Peninsula Conf., East New Market; 47-51, Maryland; Retired 52.
- Amoss, H. M.**—1957, Pen. Conf.; 1957—Salisbury-Bethesda.
- Bailey, F. B.**—1921, Maryland M. P. 1921-23, West Wilmington; 25, Lauraville; 26-27, Wallace Memorial; 28-29, Mardela; 30-34, Deer Park; 35-36, Calvary (Balto.); 37-44—Maryland and Peninsula, Federalsburg (Christ); 45-55, Laurel (Christ); 56—North East, Md.
- Bailey, H. N.**—1924, Wil. Conf.; 1924, Farmington; 25, St. Paul's (Dover); 26, Maryland; 27-29, Crapo; 30-31, Seaford Circuit; 32-33, Hopewell; 34-36, Tangier; 37, Deal's Island; 38-45, Wil. and Peninsula, Perryville; 46-51, U. S. Veterans Administration Chaplain; 52—Sabbatical Leave; 53—Retired.
- Bailey, R. D.**—1957, Pen. Conf.; 57—Farmington, Del.
- Baker, D. W.**—1939, Wil. Conf. and Peninsula, 39-40, Stanton; 41-42, Warwick; 43—, Rehoboth Beach; 47-49 Milford (Calvary); 50-56—Laurel Centenary; 57—Richardson Park.
- Baker, F. A.**—Wilmington Conf., 1925-26, Millington; 27-30, Newark, Md.; 31-34, Fruitland; 35-39, Dagsboro; Peninsula Conf. 40-43, Federalsburg; 44-45 Mt. Salem, Wilmington; 46-47, Hillsboro-Queen Anne; 48-55—Salisbury (Grace); 56—Crisfield-Asbury; 57—Retired.
- Barlow, W. G.**—1923, Wil. Conf.; 1923-24—Smith's Island; 25—Bishopville; 26-27, Georgetown Cir.; 28-29, Pittsville; 30, Cherry Hill; 31, Church Hill; 32-34, Tilghman; 35-37, Galena; 38-39, Beckwith; Pen. Conf.; 40-41, Wye Mills; 42—Retired.
- Barton, Chas E.**—1957, Pen. Conf.; 57—Concord-Grove.
- Baynard, F. O.**—1940, Peninsula Conf. 40—At School; 41-42—Stanton; 43-45 Hosier Mem. and Hooper's Island; 46-47, Church Hill; 48-50, Wyoming; 51-54, Frank-ford; 55—Queenstown; 56—Greenwood Circuit.
- Beckwith, W. H.**—1956, Peninsula Conf. 56—at school.
- Beckwith, W. L.**—1936, Wil. Conf.; 36-38, Church Hill; Wilmington and Peninsula, 39-42—Magnolia; 43-47—Millsboro; 48-56—Smyrna; 57—Crisfield-Asbury.
- Benjamin, N. B.**—1950 Pen. 1950-54, Chester Bethel; 55—Millington, Md.
- Bennett, E. L.**—1935, Wilmington Conf.; 35-36, Elliott's; 36-37, Beckwith and Sped-den; 38-49—Smith's Island; Peninsula Conf. 1940-45—Dagsboro; 46-49—Mt. Pleasant (Crisfield); 50-53, Berlin; 54-56, Centreville; 57—Salisbury-Andrews & Stengle.
- Bicking, J. R.**—1907, Wilmington Con. 1907, Elk Neck; 08-09, Cherry Hill; 10-12, Eastlake; 13-16, Centreville; 17, Ridgely; 18-21, New Castle; 22-23, Pocomoke City; 24-26, Deal's Island; 27-30, Scott; 31-35, Berlin; 36-41, Wil. and Penin.; Immanuel (Crisfield); 42-46, Rising Sun; 47, Supt. Anti-Saloon League of Delaware; 48-49, (Trinity) Wilmington; 50-51, Millington, Md.; 52, Retired.
- Blundon, A. Jason**—1951, 51, Odessa; 52—Asst. Pastor Grace-Wilmington; 53-55—Ocean View; 56, Bridgeville.
- Bond, E. J.**—1904, Phil. Conf. 04-5—Safe Harbor Cir.; 06-7, Strasburg; 08-9, Mt. Hope; 10-11, Eddystone; 12-17, Searles Memorial; 18-21, Grace (Phila.); 22-26, First (Lancaster); 27-31, Holy Cross (Reading); Northeast Ohio Conf. 32-37, Elyria (First Church), Wil. and Pen. Confs., 38-46, McCabe Memorial (Wil.); 47—Retired.
- Bradley, S. B.**—1926, Wilmington Conf.; 1926, Secretary; 27-29, Crumpton; 30-31, Ebenezer; 32-34, Chester-Bethel; 35-38, Fruitland; 39-40, Wil. and Peninsula, Delmar; 41-46, Seaford (St. John's); 47-48, Cambridge (Zion); 49, Sab. Leave; 50, "Sv."; 51, Retired.
- Bready, R. H.**—1928, Ohio, '28, E. Pearl St., Cin'ti; 29-30 Elmwood Place; '31, withdrew, incapacitated; '45-'47 Union Grove (Balt.); '48-'51 Holly Oak (Pen.) 1952 Pen. '52, Milton, Grace; '53, At School, Assc. Pastor Calvary, Wash., D. C.; '54 Still Pond-Betterton. 55—Kent Island.
- Branford, C. W.**—1926, Wilmington Conf.; 1926, Pocomoke Cir.; 27-32, Ocean View; 33-36, Chincoteague; 37-40, Wil. and Peninsula, Scott; 41, Middletown, 42-45, Berlin; 46, Easton (Trinity); 47-51, (Calvary) Wilmington; 52-55, Delmar-Mt. Olive; 56, Pocomoke (Bethany).
- Branford, H. V.**—1926, Wilmington Conf.; 1926, Ayres Chapel; 27-28, Marion; 29-33, Nanticoke; 34-35, Rehoboth; 36-39, Centreville; Peninsula Conf.; 40-43, Lewes; 44, Harrington (Asbury); 45-47, Federalsburg (Christ); 48-58, Kent Island; 56—Harbeson & India Mission; 56—Harbeson & Indian Mission; 57—Retired.

- Brewer, O. G.**—1922, Maryland M. P. 22-23, Quantico; 24, Fairfax, Va.; 25-26, Reliance; 27, Bedford, Pa.; 28-29, Liberty, Md.; 30, Dagsboro; 31-34, Greenbackville, Va.; 35, Dorchester; 36-40, Maryland and Peninsula Confs.; Mardela; 41-42, Wesley Chapel; 43-44, Clayton, (St. Paul); 45, Frankford; 46-47, Hosier Mem. Hoopers Island; 48-49, Cambridge Circuit; 50-51, Church Hill; 52-54, Millington; 55-56—Concord Grove; 57—Hebron-Nelson.
- Brewer, O. G., Jr.**—Peninsula 1949; 49-50, Wye Mills-Cordova; 51, Princess Anne.
- Briggs, W. H.**—1907, Wilmington Conf. 1907-9, Colora; 10-13, Zion Cir.; 14-15, Preston; 16-20, Selbyville; 21-25, Easton; 27-30, Supernumerary; 31—Retired.
- Brinton, T. B.**—1942, Congo Mission Conference; 51, Received in retired relation.
- Buarque, Manuel**—1955, Pen. 55—Seaford Circuit; 56, Vienna Elliotts.
- Buckley, F. G.**—1935, Wilmington Conf.; 1935, Pocomoke Cir.; 36, Annamessex; 37-38, Charlestown; 39-41, Wil. and Pen. Concord; 42-43, Bishopville; 44-47, Quantico; 48-49, Whaleyville; 50-53, Port Deposit; 54-55, Townsend; 56—Centreville-Grace; 57—Camden, Del.
- Bundick, W. B.**—1950 Pen. 1950-51, Townsend, Del.; 52-53, Dagsboro-Bethel; 54, Mt. Salem.
- Bunting, J. J., Jr.**—1941, Pen. Conf. 1941-43, Camden; 44-45, Easton (Trinity); 46, Supernumerary; 47-48, (First) Chestertown; 50—Newark, Del.
- Caldwell, H. T.**—1930, Wil. Conf.; 1930, Church Hill; 31-35, Felton; Wil. and Pen. 36-41, Chesapeake City; 42-44, Hockessin; 45-48, Sharptown (Asbury); 49—Rising Sun.
- Carpenter, C. I.**—1929-30, Newark Conf. 31-33, Wil. Conf. Rehoboth; 34-36, Federalsburg; Wil. and Pen., 37—Chaplain, U. S. Army.
- Chandler, H. F., Jr.**—Pen. Conf. 1953; 54, Easton, Md.
- Churn, Thomas**—1950 Pen. 1950; 53, Galena, Md.; 54-55, Mardela; 56, Whaleyville, Md.
- Clarkson, C. S.**—1936, Baltimore Conf.; (South) 1936, South Covington, Va.; 37-38, Nokesville, Va.; Pen. Conf. 1939-40, Goldsboro; 1941-43, Oxford; 44-46, Hillcrest; 47-49, North East; 50-56—Wilmington Brack Ex.; 57—Georgetown-Wesley.
- Cleandaniel, D. O.**—1951; 51-55, Church Hill; 56, Federalsburg (Union).
- Coleman, E. E.**—1926, Maryland Conf. 24, Lewistown; 25, Wil. (First); 26-27, Cecil; 28-32, Kempton; 33-35, Delmar; Mary. and Pen. 36-42, Seaford (Olivet); 43-45, Chaplain, U. S. Navy; 46-49, Middletown; 50—Chaplain, Va.
- Collins, W. I.**—1926, Virginia Conf. ME. South; 1926, Phoenix; 27-28, Spotsylvania; 29-32, Lancaster; 33-36, Middle Bedford; 37-38, Cambridge, Md.; Wil. and Pen. 39-41, Salisbury (South); Pen., 42-45, Church Hill; 46-47, Mardela; 49-53, Bishopville; 54, Deal Island.
- Collis, Ralph H.**—1951, 52-53, Mt. Salem; 54, Assoc. Pastor, Wilmington-Grace; 55—Assoc. Asbury, Salisbury; 56, Retired.
- Connelly, O. H.**—1912, Wil. Conf. 1912, Piney Neck; 13, Christiana; 14, Claymont; 15-16, Colora; 17-19, Roxana; 20-22, Millington; 23-26, Townsend; 27-29, Epworth, Wil.; 30-33, Dagsboro; 34-35, Lewes; Wil. and Pen. Confs. 36-41, Berlin; 42-45, Middletown; 46-49, Tilghman; 50-54, Allen, Md.; 55, Willards-Grace.
- Conner, H. H.**—1941, Pen. Conf. 41-52, Frederica; 43-44, Holly Oak; 45-47, Stillpond and Betterton; 48, Rising Sun; 49, Hebron (Nelson); 50-51, Delmar (Mt. Olive); 52, Sharptown Asbury; 53-54, Greenwood; 55, Sy.; 56, Wilm., (Calvary).
- Cooke, R. J.**—1941, Pen. Conf. 1941, At School; 42-43, Kingswood and Delaware City; 44, Bethel and Town Point; 45, Chaplain, U. S. Navy; 46-47, Trappe; 48-49, Centreville (Epworth); 50-56—Seaford-St. Johns; 57—Salisbury, Trinity.
- Covington, C. E.**—1953; 53-55, Marydel; 56, Ocean View, Del.
- Crockett, E. E.**—1935, Wil. Conf. 1935-37, Girdletree; Wil. and Pen. Confs. 38-41, Nanticoke; 42-44, Mt. Pleasant; 45-49, Retired; 49-50, Seaford Circuit; 51, Retired.
- Crum, Ira E.**—1936, Wil. Conf. 1936-37, Burrsville; 38-39, Houston; Pen. Conf. 40-41, Ellendale; 42-43, Willards and Stengle; 44-46, Bayside; 47-48, Laurel (Mt. Pleasant); 49-51, Georgetown Circuit; 52-54, Powellville; 55, Allen; 56, Tilghman.
- Cummings, J. Earl**—1921, Maryland Conf. 1921—Cambridge Cir.; 22-24, Pipe Creek; 25-27, St. Paul's, Balto.; 28-32, Laurel, Del.; Christ; 33-35, Westminster; 36-39, Peninsula, (Wil.) Pen. Conf.; 40-44, Dist. Supt. Easton Dist.; 45-52, St. Paul's (Wil.); 53, Selbyville.
- Cursey, Ellwood W.**—1945 Pen.; 45-47, Stanton; 48-49, Allen; 50-52, Hurlock (Washington); 53-54, St. Michaels; 55-56—Milton; 57—Centreville, Md.
- Davis, C. E.**—1921, Wil. Conf. 1921, At School; 22-24, Cheswold; 25-26, Prof. Wesley Collegiate Inst.; 27-29, Cherry Hill; 30-33, Hockessin; 34-35, Asbury, Wil.; 36-38, Cecilton; Wil. and Pen. Confs. 39-40, Still Pond; 41-42, Queenstown; 43-44, Ocean View; 45-48, Greensboro; 49-51, Pittsville (Ayres); 52-56—Wilmington-Trinity; 57—Retired.
- Davis, Harold H.**—1941, Pen. Conf. 1941; 42, Farmington; 43-45, Odessa; 46-52, Milton (Goshen); 53, Elkton, Md.
- Dickerson, J. B.**—1933, Wil. Conf. 1933-35, Stanton; 36-38, Hillcrest; Wil. and Pen. 39-41, Rising Sun; 42-46, Cambridge (Zion); 47-49, D. S. Salisbury District; 50—Wilmington (McCabe).

- Dickey, K. M.**—Received by transfer from Southern Illinois Conference, May 15, 1946, Peninsula Conf., 1946, Cecilton; 1947, Allen; 1948-49, Newark, Md.; 50-52, Hosier Memorial; 53, Sabbatical Leave; 54-55, Tilghman; 56, Nassau, Del.
- Diehl, J. R.**—1927, Wilmington Conf.; 1927-28, Greenwood; 29, Ellendale; 30, Mt. Vernon; 31-33, Cherry Hill; 34-35, Hopewell; Wil. and Pen.; 36-42, Parsonsburg; 43-46, Felton; 47-48, Seaford Circuit; 48-50, Frederica; 51-55, Crisfield, Mariners; 56, Retired.
- Dise, W. L.**—1935, Wil. Conf. 1928-34 United Lutheran Church; 1935, Pittsville; 36-38, Wyoming; Wil. and Pen. Cons.; 39-42, Fruitland; 43, Hurlock (Washington); 44-45, Chaplain, U. S. Army; 46, Sabbatical Leave; 47-50, Rehoboth; 51-52, Retired; 53-55, Centreville-Grace; 56, Smith Island.
- Dobson, C. H.**—1917, Maryland Conf. 17, Bivalve; 18-19, Deer Park; 20, Pipe Creek 21-22, Northumberland; 23-24, Lisbon; 25-26, Federalsburg; 27, Greenbush and Tasley; 28, Wallace Mem.; 29, Dorchester; 30, Harpers Ferry; 31, Mariners; 32, Harmony; 33—Retired.
- Donaway, W. A.**—1926, Maryland Conf. 25, Snow Hill Cir.; 26-28, Powellville; 29-32, Accomac; 33-35, Wesley Chapel of Kent; Mary. and Pen. 36-40, Delmar; 41-42, Preston; 43-47, Fruitland; 48-50, Hillsboro; Wilm., Trinity, 51; St. Georges 52, 56 (Clarksville); 57—Crisfield-Mt. Pleasant.
- Dore, William**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, St. James
- Dougherty, A. E.**—1947-48, (Ewell) Clayton; 49—Lewes-Groome.
- Doyle, Ira E.**—1952, Mt. Pleasant; 53-55, Camden, Del.; 56, Rehoboth Beach, Del.
- Dunkle, W. F., Jr.**—Peninsula Conference, 1948—(Grace) Wilmington).
- Elderdee, C. M.**—1906, Maryland; 06-07, Christ Ch., Balto.; 08-14, Federalsburg; 15-16 transferred; 16-25, Crisfield (Mt. Pleasant); 26-32, Westminster; Mary. and Pen. 33-45, Crisfield (Mt. Pleasant); 46-47, Easton (Calvary); 48-55, Magnolia; 56, Retired.
- Elliott, Lee**—1928, Maryland, 1928 Mar. and Pen.—Laurel Cir.
- Ennis, W. J.**—1930, Wil.; 1930-36, Quantico; Wil. and Pen. 37-40, Camden; 41-43, Selbyville, 1944—Retired.
- Evans, H. E.**—1950 Pen.; 53, Mt. Vernon; 54-56, Salisbury, St. Andrews; 57—Snow Hill, Whatcoat.
- Ferry, R. E.**—1945, Royal Oak; 45-48 Transferred Erie Conf.; 1949 Peninsula Conf., 50-52, Pocomoke-Bethany; 53, Hurlock; 54-56, Berlin; 57—Marshallton, Del.
- Flater, H. B.**—1935, Maryland, 35, Caroline; 36-38, Bivalve; Mar. and Pen., 1938-40, Kent Island-Wye; 41-43, Still Pond; 44-45, Easton (Calvary); 46-52, Scott (Wil.); 53, Snow Hill-Bates.
- Flory, C. I.**—1900, Missouri Conf. (South), 1900, Teacher, Mexico Military Acad.; 01, Student; 02, Clark Cir.; 03, Rowena Cir.; 04-5, Kahoka; 06, Saverton Cir.; Balt. Conf., (South), 07, teacher in Centenary Acad.; 08-9, Patuxent Cir.; 10-12, Jarrettsville; 13-14, Severn; 15, Roanoke, (St. James and Melrose); 16-17, Roanoke (Melrose); 18-21, Vinton, Va.; 22, Clarendon and Ballston; 23-24, Clarendon; 25-28, Wesley Grove; 29-31, Hyattsville; 32-35, Calvary-Fisher-ville; 36-37, Goshen-Emory; Balt. (South) and Pen. 38-40, Royal Oak and Tilghman; 41—Retired.
- Fordham, Harold**—Baptist Church, 1927-36; Wil. 37, Ellendale; Wil. and Pen. 38-45, Tilghman; 46-51, St. Georges (Dov. Dist.); 52-55, Pittsville-Ayres; 56, Hillsboro-Queen Anne.
- Foster, G. A.**—1950, 50-54, Aldersgate; 55-56—Winona School of Theology; 57—Wilmington-Union.
- French, J. E.**—1934, Wil. 1934-36, Cordova; Wil. and Pen., 37-39, Epworth (Wil.); 40, 42, New Castle; 43-55, Denton, (First); 56, Supt., Salisbury District.
- Frye, A. B.**—1915-19, Blue Ridge Atlantic Conf.; 1920, Wil. Concord; 21-23, Church Hill; 24-26, Ocean View; 27-28, Fruitland; 29-31, Greensboro; 32-37, Rising Sun; Wil. and Pen.; 38-48, Richardson Park; 49-52, Eastlake; 53-55, Crisfield-Emanuel; 56, Retired.
- Geoghegan, J. H.**—1891, Wil. 1891, Cordova; 92, Wye; 93, Armory; 94-95, Hopewell; 96-98, Church Hill; 99-00, Cherry Hill; 01-2, St. Georges; 03-4, Girdletree; 05-7, Quantico; 08-9, Houston; 10-12, Ebenezer; 13-14, Delaware City; 15-16, Mt. Lebanon; 17-18, Newark, Md.; 19-20, Bethel Cir.; 21-26, Red Lion; 27-28, Kenton; 29-31, Trappe; 32-33, Bayside, 34—Retired.
- Geohegan, William D.**—1945 Pen. Conf. 45-46, Christiana; 47-49; At School 50-53 Instructor Rochester University; 54, Bowdoin College.
- George, J. P.**—1916, Maryland, 1916, Queen Anne; 17-18, Pocomoke Cir.; 19, Warwick; 20-21, Laurel Cir.; 22-23, Franklin City; 24-25, Conquest; 26-28, Accomac; 29-31, Whaleyville; 32-36, Kent Island; Mary. and Pen. 37-41, Harbeson; 42-44, Marydel; 45-47, Cambridge Cir.; 48—Retired.
- Gibson, R. S.**—1954 Pen. Conf.; 54-55, Frederica; 56, Harrington (Asbury).
- Given, R. G.**—1947 Pen.; 1947-48, Crapo; 49-51, Wesley Chapel of Kent; 52, Trappe; 53-56—Quantico; 57—Mt. Vernon.
- Glass, W. A.**—1935, Wil. 1935—Burrsville; 36-37, Bayside; Wil. and Pen. 38-40, Galena; 41-43, Christiana; 44-45, At School; 46—Registrar, Drew Seminary.
- Godfrey, Geo. C.**—1957, Pen. Conf.; 57—Blades, Del.
- Godwin, Wm. F.**—1950—Retired—Dania, Florida.
- Golden, A. B.**—1951; 51, Christiana, Del.

- Goodhand, V. M.**—1936, Wil. 36-37, Pittsville; Wil. and Pen. 38-40 Christiana; 1941-45, Chaplain, U. S. Army; 46, Newport; 47—Chaplain U. S. Army.
- Goodley, G. W.**—1939, Wil. and Pen. 39-40, Charlestown; 41, Ebenezer; 42-45, Hillcrest; 56, Denton (First).
- Gordy, H. L., Jr.**—1956 Pen. Conf.; 56—School; 57—Quantico, Md.
- Graham, E. C.**—1920, Maryland; 16-21, Clayton; 22-27, New Church; 28, Pittsville; 29-30, Crisfield; 31-33, St. Paul's, Balt.; 34-37, Accomac; Mar. and Pen. 38-42, Hebron; 43-46, Greenwood (Grace and Cannon); 47-51, Dagsboro Circuit; 52, Retired.
- Grant, W. S.**—1917 Wil. Conf. 17-19, Houston; 20-23, Rehoboth; 24-26, Church Hill; 27-32, Rock Hall; 33-34, Epworth (Wil., Del.); 35-38, Ocean View; 39, Tangier; 40-44, Virginia Conf.; 45-47, Pen. Conf., Trinity, Wil., (Del.); 48-50, Houston; 51, Retired.
- Green, J. Leas**—1919, Maryland; 17-18, Melvin's Chapel; 19-20, Hurlock; 21-24, Mt. Olivet, Va.; 24-33, Edmondson Ave. (Balt.); Mar. and Pen. 34-56—Salisbury-Bethesda; 57—District Supt. Easton District.
- Green, R. E.**—1928, Wil.; 1928, Pomona; 29-30, Fairlee; 31-32, At School; 33-35, Greenwood; 36-37, Magnolia; Wil. and Pen. 38-42, Harrington (Asbury); 43-47, Smyrna; 48-53, (Asbury) Crisfield; 54, Milford-Avenue.
- Green, R. M.**—1931, Wil.; 1931-37, Christiana; Wil. and Pen. 38-41, Hockessin; 42-51—Executive Secretary, Board of Christian Education; 52, Newport.
- Gunby, W. E.**—1903, Wil.; 1903-4, Queenstown; 05-6, Odessa; 07-11, Princess Anne; 12-13, Easton; 14-17, Wesley (Dover); 18-22, Cambridge; 23-28, Supt. Dover Dist.; 29-34, Newark, Delaware; Wil. and Pen. 35-40, Supt. Wil. Dist.; 41-43, Easton; 44—Retired.
- Hackett, W. O.**—1942, Pen. 1942-3, Elk Neck; 44-47, Wyoming-Woodside; 48-56—Georgetown-Wesley; 57—Seaford-St. Johns.
- Hall, L. B.**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, Wesley Foundation (Newark).
- Hamblin, S. T.**—1921, Wil. 1921-22, At School; 23-25, Houston; 26-28, Rehoboth; 29-31, Odessa; 32-33, Crapo; 34-35, Fairlee; Wil. and Pen. 36-42, Hopewell; 43-48, Wesley Chapel of Kent; 49-52, Sudlersville; 53-55, St. Georges-Summit; 56—Hopewell, Del.; 57—Retired.
- Hamer, Conrad**—1927, Wil. 1927, Ellendale; 28-29, At School; 30-32, Kenton; 33, Parsonsburg; 34-35, Fairlee; Wil. and Pen. 36-40, Rehoboth; 41-42, North East; 43, Harrington (Asbury); 44-56—Chaplain U. S. Air Force; 57—Milton, Del.
- Hanby, J. C.**—1931, Wil. 1931-33, Houston; 34-38, Mt. Pleasant; Wil. and Pen. 39-43, Townsend; 44-45, Sudlersville; 46-50, Asbury (Wil.); 51-52, Minquadale; 53-54, Retired; 55, Blades; 56, Retired.
- Hankins, Wm. M. T.**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; '56, Marydel, Md.
- Hastings, Arthur**—1952, 53, At School; 54-55, Stanton; 56, Laurel (Christ).
- Hastings, R. W.**—1938, Wil. 1938, Farmington; Wil. and Pen. 39-41, Church Hill; 42-44, Sharptown (Mt. Vernon); 45-47, St. Michaels (Sardis); 48-52, (Salem) Pocomoke City; 53, Retired.
- Helms, R. W.**—1957, Pen.; 57—Minquadale, Del.
- Hemphill, E. J., Jr.**—1941, Pen. 41, Kingswood; 42-3, Ebenezer; 44—Chaplain, U. S. Navy.
- Hemphill, Wm., Jr.**—1949 Pen.; 49-52, East New Market; 53-56—Sudlersville, Md.; 57—Cambridge-St. Pauls.
- Hervis, E. W.**—1918, Wil. 1918, Elk Mills; 19-21, At School; 22-23, Claremont; 24-25, Onancock; 26, Newark, Md.; 27-28, Sudlersville; 29-33, St. Michaels; 34-35, Cecilton; 36-38, Felton; Wil. and Pen. 39-42, Millsboro; 43, New Castle; 44-45, Salisbury (South and Allen); 46, Sabbatical Leave; 1947, Supernumerary; 48-53, Bayview & Bethel; 54, Supernumerary.
- Higgins, D. G., Jr.**—1953, Still Pond-Betterton; 54-55, Federalsburg-Christ; 56, Chaplain, U. S. Army.
- Hill, Perry O.**—1944, Genesee Conf.; 45-47, Pen. Conf. Queenstown; 48-50 (Christ) Federalsburg; 51-56—Cecil United Parish; 57—St. Georges-(Clarksville, Del.)
- Hitchens, Wm.**—1950, Pen.; 1950-52, Felton; 53-56—Clayton, Del.; 57—Christ Church, (Brack Ex. Wilm.)
- Hodgson, R. S.**—1918, Wil. 1918, Canterbury; 19-20, At School; 21-24, Odessa; 25-26, Sudlersville; 27-30, Townsend; 31-33, Milton; 34, Dagsboro; 35-37, Red Lion; Wil. and Pen. 38-40, North East; 41-3, Newport; 44-49, Princess Anne; 50-55, Perryville-Asbury; 56, Still Pond-Betterton.
- Holdway, H. G.**—1921, Holston; 21, Charleston, Tenn.; 22-23, Oltawah, Tenn.; 24, Concord, Tenn.; 25, Bradford, Va.; 26-29, Fries, Va.; 30-33, Appalachia, Va.; 34-36, Bramwell, W. V.; 37, Coalwood, W. V.; 38, Sabbatical Leave; Wil. and Pen. 39-40, Somerset; 41-42, Cambridge Cir.; 43-46, North East; 47-48—(East-lake) Wilmington; 49 Retired.
- Holliday, J. V.**—1955, Pen. 55—Georgetown Circuit; 56, Queenstown, Md.
- Hopkins, R. W.**—1941, Pen. 1941-2, Charlestown; 43, Port Deposit; 44-45, At School; 46-47, Perryville; 48—Chaplain U. S. Navy.
- Horney, E. J.**—1948, School; 49-55, Ebenezer; 56, Hurlock, Md.
- Hornung, D. O.**—1938, Detroit; 1938-39, Clio; Pen. Conf. 41-42, Pomona; 43-44, Crumpton; 45-47, Ingleside and Barclay; 48-53, Ocean City; 54, Millsboro.
- Hubbard, R. C.**—1935, North East, Ohio; 35-36, At School; 37, Kenilworth, N. J. (Student Charge); 38, Seville, Ohio; 39-41, Peninsula, Ohio; 1942, N. J. Conference; 42-45, Spring Lake, N. J.; 1946—Peninsula Conf. Cambridge (Grace).

- Hudson, W. H.**—1940, Pen. 1940, St. Martins; 41, At School; 42-45, Milton (Goshen); 46-49, Brack-Ex; 50—Chestertown (First).
- Hughes, J. R.**—1949 Pen.; 49-54, Queenstown; 55—Aldersgate.
- Hughes, R. E.**—1955, Pen.; 55-56—Hockessin; 57—School.
- Hungerford, M. E.**—1909, Maryland Conf. 1909-11, Wallace Memorial; 12-13, Mariners; 14, New Market; 15-16, Chincoteague; 17-19, Milton; 20-22, Conquest; 23-25, Union; 26-30, Georgetown; 31-38, Sharptown; Wil. and Pen. 39-44, Milford (Calvary); 45—Retired.
- Irwin, John A.**—Pen. Conf. 1954; 54, Farmington; 55-56—East New Market; 57—Preston, Md.
- Jackson, A. J.**—1918, Pen. Conf. 41, Pres. Wesley Junior College; 42-49, Newark, Del.; 50-55, Dist. Supt. Salisbury Dist.; 56, Claymont, Del.
- Jackson, Leolan**—1897, Atlantic Mission Conf., 1897-1903; Holston Conf.; 04-05, Wilmington Conf.; 07-08, Beckwith; 09-10, Wyoming; 12-14, Crapo; 15-16, Magnolia; 17-19, Princess Anne; 20-21, Tilghman; 22-24, Sudlersville; 25-26, Ridgely; 27-29, Madeley; 30-33, Kent Island; Wil. and Pen. 34-40; 41—Retired.
- James, O. E.**—1907, Wil. 1907, Queenstown; 08-09, Roxana; 10, Fruitland; 11-12, Gumboro; 13-14, Farmington; 15, Annessex; 16, Sy.; 17-18, Colora; 19, Red Lion; 20-22, Mt. Lebanon; 23, Ebenezer; 24—Retired.
- Jeffers, H. C.**—1950; 52—Trinity & Quindocqua; 52-56—Preston, Md.; 57—Sudlersville, Md.
- Jefferson, O. P.**—1926, Wil. 1926-27, Crumpton; 28-29, Ocean City; 30-31, Chincoteague; 32-33, Chesapeake City; 34-39, Perryville; Pen. 40-43, Centreville (Epworth); 44-46, Peninsula (Wil.); 47-49, (St. Johns) Seaford; 50-52, Crisfield (Immanuel); 53, East Lake, Wilm.
- Jones, C. N.**—1900, Wil. 1900, Leipsic, 01-02, At School; 03, Colora; 04-05, Cookman; 06, Chesapeake City; 07-08, St. Georges; 09-10, Preston; 11-12, Delaware City; 13-15, Hopewell; 16-19, Clayton; 20-22, St. Michaels; 23-24, Denton; 25, Princess Anne; 26-27, Ocean City; 28-30, Milton; 31-34, Townsend; 35-39, New Castle; Pen. 40-41, Epworth (Wil.); 42 Retired.
- Jones, J. E.**—1935, Wil. 1933, Williamsburg; 34-36, Cheswold; 37, Nanticoke; Wil. and Pen. 38-41, Aoxana; 42-45, Brack-Ex; 46-49, Berlin; 50-53, Millsboro; 54, Wilmington-Harrison Street.
- Jones, J. W.**—1898, Wil. 1898, Annessex; 99-03, Cookman; 04-5, Townsend; 06-7, Ridgely; 08, Ebenezer; 09-10, Rising Sun; 11-12, Deals Island; 13-15, Frederica; 16-17, Middletown; 18, McCabe, 19-20, Cape Charles; 21-25, Delmar; 26-30, Pocomoke City; 31-35, Mt. Salem; 36, Camden; Wil. and Pen. 37-42, Port Deposit; 43—Retired.
- Jones, O. E.**—1898, Wil. 1898-9, Ingleside; 00-02, At School; 03-4, Delaware City; 05-7, St. Johns; 08-10, Cecilton; 11-14, Seaford; 15-19, Lewes; 20-22, Chester-town; 23-28, Supt. Middletown Dist.; 29-30, Cambridge; Wil. and Pen. 31-47, Georgetown; 48—Retired.
- Jones, R. C.**—1915, Wil. 1915, Vienna; 16-17, Bishopville; 18-20, At School; 21-24, Kent Island; 25-29, Silverbrook; 30-33, Lewes; 34-38, Delmar; Wil. and Pen. 39-40, Brandywine; 41-46, Supt. Salisbury Dist.; 47-49, (Centenary) Laurel; 50-52—Milford (Calvary); 53-55—Federalsburg; 56—Ridgely, Md.; 57—Retired.
- Jones, R. L.**—1923, Virginia Conf. 21, Hog Island; 22-23, Brightwood; 24-25, Rapidan; 26, Schuyler; 27-30, Mt. Pleasant; 31-32, Luenenburg; 33-35, Burkeville; 36-38, Pocomoke Cir.; Vir. and Pen. 39-40, Hosier Mem.; Pen. 41-2, Dorchester; 43, Burrsburg; 44, Farmington; 45, Harbeson; 46, St. James; 47-49, Cecilton; 50, Somerset; 51-53, Frederica; 54, Retired.
- Jones, T. C.**—1914, Balt. South. 1904-5, Woodstock; 06, Bakerstown; 07, Shenandoah Junction; 08, At School; 09-10, Roanoke; Oklahoma Conf. 11, Konawa, Ok.; 12, Oklahoma City; Maryland M. P. 13-14, Leeds; 15-18, Reliance; 19-20, New Church; 21, Dover; 22-28, Nichols Mem. (Balt.); 29-35, Wilton Heights (Balt.); 36, Orlando, Florida; Wil. and Pen. 37-40, Easton; 41-46, Harrington (Trinity); 47-48, Ocean View; 49—Retired.
- Jones, W. L.**—1956, Peninsula Conf.; 56, Magnolia.
- Kay, J. M.**—1931, Maryland, 1931, Kent Island; 32-33, Claremont; 34-36, Greenwood; Mary. and Pen. 37-45, James; 46-50, Concord-Grove; 51-55, Fairmount & Westover; 56, Mardela, Md.
- Keene, M. H.**—1938, Wil. 1938, Henderson; Wil. and Pen. 39-40, Kingswood; 41-3, Mardela (Emmanuel); 44-45, Hurlock (Washington); 46-48, Chestertown (Christ); 49-53, Harrison St.; 54, Kingswood-Brookside.
- Kesmodel, W. P.**—1937, Maryland, 36, Harpers Ferry; 37, Walkers Chapel; 38, Whaleyville; Mary. and Pen. 39-40, Sharptown (Mt. Vernon); 41-48, Georgetown (Grace); 49-56—Richardson Park; 57—Chestertown-Christ.
- Kirwan, R. W.**—1933, Wil. 25-26, Powellville; 27-28, Annessex; 29-30, Farmington; 31-33, Cheswold; 34-36, Queenstown; 37-38, Bishopville; Wil. and Pen. 39-44, Greensboro; 45-48, Clayton (St. Paul's); 49-50, Easton (Calvary); 51-53—Goldsboro; 54-56—Dagsboro, Bethel & Christ; 57—Houston, Del.
- Kohl, W. H.**—1931, Wil. 1930-33, Pittsville; 34-35, Cherry Hill; 36-37, Houston; 38-39—Blades; 40-42—Smith's Island; 43-52—Hebron (St. Paul's); 53-56—St. Thomas; 57—Roxana, Del.
- Krams, H. K.**—1938, Balt. Conf. (South), 36, Pulaski Cir. (Holston Conf.); 37-38 Hiram Cir. (North Georgia Conf.); Baltimore and Penn. Conf. 39-40, Ingleside and Barclay; 41-44, St. Michaels (Sardis); 45-53, Marshallton; 54, Brandywine.

- Landon, J. P.**—1908, Col. Conf. 1908-30, Wil. Conf. 1931, Girdletree; 32-33, St. Thomas; 34, Nanticoke; 35-36, Bishopville; 37, Kenton; 38-39, Bayside; 40—Retired.
- Langrall, J. F.**—1931, Wil. 1931, At School; 32-35, Farmington; Wil. and Pen. 36-40, Kent Island; 41-42, Hoopers Island and Hosier Mem.; 43-46, Roxana; 47-49, Deals Island; 50—Gumboro.
- Lasbury, C. E.**—1955, Pen.; 55-56—Assistant, St. Paul's Wilm.; 57—Chester-Bethel.
- Leary, C. R.**—1956, Peninsula Conf.; 56, Frederica, Del.
- Leister, G. E.**—1919, Maryland, 1919-25, Greenbush and Tasley; 26-36, Federalburg; Mary. and Pen. 37-42, Pocomoke (Bethany); 43-43, Centreville (Grace); 49-52, Clayton; 53, Bethel-Dover Dist.
- Link, J. Howard**—1942, Balt. Conf. 40-41, Prospect-Marvin; 42, Winfield Cir.; 1943, Oct. 28, Pen. Conf.; 43-44, Port Deposit; 45-46, Hockessin; 47-49, Preston; 50-52, Centreville (Grace); 53-55, Rehoboth; 56, Crisfield, Emanuel).
- Link, J. N.**—1913-15 Fairfax Circuit, Virginia; 1916-17 Warwick Circuit, Maryland; 1918-19 Accomac Circuit, Virginia; 1920-24 Deer Park Circuit, Maryland; 1925-27 Grace Church, Baltimore; 1928-34 Starr Church, Baltimore; 1935-37 First Church, Newark, New Jersey; 1938-46 Professor of Practical Theology, Westminster Theological Seminary; 1947-52 Peninsula Church, Wilmington; 1953—District Superintendent, Wilmington District.
- Littleton, D. A.**—1933, Wil. 1933, Pocomoke Cir.; 34-36, Ocean City; 37-39, Townsend; 40-45, Pen. Conf. Chaplain U. S. Army; 46, Odessa; 47-54, Chaplain Veterans Administration; 55-56—Cherry Hill, Md.; 57—Wilm.-Trinity.
- Loss, R. F.**—1937, Maryland, 1936, Harmony; 37-38, Greenbush-Hallwood; Virginia and Pen. 39-40, Allen; 41-42, Kent Island; 43-45, Hillsboro-Queen Anne; 46-47, Vienna-Elliott; 48-49, Millsboro; 50—Retired.
- Lucia, Frank**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, Georgetown Circuit.
- Mackey, J. R.**—1938-48, Epperson; Iorman, Jax Dist. 38-40; Jacksonville Beach, Jax Dist. 40-48; Peninsula Conf. 48, Asbury, Salisbury.
- McClain, D. E.**—1910, 1910-33, East Maine Conf.; 09-13, Milo Junc. and Milo; 14-15, Calais, Knight Mem.; 16-18, Bar Harbor; 19-20, Centenary; 21-26, Field Agt., Board of Education; 27-32, American University; 33, Supt. Anti Saloon League of Del.; Wil. Conf. 34-36, Deals Island; 37-38, Cambridge (Zion); 39-50 Vice Pres. American University; 51, Retired.
- McCoy, P. E.**—1938, Wil. 1938, At School; 39, Burrsville; Pen. 40, Warwick; 41, Galena; 42-43, Hillcrest; 44-45, Newport; 46, Grace (Wil.); Associate Pastor; 47-48, (Ebenezer) Easton; 49, Chaplain U. S. Army; 50-52, Easton (Ebenezer); 53, St. Paul., Wilm.
- McDade, H. R.**—1905-19, Phila. Conf.; 1920-21, Claymont; 22, Salisbury Cir.; 24-25, St. Peters; 26, Tilghman; 27-29, Kent Island; 30-33, Newport; 34, New Castle; 35-36, Port Deposit; 37-38, Frankford; 39, Chincoteague; Pen. Conf. 40-44, Sharptown (Asbury); 45, Trappe; 46—Retired.
- McFarland, A. T.**—1919-21, Dakota Conf.; 22-27, Nebraska Conf.; 1938-, Millington; 40-41, St. Peters; 42-46, Calvary (Wil.); 47-48, (Union) Federalburg; 49, Easton (Ebenezer); 50-56—Crisfield-Mt. Pleasant; 57—Retired.
- McGinnis, W. S.**—1955 Pen. 55—Chester Bethel
- McKee, W. J.**—1914, 1914-31, Northern Minn. Conf.; Wil. 32-33, Somerset; 34, Roxana; 35-36, Epworth (Wil.); 37, Leave of Absence; 38-42, Supernumerary; Pen. 43-45, Powellville; 46-47, Houston; 48-49, Hosier Memorial; 50—Retired.
- Michels, Francis**—1955 Pen. 55—Bayview & Bethel.
- Milbury, F. D.**—1930, Wil. 1930, At School; 1931-35, Wyoming; 36-39, Federalburg; Pen. 40-43, Mt. Salem; 44-46, Laurel (Centenary); 47, Newport; 52-55, Dir. Religious Education; 56, Milford (Calvary).
- Miller, A. S.**—Pen. Aug. 1949; 49, Cambridge (Zion).
- Mills, R. W.**—1927, Wil. 1927-33, St. Peters; 34-35, Seaford Cir.; 36, Leave of Absence; Wil. and Pen. 37-41, Supernumerary; 42-44, Harbeson; 45-48, Stockton-Girdletree; 49—Retired.
- Minker, R. L., Jr.**—1950 Pen., 1950, Whaleyville; 51-54, Fruitland; 55—Ocean City.
- Moore, D. J.**—1911, Wil. 1911-12, Christiana; 13, Queenstown; 14-15, Trappe; 16-17, Parsonsburg; 18-19, Millington; 20, Mt. Vernon; 21-24, Trappe; 25-26, Felton; 27-28, Ridgely; 29-32, Millsboro; 33-34, Ocean View; 35-37, Chester-Bethel; Wil. and Pen. 38-47, Red Lion; 48—Retired.
- Moore, G. H.**—1952; 52-53, Bayside; 54-55, Greenwood; 56, Federalburg (Christ).
- Morgan, L. B.**—1905, Wil. 1905, Leipsic; 06-08, Williamsburg; 09-10, Concord; 11-13, Georgetown Cir.; 14-23, Chincoteague; 24-29, Richardson Park; 30-35, Elkton; Wil. and Pen. 36-40, Middletown; 41—Retired.
- Mulligan, T. C.**—1922, Maryland, 1919-21, Marley; 22-26, Payson St.; Maryland and Pen. 27-44, Cambridge, (St. Pauls); 45-50, Dist. Supt. Dover Dist.; 51, Georgetown-Grace.
- Nicklas, H. N.**—1932, Maryland Conf. 31-32, Warwick; 33-35, Powellville; 36-39, Cecil; Pen. 40-42, Odessa; 43-47, Magnolia; 48-51, Trappe; 52, Sharptown-Mt. Vernon.
- Nunemaker, Harold**—1955, Pen.; 55-56—Assistant Cecil United Parish; 57—Cecil United Parish.
- O'Neil, James**—1923, Wil. 1923, Farmington; 29-31, Nassau; 32-33, Blades; 34-36, Kenton; Wil. and Pen. 37-40, Quantico; 41-42, Pittsville (Ayers); 43-44 Fairmount; 45-47, Greenwood; 48-51, Ellendale; 52-55, Ingleside; 56, Crisfield (Mariners).

- Owens, W. H.**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, Perryville (Asbury).
- Parker, J. E.**—1924, Wil. 1924, Marydel; 25-26, Kenton; 27-30, Felton; 31-33, Princess Anne; 34-37, Harrington; 38, Tangier; Wil. and Pen. 39-42, Ocean View; 43-47, Ridgely; 48-49, Church Hill; 50-52, Camden; 53, Retired.
- Parks, H. M.**—1925, Wil. 1925-26, Little Creek; 27-28, Mt. Lebanon; 29-31, St. John's; 32, Delaware City; 33-35, Marshallton; Wil. and Pen. 36-42, Asbury (Wil.); 43-47, Salisbury (Grace); 48, St. Michaels; 49-51, Rock Hall; 52-53, Townsend; 54, Port Deposit.
- Pettus, J. B.**—1921, Virg. (South) 1916-17, East Albemarle; 18-20, Vol. Worker of the Salvation Army with soldiers in France and Germany; 20-21, Scottsville; 22, South Dorchester; 23-24, West Lancaster; 25-26, North Patrick; 27-28, St. Martin's; 29-31, Brightwood Cir.; 32-35, Hyco Cir.; 36-38, Allen; Vir. and Pen. 39-40, Cambridge Cir.; 42-43, Somerset; 44-47, Westover; 48-49, Quantico; 50, Whitesville; 51, Church Creek; 52, Ellendale; 53-55, Red Lion; 56, Retired.
- Phillips, Roy B.**—1955, Pen. 55, Wesley Chapel; 56, Townsend, Del.
- Pigueron, G. H.**—1942, Pen.; 42—Vienna; 43-46—Pocomoke (Bethany); 47-56 Wilmington-Union; 57—Ex. Dir. Home for Aged.
- Price, J. T.**—1908, Wil. 1908, Royal Oak; 09-10, Charlestown; 11-12, Tilghman; 13, St. John's; 14, Burrsville; 15-16, Blades; 17-19, Camden; 20-23, Hurlock; 24-25, Perryville; 26, Madeley; 27, Deals Island; 28, Frankford; 29-31, Fruitland; 32-33, Still Pond; 34-35, Chesapeake City; 36—Retired.
- Pritchard, D. T.**—1934, Wil. 1934-35, Somerset; 36-39, Newark, Md.; Pen. 40-41, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel); 42-46, Millington; 47-48, Odessa; 49-51, Harrington (Trinity); 52, Oxford.
- Randall, L. C.**—1923, Maryland, 23-24 Wil. (First Ch.); 25-27, St. James; 28-29, Hurlock; 30-31, Milton; Pen. Mar. and Pen. 32-42, Centreville (Grace); 43-45, Chaplain U. S. Navy; 46-47, Hurlock (Washington); 48-50, Zion Circuit, Leeds and St. Johns; 51-52, Rehoboth; 53-55, Pocomoke-Bethany; 56, Delmar (Mt. Olive).
- Randolph, D. J., Jr.**—1957, Pen.; 57—Hockessin, Del.
- Reed, O. B.**—1916, Wil. 1912-13, Milford Neck; 14-15, Marydel; 16-18, Church Hill; 19, Chesapeake City; 20, Hockessin; 21-24, Hillcrest; 25-27, Hockessin; 30, Vienna; 32, Trappe; 33-34, Mt. Vernon; 35-38, Ridgely; Wil. and Pen. 39-43, Wyoming; 44-47, Kent Island; 48-49, Millington; 50-55, Bethel-Chesapeake City; 56, Retired.
- Reiter, C. L.**—1957, Pen.; 57—Readmitted and Retired.
- Revelle, W. H.**—1907, Wil. 1907, Annessex; 09-10, Quantico; 11-14, Newark, Md.; 15-17, Mt. Vernon; 18-19, Somerset; 20-21, Hillsboro; 22-26, Rock Hall; 27-29, Trinity (Wil.); 30-32, North East; 33, Cookman; 34-37, Hockessin; Wil. and Pen. 38-43, Sudlersville; 44-48, Lewes; 49—Retired.
- Revelle, W. H., Jr.**—1945 Pen. Conf. 45-48, Port Deposit; 49-56—Chestertown, Christ; 57—Smyrna-Asbury.
- Reynolds, B. E.**—Wil. 1938, 1938-39, Hoopers Island; Wil. and Pen. 40-42, Newark, Md.; 43-44, Marshallton; 45—Wilmington Manor (St. Marks).
- Reynolds, P. E.**—1927, Wil. 1927-28, Vienna; 29-32, Hillcrest; 33-35, North East; 36-46, Chestertown (First); 47-48, (Bethany) Pocomoke City; 49—New Castle.
- Robinson, W. L.**—1951; 51-52, Asbury, Wilmington; 53-55, Charlestown, Md.; 56, Ebenezer-Newark, Del.
- Ross, G. S.**—1918, Maryland; 1918, Greenback; 19, Harpers Ferry; 20-23, Harmony; 24, Rowlandville; 25-28, Cannon; 29, Kent Island; 30-34, Mardela; Mary. and Pen. 35-40; Milton; 41-3, Seaford Cir.; 44-48, Goldsboro; 49-50, St. Georges-Delaware City; 51-52, St. Georges-Summit; 53-55, Minguadale; 56, Retired.
- Ruth, D. L.**—1947, Bozman; 1948-52, Easton-Trinity; 53-56—Cambridge-St. Paul; 57—Laurel Centenary.
- Sard, T. J.**—1910, Wil. 1910-11, Burrsville; 12-13, Armory (Dover); 14-17, Tangier; 18-22, Scott; 23-25, Chestertown; 26-32, Asbury (Crisfield); Wil. and Pen. 33-46, Union (Wil.); 47—Retired.
- Schauer, P. M. R.**—1915, Maryland, 1914, Salem; 15-17, Kennedyville; 18-19, Mount Nebo; 20-23, Maryland Line; 24-25, Poplar Springs; 26, Laurel, Del.; 27-28, Chesaco Pk.; 29-35, Harbeson; 36-37, Wye; Mary. and Pen. 38-39, Warwick; 40-41, Leeds; 42-45, Concord; 46-47, Whaleyville; 48-52, Red Lion; 53, Retired.
- Shield, E. R.**—1936, Mary. Con. 36-38, Powellville; Mar. and Pen. 1939-52, Snow Hill-Bates Memorial; 53, Pocomoke-Salem.
- Shockley, E. M.**—1919, Wil. 1919, Bayside; 20-22, At School; 23-25, Still Pond; 26-29, North East; 30-33, Brandywine; 34-35, Selbyville; Wil. and Pen. 36-40, Dover; 41-43, Harrison St.; 44-46, Easton (Ebenezer); 47—Retired.
- Shockley, O. J.**—1957, Pen.; 57—Cheswood, Del.
- Short, W. D.**—1922, Wil. 1922, Greenwood; 23, Charlestown; 24, Crapo; 25, Trappe; 26-28, East New Market; 29, Still Pond; 30-31, At School; 32, Millington; 33, Ridgely; 34-35, St. Peters; 36-37, Smith's Island; Wil. and Pen. 38-41, Madeley; 42, Kenton; 43, Sabbatical leave; 44-46, Supernumerary; 47—Retired.
- Simpers, John W.**—1956, Peninsula Conf.; 56, School.
- Smith, Addison L.**—1940, 41, Hinsdale, New Hampshire; 1942, 43, Rochelle, Louisiana; 1943, Louisiana Conference. 1943-47 Second Church, New Orleans; 47, St. Francisville; 48-50, Baton Rouge; 50-52, Conway, N. H. (Maine Conf.); 53, 1953 Peninsula Conf. 1952, 53, Wye Mills. 53, East New Market. 55—St. Michaels.

- Smith, Tilghman**—1907, Wil. 1907, Canterbury; 08, Christiana; 09-10, Pomona; 11, Girdletree; 12-14, Marion; 15-17, Bethel; 18-19, East New Market; 20-22, Still Pond; 23-25, St. Michaels; 26-29, Marshallton; 30-34, Port Deposit; 35-36, Clayton; 37-38, Greensboro; Wil. and Pen. 39-43, Princess Anne; 44-47, Townsend; 48—Retired.
- Snapp, A. M. B.**—1928, Balto. South; — Pen. 1940-41, Church Hill; 42-45, Chaplain, U. S. Army; 46-47, South & Allen (Salisbury); 48-50, Perryville; 51-53, Chaplain U. S. Army; 54-55, Dover Air Base-St. Pauls.; 56, Wyoming, Del.
- Sparklin, J. L.**—1906, Wil. 1906-7, Farmington; 08-10, Cordova; 11, Girdletree; 12-13, Odessa; 14-16, Church Hill; 17-18, Millsboro; 19-20, Wyoming; 21-22, Georgetown; 23-29, Newport; 30, Madeley; 31-32, Hurlock; Wil. and Pen. 33-41, St. Georges; 42—Retired.
- Spence, P. W.**—1926, Wil. 1926-29, Christiana; 30-31, Delaware City; 32-33, Mt. Lebanon; 34-38, Preston; Wil. and Pen. 39-42, Bridgeville; 43-50, Claymont; 51-56—Dist. Supt. Easton Dist.; 57—Wilm.-Peninsula.
- Spry, C. W.**—1911, Wil. 1911, Marshallton; 12-13, At School; 14, Mardela; 15, Ocean City; 16, Lakesville; 17, Vienna; 18-20, Farmington; 21-22, Georgetown Cir.; 23-24, Greenwood; 25-26, Magnolia; 27-28, Blades; 29-32, Clayton; 33, Rock Hall; 34-35, Kent Island; 36-37, Hillsboro; 38, Pittsville; Wil. and Pen. 39-44, Bethel; 45-47, Cheswold; 48—Retired.
- Squires, C. H.**—1938, Wil. 1938, Girdletree; 39, Willards; Pen. 40-43, Bayside; 44-46, Hurlock (Unity); 47, Newark, Md.; 48-53, (St. Andrews) Salisbury; 54, Ocean 55-56—Cheswold, Del.; 57—Dagsboro-Bethel.
- Stapleton, J. G.**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, Trappe, Md.
- Staszkesky, R. C.**—1949 Pen. 49, School; 50, Wilm. (Trinity); 51, School.
- Sterling, G. E.**—1912, Wil. 1912-13, Pittsville; 14, Bishopville; 15-16, Marion; 17-18, Ocean City; 19-20, Fairmont; 21-24, Galena; 25-28, Bridgeville; 29-32, Cookman; 33-39, Phoebus; Pen. 40-48, Snow Hill (Whatcoat); 49—Silverbrook.
- Stone, W. H.**—1932, Maryland, 1930, West Wilmington; 31-32, Carroll Cir.; 33-35, Uniontown; 36-39, First (Wil.); Pen. Conf. 40-42, Hillsboro and Queen Anne; 43—Seaford (Mt. Olive).
- Strausburg, C. R.**—1901, Maryland, 1900, Montgomery Cir.; 01, Kempton (Asst.); 02, Canton; 03-4, Talbot; 05, 1st (Wil.); 06-8, Cecil; 09, Marley; 10-11, Greensboro; 12-13, Alexandria, Va.; 14-17, Lisbon; 18-21, Snow Hill; 22-24, Milford; 25-28, Cumberland; 29, Alnutt Mem.; 30-31, Trinity-Salem; 32, Accomac; 33-34, Mt. Nebo; Mary. and Pen. 35-39, St. Michaels; 40-44, Fairlee; 45-46, Marydel; 47—Retired.
- Strickland, C. W.**—1892, Wil. 1892, Little Creek; 93-94, Elliotts Isl.; 95, Pocomoke Cir.; 96-97, Parsonsburg; 98-99, Chincoteague; 00-1, Quantico; 02-4, Nassau; 05, Williston; 06, Newport; 07-8, St. Peters; 09-10, Greenwood; 11-12, Bozman; 13-15, Nanticoke; 16-18, Frankford; 19-22, Pittsville; 23, Deals Island; 24-29, Tangier; 30-32, Epworth, (Wil.); 33-34, Clayton; 35—Retired.
- Tawes, R. L.**—1928, Wil. 1928-29, Millington; 30-32, Ridgely; 33, Ocean City; 34-36, Magnolia; 37, Seaford Cir.; Wil. and Pen. 38-42, Hurlock (Washington); 43-48—Silverbrook; 49-53—Milford-Avenue; 54-56—Wilm.-Peninsula; 57—Dist. Supt. Dover District.
- Thawley, R. T.**—1916, Wil. 1916-17, Red Lion; 18-24, At School; 25, Mt. Vernon; 26, Port Deposit; 27-28, Tilghman; 29-31, Cecilton; 32-35, Centreville; Wil. and Pen. 36-40, Selbyville; 41-46, Brandywine; 47-48 (Wesley) Dover; 49-51, Federalburg (Union); 52, Stanton, Del. Appt. & Conf. Treas.; 53, No Appt.; 54-55—Asbury & Scott; 56—Scott; 57—Retired.
- Thomas, E. C.**—1949 Peninsula, 49-51, Greenwood (Grace & Cannon); 52, Odessa.
- Thomas, E. P.**—1914, Wil. 1914-15, Pittsville; 16-17, At School; 18-20, Ocean City; 21-22, Epworth (Wil.); 23-28, Laurel; 29-32, Smyrna; 33-35, Dover; Wil. and Pen. 36-40, Easton; 41-44, St. Paul's (Wil.); 45-50, Supt., Easton Dist.; 51-55, Claymont; 56, Retired.
- Todd, O. M.**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, Goldsboro, Md.
- Townsend, J. W.**—1919, Maryland, 19-22, Cannon; 23-25, Milton; 26-27, Calvary, Va. and Walker's Chapel; 28-33, Calvary, Va.; 34-39, Snow Hill; Peninsula Conf. 40-43, Peninsula (Wil.); 44—Delmar (First).
- Trader, Charles**—1950 Pen.; 50, Fairmount-Westover; 51-55, Vienna; 56, Church Hill, Md.
- Trader, J. A.**—1923, Maryland, 1921-23, Haddonfield, N. J.; 24-25, Cumberland; 26-28, Lauraville; 29-34, Cherrydale, Va.; Mary. and Balt. 35-39, Lewis Mem. (Wash.); Pen. 40-48, Trinity (Salisbury); 49—Dover (Wesley).
- Troutman, L. B.**—1949 Pen. 49-50, Ridgely; 51-52, Hillsboro-Queen Anne; 53, Chaplain U. S. Air Force.
- Truitt, F. H.**—1936, Wil. 36-37, Pomona; 38-39, St. Johns; Pen. 40, Mt. Vernon; 41-46, Nassau and Unity; 47-49, (Trinity) Harrington; 49-52, St. Michaels (Sardis); 53, Sharptown-Asbury.
- Turkington, T. J.**—1922, Maryland; 1922-24, Chincoteague; 25, Wilmington, (Second Ch.); 26-30, First Ch. (Washington); Maryland and Pen. 31—Denton, (Grace).

- Turner, G. E.**—1920, Maryland, 1920-21, Cecil; 22-24, Dorchester; 25-29, Belair; 30, Sharptown; 31-33, Leeds; 34-36, Kempton; 37-39, Harrington; Pen. 40-41, 1st Church (Wil.); 42-45, St. Peters; 46-47, Powellville; 48-51, Smith Island; 52, Retired.
- Van Cleaf, R. E.**—1935, Maryland, 1935-39, Clayton; Pen. Conf. 40-43, Hurlock, (Unity); 44-45, Chaplain U. S. Army; 46-48, Mt. Vernon (Sharptown); 49-50, Georgetown (Grace); 51-55, Harrington-Asbury; 56, Middletown, Del.
- Vaughn, J. B.**—1931, Wil. Conf.; 1931-35, Bethel and Town Point; 1936-37, Madeley; Wil. and Pen. 1938-41, Milton; 42-43, Salisbury; 44-47, Centreville (Epworth); 48-49, (Washington) Hurlock; 50-54, United Parish; 55—Houston, Del.
- Volk, F. M.**—Maryland Conf.; 1920-21, Melvin Chap., Cumberland; 22-23, Rowlandsville; 24-27, Kempton; 28-30, Pipe Creek; 31, Harpers Ferry; Maryland and Pen. 1932-40, Pittsville; 41-45, Scott; 46-49, Mt. Olive (Delmar); 50-52, Cambridge (St. Pauls); 53-54, Milton-Goshen & Grace; 55—Fruitland.
- Von Hagel, J. J.**—1932, Maryland, 1933-35, Walkers Chapel; 36-38, Claremont; 39-41, Greenwood, Grace and Cannon, Pen. Conf.; 42-43, Milton, Grace and Indian River; 44-46, Vienna; 47-51, Frankford; 52-55, Wyoming; 56, Salisbury (Grace).
- Wheatley, G. H.**—1929, Wil. Conf. 29-32, Onancock; 33-35, Newark, Md.; 36-39, St. Peters; Wil. and Pen. 40-41, Marian (Trinity); 42-43, Ingleside and Barclay; 44-48, Rock Hall; 49—Greensboro.
- Wheatley, M. E.**—1910, Wil. Conf.; 1910-11, Blades; 12-13, Burrsville; 14-15, St. John's; 16-18, Concord; 19-21, Centreville; 22-24, Ridgely; 25-29, Denton; 30-34, Middletown; 35, Silverbrook; 36-41, Elkton; 42-49, Crisfield (Immanuel); 50-55, North East, Md.—56, Retired.
- Wheatley, R. H.**—1954, Pen. Conf.; 54-55, Burrsville; 56, Missionary to Panama.
- Whedbee, J. H.**—1919, Wil. Conf. 1919, Trappe; 20-21, Cordova; 22-24, East New Market; 25, Seaford Cir.; 26-28, Bethel; 29-31, Hopewell; 32-33, Magnolia; 34, Pittsville; 35-36, Nanticoke; 37-38, Bethel; Wil. and Pen. 39-40, Nassau; 41-44, Stockton; 45-56, Deal Island; 47, Millington; 48-50, Bayside; 51, Retired; 52, Bethel, (Dov. Dist.); 53, Retired.
- White, Leonard**—1908, Wil. Conf. 1908-09, Fairlee; 10, Asst. Supt. Penin. Anti-Saloon League; 11-13, Cordova; 14-16, St. Michaels; 17-18, Centreville; 19-22, Mt. Salem; 23-25, Dover; 26-28, Delmar; 29-34, Supt. Salisbury Dist.; 35-38, Newark, Del.; Wil. and Pen. 39-42, Deals Island; 43—Retired.
- Whitlock, Robt.**—1957, Pen.; 57—Chesapeake City, Md.
- Wilcox, C. E.**—1956 Peninsula Conf.; 56, Harrington (Trinity).
- Wilkey, D. C.**—1943, Calif.-Nevada Conf., Feb. 1, 1949 Peninsula; 49-52, Ocean View; 53-55, Milford-Calvary; 56, Dir. Religious Education.
- Wilkins, Edw. R.**—1954-55, At School; 56, Assoc. Pastor, Wesley, Dover.
- Wilkins, H. O.**—45-46, St. Johns; 47-49, Camden; 50-55, Middletown; 56, Hillcrest, Del.
- Wimbrow, L. E.**—1923, Wil. 23-25, Assoc. Pastor, Grace, (Wil.); St. Johns River Conf., 26, White Temple (Assoc.); 27, Allapattah Temple; 28, First (Melbourn, Fla.); Wil. Conf. 29-30, Grace, (Wil.); Assoc.; 31-33, Pocomoke City (Salem); 34-36, Scott (Wil.); 37-38, Millsboro; Wil. and Pen. 39-42, First (Denton); 43-50—Bridgeville; 51-56—Snow Hill-Whatcoat; 57—Retired.
- Windsor, L. E.**—1916, Wil. 1916, Henderson; 17, Little Creek; 18-20, Mt. Pleasant; 21-22, At School; 23-25, Dagsboro; 26-35, Seaford; 36-39, Mt. Salem; Pen. 40-51, Conf. Treasurer; 52-55, Wilm.-Calvary; 56, Frankford, Del.
- Wood, G. E.**—1886, Wil. 1886, Crumpton; 87, Kings Creek; 88-9, Hallwood; 90, Chincoteague; 91-4, Claymont; 95, Bishopville; 96-7, Cannon; 98-9, Parsonsburg; 00-1, Magnolia; 02-3, E. N. Market; 04-6, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel); 07-8, Newark, Md.; 09-10, Onancock; 11-13, Sy.; 14, Cherry Hill; 15-16, St. Georges; 17-18, Rockland; 19, Girdletree; 20-21, Bethel; 22-23, Lincoln; 24-25, Frederica; 26-28, Trappe; 29, Marion; 30-31, Beckwith; 32—Retired.
- Wooten, J. W.**—1918, Wil. 1918, Westover; 19-21, Fruitland; 22-25, Tilghman; 26-29, Somerset; 30, Ocean City; 31-33, Scott; 34-35, Cape Charles; Wil. and Pen. 36-41, Pocomoke; 42-45, Grace (Cambridge); 46-48, New Castle; 49-50, Snow Hill (Whatcoat); 51-55, Bridgeville; 56, Retired.
- Wright, J. Harry**—1922, Wil. Conf. 1922-25, At School; 26-28, Cookman; 29-31, Chestertown; 32-35, Easton; Wil. and Pen. 36-42, Silverbrook; 43, Sabbatical leave; 41, At School; 45-50, Harrington (Asbury); 51 Retired.

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