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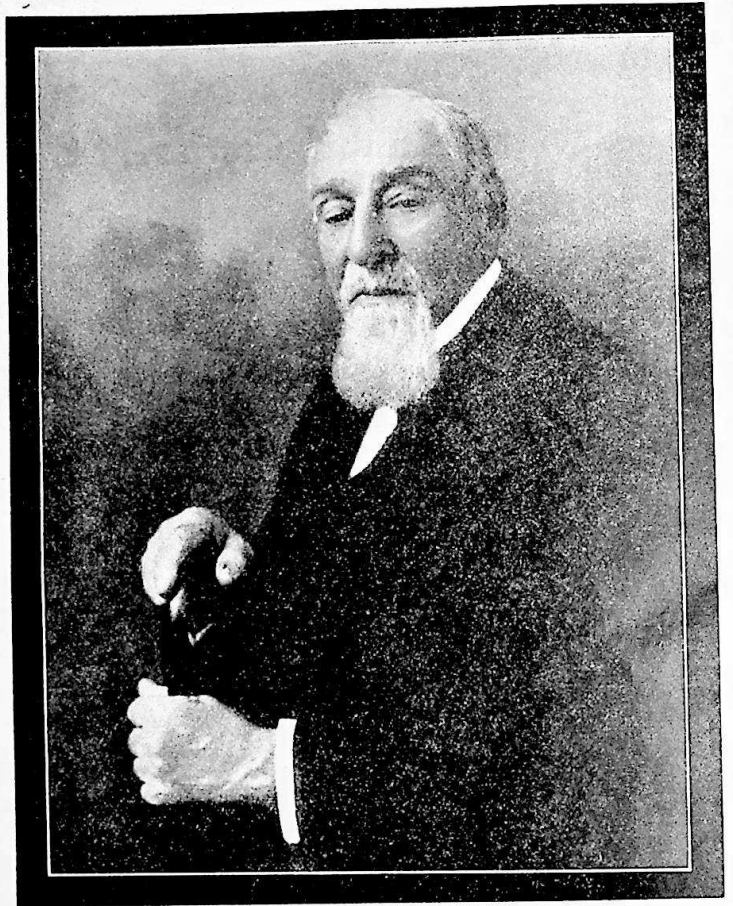
Conference

Methodist Protestant Church



NINETY-SIXTH SESSION

1924



FRANCIS THOMAS TAGG, M. A., D. D.
1845—1923

Conference Directory

Name	Appointment	P. O. Address
Adams, C. M.	Greenwood.	Greenwood, Del.
Adams, H. L.	Smyrna	Smyrna, Del.
Adams, J. Peyton	Reliance	Oak Grove, Del.
Adams, Ziba	Franklin City	Franklin City, Va.
Anstine, D. W.	Cambridge Circuit.	Madison, Md.
Bacchus, G. Q.	Superannuate.	Riverdale, Md.
Bailey, F. B.	W. Wilmington	24 6th Ave., Wilmington, Del.
Bailey, J. T.	Georgetown.	Georgetown, Del.
Balderston, J. W.	Elizabeth.	413 Marshall St., Elizabeth, N. J.
Barker, W. Carey	Tyreanna	200 Huron Ave., Lynchburg, Va.
Bauscher, W. F.	Accomac.	Leemont, Va.
Baxley, J. W.	Pittsville.	Pittsville, Md.
Beane, A. S.	Keen Memorial.	3004 Huntington Ave., Balto., Md.
Bennett, L. A.	Superannuate.	2601 Chelsea Ter., Balto., Md.
Benson, F. T.	Ed. "Meth. Prot."	316 N. Charles St., Balto., Md.
Betschler, T. J.	Kent Island	Stevensville, Queen Anne's co., Md.
Betts, A. W.	Felton.	Felton, Del.
Blake, Dorsey	Indian River.	Greenwood, Del.
Brewer, O. G.	Fairfax	Vienna, Va.
Bright, C. R.	Mt. Nebo.	Whiteford, Md.
Browne, Robert	Taylor Memorial	643 Hunting Pk. Ave., Phila., Pa.
Brown, G. E.	Grace.	1907 N. Wolfe St., Baltimore, Md.
Brown, J. McL.	Edmondson Ave.	703 Linard Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Bryan, B. A.	Delmar	Delmar, Del.
Bryan, J. F.	Emmanuel.	5457 Willows Ave., Phila., Pa.
Bunce, E. L.	Pocomoke City.	Pocomoke City, Md.
Butler, C. P.	Whaleyville.	Whaleyville, Md.
Cain, F. S.	Leeds.	Elkton, Md., R. D. 4.
Cassen, Paul M.	Calvary & Walkers	Aurora Hills, Va.
Cassen, S. F.	Baltimore Circuit.	Towson, Balto. Co., Md.
Clayton, G. M.	Bethesda	5 Maple Ave., Hamilton, Balto., Md.
Clift, F. M.	Laurel Circuit.	Laurel, Del.
Clough, N. C.	Seaford	Seaford, Del.
Coe, S. W.	Superannuate.	Brooklyn Station, Baltimore, Md.
Coleman, E. C.	Lewistown	Lewistown, Md.
Compher, C. M.	Mt. Tabor.	2238 35th St., Wash., D. C.
Crosby, P. W.	N. Car. Avenue.	19 Ninth St. S. E., Wash., D. C.
Crouse, T. O.	Hawley Memorial.	Charmian, Pa.
Cullum, C. M.	Harbeson.	Harbeson, Del.
Cummings, C. F.	Caroline	Hobbs, Caroline County, Md.
Cummings, J. E.	Pipe Creek.	Uniontown, Carroll Co., Md.
Day, C. C.	St. Luke's.	1327 Erie Ave., Phila., Pa.
Dawson, C.	Chesaco Park.	Westminster, Md.
Dearholt, M. E.	Concord.	Roxbury, Franklin Co.; Pa.
Dobson, C. H.	Lisbon	Mt. Airey, Md., R. D. 6.
Donaldson, G. R.	Frederick.	New Market, Fred. Co., Md.
Donovan, Avery	Dover & Leipsic.	Dover, Del.
Dryden, C. E.	Glenburnie.	Glenburnie, Md.
Dudley, J. A.	Alexandria	3055 Washington St., Alexandria, Va.
Elderdice, C. M.	Crisfield.	Crisfield, Md.
Elderdice, H. L.	Pres. W. T. S.	Westminster, Md.
Elderdice, J. L.	Superannuate.	Oxford, Md.
Ewell, A. W., Jr.	Laurel.	Laurel, Del.
Farring, G. F.	Superannuate.	500 Patapsco Ave., Brooklyn, Md.
Fenby, J. T.	Marley.	Curtis Bay, Md.
George, J. P.	Conquest	Hallwood, Va.
Gibson, N. O.	Chestertown.	Chestertown, Md.
Gill, J. M.	West Baltimore.	1622 Harlem Ave., Balto., Md.
Gordon, L. W.	Amelia.	Manboro, Amelia Co., Va.

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Graham, E. C.	New Church.	New Church, Va.
Gray, J. W.	Superannuate.	Brooklyn, Md.
Green, A. H.	Mardela.	Mardela, Md.
Green, J. L.	Mt. Olivet	Ballston, Va., R. D. No. 1.
Haddaway, G. W.	Starr.	2504 Garrison Ave., Balto., Md.
Haddaway, K. K.	Without Appt.	1107 Edwards, Yale Sta., New Haven,
Haddaway, L. E.	Clayton.	Clayton, Del. Conn.
Hanks, W. S.	Union Bridge.	Union Bridge, Md.
Harpold, W. A.	Middleway	Kearneysville, W. Va.
Hill, G. J.	Superannuate.	3919 8th St., N. W., Wash., D. C.
Hines, Geo.	Stewartstown.	Stewartstown, Pa.
Hodges, W. H.	Centreville	Centreville, Md.
Hoffman, W. L.	Loaned	5751 33rd Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.
Holland, F. A.	Fawn Grove.	Fawn Grove, Pa.
Holloway, F. G.	Wilton Heights.	5216 Wilton H'ghts Ave., Balto., Md.
Holmes, J. M.	Superannuate.	Harrington, Del.
Hooker, G. J.	Denton	Denton, Md.
Humphreys, G. I.	President.	3600 Copley Rd., Baltimore, Md.
Hungerford, M. E.	Union.	Hebron, Md.
Jenkins, C. M.	Bedford	Cumberland Valley, Bedford Co., Pa.
Jester, H. B.	Brooklyn.	Brooklyn, Md.
Johnson, H. S.	Superannuate.	Rising Sun, Md.
Johnson, H. W. D.	Oxford.	Oxford, Md.
Jones, E. H.	Parksley	Parksley, Va.
Jones, T. C.	Nichols Memorial.	Odenton, Md.
Judefind, W. B.	Violetville.	101 Whittemore Ave., Balto., Md.
Keen, H. O.	Calvary	6125 Ellwood Ave.
Kester, H. A.	Graceland Park	Graceland Park, Md.
Kindley, B. W.	Delta	Delta, Pa.
Kirk, J. W.	Buckeystown.	Buckeystown, Fred. Co., Md.
Kirkley, E. T.	Linthicum Hts.	Linthicum Heights, Md.
Klein, F. C.	Sec. Bd. For. Mis.	316 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md.
Leister, G. E.	Gr'nbush & Tasley	Greenbush, Va.
Lewis, T. H.	Pres. Gen. Con.	2844 Wisconsin Ave., Wash., D. C.
Link, J. N.	Deer Park.	Westminster, Md., R. D. 6.
Litsinger, W. H.	North Baltimore.	1503 Mt. Royal Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Little, F. T.	Evergreen.	222 W. Madison St., Balto., Md.
Lynch, J. H.	Lynchburg.	701 Madison St., Lynchburg, Va.
Lynn, J. G.	Cecil	North East, Md., R. F. D.
Maddox, Carrol	First Ch., Wash.	518 4th St., S. E., Washington, D. C.
Makosky, E. C.	First Ch., Newark.	583 Clinton Ave., Newark, N. J.
Marker, J. L.	Wye.	Carmichael, Q. A. Co., Md.
Marshall, Clark S.	Queen Anne.	Centreville, Md.
Martin, S. R.	Carroll Circuit	Westminster, Md., R. D.
Mason, H. J.	Dagsboro	Dagsboro, Del.
Mather, A. W.	Superannuate.	Seaford, Del.
McCasin, C. K.	Finksburg.	Finksburg, Md.
McCorkle, F. K.	Mariners.	Crisfield, Md.
McCullough, C. E.	Superannuate.	Waycross, Ga.
McDorman, G. E.	Federalsburg.	Federalsburg, Md.
McKeawn, J. R.	Bivalve	Bivalve, Md.
Melvin, W. A.	Lowe Memorial.	1412 William St., Balto., Md.
Miller, V. A.	Lawsonia	Crisfield, Md.
Mills, J. L.	Superannuate.	1611 N. 31st St., Birmingham, Ala.
Morris, G. A.	Harrington.	Harrington, Del.
Mulligan, T. C.	Payson St.	26 S. Payson St., Baltimore, Md.
Mullineaux, F. H.	Superannuate	Cambridge, Md.
Mumford, W. C.	Sharptown.	Sharptown, Md.
Murphy, H. L.	St. Michaels.	St. Michaels, Md.

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Nichols, J. L.	Westminster.	Westminster, Md.
Nicholson, R. Y.	Cambridge.	Cambridge, Md.
Nowlin, C. P.	Belair.	Belair, Md.
Ogg, G. A.	East Baltimore.	1524 E. Biddle St., Balto., Md.
Owens, I. S.	Powellville.	Pittsville, Md., R. D.
Parris, J. W.	Harper's Ferry.	Harper's Ferry, W. Va.
Phillips, C.	Northumberland.	Burgess Store, Va.
Phillips, F. J.	Grove.	Preston, Md.
Ports, George W.	Wallace Memorial.	Hampton, Va., R. D. 3.
Quillan, C. O.	Crumpton	Crumpton, Md.
Randall, L. Colvin	1st Ch., Wilm'g'n.	Y. M. C. A., Wilmington, Del.
Randall, Louis	Alnutt Memorial.	2028 E. Lombard St., Balto., Md.
Raum, A. F. T.	Snow Hill.	Snow Hill, Md.
Read, E. T.	Easton.	Easton, Md.
Reed, C. H.	Wesley Chap. of K.	Rock Hall, Md.
Reynolds, F. D.	St. Paul's.	702 N. Kenwood Ave., Balto., Md.
Rice, P. L.	Superannuate.	Hamilton, Va.
Roberts, W. P.	Eutaw.	3420 Harford Ave., Balto., Md.
Robey, C. E.	Warwick	Warwick, Cecil Co., Md.
Ross, G. S.	Rowlandville.	Rowlandville, Md.
Ruley, B. F.	Congress Street.	1236 31st St., N. W., Wash., D. C.
Schauer, P. M. R.	New Market.	Maryland Line, Md.
Schlincke, H. L.	1st Ch., Cumb'l'd.	Cumberland, Md.
Schmeiser, Wm.	Salem.	Manokin, Somerset Co., Md.
Sexsmith, E. A.	Sec. Bd. Y. P. Wk.	3437 Piedmont Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Schatz, W. H.	Texas	Westminster, Md.
Sheridan, J. M.	Ch. Ex. Supt.	1428 Linden Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Sherwood, W. N.	Superannuate.	908 Shalldcross Ave., Wilmington, Del.
Shipley, R. L.	Salisbury.	802 N. Division St., Salisbury, Md.
Simms, Arthur W.	Oak Gr. & Pr. Geo.	Surrey, Surrey Co., Va.
Simms, E. W.	St. James	Worton, Kent Co., Md.
Simms, W. S.	Deer Creek.	Forest Hill, Md., R. D.
Sites, W. A.	Liberty.	Libertytown, Frederick Co., Md.
Smith, Leon A.	Tioga H'ghts Miss.	3376 Amber St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Smith, L. B.	Peninsula Ch.	603 W. 19th St., Wilmington, Del.
Snyder, W. M.	Cherrydale.	Cherrydale Sta., Wash., D. C.
Steininger, C. V.	Quantico	Quantico, Md.
Stocksdale, G. H.	Howard.	Clarksville, Md.
Stone, E. D.	Hampden.	3449 Falls Road, Balto., Md.
Straughn, J. H.	Rhode Is. Avenue.	2324 First St., N. W., Wash., D. C.
Strausburg, C. R.	Milford.	Milford, Del.
Strayer, W. M.	Superannuated.	Oxford, Md.
Sullivan, J. G.	Supernumerary	Mill and 14th St., Richmond, Va.
Sutcliffe, R. W.	Cannon.	Cannon, Del.
Townsend, J. W.	Milton.	Milton, Del.
Trader, John	Melvin Chapel	Cumberland, Md.
Trout, J. W.	Kennedyville.	Kennedyville, Md.
Turkington, T. J.	Chincoteague.	Chincoteague, Va.
Turner, G. E.	Dorchester.	Vienna, Md.
Volk, F. M.	Kempton.	Monrovia, Frederick Co., Md.
Ward, A. N.	Pres. W. M. C.	Westminster, Md.
Ward, J. L.	Christ Ch.	1620 W. North Ave., Balto., Md.
Wareheim, K. H.	Trinity.	Marion Station, Marion, Md.
Warner, L. F.	St. John's.	2705 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md.
Warner, Paul F.	Lauraville.	2705 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md.
White, R. W.	Trinity, Balto.	1201 W. 42nd St., Baltimore, Md.
Wilson, W. D.	Lewes.	Lewes, Del.
Wooden, J. F.	Harmony.	Falling Water, W. Va., R. D. 10.
Woodford, T. R.	Loaned W.H.M.S.	Pine Ridge, Ky.
Wright, J. A.	Hurlock.	Hurlock, Md.
Wright, J. R.	Chaplain, U. S. A.	Care War Dept., Wash., D. C.
Wright, W. F.	South Baltimore.	1214 Light St., Balto., Md.

Conference Roll

Ministers and Preachers

Reg		Rec'd	Ord'd	Reg		Rec'd	Ord'd
176	W. W. Strayer	1858	1860	371	C. E. Dryden.....	1895	1897
187	J. L. Mills	1860	1862	372	H. O. Keen.....	1895	1898
194	J. W. Gray	1861	1863	373	G. A. Morris.....	1895	1898
215	J. M. Holmes	1865	1867	376	A. N. Ward.....	1895	1897
220	A. W. Mather	1866	1868	378	J. F. Bryan.....	1896	1897
248	J. G. Sullivan	1871	1873	379	N. O. Gibson	1896	1898
252	F. T. Little	1872	1873	380	F. A. Holland.....	1896	1897
255	T. O. Crouse	1872	1874	381	E. D. Stone.....	1896	1898
260	G. F. Farring	1873	1876	382	G. H. Stocksdale.....	1896	1899
261	F. H. Mullineaux	1873	1876	381	W. A. Melvin.....	1897	1898
265	G. Q. Bacchus	1874	1877	388	E. T. Read.....	1897	1899
270	J. M. Sheridan	1875	1877	389	J. L. Ward.....	1897	1899
277	T. H. Lewis	1876	1876	394	B. F. Ruley.....	1899	1900
278	J. W. Trout	1876	1879	396	T. R. Woodford	1899	1900
285	D. W. Anstine	1879	1882	397	G. E. Brown	1899	1904
286	F. C. Klein	1879	1881	398	C. M. Compber	1900	1901
289	J. L. Elderdice	1880	1883	400	F. J. Phillips.....	1900	1903
294	J. W. Balderston	1881	1883	401	W. N. Sherwood.....	1900	1903
297	J. M. Gill	1882	1885	403	E. H. Jones.....	1900	1905
299	S. F. Cassen	1883	1886	405	J. H. Straughn.....	1901	1903
308	J. W. Kirk	1885	1886	406	C. R. Strausburg.....	1901	1904
309	W. Kindley	1885	1887	409	P. W. Crosby.....	1903	1904
310	H. L. Elderdice	1885	1885	411	G. J. Hooker.....	1903	1904
312	F. T. Benson	1886	1887	413	Clayborne Phillips.....	1903	1905
315	J. F. Wooden	1886	1889	415	R. L. Shipley.....	1903	1905
321	G. W. Haddaway.....	1888	1890	416	B. A. Bryan.....	1904	1906
324	H. W. D. Johnson.....	1888	1891	417	G. I. Humphreys.....	1904	1906
330	C. E. McCullough.....	1889	1891	421	F. M. Clift.....	1904	1906
332	H. S. Johnson.....	1890	1892	423	J. T. Bailey	1905	1907
338	L. F. Warner.....	1891	1893	424	N. C. Clough	1905	1907
339	J. W. Parris.....	1891	1891	425	Carroll Maddox	1905	1908
340	Avery Donovan	1891	1892	426	W. P. Roberts	1905	1907
341	S. W. Coe	1891	Tr.	428	C. M. Elderdice.....	1906	1907
342	Dorsey Blake	1892	1893	429	W. L. Hoffman.....	1906	1908
343	L. A. Bennett	1892	1892	432	L. B. Smith.....	1906	1907
344	C. M. Cullum	1892	1893	434	W. S. Hanks	1906	Tr.
345	G. R. Donaldson.....	1892	1895	436	E. L. Bunce.....	1907	1907
347	A. H. Green	1892	1894	437	H. B. Jester	1907	1909
350	C. K. McCaslin.....	1892	1893	438	P. L. Rice.....	1907	1909
352	Louis Randall	1892	1894	439	F. D. Reynolds.....	1907	Tr.
354	J. A. Wright.....	1892	1892	440	G. A. Ogg.....	1907	Tr.
355	G. M. Clayton.....	1893	1896	441	E. A. Sexsmith.....	1907	Tr.
356	J. McLain Brown.....	1893	1894	442	J. L. Nichols.....	1908	Tr.
357	George Hines	1893	1896	447	M. E. Hungerford.....	1909	1911
358	W. B. Judefind.....	1893	1896	448	J. R. Wright	1909	1911
359	E. C. Makosky.....	1893	1895	457	V. A. Miller.....	1911	1913
360	C. P. Nowlin.....	1893	1895	459	R. Y. Nicholson.....	1911	1912
363	A. S. Beane.....	1893	1891	461	W. C. Mumford.....	1911	1912
364	G. J. Hill.....	1894	1894	462	C. M. Adams.....	1912	1914
365	W. H. Litsinger.....	1894	1896	463	W. F. Bauscher.....	1912	1913
369	F. S. Cain.....	1895	1898	464	J. A. Dudley.....	1912	1912
370	H. L. Schlincke.....	1895	1897	465	A. W. Ewell.....	1912	1913

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511	F. K. McCorkle.....	1919	1920	509	J. W. Baxley.....	1919	1919
510	R. W. Sutcliffe.....	1919	Tr.	513	E. C. Graham.....	1920	Tr.
466	E. W. Simms.....	1912	1913	514	F. W. Siffrin.....	1920	1920
467	W. F. Wright.....	1912	1914	515	G. E. Turner.....	1920	1920
468	Ziba Adams.....	1913	Tr.	516	F. M. Volk.....	1920	1920
471	C. C. Day.....	1913	1914	518	C. M. Jenkins.....	1920	.....
472	W. M. Snyder.....	1913	1914	519	C. P. Butler.....	1920	Tr.
473	T. C. Jones.....	1914	Tr.	520	J. Earl Cummings.....	1921	1921
474	J. N. Link.....	1914	1916	521	J. Tracey Fenby.....	1921	1921
478	I. S. Owens.....	1915	1917	522	W. H. Hodges.....	1921	Tr.
480	E. T. Kirkley.....	1915	1916	523	F. G. Holloway.....	1921	1921
542	F. B. Bailey.....	1924	1924	524	C. M. Kelser.....	1921	1921
481	J. P. Adams.....	1916	1917	525	Paul F. Warner.....	1921	1921
483	J. P. George.....	1916	1918	526	Robert Browne.....	1922	1924
488	K. K. Haddaway.....	1917	1917	528	M. E. Dearholt.....	1922	1922
491	J. H. Lynch.....	1917	1919	529	Thomas Turkington..	1922	1922
493	C. H. Dobson.....	1917	1919	530	J. L. Marker.....	1922	1922
494	H. L. Murphy.....	1917	1919	531	T. G. Betschler.....	1922	1922
495	L. E. Haddaway.....	1917	1919	532	T. C. Mulligan.....	1922	1922
496	A. F. T. Raum.....	1917	1919	533	A. W. Simms.....	1922	1922
497	P. M. R. Schauer.....	1917	1918	534	O. G. Brewer.....	1922	1922
498	Gilbert S. Ross.....	1918	1918	535	M. L. Smith.....	1922	1922
500	L. W. Gordon.....	1918	Tr.	536	G. W. Ports.....	1922	1922
501	G. E. McDorman.....	1919	1919	537	P. M. Cassen.....	1923	1923
502	J. W. Townsend.....	1919	1919	538	L. C. Randall.....	1923	1923
503	R. W. White.....	1919	1919	539	J. G. Trader.....	1923	1923
504	K. H. Wareheim.....	1919	1919	540	H. A. Kester.....	Tr.	1923
506	J. R. McKeawn.....	1919	1919	541	Wm. Schmeiser.....	1923	
507	G. E. Leister.....	1919	1919	542	F. B. Bailey.....	1923	1924
508	J. Leas Green.....	1919	1919				

Charges and Laymen

Charge	Laymen	Charge	Layman
Accomac.....	H. A. Lewis	Cumberland:	
Alexandria.....	M. W. Gaines	*First Church.....	F. A. Worth
Amelia.....	W. N. Quarles	Mapleside, Fairview.....	J. F. Zimmerman
Baltimore:		.....	J. F. Zimmerman
Alnutte Memorial.....	Jos. H. Espey	*Melvin Chapel.....	Jas. H. Golden, Jr.
Bethesda.....	Geo. B. Barrows	Deer Creek.....	C. W. Harkens
Brooklyn.....	Frank A. Wolfrom	Deer Park.....	Lester S. Patterson
Calvary.....	F. R. Keyser	Delmar.....	Riley W. Adkins
Chesaco Park.....	William Fisher	Delta.....	C. F. Jenness
Christ Church.....	A. J. Williar	Denton.....	T. P. Fisher
East Baltimore.....	Dr. E. B. Fenby	Dorchester.....	Ira Payne
Edmondson Ave.....	A. R. Lewis	Dover.....	Earnest B. Raughley
Eutaw.....	F. G. Reinicker	Easton.....	J. C. Godwin
Grace.....	Mrs. Geo. W. Brown	Elizabeth, N. J.....	Eben Davis
Evergreen.....	W. C. Richards	Fairfax, Va.....	Chas. F. Henderson
Graceland Park.....	Geo. Stanley	Fawn Grove, Pa.....	Dr. Vallie Hawkins
Hampden.....	Emory Redding	Federalsburg.....	Sam'l W. Wheatley
Keen Memorial.....	Wm. O. Smith	Felton, Del.....	H. F. Butler
Lauraville.....	Frederick Evans	Finksburg.....	Mrs. Philena T. Fenby
Linthicum Heights.....	E. J. Paige	First Ch., Newark.....	R. J. Goerke
Low Memorial.....	H. E. Bureck	Franklin City.....	J. T. Sharpley
N. Baltimore.....	Geo. W. Dexter, Jr.	Frederick.....	Frank A. Hammond
Payson Street.....	Geo. R. Judge	Georgetown, Del.....	Chas. L. Ennis
S. Baltimore.....	R. Day Humphreys	Glenburnie.....	Robert C. Ward
Starr.....	Rowland Watts	.....	Chas. F. Russell
St. Johns.....	W. O. Atwood	Greenbush and Tasley.....	
St. Paul's.....	F. J. Savage	Greensboro.....	
Trinity.....	A. W. Jones	Greenwood.....	Chas. W. Short
Violetville.....	D. E. Eckman, Sr.	Grove.....	J. C. Colbourne
Waverly.....		Harbeson.....	Geo. A. Rust
W. Baltimore.....	Thales Disney	Harmony, W. Va.....	S. C. Ditto
Wilton Hgts.....	Mrs. J. E. Whaley	*Harpers Ferry, W. Va.....	
Baltimore Circuit.....	Wm. F. Dunphy	.....	J. E. W. Benjamin
Bedford.....	M. W. Zembower	Harrington.....	R. F. Thomas
Bel Air.....	John T. Johnson	Hawley Memorial.....	Harvey Gearhart
Bivalve.....	John W. Anderson	Howard.....	S. W. Griffith
Buckeystown.....	J. H. Baker	Hurlock.....	C. N. Ross
Cambridge.....	R. P. Smith	Indian River.....	
Cambridge Circuit.....	Wm. T. Phillips	Kempton.....	Alva A. Moxley
Cannon.....	W. C. Lewes	Kennedyville.....	Wm. T. Hague
Caroline.....	Nathan J. Cade	Kent Island.....	E. L. Thomas
Carroll.....	L. W. Smith	Laurel, Del.....	John H. Elliott
Cecil.....	Deaver Cooke	Laurel Circuit.....	E. T. Lynch
Centerville.....	L. Gafford	Leeds.....	A. H. Mendenhall
Chestertown.....	J. Frank Wheatley	Leipsic.....	Edward S. Wilson
Chincoteague.....	J. B. Watson	Lewes.....	Fred. R. Harrison
Clayton.....	W. Earle Carter	Lewistown.....	Edgar Miller
Concord.....	M. E. Gabeler	Liberty.....	Mrs. Gussie Beall
Conquest.....	John T. Lewis	Lynchburg.....	F. W. Whitaker
Crisfield:		Lisbon.....	Matthew Pickett
Crisfield.....	Jas. F. Tawes	Mardela.....	J. H. Twilley
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Crummers.....	Henry B. Ward	*Middleway.....	C. M. Kearns
Crumpstown.....	Howard McGinnes	Milford.....	George H. Wilson

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Milton.....	Charles H. Sharp	Smyrna.....	J. W. Ryan
Mt. Nebo.....	John Lloyd	Snow Hill.....	W. O. Shockley
New Church, Va.....	Howard J. Tull	Snow Hill Circuit.....	A. R. Mariner
New Market.....	Henry C. Shilling	Stewartstown.....	S. J. McConnell
Nichols Memorial.....	Thos. J. Murray	St. James.....	J. E. Morris
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Oak Grove, Va.....	W. H. Morrison	Susquehanna.....	S. A. Hughes
Oxford.....	Howard Dobson	Talbot.....	
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Philadelphia:		Tyreanna.....	
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St. Lukes.....		Union Bridge.....	Mrs. Ella Gray
.....	John Bayley Jones, M. D.	Wallace Memorial.....	G. W. Lewis
Taylor Memorial.....	Daniel Murdock	Warwick.....	Guy Lockerman
Tioga Hgts.....	F. M. Schulze	Washington:	
Pipe Creek.....	Alfred Simpson	Calvary.....	Otto Blankenhorn
Pittsville.....	A. W. Shockley	Cherrydale.....	Dr. W. G. Monroe
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Quantico.....	H. Dale Owens	R. 1. Ave.....	Henry Gilligan
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Rowlandville.....	Geo. C. Logan	Wilmington:	
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Selbyville.....	W. W. Baker	Whaleville.....	Walter P. Whaley
Sharptown.....	O. N. Bennett	Wye.....	C. W. Butler

*Names marked * did not answer at Rollcall.

Unstated Ministers and Preachers

Charges	Ministers	Preachers
Alexandria.....		Norman Roberts
Alnutt Memorial		J. H. Roberts.
		Jos. H. Espey.
Calvary.....		E. L. Keyser
		Russell Sapp.
		H. Carroll Burkins.
Chesaco Park		Scott N. Duvall
Christ Church	N. T. Meginnis.....	A. F. Snyder.
	Charles A. Rotan.....	H. S. Rannels.
East Baltimore		E. E. Coleman
		H. E. Hudgins

Charges	Ministers	Preachers
Eutaw	D. L. Koller C. R. Wilson
Grace	Frank M. Bell.
Hampden	Isaac Ford.
Keen Memorial	E. H. Hayman.
Lowe Memorial.....	John T. Dise.....	.....
South Baltimore	Jos. H. Wilson.....	Edwin Keehner
.....	C. S. Larrimore.....	Norman Nicklas
Trinity, Baltimore.....	C. B. Robey.
Violetville	Oliver Betton.
Wilton Heights	H. G. Kogelschatz
Cannon	W. C. Lewis
Cecil.....	Walter Collins
Centreville	W. E. Thompson.....	.....
Clayton	H. L. Adams
.....	C. O. Quillan
.....	J. W. Ryan
Crisfield	Edwin Gardner
First Ch. Cumberland..	Charles E. Shaw.
Mapleside and Fairview	A. H. Wyatt
.....	J. T. Zimmerman
Delmar	C. V. Steinniger.....	E. F. Williams.
.....	J. E. Chipman.
Delta	G. R. Moler
Denton.....	Lewis B. Davis
Fairfax	Harry Harmon.
.....	Chas. F. Cummins
Felton.....	H. F. Butler
Finksburg.....	Wilbur F. Yingling
Glenburnie.....	Frank Nickerson
Grove	A. R. Butler.
Harpers Ferry.....	Ira Dinkle.
Leed's	Joseph Scarborough
Marley	George Phelps
Milton	Henry D. Potter.
Northumberland.....	J. L. Webb.
Oxford	Howard M. Dobson
Emmanuel	William M. Tees.
St. Luke's.....	J. A. Richardson.
.....	Edward J. Holland.
.....	Ernest Carpenter.
Pocomoke City	J. T. Young.
.....	T. A. Richards.
Powellville	Grover C. Nicholson.
Selbyville	Wilson C. Hudson.
Smyrna	J. W. Ryan
Stewartstown	G. W. Devilbiss.
.....	S. J. McConnell.
.....	Geo. M. Willey.
St. Michaels
North Carolina Ave.....	J. H. Rosen.....
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West Wilmington	H. C. McLean
Whaleyville	W. A. Donaway

Conference Widow's Directory

"Honor widows that are widows indeed." 1 Tim. 5:3.

Name	Husband	Post-Office Address
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Arnett, Mrs.	Rev. C. S.	2405 Elsinore Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Beauchamp, Mrs.	Rev. E. L.	202 Prospect Ave, Baltimore, Md.
Bowers, Mrs.	Rev. J. S.	New Freedom, Pa.
Cushing, Clara P.	Rev. H. C.	Westminster, Md.
Ewell, Gertrude B.	Rev. J. H. S.	Blythedale, Md.
Ewing, Emma M.	Rev. E. O.	2019 W. 9th St., Chester, Pa.
Ferguson, Emma R.	Rev. S. G.	511 N. Arlington Ave., Balto., Md.
Graham, Mrs.	Rev. W. R.	3500 Fairview Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Gilbert, Ida R.	Rev. D. N.	Easton, Md.
Greenfield, Mrs.	Rev. D. L.	77 Grove St., New Haven, Conn.
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Lewis, Mrs. Rena	Rev. R. K.	2107 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md.
Lewis, Susie,	Rev. R. L.	1151 N. Fulton Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Litsinger, Adele	Rev. J. E.	201 Penna Ave., Towson, Md.
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Neeper, Mrs.	Rev. W. J.	835 Wellington St., Baltimore, Md.
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W. O. Atwood, C. O. Thomas, T. P. Fisher.
- Audit:** E. C. Graham, Guy Leister, W. W. Thompson.
- Conference Program, 1925:** President of the Conference, Secretary of the Conference, F. T. Benson, C. F. Jenness, Rowland Watts.
- Appointees On Exec. Com. of Young People's Work:** President of the Conference, E. T. Kirkley, M. Leas Green, Deaver Cook.
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President's Parsonage Furnishing: President of Conference, H. K. Muller, President Baltimore Preachers' Meeting.

Chairman Board of Finance, 1924-25: G. A. Ogg.

Conference Librarian: G. A. Ogg.

Conference Examiners and Examinations

1. Beginning with the Conference of 1923 the Committee on itinerancy and Orders shall consist of a chairman and four other ministers; the chairman to be appointed for a four year's term and the other ministers annually by the President of the Conference and announced at least three months preceding the meeting of Conference.

2. In announcing the appointment of the four ministers as members of this Committee, the President shall designate one of them to examine applicants for admission into the Itinerancy on the English Bible; one on Christian graces and gifts for the ministry; one on Systematic Theology; and one on the Law and Usages of the Methodist Protestant Church. The result of these examinations shall be considered by the whole Committee and reported to the Conference with a recommendation in each case. No person shall be considered by the Conference for admission into the Itinerancy until he has been subjected to this examination, irrespective of previous educational training or ministerial standing, and has been recommended by this Committee.

3. The four ministers designated as Examiners shall continue to serve for the First, Second and Third Year classes successively, accompanying the same class through the entire course. During this period they shall not be eligible for appointment as members of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. The Examiners of each class shall join in a report to the Conference annually of the results of their examinations, and their report shall, after adoption by the Conference, be sent to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. After the Examiners have reported on the Third Year class their office shall terminate. In case of a vacancy prior to the termination of the period the President shall fill it with a new appointment.

4. The Examiners of each class may arrange by mutual agreement the assignment of the studies to the Examiners, except in the Preparatory Course. They shall also assign one of the books of the course to be examined during the first week of July, October, January and at Conference respectively. These assignments shall be announced in their report to Conference.

The Course of Study for each year shall be as follows:

Preparatory Course

(a) The English Bible-New Testament, with the contents of which the applicant will be expected to show a familiarity that will justify his employment in the ministry.

(b) Christian graces and gifts for the ministry, which will be an examination of the applicant's experience. The applicant will also be expected to present and read to this examiner an original sermon, a selection from our Psalter and a hymn.

(c) Tillet's "Personal Salvation."

(d) The Discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church, including the preface. This will not be a lecture by the examiner, but the applicant must show that he has studied the book, and especially that he can administer it in ministerial functions.

All persons applying for admission into the Conference will write to the President of the Conference for official blanks, on which application should be made. All persons seeking license to administer the ordinances must have recommendation from Quarterly Conference and must personally appear before the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

First Year—

E. T. READ (a) Drinkhouse' "History of Methodist Reform," Vol. I, chapters 1, III, X, XVI, XVII, XXI. Vol. II, chapters II, IV, IX, XV, XXVII, XXXV.

W. H. LITSINGER (b) Lewis' "Divine Credentials."

J. W. BALDERSTON (c) Greenfield's "Jesus the Preacher" and Elderdice's "The Preachers' Problems."

P. W. CROSBY (d) Curtis' "Christian Faith." 1-180.

(e) An examination before the four examiners in the English Bible—the Historical Books of the Old Testament. (Genesis to Second Chronicles) The examination shall be conducted by the examiner who was assigned to (b) in the Preparatory Course, but any examiner may participate.

Students—Leon A. Smith, J. G. Lynn, H. J. Mason.

Second Year—

T. O. CROUSE (a) Curtis' "Christian Faith," pages 180-344.

J. W. KIRK (b) Fisher's "History of the Christian Church," pages 1-286.

F. T. LITTLE (c) Broadus' "Preparation and Delivery of Sermons."

F. T. BENSON (d) Gladden's "Christian Pastor."

(e) An examination before the four Examiners in the English Bible—the books from Ezra to Ecclesiastes. The examination shall be conducted by the Examiner who was assigned to (c) in the Preparatory Course, but any examiner may participate.

Students—William Schmeiser.

Third Year (Old Course)—

H. L. ELDERDICE—Curtis Theology, Vol I. Last Half. A written sermon submitted by January 1st.

J. W. TROUT—Lewis' "Divine Credentials."

B. W. Kindley—The following books are to be read and a written syllabus presented.

Miller's "Christian Ministry," submitted November 1st.

Buckey's "Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching," submitted February 1st.

Students—H. L. Murphy, Robert Browne, (C. M. Jenkins).

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be re-

quired to pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the course or for orders. All students receiving 100 will be so reported to the Conference.

All who are placed in the hands of the President are to understand that this action must not be necessarily construed as giving encouragement to the hope of a future reception into the Conference.

Students who fail to meet the requirements of their year's class regarding the submission of sermons and the attainment of the necessary percentage in studies shall not be advanced to ordination or passed through the course.

L. F. WARNER, Chairman.
Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

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FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY

Morning

Salisbury, Md., April 2, 1924.

The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church convened in its 96th session on this day in Bethesda Methodist Protestant Church, Salisbury, Maryland, at 9 A. M. The President G. I. Humphreys called the conference to order and conducted the devotional service, singing Hymn 101, "Mighty God, While Angels Bless Thee." J. W. Kirk made the prayer and read Colossians 3:1-17.

The roll of the conference was called by the Secretary and the name of F. T. Tagg, on motion of W. H. Litsinger, was transferred to the Memorial Roll.

The Committee on Credentials (Report B.) made its report and on motion was adopted with last item referring to certificates of messengers from new churches referred to Committee on Official Relations.

G. W. Haddaway brought a message of love to the conference from L. A. Bennett who because of illness could not be here. On motion of E. C. Makosky the Secretary was instructed to write Brother Bennett a letter of sympathy. W. H. Litsinger made a motion that the secretary write a letter of sympathy to the family of Brother J. G. Sheppard who died March 21, 1924. Brother Sheppard had been elected delegate to this conference from Pittsville charge. The secretary read a letter from A. S. Beane telling of his inability to attend conference on account of illness. The Secretary was instructed to write him a letter of sympathy.

The Memorial Roll was called by E. C. Makosky. Thursday morning at 11 o'clock was fixed as the hour for the Memorial service of F. T. Tagg.

The President of the Conference then opened the service, Hymn 158 "O, Master, Let Me Walk With Thee," was sung. Prayer was offered by G. J. Hooker and John 12: 12-22 and Luke 22: 7-20 was read by Louis Randall. P. W. Crosby preached the Conference sermon from John 12: 21 "Sirs, we would see Jesus." Prayer by J. H. Lynch and Hymn 321 was sung.

Following the sermon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by H. L. Elderdice, C. P. Nowlin, C. E. Dryden, J. A. Dudley, W. A. Melvin, E. L. Bunce, G. A. Ogg and C. C. Day.

The benediction was pronounced by W. M. Strayer.

Afternoon

The conference opened at 2 P. M.

The bar of the conference was fixed at the first eight pews.

The President made his annual report (Report A). At the conclusion of its reading his character was passed.

The President read the list of Standing Committees.

Report of Secretary was read and referred to Committee on Audit.

Resolution (1) by H. L. Elderdice that the Secretary of the Conference

be authorized to write on the top of the first page of our Memorial Roll this sentence: "In the calling of the Memorial Roll all titles and degrees are to be omitted," adopted.

Resolution (2) that P. W. Crosby furnish a copy of Conference Sermon for publication in Conference minutes. Resolution adopted.

Report of the President of General Conference, T. H. Lewis (Report Y), on the incidental fund raised for the meeting of the various conference Presidents was read and adopted.

Order of the day having come the President appointed as tellers on ballot for President: E. T. Kirkley, F. G. Holloway, H. Clyde Grimes and C. O. Thomas. The ballots were distributed. The conference then proceeded to vote for President with the following results:

Number of ballots cast 194 necessary to a choice 98. G. I. Humphreys 172, E. C. Makosky 12, J. H. Straughn 3, R. L. Shipley 2, L. B. Smith 2, J. F. Bryan 1, C. R. Strausburg 1, E. L. Bunce 1. G. I. Humphreys was declared elected. He accepted the office asking the prayers and co-operation of the conference in his work.

On motion the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot for R. L. Shipley as Secretary.

On motion the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot for C. P. Nowlin as Treasurer for 1925.

On motion the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot for R. W. White as Stewart for 1925.

The President appointed the following tellers for election of Standing District Committee: J. T. Balley, A. W. Ewell, George Mather, M. W. Gaines. On motion the tellers were permitted to retire and count the ballots.

The President appointed the following tellers for election of Committee on Appeals: G. E. McDorman, W. F. Wright, J. F. Wheatley, W. F. Heckenberger. On motion the tellers were permitted to retire and count the ballots.

On motion W. M. Snyder was excused to attend a funeral. The roll of the conference was called for the depositing of pastor's reports.

Treasurer appointed as Assistant to Board of Stewards C. F. Cummins.

The roll of charges was called for communications. Conference adjourned with benediction by F. T. Little.

Evening

Fraternal and Denominational Session.

Song service in charge of Conference choir and devotionals conducted by F. T. Benson.

Addresses were made by Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, General Conference Representative and Rev. T. C. Casady of Montgomery, Alabama.

Service closed with benediction by F. T. Little.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY

Morning

Conference opened at 9:30 A. M. with the President presiding. The minutes were read and approved as corrected. The Secretary called the roll of those who had not previously answered to their names.

Report of the Maryland Educational Endowment Society (Report R) was read stating that the personnel and business management remained unchanged. The income of the Henrietta Gibson Fund had been used in

the education of young men for our ministry. The trustees of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate were not in a position to appropriate any funds to the society. Report adopted.

Telegram from Baltimore Conference Methodist Episcopal Church brought their greetings to this Conference. On motion the President was asked to reply.

The Secretary appointed as his assistants G. J. Hooker, E. L. Bunce, C. R. Strausburg and E. L. Ballard.

Dr. W. W. Davis, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance was introduced to the conference and made a brief address. Motion that a vote of appreciation be given Dr. Davis. Motion adopted.

W. P. Roberts announced that he had in charge for sale the book written by Dr. T. H. Lewis, entitled "The Modern Pilgrim." Several spoke regarding the book.

The report of the Conference Trustees was read (Report D.). The names of those whose terms expire at this session were read. The income from the legacy of Mrs. A. S. Eversale has been used for church extension purposes. The Trustees have carried out the instructions of the conference in signing such legal papers as were necessary in the sale of the former President's parsonage, 1420 Linden avenue, and in taking title to the new home, 3600 Copley Road, Ashburton. The report of the Treasurer of the Conference Trustees was also read. On motion the report was adopted with a vote of thanks to T. A. Murray for his services.

Devotionals were led by J. W. Townsend, who read 1 Cor. 3: 9-23. Prayer by J. W. Kirk and J. W. Townsend.

Memorial Services for F. T. Tagg were then observed. The obituary was read by W. H. Litsinger, chairman of the committee. J. L. Mills, C. P. Butler, Mrs. Fannie Hay, J. H. Lynch, F. C. Klein, F. T. Benson spoke. The conference then stood in silent respect to Dr. Tagg's memory and T. H. Lewis offered the closing prayer.

T. H. Lewis, President of the General Conference addressed the conference regarding the work of the various conferences and urging our prayers and co-operation in their behalf.

Rev. Dr. E. H. Dashiell, District Superintendent in the Wilmington Conference of the M. E. Church, and Rev. George Allen of the M. E. Church South were introduced to the Conference.

Benediction by G. W. Haddaway.

Afternoon

Conference opened at 2 P. M.

The names of the Conference Trustees whose terms expire at this session were A. W. Mather, E. C. Makosky, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho. A. W. Mather asked that his name be not used. On motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for L. F. Warner to take the place of A. W. Mather. The Secretary was also instructed to cast ballot for E. C. Makosky, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho.

W. P. Roberts was excused from session of Friday.

By common consent the meeting of the Mutual Relief Association was deferred until Friday afternoon in conjunction with the report of committee on Group Life Insurance.

Motion by J. F. Bryan that Committee on Benevolent Agencies make the nominations of those on Deaconess Board whose terms expire. Adopted.

Report of tellers on election of Standing District Committee, showed that F. T. Little, L. F. Warner, J. M. Sheridan, T. P. Fisher, J. H. Baker, T. A. Murray had been elected.

Message from Baltimore Conference Methodist Episcopal Church South was read and secretary instructed to reply.

Letter of appreciation for flowers was read from Mr. Daniel Baker, Jr. On motion the letter is to be published in the minutes of this year. Adopted.

April 17, 1923.

My dear Dr. Humphreys:

I am not just certain to whom to write in this connection, and am, therefore, taking the liberty of addressing our new President.

My brothers and sisters and I desire to express our sincere appreciation of the action recently taken by the Maryland Annual Conference. We thank you for the thought and the very beautiful flowers which we found last Sunday afternoon, and trust that you will be kind enough to express our appreciation to all concerned.

I regret very much that absence from the city prevented my attendance upon the Conference, but desire to extend my good wishes and welcome back to Baltimore.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Baker, Jr.

Rev. G. I. Humphreys, D. D.,
1420 Linden Ave., City.

Invitations received and read from Hampden Methodist Protestant Church Baltimore, Maryland to hold session of 1925 in their church. On motion the paper, under the rule, laid on table for twenty-four hours.

Letter from F. H. Millineaux stating that he was unable to attend this session of Conference. Secretary instructed to reply.

Letter from T. R. Woodford was read and on motion the Secretary was instructed to reply and letter referred to Committee on Official Relations.

Letter was read from The Homestead Dairy Farm inviting the conference to visit the dairy. Secretary asked to reply.

Resolution by G. A. Morris on the appointment of five men from the Peninsula to be known as The Peninsula Board of Survey. Referred to Board of Survey and Extension.

Report of Committee on Audit was read and adopted. (Report P.)

Report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage was read and adopted and the vouchers were referred to the Committee on Audit. (Report A.)

Report of tellers of the Committee on Appeals was read and the following elected: J. W. Kirk, W. O. Atwood and A. R. Lewis. On motion the Secretary cast the ballot for J. H. Straughn, J. M. Gill and W. E. Sheppard.

Mr. Carroll Wright was given the privilege of speaking to the conference upon Christian Endeavor work.

Service for the installation of Deaconesses was then held. J. F. Bryan presided and Miss Bessie L. Johnson and Miss Elizabeth S. Wells were set apart for the office of Deaconess in the Methodist Protestant Church.

Report of Committee on Relocating the President's Parsonage (Report V) was read. The report gave full particulars regarding the sale of the old parsonage and the purchase of the new. The Committee recommends:

(1) That the matter of financing the payment of the home be a Maryland Conference item.

(2) That the Conference instruct the Board of Finance to insert "For Conference Parsonage" with a levy of \$1,500 on the district for the interest and \$1,000 on principal.

(3) That the percentage of Presidents Salary and Expenses, one-tenth as now paid the agent be used for purpose indicated in manual. Report was adopted.

Report of Headquarters Committee (Report V) was read showing the deal for the property at 516 N. Charles Street for \$60,000 had been consummated. Arrangements have been made to carry the debt with the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Baltimore. The building is to be completed about July first. The Committee was continued with power to act for another year. Report was adopted.

The conference adjourned with the benediction by F. T. Benson.

Evening

Missionary Session with F. C. Klein presiding.

The Representatives from the Maryland and the Washington-Virginia branches of the Foreign and Home Missionary Societies presented their work. Addresses were made by Mrs. L. F. Warner, Mrs. P. W. Crosby and Mrs. A. P. Badger.

Dr. F. C. Klein also addressed the meeting in place of Dr. Layman who is sick.

Benediction was pronounced by F. C. Klein.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY

Morning

Conference called to order by the President at 9:30 A. M. Minutes were read and approved.

Resolution (5) by G. A. Ogg on amending regulation 21 of the Manual that "Second" Section, Item "a" by inserting after the word "deducting"—"rental value of parsonage." Adopted.

Report of Committee on Home for the Aged (Report O) was read. The Home was appreciative of the many courtesies shown by the various churches and individuals. The committee made the following recommendations:

(1) That pastors call special attention to the Home during the year.

(2) That same plan be adopted by the Summer Conference and Young People's Convention this year, that each pastor try to plan for the lady visitors to be present.

(3) That all Methodist Protestants make it a point to visit the Home during the year.

(4) That E. C. Makosky, J. Pearre Wantz and T. W. Mather be re-elected.

(5) That \$8,000 be assessed on the district for this year.

Report adopted and item referring to the \$8,000 be referred to Committee on Finance for consideration.

Partial Report of Board of Survey and Extension (Report G) was read with the following recommendations:

(1) That Harmony Church on Federalsburg Charge be detached from Federalsburg and be placed under the care of the pastor of Denton Charge.

(2) That Bethesda Church, Harford Road and Louise avenue, be recognized as an appointment of the Conference and the messenger George B. Barrows be recognized as the delegate. Report was adopted.

Delegate from Keen Memorial was excused until Monday morning.

F. K. McCorkle was excused on account of a funeral.

Conference gave place to the meeting of the Church Extension Society. Conference again resumed.

Report of the Committee on Benevolent agencies including report of Deaconess Board, was read with several resolutions and after some consideration it was on motion postponed until afternoon.

Devotionals were led by J. Earl Cummings who read Romans 8: 1-17 and offered prayer. Several hymns were sung and prayer was made by J. M. Gill.

H. L. Elderdice then addressed the conference on the work of the Seminary. The outlook was most encouraging.

T. H. Lewis spoke concerning the erection of the new home for the president of the Seminary and asked the conference to contribute towards its erection. The amount of \$1,935.00 was raised.

Report of Committee on Pulpit Supply was read and adopted.

Invitation to hold conference session of 1925 at Lynchburg M. P. Church with free entertainment was read and under rule was laid on table for twenty-four hours.

Partial report of Committee on Statistics was read showing number of full members were 34,709, a decrease of 13. Report adopted.

Motion that conference resume session at 1:45 P. M. Adopted.

Doxology was sung and benediction pronounced by J. M. Sheridan.

AFTERNOON

Conference opened at 1:45 P. M. with F. T. Little presiding.

The report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies (Report L) was taken up.

In consideration of this report two papers were considered. One the Near East Relief. It was resolved:

(1) That the Maryland Conference renew its approval of the work of the Near East Relief.

(2) That we ask the pastors and officials to arrange for an annual presentation of the work in the churches, Sunday Schools and on other organizations.

(3) Assuring our Government officials that America supports them in the effort of adjust international relationships.

(4) Urging continued intercession on these matters.

J. H. Straughn offered a substitute for the first two as follows:

That the Conference express again its great sympathy for and interest in the work of the Near East Relief and that our churches make such arrangements as they may desire for the presentation of the cause to their people.

Substitute was adopted.

The other paper, the report of the Deaconess Board was presented asking concurrence in the observance of

(1) "Deaconess Day."

(2) In request for appropriation of \$2,500.

(3) In recommendation (9) of Presidents report.

(4) In the appointment of the nominating committee for members whose terms now expire, but calling attention to the manual which declares the vote must be by ballot.

The report expressed its appreciation of the co-operation of the St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society also of the Maryland Tract Society and the Maryland Bible Society.

Report was adopted and item to be edited by the Secretary.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference again resumed.

Information was given of the loss by fire of Harlem Park M. E. Church, in which the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church is being held. On motion the Secretary was instructed to write the Bishop of said conference expressing our sympathy and offering to do whatever we could for them.

On Motion the following tellers were appointed for the election of members of the Deaconess Board—W. C. Mumford, William Schmeiser, R. Day Humphreys and Harvey Gearhardt.

Letter from K. K. Haddaway was read and referred to Committee on Official Relations.

Report of Committee on Literature and Education was read and considered. (Report I.)

F. T. Benson, Editor of the Methodist Protestant spoke about the Methodist Protestant and also work of the Book Concern.

Motion asking F. T. Benson to print a pamphlet about church paper and send out into circulation. Motion adopted.

The work of the Board of Education was commended and heartily endorsed. A growing interest is being shown in special days for Education.

The work of Westminster Theological Seminary was considered and showed that the enrollment was double that of last year. The enlarged and Standardized curriculum was also endorsed. It was recommended that H. L. Elderdice be continued as president.

The work of Western Maryland College was commended and endorsed. A. N. Ward, President of the college spoke about his work and emphasized the need of money to make it possible to do the work necessary. There is now a record enrollment of 478 students and the appropriation by the Legislature of \$125,000 for a building conditioned upon the college increasing its endowment by \$250,000. Adopted.

It was recommended that A. N. Ward be continued as President.

Amendment.

That through the Secretary of the Conference we express our highest appreciation for work done by Governor Ritchie and State Legislature.

Report adopted as a whole.

Rev. A. J. Williamson of Anti-Saloon League was introduced to the Conference and made a brief address.

Report of Committee on Young People's Work (Report J) was read and recommendations considered. The report of the President of the Union of Young People's Work was read stating that the institute will be held this year from July 28 to August 3, and also that Rev. C. S. Heininger of Kalgan, China, was expected to attend the institute this year.

Report of President on Summer Conference (Report S) was read. Treasurer's report was also read and adopted.

Motion that Conference reconvene at 7.30 P. M. for business with the understanding that regular service follow. Adopted.

Conference adjourned with benediction by W. S. Hanks.

Evening

Conference convened at 7.30 P. M. and gave way to Electoral College. Young People's Session was held with L. B. Smith presiding.

Address by Mr. F. Murray Benson of Baltimore, Maryland on "Lay Leadership of Young People" and an address by Rev. J. Leas Green of Ballston Virginia on "Ministerial Leadership of Young People."

Prayer was offered by T. C. Mulligan.

Service closed with benediction by A. N. Ward.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY

Morning

Conference convened at 9.30 A. M. with the President presiding. The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference again resumed.

Partial report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders (Report F) was made, showing that Robert Browne passed in Curtis's Theology and was given a grade of 100.

The tellers for election of Deaconess Board reported, showing that W. A. Melvin, Mrs. W. B. Gilligan, Mrs. M. Volk Sudman and A. R. Lewis were elected.

Ballots were distributed again for election.

Devotionals were led by W. M. Snyder who read Mark 8:27-38 and prayer offered by W. M. Snyder and F. A. Holland.

Report of the Committee on Superannuates was read with recommendations. The report laid on table for twenty-four hours.

Partial report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders (Report F) was read and adopted by items as follows:

1. That F. B. Bailey be received into the Conference and ordained.
2. That Robert Browne having served under the stationing authority of the Conference three years it was recommended that he be ordained.

T. H. Lewis made a resolution that the names of those ministers who have served fifty years or more in the Conference shall be printed in the

Memorial Roll in Italics and that in reading the length of service be read. Resolution was lost.

Report of Committee on Group Life Insurance was made and recommendations considered.

Mr. Wade H. Insley, a member of the Committee, addressed the Conference on the matter of this insurance.

The number of ministers signifying their desire for insurance was eighty-four.

Motion by T. H. Lewis that matter be referred to committee and explicit details be brought to us as soon as possible. Adopted.

Motion that order of the day for Monday at 3.15 P. M. be Report of Committee on President's Report. Adopted.

Conference gave way to Electoral College.

Conference again resumed, with F. T. Little presiding.

E. A. Sexsmith was excused from attendance on Monday afternoon.

F. B. Bailey was called to the front and was received into the Conference. "Blest be the Tie that Binds" was then sung.

Resolution (3) that wreaths be placed on the graves of J. L. Straughn and W. Sherman Phillips at 3 P. M. Sunday afternoon. Adopted.

Conference adjourned with benediction by W. H. Litsinger.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY

The services of Sunday opened at 11 A. M. Special music was rendered by the Choir of the Conference Church. Hymn 397—"Christ For the World We Sing." E. D. Stone led in prayer. G. E. Brown led the Responsive Reading 40. Scripture lesson was read by L. F. Warner. The Ordination Sermon was preached by N. O. Gibson, subject "The Church and the Pastoral Office," Acts 20:28.

The following were ordained Elders in the Church of Christ: Robert Browne and F. B. Bailey. The President was assisted in the ordination by F. T. Little, J. M. Sheridan, J. H. Straughn and R. L. Shipley, Secretary.

Service closed with the benediction by A. N. Ward.

SIXTH DAY—MONDAY

Morning

Conference opened at 9.30 A. M. with the President presiding.

The minutes were read and adopted.

Resolution (4) by E. C. Makosky that the Conference be authorized to borrow the money necessary to pay expenses of the Representative to the General Conference. Adopted.

L. C. Randall, Collector of dues for the Church Extension Society, reported \$104,000 collected.

H. A. Kester, Collector for the Sexton, reported \$40.00 collected.

J. A. Trader, Collector of dues for the Superannuates, reported \$93.50 collected.

Report of Tellers for Deaconess Board reported no election.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference again resumed.

Resolution that the custom of soliciting fifty cents for Church Extension and Superannuated Fund be discontinued.

On motion it was referred to the societies.

Report of the Committee on Superannuates was taken from the table, read (Report H) and considered. It was gratifying to state that the Superannuates were paid in full this past year. It was recommended:

1. That the assessment of \$7,000 be laid on the district, same as last year.

2. That the Superannuated Fund Claimants blanks be continued in form as at present with the question—"If a widow, how long were you in the active ministry with your husband?"

3. That the manner of apportionment be the same as last year.

The Board acknowledges with pleasure a second special contribution from North Baltimore Church for this fund of \$1,348.00.

The report was adopted as a whole.

Report of Committee on Conference Arrangements (Report X) was read stating that the Conference Regulation of one per cent was made to apply to six days, not including noon-day meal. It was suggested that Conference Treasurer pay the whole amount to the local committee of Salisbury Church. Adopted.

Partial report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders (Report F) was read, showing the Wm. Schmeiser was given 100 each in "Lewis' Divine Credentials," "The Preacher's Problems" by H. L. Elderdice and "Jesus the Preacher" by D. I. Greenfield. Report was adopted.

Devotionals were conducted by J. W. Baxley who read Ephesians 4:1-24. Prayer was made by J. W. Baxley and W. O. Atwood.

Conference gave place to the Electoral College.

Conference again resumed, with F. T. Little presiding.

Report of Committee on President's Report was read. Motion to postpone until 3.15 P. M. Adopted.

T. H. Lewis asked to be excused from further attendance. Request granted.

J. H. Baker, delegate from Buckeystown, was on request excused from further attendance.

Report of Tellers on Deaconess Board reported as elected—W. F. Wright.

Rev. Diston Jacobs, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Milford, Delaware, and Secretary of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, was introduced to the Conference.

Invitations for the next session of the Conference from Hampden Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, Maryland, and from Lynchburg Methodist Protestant Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, were taken from the table. F. W. Whitaker, E. D. Stone, Geo. Hines, Louis Randall and G. W. Haddaway spoke.

The chair named as Tellers on ballot for invitation: G. M. Clayton and A. R. Lewis. The ballot resulted in 99 for Hampden and 96 for Lynchburg. On motion of F. W. Whitaker of Lynchburg it was made unanimous for Hampden.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College. The college then recessed.

Afternoon

Electoral College opened at 2 P. M.

Report of the Committee on Missions (Report V) was read, telling us that the opportunities are greater than ever before. The earthquake and fires of September 1, 1923, had seriously interrupted the work and a large part of the losses were still unprovided for. The report made the following recommendations:

1. That the entire matter be referred to the General Conference.
2. That an effort be made to collect the unpaid pledges to the Earthquake Relief Fund.
3. That special attention be given to the Children's Day offering in a united effort to increase the funds for this work.

Report was adopted.

Rev. R. A. Boyle of the Presbyterian Church of Salisbury, was introduced to the Conference and made a brief address.

Report of Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service (See Report K) was read, urging a better observance of the Lord's Day and condemning the race track evil. We deplore the lack of respect for the Sabbath and especially call attention to the deplorable condition in Washington—where all that is for advancement and better citizenship should be noted. The following recommendations were considered.

1. Recommending Lord's Day Alliance and pledge co-operation.
2. Urging Sunday Schools to use World-wide Lord's Day Survey program.
3. Endorsing the program submitted by the Lord's Day Alliance.
4. Complying with request of the Lord's Day Alliance and elect one of the members of this Conference to membership on the Executive Committee of the Lord's Day Alliance. On motion Louis Randall was elected on Executive Committee.

The committee also reaffirms its faith and confidence in the Anti-Saloon League.

Report was adopted.

Tellers reported no election on ballot for Deaconess Board.

Committee on Group Life Insurance again presented its report. F. W. Whitaker, H. C. Grimes, J. B. Jones, Lowland Watts, F. Evans, W. P. Roberts, J. M. Gill, R. L. Shipley, Henry Gilligan and Wade H. Insley spoke.

J. M. Gill moved that the whole matter be referred to Board of Managers of the Superannuated Fund Society for consideration and report next year. Motion adopted.

Order of the Day was called which was the Report of the Committee on President's Report (Report A). The committee stated their pleasure in considering the splendid report of the President with its far-reaching vision. The payment of \$40,000 of the \$100,000 pledged to the investment fund of the Superannuated Society was commended.

In the case of M. W. Sutcliffe we endorse the President's action and pledge our moral and financial support in the matter of pastoral supply and financial assistance in all legal proceedings. Adopted.

On motion report was adopted by items. J. F. Bryan, G. I. Humphreys, G. W. Haddaway and Henry Gilligan spoke. Report then adopted as a whole.

Report of Treasurer of the Conference (See Report C) for Board of Survey and Extension, and Superannuate Fund for 1923-1924 was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Audit (See Report P) adopted.

Stewards Report was read, showing the following: For General Interest—Total Credits for 1924, \$40,059; 1923, \$36,395; Increase, \$3,664. Total Assessment: 1924, \$91,836; 1923, \$84,576; Increase, \$7,260.

For Local Interests—1924, \$791,740; 1923, \$821,188; Decrease, \$29,448.

For Pastor's Salaries—1924, \$212,062; 1923, \$198,135; Increase, \$13,927. (See Statistical Tables.) Report adopted.

Report of Board on Finance was read and on motion was deferred until evening session.

Motion to adjourn and meet at 7.30 P. M. was carried.

Benediction offered by S. F. Cassen.

Evening

Conference resumed session at 7.30 P. M.

The Conference gave way to the Mutual Relief Association.

Conference again resumed session and on motion gave way to the Superannuated Fund Society. Conference resumed.

Report of the Tellers on ballot for Board of Deaconess was made, but there was no election. Vote was again taken.

Report of Board of Finance (See Report) was read, recommending the assessment of \$2,500 on the district for the Diaconess Work, also recommendation from Board of Finance that whereas Board of Managers of the Home for Aged asked for \$8,000. The Board does not concur, but asks that a committee be appointed to co-operate with the Board of Managers in a campaign for \$10,000.

Amendment by J. L. Nichols that the assessment of \$8,000 be placed upon the district. Amendment lost.

J. L. Nichols, L. B. Smith, J. H. Straughn, Lester F. Patterson, G. W. Haddaway and W. H. Hodges spoke. Recommendation was adopted.

Motion that a committee in this Conference be appointed by the President of Conference and he be the chairman, to co-operate with the Board. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Statistics showing: full members received, 2,520; probationers received, 525; conversions, \$2,977; Sunday School scholars received, 4,827. Total full members, 34,709; probationers, 572; Sunday School scholars, 37,585. Report adopted.

Report of Conference Treasurer was read (see tables), showing amounts raised for General Conference to be \$40,059.00; on budget less credits, \$20,137.00. Total, \$91,466.68. Maryland Conference, \$26,772.58; President's Salary, \$4,498.00.

Resolution (6), that Treasurer purchase an adding machine for use of the Conference and he be the custodian. Adopted.

Motion J. H. Straughn and Henry Gilligan be appointed to be our Representatives in Washington, D. C., on the matter of Sabbath Observance.

Report of Committee on Official Relation (Report M) was read and considered with the following recommendations:

1. Loan T. R. Woodford to Board Home Missions.
2. Loan W. L. Hoffman to Board Home Missions.
3. Transfer F. W. Siffrin to the Ohio Conference.
4. Transfer E. L. Ballard to the North Carolina Conference.
5. Transfer of W. B. Sanders from Texas Conference to this Conference.
6. Transfer J. P. Adams be received.
7. That Clayborne Phillips be transferred from Unstationed List to the Active List.
8. That K. K. Haddaway be left without an appointment to attend school.
9. That S. C. Wood be dropped from the roll.

Conference hereby expresses its appreciation of the courtesies shown by the pastor and members of this church during this session of Conference.

Report that 29 charges are on the Honor Roll of this Conference having paid their assessment in full.

Moved and seconded—J. R. Wright have same relation as last year.

Motion that the many courtesies shown by pastor and members of church be adopted by a rising vote.

Moved that we express vote of thanks to Bro. Evans as representative of Baltimore Sun. Also Salisbury papers. Adopted.

Expression of appreciation of Oratorio given by Choir on Saturday night.

Report adopted as a whole.

Secretary called roll of Pastors and Laymen for the purpose of correcting records.

Tellers report on ballot for Deaconess Board resulted in election of G. E. Brown.

Final report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders (Report F) was read with following recommendations:

1. That W. S. Simms and W. A. Site be placed in hands of the President.
2. That Wm. Schmeiser and C. M. Jenkins be licensed to administer the ordinances.
3. That Chas. F. Cummins, S. R. Marten, C. S. Martin, W. D. Wilson, Leon A. Smith, A. W. Betts, J. G. Lynn, Chas. H. Reed, C. B. Robey and H. J. Mason be placed in the hands of the President and that they be given license to administer the ordinances provided they be employed by the President. Report was adopted.

Report of Board of Survey and Extension (Report G) was read and considered with its recommendations.

F. D. Reynolds, J. H. Straughn and C. P. Nowlin spoke to the report.

Report of Board and Survey and Extension was on motion reconsidered. Committee asked for an appropriation of \$300 for Bethesda Church, Harford Road. Adopted.

Amendment to report Board of Survey and Extension that Bel Air be given an Associate Pastor if proper support can be given. Adopted.

Report of Committee on \$100,000 Superannuated Fund (Report T) and report adopted with a continuance of the committee.

Conference gave way to meeting of Church Extension Society.

Conference again resumed.

Resolution (7): Whereas the statistical table has revealed that there has been 8,358 conversions and there has been a net decrease in full membership of 161; therefore be resolved, that special attention be given to the preservation of our membership, the reclaiming of delinquent members and locating members that have moved away.

L. B. Smith, J. W. Trout, J. L. Nichols and T. C. Jones spoke to the resolution. Resolution was adopted.

Minutes were read and approved at 11.15 P. M.

Conference then united in singing "Wonderful Words of Life."

Prayer by J. H. Straughn.

President read the Plan of Appointments at 12.30 A. M.

Conference adjourned with benediction by F. T. Little.

G. I. HUMPHREYS, President.

R. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

G. J. HOOKER, Journal Clerk.

REPORTS

REPORT A

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

Fathers and Brethren:

"Elect according to the foreknowledge of God, the Father, through sanctification of the spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ; Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied."

This year, 1924, finds us assembled in this, the ninety-sixth session of our Conference, privileged to meet together, through the grace and mercy of our Heavenly Father, and ready to render in fellowship our accounting for the manifold mercies of God in privileges extended to us as Stewards of His purpose in the Kingdom of His Blessed Son—Our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the churches from which we come, the eyes of the faithful are upon us and their prayers follow us and their faith is in us. May Divine Wisdom be vouchsafed us and the guidance of the Holy Spirit be ours, that we may keep tryst with that faith in an unity of consecration to Him, whose we are and whom we serve.

In Memoriam

The Rev. Francis T. Tagg, A. M., D. D., a veteran of this conference and an outstanding figure in our denomination, died June 17th, 1923, in the 78th year of his age. For fifty-three years he stood in the ranks of this body. Fourteen years of that number he filled pastorates herein, and then he was called into the service of the general activities of the denomination; eight years service as General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, twenty-four years as Editor of the Methodist Protestant. The last seven years of his life was spent in the superannuated relation. The general church further honored him in electing him to the presidency of the General Conference in 1904. In the programs and work of both the general church and his local conference the leadership and forceful power of Dr. Tagg was realized, and much today bears impress of his personality.

Mrs. Frances Marie Schauer, wife of Rev. P. M. R. Schauer, died August 16th, 1923. Paralysis, following the ravage of disease, precluded any hope of recovery, and she went away to a fairer land, leaving her husband and six children to miss the sound of a voice that is gone and the touch of a hand that is still. Thirty-seven years of age and gone.

Like others, wives of ministers, her sun went down while yet it was noon; she, like they,

"Shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary, nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun;
And, in the morning—
We shall know them."

Obituary committees were duly appointed for the above names.

I make mention of the death of one of our prominent laymen—Dr. M. Bates Stephens, of Denton, Md. Prominent as an educator he served as State Superintendent of Education of Maryland for twenty years. For many years he was a trustee of Western Maryland College. Connected with our church at Denton, he occupied a place high in that church's councils, and often sat as a delegate in the Annual Conference. He is missed and ours is the loss.

Into homes of the ministry and laity, other than I have mentioned, death has come, and the shadows have fallen, and hearts have ached and are heavy and sad. We commit these, our friends to Him whose arms are everlasting and whose love is boundless and whose sympathy is infinite!

Official Acts

CHANGE IN APPOINTMENTS. Immediately after the adjournment of conference, on the request of Rev. A. W. Betts, supply appointee to Mt. Nebo Circuit, and with the consent of said circuit, I gave him his release and appointed him as pastor of Felton, Delaware, which was left unsupplied at conference.

FILLING UNSUPPLIED CHARGES. The following appointments were made after conference adjournment:

Chesaco Park—C. L. Dawson, of the Seminary.

Crumpton—C. Q. Quillan, licensed preacher of Clayton Church.

Middleway—A. J. Harpold, of the Seminary.

Northumberland—Clayborne Phillipps, an unstationed minister of the conference.

Patapsco—W. H. Schatz, of the Seminary.

Selbyville—J. H. Mason, a licensed preacher, of Milford Church.

Snow Hill Circuit—C. F. Steininger, a ministerial member of the Quarterly Conference of Delmar Church.

Tyreanna—Under the care of the Lynchburg Church, has had Mr. Carey Barker, a layman of the city, to minister there under the direction of Lynchburg.

Mt. Nebo—On release of Rev. A. W. Betts, C. R. Bright of the Seminary.

Wesley Chapel of Kent—On the transfer of Rev. J. F. Wooden, C. E. Reed of the Seminary.

TRANSFERS. Immediately after conference, I received a letter for m Rev. C. M. Kelser, the appointee to Warwick Circuit, resigning

from the conference. At the time his letter reached me, he was on his way to take work in the Illinois Conference. Later, on his request, endorsed by the president of that conference, I issued him his transfer to said conference. And about the first of May, I appointed C. E. Robey, of the Seminary, as pastor of Warwick.

On March 20th, 1924, I received a letter from Rev. F. W. Siffrin, stating that at the close of this conference year he would take work in the Ohio Conference District, and requesting his transfer thereto. I have issued him his transfer, under date of April the first, and so notified the President of the Ohio Conference.

Under date of March 18th, I received the transfer of Rev. W. B. Sanders, a member of the Texas Conference, duly signed by the President, Rev. J. S. Hunter. I have accepted said transfer and signed the same and herewith submit it to this Conference for approval as per Disciplinary requirements. Rev. W. B. Sanders is a professor in the department of History at Western Maryland College, and desires to be so classed in the list of appointments, if his transfer is approved. I recommend his transfer be approved.

TRIAL. On March the 21st, Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe, pastor of Susquehanna Circuit, was tried on the charge of maladministration, preferred by the President. Sufficient evidence, fully substantiated, was produced at said trial and the verdict of the committee was immediate expulsion from probationary membership in the conference. All the records of the trial have been filed with the Secretary of the Conference. It is yet too soon to measure the harmful results to the work of Susquehanna Charge through his insidious efforts to betray the interests of the Conference and the Circuit. The Conference must, and I am sure will, stand by the Circuit and help it to recovery.

Supervision

ITINERARY. I have not preached at every charge in the District. There are two reasons that are sufficient: first, due to the many other activities to which the President is closely related—it is not humanly possible; second, my belief is that, so far as possible, the President must give more and closer attention to such places as really need his attention. And yet I feel that itinerary will speak for itself. I have sought to reach quarterly conferences and membership meetings that I might learn something of definite knowledge as to the workings of the churches. To several charges I have gone more than once because of the existing needs. From February 25th till Conference my itinerary was disarranged due to the conditions growing out of the Sutcliffe case. The record would read preached 116 times, by proxy 10 times. Attended 31 quarterly conferences, by proxy 9; 18 membership meetings; 15 meetings relative to Board of Survey Work; with no attempt to account for the various meetings of committees to which the President is related. Eight special days on trips to Harford County relative to Susquehanna Circuit.

RELATION TO CONFERENCE PROGRAMS. I came into this office with the conviction that no added program ought to be suggested by myself, at least for this year. Already, due to the initiative of my

predecessor, large programs had been projected. My purpose then has been to give myself to these existing projects, which I have done wholeheartedly.

(a) **TENT MEETINGS.** The usual plan was followed this summer in the best way that circumstances permitted. Meetings were held. Results in most cases were satisfactory. As an Evangelistic effort, the one at the Cambria Church was notable; many conversions resulted and the church greatly strengthened. Unfortunately, the tents have to be used in a certain season of the year, which season is not the most opportune time for the places that really need such meetings the most. Then, too, we have to avoid placing a tent during the week of Summer Conference. Again, the President is hampered in the matter of assigning preachers—many find reasons why they cannot serve, and to supply effectively such meetings is a problem. I trust the Committee on Evangelism will have some very definite recommendations to make when their report is brought in.

(b) **REGROUPING UNDER BOARD OF SURVEY.** This work has taken much of my thought and time. I have been able to make some recommendations, endorsed by the Board, that have been put into effect; others will be reported to the Conference for sanction. I believe in every Sunday service for every church, wherever possible. But this conviction has taken definite form in my mind. Much of our regrouping ought to be along this line—readjustments should be made when feasible whereby, without any of the churches concerned receiving less service than now, the readjusted charges will help the Conference to realize the minimum salaries for pastors without appropriating supplements; and whereby more can thus be done for the Budget. I have been exerting and shall continue to exert efforts along this line. In doing this I shall not forget such regrouping of our larger circuits as shall make formore intensive development of the individual churches and more efficient work by the pastors. The readjustments, projected since Conference to be presented here for consideration, involve about a dozen charges and about thirty churches.

In addition to regrouping, much comes before this Board relative to new projects contemplated, extensive rebuilding, relocations, etc., and much sub-committee work is the result. Not only must the President give a great deal of time and thought to this phase also, but this is true for members of the Board likewise; the co-operation therein is most gracious and splendid. And our pastors co-operate in these plans as such relates to their field of labor. No more important and greater task is there in the Conference than is committed to this Board; whatever its recommendations, they come after much thought and planning—they should receive the careful consideration of this body. I am glad to make mention here of the harmonious relationship between this Board and the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society. And to state at our first meeting this year we voted that Dr. Sheridan, Church Extension Superintendent, be a member of the committee, and his suggestions and work have been of great value to us.

(c) **HEADQUARTER'S COMMITTEE.** This committee, specially raised by the Conference, has continued the work already begun when Conference was last in session. I was glad to ask Dr. Straughn to substitute for me as Chairman of said committee, that he might continue to lead in this great project which originated during his presidency. I will not anticipate the report of the committee. Suffice to say that the building is in process of erection. Satisfactory arrangements on the financial side have been made to make sure the completion of the enterprise. We fully expect that when completed the rents therefrom will finance the payment of same. This Maryland Conference Building—our Headquarters—will stand as a symbol of the life and growth of the Conference and give us a prestige in Baltimore City that will be much worthwhile. At the same time, through this building, we will give a home for the Methodist Protestant, and in a satisfactory and equitable way provide a place and larger opportunity for the Book Concern operating under the General Church.

(d) **RELOCATION OF PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE.** The committee, appointed at the last session to continue the effort to bring about the sale of the parsonage, 1420 Linden Avenue, and to buy in another locality, entered into the work assigned them at once after Conference. The results of their efforts will be made clear in the report they will submit. Suffice to say that February 16th, the President and his family moved into the new parsonage, 3600 Copley Road. From a Conference viewpoint, as well as that of the man who may fill the office—we believe the entire transaction is most satisfactory; and that the investment is a good one, we are confident. It is not a pretentious house—just a modest one, modern and comfortable on a lot 60 by 150 feet, situated in Ashburton, a splendid new development with sensible restrictions, and near to the fastest suburban car line of the city.

The Regular Conference Interests.

These interests are under the direction of the Boards that manage them, and will be reported upon by said Boards through the Standing Committees of the Conference. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to go into any details in this report. Brief comments will suffice. These interests naturally fall into two divisions: 1. Such interests as are supported, wholly or in part, by Conference appropriation, and 2. Such as are given our moral support and receive from the district more or less definite financial help.

Under the first head comes the following:

(a) **THE SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.** In this Society all of us are vitally interested. In the interim of Conference its affairs are under direction of a Board of Managers. Its Treasurer is a most efficient layman, devoted to its interests, Mr. T. A. Murray of Baltimore. The total amount of the invested fund now is \$150,000; with about \$8,500 in hand to be added thereto. When all the collections of the recent Special Campaign are in hand in January 1926, the total investment will reach \$225,000.

Dr. Straughn completed the Drive after the adjournment of Conference and the total subscription reached \$100,036. To date, of this amount about \$40,000 has been paid the Treasurer of the Conference.

(b) **THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.** This Society is managed in the same general way as the above. But there is very close relation between it and the Board of Survey and Extension. Necessarily so, because the lines of the work of each parallel. It is continuing its good work; careful of its holdings, taking over such new projects as are recommended by the Board of Survey, advising with and aiding enterprises already under their direction. Extension work in the District covers two new developments. Bethesda Church, a newly effected organization on the Harford Road with a membership of nearly fifty, has purchased a lot splendidly located and is already in process of building a temporary chapel. It has been recognized by the Lauraville Quarterly Conference and has elected a messenger to this Conference. The prospects here for a strong constituency are most promising.

A new organization has been formed in Smyrna, Delaware, consisting of 63 members. A church has been built at a cost of \$5,000 and over, of which \$3,200 has been paid, and the balance subscribed. They have elected a messenger to this Conference, the church having been formally recognized by the Clayton Quarterly Conference. Both of these churches will ask to be placed on the list of appointments and be given pastors.

Our outstanding extension effort in all the history of the Conference, Peninsula Church, Wilmington, had its formal opening in December. The work is growing in a solid constructive manner; the finances are in an encouraging condition. We must continue our help till the end is in sight.

(c) **THE DEACONESS WORK.** This work continues on about the same plane as per the last report. My understanding is that the home on North Charles Street will be paid for this year ending. It is somewhat difficult to understand the slow development of this work. Somewhere something is lacking. Here is a Home sufficiently large enough for more deaconesses, practically out of debt. Doubtless there is need for such trained workers, but our number is small. Somehow the work has never gripped the churches. I wonder, after all, if the real purpose of the work has not been subserved. I am impressed that we should either do more with the work and for the work or confess it is not one of our needs.

(d) **OUR CHURCH HOME.** Under Resolution adopted at the Conference of 1921, the charter was amended so that the Board of Managers should be elected by the Conference. The change went into effect with our 1922 session. What has been the effect of the change I have no way of knowing. The home is filled, as I understand, to its capacity. Doubtless it is doing all that it can with its resources. But I believe there is sympathy over the district for the home that has never been capitalized—it is possible and ought to be moulded into practical expression far beyond what is now being given.

For these four great interests we express our support in the Maryland Conference Budget. They have a right to our loyal support and they are thus supported. These interests expect that the President shall sponsor their work, and rightly expect it, as he travels the district and comes into touch with our constituency. And yet, from conference to conference, the president has no way of knowing the state of these interests, what movements are contemplated, what projects are under way, for he bears no relation to any of these boards and is never invited to any of the Board Meetings. The one exception is the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society; this Board regularly notifies the president of their meetings and requests his attendance. I cite these facts, not that I want more work, but that I wish to be able to speak intelligently about all the work.

Under the second head comes:

(a) **THE SUMMER CONFERENCE.** This has not only become a permanent institution with us, but its usefulness insures its perpetuation. The illumination of mind, the inspiration of spirit, the fellowship, the moments of new vision and consecration are of intense value to this conference. Let me call attention to the fact that every member of this conference (ministerial) is by virtue thereof a member of the Summer Conference, and let us remember that membership carries with it an annual dues of \$2. Let us pay the dues whether we go or not—but better still, let us pay and go. The full report of the Executive Committee will come before the Conference.

(b) **THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE.** Like the Summer Conference this too is with us to stay. Spiritually, mentally, socially, physically, this is a blessing to those who attend. And the attendance is wonderful. The potentialities of this Institute are beyond imagination. The good it is already accomplishing is worthy of note. More and more our younger people in the churches must be brought under the influence of this gathering. Without desiring to see one less of our more mature church members there, I do desire—and believe this ought to be our aim—to see many more of our young people present, between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five. This period of life, as a church, we need to touch and mould for workers in the tomorrow. Every layman here ought to join with his pastor in bringing this to pass.

The Interests of the General Church.

The Kingdom Life, translated through the Church as a Divine Institution, has three words that signify its purpose: Missions, Education, Charity. And the intent of these three words is revealed in the Denominational Program. In the carrying out of such a program, Boards have been created with specific work assigned them; Colleges have been built to put the plus in education, expressed in the word Christian; a general church home organized, orphanages built, industrial schools organized. Those are the cumulative accomplishments of nearly a hundred years of history. It is the doing of these things that justify our right to be called a Denomination—yea, that justify our place in the great Prot-

estant World as a Church of Christ. For ninety years the One great means of creating and fostering our Denominational Consciousness was the Church Paper. And in an unique way the Methodist Protestant be-got us all.

(a) **THE METHODIST PROTESTANT.** Perhaps the paper was never doing a more comprehensive work than today. Aply edited, with fine contributions and much news from the field, this paper ought to be in the home of every member of our churches in the district. Surely no church official should be without it. And yet I visited a Quarterly Conference this year where not a single member of the three churches took the paper. I tried to shame them—but don't think I had any success. I was glad to suggest to the Editor and Publisher the Conference-wide drive for the paper for February 17th. I was glad to co-operate when the campaign was decided upon. And while the goal of 1000 new subscribers was not reached, it is great to know that more than 700 subscriptions were secured. The Delta Church with 51 subscribers led the list, and to this church goes the honor of being the first church to have the paper in every home in its membership. No little credit is due the pastor for such success.

After ninety years dependence upon the church papers to build a Denominational Consciousness, the Church in General Conference Session at Greensboro four years ago, created another agency for further accomplishing this—The Travelling President of the General Church. This Maryland Conference is justly proud that our own Dr. T. H. Lewis became that Officer. His work was unique in that it was in the nature of a venture—he was the explorer and discoverer. We are assured, because of whom he is and the sort of work he always does, that he is laying a wise foundation for greater things for the Church. And whichever way he leads, this Conference will follow in prayer, in sympathy, in every possible co-operation that we can give—personally and financially. We salute you, Dr. Lewis, and say—"lead on, we will follow."

A SPECIAL CALL. Growing out of the Japanese Catastrophe an emergency call came to the whole church for help. The goal was \$100,000. And Maryland was asked to raise \$30,000. Unfortunately, the call to Maryland went out before the definite plans and goals were decided upon by the Emergency Committee. I have no doubt that this fact made against the best results that might have been obtained. The general church has responded in subscriptions totalling about one third of the amount asked, of which Maryland has subscribed about \$16,000.

The interests of the general church and of the Maryland Conference are expressed in the **WHOLE BUDGET** totalling \$130,000. In my travels over the district, both in official meetings and church services; in my letters to the church paper—everywhere and all the time, I have made no distinction as to these interests, simply explained them and their relation, I have talked the Whole Budget. I have sought to give information as to the needs, impress the responsibility involved, and to beget some inspiration for meeting these needs. I believe there is a growing

appreciation all over the Conference, as indicated in the response for this year. Let us understand this—it is my clear conviction that the Whole Budget is neither higher than the needs of the Church nor greater than the resources of our people. Not failure but low aim is crime. Here is a possible goal for the Conference—we are on the way; a bit more information, a bit more leadership,—better financial methods, and persistent endeavor plus heroic faith—and we shall at last reach that goal! I am certainly clear in my own mind as to this fact—the whole budget has the claim of priority over all other calls. Let us do all benevolent work we can of miscellaneous character, but let it not hurt our church benevolences. Generally speaking all increases of financial character in a local way ought to find the increase on budget keeping pace therewith.

35 churches are on the Honor Roll with 100 per cent on budget, an increase of 3. 12 churches are above 75 per cent, an increase of 6. 36 churches are between 50 and 75 per cent, an increase of 3. 49 churches are between 25 and 50 per cent, a decrease of 5.

These are incomplete figures, because not all pastors returned the questionnaires of March the 18th. But all indications point to the average percentage of the whole budget for the district as being an increase over last year. The percentage will be known when the Stewards' report is in.

Summary of Local Conditions in the District.

1. CONVERSIONS. I head it thus, for we can't tabulate spiritual results. Only Eternity can tell. Pastors' reports indicate that there were 2,750 conversions. 14 churches indicate more than 50 each, as follows: Brooklyn, 59; Calvary, 50; Christ Church, 60; Hampden, 150; Lowe Memorial, 72; South Baltimore, 97; St. Paul's, 60; Harbeson, 66; Mt. Nebo, 90; Sharptown, 70; Alexandria, 165; Cherrydale, 75; Federalsburg, 60; Whaleyville, 52. Eleven other charges report between 25 and 50 conversions.

2. ACCESSIONS. Total number reported over 2,400. Following six churches indicate 50 or more: Christ Church, 52; Hampden, 75; Lowe Memorial, 72; Harbeson, 62; Mt. Nebo, 60; Peninsula, Wil., 60. 17 other churches report between 25 and 50. And net gain in membership reported 1,400 plus. Dr. Straughn in his report last year called attention to the way in which churches were discontinuing members. Though not as large reductions of church registers are reported this year as last, still it goes on. The largest discontinuance of any one charge being 110 this year, with a total of 1,000 (plus) by official action.

3. PAID ON DEBT. Payments on debt total \$66,500 and over. Charges paying \$1,000 or more, as follows. Graceland Park, \$1,800; Grace, \$1,600; Hampden, \$19,753; Keen Memorial, \$2,000; Lauraville, \$1,050; South Baltimore, \$1,378; Starr, \$3,500; St. Paul's, \$1,000; Conquest, \$1,000; Cumberland, \$2,744; Laurel, \$1,500; Seaford, \$1,000;

Peninsula, Wil., \$5,600; Trinity, Baltimore, \$1,500; Finksburg, \$1,700; Rhode Island Ave., \$1,500; Centreville, \$3,600.

4. PAID ON BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS. The total indicated here will reach \$100,500. Charges paying \$1,000 or more follow, with definite new projects specified: Grace, \$2,300; Graceland Park, \$3,00; Keen Memorial, \$2,000; North Baltimore, \$1,350; Violetville, \$11,000—First Unit of new church costing \$23,000; Wilton Heights, \$1,000; First Church, Cumberland, \$1,933; Deer Park, \$2,765, on splendid new parsonage costing \$8,000; Glenburnie on new location, costing \$10,000, \$3,000; Kemptown, \$1,000; Mardela, \$1,000; St. Luke's on restoration, \$1,500; Tioga Heights, \$2,000, on \$12,000 structure now building; Salisbury, \$12,000, in completion of this beautiful edifice in which we are meeting; Peninsula, Wil., \$6,000, on furnishings and organ; Centreville, \$11,000; St. John's, \$1,500. In addition to the above, the new church at Smyrna, Del., already mentioned, has paid \$3,200 on building plus lot; this makes the total expenditures \$104,000.

5. PASTOR'S SALARIES. This encouraging feature on the part of the charges still goes on. Since the close of last Conference session, 29 charges made an increase in salary for the year ending, totalling \$6,440. Increases on salary for the coming year amount to \$6,365, made by 30 charges. The aggregate increase is \$12,805. Out of this total number of charges 17 were in the class where supplements were paid up to April 1923. These have made a total increase of \$2,700. I have not appealed to any church since assuming this office that has not made some sort of salary increase in response. Brethren, this statement is not intended as a suggestion that you invite me to an official meeting to help get the salary increased. It is only made to show the growing inclination on the part of churches to make practical the theory, that "the laborer is worthy of his hire." There are some charges that can and ought to pay more salary. There are some charges below the minimum salary that can and won't raise to the minimum—wherever possible, a regrouping ought to take place in such instances that will insure the minimum without conference supplement, and thus we cease to be a party to self-pauperization of such places.

Observations.

In my contact with the ministry and laity in travelling over the District this year, there are one or two things that have impressed themselves upon me that I wish to emphasize:

1. The Spirit of Brotherhood. I feel that we have a great fraternity among the constituency of this Conference. I am glad to bear testimony to it. The sympathy, the fellowship, the willingness to spend and be spent in the interests of the Kingdom through our church is a thing that heartens in the work. And I have tried hard to further emphasize this fact as I have visited the churches; to remind again and again that we are one family—that the successes of any or the burdens of any are of one common interest. More and more may this spirit grow, till to the

utmost we can say "all one family, we, one in faith and doctrine, one in charity."

2. The settled purpose, growing all the time, to make the Maryland Conference as big and as strong as it is possible to make it. The consciousness that in Doctrine and Polity we have a great church, that in constituency we have wonderful strength and talents and resources that are yet to be utilized to reach anywhere near their maximum possibilities. Out of this is growing the desire and intent to continue to press on more and more to bigger and better things.

May the Holy Spirit breathe upon us anew in our present assembly till we shall go out from here One Body in "One Accord."

3. The spirit, on the part of pastors and churches, to find the opportunity for the utilization of unused talents for leadership. I can best illustrate this in the case of West Baltimore Church. This church, at the suggestion of the pastor, recently appointed a committee to look for a mission field, where her people might use their talents for leadership in the conduct of a Sunday School, young people's meetings, prayer meetings, and thus serve an unchurched community. And out of her treasury appropriated \$500 for such a venture. Perhaps we have no greater concern in our churches than to make use of much talent lying dormant, and capacities for leadership that are not being developed.

4. I am convinced that one of our great needs for constructive development in our district is more intensive methods. This is true for some of our Boards, for many of our churches, especially in our rural work. It is a problem that we must set ourselves to help solve. It is not all the fault of our pastors, nor yet of our church officials, that such conditions exist in many places. But the fact faces us that poor methods and poor working of even some good methods are in vogue in a day and church that ought not to be.

5. I have reached this conclusion, a notion that has been with me for some years, now a conviction after a year's travel on the district, that perhaps the best work—at least a better work—can be done by the President not through Sunday visitation to places, irrespective of the needs, but in quarterly conferences, membership meetings, open parliaments and campaigns—intensified—in sections to help pastors and charges where needs exists.

Recommendations.

I herewith submit the following recommendations:

1. That a campaign on "Stewardship and Tithing" be projected this year. That the month of October be given to such campaign; pastors being required to preach in series during the four Sundays of the month. That the official board and membership be rallied to the campaign by all available efforts of pastors. That the various church organizations be utilized for the educational features of such campaign.

And that the campaign culminate on the First Sunday in November in a great consecration of Life and Talents and Resources, expressed in

the Tither's Pledge, received at the Communion Service. That the minimum Goal for this Conference-Wide Campaign be 10,000 Tithers.

And further that a committee of Five be raised by this Conference to Plan for and Project such a campaign.

2. That the Conference authorize the President to group the District into sections, designating a Group Chairman for each section; that such Group Leaders be recognized as the Key-Men of these sections, through whom the President shall be enabled to more efficiently carry the Program of the Church. That the President and Group Leaders shall inaugurate a study of methods for the various charges as the needs may require and opportunity offers.

That it is the understanding of the Conference that such Group Leaders, in carrying out the program of this body under direction of the President, shall have the full support of the pastors of the sections.

That the President be authorized to call together at some central point these Group Leaders for conference and consultation if in his judgment it is warranted, but not more than 2 times in the interim of conference; and that travelling expenses for such meetings be paid out of the incidental fund of the Conference.

3. That both pastors and charges may sense the great stress which the Conference lays upon the Whole Budget and our appreciation of a growing conscience relating thereto.

That the Conference prepare and print an "HONOR ROLL CERTIFICATE"; said certificate to name the charge, and the individual churches related thereto, designating the per cent raised each year of the present quadrennium with the pastor for each year. And that all churches be requested to place same in the church at some conspicuous point.

That the Secretary be the committee on the preparation and presentation of such certificate.

4. That for charges showing a decrease of 25 per cent or more for the year on the Whole Budget in monies raised thereon, the pastor and delegate be required to state the reasons therefor to the Committee on Official Relations. Likewise the same requirement shall apply to pastors and delegates from such charges as raise less than 50 per cent of the Budget.

5. That instead of printing in the report of the Committee on Official Relations the list of charges with per cent paid on the Budget, that said per cent be printed in the last column in the Financial Tables of the Minutes. But all percentages shall be read at the time the Committee makes its report.

6. The Regulation One (1) of the Manual, styled "Duties of Pastors," be amended by the addition of the following paragraph, numbered Section 14, and to read: "All pastors of the Conference shall be required to give at least two (2) weeks of their time for evangelistic service during the year if needed, under the direction of the Committee on Evangelism, provided that pastors shall be given three weeks notice of their appointment.

7. That all Probationary Members of the Conference, and all supply

appointees working under the President, shall make quarterly reports to the President giving a full and comprehensive account of the work being done by pastor and charge.

8. That all pastors be requested to file with the Board of Survey and Extension, within three (3) months after Conference adjourns, a statement containing information concerning Deeds to all churches and parsonages, concerning church charters, and also stating the amount of insurance carried on the properties of the charges. That such information be furnished on a questionnaire to be mailed by the Secretary of the Board of Survey and Extension. And that no appropriation for any purpose whatever be paid by the Conference Treasurer till such information is given.

9. That a Special Committee be raised by this Conference authorized to make an exhaustive study of the Deaconess Work, with a view to determining—(a) The real need of the District for such a work. (b) The outstanding needs of the work as it now functions. (c) The methods, proven successful by other denominations, that may be adaptable to our needs and resources. (d) And whatever else, in the purview of the committee, may present itself for consideration.

That this committee be requested to meet the Deaconess Board at its first regular meeting after Conference and confer with them; and thereafter attend such meetings of the Board and Board Committees as may further aid them in their study.

That this committee be prepared to report its findings at the next session of Conference with such specific recommendations as they deem necessary and wise.

10. Inasmuch as the Maryland Conference Building now under erection will be ready for occupancy during the conference year, and since there are many historical records of great value to us as a church, stowed away in the present headquarters, 316 N. Charles Street.

That the Conference elect a Librarian and entrust to him the duty of collecting, classifying and transferring all such records to the new Headquarters Building, 516 N. Charles Street; and that such expenses as may be required to satisfactorily do such work shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Conference.

11. In view of the fact that the Headquarters Committee is representative of the Conference Trustees, of the Baltimore Book Directory, and of the Conference at large—

That the Headquarters Committee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to determine the rentals to be fixed in relation to the space to be occupied by the Baltimore Book Directory in the new Maryland Conference Building, 516 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland. That said agreements as shall be decided upon shall be filed with the Board of Trustees of the Conference, and shall supersede all existing arrangements now in effect between the Conference Trustees and the Book Directory. And that the Conference Trustees shall make report, yearly to the Conference, upon such rentals along with all other rentals pertaining to the Headquarters Building.

12. That the Headquarters Committee be authorized to procure

such necessary furnishings as may be required in such rooms as are set apart for use by the Conference.

13. That "Methodist Protestant" Day be changed from the third (3) Sunday in October to the fourth (4) Sunday in January, and that another intensive campaign be carried on over the District for 500 new subscribers and 1,000 renewals.

14. Inasmuch as the President's Parsonage Guild has disbanded—that the President of the Conference, the Agent of the President's Parsonage, and another member to be named by the President be made a "Committee on Conference Parsonage Furnishings."

15. In view of the increased work of the past year, due to the great amount of book-keeping and correspondence relative to the Superannuated Fund Campaign, devolving upon the Conference Treasurer, Rev. C. P. Nowlin—

That the Conference request the Superannuated Fund Society, at its meeting this session, to authorize its Treasurer to pay out of the Society's receipts the sum of \$200 to the Treasurer of the Conference as an appreciation for his services.

And further, that the \$100,000 Campaign Committee be requested to acquaint themselves with the amounts being paid by charges on their quotas, and continue such work as may be necessary and helpful in making possible the raising of the pledges in full.

With due and sincere appreciation for courtesies shown me by pastors and laity, with gratification at the measure of co-operation manifested in my efforts to carry on the work committed by you to my hands, and desiring earnestly the blessing of Heaven upon this our ninety-sixth (96) session,

I am, sincerely and fraternally,

G. I. HUMPHREYS, President.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal, page 31)

It is with much pleasure your committee reviewed the President's report and we are impressed with the great volume of work achieved under his judicious leadership.

It is with no small joy that we observe the payment of forty thousand dollars of the hundred thousand pledged toward the investment fund of the Superannuated Society and urge the pastoral supervision of accounts until the whole is collected.

In the case of M. W. Sutcliffe, we endorse the President's action and urge that all necessary steps be taken to protect our interest on Susquehanna charge, and urge the Conference to give its moral and financial support in regard to Pastoral Supply.

We regret to discover a discrepancy in the pastor's information furnished the President, and that instead of an increase of five churches that have sensed the great needs of the General Church, as well as those of Maryland, that have paid their budget in full, we find a decrease of two, we insist that each church must take seriously this obligation. This is our loyal duty so long as the General Conference hands down a budget. We can only grow as a church by covering our whole budget.

Recommendations

First. STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING CAMPAIGN. We heartily endorse the idea and concur in the selection of October for the conduct of such a campaign, using the Sunday School departments and classes and Christian Endeavor Societies in study classes, reading circles, etc., in the furtherance of the plan.

We concur in the raising of a committee of five to formulate the plans for the month, with ten thousand tithers as the minimum goal.

Second. GROUPING OF CONFERENCE DISTRICT INTO SECTIONS. The Committee concurs in authorizing the President to group the District into sections, with a group chairman for each section. The President and group leaders shall inaugurate plans for the purpose of co-operating with the various charges as the need may require and opportunity offer. It is the understanding that the group leaders shall have the loyal co-operation of the pastors of their section.

We approve the recommendation of the calling of the group leaders for conference and consultation not more than twice in the interim of Conference. It is the understanding, however, that nothing in the recommendation shall be construed to interfere with the duties and prerogatives of the Board of Survey and Extension.

Third. THE WHOLE BUDGET. We feel too much emphasis cannot be given to the payment of the whole budget, and we urge a closer attention to the vital necessity of raising the full amount of the General Conference Budget, as well as that of the Maryland Conference. We recommend an "Honor Roll Certificate" be prepared for all one hundred per cent churches, and a Percentage Certificate for those churches pay-

ing fifty per cent or more of the whole budget, these certificates to be prominently displayed in the church.

We concur in the Secretary of the Conference being the committee to prepare and present such certificates.

Fourth. CHARGES SHOWING DECREASES ON BUDGET. We concur in the recommendation that should a charge show a decrease of twenty-five per cent or more for the year on the whole budget, the pastor and delegate shall be required to state the reasons therefor to the Committee on Official Relations. We recommend that the same requirements shall apply to pastors and delegates from such charges as raise less than fifty per cent of the whole budget.

Fifth. PUBLISHING PERCENT OF BUDGET PAID WITH FINANCIAL TABLE. We approve of this recommendation.

Sixth. ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPH TO BE ADDED TO MANUAL TO BE NUMBERED FOURTEEN, and to read:

"All pastors of the Conference shall be required to give at least two weeks of their time for evangelistic services during the year., if needed, under the direction of the Committee on Evangelism, provided that pastors shall be given three weeks' notice of their appointment."

The committee concurs in the recommendation.

Seventh. PROBATIONERY MEMBERS AND SUPPLY PASTORS MAKING QUARTERLY REPORTS. The committee concurs in the recommendation.

Eighth. FILING VALUABLE PAPERS WITH BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION. We note the wisdom of such a recommendation and concur in its provisions.

We recommend that all deeds and charters be referred to Superintendent of Church Extension for his approval before being recorded.

Ninth. SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DEACONESS WORK. Your committee concurs in the raising of a special committee by this Conference to make an exhaustive study of the Deaconess Work, with a view of covering the items named in the President's report.

Tenth. HISTORICAL LIBRARIAN. We deem this provision a wise one since many valuable records need to be collected, classified and properly cared for. We approve the recommendation.

Eleventh. FIXING RENTALS AT 516 N. CHARLES STREET. The committee concurs in the recommendation.

Thirteenth. METHODIST PROTESTANT DAY. Changing date from October to fourth Sunday in January. We believe this is a wise provision since about seven hundred subscriptions expire February 1st. Your committee concurs.

Fourteenth. COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE PARSONAGE FURNISHINGS. This committee concurs.

Fifteenth. TREASURER'S COMPENSATION. The committee concurs in this recommendation.

P. W. CROSBY,
J. A. DUDLEY,
L. B. SMITH,
W. O. ATWOOD,
C. O. THOMAS,
T. P. FISHER,
Committee.

**Report of the
AGENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE
of the
MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

(See Journal, page 24)

1923			
April	1—To Balance	\$	74.54
	Receipts		
April	13—Received from Rev. J. H. Straughn, Pres.....		407.46
May	25—Received from New Church M. P. Chr.....		3.00
1924			
January	12—Received from Rev. C. P. Nowlin on account....		300.00
February	13—Received from T. A. Murray, Attorney.....		148.41
March	14—Received from Mrs. Allen, Jr., Marion, Md.....		3.00
		\$	936.41

Disbursements

1923			
April	13—Paid Rev. J. H. Straughn, Screens, etc.....	\$	6.40
July	9—Paid Rev. G. I. Humphreys (Van).....		50.00
September	24—Paid Rev. Wm. Mitchell, Plumbing.....		7.75
October	29—Paid Rev. G. I. Humphreys, Bills for repairs.....		29.75
December	12—Paid The Morris, Organization, on account of purchase money, 3600 Copley Road.....		300.00
1924			
February	15—Paid Rev. G. I. Humphreys (Van).....		27.00
February	19—Paid Central Fire Ins., Co., Copley Road.....		200.87
February	23—Paid C. P. Cuddy, Collector, Taxes.....		115.74
February	23—Paid C. E. Bichy, Collector, Water.....		26.50
		\$	764.01
March	31—Paid to Balance.....		172.40
		\$	936.41

H. K. MULLER, Treasurer.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
✓ Accomac, Va.....	W. F. Bauscher	2	✓ Cecil.....	J. G. Lynn (Supply)	1
<i>Spiller</i> ✓ Amelia, Va.....	L. W. Gordon	3	✓ Centreville.....	W. H. Hodges	1
BALTIMORE:			✓ Chestertown.....	N. O. Gibson	5
✓ Alnutt Memorial.....	L. Randall	6	✓ Chincoteague, Va.....		
✓ Brooklyn.....	H. B. Jester	4		T. J. Turkington	3
✓ Bethesda.....	G. M. Clayton	1	✓ Clayton, Del.....	L. E. Haddaway	3
✓ Calvary.....	H. O. Keen	1	✓ Concord.....	M. E. Dearholt	3
✓ Chesaco Park			✓ Conquest.....	J. P. George	1
	C. L. Dawson (Supply)	2	CRISFIELD:		
✓ Christ Church.....	J. L. Ward	2	✓ Crisfield.....	C. M. Elderdice	8
✓ East Baltimore.....	G. A. Ogg	8	✓ Lawsonia.....	V. A. Miller	3
✓ Edmondson Ave, J. McL. Brown		2	✓ Mariners.....	F. K. McCorkle	4
✓ Eutaw.....	W. P. Roberts	4	✓ Crumpton.....	C. Q. Quillan	2
✓ Evergreen.....	F. T. Little	6		(Supply)	
<i>Stk</i> ✓ Grace.....	G. E. Brown	4	CUMBERLAND:		
✓ Graceland Park.....	H. A. Kester	2	✓ First Church.....	H. L. Schlincke	5
✓ Hampden.....	E. D. Stone	12	✓ Mapleside and Fairview.....		
✓ Keen Memorial.....	A. S. Beane	17		(To be supplied)	
✓ Lauraville.....	P. F. Warner	2	✓ Melvin Chapel.....	J. A. Trader	1
✓ Linthicum Heights.....			✓ Dagsboro, Del.....	J. H. Mason	2
	E. T. Kirkley	1		(Supply)	
✓ Lowe Memorial.....	W. A. Melvin	9	✓ Deer Creek.....	W. S. Simms	1
✓ N. Baltimore.....	W. H. Litsinger	10		(Supply)	
✓ Payson Street.....	T. C. Mulligan	3	✓ Deer Park.....	J. N. Link	5
✓ S. Baltimore.....	W. F. Wright	8	✓ Delmar.....	B. A. Bryan	1
✓ Starr.....	G. W. Haddaway	23	✓ Delta.....	B. W. Kindley	1
✓ St. John's.....	L. F. Warner	5	✓ Denton.....	G. J. Hooker	1
✓ St. Paul's.....	F. D. Reynolds	1	✓ Dorchester.....	G. E. Turner	3
✓ Trinity.....	R. W. White	6	✓ Dover and Leipsic.....		
✓ Violetville.....	W. B. Judefind	8		Avery Donovan	3
✓ W. Baltimore.....	J. M. Gill	9	✓ Easton.....	E. T. Read	5
✓ Wilton Heights.....	F. G. Holloway	2	✓ Elizabeth, N. J.....	J. W. Balderston	5
<i>a.w.</i> ✓ Baltimore Circuit.....	S. F. Cassen	12	✓ Fairfax, Va.....	O. G. Brewer	1
✓ Bedford.....	C. M. Jenkins (Supply)	3	✓ Fawn Grove.....	Frank Holland	5
✓ Belair.....	C. P. Nowlin	6	✓ Federalsburg.....	G. E. McDorman	3
	(Assistant, to be supplied.)		✓ Felton.....	A. W. Betts (Supply)	2
✓ Bivalve.....	J. R. McKeawn	1	✓ First Church, Newark, N. J.....		
✓ Buckeystown.....	J. W. Kirk	6		E. C. Makosky	12
✓ Cambridge.....	R. Y. Nicholson	6	✓ Finksburg.....	C. K. McCaslin	4
✓ Cambridge Circuit.....	D. W. Anstine	3	✓ Franklin City.....	Ziba Adams	1
✓ Cannon, Del.....	R. W. Sutcliffe	2	✓ Frederick.....	G. R. Donaldson	2
✓ Caroline.....	C. F. Cummings	1	✓ Georgetown, Del.....	J. T. Bailey	7
	(Supply)		✓ Glenburnie.....	C. E. Dryden	2
✓ Carroll Circuit.....	S. R. Martin	2	✓ Greenbush and Tasley.....		
	(Supply)			G. E. Leister	6

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Greenwood.....	C. M. Adams	2	Pipe Creek.....	J. Earl Cummings	3
Grove.....	F. J. Phillips	3	Pittsville.....	J. W. Baxley	3
✓ Harbeson.....	C. M. Cullum	2	Pocomoke Ciay.....	E. L. Bunce	5
✓ Harmony, W. Va.....	J. F. Wooden	1	Powellville.....	I. S. Owens	4
Harper's Ferry.....	J. W. Parris	3	Quantico.....	(To be supplied)	
✓ Harrington.....	G. A. Morris	3	Queen Anne.....	Clark S. Marshall	3
✓ Hawley Memorial.....	T. O. Crouse	2	Reliance.....	J. Peyton Adams	1
✓ Howard.....	G. H. Stocksdales	1	Rowlandville.....	G. S. Ross	1
✓ Hurlock.....	J. A. Wright	2	Salem.....	William Schmeiser	2
✓ Indian River.....	Dorsey Blake	4	Salisbury.....	R. L. Shipley	6
✓ Kemptown.....	F. M. Volk	1	Seaford.....	N. C. Clough	1
✓ Kennedyville.....	J. W. Trout	2	Sharptown.....	W. C. Mumford	2
✓ Kent Island.....	T. J. Betschler	1	Smyrna.....	H. L. Adams (Supply)	1
✓ Laurel.....	A. W. Ewell	3	Snowhill.....	A. F. T. Raum	2
Laurel Circuit.....	F. M. Clift	3	Snowhill Circuit.....		
Leeds.....	F. S. Cain	2		C. V. Steininger (supply)	2
✓ Lewes, Del.....	W. D. Wilson	3	Stewartstown, Pa.....	Geo. Hines	3
	(Supply)	3	St. James.....	E. W. Simms	3
Lewistown.....	E. C. Coleman	1	St. Michael's.....	H. L. Murphy	3
	(Supply)	1	Susquehanna Circuit.....		
Liberty.....	W. A. Sites (Supply)	4		(To be supplied)	
Lisbon.....	C. H. Dobson	2	Texas.....	W. H. Schatz (Supply)	1
✓ Lynchburg.....	J. H. Lynch	2	Trinity, Marion....	K. H. Wareheim	1
✓ Mardela.....	A. H. Green	3	Tyreanna, Va.....	E. Carey Barker	
✓ Marley.....	J. T. Fenby	2		(Supply)	2
Middleway.....	A. J. Harpold	2	Union.....	M. E. Hungerford	2
	(Supply)	2	Union Bridge.....	W. S. Hanks	4
✓ Milford.....	C. R. Strausburg	2	Wallace Memorial.....	G. W. Ports	2
✓ Milton.....	J. W. Townsend	2	Warwick....	C. E. Robey (Supply)	1
Mt. Nebo....	C. R. Bright (Supply)	2	WASHINGTON:		
✓ New Church.....	E. C. Graham	3	Alexandria.....	J. A. Dudley	1
New Market.....	P. M. R. Schauer	4	Calvary and Walker Chapel....		
Nichols Memorial.....	T. C. Jones	3		Paul M. Cassen	2
✓ Northumberland.....			Cherrydale.....	W. M. Snyder	6
	Clayborne Phillips	2	First Church....	Carroll Maddox	1
Oak Grove and Prince George's			Congress Street.....	B. F. Ruley	4
	A. W. Simms	2	Mt. Olivet.....	J. Leas Green	4
✓ Oxford.....	H. W. D. Johnson	4	Mt. Tabor.....	C. M. Compner	3
Parksley.....	E. H. Jones	1	North Carolina Avenue.....		
Patapsco.....	(To be supplied)	1		P. W. Crosby	4
PHILADELPHIA:			Rhode Island Avenue.....		
✓ Emmanuel.....	J. F. Bryan	4		J. H. Straughn	2
✓ St. Luke's.....	C. C. Day	2	Wesley Chapel of Kent.....		
✓ Taylor Memorial.....				C. H. Reed (Supply)	2
	Robert Browne	1	Westminster.....	J. L. Nichols	3
✓ Tioga Heights Mission.....			WILMINGTON:		
	Leon A. Smith	2	First Church.....	L. C. Randall	2

	Yrs.	Board of Home Missions—W. L. Hoffman.
✓ Peninsula.....L. B. Smith	5	
West Wilmington....F. B. Bailey	2	Chaplain U. S. Army—J. R. Wright.
✓ Whaleyville.....C. P. Butler	6	Left without appointment at his
✓ Wye.....J. L. Marker	3	own request, K. K. Haddaway.

Special Appointments		Superannuates	
			Yrs.
President of General Conference,— T. H. Lewis.			
President of Western Maryland Col- lege—A. N. Ward.	J. W. Gray.....		13
Professor of W. M. College—W. B. Sanders.	A. W. Mather.....		10
President of Westminster Theological Seminary—H. L. Elderdice.	J. L. Mills.....		10
Editor of Methodist Protestant—F. T. Benson.	W. M. Strayer.....		19
Secretary of Board of Foreign Mis- sions—F. C. Klein.	J. M. Holmes.....		8
Secretary of Church Extension—J. M. Sheridan.	F. H. Mullineaux.....		8
General Secretary of Young People's Work—E. A. Sexsmith.	G. J. Sullivan.....		25
	G. F. Farring.....		7
	C. E. McCullough.....		7
	W. N. Sherwood.....		6
	J. L. Elderdice.....		4
	G. Q. Bacchus.....		4
	G. J. Hill.....		4
	L. A. Bennett.....		3
	H. S. Johnson.....		2
	S. W. Coe.....		2
	P. L. Rice.....		4

Loaned

Women's Home Missionary Society—
T. R. Woodford.

Report B
OF THE SECRETARY

(See Journal page 21)

MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE
METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

As Committee on Credentials my report is as follows.

Credentials have not been received from Waverly, Indian River, Talbot and Tyreanna.

The credentials from Caroline, Lewes, Liberty and Prince George do not have alternates.

A letter from South Baltimore attests that both delegate and alternate resigned and that R. Day Humphreys was elected at a second meeting. I recommend that he be seated.

A letter stating that both delegate and alternate elect from Wilton Heights had found it impossible to attend, and that Mrs. J. E. Whaley was elected by the members at a meeting held March 26. I recommend that she be seated.

The credential from Caroline Charge contained the name of no alternate. A certificate dated March 18th declares Nathan J. Cade elected alternate delegate in place of Ralph Meredith who had found it impossible to attend Conference. I recommend that he be seated.

Credentials of messengers from Smyrna church, the Bethesda church in Baltimore and the Harmony church of Federalsburg have been received by the Secretary.

Financial Statement

Receipts

Balance, G. I. Humphries.....	\$ 69.47
Advance Assessment 1923.....	306.88
C. P. Nowlin, Tr. Assessment.....	1,946.12
M. P. Book Concern, Sale of Merchandise.....	14.83
	\$2,337.30

Expenditures

Minnie T. Baker, Stenographer.....	\$ 13.60
G. J. Hooker, Traveling Expenses.....	6.50
J. A. Dudley, Expenses on Minutes.....	1.04
C. P. Nowlin, Tr. Payments ordered by Conference.....	668.13
C. P. Nowlin, Tr. West Lafayette College.....	200.00
Allen J. Allen, Traveling Expenses.....	25.60
E. C. Makosky, Expenses Board of Survey.....	42.38
R. L. Shipley, Secretary's Incidentals, Postage, Travel....	27.97
M. P. Book Concern, Bibles, Credentials.....	101.64
The Stockton Press, Program 1923.....	25.00
The Stockton Press, Minutes.....	453.51

The Stockton Press, Letters for Insurance data.....	4.75	
The Stockton Press, Envelopes for Reports.....	6.75	
J. Ryland Taylor, Printing.....	7.00	
W. L. Hoffman, Tr. Summer Conference.....	200.00	
Salaries, C. P. Nowlin, Tr.	200.00	
J. A. Dudley, Steward.....	50.00	
R. L. Shipley, Secretary.....	50.00	
The Stockton Press, Stationary.....	25.25	
		<u>2,109.12</u>
Balance		<u>\$228.18</u>

R. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

REPORT C

TREASURER'S REPORT

(See Journal, page 32)

REPORT ON BUDGET

RECEIPTS

April 3, 1924:

To President's Salary.....	\$ 4,498.00	
" Maryland Conference Interests.....	26,772.58	
" General Conference Budget:		
Children's Day.....	\$12,564.00	
Special Foreign Missions.....	3,532.00	
Y. P. Miss., Md. Union.....	1,810.00	
W. F. M. Society.....	8,073.00	
Easter Offering	1,369.00	
Special Home Missions.....	1,738.00	
W. H. Missionary Society.....	5,100.00	
Rally Day	3,285.00	
Educational Day	2,588.00	
		<u>40,059.00</u>
Total Credits	40,059.00	
Paid on Budget less Credits.....	20,137.00	<u>60,196.00</u>
		<u>91,466.58</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

April 3, 1923, to April 7, 1924

By Checks to Rev. G. I. Humphreys, Pres.....		4,498.00
" Conference Expenses	2,298.52	
" Superannuates	6,441.07	
" Church Extension	9,122.43	
" Home for Aged.....	5,519.79	
" Specials for Home for Aged.....	109.65	

" Deaconess	2,298.52	
" Special for Deaconess.....	2.00	
" Md. Conference Missionary.....	526.32	26,318.25
" Undistributed Md. Budget.....		454.33
" Checks to H. C. Staley, Treasurer:		
Gen. Conf. Budget direct.....	19,622.19	
Gen. Conf Credits.....	24,001.83	
Receipted Vouchers, Budget.....	514.81	
Receipt Vouchers on Credit.....	16,057.17	60,196.00
		<u>\$ 91,466.58</u>
Miscellaneous Items:		
To Various Items.....	\$51,224.00	
By accepted Vouchers		51,224.00
		<u>142,690.58</u> <u>\$142,690.58</u>

BOARD OF SURVEY AND CHURCH EXTENSION

Receipts

1924

April 2—By District	\$ 10,122.40
April 7—By Annual Dues.....	104.00
April 7—By Balance	5,180.54
	<u>\$15,406.94</u>

Disbursements

May 1, 1923, to April 8, 1924—

To Deficit	\$ 1,532.61
To Superintendent's Salary.....	1,600.00
To Board of Managers C. E. S., \$500; Grace Church, \$250; Melvin Chapel, \$200; Deer Creek, \$200; Evangelistic Committee, \$100; Evergreen, \$350; Emanuel Church, \$250; Emanuel Church, \$500; Emanuel Church on Salary, \$100; Greenbush, \$250; Glenburnie, \$300; Hallwood Church, \$125; Lauraville, \$250; Liberty, \$100; Queen Anne's, \$150; Payson Street, \$250; Peninsula Church, \$250; Peninsula Church, \$625; St. Paul's, \$250; Selbyville, \$150; Susquehanna, \$250; Taylor Memorial, \$250; Union Bridge, \$100; Violetville, \$500; Wallace Memorial, \$100; Wye, \$250.....	6,600.00
To Interest	25.33

Supplementary Salaries—

Amelia, \$200; Edmondson Ave., \$300; Payson St., \$100; Violetville, \$200; Bivalve, \$100; Cecil, \$200; Concord, \$300; Conquest, \$200; Mapleside and Fairview, \$200; Dorchester, \$100; Greenbush and Tasley, \$100; Greenwood, \$100; Grove, \$200; Harmony, \$250; Milton, \$100;

Oak Grove, \$300; Oxford, \$80; Pipe Creek, \$150; Quantico, \$110; Reliance, \$250; Rowlandville, \$200; Cambridge, Circuit, \$300; Cannon, \$208; Carroll Circuit, \$175; Fairfax, \$133; Harbeson, \$260; Kennedyville, \$300; Laurel Circuit, \$140; Salem, \$173; Calvary, \$220.....	5,649.00
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	\$ 15,406.94
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By Deficit	\$ 5,180.54

SUPERANNUATED FUND ACCOUNT

Receipts	Disbursements
Superannuated Fund, Year 1923-1924:	
To Balance	By First Distribution....\$ 1,804.00
" District	" Second Distribution 1,801.00
" Thos Murray, Treas. 7,959.68	" Third Distribution.. 1,421.00
" North Baltimore..... 1,338.00	" Fourth Distribution 12,695.00
" Annual Dues	" Ex. (Cor. Sect'y).. 2.50
" Deficit	" Thos. A. Murray
	acct. Annual Dues 93.50
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\$16,997.00	\$16,997.00

Report D

(See Journal, page 23)

TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Trustees respectfully submit their report for the Conference year ending April 1st, 1924.

The present membership of the Board is as follows: J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Rowland Watts and T. A. Murray, until 1926; F. T. Little, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Roberts and F. G. Usilton, until 1925; A. W. Mather, E. C. Makosky, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho, until 1924. Their terms expiring on the first day of May 1924 it becomes the duty of the Conference to elect their successors at this session.

The income of the Mrs. A. S. Eversole legacy has been used for church extension purposes according to the terms of the bequest.

We submit herewith the report of our Treasurer for the year showing the receipts and expenditures of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate and now subject to disposition by the Trustees under the will of Dr. Drinkhouse in accordance with the terms created by the said will.

The books and accounts of the Trustees have been duly audited by the committee provided for in the By-Laws of our charter.

We further report that our Board has continued to comply with the instructions given us by the Conference in signing such legal papers as the Headquarters Committee has required in furthering the work committed to it by the Conference and which will be more fully expressed in the report of the said Headquarters Committee.

We also report that the Trustees have carried out the instructions of the Conference in signing such legal papers as were necessary in the sale of the former President's parsonage, 1420 Linden Avenue, Baltimore, Md., and in taking title to the new President's parsonage at 3600 Copley Road, Ashburton, in the same city.

F. T. LITTLE, President.
ROWLAND WATTS, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR, APRIL, 1923-24

In account with,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer,

TRUSTEES OF MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE GENERAL FUND

To Balance per last Report.....	\$	683.96
To Interest on Deposits.....	\$	51.90
To Interest on Trust Income collected.....		82.35
		<u>134.25</u>
	\$	<u>818.21</u>
By Expenses of Management.....	\$	69.97
By Rent of Safe Deposit Box.....		5.00
By Balance on Deposit to credit Trustees.....		743.24
	\$	<u>818.21</u>

PURCHASE AND BUILDING ACCOUNT

No. 516 North Charles St.

To Balance per last Report from Sale of No. 316 North Charles Street:		
Investments—since collected	\$	46,000.00
and in cash.....		861.19
		<u>\$ 46,861.19</u>
To Balance of Income per last Report.....		324.92
To Income collected on Investments.....		1,506.48
To Interest on Deposits to December 31, 1923.....		234.45
		<u>2,065.85</u>
	\$	<u>48,927.04</u>
By Amount paid account Purchase Price.....	5,000.00	
By Amount paid in Adjustment of Taxes.....	450.74	
By Amount paid Title Company, Expenses of Deed, etc.	81.50	

By Six Month's Interest to December 8, 1923, on account of Womble Mortgage.....	1,500.00	
By Amount paid Book Directory account Rent.....	162.45	
By following Amounts paid account New Building:		
Thos. Hicks & Sons, Contractors.....	11,338.48	
Jno. R. Forsythe, account Architect's Fee.....	250.00	
		\$ 18,783.17
By Balance on Deposit to Credit Trustees.....	30,143.87	
		<u>\$ 48,927.04</u>

N. B.—Property No. 516 is subject to Purchase money Mortgage of \$50,000, on which Interest at 6% is payable, Semi-annual Interest falling due June 8, 1924. The amount in hands of Trustees to meet balance of Contract Price for erection of new building, balance of Architect's Fee and accruing Interest is as above shown, \$30,143.87.

PURCHASE OF NEW PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE

To Amount from Sale of No. 1420 Linden Ave....	\$ 6,294.68	
To Amount of Mortgage Loan from Central Fire Insurance Company	10,000.00	
To Amount of Allowance Account Taxes.....	17.48	
		<u>\$ 16,312.16</u>
By Balance of Purchase Price of No. 3600 Copley Road	\$ 16,000.00	
By Amount paid Title Guarantee Trust Co., Title Fee, etc.	113.75	
By Amount Counsel Fee paid.....	50.00	
By Balance paid H. K. Muller, Agent President's Parsonage	148.41	
		<u>\$ 16,312.16</u>

N. B.—\$500.00 from sale of Linden Avenue property was paid to Agent of President's Parsonage and applied by him on account of purchase price of new property, and did not come into the hands of the Treasurer, and hence is not accounted for.

The new parsonage property is subject to a Mortgage executed by the Trustees to Central Fire Insurance Co. for loan of \$10,000 as above at 5½% interest, and also calling for payment of \$1,000 on the principal in each year. The Trustees have no funds in hand to meet these payments.

Treasurer has also on deposit to Credit of Trustees:

Suspense Account of McQueen Mortgage Property.....	\$ 532.27	
Balance in Special Account.....	1.50	
		<u>\$ 533.77</u>

DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE

To Income from Investments.....	\$ 1,241.39	
To Interest on Deposits.....	13.47	
		<u>\$ 1,254.86</u>
By Amounts paid to Baltimore Book Directory, appropriation of Income by the Trustees for use of the Methodist Protestant.....	\$ 1,192.12	
By Trustees' Commissions credited to General Account	62.74	
		<u>\$ 1,254.86</u>

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

Report E

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

(See Journal, page 32)

We are apportioning the various budgets to the charges by the method published in Regulation 21 of the Manual.

The Various Budgets are:

General Conference	\$110,000
Maryland Conference	30,500
President's Salary and Expenses.....	4,500

Total\$145,000

To be distributed thus:

General Conference	75.86 %
Maryland Conference	21.04 "
President's Salary and Expenses.....	3.1 "

100

Distribution 1924-1925.

General Conference Budget:	Per cent	Amount
Board of Foreign Missions.....	27	\$29,700
Board of Home Missions.....	24	26,400
Board of Education	24	26,400
Board of Young People's Work.....	4	4,400
Superannuates	4	4,400
Children's Home	1	1,100
Old People's Home.....	1	1,100
W. F. M. S.....	10	11,000
W. H. M. S.....	4.5	4,950
American Bible Society.....	.5	550
	<u>100</u>	<u>\$110,000</u>

Maryland Conference Interests:

Incidental Expenses	% 8.2	\$ 2,500
Superannuates	22.95	7,000
Church Extension	36.07	11,000
Our Church Home.....	19.67	6,000
Deaconess Home	8.2	2,500
President's Parsonage	4.91	1,500
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	100	\$30,500

President's Salary and Expenses.

President's Salary and Expenses.....	%90	\$4,050
To Agent of President's Parsonage.....	90	450
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	100	\$4,500

Total Financial Basis—Average for five years.....	\$460,500
Membership	34,709

Percentages for Allotments:

\$110,000—Financial.....	.239—taken at 60%
Per Capita.....	\$3.17—taken at 40%
30,500—Financial.....	.0666—taken at 60%
Per Capita	88½ cts—taken at 40%
4,500—Financial.....	.01—taken at 60%
Per Capita.....	13 cts—taken at 40%

Your Board has had referred to it the request of Our Church Home for \$2,000 increase in appropriation.

We recommend that it be not granted, but in view of the need that has been brought to our attention, there being repair expenses of \$2,000, and some \$6,000 depletion of the Endowment Fund, we recommend that a campaign for \$10,000 be put on this Conference year, and that a committee be appointed by the President with himself as chairman, to co-operate with the Board of Managers of the Home in conducting the same.

We have had referred also to us for consideration the appropriation to the Deaconess Home.

We recommend that the present appropriation of \$2,500 be granted this year in view of the fact that the final \$500 debt on the property is to be made.

G. A. OGG,
E. W. SIMMS,
C. C. DAY,
R. J. GOERKE,
LESTER S. PATTERSON,
S. W. WHEATLEY.

Report F

ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

(See Journal, pages 28, 30, 33)

1. We recommend that Franklin B. Bailey be received into the Conference and being a graduate of the College and Seminary, we also recommend that he be ordained.

2. Robert Browne, having served 3 years under the stationing authority of the Conference, we recommend that he be ordained, provided he make a pledge in open Conference to continue the Course of Study until it is completed.

3. We recommend that W. S. Simms and W. A. Sites be placed in the hands of the President.

4. We recommend that William Schmeiser and C. M. Jenkins be given license to administer the ordinances.

5. We recommend that Charles F. Cummins, S. R. Martin, C. S. Marshall, W. D. Wilson, Leon A. Smith, A. W. Betts, J. G. Lynn, Chas. H. Reed, C. B. Robey and H. J. Mason be placed in the hands of the President and that they be given license to administer the ordinances, provided they shall be employed by the President.

L. F. WARNER, Chairman.

Report G

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION

(See Journal, pages 26, 34)

We recommend:

First. That Harmony Church, on Federalsburg Charge, be detached from Federalsburg Charge and be placed under the care of the pastor of Denton Charge as a separate charge for this Conference year; provided Harmony Church will pay at least the same salary which they paid this Conference year.

Second. That Bethesda Church, Harford Road and Louisiana Ave., Baltimore, be recognized as an appointment of the Conference, and that George B. Barrows, who is a messenger from this church, be recognized as the delegate from that church and be seated as such.

J. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman.

E. C. MAKOSKY, Secretary.

Report of the Board of Survey and Extension

(See Journal, page 34)

The Board of Survey and Extension submits this report:

We have carefully examined and considered all reports and documents referred to us. We appreciate the care with which the reports of the Board of Managers, the Peninsula Church Extension Society and the Church Extension Superintendent have been prepared and the fidelity

to the interests of the Conference, which they exhibit. The findings of your Committee on these reports and other papers received are embodied in the following recommendations of boundaries and appropriations:

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Bethesda Church, Harford Road, Baltimore, be received, listed among the appointments, and given a supply.
2. That Smyrna Church be received and listed among the appointments, and given a supply.
2. That Bethesda, on Clayton Charge, be detached and attached to Felton.
4. That Harmony Grove be detached from Federalsburg and be placed under the care of Denton Church.
5. That Union Church be detached from Quantico and be placed under the care of Salisbury Church.
6. That Selbyville be changed to Dagsboro.
7. That Weigands, on Harbeson, be declared a closed church.
8. That the arrangement made during the year detaching Walkers Chapel from Potomac and having the same served by the pastor of Calvary, Va., be confirmed and made permanent.
9. That Calvary, Va., and Walkers Chapel retaining their individual character as charges be served jointly by the same pastor.
10. That Potomac Charge, now composed only of Mt. Olivet Church, be made a station, and be known as Mt. Olivet.
11. That Delmont be received and placed under the care of the pastor of Nichols Memorial and the Superintendent of Church Extension.
12. That Bethesda, on Harford Road and Edmondson Avenue, be placed under the care of the Board of Managers.
13. That Riviera Beach be placed under the care of the pastor of Marley and the Superintendent of Church Extension.
14. That the appeal of Tioga Heights for assistance be continued in the hands of the Board of Survey and Extension with power to act.
15. That the recommendation of the Board of Managers for increased representation on the Board be not granted.
16. That J. M. Sheridan be continued as the Superintendent of Church Extension with a salary of \$2,000.
17. That the letter from Emmanuel Church asking this Conference to endorse a recommendation to the Board of Home Missions for an appropriation of \$200.00 on salary be referred to the Board, requesting they give the appeal such favorable consideration as they may be able to do.
18. That the request of Taylor Memorial Church for the transfer of title from the Board of Home Missions to the church cannot be complied with until the church shall have become incorporated, and the Conference recommends the reference of the entire matter to the Board of Survey.
19. That Deer Park, not having begun the construction of the new church, releases the Conference from its appropriation of last year.

20. That the Conference expresses once again its sympathy in and support for the Peninsula Church, and request that our churches give whatever co-operation they may be able to do.

21. That Belair shall be given an associate pastor if proper support can be provided.

C. P. NOWLIN.

APPROPRIATIONS

Salary of the Superintendent of Church Extension.....	\$2,000.00
Bethesda, Baltimore, Md.	300.00
Grace Church, Baltimore, last payment on lot.....	250.00
Calvary Church, Va., on salary omitted from last year's Conference Report	175.00
Calvary Church, balance on lot.....	147.00
Cannon's, on new church enterprise \$600.00, in four annual installments, provided plans are approved by the Board of Survey—first installment	150.00
Carroll Circuit, on salary omitted from last Conference Report....	175.00
Carroll Circuit, on salary for 1924 to 1925.....	100.00
Deer Creek, on salary.....	150.00
Edmondson Ave., Baltimore, \$2,500.00, in five annual installments with the understanding that the Board of Survey shall approve the plans for the new building—first installment.....	500.00
Emanuel Church, Philadelphia, last installment on \$1,500.00.....	500.00
Evergreen, on pastor's salary, provided it is supplied with a married man	350.00
Glenburnie, on new building project, \$1,500.00, in four annual installments with the understanding that the Board of Survey shall approve the plans.....	375.00
Greenbush, on debt, last payment on \$500.....	250.00
Hallwood, on salary omitted from last year's Conference Report	200.00
Hallwood, last payment on \$500.00.....	125.00
Queen Anne's, on salary.....	200.00
Violetville, third installment on \$2,500.00, in five payments.....	500.00
West Wilmington, provided they pay off the mortgage debt on lot	100.00
Wilmington (Peninsula Church), fourth installment on \$2,500.00	625.00
Wallace Memorial, last installment on new building enterprise....	100.00
Wye, on salary.....	250.00

J. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman.
 EUGENE C. MAKOSKY, Secretary.
 G. J. HUMPHREYS.
 G. W. HADDAWAY.
 W. H. LITSINGER.
 R. L. SHIPLEY.
 F. P. ADKINS.
 W. C. SCOTT.
 W. O. ATWOOD.
 H. B. LINTON.
 J. W. WARFIELD, JR.

Report of Peninsula Extension Society

The Peninsula Church Extension Society has held two meetings during the Conference year. It has made an effort to keep up its roll of membership in order to render the largest possible service in the advance movements of the church. The many other calls upon the churches have made it difficult to secure large sums for its work. We look upon our chief task as educational in ever keeping before the established churches the duty of watching for new opportunities of organizing Methodist Protestant churches.

The Society has again concentrated its contributions in the Peninsula Church of Wilmington. We rejoice in the success of this enterprise. Its reports show growth in membership and liberality which are remarkable in a church so recently founded. While great things have been accomplished this church has large obligations. We believe that it must still receive assistance from the Conference. An effort should be encouraged to raise throughout the Conference enough money to reduce the debt to the mortgage of \$30,000, and we recommend that the Conference make a substantial appropriation on the interest of the debt.

The Treasurer's Report is herewith given.

FRED. P. ADKINS, President.
R. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

PENINSULA CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

Receipts

1923

April	2—Balance on hand as per report sent to Annual Conference	\$ 18.01
April	2—Proceeds, note Peninsula Church Extension Society, endorsed F. P. Adkins and M. L. Veasey.....	150.00
June	30—Proceeds, note Peninsula Church Extension Society, endorsed F. P. Adkins and M. L. Veasey.....	150.00
July	7—Check from Insurance on Selbyville Church, destroyed by fire	507.50
Aug.	6—Check, Rev. Jas. W. Baxley, Pittsville, to apply on charge	35.00
Aug.	6—Check, Rev. Avery Donovan, to apply Dover \$32.00, Leipsic \$14.20	46.20
Aug.	6—Check, Rev. Jno. A. Wright, Hurlock.....	40.00
Aug.	6—Check, Rev. W. C. Mumford, Mt. Herman, Sharptown charge	12.00
Sept.	8—Check, Avery Donovan, Dover.....	2.00
Sept.	8—Check, T. H. Towers, Caroline Circuit.....	60.00
Sept.	8—Check, Rev. G. A. Morris, Harrington.....	45.00
Sept.	8—Check, L. W. Hurley, Laurel, Del.....	70.00
Sept.	8—Check, Rev. J. T. Bailey, Georgetown.....	30.00
Sept.	8—Check, Rev. C. R. Strausburg, Milford	15.00
Sept.	8—Check, Seaford Church, on account.....	40.00

Sept. 14	—Check, Rev. Jas. W. Baxley, Pittsville.....	20.00
Sept. 14	—Cash, Rev. M. E. Hungerford, Union Charge.....	35.00
Oct. 2	—Check, Rev. E. L. Bunce, for Pocomoke.....	15.00
Oct. 2	—Check, Rev. E. W. Simms, St. James.....	76.00
Oct. 2	—Check, Greenwood Church.....	27.00
Oct. 2	—Check, Cannon Church.....	4.00
Oct. 2	—Check, Rev. A. F. T. Raum, Snow Hill.....	30.00
Oct. 2	—Check, Rev. Guy E. Leister, Greenbush and Tasley....	30.00
Nov. 3	—Parksley	17.00
Dec. 31	—Amount advanced by M. L. Veasey to pay overdraft	12.00
1924		
Jan. 19	—Rev. J. A. Dudley, Denton.....	25.00
Feb. 9	—Seaford, per L. W. Hurley.....	4.00
Mar. 29	—Union Charge, Rev. M. E. Hungerford.....	21.00
Mar. 29	—Crisfield, Rev. C. M. Elderdice.....	25.75
Mar. 29	—Oxford	5.00
Mar. 29	—Easton	11.00
Mar. 29	—Denton	2.00
Mar. 29	—Milton	5.00
April 1	—Proceeds, notes Peninsula Church Extension Society, endorsed F. P. Adkins and M. L. Veasey.....	100.00
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		\$1,685.46

Expenditures

1923

April 6	—P. C. N. Bank check No. 113 to pay interest and stamps, \$700 note renewed four months.....	\$ 14.14
April 10	—Elkton Banking and Trust Co., Check No. 114, interest for 3 months, January, February and March	150.00
June 26	—Elkton Banking & Trust Co., check No. 115, interest for 3 months, April, May and June.....	150.00
July 7	—Check No. 116, Rev. L. B. Smith, loan.....	500.00
Aug. 6	—Check No. 117, F. P. Adkins, for luncheon served in July by Salisbury M. P. Church.....	25.00
Aug. 11	—Paid P. C. N. Bank on \$150.00 note, \$50.00 on principal, \$3.14 interest, renewed \$100.00.....	53.14
Aug. 11	—Check No. 118, discount on above note, 4 months.....	2.02
Aug. 11	—Check No. 119, discount on \$700 note, 4 months.....	14.14
Oct. 13	—Check No. 120, News Publishing Co., Stationary.....	9.50
Oct. 29	—Check No. 121, Elkton Banking & Trust Co., interest	150.00
Nov. 2	—Check No. 122, P. C. N. Bank, to pay note, \$150.00 and interest on same, \$3.14.....	153.14
Dec. 12	—Check No. 123, P. C. N. Bank, to pay note, same amount, due 12-10.....	100.00
Dec. 12	—Check No. 124, P. C. N. Bank, to pay discount \$700 note, renewed 4 months.....	14.14
Dec. 26	—Elkton Banking & Trust Co., interest on loan 3 months, Check No. 125.....	150.00

1924		
Feb. 11—	Check No. 126, M. L. Veasey for money advanced....	12.00
April 1—	Check No. 127, Elkton Banking & Trust Co., interest for 3 months, January, February and March.....	150.00
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		\$1,647.22
April 1—	Balance in Treasury.....	38.24
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		\$1,685.46

M. L. VEASEY, Treasurer.

Report of Committee on Closed Churches

While I have not been neglectful of this work committed to me, very little has been done either in opening or disposing of these churches. It is frequently a difficult problem.

The church at Reedsville has been sold for \$1,100.00, and the money is being used in the building of the new church at Burgess Store on Northumberland Charge.

With the approval of the Board of Managers, I offered the Shiloh Church, on Dorchester Circuit, to the congregation of Vienna to be used as a Social Hall.

The same offer was made to the pastor of Quantico for the Green Hill Church. Some persons in the vicinity of Green Hill Church have strenuously opposed the disturbing of this building. In both of these cases, the buildings are rapidly deteriorating and in a few years will become delapidated. It has been impossible to open them or sell them, and it occurred to me that this was a wise disposition to make of them.

I have sold Bambury Church. The furniture has been given to the new church in Smyrna.

Fairview on Bedford and Oak Hill on Prince George remain closed. I visited Prince George during the summer. The best offer I had for Oak Hill was \$100.

Greensboro Church also remains closed. In a letter received recently from Clinton B. Jarman, he states that, in his opinion, there is no prospect at present for the opening of this church. I understand the Deed to this church contains a Revertor. The parsonage in Greensboro is rented and after deducting expenses, the balance is applied on debt.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. SHERIDAN.

Report H

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES

(See Journal, page 30)

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully submits the following report:

We are glad to state that we have been able to pay the superannuates

in full in the past year. This is especially gratifying in view of the increased allotments to each of the superannuates.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I. We recommend that the assessment on the district be the same as last year, \$7,000.00.

II. We recommend in accordance with the fourth recommendation of Committee on Superannuates of our previous session that the Superannuated Fund Claimants blanks be continued in form as at present, with the addition of a seventh question, viz.: "If a widow, how long were you in the active ministry with your husband?"

III. That the manner of apportionment be the same as last year.

NAME	Invested Fund	Collections	Special	Total
J. W. Gray.....	\$480	\$ 20	\$ 75	\$575
A. W. Mather.....	490	10	75	575
J. L. Mills.....	510	.....	76	586
W. M. Strayer.....	480	20	75	575
J. G. Sullivan.....	290	.....	43	333
J. M. Holmes.....	520	.....	78	598
F. H. Mullineaux.....	440	.....	66	506
G. F. Farring.....	450	.....	.....	450
C. E. McCullough.....	290	35	48	373
W. N. Sherwood.....	190	250	60	500
J. L. Elderdice.....	410	90	75	575
G. J. Hill.....	280	220	75	575
G. Q. Bacchus.....	470	30	75	575
L. A. Bennett.....	320	180	75	575
P. L. Rice.....	90	150	35	175
S. W. Coe.....	320	185	70	575
Mrs. A. Cushing.....	65	135	30	230
Mrs. S. G. Fegurson.....	70	105	26	201
Mrs. D. N. Gilbert.....	15	110	18	143
Mrs. S. A. Hoblitzell.....	210	40	37	287
Mrs. J. B. Jones.....	115	35	22	172
Mrs. J. L. Kilgore.....	90	60	22	172
Mrs. R. L. Lewis.....	115	160	37	312
Mrs. J. E. Litsinger.....	35	215	37	287
Mrs. W. J. D. Lucas.....	55	195	37	287
Mrs. C. B. Middleton.....	35	140	26	201
Mrs. W. J. Neepier.....	155	.....	23	178
Mrs. G. J. Smith.....	105	45	22	172
Mrs. S. G. Valiant.....	15	160	25	200
Mrs. A. J. Walter.....	75	125	30	230
Mrs. R. S. Williamson.....	35	100	20	155
Mrs. H. F. Wright.....	65	185	37	287
Mrs. J. M. Yingling.....	15	53	7	75
Mrs. F. L. Stevens.....	95	205	45	345
Mrs. R. T. Tyson.....	45	155	30	230

NAME	Invested Fund	Collections	Special	Total
Mrs. S. B. Treadway.....	190	165	45	400
Mrs. D. L. Greenfield.....	130	20	22	172
Mrs. E. O. Ewing.....	195	30	33	258
Mrs. G. R. Hodge.....	135	165	45	345
Mrs. J. A. Weigand.....	70	\$15	26	201
Mrs. J. S. Bowers.....	170	.....	25	195
Mrs. R. K. Lewis.....	25	125	22	172
Mrs. W. R. Graham.....	225	25	33	283
Mrs. J. W. Norris.....	160	40	30	230
Mrs. E. L. Beauchamp.....	45	205	37	287
Mrs. E. H. Van Dyke.....	165	102	33	300
Mrs. E. A. Warfield.....	130	170	45	345
Mrs. W. D. Litsinger.....	175	75	37	287
Mrs. C. W. Sanderson.....	25	75	15	115
Mrs. C. N. Alexander.....	30	170	30	230
Rev. H. S. Johnson.....	330	20	45	395

B. W. KINDLEY, Chairman.

FRED. G. HOLLOWAY, Secretary.

J. W. BAXLEY.

J. H. ELLIOTT.

Dr. J. B. JONES.

Dr. E. B. FENBY.

With pleasure we recognize the second special contribution from North Baltimore Church of \$1,348.00, which makes it possible to appropriate more liberal amounts to our superannuated claimants for which we are grateful.

Report I

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE AND EDUCATION

(See Journal, page 27)

Your Committee on Literature and Education submits the following report:

We have had before us reports from the Board of Education, Western Maryland College, Westminster Theological Seminary and the Baltimore Book Directory. We rejoice in the ever increasing service which these agencies are rendering to the church, and bespeak for them a still greater devotion on the part of our entire Conference.

BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY

Every department of the Directory shows commendable progress. The gross income from all departments exceeds that of last year by \$13,000 and last year was itself a banner year. The printing plant continues to justify itself both by the character of its work and the profits therefrom. The Sunday School and Book departments also maintain their high quality of service and increased volume of business. This

entire establishment and the character of its work are such as to give us pardonable pride and win our fullest support and patronage.

We congratulate the church upon having such faithful and efficient servants as Mr. Chas. E. Reiner, Jr., Agent, and Mr. Levine Price, Printer.

Dr. F. T. Benson, Editor, continues to give us a paper the equal of any in the field of denominational publications. We appreciate his masterful work and pledge him our best co-operation. We rejoice in the new subscriptions secured by the recent drive and most heartily endorse the President's plan for a similar drive during the coming Conference year, and also the Editor's goal "The church paper in every Methodist Protestant home."

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dr. George H. Miller, Secretary of the Board of Education, deserves our commendation and co-operation in his efforts to unify and perfect our scheme of Christian Education. We take pleasure in noting the higher standard maintained and the increased enrollment by each of our educational Institutions. We urge all our pastors and churches to observe Educational Day when the work of the Board of Education may be presented and explained and a free-will offering taken for its support. Forty-nine orders for Educational Day programs in 1922 and sixty nine in 1923 shows a growing interest by the Conference in the importance of this special day, but this number is still far short of what it ought to be. The fact that eleven of the thirty-one men aided by this Board are from the Maryland Annual Conference ought to stir us to do larger things for the Board.

Recently the Board has undertaken a new work, that of aiding by way of loans worthy Methodist Protestant boys and girls of limited means to secure in our own colleges an Education. We wish that all those who have means might give the claims of the Student Loan Fund careful and serious consideration.

SEMINARY

"Wisdom is justified of her children." The enrollment of forty-eight students in the Seminary is nearly double that of last year. The fact that four denominations besides our own have students enrolled in the Seminary indicates that the high character of the work done by this Institution is being recognized beyond our own borders.

We heartily endorse the enlarged and standardized curriculum which the Seminary is maintaining.

The late Dr. Joseph B. Watson, of St. Mary's, West Virginia, in leaving a legacy to the permanent scholarship fund has set an example which we hope many others will follow.

We are glad that the campaign for a New Home for the President of the Seminary has met with marked success and that the home will be ready for occupancy this fall. Our prayer is that Hugh Latimer Elderdice may long be its occupant.

We recommend that each pastor preach at least one sermon during

the Conference year on the call to the Gospel Ministry. We unanimously concur in the five recommendations made in the report of the Board of Governors. (See 5 Recommendations.)

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

We are all proud of Western Maryland College for its accomplishments and prospects. It has done a great work for the church and is greater today than ever. We note with pleasure the record enrollment of 748 students, also the fact that the Legislature of Maryland has appropriated \$125,000 for a building, conditioned upon the College increasing its endowment fund by two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). We recommend the re-endorsment of the plan for raising this additional endowment as submitted in President Ward's report. We pledge to him and the College our loyal support in everything that makes for the progress and security of Western Maryland College. We recommend that Dr. A. N. Ward be continued as President of the College for another year.

N. O. GIBSON, Chairman.
W. H. HODGES, Secretary.
C. M. ELDERDICE.
M. L. VEASEY.
GEORGE W. DEXTER, JR.
HENRY GILLIGAN.

THE WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

In submitting the forty-second annual report of The Westminster Theological Seminary the Board of Governors are convinced that there are many improvements for which the Methodist Protestant Church ought to thank God and take courage.

Scholarship Fund. The Permanent Scholarship Fund has been increased by the legacy of Dr. Joseph B. Watson, St. Mary's, West Virginia, to the amount of \$1,010.82, the same to be invested and the income to be used for training in the Seminary of young men from the West Virginia Conference.

Forward Movements. The Educational Standards have been lifted along three lines: (1) The Standardization of the Curriculum. The various Courses of Study have been so arranged as to meet the demands of the most approved Theological Seminaries. (2) The Admission of Women. They may now matriculate and pursue the courses of study on equal terms with men. The first year of this privilege has witnessed the enrollment of two women, one from New Jersey and one from Indiana. (3) Post-graduate Work. To meet an ever-increasing and persistent demand for more advanced Theological training arrangement has been made for Post-graduate work leading to the Degree of Bachelor, Master and Doctor of Sacred Theology. In these Courses of Study there are now enrolled ten students. Moreover, the Seminary is preparing to give Special Courses for Deaconesses, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor

Workers, Home and Foreign Missionaries, and Leaders in General Religious Education.

Enrollment. The year closes with the largest enrollment in the History of the Seminary, the number being forty-eight. Not only is there an increase from our Methodist Protestant firesides, but several sister denominations want what we give; and so the Episcopalian Church has sent one student, the Presbyterian Church one, the Methodist Episcopal Church two, and the United Brethren Church four.

New Home for the President of the Seminary. This work was inaugurated at the session of the Annual Conference in Chestertown, 1922. Only a start was made during the ensuing year and the Conference of 1923 in Baltimore called again with louder voice to the Maryland pastors and churches; and as usual they responded with a team-work that promises speedy success. The few churches that have not yet made their contributions will be visited by the President of the Seminary so soon as it suits their convenience. The contract has been awarded, the work begins immediately, and by the close of next September it will be ready for occupancy. It is also a joy to report that the Pittsburgh Conference has agreed to build another Cottage for another Professor, and when these two residences shall have been completed ample provision will be afforded all our teaching force.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the pastors call the attention of their young people to the different Courses of Study which the Seminary has prepared for the training of Religious Leaders, especially emphasizing the fact that all Courses of Study are open to Women.

2. That the pastors continue with renewed diligence their work of laying the claims of the Ministry upon their bright, consecrated young men to the end that our many vacant pulpits may be supplied, and that they keep the Seminary authorities in touch with any prospective candidates.

3. That the pastors urge upon our laymen the necessity of immediately contributing to the Scholarship, Endowment and Library Funds, and also providing legacies for the same.

4. That all churches that have not yet contributed to the President's Parsonage arrange to do so as speedily as possible and that the payment of subscriptions be prompt so that no debt may be incurred.

5. That H. L. Elderdice be assigned as President of the Seminary for the ensuing year.

J. L. MILLS,

President of Board of Governors;

J. W. KIRK,

J. M. GILL,

T. PLINY FISHER.

Report of the President of Western Maryland College

Westminster, Maryland, April 2, 1924.

To the Maryland Annual Conference
of the Methodist Protestant Church:

I have the honor of submitting my fourth annual report to the Maryland Annual Conference.

The enrollment in the college and preparatory school for the present year is the largest in the history of the college. The total enrollment is 478. This increased enrollment is taxing to the utmost the resources of the college. When it is kept in mind that the tuitions that students pay provides only 39% of the actual cost of education, it ought to be increasingly apparent to the friends of the college that something must be done to add to the financial resources of the institution. Unless we have additional funds with which to conduct the school it will be necessary to reduce the enrollment and the number of the teachers employed or to increase the charges. We are doing everything possible to keep the charges down to the point where students of moderate means can secure a college education.

Plans are maturing to start a campaign to raise \$1,100,000 for the college. The Legislature of Maryland has made an appropriation of \$125,000 for a building conditioned upon the friends of the college raising \$250,000 additional endowment. This is a distinct challenge to the church and I feel confident that this amount will be raised.

I wish to call the attention of the Conference to the action taken at the last Conference concerning a campaign in the churches. The plan was approved to raise annually in the churches for endowment funds for four consecutive years an amount equal to \$1.00 per member for every member of the charge. It is expected that this campaign will be inaugurated immediately following the General Conference in May. I trust that there will be a generous response on the part of our ministers and laymen to this appeal.

A. N. WARD, President.

Baltimore Book Directory

Baltimore, Md., April 2, 1924.

To the Members of the Maryland Annual Conference
of the Methodist Protestant Church:

Dear Brethren.

We take pleasure in submitting to the Conference our annual report of the Baltimore Book Directory for the year ending February 29, 1924.

We have had a very successful year in all of the Departments of the business. You will find the financial statement herewith attached complete in the detailed exposition of our operations.

The Methodist Protestant shows no decrease in its appeal to the people and their response has been most gratifying during the year. We, of course, have not reached our goal of a paper in every home, and that

certainly must be the ideal to set forth. We still believe that the way to meet this situation is to put the paper in the Budget, as we have stated so many times before. It would be most gratifying if some of the larger churches of this Conference would at least try this out for one year, and see whether it is practical. We will show an increase over last year of some three hundred subscriptions. Since the closing of this report, however, we have received between three and four hundred subscriptions, so that the list today is close to 6,500; fully two thousand beyond any mark that has been set in any previous year, save during the war. The President of the Maryland Conference, Dr. Humphreys, in co-operation with the Directory, put on a drive in February that has netted us between seven and eight hundred new subscriptions. We are very grateful for this co-operation on the part of the President of the Conference. We express our hearty appreciation of the co-operation of the ministers of this Conference—without them we could not succeed—with them all things are possible. It is still true that the paper is not paying expenses, but we are giving a great deal more for the money than we could afford, except for the co-operation of the other branches of the business. There are only three ways by which this paper can be made self-supporting. The first is, we must have at least twenty thousand subscribers. This is not likely to occur very soon. The second thing is, that the endowment of the paper should be large enough to take care of the deficit. The third, is to clutter the paper with advertisements to such an extent as would seriously interfere with its constituency. We find an increased aversion on the part of our readers to having the paper over-balanced with advertising.

The Printing Plant is still making good, though not making a large amount of money. We are having The Methodist Protestant printed very much cheaper than we could get it printed elsewhere, and this ought to be considered in connection with the operations of the plant, because if a regular price were charged, such as we would have to pay to printers around Baltimore, the net result would indicate a very much larger profit. The business of this year has reached the splendid sum of \$34,796.76, an increase of \$3,528.51 over last year. The net profit this year amounts to \$1,121.60. The work that we are putting out is receiving the highest commendation from our customers, and we are not only getting a large amount of business from the church, but a great deal more outside the church. We are in need of an increase of machinery, but that has been impossible to install at our present location. When we get into our own new quarters we hope to enlarge the business considerably. We appeal to the people of our own church, so far as they can, to patronize our own printing plant. We have built up a splendid church envelope department in connection with our printing plant and during the past year we have supplied one and a half million envelopes to our own and other churches. The use of the Duplex Envelope in the Sunday School is coming into larger recognition, increasing the income of the Sunday School from one to two hundred percent in the experience of a number of our ministers. We suggest to the ministers of the Conference that they install this system in their Sunday School and we will supply the

envelopes at a comparatively small cost. Mr. C. L. Price, the efficient superintendent of the printing plant, is always on the job and is getting a gracious reputation by his suavity of manner and by his spirit of accommodation in his dealing with our constituency.

Our Sunday School and Book Departments are still progressing and we are pleased to report a net profit in the Sunday School Department amounting to \$3,509.47 and a profit in the Merchandise Department amounting to \$7,641.47. We are in position to supply all the demands of our denomination for such material as will make for a better and more efficient administration of the church, Sunday School and other departments. We urge upon our churches to co-operate with us in placing our own Sunday School periodicals in the schools, that are not now using them. We are supplying eleven periodicals, covering the new Group Graded plan of lessons, as well as the complete series of graded Sunday School publications. One of the outstanding features in connection with our local business is the splendid growth in the business through the mail and store departments. We are practically the only house in Baltimore catering to the needs of the churches, and have found a very gratifying response from our own as well as other churches in these departments. We are looking forward to the time which will permit us to have a great deal more space for the proper display of our goods and thus command a greater support on the part of our constituency.

In summarizing the operations of the business we report a total business of all departments of \$151,987.75, or an increase of \$11,124.17 over last year. We have just completed a period of twenty years of the Book Concern under the control of the church and it is an interesting study to go over the records of these past twenty years and note the splendid increase. For the information of the Conference, we would report that the volume of business handled this past year was twice as much as that of four years ago and three times as much as that of eight years ago. The gross profits this year from the business amount to \$12,272.54. An item appearing in our report covering rent for building at 316 North Charles Street amounting to \$4,892.16 decreases our net profit considerably this year. The net result while not large is gratifying. A careful study of our assets and liabilities will reveal the fact that the relation of assets to liabilities is on a ratio of five to one, giving us a splendid rating in the markets of the world.

Dr. F. T. Benson is devoted to his task and constantly increasing in popularity with the church. His influence and prestige as an Editor of ability is becoming more widely known and appreciated by the reading public. In him we have certainly the right man in the right place.

Mr. Charles Reiner, Jr., our publishing agent, has developed marked business ability in his wise and safe conduct of the interests committed to his care. He grows stronger year by year with the business world and with the church constituency.

Our employees by their efficiency and co-operation have contributed in a very large degree to the success of the year's work, for which we hereby express due appreciation.

We gratefully acknowledge the generous support given to the Book Concern by this Conference, especially by the ministers, who have ever been loyal to this department of the church work. With your continued loyal support we cannot fail, but must succeed even in a larger measure than heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HADDAWAY, President.

THE BOOK DEPOSITORY OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

General Income and Expenditure Statement for the Year ended
February 29, 1924

INCOME

Methodist Protestant:

Sales	\$10,657.00		
Advertising	1,053.17		
Income from Drinkhouse Legacy..	1,266.46	\$12,976.63	

Loss, Methodist Protestant..... 6,267.50

Printing:

Sales	\$34,796.76		
Waste Paper	152.53		
Commission and Discount.....	150.67		
Uncompleted Orders, Feb. 29, 1924	356.60	35,456.56	\$ 48,433.19

Profit, Printing Department..... 1,121.60

Net loss, Meth. Prot. & Ptg. Depts.... 5,145.90

Sunday School Periodicals—Sales..... 32,115.69

Profit, Sunday School Periodicals.... 3,509.47

Merchandise

Sales	73,365.13		
Discounts on Purchases.....	521.86	73,886.99	

Profit, Merchandise

Net Profit, All Sources..... 536.27

Total Income \$154,435.87

EXPENDITURES

Methodist Protestant:

Paper	\$ 3,396.35
Printing Methodist Protestant.....	9,007.52
Salaries, (proportion).....	4,713.00
Postage, Express and Freight.....	536.37
Expense	751.49

General Expense (one-third total)....	721.94	
Suspense Accounts (Lost).....	103.52	
Commission and Discount.....	13.94	\$19,244.13
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Printing.

Purchases, Net	9,207.27	
Salaries	19,029.15	
Rent	1,495.00	
Expense	1,068.01	
Light and Power	660.02	
Insurance	340.00	
Repairs, Machinery and Equip..	359.69	
Depreciation, Machinery and Equip...	2,006.63	
Depreciation, Furniture and Fix.....	23.29	
Inventory, Uncomp. Orders 3 1 23..	145.90	34,334.96 \$ 53,579.09
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Sunday School Periodicals:

Purchases, Net	22,096.74	
Salaries, (proportion).....	4,200.00	
Postage, Expenses and Freight.....	856.22	
Expense	731.31	
General Expense (one-third total).....	721.95	28,606.22

Merchandise:

Purchases, Net	51,945.88	
Salaries (proportion).....	7,320.34	
Expense	4,977.40	
Postage, Express and Freight (outward).....	776.39	
Postage, Express and Freight (inward).....	503.56	
General Expense (one-third total).....	721.95	66,245.52
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Other Expenditures:

Rent, Book Concern, Building.....	4,892.61	
Interest	52.19	
Bad Debts, excess our Reserve for year 1923..	55.73	
Reserve for Bad Debts, year 1924.....	304.64	
Depreciation, Office Furniture and Fixtures....	163.60	5,468.77
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Total Expenditures		153,899.60
General Conference, 20 percent Net Profits.....		107.25
Capital Account, Balance Net Profits.....		429.02
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		\$154,435.87

THE METHODIST PROTESTANT BOOK CONCERN

316 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.

Balance Sheet February 29, 1924

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash		\$ 799.25
Baltimore Post Office, Deposit.....		27.00

Accounts Receivable:

Customers' Accounts.....	\$15,231.95	
Less: Reserve for Bad Debts.....	304.64	\$14,927.31
Suspense Accounts, Methodist Protestant.....	301.97	
Advertisers, Methodist Protestant.....	96.19	15,325.47

Inventories, Stocks on Hand.

Merchandise	25,617.25	
Sunday School Periodicals.....	1,096.26	
Materials, Printing	1,012.36	
Paper, Methodist Protestant.....	145.94	
Work in Process, Printing.....	356.60	28,228.41

Total Current Assets..... 44,380.13

Fixed Assets:

Printing Machinery and Equipment	20,066.30	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation.....	5,596.94	14,469.36
Printing, Furniture and Fixtures.....	232.90	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation.....	65.76	167.14
Office and Store Furniture and Fix.	1,635.95	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation.....	732.34	903.61
Total Fixed Assets.....		15,540.11

Deferred Charges:

Insurance Premiums Paid in Advance.....	234.41	
Office Stationery and Supplies.....	458.52	
Taxes Paid in Advance.....	264.37	
Total Deferred Charges.....		957.30
Total Assets		\$60,877.54

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable:

Creditors' Accounts.....	\$10,324.07	
Subscribers, Meth. Prot., Cr.....	3,560.66	
Subscribers, Meth. Prot., Dr.....	2,501.66	1,059.00
Subscribers, Sunday School Periodicals.....	620.59	\$12,003.66

Donations, Methodist Protestant Subscribers.....		30.63	
General Conference		1,423.00	
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Total Current Liabilities.....			\$13,457.29
Capital:			
Capital, beginning of year.....	46,967.93		
Add:			
Invested during year.....	23.30	46,991.23	
Add:			
Net Profit for year ended Feb.			
29, 1924, per Profit and loss			
statement		536.27	
Less.			
20 percent Net Profits to General			
Conference	107.25	429.02	
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Net Worth			47,420.25
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Total Liabilities and Capital.....			\$60,877.54

Report J

COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

(See Journal, page 28)

Your Committee on Young People's Work having carefully considered the matters brought before it presents the following recommendations:

First. The work of our Union Missionary, Rev. C. S. Heininger, of Kalgan, China, be approved and that we give him our hearty financial support through every Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Society in the Conference.

Second. That we enthusiastically endorse the program of the Board of Young People's Work as outlined by the General Secretary and urge that Rally Day be observed in all our Sunday Schools. We also express our approval of the four year Standard Graded Course as suggested for the Institutes of our Denomination.

Third. That we endorse the four year Standard Graded Course of the Board of Young People's Work and recommend that it be adopted in all our summer and winter Institutes, thereby giving proper credits and grades for work done.

Fourth. We rejoice in the success of the Young People's Winter Institute held at Starr Church last February and recommend that similar Institutes be held in all districts of the Conference where it is possible to hold them.

Fifth. That we endorse the Week-day Religious Education program as outlined by the Maryland Sunday School Association. And if the Educational Boards make possible the working of such a program we recommend the hearty co-operation of our Conference.

Sixth. That we as a denomination should have official representation

on the Board of Directors of the Maryland Sunday School Association. And that this Conference elect one minister and one layman to represent it officially upon such a Board.

Seventh. That all our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies send representatives to our Summer Institute at Westminster. And that Rallies be held in the various districts giving publicity to the Institute and appealing to the Young People for its support.

Eighth. Realizing the imperative need of funds to finance the great Summer Institute, such as we now have, we urge that all Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies send their dues to the Treasurer promptly, we recommend that all Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies pay two cents (2c) per member with a minimum rate of two dollars (\$2.00) and that Intermediate and Junior Christian Endeavor Societies pay one dollar (\$1.00) per year.

Ninth. That the Young People pledge their loyal support to the President of the Conference in his program for stewardship and tithing during the month of October.

Tenth. We heartily endorse the Friends in Christ Chart which is the accepted program for the Christian Endeavor Societies of the Maryland Conference. And we urge its use by every Christian Endeavor Society.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. ROBERTS,
MRS. ELLA GRAY,
N. C. CLOUGH,
MATTHEW PICKETT,
J. EARL CUMMINGS.

Missionary monies received on the salary of Rev. C. S. Heininger, D. D., from September 1, 1922, to August, 1923:

Sept. 1—Balance	\$ 2.02
Oct. 18—Brooklyn C. E.....	25.00
Oct. 18—Grace	10.00
Oct. 31—Starr C. E.....	25.00
Dec. 21—Md. Line C. E.....	15.00
Feb. 17—Melvin Chapel Jr. C. E.....	12.50
Feb. 21—Buckeystown C. E.....	10.00
Apr. 10—Lowe Mem. C. E.....	15.00
Apr. 10—Alnutt Mem. C. E.....	25.00
Apr. 10—Christ Church Jr. C. E.....	30.00
Apr. 10—Christ Church C. E.....	13.00
Apr. 10—Emmanuel	5.00
Apr. 10—Violetville S. S.....	10.00
Apr. 10—Denton C. E.....	11.00
Apr. 10—Laurel S. S.....	15.00
Apr. 10—East Baltimore	25.00
Apr. 10—Linthicum Heights	4.00
Apr. 10—North Baltimore	110.00

Apr. 10—South Baltimore S. S.....	103.00
Apr. 10—Wilton Heights	15.00
Apr. 10—Cambridge C. E.....	100.00
Apr. 10—Cannon	2.00
Apr. 10—Clayton	5.00
Apr. 10—Crisfield	10.00
Apr. 10—Kennedyville	5.00
Apr. 10—Milford	10.00
Apr. 10—New Church	10.00
Apr. 10—Parksley	10.00
Apr. 10—Union	10.00
Apr. 10—Taylor Mem. C. E.....	115.00
Apr. 10—Taylor Mem. Int. C. E.....	19.00
Apr. 10—Taylor Mem. Jr. C. E.....	12.00
Apr. 30—Violetville S. S.....	10.00
May 9—Chestertown C. E.....	10.00
May 16—Brooklyn C. E.....	25.00
June 14—Hampden C. E.....	30.00
July 5—West Baltimore C. E.....	100.00
July 27—Peninsula	20.00
Aug. 2—West Baltimore S. S.....	25.00
Aug. 2—Eutaw S. S.....	213.00
Aug. 2—N. C. Ave. S. S.....	10.00
Aug. 2—Alnutt Mem. C. E.....	25.00
Aug. 2—Taylor Mem. C. E.....	46.00
Aug. 2—Christ Church Jr. C. E.....	27.00
Aug. 2—West Baltimore Jr. C. E.....	30.00
Aug. 2—Eutaw Int. C. E.....	70.00
Aug. 2—Christ Church C. E.....	20.60
Aug. 2—Interest for the year.....	50.78
Total	\$1,500.00
Apr. 10—R. I. Ave.....	25.00
Collection taken for tent to be shipped to China—	
August 5.....	152.08

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNION OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

(See Journal, page 28)

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Dear Brethren:

While our Committee on Young People's Work will doubtless bring to our attention all the important phases of this work, and make such recommendations as may properly cover the scope of our Union activities, yet I desire, as President of this great Union to call your attention to

some of the most important and far-reaching developments in the work of our young people.

I am sure that our pastors have long since discovered the enormous possibilities in the local field of even a little attention to the young people in our churches and communities. We are rapidly coming to see that no element of our people in the churches and various communities around us respond more readily and heartily to the attention we give them than do our young people. The results accruing from the amount of time and energy we spend for them are larger than those effecting any other part of our pastoral duties.

Our Summer Institute at Western Maryland College has become the largest and certainly the most important gathering of our church people we have. Last year about three hundred delegates registered in the various group classes of our Institute. These represented a larger number of the charges and churches of the Conference than ever before. To say nothing of the far-reaching results of the course of training taken by these three hundred workers from the local churches, the definite enlistment of seven life-work recruits and of sixty-four special workers in the Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor societies and other organizations of the churches, is an achievement beyond the measure of any human mind to estimate.

My predecessor, Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, now General Secretary of our Board of Young People's Work, is contributing an invaluable service to all our Conference unions, especially in the establishment and development of summer schools of methods throughout our denominational field. He has now prepared a most excellent course of study for all our unions, which in its provisions is simple enough for, and adaptable to the smallest of our Conferences, and yet complex and thorough enough to be adequate to the needs of our larger unions now engaged in advanced work. The advanced features of this course of study will be utilized this summer at our Institute for the benefit of the many delegates who have already had one or more years of study therein. Other classes for first year work will be provided for beginners.

Our Institute this year will be held July 28 to August 3. Let me most earnestly urge the members of this Conference to see that every charge and local church have one or more delegates in attendance at this Institute. The cost is not so great that it cannot be easily provided by the Sunday schools and C. E. societies; and the investment will bring dividends that cannot be counted in dollars and cents. Let me also request that wherever possible this year the superintendents of our Sunday-schools be sent to this Institute. This alone, if accomplished, will inaugurate a new era indeed in the Sunday-school work of our Conference.

Let me call attention to the fact that our Conference union missionary, Rev. C. S. Heininger, of Kalgan, China, will be in America and will attend our Institute this year, teaching a group class on foreign missions, and making one of our evening addresses.

Our Sunday-schools and C. E. societies are contributing about \$1,500 annually to foreign missions. In addition to this we have recently sent to China a new tent for the work of our missionary.

In renewing our request for a contribution of two cents (2c) per capita, or a minimum of not less than two dollars (\$2.00) from each Sunday-school and C. E. Society in the Conference, and of at least one dollar (\$1.00) from each Junior and Intermediate Society, in order that the expenses of this Union may be met without embarrassment, we want to remind the members of this Conference that our own union workers are doing, without any remuneration, as thorough and as valuable a work for our young people as is being done by salaried secretaries and workers of interdenominational associations. Yet many of our churches are contributing large sums to these interdenominational bodies, who are ignoring altogether the needs of our own union. This seems so grossly unfair that a hint ought to be sufficient to correct it. Brethren, let us show our gratitude to our own workers who are gratuitously and tirelessly endeavoring to train our young folk, at least to the extent of meeting the expenses of the union work. Please see that these contributions are sent promptly to our Treasurer, Rev. W. P. Roberts, 3229 Harford Ave., Baltimore, Maryland.

LEONARD B. SMITH.

REPORT K

MORAL REFORM AND SOCIAL SERVICE

(See Journal, page 31)

In the fight for a better social and moral order there is a call for aggressive warfare. It is in His name that we go forth believing that the forces of righteousness shall triumph. "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." There can be no question as to where the church ought stand in these days of conflict. It should be with a spirit of love and interest in men's souls that we throw ourselves into the fight. To make men bitter critics of the church or to consign their souls to perdition, is not the task of the church. The only way to usher in a better social and moral order is by leading people to a life of obedience to the commands of Jesus Christ.

We cannot refrain from protesting against the race track evil. To be among the few states that countenance this evil is not an enviable position to hold, and we would to God that Maryland would banish forever this form of sport that has been, is, and always will be, a breeder of vice and lawlessness.

We realize that the Lord's Day is looked upon by many with very little reverence. The Christian Church must stand for a Scriptural observance of this day of rest and worship.

We deplore the lack of respect for the Sabbath that is being manifested on all sides to-day. We especially call attention to the deplorable condition in Washington. At the capitol of our nation we should find all that is for the advancement and preservation of our nation recognized and held up in the very best way.

1. We recommend the Lord's Day Alliance to all our people, reaffirm our pledge of co-operation with it in its work, and recommend that all our Sunday Schools take a membership in the same.

2. We urge all our Sunday Schools to use the World-wide Lord's Day Survey program prepared by the Lord's Day Educational Comm.ite..

3. We endorse and recommend the following program submitted by the Lord's Day Alliance.

(a) That the Conference territory be divided into four districts and that in each district a Committee of three be appointed to co-operate with the Lord's Day Alliance in carrying out their program.

(b) That this Committee be composed of one pastor, one superintendent of Sunday School, and one woman.

(c) That the four districts be as follows: No. 1 Peninsula District, No. 2 Baltimore District, including Baltimore, Baltimore and Harford Counties, No. 3 Washington District, including Washington, D. C., Montgomery County, Anne Arundel County and Howard County. No. 4 Western Maryland District, including Carroll, and Frederick Counties, and the rest of the State.

(d) That the President of the Conference, and the Conference member of the Lord's Day Alliance Executive Committee, appoint these Committees.

(e) That the President of the Conference, the Conference member of the Lord's Day Alliance Executive Committee, and the Lord's Day Alliance Superintendent, be ex-officio members of the district Committees.

(4) We recommend that we comply with the request of the Lord's Day Alliance and elect one of the members of this Conference to membership on the Lord's Day Executive Committee.

We desire to express our appreciation of the fine work done by the Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance in helping to kill the Sunday Motion Picture Bill which came before the last Maryland Assembly.

We are persuaded that our country is determined to remain a dry nation, and that every day that passes prohibition becomes more thoroughly appreciated and more deeply entrenched in the life of our people; but let us not forget that there is much work to be done. We deplore the lack of vision, and courage on the part of the late Maryland Assembly in its failure to pass an enforcement act.

In many places wet officials are elected or hold office because so many Christian voters fail to make their power and influence at the polls felt. A prayer for a dry country that does not express itself in a vote for dry men on election day is worthless. We urge our pastors to impress upon our people their obligations as Christian citizens and voters.

We wish to reaffirm our faith and confidence in the Anti-Saloon League. No one is more pleased over its mistakes and misfortunes than the liquor traffic and the law-breaking element that we have in our midst. The Anti-Saloon League has done noble work, and the anathemas of the enemy should cause us to increase our support.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS RANDALL, Chairman.
WILLIAM M. SNYDER, Secretary.
H. CLYDE GRIMES,
J. ALFRED SIMPSON.

Report L BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

(See Journal, page 26)

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies has had two papers referred to them. One a request from the Near East Relief that we adopt the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Conference express again its great sympathy for and interest in the work of the Near East Relief and that our churches make such arrangements as they may desire for the presentation of the cause to their people.

2. That we assure our Government officials that America supports them in the efforts that have been made to adjust international relationships, and will support them in whatever future steps may be necessary to protect Christian minorities and bring abiding justice and peace among nations.

3. That we urge continued intercession on these matters.

We recommend the adoption of these resolutions.

The other paper—the report of the Deaconess Board, which is herewith presented. We note with pleasure the fact that the home at 2512 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., will be paid for this year. This will allow a greater support for the work itself. We note with regret the continued illness of Miss Ford, but with pleasure the assurance of the doctor that she will speedily and completely recover. We concur in the request of the Board that the Conference set aside one Sunday during the year as “Deaconess Day,” when the pastors and church leaders will present to the various services during the day the need of young women to enter the deaconess work and suggest that in keeping with the President’s recommendation in his report of a month devoted to stewardship and full-time service that that Sunday be one of the Sundays of that month.

We concur in the request of the Board that the appropriation of \$2,500.00 from the Conference be continued during the coming year.

While it was not officially referred to us, nevertheless this committee concurs in the recommendation, No. 9, of the President’s report, which recommendation reads:

“That a Special Committee be raised by this Conference authorized to make an exhaustive study of the Deaconess Work, with a view to determining.

- (a) The real need of the District for such a work.
- (b) The outstanding needs of the work as it now functions.
- (c) The methods, proven successful—by other denominations—that may be adaptable to our needs and resources.
- (d) And whatever else in the purview of the committee may present itself for consideration.

That this committee be requested to meet the Deaconess Board at its first regular meeting after Conference and confer with them; and thereafter attend such meetings of the board and board committees as may further aid them in their study.

That this committee be prepared to report its findings at the next session of Conference with such specific recommendations as they may deem necessary and wise."

With reference to the motion which was referred to this committee yesterday by the Conference that this committee serve as a nominating committee for the members of the board whose terms expire this Conference, the President calls our attention to the manual which reads:

"Votes for all Conference Officers, the Committee on Appeals, Standing District Committee, Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference and all other officers of all other organizations shall be by ballot."

While we have had no paper referred to us relative to the aid afforded through appropriations of the St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society to various enterprises of our Conference, yet we desire to renew an expression of appreciation of the valued co-operation of these two benevolent agencies.

We again call attention to the excellent work of the Maryland Tract Society and the Maryland Bible Society, and commend them to the sympathetic co-operation of all our churches.

W. A. MELVIN,
W. F. WRIGHT,
E. H. JONES,
GEORGE MATHER,
FANNIE T. H. HAY,
DANIEL MURDOCK.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

Though the Board has had some perplexing problems to solve this past year, as during every year of its history, yet we are convinced that the work done by the deaconesses of our Conference is one of the most necessary of any carried on by the churches. Those who have made use of these consecrated young women are ready to testify to this truth.

Some kinds of work can be done better by men than by women; but some other kinds of work can be done better by women than by men, as all know. The deaconess work in the Maryland Annual Conference was instituted because it was needed; and as we have accomplished so much, it seems very important that every minister in the Conference, and most laymen, should become alive to its importance and active in its support.

"The objects and purposes of the deaconess work," according to the charter of the Board of Managers, "are to establish a Home for the education and preparation of deaconesses, nurses and female church workers and social workers of all kinds." This sets forth a great program for our Deaconess Board, and puts an efficient force at the disposal of

the pastors and officials of the churches to help do the work which is most needed to be done.

The deaconess work is absolutely under the direction of the Maryland Annual Conference, this Conference having the full authority to elect the entire Board of Managers of five ministers, five laymen and five women.

The Deaconess Home, at 2512 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., is a splendid three-story brick building, in excellent repair, fully furnished with good substantial furniture, and is worth, at least, \$9,000.00 to \$10,000.00, in fee, with but \$500.00 indebtedness, which amount we hope to pay during the coming Conference year, if at all possible. During the year, we have installed a small furnace to supplement the other one, in real cold weather, and which will heat the home in mild weather, which proves an economical arrangement. This extra furnace cost \$225.00.

We still have six young women in the Home, as follows: Miss Lillian N. DeMoss, Head Deaconess, Miss Mary E. Ford, Miss Maybelle E. Waples, Miss Bessie L. Johnson, Miss Elizabeth S. Wells and Miss Ethel G. Beach. Miss Myrtle Baus is completing her second year of her three year course in nursing at the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia. She recently expressed her determination to return to the Deaconess Home and to the Deaconess Work in the Maryland Annual Conference, when her course is completed. Miss Baus is a graduate of the Deaconess Training School in Baltimore, and is a full-fledged deaconess, having been "set apart" as a deaconess by the Maryland Conference. Miss Ford has not had the best health during the year, but we have hope, by the advice of her physician, that she will fully recover and be able to do full time service in the near future.

Miss Bessie L. Johnson and Miss Elizabeth S. Wells, having successfully completed a probation of two years of successive service under the direction of the Deaconess Board, will be "set apart" to the noble office of Deaconess at this Conference. They have also been faithful students at the Deaconess Training School and hope to graduate in May.

The Board feels that the pastors, in general, have not yet recognized the value of the deaconesses in their church work, as they have not made application for their services throughout the Conference district as it seems to us that they should have done. The Deaconess Board does not make any charge for the services of the deaconesses, as all the churches are assessed for the support of the Deaconess Work. However, we do require that all traveling expenses and board be paid by charges outside of Baltimore, and when working in the city of Baltimore, we require \$6.00 per week to pay for board, and the carfare must be met by the church being served. And, while we do not insist on it, yet we suggest that, if at all possible, the pastors take a free-will offering for the expenses of the Deaconess Home and of maintaining the work. Some have expressed themselves unfavorably to this free-will offering; but, those who have had the efficient services of these young women, do not find fault with this easy arrangement. We think, that, if all the facts were realized by every one, there would be no objection to this plan, as we receive

only \$2,500.00 as an appropriation from the Annual Conference, and we pay \$500.00 of that on the mortgage each year, leaving us but \$2,000.00. Our expenses for maintaining the work has run, for the past several years, to more than \$4,000.00 per year. It would be a worthwhile financier who could make the sum of \$2,500.00 stretch over an expense of \$4,000.00, and more.

Seeing how far the appropriation falls short of meeting the expenses of the Deaconess Work, we respectfully request that every one will try to help to "boost" the work by kindly word, and by donations of money and provisions for the Home.

Mr. H. K. Muller has continued to give special attention to the needs of the Home, and has kept it in perfect repair.

The Board again respectfully requests the Annual Conference to set aside a Sunday during the Conference year as "Deaconess Day," when the pastors and church leaders will present to the various services during the day the need of young women to enter the Deaconess Work.

We also respectfully request, that the Annual Conference will continue the present appropriation of \$2,500.00 for the ensuing year.

The Board wishes to express its appreciation to the churches and friends who have donated either money or provisions for the Home, and we wish to ask that they will continue to remember us during the coming year.

The Board desires to thank Rev. Louis Randall, D. D., Rev. A. S. Beane, Rev. W. P. Roberts, Rev. W. F. Wright, Rev. W. A. Melvin, Rev. R. W. White and Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, D. D., members of the faculty of the Deaconess Training School for their faithful and efficient services, given freely in instructing the students in the Training School.

The terms of Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, D. D., Rev. A. S. Beane, Mr. A. R. Lewis, Mrs. Mae Volk Sudman and Mr. William B. Gilligan expire at this session of the Annual Conference, and their successors must be elected by the Conference.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN, President.
A. S. BEANE BEANE, Secretary.

Members of the Deaconess Board

Ministers—W. A. Melvin, G. E. Brown, G. W. Haddaway, Edgar T. Read and W. F. Wright.

Laymen—Treasurer, H. K. Muller, J. H. Roberts, Allen W. Beam, A. R. Lewis and E. J. Paige.

Ladies—Mrs. William C. Shriver, Mrs. E. B. Fenby, Mrs. Mae Volk Sudman, Mrs. W. B. Gilligan and Mrs. Rose Beebe.

Report of the Treasurer of the Deaconess Home of the Methodist Protestant Church from April 1, 1923, to March 31, 1924, inclusive.

Receipts

Balance in Bank April 1, 1923.....	\$ 209.17
Received from Conference.....	\$2,308.19
Deaconess Service	353.58

Baker Watts Co.....	2,500.00
Interest on Deposits.....	9.10
Board of Beneficence of St. John's I. M. P. Ch.....	350.00
F. M. Roberts (Loan).....	500.00
Y. W. C. A. (Tuition returned).....	21.00
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	\$6,251.04

Disbursements

Paid for Salaries.....	\$1,080.00
Provisions	860.00
Clothing	369.10
Coal	139.00
Repairs	5.70
Care of Furnace, etc.....	130.50
J. H. Roberts, account Mortgage.....	500.00
Baker Watts Co. (notes).....	1,600.00
J. H. Roberts (interests on Mortgage).....	45.00
Baker Watts Co. (interest).....	66.92
Mrs. Roberts (note and interest).....	501.25
Con. Gas E. L. & P. Co.....	66.37
Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co.....	30.68
Board for Deaconess at Westminster (Y. P. Convention)	60.00
Y. W. C. A. (for Tuition).....	21.00
New Furnace installed.....	225.00
Miscellaneous	151.50
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	\$5,852.02
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Balance	\$ 399.02

Liabilities

Due Baker Watts Co.....	\$1,500.00
Mrs. J. H. Roberts.....	500.00
J. H. Roberts, on Mortgage.....	500.00
Carroll Ind. Coal Co.....	67.75
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	\$2,567.75

HARRY K. MULLER, Treasurer. .

Report M**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS**

(See Journal, page 33)

The personal report of each minister has been examined. According to these reports we find that twelve pastors have given a negative report to the following question, "Is your Board of Trustees incorporated?" We find that according to this report 23 charges did not supply disciplines

to the newly admitted members. We also find that 26 charges did not elect a lady visitor to the Church Home.

The Secretary of the Board of Education has submitted a list of the names of the men indebted to the Board, and we find that quite a number have not met their obligation. Some of these have been indebted to the Board for a number of years and we would urge them to do their best to meet these obligations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend the loan of Rev. T. R. Woodford to the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

2. We recommend that Rev. W. L. Hoffman be loaned to the Board of Home Missions.

3. We recommend that the request of Rev. W. F. Siffrin to be transferred to the Ohio Conference be granted.

4. We recommend that the request of Rev. E. Lester Ballard to be transferred to the North Carolina Conference be granted.

5. We recommend that Rev. W. B. Sanders of the Texas Conference, who has deposited his transfer with the President of the Conference, be received into the Conference.

6. We recommend that Rev. J. P. Adams, who desires to return to the Conference and has deposited his transfer with the President, be given active relation to the Conference.

7. We recommend that Rev. Clayborne Phillips be transferred from the unstationed list to that of active relation.

8. We recommend that the request of Rev. K. K. Haddaway, that he be left without an appointment to attend school, be granted.

9. We recommend that Rev. S. C. Wood be dropped from the roll of the Conference.

10. We recommend that J. R. Wright have same relation to the Conference as last year.

The Conference hereby expresses its appreciation of the many courtesies shown by the pastor and the entertainment committee of this church as well as the splendid hospitality of the members and friends of the church during the session of this Conference.

That we express our thanks to the Baltimore Sun for its representative in the person of Frederick Evans, and our grateful recognition for the generous notice in the Salisbury Evening Times.

We report that 31 churches are on the Honor Roll having paid 100% or more of the assessments: Brooklyn, North Baltimore, South Baltimore, Edmondson Avenue, Eutaw, East Baltimore, Starr, St. John's, Violetville, West Baltimore, Buckeystown, Cambridge, Delta, Denton, First Church, Newark, Greenbush and Tasley, Hawley Memorial, Pittsville, New Church, Lewes, Del., Pocomoke City, Potomac, St. James, Congress St., Mt. Tabor, North Carolina Ave., Rhode Island Ave., Calvary, Washington; Westminster, Peninsula Church, First Church, Wilmington, Towson on Baltimore Circuit, Hopewell of Susquehanna.

W. B. JUDEFIND, Chairman.

R. Y. NICHOLSON, Secretary.

E. A. SEXSMITH.

L. N. CULVER.

JAMES C. GODWIN.

Dr. VALLEY HAWKINS.

Report N

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

(See Journal, page 31)

We have read with the deepest interest the reports of the Missionary Boards that have been referred to us, and record our pleasure at the development of the work entrusted to their care, at the same time commending them for their wise management.

Both the Foreign and Home Boards in their messages to us bring to our attention the fact that the opportunities are greater than ever before.

The appalling earthquake and fires of September 1, 1923, in Japan nearly wiped out all the property of the Board of Foreign Missions in that region and seriously interrupted the work. We are pleased to note, however, that considerable progress has been made in restoring and repairing some of the churches and parsonages, but call the attention of the Conference to the fact that a large part of the actual losses are still unprovided for.

We desire to express to our Missionaries in Japan our deepest sympathy to them in the trying hours of difficulty, suffering and danger through which they passed. We assure them that we are proud of them and that the church at home has not ceased to pray for them, and we reverently thank God for the preservation of their lives. We say to them, "Stand fast in the faith" remembering the message of Him who hath said, "Lo! I am with you always."

The heroic and magnificent effort of the students of Nagoya College in raising a large part of twenty-five thousand dollars used to repair and improve the college is a great challenge to the young people of the denomination.

We also note that Dr. C. S. Heininger, of Kalgan, China, will return to America on furlough in time for the General Conference. We bid him a most hearty welcome.

We are pleased to record the increased progress of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in China and India as well as Japan. The Methodist Protestant Church must not fail to do her part in answer to the call for both men and money to farther the work in any of our mission fields.

The report of Dr. Beck, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, shows that the work of the Board has never been in better condition than at present. Not only have the finances been better, but the year has been a notable one in the building and dedication of churches. We record again our grateful appreciation for the assistance given to Peninsula, Wilmington, Delaware and the Emanuel Church, Philadelphia. We endorse the plans of the Board for the enlargement of their work and urge all our churches to observe Easter Sunday with an appropriate program and a large offering for the work.

Both the Woman's Home Society and Woman's Foreign Society show great improvement in their work, and we heartily congratulate our noble women for their untiring efforts in caring for the work, given to them.

The school of Missions has proved a great success and will be continued the coming year.

We wish to express our appreciation of the work done by Dr. T. R. Woodford, (Our own Grenfell), in the mountains of Kentucky, at Pine Ridge. We pledge to him and the work under his direction our most hearty support and assure him of our love and earnest prayers.

The matter of the Business Girls Home in Baltimore was referred to your Committee by the Maryland Branch of the Woman's Home Missionary Society with the suggestion that members of this Conference be appointed as an advisory board in the management of the Home. We feel that the matter is of much magnitude and so much is involved in it that:

(a) We recommend that the entire matter be referred to the General Conference.

(b) That a most earnest effort be made to collect at an early date the balance of unpaid pledges given to the Earthquake Relief Fund.

(c) Because of the great need of our work in Japan, we recommend that special attention be given to the Children's Day offering this year in every Sunday School in the Conference in a united effort to increase the funds for this work.

REV. C. K. McCASLIN.
C. MORGAN COMPHER.
J. E. CHAMBERLAIN.

H. B. JESTER.
J. FRANK WHEATLEY.
M. W. GAINES.

Maryland Branch of the Women's Home Missionary Society.

The year 1923-24 has been a most wonderful year for Maryland Branch, Woman's Home Missionary Society. The doors of 31 churches have been opened to us—762 women have joined with the rest of us in our worthy work. We take this as an endorsement of what we have done, and what we aim to do. Our total membership is 1,905—1,658 adult members and 247 young people, 56 adult auxiliaries and 15 young people's organizations.

Our financial condition is good. Maryland Branch had \$2,925 to send to the Board as her part for the work throughout the denomination and this has all been paid. The total amount of money raised was \$4,928.85.

The Girl's Home is still a project of the future, but on the other hand is of very much concern at the present time. We expect, as the other 15 Branches grow and their revenue to the Board becomes larger, Maryland will be able to keep more of her money here and not send \$2,500 to Pine Ridge as we are doing this year. The Girl's Home was put in the budget this year, which means that \$675 comes back to Maryland Branch every year toward the support of the Home.

The following officers were elected for the year:

President—Mrs. E. A. Craig.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. B. Gilligan.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. P. Roberts.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. E. J. Heath.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. EDWIN J. HEATH.

Maryland Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Rev. R. L. Shipley, Secretary Maryland Annual Conference,
Salisbury, Md.

Dear Brother:

It is with pleasure that the Maryland Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society sends greetings to the Maryland Annual Conference in session at Salisbury, Md., and submits its annual report to March 4, 1924.

The past year the work of the W. F. M. S. in the foreign field has been most discouraging. The terrible disaster in Japan causing us such heavy property losses, the slowness of the church at home to respond to the appeal of the Japanese Earthquake Relief Fund, and the passing away of Miss Long, the founder and head of our India work, has caused us many heartaches.

Even so we have much for which to praise "God." The lives of all our Missionaries in Japan were spared. "He" made it possible through generous friends for us to send a Deputation of two ladies to visit and study conditions in all our Mission Stations in India, China and Japan. "He" has blessed our work at home. All the work carried on through the various Departments has been most encouraging.

STATISTICS

Japan—5 scholarships @ \$75.00; 1 in Union College @ \$125.00; 4 native workers @ \$120.00; 1 native worker @ \$140.00.

China—7 scholarships @ \$50.00; 1 in married woman's school @ \$50.00; 1 native worker @ \$150.00.

India—14 scholarships @ \$35.00; 1 in training school @ \$100.00; 1 native worker @ 75.00.

Have added 5 Life members, 5 Memorial members, and 4 Perpetual members.

Young People's Work—16 Precious Jewel Societies, 4 Sunshine Circles, 3 Mission Bands, and 2 Young People's Societies with a total membership of 430.

We have added 6 Auxiliaries this year, Fawn Grove, Wilmington, Brandenburg, Norrisville, Stewartstown and Seaford.

Have 55 Auxiliaries, 53 of which are active.

Have 2,248 members on roll.

Receipts for the year \$7,755.76.

The church school of Missions has passed the experimental stage. Three last year and twelve this year has proven its worth. We recommend this plan to all the churches as the best as well as the most popular method of Missionary education.

Realizing the need of Missions, special emphasis will be given this Department this year.

The new Department of Tithers and Intercessors ought and we trust will educate many not now Tithers to recognize their obligations as stewards of "God's" manifold goodness.

If all Christians were Tithers there would be no lack of funds for all church needs.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. H. M. LEAS, Corresponding Secretary.

Report O

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED

(See Journal, page 25)

Your Committee has carefully considered the contents of the several papers referred to and submit the following report:

It is gratifying to note continued response on the part of churches and individuals in sending and bringing donations to the Home. The donations are always of a valuable character and liberal, and it is encouraging to know that quite a few who are not Methodist Protestants are among the donors. We accept this as a testimony to the fact that this beautiful charity is appreciated beyond the borders of the church. It should stimulate more Methodist Protestants to respond to the needs of the Home. We hope the churches of the Conference will take note of this and act accordingly.

We recommend that every Pastor of the Conference call special attention to the Home at some time or times during the year from the pulpit, and that he make it a point to appoint the "right woman" for a lady visitor from his appointment, and then see that she gets in touch with the Home as soon as possible.

The Home visitation day at the Summer Conference and Young People's Convention last summer was made the Annual Donation and Visitors Day and was a great success in every way.

We recommend that the same plan be adopted by the Summer Conference and Young People's Convention for this year and that each pastor of the Conference try to plan for the lady visitor from his church be present at the Home on that day.

We recommend that all Methodist Protestants visiting in or near Westminster make it a point to visit the Home, and that churches within reach plan visitations to it at least once a year and more when possible.

We recommend that Dr. E. C. Makosky and J. Pearre Wantz and T. W. Mather be re-elected as trustees.

We recommend that the assessment for the Home for the ensuing year be \$8,000. (Ref. to Com. on Finance.)

Signed,

J. L. NICHOLS,
J. H. BAKER,
WALTER G. MONROE,

SETH W. GRIFFITH,
H. O. KEEN,
A. W. EWELL.

March 29, 1924

BOARD OF MANAGERS

TO THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Sirs:

I beg to submit herewith the annual report of the Board of Managers of the Home for the Aged of Westminster, Md., for the year ending March 15, 1924.

There are in the Home at present twenty-two guests, which is the limit of the house.

There were no deaths during the past year and less sickness than usual.

We would respectfully call your attention to the fact that the terms of the following trustees expire with this session: Dr. E. C. Makosky, J. Pearre Wantz and T. W. Mather. Dr. F. T. Tagg, another member, died during the year. Dr. Makosky is the present Secretary and Mr. Wantz the Treasurer of the board.

During the past year it was necessary to install a new furnace, put on a new roof, build a fence and other repairs, costing in all approximately \$2,000.00. As there were no funds to meet this added expense a loan was contracted for as shown in the Treasurer's statement.

We respectfully ask that the appropriation for the coming year be made \$8,000, that we may be able to clear up this indebtedness.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE MATHER, President Board Managers.

TO THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE,
METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH,
SALISBURY, MARYLAND.

Sirs:

I herewith submit my annual statement of receipts and disbursements of the Home for the Aged of the M. P. Church at Westminster, Maryland, for the year ending March 15, 1914.

Receipts

Amount received from C. P. Nowlin, Conference Treasurer.....	\$5,631.82
Amount received from C. P. Nowlin, Special funds.....	36.00
Amount received from E. T. Read, Special funds.....	20.00
Amount received from Lady Board of Managers (collected).....	500.00
Amount received from H. C. Staley, Treasurer.....	157.63
Cash donations from different churches in district.....	365.06
Amount borrowed from Union National Bank of Westminster to meet bills for new furnace and roof.....	2,000.00
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	\$8,710.51

Disbursements

Amount expended for supplies for table.....	\$2,833.18
Amount expended for labor of all kinds.....	1,768.50
Amount expended for general running expenses.....	1,728.29
Amount expended for new furnace, new roof, new fence, new furniture and repairs.....	1,902.00
Amount expended for plumbing, dentist 7 hospitals.....	245.58
Amount expended for premium on Treasurer's bond.....	12.50
Balance on hand at close of year.....	220.46
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	\$8,710.51

I also beg to report that all the bequests that have been left to the Home by the last Will and Testament of different deceased persons, have all been invested in first class securities, and these securities have been

appraised by the following auditing committee, and show an appraised value of \$19,922.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned committee, appointed by the President to audit books, accounts and securities in the hands of Jas. Pearre Wantz, Treasurer, beg to advise that we have performed that duty to the best of our ability and have found them correct in every respect and all supported by the proper vouchers, and the securities are all intact and correct.

T. W. MATHER,
GEORGE MATHER,
J. L. NICHOLS.

Report of the Secretary of the Ladies' Board of Visitors to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers and Board of Visitors of the Home for the Aged of the Methodist Protestant Church.

March 19, 1924.

The Board is happy to report that there have been no deaths in the Home since the last annual meeting, March, 1923, and the general health conditions have been better than usual.

Several of the inmates, however, are not at all well, making it necessary for the Nurse to be in constant attendance upon them.

There are twenty-six in our family: twenty-two inmates, matron, nurse, cook and assistant.

Four applicants have been admitted during the year: Mrs. Marcella M. Arnold, Mrs. Emiline Chaney, Miss Laura H. Beauchamp and Miss Martha C. Hitch.

The Annual Donation and Visitors' Day was held during the Summer Conference and Young People's Convention at Western Maryland College in August. It was a great success financially and in the matter of attendance. A reception was given in the afternoon to all attending the two Conferences and the capacity of the HOME was taxed to its utmost, in entertaining them. Everyone had a good time, but especially did the OLD FOLKS enjoy having so many come to see them. There is a very lonely life and we hope that the Young People's societies and the several organizations of the churches will make up parties to visit them often. Last year a number of the churches did this and it was quite pathetic to see how much the OLD FOLKS enjoyed the programs prepared for their entertainment. Can you imagine anything finer than a group of young people coming from Baltimore to sing Christmas carols to our Old Folks. Well, they not only did this, but they brought an individual gift for each one and the Christmas turkey for all. "The gift without the giver is bare," so don't send your gifts—bring them and visit with the Old Folks whenever possible.

The expenses have run along about as usual, but we have had to make some necessary repairs this year. We have had to put in one new furnace and repair the other; build a new fence; put on a new roof; renovate some rooms, and get some new floor-covering and mattresses.

The friends of the HOME always respond most generously to all of our appeals for help. We put a notice in the Methodist Protestant last fall asking for potatoes and we will not have to buy any. The response to the Christmas appeal was more than enough, for the treat and the extra will help us provide some comforts for which we have been planning sometime.

Forty-seven churches and a great many individuals sent donations. Some of the churches have sent two and three times during the year. The list of donations includes provisions of every kind: potatoes, groceries, canned fruit, jellies, cereals, flour, vegetables, eggs, honey, lard, soap, sausage, bacon, apples, apple-butter, bananas, turkeys, candy, supplies for the Hospital Room, clothing, linen, hams, oysters and money.

The following churches have sent donations. Laurel, Finksburg, Keen Memorial, Mt. Zion, Mt. Gilead, Denton, Norrisville, Stewartstown, Harmony Grove, New Market, Wattsville, Brandenburg, Providence, Whitehall, Harmony, Parkton, Taylor Memorial, Harrington, Deer Park, St. James, Worton, Parksley, Dover, Roby, First Church, Washington, Uniontown, Chestertown, Wesley Chapel, Fawn Grove, Mt. Tabor, Mt. Lebanon, West Baltimore, Grace of Pittsville Charge, Starr, Mt. Hermon, Lynchburg, Cockeysville, Grace of Baltimore, Linthicum Heights, North Carolina Avenue, St. John's, Allnut Memorial, Cambridge, Georgetown, Newark, Wilton Heights, Shelemiah of Cecil, Wallace Memorial, Y. W. C. A. and Sunday School of Western Maryland College.

We wish to express our grateful appreciation to all kind friends who so generously remembered the HOME during the year.

The Ladies' Board of Visitors consists of: Mrs. Charles Billingslea, President; Mrs. Denton S. Gehr, Vice-President; Mrs. Carroll Albaugh, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. R. McDaniel, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. George Mather, Miss Eva Herr and Mrs. J. Pearre Wantz.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARROLL ALBAUGH, Secretary.

To Mrs. Albaugh's report, which covered a period up to January 15th, it is necessary to add the following to bring it up to date: The condition of Mrs. Laura H. Beauchamp who had entered the HOME on probation last November, had become such by the time of the February meeting of the Board as to require special consideration, and as by this time there was no hope of improvement and it had become manifest that the HOME was not the right place for her, it was decided to notify her friends to this effect, which was done, and accordingly Mr. Costin came for her, and she left in his care.

In the meantime Miss Mary L. Marley of Baltimore has applied for acceptance, and has complied with all requirements. She has been accepted by the Board and is expected to enter the HOME at any time.

MRS. W. R. McDANIEL,
Secretary in Mrs. Albaugh's absence.

REPORT P.

(See Journal, pages 24-32)

The Committee On Audit.

The committee on Audit met at Bethesda M. P. church, Salisbury, Maryland, and examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Maryland Annual Conference.

We found them correct in every detail, with a balance on hand in the First National Bank of Havre de Grace, Maryland, of \$2,843.84, with out standing checks to the amount of \$2,299.95.

GEO. H. STOCKSDALE,

R. L. SHIPLEY,

J. W. BAXLEY.

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the accounts of the Secretary of the Conference, the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Mutual Relief Association, and the Treasurer of the President's Parsonage, and find them correct.

E. C. GRAHAM,

G. E. LEISTER,

W. W. THOMPSON.

REPORT Q**THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE.**

(See Journal, page 21)

The Program Committee met in the Book Room January 7th. The result of its deliberation is in the program presented to you. We recommend its adoption.

The work of arranging many of the details of the program and seeing the printed form through the press was performed by G. J. Hooker to whom the committee desires to express its appreciation.

R. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

REPORT R.**The Maryland Educational Endowment Society**

(See Journal, page 22)

The Board of Managers of the society respectfully submits the following report for the Conference year ending April 1st, 1924.

The personnel and business management of the society have remained unchanged during the year.

The income of the Henrietta Gibson Fund has been used through the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary in the education of young men for our ministry in accord with the requirements of the said trust.

The Trustees, because of the demands upon them in connection with the new building project, were not in a position to appropriate any funds to our society during the year. They will renew their needed help as soon as possible.

F. T. LITTLE, President.

J. W. Chapman, Secretary.

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SUMMER CONFERENCE FOR MINISTERS, 1923

(See Journal, page 28)

The Summer Conference for Ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church of 1923 has passed into that history of our summer gatherings on old College Hill which has been replete with splendid achievements, and we cannot but believe far-reaching influences, as a record breaking gathering both with regards to the attendance and the splendid services rendered by the men chosen to treat the various interesting topics assigned for consideration.

One hundred and twenty-six ministers and preachers, and fifty ministers wives, a grand total of one hundred and seventy-six, being in attendance.

The addresses were all of a high order, our own men as well as the visiting speakers, acquitting themselves in a most credible manner.

We were delighted with the fine spirit of the Brethren from the Eastern and West Virginia Conferences. They endeared themselves to us by the hearty manner in which they participated in all the exercises, and the singing of the grand old hymns by the men from West Virginia will not soon be forgotten. We hope they will come again in ever increasing numbers, the Conference, according to its Constitution and By-laws, being open to Methodist Protestant ministers of any and every Conference in the connection, the only obligation imposed being the payment of \$2.00 annual dues, plus the rate of board to be arranged with the College authorities.

Many complimentary things have been said about the Ministers Wives Conference under the able leadership of Mrs. A. Norman Ward, President, and we are but indulging the hope that out of this gathering as well as that of the ministers there shall come that inspiration and help that shall make for a greater, a more efficient, Methodist Protestant church.

We have been giving considerable thought to the preparation of the program for the Fourteenth Annual Session to be held at Westminster, Maryland, July 28th to August 4th, 1924, departing somewhat from the plan of the past two years in endeavoring to provide that help and inspiration which in the nature of the case—the multiplied duties of a busy pastorate—our men can get only by contact with those who have been able to specialize in their respective fields of thought.

Dr. Warner, of our own Conference, will conduct, each day, the early morning devotions, at 7 A. M. Rev. Forest E. Eager, D. D., teacher in Homiletics at Temple University, Philadelphia, who has delighted and inspired us in days gone by, will be with us during the entire week, speaking each morning on "Sermon Building as Based on Romans, the Twelfth Chapter." Rev. C. E. Forelines, D. D., Professor in our own Theological Seminary, will take up with us five talks on "Biblical Symbolism." We regret that we are not in position to name the third speaker of the morning, but efforts are being made to secure an able Archaeologist for that

period. The afternoons will be given up to rest and recreation. We are delighted to announce the following speakers for the evening services: Monday evening, Rev. G. I. Humphreys, D. D., President of the Maryland Conference; Tuesday it is hoped to have Rev. Charles Heininger, our Missionary to China; Wednesday, Rev. Forest E. Dager, D. D., will deliver a numerous address; Thursday, Speaker to be announced later; Friday, Rev. Jas. H. Straughn, D. D., will conduct the Life Recruit service; Saturday evening will be given over to social activities.

The early morning service on the Sabbath will be a joint meeting with the young people. Special sermons will be preached at 10.30 A. M. and 8 P. M. by visiting Ministers.

We want here to record our most hearty appreciation of the many courtesies of Doctors Elderdice and Ward, and their very obliging assistants at the College and Seminary, and to show our appreciation of the very gracious hospitality of the past two years we trust that there will be no falling off, rather an increased interest and attendance at the Conference this summer.

The place this Conference has, and the need it is capable of filling in the lives of the men of our Conference and Church, is such that we feel no hesitancy whatever in asking the Conference for a continuance of the drawing account of \$200.00 for the ensuing summer, only such part as is absolutely needed to carry on the work to be drawn.

The Treasurer's report will show an expenditure last year of \$156.74 for bedding, the explanation of which is that the increased attendance at both the Summer Conference and the Young People's Institute was so great that we were forced to purchase twenty-five steel army cots and mattresses to take care of the men and their wives who were domiciled in the Seminary building. These cots and mattresses are carefully stored away, and will remain the property of the Summer Conference. An extra supply of blankets and pillows was bought and paid for by popular subscription, so that we are well equipped for a great gathering on the Hill of privilege.

RECOMMENDATIONS

First. The Maryland Conference to give this organization its heartiest support by calling upon all members of the Conference to enroll as members of the Summer Conference, whether they attend or not, and that all dues be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Summer Conference as soon after the close of the Annual Conference as possible, by the first of June.

Second. By asking that all Charges make it possible for their pastors to attend this summer gathering, where salaries will not permit the Charge defraying the expense of his attendance, only in rare instances would this exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% at the most to any Charge, and the returns, where the men improve their opportunities, would more than compensate the outlay in more efficient service.

Third. By asking that the Charges do not deduct the period of the Conference from the regular vacation period of the pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS RANDALL,
President Summer Conference.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts

June 25, 1923, Balance on hand.....	\$ 25.99
August 3, 1923, R. L. Shipley, Md. Con. Appropriation	200.00
August 3, 1923, R. L. Shipley, Md. Con. Appropriation	200.00
Total receipts	\$ 421.99

Disbursements

June 25, 1923, Louis Randall, on cots.....	\$ 25.99
August 3, 1923, Louis Randall, on cots.....	25.00
August 3, 1923, Louis Randall, traveling expenses, etc.	24.71
August 3, 1923, Western Md. Transfer Co., for freight	12.00
August 3, 1923, H. L. Elderdice, for advance money on freight .....	.28
August 3, 1923, C. H. Lears & Sons, for mattresses.....	91.25
August 3, 1923, W. P. Roberts, for speakers, Treasurer Young People's Work.....	118.25
August 4, 1923, W. P. Roberts, for speakers, Treasurer Young People's Work.....	80.00
August 13, 1923, The Stockton Press, for Programs.....	23.50
August 13, 1923, Louis Randall, for moth balls.....	2.50
March 1, 1923, Louis Randall, for traveling expenses....	12.40
Total disbursements	\$ 415.88
Balance on hand April 1, 1924.....	\$ 6.11

WM. L. HOFFMAN, Treasurer.

REPORT T.

Report of Committee on \$100,000 Superannuate Fund.

(See Journal, page 34)

Your committee on the \$100,000 Superannuate fund has had one meeting during the year. It has sought to encourage early and regular payments. Practically all the work of the committee has been done by the Treasurer, C. P. Nowlin.

Your committee believes we must press collections diligently in order to avoid appreciably shrinkage in the subscriptions.

JAS. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman.
C. P. NOWLIN, Treasurer.

REPORT U.**The Headquarter's Committee.**

(See Journal, page 25)

The Headquarters Committee presents the following report.

As announced in our last report we have consummated the deal for the property at 516 North Charles street, for \$60,000.

The plans and specifications for the new building prepared by Mr. John R. Forsyth have been adopted and the contract has been awarded Thomas H. Hicks and Son for \$95,000. The building has been under way now for some months and is, at this time, finished to the second story. The additional contracts which have been awarded are: Plumbing, \$4,900;; Heating, \$5,649; Wiring \$2,500. The other contracts are in abeyance. Arrangements have been made to carry the debt for the loan with the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

We hope to have the building completed by the first of July or shortly thereafter.

We suggest that the Conference continue the committee with power to act for another year.

JAS. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman.
FRANK A. BENSON, Secretary.

REPORT V.**Committee on Relocating President's Parsonage.**

(See Journal, page 25)

This committee, raised under Conference Authority, and duly empowered to act as per the intent of the conference, hereby reaches the following conclusion:

- A. After careful consideration, believes that the price of \$6,500, net, transmitted to us through Mr. H. K. Muller, is fully the value of the present property at 1420 Linden avenue, and we hereby accept said offer for the property, and recommend to the Conference Trustees the immediate sale of the same.
- B. After several months, during which time we have inspected many properties in various localities, it is our conviction that the property at 3600 Copley Road, the suburb of Ashburton, is the best value for the price of any properties we have seen; taking into consideration—location, size of lot, size and plan of house, interior finish, fixtures, garage, etc. The price of property is \$16,500.

We therefore approve of purchase of said property. We hereby designate Dr. W. H. Litsinger and Mr. H. K. Muller, as a sub-committee, to act with the president of the conference, to arrange for an immediate temporary contract with the George R. Morris Organization, through Mr. Rodgers, salesman, to insure the purchase thereof; that this committee be authorized

to make such financial arrangements as will make possible negotiating the purchase.

That our recommendation for the purchase of this property and the details for financing the same be transmitted to the Conference Trustees, and that they be requested to act in accordance with our conclusions at the earliest possible date.

Resolved that the above findings of the committee be reported to the next session of the Conference together with such action of the sub-committee named above as they may deem necessary.

On December the 13th., the sub-committee acting in accordance with the above directions of the full committee, met Mr. Rodgers and concluded a temporary sale, to be confirmed by the Board of Trustees. Deposit of \$500 was made on the property.

The Trustees met, on the request of our committee, and the findings of our full committee was made to their body. Also the action of our sub-committee in arranging the temporary purchase.

With regard to financing the purchase of the new parsonage the results of the sub-committee as follows, was reported to the trustees.

"That we have arranged for a loan of \$10,000 from the Central Fire Insurance Company of Baltimore, at five and one-half per cent interest. With the understanding that we meet the interest semi-annually, and make a reduction on the principal of \$1,000 each year."

The trustees authorized the president of that body, Dr. F. T. Little, to sign such legal papers as should be necessary in completing the transaction both for the sale of the property at 1420 Linden avenue, and the purchase of the new property at 3600 Copley Road. Accordingly, both negotiations were duly carried through.

The new property is located in Ashburton, a comparatively new suburban development of the City. The lot is 60 by 150 feet, improved by a 10 room shingle cottage and garage. The house has been erected about 18 months. In splendid condition. Metal weather stripped and copper screened with new awnings for porches. Gas, steam heat, electricity. The electric and bath room fixtures are unusually fine for the type of cottage. There are \$1,250 worth of extra accessories consisting of kelinator, Pittsburgh gas heater and storage system, and electric washing machine.

The property is on the second square from the second square from the Liberty Heights avenue car line, the fastest suburban line in the city, direct to the W. B. & A. station, Camden station, and steamboat wharves, and by transfer of a few squares to Mt. Royal and Union stations.

Starr Church is the nearest of our own denomination, about eight squares distance. Within four or five squares of the Forest Park school, about the same distance from the New Junior and Senior High School.

It is the unanimous opinion of the committee that we have made a splendid purchase for the Conference Parsonage.

The committee recommends the following: Inasmuch as the president's parsonage is distinctly the property of the Conference and as such is of common interest to all the charges of the district, we believe that the matter of financing the payment of the same should be an item of the Maryland Conference Budget, we therefore

Recommended that the Conference instruct the Board of Finance to

insert among the Maryland Conference Interests this item "For Conference Parsonage Property;" to make a levy of \$1,500 on the District, which shall be for the annual interest and \$1,000 reduction of principal; to distribute such percentage to this interest as shall represent this levy. With the distinct understanding that this levy shall be decreased in proportion as the annual interest is curtailed. And when the entire debt is paid the levy shall cease.

We further recommend that the percentage of President's Salary and Expenses, one-tenth, now paid to the agent of the president's parsonage shall remain as the same now is, and to be used as now for the purpose indicated in the Manual.

Signed: G. I. HUMPHREYS,
 J. H. STRAUGHN,
 W. H. LITSINGER,
 E. D. STONE,
 C. C. SANNER,
 H. K. MULLER,
 A. W. BEAM.

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COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

(See Journal, page 30)

Committee on Conference Arrangements met at the Book Rooms, Baltimore, September 20, 1923. In the matter of Entertainment, the Conference Regulation of one percent on Pastor's Salary was made to apply to six days, not including noon-day meal (Sunday excepted). In view of the limited hotel accommodations in Salisbury, it was suggested that the Conference Treasurer pay the whole amount to the local Committee of Salisbury church, reserving the right of any individual member of Conference who makes his own arrangements to present his claim through said Committee.

G. J. HUMPHREYS, President.
 L. F. WARNER, Secretary.

Report Y

(See Journal, page 22)

April 2, 1924.

TO THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren:

I present herewith a report of the fund placed in my hands at the last session of the Conference. The fund was raised by a voluntary contribution at the suggestion of President Humphreys for the purpose of providing for a meeting of all the Annual Conference Presidents in July of 1923. I have received the following contributions:

\$25 each from T. W. Donoho, T. H. Lewis and F. W. Whitaker. \$20 each from Cash, J. P. Dodge, E. B. Fenby, Mr. and Mrs. Holloway, Daniel Murdock, Emory Redding, W. C. Scott, W. C. Shipman, W. M. Strayer and F. E. Kiser, \$27. \$15 from T. A. Murray. \$10 each from Mrs. W. E.

Cain, Cash, J. T. Fenby, Mrs. R. E. Goerke, Mrs. Hetzman, E. J. Holland, G. I. Humphreys, Robert Jett, E. C. Makosky, R. J. Mills, A. N. Ward and F. A. Wolfron. \$5 each from D. W. Anstine, J. T. Bailey, J. W. Baxley, F. T. Benson, Robert Brown, J. F. Bryan, E. L. Bunce, S. F. Cassen, F. M. Clift, N. C. Clough, C. C. Day, C. E. Dryden, H. L. Elderdice, G. F. Farring, J. M. Gill, A. H. Green, J. L. Green, George Hines, John Jett, H. W. D. Johnson, T. C. Jones, W. B. Judefind, B. W. Kindley, J. W. Kirk, F. C. Klein, Three Ladies of Starr, Mrs. J. E. Litsinger, L. H. Litsinger, F. T. Little, J. H. Lynch, A. W. Mather, J. L. Mills, J. L. Nichols, R. Y. Nicholson, C. P. Nowlin, F. D. Reynolds, H. L. Schlinke, E. A. Sexsmith, J. M. Sheridan, R. L. Shipley, A. W. Simms, Mrs. W. S. Simms, J. H. Straughn, J. W. Trout and E. T. Warner.

At the same time subscriptions made on behalf of churches were as follows: Mt. Tabor, \$33. \$20 each from Grace, Baltimore; N. Carolina Avenue, Washington; Pocomoke City; Rhode Island Avenue, Washington; Westminster. \$10 each from Alexandria, Calvary, Washington, Fairfax, Milford, Parksley, Pittsville and Violetville. \$5 each from Nichols Memorial, St. Paul's, Baltimore, and Tioga Heights.

In addition to these there remain nine unpaid subscriptions from individuals aggregating \$50, and seven unpaid subscriptions from churches aggregating \$110. The total amount subscribed was \$1,010. Four of those who paid gave more than they subscribed, aggregating \$20. So that the total amount was \$1,030, and I have received of this amount \$870.

Of the twenty-six Annual Conference Presidents twenty-two were present. Ten paid their own expenses. The remaining twelve cost \$695.31. Other expenses were \$199.66. Total, \$894.97. This expense was fully met from other receipts.

I ought to mention also that through the kindness of the pastors of Baltimore the whole expense of entertainment was met, and many other favors also were extended to the visitors.

The meeting was regarded as a great inspiration and echoes are still heard. I thank the Conference most heartily for the generous gift that made this meeting possible.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS,
President of the General Conference.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION No. 1

(See Journal, page 21)

For Changing Memorial Roll

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Conference be authorized to write on the top of the first page of our Memorial Roll the sentence: "In the calling of this Memorial Roll all titles and degrees are to be omitted."

H. L. ELDERDICE.

RESOLUTION No. 2

(See Journal, page 22)

Printing of the Conference Sermon

RESOLVED, That Rev. P. W. Crosby is hereby requested to furnish the manuscript of the Conference sermon for publication in the Conference Minutes.

EUGENE C. MAKOSKY,
J. W. KIRK.

RESOLUTION No. 3

(See Journal, page 29)

Providing Flowers for Graves

WHEREAS the bodies of Rev. John Lee Straughn and William Sherman Phillips, honored and well loved members of this Conference, lie in the cemetery of this city, be it

RESOLVED, That C. E. Makosky and J. H. Straughn be requested to provide suitable floral tributes at the expense of the Conference and lay them upon their graves at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon of the Conference week.

R. L. SHIPLEY,
E. L. BUNCE.

RESOLUTION No. 4

(See Journal, page 24)

Resolution Authorizing the Treasurer to Borrow Money for Expenses of General Conference

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer of the Conference is hereby authorized to borrow the amount of money necessary for the expenses of the representatives to the General Conference.

E. C. MAKOSKY,
R. L. SHIPLEY.

RESOLUTION No. 5

RESOLVED, That the Manual be amended by inserting in Regulation 21, section 2, Item "a" after the word "deducting"—"rental value of Parsonage."

G. A. OGG,
LOUIS RANDALL

RESOLUTION No. 6

(See Journal, page 33)

For Purchasing Adding Machine

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer purchase an adding machine for use of the Conference, and that the Treasurer shall be the custodian of the machine.

C. P. NOWLIN,
R. L. SHIPLEY.

RESOLUTION No. 7

(See Journal, page 34)

For Conservation of Membership

WHEREAS, The Statistical Tables of this Conference reveal that during the past three years there have been reported 8,358 conversions, and

WHEREAS, Within the same period, in spite of the great number of conversions there has been a net decrease in full membership of 161;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That we call the attention of the pastors to this condition for their careful and prayerful consideration with the suggestion that special attention be given to the preservation of our membership, the reclaiming of delinquent members, and that a special effort be made to locate members that have moved away with a view to interesting them in the matter of uniting with the church in the community where they live.

WILLIAM M. SNYDER,
LOUIS RANDALL,
L. B. SMITH.

Conference Societies

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The Church Extension Society convened on Friday, April 7th, with the President, C. E. Makosky presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Reports of Board of Managers, including Treasurer's report, was read and referred to Board of Survey and Extension.

Report of Peninsula Church Extension Society was read and referred to Board of Survey and Extension.

Report of Committee on Closed Churches was adopted.

The following officers were elected:

President—E. C. Makosky.

First Vice-President—J. F. Wooden.

Second Vice-President—G. E. Brown.

Secretary—C. R. Strausburg.

Treasurer—A. R. Lewis.

The election of the Board of Managers was deferred until it was ascertained whether or not the number of members of the Board was to be raised from twelve to fourteen.

The meeting adjourned to reassemble at the call of the President.

The Society reconvened on Monday evening, April 7, E. C. Makosky presiding.

The recommendation of the Board of Survey being opposed to increase in the number of members of the Board, the Society proceeded with the election of twelve members.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the present Board for the ensuing year. They are as follows:

Board of Managers

Ministers—G. W. Haddaway, W. H. Litsinger, S. F. Cassen, G. E. Brown.

Laymen—W. C. Scott, T. A. Myers, E. B. Fenby, J. H. Roberts.

Meeting adjourned.

E. LESTER BALLARD, Secretary.

Report of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society of the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church

It is gratifying to report that the churches and missions under the Supervision of this Board, and those where the property is held by it, have had a year of gratifying success.

GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE. While this church is not under the care of this Board it holds title to the property and has co-operated with Broadway and Bethany in the amalgamation of these churches and the erection of the new building. This church under the ministry of G. E. Brown has had a prosperous year. There have been added 120 new scholars to the Sunday School Roll. The church has received 18 members. There has been paid \$1,600 on debt. A new pipe organ has been installed at a cost of \$2,800 of which \$2,000 has been paid. The amount of money raised for all purposes is \$10,300. The two churches

have been united into one body in a most satisfactory manner. Harmony prevails and the future of the church is encouraging.

WILMINGTON. The Superintendent has given of his time and effort to this great Church Extension Enterprise and we are all happy over results under the efficient ministry of L. B. Smith. The growth of the congregation, the development of the Sunday School and other departments of the church insure the future of our denomination in Wilmington. While splendid progress has been made along all lines of activity the financial burdens are heavy and further aid from the Conference will be needed for a year or two.

CALVARY, WASHINGTON. This church, which was received one year ago, has had an excellent year under the ministry of Paul M. Cassen. The congregation is composed of persons of various denominations. Bro. Cassen has been discreet and tactful in controlling the situation. The membership is now 45 with a Sunday School of 125. At the Annual Meeting they readily added \$400 to the pastor's salary making it \$1,000 for next year. The community is growing and the outlook for the church is promising.

TRINITY. This church has made steady progress. Rev. R. W. White has closed the fifth year of his pastorate. He reports a church membership of 210 and a Sunday School enrollment, including the Bible Classes and Cradle Roll, of 500. The school is graded and all departments of the church thoroughly organized. The parsonage debt has been reduced \$1,500. The debt on the church has been paid, and at the request of the church, this Board has voted to transfer the property to the local Trustees. They need additional room and are planning, with the advice and counsel of the Board of Survey, to begin the first unit of a new building.

ARUNDEL COVE. This church, which is now a part of Marley Circuit, has had a prosperous year under the ministry of J. T. Fenby. The Sunday School is growing. The church pays \$700.00 on pastor's salary. A parsonage is needed. We have the ground and it is the purpose of this Board to assist them in starting a movement looking to the erection of a parsonage early in the coming Conference year.

GRACELAND PARK. This church has made marked progress under the administration of H. A. Kester. During the year a Sunday School room 30 by 40 feet has been added; the tower has been extended and new windows placed in the audience room. The entire church has been remodeled. It now presents a very attractive appearance. The cost, including the work donated, is \$4,000. There is an indebtedness of \$1,800, which will be reduced during the coming year. With the assistance of this Board the church has purchased 50 feet more ground. The purpose is to erect a parsonage at as early day as possible. There has been advancement in every department of the church. The salary has been increased \$100 and the hope is the church will soon be self-supporting.

EDMONDSON AVENUE. This has been a year of reasonable prosperity for this new church. The congregations have improved. The pastor, Rev. J. M. Brown, has received 27 members with the prospect of 20 more at an early day. The salary has been increased \$100. The church has

raised for local purposes \$2,000. In addition they have in cash and subscriptions \$2,400 toward a new church building. This is one of the most rapidly growing communities around Baltimore. The chapel does not meet the requirements. It is imperative that building operations be begun this Spring. Through the kindness of Mr. James Keelty, we are able to exchange the present lot for one on the opposite side of the street without additional cost. This is the most desirable corner in the development. The exchange is made provided we build this year. This makes it necessary that we proceed at once. This will require a large outlay of money. In addition to the assistance we may have from the community, and our friends in Baltimore and other sections of the Conference District, there is needed the largest appropriation possible from the Annual Conference.

The Board of Survey is familiar with the situation and the pressing needs and will make such recommendations to the Conference as may be deemed wise for this promising church.

New Work

BETHESDA. This will be a new name in our list of appointments. Last Fall a number of persons, several of whom were from our city churches, expressed a desire to have a church on the Harford Road, north of Hamilton. It is in a rapidly growing suburban community. These friends organized a Church Aid Society and have been meeting weekly. They have been gathering a fund which has amounted to \$500. On March 14th, a meeting was held in Lauraville Church and an organization was effected with 32 members. The Constitution and Book of Discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church were adopted. Since that date 9 others have been received, so that the membership is now 41 with still others to join. Officers of the church were elected and application was made to Lauraville Church for formal recognition.

Mr. George B. Barrows was elected messenger to the Annual Conference to meet in Salisbury, April 2nd, with the request that the church be received into the Conference. A Sunday School was organized last Sunday in a private house with a membership of 25 and many others to come in later. A beautiful lot has been purchased on Harford Avenue, 140 feet front, for \$3,250. This has been deeded to the Church Extension Society. Mr. Barrows has advanced the money with which to pay for this lot, the Board of Managers giving him satisfactory security. A Chapel is being erected which we hope will be ready for service by the first of May. The church has pledged \$1,040 for pastoral support and requests the appointment of a pastor. This is a most promising field. The work has been cared for by Rev. W. P. Roberts and the Superintendent.

DELMONT. This is another new point where we hope to have a church. It is on the W. B. & A. Electric Road in Anne Arundel County, 12 miles from Baltimore. A Sunday School of 50 members was organized in November by Rev. T. C. Jones and the Superintendent in a small Hall. An effort is being made to secure a lot. We will then move the old Severn Church to this place. Since Christmas we have held preaching

services in addition to the Sunday School. There is a fund of \$500 in hand toward moving the church. We recommend that it be attached to Nichols Memorial Charge.

RIVERA BEACH. This is still another developement in Anne Arundel County at the mouth of Stoney and Rock Creeks. It is partly a Summer Resort with many homes surrounding it. All this section of the County is being rapidly filled with homes. Mr. Pumphrey, President of the Rivera Development Company, has offered us a lot of one acre provided we erect a chapel on it the coming Summer. This offer has been accepted by our Board. We recommend that it be placed under the care of the pastor of Marley Charge and that this Board shall have supervision of it for at least one year. Mr. Pumphrey has donated a similar lot to the Roman Catholic Church. Several of our Baltimore pastors have visited the place and endorsed the movement.

Other Interests

SELBYVILLE. You will recall that this church burned last year some time before the Annual Conference. The congregation disbanded. We received the \$500 which had been paid on the debt and forwarded it to Milton L. Veasey, Treasurer of the Peninsula Society. It took the remainder of the Insurance money to pay the balance of debt. The church lot has not yet been sold.

WAVERLY CHURCH. The Annual Conference of 1923 endorsed the recommendation to sell this church. The Church and Parsonage buildings have since been sold for \$3,700 and the money paid to W. C. Scott, Treasurer, and used for Church Extension purposes.

WILLIAMSVILLE. The Superintendent found that the Annual Conference held title to a lot on which Williamsville Church was built some years ago. The building was afterward sold to the J. O. U. A. M. This did not effect the lot. During the year the lot was sold for \$300 and the money paid to Milton L. Veasey, Treasurer.

The lot purchased by the Baltimore City Church Extension some time ago on the old York Road at 37th Street has been disposed of and the money turned over to W. C. Scott, Treasurer, it having become apparent that we could not wisely build on that location.

THE BUTLER WILL CASE. While a final settlement of this estate has not been made, we are hoping that it will be at an early day. We are looking after the Church's interest in the estate.

The Superintendent, Dr. J. M. Sheridan, has been literally in labors abundant. He has given much travel and effort to various sections of the Conference district looking after local interests and assisting on special occasions. In addition to the Charges of which the Board has had oversight, he reports having visited 68 Charges of the district where he either preached or rendered some special service to the churches or assistance to the pastors. No effort has been made in this report to give details of these visits, but they have all been helpful, and in some instances large sums of money have been raised for building, improvements and debts. The Superintendent's tireless energy, his wise counsel, his abound-

ing patience and his ability to bring things to pass have rendered him invaluable in the work of the Kingdom. We most earnestly recommend his reappointment. From the beginning, his salary has been far too small, but it seemed the best that financial conditions would justify. Even now it cannot be made adequate, but it can and should be made more nearly so. We, therefore, recommend the increase of the Superintendent's salary to two thousand dollars a year.

The Merging of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society with the Conference Society

At the session of this Conference a year ago, it was recommended that, in view of these two Societies working in the same territory, that they be merged.

We report that this action has been taken. In order that we might continue to have the assistance of at least a part of those who composed the City Society, an Auxiliary Board was appointed to co-operate with the Board of Managers of the Conference Board. This was done and three laymen and an equal number of ministers were appointed. We found this so helpful that we recommend that Article 3 of the Constitution be so amended that the Board of Managers shall consist of 14 with equal number of laymen and ministers and that 8 shall constitute a quorum.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN B. FENBY, President.

**CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF THE MARYLAND
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Annual Report

Year Ending April 1, 1924.

Receipts

April 9, 1923, Balance.....	\$ 377.40
Appropriation from Maryland Annual Conference to Peninsula Church.....	1,043.75
Proceeds sale of Waverly Church property and furniture	3,885.74
Part proceeds Shiloh Church fixtures.....	20.00
Proceeds sale of Williamsburg Church.....	300.00
Received from Trustees for purchase of lot on Harford Road	3,307.44
Received from Falls Road Church, balance of Eversole Legacy	650.00
Received from S. H. Linthicum, sale of York Road lot	3,253.11
Total receipts	\$ 12,837.44

Disbursements

Interest on \$3,000, note discounted, Baker, Watts & Co.	\$ 92.60
To Ella J. Martin on Conference loan, principal and interest	1,088.75
Kent County Savings Banks, interest, \$1,300 note	26.26
Ella J. Martin, interest on loan.....	45.00
A. R. Lewis, interest on \$2,000 note, Edmondson Avenue Church	120.00
A. R. Lewis, for repairs on Edmondson Ave. Church	10.00
Loan to Graceland Park Church.....	100.00
Baker, Watts & Co., Waverly Church note.....	300.00
Kent Co. Savings Bank, \$1,300 note and interest....	1,309.32
Baker, Watts & Co., part payment on \$3,000 note, \$500, and interest \$75.91.....	575.91
Eastern Development Co., 2 church lots, Graceland Park	650.00
Title Trust & Guarantee Co., Gurantee, Graceland Park	30.50
Harford Road church lot.....	3,248.85
Title Trust & Guarantee Co., Harford Road lot.....	54.40
Wilson & Schuert, Treasurer's bond.....	12.50
Chairs for Graceland Park Church.....	84.37
Lumber for Graceland Park Church.....	178.84
Peninsula Church, proceeds sale Williamsburg lot—	300.00
C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer, Dr. Sheridan's Expenses	12.00
Baker, Watts & Co., Edmondson Ave. Note.....	2,500.00
Equitable Trust Co., Lock Box.....	3.00
Traveling and other expenses, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	228.00
Total disbursements	\$ 10,970.30
Balance, cash in bank.....	\$ 1,867.14

W. C. SCOTT, Treasurer.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

Meeting was opened Monday evening with F. T. Little in the chair. The Treasurer's report was read by R. L. Shipley. G. W. Haddaway spoke of the faithful work done by the Treasurer, T. A. Murray. Report adopted. By a rising vote T. A. Murray was re-elected treasurer. A resolution was referred to the Society by the Conference. The resolution was as follows:

Resolved, That the custom of soliciting the small amount of fifty cents for Church Extension and Superannuated Fund during the session of Conference is derogatory to the worthy cause and no longer necessary in the days of larger vision; and be it further

Resolved, That this custom be discontinued, the amount of money

raised in this manner being henceforth provided for in our Conference budget.

Signed,

J. N. Link,
L. B. Smith,
Lester Paterson.
George Mather.

Resolution adopted.

Officers

First Vice-President—J. L. Mills.
Second Vice-President—F. T. Benson.
Third Vice-President—C. M. Compher.
Recording Secretary—E. W. Simms.
Corresponding Secretary—A. W. Mather.
Treasurer—T. A. Murray.

Board of Managers

Ministers—G. W. Haddaway, W. H. Litsinger, J. M. Sheridan, W. B. Judefind.

Laymen—T. A. Murray, Daniel MacLea, Dr. E. B. Fenby, E. J. Paige.
E. W. SIMMS, Recording Secretary.

SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS

1. The Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall report to Conference all those names which, in their judgment, properly belong to the superannuated list.

2. From the receipts from the invested fund, each superannuated minister be entitled to \$10 for each year of his active service as a member of this Conference, and each widow of a minister of this Conference who is granted a superannuated relation, be entitled to \$5.00 for each year of her active service.

3. The amount received from the collections in the District during the year to be applied to the necessities of the claimants, considering: 1. The time of service in the Conference; 2. The size of family; 3. Peculiarities of condition; 4. Ability to contribute to self-support by business capacity or by private income.

4. That when the Committee on Superannuates has information from claimants to the effect that they do not need the amount required by virtue of their years of service, that the committee be governed by the information thus given. (For items 2, 3, 4, see report H, Superannuates, 1914 Minutes.)

5. The Conference Treasurer shall disburse all moneys coming from the Superannuated Fund Society, and shall make a quarterly distribution of the funds provided the Treasurer of said Society can make a payment in the interim of Conference.

6. When the committee shall have completed its report it shall be read to the Conference twenty-four hours before action thereon, during which time objections to report must be filed before the committee.

7. The Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society shall furnish Superannuated Claimants with blanks containing the following questions, a neglect to answer which shall deprive the claimants of any portion in the distribution of the emergency fund for the year:

1. What is your present place of residence? Post office address?
2. Do you desire a superannuate relation the ensuing year?
3. What is the number of your family? Age of your children, respectively?
4. Do you attend our church? If not, why not?
5. Do your children attend Sabbath School? If not, why not?
6. What is the amount of your private income?
7. If a widow, how long were you in the ministry with your husband?

**SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY OF THE MARYLAND
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Treasurer's Report for Year, April 1923-1924

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with Superannuated Fund Society.

PERMANENT FUND

To balance as per last report.....	\$ 2,569.65
To annual dues from Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 97.00
To legacy from Mrs. Mary E. Schureman.....	1,900.00
To Victory Bond redeemed.....	1,000.00
To redemption of groundrent.....	500.00
To following amounts from Conference Treasurer account contributions to permanent fund:	
April 17, 1923.....	\$ 17,633.31
July, 17, 1923.....	400.00
October 30, 1923.....	2,500.00
December 1, 1923.....	1,500.00
January 4, 1924.....	1,000.00
February 2, 1924.....	2,000.00
March 7, 1924.....	5,000.00
	20,033.31
	23,530.31
	\$ 36,099.96
By amount of investments per order of Board.....	\$ 27,681.25
Balance in hand for investment.....	8,418.71
	\$ 36,099.96

In addition to cash received from the Conference Treasurer as reported above, U. S. Liberty Bonds of face value of \$200.00 have also been received from him.

RESOLUTIONS

INCOME ACCOUNT

To income from investments.....	\$	8,072.96	
To interest on deposits.....		205.90	
			\$ 8,278.86
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By 1924 taxes on securities.....	\$	54.18	
By rent Safe Deposit box.....		5.00	
By expenses for collections, etc.....		250.00	
By interest paid Mrs. M. E. McCready.....		10.00	
To amounts remitted to Conference Treasurer:			
August 1, 1923.....	\$	2,000.00	
October 23, 1923.....		2,000.00	
January 22, 1924.....		1,600.00	
Check herewith		2,359.68	
			7,959.68
			\$ 8,278.86

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the above account of the Treasurer and find same correct as per vouchers, and income fully accounted for, and the securities belonging to the fund deposited in its Safe Deposit box.

J. M. SHERIDAN,

E. J. PAIGE,

Auditing Committee.

THE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The Mutual Relief Association met in Bethesda Church, Salisbury, April 7, 1924, second Vice-President in the chair. L. B. Smith was elected Recording Secretary. The Secretary-Treasurer reported as follows:

Report of Secretary-Treasurer of the Mutual Relief Association
of March 31, 1924.

Financial Statement

ON HAND APRIL 1, 1923

For distribution	\$	195.00	
Expense fund		20.96	
Total			\$ 215.96

RECEIPTS

To complete:			
Seventy-seventh case	\$	16.00	
Seventy-eighth case		213.00	
Seventy-ninth case		7.00	
Eightieth case		3.00	

To closed cases, entrance fees, reinstatements, to be added to expense fund.....	42.00	
Total receipts		281.00
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		\$ 496.96

EXPENDITURES

No. 927 check to Mrs. C. N. Alexander.....	\$ 16.00	
September 1, check to P. M. R. Schauer.....	207.00	
March 5, check to Secretary, postage, miscellaneous expenses96	
Total expenditures		223.96
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Balance on hand March 31, 1924.....	\$	273.00

MEMBERSHIP

Reported April, 1923.....	211
Deceased	1
Lapsed	2
New members	7
Present membership	215

The auditing committee reported having examined the report of the Secretary-Treasurer and found it to be correct. The report was adopted.

The special committee on revising the constitution reported that in view of a resolution adopted in the Conference at this session affecting the interests of this association they preferred to postpone action another year. On motion the committee was continued. This committee is composed of L. C. Randall, W. F. Wright, E. E. Wooden, G. A. Ogg and E. G. Cover.

Officers were elected as follows, the Secretary by order casting the ballot for all:

First Vice-President—C. E. Dryden.
 Second Vice-President—W. H. Litsinger.
 Third Vice-President—C. R. Strausburg.
 Secretary-Treasurer—G. A. Ogg.

Adjourned.

L. B. SMITH, Recording Secretary.

April 3, 1924.

The financial part of this report was referred to the Committee on Audit, which committee reported as follows:

The Committee on Audit reports that they have made a thorough examination of the accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Mutual Relief Association and have found them to be correct in every detail.

E. C. Graham,
 E. C. GRAHAM,
 GUY E. LEISTER,
 WILLIAM W. THOMPSON,

Members of Mutual Relief Association

- Adams, Ziba
 Alexander, Mrs. C. N.
 Bacchus, G. Q.
 Bailey, J. T., and wife
 Balderston, J. W.
 Ballard, E. Lester
 Bauscher, W. F.
 Baxley, J. W., and wife
 Beauchamp, Mrs. E. L.
 Bennett, L. A., and wife
 Benson, F. T., and wife
 Betschler, T. J.
 Bowers, Mrs. Lucy
 Brewer, O. G.
 Brown, J. McL., and wife
 Browne, Robert
 Bryan, B. A., and wife
 Bryan, J. F., and wife
 Butler, C. P.
 Cassen, Paul M.
 Cassen, S. F., and wife
 Clayton, G. M., and wife
 Clough, N. C., and wife
 Coe, S. W., and wife
 Crosby, P. W., and wife
 Crouse, T. O., and wife
 Cullum, C. M., and wife
 Cummings, J. Earle, and wife
 Cushing, Mrs. Clara P.
 Day, C. C.
 Dearholt, M. E.
 Dobson, C. H., and wife
 Donovan, Avery
 Dryden, C. E., and wife
 Dudley, J. A., and wife
 Elderdice, J. L., and wife
 Elderdice, H. L.
 Ewell, A. W., and wife
 Ewing, Mrs. Emma M.
 Farring, G. F.
 Fenby, J. T.
 George, J. P., and wife
 Gibson, N. O.
 Gill, J. M.
 Gordon, L. W., and wife
 Graham, E. C., and wife
 Gray, J. W.
 Kirkley, E. T.
 Klein, F. C., and wife
 Leister, Guy E.
 Lewis, T. H., and wife
 Link, J. N.
 Litsinger, Mrs. Adele C.
 Litsinger, Mrs. Amelia C.
 Litsinger, W. H.
 Little, F. T., and wife
 Lynch, J. H.
 Makosky, E. C., and wife
 Marker, J. Lee
 Mather, A. W., and wife
 McCaslin, C. K., and wife
 McCreedy, Mrs. Mary C.
 McKeawn, J. R.
 McCorkle, F. K., and wife
 Melvin, W. A., and wife
 Mills, J. L.
 Mumford, W. C., and wife
 Murphy, H. L., and wife
 Mulligan, T. C., and wife
 Neeper, Mrs. W. J.
 Nichols, J. L., and wife
 Nicholson, R. Y.
 Nowlin, C. P., and wife
 Ogg, G. A., and wife
 Owens, I. S.
 Parris, J. W.
 Ports, G. W., and wife
 Randall, Louis, and wife
 Raum, A. F. T., and wife
 Read, E. T., and wife
 Reynolds, F. D., and wife
 Rice, P. L., and wife
 Roberts, W. P., and wife
 Ross, G. S.
 Ruley, B. F.
 Schauer, P. M. R.
 Schlincke, H. L., and wife
 Schmeiser, Wm.
 Sexsmith, E. A., and wife
 Shipley, R. L., and wife
 Sheridan, J. M.
 Simms, E. W., and wife
 Smith, Mrs. G. J.
 Smith, L. B., and wife

Green, A. H., and wife
Green, J. Leas, and wife
Greenfield, Mrs. Kate
Haddaway, G. W., and wife
Haddaway, K. K.
Haddaway, L. E., and wife
Hanks, W. S., and wife
Hill, G. J.
Hines, George, and wife
Hoblitzell, Mrs. Ella V.
Hodge, Mrs. Emma F.
Hodges, W. H., and wife
Holland, F. A.
Holloway, F. G., and wife
Holmes, J. M.
Hooker, G. J., and wife
Hungerford, M. E., and wife
Johnson, H. W. D., and wife
Johnson, Mrs. W. W.
Jones, E. H.
Jones, Thomas C.
Judefind, W. B., and wife
Keen, H. O.
Kester, H. A.
Kindley, B. W., and wife
Kirk, J. W., and wife
Stevens, Mrs. Sadie B.
Stocksdale, G. H., and wife
Straughn, J. H., and wife
Strausburg, C. R., and wife
Strayer, W. M.
Sutcliffe, R. W., and wife
Townsend, J. W.
Trader, John A.
Tredway, Mrs. Cornelia
Trout, J. W.
Turkington, T. J., and wife
Turner, G. E., and wife
Vandyke, Mrs. E. H.
Volk, Frank M.
Walter, Mrs. Isabella S.
Ward, A. N., and wife
Warner, L. F., and wife
Warner, Paul F.
White, R. W.
Weigand, Mrs. Anne R.
Williamson, Mrs. Laura B.
Wooden, J. F., and wife
Wright, J. A., and wife
Wright, W. F., and wife
Woodford, T. R., and wife
Yingling, Mrs. Ella

REPORT OF ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Salisbury, Md., April 4, 1924.

The Electoral College of the Maryland Conference was organized this day at 2 P. M. with the election of F. T. Little, Chairman, and J. H. Straughn, Secretary. The statistical steward announced the membership of the Conference as 34,709, and the Chairman ruled the Conference would be entitled to 17 ministerial and 17 lay representatives to the General Conference, meeting in Tiffin, Ohio, May 21, 1924.

The President of the Conference was recognized and made the motion that the unanimous vote of the Electoral College be cast by the Secretary for T. H. Lewis. This motion prevailed and the ballot was cast.

The Chair then appointed as judges, E. C. Makosky, chairman, C. P. Nowlin, J. L. Ward, L. B. Smith, Henry Gilligan, Rowland Watts, G. W. Dexter and M. W. Gaines. The ballots were distributed and vote taken for sixteen ministers and seventeen laymen. After roll call the judges retired to count the vote.

Friday evening at 7.30 to 8.15 the College was in session waiting for the report of the judges, but recessed without receiving it.

Saturday morning, 9.45, the College re-assembled and the judges reported, with the following result:

Total ministerial ballots cast 117, majority 59.

Total lay ballots cast 88, majority 45.

The following were elected on the first ballot:

	Ministers	Ministerial	Lay	Total
J. H. Straughn.....		104	75	179
G. I. Humphreys.....		96	68	164
H. L. Elderdice.....		101	60	161
R. L. Shipley.....		89	67	156
L. F. Warner.....		90	65	155
E. C. Makosky.....		85	57	142
A. N. Ward.....		85	48	133
F. T. Benson.....		82	48	130
G. W. Haddaway.....		71	57	128
L. B. Smith.....		73	48	121
J. M. Gill.....		67	48	115
C. P. Nowlin.....		59	48	107

On motion of T. H. Lewis, the Secretary cast the ballot for F. T. Little who had received a vote of 64-44-108.

	Laymen	Ministerial	Lay	Total
W. O. Atwood.....		101	71	172
Rowland Watts.....		97	54	151
Fred P. Adkins.....		86	54	140
J. H. Baker.....		88	49	137
T. P. Fisher.....		85	45	130
M. L. Veasey.....		75	52	127

A. R. Lewis.....	69	54	123
F. M. Ball.....	73	49	122
T. A. Murray.....	69	47	116
W. C. Scott.....	68	45	113

Second Ballot. The second ballot for 3 ministers and seven laymen was then ordered. The Chair excused C. P. Nowlin as one of the judges and appointed B. F. Ruley, and in order to expedite the count appointed as additional judges C. E. Dryden, G. M. Clayton, H. C. Grimes and E. C. Paige.

The judges reported at 12.30 Saturday noon:

Ministerial votes cast 116, majority 59.

Lay votes cast 69, majority 35.

No ministers elected.

Laymen elected:

H. C. Staley.....	89	49	139
G. K. Mather.....	82	42	124
H. H. Mackey.....	79	42	121

Third Ballot. The third ballot was then taken for 3 ministers and four laymen.

The judges reported Monday morning at 9.45:

Ministerial votes cast 90, majority 46.

Lay votes cast 41, majority 21.

No ministers elected.

Laymen elected:

J. P. Dodge.....	59	24	83
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Fourth Ballot. The fourth ballot was then taken for 3 ministers and 3 laymen. The judges reported at 11 o'clock:

Ministerial votes cast 107, majority 54.

Lay votes cast 67, majority 34.

Minister elected:

J. M. Sheridan.....	55	37	92
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Layman elected:

W. E. Sheppard.....	87	53	140
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Fifth Ballot. The fifth ballot was then taken for 2 ministers and 2 laymen. The judges reported at 12.15, as follows:

Ministerial votes cast 105, majority 53.

Lay votes cast 67, majority 34.

Ministers elected:

E. A. Sexsmith.....	71	40	111
F. C. Klein.....	62	41	103

Laymen elected:

Russell P. Smith.....	75	38	113
E. E. Wooden.....	63	37	100

The motion was made and carried that the Collegé take one ballot for alternates, seven ministers and seven laymen, and that those seven

receiving the highest of total number of votes cast be declared elected in order. The vote was taken and the following were elected:

Ministers

W. H. Litsinger
E. D. Stone
L. A. Randall
W. A. Melvin
P. W. Crosby
W. B. Judefind
G. E. Brown

Laymen

F. W. Whitaker
Dr. E. B. Fenby
J. H. Roberts
Dr. J. B. Jones
E. G. Cover
Dr. W. G. Monroe
R. J. Goerke

The following is the completed list of representatives and alternates elected to the General Conference:

REPRESENTATIVES

Ministers

T. H. Lewis, Washington, D. C.
J. H. Straughn, Washington, D. C.
G. I. Humphreys, Baltimore, Md.
H. L. Elderdice, Westminster, Md.
R. L. Shipley, Salisbury, Md.
L. F. Warner, Baltimore, Md.
E. C. Makosky, Newark, N. J.
A. N. Ward, Westminster, Md.
F. T. Benson, Baltimore, Md.
G. W. Haddaway, Baltimore, Md.
L. B. Smith, Wilmington, Del.
J. M. Gill, Baltimore, Md.
C. P. Nowlin, Belair, Md.
F. T. Little, Baltimore, Md.
J. M. Sheridan, Baltimore, Md.
E. A. Sexsmith, Baltimore, Md.
F. C. Klein, Baltimore, Md.

Laymen

W. O. Atwood, Baltimore, Md.
Rowland Watts, Baltimore, Md.
F. P. Adkins, Salisbury, Md.
J. H. Baker, Buckeystown, Md.
T. P. Fisher, Denton, Md.
M. L. Veasey, Pocomoke City, Md.
A. R. Lewis, Baltimore, Md.
F. R. Ball, Ballston, Va.
T. A. Murray, Baltimore, Md.
W. C. Scott, Baltimore, Md.
H. C. Staley, Baltimore, Md.
G. K. Mather, Westminster, Md.
H. H. Mackey, Elkton, Md.
J. P. Dodge, Washington, D. C.
W. E. Sheppard, Salisbury, Md.
Russell P. Smith, Cambridge, Md.
E. E. Wooden, Woodensburg, Md.

ALTERNATES

W. H. Litsinger, Baltimore, Md.
E. D. Stone, Baltimore, Md.
Louis Randall, Baltimore, Md.
W. A. Melvin, Baltimore, Md.
P. W. Crosby, Washington, D. C.
W. B. Judefind, Baltimore, Md.
G. E. Brown, Baltimore, Md.

F. W. Whitaker, Lynchburg, Va.
Dr. E. B. Fenby, Baltimore, Md.
J. H. Roberts, Baltimore, Md.
Dr. J. B. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.
E. G. Cover, Easton, Md.
Dr. W. G. Monroe, Washington, D. C.
R. J. Goerke, Newark, N. J.

The Electoral College adjourned.

F. T. LITTLE, Chairman.
J. H. STRAUGHN, Secretary.

The Memorial Roll

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day."—2 Tim. iv:7, 8.

Name	Born	Entered Conference	Died
Charles Rigby	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hays .....	.....	1830	1831
William Bamber .....	.....	1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacobs	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson .....	.....	1829	1834
William Kesley .....	.....	1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger .....	.....	1842	1842
Samuel L. Rawleigh .....	.....	1834	1843
Daniel Davies, M. D. ....	.....	1833	1844
William W. Maddux .....	.....	1838	1844
William W. Ball .....	.....	1842	1844
William H. Boardley .....	.....	1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D.	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright	1823	1849	1859
Nevelle Steele Greenaway	1824	1852	1861
William Turbert Wright	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin.....	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside	1828	1850	1866
Eli Henkle	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D.	1792	1838	1867
Thomas H. Burgess	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox	1791	1869	1870
Christian Eversole	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayghe	1844	1869	1871
John Elderdice	1814	1838	1874
John Robers	1818	1843	1875
Amon Richards	1787	1870	1876
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D.	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D.	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant	1852	1870	1877
William C. Ames, D. D. S.	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read	1846	1865	1878
Thomas M. Bryan	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Lipscomb	1792	1869	1879
Thomas Asbury Moore	1824	1845	1881
David Norwood Gilbert	1851	1873	1881

Name	Born	Entered Conference	Died
Isaac Tunnel Adkins	1808	1865	1881
Thomas Lee	1821	1857	1882
Peter Light Wilson	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray	1856	1879	1884
Henry Edward Miskimon	1845	1866	1885
Joseph Olexander McFaden	1825	1847	1885
Alfred Baker	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M. D.	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson	1843	1868	1889
Robert Thomas Smith	1850	1874	1889
Augustus Webster, D. D.	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson	1840	1864	1890
James Thompson	1819	1853	1890
Robert Wilkins Berryman	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant	1820	1846	1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D.	1867	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L..	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D.	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D.	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton	1832	1860	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson	1863	1887	1896
John Robert Nichols	1815	1838	1886
James Thomas Ward, D. D.	1820	1843	1897
Rhesa Scott Norris	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D. D.	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everist	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D.	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith	1844	1876	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day	1820	1846	1900
William Greenbury Holmes	1822	1855	1900
Lawrence Webster Bates, D. D.	1819	1840	1901
W. J. Floyd	1831	1871	1902
Jesse Shreeve	1824	1847	1902
John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D.	1834	1859	1902
Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D.	1835	1856	1902
Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D.	1830	1850	1903
Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D.	1872	1899	1903
Adolphus David Melvin, D. D.	1846	1872	1904
Abraham Downs Dick	1826	1854	1904
Charles Humphreys Littleton	1829	1852	1905
John Jackson Murray, M. D., D. D.	1824	1842	1905
William Sim Hammond, D. D.	1832	1851	1905
George Durbin Edmonston	1844	1864	1905
William Augustus Crouse	1824	1870	1905
David Wilson, M. D.	1826	1845	1906
William John Neepier	1848	1871	1906
Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D.	1817	1841	1907
Jacob Mathias Yingling	1847	1873	1907

Name	Entered		Died
	Born	Conference	
John Hewlings Stockton Ewell	1865	1889	1908
Henry Caleb Cushing, D. D.	1828	1853	1908
James Thomas Lassell, D. D.	1836	1866	1909
John Bayley Jones	1833	1860	1909
Benjamin Parker Truitt	1861	1887	1910
Solomon Ashbury Hoblitzell	1836	1859	1911
John David Kinzer, D. D.	1841	1863	1911
William Sherman Phillips	1868	1889	1912
Herbert F. Wright	1866	1896	1912
Robert Semple Rowe	1832	1865	1912
Charles Smith Arnett	1852	1875	1913
Samuel Joseph Smith, D. D.	1854	1877	1913
James Ernest Litsinger	1879	1904	1913
Jacob Ezra Nichloson	1844	1881	1913
William James Dillon Lucas	1849	1873	1914
James Earle Maloy	1834	1859	1914
Charles Walter Sanderson	1879	1911	1914
George Roberts McCready	1850	1880	1915
John Carter Poston	1833	1913	1916
Fitzhugh Lee Stevens	1866	1895	1916
Robert Thomas Tyson	1867	1908	1916
Thomas H. Wright	1840	1895	1916
Silas Baldwin Tredway, D. D.	1846	1872	1917
David Lee Greenfield, D. D.	1848	1868	1917
John Lee Straughn	1848	1870	1917
George Robert Hodge	1862	1889	1917
Edwin Oliver Ewing	1851	1884	1917
Joseph Augustus Weigand	1847	1874	1918
Charles William Cole	1887	1916	1918
John Solon Bowers, D. D.	1861	1881	1919
Robert Kendall Lewis	1865	1891	1919
Aquilla Augustus Harriman	1845	1871	1920
Walter Raleigh Graham, D. D.	1852	1873	1920
Jesse W. Norris	1856	1884	1921
Edward L. Beauchamp	1885	1909	1921
E. H. Van Dyke, D. D.	1863	1887	1921
E. A. Warfield, A. M., B. D., Ph. D.	1869	1884	1922
Charles Nathan Alexander	1879	1917	1923
William Duncan Litsinger	1839	1863	1922
Francis Thomas Tagg, D. D.	1845	1871	1924

Obituaries

FRANCIS THOMAS TAGG, A. M., D. D.

The Reverend Francis Thomas Tagg, Master of Arts, Doctor of Divinity, for more than fifty years a member of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, died in Baltimore June 18th, 1923. This simple statement records the passing of a life that impressed itself upon the whole Church and made its influence felt to the end of the earth.

Born in Carroll County, Maryland, June 2nd, 1845, he grew up in the country, availing himself of such educational facilities, as it afforded, or could be otherwise privately found by a youth of limited means. In the spring of 1870, he applied for admission into the Maryland Conference, sitting that year in Westminster, and was received. Two years later he was given elder's orders. He served in order the following charges: Queen Anne, Norfolk, Va., Salisbury, Eutaw, Easton and Georgetown, D. C. In 1884 he was elected secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions and served eight years. He was appointed in April 1892 to the pastorate of West Baltimore Station, and the next month was elected by the General Conference to the editorship of the Methodist Protestant to which he gave twenty-four years. He was a member of every General Conference from 1884 to 1916 inclusive, and was president of that body for four years beginning in 1904. He represented the denomination in the World's Missionary Conference which met in London in 1882 and in New York in 1900. He went to London again in 1901 as a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference of Methodism. Western Maryland College conferred on him the honorary degree of Master of Arts, and he received from Adrian College the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

Dr. Tagg was a man of unusual power both as to the influence and the motive of his life. In him, moving him, was a force which in youth enabled him to overcome the handicap of poor educational advantages, in manhood made him an intellectual giant, and in old age, unquieted, rendered difficult the inactivities failing health imposed upon him. The work he did, considering the amount of it and the quality, was enough to stagger an ordinary man. During his editorship he preached somewhere almost every Sunday, responding to calls far and near. He was a constructive worker; not only were the places in which he served left better than he found them, but the Aged People's Home in Westminster, and the Conference Deaconess enterprise owe their existence largely to his efforts.

As a preacher he was clear, thoughtful and convincing. His sermons were carefully prepared, usually written in full entailing enormous labor and time. And he was a popular preacher; people were always interested to hear him. Setting forth some great truth he was clear and logical; dealing with evil, especially in high places, he was caustic and fearless; calling to righteousness, he was passionate and mighty; bringing comfort to weary hearts, he was tender and moving. He knew how to woo as well as to warn. Dr. Tagg was chosen in 1921 to preach the first radio sermon broadcast from Baltimore, in which, to an audience scattered along the Atlantic coast from Washington to New Haven, he spoke on a favorite theme, the Majesty of Truth, his text being "Prove all things."

He was preeminent as a writer. His editorials were widely read, other papers quoting them frequently. They gave the Methodist Protestant a standard of excellence which ranked it high among religious journals. Throughout his occupancy of the editorial chair due to financial conditions, he received a salary far below the worth of either his service or the labor it cost him.

As its first Foreign Missionary Secretary, he developed in the Church a missionary consciousness and organized this important branch of its work upon a substantial basis. Offerings increased from the first. He introduced the Children's Day idea which has meant so very much in both missionary interest and education.

Dr. Tagg had a passion for friendship. He made friends wherever he traveled throughout the denomination and in those distant places to which the Church sent him; and because no ulterior motive influenced him, he kept his friends. He made friends for friendship sake. Probably no man was a welcome visitor in more homes of the Church from one end of it to the other. It was characteristic of him that on the occasion of his seventieth birthday, he gathered a party of friends about him at dinner in the hotel Rennert, affording those who were privileged to attend an evening they will never forget.

After retirement the shadows deepened. There was the unspeakable bereavement of wife and son. Mrs. Tagg, who previous to their marriage in 1875, was Miss Anne Dever of Queen Anne county, Maryland, a beautiful and accomplished woman, died December 23, 1918. Of their two children, Mary Edna and Stanley Dever, the latter, within two years after his mother's death, closed what had promised to be a brilliant career. Having no regular employment, Dr. Tagg often said was harder than any work he ever did. He preached as opportunity afforded and strength permitted but these occasions grew less frequent. Drawn by force of habit and desire to the desk on which he had written so many sermons and editorials, he would write little musings, not for other eyes to see or for other ears to hear but to steady his own spirit when it sagged. Some of these were found afterward, one of them, the first three lines underscored and the writing almost illegible, ran thus:

Upholding my hands! My task is almost done.
But let me not at labor cease to sing,
And from the rising to the setting sun
Each faithful hour do service for my King.

He wanted to live but presently death was here and he knew it. He met it not gladly but in the spirit of obedience, with composure and dignity. Discussing it and deliberately preparing for it, he selected the last part of the nintieth Psalm to be read at his funeral. He had no foolish illusions as to the value of his work. He knew how to assess it, but at the end it was not on this he counted. He rather prayed, "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us." Within three days of the time he was stricken, speaking of the doctrinal controversies then being waged, he declared that whatever other changes might take place in his views he would never give up his faith in the atonement of Christ Jesus.

"Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress."

The subject of one of his first sermons was "The Immortality of the Soul." This great truth he preached from the beginning and held to the end. Like many another he sought without success absolute proof for it, but he held it through Him who is Himself its surety and who said "Because I live ye shall live also."

Early Monday morning, June the eleventh, he suffered a stroke of apoplexy, lapsed into unconsciousness, and the following Monday fell asleep. Funeral services were held in his late home, participated in by the Ministerial members of this committee and the Reverend Drs. G. W. Haddaway and J. F. Heisse. The interment was in Centreville, Maryland.

W. H. LITSINGER,
H. L. ELDERDICE,
F. T. BENSON,
N. T. MEGINNISS,
T. IRVING ROTHEL,
Committee.

MRS. FRANCIS MARIE SCHAUER.

Mrs. Frances Marie Schauer, wife of Rev. Peter M. R. Schauer, of the Maryland Annual Conference, passed to her heavenly reward, August 16, 1923, after a lingering illness of about one year, during which she was a patient sufferer, only once evincing the slightest concern as to the ultimate outcome of her sufferings and possibly with that natural clinging to life and sincere desire to remain with her little family, when as her husband was tenderly endeavoring to make her as comfortable as possible, amidst the pain, the tears came unbidden, seeing the pained expression on her husband's face, with heroic self-forgetfulness she said, "Forgive me, I will not cry again."

Mrs. Schauer, who was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. George Schaffer of Baltimore, Maryland, was born on January 9, 1836, and at the age of nineteen years became the wife of Brother Schauer, September 23, 1904, entering immediately upon the many and diversified activities of an itinerant minister's wife.

Mrs. Emma Schafer, of Kennedyville, Maryland, a member of the committee, writes: "Treasured memories of the beautiful Christian life of Mrs. Schauer remain with us. During the three years of her husband's pastorate at Kennedyville we recognized the benign influence of her sweet spirit in the home, the Sunday-school, and in the church. She was in truth her husband's helpmeet, and a tender, devoted mother, endeavoring to guide wisely and well the present ones entrusted to her keeping."

Brother Schauer writes that, "As a memorial to her precious memory four of her sons have decided by the grace of God, in due time to enter upon the Gospel ministry."

Another member of the Committee says, "Mrs. Schauer was highly esteemed on every Charge where in the providence of God she and her devoted husband were called upon to labor."

She was well fortified in the Christian life and character, having received her earliest training in Bible study in the Grace English Lutheran Church and Sunday School.

Brief funeral services were conducted at the parsonage at Maryland Line, Md., on the 11th day of August, conducted by Rev. George Hines, of the Stewartstown M. P. Church, assisted by Revs. Milton Parker, of Parkton, Md., and Bert Constance, of Hereford, Md., after which the remains were taken to Baltimore, to the home of Mrs. Ewald Werner, 605 N. Linwood avenue, from which the body was taken to the St. Paul's M. P. Church, where, on August 20th, the services were conducted by Rev. F. D. Reynolds, assisted by Drs. F. T. Little, F. T. Benson and Louis Randall, the latter preaching the sermon. Six ministers of the Maryland Conference acting as pallbearers. Interment taking place in Lorraine Cemetery, Baltimore.

Mrs. Schauer is survived by her husband and her six children, Robert, Donald, Henry, LeRoy, Grace and Roland, and her mother, Mrs. George Schaffer.

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

F. D. REYNOLDS,
LOUIS RANDALL,
MRS. EMMA SCHAFER,
GEORGE R. RASIN, Committee.

Conference Sermon

JOHN 12:21.

"SIR, WE WOULD SEE JESUS."

Subject—The Great Objective.

REV. P. W. CROSBY

The feast of the Passover was on at Jerusalem. It was the greatest religious festival of the Jews. Not only those who were Jews by birth, but all others who were converts to the Jewish faith were required to attend the Passover which occurred once a year.

Among those who came up to the feast were certain Greeks who were designated "proselytes of the gates," but these being Greeks by birth, and Jews only by religion, were not entitled to all the privileges of the feast. Only certain minor rights were allowed them. From the Jewish point of view, it seemed a great concession that they were admitted to their fellowship at all. The Jews could thus deny their foreign adherents of certain material rights, but they could not deprive them of the great spiritual blessings.

The Greeks attending the Passover had not come from a distant land—perhaps from nearby Galilee—but they had come from traditions and customs widely separated from the Jewish customs and thought. According to the Jewish estimate the Gentiles were without hope of salvation, except through the generosity of Jewry. It is very evident, however, that the Gentile world possessed a yearning desire for a redeemer. Hence the request of the Greeks, "we would see Jesus."

Whether this request was mere curiosity, intelligent interest, or spiritual yearning we are not told. Of the many motives which may prompt men to seek Jesus the spiritual by far predominates. Suppose we conclude that something of each of these motives entered into the request of the Greeks, would not the measure of benefit justify the method of approach? For the important thing is not how shall we come, but "Sir, we would see Jesus."

This petition of the Greeks was not the mere bubblings of ignorance and superstition, but the intelligent cry of the soul seeking after God. For the ancient Greeks were supreme in intellectual power, culture, and skill. In arts, the world has never surpassed their works in marble. In literature, they have left for all ages their deep impress upon the literature of the world. Thus we observe that the world is greatly indebted to the Greeks for their valuable contribution to the higher attainments of civilization, but far greater than this we are forever indebted to the Greeks for having been the chosen agents of God to introduce the Gentile world to its Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. A new era had come in the history of the world. The stream of Messianic influence had overflowed the boundaries of Jewry and had touched the shores of the Gentiles.

The Desire of the Greeks—The Universal Desire of Mankind.

The Greeks at the Passover spoke in terms far greater than they knew. They expressed in clear, concise language, not only the desire of their own hearts, but the supreme desire of mankind. For man, in all stages of development, whether barbarian, heathen or civilized, has innate in him the consciousness of a being above him, superior and supreme, which he respects, adores or worships, according to his perception of such a being. God, recognizing this natural tendency of man, has undertaken to supply his greatest desires in the gift of Jesus Christ to the world, who bids men to look unto Him and live.

Throughout the ages God has sought to manifest Himself to men in various ways. To this end He gave His only begotten Son, who taught men that "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father." Wherever the influence of Jesus Christ has gone, men, like the Greeks, have wanted to see Jesus. This is the universal desire of man. Meet him on the street, see him at his business, walk with him the highways of life and if you could look into the very depth of his being, you would discover, that highest of all desires, "Sir, we would see Jesus."

This great desire, in the providence of God, is woven like a golden thread into the very fabric of man's being. Why the holy manger in Bethlehem, the Galilean ministry, the cross of Calvary, the empty tomb, the blessings of Pentacost, the gospel story, if not to reveal unto men the Christ? Was it not in answer to the prayer of the human heart, "we would see Jesus?"

Successful men in all walks of life are men of vision. The business man must be able to see through a proposition if he is to determine the result thereof. The artist must first see the picture before it can be produced on the canvas. The sculptor must see in the marble, his objective, before the mallet and chisel are set to work. The same is true of the man who is to reproduce the likeness of Christ in his own life. He must first have had very clear, definite, and comprehensive visions of that life. Therefore, Christ must be set forth to men in the best possible manner. To this end multitudes have toiled. Men of ordinary talents and men of great learning have devoted their lives to the holy task of showing Jesus to the world. It has been said by another. "For the past fifty years what the scholars and students of Europe have been trying to do is to see Jesus; it is to get back behind what they think later traditions, what they think accretions on the old faith, what they think disfigurements in art; back to the real Jesus who walked the streets of Jerusalem and climbed the hills of Galilee. 'Sir, we would see Jesus,' is the cry of the modern student today." It is not only the cry of scholarship and the great student body of today, but it is the cry of the common people as well. It is the cry of the pulpit and the pew; it is the cry of the masses that throng the highways of life; it is the cry of the countless multitudes in heathen lands; it is the universal cry of humanity. He who made man and marked him with His own image, likewise made him capable and desirous of fellowshiping with Him. The cry may not be audible, the individual himself may not be conscious of it, but in his breast is that supreme desire for contact and fellowship with the Creator, who may be intimately known or feebly felt after.

To me it is significant that the Greeks made application to Phillip and Andrew for information concerning Jesus. They naturally would be in a position to help them. They were representatives of the Christian ministry. If they could not aid them, to whom should they go, for the ministry must ever be the natural exponents of the Christ? In order to reveal Christ to men the minister must himself have had a clear, convincing and satisfying vision of Jesus. He cannot properly speak of Him whom he has not known, and he cannot know Him except he hath seen Him. What a blessed privilege it is to see Jesus. Not with these physical eyes, but with the eye of faith. The powers of discernment of the physical eyes are marked with boundaries beyond which they cannot go, but the eye of faith knows no limitations. It may fathom the deepest sea, or climb to the highest heavens. By this means the soul of man comes in contact with the Christ, and Christ pleased to reveal Himself to him.

Perhaps it is true that more energy and intelligence has been exerted by men in an effort to discover, with more certainty, knowledge about God and His truth, than any other subject ever claiming the attention of men. In all ages great scholars and men of religious convictions have devoted their time and talents to the task of finding out God, that He might be more clearly seen, thoroughly appreciated, and devoutly worshiped by mankind. This is a holy purpose and we would wish for it a holy ending.

While great scholars and religionists have been seeking for the truth many of them seem to have gotten sidetracked, and according to the judgment of some of us, have wandered into strange, if not forbidden paths. They have come back to us, and would persuade us to forsake the peace and comfort of a simple faith in the teachings of the Bible, and go with them to dwell in that cold and icy region of doubt and speculation, as to which they themselves cannot agree. In our colleges, universities, seminaries, and pulpits many of these men are found, from which vantage ground emanate strange preach men, which is diluted, polluted and poisonous, destroying the faith of many. We look for a supplement and they cherished beliefs, and they offer us a substitute. We ask for bread and they give us a stone. We ask to see Jesus and they show us a shadow, a phantom, a ghost from the graveyard. Their sermons are high sounding and scholarly, but soulless. Their books are well written, attractively bound and extensively advertised, but through their pages runs the ever present question mark, like scarlet thread, and both he who hears and he who reads, like he who "feedeth on ashes" is full but unsatisfied, for there can be no substitute for Jesus Christ to a hungry soul. The intellect may be fed on the finest of the wheat with great profit thereto, but the soul cannot thrive on the chaff.

Education is Insufficient.

Education has been the greatest contributing factor in the religious world, second only to the spiritual contribution. As education has progressed, not only has civilization improved, but christianity has been wonderfully blessed. Like many other good things, education has not been without its evil effects. Anti-Christ, self-constituted prophets, reformers of righteousness, originators of Christless theologies, and sponsors of many other fads and fancies, in the main, emanate from the ranks of scholarship. Their teaching, for this reason, is the more dangerous. Education and religion

should be the best of friends. Whatever religion may be able to accomplish without education, education without religion is a failure.

Dr. John J. Tigert, the United States commissioner of education at Harvard University, has this to say, "If education consists in the evolution of the man's inherent capacities or untying the bundle of possibilities; if religion be the universal phenomenon among men, and if great thinkers find God indispensable to the explanation of reality, then education which lacks the religious element is certainly seriously defective. Ethical teaching is insufficient, for how shall we direct the will, and train the heart, as we enlighten the intellect? Naught but religious feeling, the inspiration of the soul, and faith in God can accomplish this. Even ethical teaching and morality, though helpful, will not suffice. France has given non-religious moral training a more thorough trial perhaps than any other nation. And yet, says an eminent authority, 'In fifty years criminality has increased three-fold, though there was scarcely any increase in population. This statement was made before the war and does not comprehend the violent increase of crime since the war.' One French professor complained, 'My prize pupil in morals is the biggest knave of the lot.' Morality is indeed the worthy help-mate of religion, but history and experience reveal over and over again that it cannot be a substitute for it." It is very evident that man's greatest need is Jesus Christ. Give him everything else and deprive him of Christ and he is yet unsupplied, unhappy and a failure.

Preaching—A Help Or A Hindrance.

The christian minister is pre-eminently a teacher, a warm friend of education. For ordinary purposes it may not be desirable to separate preachers from other teachers, but for our present purpose we shall treat them as a particular class of teachers. While the professors subject may be secular, the preachers subject is always sacred, and he can have but one theme, namely, "Jesus Christ, and Him crucified." How necessary it is that he know his subject! He cannot know Him except he shall see Him. To attempt to preach without a vision of Christ is to assume a pre-posterous position, and clearly indicates that the preacher has no proper conception of his high and holy task. His fitness to minister to men is determined by the vision his own soul has received of Christ. One may ask, "Is he called to be an educator?" Yes. "Is he called to be an example in morals?" Yes, and many other fine and noble traits of character, but these are not his primary task. His one task is to set forth Jesus Christ to a dying world.

To see Jesus, and to be the representative of Him to the world, is the absolute vocation of the ministry. By virtue of his office he is in immediate and constant contact with God and man. Certainly the preacher must conceive that his own soul's greatest desire is to see Jesus, but let him not forget that it is likewise the greatest desire of the man in the pew. He is looking up to the pulpit, hungering and thirsting to see Jesus. He has come to the church to have broken to him the bread of life. He has a perfect right to expect this of his preacher. But alas and alack, too often they may truthfully say, "I was an hungered, and ye gave me no meat; I was thirsty and ye gave me no drink." Because he ministered not to them, to the preacher it may be said, "In as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me."

When the preacher turns to the Bible to read the holy Word, when he engages in private devotions, when he prepares his message to men his one supreme objective is to see Jesus. But when he takes his place in the pulpit he must remember that emanating from every heart before him is the cry, "Sir, we would see Jesus," and he must answer their cry. He is not to preach current topics, nor the latest discovery of science. He is not called upon to settle national and international affairs in his pulpit, nor even to adjust various theological differences that may arise from time to time, but his sole business is to preach Jesus, in answer to the call and needs of his people. He should be expert in this, if deficient in everything else, for many, both in the pew and the pulpit, are seeing strange things instead of Jesus. They have had either an imperfect vision, or no vision at all. Distorted vision is the controlling influence in the lives of many people.

While Jesus was on earth, there were many who saw Him with the physical eye who never saw the real Jesus. Some saw only a glutton and a winebibber, some saw a man beside himself, some saw a man possessed with a demon. Even Mary, who knew Him well, and loved Him so, once supposed He was a gardener. Many persons today, who can see by faith only, have a very imperfect conception of Jesus. It is therefore, the preacher's duty, in the selection, treatment and presentation of his message, to so set forth Jesus Christ that men may come to know Him, whom to know aright is life eternal. For "Human hearts are sinful and need forgiveness; they are stained and need cleansing; they are weak and need strengthening; they are sorrowful and need comforting; they are astray and need guiding, and Jesus Christ, and He only, can meet these needs."

By Divine order and human custom the christian ministry has been made the chief exponent of the Christ. To the man in the pulpit, the man in the pew looks for a revelation of Jesus. The text, the title of his sermon, and the message itself, should each be contributing factors in bringing the man in the pew face to face with his Lord. For this, and nothing else, he sits in the pew. For this, and nothing else, the preacher stands in the pulpit. If the preacher fails in this one thing he fails in every thing.

Secularizing The Pulpit.

The Bible, the preacher's Divinely given text book, is rich in topics and subject matter. The deeper one digs into this mine of precious truth, the richer it becomes. And the more one reads the sacred page, the more it has to convey to his mind and heart. The Bible has not outlived its usefulness, but constantly becomes richer as the years go by. But for some reason many preachers have forsaken the Bible and are exploring other fields to find topics better suited to their notions. Perhaps they consider the Bible too small and simple for their overgrown intellects. Perhaps they have discovered that the man in the pew has grown tired of the good old gospel themes and desires a substitute. But this would not justify the departure, for it is certainly the business of the preacher to raise the people up to the high standards of the gospel, rather than to reduce the gospel to the lowly wishes of the people. Nevertheless, it is true that many preachers are using strange topics in the pulpit. They are gleaned from every department of secular life. Apparently for no other purpose than to arouse the curiosity of the people and to catch the crowds.

From church bulletins, and a certain Saturday evening paper, published in the most popular city in the world, I have gleaned the following Sunday sermon topics: "Keeping up with the Joneses," "Why the Dinner Bell Didn't Ring," "The Broom," "Which One of the Apostles Wore the Largest Hat," "A Canary at the North Pole," "A Man with Beautiful Eyes," "An Evening of Favorite Poems," "My Candidate and His Platform," "The Reality and Romance of the Daily Newspaper." Gathered from other sources: "Slip, Slips and Slippers," "Swat the Fly," "The Honeymoon," "My Mother-in-law," "Three White Mice," "Pulling Out a Plum," "Street Car Ventilation," "A Man with His Nose Out of Joint," and last, "The Ass Tied to the Door: Without." What a ridiculous array. Who can tell whether it is comedy or church performance? How spiritually dry a preacher's soul must be who finds it necessary to select such topics as these. We believe that it is neither pleasing nor profitable to God nor man. It can never be justifiable on the part of the preacher to exchange the sublime for the ridiculous. Laymen do not appreciate this compromise of the minister's high office, and many of them are expressing their dissatisfaction in plain language. Some are leaving the church. I quote from a gentleman, recently in public life, who has this to say, among other things, "The curse of 'topics' has been the ruin of the pulpit. This year has seen a rush of ministers to Europe, and every city in the country is deluged with series of sermons on European conditions. This is what makes the intelligent church-goer tired. If only the ministry were expert in its own field the condemnation of its aberrations would not be so severe. The Bible has fallen to the level of a motto-book, from which suitable passages may be selected to place at the beginning of sermons. Everyone knows, the vast majority of sermons today are neither literature nor religion. If the christian church is looking for novelty, it might try Christianity—certainly the theme would be new to millions of its adherents." This is sharp language. And as applying to the ministry as a whole, it is a malicious slander. But there are many ministers to whom these charges may be appropriately applied. The author of the quoted words claims to represent a large number of laymen who hold like views of the ministry of today. This but indicates that what men desire most from the pulpit, whether they be highly educated, moderately educated, or not educated at all, is sermons whose foundation and super-structure is Jesus Christ. Go where you will, to the rich or poor, the bond or free, the Greeks or Barbarians, the cry is ever the same, audible or inaudible, "Sir, we would see Jesus." To this end the ministry should devote its powers solely.

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Perverting The Truth.

There is another class of men in the pulpit today, who have caused no little contention and confusion, both among ministers and laymen; not because they have secularized their preaching, but because of their absurd theological views. Their sermons bear the earmarks of the genuine, and for this reason they are the more dangerous. Usually these men are notable for their scholarship and leadership in their denominations. They are able to present their views in attractive form, and to enforce them with skillful logic. Thus they are able to persuade many to forsake the faith of their fathers and to embrace that which is new. To many persons anything new and novel is always attractive. They cannot be content with the old

fountains, which have flowed in unceasing stream through the ages, bringing joy, comfort and peace to the multitudes. So they dig new wells, but to many of us their waters are bitter and unsatisfying. They lack refreshment even, to say nothing of quenching the thirst of the soul, for the soul can be satisfied with nothing but Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Saviour of the world. Yet the ambition of some is to reduce Christ to a minimum. By so doing they cut off the source of their spiritual power, for it is a fact that the ministry of these reformers of religion is without spiritual significance. No great revivals are forthcoming, no sinners are being saved by their preaching. These men have laughed at John Wesley, and junked his theology, but Wesley's ministry answered the purposes of God and the needs of men. His was a soul-saving ministry. He was a reformer, but a constructive reformer. That his life and ministry were ordained of God there can be no doubt; this great man, "being dead yet speaketh." His followers may now be numbered by the millions. But with Wesley Jesus Christ was a reality. We believe that it is to such a ministry that men are called; that is to a ministry of which Jesus Christ is the chief corner stone.

Modern intellectuals seem able to account for the creation without the Deity, and consign the book of Jonah to the realm of nursery tales. The miraculous conception is discarded, and Christ is regarded as only a good man. As to the resurrection, they have a most excellent theory that renders unnecessary the resurrection of the body, therefore the body of Jesus must still be in the tomb. Can anyone imagine that such preaching will ever save the world? Can it be true that for nearly two thousand years the christian world has been astray as to the truth as it is in Christ? Does anyone believe that that grand array of martyrs of the early church died to perpetuate a falsehood, and therefore died in vain? Is it sane to suppose that God has hitherto kept, hidden in His own breast, the fundamental truths of salvation, and has just begun to reveal them to men? It cannot be. So let us hold fast to our faith, "It was good for Paul and Silas, and its good enough for me."

The great objective with men in this generation, as in others, is "Sir, we would see Jesus." To this end we must have a ministry that preaches a gospel after the order of John the Baptist in the wilderness; Jesus Christ in the sermon on the mount; Peter at Pentacost; Paul at Mars Hill. The characteristic elements in their preaching were a denunciation of sin, an appeal to the sinner to forsake his sins, and a recommendation that he promptly accept Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour. This is the old order, and it is the new. For the christian minister can have no other point of attack than sin in the sinners heart. He can have nothing else to recommend than Jesus Christ and Him crucified. There can be no substitute, though many are striving for things that are new, seeming to think that this is a mark of high scholarship.

It is said that Demosthenes told Athens only what Athens knew, that he simply blew upon the peoples hearts, and kindled them into a flame. What the people most need is not so much new truth, as new and more vivid conceptions of the truth they already have. Therefore we cannot appreciate the men who secularize their preaching, nor abide in patience those whose ambition is to so modify the Scriptures as that they nullify them. They seem determined to cut away the very heart of the Bible, and to amputate the

strong right arm of our Lord, which done, we have nothing left worth preserving. Our redemption is gone, our hope of heaven is gone, and we are of all men, most miserable. We cannot stand by and witness such a procedure without a protest. For we want to see Jesus, and we will welcome nothing that dims our vision, from whatever source. We want to see the real Christ, not a headless Christ, not a heartless Christ, not a powerless Christ, but the Christ, "Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead." This is the kind of a Christ the gospels offer to the world, and this is the kind of a Christ our souls crave, and in the finding of which are satisfied.

Exponents Of The Truth.

Are we to understand that this criticism of ministerial methods is applicable to all ministers? Not at all, for the great majority of men who occupy the pulpit of today are conscientious, consecrated, intellectual men, who count not their lives dear unto themselves, that they might preach Jesus Christ to the world. Of them it may be said, in the language of Paul, "What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. And I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord." This army of godly men have turned their backs upon the world, have shut their eyes to worldly scenes, and have had but one objective as did Paul, "That I may know Him, and the power of his resurrection." They have had but one task, namely, "This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

These men have kept the fires burning brightly upon the alters, because they have not wandered from the cross, nor veiled its majestic attractions with the speculations of men. They have presented, explained and emphasized the fundamental truths of the gospel with such spiritual force, and intellectual strength that the pulpit has become the power of God. Many of these men have stood on the Mount of Olives with Jesus, they have been in Gethsemene with Jesus, and they have gone to Calvary with Jesus. The wicked may call them failures, but the righteous rise up and call them blessed. Having seen Jesus these men's lives have been rich in great blessings, that have multiplied the joy, and peace, and comfort of mankind. Under the inspiration of their vision great books have been written that carry the love of God to the heart of the reading public. Great sermons have been preached that have broken the hardened heart of sinful men and turned them to Jesus Christ. Masterpieces have been produced, by artists in whose soul Jesus has first portrayed His own likeness. Great hymns have been born, by poets who have seen Jesus, on the wings of which, many a soul has been carried to the bosom of Christ. To illustrate, we are told that, "When George Matheson realized that he was going blind he wrote a letter to his fiancée offering to release her from her covenant of love because of his certain blindness. To his surprise and deep regret, she ac-

cepted the proffered release. The young poet-preacher was plunged into a veritable Gethsemene of sorrow. In time, however, his feet found the Rock of Ages; he became aware of another who was "acquainted with grief." He went to his desk and in the travail of his soul, a great hymn was born. Sore and sick at heart for the love that had let him go, he wrote:

"O love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine Ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be."

Then, as victory over his impending affliction found utterance, he wrote that wonderful second stanza, a prayer of resignation with which few of us could face the defeat and disappointment of blindness:

"O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee.
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be."

Mounting yet Higher, with the same note of noble victory he wrote:

"O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be."

And, finally, conscious of the spirit of victory in Him who transformed the cross from a symbol of defeat to an emblem of supreme victory, he penned the closing lines:

"O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red-
Life that shall endless be."

How May We See Jesus.

Precious things are not strewn by the wayside, nor are pearls cast before swine. Men do not "gather grapes of thorns, nor figs of thistles" yet they may have both grapes and figs. There is a way to obtain either or both. He who would obtain must find the way and pursue it. So, there is a way that leads to wealth, to fame, to success, to happiness. If any man will make these things his goal in life, he must first find the right path and follow therein. Our objective will determine our course. Hence we would not turn to the world for spiritual benefits. If we seek such things we must not "grovel here below," but must fix our eyes on "Things above." Christ dwells in the valleys, but His delight is in the mountains. So he who would see Jesus must "lift up his eyes and look."

One may see Jesus in nature's manifestations of Him, and they are all around us. He clotheth the lilies; He feedeth the sparrows; He maketh the cedars to grow; He giveth fragrance to the rose, and beauty to the violet. Indeed His mark is upon all creation. For "without Him was not anything

made that was made." Nevertheless, men are not content with such a disclosure of Christ. They seek a close-up view of their Lord, and He is nowhere else revealed as He is in the Holy Scriptures. "They are they which testify of me" said He. A thorough, painstaking, spirit-directed study of the Word of God is destined to bring the individual face to face with Jesus.

The New Testament contains five interesting and attractive photographs of Jesus. They are the four Gospels and the Epistles of Paul. Here in this sacred gallery of fine art, with its fivefold exhibit of masterpieces, may be seen recorded the names of the five greatest artists the world has ever known, namely, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Paul. Others have come forth into the arena of life, from time to time and have wielded a skillful brush. The world called them geniuses, and applauded them profusely, but they wrought for time only. Their works are destined to decay, while those artists whose names adorn the pages of the New Testament have immortalized both themselves and their work. They have produced a work that is of a twofold character, human and Divine. The human element is very apparent, but the Divine predominates. These men, like other holy men of old, wrote as they were moved of God. Hence we have in the gospels, a picture of Jesus no artist can paint. Jesus is not only the subject matter, but He is the life of these portraits. Take Christ out of the Gospels and the Epistles and you have left only a jumble of meaningless phrases. But thank God on every page of the gospels we have a revelation of Jesus, in every paragraph He may be seen, in every verse He is discernible. For this reason we love the Book. We read its pages with supreme delight. We listen to its wonderful declarations with rapt attention. Therefore, whoever would see Jesus let him enter the portal of the New Testament, remove his travel soiled sandals, and adjust his world distorted vision to the hallowed scenes about him. He will first behold the Christ of prophecy, "Thou shalt call His name Jesus." He may next behold the Christ in the manger at Bethlehem; then in the temple, in the arms of Simeon; at the age of twelve, at the feast of the passover; next, by the Jordan to be baptized; in the wilderness, tempted of the devil; on the shores of Galilee choosing His disciples; preaching, healing, performing miracles; sitting at the table in the upper room; in the garden of Gethsemane, agonizing; betrayed by Judas; in Pilate's hall, buffeted, spat upon, condemned; crucified on the cross; laid away in the tomb; arisen from the dead; ascended into heaven. What a portrayal of the Man Divine! Who can behold the Christ, thus depicted in the gospels without obtaining a saving knowledge of his Lord? He who would see Jesus needs but to turn to the New Testament, and with the poet pray:

"Divine Instructor, gracious Lord,
Be thou forever near;
Teach me to love thy sacred word,
And view my Saviour there."

The Blessed Effect Of Seeing Jesus.

It would not be worth while to seek and find our Lord, if there were no benefits accruing to the individual. But happily the blessings attending such efforts are immeasurably great. Men may seek earthly gains, as wealth, honor, fame, and utterly fail. But they who would see Jesus need have no

misgivings about the success of their efforts. They cannot fail. Christ is pleased to have all men everywhere seek Him. And in His own language said, "Seek, and ye shall find." "Look unto me and be ye saved, all ye ends of the earth." Whoever sets himself the task, or puts himself in the way of discovering Jesus Christ, immediately releases a flood-tide of Divine promises which flow into his soul like a mighty river. Peace, joy and happiness are the first fruits of their labors. But infinitely more than this, their lives are transformed and they become new creatures in Christ Jesus. Paul explains it thus, "Beholding as in a glass the image of the Lord, we are changed into the same image from glory to glory even as by the spirit of the Lord." When Moses came down from the Mount of God, his face shone so with the brightness of His glory, that he veiled his face before the people. When the rulers of the Jews beheld Peter and John, and took account of their boldness, they said: "These men have been with Jesus." What a compliment! Though it was not intended as such. This is the secret of the greatness of the early disciples. In that day the pathway of discipleship was often a pathway of martyrdom, and the witness for Jesus had to witness with his shed blood as well as with his spoken word. They had been with Jesus, and in the language of Paul to the Romans could say, "In all things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Seeing Jesus, obeying Him and serving Him, produces the highest type of manhood. We cannot fail of our gratitude to Jesus for He soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fears.

We have heard it said that past blessings will not suffice. But they should be stepping stones to greater blessings helping us on to God. So, whatever may have been our good fortune in the past, we need to come again and again into His holy presence, for instruction, for inspiration, and for induement with power. Not only in nature, and in the Scriptures, nor in the lives of godly men and women may we see Jesus but also in the ordinances of the church. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper, instituted the same night He was betrayed, sets forth the Lord's dear. "Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary." By faith we have seen the pierced hands and feet, the bleeding side, the thorn-crowned brow. We know that He suffered, bled and died to save poor lost sinners, such as we all are. "What a wonderful Saviour is Jesus my Lord." For Him the great heart of the world is yearning. And men are crying out at our very gates, "Sir, we would see Jesus."

"We would see Jesus,' for the shadows lengthen,
 Across this little landscape of our life;
 'We would see Jesus,' our weak faith to strengthen,
 For the last weariness—the final strife.
 'We would see Jesus,' the great rock foundation,
 Whereon our feet were set by sovereign grace;
 Not life nor death, with all their agitation,
 Can thence remove us, if we see His face."

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Number	Charge	President's Salary		Maryland Conference Budget		Children's Day	Special for For. Mis.	Y. P. M.'s. Md Union	W. F. M. S.	Easter Off. Home Mis.	Spec. for Home Mis.	W. H. M. S.	Rally Day Y. P. Wk.	Educational Day	Total Credits	Pd. on Bdg. Less Cr.
		Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid											
1	Accomac, Va.....	30	30	198	198	106								10	116	
2	Amelia, Va.....	19	19	123	123											42
	Baltimore															
3	Alnutt Memorial.....	53	53	343	343	27	10	25	200			250	26	10	548	604
4	Baltimore Circuit.....	28	28	181	181	149			102				7	12	270	232
5	Brooklyn.....	35	35	222	222	85	93	46	210		74	100	120	60	50	838
6	Calvary.....	34	34	223	223	29			154				17	24	13	237
7	Chesaco Park.....	9	8	53	36	3					7					10
8	Christ Church.....	91	91	585	585	150	25	60	270			363	50	33	951	182
9	East Baltimore.....	35	35	227	227	25			91		25		25	25	191	665
10	Edmondson Ave.....	3	3	35	35	16	13				7		11		47	83
11	Eutaw.....	40	40	260	260	141		283	260		98		404	82	1268	
12	Evergreen.....	20	20	132	132	25			56				40		121	
13	Glenburnie.....	23	23	147	147	27		10							37	178
14	Grace.....	42	42	272	272	25	111		24				21	13	194	
15	Graceland Park.....	4	4	23	23	13							8	2	23	
16	Hampden.....	107	107	695	695	829		40	163						1032	166
17	Keen Memorial.....	36	36	229	229	120			35		25				180	
18	Lauraville.....	21	21	132	132	58	23						50	32	163	60
19	Linthicum Heights.....	30	30	195	195	45	25	10	92		20		69	26	16	303
20	Lowe Memorial.....	56	56	357	357	175	25	15	111			10	40	43	419	160
21	Marley.....	12	12	79	79	4								7	11	98
22	North Baltimore.....	62	62	401	401	372	312		410				260	100	1454	61
23	Payson Street.....	19	19	121	121								60		60	10
24	South Baltimore.....	38	38	241	241	58	210	125	50			268	50	75	75	911
25	Starr.....	92	92	594	594	240		25	145		40		500	30	50	1330
26	St. John's.....	85	85	554	554	47	414		727				350	43	1581	514
27	St. Paul's.....	43	43	277	200	10	10				10		10	15	55	
28	Trinity.....	22	22	144	125	25			53					25	103	
29	Violetville.....	15	15	96	96	40		10	75		31		12	25	218	145
30	Waverly.....	14		90												
31	West Baltimore.....	82	82	528	528	650		180	400		125	95	400	25	25	1900
32	Wilton Heights.....	39	39	253		17	146	15	58				127	21	384	
33	Bedford, Pa.....	30	30	191	9	66									66	
34	Belair.....	31	31	200	200	65	8				7		5	7	92	45
35	Bivalve.....	25	25	160	160	28						3	19		50	2
36	Buckeystown.....	41	41	266	266	122			204		34		137	31	16	544
37	Cambridge.....	41	41	264	264	42	296	136			31	246	36	100	114	1001
38	Cambridge Ct.....	11	11	73	73	11	10								13	34
39	Cannon, Del.....	20	20	129	129	30							8		6	44
40	Caroline.....	22	22	139	139	63							16	5	84	262
41	Carroll.....	16	14	104	31	20			13			79	18	25	155	
42	Cecil.....	23	23	146	142	57							9	13	79	30
43	Centreville.....	23	23	151	151	45						16	15		76	
44	Chestertown.....	52	52	332	332	205					20	130	100	100	26	658
45	Chincoteague, Va.....	13	13	84		14			71				77		53	208
46	Clayton, Del.....	32	32	209	209	60	91						18	8	177	
47	Concord, Pa.....	23	23	148	118	63								9	72	
48	Conquest, Va.....	16	16	105	75	25								13	38	
	Crisfield															
49	Crisfield.....	58	58	376	376	138		10	202		60		100	80	45	635
50	Lawsonia.....	9	9	61	61											150
51	Mariners.....	30	30	193	35	50								23	73	65
52	Crumpton.....	9	9	57	57									8	8	20
53	Cumberland 1st Church.....	38	38	250	250	25	50	5			25			18	123	277

AND LOCAL INTERESTS

Ass'd	General Conference Budget		Total Assessments		Percentage Paid on Total Assessments		Miscel. Gen'l Int.	Total Paid Gen'l Int's		Ass'd	Pastor's Salary		Rental Value of Parsonage	Current Expenses	Paid on Building and Improvements	Paid on Debt	Paid for Interest on Debt	Miscellaneous Local	Total Paid for Local Interests	Total Paid for all Purposes	Number		
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757	137	988	368	37	236	604	1200	1200					480	500	50			75	2305	2909		34	
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1004	1004	1311	1311	100	2267	3578	1500	1500					250	656	223			490	559	3188	6766		36
1001	1001	1306	1306	100	302	1608	2000	2000					300	700	250			119	525	3894	5502		37
278	67	362	151	42		151	800	800					110	20	350			69		1500		38	
489	44	638	193	23	34	227	1025	992					125	175				396	1688	1915		39	
524	346	685	507	74	182	689	1050	1050					120	250	250			201	1871	2560		40	
392	155	512	200	39	115	315	700	700						50	500					1250	1565		41
556	109	724	274	27	241	515	1000	1000					200	307				372	1879	2394		42	
571	76	745	250	34	178	423	1500	1500					300	1262	3500	200	165	190	7117	7545		43	
1255	1000	1639	1384	84	1709	3093	2000	2000					500	1000	500			541	4541	7634		44	
319	208	416	221	53	56	277	1200	1200					150	197	511	24	24	417	2523	2800		45	
792	177	1033	418	40	90	508	1400	1400					200	290	200	70	2	200	2362	2870		46	
562	72	733	213	29	56	266	900	900					50	77	242			192	1461	1730		47	
397	38	518	129	25	43	172	600	680					145	249	126	1000	413	56	2669	2841		48	
1423	785	1857	1219	66	287	1506	2400	2400					200	1260	120			76	1214	5270	6776		49
229	65	299	135	45	20	155	1200	1200						600	200			70	1060	3130	3285		50
731	73	954	138	14	10	148	1500	1500					100	193				30	874	2697	2345		51
216	28	282	94	33		94	600	600					75	174	260			79	1188	1282		52	
945	400	1233	688	56	462	1150	1700	1700					500	1369	1790	2798	94	335	8586	9736		53	

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		Ass'd	Ass'd														Paid Salary
54	Mapleside and Fairview	13	13	86	86	6						7	14	22			
55	Melvin Chapel	12	12	77	39	25		11				15		51			
56	Deer Creek	14	14	89	89	45							9	62			
57	Deer Park	29	29	190	190	107						62		169	15		
58	Delmar, Del.	28	28	181	181	30								30		14	
59	Delta, Pa.	28	28	180	180	300	114	50	82	25	40	20	25	25	681		
60	Denton	28	28	177	177	136		97	111	25	35	17	35	456	21		
61	Dorchester	22	22	145	145	55					19	2	8	95		9	
62	Dover, Del.	19	19	126	126	80			60				20	183		16	
63	Easton	35	35	226	226	101			80				25	245			
64	Elizabeth, N. J.	29	29	187	187	31				11			12	10	69	17	
65	Fairfax, Va.	15	15	99	99	81					50		54	48	233		
66	Fawn Grove, Pa.	38	38	242	242	94	119	50	16			61	2	342		77	
67	Federalburg	29	29	185	149	81			32				24	25	162		
68	Felton, Del.	13	13	83	73	11							4	15			
69	Finksburg	35	35	222	222	88	95		103		20	68	32	13	419	110	
70	First Church, Newark	126	126	820	820	152	252	25	674	133		199	51	36	1522	1950	
71	Franklin City, Va.	27	27	176	176	52						31	9	92	15		
72	Frederick	24	24	152	152	51	27		117	13	7		25	240	64		
73	Georgetown, Del.	27	27	175	175	20						15	12	57		91	
74	Greenbush and Tasley	16	16	102	102	105				57			130	95	387		
75	Greensboro	3		18													
76	Greenwood, Del.	26	26	165	165	116						35	10	161	244		
77	Grove	15	15	100	100	35							3	38			
78	Harbeson, Del.	17	17	113	113	10								10			
79	Harmony, W. Va.	16	16	104	104	16	16				15	23	16	14	100		
80	Harpers Ferry, W. Va.	20	20	129	129	33	16				5		18	19	91	20	
81	Harrington, Del.	32	32	208	208	65	15				12	21	15	128			
82	Hawley Memorial, Pa.	4	4	29	29	50	10		37			11	12	26	146		
83	Howard	38	38	246	246	88								88	412		
84	Hurlock	26	26	167	167	80		10				36	50	50	226	250	
85	Indian River	4	4	24	24							6		6	47		
86	Kempton	46	46	296	178	175					10		5	11	201		
87	Kennedyville	21	21	139	139	22	13	12	7			13	13	12	9	101	52
88	Kent Island	13	13	85	85	26									26	136	
89	Laurel, Del.	43	43	275	275	132		50		45			100	28	355	331	
90	Laurel Ct.	22	22	142	63												
91	Leeds	21	21	138	138	100	86					60	25	6	277		
92	Leipsic, Del.	10	10	68	68	50							8	58	22		
93	Lewes, Del.	7	7	44	44	51								51	116		
94	Lewistown	11	11	73	73	6					7			22	96		
95	Liberty	18	18	113	113	24								29	88		
96	Lisbon	38	38	246	162	170	11						2	3	29	88	
97	Lynchburg, Va.	29	29	187	187	80		73		20	25	50	15	196	39		
98	Mardela	29	29	190	150	25							5	253	100		
99	Middleway, W. Va.	3		19									10	35	54		
100	Milford, Del.	42	42	239	239	110						4	6	10			
101	Milton, De.l.	23	23	148	148	80		9				25	37	181	236		
102	Mt. Nebo	28	28	193	37	112						6	80	11	177		
103	New Church, Va.	31	31	200	200	225	114			25			13	18	143		
104	Newmarket	35	35	225	225	54							51	20	458	316	
105	Nichols Memorial	17	17	111	111	40	5						16	7	82		
106	Northumberland, Va.	33	33	213	213	50								40			
107	Oak Grove, Va.	12	12	92	40	40							5	55	2		
108	Oxford	18	18	117	135	44		90			43		27	22	226	61	

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Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid
325	50	424	149	35	71	220	1000	1000	300	35	225	125	60	308	2053	2273	54												
292	66	381	107	28	62	169	1000	1000	25	64	706	400	270	145	2610	2779	55												
335	147	432	250	57	23	273	600	600	200	50		100		75	1025	1298	56												
718	324	937	543	58	412	955	1400	1400	300	425	2465			742	5332	6287	57												
685	175	894	384	43	405	789	1500	1500	300	400	700				2900	3689	58												
680	681	888	889	100	141	1030	1600	1600	300	407	318		22	636	3283	4313	59												
670	670	875	875	100	246	1123	1600	1600	300	390	185			392	2867	3990	60												
547	190	714	357	50	302	659	1100	1100	200	170	150			318	1933	2507	61												
470	199	615	344	56	255	599	1000	1020	300	350	500			87	2257	2856	62												
854	245	1115	506	45	563	1069	1600	1600	360	1175	150	200	100	130	3715	4734	63												
707	246	923	462	50	217	679	1200	1200	720	1225		140	230	480	3995	4674	64												
377	233	491	347	71	124	471	900	777	180	22	115	434	26	357	1911	2332	65												
919	419	1199	699	58	10	709	1500	1500	200	350				771	2821	3530	66												
698	162	912	340	36	76	416	1400	1400	300	358		348	12	639	3057	3473	67												
315	15	411	101	25	101	600	766	766	125	100	175			291	1457	1558	68												
840	529	1097	786	72	482	1268	1600	1600	300	275	406	2150	197	744	5675	6940	69												
3100	3472	4046	4418	100	3727	8145	3500	3500	1000	6089	845			3873	15307	23452	70												
671	107	874	310	35	189	499	1200	1200	100	300	300				1900	2399	71												
577	304	753	480	64	32	512	1200	1250	150	82	435				1917	2429	72												
661	148	863	350	41	173	523	1500	1500	200	210	250			425	2585	3108	73												
387	387	505	505	100	137	642	1100	1100	300	80	302		300	187	2269	2911	74												
69	90																75												
625	405	816	596	73	179	775	900	1100	200	385	20			562	2267	3042	76												
377	38	492	153	31	72	225	1000	1000	125	172	400	200	18	325	3340	2565	77												
428	10	558	140	25	11	151	950	940	180	175	150			280	1725	1875	78												
395	100	515	220	43	93	313	959	950	180	100	90			75	1395	1708	79												
485	111	634	260	41	31	291	1300	1325	120	361					1806	2097	80												
786	128	1026	368	36	238	606	1500	1500	420	475	610			441	3446	4052	81												
110	146	143	179	100	77	256	1200	1200	300	200	200			473	2373	2629	82												
930	500	1214	784	65	579	1363	1600	1600	150	200	600			300	2850	4213	83												
632	476	825	669	81	534	1203	1400	1500	150	300	825	700	30	430	3935	5138	84												
90	53	118	81	70	12	93		263				1200	100		1563	1656	85												
1121	201	1463	425	29	462	887	1200	1184	200	250	1000				2634	3521	86												
526	153	686	313	46	11	324	900	900	120	429					1449	1773	87												
318	162	416	260	62	576	836	700	786	150	150	837			123	2046	2882	88												
1041	686	1359	1004	74	688	1692	1800	1800	400	829		1500	150	861	5540	7232	89												
536	700	85	12	77	162	1100	1060	250	69	73		85	4	149	1690	1852	90												
524	277	683	436	64	427	863	1200	1200	125	436	262			73	2096	2959	91												
259	80	337	158	47	79	237	450	500	60	64	45			44	713	950	92												
167	167	218	218	100	218	500	500	500	208	10				67	785	1003	93												
271	118	355	202	57	35	237	400	400		143	32			135	710	947	94												
426	117	557	248	45	105	353	700	900	120	200	50			243	1513	1866	95												
932	235	1216	435	36	851	1286	1500	1469	600	310	350			421	3150	4436	96												
707	353	923	569	62	336	955	2000	2000	600	1342	150				4092	5047	97												
718	89	937	268	36	58	326	1300	1300	120	135	1000				2555	2881	98												
71	10	93	10	11	8	18	250	250	84	66	25			25	450	468	99												
1014	417	1295	698	54	290	988	1800	1800	200	825	150	149	149	856	4129	5117	100												
560	177	731	348	48	138	486	1000	1100	150	275	84			284	1893	2379	101												
687	143	908	208	23	44	252	1000	1140	180	350	290	96	74	400	2530	2782	102												
774	774	1005	1005	100	279	1284	1500	1500	150	600				26	2276	3560	103												
849	82	1109	342	31	125	467	1200	1200	180	995	1530				3905	4372	104												
459	40	587	168	29	110	278	1500	1500	300	125	765	150	15	153	3008	3286	105												
808	57	1054	303	30	36	339	1300	1300	150	375	640	69		199	2733	3072	106												
308	92	412	144	35	144	500	500	500		200				78	778	922	107												
441	287	576	440	73	257	697	1000	1120	150	180				150	1785	2482	108												

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		Ass'd Paid	Ass'd Paid	Ass'd Paid	Ass'd Paid											
109	Parksley, Va.	34	34	220	220	115	100	10	176	37	25	25	53	19	560	15
110	Patapsco	4	4	22	21	6					3	12		4	25	
	Philadelphia, Pa.															
111	Emmanuel	34	34	222	222	24	34	5	136	21	34		22	12	288	
112	St. Luke's	52	52	335	335	34		5	67	33			30		169	25
113	Taylor Memorial	58	58	369	369	151	114	153	257		25		40	50	790	
114	Tioga Heights															
115	Pipe Creek	24	24	157	157	30		4	75	10			15	125	259	216
116	Pittsville	42	42	268	268	301							62	136	499	517
117	Pocomoke City	45	45	294	294	456		54	100		116	25	136		887	223
118	Pocomoke Ct.															
119	Powellville	19	19	123	123	35									35	46
120	Prince George, Va.	5	5	36	25	15									15	44
121	Quantico	12	17	77	89											
122	Queen Anne	11	11	70	70	28				6			4	10	48	37
123	Reliance	30	30	193	193	58	15						6	9	88	
124	Rowlandville	14	14	88	62	50									50	
125	Salem	20	20	127	127	82	15						50	38	185	
126	Salisbury	86	86	555	555	168		100				28	25	59	380	635
127	Seaford, Del.	38	38	246	246	117		33					67	28	245	198
128	Selbyville, Del.	20	20	130	130											
129	Sharptown	30	30	189	189	157					15		30		202	226
130	Snow Hill	34	34	221	221	100						7	25	12	144	76
131	Snow Hill Circuit	14	15	89	15											
132	Stewartstown, Pa.	29	29	186	93	193		16				31			240	252
133	St. James	27	27	175	175	182									182	481
134	St. Michaels	27	27	169	132	54	10	53					8		125	
135	Susquehanna	27	27	173	173	86							12		98	181
136	Talbot															
137	Texas	8	8	54	54											38
138	Trinity	30	30	196	186											
139	Tyreanna, Va.	4	4	23	23											
140	Union	36	36	229	229	175	100	50	100	50	68	27	65	30	665	15
141	Union Bridge	18	18	117	117	35	144		86	20	12		9	26	332	95
142	Wallace Memorial, Va.	20	22	130	130	35		40					25	37	137	33
143	Warwick	23	23	146	129	55									55	
	Washington															
144	Alexandria	28	28	181	181	139	3	59							201	330
145	Calvary	1	1	7	7											25
146	Cherrydale	33	33	216	216											231
147	Congress St.	33	33	214	214	325		34				53	22	4	438	373
148	First Church	44	44	280	280	86		133				128	30		377	64
149	Mt. Tabor	23	23	147	147	132		34	35			10	26	33	270	287
150	North Carolina Avenue	55	55	357	357	250		10	76		20	201	230	26	813	538
151	Potomac, Va.	33	33	216	216			48				142			190	627
152	Rhode Island Avenue	82	82	532	532	261	110	25	168		337	104	160	1165	847	
153	Wesley Chapel of Kent	18	18	120	70	50	36			25	54	65	25	18	273	
154	Westminster	36	36	236	236	136				324	28	77	40	109	714	247
	Wilmington															
155	First Church	14	14	90	90	30				6			22	10	68	273
156	Peninsula	33	33	211	211			35		25					60	735
157	West Wilmington	4	4	30	30											
158	Whaleyville	26	26	168	125									35	35	120
159	Wye	15	15	93	93	13	11						6	3	33	26

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	Ass'd Paid	Ass'd Total	Ass'd Paid	Ass'd Total			Ass'd Paid	Ass'd Paid												
834	575	1088	829	76	650	1479	1500	1500	250	416	80					395	2641	4120	109	
81	25	107	50	47	1	51	208	112		27	100			55		38	332	383	110	
838	238	1094	544	49	320	864	1700	1700	900	2084	346			368	846	1146	7390	8254	111	
1265	194	1652	581	35	278	859	1400	1800	1000	2510	2661				870	350	9191	10050	112	
1396	790	1823	1217	67	510	1727	1800	1800	900	1975	100			1505	486	1962	8728	10455	113	
							500	500		546	1415			627	327		3415	3415	114	
598	475	779	656	84	222	878	1050	1050	200	325	25					272	1872	2750	115	
1016	1016	1326	1326	100	845	2171	1600	1600	350	200	105					337	2592	4763	116	
1110	1449	1449	1449	100	553	2002	2600	2600	420	648	475				12	381	4536	6538	117	
																			118	
464	81	606	223	37	124	347	1200	1200	108	175	500					125	2108	2455	119	
136	59	177	89	50		89	150	150		30						65	245	334	120	
290		379	106	28		106	1200	1090									1090	1196	121	
267	85	348	166	48	42	208	600	675	150	100	675					417	2017	2225	122	
733	88	956	311	33	59	370	950	950	225	275	101			65	8	201	1825	2195	123	
335	50	437	126	29	77	203	1000	1000	150		28					101	1279	1482	124	
482	185	629	332	53	24	356	1000	1027	120	287	306					251	1931	2287	125	
2100	1015	2741	1656	60	700	2356	2600	2600	600	2351	4885			1500	4007	1432	61375	63731	126	
928	443	1212	727	60	512	1239	1600	1600	600	602	250			900	270	544	4766	6005	127	
493		643	150	23	42	192	900	900	120	198	72					139	1329	1621	128	
730	428	949	647	68	162	309	1500	1500	125	375	600			200		382	3132	3991	129	
832	220	1089	475	44	115	590	1400	1400	240	400	810			500	10	200	3560	4150	130	
338		441	30	68		30		419		50							469	499	131	
700	492	915	614	67	475	1089	1500	1500	200	500						547	2747	3836	132	
663	663	865	865	100	394	1259	1200	1200	175	165	250					274	2064	3323	133	
638	125	834	284	34	56	340	1200	1250	300	425	1118			87		243	3423	3763	134	
657	279	857	479	56	10	489											489	135	135	
																			136	
206	38	268	100	37	39	139	700	700		107	365						1172	1311	137	
742		968	216	22	587	803	1500	1500	400	200	310					100	2512	3313	138	
89		116	27	23		27	500	500		30							530	557	139	
869	680	1134	945	83	175	1120	1400	1400	150	818	822				6		3196	4316	140	
442	427	577	562	97	156	718	900	925	200	127	268					470	1990	2708	141	
491	170	641	322	50	228	550	1200	1257	125	250	350			660	200	906	3748	4298	142	
554	55	723	207	29	13	220	900	900	75	160	500					22	1657	1877	143	
																			144	
686	531	895	740	83	248	988	2000	2000	540	1042	1385			480	9	1091	6547	7535	144	
25	25	33	33	100	49	82	600	600		53	50			500		212	1415	1497	145	
817	231	1066	480	45	135	615	1800	1800	600	1064	529					1712	5705	6320	146	
811	811	1058	1053	100	408	1466	1800	1800	900	1063	200			100	19	389	4471	5937	147	
1060	441	1384	765	55	233	998	1700	1700	720	650	125			56	16	554	3821	4819	148	
557	557	727	727	100	363	1090	1440	1440	600	481	577					876	3974	5064	149	
1351	1351	1763	1763	100	581	2344	1800	1800	1000	2081	437				490	578	6386	8730	150	
817	817	1066	1066	100	768	1834	2000	2180	600	669	799			540	471	727	5986	7820	151	
2010	2012	2624	2626	100	2722	5348	3000	3000	600	5311				1500	615	1460	12686	18934	152	
453	273	591	361	61	51	412	1200	1200	125	125							1450	1862	153	
890	961	1162	1233	100	1040	2273	1500	1500	400	1400	813					714	4827	7100	154	
																			155	
341	341	445	445	100	119	564	1200	1200	408	210	50				351	257	2476	3040	155	
795	795	1039	1039	100	75	1114	2400	2400		1491	6489			5600	2865	320	19165	20279	156	
111		145	34	23		34	780	780		142	272					67	57	1318	1352	157
634	155	828	306	37	168	474	1500	1500	125	351				800	40	21	2837	3311	158	
354	59	462	167	36		167	550	550	120	120	800					175	1770	1937	159	

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CHARGE	Unsta. Min. and Preachers	Probationers					Full Members			Children Baptised	Conversions	Sunday School			Y. P. S. C. E.			Amount for Missions	Am't for Con. Un. Miss'ry	
		Probationers	Full Members	Received	Elected to Membership	Withdrawn	Discontinued	Deceased	Received			Withdrawn	Discontinued	Schools	Officers and Teachers	New Scholars	Scholars on Roll			Societies	Members	Junior Societies	Members
Accomac, Va.....	268					13	3	2	6	18	23	234	20	380						
Amelia, Va.....	165					8	1	2	6		6	320		145						
Baltimore.....																				
Alnutt Memor'l	2 6288	1 1	11			3	12	3	220	3	132	20	200			1	20		- 25	
Brooklyn.....	295					38		1	120	59	135	105	408		1	73	1	49	66- 46	
Calvary.....	318283	18		6		20	3	2	325	50	129	68	321		1	27	1	38		
Chesaco Park.....	1 60	4 4				4			7	4	221	15	132							
Christ Ch.....	4 680					55	2475	8	16	60	150	75	605		2	69	1	42		
E. Balto.....	2 194					11	8 7	3	7	3	119	44	192		1	36				
Edmondson Ave	2 66					27	2	1	1	13	114		139		1	51				
Eutaw.....	2 4250	4				33	3	2	14	16	136	31	205		1	28	1	37	-283	
Evergreen.....	131					4			4		118	10	130							
Grace.....	1 168					17	6 17	1	234	24	130	121	408		2	55	1	43	95-	
Graceland Park	45					8			10	5	110	30	94							
Hampden.....	1 733					86	550	6	38	150	151	369	1820		1	55	1	50	- 40	
Keen Mem.....	115223	10	10	14				1	337	3	130	27	350		2	51	1	65	25-	
Laurav'le.....	177					25	8		3	8 9	119	16	180		1	22	1	20		
Linthicum H'g'ts	155					22	2	2	221	16	122	28	178		1	31	1	21	10- 10	
Lowe M.....	1 515					72	1125	6	186	72	138	100	500		1	40	1	50	50- 15	
N. Balto.....	220					7	1 1	3	2	3	121	8	148		1	49			212-	
Payson Street.....	3 118	1		1		20	2 5	1	112	30	120	35	185		1	30	1	15	5-	
S. Balto.....	4 258					44	4 3	3	233	109	119		248			1	32	30-125		
Starr.....	27534		3	14		27	4 10	4	8	15	135	30	325		1	75	1	40	25- 25	
St. Johns.....	448					36	1346	6	8	20	133	80	387		3	88	1	40		
St. Paul's.....	300					45	31	4	342	60	136	64	400		3	73	1	65	20-	
Trinity.....	206					38	3	2	22	25	126	195	500		1	26				
Violetv'le.....	110					10	2		1	13	115	20	152		1	27	1	20	- 10	
W. Balto.....	13467	24 11				19	8	4	6	24	130	59	404		2	100	1	40	200-180	
Wilton Heights.....	121289	1				19	3 2	2	111	3	122	68	270		1	30	1	62	- 15	
Balto. Cir.....	240	17 17				17	4	1	17	19	320	19	165		2	46	1	12	10-	
Bedford.....	260	5 5		2		18	252	1	26	37	535	140	420		1	29				
Bel Air.....	234					8	4 9	1	111	7	426	25	250		2	35				
Bivalve.....	228	5 5				10		1	113	12	235		280		1	45				
Buckeys'n.....	228	9 9				9	4	2	13	11	124	9	161		1	25	1	25	- 10	
Cambridge.....	378					22		1	146	25	129	76	386		2	100	1	42	-136	
Cambridge Ct.....	75					8	7	1	115		2	8	50							
Cannon.....	168					12	239	2	15	26	325	22	198		2	48	1	12		
Caroline.....	139					17	60		116	17	430	5	205		2	40				
Carroll Circuit.....	160					14	8	2	112	16	333	17	187		3	126	2	30	35-	
Cecil.....	194					3	8 1	3	20	2	428	29	243		2	56				
Centreville.....	1 4166					4	4	2	5	3	117	1	90		1	47	1	38		
Chestert'n	10355					18	7 10	2	9	10	138	10	221		1	45	1	50	10- 10	
Chincoctegau, Va.	83					9	1 1			18	117	25	191		1	45	1	25		
Clayton, Del.....	3 353	16 16				16	10		13	32	224	18	407		1	26				
Concord, Pa.....	226	11 11				11	355	4	11	26	336	4	196		2	60				
Conquest, Va.....	90						236	2			112		93				1	20		
Crisfield: Crisfield	131530	10 11				15	4	3	2	10	12	141	15	602		1	50	1	76	- 10
Lawsonia.....	79					2	1	1	20	10	115	25	160		1	25				
Mariners.....	318					9	1	2	5	16	120	12	250		1	92				
Crumpton.....	2 72	2				15	2	1		26	212	51	105				2	62		
Cumberl'd: 1st Ch	2 305					34	17	4	25	35	124		205		2	48	1	45	50-	
Mapleside & Fair.....	1 86		2			11	7 12		11	15	225	45	196							

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CHARGE	Unsta. Min. and Preachers	Probationers							Full Members					Sunday School				Y. P. S. C. E.				Am't for Con. Un. Miss'ry		
		Probationers	Full Members	Received	Elected to Membership	Withdrawn	Discontinued	Deceased	Received	Withdrawn	Discontinued	Deceased	Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	Conversions	Schools	Officers and Teachers	New Scholars	Scholars on Roll	Societies	Members		Junior Societies	Members	Amount for Missions
Melvin Chapel	69		2	6	2	5	3	17	2	1	15	126	12	1	30	-	11							
Deer Creek	8	112																						
Deer Park	388			13	1	7	4	14	11	2	27	62	427	3	143	1	36	101						
Delmar, Del.	4	253		8	1	2		3	15	2	1	46	20	320	1	30								
Delta, Pa.	15	218	15	4	30	7	8	1	14	35	1	23	32	200	1	83							- 50	
Denton	1	188			14	2	7	6	12	1	22	30	176	1	30								- 22	
Dorchester	23	201	6		9	6	2	3	5	3	30	15	183	2	46								5-	
Dover, Del.		91			11	16	10	1	1	1	13	7	60	1	31									
Easton		222			2	5	4					1	112	10	103									
Elizabeth, N. J.		140			8	5	5	4	3	14	7	126	50	194	1	20	1	12					5-	
Fairfax, Va.	1	151			11	4		2	8	10	18	4	37	24	157	2	41							
Fawn Grove		2	364	11		22	3	1	2	4	11	125	39	336	1	110	1						5- 50	
Federalsburg	36	222	36		9	2	1	3	1	28	60	225	8	215	2	85	1	45						
Felton, Del.		102	5	5		5	2	4	5	3	2	35	20	150	1	25								
First Ch, Newark, N.J.	5	761			3	51	22	3	4	22	38	277	90	759	3	88	1	50	534				25	
Finksburg	131	282	19		5	1		2	10	16	3	36		255	3	104							75-	
Franklin City, Va.		226			4	18	2	18	6	3	50	6	356											
Frederick		247	8		11	2	3	3	9	1	3	44	5	161	1	60								
Georgetown, Del.		256			36	7	32	4	20	42	1	23	35	400	1	37	1	30						
Glenburnie	1	172	10	10		10	7	46	1	12	6	116	36	200	1	36							10- 10	
Greenbush & Tas'y		125			20	4		115	7	15	2	17	20	180	1	23								
Greensboro		30																						
Greenwood		235			9	3	5		2	17	2	22	30	240	1	53								
Grove	122	113	1	1	2	4	3		6	12	4	40	10	200	3	80	1	15						
Harbeson, Del.		206			66				8	62	2	24	25	145	1	12								
Harmony W. Va.	1	135	1	1	5	1		1	4	1	2	21	185	1	35									
Harper's Ferry	1	7	159	7					5	7	2	30		128										
Harrington, Del.		275			2		4	6	2	1	21		260	1	20	1	25							
Hawley Memor'l.		91			5			7	1	1	13	10	150	1	26									
Howard		393	10	10		10		1	10	9	4	23	10	295										
Hurlock		206			10	2	1	4	7	3	40	25	300	2	80	1	30						- 10	
Indian River		34					1	4		1	7	5	45											
Kemptown		560			5			1	6	8	5	65		465	1									
Kennedyville	17	149	2		1	128		2	2	2	1	17		100	1	33								
Kent Island	1	90	1		10	4	2	1	1	20	2	20	2	172										
Laurel, Del.		367	12	12		18	5	3	1	6	18	1	25	15	270	1	30	1	35				- 50	
Laurel Cir.		201			1	1	1	15	1	3	21		230											
Leeds		140	2	2		6	4	3	2	3	2	3	4	104	2	40							261-	
Leipsic, Del.		50				132	3	2		1	11	6	60											
Lewes, Del.	4	60	4	4		4		31	14	1	9	6	100	1	54								- 80	
Lewistown		142			1		1	5	1	2	27	23	125	2	165									
Liberty		130	5		5	3	3	7	4	2	28	8	155	1	32	1	24						- 10	
Lisbon		398			10	3	9	13	18	4	60	12	285	2	60									
Lynchburg, Va.		192			50	18		6	4	24	1	15	20	182	1	40								
Mardela		302			2	7	12	5	5	2	4	38		325	1	20								
Marley	1	18	73	18	1	11	1	19	2	23	2	18	35	110	1	25	1	15					7-	
Middleway		46							1	1	6		52											
Milford, Del.		338			36	3	2	2	6	36	2	35	66	307	2	30	1	60					- 9	
Milton, Del.	1	9	157	4	5	10	22	3	1	14	8	1	13	16	130	2	27	1	21					
Mt. Nebo		7	329	20	13		60	3	4	1	12	90	3	30	15	200	3	90	1	25				
New Church, Va.		254			9			2	2	20	3	35	10	218	1	40								
Newmarket		341			21	4	1	2	2	8	12	4	65	16	420	4	270	1	50				58-	

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CHARGE	PROPERTY							CONF. BENEVOLENCES 1923-1924					
	Appointments	Churches	Parsonages	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken	Gen. Conference Budget \$110,000	Md. Conf. Int. \$30,500	Pastor's Salary 1924-1925	President's Salary \$4500	Total Assessments \$146,000
Accomac, Va.....	2	2	1	25000	3000	500	5700	25	732	204	1500	31	967
Amelia, Va.....	3	3	1	35000	2000		2800	7	443	123	1000	19	585
Baltimore:													
Alnutt Mem'l.....	1	1	1	65000	10000		40000	28	1169	325	2100	39	1533
Balto. Circuit.....	3	3	1	22000	8000		18000	17	666	185	1500	27	378
Bethesda.....									18	5		2	25
Brooklyn.....	1	1	1	25000	15000		16000	36	921	256	2000	38	1215
Calvary.....	1	1	1	36000	4000	12100	12000	22	845	235	1800	36	1116
Chesaco Park.....	2	1	1	10000			4000		200	55	900	9	264
Christ Ch.....	1	1	1	65000	6000	1300	36500	54	2163	603	2200	90	2856
E. Baltimore.....	1	1	1	25000	4250	1218	8300	20	816	227	1800	34	1077
Edmond. Ave.....	1	1	1	10000		7000	3000	14	177	48	1000	7	232
Eutaw.....	1	1	1	30000	6000		22500	59	1029	286	2000	43	1358
Evergreen.....	1	1	1	6000			5000	8	486	134	1000	21	641
Glenburnie.....	1	1	1	25000	5000	7500	5000	15	533	147	1800	23	703
Grace.....	1	1	1	63000	5000	21850	23000	23	959	267	2000	41	1267
Graceland Pk.....	1	1	1	10000		2500	5000	16	247	68	1000	10	325
Hampden.....	1	1	1	175000	20000	73163	75000	124	2521	702	2500	105	3328
Keen Mem'l.....	1	1	1	60000	7000	23000	33500	8	858	239	1750	36	1133
Lauraville.....	1	1	1	13000		1500	3700	10	534	149	1700	22	705
Linthicum Hts.....	1	2	1	14000	7000	2600	14875	18	667	186	1600	28	881
Lowe Mem'l.....	1	2	1	50000	6000	1000	15500	50	1409	392	2000	59	1860
Marley.....	2	2		5000			4000	14	271	75	1200	12	358
N. Baltimore.....	1	1	1	36000	7000	6300	35000	36	1521	424	2500	63	2008
Payson St.....	1	1	1	16000	1800	9475	9200	8	398	110	1100	17	525
S. Baltimore.....	1	1	1	25000	8000	1578	14000	51	954	265	2000	40	1259
Starr.....	1	1	1	240000	20000	32000	40000	75	2390	666	4000	100	3156
St. John's.....	1	1	1	100000	10000	3250	52000	56	2033	567	2500	35	2685
St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	40000		14000	15000	20	1081	301	1480	46	1428
Trinity.....	1	1	1	12000	4750	2000	6000	25	567	156	1560	24	747
Violetville.....	1	1	1	25000		12000	10000	19	368	102	1200	16	486
W. Baltimore.....	1	1	1	90000	7000	1500	21000	36	1990	554	3000	83	2627
Wilton Hgts.....	1	1	1	35000		10200	20000	16	966	269	1600	40	1275
Bedford.....	5	5	1	10500	1500		2900	16	651	181	1200	28	860
Belair.....	4	4	1	19000	7000		10000	26	713	198	1200	30	941
Bivalve.....	2	2	1	10000	1900	100	4500	12	532	165	1100	25	769
Buckeystown.....	2	2	1	35000	4500		14600	27	961	268	1500	40	1269
Cambridge.....	1	1	1	40000	2500	1850	27000	25	1005	280	2200	41	1326
Cambridge Cir.....	2	2	1	4000			1000	8	279	78		12	369
Cannon.....	3	2	1	4200	2500		3600	15	445	123	1025	18	586
Caroline.....	4	4	1	5000	2500		4500	10	450	125	1050	19	594
Carroll Cir.....	3	3		5000				8	355	99	700	16	470
Cecil.....	3	3	1	12000	3000		6500	12	535	149	1000	22	706
Centreville.....	1	1	1	30000	5000	7481	20325	27	573	162	1500	25	760
Chestertown.....	1	1	1	60000	10000		58000	52	1178	328	2000	48	1554
Chincoteague.....	1	1	1	6000	1600	424	3000	4	346	94	1200	14	454
Clayton, Del.....	3	3	1	15000	3000		9000	10	799	222	1400	33	1054
Concord, Pa.....	3	3	1	5700	1050		5600	17	534	148	900	22	704
Conquest, Va.....	2	1	1	17600	4000	7000	11500	9	332	92	1000	14	438
Crisfield, Cris.....	1	1	1	30000	3000	425	19000	24	1441	402	2400	61	1904
Lawsonia.....	1	1	1	2000	2500	1000	2500	5	282	78	1200	12	372
Mariners.....	1	1	1	4000	2500	500	3000		767	214	1500	33	1025
Crumpton.....	2	2	1	4800	1000		3100	12	205	57	800	9	271
Cumberland													
1st Church.....	1	1	1	35000	7100	915	26000	54	959	267	1800	40	1266
Mapleside.....	2	2	1	3000	2500	1330	3000	19	293	80	1000	13	386
Melvin Chapel.....	1	1	1	4000	3000	4200	1400	7	290	80	1000	13	383

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	Appointments	Churches	Parsonages	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken	Gen. Conference Budget \$110,000	Md. Conf. Int. \$30,500	Pastor's Salary 1924 1925	President's Salary \$4500	Total Assessments \$145,000
Deer Creek	2	2	1	4000	3000		3200	13	330	90	600	14	434
Deer Park	2	2	1	15000	8000	2400	11400	21	815	226	1400	34	1073
Dagsboro	2	2	1	6000	1800		4600	1	501	164	950	25	780
Delmar, Del.	1	1	1	12000	4000		10500	27	705	196	1500	29	930
Delta, Pa.	1	1	1	8000	3000	518	6000	68	703	193	1600	29	925
Denton	1	1	1	15000	3500		7500	25	662	186	1600	28	876
Dorchester	3	3	1	7000	2500		9200	22	543	151	1100	22	716
Dover, Del.	1	1	1	20000	5000		3500	6	421	117	1000	18	556
Easton	1	1	1	20000	5000	900	12885	26	824	230	1600	35	1089
Elizabeth, N. J.	1	1	1	20000	8000	3800	14300	7	689	192	1200	29	910
Fairfax, Va.	4	4	1	10000	2000		5275	18	371	102	950	16	489
Fawn Grove, Pa.	2	2	1	20400	3000		9000	33	876	243		36	1155
Federalburg	2	2	1	15000	3500	250	6400	8	690	192	1300	29	911
Felton, Del.	4	4	1	5500	2000	350	4500	14	309	86	900	14	409
1st Ch. Newark, N.J.	1	1	1	103000	10000		60000	85	3086	860	3500	129	4075
Finksburg	3	3	1	41000	5500	3300	25000	18	798	222	1600	34	1054
Franklin C'y, Va	3	3	1	13000	3000		8000	24	672	187	1200	28	887
Frederick	3	3	1	5500	2500		5950	11	603	167	1200	25	795
Georgeton, Del.	1	1	1	15000	5000		8600	19	648	180	1500	27	855
Greenbush T's'y	2	2	1	6500	7000	6000	6500	22	398	110	1100	17	525
Greensboro	1	1	1	3000	1900		2200		44	15		3	62
Greenw'd, Del.	3	3	1	10000	2000		9300	26	590	167	1100	25	782
Grove	4	6	1	10000	1800	200	3500	16	376	104	1000	16	496
Harbeson, Del.	3	3	1	13800	1500		3500		487	135		21	643
Harmony, Md.									411	75	950	12	498
Harmony, W.V.	1	1	1	8000	2500		4200	18	386	107	950	16	509
Harpers F'y, W.V.	2	2	1	10000	4000		6200	12	488	135	1300	20	643
Harrington, Del	1	1	1	30000	6000		6500	32	777	216	1500	32	1025
Hawley Mem...	1	1	1	13000	3000		7500	11	325	90	1200	14	429
Howard	4	3	1	12300	4000		11500	4	935	260	1600	38	1233
Hurlock	3	3	1	10000	2500		6500	34	788	219	1500	33	1040
Indian Riv, Del.	1	1	1	6000		600	4000		78	21		4	103
Kemptown	5	5	1	14000	4000		11500	36	1010	309	1200	46	1365
Kennedyville	1	1	1	5000	2000		4000	17	454	126	800	19	599
Kent Island	2	2	1	6000	1800		7800	13	294	81	800	13	388
Laurel, Del.	1	1	1	50000	5000	1500	22900	22	1044	291	1800	44	1379
Laurel Circuit	4	4	1	8000	5000		5200	14	528	146	1000	22	696
Leeds	2	2	1	8000	2500		10475	19	519	144	1200	22	685
Leipsic, Del.	1	1	1	4000	800		2000	4	201	56	450	9	266
Lewes, Del.	1	1	1	3000			2000	1	158	43	500	7	208
Lewistown	2	2		5200		3000		10	281	77	400	12	370
Liberty	2	2	1	7000	2600		5400	17	412	114	700	18	544
Lisbon	5	5	1	10000	6000		10107	26	933	260	1500	38	1231
Lynchburg	1	1	1	25000	6000		13000	22	724	201	2000	31	956
Mardela	4	4	1	15500	2000		3500	21	677	188	1300	29	894
Middleway, W.V.	1	1	1	1500	1200		2000	3	63	20	250	43	86
Milford	2	2	1	41000	4500	1827	23840	20	1053	296	386	44	1393
Milton	1	1	1	3800	2500		3500	15	522	145	1100	22	689
Mt. Nebo	3	3	1	12500	3000	1150	7800	26	793	220	1000	33	1046
New Church, Va.	3	3	1	70000	3000		22000	30	718	210	1700	32	960
New Market	4	4	1	25000	2500		12000	2	848	236	1200	36	1120
Nichols Memor.	1	1	1	10000	5000	100	6000	10	403	111	1500	17	531
Northumber'nd	4	4	1	15000	2500		3000	30	805	223	1400	34	1062
Oak Grove, Va.	1	1	1	2500	1200		3300	13	258	71	500	11	340
Oxford	1	1	1	4000	2500		3300	15	440	122	1100	19	581
Parkley, Va.	1	1	1	30000	4000		8500	25	841	234	1500	35	1110
Patapsco	1	1		1000			235	4	76	20	225	3	99

PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENTS

CHARGE	PROPERTY							CONF. BENEVOLENCES 1923-1924					
	Appointments	Churches	Parsonages	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken	Gen. Conference Budget \$110,000	Md. Conf. Int. \$30,500	Pastor's Salary 1924-1925	President's Salary \$4500	Total Assessments \$145,000
Philadelphia:													
Emmanuel.....	1	1	1	60000	8000	17282	23500	31	712	225	1800	34	971
St. Luke's.....	1	1	1	100000	25000	14500	23500	30	1261	351	1800	53	1665
Taylor Mem'l	1	1	1	54000	6000	7300	38700	15	1393	388	2000	53	1839
Tioga Hghts.	1	1	1	28000		22000	10000	8	200	53	500	9	262
Pipe Creek.....	2	2	1	9000	4000		8000	20	583	162	1050	25	770
Pittsville.....	2	2	1	10000	4000		7500	60	897	249	1600	37	1183
Pocomoke City	1	1	1	17500	7500	200	16860	38	1109	308	2600	47	1464
Powellville.....	3	3	1	7000	1800		3600	45	474	131	1200	20	625
Prince Geo., Va.	1	1	1	1300				8	111	30	150	5	146
Quantico.....	4	5	1	6000	1200		750	3	342	94	700	14	450
Queen Annes.....	2	2	1	5500	1200		4800	13	252	70	675	11	333
Reliance.....	3	3	1	13000	8400	990	10450	18	550	153	975	23	726
Rowlandville.....	3	3	1	6500	1500		6500	10	320	89	1000	13	422
Salem.....	2	2	1	10000	2000		9000	15	445	124	1000	18	537
Salisbury.....	1	2	1	165000	10000	72000	112800	50	2031	566	2600	84	2681
Seaford, Del.....	1	1	1	20000	10000	4500	14000	32	951	265	1600	39	1255
Sharptown.....	2	2	1	16000	3500		11800	33	657	183	1500	28	868
Smyrna.....	1	1	1	5300		2500	5000		72	19		3	94
Snow Hill.....	2	2	1	37500	4500		23840	23	830	231	1400	34	1095
Snow Hill Cir.	4	4	1	5000	1500				291	80		13	384
Stewartstown.....	2	2	1	16000	3500		6595	27	694	193	1500	29	916
St. James.....	2	2	1	11000	3500		8500	15	651	179	1200	27	857
St. Michaels.....	3	3	1	16000	2000	250	14000	14	636	176	1200	27	839
Susquehanna.....	2	2	1	30000	2500	7500	18000	30	650	180		27	857
Talbot.....	1	1	1	350									
Texas.....	1	1	1	8000			6000	3	186	51	700	8	245
Trinity.....	2	2	1	10500	4000		10000	25	717	200		30	947
Tyreanna Va.....	1	1	1	1500	2500		2000	1	144	39		5	188
Union.....	3	3	1	7000	3000		7500	35	903	252	1500	41	1196
Union Bridge.....	2	2	1	10500	2500		7800	03	425	118	900	18	561
Wallace Mem'l	1	1	1	5000	3000	2300	3500	45	473	129	1200	20	622
Warwick.....	3	3	1	4800	2500		4300	11	526	146	1000	22	694
Washington:													
Alexandria, Va	1	1	1	20000		5000	17000	46	720	201	2000	30	951
Calvary.....	1	1	1	2700				1	173	48	1000	8	229
Cherrydale.....	1	1	1	10000	8000	600	5500	10	842	234	1800	34	1110
Congress St.....	1	1	1	25000	8000	300	13000	20	796	222	1800	33	1051
First Church.....	1	1	1	40000	10000	600	35000	25	1035	288	1700	44	1367
Mt. Tabor.....	1	1	1	18000	4000		14500	28	577	161	1500	25	763
N. C. Ave.....	1	1	1	50000	6000	9000	39000	27	1265	352	1800	53	1670
Mt. Olive.....	2	2	1	26000	9000	8430	10000	28	835	232	2360	35	1102
R. I. Ave.....	1	1	1	75000	14000	10200	40500	17	1985	553	3000	83	2621
Walkers.....									222	61		9	292
Wesley Chapel	3	3	1	8750	2000		6500	12	463	128	1200	19	610
Westminster	1	1	1	25000	4000		18500	35	883	246	1700	37	1166
Wilmington, First Ch.	1	1	2	12000	6800	5850	9000	12	352	98	1200	15	465
Peninsula.....	1	1	1	110000	11000	55000	60500	16	777	216	2700	33	1026
W. Wilming'n	1	1	1	5000		900	2100	33	148	43	780	6	197
Whaleyville.....	3	3	1	9000	2500		6200	5	784	218	1500	32	1034
Wye.....	1	1	1	4200	2300		4000		311	86	650	13	410
Bal. Bk. Con.....				22000			10000						
Pres. Pars'ge.....				17500		10000	12500						
W. T. Sem'n'y.....				150000			90000						
W. M. College.....				500000			150000						
Home for Aged				13000			3000						

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

TOTAL PAID FOR GENERAL INTERESTS

	1924	1923	Inc.	Dec.
President's Salary	4,498	4,075	419	
Maryland Conference Budget.....	27,142	26,405	737	
General Conference Budget.....	60,196	54,163	6,038	
Credits:				
Children's Day	12,564	10,113	2,451	
Special Foreign Missions.....	3,532	2,384	1,148	
Y. P. Missionary.....	1,810	1,956		146
W. F. M. S.....	8,073	7,044	1,029	
Easter Offering	1,389	5,260		3,891
Special Home Missions.....	1,738	1,150	588	
W. H. M. S.....	5,100	4,408	692	
Rally Day	3,285	2,628	657	
Educational Day	2,588	1,452	1,136	
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Total credits	40,059	36,395	3,664	
Paid on Budget in ad. to credits.....	20,137	17,768	2,369	
Total Assessments	91,836	84,576	7,260	
Miscellaneous general	51,224	44,576	6,648	

TOTAL PAID FOR LOCAL INTERESTS

Pastor's Salary	207,404	197,772	9,632	
Rental value of parsonage.....	46,800	45,077	1,723	
Current expenses	101,414	96,178	5,238	
Paid on building and improvements....	132,400	219,662		87,262
Paid on debt.....	66,662	50,155	16,507	
Paid for interest on debt.....	27,750	21,182	6,568	
Miscellaneous local interests.....	66,250	61,943	4,307	
Total paid for local interests.....	648,680	691,969		43,289
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Total for all purposes.....	791,740	821,188		29,448
Salaries for 1924-1925.....	212,062	198,135	13,927	

J. A. DUDLEY, Steward.

R. W. WHITE, Assistant Steward.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

MEMBERSHIP

	1924	1923	Inc.	Dec.
Ministers and Preachers.....		163		
Unstationed Ministers and Preachers..	71	70	1	
Probationers	572	714		142
Full members	34,709	34,722		13
Probationers received	525	652		127
Probationers elected to membership..	335	531		196
Probationers discontinued.....	85	96		11
Full members received.....	2,520	2,631		111
Full members withdrawn.....	527	463	64	
Full members discontinued.....	1,577	1,728		151
Full members deceased.....	311	396		85
Adults baptized	191	229		38
Children baptized	1,645	1,610	35	
Conversions	2,977	2,541	436	
Sunday Schools	271	273		2
S. S. officers and teachers.....	4,077	3,925	152	
New Scholars.....	4,827	5,304		477
S. S. scholars on Roll.....	37,585	36,910	675	
C. E. societies.....	171	148	23	
C. E. members.....	6,358	5,939	419	
Jr. C. E. societies.....	71	65	6	
Jr. C. E. members.....	2,360	2,307	53	
Money for Foreign Missions.....	\$2,397	\$2,090	\$307	
Money for Conference Missionary.....	\$1,469	\$1,521		\$52

PROPERTY

	1924	1923	Inc.	Dec.
Appointments	286	283		3
Churches	291 ½	293 ½		2
Parsonages	136	136		
Value of church property.....	\$4,401,200	\$4,048,950	\$352,250	2
Value of parsonage property.....	641,250	615,350	26,900	
Debt on church and parsonages.....	555,856	400,526	155,330	
Insurance on church and parsonages..	2,261,262	1,902,093	359,169	
Church papers taken.....	3,431	2,993	438	

J. N. LINK,
EDGAR CHILD.

Manual

Rules of Order and Regulations

for the

Government of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Rule I. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. 1. Conference shall convene in Annual session on the first Wednesday in April, except in such years as Easter falls on the Sunday immediately following the first Wednesday, when it shall convene on the Wednesday following Easter.

2. The Pastor shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delegates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same. He shall also send the name to the President of the Conference and to the pastor of the Church where the Conference is held.

3. The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Conference shall organize.

4. The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses of the Conference, including the publication of the Minutes—each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.

Rule II. OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE. Duties of the President:—1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

2. See that the business of the Conference shall proceed according to these Rules of Order and other Rules and Regulations adopted by the Conference.

3. Shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference.

4. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

5. Not allow improper personalities nor reflections upon any religious communities.

6. Announce each person arising to speak as soon as he shall have addressed the chair by declaring him "The minister from _____," or "The delegate from _____."

7. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order, and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.

8. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken unless there be a tie, but he may vote in case of ballot.

9. May call any member to the chair when he wishes to participate in debate or for other purposes, but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after adjournment.

10. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.

11. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.

12. In the event of the death of any ministerial member or his wife or widow, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.

13. The President of the Conference is relieved from the usual plan of visitation on the Charges. He is to make survey of the District; assume general oversight of all church work; he is to use his official leadership in securing the most constructive development for the Charges.

And so far as possible, he is to meet the Official Board of each Charge once in the year.

The failure of the President to visit any Charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed on said Charge for his salary.

And each charge shall forward, not later than July 1st of each year, the amount levied thereon for President's salary to the Conference Treasurer—who shall pay monthly to the President his salary.

14. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$1,200 for the pastor. And he, the President, shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors, and upon all the churches the importance of being incorporated.

Rule III. Duties of the Secretary:—1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.

2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact, and the Conference shall elect a chairman "pro tempore" and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference and be accountable for them.

4. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

5. Keep an accurate list of members of the Conference, and be the Committee on Credentials.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of the Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of such written resolutions.

7. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference and in the order of its presentation.

8. Keep a list of committees, on which he shall record: First, the standing committees in the order of their arrangement in these rules, and second, all other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.

10. Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

11. He, with the Treasurer and Steward, shall be the Committee on the Preparation and Printing of the Conference blanks; and shall be the Committee on the Publication and Distribution of the Minutes.

12. Supply the pastors with blanks, and send blank personal report blanks to all ministers who are not pastors, on which they are to state the relation to the Conference they desire for the ensuing year.

13. He shall have a printed record of the Minutes duly certified by himself, which shall be considered the Official Minutes of the Conference, substantially bound every quadrennium, and include in each volume a copy of the General Conference Journal.

Rule IV. Duties of Stewards and Treasurer:—1. The Conference Steward and the Treasurer shall constitute the Board of Stewards, to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from the pastors; and this Board shall be responsible to the Conference for all money and receipts and vouchers delivered to them.

2. They shall meet on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock and open the pastor's envelopes containing the reports and collections; shall deliver the various parts of the reports as designated; shall note the agreement of the pastors' financial reports with the financial envelope and prepare the reports for the Conference. The financial envelopes shall be passed to the Treasurer, who shall have charge of all the moneys of the Conference for distribution, upon order of the Conference Steward, which shall be the voucher of the Treasurer for his transactions, to the persons des-

igned by the Conference to receive them. The Treasurer shall disburse money collected by the Conference for every purpose; in which transactions he shall perform the work assigned heretofore to the Superannuated Fund Steward and of the Church Extension Steward, as per special rules of each Society, and he shall continue in office until his successor shall be elected. He shall keep a ledger and open account with some accepted bank, and his accounts shall be open for inspection at all times to the President of the Conference, or one designated by him.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed and reported upon separately as now.

Rule V. COMMITTEES. All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

2. The Standing Committees shall be:—1. Board of Finance—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. The chairman to be appointed one year in advance.

2. Itinerancy and Orders—5 Ministers.

3. Pulpit Service—3 Ministers.

4. Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

5. Literature and Education—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

6. Young People's Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

7. Moral Reform and Social Service—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

8. Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

9. Official Relations—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

10. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.

11. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. The Committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.

12. Missions—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

13. President's Report—2 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

14. Committee of Audit—2 Ministers, 1 Layman.

15. Conference Program for the following session—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 3 Laymen.

16. Appointees on the Executive Committee of Union of Young People's Work—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 2 Laymen.

17. Home For The Aged—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

18. Conference Arrangements—The President and the Standing District Committee.

19. Evangelism—3 Ministers and 3 Laymen. The President of the Conference a member, ex-officio, with voting power. (This an ad-interim committee.)

3. Any person being a member of two committees shall have the right to decline an appointment to another.

4. When there are present Fraternal Messengers and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations shall quietly inform the President, whereupon the President may request the visitors be brought to him, to be by him introduced to the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

5. The Committee on Official Relations shall read as a part of their report an "Honor Roll" of the charges which pay their assessments in full. And also the percentage of those charges paying less than 100 per cent.

Rule VI. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION:—

1. At 9 o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

2. The Roll shall then be called, the Secretary reporting the names of absentees. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the chairman, or in his absence some member, of his Obituary Committee shall formally announce the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the call-

ing of the Conference Roll, and the same shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Memorial Roll by the Secretary.

3. At 10.30 A. M. of the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon, followed by the Lord's Supper. The President shall appoint some one to preach the Ordination Sermon at 11 A. M. on Sunday. The time for holding Memorial Services for deceased members of the Conference shall be determined by the Conference Program Committee.

4. Examination of the President. At 2 P. M. the President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee; and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question: "Shall his character pass?"

5. At 3 P. M. on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot, as follows: 1. President. 2. Secretary. 3. Steward. 4. Treasurer. The Steward and Treasurer elected at one session shall serve at the following session, and they shall appoint two assistants with the approval of the Conference. 5. Standing District Committee, consisting of three ministers and three laymen. 6. Committee on Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

6. Examination of Official Character. At 4 P. M. Wednesday the roll shall be called and the pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections prescribed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor and the name of the charge in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports and charges against official character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Relations.

7. The sessions of Saturday shall end at noon, that the Committees may have time for their work, and that the President may have opportunity to interview delegates and ministers.

Rule VII. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DAILY SESSIONS:—

1. On each day following the opening session there shall be held a devotional service from 10.45 to 11 A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the preceding day for correction and adoption.

3. Calling of the roll of charges in alphabetical order, for the presentation of any business by delegates or pastors from the churches they represent. When any such, upon recognition of the Chair, shall present any business it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business, or referred to the proper committee without motion.

4. Call for reports from Boards, Institutions and Societies, and communications, which shall be put upon the Secretary's desk to be taken up in regular order, or made the order of the day.

5. Reports of standing and special committees called for in order, and they shall be handed to the Secretary to be read by him. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

6. Miscellaneous business.

7. When any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session and at a specific hour.

8. Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

9. Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

10. When any business is taken into consideration it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day or by adjournment.

Rule VIII. DECORUM:—1. When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise and address the Chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the

Conference, after which he may proceed addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

2. If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

3. No interruption shall be allowed while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.

4. When a member is called to order he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule or order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

5. In deciding a question of order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate, but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustains the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

6. No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of the Conference, nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

7. Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

8. Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

Rule IX. MOTIONS:—1. Every motion shall be written, signed and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference; except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.

2. Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.

3. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the first three to be taken without debate; and the first always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

4. It shall be in order to move the previous question, or 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 of members present the question shall be taken. It shall not be in order for a member to move the previous question or to move to lay on the table at the close of his speech in which the pending question has been discussed.

5. When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

6. No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.

7. A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.

8. No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment; but it shall be in order to move a substitute for the main question, and one amendment to the substitute, and if a substitute is accepted it shall replace the original proposition.

9. All motions to fix the place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

Rule X. VOTING.—1. Every member who is within the bar at the time a question is being put shall vote, unless the Conference for a special reason shall excuse him.

2. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question, who is not within the bar at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.

3. Votes for all Conference Officers, the Committee on Appeals, Standing District Committee, Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference and all other officers of all other organizations shall be by ballot. Otherwise, voting shall be by yea and nay; but a division of the house being called a count vote shall be taken, members rising in their places and standing until they shall have been counted.

4. A member may change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.

5. Blank ballots shall not be counted.

6. Ayes and nays, and a vote by orders shall be as prescribed in the Discipline.

Rule XI. AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS. All motions or resolutions, whether submitted by committees or individual members, contemplating an amendment to these Rules and Regulations, must so specify. Otherwise, such action shall not be binding upon any other session of the Conference than that at which the same is passed.

REGULATIONS.

Regulation I. DUTIES OF PASTORS. 1. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference, admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline, under head of "Duties of Stewards."

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, whenever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the Church whether they have been baptized, and if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused unstationed Minister or Preacher.

8. Pastors, when changing appointments, shall hand to their successors a plan of the work of the charge.

9. Station and Circuit Stewards shall furnish the pastor with a sufficient number of Disciplines, that he may be able to present each new member with a copy, in compliance with Disciplinary law.

10. That no minister of this Conference shall give his consent or assistance to building a church or parsonage on a lot that is not deeded unconditionally to an incorporated board of Methodist Protestant Trustees.

11. No minister of this Conference shall go as a loan to any church outside of the Maryland Conference unless said church is willing to contribute to the Superannuated Fund of this Conference.

12. All pastors are required to submit in detail to the Board of Survey all plans their churches may have for new church buildings and parsonages, remodeling or extensive improvements, locations for buildings, etc., for advice and counsel, before giving their consent to or proceeding with the execution of their plans. This is done that churches may have advantage of the study and experience of the conference in all such matters. Further, no church shall receive any appropriation from Conference

Funds until this Board of Survey shall have reviewed their plans and passed favorably upon same.

13. All married pastors of the Conference shall be guaranteed a minimum salary of \$1,200, and parsonage, and that where the charge either cannot or will not pay the said amount this Conference undertakes to pay out of Conference Funds the difference between the amount the charge pays and the \$1,200, except in cases where the pastors agree to serve for less than the minimum salary to accommodate personal situations, it shall be understood that the maximum appropriation shall not exceed \$300.00, except in such cases as are specifically recommended by this Board.

14. All pastors of the Conference shall be required to give at least two weeks of their time for evangelistic services during the year, if needed, under the direction of the Committee on Evangelism, provided that pastors shall be given three weeks' notice of their appointment.

Regulation II. SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY. 1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leader; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in division 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," of the Discipline.

3. Every minister, preacher and lay member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-five years shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Steward, Class-leader and Sunday-School Superintendent, Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

5. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of Elder two years. And no minister shall be elected to the office of President of the Annual Conference for more than three years in succession.

6. The Conference strongly disapproves the secret ballot for the removal or return of the pastor, and condemns the complimentary vote that asks for the pastor's return in the public meeting and seeks his removal at the Annual Conference.

Regulation III. THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE. 1. The Conference endorses the actions of the Committee in the purchase of the property, No. 1420 Linden Ave., Baltimore, as the President's parsonage.

2. The assessment of \$4,000 shall be continued under the name of "President's Salary," to be appropriated as follows; nine-tenths of the amount raised to be paid to the President as his salary and traveling expenses. One-tenth of the amount raised to be paid to the Agent of the President's parsonage, who shall pay out of this amount, the water rent, insurance and needful repairs of the property.

Regulation IV. RECORDS OF TRIAL CASES. In all cases of the trial of a minister, the Secretary of the Trial Committee shall make a correct record of the proceedings of the trial, and turn the same over to the Secretary of the Conference, together with a copy of the charges, and specifications, a copy of the finding, or verdict of the Committee—and all other documentary evidence used in the trial, to be kept by the Secretary among the records of the Conference.

Regulation V. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT AND SUPERNUMERARY REQUESTS. All requests to be left without an appointment for the ensuing year, or for a supernumerary relation, shall be referred by the Conference to the Committee on Official Relations for consideration and report thereon before such requests shall be granted.

Regulation VI. SABBATH SCHOOLS. 1. As a preparation for more efficient study and teaching of the Word, teachers' meetings should be statedly held under the direction of the pastor or superintendent.

2. Pastors are directed to carry out the Discipline regulations concerning the organization of our Sabbath Schools into Foreign Missionary Societies and the taking of a collection every quarter for Foreign Missions.

3. Children's Day shall be faithfully observed by all our Sabbath Schools, and the money received on that day shall be exclusively devoted to the Children's Day offering for Foreign Missions.

Regulation VII. HOME FOR THE AGED. 1. Every charge shall elect a lady visitor for the benefit of Our Church Home, consistent with the character of that institution.

2. The list of charges failing to meet the requirement of the Conference relative to Our Church Home shall be read at each session of the Conference.

3. The second Sunday of November of each year shall be known as "Donation Day" for Our Church Home, and all our pastors are instructed to call the attention of their congregations thereto, and an endeavor made to have donations of provisions, groceries and things needed to conduct the Home, sent to Mrs. Chas. Billingslea, Westminster, Md.

Regulation VIII. ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES. No person, in virtue merely of a license to preach, or even election to orders, is empowered to administer or assist in administering the Christian ordinances.

Regulation IX. UNSTATIONED MINISTERS. The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualifications.

Regulation X. LOTTERIES. The practice of raising funds for church purposes, by means of lotteries and other games of hazards is disapproved by the Conference, and pastors are enjoined to discountenance their use.

Regulation XI. MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY. The placing of mortgage upon church property for the purpose, directly, or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is, so far as it has authority, disallowed by the Conference.

Regulation XII. OBITUARIES. 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the Rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

Regulation XIII. MARRIAGES. The Conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

Regulation XIV. TITLES AND DEGREES. Inasmuch as the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is the badge of University work and most rigid examinations—a degree which our better Colleges refuse to confer, and Universities do not confer for honor, but only for merit in advanced special studies—we feel sure no worthy institution would confer such a title for work done by correspondence, and the man who consents to bear a title so conferred subjects himself to the ridicule of scholars and involves the ministry in a charge of vanity and insincerity. Therefore, this Conference expresses its disapproval of this method of obtaining degrees, and declines to recognize in any way a title so obtained.

Regulation XV. UNFERMENTED WINE. The Conference recommends the use of unfermented wine in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Regulation XVI. DROPPING MEMBERS. Persons whose names are on the church register and cannot be found, or who have ceased to take an interest in the church, may be dropped from the record by a vote of the church; provided further, that in stations these changes may be made by the Quarterly Conference.

Regulation XVII. PASTORS' MOVING EXPENSES. As the Discipline grants the Annual Conference the right to "make such regulations as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the ministers and preachers," it is the judgment of this Conference that the charge to which a minister or preacher is assigned should pay the moving expenses of the incoming pastor.

Regulation XVIII. CAMP-MEETINGS. 1. Camp-meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the following conditions:—

2. There shall be no traffic on the Lord's Day on the camp-ground or the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.

3. The managers or other officers of the camp-meeting shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or to the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp-ground, or the vicinity thereof, on the Lord's Day.

4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's Day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraph, nor shall anything be done by their authority or solicitation to contravene the foregoing regulations.

5. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp-meeting.

6. In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp-meeting as pastor.

7. Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

Regulation XIX. ELECTION OF DELEGATES. 1st—In Stations. In stations the election of delegates shall be by the qualified members under the direction of the stewards and whose credentials must be signed by the chairman and secretary of the meeting. The pastor shall announce the time and place of such meeting at least one Sunday before it is held, but in no case shall he preside at the election of delegates.

2nd—In Circuits. In circuits a vote of the qualified members shall be taken by the stewards in each church on the charge, after due announcement by the pastor, for a delegate to the annual conference. The votes shall be brought in separate packages to the quarterly conference where they shall be counted. Anyone receiving a majority of all votes cast shall be declared the delegate elect, but if no one receives a majority the quarterly conference shall proceed at once to the election of a delegate. When it is necessary for the quarterly conference to elect the delegate, someone other than the pastor shall preside during the election, and whose name, with the secretary of the quarterly conference, shall appear on the credentials of the delegate.

3rd. In both stations and circuits and also at the quarterly conference all voting shall be by ballot and the election must be held at least ten days before the session of the Annual Conference.

Regulation 20.

PLAN OF CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

See 1921 Minutes, Pages 116-117.)

A.—Expense of Travel.

The establishment of a pro rata basis of expense in reaching the seat of Conference for each minister and delegate—the said basis shall be determined by someone designated—that each minister and delegate shall pay his pro rata part of the said basis at a time designated before the sitting of the Conference—that from the amount of the said basis each minister and delegate shall receive the cost of his round-trip ticket to the seat of Conference.

B.—Expense of Entertainment.

1. That each charge shall be assessed an amount equal to 1 per cent. of the assessed salary for pastor. No man is eligible for entertainment unless his church has paid the apportionment.

2. All members of the Conference, including supplies, are eligible.

3. No man can make a claim on the Conference if entertained by friends or remains in his own home.

4. In lieu of money for board, a member is permitted to charge for his car fare to and from the seat of Conference as the case may be, excluding the first trip. Maximum amount allowed shall be \$2.00 per day.

Regulation 21. Plan of Levy For The Budgets.

First: The Budget System in distribution is of three parts—

- a. The President's Salary and expenses.
- b. Maryland Conference Interests, to-wit: Incidental expenses of conference, Superannuates, Church Extension, Our Church Home and Deaconess Home.
- c. General Conference interests, to-wit: Board of Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Board of Young People's Work, Superannuates (for the General Church), Children's Home, Old People's Home, W. F. M. S., W. H. M. S. and American Bible Society.

Second: The Board of Finance shall ascertain—

a. The average amount paid by each charge for all purposes, plus unpaid total assessments, after deducting amounts paid on "Rental Value of Parsonage," "Building and Improvements," "Paid on Debt," "Interest on Debt," "Special Campaigns, either of the General or Maryland Conference," for each of the five years immediately preceding the current year and determine the percentage of the same necessary to provide for the total assessment on the district.

b. The total number of full members for the current year, and determine the per capita necessary to provide for the total assessment.

c. The division to be 40 per cent for membership and 60 per cent for financial ability.

For the amount levied for the above Budgets, the percentage of Distribution, and for the percentage that each interest shall receive under various Budgets, see Report of Board of Finance as printed in the Minutes for each Conference Session.

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