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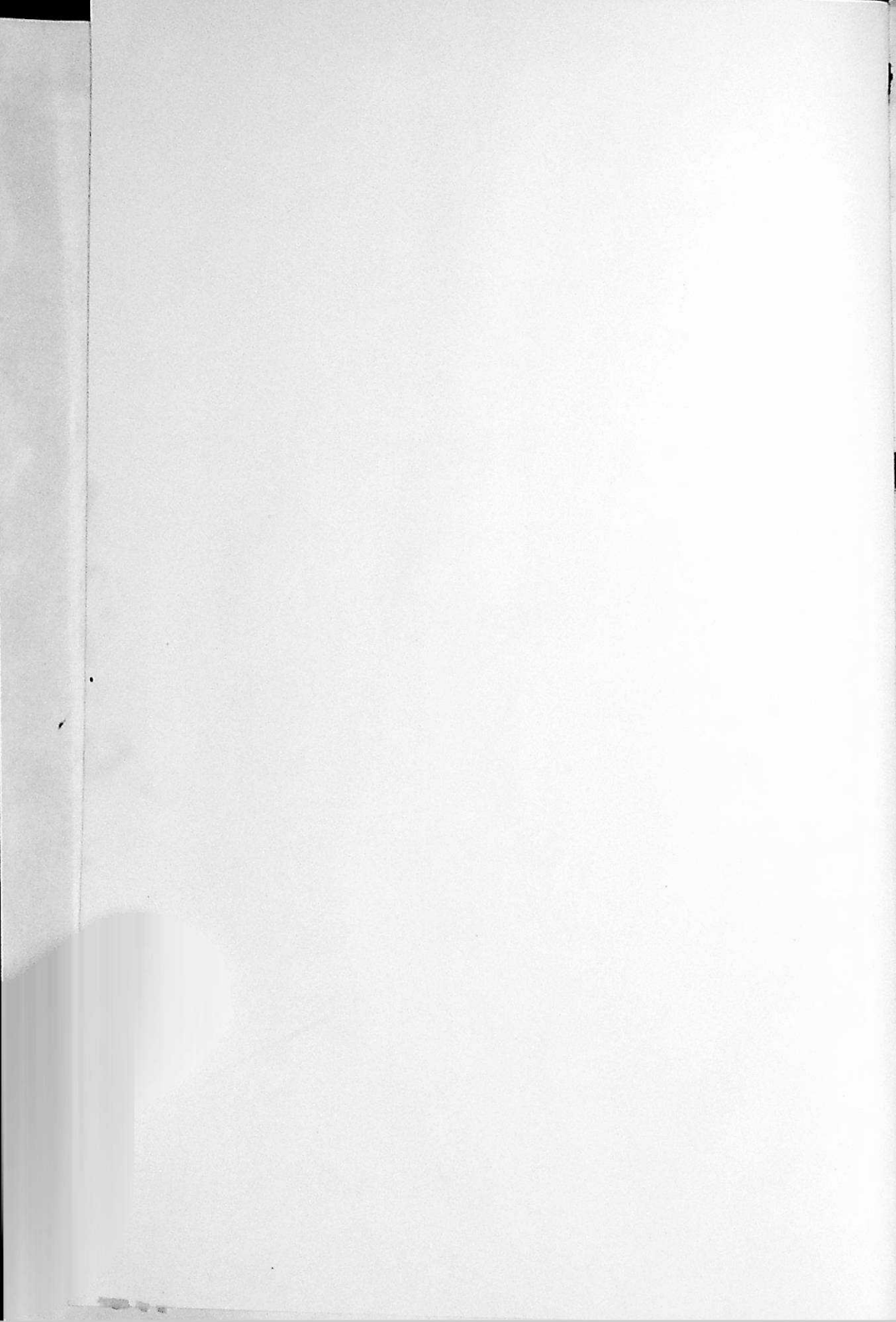
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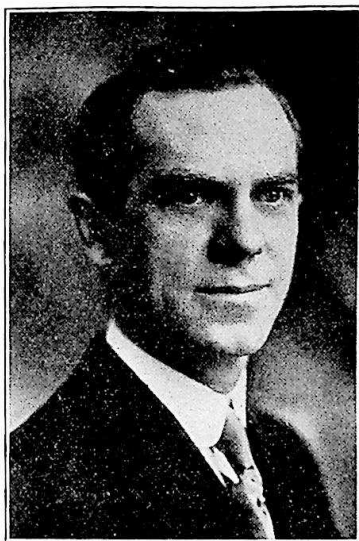


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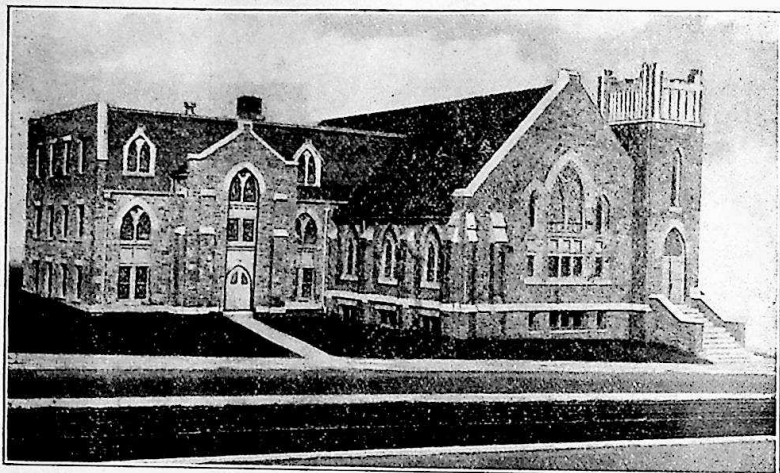
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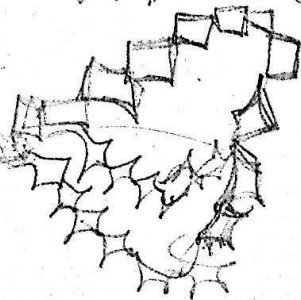
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338	L. F. Warner	1891	1893	426	W. P. Roberts	1905	1907
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340	Avery Donovan	1891	1892	429	W. L. Hoffman	1906	1908
341	S. W. Coe	1891	Tr.	432	L. B. Smith	1906	1907
342	Dorsey Blake	1892	1893	434	W. S. Hanks	1906	Tr.
343	L. A. Bennett	1892	1892	436	E. L. Bunce	1907	1907
344	C. M. Cullum	1892	1893	437	H. B. Jester	1907	1909
345	G. R. Donaldson	1892	1895	438	P. L. Rice	1907	1909
347	A. H. Green	1892	1894	439	F. D. Reynolds	1907	Tr.
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359	E. C. Makosky	1893	1895	461	W. C. Mumford	1911	1912
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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
371	C. E. Dryden	1895	1897	466	E. W. Sinms	1912	1913
372	H. O. Keen	1895	1898	467	W. F. Wright	1912	1914
373	G. A. Morris	1895	1898	468	Ziba Adams	1913	Tr.
376	A. N. Ward	1895	1897	471	C. C. Day	1913	1914
378	J. F. Bryan	1896	1897	472	W. M. Snyder	1913	1914
379	N. O. Gibson	1896	1898	473	T. C. Jones	1914	Tr.
380	F. A. Holland	1896	1897	474	J. N. Link	1914	1916
381	E. D. Stone	1896	1898	478	L. S. Owens	1915	1917
382	G. H. Stocksdale	1896	1899	480	E. T. Kirkley	1915	1916
387	W. A. Melvin	1897	1898	481	J. P. Adams	1916	1917
388	E. T. Read	1897	1899	483	J. P. George	1916	1918
389	J. L. Ward	1897	1899	491	J. H. Lynch	1917	1919
394	B. F. Ruley	1899	1900	493	C. H. Dobson	1917	1919
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397	G. E. Brown	1899	1904	495	L. E. Haddaway	1917	1919

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500	L. W. Gordon.....	1918	Tr.	542	F. B. Bailey.....	1923	1924
501	G. E. McDorman.....	1919	1919	543	W. B. Sanders.....	1924	Tr.
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503	R. W. White.....	1919	1919	545	R. W. Sapp.....	1925	1925
504	K. H. Wareheim.....	1919	1919	546	C. L. Dawson.....	1925	1926
506	J. R. McKeawn.....	1919	1919	547	J. G. Eaton.....	1926	1926
507	G. E. Leister.....	1919	1919	548	E. E. Coleman	1926	1926
508	J. Leas Green.....	1919	1919	549	W. A. Donaway.....	1926	1926
509	J. W. Baxley.....	1919	1919	550	Edwin Keehner	1926	1926
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515	G. E. Turner.....	1920	1920	552	C. F. Cummins.....	1926	1926
516	F. M. Volk.....	1920	1920	553	G. E. Wunder	1927	1927
518	C. M. Jenkins.....	1920	1928	554	H. C. Burkins.....	1927	1927
519	C. P. Butler.....	1920	Tr.	555	H. E. Hudgins.....	1927	1927
520	J. Earl Cummings.....	1921	1921	556	D. K. Sturgis.....	1927	1927
521	J. Tracey Fenby.....	1921	1921	557	H. G. Hager.....	1927	1927
522	W. H. Hodges.....	1921	Tr.	558	J. G. Lynn.....	1927	1927
523	F. G. Holloway.....	1921	1921	559	Stephen Galley.....	1927	1927
524	C. M. Kelser.....	1921	1921	561	F. N. Bowers.....	1928	1928
525	Paul F. Warner.....	1921	1921	562	Ira M. Dinkle.....	1928	1928
526	Robert Browne	1922	1924	563	Owen W. Prince.....	1928	
528	M. E. Dearholt.....	1922	1922	564	W. T. Archer.....	1928	
529	Thomas Turkington. ..	1922	1922	565	A. W. Betts.....	1929	1929
530	J. L. Marker.....	1922	1922	566	C. S. Marshall.....	1929	1929
531	T. G. Betschler.....	1922	1922	567	F. W. Siffrin.....	1929	Tr.
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538	L. C. Randall.....	1923	1923				

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SPECIAL DAYS

Second Sunday in October, "Rally Day."

Sunday before Thanksgiving, "Men for the Ministry Sunday."

First two weeks in April, Campaign for the "Methodist Protestant."

CONFERENCE EXAMINERS AND EXAMINATIONS

We recommend that the following be inserted in the Minutes under "Conference Examiners and Examinations" in place of that which precedes the course of study.

(1) The Conference course of study shall be of four years duration and in five groups of subjects as follows:

- (a) Practical Theology.
- (b) Christian Theology.
- (c) Church History.
- (d) Homiletics.
- (e) English Bible.

The students in these courses shall be known as preparatory, first, second and third year students.

(2) The president, shall not later than one week after the adjournment of Conference, appoint a committee of six to be known as the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. Of these, one shall be appointed as chairman and one each as examiner in "a," "b," "c," "d" and "e" to examine all classes.

(3) The Chairman shall serve for one year. At the expiration of that time examiner "a" shall become chairman and the president shall appoint a new examiner "a." So in order "b," "c," "d" and "e" shall become chairman. The president annually appointing an examiner in the place of him who becomes chairman.

(4) Each examiner shall assign one of the books in his course to be examined during the first week in September, December, March and Conference respectively. Each examiner shall report on each student annually to the committee, who shall thereupon make its recommendations to the Conference.

(5) The Committee shall announce not later than Thursday, A. M. of Conference, the names of all those who seek admission, ordination, license, etc., and shall submit its recommendations concerning same not earlier than Saturday.

5. We recommend that the Committee be instructed to reorganize the Conference Course of Study, and report to the next Conference.

J. M. GILL, Chairman.
FRED HOLLOWAY, Secretary.
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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) Lewis' Hand book. The Discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church, including the preface. The applicant must show that he has studied these books and that he is especially familiar with our ministerial functions and procedure.

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.

Examiners for the Course of Study as designated—(a) C. E. Dryden, (b) W. B. Judefind, (c) R. L. Shipley, (d) W. H. Hodges, (e) J. L. Ward, N. O. Gibson, chairman.

First year.

(a) Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform."

Vol. 1, chapters I, III, X, XVI, XVII, XXI. Vol. 2, chapters, II, IV, IX, XV, XXVII, XXXV.

(b) Lewis' Divine Credentials.

(c) Lewis' "The Minister and His Own Soul" and Elderdice's "The Preachers' Problems."

(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—Reginald Brohawn, J. F. Zimmerman.

Second Year.

(a) Curtis' "Christian Faith." 180-344.

(b) Fisher's History of the Christian Church." 1-286.

(c) Broadus' "Preparation and Delivery of Sermons."

(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—W. T. Archer.

Third Year

(a) Curtis' "Christian Faith." 347 to end of book.

(b) Fisher's History of the Christian Church." 286 to end.

(c) Calkin's "Historical Geography of the Bible."

(d) Squire's "Parish Program of Religious Education."

(e) An examination before the four examiners in the English Bible—The Prophetical Book—Isaiah to Malachi. The examination shall be conducted by the examiner who was assigned to (d) in the Preparatory and read to these examiners an original sermon.

Students—

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the course 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.

N. O. GIBSON, Chairman.
Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

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FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY

Baltimore, Md., June 12, 1929.

Opening:—The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church opened its one hundred, first session in the Edmondson Avenue Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, Maryland, on the above date at nine o'clock A. M. The President, E. C. Makosky, called the Conference to order and conducted the devotional service. Hymn No. 418, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," was sung. Second Corinthians 6:1 to 7:3 was read by the President, and prayer was made by H. L. Elderdice.

PRAYER AT THE OPENING DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

By H. L. ELDERDICE

O Thou "King Eternal, Immortal, Invisible, the only wise God!" we adore Thee! "Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting Thou art God."

Though in humility and reverence, yet also in boldness we come to Thy Throne of Grace; for our petition is presented in the name of Thine Eternal Son, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever;" and our Guide is He who brooded upon the face of the waters at the dawn of creation and ever since has inspired the thoughts and given utterance to the words of all who "worship Thee in spirit and in truth."

Before Thy Mercy Seat we would now make confession of our unworthiness to be called Thy sons and Thy daughters; we would lift to Thee the voice of trembling, yet trustful penitence; and we would even dare claim Thy pardoning voice, for Thine invitation we accept and Thy promise we believe, when Thou dost say through all the ages and to all the inhabitants of the earth: "Come now and let us reason together; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Accept, we beseech Thee, the tribute of Thanksgiving which rises this hour from our happy hearts. We thank Thee for Thy favoring

Providence, permitting us to perform the sacred duties and to enjoy the blessed privileges of another Conference year.

We upon whom has fallen the prophetic mantle, who have been stationed as sentinels upon the walls of Zion and who have been commissioned as ambassadors of Christ are grateful to Thee for every sermon that we are able to preach, for every warning that we are permitted to sound, for every counsel we were inspired to give and every soul we helped Thee to save.

And all of us who are Lay Leaders in our local churches give Thee our heartfelt thanks for the equally high honor of being co-workers with Thy Ministers and with the Great Head of the Church in advancing the interests of Thy Kingdom in the parishes of the Maryland Conference. Both as Thy Under-Shepherds and the Sheep of Thy pastures, we unite to praise and magnify the Good Shepherd for His watchful care which has guarded us from dangers seen and unseen, has nourished our spiritual life in the green fields of His Word, and soothed our troubled spirits by the still streams of His grace.

We would also thank Thee for the men and women we miss. Not because they are missing from our roll call today, but because of the many times they have answered, "Present." Not because we fail to see their familiar faces, but because we remember their cheerful smiles, their winsome words, their friendship tried and true, their faith that never flinched, their hope that never grew dim, their love that never waned, their loyalty to Thy banners that never trailed in the dust, and their sacrificial service to their fellows in every time of need. We thank Thee for their names and their memories, their spirit and their service, their fellowship and their inspiration, for the immortality of their influence which they left as a rich legacy to us and our children, and for the immortality of the personality which they are now developing in the Upper Sanctuary of Him whose they still are and Whom they still serve.

God of our Fathers! In the name of the Great Head of the Church, we pray Thee to grant that Thy will may be done this session of the Maryland Annual Conference—the first in the second century of its existence. To this end, may Jesus Christ be the Unseen Presiding Officer of our Assembly. May the Holy Spirit guide us when we vote for our President for the ensuing year; when we cast our ballots for all the administrative officers who compose this cabinet; when we listen to, debate concerning, and dispose of reports from standing and special committees; and when we ponder and plan our Educational Work, our Missionary Program, and all other enterprises of our New Century Service. May all that we say and do bring peace to our walls and prosperity to our palaces.

But far more than this we ask! Bless the Methodist Protestant Church that she may be a blessing to other Churches! May she play her part in spreading abroad that spirit of unity which alone can unite the dismembered body of Christ; by destroying denominational strife

and ushering in the prophetic day when "Ephraim shall not envy Judah and Judah shall not vex Ephraim."

And may she be also heroic in her support of the State, responding to our National President when he challenges all citizens to suppress the lawlessness of our day by proclaiming the message of old: "Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint." May we help him and all civil officers who are striving to put the fear of God into the heart of every lawless citizen; and thus speed the day when He whose right it is to reign shall have dominion over all the nations of the earth. And to the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we will ascribe all honor world without end. Amen!

Roll Call:—The Secretary called the roll of the Conference, and on motion the following were transferred to the Memorial Roll:—

W. M. Strayer, J. G. Sullivan, F. T. Little, T. O. Crouse, J. M. Sheridan, F. T. Benson, A. S. Beane.

Personal Report:—J. H. Straughn reported that it would be impossible for T. H. Lewis to attend this session of the Conference because of illness, and that his message to the Conference would appear in the next issue of the Methodist Protestant.

Reports:—(1) **Credentials**—The report of the Committee on Credentials and Secretary was read by the Secretary. The report recommended that a committee of two be appointed to purchase office equipment for the Secretary's office. G. W. Haddaway moved to substitute for the committee of two the name of the Secretary. Motion passed. The report as amended was adopted. (Report B.)

(2) **Program Committee**—The report of the Program Committee was read by the Secretary and adopted. (Report Q.)

Motion:—J. H. Straughn moved that H. L. Elderdice be requested to furnish the Secretary a copy of his prayer and that it be printed in the Minutes of the Conference. Motion prevailed.

Memorial Roll:—The Memorial Roll was called by G. M. Clayton, after which Hymn No. 514 was sung.

Devotional Service:—The hour for the morning worship having arrived, Hymn No. 400, "O Brothers, Lift Your Voices," was sung. Prayer was offered by J. F. Bryan. Responsive Reading, Selection 17, was led by J. L. Nichols, and the Scripture Lesson, Luke 10:17-37, was read by Clayborne Phillips, followed by singing Hymn No. 408, "O Where are Kings and Empires Now?" The Conference Sermon was preached by J. H. Straughn upon the theme, "The Church and Public Morality." Hymn No. 169, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" was sung, after which the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the President, assisted by G. F. Farring, G. Q. Bacchus, J. McLain Brown, J. W. Trout, W. S. Hanks, G. J. Hill, George Hines and S. F. Cassen.

Benediction was pronounced by W. B. Judefind.

AFTERNOON

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 2 P. M.

Bar of Conference:—On motion the bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first nine rows of pews.

President's Report:—The President called G. F. Farring to the chair and then read his annual report. At the conclusion of its reading his character was passed. (Report A.)

Standing Committees:—The President read the list of Standing Committees.

Election of Officers:—The order of the day having come, the President appointed the following tellers on Election of President:—B. F. Ruley, J. L. Ward, W. C. Scott and Samuel Yingling.

The result of the ballot was as follows: Number of votes cast—242; Necessary for choice—122: L. B. Smith—185; W. H. Litsinger—55; R. Y. Nicholson—1; C. M. Compher—1. L. B. Smith was declared elected.

The President appointed W. H. Litsinger and Samuel Yingling as a Committee to escort L. B. Smith to the platform. With well chosen words the retiring President welcomed the President-elect and surrendered to him the office. In a brief address of appreciation the President-elect accepted the office.

Upon motion the Assistant Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Conference for G. J. Hooker for Secretary.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Conference for C. F. Cummins for Treasurer.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Conference for R. W. White for Conference Steward.

Standing District Committee:—The President appointed the following as tellers for the vote for the Standing District Committee: E. H. Jones, B. A. Bryan, Frederick Evans and F. J. Maxwell. The ballot was taken and the tellers were permitted to retire and count the vote.

Committee on Appeals:—The President appointed the following tellers to take the vote for the Committee on Appeals: G. E. Leister, G. E. Turner, James T. Norris and C. W. Foxwell. The ballot was taken and the tellers were permitted to retire and count the vote.

Pastor's Reports:—The Secretary called the Roll of Pastors for their annual reports.

Communications:—The Roll of Charges for communications was called by the Secretary.

Appointments:—(1) The Secretary announced the appointment of his assistants as follows: E. L. Bunce, C. R. Strausburg, J. W. Townsend and E. C. Graham.

(2) The Treasurer announced the appointment of

his assistants as follows: G. E. Leister as Assistant Treasurer, and C. M. Kelsner as Clerk.

Adjournment:—The Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. W. Kirk.

EVENING

The evening session was called to order by the President at 8 P. M. Hymn No. 394 "The Son of God Goes Forth to War" was sung, and prayer was offered by T. R. Woodford.

Obituaries:—

The obituary for W. M. Strayer was read by R. L. Shipley.

The obituary for J. G. Sullivan was read by J. F. Wooden.

The obituary for F. T. Little was read by W. H. Litsinger.

The obituary for T. O. Crouse was read by J. W. Kirk.

The obituary for J. M. Sheridan was read by J. H. Straughn.

The obituary for F. T. Benson was read by G. W. Haddaway.

The obituary for A. S. Bean² was read by G. J. Hooker.

The friends of J. M. Sheridan of Edmondson Avenue Methodist Protestant Church unveiled a tablet to his memory. (See obituary of J. M. Sheridan.)

Prayer was offered by C. K. McCaslin, and Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY

Opening:—The Conference opened at 9:30 A. M., with the President presiding.

Journal:—The Minutes were read and approved.

Roll call:—The Secretary read the Roll of the Conference.

Devotional Service:—The devotional service was led by H. L. Elderdice. Hymn No. 15 was sung, and prayer was made by L. F. Warner. After reading responsively Selection 47, Hymn No. 350 was sung. Matthew 14:1-12 was read, and prayer was offered by W. H. Hodges. The service was closed by singing Hymn No. 374.

President's Secretary:—The President announced the appointment of D. K. Sturgis as Secretary to the President.

Report:—The Secretary read the Report of the Maryland Educational Endowment Society. Upon motion the report was accepted, and the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Conference for the names mentioned in the report. (Report R.)

Introductions:—The President introduced to the Conference Dr. J. C. Broomfield, President of the General Conference; Dr. Vernon Ridgley, District Superintendent of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Rev. B. F. Auld, Assistant to the Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland; and Rev. F. L. Gibbs, Assistant Secretary of the Department of Young People's Work.

Address:—Rev. B. F. Auld addressed the Conference in the interest of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland.

Resolution:—The Secretary read a resolution requesting J. H. Straughn to furnish a copy of his sermon to the Secretary, to be printed in the Minutes. G. I. Humphreys moved that the sermon also be referred to the Committee on Moral Reform for their consideration and as an expression of this Conference in the matter. The motion was passed. The Resolution was then adopted.

Motion:—E. C. Makosky moved that the Secretary write a letter extending the regrets and sympathy of the Conference to George W. Crabbe, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, in his illness. Motion was adopted.

Address:—J. H. Straughn, Treasurer and Promotional Secretary of the General Conference, addressed the Conference on New Century Service.

Committee on Appeals:—The tellers reported on the ballot taken for the Committee on Appeals. Because there was no election, motion was made that the three ministers and three laymen receiving the highest number of votes be declared elected. Motion prevailed.

Committee on Appeals:—J. H. Straughn, J. W. Kirk, J. M. Gill, W. G. Monroe, M. L. Veasey, T. P. Fisher.

Letter:—A letter from S. W. Coe, stating his inability to attend the Conference, was read by the Secretary.

Motion:—It was moved that a delegation be appointed by the Conference to visit T. H. Lewis, S. W. Coe and B. W. Kindley, and express the love and sympathy of the Conference, and that flowers also be carried. Motion prevailed.

Superannuation:—G. W. Haddaway moved that H. W. D. Johnson be superannuated, and that his case be referred to the Committee on Superannuates. Motion adopted.

Address:—Dr. J. C. Broomfield, President of the General Conference, addressed the Conference.

Delegations:—The President appointed the following delegations:—
For T. H. Lewis—E. A. Sexsmith, G. I. Humphreys and J. H. Straughn;
For S. W. Coe—J. McLain Brown and Avery Donovan.

For B. W. Kindley—the Secretary to write a letter and send flowers.

Recess:—Upon motion the Conference recessed.

AFTERNOON

Opening:—The Conference was called to order by the President at 2 P. M.

Letter:—The Secretary read a letter from Paul F. Warner, Missionary to Japan. The letter was referred to the Committee on Official Relations.

Report:—J. N. Link read the report of the Commission on Rural Church Problems and Programs. On motion the report was adopted. (Report Y.)

Letter:—The Secretary read a letter from W. L. Hoffman, T. G. Betschler and W. P. Roberts, of Seattle, Washington. The letter was referred to the Committee on Official Relations.

Standing District Committee:—The tellers for the Standing District Committee reported that there was no election of ministers to the Committee, and that three laymen had been elected. It was moved that the Secretary cast the vote of the Conference for the three ministers receiving the highest vote. Motion prevailed.

Standing District Committee:—L. F. Warner, W. H. Litsinger, E. C. Makosky, T. P. Fisher, J. H. Baker, T. A. Murray.

Report:—A. W. Ewell, Chairman of the Committee to Raise Unpaid Balance on Centenary Gratitude Gift, read the report of the Committee. J. H. Straughn spoke to the report. It was moved that the report be re-committed. J. H. Straughn was appointed on the Committee in place of T. H. Lewis, and T. P. Fisher in place of F. P. Adkins. Report was re-committed. (Report Z.)

Introductions:—Rev. J. J. Phillips, of Clarksburg, W. Va., and F. W. Stephenson, Executive Secretary of The Board of Christian Education, were introduced to the Conference and Dr. Stephenson addressed the Conference on the work of his Board. Dr. W. W. Davis, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of the Alliance.

Reports:—The report of the Lady Visitors to the Home for the Aged, the report of the President of the Home for the Aged, and the report of the Treasurer of the Home for the Aged were read by the Secretary. The reports were referred to the Committee on Home For The Aged.

Church Extension:—Upon motion the Conference gave way for a meeting of the Church Extension Society.

Conference Re-Convened:—The Conference re-convened.

Report:—The Secretary read the report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference, together with the report of the Treasurer of said Trustees. On motion J. H. Straughn, Roland Watts, F. Murray Benson and W. A. Melvin were elected as Trustees. The report was adopted. (Report D.)

Resolution:—J. A. Dudley offered a resolution relative to the erection of a Dog Pound on Falls Road. G. W. Haddaway spoke to the resolution. Resolution was adopted.

Adjournment:—The Conference adjourned with benediction by G. W. Haddaway.

EVENING

The evening service was in the interest of Evangelism, with R. L. Shipley presiding.

The devotional service was conducted by W. A. Melvin. After a short song service, the address of the evening was made by the Rev. Dr. Spencer of the Staff of Dr. A. Karl Kernahan.

The President baptized the infant twin children of Rev. Russell Sapp and wife.

The benediction was pronounced by J. H. Lynch.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY

Opening:—The Conference was called to order by the President at 9.30 A. M.

Journal:—The Minutes were read and approved.

Announcement:—With much feeling, J. H. Straughn announced the death of Dr. T. H. Lewis, who died in Washington, D. C., at 3 A. M. The Conference was deeply moved at the announcement.

Devotional Service:—A devotional service was led by G. I. Humphreys. Hymn No. 289, "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less," was sung, followed by responsive reading No. 32. Prayer was offered by G. I. Humphreys.

Motion:—On motion the Conference voted to send a floral tribute to the funeral of Dr. T. H. Lewis. Flowers were also ordered sent to S. W. Coe and B. W. Kindley.

Excused:—G. E. Brown and E. C. Graham were excused so that they might attend funerals on their charges.

Report:—The Assistant Secretary read the Report of the Deaconess Board. The paper was referred to the Committee on Benevolent Agencies.

Report:—The Secretary read the Report of the Committee on Evangelism, also the report of the Treasurer of said Committee. The report was adopted. (Report U.)

Collector:—H. G. Hagar was appointed to collect money for the sexton.

Mutual Relief Association:—Conference gave way to a meeting of the Mutual Relief Association.

The Conference again convened at 11 A. M.

Chair:—E. C. Makosky was called to the chair.

Report:—The Secretary read the Report of the Committee on Missions. The presiding officer introduced the following—G. W. Haddaway, Mrs. Marie Thompson, Mrs. Henry Hupfield, Mrs. Bullis, and T. R. Woodford, all of whom made addresses relative to the work. (Report N.)

G. W. Haddaway was then called to the chair. Report of the Committee was adopted.

Introductions:—Dr. Lyman E. Davis, Editor of The Methodist Recorder, Dr. Crates S. Johnson, Editor of Sunday School Publications, and Dr. Hyatt, of the Bible Society were introduced.

Report:—The Report of the Pulpit Supply Committee was read and adopted. Conference recessed. Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Lyman E. Davis.

AFTERNOON

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 2 P. M.

Invitation:—An invitation from St. Paul's Church, Cambridge, for the Conference to meet in that church for its 1930 Session, was read, and according to law laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

Motion:—A motion was offered that the name of Dr. T. H. Lewis be transferred to the Memorial Roll and the time for the Memorial Service be set for this session of the Conference. Motion was made that action be deferred until the Committee returned from Washington.

Chair:—Dr. J. C. Broomfield, President of the General Conference, was then called to the chair.

Addresses:—Dr. Lyman E. Davis, Editor of the Methodist Recorder, addressed the Conference in the interest of the paper. Dr. Crates S. Johnson, spoke in the interest of Sunday School Publications.

Resolution:—G. W. Lewis and E. B. Fenby offered a resolution to amend the Manual, Rule I, Article 1, by striking out the words "second Wednesday in June" and inserting "first Wednesday in May." On motion by vote of the Conference the resolution was laid on the table.

Excused:—F. S. Cain was excused from attendance until Monday.

Report:—Partial Report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read. Considered by items. (Report F.)

Item 1. That R. T. Brohawn be received on trial. Adopted.

Item 2. That J. F. Zimmerman be recommended for reception on trial, provided he will attend the Seminary, if possible. Adopted.

Item 3. That G. E. Baughman be placed in the hands of the President for employment. Adopted.

Item 4. That F. W. Siffrin be received upon receipt of his transfer from the Ohio Conference. Adopted.

Recess:—There being no business before the Conference, recess was taken for one hour.

The Conference re-convened at 4 P. M.

Report:—R. Y. Nicholson, Examiner, reported that D. F. Gal-

loway, Grace Jones and C. F. Cummins have passed in Squires "Parish and Program of Religious Education."

Report:—A. W. Ewell, Examiner, reported that D. F. Galloway and C. F. Cummins have passed in Fisher's "History of the Christian Church."

Report:—C. M. Elderdice, Examiner, reported that C. F. Cummins, D. F. Galloway and Grace Jones have passed in Curtis' "Christian Faith."

Report:—The Report of the Committee on President's Report was read by the chairman, E. D. Stone. (Report A.) Recommendations were endorsed as follows:

1. That the Board of Survey make recommendations in support of country churches. Adopted.

2. That the Treasurer, in conjunction with the New Century Service Commission, work out a plan of payment of all monies the churches have in hand,—in stations the money to be paid monthly; in circuits—quarterly. Adopted.

3. We most earnestly concur in Recommendation No. 3. Soul winning is our only business. We rejoice in the great returns of the work last year, and we pray that our plans and prayers and earnest endeavors may indeed bring forth a great harvest. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He might send forth more laborers into the harvest."

4. We concur in Recommendation No. 4. We feel that this is a fine way to multiply the real service and efficiency of the pastor.

Report:—E. A. Sexsmith, Chairman of the Committee sent by the Conference to visit Mrs. T. H. Lewis, reported arrangements had been made for the funeral of Dr. Lewis to be held Sunday afternoon, in Baker Chapel, Westminster, Maryland.

Motion:—G. I. Humphreys made a motion that the following members of the Conference be appointed Honorary pall-bearers for the funeral:—L. B. Smith, J. W. Kirk, G. Q. Bacchus, J. W. Balderson, J. M. Gill and J. F. Wooden

Motion:—The deferred motion, that the name of T. H. Lewis be transferred to the Memorial Roll, and the name of Mrs. Lewis be referred to the Committee on Superannuates was considered after hearing the report of E. A. Sexsmith, and on motion was adopted.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Audit of Treasurer's Account was read by J. A. Dudley. The first item with reference to audit was adopted. The second item was amended (this refers to financial reports only) to read five years instead of two. The report was adopted as a whole. (Report BB.)

Adjournment:—On motion Conference adjourned with the benediction.

EVENING

The evening service was presided over by G. W. Haddaway. L. F. Warner led the Devotional Service.

Dr. Broomfield introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. Stanley High, D. D., Editor of The Christian Herald, who addressed the Conference on the subject "Facing a New World."

The closing prayer was made for C. S. Johnson, and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Broomfield.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 9.30 A. M.

Journal:—The Minutes were read and approved.

Excused:—The delegates from New Church and Centreville were excused from further attendance.

Chair:—G. W. Haddaway was called to the chair.

Letters:—Letters from W. M. Snyder, J. L. Elderdice, B. W. Kindley and G. W. Crabbe were read. The letters of W. M. Snyder and B. W. Kindley were referred to the Committee on Official Relations. The Secretary was instructed to make suitable reply to J. L. Elderdice and B. W. Kindley.

Devotional Service:—The devotionals were led by E. D. Stone.

Superannuation:—The request of W. S. Hanks for Superannuate Relation was presented by E. L. Bunce. The request was granted and on motion the case was referred to the Committee on Superannuate Relations.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies was read by the Chairman of the Committee. Adopted. (Report L.)

Report:—The report of the Committee on Deaconess Work was read and adopted. The terms of the following members having expired,—G. W. Haddaway, G. E. Brown, James H. Roberts, E. J. Paige, Mrs. E. B. Fenby, on motion they were re-elected.

Report:—The report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage was read and adopted. (Report A.)

Resolution:—A Resolution "That this Conference shall take no action with reference to a division of a charge when there is a parsonage property until a settlement has been made between the churches to be separated, and that this Conference enjoin upon charges desiring such change to make such settlement before making application to this Conference" was referred to the Committee on Board of Survey and Extension. (See Report Committee.)

Report:—The Report of Committee on Superannuated Fund Subscription was read. Report was adopted with the exception of Recommendation No. 5, which was changed to read monthly instead of quarterly; and Recommendation No. 6, relating to the delinquents, on motion was changed to read "That delinquents be requested to give interest bearing notes for a terms of three years for the amount of their subscription; any one refusing to comply with this request shall be reported to the Conference by the Committee on Official Relations." (Report T.)

Motion:—J. H. Straughn moved that the Committee on Superannuated Fund Subscription be requested to consider asking each pastor to pay a certain percentage of his salary to the Invested Fund,—the Committee to report on Monday.

Announcement:—J. H. Straughn made an announcement concerning transportation to Westminster for the funeral of Dr. T. H. Lewis.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Superannuates was made. (Report H.)

Superannuation:—W. A. Melvin presented the request for superannuation of J. A. Wright. The request was granted and the case referred.

Motion:—J. H. Straughn moved that the chair appoint a committee to take under advisement the financial situation of the Superannuated Fund. Motion carried. The chair appointed the following, J. H. Straughn, G. W. Haddaway, G. I. Humphreys, R. J. Goerke and W. C. Scott.

Motion:—J. A. Dudley moved that A. W. Betts be received into the Conference. R. L. Shipley moved that C. S. Marshall be received into the Conference. After some discussion, J. H. Straughn moved that the names of these men be referred to the Committee for further consideration, and that the Committee report their findings to the Conference. Motion carried.

Motion:—J. H. Straughn moved that the reception of candidates for the itinerancy be deferred until Monday morning. Adopted.

Adjournment:—Conference adjourned with benediction by J. W. Kirk.

AFTERNOON

No session.

EVENING

The evening session was held in the interest of Young People's Work, with R. Y. Nicholson, presiding.

The devotional service was led by J. A. Dudley. Greetings from the Baltimore Young People's Union were brought by Elmer Knight, President. Brief talks were given by two students of the Standard Leadership Training School held at Western Maryland College each summer. J. W. Townsend announced the dates for the coming School as July 22 to 29, and presented the plan of registration.

The address of the evening was given by Rev. R. L. Shipley, D. D., on the subject of personal temperance.

FIFTH DAY, SUNDAY

The service opened at 11 A. M. Hymn No. 11, "Ye Servants of God Your Master Proclaim," was sung. Prayer was made by G. W. Haddaway.

Responsive Reading, No. 1, was led by E. C. Makosky. The Scripture Lesson, II Timothy 3:14-17, 4:15, was read by B. F. Ruley. Hymn No. 458, "Lord of The Living Harvest," was then sung.

The Ordination Sermon was preached by L. F. Warner, on the theme "Modern Minister." Following the sermon, Douglas Fletcher Galloway was ordained to the office of Elder in the Church of Christ. The President was assisted in this service by E. C. Makosky, B. F. Ruley, L. F. Warner and G. J. Hooker the Secretary.

The service closed with benediction by the President of Conference.

SIXTH DAY, MONDAY

Opening:—The Conference was called to order by the President at 9.30 A. M.

Journal:—The Minutes were read and approved.

Resolution:—A Resolution was offered by A. H. Green and J. F. Bryan, that owing to the lateness of publishing of the Conference Minutes, the Table of Assessments should be published in the Methodist Protestant as soon after Conference as possible. Resolution adopted.

Report:—The Report of the Conference Librarian was read. The Secretary made remarks concerning the records of the Conference, stating that some of the records should be in the Congressional Library in Washington. J. W. Kirk moved to amend the report and the Secretary be appointed a committee to arrange for entering these records in the Library. Report was adopted as amended. (Report X.)

G. Q. Bacchus made inquiry as to the percentage of delegates who answered to roll call. He was referred to the Roll of Delegates of the Conference.

Devotionals:—J. P. Dodge, delegate from Rhode Island Avenue Church was requested to conduct the devotionals. An old time testimony meeting was held.

Chair:—G. W. Haddaway was called to the chair.

Report:—The Report of Committee on Audit was read. It was adopted. (Report P.)

Invitation:—An invitation for the 1930 session of Conference was read, after being on the table for 24 hours. Motion was made that invitation be accepted. The delegate from Cambridge, and T. C. Mulligan, J. L. Ward, J. L. Nichols, R. Y. Nicholson, J. Earl Cummings, G. Q. Bacchus and C. N. Spence spoke to the motion. Motion was adopted by rising vote.

Report:—E. C. Makosky read the report of Headquarters Building. Motion was carried to adopt the report. Motion was made by E. C. Makosky that the President of the Conference, H. E. Gilbert and T. W. Donoho be the Board of Managers of the Headquarters Building. (Report V.)

Report:—The Report of Committee on Young People's Work was read. R. Y. Nicholson spoke in behalf of the Training School at Westminster. Chairman of Committee, J. A. Dudley and R. Y. Nicholson spoke in behalf of a Religious Work Director. Motion was made to adopt the report. J. W. Kirk, T. C. Mulligan, R. Y. Nicholson, J. N. Link, J. L. Nichols spoke to the motion and motion was carried. (Report J.)

Report:—G. I. Humphreys read Report of the Special Committee on Budget and Deficit (see report). It was moved that the report be adopted. G. I. Humphreys, J. H. Straughn, Louis Randall, J. W. Kirk and J. A. Dudley spoke. Motion carried.

Motion:—Motion was made to reconsider the action of the Report of Committee on Superannuates given on Saturday. Motion was adopted.

Motion:—Motion was made that an assessment of \$7,000., the same as last year be made on the District for Superannuates, and that the report be withdrawn to give the Committee the opportunity to make a rearrangement of the apportionments. Motion was adopted.

Report:—The Committee on Literature and Education made its report. After motion to adopt, J. W. Kirk, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Straughn spoke. J. H. Straughn moved to amend the report by striking out all reference to the Methodist Recorder. Motion was further amended that nothing but totals of subscriptions be given. Carried. (Report I.)

Motion:—Motion that all reference to both papers be stricken out was carried.

The Report of Board of Governors' and President Seminary, was read showing enrollment of 38,—28 being Methodist Protestant, others United Brethren and Methodist Episcopal. That memorials by Miss Annie Kinzer in memory of Dr. J. D. Kinzer, and Rev. F. C. Klein by friends, and W. T. Mather by son have been given. Dr. Elderdice spoke. J. H. Straughn spoke as to why the Seminary had not gotten the amount that it should, showing that the arrangement of the General Conference Budget and lack of funds was the cause. He stated that at an early time an endowment campaign would be made. This item, pertaining to the Seminary, that this Conference pledge itself to an endowment campaign, and that it have preference over any other, was adopted. The item, pertaining to Western Maryland College, showed a large enrollment; new dining hall completed, and the campaign to raise the endowment completed. Item was adopted.

Request:—J. H. Straughn requested that if A. N. Ward came to Conference this afternoon he be given time to speak. Request granted.

Motion:—Motion to adopt report as a whole was made and carried.

Report:—The Report of Committee on Itineracy and Orders was read. The report recommended that W. T. Archer be passed to the third year, having passed with a grade of 100 in Lewis' "Divine Credentials"; that G. E. Brohawn and Lee Archer be given license to administer the ordinances; that C. S. Marshall and A. W. Betts be received into the Conference and ordained; that a change be inserted in the Minutes, under Conference Examiners and Examinations, in place of that which preceded the Course of Study. (Report F.)

Motion:—J. H. Straughn moved to amend Item 3 by striking out the words "Be ordained." G. I. Humphreys, J. W. Kirk, J. M. Gill, R. L. Shipley, J. H. Straughn, J. McLain Brown and G. A. Morris spoke. The amendment was lost.

The report was adopted as first stated.

Received into Conference:—At this time the following persons were presented to the Conference and received by the President:—

Reginald Brohawn, J. F. Zimmerman, F. W. Siffrin, C. S. Marshall and A. W. Betts.

Benediction was pronounced by J. W. Kirk.

AFTERNOON

Opening:—Conference convened at 2 P. M., with the President in the chair.

Report:—The Report of Committee on Itineracy and Orders was still before the Conference. Item 4 was to be changed to read that the Course of Study be four years, and that the faculty be reorganized and the Course of Study be reorganized (see report). J. W. Kirk and F. G. Holloway spoke. Item was adopted. The report as a whole was then adopted. (Report F.)

Report:—The Secretary read a Supplementary Report of Committee on Audit. Adopted.

Report:—The Secretary reported that W. T. Archer had passed in Lewis' "Divine Credentials" and "The Minister and His Own Soul."

Resolution:—A Resolution to amend the Manual, Rule I, Section 1, "Provided that the pastor's salary, estimated on a weekly basis, shall be paid up to and including Conference week," was offered. Laid on table.

Resolution:—G. A. Morris offered a resolution "That it is the sense of this Conference that its annual session in the future be held on the last Wednesday in April. G. A. Morris, T. C. Mulligan, W. O. Atwood, G. Q. Bacchus, C. C. Day, G. W. Haddaway, J. A. Dudley, C. F. Cummins, T. P. Fisher, T. C. Jones, J. H. Carter, F. D. Reynolds, J. L. Nichols spoke on the motion. Question was called. Resolution was adopted by vote of 84 yeas and 67 nays.

Report:—The Report of Committee on Superannuates was read and adopted. Report H.)

Report:—Partial Report of Committee on Apportionments was read and adopted. (Report E.)

Report:—Report of Committee on Moral Reform was read. G. N. Spence, by request, spoke on the subject from the standpoint of the Legislature. (Report K.)

Resolution:—The Secretary read a Resolution of appreciation of C. N. Spence's record in Legislature. G. W. Haddaway, E. B. Fenby, J. McLain Brown spoke. Report was adopted.

Report:—Report of Committee on Home for the Aged (O) was read. After motion to adopt, J. L. Nichols spoke. The appropriation of \$6,000.

was asked and request granted. J. H. Straughn, L. F. Warner, E. B. Fenby, Ober Herr and George Mather were elected to the Board of Managers. Report was adopted to include our appreciation of the services of J. Pierre Wantz.

Report:—The Report of Committee on Group Life Insurance was read. After some explanation by E. A. Sexsmith, the report was adopted. (Report W.)

Request:—J. H. Straughn requested that A. W. Betts and C. S. Marshall be ordained at the evening service.

Motion:—Motion was carried that the Manual be changed to include eleven months for this year.

Report:—Partial Report of Committee on Official Relations was read, stating that all but three, who had been approached, signed a note covering their pledge to Superannuate Fund. Two of these were Superannuates, the other C. N. Dobson. (Report M.)

Motion:—Motion was made to amend report that the Superannuates be excused. Amendment was lost. S. M. Yingling, G. I. Humphreys, C. H. Dobson, J. N. Link and G. A. Morris spoke. The report as a whole was adopted.

Superannuate Fund Society:—Conference gave way to the Superannuate Fund Society.

Conference resumed its session.

Motion:—A motion was made that four men be appointed to guard the bar of the Conference, and that the bar be extended to include the tenth pew. C. M. Jenkins, J. A. Dudley, H. C. Burkins and J. H. Lynch were appointed ushers.

Motion to recess carried.

EVENING

Opening:—Session was called to order by G. W. Haddaway at 7:40 P. M.

Superannuate Fund Society:—On motion Conference gave way to the Superannuate Fund Society. The Society adjourned and Conference re-convened.

Report:—Report of Committee on Statistics was read and adopted. (See Tables.)

Report:—Conference Steward, R. W. White, read report. A. N. Ward, J. H. Lynch, G. I. Humphreys and J. H. Straughn spoke to the report. Report adopted.

Report:—W. H. Litsinger, President of Summer Conference, read report of Summer Conference and made a brief address concerning the program for the coming session. Report adopted. (Report S.)

Resolution:—G. I. Humphreys offered a Resolution reaffirming Rule I, Section 1, of the Manual, which was signed by G. I. Humphreys, J. H. Straughn and W. H. Litsinger. R. L. Shipley moved to table the Resolu-

tion. Motion lost. G. A. Morris spoke to Resolution. Previous question was called for. Resolution was adopted by vote of 74 to 60.

The adoption of this resolution rescinds motion of afternoon to make this an eleven month year.

Report:—The Treasurer, C. F. Cummins, read his report. Report adopted.

Report:—Report of Committee on Official Relations was read and adopted. (Report M.)

Report:—The report of Committee on Board of Survey and Extension was read. After certain additions and corrections, the report was adopted. (Report G).

Resolution:—Resolution offered, that a Committee on Conference Entertainment, of five members, of which the President of Conference shall be chairman, be appointed, which shall take into consideration the whole matter of Conference Entertainment. The Committee shall make announcement in the Methodist Protestant four weeks prior to the meeting, asking for whatever suggestions ministers and preachers may have to offer, and shall bring its report to the next session of the Conference for its consideration. Signed by G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Straughn, Edgar T. Read, G. A. Morris, R. Y. Nicholson and G. J. Hooker. After some discussion the resolution was adopted.

Devotional:—There being no business before the Conference, a short devotional service was held. Prayer was offered by J. H. Lynch.

Chair:—G. W. Haddaway, who had presided during the evening gave way to the President of the Conference.

Report:—A Supplemental Report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read, recommending that A. A. Pierce be given license to administer the ordinances, if given work by the President. Report adopted.

Ordination:—A. W. Betts and Clark S. Marshall were ordained to the office of Elder in the Church of Christ. The President was assisted in this service by J. H. Straughn, J. A. Dudley, G. I. Humphreys, G. Q. Bacchus and the Secretary.

Journal:—The Minutes of the day were then read and adopted.

Announcement:—J. N. Link announced that Cambridge Circuit is a gold star charge.

Appointments:—The President of the Conference spoke briefly to the Conference, and read the plan of appointments at 12:05 A. M.

Adjournment:—The benediction was pronounced by W. H. Litsinger, and Conference adjourned.

L. B. SMITH, President,
G. J. HOOKER, Secretary,
E. C. GRAHAM, Journal Secretary.

Approved:
June 17, 1929.

-- REPORTS --

REPORT A

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal, Page 24)

To the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church assembled in its 101st session in Edmondson Avenue Church, June 12th, 1929.

Dear Fellow-Laborers:

I submit to you my third and last Annual Report as President of the Conference.

Through the mercy of God we are here to review the year; to thank God for its victories; to pause in memory of our departed brethren; to plan for the work of Christ committed to our hands; to rededicate ourselves to His service and for His glory; to pray for the baptism of the Holy Spirit; and then to go forth in His name to our various fields seeking to honor Him in our bodies and spirits and to do our best to win the world to Christ.

This Conference year, though only nine months in length, has been filled with more than the usual amount of joy and sorrow. We rejoice greatly over the many souls won for Christ, and the large number added to the church militant. We are sorrowing because into more than the usual number of the homes in our Conference the Angel of death has come to transfer our companions to the church triumphant. We search in vain today for the familiar forms and faces of some who for many years were active in the affairs of this Conference. God's angel has borne them to a fairer world. As we meet here today we cannot see them but who questions the fact that they can see us? "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run with patience the race that is set before us; looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith."

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE TO THEIR REWARD

Addison Spurgeon Beane after many months of waging battle with a disease which was incurable, departed this life September 21st, 1928. Since 1893 he had been in the ranks of our itinerancy and proved himself a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. For twenty years he was the pastor of Keen Memorial Church of this city and the members of that church loved him sincerely.

Francis Thomas Little was released from the weakness of the flesh November 22nd, 1928. Since 1872 he had been an outstanding figure in our Conference. After fifty-three years of active service he was given superannuated relationship at our Conference session of 1925. He was

the pastor of many of our prominent churches and served as President of the Conference from 1902 until 1907. Nine times our Conference elected him to represent the Annual Conference in the General Conference sessions of our Denomination, and he served the church on many Boards and Committees entrusted with duties of great responsibility. He used his great strength of body, mind and spirit to glorify God and to advance the interests of the Methodist Protestant Church.

James Garrettson Sullivan departed this life January 8th, 1929. Brother Sullivan became a member of our Conference in 1871. For nearly fifty-eight years he was one of us. He had a talented mind but a shrinking spirit. Those who were fortunate enough to learn to know him admired him for his unobtrusive consecration and his sincere Christian life. Because of the frailty of the body he had been out of the active work since 1898; and, though living in Richmond, Va., he kept up his interest in all that pertained to the welfare of our Conference.

Webster Matthew Strayer joined the itinerant ranks of our Conference in 1858. For seventy-one years he was a member of this body, which he loved with a rare passion and zeal. He was an able preacher, an active pastor and a true friend. He was elected President of the Conference in 1889 and served in that office for three years. He was chosen by our Conference six times as a Representative to the General Conference. Brother Strayer was in the ninety-third year of his life, and had given many years of devoted service to the church of his choice. Since 1906 he had been superannuated, serenely awaiting the coming of his Lord.

Jarrett Mitchell Sheridan came into the itinerancy of our Conference in 1875 and remained in active service for more than fifty-three years. The earlier part of his life was spent in the pastorate in which he served eleven charges. In 1907 he was elected President of the Conference and filled that office for five years. He returned to the pastorate but in 1918 was appointed Superintendent of Church Extension of our Conference. In 1925 at the very earnest solicitation of the Board of Home Missions he consented to become Secretary of the Denominational Board of Home Missions and continued in that office until the General Conference in 1928 combined all of our Missionary Organizations.

At the last session of our Conference Dr. Sheridan was again chosen Superintendent of our Church Extension work and was also made the agent of our Headquarters Building. Dr. Sheridan was a member of six General Conferences, in each session zealously working out the problems connected with our growth and polity.

He was a man of fine business ability, scrupulous in keeping his promises, planning wisely for the future. Many of our active, growing churches are monuments to his energetic, wise endeavor in the extension department of our Conference. He was a preacher of the pure Gospel of Christ, and gloried in winning men to the Christ he loved and knew so well.

Dr. Sheridan lived the life that was hid with Christ in God, and was suddenly taken from us to be "forever with the Lord."

Franklin Thomas Benson entered the Conference in 1886, and was a popular and successful pastor in ten charges. He was elected by the General Conference of 1916 to the editorship of *The Methodist Protestant*, and was busily and brilliantly engaged in this work when on April 5th the death-angel suddenly ushered him into the life beyond. For many years he was the President of our Conference Young People's organizations and did much to perfect Young People's Organizations in the local churches.

Before he became the editor of *The Methodist Protestant* he had edited the page in that paper which dealt each week with the Sunday School lessons. It was his brilliant exposition of these lessons which drew the attention of the church to his genius for the office to which he was ultimately called and which he filled with such distinction until the day of his death.

Dr. Benson had convictions and the courage to stand by them whether anyone else stood with him or not. He knew how to use his pen effectively for God, for truth, for righteousness and to the discomfiture of the forces of evil. At the close of a busy day he laid down his pen to take up his crown.

Thomas Owings Crouse joined the Church Triumphant in glory April 29th, 1929, after having been an honored member of our Conference for fifty-seven years. During his itinerant life he filled sixteen charges with great success. He was a tender pastor, an eloquent preacher, and a man respected everywhere for his Christian character.

He was a worthy son of a preacher-sire, who is still remembered by some of us, and who for twenty years labored by his son's side in the ranks of our Conference, seeking to exalt Christ and save this world.

We can picture to ourselves the meeting in the world of Spirits when this honored son came home, bringing his sheaves with him.

Mary Todd Judefind wife of Rev. W. B. Judefind fell asleep in Jesus November 27th, 1928. She was beautiful in her Christian life, loving as a wife, tender in her motherhood and shared with her companion in all the work, joys and sorrows of his ministerial life.

Mrs. Johanna Gray, widow of Rev. J. W. Gray, survived her honored husband nine months and then went to be with her companion and her Christ on January 1st, 1929.

Frances Helen Robinson Kindley wife of Rev. B. W. Kindley, departed this life March 11th, 1929. She was a devoted wife and efficient helpmeet, a loving and revered mother, a zealous and competent worker in the vineyard of Christ, and a friend to every noble cause and person worthy of her confidence and esteem.

These ten have gone from us to be forever with the Lord whom they loved and served so well.

"They saw no messenger of gloom
As prisoner his sentence: but naturally as bud unfolds to flower,
As child to man, so man to angel—
They recognizing death the glad evangel,
Leading to higher scenes of life and power."

Obituary Committees were appointed and will report at the proper time.

In addition to these ten bereavements, the death-angel has entered into the parsonage homes in our Conference and has borne away precious loved ones. Brother and Sister G. A. Ogg and Brother and Sister B. F. Ruley have been called upon to part with their daughters whom they loved more dearly than life itself. Fair flowers of earth they bloom in the Garden of the Lord. May God comfort these hearts and fill them with His Love.

We have lost many of our fellow-workers in the laity who might well be named here had we the time and space, but we instinctively think of two men who for years served with us in the work of the Conference and of the Church:—William E. Sheppard and Judge F. W. Whitaker. They were men who gave prestige to our cause in the cities in which they lived, to our church at large, and to the cause of Christ. Both represented their churches many times in the sessions of this Annual Conference and were elected to represent the church in the General Conference.

We also think today of "the elect lady" of Buckeystown who so recently has received her crown:—Mrs. Sarah Baker Thomas. She gave herself in all the rich fullness of a queenly womanhood to her church and her Christ.

May the mantle of these who have ascended from the church on earth fall on shoulders worthy and willing in a like consecration to carry on the work of the Lord.

OFFICIAL ACTS

Committees: The Conference in session at Lynchburg ordered the President of the Conference to appoint, after the adjournment of Conference, two committees:—"A Committee on Audit" in harmony with Resolution 5; and "A Committee on Unpaid Balance on Centenary Gratitude Gift." I interpreted the provision that these committees be appointed after Conference adjourned, to mean that you desired me to have time enough in the selection of the personnel of these committees that the most suitable persons might be chosen. Accordingly I appointed to the Committee on Audit:—J. A. Dudley, J. A. Trader, C. H. Slater, and H. C. Staley; and to the Committee To Raise Unpaid Balance of Centenary Gratitude Gift:—Thomas H. Lewis, A. W. Ewell, W. C. Scott, J. P. Dodge and F. P. Adkins.

Supply Appointments: Soon after the rise of the Annual Conference, the following were appointed to charges left unsupplied:

- F. L. Shaffer to Patapsco.
- B. L. Barnes to Middleway.
- I. G. Madison to Quantico.
- C. B. Linard to Snow Hill Circuit.
- W. A. Roberts to Second Church, Wilmington, Del.
- Lee Elliott to Laurel Circuit.

The five brethren named first in this list are students in our Theo-

logical Seminary in Westminster and brother Elliott is a local preacher attached to Mardela charge.

Changes—The following changes in pastorates were made during the year by mutual agreement of all parties concerned and with strict observance of the law in each case. October 1st, W. T. Archer was released from Oak Grove and Prince George; and on the same date was appointed to Caroline charge.

December 1st; George E. Baughman, a local preacher of Concord Charge was appointed to Oak Grove and Prince George.

December 21st, Robert Browne was released by Taylor Memorial Church, Philadelphia, and on the same date was appointed pastor of Emmanuel Church, Philadelphia.

February 8th, 1929, Rev. J. G. Eaton was released by Mt. Tabor Church, Washington and on the same date was appointed to Taylor Memorial Church, Philadelphia.

March 20th, 1929, Charles M. Kelsner was released from Marley charge and on the same date was appointed to Mt. Tabor Church, Washington.

Marley charge since the removal of brother Kelsner has been provided with preaching and pastoral supervision by Rev. S. W. Coe, one of our Superannuated brethren, and H. J. Mitchell of the Seminary.

May 1st, 1929, H. G. McAdow who was in this year's graduating class of the Seminary, returned to his own Conference, thus leaving the pastorate of Fairfax charge vacant. Brother George Q. Bacchus, one of our Superannuated brethren has supplied this charge.

April 13th, 1929, Stephen Galley informed me that Bedford charge had accepted his resignation as pastor, that he was moving away and that he desired me to forward his Credentials. Brother Galley not having discharged his obligations to the Board of Christian Education, I have withheld his credentials until such time as he may comply with the law governing loans by said Board.

Bedford charge has since been supplied by Brother C. R. Strausburg and a local preacher of our First Church, Cumberland, Md.

Transfer—January 29th, 1929, I gave to J. C. Russell, pastor of Tyreanna Charge a Transfer to the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. The sole reason for brother Russell's change, as indicated in our correspondence, was a desire on his part to go farther south than the boundaries of our Conference would permit him to be.

Presidential Itinerary—I have visited ninety-seven of the charges of our Conference. To some of the appointments I have gone a number of times in order to be of such assistance as you supply through the presidential office. I have presided over twenty-one Quarterly Conferences and Official Membership meetings and have spoken at various Group Meetings all over our Conference Districts.

INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

From the very beginning the Church has been a "teaching" as well as preaching agency. Indeed the great commission as given to the

Church by our Lord, and as recorded in Matthew's Gospel is: "Jesus came and spoke unto them saying: All Power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto, the end of the world, Amen."

Westminster Theological Seminary—Our Seminary from the architectural standpoint is said to be "a poem in stone;" from the utilitarian standpoint it is equipped to do the work we need, and is effectively producing splendid results for the denomination at large and for our Conference; as I clearly showed in my report to the Conference session last September.

However the financial side needs your careful consideration. I am quoting now from a report of President Elderdice and am giving you his exact words that you may have first hand information:—

"The Westminster Theological Seminary has been seriously endangered financially during the last year, due to a failure of the Board of Christian Education to meet the amount appropriated. The fault was not due to lack of willingness on the part of the Board but to a loss of expected returns from the General Conference Budget. The last General Conference reduced the percentage formerly allowed the Board of Education and to meet the current expenses of the Seminary, I made a written appeal to a few laymen and to the Alumni. Their response was so liberal that more than \$2,000 arrived in time to save the Seminary from closing the year in debt.

This narrow escape emphasizes the need I have so often expressed to the Church at large of an Endowment. Because the Seminary has been going along so quietly and paying all its debts there seems to have arisen the belief that all is well and will forever remain well; and so time and again its call for Endowment has fallen upon deaf ears, while the Church in all quarters has been and now is, rallying to the cries of her colleges for Endowment. Unless the Church awakens soon to her duty in providing an adequately prepared ministry all her program will suffer from lack of competent leadership.

In spite of many difficulties, however, the year has been prosperous, financially, numerically, and in ever-widening influence not only in our borders but among sister denominations, as will be evidenced by the Report of the Board of Governors, which will be submitted to the Conference."

This is the only institution in the Methodist Protestant Church for the professional training of our ministers. It is indispensable; for in this day of specialists a denomination that seeks to do without trained men for its leadership is sadly handicapped.

As the Seminary now exists it is very largely the product of the untiring labors of Doctor H. L. Elderdice who for more than thirty years

has devoted his time, his physical powers and his splendid mental and spiritual equipment in the task that the church has laid upon him. We appreciate all that he, and his able co-laborers, have done for the denomination in making our Seminary the peer of any like institutions in existence; and we, as a conference, will give Dr. Elderdice a sympathetic hearing when he speaks to us later on in the program of this Conference about the Seminary and its needs.

Western Maryland College—Dr. Ward, restored to health, is devoting himself assiduously to the building of a greater institution of learning and toward placing Western Maryland College in the very forefront of Colleges of its kind and size. The campaign to raise five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) on endowment has been successfully concluded. The new Science Hall has been erected at a cost of one hundred and eighty thousand dollars (\$180,000) and the enrollment of students in all departments this year number five hundred twenty-nine, seven more than last year.

With his report to this Conference Dr. Ward makes an appeal for the church to rally to its own institution in providing a great need of the church and of the college by starting in Western Maryland College a Department of Religious Education. Such a Department, he points out, would be directly in line with the need of the church and the times in which we live, giving to us a trained leadership for the ministry at home, in the foreign field, and among our laity. He expects to ask the Conference at its session of 1930 for an appropriation of \$3,000.00 annually for the work of Religious Education.

The report of Dr. Ward dealing with the detailed items of achievement, during the year, and outlining his plans for the future, will be submitted to this Conference at the proper time. I commend the appeal for a Department of Religious Education especially to our laymen who have been blest of God with large sums of money, as a means of investing such funds where they will return dividends in life, character and destiny.

The Methodist Protestant—The whole church, but especially our Conference, is bereaved in the death of our brilliant editor—Franklin Thomas Benson.

To us it seemed that his removal at this time, when the merger of our two papers was being effected, was a calamity. He had filled the editorial office with conspicuous ability and we looked with confidence upon his leadership in the consolidation of the papers so soon to be effected.

However, the Baltimore Book Directory was fortunate in being able to obtain the services of Doctor Thomas H. Lewis to fill the Editorial office. Doctor Lewis had been elected by our last General Conference as Contributing Editor to all the Periodicals of our church and he is by special request of the Book Directory giving his matured genius to the editorial columns of The Methodist Protestant, until the merger becomes an assured fact on August 1st, 1929.

The subscription list is about the same as when last reported. While

there is an increase in new subscriptions the loss through failures in renewals, through deaths and removals amounts to about twenty percent, or just about the number of new subscribers obtained during this Conference year.

We have many reasons why we look to the pastors to make heroic efforts to obtain large lists of new subscribers in all of our churches. The church paper is the most effective assistant any pastor can have in making loyal, intelligent and generous members of its readers. The merging of *The Methodist Recorder* and *The Methodist Protestant* into "*The Methodist Protestant-Recorder*" will give to us one paper of thirty-two pages filled with news of our whole church:—east, west, north and south. The price will be two dollars—the same as we have paid for each of the papers before the merger. These considerations together with the fact that the new combined paper is to have its headquarters and be printed in Baltimore, as a perpetuation of the mother paper of our denomination, should be incentive enough to make us enter into an enthusiastic campaign for a great subscription list that the new paper might be a paying venture from the very beginning of its existence.

Our well equipped printing plant has had the best year in its history. All kinds of printing from a book to the smallest job printing are done by it in a most up-to-date manner and at a price that will commend itself to those who seek the best printing at a reasonable figure. This department should have the hearty endorsement of every pastor to his Boards and Organizations when in need of printed matter.

Sunday School Periodicals and Merchandise Department—Our law requires that our Sunday Schools use our own publications. This department carries the *International Uniform*, *Group Graded* and *Closely Graded Helps*:—a publication for every department of the Sunday School.

The Book, Stationery and Sunday School Supplies Departments are growing. The year 1928 was a good year and the future seems bright. I would urge that the churches purchase the Church Offering Envelopes and other supplies from their own denominational publishing house. Why patronize others when the profits of our business are used to promote our own literature and publishing interests?

Missions—The General Conference in its Centennial session in Baltimore a year ago took action looking toward unifying all of the Missionary activities carried on for years by four separate organizations, under the management of a single board of Missions. This Board was constituted of twenty persons; ten men and ten women, who were charged with the task of providing a basis of union by which the different organizations were to be merged.

The Executive Boards of the Women's Foreign Missionary and the Women's Home Missionary Societies met in Pittsburgh, Pa., May 8th and 9th and by practically unanimous votes ratified the basis of union and passed over to the Board of Missions all of the functions they have hitherto exercised in initiating, directing and supervising the missionary activities of the women of our church. They also adopted the new Constitution prepared by the Board.

I hail with pleasure this new day when together the men and women of our Church will work for the entire denominational program and so unify and concentrate our efforts for the extension of Christ's kingdom, both in our homeland and in the foreign fields.

That the women were sincere and determined to do their full part in working out the whole program of the General Conference was shown by the fact that they voted to ask the Board of Missions to apportion to them one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) of the General Conference Budget for the coming year.

These things are doubtless as gratifying to you as they were to me while a spectator at the epoch-making events in Pittsburgh.

The office of the Board of Missions is located in Baltimore and one of our own men, Dr. G. W. Haddaway, is the Executive Secretary. With him is associated Mrs. Marie W. Thompson, the widow of one of the former ministers of our Ohio Conference.

I call upon the pastors and members of our Conference to organize the forces in our local churches on the new basis, and then work harmoniously that the kingdoms of this world might become the kingdom of our Lord.

AFFILIATED AGENCIES

The Anti-Saloon League and Woman's Christian Temperance Union—The Methodist Protestant Church believes that under the guidance of God it has had a definite part in the great reform movement which resulted in outlawing the liquor traffic.

We are not unmindful of the fact that withdrawing the sanction of law from an evil is only one step toward the solution of that evil. The liquor traffic has never respected any regulation or prohibition measure dealing with that traffic. Steeped in lawlessness it is simply carrying on as it always has done.

We are face to face with a challenge that must be met. Our church must realize that while the liquor traffic is doing everything it possibly can to discourage friends of prohibition, there is a more fruitful source for wet propaganda than ever before. A few years ago every one knew the old saloon, its evils and its products. Today there are twenty-five millions of young people who were under fourteen years of age or unborn when the Eighteenth Amendment was adopted. Most of these are now in the graded schools, high schools and colleges of the United States, and are in the teachable age of life. The church must carry to this vast number of young people the facts concerning the evils of the liquor traffic. We must renew the campaign of Education so steadily pursued by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the early stages of the fight against the Saloon and thus meet the onslaught of the enemy. This is not only a problem of law enforcement but also a problem of education.

Our denomination must take care of its part in this crusade. We will not cease by pen and voice to carry on the warfare against the lawless liquor traffic as long as that traffic continues an organized effort to break down the law.

I call upon the women and girls of our churches to join hands with

the Women's Christian Temperance organizations in their particular neighborhoods and so further their effective efforts to educate our young people as to the evils of alcoholism to the physical, moral and spiritual natures of the human race.

The Anti-Saloon League is still the Church in action against the Saloon, the most effective agency by which we can marshal our forces in the righteous war against this monstrous iniquity. I commend it to your prayerful, moral, sympathetic and financial support.

The Lord's Day Alliance—The Lord's Day Alliance during the past year has been tested at Annapolis and has made good. When two Sunday Motion Picture Bills had been introduced and had failed to be enacted into law the advocates of the open Sunday introduced the so-called "Home Rule Bill" suspending the State Sunday Law in Baltimore from June 1st to June 30th, 1929. If during June the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore failed to pass an ordinance legalizing Sunday amusements then the State Sunday law was to become effective again in Baltimore. The Senate Home Rule Bill failed to get out of the City Delegation in the Senate. In the House of Delegates, Speaker Lee of Montgomery County, the author of the Bill, through the influence of his office, succeeded in getting his Bill through the House but it failed to pass the Senate. It died in the Judicial Committee, a vote to take it out of that Committee having failed by 22 to 4; not a member from any of the counties voting for this so-called Home Rule Bill.

Having won this decisive victory in the Legislature the Alliance is now giving itself to its Educational campaign which should have a place in the program of every Church and Sunday School of our Conference.

I commend unreservedly the proposed Lord's Day Manual as a Study Book splendidly fitted to meet one of the great needs of the church in its fight with the forces that seek to commercialize God's holy day.

Our people should hold membership in this Alliance, and Churches should include its work in their budgets because it is the most effective agency of the church in fighting its battles against the further desecration of the Sabbath.

The Maryland Tract Society—From its headquarters in our building, 516 North Charles Street, the missionary work of the Maryland Tract Society radiates to all parts of the City. Most of the counties of the state are helped through correspondence, and in some cases, counties are visited. Six missionaries are employed, two of whom are members of our church. Through this agency people are encouraged to study God's Word, are helped in moments of difficulty, are led to accept the loving Savior, are comforted in sorrow and are given material relief if the case requires it. Through the efforts of these workers more than one hundred souls found the joy of salvation and united with various churches.

Our church is privileged to have a part in this large gospel seed-sowing, and we ought to continue to give this organization our sympathetic and financial support.

The Maryland Bible Society—The Bible is still the most popular book in circulation. Voltaire wrote a prophecy that he would live to see the day when the Bible would disappear altogether. Voltaire's body has returned to the dust but the very room in which the prophecy was written is used as a store-room for the Bible as it goes from the Press into circulation in ever increasing numbers.

The Maryland Bible Society is continuing its efficient service in distributing the Word of God everywhere. It seeks your co-operation to make it effective in your community.

Young People's Work—The Report Blanks to our last Annual Conference showed that we have on the rolls of our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, 46,283 young people who need training for the service of the King. The church of tomorrow will be effective and successful in the great work Christ has given it to do in proportion as we prepare the young for the leadership and work that awaits them.

Secretary Lawrence Little of the Board of Young People's Work with the co-operation in our Conference of our own Young People's Organization under the leadership of President R. Y. Nicholson, and his staff of assistants, is doing all he can under the present arrangement to provide Leadership Training Courses for the development of the latent powers among our young people.

The great need is a Religious Work Director who could devote himself to this work exclusively. If the right man could be found, I can conceive of no more fruitful investment of money than the amount it would take to finance this important part of our Conference work. It would solve many of the problems of today and it would assure the efficiency of the church of the future.

New Century Service Commission—The newest denomination-wide movement which we have for the promotion of our missionary, educational and benevolent activities is that represented in New Century Service. Dr. Straughn is doing all in his power to make this movement a success but it must be apparent to all that he can only succeed in the largest possible degree if all of our pastors co-operate.

The success of our Budget calls for this machinery or agency in each church for the definite doing of this one thing. Pastors will lighten their burdens and assure the success of their financial system by organizing a New Century Service Commission in each church according to the plans given them in the literature prepared for that purpose.

THE MARYLAND CONFERENCE INTERESTS

Evangelization, or the winning of souls, is the primary work of the church. We talk about raising money. There would be no need to make such tremendous efforts to collect money for missionary and other causes if men's hearts were Christ's. Then every purse would be Christ's. If a man loves God with all his heart he is going to give his purse as well as his person.

We rejoice today that during the nine months of this Conference year we have heard of many conversions and accessions in the churches

of our Conference. The fields are white unto the harvest. The call of the great head of the church is for reapers. On all sides the people need Christ and the Holy Spirit to transform them. From heaven and earth the summons comes to us to become "laborers together with God." Let us not fail Him.

One hundred and two charges report one thousand, eight hundred and fifty-four conversions. The charges reporting twenty-five or more conversions are:—

Lynchburg, 210; First Church, Newark, 87; Trinity, Baltimore, 75; Lowe Memorial, 60; Peninsula, 60; Harbeson, 57; Wesley Chapel of Kent, 55; Greenbackville, 54; Hampden-Baltimore, 54; Finksburg, 40; Caroline, 37; Calvary, Baltimore, 35; Christ Church, Baltimore, 35; Linthicum Heights, 32; Cannon, 32; Belair, 30; Howard, 30; Mt. Nebo, 30; Nichols Memorial, 28; Keen Memorial, 25; West Baltimore, 25; Dover and Leipsic, 25; Milford, 25; Pocomoke City, 25; Glenburnie, 25.

One hundred and six charges report two thousand one hundred and thirty-five accessions. The charges reporting twenty-five or more accessions are: Newark, 133; Lynchburg, 132; Trinity, Baltimore, 115; Peninsula, 85; Lowe Memorial, 65; Starr, 65; Harbeson, 58; Ridgeville, 56; Eutaw, 53; Lauraville, 52; Greenbackville, 50; Hampden, Baltimore, 45; Linthicum Heights, 44; Bethesda, 40; Christ Church, 40; Finksburg, 40; Calvary, Baltimore, 39; Rhode Island Ave., 35; Wesley Chapel of Kent, 35; Cannon, 32; West Baltimore, 31; Keen Memorial 31; Calvary, Virginia, 31; Milford, 30; Salisbury, 30; Pocomoke City, 29; Graceland Park, 27; Dover and Leipsic, 27.

Fifty-nine charges report a total net gain in membership of one thousand, two hundred and ten.

The charges reporting a net gain of twenty-five or more are: Trinity, Baltimore, 109; Lynchburg, 90; Peninsula, 81; First Church, Newark, 78; Harbeson, 52; Greenbackville, 50; Lauraville, 43; Bethesda, 39; Finksburg, 34; Cannon, 32; Calvary, Virginia, 29; Christ Church, Baltimore, 28; Eutaw, 27; Keen Memorial, 26; Milford, 26; Linthicum Heights, 25.

Nine charges report a decrease in membership of three hundred eighty-five. Taylor Memorial, 224; Grace, Baltimore, 58; Union, 49; Alnutt Memorial, 14; Crisfield, 6; Hurlock, 4; Pittsville, 2; Sharptown, 1; Laurel, Delaware, 29.

FINANCE

The Conference will be gratified to learn that the charges have sent in financial reports for the nine months that are most gratifying.

Eighty-five charges report to have raised forty-six thousand, two hundred forty-nine dollars (\$46,249.00) for building and improvements.

Fifty-three charges report forty-two thousand, eight hundred sixty-four dollars paid on debt exclusive of interest money.

Pastor's Salary—Many of our charges had not set the salary for next year when the report blanks were returned to me. From the figures available, I find that eighteen (18) charges increased salaries for next year to the amount of three thousand, six hundred forty-one dollars.

New Church and Parsonages—This church in which we meet has erect-

ed a Sunday School House costing \$41,000. The congregation of Calvary Church, Va. is erecting a new church. Powellville Church erected a new Social Hall and installed electric lights in church and parsonage. Central Church on Frederick Charge has been completely renovated and vastly improved. Grace Church on Towson Charge has made noteworthy improvements. Wesley Chapel of Kent erected a new Social Hall. The churches on Belair charge have been greatly improved. Linthicum Heights Church built a new furnace room and improved the interior of its church and parsonage. Both churches on Oak Grove and Prince George charges made improvements. Carroll Circuit built a new parsonage and Leeds renovated and improved its parsonage. Starr Church is beginning the erection of an Educational and Recreational Home to cost sixty-five thousand dollars. Educational and Social Buildings are being planned for Bethesda, Baltimore, Chestertown and Cambridge Churches. There are, doubtless, other churches and parsonages in our Conference district which have been improved but detailed reports concerning these improvements have not reached me.

The following churches have paid \$500 or more on improvements—Bethesda, Baltimore, \$500; East Baltimore, \$800; Lauraville, \$3,775; Linthicum Heights, \$500; Lowe Memorial, \$700; Starr, \$1,000; St. John's, \$2,927; St. Paul's, \$650; Towson, \$1,593; West Baltimore, \$3,500; Carroll, \$3,410; Chestertown, \$1,155; Crisfield, \$700; Delta, \$600; Finksburg, \$1,000; First Church, Newark, \$3,000; Frederick, \$1,250; Laurel, \$500; Liberty, \$550; Lynchburg, \$1,000; Mt. Nebo, \$1,000; St. Luke's, \$800; Pocomoke City, \$500; Powellville, \$1,585; Seaford, \$500; Calvary, Virginia, \$500; Rhode Island Avenue, \$500; Peninsula Church, Wilmington, \$900; Wesley Chapel of Kent \$2,000; Ridgeville, \$1,779.

In addition the following charges have raised five hundred or more dollars on debt exclusive of interest money: Brooklyn, \$1,115; Eutaw, \$2,100; Lauraville, \$2,000; Starr, \$3,000; Violetville, \$900; Wilton Heights, \$583; Centreville, \$2,000; Mariners, \$2,500; Delmar, \$575; Glenburnie, \$2,000; Georgetown, \$2,000; Harbeson, \$600; Howard \$1,200; Laurel, \$1,000; Leeds, \$500; Newmarket, \$524; St. Luke's, \$2,050; Pocomoke City, \$2,000; Seaford, \$600; Alexandria, \$1,250; Cherrydale, \$1,559; Mt. Tabor, \$700; Mt. Olivet, \$600; North Carolina Avenue, \$1,218; Rhode Island Avenue, \$700; Peninsula, Wilmington, Delaware, \$2,400; Hampden, Baltimore, \$2,125.

MARYLAND CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

Superannuate Fund Society—Mr. Thomas A. Murray, our treasurer has continued during this Conference year his zealous work in behalf of this Society. Too much cannot be said in his praise for his constant and most painstaking care in behalf of the funds and securities on which the future support of our aged ministers, the widows and orphans depends. He deserves our everlasting gratitude, for it is no small task to attend to everything involved in this trusteeship.

The Conference at its last session lengthened the time for the collection of the subscriptions of pastors to the Superannuate Fund, as

per campaign during the years 1921-1923. The Conference doubtless felt that all pastors desired to have full opportunity to contribute their subscriptions in full; as all are prospective beneficiaries of its fund.

The following is the record with regard to this subscription:

81 pastors have paid their quota in full.

19 pastors have paid fifty percent or more of their quota.

10 pastors have paid less than fifty percent of their quota.

17 pastors have failed to make any payments.

The Committee on Superannuates and this Conference can obtain detailed information from the Treasurer of the Conference.

The Church Extension Society—This organization through its Board of Managers and through the Board of Survey and Extension has continued its fine work during this Conference year despite almost insuperable handicaps.

Doctor Sheridan, who by natural gifts and by experience was the invaluable Superintendent of this work was suddenly taken from this office on January 17th by the great Head of the Church.

He had laid plans for what appeared to us would terminate in a successful campaign in behalf of the Washington Church Enterprise. He had other work of the Church Extension Society well in hand and he looked forward to this session that he might give to you an account of the trust committed to him.

His death halted the work in behalf of the church in Washington. The other duties of the office were by vote of a joint-meeting of the Board of Managers and the Board of Survey given to a Committee composed of James H. Straughn, William H. Litsinger, and your President. What has been accomplished will be given you in the report of this Society and in the report from the Board of Survey and Extension.

Our Church Home—Our Church Home For The Aged in Westminster, Md., furnishes a Christ-like agency to minister to those who have grown old in the service of Christ and of our church.

The Home is in a prosperous condition, filled to capacity, and has a small waiting list of applicants for admission.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the Executive Committee and the Board of Lady Superintendents located in Westminster, Maryland, who have to do with all the detail work of running this Home and are doing it so economically and so successfully.

Deaconess Work and Home—In accordance with the action of last Conference, the superintendency of the building was taken over by J. M. Sheridan on November 1st, 1928. Mr. Charles Reiner, who has given this Conference faithful service in this office for a number of years, without any monetary compensation, deserves our hearty thanks.

In his characteristic efficient manner Dr. Sheridan took hold of the duties of this office, but only lived two months and a half after he had become the Superintendent.

At the time of his decease the Board of Management requested the president of the Conference to attend to the duties of that office.

The debt has been further reduced and now amounts to \$125,000.00. The building is rented with the exception of less than one-tenth of its office space, which compares most favorably with other office buildings in Baltimore.

Some definite arrangement for the future management of the Headquarters Building will have to be made at this session.

Young People's Institute and Summer Conference—These annual events have not yet taken place since the meeting of our Conference in September. Both organizations are arranging programs that will continue the good and helpful work of other years.

These two organizations will not meet simultaneously on College Hill as has been the custom for a number of years; the Young People's Institute will begin July 22nd, and the Summer Conference for Ministers will begin September 2nd.

Mutual Relief Association—Perhaps never before in the existence of this Association has it been permitted to do better and more efficient work than in the nine months of this Conference year. I am sure that all the members have gladly availed themselves of the opportunity thus to express, in a tangible way, their sympathy toward the families of the bereaved.

President's Parsonage—Mr. J. Frank Brown whom you have elected Agent of the President's Parsonage has acted with fidelity and efficiency in caring for the necessary repairs; and also in meeting the financial obligations involved. I wish in this way to register my grateful appreciation for the prompt and efficient manner in which he has cared for our home. Only the limitations of the funds available have prevented some other and necessary repairs from being made.

Benevolent Societies—The Board of Beneficence of St. John's Church and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society continue to give aid to those in need. Our Conference in this way expresses its appreciation and gratitude for the help these Societies have given.

Bequests—Miss Grace Lee, a member of St. John's Church, made certain provisions in her will for the work of the Lord through the agency of our denomination. Her estate has been settled and the following organizations have received the amounts she intended them to have:—Western Maryland College, \$15,000; Superannuate Fund Society, \$5,000; Board of Home Missions, \$1,000; Home For The Aged, \$2,000; Board of Foreign Missions, \$1,000; Deaconess Board, \$1,000; Church Extension Society, \$2,000.

Mr. J. Wiley Norris of our Norrisville Church on Stewardstown charge died during this year and provided in his will that a thousand dollars should go to Westminster Theological Seminary for a Scholarship Fund, and that a thousand dollars be invested and the annual income be paid to the support of the pastor of Norrisville Church.

I would like to suggest to the members and friends of our cause who are making deposition of their possessions that one of the ways of transmuting earthly goods into heavenly wealth is by investing their money in the work of character-building and soul-saving.

This is being done by the various organizations of our Conference; and to leave money to these agencies means that it will work in their names after they have gone.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We have in our Conference a small number of charges which are not strong enough to be supplied with a minister in full standing in our Conference. Some of these charges are given such services as supplies from the Theological Seminary or Local Preachers from other charges may be able to give. It is no reflection upon those who have been serving in this capacity to say that their supervision has been very limited, because of their lack of time and opportunity.

In most cases these charges are in the country districts adjacent to centres of population such as Salisbury, Pocomoke City, Laurel, Seaford and other like towns where we have strong churches with pastors of known executive ability. These pastors would be glad to render valuable assistance to these charges if they were given some authority to do so.

I therefore recommend that this whole subject be given to the Board of Survey and Extension for careful study and consideration and that they make such recommendations to the Conference as the Board may deem wise in the premises.

2. We have taken a long step forward in having a Conference Treasurer whom we pay at least for part of his time. His efficiency and faithfulness are unquestioned. He is giving us the benefit of his business training of many years and he is anxious that our way of doing business should be up-to-date and with as little expense to us as is possible.

The great handicap in this being done lies in the fact that most of the money collected on the charges for the Maryland Conference and General Conference interests is not remitted to him at the time these monies are collected. The failure to do this causes great embarrassment to the Treasurer and great expense to the Conference. We have ordered the Treasurer to pay our Superannuates monthly and bills as they become due; and in order to do so the Treasurer has to borrow money constantly from the bank, at six percent interest. This item of interest on borrowed money which amounts each year to a considerable sum, could be saved if we had an adequate financial system.

I therefore recommend that the Treasurer in conjunction with the Board of Finance be authorized to work out a Plan by which Stations of the Conference could be induced to make monthly, and Circuits quarterly remittances of all monies in hand for the Benevolent Interest of the church.

3. The recommendation which I made to our last Conference concerning the Loyalty Crusade has been such a pronounced success wherever it was tried during this year that I should like to see its fine work still further extended,

I therefore recommend that our Group Chairmen be requested to take this as a part of their definite work for the Districts over which they are appointed and early in this Conference year organize the

pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, Christian Endeavor Presidents and other working units of the churches under them so that even greater results might be achieved. Our Standing Committee on Evangelism, which did splendid work during this Conference year, is willing to do all within its power and to the limit of its resources that the pastors and workers may be supplied with such helps and literature as will help them to carry forward this work successfully.

4. The observations and experiences of my three years of travel over the Conference district have made certain definite impressions upon me. Among these the most outstanding is that our pastors, especially those who are serving charges composed of more than one church, have problems to solve both from the standpoint of utility and economy that are vexing and perplexing.

Present day conditions demand that in order to serve such a charge acceptably and successfully it is necessary to have an automobile.

The salary in most cases is not sufficient to allow the pastors to purchase this automobile, provide for the up-keep and running expenses, and at the same time care for himself and family without serious financial embarrassment.

The burden which is a heavy one when borne by the pastor alone becomes very light when distributed among the membership of two or more churches.

I therefore recommend that this Conference requests Quarterly Conferences to take under advisement the solution of this problem in providing an automobile for the use of their pastor.

I believe that if this is done it will lead to a more satisfactory service on the part of the pastor and at the same time prove a boon in solving the problem of maintaining financial solvency on the salaries now paid by some charges.

And now, my fellow-laborers, I lay down the duties of the office to which you called me more than three years ago.

I regret many things. I should liked to have done more for my Lord, my church and my brethren.

I do not claim that I have not made mistakes but I do ask you to believe that I have been honest, sincere and whole-hearted in the administration of this office. My successor has my best wishes and my prayers.

I am grateful to my brethren of the ministry and their wives, and my friends of the laity for the many courtesies and the hospitality shown me in my travels over the Conference district.

I thank my Heavenly Father for giving me health and strength for the journeys and the duties incident to the office for these years.

May every transaction of our Conference sessions be directed by the Holy Spirit so that we may plan wisely to the honor of Christ, and the building of His kingdom.

Yours in the service of Christ and our beloved church,

E. C. MAKOSKY,

President.

June 12, 1929.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 30)

We have carefully considered the report of the President to this Conference. This report is a fine summing up of the work of the church during this short year. We feel very sure that there are but few men who can really appreciate the tremendous task which this Conference lays upon the heart of the man who is called to act as its president and who so often must stand in the breach. No doubt it is a great honor but it is also a great responsibility—"Uneasy rests the head that wears the crown." It seems almost impossible that any man could figure in so many different and most perplexing problems. It is not strange that dissatisfaction arises, but it is strange that more dissatisfaction does not arise.

How we wish that every member of the Church in the Maryland Conference might study this splendid summing up of the Church's life and activity. We believe the work would be easier and the total results better because of the vision which it affords. We too feel the deep sting of sorrow because our companions in labor have gone from us. How we miss them. It seems we must hear their voices and see their happy faces among us. May the grace of our Great Comforting Father be with all those who still linger on this side.

OFFICIAL ACTS

We wish to heartily commend the President in his ready and thorough manner of administration. All of his acts bear the marks of earnest thought and splendid decisions. We feel the Conference has been in safe hands.

INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

We share with the President the deep concern for our Seminary and its beloved President; and again we pledge our best co-operation that the financial embarrassment, which has been facing the Seminary may soon be lifted and a brighter future dawn.

We long for the day when an adequate endowment may be solidly behind our work at this splendid school, for we must realize that "This is the only institution in the Methodist Protestant Church for the professional training of our ministers."

We rejoice at the prospect of a Department of Religious Education at Western Maryland College. We unite in the wish of the President that our laymen, who have been blest of God with large sums of money may remember the college, where they may invest their wealth and where it will bring forth the greatest dividends. Turning dollars into men is a great business.

THE CHURCH PAPER

We heartily agree with the President, that the Church Paper is the most effective assistant any pastor can have in making loyal, intelligent and generous members of the church. With the advent of the merger,

the paper should be twice as interesting to us all for then we shall have the news of the West as well as the news of the East.

We heartily endorse the urgent request of the President that we be loyal to our own publishing house and its products.

MISSIONS

Under this heading we can express our thoughts in quoting the "Report." We hail with pleasure this new day when together the men and women of our Church will work for the entire denominational program, and so unify and concentrate our efforts for the extension of Christ's Kingdom both in our homeland and in the foreign fields.

AFFILIATED AGENCIES

We feel that the report strikes a true note when it says of the liquor traffic, "We are face to face with a challenge that must be met." Our denomination must take care of its part in this crusade. We will not cease by pen and voice to carry on the warfare against the lawless liquor traffic as long as that traffic continues an organized effort to break down the law.

The Lord's Day Alliance has been tested and made good. We pledge again our positive support to this program of keeping the Lord's Day from desecration.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

We earnestly hope the day is not far distant when a Religious Work Director, who could devote himself to the interest of our young people shall become a reality among us. "We feel it would solve many of the problems of today and assure the efficiency of the church of the future."

MARYLAND CONFERENCE INTERESTS

Eighteen hundred and fifty-four conversions in the conference district make our hearts leap for joy. This is after all the worthwhile thing of the report. Jesus' only mission in this world was to save the lost. Everything else is a side issue.

If heaven is stirred over one lost sheep, we wonder how great must have been the rejoicing over 1854 lost ones, who were dead but now live, who were lost but now are found. We pledge ourselves anew and dedicate our lives unreservedly to the winning of men to Christ.

FINANCES

It is indeed most gratifying to learn that 85 charges have raised forty-six thousand, two hundred and forty-nine dollars for building and improvements. Fifty-three charges report \$42,864.00 paid on debts exclusive of Interest.

SUPERANNUATE FUND

It is rather disappointing to learn that out of 127 pastors, only 81 have paid their subscription in full. Nineteen have paid fifty percent or

more; 10 have paid less than fifty percent, and 17 have failed to make any payment. It seems that this should be the easiest money to pay.

We feel grateful indeed to the Board of Beneficence of St. John's Church and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society for their generous gifts to those in need.

We are thankful for the gifts of Miss Grace Lee and Mr. J. Wiley Norris. May the Lord turn the hearts of others to do this blessed thing that they may indeed change earthly goods into heavenly wealth.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We very heartily endorse recommendation No. 1 and trust that some plan may be worked out by the Board of Survey and Extension.

2. It seems to your committee that Recommendation No. 2 is of vital importance and that the Treasurer, in conjunction with the New Century Service Commission, should be authorized to work out a plan by which the desired results may be reached.

3. We most earnestly concur in Recommendation No. 3. Soul winning is our only business. We rejoice in the great returns of the work of last year, and we pray that our plans and prayers and earnest endeavors may indeed bring forth a great harvest. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He might send forth more laborers into the harvest."

4. We concur in Recommendation No. 4. We feel that this is a fine way to multiply the real service and efficiency of the pastor.

E. D. STONE

J. W. BAXLEY

F. S. CAIN

DR. W. G. MONROE

DR. VALLEY HAWKINS

R. G. NICHOLSON

REPORT OF J. FRANK BROWN, AGENT OF PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE OF M. P. CHURCH

(See Journal Page 31)

From September 1, 1928 to June 1, 1929

September 1, 1929 Cash Balance on hand.....\$ 86.44

RECEIPTS

From Charles F. Cummings, Treas..... 1,502.50

Amount to be accounted for.....\$1,588.94

EXPENDITURES

To Central Fire Insurance Co. on account of Principal of Mortgage\$1,000.00

To Central Fire Insurance Co. Interest on account of Mortgage 165.00

To Mayor and City Council Water Rent and Special Paving Tax, 1929 32.30

Repairs and Painting	29.35
Reupholstering Living Room Suit	100.00
Bank charge for carrying account	1.00
	1,327.65

Cash Balance on hand as of June 1, 1929.....\$ 261.29

J. FRANK BROWN,
Agent.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

	Yrs.
President Western Maryland College.....A. N. Ward.....	9
President Westminster Theological Seminary.....H. L. Elderdice	33
Professor Western Maryland College.....W. B. Sanders	2
Professor Westminster Theological Seminary.....F. G. Holloway	1
Superintendent Church Extension.....W. H. Litsinger.....	1
Secretary Board of Missions.....G. W. Haddaway..	2
Treasurer General Conference.....J. H. Straughn.....	2
Left without Appointment at own Request.....J. T. Fenby	2

LOANED

Board of Missions.....	Paul M. Cassen.....	5
	Paul F. Warner	5
	W. L. Hoffman	6
	W. N. Snyder	4
	T. J. Betschler	2
	T. R. Woodford.....	11
Chaplain United States Army.....	J. R. Wright.....	12

SUPERANNUATES

	Yrs.		Yrs.
G. F. Farring	12	P. L. Rice	9
F. H. Mullineaux	13	S. F. Cassen	3
G. Q. Bacchus	9	J. W. Trout	2
J. L. Elderdice	9	George Hines	2
S. W. Coe	7	B. W. Kindley	2
Dorsey Blake	4	W. S. Hanks	1
L. A. Bennett	8	H. W. D. Johnson	1
G. J. Hill	9	J. A. Wright.....	1

APPOINTMENTS

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
✓ Accomac.....	W. A. Donaway	1	✓ <i>Rav</i> Calvary.....	G. E. McDorman	4
<i>Peace</i> Amelia	J. R. McKeawn	2	✓ <i>Chesaco Pk.</i> Chesaco Pk..	P. M. R. Schauer	2
Baltimore:			✓ <i>Christ Church</i>	N. O. Gibson	2
<i>Alnutt</i> Alnutt Memorial..	E. W. Simms	2	✓ East Baltimore.....	E. H. Jones	5
✓ Bethesda.....	G. M. Clayton	6	✓ Edmondson Ave.....	J. L. Green	5
✓ Brooklyn.....	E. C. Makosky	1	✓ Eutaw.....	J. A. Dudley	4

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
✓ Evergreen.....	F. D. Reynolds	5	✓ Delta.....	B. F. Ruley	2
✓ Grace.....	E. T. Kirkley	1	✓ Denton.....	J. W. Kirk	3
✓ Graceland Pk.....	G. A. Ogg	1	✓ Dorchester.....	C. H. Dobson	1
✓ Hampden.....	E. D. Stone	17	✓ Dover-Leipsic.....	C. M. Compher	2
✓ Keen Memorial.....	C. M. Adams	2	✓ Doylesburg.....	H. E. Hudgins	2
✓ Lauraville.....	P. W. Crosby	1	✓ Easton.....	E. T. Read	10
✓ Linthicum Hgts.....	L. F. Warner	2	✓ Elizabeth, N. J.	J. W. Balderston	10
✓ Lowe Memorial.....	W. A. Melvin	14	1 Fairfax.....	to be supplied	
✓ North Balto.....	W. P. Roberts	1	✓ Fawn Grove.....	C. K. McCaslin	2
✓ Payson Street.....	V. A. Miller	2	✓ Federalsburg.....	G. E. Leister	3
✓ South Balto.....	G. H. Stocksdales	2	✓ Felton.....	O. G. Brewer	1
✓ Starr.....	J. N. Link	2	✓ Finksburg.....	Avery Donovan	2
Religious Work			1 First Church,		
Director.....	J. Peyton Adams	1	2 Newark.....	R. L. Shipley	4
✓ St. John's.....	A. W. Ewell	2	✓ Frederick.....	F. J. Phillips	1
✓ St. Paul's.....	Louis Randall	2	✓ Greenbackville.....	C. M. Cullum	3
✓ Towson.....	J. F. Bryan	1	✓ Georgetown.....	M. E. Hungerford	4
✓ Trinity.....	J. G. Eaton	1	✓ Glenburnie.....	W. F. Wright	3
✓ Violetville.....	W. B. Judefind	13	✓ Greenbush and		
✓ West Balto.....	J. M. Gill	14	1 Tasley.....	W. C. Mumford	2
Associate.....	G. E. Wunder	2	✓ Greenwood.....	H. G. Hagar	1
✓ Wilton Heights.....	T. C. Jones	1	✓ Grove.....	A. W. Betts	2
✓ Bedford.....	Reginald Brohawn	1	✓ Hallwood.....	D. W. Anstine	2
✓ Belair-Deer Creek.....	G. E. Turner	5	✓ Harbeson.....	L. W. Gordon	1
Associate.....	O. W. Prince	1	✓ Harmony,		
✓ Bivalve.....	F. M. Clift	1	1 W. Va.....	M. E. Dearholt	1
✓ Buckeystown.....	C. E. Dryden	3	✓ Harmony, Md.....	to be supplied	
✓ Cambridge.....	T. C. Mulligan	3	✓ Harpers Ferry.....	H. C. Burkins	2
✓ Cam. Circuit.....	A. A. Pierce, Sup.	2	✓ Harrington.....	R. W. Sapp	1
✓ Cannon.....	A. W. Simms	1	✓ Howard.....	C. F. Cummins	2
✓ Caroline.....	W. T. Archer	2	✓ Hurlock.....	L. C. Randall	2
✓ Carroll Circuit.....	W. O. Lynch, Sup.	2	✓ Indian River.....	Dorsey Blake	9
✓ Cecil.....	C. M. Jenkins	1	✓ Kemptown.....	E. E. Coleman	2
✓ Centreville.....	J. W. Baxley	1	✓ Kennedyville.....	J. McL. Brown	1
✓ Chestertown.....	E. A. Sexsmith	2	✓ Kent Island.....	G. S. Ross	2
✓ Chincoteague.....	D. F. Galloway	2	✓ Laurel.....	J. E. Cummings	2
✓ Clayton-Smyrna.....	J. W. Parris	2	✓ Laurel Cir.....	Lee Elliott, Sup.	2
✓ Crisfield.....	E. C. Graham	1	✓ Leeds.....	C. L. Dawson	1
✓ Mariners.....	I. S. Owens	4	✓ Lewes.....	W. D. Wilson, Sup.	3
✓ Lawsonia.....			✓ Lewistown-Liberty.....	H. O. Keen	1
✓ Crumpton.....	to be supplied		✓ Lynchburg.....	J. H. Lynch	7
Cumberland:			✓ Mandela.....	F. B. Bailey	2
✓ First Church.....	C. R. Strausburg	4	✓ Marley.....	G. R. Donaldson	1
✓ Fairview.....	J. F. Zimmerman	2	✓ Milford.....	J. L. Nichols	1
✓ Melvin Chapel and			✓ Middleway.....	to be supplied	
✓ Mapleside.....	C. E. Shaw, Supply	2	✓ Milton.....	D. K. Sturgis	2
✓ Dagsboro.....	to be supplied		✓ Mt. Nebo.....	Stephen Galley	1
✓ Deer Park.....	G. W. Ports	4	✓ New Church.....	Carroll Maddox	2
✓ Delmar.....	J. T. Bailey	4			

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
✓ New Market.....	A. H. Green	2	Trinity-Salem.....	C. B. Robey	1
Nichols			✓ Tyreanna.....	J. L. Alvis, Sup.	1
✓ Memorial.....	L. E. Haddaway	1	✓ Union.....	C. P. Butler	1
Northumberland.....	C. Phillips	7	✓ Union Bridge..	W. M. Schmeiser	2
✓ Oak Grove and Prince			Wallace		
George..	G. E. Baughman, Sup.	1	✓ Memorial.....	F. W. Siffirin	1
✓ Oxford.....	G. A. Morris	1	✓ Warwick.....	C. S. Marshall	1
✓ Parksley.....	F. A. Holland	5	WASHINGTON		
Patapsco.....	To be Supplied		✓ Alexandria.....	G. J. Hooker	3
PHILADELPHIA			✓ Calvary.....	J. W. Townsend	4
✓ St. Luke's.....	C. C. Day	7	✓ Cherrydale.....	J. A. Trader	1
✓ Taylor Memorial..	H. B. Jester	1	✓ Congress Street..	H. A. Kester	2
Emmanuel.....	Robert Browne	1	✓ First Church..	T. J. Turkington	4
Pipe Creek.....	F. N. Volk	2	Fort Myer Heights and		
✓ Pittsville.....	K. H. Wareheim	1	✓ Walkers Chapel.....	Ira Dinkle	2
Pocomoke City.....	E. L. Bunce	10	✓ Mt. Tabor.....	C. M. Kelsner	1
✓ Poplar Springs.....	J. F. Wooden	3	✓ Mt. Olivet.....	W. H. Hodges	3
✓ Powellville.....	W. F. Bauscher	1	North Carolina		
Quantico.....	To be Supplied		✓ Ave.....	H. L. Schlincke	3
✓ Ridgeville.....	B. A. Bryan	2	Rhode Island		
Rowlandville.....	F. N. Bowers	1	✓ Ave.....	R. Y. Nicholson	4
Salisbury.....	G. I. Humphreys	4	Wesley Chapel of		
Seaford.....	N. C. Clough	6	✓ Kent.....	B. I. Barnes	1
Sharptown.....	A. F. T. Raum	5	✓ Westminster.....	C. M. Elderdice	4
✓ Snow Hill.....	G. E. Brown	5	WILMINGTON		
Snow Hill			✓ First Church.....	J. L. Ward	1
✓ Circuit.....	To be Supplied		Peninsula.....	R. W. White	1
Stewardstown.....	Frank S. Cain	2	Second		
✓ St. James.....	J. L. Marker	2	✓ Church....	W. A. Roberts, Sup.	2
✓ St. Michaels.....	Ziba Adams	1	✓ Whaleyville.....	J. P. George	1
✓ Susquehanna.....	H. L. Murphy	1	Wye and Queen		
✓ Texas	Edwin Keehner	2	✓ Anne.....	J. G. Lynn	1

REPORT B

SECRETARY'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 23)

To The Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Friends:

When the Program Committee met to formulate the program for this session of Conference, it was proposed that the report of the Committee on Credentials and the report of the Secretary be made at the same time. This will aid somewhat in conserving time. I, therefore make the following report:

No credentials have been received from the following charges: Cambridge, Chincoteague, Lawsonia, Crumpton, Harmony, Md., Indian

River, Lewes, Middleway, Patapsco, Smyrna, Snow Hill Circuit and Tyreanna.

The credentials of two charges, Melvin Chapel and Rowlandville, bear the signatures of the pastors as chairmen of the meeting for election of delegates. The credentials from Clayton was signed by no chairman. Federalsburg showed no election of an alternate. The credentials from Denton did not indicate whether the election of delegate was held by Quarterly Conference or Member's Meeting. These elections were all held in good faith and I recommend that the credentials be accepted but urge pastors to observe more carefully the rule in our manual.

There is a slight increase in the number of charges sending no delegate's credentials, but a decided improvement in the manner of holding elections and in signatures of presiding officers. There is also a marked improvement in the number of charges holding their election according to discipline—at least ten days before the sitting of the annual conference. It would aid the secretary very much, however, if the pastors would send in their credentials immediately after election of same. Some credentials for this conference were not received until the day before the opening of conference though the election of those delegates was held in April and the early part of May.

It is the desire and purpose of the Secretary to make the Conference Minutes as perfect as possible, but in spite of great care, some errors were made in our last publication. I do not understand that the work of the Secretary is to edit papers and reports, but to publish what is delivered to him. A competent stenographer is employed for each conference session and she will gladly type your reports for you. I hope, therefore, that the chairman of each committee and the writer of every resolution will see that this paper is ready for the printer when it is handed in. Many errors may in this way be avoided.

May I suggest further, that the financial tables be placed where each pastor may inspect them. The Secretary hasn't the slightest means of discovering what inaccuracies there are in them, therefore let each pastor see that the figures for his charge are correct.

In the custody of the Secretary are a number of important papers, books, conference blanks and stationery. There is a continuous correspondence relative to conference work with many letters and papers to be filed. There is no office equipment, in which to keep these things except a small trunk which has been in use for sixteen or eighteen years. If the Secretary is responsible for the custody of these things, and according to our manual he is, then some provision should be made for their keeping.

I therefore recommend—

That a committee from this conference of at least two, be appointed and given authority to purchase the necessary equipment for said office.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. HOOKER,
Secretary.

Note: On motion the Secretary was made a committee of one to secure necessary office equipment.

REPORT C

TREASURER'S REPORT

(See Journal, Page 37)

To The President and Members of The Maryland Annual Conference.

Greetings:

We take pleasure in submitting for your consideration the following Report, embracing the period September 13, 1928, to June 17, 1929. The financial affairs of the Conference should at all times receive due and careful consideration. To a certain extent the foundation or basis of constructive policies are dependent upon this important feature.

A careful study by the pastor, relative to the financial conditions of the church or churches under his supervision, should be made with a view to placing all our churches on an efficient basis so far as the finances are concerned. The several demands upon the Conference almost daily call for a systematic plan of action by all the churches whereby the funds from each and every charge will be forwarded regularly. The pastor in this instance is the key to the situation, and by diligent and persistent efforts can place into operation a financial plan that will be a credit to his church and benefit the Maryland Annual Conference.

Conditions, as they now exist, reveal the fact that we have one hundred and fifty-three charges in our Conference. During the period September 13, 1928, to May 31, 1929, fifty charges failed to forward any funds to meet the President's Appropriation; sixty neglected to transmit funds for the Maryland Annual Conference, and twenty did not consider the General Conference—this matter should receive consideration.

The forwarding of funds monthly by churches designated as stations, and quarterly by circuits would solve the problem, provided it is conducted on a pro-rata basis with reference to the Assessment levied. The payment of superannuates on a monthly basis was a step in the right direction. Many letters commending the action of the Conference in this respect have been received during the past year.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS,

Treasurer.

BUDGET A—PRESIDENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES

(Assessment \$3,375.00)

RECEIPTS

Balance from year 1928	\$ 277.61
Surplus from Transportations—1928.....	53.64
Received from District.....	3,225.00
Total	\$3,556.25

DISBURSEMENTS

Apportionment to President	\$3,037.50
Transmitted to Agent for Parsonage	337.50
Balance	181.25

Total \$3,556.25

BUDGET B—MARYLAND CONFERENCE INTERESTS

(Assessments \$26,625.00)

RECEIPTS

From District—For Conference Interests.....	\$24,395.75
For Investment Fund	138.83
From Thos. A. Murray.....	8,185.79
Miscellaneous	308.99
Interest on Balances	74.67
Loans—Union National Bank of Westminster, Md..	12,398.13
Deficit	7,768.33

Total \$53,270.49

DISBURSEMENTS

Balance from previous year.....	\$ 5,198.13
Incidental expenses	4,540.41
Superannuates	25,325.14
Board of Survey and Church Extension.....	11,749.40
Our Church Home	4,122.88
Deaconess Home	1,030.70
Parsonage Fund	1,165.00
Thos. A. Murray (Investment Fund)	138.83

Total \$53,270.49

DETAILED STATEMENT

BOARD OF SURVEY AND CHURCH EXTENSION

RECEIPTS

From District	\$10,308.41
Loans, Union National Bank of Westminster, Md.	2,000.00

Total \$12,308.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Appropriations:

Supt. Church Extension	\$ 850.00
Calvary, Va. Rent.....	450.00
Evergreen—Salary	112.50
Northumberland—Debt	75.00
Bethesda—Salary	225.00
Georgetown—Debt	150.00
Mount Carmel—Debt	75.00
Glenburnie—Debt	187.50

Lauraville—Debt	375.00	
Chesaco Park—Debt	250.00	
Board of Managers—Calvary, Va. Int.....	450.00	
Board of Managers—Edmondson Ave. Int....	1,845.00	
Board of Managers—Ft. Myer Hts., Va. Int..	517.50	
Edmondson Avenue—Fifth Installment	500.00	
Calvary, Va.—Salary	300.00	
Ridgeville, Md.—Rent	247.00	
		6,609.50
Supplemental Salaries:		
Chesaco Park, P. M. R. Schauer.....	225.00	
Evergreen, F. D. Reynolds.....	150.00	
Payson Street, V. A. Miller	150.00	
Bedford, Stephen Galley	33.32	
Cannon, J. A. Wright	225.00	
Cecil, M. E. Dearholt	150.00	
Dagsboro, L. W. Gordon	131.25	
Greenwood, Ziba Adams	75.00	
Harmony, W. Va., H. L. Murphy	150.00	
Kempton, E. E. Coleman	150.00	
Kennedyville, H. G. Hager	225.00	
Liberty, O. G. Brewer	225.00	
Poplar Springs, J. F. Wooden	75.00	
Susquehanna, C. B. Robey	187.50	
Tyreanna, J. C. Russell	83.33	
Union Bridge, W. Schmeiser	150.00	
Warwick, A. W. Simms	225.00	
Deer Creek, F. N. Bowers	225.00	
Mount Nebo, C. M. Jenkins	225.00	
		3,060.40
Loans:		
Paid to Union Nat. Bank of Westminster, Md.		2,000.00
Interest:		
Paid to Union Nat. Bank of Westminster, Md.		79.50
Balance		559.01
		1,238.51
Total		\$12,308.41

DETAILED STATEMENT INCIDENTALS

RECEIPTS	
From district	\$1,717.97
Loan, Union National Bank, Westminster.....	2,000.00
Interest on Bank Balances.....	74.67
Refund, C. & P. Telephone Co.....	1.30
Refund, Stewardship and Tithing Committee.....	121.69
Funds, Lewes, Del. 1927-1928	110.00

Funds, Chincoteague, Va. 1927-1928.....	47.00
Funds, Saint Michael's 1927-1928	29.00
Deficit	438.78
Total	\$4,540.41

DISBURSEMENTS

President:

Office Salaries	\$ 205.00
Office Expenses	56.56
	<u>261.56</u>

Secretary:

Office and Traveling Expenses.....	70.60
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Treasurer:

Office Expenses, Postage, Registry Fees, etc.....	76.90
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Salaries:

Secretary	\$ 37.50
Treasurer	375.00
Steward	37.50
	<u>450.00</u>

Printing:

Minutes	\$ 729.09
General	161.21
	<u>890.30</u>

Multigraphing	17.10
Stationery	25.40
Loan, Union Nat. Bank, Westminster, Md.....	2,000.00
Interest paid on loan	71.33

Committees:

Board of Church Ext.	\$ 16.81
Evangelistic	285.03
New Century Service	5.70
Religious Work	2.85
	<u>310.39</u>

Miscellaneous:

Flowers	\$ 10.00
Moving	20.00
Photographs and Racks	49.25
Telephones	95.33
Treasurer's Bond	12.50
Treasurer, Expenses to Pittsburgh.....	22.25
President, Expenses to Pittsburgh.....	17.50
Repairs to oil painting	40.00
Conference Speakers	100.00
	<u>366.83</u>

Total	\$4,540.41
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DETAILED STATEMENT PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE

RECEIPTS

From District	\$1,030.74	
Deficit	134.26	
Total		\$1,165.00

DISBURSEMENTS

President's Parsonage (Agent)	1,165.00	
Total		\$1,165.00

DETAILED STATEMENT SUPERANNUATES

RECEIPTS

From District	\$ 6,185.05	
From Thos. A. Murray.....	8,185.79	
Loan, Union Nat. Bank of Westminster, Md.....	3,200.00	
Deficit	7,754.80	
Total		\$25,325.14

DISBURSEMENTS

Authorized payments to Superannuates (12 monthly distributions)	\$14,488.50	
Premium on Policy	2,060.00	
Interest on Loans	378.51	
Payment of Loan, Union Nat. Bank, Westminster, Md.	8,398.13	
Total		\$25,325.14

BUDGET C—GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET

(Assessment \$82,500.00)

RECEIPTS

Amount received from District.....	\$44,105.86	
Total		\$44,105.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid General Conference Treasurer.....	\$44,105.86	
Total		\$44,105.86

For detailed statement of funds raised for the several interests, see Report of Conference Steward.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES RELATING TO GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSESSMENT 1928

RECEIPTS

Balance from year 1928.....	\$	343.68
Received from District		142.00
		\$ 485.68

EXPENDITURES

For Pastors	\$	50.64
For Laymen		68.70
Balance on hand		366.34
		\$ 485.68

Number of Charges not sharing in plan 12.

MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE CENTENARY AND GRATITUDE GIFT FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance from year 1928.....	\$	1,210.44
From District		310.67
		\$1,521.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Partial payment on church lot.....	\$	1,000.00
Interest paid on church lot obligation.....		150.00
Balance on hand		371.11
		\$1,521.11

STATEMENT SHOWING CONDITION OF LOAN OBTAINED TO MEET OBLIGATION TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE WITH RELATNION TO THE CENTENARY AND GRATITUDE GIFT FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance from year 1928.....	\$	1,853.13
Received from District		254.49
		\$2,107.62

DISBURSEMENTS

Amount paid on loan	\$	1,500.00
Amount paid—Interest on loan to June 30, 1929.....		455.00
Expenses—Committee		2.78
Balance on hand		149.84
		\$2,107.62

SUMMARY

Balance due on loan—Negotiated through Union Nat.	
Bank of Westminster, Md.	\$9,500.00
Interest on Loan to June 30, 1929.....	455.00
Expenses of Committee	2.78
Total	\$9,957.78
Amount paid on Loan	
Amount Paid—Interest on Loan.....	\$1,500.00
Expenses of Committee	455.00
Balance on hand	2.78
Amount of deficit	149.84
Total	7,850.16
Total	\$9,957.78

TRANSPORTATION AND ENTERTAINMENT FUND

TRANSPORTATION

RECEIPTS

For Pastors	\$ 569.85
For Delegates	924.75
Total	\$1,494.60

DISBURSEMENTS

For pastors	\$ 492.14
For Delegates	845.89
For Printing and Postage	27.00
Balance	129.57
Total	\$1,494.60

Number of Charges not sharing in plan 15.

ENTERTAINMENT

RECEIPTS

Amount received	\$2,212.72
Total	\$2,212.72

DISBURSEMENTS

Amount paid to Edmondson Avenue Church.....	\$2,212.72
Total	\$2,212.72

Number of Charges not sharing in plan 17.

REPORT D

TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(See Journal Page 27)

Your Board of Trustees respectfully submits the following report:

We have had regular meetings during the year. It is with deep regret that we report the death of J. M. Sheridan who has been a useful and active member of the Board since 1896.

The Board has the following officers: E. C. Makosky, President; G. W. Haddaway, Vice-President; F. Murray Benson, Treasurer and Rowland Watts, Secretary.

The membership of the Board, as constituted according to our charter, consists of the following named:—

G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, J. H. Roberts and F. G. Usilton to serve until 1931.

L. F. Warner, E. C. Makosky, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho to serve until 1930; and

J. H. Straughn, Rowland Watts and F. Murray Benson whose term expires with this session of the Conference.

To this latter group J. M. Sheridan also belonged. The vacancies thus created by death and charter limitations are to be filled by election at this Conference session.

We submit herewith the report of our treasurer, Mr. F. Murray Benson.

E. C. MAKOSKY,
President.

Note: On motion J. H. Straughn, Rowland Watts, F. Murray Benson and W. A. Melvin were elected trustees until 1932. (See Journal of Thursday.)

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR SEPTEMBER 1st, 1928 to MAY
31st, 1929

F. Murray Benson, Treasurer, in account with Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference of The Methodist Protestant Church.

To balance per last report.....		\$825.66
Commission on Trust Income.....	58.61	
Refund, Radcliffe Trust	67.98	126.59
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		\$952.25
By Expenses of Management.....	50.00	
Balance on Deposit to Credit of Trustees.....	902.25	\$952.25
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		\$952.25
Drinkhouse Trust Estate		
To Balance as per last report.....		\$126.93
Income from Investments		793.00
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		\$919.93

By Amount Paid Baltimore Book Directory, Appropriation by Trustees for use of Methodist Protestant Society—Appropriation by Trustee.....	608.34	
By Amount Paid Maryland Educational Endowment Society—Appropriation by Trustee.....	168.00	
By Commissions—Credited above to Trustees General Fund	39.65	
By Balance on Deposit	103.94	\$919.93

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer

Audited and found correct.

T. W. DONOHO,
ROWLAND WATTS
Auditing Committee.

REPORT E

PARTIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BUDGET APPORTIONMENTS

(See Journal, Page 35)

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

We are preparing for publication in the Minutes as a part of our report the usual data.

We recommend that your committee be authorized to employ Brother E. E. Wooden, accountant, to work out the assessments.

G. A. OGG, Chairman.

Note: Recommendation was adopted.

REPORT F

COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

(See Journal, Pages 29, 34, 35)

I. We recommend that Reginald Brohawn be received on trial and placed in the studies of the first year.

2. We recommend that J. F. Zimmerman be received on trial and placed in the studies of the first year, with the understanding that he will attend the Seminary if possible.

3. We recommend that G. E. Baughman be placed in the hands of the President for employment.

4. We recommend that F. W. Siffrin be received upon receipt of his transfer from the Ohio Conference.

FURTHER REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

We Recommend:

1. That Ellsworth Jennings be allowed to take the Course of Study.
2. That D. F. Galloway receive ordination.
3. That W. D. Wilson, W. T. Archer, A. W. Betts, C. S. Marshall, B. I. Barnes, O. W. Prince, W. A. Roberts, Reginald Brohawn, J. F. Zimmerman be given license to administer the ordinances, provided they receive appointments.

We Announce:—That Miss Grace Jones and C. F. Cummins have passed the Course of Study.

1. We announce that W. T. Archer has passed into the third year, having passed 100 in Lewis' "Divine Credentials."
2. We recommend that G. E. Baughman and Lee Elliott be given license to administer the ordinances, provided they are employed by the President.
3. We recommend that C. S. Marshall and A. W. Betts be received into the Conference and ordained.
4. We recommend that the following be inserted in the Minutes under "Conference Examiners and Examinations" in place of that which precedes the course of study.

(1) The Conference course of study shall be of four years duration and in five groups of subjects as follows:

- (a) Practical Theology.
- (b) Christian Theology.
- (c) Church History.
- (d) Homiletics.
- (e) English Bible.

The students in these courses shall be known as preparatory, first, second and third year students.

(2) The President shall, not later than one week after the adjournment of Conference, appoint a committee of six to be known as the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. Of these, one shall be appointed as chairman and one each as examiner in "a," "b," "c," "d" and "e" to examine all classes.

(3) The chairman shall serve for one year. At the expiration of that time examiner "a" shall become chairman and the President shall appoint a new examiner "a." So in order "b," "c," "d" and "e" shall become chairman. The President annually appointing an examiner in the place of him who becomes chairman.

(4) Each examiner shall assign one of the books in his course to be examined during the first week in September, December, March and Conference, respectively. Each examiner shall report on each student annually to the committee, who shall thereupon make its recommendations to the Conference.

(5) The Committee shall announce not later than Thursday, A. M.

of Conference, the names of all those who seek admission, ordination, license, etc., and shall submit its recommendations concerning same not earlier than Saturday.

5. We recommend that the Committee be instructed to reorganize the Conference Course of Study, and report to the next Conference.

J. M. GILL, Chairman
 F. G. HOLLOWAY, Secretary
 E. A. SEXSMITH
 R. L. SHIPLEY
 B. F. RULEY

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

We recommend that A. A. Pierce be given license to administer the ordinances if given work by the President.

E. A. SEXSMITH
 B. F. RULEY

REPORT G

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION

(See Journal Page 37)

We have given careful attention to all papers and personal representations made to us and respectfully offer the following report.

The report of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society which was read to the Conference and referred to us, is herewith submitted for publication.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the present arrangement of pastoral supply on Reliance Charge be continued for another year.
2. That Montgomery be detached from Ridgeville and attached to Kemptown charge. That inasmuch as Ridgeville took an option on a lot for a new church and parsonage at the suggestion of the Board of Survey, the matter be placed in the hands of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society for supervision.
3. That Second Church, Wilmington, Delaware, be released from any connection with First Church.
4. That Hawley Memorial Church be dropped from the list of charges.
5. That the President of the Conference and Church Extension Superintendent go to Cumberland as soon after Conference as convenient, for the purpose of surveying our work there, and making such recommendations to the Board of Survey and Extension as they deem wise for the development of the various churches.
6. That Johnsville be detached from Liberty Charge, and that it

be served by the pastor of Union Bridge, with the understanding that the salary be at least as large as at present.

7. That Lewistown and Liberty constitute one Charge to be known as Liberty-Lewistown Charge.

8. That the President of the Conference and Church Extension Superintendent make a survey of the circuits in Dorchester County for the purpose of making such recommendations as they may deem wise to the Board of Survey.

9. That the letters referred to the Board by the pastor of Susquehanna Charge be turned over to the Superintendent of Church Extension Society for action.

10. That Trinity and Salem form one Charge to be known as Trinity-Salem.

11. That the name of Concord Charge be changed to Doylesburg Charge.

12. That Smyrna, Delaware, be put under the pastoral care of Clayton Charge.

13. That it is the sense of this Conference that supplemental salaries be reduced each year 25 percent, and that Quarterly Conferences be requested to provide for the amount of reduction, and that this rule apply to the year 1930-31.

14. That all Church Extension appropriations shall be disbursed by the Treasurer of the Conference, upon vouchers from the Church Extension Superintendent.

15. That we do not concur in the resolution concerning parsonages referred to us by the Conference.

APPROPRIATIONS

1. Howard Charge on debt for five consecutive years, \$200, provided they raise \$800 annually on debt and interest.	\$200.00
2. Georgetown, Delaware, \$200 provided they raise at least \$1,000 on debt.	\$200.00
3. Lauraville, provided they pay \$5,000 on debt.	\$500.00
4. To the Board of Managers of Church Extension Society for interest and principal on Edmondson Avenue, second annual installment of \$2,460.	\$2,460
5. For Church Extension Superintendent's Salary—\$3,600. \$600 to be paid by Headquarters Building Committee	\$3,000.00
6. Bethesda—six months interest on \$20,000 for new building enterprise or as much thereof as may be needed for this present Conference year.	\$600.00
7. Chesaco Park—\$250 on debt.	\$250.00
8. Belair and Deer Creek—\$100 on associate pastor's salary.	\$100.00
9. Evergreen—Special on salary \$150—provided supplied by married member of Conference	\$150.00
10. Harbeson—\$200 on debt—provided they raise \$500 on same.	\$200.00
11. Northumberland—\$25 balance on appropriation	\$25.00
12. Texas—\$100 on salary	\$100.00
13. Oak Grove and Prince George—\$200 on salary.	\$200.00

14. Ridgeville—\$600 on salary and an additional amount sufficient to pay interest on price of new church and parsonage lot to be purchased.	\$600.00
15. Bethesda—\$300 special on salary.	\$300.00
16. Calvary, Va.—\$350 on salary with the understanding that this is to be the last appropriation on salary. \$600 on interest and reduction of debt. Inasmuch as the appropriation of \$600 from last Conference was not needed, the appropriation be continued annually for five years, from this Conference session.	\$1,500.00
17. Fort Myer Heights—\$660 on interest and debt.	\$660.00
18. Graceland Park—\$240 on parsonage rent, provided supplied by married man.	\$240.00
19. Glenburnie, second annual installment on debt \$250 provided they pay \$2,000 on same	\$500.00
20. Board of Managers for Interest on New Washington Church lot debt \$500.	\$500.00

E. C. MAKOSKY, Chairman.
N. O. GIBSON, Secretary.

REPORT H COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES

(See Journal, Page 35)

Your Committee on Superannuates, having given careful consideration to the requests of all persons desiring a superannuate relationship or continuance of same, has endeavored to make as equitable distribution of the funds appropriated by this Conference as possible, and herewith submits its report with recommendations.

The distribution of the income from the invested fund has been made on the basis of \$12 and \$6 a year as heretofore adopted by this Conference.

RECOMMENDATIONS

First—We recommend that the sum of \$7,000 be laid on the district for the ensuing year.

Second—We recommend that, if necessary, the Treasurer of the Conference be authorized to borrow sufficient money to meet in full the appropriation for the Conference year 1929-1930.

Third—We recommend that question No. 7 on the Superannuated Fund Questionnaire be amended to read—"If a widow, how many years were you associated with your husband in the active ministry of the Maryland Annual Conference?"

Fourth—We recommend that th's Conference formerly endorse the plan of the Treasurer of the Conference in his methodical distribution of the Superannuate Funds.

Fifth—We recommend that an assessment of one-quarter of one percent be, and the same is hereby, levied upon pastor's salaries, to be

paid annually by each pastor into the Invested Fund of the Superannuate Fund Society of the Maryland Conference.

Sixth—We recommend that one of the conditions of admission to the Conference be that the applicant be required to pay into the Invested Fund, one percent of his salary for the first year of such membership.

This action being retrospective to and including the year 1923.

LOUIS RANDALL
E. B. FENBY
F. G. REINICKER
W. B. JUDEFIND
C. K. McCASLIN

Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS

Invested

	Fund.	Collections.	Total.
Bacchus, G. Q.	\$564.00	\$33.00	\$597.00
Bennett, L. A.	384.00	237.00	621.00
Blake, Dorsey	408.00	.....	408.00
Cassen, S. F.	528.00	123.00	651.00
Coe, S. W.	384.00	237.00	521.00
Elderdice, J. L.	492.00	166.00	658.00
Farring, G. F.	540.00	.....	540.00
Hanks, W. S.	276.00	203.00	479.00
Hill, G. J.	324.00	289.00	613.00
Hines, George	420.00	272.00	692.00
Johnson, H. W. D.	492.00	151.00	643.00
Kindley, B. W.	516.00	128.00	644.00
Mullineaux, F. H.	528.00	.....	528.00
Rice, P. L.	168.00	23.00	191.00
Trout, J. W.	624.00	70.00	694.00
Wright, J. A.	444.00	149.00	593.00
Alexander, C. N. Mrs.....	54.00	174.00	228.00
Arnett, C. S. Mrs.	162.00	.....	162.00
Beane, A. S. Mrs.....	210.00	85.00	295.00
Benson, F. T. Mrs.	222.00	168.00	390.00
Bowers, J. S. Mrs.	204.00	23.00	227.00
Crouse, T. O. Mrs.	36.00	105.00	141.00
Cushing, H. C. Mrs.	180.00	59.00	239.00
Gilbert, D. N. Mrs.....	24.00	114.00	138.00
Greenfield, D. L. Mrs.	156.00	39.00	195.00
Hodge, G. R. Mrs.....	168.00	190.00	358.00
Kilgore, J. L. Mrs.	108.00	76.00	184.00
Klein, Fred C. Mrs.	258.00	175.00	433.00
Lewis, R. K. Mrs.....	36.00	131.00	167.00
Lewis, R. L. Mrs.	138.00	268.00	406.00
Lewis, T. H. Mrs.....	306.00	41.00	347.00
Litsinger, J. E. Mrs.....	42.00	237.00	279.00

	Fund.	Collections.	Total.
Little, F. T. Mrs.	270.00	28.00	298.00
Mather, A. W. Mrs.	162.00	156.00	318.00
Middleton, C. B. Mrs.	42.00	156.00	198.00
Neeper, W. J. Mrs.	192.00	153.00	295.00
Nowlin, C. P. Mrs.	198.00	219.00	417.00
Norris, J. W. Mrs.	150.00	105.00	255.00
Sanderson, C. W. Mrs.	18.00	96.00	114.00
Sherwood, W. N. Mrs.	72.00	136.00	208.00
Smith, G. J. Mrs.	126.00	66.00	192.00
Smith, S. J. Mrs.	6.00	90.00	96.00
Stevens, F. L. Mrs.	114.00	235.00	349.00
Sullivan, J. G. Mrs.	78.00	68.00	146.00
Treadway, S. B. Mrs.	228.00	197.00	425.00
Tyson, R. T. Mrs.	54.00	174.00	228.00
Valiant, S. G. Mrs.	18.00	174.00	192.00
Van Dyke, E. H. Mrs.	204.00	168.00	372.00
Walter, A. J. Mrs.	90.00	138.00	228.00
Warfield, E. A. Mrs.	156.00	200.00	356.00
Williamson, R. S. Mrs.	36.00	111.00	147.00
Weigand, J. A. Mrs.	84.00	119.00	203.00
Wright, H. F. Mrs.	78.00	220.00	298.00
Yngling, J. M. Mrs.	24.00	75.00	99.00
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	11,796.00	7,000.00	18,796.00

REPORT I

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE AND
EDUCATION

(See Journal, Page 34)

Your Committee has received the reports from our educational institutions and publishing interests, and submits the following for your consideration:

The Westminister Theological Seminary receives our congratulations at the close of the thirty-second year of the Presidency of Dr. H. L. Elderdice. Through his tireless ministry our school of the prophets has grown in influence and efficiency. Ministers from many states and other denominations now gather within its walls. We rejoice in its success. We deeply regret that the past year has been marked with financial difficulties, requiring a personal solicitation on the part of Dr. Elderdice for funds to enable the school to close its year out of debt. We thank the liberal givers who answered his call. The experience of this year brings before us the necessity of an adequate endowment for the Seminary. We believe that this effort should be the first and most important financial campaign to be projected within this Conference,—it should have right-of-way. The Board of Education is organizing such a campaign.

We urge the Conference to pledge itself to an active co-operation in this imperative effort, and give to such campaign the right-of-way during this Quadrennium.

Western Maryland College is closing a year with the highest enrollment in its history. A new Science Hall and Dining Room has been completed. It is a splendid building, finely equipped for the purposes designed.

The Endowment Campaign has come to a successful issue. President Ward had labored faithfully with magnificent success. We congratulate him and pledge our co-operation in the realization of his plans for a greater Western Maryland College.

The **Board of Education** is successfully pursuing its work of an intelligent oversight of our institutions of learning and aiding students in securing an education to fit them for religious service. We strongly urge that all beneficiaries of this fund pay their obligations as soon as possible, and thus give others a chance to enjoy the aid, which they have received.

The Rally Day Program is in process of preparation. It will be a good program and ought to be universally used throughout our church.

The **Baltimore Book Directory** is to be congratulated on the large increase of profits in the sales department and printing plant, recorded on the attached report. The financial loss on the Methodist Protestant must be calculated in the light of a great gain which has come to the whole church through the news disseminated and the promotion of every church enterprise.

The new church paper "The Methodist Protestant-Recorder" will be issued in August. This will be an enlarged paper, designed to cover the entire church. As we approach its publication we are made very sad by the death of two of the editors, who would have labored in its production. It is impossible for us to express our sorrow at the passing of Drs. Benson and Lewis,—men who thought in terms of Godliness and consecrated gifted pens to the Church of Christ.

Dr. Lyman E. Davis will come to Baltimore in August, burdened with the task which was to have been shared by three. We pledge him the love and loyalty of the Maryland Annual Conference as we welcome him to his new place of labor. The pressing practical need of the paper is an enlarged subscription list.

It is obvious that the new publication cannot begin with a subscription list as large as the combined number of subscribers, unless there can be an intensive drive for the renewals of delinquents and new subscribers.

The **Book Directory** in its report asks The Maryland Conference to secure 1,200 new subscribers. We hereby pledge ourselves to an earnest endeavor to reach this goal, and request the President of the Conference to appoint a day in October for this purpose, calling upon every minister of the Conference to give real service in labor.

The **Sunday School Publications** are being published under the editorial management of Dr. Crates S. Johnson. They are adequate, up-to-date, informing, inspiring, and take their place with the best Sunday

School literature of this country. We urge their use in every Methodist Protestant Sunday School.

We concur in the request of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary, and recommend the assignment of H. L. Elderdice, as President, and F. G. Holloway, for the chair of Greek and Hebrew.

R. L. SHIPLEY
W. L. HOFFMAN
J. H. BAKER
R. J. GOERKE
T. PLING FISHER
J. EARL CUMMINS

BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY

Baltimore, Md., June 10, 1929.

To the Members of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church assembled at Baltimore, Md.

Dear Brethren:—

The detailed reports of our business operations for the year ending February 28, 1929, are herewith submitted for your consideration. We are glad to report that the year has been one of progress and success.

THE METHODIST PROTESTANT

The high standard of our paper has been maintained during the year. There was a falling off in subscribers with a consequent reduction in subscription receipts. The cost to send the paper to each subscriber during the year amounted to \$3.70, leaving a net loss on each subscription of \$1.70. This loss had to be made up by the other departments of the business. We realize that the church paper is not a money making proposition. It is, however, the publicity department through which the various agencies of the church endeavor to reach its constituency. Every Board and Institution benefits through the circulation of the church press. The power and influence of your church paper could be greatly increased through an enlarged subscription list. The campaign recently held in the Maryland Conference was not as successful as we had hoped it would be. The goals which we expected to reach were not fully realized. The results of the campaign are being published in the June 12th issue of the paper. There were 283 new and 1,366 renewal subscriptions secured as the result of this campaign. 26 charges made no report. We are still of the opinion that our hope for an enlarged subscription list lies in the support given the paper by the ministers. Where pastors have put forth an effort, the results were encouraging. Beginning with the first issue in August, 1929, our two church papers are to be combined and published in Baltimore under the name of "The Methodist Protestant-Recorder." This merger carries out the action of the last General Conference. The new paper is to be 32 pages instead of 24, an increase of 8 pages, with the subscription price remaining the same, \$2.00 a year.

The news of the entire denomination will be given each week, and the popular departments of each of the former papers are to be retained with new additions. Rev. Lyman E. Davis, D. D., has been elected as editor of the paper and will make his headquarters in Baltimore. We urge your hearty co-operation and sympathetic support to this new enterprise and its editor. Dr. Davis is undertaking a big task and will need your prayers, support and aid in making our combined paper the success the church expects. Your Board of Publication has authorized an intensive campaign to be launched for new subscribers. A goal of 5,000 new subscribers has been set to be secured by January 1, 1930. We are asking the Maryland Annual Conference to accept as its share 1,200 subscriptions. We also suggest that a special day be set for this campaign and that the number of subscribers to be secured by each charge be apportioned by the President of the Conference; that pastors be urged to present this cause to their members on the day appointed and endeavor to secure every official member of the charge to subscribe to the paper. It is with sorrow that we record the death of Rev. Franklin Thomas Benson, D. D., the gifted editor of "The Methodist Protestant" on April 5th, 1929. Dr. Benson served as editor of this paper for a period of thirteen years. He was a man of strong convictions, fearless in his utterances in defending the cause of his church. He was a loyal and true follower of his Master, Jesus Christ, whom he served. Dr. Benson occupied a unique place in Religious Journalism in this country. He was recognized by his fellow editors as a man of outstanding ability; many of his editorials and editorial briefs were printed in other papers. The Church Paper, the denomination and the Maryland Conference have lost a great man in the passing of Dr. Benson. The editorial work of the paper since Dr. Benson's death has been carried on by Rev. Thomas H. Lewis, D. D., L. L. D. Dr. Lewis very kindly consented to render this assistance until the merger of our church papers was effected. We are sure many of our readers have appreciated the splendid editorials furnished by Dr. Lewis. Your Board is indebted to him in offering his services and wishes to record its appreciation of his loyalty and devotion to the cause of Christ and the church of his choice. The physical make-up of the paper has been taken care of by Mr. H. C. Staley, a member of the Board, Mr. Reiner and the office force.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERIODICALS

Our Sunday School Literature is of the highest grade. Dr. Crates S. Johnson, our editor, has given us a series of quarterlies and papers of which the church may be justly proud. With the limited financial resources he has made changes and improvements in our Sunday School Lesson Helps that places them on a par with those of larger denominations with untold resources at their command. There are eight periodicals of the Improved Uniform Lesson Series; seven periodicals of the Group Graded Lesson Series and three story papers. The Closely Graded Lessons which are syndicated though the Graded Press are offered through your own publishing house. This series has been entirely rewritten and enriched with a very extensive selection of illustrations from the great masterpieces, and from pictures especially drawn to conform to the mod-

ern demand for visual teaching. With such a list of publications presented by your own Board, an adequate supply of lesson material is available to our schools. Samples of these supplies will be sent to schools who are not familiar with our helps. Every Methodist Protestant Sunday School should be required to use our own Lesson Helps.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT

This department has enjoyed one of the best years in its history in sales and profits. We are constantly adding to our equipment in order to give to the church the best printed matter obtainable. During the past year many books and periodicals were issued from our presses. Notable among these were the "Centennial Memorial Volume," "The General Conference Journal," a new issue of our "Church Hymnal," and our "Church Discipline" published in three bindings. Our printing business among churches and religious organizations is growing. Realizing that our organization has that sympathetic feeling toward such enterprises, more and more of the churches and religious organizations of Baltimore are taking advantage of the excellent facilities offered by our plant by placing all of their printing requirements in our hands.

MERCHANDISE AND BOOK DEPARTMENTS

This branch of our business enjoyed a splendid growth during the past year. Through this department we supply the minister with the latest books, the Church and Sunday School Worker with the most up-to-date requisites for promoting their work in an efficient manner. We issue an annual catalog of the outstanding merchandise carried in this department which is sent out to fifteen thousand Church and Sunday School Workers. Through this catalog we try to acquaint our constituency with the type of supplies and helps which we are in position to furnish. In addition to this catalog, we publish a Holiday and Book Catalog; an Easter and Spring Supplement, and a special Daily Vacation Bible School Catalog.

Mr. Charles Reiner, Jr., our efficient agent, has done the most effective work this year of any year of his long connection with the business department of the Book Concern. He spares himself no time and labor in the development of a business that is worthy of the church and a compliment to himself.

What has been said of Mr. Reiner, in a measure, may also be said of Mr. C. Levine Price, superintendent of the printing department. He is giving to this work the very best within him and is producing results pleasing to us all.

There is in the employment of the Book Concern the best working force we have had at any time. Men and women who are perfectly unselfish in the devotion to the work in which they are engaged.

We urge our pastors and laymen everywhere to patronize every branch of our business whenever possible. Remember, this is your business entrusted to us for guidance and development. We can only grow as you give us your support. This conference has always had a large

share in the work of our Book Concern, and we covet your continued aid and support in this worthy enterprise of our denominational work.
Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HADDAWAY,
President Baltimore Book Directory.

THE WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY .

The Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary presents to The Maryland Conference their forty-seventh Annual Report. Though this Institution is now the common property of the entire Methodist Protestant Church, yet because the Maryland Conference is its mother, and has been for so many years its main support, the Board of Governors continues its life-long custom of reporting annually the work and needs of the Seminary.

The year now at a close has been one marked by gratifying results. The enrollment has been 38. Ten of this number are representatives of the Reformed, the United Brethren and the Methodist Episcopal Churches, while the remaining 28 are of our own household of faith, from Conferences North, East, South and West. One of the graduates this year is a woman from Kansas, the second woman to complete our Course of Study. Both of these women have justified the wisdom of admitting their sex as students into our Theological Seminary, and have demonstrated that in high morale and scholastic success they rate with the best of their male competitors.

The year has also brought notable increase to our Scholarship Fund. Some of our old friends have increased their annual subscriptions, one adding \$200 and another \$400 to their former donations. The Classes of 1928 and 1929 have also come to our aid by providing Scholarships for five years: The Board of Beneficence of St. John's Methodist Protestant Church and the Christian Endeavor Society of the North Baltimore Church are to be listed among our annual contributors for the first time. The following Memorials have been established during the year: Miss Anne Kinzer, in memory of her brother, Dr. J. D. Kinzer; a friend, in memory of F. C. Klein; and W. T. Mather, Jr., in memory of his father, W. T. Mather.

But the year has also been marked by a financial crisis. For the first time the Board of Christian Education was unable to pay to the Seminary the amount allotted through no fault of the Board. The Seminary was compelled to borrow money for current expenses and when President Elderdice was convinced that the only way to meet the \$2,000 shortage from the Board of Education was a personal appeal, he wrote to some laymen and to the Alumni, and their response was so liberal that the amount was secured and the Seminary enabled to pay every debt. But this narrow escape emphasizes the danger against which he has been sounding a warning for several years, and we now join him in his plea for immediate and Adequate Endowment.

The need of endowment is obvious. The meager income from students and the Board of Christian Education cannot meet even current

expenses, and should there be loss of students from epidemic or other misfortune, the Seminary would have to close its doors. The justice of Endowment is evident from the fact that again and again the Seminary has delayed a campaign that it might not interfere with similar campaigns by our Colleges, our Superannuate Fund and Centennial campaigns. And the wisdom of Endowment is apparent, when we reflect that the highest success of all our Church programs depends largely on a thoroughly trained ministry. Unless our leaders in the pulpit be trained to face the Doctrinal controversies, the Ethical problems, the National and International relationships vital to the Christian Brotherhood, the verdict of our children will be: "Thou art weighed in the balances and art found wanting."

The Board of Governors respectfully request that H. L. Elderdice be assigned for duty as President of the Seminary for his thirty-third year and that Fred G. Holloway be assigned to the Chair of Hebrew and Greek, to which position he has just been elected for full-time service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. GILL,

President of the Board of Governors.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

To the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church:

I am glad to report progress for the College in all departments. The enrollment this year, including extension students working for college credits, is 529, or 7 more than last year. We turned down about 75 applicants for admission who did not meet our requirements. The enrollment is gratifying and shows the confidence of patrons and prospective patrons in the institution. It is all the more gratifying when we take note of the fact that the attendance in American Colleges throughout the country fell off somewhat this year.

Since the last meeting of the Board four of our members have died: Rev. Francis T. Little, D. D., for several years President of the Board, and who was elected a member of the Board in 1896; Hon. Joshua W. Miles, a graduate of the College of the Class of 1878, and elected as a member of the Board in 1886; Rev. Frank T. Benson, D. D., a graduate of the College of the Class of 1884, and elected as a member of the Board in 1906; Rev. T. O. Crouse, D. D., a graduate of the College in 1871, the first graduating class of the institution, and elected as a member of the Board in 1903. These men served in conspicuous places, both in the church and in the College, and one was a commanding figure in the political life of the State of Maryland for many years. These men will be greatly missed, and in no place more than the Board of Trustees of this College.

The Campaign to raise \$500,000 for Endowment has been successfully concluded. The appropriation of the General Education Board has been paid over in full to us. In bringing the campaign to a success-

ful conclusion, in order to secure the appropriation of the General Education Board, I had to assume personally \$7,340. Of this amount \$5,196 have been paid, leaving an unpaid balance of \$2,144. I propose to put on a vigorous campaign for the collection of these outstanding subscriptions, but I am not hopeful of the outcome. It looks as if I shall have to add that much to my personal subscription. If subscriptions made by the churches should all be paid in, it would not be necessary for me to carry this balance.

The New Science Hall will be practically completed by Commencement. Besides providing for laboratories for the Department of Biology and additional lecture rooms for the Department of Education, this building contains a beautiful dining room with a seating capacity of six hundred persons. It is the most beautiful dining room in Maryland and will serve the College finely not only for our students but for the Summer Conferences which are held each year. In the basement of this building will be found most up-to-date pantry and kitchen equipment, unsurpassed by any college in the State. This building will cost \$180,000.

I wish to call the attention of the Conference to an article I have prepared for "The Methodist Protestant" on "A Department of Religious Education at Western Maryland College." This article will likely appear in the "Protestant" before the meeting of the Annual Conference. I would like this article to be included in my report to the Conference and to be published in the Minutes.

I wish to express my deep appreciation to all members of the Conference who so faithfully cooperated with me in the financial campaign through which we have recently come, and to express my appreciation also of the splendid co-operation of our preachers in the work of the College.

A. N. WARD,
President.

Westminster, Maryland, May 20, 1929.

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE—A DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

by A. N. WARD, PRESIDENT

I want to submit to the readers of The Methodist Protestant, those who are interested in education and are the friends of Western Maryland College, something that has been on my mind for years. What I am about to set forth was a controlling factor in determining my decision when I accepted the Presidency of the College, and these considerations have controlled my administration in every important step from that time on. Indeed, these considerations had their inception in the early years of the Summer Conferences at Westminster. The Summer Conference was the beginning of all that I have had in mind concerning a department of Religious Education at Western Maryland College and which I propose to set forth now in this article.

When I began my work at the College, nine years ago, there were certain things that had to be done first before what I regarded as the

most important thing of my administration could be attempted. These things are not all done yet, but they are on the way. Enough progress has been made to justify a no longer postponement of the major project I have had in mind for many years. Upon what follows in the suggestions I am about to make, I ask a careful consideration on the part of our friends. Among our friends there are those who are able financially to bring this thing to pass, and I have a feeling that they will.

Western Maryland College is the child of the Methodist Protestant Church. It is a gift of the church to Education. And it is a great gift, chief among its benefactions to the good of the people. Nothing that the church has done confers more honor upon the Methodist Protestant Church than does Western Maryland College. If the church had done nothing more than this, the College would justify the existence of the Methodist Protestant Church.

But this child of the church is now pretty well grown, and like other colleges must now learn how to shift largely for itself. The church which is its mother cannot now be expected to continue to bear the same relative financial burden as in the early days of the college. It has become too large now for the mother to care for alone. The State and society at large and those who have become children of hers and regard her as their Alma Mater, and those others who come to her in these days seeking an education, these must bear the larger burden now.

Most of the colleges of America were born of the church. Harvard and Yale and Princeton and so on through a long line of hundreds of colleges, all had their birth in the church. The church conceived them and brought them into the world. But the time came, after the period of infancy and the early years of growth, when the church could not provide in full measure for their enlarged needs, and so many of them drifted away entirely from the control of the church that first nurtured them. They went off to themselves, became wedded to other influences, and in some cases the influence that guided them in their beginning days "knew them no more forever."

A very important period has come in the growing life of Western Maryland College. The College has grown to larger proportions than some of the founders ever dreamed in the early days. The Methodist Protestant Church gave the college its life and sustenance in its beginnings, and the college gave back in return to the church great gifts in the life and character of the leadership it educated and inspired. But the church, as it now comprehends its obligations to education, cannot provide sufficiently for the necessary and growing needs of the college. These needs must be provided from three different sources: first, from the graduates of the college who go out into life and in most instances into successful careers, and who owe their Alma Mater an obligation which every worth graduate will try to repay; second, from the State and Society which are being ministered to and which have obligations also which must be met; and, third, the church has an obligation to the college which the church cannot ignore without serious loss both to itself and to the college. The church cannot meet the entire responsibility and expanding growth of the college, but it has a responsibility to the

college which it must not evade, if the college is to carry out the ideals of its founders.

But how shall the church meet this obligation? What part must the church take in the future growth of the college? Has the church any obligation beyond simply holding a legal title to the institution and carrying out certain charter provisions as to administration and the like? When this period arrived in the history of most American colleges, the church has let her colleges shift for themselves, gave them at parting her benediction, and the church has been the loser in the long run.

I do not want to see Western Maryland College drift from the church. That it will drift finally from the church unless the church meets in an adequate and commanding way its ever-increasing obligations to the college and to Christian Education, goes without the saying, or the history of American colleges offers no warning. A man may own a farm, have a clear title to the same, but if he does not till the fields, the farm is a farm in name only and profits nothing. The Methodist Protestant Church can continue to control Western Maryland College and grow as the college grows, and without sectarian bias make a great contribution to education, to the Methodist Protestant Church, to all churches, and to the State as well, if she will be wise in her leadership and provide for a growing educational institution. The Friends provide thus for their institutions, Swarthmore being a notable example. Western Maryland College is not a sectarian institution, but a Christian college, liberal and broad in its sympathies from its very beginnings and the Methodist Protestant Church, in continuing that background of character and influence that she has always provided, and which are more necessary even than buildings and endowments, has an opportunity unparalleled in the field of Christian Education.

The Methodist Protestant Church, as a denomination, cannot meet all the financial obligations of a growing institution like Western Maryland College, nor should it attempt to do so. There must be room for private benefactions and for the State, for individuals and the State can find in this college a legitimate field for generous benefactions. But there is a field for the Methodist Protestant Church, directly in the line of its particular needs, which offers the church a natural outlet for its benefactions which will make returns to the church along the lines of its needs. And that is in the field of Religious Education. Let individuals, within and without the Methodist Protestant Church, proceed to erect buildings and create endowments, and let the State continue to meet its obligations to the college, but more in proportion to what she receives from the college by way of teachers for her High Schools and leaders in all the professions and in business; but let the Methodist Protestant Church, as a denomination and through its budget and from private gifts, from now on concentrate its gifts to Western Maryland College in an effort to secure from the college what the church particularly needs as a church, namely, a trained leadership, both for the ministry and for the foreign field, and for a trained leadership among the laity that will fit most accurately into the needs of the church, both local and general.

Herein is a field for Religious Education; and for the establishment of such a department, ample and commanding in every particular, I am now pleading, and I propose to persist in this pleading until such a department is provided. And here follows what will fulfill the requirements of the situation as I now see it.

1. A Social-Religious Building.

This building should be the outstanding building on College Hill. Religion should be the very heart of the life of the college. Not sectarianism—but religion! Erect such a building and let it be the chief servant of all the interests of the student life. A building such as the one we need, will cost \$350,000, and will provide, besides the lecture rooms and other facilities for the Department of Religious Education, rooms for all the social and religious activities of the college life. Social parlors, daily chapel auditorium to seat 750, Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., assembly rooms and offices, rooms for the literary societies, the post office, a tea room, offices for the deans, and so on. This building would be used by every student in some way every day, and would be the center of all college life. If religion would be chief over all, it must first be servant of all. A building to accomplish the purposes above outlined would do more for the religious ideals of a Christian College, and do it more commandingly, than could be realized by any other means.

2. An endowment of \$250,000 is needed to carry on the Department of Religious Education. Until a permanent endowment of this amount can be secured the church through an annual contribution of \$12,500 could make possible the inauguration of this department at once.

3. A Department of Religious Education.

The educational world is alive now, as never before, to the possibilities in religious education. It is proposed to establish such a department at Western Maryland College. Courses are to be provided in Religious Education, in the Bible, in Missions, in Social Service, and in allied subjects. These courses are to be offered for those who have in mind Christian ministry, at home and in the foreign field, and for those who look forward to social and religious work as pastors, assistant pastors, Sunday School superintendents, parish workers, and secretarial positions in church and social organizations, and who at the same time are pursuing the courses leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The colleges of America offer the best possible field for discovering and training the workers needed for the great program now being promulgated by the church and the social agencies. Thousands of talented and consecrated men and women in college can be turned into the many fields of Christian Service if only, they can be inspired in college to see the importance of and to understand the opportunities that social service offers to youth as a life-work. In college is the time to capture for the Kingdom of God the men and women of power who while in college make their life decisions.

Under the auspices of this department a Summer School is to be

operated for at least six weeks. This Summer School will also provide for Conferences of Christian Workers, such as Ministerial Conferences for ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church and for ministers of other denominations, Young People's Conferences, Social Service Conferences, and the like.

The section of country in which Western Maryland College is located offers a fine field for the operation of a Department of Religious Education. No college in Maryland or Delaware offers what is proposed in this department of religious education. The best place for work of this sort is not in a theological seminary, whose field is necessarily restricted largely to ministers,—but in a Liberal Arts College where students are pursuing their courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, and at the same time can take advantage of courses offered in Religious Education which will receive college credit. A great department of religious education, in which only the best and most inspiring teachers would offer the courses and who would come into intimate contact with the student body, would do more for the church and for the social agencies than any other single agency that could be provided.

The Department of Religious Education would run almost parallel to the Department of Education. Those majoring in Religious Education would have the same sort of supervision in observation and practice teaching in religious subjects as those preparing to teach in the secondary schools. Their observation and practice teaching would be in the churches and Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies within a radius of twenty-five or thirty miles of the college. For experimental and laboratory work the rural sections and the large cities, such as Baltimore and Washington, would provide the human laboratory in which this work would be carried on.

Four professors will be needed in this department. Some of them will be part-time teachers, doing half-time work in teaching in the college and half-time work, visiting the churches and aiding in setting up the organization of modern Sunday School methods in the local churches, and in holding worker's conferences and the like, giving especial attention to all kinds of Christian work and teaching as embodied in the field of Religious Education.

Religious Education is a coming event in church life everywhere. It is growing with amazing rapidity throughout the churches of the United States, among all denominations, and such a department should be provided at once at Western Maryland College. In this direction lies the future of The Methodist Protestant and other churches. I regard this step as the next and most important step that our church should take, and I also regard Western Maryland College as the logical center for a great and useful service of the kind under consideration to be rendered to churches of all denominations in this part of the country. Out of such a movement as this will come that more abundant life into which will be those men and women of vision and of wealth who will see in such a movement a God-given opportunity for the use of their wealth. In this direction, I profoundly believe, Western Maryland College must go if the college is to render its greatest service to mankind.

THE METHODIST PROTESTANT BOOK CONCERN

516 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.

Balance Sheet, February 28, 1929.

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS—

Cash		\$ 1,071.17
Baltimore Post Office, Deposit.....		50.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Customers' Accts.	\$23,756.44	
Less: Reserve for bad debts.....	475.13	
	<u>23,281.31</u>	
Delinquent Accts. in Suspense, "M. P.".....	186.04	
Advertisers "Meth. Prot."	35.86	
	<u>23,503.21</u>	
Inventories, Stock on Hand:		
Merchandise	26,677.81	
Sunday School Periodicals	527.91	
Materials, Printing Dept.	1,613.89	
Work in Process, Printing Dept.....	363.61	
Paper for "Methodist Protestant".....	227.52	
	<u>29,410.74</u>	
Total Current Assets		54,035.12

CAPITAL ASSETS—

Printing Machy. and Equip.....	\$32,831.89	
Less reserve for deprec'n.....	21,428.94	
	<u>11,402.95</u>	
Printing furniture, fixtures.....	\$ 870.65	
Less reserve for deprec'n.....	385.28	
	<u>485.37</u>	
Office and store furniture and fixtures	\$10,782.03	
Less reserve for deprec'n.....	5,422.03	
	<u>5,360.00</u>	
Total Capital Assets		\$17,248.32

DEFERRED CHARGES TO EXPENSE—

Insurance premiums paid in advance.....	230.30	
Office stationery and supplies.....	1,073.75	
Easter Catalogue (1929)	230.72	
Christmas Catalogue (1929)	87.61	
Total Deferred Charges		<u>1,622.38</u>

Total Assets		\$72,905.82
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LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES—

Bills Payable		\$ 5,000.00
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Accounts Payable:

Creditor's Accounts	24,048.94	
Subscribers "Meth. Prot.", Cr.....	\$2,959.50	
Subscribers "Meth. Prot.", Dr.....	906.83	
		2,052.67
Subscribers for Sunday School Periodicals	100.77	
		<u>26,202.38</u>
General Conference		24.05
Donations for "Methodist Protestant"		
Subscribers		25.63
Taxes Accrued		65.94
		<u>\$31,318.00</u>

CAPITAL—

Capital Account, Mar. 1, 1928.....	36,494.22	
Add:		
Contributions from Centennial Fund.....	4,877.12	
Net profit for year ended Feb. 28, 1929		
Per profit and loss statement	\$240.53	
Less 10% General Conference.....	24.05	
		<u>216.48</u>
Net Worth		41,587.82
		<u>\$72,905.82</u>
Total Liabilities and Capital		

THE BOOK DEPOSITORY
OF THE
METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

General Income and Expenditure Statement for the Year Ended
February 28, 1929

Income—

METHODIST PROTESTANT—

Sales	\$9,755.08	
Suspence (collection from delinquents).....	87.32	
Advertising	1,148.88	
Income from Drinkhouse Legacy	833.34	
Commission and Discount .....	.43	11,825.05
Loss, "Methodist Protestant"	7,868.23	

PRINTING—

Sales	54,601.96	
Waste paper sales	167.83	
Incomplete orders, inventory 2-28-29.....	363.61	
Commission and discount	142.96	55,276.36
		<u>3,960.43</u>
Profit, Printing Department	3,960.43	

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERIODICALS—

Sales		39,010.70
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Profit Sunday School Per. Dept.	2,468.42	
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MERCHANDISE—

Sales	92,895.31	
Discount on Purchases	577.39	93,472.70

Profit, Mdse. Dept.	3,823.72	
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Total Income		199,584.81
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Expenditures—

METHODIST PROTESTANT

Paper	2,806.86	
Printing	8,860.26	
Salaries (proper)	5,234.22	
Postage, Express and Freight.....	615.52	
Expense	1,566.11	
General Expense (one-third total).....	366.87	
Centenary Edition, "Meth. Prot.".....	243.44	19,693.28

PRINTING—

Purchases	16,040.96	
Salaries	26,301.24	
Rent	900.00	
Expenses	2,176.79	
Light and Power	907.68	
Insurance	452.73	
Interest	60.66	
Repairs, Machinery and Equipment	843.97	
Depreciation Machinery and Equipment.....	3,283.19	
Depreciation, Furniture and Fixtures	87.07	
Metal	51.00	
Incomplete orders, 2-29-28	210.64	51,315.93

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERIODICALS—

Purchases	28,260.13	
Salaries	4,700.00	
Postage, Express and Freight	1,191.77	
Expenses	1,326.20	
General Expenses (one-third total)	366.87	
Rent, proper	300.00	
Insurance, proper	97.31	
Advertising, proper	300.00	36,542.28

MERCHANDISE—

Purchases	62,795.87	
Postage, Express and Freight out.....	1,835.03	
Postage, Express and Freight, in	672.39	
Salaries, proper	10,441.54	

Expenses	4,938.65	
General Expense (one-third total)	366.88	
Rent	2,874.96	
Insurance	145.96	
Advertising	5,577.70	89,648.98

OTHER EXPENDITURES—

Interest	515.35	
Deprec'n Store on Office Fixtures	1,078.20	
Bad Debts, Excess of Reserve 2-29-28.....	75.13	
Reserve for Bad Debts, 2-28-29	475.13	2,143.81

Total expenditures	\$199,344.28
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Net profit distributed as follows:

10% General Conference	24.05
Balance Net Profit to Capital Account.....	216.48

\$199,584.81

REPORT J

COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

(See Journal, Page 33)

Your Committee on Young People's Work notes with pleasure the splendid work that has been done this year throughout the Conference in the interest of Young People's Work.

Under the wise leadership of Rev. R. Y. Nicholson, President of the Maryland Conference Young People's Union, the work of the Union at large, and especially in the splendid Leadership Training Schools held in Seaford, Pocomoke and Easton in April, when our own Conference workers were aided by the Assistant Secretary of the Department of Religious Education of the Board of Christian Education of the Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. F. L. Gibbs, has rapidly advanced.

On account of the dates of our last Annual Conference and the present session—there has been no Leadership Training School at Westminster, but plans have been made for a fine assembly this summer.

We also realize the fact that no Daily Vacation Bible Schools have been held since last Conference, but several will be held in the near future.

We would encourage support of our churches of the various Councils of Religious Education and Christian Endeavor Unions covered by our Conference, but we respectfully call your attention to the means of support of our Maryland Conference Union of Young People's Work. Each Sunday School is expected to pay dues of 2 cents per scholar, Senior Christian Endeavor Societies at least \$2, and the Intermediate and Junior Societies \$1. These monies are necessary for the making of the program at Westminster and the carrying on of the work during the year.

We note that some of our churches fail yearly to contribute to the Union's support.

We note the continued support of Rev. Paul Cassen, the missionary of the Union laboring in India, but we regret this support does not come from a larger number of our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies.

Again the recommendation for the employment of a full-time Director of Religious Education on the Maryland Conference District has been submitted. The Committee recognizes the need and the advantage of employing such a director, and requests the adoption by this Conference of the report of the Special Committee, attached herewith.

There has also been referred to your Committee a constitution of Annual Conference Councils of Religious Education. We approve same and urge its adoption by the Maryland Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. DUDLEY, Chairman

J. COLVIN RANDALL

W. E. RITCHIE

A. F. T. RAUM, Secy.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO SECURE RELIGIOUS WORK DIRECTOR

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Your committee to Secure a Religious Work Director begs leave to submit the following report.

We think the time has come when the Conference should have in the field a full time Director of Religious Education. We feel the solution this problem is found in the following suggestion.

The Board of Christian Education is willing to share in the underwriting of the expense of a Director of Religious Education with the understanding that the Conference shall use him for such time as required and the Department of Christian Education the remainder. Each to pay for the time used.

R. Y. NICHOLSON, Chairman
LEONARD B. SMITH

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Dear Brethren:

There is no work being done in the Christian Church of today more vital to the life of the Church than that of the work with Young People. There is no work in the Christian Church receiving more emphasis than the work among Young People.

The Maryland Conference Union is endeavoring to carry on, in the Conference, this most vital work and in this effort earnestly seeks your co-operation. The outstanding effort of the Union is in its training school. The school has reached its present high standing of efficiency as a result of an active co-operation with the Board of Christian Education. The Board is submitting to the Annual Conference Unions a new constitution which is being incorporated in this report and its adoption is urged by the executive committee of the Union.

R. Y. NICHOLSON, Pres.
RAYMOND W. WHITE, Sec.

CONSTITUTION
 OF
ANNUAL CONFERENCE COUNCILS OF RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
 OF THE
METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Maryland Annual Conference Council of Religious Education of the Methodist Protestant Church.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Council shall be to promote the denominational program of Religious Education as proposed and endorsed by the Board of Christian Education of the Methodist Protestant Church, to co-ordinate more closely that program with the activities of the local churches within the.....Annual Conference, and to seek through education and training the extension of the Christian religion.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of this Council shall consist of the Officers and Members of the Executive Committee, the Pastors of the churches within this Annual Conference, and other representatives of the churches elected in the manner provided for in Section 2.

Section 2. The "Committee on Religious Education" of each local church in the Maryland Annual Conference shall have the right to elect one or more representatives as members of this Council on the basis of one representative for each two hundred, or major fraction thereof, enrolled in the membership of the church school, as reported to the last preceding Annual Conference session, provided that every Methodist Protestant Church shall have the right to at least one, and not more than three, representatives.

The "Committee on Religious Education" as used in this section is interpreted as meaning that organization in each local church which is responsible to the church for the conduct of its total program of Religious Education as carried forward by the Sunday School, Christian Endeavor Societies, Vacation and Week-Day Church Schools, and other similar agencies.

In churches which have no such organization, the representatives may be elected by the Quarterly Conference.

Section 3. The Secretary of the Council shall be notified in writing of the election of the representatives provided for in Section 2.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

Section 1. The Officers of the Council shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be elected annually in the Business Meeting of the Council, and shall hold office until their successors are elected. These officers may or may not be members of the Council at the time of their election.

Section 2. These Officers shall perform the duties usually pertaining to these offices.

ARTICLE V. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Council, the President of the Annual Conference and two other members to be elected by the Annual Conference.

Section 2. The Annual Conference may elect two members of the Executive Committee, one of whom shall serve for one year from the time of election and the other for two years, after which the Annual Conference may elect annually one member who shall serve for a term of two years. If the Annual Conference fail to so elect its complement of membership, the additional members shall be elected in the Business Meeting of the Council.

Section 3. If and when this Council or the Annual Conference shall employ a full-time Field Secretary, or Director, of Religious Education, such employed worker shall be ex officio a member of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall meet at least annually, preceding the annual Business Meeting, and at other times upon the call of the President or upon the written request of two members of the Committee.

Section 5. The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill vacancies and to perform all functions of the Council in the interim of Business Meetings.

Section 6. The Executive Committee shall report to the Annual Business Meeting of the Council and shall present a report on behalf of the Council to the Annual Conference.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

Section 1. The Council shall hold an annual Business Meeting in connection with the Conference Leadership Training School, at a time and place to be determined by the Executive Committee, provided that this Business Meeting may be held at any other time and place when in the judgment of the Executive Committee this may be necessary and provided further that notice of time and place be given to the members of the Council at least a month in advance of the proposed date.

Section 2. The Council may hold such other meetings as it may consider desirable and necessary.

ARTICLE VII. DEPARTMENTS

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall set up the following Departments of Work and shall appoint annually a Director for each

department: Children's Work, Young People's Work, Adult Work, Leadership Training, Missionary Education and Stewardship, Educational Institutions and Student Life, and such other departments as may be deemed necessary from time to time, provided that two or more departments may be combined if and when this may seem desirable.

Section 2. The Directors of these Departments shall work in close co-operation with similar Departments in the Board of Christian Education of the Methodist Protestant Church and shall assist in relating the program of this Board to the activities of the local churches in this Annual Conference. The Directors shall report annually to the Executive Committee of the Council.

ARTICLE VIII. LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

Article 1. The Department of Leadership Training shall conduct annually a Conference Leadership Training School at a time and place to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. The Conference Leadership Training School shall be under the joint direction of the Director of Leadership Training of the Council and a Dean who shall be elected by the Executive Committee of the Council. The Director of Leadership Training shall have charge of business matters and of the organization and promotion of the school. The Dean shall have supervision of the curriculum, faculty, class work, daily program, etc. The Dean must be accredited by the Board of Christian Education of the Methodist Protestant Church and is responsible to this Board for the educational standards of the school. The records of the school shall be kept by the Secretary of the Council unless otherwise provided.

Section 3. The Department of Leadership Training shall promote and encourage local leadership training classes and schools throughout the Annual Conference in conformity with the standards of the Board of Christian Education.

Section 4. The Department of Leadership Training, in co-operation with the Department of Young People's Work, shall have general oversight of the Young People's Conferences, Boys' and Girls' Camps, and similar leadership enterprises held within the Annual Conference territory and shall assist in maintaining the denominational standards in such activities.

ARTICLE IX. FINANCES

Section 1. Upon the recommendation of the Council, it shall be the duty of the Annual Conference to make provision for financing the work of the Council, but if such provision shall be found inadequate, the Council may levy a special assessment upon the Committees of Religious Education, or similar organizations, in the local churches constituent to the Council or it may call for special offerings.

Section 2. All funds of the Council shall be held in trust by the Treasurer of the Council and shall be paid out only upon the authority of the Executive Committee or upon the written order of the President and Secretary.

Section 3. The accounts of the Treasurer shall be audited annually by a committee appointed for this purpose by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENT

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present in any regularly called Business Meeting of the Council, provided notice of the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing to the Executive Committee prior to the date of the Business Meeting, and provided further that such amendment shall be approved by the Board of Christian Education of the Methodist Protestant Church before becoming effective.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Maryland Conference Young People's Union

Balance September Audit	\$183.85
Dues for last year's Training School	30.00
Dues for 1929 Training School	238.88

Total\$452.73

Disbursements			
Check 24	\$ 20.00	N. Balto.	6.38
Check 25	1.65	Milford	8.00
Check 26	30.00	Howard	10.00
Check 27	8.55	Madison	4.00
Check 28	2.00	East Balto.	5.76
Check 29	2.80	Pocomoke	9.30
Check 30	5.77	Powellsville	8.00
Check 31	2.25	Hurlock	13.00
Check 32	7.50	Salem	2.00
Check 33	2.00	Rhode Island Ave.	13.86
Check 34	5.50	Union Bridge	5.34
		Crisfield	10.60
		Penniula	14.00
Total	\$ 88.02	St. John's	8.36
		Federalburg	4.00
		Grove	6.00
		Centerville, Cumberland	4.00
		Buckeystown	4.20
		Milton	7.50
		Susquehanna	6.00
		Wilton Hts.	2.00
		Pittsville	5.96
		St. John's C. E.	2.00
		St. Paul's, Balto.	10.00
		Bethesda	9.40
		Payson St.	7.00
		Leeds	8.00
		Delmar	11.82
			\$238.88

Total receipts and balance..\$452.73
Total disbursements 88.02

Balance June 14th.....\$364.71

T. C. MULLIGAN, Treas.

Report accompanied by vouchers audited and found correct.

J. F. BRYAN

G. E. LEISTER

Charges having paid 1929 dues up to June 14th.

Towson	\$ 4.00
Calvary, Balto.	9.80
Stewartstown	10.00
N. Carolina Ave	9.12

*Walker Chapel	4.00	Crisfield, C. E.	2.00
Brooklyn C. E.	2.00		
Cherrydale Int.	1.50		
Wallace Memorial	6.70	Total Receipts	\$34.70
Marion Station	4.00	*Received since audit.	
Newark, N. J.	14.50		

REPORT K

COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM

(See Journal, Page 35)

Your Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service submits the following report:

While we are vitally interested in all the great moral issues of the day, we would especially at this time reiterate and emphasize our loyalty to the principles embodied in the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act. We are conscious of the vicious opposition to the Prohibition Law, an opposition which is fostered by corrupt politicians, and an unprincipled press, and we are well aware of the handicaps and embarrassments attending its enforcement; but we are nevertheless convinced that the Eighteenth Amendment has already justified itself and brought untold blessings to thousands of American homes.

We rejoice in the high ground already taken and the clear note already sounded by this Conference on Moral Issues in the masterly sermon of Dr. J. H. Straughn, and the strong declaration of Dr. E. C. Makosky, in his official report. We believe that Dr. Straughn has spoken for his church, and gives us the conclusion of the whole matter—when he says, "The church must provide a conscience for the world, and it is the business of the church to save the world, not salvage it." We therefore give this sermon our most hearty endorsement, as the authoritative voice of our Conference, and recommend that the Conference make provision for its publication in pamphlet form for general distribution. We also suggest that it be published in The Methodist Protestant.

We are inspired by President Hoover's strong and courageous stand for law enforcement, and his earnest appeal to the American people for their co-operation, in the realization of this ideal. We recommend that this Conference, through the President and Secretary, send a message to Mr. Hoover assuring him of the interest and loyal support of our people in this matter.

We wish to express our appreciation of the action of the British Ambassador, Sir Esme Howard, and the members of the British Embassy and the Chilean Legation, in voluntary surrendering their immunity rights with respect to our Prohibition Law, and discontinuing the use of alcoholic liquor. It is a manifestation of respect for our laws, which should shame many of our own citizens. We trust that the other Legations will speedily

follow their example. We also register our conviction that our own American Embassies, Legations and Consulates in foreign lands should be loyal to their own Constitution in this regard.

We record our keen disappointment at the failure of the last legislature of Maryland to pass the state-wide Prohibition Enforcement Bill, and we pledge ourselves to continue the fight until this is done.

We again endorse the work of the Anti-Saloon League and request our constituency to continue their hearty support of this organization in its untiring efforts to destroy the damnable liquor traffic. We hope that all our pulpits will be open to a representative of the League at least once a year, and that our people will respond to all appeals for co-operation, and financial, as well as moral support. And we would not forget that foremost among the faithful in this battle against the saloon has been the noble army of the White Ribboners, the women of the W. C. T. U. We thank God for this valiant body of Christian workers, and all other temperance and religious organizations, which have stood with us in this fight.

We are not insensible of the forces, which are seeking to make our Christian Sabbath a holiday rather than a Holy Day. The Lord's Day Alliance, under the sagacious and militant leadership of Dr. W. W. Davis, is alert and keen in sensing the activities of these forces. Therefore, realizing the need of quickened Lord's Day conscience, we recommend

THAT, all our churches and Sunday Schools make the educational program of the Lord's Day Alliance a part of their work.

We also endorse the membership program of the Alliance and urge our people to take some one of the memberships provided.

We heartily commend the Lord's Day Alliance, and Dr. Davis in particular, for leading in the prevention of Legislation by the last general assembly of Maryland, which would have opened the way for a further desecration and commercializing of the Sabbath, and we rejoice in the victories won in the maintenance of the present Sunday laws. Let us not cease to teach and emphasize the spiritual value and blessing of the Lord's Day, the Holy Sabbath, as well as strive to retain its legal protection.

We recommend:

That, the President of the Conference appoint in each Conference district a Lord's Day Committee, to consist of two ministers and two laymen, and the Group Chairman of the District, whose duty it shall be to work with Dr. Davis and to co-operate with the Lord's Day Alliance.

While recognizing the necessity of an adequate national defense, as long as the world conditions remain as they are, we rejoice in the many movements of the present day looking toward world peace. The Christian Church should lead the way in the war against war. We thank God for the ratification of the Kellogg Peace Pact, the settlement of the Reparation Question, and the growing sentiment for general disarmament, and entertain the hope that these developments will point the way to the other much needed international adjustments. We pray for the coming of that promised day when nations shall not have war any more, because they have yielded to the blessed Sovereignty of the Prince of Peace.

In individual hearts and in our national councils, let us crown Him
"Lord of All."

C. M. ELDERDICE, Chairman
N. C. CLOUGH, Secretary,
H. L. SCHLINCKE,
THALES DISNEY,
CHARLES N. SPENCE.

RESOLVED: That this Conference records its appreciation of the splendid work of Charles N. Spence in the last General Assembly of Maryland. He stood four square on all moral issues, and was a leader among the forces of political righteousness. His Church and Conference commend him for his fidelity and courage.

C. M. ELDERDICE,
H. L. SCHLINCKE,
THALES DISNEY,
N. C. CLOUGH.

REPORT L COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies has carefully considered the Report of the Board of Deaconess Work, and commends its action in the sale of the Deaconess Home, located at 2512 N. Charles Street, and the furniture therein.

We further commend the action of the Board by which Miss Lillian DeMoss is being cared for.

We concur in the Recommendation that the assessment of \$1,500.00, which has been made, be turned over to the work of Church Extension.

We recommend that the officers, whose terms expire at this Conference, or their successors be elected.

J. L. WARD,
P. W. CROSBY,
H. B. JESTER,
EDWIN MOBRAW,
S. A. MADDRIX.

REPORT OF THE DEACONESS BOARD

Your board of the Deaconess Work makes the following report. We reported to the last conference a total of three deaconesses. Shortly after conference Miss Ford tendered her resignation to the board and same was accepted. Miss Johnson tendered her resignation last November and was married to Mr. Fred H. Hartman, a prominent layman of our Lauraville Church on Thanksgiving Day. Miss Lillian DeMoss is our only

deaconess. She has worked faithfully in the performance of her duties during the year.

At a special meeting of the board held at the book rooms on February 6th, 1929, the following minute was adopted: "Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried a committee, consisting of the secretary and president was authorized to sell the property known as the Deaconess Home of the Methodist Protestant Church, 2512 N. Charles St., to Jennie C. Thomas at and for a price of \$7,000.00 in fee. The president was also instructed to sign the necessary papers conveying this property to Mrs. Thomas. The secretary of the said Board was authorized to attach the seal of the said corporation and attest the same." The Realtor being present the papers were properly executed and the Deaconess Home at 2512 N. Charles St. was sold in fee for \$7,000, netting the board \$6,704.55 from the sale thereof after deducting the commission and adjustment to date of sale as the treasurer's report will show. The furniture was appraised by an auctioneer and sold for the sum of \$554.15, thus totaling \$7,258.70 for the sale of the property. This money was placed in bank on interest, and this board, as per your instructions of last conference, is looking for a gilt edge 6 per cent investment which we shortly hope to find.

After the sale of the property, arrangements were made for Miss DeMoss to board and she is now being taken care of in that way.

Your board recommends that the assessment of \$1,500.00 which has been made be turned over to the work of Church Extension.

The terms of G. W. Haddaway, G. E. Brown, Jas. H. Roberts, E. J. Paige and Mrs. E. B. Fenby expire with this conference, and their successors are to be elected.

The report of the treasurer is herewith attached.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HADDAWAY, President,
W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

Note: Same members re-elected.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DEACONESS BOARD

RECEIPTS:

Balance from Conference of 1928	\$ 1,904.45
Interest on deposits	23.85
Employ of Deaconess	79.70
Sale of Home, less commissions, etc.	6,704.55
Sale of furniture	554.15
Legacy of Miss Lee	1,000.00
Total	\$10,266.80

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary of two deaconesses	\$ 340.00
Expense of the home, three months	150.00
Board for Miss Demoss, six months	208.00
Appraising of furniture	10.00
Incidental expenses, phone, gas, coal, etc.,	163.80
Total	\$ 871.80

Total receipts	\$10,266.80
Total disbursements	871.80
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	\$9395.00

W. A. MELVIN, Treasurer.

REPORT M

COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS

(See Journal, Page 37)

Your committee, after giving sympathetic and careful attention to the communications it has received and to the reports given it, submits its findings as follows:

PERSONAL REPORT STATISTICS

Fifty (50) charges, or about one third, secured no new subscribers to The Methodist Protestant. In these crucial days, it is most important that another effort be made.

Twenty-four (24) pastors reported that their charges had not done what they could to furnish disciplines for all the members received during the year. Something should be done to convince these charges that to be effective members, these recruits must be enlightened members.

Five (5) charges report that the churches constituting these charges have not been incorporated. This number is smaller than the report of last year.

Fourteen (14) charges did not elect a lady visitor for our Home of The Aged. This should be attended to at once as no small help is given by these lady visitors through cash and provisions.

Fifteen (15) ministers who borrowed money from the Board of Education have not made any payment on their loan during the past twelve months; some have not made a payment for many months. This is a debt of honor and should be liquidated as soon as possible.

INCIDENTAL ITEMS

Stephen Galley appeared before your committee, reconsidered his request for his credentials and expressed regret for his action.

A letter received by your committee revealed a condition so regrettable that we incorporate a portion in your report:

"We, the undersigned, do petition your honorable body that _____ who has been with us but nine months and who we would like to have with us longer, is leaving because of _____ and _____ churches not paying him his salary and the Conference Assessments. We feel that he has done his utmost to collect this money. We have learned the reason that they will not pay him his salary, they claim some preacher told them that if they did not pay their preacher, the Conference would; and in regard to the assessments, the reason they gave was this: That the Conference used this money to make the difference up to pay preachers their twelve

hundred dollars and that they could not do this when they did not make \$1200 per year themselves. . . . ”

Your committee cannot find words strong enough to censure any minister of this Conference who makes such assertions or any charge that uses such specious arguments to evade its obligations.

FINANCIAL STANDING OF CHARGES

There has been marked improvement in the percentage of assessments paid.

Last year there were eleven (11) Gold Star charges. This year twenty-one (21) charges report that they have paid more than their Annual Conference and General Conference Budgets and are entitled to places on the Gold Star Honor Roll. They are: Eutaw, Lauraville, North Baltimore, St. Johns, Towson, Cambridge, Cambridge Circuit, Hallwood, Harrington, Howard, Lewes, Lynchburg, Oxford, Susquehanna, Calvary, Va., Fort Meyer Heights, North Carolina Ave., Wesley Chapel of Kent, First Church Wilmington, Peninsula and West Wilmington.

Last year twenty-five (25) charges and eight (8) churches were on the Honor Roll. This year thirty-nine (39) charges and eighteen (18) churches have paid 100 per cent of their Annual Conference and General Conference Budgets and are Honor Roll charges: Alnutt, Bethesda, East Baltimore, Edmondson Ave., Linticum Heights, Lowe Memorial, Starr, Violetville, West Baltimore, Buckeystown, Cannon, Chestertown, Fairview, Delmar, Delta, Denton, Dover, Fawn Grove, Federalsburg, Finksburg, First Church Newark, Harbeson, Indian River, Kent Island, Laurel, Milton, New Church, Parksley, Pipe Creek, Pittsville, Prince George, Salisbury, Sharptown, St. James, Union Bridge, Wallace Memorial, Mt. Olivet, Rhode Island Ave., Westminster, Bivalve on Bivalve charge, Downs Chapel on Clayton charge, Doylesburg on Concord Charge, Central on Frederick charge, Hurlock and Secretary on Hurlock charge, Providence on Kemp-town charge, Moores Chapel on Leeds charge, Portsville Church supplied by pastor of Laurel, Powellville and Mt. Zion Churches on Powellville charge, Quinton Church served by pastor of Pocomoke, Liberty and Wheatley Churches on Reliance charge, Ridgeville Church on Ridgeville charge, Bates Memorial Church on Snow Hill charge, Stewartstown Church on Stewartstown charge, Union Church supplied by pastor of Salisbury.

Four (4) charges having paid their Annual Conference budget in full and 75 per cent of their General Conference budget, are thereby entitled to Honorable Mention: Payson St., Leeds, Ridgeville, Snow Hill.

Sixty-six (66) charges paid 100 per cent of their Maryland Conference Budget: Accomac; Amelia; Calvary, Baltimore; Chesaco Park; Christ Church, Baltimore; Evergreen; Glenburnie; Grace Church, Baltimore; Graceland Park; Hampden; Keen Memorial; Marley; South Baltimore; St. Paul's; Trinity Church, Baltimore; Wilton Heights; Belair; Bivalve; Caroline; Cecil; Centreville; Chincoteague; Clayton; Crisfield; Mariners; First Church, Cumberland; Deer Creek; Deer Park; Dorchester; Easton; Elizabeth; Felton; Franklin City; Greenbush and Tasley; Greenwood; Harmony; Harper's Ferry; Kempton; Leipsic; Lewistown; Liberty; Mardela; Milford; New Market; Nichols Memorial; Oak Grove;

St. Luke's; Pocomoke; Powellville; Poplar Springs; Queen Anne; Reliance; Salem; Seaford; Snow Hill; Stewartstown; St. Michaels; Texas Trinity Church, Marion; Union; Alexandria; Cherrydale; Congress St.; First Church, Washington; Whaleyville; Wye.

One charge, Hurlock, paid 100 per cent of its General Conference but failed to pay the Maryland Conference budget in full. Nevertheless, it deserves honorable mention for its effort.

Last year there were fifty (50) Delinquent charges. This year only (21) charges, having failed to pay the Maryland Conference Budget in full and having paid less than twenty (20) per cent of the General Conference Budget, are listed as Delinquent Charges: Brooklyn; Bedford; Carroll; Concord; Mapleside; Melvin Chapel; Dagsboro; Fairfax; Frederick Georgetown, Delaware Grove Kennedyville Laurel Circuit Mt. Nebo; Northumberland; Emmanuel; Taylor Memorial; Quantico; Rowlandville; Warwick; Mt. Tabor.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that Rev. T. R. Woodford, D.D., Rev. W. P. Roberts, Rev. W. L. Hoffman; Rev. T. G. Betchsler, Rev. W. M. Snyder, Rev. Paul F. Warner and Rev. Paul M. Cassen be loaned to the Board of Missions.

We recommend that the request of Rev. J. Tracey Fenby to be left without appointment for more than one year to continue his studies in Boston University, be granted.

We recommend that Rev. J. R. Wright be continued as Chaplain in the United States Army.

Your committee has tried to observe the spirit rather than the letter of paragraph 13, Section IV, page 75 of the Discipline. A general improvement was noted in the reports and the attitude of those with whom the committee held conference revealed a desire and a determination to do better next year. Your committee is convinced, however, that the responsibility for failure to raise the Assessments in full does not rest entirely upon the minister. It therefore recommends that when it is necessary for a minister to come before the committee on Official Relations because of the above named paragraph of the Discipline, the delegate from the delinquent charge shall also be required to appear before the committee.

Believing that the real cause of habitually delinquent charges failing to raise the assessments is not to be found in unwillingness or inability to pay, but rather to a lack of knowledge of the modern methods of church finance, your committee recommends: That the President of the Annual Conference with the Commission of New Century Service work out a plan whereby the members of the New Century Service Commission, or others, shall go to the delinquent charges and, together with the pastor, formulate and put on a financial program adapted to the local situation.

Through this committee, the Maryland Annual Conference desires to express its sincere appreciation for the many courtesies extended to it by the pastor and officials, the members and friends of Edmondson Ave. Church, for the splendid meals prepared and served by the ladies of the Church, for the press reports given by The Baltimore Sun, The Baltimore

News, The Baltimore Post, and for every other courtesy that has helped to make this a most delightful and profitable Conference session.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LINK,
C. E. DRYDEN,
W. H. HODGES,
W. O. ATWOOD,
S. M. YINGLING.

COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS— PARTIAL REPORT

Your committee has been unable to interview three ministers who have unpaid Superannuated Fund pledges. One of these ministers is working outside the boundaries of our Conference but your committee has received a letter from him stating his determination to pay the full amount. The other two ministers not seen by your committee are now superannuated and not in attendance at this conference.

Forty-two of the forty-three ministers who were interviewed paid in full or gave their personal notes which have been placed in the hands of the treasurer of the Conference.

One minister, Rev. C. H. Dobson, refused to sign a note, stating that while he wanted to, it was no use as he would be unable to meet it.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. LINK,
S. M. YINGLING,
W. H. HODGES,
C. E. DRYDEN,
W. O. ATWOOD.

REPORT N COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

(See Journal, Page 28)

Your Committee recognizes the fact that the program of missions—the extension of the Gospel throughout the world—is the greatest enterprise of the Christian Church. And to this end should be given a service of the fullest consecration—a service commensurate with the importance, need and opportunity of the work.

A representative of the Board of Missions has appeared before our committee and we were pleased to hear as the Conference will also be pleased to hear through the speakers on the program, concerning higher standards and more definite objectives in carrying the Good News far and near.

It is with pleasure we learn concerning the merger of all our missionary activities in accordance with the action of the General Conference. We are particularly gratified to hear of the unanimity of our

women at the recent Pittsburgh meeting of their Executive Boards and the acceptance of \$100,000 as their goal for the first year of the new century. This expression of faith and unity and consecration on the part of our women leaders should come as a mighty challenge to the whole church for one great advanced movement in missions such as we have never known. And the new and larger vision is reaching down the line in all directions. Everywhere there seems to be a sense of marked delight and satisfaction in the outlook of our missionary organizations and enterprises. Let us capitalize this united and determined spirit in the name of New Century Service.

The most imperative need of the work at the present time is more missionaries and more missionaries of the most trained and efficient type. The church must send its best workers into both home and foreign fields. Our home missionary opportunities are greatly handicapped by lack of capable leadership. And it is the same story in the far away lands of India, China and Japan. Missionaries will soon leave the field of service for a needed rest and there is no one to take their places. Some will retire on account of age. We must have consecrated men and women to answer the call of need. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into His harvest."

The financial needs are always with us. The whole budget for Missions must be raised in every church if the programs of the Board are to be fully carried out. Our Maryland Conference should be especially interested in the house for Paul Cassen. The bungalow will cost \$8,000. Four thousand dollars have been raised. Let us help to raise the remainder of the money, that a suitable home may be provided for one of our own. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth: and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. Give and it shall be given unto you."

We commend the untiring and faithful work of the Secretaries of our Board of Missions in their enlarged duties and responsibilities, Dr. G. W. Haddaway and Mrs. Marie Thompson. Let us get back of them with our prayers, sympathies and co-operation.

We would especially emphasize the educational opportunities of Easter and Children's Day services. In eagerness to raise the budget, the facts and spirit of missions should never be forgotten. We would again call attention to a previous recommendation of the Conference that all moneys raised on Special Days be immediately forwarded to the Conference treasurer.

We again recommend that our pulpits be opened for the representatives of the Board and for our missionaries on furlough, that missionary interest may be quickened and deepened, so that the churches may be encouraged to raise the whole missionary budget.

Now that the Maryland Conference Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Branches have been merged into one unit, we are urging our local churches to carry out the details of the General Conference plan in their women organizations as soon as possible and feasible.

We most earnestly suggest that the women of our churches read

and become familiar with the Constitution of the women's auxiliaries, copies of which may be procured from the Board of Missions.

No papers whatever have been referred to our committee.

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. WARNER

E. T. KIRKLEY

CHAUNCEY C. DAY

REPORT O COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED

(See Journal, page 35)

The work being done in management and development in the Home for the Aged by the Board of Lady Superintendents, the Board of Managers and the Treasurer still continues to develop as added opportunities present themselves, and even when difficulties come. There are no words of commendation too high for these faithful, painstaking servants in their pure labor of love.

Like the benevolences of the church there is an increasing interest on the part of the Methodist Protestant people, both near and at a distance, but to those who see it from a closer view, that interest does not increase as rapidly as it should. While it is true that the number and difference of the interest somewhat obscure each other, we still believe that we should not allow our attention to be distracted from this.

Each year the improvement and beautifying of the Home continues and many of those who go to live there never lived in so nice a home before, and no home, private or public, could be cleaner, sweeter or better kept. It is no surprise that the old folks who enter there live so long. The three who went home this year had reached the years of eighty, eighty-three and eighty-nine respectively.

We regret that the attendance and receipts on Visitor's Day last summer was a disappointment to the Boards, not so much because of the financial and numerical decrease, as because of the fact that this is the principle means by which our churches and people at a distance may be brought to a closer and better knowledge of this splendid institution which is theirs as well as ours.

We note with pleasure, however, that there has been an increase in the number of delegations visiting the Home and entertaining the Family; and that the generous response to the appeal for Christmas made it possible for each member of the family to have some special cheer.

We join with the Boards in a special expression of appreciation for the splendid suit of furniture for the reception room, which was presented by Mrs. S. L. Nicholson, of Starr Church, in memory of her mother.

We call attention to the fact that a letter sent to the Lady Visitors, requesting help on putting down a cement pavement met with such success as to encourage the Board to make further requests of the Lady Visitors and give them more opportunities to serve.

Last year fifty-four churches and individuals sent donations. This year seventy-seven churches and many individuals, including those who sent contributions on the pavement, have sent donations. This shows a very healthy increase of twenty-three churches contributing.

The Treasurer reports Invested Fund, including the cash balance, of \$47,073. 39 this year. As compared with last year's report this shows an increase of \$707.97.

The Conference appropriation this year is \$6,011.31, as compared with last year's appropriation of \$6,653.73; there is a decrease of 642.42. While these figures seem to show a decrease, when we consider that this has been a nine months year, while the last Conference year was one of seventeen months, we feel that rather than a decrease there has been a healthy increase along all lines.

Last year they borrowed \$1,700.00 to meet current expenses: this year \$1,200.00 was borrowed. This shows an increase of \$500.00.

All of this is added evidence of the splendid management of our Board and Treasurer.

We repeat the suggestion made last year, that those who are looking for a worthy cause into which to put their money, that it may work for them when they no longer need it, remember the Home when making their wills.

We recommend that the request of the Board of Managers be granted, and that the annual appropriation of \$6,000.00 for the Home be continued.

Our attention is called to the fact that the terms of J. H. Straughn, L. F. Warner, ministers, and E. B. Fenby, Ober Herr, and George Mather, laymen, expire this year.

Note: Same Board of Managers re-elected.

J. L. NICHOLS
J. T. BAILEY
G. A. MORRIS
LULU HOLMES POTTER
MRS. FANNY H. T. HAY

President, Maryland Annual Conference

Dear Sir:—

I herewith submit my annual report of receipts and disbursements of the Home for the Aged of the M. P. Church at Westminster, Maryland, for the year ending March 15, 1929.

Balance on hand as reported March 15, 1928.....	\$	4.64
Amount received from Conference Treasurer		6,011.31
Interest and income from invested fund		2,592.28
Cash received from Lady Board of Managers		409.43
Borrowed from Union National Bank on Demand Notes.....		1,200.00
Entrance fee of four applications accepted		1,700.00
Cash donation from S. W. Moore		5.00
Cash donation from St. John's Church of Baltimore, Md.....		300.00
Cash donation from St. James Church of Chestertown, Cir.....		14.15

Total amount of receipts \$12,236.81

DISBURSEMENTS

Bill paid for supplies for table use	\$ 4,112.95
Bill paid for help and labor	1,543.60
Bill paid for necessary expenses	1,946.30
Bill paid for special expenses	4,097.79
Balance on hand to pay April bills.....	536.17

Total amount of disbursements \$12,236.81

I also beg to advise that the stocks and bonds which are the property of the Home as its invested fund have been appraised and the appraised value of these securities including the cash balance on hand is \$47,073.39.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We the undersigned appointed by the President to audit the accounts of Jas. Pearre Wantz, Treasurer of the Home for the Aged of the M. P. Church at Westminster, Maryland, beg to report that we have performed that duty to the best of our ability and have found the accounts correct and supported by the proper vouchers and the securities belonging to the invested fund are correct as stated.

GEORGE MATHER

OBER S. HERR

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

The Home is in a prosperous condition, filled to capacity, with a small waiting list. The details, both as to finance and general routine are fully set forth in the reports of the treasurer and the secretary of the Board of Lady Superintendents, both of which are enclosed herewith. We respectfully request that the annual appropriation of \$6,000 for the Home be continued.

We call your attention to the expiration of the terms of the following members of the Board of Managers: Rev. J. H. Straughn, Rev. L. F. Warner, E. B. Fenby, Ober Herr and George Mather.

GEORGE MATHER,

President Board of Managers.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF LADY
SUPERINTENDENTS TO THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
HOME FOR THE AGED OF THE
METHODIST PROTESTANT
CHURCH

March 26, 1929.

There are twenty-one guests in the Home and two vacancies, for which applications have been received and accepted.

Three deaths occurred since my last report: Mrs. Margaret M. McDowell, 89 years of age, April 22; Mrs. Emiline Chaney, 83 years of age, May 24; Mrs. Annie R. Beaver, 80 years of age, July 26. All

three of these ladies were beautiful Christian characters. Everyone who came in contact with them loved them, and they are greatly missed by the Home family.

Mr. Ogg, Mrs. Arnold, and Mrs. Potter continue in very ill health, and the following are extremely feeble: Miss Watson, Mrs. Radcliffe, Miss Fox, and Mrs. Sherwood.

Three applicants were admitted: Mrs. Willie A. Radcliffe, of West Baltimore Church; Mr. Frank Mills, son of Rev. Joseph L. Mills, of Starr Church; Miss Carrie E. Osborne, of Edmondson Avenue Church.

The attendance on Visitors' Day was a disappointment, and the receipts were not so large as on former occasions. We cannot understand why more of our Church people do not take advantage of this opportunity to visit the Home and become acquainted with the family and the management. Visitors to the Home become friends of the Home, and that is why we stress the importance of the annual Visitors' Day.

There has been a great increase in the number of delegations visiting the Home and entertaining the family with splendid programs. They usually bring large donations and a treat of ice cream and cake, which they enjoy serving, thus providing a delightful social hour for everyone. The following groups have given of their time and talents to bring sunshine to our Old Folks: Mt. Gilead, Christ Church, Baltimore, Providence, Deer Park, C. E. Society of Bethesda, Edmondson Ave., Sandy Mount, Mrs. Ward's Class of Westminster Sunday School, Harpers Ferry Charge, Y. W. C. A. of Western Maryland College, Brandenburg, Harmony Grove, Finksburg, Mrs. Albaugh's Class of Westminster Sunday School, Mrs. Sander's Class of Western Maryland College Sunday School, Sunshine Committee of Starr C. E. Society, Fellowship Class of Eutaw, Ladies' Adult Bible Class of Westminster Sunday School. Mrs. Stover's Class of Western Maryland College Sunday School delightfully entertained all those who were able to attend a tea at McDaniel Hall. The pastor of Deer Park entertained with a lecture and beautiful pictures of his trip to Denver. Groups of College girls visit the Home frequently, and the young men from the Seminary hold divine service each Friday afternoon. The radio provides daily entertainment which all enjoy. Listening to the Inauguration program was a great treat for them.

A generous response to our appeal for help at Christmas made it possible to grant each one's request for something personal as a special gift, besides the usual Christmas features. How much this was appreciated is expressed by the following letter written by one of the guests and addressed to the President of the Ladies' Board: "I write to return thanks to you and all the Board for the Christmas good cheer we found on our breakfast table this morning. It certainly was cheering to us old folks when we saw how nicely we were remembered. My heart truly went up in gratitude to my kind Heavenly Father for giving us such good friends. I am pleased very much with my dress; the print just suits me. Please accept my thanks and appreciation for all I received."

It is not our custom to mention donations in this report, but we feel that especial attention should be called to the gift of Mrs. S. L. Nicholson of Starr Church, in memory of her mother. Mrs. Nicholson

knew of our plan to refurnish the reception room as soon as our finances would permit and graciously sent us a suit of very handsome furniture for this room.

Following the suggestion of Rev. J. N. Link, an appeal was made for donations to help pay for the new cement pavement which the town authorities ordered us to lay. A letter was sent to each Lady Visitor asking her to interest the young people of her Church in raising five dollars for this fund. Three hundred and seventy-eight dollars was raised in this manner. The largest amount received from any one Lady Visitor was \$30, the smallest, \$3. We feel much encouraged by this generous response; not only by the money received, but by the interest expressed in the letters received with the checks.

Many individuals and seventy-seven churches sent donations this year, which includes those who gave to the pavement fund.

The improvements and repairs made this year consist of the renovation of the dining room, painting of the walls and furniture of five bedrooms, and upholstering of chairs. Our plans for next year include new furniture for the dining room, new linoleum and painting of wood-work and walls of the kitchen.

Following is a brief report of all monies received by the Board of Lady Superintendents, and expenditures of same:

Receipts

Cash on hand March 1, 1928.....		\$ 64.96
Cash donations	\$321.55	
Net receipts on Visitors' Day	157.21	
Contributions to cement pavement	378.00	
Miscellaneous	19.25	876.01
Total		\$940.97

Disbursements

Chickens	\$ 18.08
Radio	15.60
Ice Cream	15.60
Flowers	7.00
Carpentry	50.04
Painting	41.25
Papering	24.65
Paints, Oils, and Supplies	67.59
Chandelier and Piano Lamp.....	41.88
Eye Glasses	10.00
Upholstering	41.23
Freight and Hauling	5.23
Printing	26.25
Christmas	91.82
Markers for Graves	30.00

Cement Pavement	358.00
Miscellaneous	20.86
	<u>865.08</u>
Balance in Bank March 1, 1929.....	\$ 75.89

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF LADY SUPERINTENDENTS

MRS. DENTON S. GEHR,
President.
MRS. CLARA S. BILLINGSLEA,
Vice-President.
MRS. W. R. McDANIEL,
Cor. Secretary.
MRS. CARROLL ALBAUGH,
Rec. Sec. and Treas.
MRS. GEORGE K. MATHER,
MRS. J. PEARRE WANTZ,
MRS. HERBERT F. COVER.

LADY VISITORS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED

Accomac..... Mrs. P. W. Lewis....Leemont, Va.
Alnutt Memorial.....Mrs. Emma Seward2934 Guilford Ave., Balto., Md.
Bethesda.....Mrs. C. McCleary....6305 Old Harford Rd., Balto., Md.
Brooklyn.....Mrs. W. H. Jones....Brooklyn, Md.
Calvary..... Mrs. E. Alexander...3107 Fleet St., Balto., Md.
Christ Church.....Mrs. W. F. Chew....220 Church Lane, Pikesville, Md.
East Baltimore.....Mrs. E. B. Fenby...1223 N. Caroline St., Balto., Md.
Edmondson Ave.....Mrs. F. S. Sudman...2925 Belmont Ave., Balto., Md.
Eutaw.....Mrs. R. C. Brodie....2106 Erdman Ave., Balto., Md.
Evergreen.....Mrs. Francis DemosAlpine Rd., Roland Park, Md.
Grace.....Mrs. C. C. Sanner...2032 E. 30th St., Balto., Md.
Graceland P'k.....Mrs. A. Swanner....German Hill Rd., Colgate, Md.
Hampden.....Mrs. George Beyer...850 W. 36th St., Balto., Md.
Keen Memorial.....Mrs. C. G. Crist.....3027 Remington Ave., Balto., Md.
Lauraville.....Mrs. M. Hartman....2800 Louise Ave., Balto., Md.
Lowe Memorial.....Mrs. Ella Maddox...137 E. Randall St., Balto., Md.
North Baltimore.....Mrs. C. W. Scott.....811 St. George's Rd., Balto., Md.
Payson St.....Mrs. L. B. Harrison..1930 Wilkins Ave., Balto., Md.
Starr.....Miss Fannie Brown...3618 Old Frederick Rd., Balto., Md.
St. Johns.....Mrs. J. H. Linthicum514 Rossiter Ave., Balto., Md.
St. Paul's.....Miss E. Richardson.2722 Ashland Ave., Balto., Md.
Towson.....Mrs. N. Edwards....Towson, Md.
Trinity.....Mrs. S. T. Ensor....4311 Falls Rd., Balto., Md.
Violetville.....Mrs. J. W. Cox.....1044 Pine Hgts. Ave., Balto., Md.
West Balto.....Miss Laura Young...3512 Clifton Ave., Balto., Md.
Wilton Hgts.....Mrs. F. McDowell...5253 St. Charles Ave., Balto., Md.
Belair Circuit.....Mrs. S. Staley.....Belair, Md.
Miss M. James.....Belair, Md.
Mrs. M. Archer.....Fallston, Md.

	Miss Nellie Pyle	.....Fallston, Md.
Cambridge	.....Mrs. J. Walker	..... Cambridge, Md.
Cannon	.....Mrs. J. R. Cannon	..... Cannon, Del.
Caroline	.....Mrs. C. J. Kern	.....Denton, Md.
Carroll	.....Miss H. Criswell	.....Sykesville, Md.
Cecil	.....Miss Stella Wood	.....North East, Md.
Chestertown	.....Mrs. W. Lusby	.....Chestertown, Md.
Clayton	.....Mrs. Hill	.....Clayton, Del.
ConcordMrs. J. E. CampbellDoylesburg, Pa.
CrisfieldMiss B. LairdCrisfield, Md.
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berlandMrs. H. PerrinBalto. Pike, Cumberland, Md.
FairviewMrs. E. Zim-	
	merman815 Columbia Ave., Cumberland, Md.
Deer Park	.....Mrs. M. Hill	.....Finksburg, Md.
Delmar	.....Mrs. M. Baker	.....Delmar, Del.
Delta	.....Mrs. C. Macomber	.....Delta, Pa.
Denton	.....Mrs. T. P. Fisher	.....Denton, Md.
Dorchester	.....Cleona Brinsfield	.....Vienna, Md.
Dover	.....Mrs. N. Steele	.....Dover, Del.
Easton	.....Mrs. R. Roberts	.....Easton, Md.
Elizabeth	.....Mrs. C. Wana-	
	maker	.....219 Franklin St., Elizabeth, N. J.
Federalsburg	.....Mrs. F. Hoffman	.....Federalsburg, Md.
Felton	.....Mrs. H. Dill	.....Felton, Del.
Finksburg	.....Mrs. Keeny	.....Finksburg, Md.
	Mrs. Caple	.....Westminster, Md.
	Mrs. Wooden	.....Woodensburg, Md.
1st Ch. Newark	.....Mrs. R. J. Goerke	.....634 Clinton Ave., Newark, N. J.
Georgetown	.....Mrs. J. Wilson	.....Georgetown, Del.
Glenburnie	.....Mrs. J. F. Johnson	.....Glenburnie, Md.
Greenwood	.....Mrs. Radcliffe	.....Greenwood, Del.
Grove	.....Mrs. J. Butler	.....Preston, Md.
Hallwood	.....Mrs. S. C. Hall	.....Hallwood, Md.
Harbeson	.....Mrs. E. H. Hill	.....Harbeson, Del.
Harmony, W. Va.	.....Mrs. G. Drake	.....Falling Water, W. Va.
Harpers Ferry	.....Mrs. J. W. Benja-	
	min	.....Harpers Ferry, W. Va.
Harrington	.....Mrs. W. Potter	.....Harrington, Del.
Howard	.....Mrs. A. K. Pickett	.....Clarksville, Md.
	Miss A. Linthicum	.....Ellicott City, Md.
	Mrs. L. C. Burns	.....Olney, Md.
	Mrs. G. W. Johnson	.....Brookville, Md.
	Mrs. P. M. Hill	.....Dayton, Md.
Hurlock	.....Mrs. H. C. Harper	.....Hurlock, Md.
Kempton	.....Mrs. C. Riggs	.....Monrovia, Md.
Kennedyville	.....Mrs. A. Redmile	.....Kennedyville, Md.
Kent Island	.....Florence Melvin	.....Queenstown, Md.
Laurel	.....Mrs. E. Yingling	.....Laurel, Del.
Leeds	.....Mrs. J. F. Blake	.....Childs, Md.
Leipsic	.....Mrs. Fennimore	.....Leipsic, Del.

- Mardela.....Mrs. C. Hopkins.....Mardela, Md.
 Marley.....Mrs. W. Stegman.....Coast Guard Depot, Md.
 Milford.....Mrs. J. F. Bryan.....Milford, Del.
 Milton.....Mrs. A. Johnson.....Milton, Del.
 New Church.....Mrs. J. Kelly.....New Church, Va.
 New Market.....Miss A. Morris.....Freeland, Md.
 Nichols Memorial.....Mrs. D. Downs.....Odenton, Md.
 Northumberland.....Mrs. C. Phillips.....Burgess Store, Va.
 Oxford.....Mrs. W. H. Myers.....Oxford, Md.
 Parksley.....Mrs. J. N. Hopkins.....Parksley, Va.
 St. Luke's.....Miss A. Ferguson.....3232 N. Carlisle St., Phila., Pa.
 Taylor Memorial.....Mrs. A. Adolph.....4310 N. 6th St., Phila, Pa.
 Pipe Creek.....Mrs. M. D. Smith.....Union Bridge, Md.
 Pittsville.....Mrs. R. Smith.....Pittsville, Md.
 Pocomoke City.....Mrs. E. W. Veasey.....Pocomoke City, Md.
 Poplar Springs.....Mrs. J. E. Fleming.....Mt. Airy, Md.
 Quantico.....Mrs. A. Dorman.....Quantico, Md.
 Ridgeville.....Mrs. Moxley.....Mt. Airy, Md.
 Mrs. Day.....Mt. Airy, Md.
 Mrs. Wm. Flynn.....Mt. Airy, Md.
 Rowlandville.....Mrs. E. C. Boyd.....Glenn Mills, Pa.
 Salem.....Mrs. W. W. FontaineManokin, Md.
 Seaford.....Mrs. W. J. Allen.....Seaford, Del.
 Sharptown.....Mrs. C. Mooney.....Sharptown, Md.
 Stewartstown.....Mrs. E. Zeigler.....Stewartstown, Pa.
 St. James.....Mrs. R. Skirven.....Fairlee, Md.
 Susquehanna.....Miss M. Walker.....Havre de Grace, Md.
 Texas.....Mrs. B. Smith.....Cockeysville, Md.
 Trinity.....Mrs. H. Miles.....Marion Station, Md.
 Union.....Miss B. Howard.....Hebron, Md.
 Union Bridge.....Mrs. N. Gaither.....Union Bridge, Md.
 Wallace Memorial.....Mrs. A. Hovey.....Hampton, Va., R. D. 3.
 Warwick.....Mrs. H. Johns.....Warwick, Md.
 Alexandria.....Mrs. T. Travers.....201 S. Royal St., Alexandria, Va.
 Calvary, Va.....Mrs. E. J. SkidmoreAurora Hills, Va.
 Cherrydale.....Mrs. A. Donaldson.....Mackay St., Cherrydale, Va.
 Congress St.....Mrs. H. Cleven.....610-9th St., N. E., Wash. D. C.
 1st Ch. Wash.....Mrs. W. J. Brewer.....421-6th St., S. E., Wash., D. C.
 Mt. Tabor.....Mrs. M. Myers.....327 Webster St., N. W., Wash., D. C.
 N. Car. Ave.....Mrs. R. Hess.....1350 E. Capitol St., Wash., D. C.
 4401 New Hampshire Ave.,
 Rhode Is. Ave.....Mrs. J. P. Dodge.....Washington, D. C.
 Ft. Meyer Hgts.....Mrs. L. Fallansbee.....1433 Alexandria Ave.
 Clarendon, Va.
 Wesley Chap. of
 Kent.....Mrs. M. Maslin.....Rock Hall, Md.
 Westminster.....Mrs. D. S. Gehr.....Westminster, Md.
 1st Ch. Wil-
 mingtonMrs. Hay.....1409 West St., Wil., Del.

Peninsula.....Mrs. J. H. Keatly....803 Shipley St., Wil., Del.
 West Wilmington.....Mrs. L. McGinley.....12-6th Ave., Wil., Del.
 Wye.....Mrs. C. E. Bishop...Queenstown, Md.
 Queen Anne.....Mrs. W. H. Jester...Ridgely, Md.

REPORT P

COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal, Page 33)

Your Committee on Audit has audited the accounts of the Treasurer of the Mutual Relief Association, the Treasurer of the President's Parsonage, the Treasurer of the Young People's Union and the Treasurer of the Board of Deaconess Work, and finds their accounts correct in every detail.

The President of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society of the Maryland Annual Conference informed the Committee that they had neglected to bring vouchers for the Treasurer's Report, but would see that the chairman of the Committee on Audit receives these vouchers after Conference.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

The financial account of the Board of Management of our Headquarters Building was referred to your Committee on Audit, but same could not be audited as vouchers did not accompany the report. The Committee has been promised the vouchers immediately after Conference, when the account will be audited by your Committee.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN, Chairman.
 E. C. GRAHAM, Secretary.

REPORT Q

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

(See Journal, Page 23)

The Program Committee met at the call of the President on February 27, 1929, in the Book Rooms, Baltimore, Maryland. The conclusions of the committee are found in the printed programs now ready for distribution.

Your committee has given careful attention to the various interests of the conference, and, as far as possible, has allotted sufficient time for all interests involved.

The Memorial Service, which for some years has followed immediately the reading of the Memorial Roll, will be held this year at the evening service of Wednesday. The President of the Conference will preside.

Again your committee recommends the suspension for this session—

Rule 7, Section 1, Conference Manual on Order of Business, relating to devotional services, that after Wednesday, these services be held each day from 9.50 A. M. to 10.20 A. M., instead of 10.45 A. M. to 11.00 A. M.

Special consideration has been given to the evening services. We are exceptionally fortunate in securing the following speakers—Dr. A. Earl Kernahan of Boston, Mass., and known throughout this country for his great work of personal visitation evangelism, will speak on Thursday evening. Dr. Stanley High, Editor of the Christian Herald, will speak at the service of Friday evening. The service of Saturday evening will be in the interests of Young People's Work, and Dr. R. L. Shipley of our own conference will be the speaker for that service. We urge your attendance upon all these special features.

Dr. F. T. Benson, who was a member of the committee and present when the program was formulated, has been called to the conference above. He served on this committee for a number of years and we shall miss very keenly his wise council and ready help.

The report of the committee is now offered for your consideration and adoption.

E. C. MAKOSKY

G. J. HOOKER

REPORT R

THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF BALTIMORE CITY

(See Journal, Page 25)

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society met in Annual Session, May 14, 1929, in the Book Rooms, Baltimore. The Directors elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, H. L. Elderdice; Treasurer, George K. Mather; and Secretary, N. O. Gibson. To fill the vacancy caused by the death of F. T. Benson, President E. C. Makosky of the Maryland Conference, appointed A. W. Ewell, and these four, together with the fifth Director, C. H. Slater, constitute the Board of Directors, whose term of office expires with the Conference year just ended, and whose successors the Conference is now to elect.

The only funds which came into the hands of the Society during the past year were the income from the Henrietta Gibson Fund and the annual appropriation from the Drinkhouse Estate, made by the Trustees of the Maryland Conference, and both of these have, in compliance with the will of the donor, been distributed among students in The Westminster Theological Seminary.

H. L. ELDERDICE,

President.

Note: Report accepted and Secretary cast ballot for those here named.

REPORT S

THE SUMMER CONFERENCE

(See Journal, Page 36)

No session of the Summer Conference has been held this short Annual Conference year. It is an interesting fact, however, that in the last Annual Conference a number of ministers registered their purpose to attend the next Summer Conference, paying their dues at the same time, and several laymen voluntarily contributed each the amount of the annual dues as an expression of interest in the Conference. These laymen wisely appreciate the value of this institution. It has in it great possibilities for them through the ministers who avail of its advantages. Each church would do well to make it possible for its minister to attend every year. The return is worth many times the cost. Opportunity for all ministers to register is desired at this time and we ask for the privilege to give this opportunity.

Several innovations are described in a statement appearing recently in the Methodist Protestant. The Summer Conference will be held the first week in September of this year, a time thought to be more favorable for the larger number. The program is one of unusual attractiveness and power.

The dues are kept at a minimum, two dollars per year, a much smaller sum than would be possible but for the appropriation by this Annual Conference. At two dollars the Conference is in reach of every one so far as dues are concerned. We, therefore, respectfully ask a continuation of the two hundred dollar appropriation.

WM. H. LITSINGER,
President.

REPORT T

REPORT COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE
SUPERANNUATE FUND
SUBSCRIPTIONS

(See Journal, Page 31)

To The Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Brethren:—

Your Committee reports as follows:—

First—That according to your action found on page 57 of Minutes of Conference session of 1928, you limited the activities of this Committee to the work of collecting these subscriptions from ministers only. Early in the Conference year the President of the Conference, who is also the chairman of this Committee, called attention through "The Methodist Protestant" to the action of the Conference relative to this matter.

Second—That subsequently, a communication was addressed by your

Committee to each delinquent subscriber giving him a statement of his account and urging an adjustment at the earliest possible moment.

To date the account stands thus:—

81 pastors have paid their quota in full.

19 pastors have paid fifty percent or more of their quota.

10 pastors have paid less than fifty percent of their quota.

17 pastors have failed to make any payments.

We recommend that the Committee on Official Relations be authorized to secure from the brethren who are delinquent, notes with interest, for three years.

Signed,

E. C. MAKOSKY,

Chairman.

REPORT U

COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

(See Journal Page 28)

Your committee entered into what was for them a distinctly new field this year. An evangelistic program for the fall was outlined in detail; and this, supplemented by a number of programs secured from other sources, was mailed to all our men. A conference wide "Loyalty Crusade," was urged, and all the material that could be secured to make this more efficient was supplied. Limited time and resources naturally limits the extent to which such efforts can be carried. We have no means of tabulating the value of this work; but we rejoice if we had a part, even though a small part, in inspiring the Pre-Easter program which led to about a thousand accessions in our conference.

Among the serious difficulties of our work through the mails, we most keenly felt the loss of personal contact and the inability to give assistance that might be beneficial to certain local situations. To partially eliminate this; your committee would like to be granted permission to hold five all-day group conferences throughout the conference area next year. It is hoped that specialists in the various fields of evangelism, namely; mass, visitation, and educational, might be secured for addresses and also to conduct a forum for the discussion of the practical problems of each man's parish, as it particularly relates to this field of labor.

We respectfully request the approval of this plan, and that the usual appropriation of \$300 be continued for the next year, as well as granting the privilege of supplying tents free to all who may apply for them.

Respectfully,

J. L. WARD

JOHN A. TRADER, Secy.

W. A. MELVIN

C. C. SANNER

WM. E. REDDING

SAM'L. T. ENSOR

REPORT OF TREASURER OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

Balance in treasury account	\$ 88.60
Received from Conference	100.00
	\$188.60
Spent on letters, stamps, etc.	150.00
	\$ 38.60

W. A. MELVIN, Treas.

REPORT V

THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

(See Journal Page 33)

To The Maryland Annual Conference:—

Dear Brethren:—

The Board of Management of the Headquarters Building reports:—

First—That we have functioned throughout the year and have sought to attend to the many problems connected with the management of the building.

Second—That the mortgage indebtedness has been reduced from \$147,500 to \$125,000 as per financial statement herewith submitted by your agent.

Third—That you elected J. M. Sheridan agent for the Building and that he assumed control of that office on November 1, 1928. He acted successfully as such until the time of his death, January 17th, 1929.

Fourth—That upon his death, the Board requested the President of the Conference to act as Agent for the Building until this Conference could elect a man to fill this important office.

Fifth—We call attention to the fact that by your action the term of office of this Board is from Conference session to Conference session. It is therefore incumbent upon you to elect their successors in office at this session.

The detailed account of receipts and expenditures is herewith submitted:—

Signed,

E. C. MAKOSKY, Chairman

T. W. DONOHO

H. E. GILBERT

Elected: President of Conference, H. E. Gilbert, T. W. Donoho.

BUILDING ACCOUNT, 516 N. CHARLES ST., BALTIMORE,
MARYLAND

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for Nine Months, Ten Days
Ending June 10, 1929.

Receipts

Rent	\$17,461.14
Discounts91
Profit and Loss	20.15
Waste Paper Sales28
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Total Receipts	\$17,482.48

Disbursements

Hauling Ashes	62.25
Coal	544.63
Expenses	672.11
Janitor Service	2,395.00
Light and Power	627.34
Insurance	140.23
Taxes and Water Rent	1,992.99
Advertising	40.00
Interest	3,766.16
Paid on Mortgage	2,500.00
Painting Building	351.00
Salary Dr. J. M. Sheridan	150.00
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Total Disbursements	13,241.71
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Balance	\$ 4,240.77
Less	
Balance short as per last report Aug. 31, 1928.....	189.21
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Balance	\$ 4,051.56

Assets

Cash (In Bank)	16.26
Accounts Receivable	2,730.47
Property Fixtures	891.33
Furniture and Fixtures	40.00
Bills Receivable	373.50
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Total Assets	\$ 4,051.56
Liabilities (None)	

REPORT W

GROUP INSURANCE

(See Journal, page 36)

The Conference has carried group insurance for the past three years under the plan offered by the Prudential Insurance Company of America, Newark, N. J., which was accepted at the 1926 Conference session. The company has been prompt and courteous in the settlement of all claims and in making premium adjustments which has made our relations with them satisfactory in every respect.

We regret to record the death of three members of the Conference covered by our policy, but are glad for the assistance given their beneficiaries in their bereavement.

We wish to express our appreciation to all those who have co-operated in making the plan successful by the payment of their portion of the premium, which amounts to \$10.00 per year as per Conference action of 1926.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that the amount of \$2,000. be added to the Superannuate Assessment for the payment of the Conference portion of the premium.

2. That the Conference Treasurer shall arrange to discount the appropriation for this purpose in order that the money may be available for the payment of the premium falling due April 16, 1930.

The number of men insured during the year is as follows:—

	Amount of Insurance
April 16, 1928 to September 21, 1928, 140.....	\$140,000.00
September 21, 1928 to October 1, 1928, 139.....	139,000.00
October 1, 1928 to January 29, 1929, 143.....	143,000.00
January 29, 1929 to April 5, 1929, 142.....	142,000.00
April 5, 1929 to April 16, 1929, 141.....	141,000.00

The financial statement is as follows:

Premium Group Insurance, 1929.....	\$3,473.62	
Expenses—Postage and Stationery	8.75	
		\$3,482.37
Received from Conf. Treasurer	2,062.37	
Received from Members of Conference.....	1,320.00	
		3,382.37
Balance Due		100.00
Accumulated dividends 1927	394.80	
Accumulated dividends 1928	725.27	
Accumulated dividends 1929	458.00	
		1,579.01

E. A. SEXSMITH,
Agent Appointed by Conference President.

REPORT X

CONFERENCE LIBRARIAN

(See Journal, Page 33)

The Conference Library is adequately housed in the Headquarters Building, 516 North Charles Street, and is in excellent condition. Photographs of ministers and laymen prominent in the affairs of our denomination and this Conference are so arranged as to be easily viewed by all who may care to do so.

For a detailed report of the number of volumes in the library and the arrangement of the same you are referred to the report found on page 122 of the Conference minutes of 1925.

There are surely a number of volumes of historical value to the Methodist Protestant Church that are not now in the library, but ought to be. The librarian will be pleased to receive books or documents that have denominational significance.

During the past year the present librarian resigned, to take effect at the meeting of this Conference, and in his stead President E. C. Makosky appointed Dr. Louis Randall.

J. EARL CUMMINGS,
Librarian.

An amendment that Secretary of the Conference see that the records of our Conference are recorded in Library of Congress. Adopted.

REPORT Y

COMMISSION ON RURAL CHURCH
PROBLEMS AND PROGRAMS

(See Journal, Page 27)

Your Commission met several times during the year. The scope of the work given us was considered in detail.

It soon became apparent that the task of vitalizing our rural work was a gigantic one because of changing economic conditions; the enlarging of the rural community, due to automobiles and good roads; lack of prepared, full time, rurally-minded, sufficiently remunerated pastoral supply, inadequate equipment; lack of constructive program.

It also soon became apparent that this task of vitalizing the rural church was not an impossible one, for there is no rural church problem in the Maryland Conference but a similar problem has been solved somewhere, somehow by someone.

Your Commission feels that the failure of the average rural church pastor to vitalize his church is not due to his unwillingness to do his duty, but rather to his lack of knowledge. We were convinced that as our pastors attain skill in diagnosing the ills of the rural church, and skill in prescribing and applying the principles that have worked elsewhere, they will increasingly be willing to dedicate their ministry to the

rural church as a life work, and not merely look upon the rural church as a stepping stone to something better.

As the first step in our effort to build a constructive program, a pamphlet, "Program Points For Rural Churches," was prepared, printed, and copy sent to every rural pastor in our Conference. Sample copies were also sent to the presidents of the various conferences in our denomination. From a number of the presidents of our prominent conferences we received requests for as many copies as we could spare them for their work. Subsequently we heard from several conferences concerning the helpfulness of the pamphlet in assisting rural pastors in the solution of problems and formulation of programs for effective church work. Reports from our own conference indicate that our labors were not in vain but are bearing fruit.

Handicapped by lack of funds, we have been unable to take any further steps, but now submit the following recommendations:—

1. That the program committee of the Summer Conference be requested to secure an outstanding rural church worker to lead a series of conferences on this vital theme.

2. That the sum of \$50.00 be placed at the disposal of the Commission on Rural Church Problems and Programs to build up, for the use of our rural pastors, a traveling library of inspirational and informational books on every phase of rural church problems and principles.

3. That through the co-operation of the President of the Annual Conference and the Board of Survey and Church Extension, a typical rural charge be selected for research and demonstration work, that the best prepared, most rurally minded minister available be assigned to that charge with sufficient financial assistance to enable him to demonstrate what may be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MAKOSKY, Chairman
J. N. LINK, Secretary.

REPORT Z

COMMITTEE TO RAISE UNPAID BALANCE ON CENTENARY GRATITUDE GIFT

(See Journal, Page 27)

Your committee met in Baltimore at the Book Rooms, December 13th, 1928, and discussed at length the question of raising the unpaid balance due to Centennial Gratitude Gift Fund.

At the suggestion of the committee, Dr. J. M. Sheridan, who was present, consented to try to collect the unpaid pledges. This arrangement was not carried out due to Dr. Sheridan's decease a few weeks later.

It was later suggested that an appeal be made by letter to the Charges not having met their quotas in full. Inasmuch as we did not have a com-

plete record of all individual subscribers, the plan to take the matter up as a whole with Charges seemed to be the only feasible one. The sending of this letter of appeal was delayed as it was thought wise not to conflict with the "Up-To-Date" appeal which was being made by Dr. Straughn.

The letter finally went forth to the various Charges concerned about the middle of May. What response, in the way of remittances, has resulted from the appeal, will be made known by the report of the treasurer of the Conference.

A. W. EWELL,
Sec. of Com.

THOMAS H. LEWIS
A. W. EWELL
W. C. SCOTT
J. P. DODGE
F. P. ADKINS

Note: J. H. Straughn appointed to fill place of T. H. Lewis, and T. P. Fisher in place of F. P. Adkins.

REPORT AA

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE OBLIGATIONS

(See Journal, page 34)

Your Committee begs leave to submit the following recommendations:

1. There shall be no increase in assessment for any interest this year, and no committee shall make an appropriation to exceed its expected resources from the Budget.

2. That all the indebtedness of the various Conference interests shall be made an aggregate obligation of this Conference.

3. The addition of 10 percent to the total assessment of the Maryland Conference Budget for interest on and reduction of the above obligation of the Conference.

4. The appointment of a Budget Committee as an ad interim committee consisting of five members, who shall make a survey of the Conference needs, obligations and resources and report to the next Session.

5. That the name of "Board of Finance" be changed to the "Committee on Budget Apportionments."

J. H. STRAUGHN
G. I. HUMPHREYS
G. W. HADDAWAY
R. J. GOERKE

REPORT BB
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal, page 30)

To The Maryland Annual Conference.

Dear Brethren:

The Committee on Audit of the Maryland Conference Treasurer's Account, after a thorough examination of his accounts, and ascertaining the immense volume of the work involved, which would require at least one week's time to properly perform, decided that, in justice to the Treasurer and the Conference interests, and in view of the danger of establishing a precedent of partial examination of this account, a certified public accountant be secured to audit the books. This decision, of course, is not to be considered as any reflection on the work of Mr. Cummins, since, as far as the Committee could go, the work appeared in excellent condition.

A motion prevailed that all records be destroyed except the five years preceding the current year.

We recommend that the Treasurer's bond of \$5,000.00 be increased to \$25,000.00

We beg to call attention to the fact that there is a deficit of \$5,198.13 in the Superannuate Fund Assessment, and a deficit of \$8,000.00 in the Centennial Gratitude Gift Fund, carried over from last year, for which no provision has been made in this year's budget and cannot be paid unless some special provision is made.

The financial transactions of Dr. T. H. Lewis, regarding two subscriptions taken in the Conference for the support of a Group Leader in six of the southern conferences, was referred to the Committee on Audit, and we are happy to report that we have found the accounts correct in every particular. It was no small task Dr. Lewis performed in raising the money and keeping the accounts in such excellent condition.

The balance left of this transaction, was by action of the Conference, used in publishing the Historical Record. His report shows a deficit of \$1.24, which is designated as provided for.

J. A. DUDLEY
JOHN A. TRADER
H. C. STALEY
C. H. SLATER

Committee on Audit.

REPORT CC
SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO VISIT
MRS. T. H. LEWIS

(See Journal, page 30)

Your Committee, appointed to convey to Mrs. Lewis the sympathies of the Conference in the death of her husband, Dr. Thomas Hamilton Lewis, reports that it called at the home today and expressed to Mrs. Lewis and

family the sincere sympathy of this Conference and our willingness to be of any service possible.

According to present arrangements, there will be a short service, for the family only, Sunday morning at ten o'clock in his late home, on Wisconsin Avenue, Washington, D. C., which will be conducted by Dr. J. H. Straughn, after which the remains will be taken to Westminster, Maryland, and lie in state in Baker Chapel from one to two-thirty P. M. The funeral service will be conducted at three o'clock by Dr. H. L. Elderdice.

Your Committee suggests, in harmony with plans of the family, that the Conference appoint six honorary pallbearers.

G. I. HUMPHREYS

J. H. STRAUGHN

E. A. SEXSMITH

RESOLUTIONS

No. 1—PRINTING CONFERENCE SERMON
(See Journal, page 26)

RESOLVED: That J. H. Straughn be requested to present the manuscript of his sermon to the Secretary for publication in the Conference minutes, and that the manuscript be also referred to the Committee on Moral Reform for their consideration. Adopted.

J. A. DUDLEY
LOUIS RANDALL

No. 2—EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY
(See Journal, page 26)

RESOLVED: That this Conference express its sincere sympathy for our absent brethren, T. H. Lewis, D. D., S. W. Coe, B. W. Kindley, and that a Committee of two be appointed to visit them during this session, conveying to them our love and best wishes for their speedy recovery.

J. McLAIN BRAWN
F. D. REYNOLDS
J. FRANKLIN BRYAN
FRANK A. HOLLAND
J. T. NORRIS

No. 3—AGAINST DOG SHELTER AND POUND
(See Journal, page 29)

The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, representing seventy-five thousand people, meeting in its one hundredth and first session, Edmondson Avenue Church, Baltimore, has heard of the attempts of certain interests to locate a "Dog Shelter and Pound" in the immediate vicinity of Hampden Methodist Protestant Church, Falls Road, opposite Hampden Reservoir.

We consider the location of this dog shelter adjacent unto this church as detrimental to the welfare of said church and harmful to the interests of the Hampden community.

For sixty-three years this church has sought to advance the cause of Christ at this location; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That this Conference petition the Honorable William F. Broening, Mayor of Baltimore, to use his good office to prevent the efforts of those who would locate this "Dog Shelter and Pound" in the Hampden Church community.

L. B. JOHNSON
J. A. DUDLEY
G. W. HADDAWAY
J. N. LINK

No. 4—PUBLISHING ASSESSMENTS
(See Journal, page 33)

Owing to the necessary delay in the publication of the Conference Minutes—

RESOLVED: That, as soon as possible after the assessments have

been laid on the charges, the Secretary of the Conference be authorized to have a list of the assessments published in the Methodist Protestant.

A. H. GREEN

J. F. BRYAN

No. 5—CHANGING DATE OF CONFERENCE

(See Journal, page 35)

RESOLVED: That it is the sense of this Conference that its Annual Session in the future be held on the last Wednesday in April.

G. A. MORRIS

J. L. WARD

J. W. KIRK

G. Q. BACCHUS

W. G. MONROE

CHAS. N. SPENCE

Adopted—84 yeas, 67 nays.

Note: This resolution was adopted at the afternoon session of Monday but as no provision was made for its incorporation in the Manual it was declared void. (See Resolution 9.)

No. 6—AN APPRECIATION

(See Journal, page 35)

RESOLVED: That this Conference records its appreciation of the splendid work of Charles N. Spence in the last General Assembly of Maryland. He stood four-square on all moral issues, and was a leader among the forces of political righteousness. His Church and Conference commend him for his fidelity and courage.

C. M. ELDERDICE

H. L. SCHLINCKE

THALES DISNEY

N. C. CLOUGH

No. 7—CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

(See Journal, page 37)

RESOLVED: That a committee on Conference Entertainment of five members of which the President of the Conference shall be chairman, be appointed, which shall take under consideration the whole matter of conference entertainment.

This committee shall make announcement in the Methodist Protestant four weeks prior to the meeting, asking for whatever suggestion ministers and preachers may have to offer and shall bring its report to the next session of the Conference for its consideration.

G. W. HADDAWAY

J. H. STRAUGHN

E. T. READ

G. A. MORRIS

R. Y. NICHOLSON

G. J. HOOKER

No. 8—ON STUDY OF FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

(See Journal, page 32)

RESOLVED: That because of the heavy borrowing of the Treasurer in order to meet the deficit in the Superannuate, Church Extension and other revenues, that a special Committee be appointed by the chair to give an immediate study to the whole financial situation of the Conference and report back Monday morning with recommendations dealing with this, overdrafts, and a policy for future appropriations.

W. H. LITSINGER

J. H. STRAUGHN

No. 9—AFFIRMING RULE 1—DATE OF CONFERENCE

(See Journal, page 36)

WHEREAS: A resolution was adopted at the afternoon session, expressing the feeling of the Conference that its Annual Session be held the last Wednesday in April; and

WHEREAS: The resolution did not amend the manual and thereby become effective in the usual way, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we do hereby re-affirm Rule I of the manual—which reads "Conference shall convene in Annual Session on the second Wednesday in June.

G. I. HUMPHREYS

J. H. STRAUGHN

W. H. LITSINGER

Adopted—74 yeas, 60 nays.

No. 10—DIVISION OF CHARGES

(See Journal, page 31)

(A Resolution offered by Samuel Vannort in regard to "Parsonage Property and Dividing Charges." See Conference Minutes 1888, pages 27 and 69, Resolution 9.)

RESOLVED: That this Conference shall take no action in reference to division of a charge where there is a parsonage property, until a settlement has been made between the different churches to be separated, and that this Conference enjoin upon charges desiring such change to make settlement before making their application to this Conference."

RESOLVED: That the above Resolution be re-enacted and placed in the Manual.

J. F. WOODEN

AVERL DONOVAN

J. T. BAILEY

FRANK C. HOLLAND

N. J. LARKS

T. PLING FISHER

Note: Referred to Board of Survey (See Report G).

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

(See Journal, page 27)

The Church Extension Society convened on Thursday, June 13, 1929, with J. F. Wooden, President, presiding. In the absence of the Secretary, C. R. Strausburg, J. W. Townsend was elected secretary pro tem.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and corrected to read "D. Carlyle MacLea, Treasurer."

The report of the President of the Board of Managers was read by the secretary, and after some discussion was referred to the Board of Survey.

The following officers were elected:—President, J. F. Wooden; First Vice-President, G. E. Brown; Second Vice-President, J. L. Nichols; Secretary, C. R. Strausburg; Treasurer, D. Carlyle Maclea.

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Laymen: T. A. Myers, W. C. Scott, D. Carlyle Maclea, Henry Gilligan. Ministers: W. H. Litsinger, E. D. Stone, P. W. Crosby, R. Y. Nicholson.

There being no further business, the Society adjourned.

G. W. TOWNSEND,
Secretary Pro Tem.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The sudden and unexpected death of Dr. Sheridan greatly interfered with the work committed to this Board. He had taken hold with his usual vigor, had inaugurated and carried to success a movement to raise money for the new Washington Church in the District of Columbia and vicinity and was about to push this interest throughout the Conference when he was stricken. Dr. Sheridan was at work also on enterprises in Baltimore, looking to the successful financing of them especially.

After his death a joint meeting of this Board and the Board of Survey and Extension was held and a committee appointed to carry on the work as best it could until this, the next session of the Annual Conference. The members of this committee are all busy men—the hands of each were more than full before he undertook these additional duties to meet the emergency, but they have done what they could. Such routine matters as have required attention in all the churches under the care of this Board have received attention.

About this time last year it was reported to the Board by its committee which at that time was co-operating with Edmondson Avenue Church that an addition to the building was imperative. A financial plan was submitted to us and on the advice of the Board of Survey we approved the addition. This fact was reported to the last Annual Confer-

ence which appropriated the amount asked toward the enterprise.

The decision to build was based upon unofficial assurances from the bank holding the first mortgage against the property that the mortgage could be increased \$20,000, but later the bank declined to increase more than \$10,000. It became necessary therefore to advance this \$10,000 and when the money was required the best our committee could do was to secure temporary loans from several laymen for amounts aggregating \$8,900 for four months or until just after Conference. The Butler estate has been settled and a mortgage for \$3,975.70 turned over to us, but we have been unable to sell this mortgage at its face value and the note given several years ago for \$5,000 which it was expected to pay with this legacy requires reduction in an amount not less than \$1,000 on the 18th of this June. These sums together with the final payment to the builder of approximately \$4,500 must be paid within a few days following the adjournment of Conference.

This Church has enjoyed a phenomenal growth both in the number and character of its members. The membership now numbers 416, 85 per cent of whom are adults; the Sunday School membership is 450 with an average attendance of more than 250. There are 347 regular contributors to the budget of the church, which is \$12,000 per year or nearly \$35 per capita. Seven thousand dollars of the \$12,000 provided for next year will be applied to the building fund. The church is well organized. All its monies are received and disbursed by one treasurer who is bonded and insured. The endorsements of the Board for this property which cost \$120,000 now amounts to \$85,310.05 net.

A committee of our Board has been in touch with Bethesda Church, one of the most promising enterprises now in the Conference territory. The membership numbers 198, 50 per cent of whom are adults. There are 382 Sunday School members, including Cradle Roll and Home Departments, with an average attendance of 175. This Sunday School is crowded into a small frame chapel in such a way as to make effective work out of the question. Better equipment is imperative. A committee of the Church will appeal to the Conference through the Board of Survey and Extension, and we ask for it a sympathetic hearing and cordial response.

Dr. Sheridan's efforts in Washington and vicinity had resulted in about \$4,000 being subscribed. These subscriptions are being kept active. No work looking to the organization of a church or Sunday School has been done, it being impossible to do anything since Dr. Sheridan's death.

Calvary Church at Aurora Hills is showing a most satisfactory development. Contract for its new brick building has been let at about \$26,500. Ground was broken on Easter Sunday morning and at the present time the foundation is about complete. Occupancy is expected during the fall. The building has been financed, the local church subscribing over \$5,000 beside other money pledged for interest charges and for equipment. Many new members have been received and the prospect for the future is most promising.

We have received the \$2,000 bequest from the Miss Grace Lee estate.

THOMAS A. MYERS,
President Board of Managers

REPORT OF D. CARLYLE MacLEA, TREASURER OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

RECEIPTS:

1928		
Sept.	Balance carried forward	\$ 24.93
	29—Chas. F. Cumming. Conf, Treas.	1,000.00
Oct.	9—Chas. F. Cummings. Cent. lot.....	1,150.00
	18—Kent County Savings Bank	10,000.00
	26—Donation for painting Jones Mem. Church.....	200.00
	31—Calvary M. P. Church for Arch. Plans	400.00
	31—Int. from deposits	3.01
Nov.	15—Donation for painting Jones Mem. Ch.....	50.00
	17—Loan from Elkton B. & T. Co. for Edmondson Ave. Ch.	2,910.00
	23—J. Leas Green, A. C. Gruber Treas. Edmondson Ave. Ch.	123.75
Dec.	3—Chas. F. Cummins	1,000.00
	20—J. M. Sheridan for Delmont Ch.....	21.00
	20—Edwin B. Fenby for Jones Mem. Ch.....	20.00
	21—Citizens Nat. Bank of Fred. Edmondson Ave. Ch....	5,000.00
1929		
Jan.	11—From C. B. Adams for Int. on Mortg. due Jan. 1, 1929	119.27
	24—From Wm. J. Brewer Int. on Wash. Church Lot.....	135.00
	30—A. C. Gruber, Treas. Edmondson Ave. Ch.....	522.50
Feb.	12—Eutaw Savings Bk.	10,903.22
	21—Donation from Trinity Ch. for Jones Mem. Ch.....	5.00
	27—Donation from Lulu C. Fallansbee for Ft. Myers Ch.	150.00
	27—Loan from Dr. Fenby for Edmondson Ave. Church	1,000.00
Mar.	1—Loan from James H. Roberts for Edmondson Ave. Ch.	2,500.00
	1—Loan from James H. Roberts for Edmondson Ave. Ch.	2,500.00
	1—Loan from Wm. C. Scott for Edmondson Ave. Ch.	900.00
	1—Loan from R. N. Stevens for Edmondson Ave. Ch.	1,000.00
	1—Loan from Thos. A. Myers for Edmondson Ave. Ch.	1,000.00
	1—Gift from Wm. C. Scott for Edmondson Ave. Ch.....	100.00
	15—Loan from Burke & Herbert Bkrs. for Calv. Ch.....	3,000.00
Apr.	13—Chas F. Cummings—Int. on note Edmondson Ave. Ch.	300.00
Mar.	2—Union Nat. Bk. of West.....	186.00
Apr.	21—Miss Grace Lee Est.....	2,000.00
	24—Chas. F. Cummings to pay Ed. Ave. Int. on note.....	90.00
	30—Interest	26.16
		\$48,339.84

DISBURSEMENTS

1928		
Sept.	8—E. A. Sexsmith—Expenses	13.63
	29—Union Nat. Bank of Wet. Md. Int. on note.....	75.00

Nov.	1—Mr. John Fraund, Half payment to archt. for Edm. Ave. Ch.	300.00
	1—The Elkton Bkg. & T. Co. Int. on Mort.....	30.66
	11—Real Est. Trustee Inc. on Morg	1,150.00
	11—Perry Hall Bldg. Asso. Jones Mem. Parsonage.....	140.00
	11—Nat. Central Bank Int. on note	102.00
	18—Edw. G. Turner Cont. for Ed. Ave. Church.....	5,625.00
	18—J. W. Townsend—House Rent Sept. & Oct.	100.00
	26—Thos. E. Watkins—Mt. Airy, Md. Pars. Rent—Ridgeville, Md.	15.00
	• 29—Rev. J. W. Townsend—For Arch. Plans in exch. for Calv. M. P. Ch.	400.00
	17—Ed. G. Turner—Edm. Ave. Const.	7,373.00
	17—John Freund—Arch. Fees on Edm. Ch. on ac.....	200.00
	23—Eutaw Savings Bk. Int. on note Ed. Ave. Ch.....	123.75
	24—James I. Larew for Jones Mem. Ch.....	25.00
	27—Dr. J. Oliver Davies—Paainting Jones Mem. Ch.....	30.00
	27—Anthony J. Stolka—Painting Jones Mem. Ch.....	94.00
	27—Conrad Quarngeser—Carpentry work Jones Mem. Ch.	13.80
Dec.	3—James I. La Rue—Jones Me. Ch. for improvements	102.00
	3—J. W. Townsend—Pars. Rent for Nov. Aurora Hills, Alex., Va.	50.00
	3—Thos. E. Watkins—Pars. Rent. Mt. Airy, Md.....	15.00
	3—John Freund—Arch Services	100.00
	7—Frank Fallansbee—Fort Myer Heights Ch.	482.00
	11—Mr. E. W. Ball, Treas. Taxes Ft. Meyer Heights Ch.	82.50
	20—National Lib. Ins. Co. care of J. C. Jett, Agt. Pre. on Delmont Ch.	21.00
	20—Nat. Lib. Ins. J. C. Jett, Agt. Pre. on Jones Mem. Ch.	19.80
	20—J. M. Sheridan—expense	27.74
	21—E. G. Turner—Cont. on Edm. Ave. Ch.....	5,000.00
1929		
Jan.	3—Elkton Bkg. & Tr. Co.—Int. & Charges.....	30.66
	8—J. W. Townsend Alex., Va. R. F. D. House Rent. Dec.	50.00
	8—L. S. Day—Pars. Rent for Ridgeville Charge—Mt. Airy, Md.....	30.00
	10—Real Est. Trust. Inc. 3 mo. int. on mortg. Church lot in Wash.	135.00
	17—Union Nat. Bank of West. Int. on note.....	75.00
	30—Eutaw Sav. Bk. of Balto. Edm. Ave. Ch. Int. on Mort.	522.50
	30—Henry Gilligan—Traveling Expense to meetings (3 mtgs. at \$2.50)	7.50
• Feb.	16—Citizens Nat. Bk. of Fred., Md. Principal of note \$5,000 Int. 50 cents	5,050.00
	16—Nat. Cent. Bk. Int. on note for \$5,000. 4 months.....	100.84
	21—Ches. Bk. of Balto. Princ. \$5,000 Int. 147.26.....	5,147.26

	28—Atlantic Life Ins. Co. Richm., Va. Mort. on Ft. Meyer Ch.	186.00
Mar.	1—E. G. Turner—Cont. Edm. Ave. Ch.	8,411.80
	2—J. W. Townsend—Pars. Rent	150.00
	2—Fidelity & Dep. Treas. Bond \$5,000 prem.....	12.50
	15—Atlantic Life Ins. Co. Principal on Mortg. Ft. Meyer Ch.	150.00
	30—Union Nat. Bank Int. on \$5,000. Note	75.00
Apr.	1—Elkton Bkg. & Tr. Co—Apr. 1st inst. on Mortg.....	30.00
	13—Real Est. Trust. Co. Charge agt. Wash. Ch. acct.....	135.00
	13—Kent County Sav Bk. Chestertown, Md. Int. on \$10,000 note Ed. Ave.....	300.00
	25—Jos. L. Crupper—Int. on notes to Fallonsbee.....	135.00
	25—J. W. Townsend—House Rent for month of Apr.	50.00
May	14—J. W. Townsend—House Rent for month of May....	50.00
	23—Elkton Bkg. Trust Co.—6 mo. int. note May 14.....	90.00
	1928	
Oct.	1—Bank Service Charge	1.00
	1929	
Jan.	31—Bank Service Charge	1.00
	Receipts	\$42,636.94
	Disbursements	\$48,339.84
		<u>42,636.94</u>
		\$ 5,702.90

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

(See Journal, Page 33)

The Mutual Relief Association met in Edmondson Avenue M. P. Church, Baltimore, June 14, 1929, Rev. W. H. Litsinger presiding.

The Secretary Treasurer read his financial report which was adopted, having already been audited.

The Conference Committee on Audit reported. Report adopted.

Your committee has carefully examined the accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Maryland Conference Mutual Relief Association and find them correct.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN,
Chairman.

E. C. GRAHAM,
Secretary.

Financial

On hand—Sept. 1, 1928—For Beneficiaries.....	\$ 188.00
For expense fund	58.48
	<u>246.48</u>

RECEIPTS—

Col. Enrollments, back cases, etc., Exp Fund.....	\$60.50
Interest to Jan. 1, 1929.....	3.57
	<u>64.07</u>
Total Collected for exp. fund.....	64.07
Col. Case 89 for 90.....	12.00

Case 90 for 91.....	210.00	
Case 91 for 92.....	200.00	
Case 92 for 93.....	198.00	
Case 93 for 94.....	197.00	
Case 94 for 95.....	192.00	
Case 95 for 96.....	185.00	
Case 96 for 97.....	157.00	
		1,415.07
		<u>1,661.55</u>

EXPENDITURES—

To F. T. Little heirs.....	210.00	
To W. B. Judefind	201.00	
To W. M. Strayer heirs	200.00	
To J. M. Sheridan heirs	197.00	
To B. W. Kindley	197.00	
To F. T. Benson heirs	192.00	
To T. O. Crouse heirs	185.00	
To Postal Cards	23.50	
To Rubber Stamps .....	.50	
		<u>1,406.00</u>
In Central Savings Bank		\$255.55
\$98.55—Exp. Fund—\$157 for Beneficiaries.		

G. A. OGG, Treasurer.

Election of officers was taken up and all were re-elected as follows: President, W. H. Litsinger; First Vice-President, Louis Randall; Second Vice-President, C. E. Dryden; Secretary-Treasurer, G. A. Ogg.

The following resolution was adopted:—

In view of Section 2, Article 8, RESOLVED:—That if the money for Beneficiaries does not reach the sum of \$200, sufficient money be appropriated from the expense account to make the sum total to be paid to the Beneficiaries at least \$200.

J. W. KIRK

The following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: Any time the expense fund drops below \$250 the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized to ask members of the association who are in the active work of the Conference to voluntarily contribute \$5.

R. L. SHIPLEY.

MEMBERS OF MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Adams, Ziba and wife	Benson, Mrs. F. T.
Alexander, Mrs. C. N.	Betschler, T. J.
Archer, W. T.	Bowers, Mrs. Lucy
Bacchus, G. Q.	Brewer, O. G.
Bailey, F. B.	Brown, J. McL. and wife
Bailey, J. T. and wife	Browne, Robert
Balderston, J. W.	Bryan, B. A. and wife
Bauscher, W. F.	Bryan, J. F. and wife
Baxley, J. W. and wife	Butler, C. P. and wife
Bennett, L. A. and wife	Cain, F. S. and wife

Members Mutual Relief Association—Continued

- Cassen, Paul M. and wife
 Cassen, S. F.
 Clayton, G. M. and wife
 Clough, N. C. and wife
 Coe, S. W. and wife
 Coleman, E. E. and wife
 Compher, C. M. and wife
 Crosby, P. W. and wife
 Crouse, Mrs. T. O.
 Cullum, C. M. and wife
 Cushing, Mrs. Clara P.
 Dawson, C. L.
 Day, C. C.
 Dearholt, M. E.
 Dinkle, Ira M.
 Dobson, C. H. and wife
 Donovan, Avery
 Donoway, W. A.
 Dryden, C. E. and wife
 Dudley, J. A. and wife
 Eaton, J. G. and wife
 Elderdice, J. L. and wife
 Elderdice, H. L.
 Ewell, A. W. and wife
 Farring, G. F.
 George, J. P. and wife
 Gibson, N. O.
 Gill, J. M.
 Gordon, L. W. and wife
 Graham, E. C. and wife
 Green, A. H. and wife
 Green, J. Leas and wife
 Greenfield, Mrs. Kate
 Haddaway, G. W. and wife
 Haddaway, L. E. and wife
 Hanks, W. S.
 Hill, G. J.
 Hines, George and wife
 Hodge, Mrs. Emma F.
 Hodges, W. H. and wife
 Holland, F. A.
 Holloway, F. G. and wife
 Hooker, G. J. and wife
 Hudgins, H. E.
 Hungerford, M. E. and wife
 Johnson, H. W. D. and wife
 Johnson, Mrs. Sarah R.
 Jones, E. H.
 Jones, Thomas C.
 Judefind, W. B.
 Keen, H. O.
 Keehner, Edw.
 Kester, H. A.
 Kindley, B. W.
 Kirk, J. W. and wife
 Kirkley, E. T. and wife
 Klein, Mrs. Mary E.
 Leister, Guy E.
 Lewis, T. H. Mrs.
 Link, J. N.
 Litsinger, Mrs. Adele C.
 Litsinger, W. H.
 Little, Mrs. Katie W.
 Lynch, J. H.
 Lynn, J. G. and wife
 Makosky, E. C. and wife
 Marker, J. Lee
 Mather, Mrs. Sallie B.
 McCaslin, C. K. and wife
 McCreedy, Mrs. Mary C.
 McKeawn, J. R.
 Melvin, W. A. and wife
 Mumford, W. C. and wife
 Murphy, H. L. and wife
 Mulligan, T. C. and wife
 Neepier, Mrs. A. S.
 Nichols, J. L. and wife
 Nicholson, R. Y.
 Nowlin, Mrs. Lelia M.
 Ogg, G. A. and wife
 Owens, I. S.
 Parris, J. W.
 Ports, G. W. and wife
 Randall, L. C. 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
 Robey, C. B. and wife
 Ross, G. S.
 Ruley, B. F.
 Sanders, W. B.
 Sapp, R. W. and wife
 Schauer, P. M. R. and wife
 Schlincke, H. L. and wife
 Schmeiser, Wm.
 Sexsmith, E. A. and wife
 Shipley, R. L. and wife
 Simms, E. W. and wife
 Smith, Mrs. Annie A.
 Smith, L. B. and wife
 Stevens, Mrs. Sadie B.
 Stocksdale, G. H. and wife
 Straughn, J. H. and wife
 Strausburg, C. R. and wife
 Townsend, J. W. and wife
 Trader, John A.
 Tredway, Mrs. Cornelia
 Trout, J. W.
 Turner, G. E. and wife
 Volk, Frank M.
 Walter, Mrs. Isabella S.
 Ward, A. N. and wife
 Warner, L. F. and wife
 White, R. W.
 Weigand, Mrs. Anne R.
 Williamson, Mrs. Laura B.
 Wooden, J. F. and wife
 Woodford, T. R. and wife
 Wright, J. A. and wife
 Wright, W. F. and wife
 Yingling, Mrs. Ella N.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
**MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE MARYLAND
ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST
PROTESTANT CHURCH**

ARTICLE 1—NAME AND OBJECT

Section 1—This Association shall be known as the Mutual Relief Association of the Maryland Annual Conference, of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Section 2—Its object shall be to provide a fund for the benefit of the surviving relatives of its members, said fund to be provided for and disbursed as hereinafter provided for.

ARTICLE 2—OFFICERS, ELECTIONS AND MEETINGS

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday afternoon of the Conference week, at the Conference church, and shall elect from its members, a President, two Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE 3—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Officers of this Association shall constitute an Executive Committee to which all matters of business, ad interim, shall be referred for adjustment.

ARTICLE 4—MEMBERSHIP

All ministers and preachers of the Maryland Annual Conference, of the Methodist Protestant Church, and their wives, under (50) years of age, if in good health, upon the payment of an entrance fee of \$1.00 shall be eligible to membership in this Association, provided, however, that no member of the Annual Conference who neglects to make application for membership in this Association for more than one year next after his admission into the Conference shall be admitted to membership except on the same conditions as provided for the reinstatement of lapsed members.

ARTICLE 5—REINSTATEMENT OF LAPSED MEMBERS

All members having lapsed may be reinstated upon the payment of a reinstatement fee on the following graduated scale:

Between the ages of 20 and 30 years.....\$2.00

Between the ages of 30 and 40 years..... 3.00

Between the ages of 40 and 50 years..... 4.00

It being understood that this is an entrance or reinstatement fee and that mortuary due of \$1.00 per member, payable upon the death of a member, is exclusive of this reinstatement fee.

ARTICLE 6—BENEFITS

Section 1—Upon the death of a member of this Association, upon

due notice of such death, furnished by the President of the Annual Conference within five (5) days of said death, the President of this Association shall order and the Secretary-Treasurer shall, within thirty (30) days from date of such notice, pay to the legal heirs or assignees of the deceased, a sum of money equal to \$1.00 per member, in good standing, of this Association, as nearly as collections will permit.

Section 2—Receipts of such remittance must be acknowledged by the Secretary-Treasurer by the beneficiaries, within five (5) days from receipt thereof.

ARTICLE 7—DUES AND PENALTIES

Section 1—Any member of this Association failing to remit, upon due notice from the Secretary-Treasurer of the death of a member, within thirty (30) days from said notice, the sum of \$1.00 shall forfeit all claims upon this Association for a period of thirty (30) days, and if he shall fail to comply with the provisions of this Article for sixty (60) days, he shall cease to be a member of this Association, and may be reinstated only upon the conditions provided for by Article 5 of this Constitution.

Section 2—A notice directed and mailed to the Post Office address of a member as recorded in the books of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be deemed a legal notice.

ARTICLE 8—EXPENSES

Section 1—Expenses of collections and the disbursement of the mortuary dues shall be provided for from the entrance and reinstatement fees fund, or from such amounts as may be in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer when each case shall be declared closed at the expiration of Forty (40) days after the notice of the death of a member.

Section 2—When the expense account shall have reached the sum of \$100.00, \$75.00 of said amount shall be transferred to the benefit fund.

Section 3—The dues of the Secretary-Treasurer and his wife shall be remitted as payment for services rendered.

ARTICLE 9—AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended only by the concurrent vote of three-fourths of all the members present at a regular annual meeting of this Association, providing that all such amendments shall have first been submitted to the Executive Committee for review, sixty (60) days next before the annual meeting of this Association.

BY-LAWS

FIRST—FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of this Association shall be from April 1st to March 31st inclusive.

SECOND—VACANCIES

Vacancies in office may be filled, ad interim, by the Executive Committee, and all such officers shall serve until the succeeding annual meeting of this Association.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

(See Journal, Page 36)

The meeting was called to order by the Third Vice-President, C. K. McCaslin. The report of the Treasurer was read and approved.

The election of officers then followed. First Vice-President, J. W. Kirk; Second Vice-President, W. B. Judefind; Third Vice-President, C. K. McCaslin; Recording Secretary, J. A. Dudley; Corresponding Secretary, Louis Randall; Treasurer, T. A. Murray.

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Ministers: G. W. Haddaway, L. F. Warner, W. H. Litsinger, W. B. Judefind. Laymen: T. A. Murray, Daniel MacLea, E. B. Fenby, E. J. Paige. The Society adjourned.

C. R. STRAUSBURG

Secretary Pro Tem

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 \$12 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 \$6.00 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 emergency fund for the year:
 8. The Ministers of the Conference who have reached the age of 65, or have given 40 years of service in the ministry, requesting a superannuated relationship shall have the privilege of their request being voted upon without discussion. (See Resolution 8—Minutes of 1928).

1. What is your present place of residence? Postoffice address?
2. Do you desire a superannuate relation for 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 many years were you associated with your husband in the active ministry of the Maryland Annual Conference?

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL
CONFERENCE

TREASURER'S REPORT, SEPTEMBER 10, 1928 to MAY 31, 1929

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer,
in account with

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

PERMANENT FUND

To Balance per last report.....	\$2,455.18
To Amt. from sale of Farmers & Merchants Natl. Bank Stock	\$2,130.00
To Amt. of Edgemoor Mortgage redeemed	6,500.00
To Amt. of U. S. Liberty 3rd. redeemed.....	50.00
To Amt. from Conference Treasurer	372.25
To Amt. from Exchange of Merchants Natl. Bk. Stock	110.65
To Amt. from sale of U. S. F. & G. Co. Rights.....	586.90
To Amt. of Legacy from Grace Lee	5,000.00
	14,749.80
	\$17,204.98
By amount invested as approved by Managers.....	\$8,597.40
By Balance on deposit	8,607.58
	17,204.98

INCOME ACCOUNT

To Income from Investments to May 31st, 1929....	\$8,485.54
To Interest on Deposits	98.97
	\$8,584.51
By Interest paid on Mortuary Gifts	\$ 50.00
By 1929 Taxes on Securities	82.72
By Treasurer's Expense Account	266.00
By Amts. remitted to Conference Treasurer.....	
October 22, 1928	\$ 900.00
November 19, 1928	900.00
December 20, 1928	900.00
January 19, 1929	900.00

February 20, 1929	900.00		
March 20, 1929	900.00		
April 18, 1929	1,500.00		
Check herewith	1,285.79	8,185.79	\$8,584.51

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY,
Treasurer.

Above account examined and found correct as per Vouchers, and all income properly accounted for.

Securities of Society deposited in Safe Deposit Box of Society.

W. B. JUDEFIND
L. F. WARNER
Auditing Committee.

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 Clippingier .....	.....	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 Alexander 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
John Hewlings Stockton Ewell	1865	1889	1908
Henry Caleb Cushing, D. D.	1828	1853	1908

Name	Born	Entered Conference	Died
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 Nicholson	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
Aquila 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
Joseph Levin Mill, D. D.	1840	1860	1924
C. E. McCullough	1865	1891	1925
Harry Sherman Johnson	1864	1890	1925
John Matthew Holmes, D. D.	1845	1865	1925
William N. Sherwood	1876	1900	1926
Augustus Webster Mather	1845	1866	1926
Frederick C. Klein, A. M., D. D.	1857	1879	1926
Charles Price Nowlin, B. D.	1864	1893	1926
Wm. S. Simms	1849	.....	1926
James William Gray	1840	1861	1928
Addison S. Beane	1858	1893	1928
Francis T. Little, D. D.	1849	1872	1928
J. G. Sullivan	1848	1871	1929
Webster M. Strayer	1836	1858	1929
Jarrett M. Sheridan, D. D.	1851	1875	1929
Frank T. Benson, D. D.	1862	1886	1929
Thomas Owings Crouse, D. D.	1852	1872	1929
Thomas Hamilton Lewis, D. D., L. L. D.	1852	1876	1929

OBITUARIES

ADDISON SPURGEON BEANE



Addison Spurgeon Beane was born November 28, 1858, in Northumberland County, Virginia. He was married September 12, 1878, to Eliza J. Beatley. He entered the ministry of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in April 1890, and was ordained the following April. His ministry included the following pastorates: Grove, Caroline County, 1890-92; Franklin City, Va., 1892-97; Greenwood, Del., 1897-99; Bedford Circuit, Pa., 1899-02. First Church, Washington, D. C., 1902-05; New Market, Md., 1905-08; Keen Memorial Baltimore, 1908-28. He died at the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, September 21, 1928, and his body was laid to rest three days later in the beautiful Woodlawn

Cemetery, Baltimore City. Surviving Brother Beane are his widow, one son, Addison J., and four daughters, Mrs. William N. Thomas, Mrs. George Waidner, Mrs. T. E. Cockey, and Mrs. Harry A. Collett, all of Baltimore City.

Members of the Obituary Committee write thus of this faithful preacher:

"The late Reverend Addison Spurgeon Beane was a son of Richard and Agnes Talley Beane and was born in the little town of Miskimon, Northumberland County, Virginia, November 28, 1858.

"Although it was not my privilege to know Brother Beane until he came to Keen Memorial Church more than twenty years ago, I am so glad that I ever knew him, for his life has been a great inspiration to me; his courage and fidelity to things that were good and great has been a source of admiration. He was the most conscientious Christian gentleman I ever met—so evenly poised and self-controlled; loyal to his God and church, loyal to his friends and his family.

"He was unswerving in his conviction as to that which he believed to be right. He was a safe counsellor—no man need fear to follow his footsteps or act upon his advice. He was a man full of hope, faith, trust, and charity. In fact, he was a dear old soul; to know him was to love him.

"I shall never forget some of the moments spent with him in the homes of our people and the years spent working together in the church advancing the cause of Christ, and for the good of our people."

CHARLES G. CRIST.

"I knew Brother Beane for a number of years as pastor and friend. Besides being a good preacher he had marked executive ability. During his pastorate at Washington he organized committees, put spirit into

them raised \$5,000 to repair the church, paid for it and left no debts for his successor to pay.

"He was a faithful Christian, a successful pastor, building up the church he served.

"He had many trials, some of them very grievous, which he was able to bear and overcome by the grace of God.

"He died in the faith, and is no doubt enjoying the fruits of his labors."

WILLIAM J. BREWER.

"While Brother Beane was born and reared in the same county as myself, I never knew him until he was called by the Quarterly Conference of the Northumberland Charge, Virginia, to take the pastorate made vacant by the broken health of Rev. H. E. Miskimon. He soon won the hearts of the people by his gentle spirit, his faithfulness to the responsibilities of the pastorate, and his earnest preaching of the Word.

"The fact that we were from the same place, brought us close to each other as friends, and so I followed him in his work among us, with more than average interest. I knew him through all the years of his ministry as a choice spirit, modest, humble, and true to his convictions. He was a man with high ideals. He frowned upon the low and trifling. He knew how to make and hold friends. He was a good preacher and a true man of God."

J. M. GILL.

"Brother Beane belonged to an old Virginia family which for several generations has been identified with the Methodist Protestant Church. His entire life was lived in the church. He gave thirty-five years of active and efficient service in the ministry of the Maryland Conference. He was an excellent preacher of the word and a successful pastor. This was proven in a long period of service at Keen Memorial, Baltimore, and the affection displayed by the membership through his extended illness. He was a man of unquestioned Christian character and held the confidence of those with whom he associated."

J. M. SHERIDAN.

"Brother A. S. Beane came to our charge about 1897. A stranger to me, I learned to know and to love him. He was a true man of God. He lived in the gospel that he preached and was held in high esteem by the people of Greenwood Charge, which he served so faithfully. While we feel we have lost a true friend and brother, we bow in humble submission to God's will, knowing that he has gone to live with Jesus which is far better."

J. FRANK PORTER.

"The two Christian names given to this man of God suggest both a poet and a preacher. Though he was not a professional poet like the former nor prominent preacher like the latter, yet in his obscurest parishes he caught poetic visions and composed strong sermonic structures. Had he been of only a literary type, willing to take of the time always devoted to the duties of the pulpit and the parish, he could have written another read-

able 'Annals of a Quiet Neighborhood,' for he experienced all the joys and sorrows, trials and triumphs, of a lowly pastor in the rural regions of Delaware, the Eastern and Western Shore of Maryland, the seashore in Virginia, and the mountains of Pennsylvania.

"Nor was he denied the mental culture and spiritual development which come with city pastorates in Washington and Baltimore.

"But wherever his post of duty, he drew from his environment all that was good for his religious growth, and gave to his flock the best of head, heart, and hand. For three and a half decades he set a worthy example in justice and mercy to his fellows, and in humility before his God. His true, simple, unselfish life won the admiration and love of all who knew him at his best, and it is now being reproduced in the character and conduct of those whom he led 'out of darkness into light,' and from ways of wickedness into 'paths of righteousness'."

H. L. ELDERDICE.

The chairman of the Committee writes the last word:

"We were neighbors in Washington during our pastorates there, he at the old First Church and I at North Carolina Avenue. Those years together, in more than ordinary intimacy, revealed to me the gentleness and the strength of his rugged character. He was really of heroic mould, one of the most determined men I have ever known when he made up his mind and was sure he was right. I have seen him in situations that called for the coolest judgment and the most courageous action, and he never moved an inch from the path he chose as right. He hated deceit and dishonesty with a terrific hatred, but he was full of compassion for the wrong-doer and sought to set him right. As a friend, he was loyalty itself—he simply could not go back upon a friend. As a preacher, he was forceful and rose often to a kind of eloquence that was over-powering. But in prayer he reached his highest and best. When he prayed, it was like some one praying in Gethsemane, for there were heart struggles within himself and for others that brought him very close to his Lord, so close that it was a benediction to be near him when he rose from his knees after prayer.

I knew him better perhaps than any of his friends, for he unburdened himself to me and showed me his heart, often bleeding and torn. I think I understood him where others could not understand, and I am ready to acclaim him for what he really was—a man of the highest character who kept himself unspotted from the world and was true to every vow he had ever taken.

"Such men as he are the salt of the earth. In the home, in the pulpit, in the pastorate, in the great ministry of life, preachers are needed who know the Master they serve and are able to easily convince the people of their sincerity and of their worth. God does not need great words as much as He needs great lives to be His spokesmen and His interpreter to the hearts of people. Words often are simply shibboleths and great sermons get nowhere, when the life of the preacher is at odds with the sermons he preaches. The ministry needs men of the type of this good man who went about doing good, who coveted no other preacher's place or power, who was willing to follow while others led, and who in quiet

and unassuming paths led in the way that people ought to go. In his last pastorate he was gloriously successful in winning men and women to Christ, and he has left a record in that pastorate that will bear fruit in the years to come. I feel grateful that it was my joy to have known this man and to have had his friendship."

A. N. WARD
H. L. ELDERDICE
J. M. SHERIDAN
C. G. CRIST
WM. J. BREWER
J. FRANK PORTER

FRANCIS THOMAS LITTLE



was born in Baltimore, Maryland, August 20th, 1849, and died in the same city November 22nd, 1928. He was given the name of two Governors of Maryland, Francis Thomas and Philip Francis Thomas, the latter being in office at the time of his birth. He was converted and joined Broadway Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, in 1865 during the pastorate of Rev. Peter Light Wilson. Two other young men, converted about the same time, A. A. Harryman and W. J. Neepier, entered Western Maryland College in the fall of 1869 to prepare for the ministry, and joined the Conference of 1871. But Brother Little was not so fortunate, being obliged to help support the family. However, in April of 1870, the church

recommended him to the president, Rev. S. B. Southerland, for employment in the itinerancy, and he sent him to Dorchester Circuit as assistant, and the following year he was employed by Rev. D. Evans Reese, president, as pastor of Pocomoke Circuit. In March, 1872, he was received on trial, ordained deacon at the Conference of 1873, held at Broadway, and elder in 1875.

Thus began an itinerancy that lasted fifty-four years, serving as pastor in eleven charges, and as president of the conference five years. It will please those charges to have set down here the times of these several pastorates. After Dorchester Circuit, 1870, he served Pocomoke Circuit two years, 1871, 1872; Snow Hill Circuit, one, 1873; Queen Anne Circuit, three, 1874-76; Cumberland, two, 1877-78; St. James, four, 1879-82, and here he took his bride, Catherine, the daughter of Mr. Percy Wilmer of Queen Anne County, Maryland, who survives him. Leaving St. James, he served Easton six years, 1883-88; Starr, Baltimore, thirteen, 1889-1901. At the Conference of 1902, meeting at Centreville, he was elected president and served that office five years, 1902-06. Resuming his place in the pastorate, he served Chestertown five years, 1907-11, Alnutt Memorial, seven years, 1912-18, and then received his last appointment

to Evergreen, Baltimore, which he served six years, 1919-24. At the Conference of Hampden, Baltimore, in 1925 he asked to be placed on the list of superannuates. It was a sad occasion. His most intimate friends had tried to persuade him not to make this request. He seemed so vigorous, so perfectly capable to continue his pastorate, and they believed he would be happier so. They even arranged privately to supply him with an assistant, and the people of Evergreen joined in the request. But he was sensitive to the apprehension that he might be an encumbrance, and insisted on his request, so of course it was granted, and he continued in this relation among the familiar scenes of his boyhood for three more years, when he died and was buried in the city where he had spent thirty-one of the fifty-four years of his active ministry.

By reason of strength his days lengthened out unto almost fourscore years, but his strength was not labor and sorrow. Only in the last two years did he become acquainted with invalidism. He had a strong, robust body, a vigorous, alert mind and a cheerful, ambitious disposition. His temperament ardent, rather aggressive in fact, kept him keyed up to his best work throughout; and one would always have the impression on getting acquainted with him that while he was no fighter, he was not afraid of anything or anybody. He did not seek to dominate affairs or people, but was agreeable to work with as an associate because one always knew where to find him; no "trimmer," thank God! A straightforward man, standing foursquare to every wind that blew.

His life work was singularly homogeneous. He loved supremely one Church, one Conference and one employment, and beyond these he never strayed. He learned how to preach in the old-fashioned school of the Methodist Itinerancy, whose curriculum was the simple one of keeping at it until you knew how. It is probable that he wrote few sermons, he was not fond of preaching "special" sermons, declined many opportunities of "starring" in celebrations, and preferred always to preach in his own pulpit and to his own folks. But he learned how to preach. Estimating that in the fifty-four years of his active itinerancy he preached six thousand times at least, and knowing his mental vigor and elan, his splendid voice and manner, one could easily understand why he was always a welcome preacher in any pulpit, and why his own people in every instance welcomed him back from year to year. Few itinerants receive no more than eleven appointments in fifty-four years.

And yet, fine preacher that he was, he was probably more marked in his pastoral work than in his pulpit. His personality reacted more effectively to persons than to occasions. In sickness, in trouble, in perplexities, he was always ready, always practical and always helpful. He had a way of expressing such a fullness of sympathy, of taking up on his big heart and broad shoulders other people's troubles, that his presence brought a sigh of relief to weary hearts, and the house of mourning was no more the home of despair.

This was his life, the life of a preacher and a pastor. His joy in it was that of an enthusiast. He never wanted any other, and he counted not his life dear unto himself so that he might finish this with joy.

His church was not unmindful of his gifts and worth. He was always being called to honorable service by the election of his brethren.

They gave him their best pastorates with committees and boards to which most important. They sent him as a representative to the Conference to the eight succeeding ones. He was elected a delegate to the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in Canada, in 1911, and he was appointed to the Executive Committee, on which he served for a degree of Doctor of Divinity by Kansas Wesleyan University, member of the Board of Trustees of Wesleyan University for two years, and as president of the Board of Trustees and various other positions of honor and respect, and indispensable man. Thus his brethren and friends found him to the last.

He was an ardent denominationalist, and well acquainted with the law of his Church. He edited the Discipline by direction of the Conference, distinguished himself as an executive during the Annual Conference, and as a presiding elder with the Methodist Protestant Church was a generation; it was a generation. That Church he did in the world he did at her bidding. At his service he learned at her knee. He to his mother, and he was not only loyal, he was and gladly gave her all he had. He came to the Conference were but eighty-one itinerants and a few members. The last Conference he attended six itinerants, and more than thirty-five to witness similar progress in other conferences of growth, and they filled his heart with joy it would have been the same with him if he had married this Church, as a young man to her, it was for better or for worse until

The closing months of his life were triumphant career. In much physical pain and darkness the glory of the coming of his Lord in gentle submission, serenely confident of what his Lord would do. And at last he died and was satisfied.

We who are left to mourn for him remember his patience. It will seem sad and strange to him. It is difficult for us who knew him and others coming to fill up the measure of his place to such doubt, God will still carry on His workmen. Nevertheless, "there is a remnant of this day in Israel."

The funeral service was held on Saturday at the North Baltimore church, which he had attended, and was conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. H. Lewis, assisted by Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., and Rev. J. H. Little left, besides his widow

Pere Wilmer Little, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Caulk Kemp, of St. Michaels, Md.; Rev. Francis Kinzer Little, D. D., of Phoenix, Arizona; Mr. Reese Hammond Little, of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. Austin McLean Little, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. W. Holton Parr, of Baltimore, Md.; and Miss Anna Hall Little, of Baltimore, Md. (A son, Kenneth Carlyle, died in infancy.)

T. H. LEWIS
 W. H. LITSINGER
 E. T. READ
 R. L. SHIPLEY
 R. G. NICHOLSON
 T. A. MURRAY
 T. W. DONOHO
 J. H. ROBERTS

REV. JAMES GARRITSON SULLIVAN, M.D.



Rev. James Garrittson Sullivan, M.D., was born in Salisbury, Maryland, on February 9, 1849; and died in Richmond, Virginia, January 8, 1929.

His parents were Washington and Nancy Rowe Sullivan. He united with the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church at the session held in Chestertown, Maryland, in 1871. He served the following charges as assistant pastor, Cecil, Finksburg, Anne Arundel, Whaleyville and Caroline. As pastor he served the following charges, Dames Quarter, Surry, Wilmington, Southside, Harper's Ferry, Crumpton, Cumberland Oak Grove, Amelia, Holly Run and Mount Nebo. He served Crumpton and Surry in a second pastorate.

He was never physically strong and being in a delicate state of health he took a superannuate relation at the conference of 1887, but resumed an active relation again in 1890 and served until 1898, when he again took a superannuate relation.

Dr. Sullivan was twice married, his first wife was a Miss Presson, of Burnsville, Virginia. By this marriage he had one son, George Presson Sullivan, of Cumberland, Maryland.

His second wife was Miss Annie Harding, of Harpers Ferry, West Virginia; she and her daughter, Grace L. H. Sullivan reside at Seven Pines, Virginia. Dr. Sullivan was taken ill with pneumonia on the twenty-fourth day of December and was taken to Memorial Hospital in Richmond, Virginia, where he passed from this earthly life on January the eighth. As Mrs. Sullivan was ill at the time, neither she or her daughter could accompany the remains, which was taken to Harpers Ferry for burial. His son, George and family, were in attendance. Funeral services were held in the Methodist Protestant Church conducted by Rev. C. E. Dryden, assisted by Rev. H. C. Burkins, pastor of the church. Mem-

bers of the Masonic Order were present and took charge of the services at the grave.

Rev. George F. Farring, a member of the committee pays this tribute to our beloved brother.

"I was the pastor of Rev. J. G. Sullivan for four years during my ministry at Harpers Ferry. He was then a superannuate minister but participated in all the activities of the local church when his health would permit.

"He was a meek and modest man with a heart full of kindness and compassion. His Godly life and his high sense of duty proved that 'he was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith.'

"He was a close student of the Bible, and of church history and medicine. His memory was retentive and he knew how to impart what he had learned.

"As a preacher he was persuasive and fervent. He was a man of remarkable fluency. His sermons were instructive and helpful. Frequently he was called upon to preach upon special occasions and each time 'he proved himself to be a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.'

"This faithful servant of God has gone to his reward but his loving ministrations, which were so helpful to me will abide."

Mr. Charles H. Wolford, a lay member of the committee, has written the following.

"Forty-three years have come and gone since the subject of this brief sketch was pastor of the Cumberland Station Methodist Protestant Church.

"Rev. J. G. Sullivan was a man of deep spiritual thought, and his sermons were highly interesting and instructive, always giving his hearers something to carry home with them.

"He was not only a strong preacher, but he was an exemplary pastor. He had to be told but once of the illness of a member or friend of the church, until he was there carrying sunshine and cheer into the sick chamber.

"George, his only son, has resided in this city the last thirty years, and the greater part of this time he has been a member of the choir."

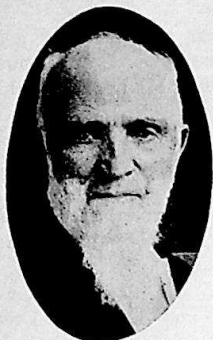
Mr. J. A. Snyder, another lay member of the committee writes as follows.

"Dr. J. G. Sullivan served Amelia Circuit in 1893, I remember him as being a good preacher and pastor. He was exceedingly popular both as a preacher and pastor. He was not strong, rather frail. We had then very bad roads and a large circuit, yet he did his work well and never complained. He was ever ready to go. I loved him dearly."

The chairman of this committee, soon after entering the conference in 1886, became acquainted with Dr. Sullivan; and has always held him in high esteem as a true Christian and faithful minister of the gospel of Christ.

J. F. WOODEN
G. F. FARRING
C. F. CUMMINGS
M. W. PYLE
J. A. SYDNOR
C. H. WOLFORD Committee.

WEBSTER MATTHEW STRAYER



Birth and Boyhood. Jacob Seibert Strayer and Sarah Ann Strayer were the father and mother of the subject of this obituary. The father was a life-long member of the Presbyterian Church and the mother was a Charter member of the Methodist Protestant Church, in whose fellowship she remained until death. Their son, Webster Matthew, was cradled in Hedgesville, Berkeley County, Virginia—now West Virginia. In youth he learned the trade of saddler and harness-maker and pursued that work though handicapped by a form of rheumatism known as "white swelling." This led to the loss of several small bones from one foot and caused the hitch in his walk which lingered with him to the last. In his early days, this

physical affliction was so severe that the family physician came to his home for the purpose of amputating the diseased leg but was prevented by the protest of his mother. Though he never fully recovered from this rheumatic trouble, yet such were his sturdy strength and indomitable will that it never seriously interfered with either his pulpit or pastoral ministrations.

Manhood and Ministry. His manhood from maturity to a ripe old age was spent in the Gospel Ministry. In the list of the Membership of the Maryland Annual Conference his Register number is 176, the date of his Reception 1858, the year of his Ordination 1860, and that of his Departure 1929. As an active and then as a superannuated member he was identified with the Conference for one year more than the allotted span of life. For seventy-one years he lived, loved, and labored as a faithful Man of God; for when the infirmities of old age bade him cease the activities of his sacred calling, his passive service was sublime, illustrating the truth first expressed by blind Milton: "They also serve who only stand and wait." The exact number of his active years is 48 and that of his superannuation 23. The record of his Conference life is as follows:

Newtown, assistant, 1858; Queen Anne, assistant, 1859; Frederick City, 1860; Snow Hill, 1861-2; Alexandria, 1863; Cambridge, 1864-5; Warwick, 1866; Laurel, 1867-70; Chesapeake, 1871-3; Belair, 1874-6; Snow Hill, 1877-82; Chestertown, 1883-4; Starr, 1855-8; President, 1899-9; Jefferson, 1892-02; Oxford, 1903-05; and superannuate, 1906-1929.

In this varied and well-wounded Ministerial career he experienced all the joys and sorrows in the Itinerant life, swung the circle from rural parish to city church, and then rose from the ranks to the highest gift of his brethren—the Presidential Chair, and finally crowned his life-work by showing that it is possible to practice the fine art of "growing old gracefully."

Personality and Power. He was a man of iron will whose determination deepened with opposition. This may have led opponents to mistake

that virtue for mere stubbornness but a deeper and more sympathetic analysis would have discovered that his righteous indignation was a fighting spirit fired, rather than dampened, by opposition. This personal trait is the explanation of his mastery of many a situation which would have defeated the fight of one of weaker will. And yet, like Moses, he was an example of the man whose impetuosity is compatible with meekness. He could also bend to the weakness and even the whims of his parishioners when principle was not involved; and those who knew him best remember him chiefly by that gentleness which makes one truly great. To his young brethren in the Ministry he was especially devoted, expressing not only by helpful word but by constant deed his deep interest in their public and personal welfare. To one such life-long friend, in his last farewell, he said: "Henry, I love you. I always did." The laity, as well as the clergy of the Maryland Conference, bear grateful tribute to the same generous sympathy and practical help. One of these, when only a college student, came in touch with his influence and to this day it is one of the most powerful cords which holds fast to Christ and the Church, and yet broadens his Ecclesiastical vision to the common brotherhood of all Christians, whatever their creed or polity. And another who was long one of his parishioners voices the opinion of countless others when he pays this tribute: "He was one of the finest men I ever knew. His abiding faith in his Heavenly Father was always beyond question. Though gone into the Great Beyond, his life has left its impress upon everyone with whom he came in contact."

Outside the immediate circle of his local church, he was best known to his Ministerial Brethren as a Conference man. During the annual Sessions he was always, in the days of his prime, a commanding figure. It was not the height of his stature nor the avoirdupois of his body that caught the eye and held the ear; for these alone would have compelled him to say with the small-sized Watts: "I must be measured by my soul, the mind's the standard of the man." But it was his grasp of the intricacies of the question under discussion, his logical analysis of every argument, and above all, the sweep of his eloquence in impromptu debate. The acme of his oratorical gifts was not reached, however, on the floor of an assembly contesting over questions of governmental law and Church discipline; but on a Camp Ground when a vast Sunday morning congregation of saints and sinners looked into his beaming face and listened spell-bound to his interpretation of the Plan of Salvation. More than once his preaching upon these rare occasions reached a power that was truly Pentecostal. With such power as a preacher he did not feel the need of spending much time in identifying himself with any School of Theology. A systematic statement of every shade of his thought on doctrines would not have been possible even by himself. Without the aid of a Theological Seminary, he cultivated the Homiletical Habit in the saddle and practiced his sermons by talking to trees, brooks, fields, and sheep as he rode from one place to another in his early ministry. In his later ministry he made use of libraries well-stocked with religious literature, yet never did the theological thought of others prevent him from constant original thinking and thoroughly independent speaking. In theology he was a broad churchman in the broad sense which John Wesley was, "His ser-

mons were particularly strong in textual exegesis. He was not a topical preacher, except upon some such subject as temperance. His practice was to take a text and explain and enlighten it. He stuck to his text always."

His Departure. This ambassador of Christ reported for orders in the Court of Heaven, January 16, 1929. Leaving his 92 year old body in the home of his daughter, Mrs. William H. Meyers, Oxford, Maryland, he winged his way to the throne of Him Whose he was and Whom he had so long and faithfully served on earth. His funeral ceremony was held in the North Baltimore Methodist Protestant Church and conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Litsinger, D. D., assisted by President E. C. Makosky of the Maryland Conference; H. L. Elderdice, President of the Westminster Theological Seminary; Dr. W. J. Thompson of Drew Theological Seminary and Dr. G. E. Bevans, of the Presbyterian Church, Fairmont, W. Va. He is survived by two daughters: Mrs. John Kronmiller, Baltimore and Mrs. William H. Meyers, Oxford, Md; and by four sons: Webster M., Baltimore, Md., Dr. Paul M., pastor emeritus of the Third Presbyterian Church, Rochester, N. Y., Rev. Charlton B., Norwalk, Conn., and Lieut.-Col. Thorne Strayer, U. S. A., Washington, D. C. He also leaves fourteen grandchildren and one great grandchild, and one sister, Mrs. Henry Reynolds of Shepherdstown, W. Va. His casket was lowered into his grave in Druid Ridge Cemetery, Baltimore, there to wait for the Resurrection Dawn. But even now, before the shadows of night flee away, by faith we can sing to him:

"With saints enthroned on high,
Thou dost thy Lord proclaim,
And still to God salvation cry,
Salvation to the Lamb."

T. H. LEWIS
H. L. ELDERDICE
A. N. WARD
W. H. D. JOHNSON
JOHN A. BAKER
ROWLAND WATTS
MRS. AUBREY COX

Committee.

JARRETT MITCHELL SHERIDAN



The Great Book tells us we spend our years as a tale that is told. Applied to Rev. Jarrett Mitchell Sheridan it is the story of a man, who, going well beyond the three score and ten of allotted years, came into the zenith of mental powers and widest usefulness with his maturest years. His life story, therefore, is somewhat a reversal of the expected excess of years as of "labor and of sorrow." For many years he was conspicuous in the leadership of his Conference and Denomination, and despite the fact of a well performed five year presidency of the Maryland Conference, and of many years' membership on the Board of Missions it may truthfully be said that the last ten years of his life marked his most conspicuous service. It was not that an

office made his work prominent, but rather that he lifted his task into a dominating position and drew to him a recognition of signal efficiency; he seemed to grow in favor with God and man. He had reached the very crest of accepted recognition and place when one bitter wintry morning, that which was life in him gave way to an angel's call. The places that had known him suddenly became desolate. The tall handsome man of immaculate countenance; the courteous gentleman; the servant intent upon his Master's business; the disciple who walked quietly with his Lord; the beloved friend of many—would come our earthly ways no more. Unobtrusively and quietly he went his way into the other life. For a few days he hovered on the border land with but an occasional glimmer of sweet recognition—and then the good man was gone. God rest him and make his memory blessed.

He was born a country lad, out in Baltimore County, near Luther-ville, Md., September 20, 1851. January 17, 1929, is the other date. The interval of seventy-seven years, three months and twenty-five days marks the brief story that we tell. He gave his heart to God and the Church in his youth. His early education was from a private teacher and for four years before entering the ministry he taught school, using his spare time in preparing himself for admission into the Maryland Conference. D. W. Bates and J. R. Nichols were his pastors during this period. He was one of four men received into the Conference in 1875. His first appointment sent him out on Howard Circuit as an assistant to Rev. W. T. Dumm. Four years later, March 6, 1879, after serving two years on Howard, one year at Mt. Carmel, Va. (that year detached from Lynchburg), and one year as assistant to Rev. J. T. Murray, Georgetown, D. C., he returned to Howard to take in marriage Miss Matilda Warfield Ridgely and the two journeyed off to their new appointment at Salisbury, Maryland. Thus began a wedded life of singular happiness and beautiful accord. Through all the rigors of itinerant life they went their way in high faith and united devotion. And then, October 6, 1912, came altogether too soon, while pastor of the Broadway Church, the summons to the dear wife and mother. They journeyed back again to Howard; this time to God's Acre adjoin-

ing the little church, Union Chapel, and left her there. Last December, while on a return trip through this country in company of several of his brethren, the road was crossed that made its way up by the church and he, looking that way, dropped the remark that it wouldn't be long before he would be taken up the same road. Four children were born to them, all a comfort and constant source of pride: J. Ridgely Sheridan, Fairmont, W. Va., Mrs. Walter T. Morris, Chestertown, Md., Miss Sallie E. Sheridan and Jarrett M. Sheridan, Jr., both of Baltimore, Md.

The life in the pastorate continued until 1907. After serving the Salisbury appointment for three years we find as subsequent assignments, Dorchester 1882-1884 where he built two new churches and completed one already begun: Jefferson (now known as Buckeystown) 1885-1891, his longest pastorate; then Easton from 1892 to 1894, East Baltimore 1895-1900; Pocomoke City 1901-1902; St. James 1903-1906. After five years in the presidency of the Conference he served Broadway from 1912 to 1917. In 1918 he was appointed Church Extension Superintendent and continued in that office until he accepted the secretaryship of the Board of Home Missions in October, 1925. This relation continued until the General Conference of 1928 when the office was merged into the new Board of Missions. He continued however an employee of the Board until the meeting of the Maryland Conference last September when he was reappointed Church Extension Superintendent and given as part of his duties the management of the new Headquarters Building, Baltimore. The time was short, altogether too short to those of us who were his daily associates, we who lived in such happy fellowship, together with that other rare spirit who was so soon to follow him to that other land.

His active life falls naturally into three phases; the pastorate, the presidency, general activity. Thirty-eight years he preached from his own pulpits and ministered to his own people. One would call that a sufficient life story in itself. They represented the work of sterling consecration and sincerest piety. Here was a man whose every sermon was the very incarnation of a profound conviction and none ever doubted the genuineness of his utterances; the man and his speech were eternally coupled. There was a bit of spiritual austerity about him which one might at times have wished to be lightened up with a less serious attitude toward religious things but nevertheless none ever charged him with frivolousness or compromise. He stood unyielding to any suggestion that would, mentally or spiritually, lower his estimate or practice of his ministerial calling. Any infringement, even in others, of the accepted standards of ministerial conduct shocked and wounded him. No man ever emerged at the end of his life so consistently successful in their maintenance than did he. Even in his dress he came through, one of the very few of our number, resisting the changes that have left ministers of the gospel in appearance like laymen. He was a friendly man and his people found him near whenever they needed him. Nothing attests the appreciation in which he was held more than the strong friendships he left in the fields which he served. The records of his pastorates show a consistent character development; not so much the flash peculiar to some preachers, either in pulpit or statistics, but in permanent establishment, of numbers, of material improvement and of solid growth. He preached the Conference sermon in Centerville, Md., in 1902. The text

was what one might expect him to take, 2 Tim. 4:2; "Preach the Word." Unfortunately it was not printed in the Conference record. But those who heard it said it was a fine deliverance.

The presidency of the Conference came to him at Rhode Island Avenue Church, Washington, 1907, and no man ever conducted that high office with holier appreciation of its honors and of its responsibilities, or who more diligently employed his time in the performance of its duties. He came into the office at a time when the Conference was showing a consistent growth. During the five years he served, there was a net gain in membership of almost 3,000 and property increase totalling nearly half a million dollars, with appreciable increases in other financial operations, particularly in pastor's salaries. One need not attempt in order to give such figures importance to attribute all of this to his leadership but it is a fact that much of it could not have occurred had he conducted himself less diligently or lacked the confidence of his brethren. His annual reports showed a decided understanding of his work and reveal a wide review of the field. It was during his presidency and through his recommendation that the Deaconess work came into existence. His chief contribution, however, as president was in the constant reiteration of the need of church extension. He saw clearly and convincingly that the future of the Conference lay in this direction. Every report returned to the theme. In 1909 he says: "I do not want to be extreme or extra urgent in my statements but the importance of this work is such I would be recreant to my duty if I did not strive to stimulate the Conference to an intensity of effort never before reached in its history." The report of 1911 sets forth many opportune fields and says that the assessment for church extension should be at least \$20,000, a sum we have not yet much more than half realized. The Peninsula Church, Wilmington, is a definite outgrowth of his initiation, a committee being appointed by him to study the field and to carry forward the project. Little did he realize at the time how much of his own labor would later be required to carry through what has proved to be one of the most brilliant pieces of Church Extension work in our history.

It was, however, in the general field of church extension and home mission activity that he was to achieve his most notable recognition. In various ways he had served and was serving the church when he came into the superintendency of church extension. He had been a member of the Board of Home Missions for over twenty years; he had served as a member of the Conference Board of Trustees since 1901; he had been elected to the General Conferences of 1900, 1908, 1912, 1916, 1924, 1928. It was most natural, therefore, when the opportunity came that he should take up that work with which he most mentally aligned and for which he was most eminently qualified. The Church Extension Superintendency was the kind of office that had to be carried by the man; he either had to fit it or the office became unimportant; the kind of work in fact highly important but of exceeding difficulty. Into this office he carried the confidence of our most conspicuous laymen. They recognized in him their own type of high minded financial integrity, the kind of a man who, had he gone into business instead of into the ministry, would have made as conspicuous success as they. He would undoubtedly have

become a very wealthy man. He treated his own and his church's obligations with the most scrupulous attention, and nothing gave him so great concern as excessive obligations in church outlay or maturing debts with inadequate or uncertain provisions. During his term of office he saw completed the Peninsula Church, assisted with Emannuel Church, Philadelphia Trinity, Grace Church, Graceland Park, Edmondson Ave., all of Baltimore; Calvary, Va., near Washington, and many other enterprises. Then when he took on the Secretaryship of the Board of Home Missions did a most conspicuous work; that which brought to him the appreciation of the entire denomination. Had the office been continued at the last General Conference it is freely admitted he would have been elected to the same position despite his advancing years.

A simple incident will reveal both the regard the church felt for him and his own innate modesty. At the Indiana Conference of 1927 he had reviewed the work of the Board in a very happy fashion and been finely received. He then came down front, taking his seat beside a brother minister. President T. H. Lewis following him on the program remarked: "When Dr. Sheridan was elected to this office it was to complete an unexpired term till the meeting of the General Conference next May. But what do you think the Conference will do when they know the fine work he has done for the Church?" The statement was greeted with hearty applause, and then proceeding: "There is still some honey in the old hive." Again the applause and Dr. Sheridan, blushing like a school boy, asked his neighbor, "What did he say, what did he say?" He said, "There's still some honey in the old hive". His lips began to move as if to reply but his friend's hand on his arm restrained him with the suggestion, "This isn't the time to talk, Doctor." And then, self-consciously and embarrassed: "I'm not saying anything, am I?"

It takes such a long while to grow a man like Doctor Sheridan. His place is almost impossible to fill. He combined those sterling qualities which make for respect in the Christian ministry, that give sanction to church life and hold assurance for Christian living. He loved his own Denomination with such a passion, that while he could meet in the spirit of brotherhood men of other faiths, he could think of himself in no other relation. He belonged to us; body, soul and spirit. And in a day of lessening devotion as we begin to appraise the remembered years, when we speak of the fathers, those who have without reservation and with the utmost abandon invested their all in the beloved church, those who in exultant youth and victorious maturity were found faithful, will always rise in loving gratitude and appreciation this loyal servant of the church, this ardent follower of the Lord. In closing permit this quotation from Dr. Benson's editorial in The Methodist Protestant: "When we think of him as dead, there is no incongruity in it. His going home to God was as natural as his rising in the morning to go forth to the toils of the day. He lived the life that was hid with Christ in God and everyone felt it that came into his presence. He was God's minister and he never forgot it."

Funeral services were conducted by the president of the conference, Rev. E. C. Makosky, beginning at the home with a prayer by Rev. J. H. Straughn and concluded at North Baltimore Church with addresses by

President Makosky, Rev. W. H. Litsinger and President J. C. Broomfield of the General Conference. He was taken for his last resting to Union Chapel Church, Howard County, and laid beside his beloved wife.

JAS. H. STRAUGHN

J. M. GILL

W. H. LITSINGER

E. B. FENBY

T. H. MYERS

Committee.

In Appreciation:

For fifty-four years the late Dr. J. M. Sheridan labored earnestly and zealously for the extension of God's Kingdom. He spent his physical, mental and spiritual energies without reserve, that the borders of his own beloved Zion might be extended. He was ever alert to discover new fields and opportunities for the establishment of churches. Many congregations, whose pastors and delegates now sit in this Conference, owe their origin to the foresight, faith and labors of this man of God.

Seven years ago, the 22nd of January last, he organized the church, with thirteen charter members, which now has the honor of entertaining this Conference. Our congregation now numbers four hundred and sixteen (416), who are loyal to the church and to the Conference, which Dr. Sheridan so dearly loved.

In recognition of the Christian Fidelity and statesmanship of this man, we, the members and friends of Edmondson Avenue, have caused to be erected a bronze tablet to his memory. It is our delight to unveil this simple memorial that the congregations, which worship here now and in the days to come, may be reminded of him. Our prayer is that we may erect a monument of Christian Character and Denominational Fidelity more lasting than the bronze and marble, which now bear his name.

"He being dead yet speaketh."

Signed GEO. B. HACKETT,

Delegate Elect of the Edmondson Ave. Methodist Protestant Church.
June 12, 1929.

FRANK THOMAS BENSON

Childhood and Culture. Frank Thomas Benson was well born. His father was Rev. Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D., of the Maryland Conference, and his mother was of the Thomas family, long prominent in Queen Anne County, Maryland. Cradled in a Methodist Protestant parsonage, and trained in the history, doctrines, and polity of the Methodist Protestant Church, it is not strange that the son followed his father into the Christian Ministry, and developed into an intelligent and intense denominationalist. For his high calling he was well prepared by home and scholastic training. In 1884 he won the degree of Bachelor of Arts from The Western Maryland College and in 1886 graduated from The Westminster Theo-



loigical Seminary with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. His gifts and graces had reached a high stage of culture, when, in 1886, he joined the Maryland Conference. One year later he was ordained. During the **forty-three years** of public service by voice and pen he continued to so carefully cultivate his intellectual faculties and spiritual endowments, they stood all the exacting tests of Pulpit and Editorial Chair.

Preacher and Pastor. As an itinerant preacher, he spent thirty years in the District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, and New Jersey. The rich records of his fearless and forceful presentation of Gospel truth remain in the annals of Mount Tabor and Rhode Island Avenue Churches in Washington; West Baltimore and St. John's Independent Churches, the former served as assistant pastor and the latter as a loan; Centerville, Denton, and Crisfield Churches on the Eastern Shore; and in our First Churches in Wilmington, Delaware and Elizabeth, New Jersey. In theology he was a conservative, yet not a reactionary denying fellowship with honest and devout liberals. "The 'isms' of the day were not attractive to him, and his instinct was opposition. But at the same time he was not unresponsive to the call of new occasions and new interpretations, recognizing that sometimes 'time makes ancient good uncouth'." His convictions were deep, tenaciously held, and expressed with clearness, force, and frequently with beauty. He magnified his holy office by attitudes and utterances of dignity and reverence, and every sermon revealed that "his gifted personality was linked to the good old Gospel," and his conversation and conduct after the sermon were proof that "he endeavored to live by the truth" he had declared. When he turned from Biblical exposition and Theological interpretations to the application of Christianity to personal, social and political sins, he was uncompromising, and in the front ranks fighting every foe of "God, Home, and Native Land." But he was equally qualified for the intimate and delicate duties of pastor. His rebuke to the erring could be gentle; his counsel to the perplexed, sympathetic; his encouragement to the baffled, inspirational; and behind even the occasional harsh word there beat a tender heart and a yearning to weep with the sad and rejoice with the glad. All hungry and straying in his flock found him a good shepherd eager and wise to lead into "green pastures" of Scriptural truth and to "the still waters" of God's grace. His pulpit and pastoral qualifications were both needed and disclosed in his administrative ability. This ability was revealed to the general Church when he served as President of the Maryland Conference Union of Christian Endeavor Societies. He demonstrated his own leadership by the discovery and development of a "progressive leadership that brought about enthusiastic conventions, and put into action new talent and leaders among our younger preachers and laymen, which surprised and delighted the Church, and began a new era for our Young People."

Editor. The General Conference of 1916 elected him to succeed Dr. F. T. Tagg as Editor of The Methodist Protestant. To this call he responded and gave the remaining thirteen years of his life in a service which crowned him with denominational fame. He began with ideals so high and work so masterfully done, that a friend solicitously said: "Frank, you can never keep up the pace." But he did. Among the

many notable achievements were wrought by him may be mentioned: an unparalleled circulation of *The Mother Periodical*, a printing plant secured and equipped with most approved modern machinery, and Departmental Work under the guidance of some of the most gifted writers of the Maryland Conference. But his most prominent, powerful, and permanent work was done through his facile and eloquent pen. His Leading Editorials and Editorial Briefs always found him at his best. The former furnished his readers with history, old and new, doctrines, dead and living, church programs, wise and unwise, modern foes and friends of the Gospel, so that none should be led away from "the faith of the fathers." And the latter were rich and racy epigrams which gripped the thought and fired the spirit. A volume could be filled with tributes which have been voluntarily paid him since his sudden translation, but they would be only a repetition of a few that are typical. From his *Journalistic Brotherhood* of his own Church come these two: The Editor of the *Methodist Recorder* writes: "Dr. Benson belonged to the genuine editorial type of literary excellence, and possessed the prophetic editorial gift which could see in the inexperienced writer the emerging promise of future achievements." And the Editor of our *Sunday School Periodicals* is equally eloquent in praise, for his verdict is: "A close observer of modern trends in social and political life, he supported by voice and pen every righteous movement and decried every advance in wrong. He was a moral champion and defender, not unlike one of the ancient prophets in his zeal." But from beyond the borders of our own Zion come eulogies just as high. The Editor of *The Congregationalist*, Boston, has penned these words: "His death removes from religious journalism a noble character, a devoted churchman, and a diligent craftsman. He had many friends. He faithfully served his denomination, and yet had a world outlook which embraced all nations and faiths." And the Editor of *The Southern Methodist*, whose sanctum is in the building in which Dr. Benson was located, entered there recently as a stranger to succeed Dr. Harris, removed by death. Here is his pen-picture of our beloved brother: "When the writer first came into the Methodist Protestant building last October, there came to him a short, stocky, keen-eyed, and kindly man—Dr. Benson. His greeting was such that we felt no hesitancy in discussing with him at any time problems regarding our mutual work. Just previous to the Easter issue he came into our office and inquired what we were going to use upon the front cover of the issue, and offered to the Baltimore Southern Methodist as a courtesy any Easter engravings which we might wish from the supplies of the Methodist Protestant. Such thoughtfulness we very much appreciate and much more the spiritual power and discernment of the man." But the power of Dr. Benson's pen was not confined to the realm of the Church, it was felt also by the State, as evidenced by this quotation from a secular paper, devoted to Moral Reforms, *The American Issue*: "He knew as well how to say a thing that ought to be said as any man we have ever known. During the recent campaign he placed *The Methodist Protestant* in the front rank of church journals in his advocacy of the election of a man for the President who would uphold the Eighteenth Amendment." Our laity join with

our ministers and the editors of many denominations in their estimate of the worth of our departed friend. Hear ye them! One who was a parishioner testifies: "He had rare personality which made his ministry effective both in the pulpit and in the pastorate. He was a great preacher and a faithful pastor." And another of our laymen, with associations with him in various fields of service, bears this glad witness: "I have always found him a sincere Christian, a hard worker, a splendid editor and a fine preacher—very efficient in everything that he undertook."

His Translation. On the fifth of April, 1929, at the age of sixty-seven, in his home in Baltimore, his voice suddenly became silent and his pen dropped from his hand. His last Editorials seem to be prophetic of experiences which would soon be his in the Life Beyond the Grave, for they dealt with Easter revelations and preparation for abode in the "House not made with hands." None who read can ever forget about the last stroke of his pen: "Your bark will never reach the Heavenly haven, if the Pilot who knows the seas is not at the helm." His funeral ceremonies were conducted by the President of the Maryland Conference, Dr. E. C. Makosky, assisted by Dr. J. C. Broomfield, President of the General Conference, and by the following members of the Maryland Conference: Doctors J. H. Straughn, H. L. Elderdice, E. A. Sexsmith, A. N. Ward, G. W. Haddaway, W. H. Litsinger, and the pastor of Starr Church, J. N. Link. It was fitting that these services were held in this Church in which he had worshipped ever since he left the pulpit for the Editorial Chair. His widow is a daughter of Dr. J. T. Murray, many years a prominent member of the Maryland Conference, his brother is Howard L., professor of Music in Westminster, and his four children are: F. Murray, a lawyer in Baltimore; Arthur Emory, engaged in law and insurance in Philadelphia; Mrs. DeWitt C. Smith, of Washington, and Mrs. Brestle Rupert, of Baltimore. The Conference shares with them not only their sorrow but their faith, for we can rejoice together because

"Immortal hope dispels the gloom —
An angel sits beside the tomb."

H. L. ELDERDICE
T. H. LEWIS
L. F. WARNER
J. T. HOLLAND
T. PLINY FISHER
JOHN H. BAKER

THOMAS OWINGS CROUSE

Thomas Owings Crouse was born in Baltimore, Maryland, January 8, 1852. He died April 29, 1929, in Denton, Maryland, in his 78th year.

His parents were Rev. William A. Crouse, an honored minister of the Maryland Conference, and Matilda Lee Crouse.

He was married October 27, 1875, to Miss Lavinia Russell, of Chestertown, Maryland. This marriage was a happy one, and he found in this wife a glad helper in his ministerial work, sharing with him the privations and struggles as well as triumphs of the major part of his life. She died July 27, 1918. On March 31, 1920, he was married in Philadelphia, Pa., to Miss Janie Phillips Moore, of Denton, Maryland. This wife was a member of the Denton

Methodist Protestant Church, and very active in the life of the Church. This second marriage was blessed with happiness also. She was an earnest worker with him while he continued in the active pastorate, and when he retired, he passed his years in the precious fellowship of a delightful helpmeet, and in the rest of a happy home. She survives him.

His daughters, all of whom were born of the first marriage, and all of whom are living, are: Mrs. Mary L. Wyatt, Mrs. Henry S. Wells, Miss Helen Crouse, Miss Lavinia R. Crouse.

He received his early education in the public schools, and later, attended a male academy of Westminster. Finishing at this high school, he matriculated at Western Maryland College, from which he graduated in 1871, being a member of the first graduating class of that institution, receiving the degree of A.B. The degree of A.M. was conferred upon him in course, and later in life he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

He was converted when a lad. He had been under conviction for several days, when, being depressed because of his sins, he sought an interview with Rev. L. W. Bates. Upon relating his feelings, Dr. Bates said to him, "Why, Tommy, God loves you." With that sentence his burden rolled away, and he received peace.

His call to the ministry came in such a way that he felt it and recognized it, and there was a longing in his heart to respond. The father did not discourage this feeling of his son, but encouraged it by giving him an opportunity to preach, and he preached his first sermon in a school house on Concord Circuit, his father being an auditor. His text was "We have seen and do testify the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the World." At the conclusion of the sermon the father said to the son, "If you live to preach a hundred years you will never preach a better sermon than that."

He entered Conference in March, 1872, at the session held in Washington, D. C., and served fifteen Conference charges, and for eight years was pastor of the Chatsworth Independent Methodist Church of Balti-



more. His first appointment was as assistant on Kent Circuit. For fifty-four years, without a break, he preached as a pastor, and grief was with him when he felt compelled to retire as an active member of the Conference. He loved his Conference with deep affection, and was always eager to answer the roll call in its annual sessions.

He believed himself to be a minister of Jesus Christ. That involved the setting forth of Jesus, the holding of Jesus Christ as the Saviour of men. This he constantly did. Jesus as Redeemer was prominent in his sermons, and he was fond of telling how Christ died for men. He was a preacher of the gospel. He preached the word. He never forgot it, it was his subject matter. The Bible was his text book. He sought to expound that word, to unfold the biblical sentence, to break it up and make it plain. He gave sound truth. He was never led off on tangents, and was never taken with mere novelty. He gave himself to constant study and wide reading, and thoroughly believed in the gospel that he preached. His sermons were indicative of thought, were compact, logical and had in them intellectual strength. They were delivered with feeling and earnestness, and with oratory. His congregations were fed spiritual food. No man could listen without the soul recognizing that spiritual food had been given. He clothed his sentences with selected words which fell pleasantly upon the ear. His church regarded him as among the strongest preachers. He loved preaching. He openly declared and often said, "If you don't want me to preach, don't ask me, for very likely I will accept your invitation." As a pastor he was a Shepherd, taking the oversight and caring for the flock, seeking in the homes to lead his people into green pastures, and beside still waters; aiming to allay the storms of the heart, and help the heart toward peace. He strove to give spiritual pasturage and refreshment.

A striking illustration of his devotion to preaching is found in an experience at our Milford Conference. Upon some excusing themselves from preaching on Sunday of the Conference he voluntarily offered to do it, and then being twitted because of his open-hearted willingness to preach, he replied,

"Happy if with my latest breath,
I may but gasp His name,
Preach Him to all, and cry in death
'Behold, behold the Lamb'."

Upon one occasion, he said to his wife, "The first person I want to see is Jesus. I have preached so much about Him and talked so much about Him that He is a part of me, and I want to see Him first."

He was superannuated at the Conference in Wilmington, April, 1926, and settled in Denton in a comfortable home. Here he spent the remainder of his life in great contentment and peace. He identified himself with the work and citizens of the town, making himself most genial and pleasant and neighborly to high and low, and was held in the highest respect by all classes of the people, men, women and children. He was peculiarly and strongly loved both in the church and out of the church, and went in and out of the homes as a dear friend. When he was sick the whole community was in a state of inquiry as to his condition, and uni-

versal sorrow was expressed at his death. Different people, wide apart socially, gave expression to their view of his partnership in the town's life in the expressive sentence, "He will be missed."

The period of superannuation was not an inactive time with him. He served our church at Harmony, ten miles below Denton, for a year, preaching every other Sunday. He wanted to do Christian work and entered with zest in the work of Denton Church. He taught a Sunday School class of fifteen of the splendid young women of the church and they were delighted to have him as teacher and loved him. He co-operated cordially and fully with the pastor, and was always ready to respond to any call, whether to preach on Sabbath or lead Prayer meeting. He was always in the Church worship, and was a worthy example of devotion to the Church services. Night as well as day found him present, and the week night service as regularly as the Sunday worship. His Christian life was clearly defined. People saw him as a Christian man as well as a minister. He sought to manifest the character which was in harmony with his calling.

One of the members of this Committee in whose father's house, Dr. Crouse lived as a young man, says that "He was exemplary, lovable, industrious and attended to his work, and that all through his life, which he had followed closely, he had been the same appreciated follower of God." And yet another tells us that he fashioned his life by the gospel which he preached, and that it would be "difficult for any one to recall the expression of a sentiment or the commission of an act that did not conform to the teaching of his divine Master. He was a friendly man and made life long friends in every Congregation that he served. He whole-heartedly entered into all the joys that came to his people and when sorrow came, his was the first word of understanding sympathy."

A few days before his last illness, he said that he was not well, and then in another few days he was compelled by sickness to take to his bed. It was not in his own thought nor in others thought that this sickness would be unto death. At first only moderately sick, his heart was giving him trouble, making him weak, but he could read reclining in bed, and sometimes sitting in a chair. His interest was keen in what was transpiring, and he enjoyed, when strong enough, the visitation of friends. But as the days wore on and other physical ills developed, and weakness began to increase, so that he could not see company, then uncertainty of recovery was manifested both by himself and family, and the gravest fears were held. It was on Monday morning, April 29, after intense coughing and hemorrhage from the heart, that as the night was giving away to day his spirit broke away from its clay tenement, and winged his flight to his Heavenly Home.

In his sickness he was patient, and in his anticipation of passing into Eternity, he had serenity of spirit. Without seeking expression as to his comfort he more than once said "I am comfortable, I don't want a thing. Everything is provided for me." He had superb care, day and night for the three weeks of his illness; every attention was given that he might have comfort. Among the last words spoken to the pastor was a beautiful and loving tribute to the wife who had made his last years so rich with freedom from care, and who had so tenderly nursed him.

In the beginning of his sickness, he seemed to want to give some expression as to his Christian experience, and to the pastor he said with emotion

"My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus blood and righteousness,"

and then repeated that great sentence of Christian confidence of Paul's:

"I know Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day," and without pausing to give special weight to his words, he strongly declared, "That's my testimony."

After about another week, when strength was weakening, thinking it might be that his departure was probable, although hope was still alive for his restoration, he declared to the pastor, "Thou wilt keep Him in perfect peace Whose mind is stayed on thee, because He trusted in thee," and then added, "That's my text," and adding again, "I have the consciousness of the favor of God."

Wednesday morning, May 1st, the funeral was held in the Methodist Protestant Church in Denton, Maryland. The Church was filled with both men and women. A large body of ministers of his own denomination and other denominations were present. The services were conducted by his pastor, assisted by Revs. J. T. Bailey and G. A. Morris. His body was conveyed to Baltimore, and on Thursday, May 2nd, services were held in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wells. Revs. W. H. Litsinger, H. L. Elderdice, A. N. Ward, and the President of the Conference, officiating.

From this home, the body was carried to Druid Ridge Cemetery, Baltimore, Maryland, and laid to rest beside the wife of his early years, to await the coming of his Lord and Saviour.

J. W. KIRK
H. L. ELDERDICE
WM. H. LITSINGER
R. Y. NICHOLSON
T. A. MYERS
J. M. H. ROWLAND

MRS. JOANNA ENSOR GRAY

Mrs. Joanna Ensor Gray was born December 10th, 1844 near Hereford, Baltimore County, Maryland, and entered into rest on January 1st, 1929.

She was the daughter of Nickolas and Jemima Foster.

On November 20th, 1866 she was united in marriage to Rev. J. W. Gray with whom she shared the joys and sorrows of the itinerancy for 41 years.

Since 1906 she resided in Brooklyn, Maryland.

She is survived by the following children: Dr. William Gray, New York, N. Y., Emory Gray of Brooklyn, Md., Mrs. Stella Williams of Brooklyn, Md., where she made her home and where she received loving

and tender ministrations, and Edgar Gray of Texas. She is also survived by one brother, Alfred Foster of Baltimore County, Md.

Sister Gray was converted in early life and was a faithful and devout follower of the Lord.

She was a real preacher's helpmate. Her kindness and ministries of love among the people brought to her their love and favor.

In her home she was a devoted wife and mother. She entertained her guests with motherly interest and care, making them feel at home.

At Brooklyn Church we honor the memory of Sister Gray for her faithful work in organizing "The Ladies Aid Society" which has been a very helpful agency for forty years or more.

We remember her radiant spirit and her bright optimism which cheered many a heart and lightened many a burden.

She was loved for her sincere sympathy, her ready thoughtfulness and her abounding patience.

Her loss will be felt by all, but most keenly in her home where she was known best and loved most.

Funeral services were conducted at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stella Williams. The services were in charge of Rev. H. O. Keen, her pastor, assisted by Geo. F. Farring.

Her body rests beside that of her sainted husband in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Rev. Dr. J. W. Trout says:

"I have often said that Brother Gray made no mistake in choosing a wife. As a member of the Obituary Committee, I want to make this statement the basis of my contribution.

"Mrs. Gray was a woman of exalted Christian character. She was cheerful and loving in disposition; attractive in personality and genial in nature. She was devoted and competent as a minister's wife; loving and wise as a mother, and most valuable and true as a friend.

"Order was the watchword of her home and now that her active work is done her children see its virtues in their own lives and call her blessed."

Rev. J. F. Wooden writes:

"My acquaintance with Mrs. Gray began in the spring of 1884 when her husband, the late Rev. J. W. Gray, was appointed pastor of Hampden Charge, my home church. Being interested in the work of the church and having the ministry in view, I was in their home often.

"Two years later I was appointed Junior pastor to Brother Gray on Anne Arundel Circuit, and hardly a week passed during the year that I was not in the parsonage, and formed a strong attachment for its inmates.

"Sister Gray was a model wife and mother; always concerned for the welfare of her husband and children, and always looking after their comforts and needs. I cannot pay her a greater tribute than to quote the words of King Solomon. 'She opened her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, he praiseth her!'"

Rev. H. O. Keen, her pastor, writes:

Sister Joanna Gray, the beloved wife of the late Rev. J. W. Gray,

quietly slipped away to be with God, on New Year's morning, 1929. Her beloved husband preceded her in the Glory-Land on April 1st, 1928, making just nine months intervening. Both of these saints grew mellow and sweet with age. Sister Gray had a smile 'that never came off.' Although her hearing was greatly impaired, and walked with difficulty, she was always cheerful and uncomplaining. We visited her often, and never came before her presence without thanking God for that marvelous Grace He always gives to His saints. She lived and served well, and in her latter days, she was not forsaken by her blessed Lord. Sister Gray left behind four children. Three sons and one daughter, Mrs. Estella Williams, in Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland, on the opposite corner from the Methodist Protestant Church. Too much cannot be said of the tender and loving care giving to these old saints by their daughter. 'They never wanted for any good thing.' They both passed out with every attention and comfort that could be given.

"Sister Gray has lain down all her bodily infirmities, and gone up to be with her Saviour which is far better. What rejoicing must have been in Heaven, when Daddy Gray saw his dear beloved companion coming home."

William J. Brewer writes:

"Mrs. J. W. Gray was a true Christian, gentle, kind, and of an even disposition. She was always bright and optimistic, ready to encourage and help others in trouble.

"The writer knew her for fifty years, making many visits to her home, always getting benefit and uplift.

"When she came to Washington the first time (she served us twice as pastor's wife) she found a heavy burden on the church. She immediately organized the ladies and soon had the debt paid. This is my earliest recollection of her work.

"She was a great help to her good husband, always working together for a common cause—the building up of the Kingdom.

The following verses in the last chapter of Proverbs describe her much better than I could hope to do:

"She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands holdeth the distaff.

"She stretcheth out her hands to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

"Strength and honor are her clothing.

"She openeth her mouth in wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

"Four children remain. They have an inestimable example to follow.

"She was honored and beloved by all who knew her. Most of her friends have passed on before, but there will be a happy reunion.

"Thank God for such friends."

G. F. FARRING

J. W. TROUT

J. F. WOODEN

H. O. KEEN

WILLIAM J. BREWER

HARRY THOMAS Committee.

MARY TODD JUDEFIND

Out of the shadow-land into the sunshine
 Cloudless, eternal that fades not away,
 Softly and tenderly Jesus hath called her
 Home where the ransomed are gathering today.
 Silently, peacefully angels have borne her
 Into the beautiful mansions above
 There shall she rest from earth's toiling forever
 Safe in the arms of God's infinite love.

How beautifully these lines express the quiet home going of Mary Judefind. As quiet and as peaceful as a dying day she slipped away to be with her Savior. Not a struggle. Not a sigh. Only a smile of tenderest love for those about her, and the battle was over, the victory won and she was at home with her Lord. It is a bit hard to adjust ourselves to it. The shock is great. We can hardly realize it, that this busy, consecrated young woman is gone. Surely she will be missed in every department of the church she loved so well. She was full of good works. Her splendid Christian character was felt throughout the entire church. Surely she has lived well. She was true to her Master and the work she so dearly loved. It makes us to be quiet and think when we see them going out one after another. Who will take their places? Who will take up their work? Whose life will become consecrated to the Lord that the work will not be hindered. These places are hard to fill. May the Lord lay His hand upon others that the mantle of Mary Judefind may fall upon them. We know that the heart of the whole church goes out to her dear husband and her devoted son. May the blessed consolation of the gospel which our dear brother has so splendidly preached be their stay and abiding comfort. Thus the line lengthens out as they go one by one. They are joining the church triumphant on the other side of the river. May the Great Head of the Church keep us faithful until the morning dawns, when we shall see their bright faces radiant in heaven's own light.

Brother J. W. Cox speaks for the Violetville Church which was so dear to the heart of Mrs. Judefind.

"Mary Todd Judefind, wife of Reverend W. B. Judefind, slipped away from us on November 27, 1928, and has gone to be with the Lord.

"Mrs. Judefind was born September 5, 1871, in Baltimore County. She was the daughter of John Trotten Todd and Isabelle Stewart Todd. She was married to Reverend W. B. Judefind on November 26, 1895, at the Alnutt Memorial Church by the Reverend C. K. McCaslin. To this union there were born two children, a daughter and a son. The daughter died in infancy, the son, William Lee Judefind, survives.

"She was president of the Ladies Aid Society and also president of the Ladies' Bible Society of Violetville Church, which church her husband serves as pastor. We feel that her eagerness to serve the church and her Master caused her to give of her strength beyond that which her body, always frail, could supply.

"The translation of this dear woman brought to an end, on this

earth, a beautiful Christian life whose cheerfulness, helpfulness, and consecration surely reflected the Saviour's love.

"May the Great Comforter be with those near and dear to her. We are leaning on Him, too, for to know her was to love her, and we miss her so."

Reverend C. K. McCaslin who as a brother greatly beloved speaks of a long experience of more than thirty-three years with Mrs. Judefind.

"My acquaintance with sister Judefind began more than thirty-three years ago, just a little before her marriage to Reverend W. B. Judefind. Mrs. Judefind was by training and a charming personality splendidly prepared to take her place beside her husband in the ministry of the Church of Christ. Our sister was an ideal pastor's wife, knowing how to work with the people for the prosperity of the church. Resourceful and sincere she inspired courage in the hearts of those who joined with her in the service of the kingdom. She easily won the hearts of the people. Her work in the several pastorates served to testify for her how well she succeeded. True to her friends. Faithful to the church. Devoted to her family. Ideal in the relation of wife and mother. She was a home maker. No one ever entered her home without being impressed with the beauty and charm of her home life. I joy in her precious memory and pray for God's richest blessing upon the loved ones in the time of their great sorrow."

Dr. J. H. Straughn brings from the dearest of books a rare gem as a tribute of love.

"Bible readers often find themselves wishing they might have had the opportunity of acquaintance with certain men and women of whom they read. There is but a scant reference to Timothy's mother and grandmother, but it is crowded with meaning; 'the unfeigned faith that dwelt first in thy grandmother, Lois and thy mother, Eunice.' The sacred writer knew that home well. But what marvelous women, mother and daughter, alike modest, mild-mannered, unobtrusive, but with deep running currents of genuine courage, and unalloyed loyalty. Not easily excited, gentle, not quickly speaking; somewhat given to retirement, not easily shaken in confidences, always true. They lacked the colorfulness of certain types, but were the sort on which great causes could be founded and remain constant. Such people of whom not many words need to be said or written. In their case, one sentence, but such as to create a great hunger in every Christian woman's heart.

"Mary Judefind was such a woman as they, and the unfeigned faith of this dear friend, will abide as a great inspiration to those who like myself had the good fortune of knowing her well."

Reverend G. M. Clayton a friend of many years speaks as only a friend can speak. He, too, has had great sorrows and Mrs. Judefind and the writer have often spoken of a friendship that abides.

"It was just after she became the devoted wife of my friend that I met this good woman. At that time and a few times subsequently our parishes overlapped. Between the families of those parsonages there sprang up a friendship the passing years have strengthened and sweetened. Signally blessed, indeed, am I in having had my life brought under the refining influence of so superior a friendship. Hence I come bearing

my humble tribute to the precious memory of this devout, Christian woman. In her heart and life mildness and modesty beautifully blended with frankness and firmness, indicating strength and equipoise of character. It is not at all surprising that her praise is found in all the churches and communities she and her husband served. The memory of her quiet dignity, native refinement, genial cheerfulness, deep piety, the flower and fruitage of a living, saving faith in Christ Jesus the Lord, linger like purest perfume in all our hearts, inspiring and encouraging the fond hope of being found worthy of a place among the true nobility of Christ in heaven, where she has gone."

Mr. F. G. Reinicker, a splendid Christian layman of our church speaks out of an overflowing heart of this gracious woman who in no small way helped to make possible the magnificent work of our Eutaw Church.

"Words fail me when I try to speak of this lovely Christian woman. For twenty years or more she has been one of the most cherished friends of my family. Seven years she labored side by side with her husband here at Eutaw, endearing herself to every one with her quiet unassuming, energetic, personality, and never did she lose interest in anything that pertained to Eutaw's welfare since they were transferred from here. She has left us with a precious memory."

Mr. S. F. Baker, another staunch Christian layman of our Parksley Church where Brother Judefind served so royally for years, speaks for the church and community where Mrs. Judefind lived and served.

"I cannot express how much we all loved Mrs. Judefind for she was such a true friend. My acquaintance with her extends back to the time when Mr. Judefind became pastor of Parksley Church. Words are insufficient to express our sorrow when learning of her death. Mrs. Judefind was a devout Christian, a true friend, an ideal minister's wife, and a wonderful mother. Her visits in our home were always a source of cheer and comfort to us and we feel her going out as a personal loss. It can be truly said of her in our home, in the church, in the town:

"None knew thee but to love thee
None named thee but to praise."

So with tender hearts dear little mother we offer these tokens of our love and affection, working and waiting for the triumphant shout of our coming Lord, knowing that when He shall appear you will be with Him and we shall be caught up together to meet the Lord in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

E. D. STONE, Chairman
J. H. STRAUGHN
G. M. CLAYTON
C. K. McCASLIN
J. W. COX
F. G. REINICKER
S. F. BAKER

FRANCES HELEN KINDLEY

Mrs. Frances Helen Kindley was born March 7, 1868, in Harford County, Maryland, and her Heavenly Father said to her on March 11, 1929, "It is enough, come up higher."

She was the daughter of Alphonso and Charlotte Emory Robinson and at the age of sixteen years she dedicated her life to God and affiliated with Union Chapel, Methodist Protestant Church.

May 27, 1890, she was united in holy wedlock to Reverend B. W. Kindley, a member of the Maryland Annual Conference; to that union three children were born, all of whom survive her, George F., of Washington, D. C., Charlotte R., of Bel Air, Maryland, and William J., of New York, N. Y.

A memorial was held for her at her late residence in Bel Air on March 14, 1929, conducted by the President of our Conference, her pastor, Reverend G. E. Turner, Reverend H. O. Keen, and the writer.

I have known Mrs. Kindley since 1884 and was often in her father's splendid home when she was just merging into beautiful young womanhood and motherhood. Knowing her as a girl I followed her with keenest interest during her long itinerant life of thirty-nine years as the co-partner of Rev. B. W. Kindley, my friend and classmate. Mrs. Kindley was a choice spirit, a beautiful Christian character, the finest type of real womanhood and motherhood. She was richly endowed with splendid talents, having a keen intellect a rare personality and a meek and quiet spirit.

While no minister ever had a more efficient helpmeet or wise counsellor, yet the crown of her glory is the Christian character of her three children. May they ever be conscious that their loss is her great gain.

Dr. Kirk, a life long friend and classmate of her husband writes:

"Mrs. W. B. Kindley was a woman of the finest quality. There was no relation in her life in which excellent qualities were not shining forth. She was a strong personality and a leader. Had convictions and opinions, and they were based upon experience and facts of her knowledge. Her executive ability was quickly recognized, and plans and suggestions were always at command. She was of keen intelligence and weighed with earnest thought any proposed course of action.

"When she linked her life with her husband's and became a pastor's wife, she was a helpmeet indeed. Her life was consecrated to the church, and any church which had her as the occupant of the parsonage, was richer in character and work and interest and consecration. The whole cause of God had new strength back of it, and every part of the church life was of deep concern to her. She was a strong arm, always working for something better, and when her husband was leading the Sunday School work of our state, she was at his side, putting her intelligence and worth in action in making the Sunday School of the state better fitted to do well their work.

"Her interest was not exhausted with the local church. It went far afield, and the missionary undertaking was dear to her.

"How fine a mother she was! Always at it in seeking that it might be well with her sons and daughter. Whatever her work, her home was vital

with her, and while busy in church life, her home had to be guarded that her children might find happiness around the hearthstone. She held her children to the church and taught them responsibility and the duty of honoring God in holy worship. Her children have a right 'to rise up and call her blessed.'

"Her personal religious life was strong, and spiritual things had a loud call. She believed in faithful and regular attendance upon divine services, and God's house to her was precious."

Brother Turner, pastor at the time of her death, has this to say:

"I have known Mrs. Kindlye for several years, having met her during the sessions of the Maryland Conference on numerous occasions, but during the past year I had come to know her more intimately than I did before. She was a member of Union Chapel of Bel Air Charge since December 23, 1883, and was devoted to that church during her whole life. Mrs. Kindley was highly esteemed by her many friends on the Bel Air Charge where she lived and worked with her husband who was pastor here some years ago. I knew Mrs. Kindley to be a fine type of Christian woman. She was sympathetic, energetic, capable, and a gracious hostess. Her many friends will miss her."

Mrs. L. F. Warner writes of her missionary spirit:

"For more than twenty years it was my privilege to be closely associated with Mrs. Kindley in religious work. Her sweet spirited self sacrifice, her gentleness, meekness and humility made her a power for good.

"These traits exemplified in every day living made her life a blessing in every community.

"Her influence in Linthicum Heights extended far beyond the church circle for the whole neighborhood loved and honored her. She had a vital interest in every worth-while cause. Besides she had a world vision. Her keen interest in missions intensified missionary zeal in each place she has served.

"Some of our best missionary societies were organized and fostered by her strong inspirational leadership. She was a valuable member of the Executive Committee Maryland Branch W. F. M. S. until failing health compelled her resignation.

"May the memory of her beautiful life be a comfort and inspiration to the dear ones of the family circle, as well as to all the many friends saddened by her going."

Mr. Seth Linthicum writes for the Linthicum Heights Church which she served:

"The members and friends of Linthicum Heights M. P. Church have suffered a deep personal loss in the death of Mrs. B. W. Kindley, wife of our former pastor.

"Mrs. Kindley, held in highest esteem and love by all who knew her, was to us a wonderful friend, leader and advisor. Her charming personality and keen intelligence made her an asset to any gathering.

"Mrs. Kindley was unusually well adapted to be the wife of a minister. Capable of adapting herself to frequent changes of residence, and

making friends wherever she went, she won the admiration of all who knew her, and to know her was to love her.

"Her friendship meant more than we can express to the mothers of the Church. With her keen understanding of the problem of our children, she was a shining example and wonderful counsellor.

"Born and reared near Bel Air, Harford County, Frances Robinson Kindly returned after fifty years to her old home to pass a few months before the last farewell.

"Throughout her pilgrimage and daily contacts she was ever,
"The thread of gold, which shone most fair,
When there were sombre colors."

Mr. J. Thomas Holland, of Centreville Church pays this tribute:

"I first came to know Mrs. Kindley when her very highly esteemed husband, the Reverend B. W. Kindley, moved to Centreville some years ago, and became pastor of our local church. Because of the most pleasant and friendly relations existing between them and myself, the memory of this pastorate still lingers. From this intimate acquaintance of several years, I saw many evidences which proved to me that no minister had a more loyal and helpful wife than Brother Kindley. No children more fortunate than theirs in having such a devoted and solicitous mother.

"Her home, her husband, her children, her friends, ever and always felt the influence of her beautiful Christian character. Hers was a life of unselfish devotion to everything pertaining to the church in all its varied activities.

"Both my wife and myself feel that we have lost a loyal and truly sincere friend."

"Service above self" was her impelling desire, and if they who serve the best, profits most," then of Mrs. Kindley it can be truly said, "She rests from her labors, but her works do follow her."

To the sorely bereaved husband and children we wish to express our deepest sympathy and bespeak for them the ever abiding presence of Him who can comfort when all other influences fail.

J. M. GILL

J. W. KIRK

G. E. TURNER

MRS. L. F. WARNER

SETH H. LINTHICUM

J. THOMAS HOLLAND

THE CONFERENCE SERMON

Rev. James H. Straughn, D. D.

The Church and Public Morality

"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self."—"Who is my neighbor?"
Scripture Lesson: Luke 10:25-37. Luke 10:27,29

I am led to this discussion largely because of the agitation throughout the land concerning the Prohibition Amendment. What I have to say, while applying more specifically to this vital issue, will apply in principle to any other general question having in it moral and immoral implications. Here in Maryland, for example, are such live issues of concern as Sabbath observance, race track and other gambling, the prohibition question, the matter of law enforcement.

Last March, with thousands of others, I stood out in the rain on the east front of the capitol in Washington and heard the President of the United States in his inaugural address making an appeal to the American people to give their obedience to the law of the land. He seemed to give priority to this question above all other important matters discussed. I felt while he was speaking as though I might have been listening to the voice of President Lincoln in his inaugural committing himself at another time of national peril to the destruction of another horrible immorality and the consequent salvation of his country. I realized as I never had before the extreme seriousness of the situation. Since that time the president has kept his pledged word and appointed a representative commission to investigate the whole situation as it relates itself to crime in general and non-obedience to law. Other legislation, through his recommendations, is in process.

The church, or at least a section of it, frequently has been charged with the responsibility of the legislation that brought about the prohibition amendment and assailed for participation in matters that are said to be none of its business. That the church is responsible for the outcome of this legislation is probably a correct statement; that is to say, responsible insofar as it provided for many years the agitation, the inspiration and a large part of the personnel and leadership that finally culminated in the destruction, legally, of this pernicious business known as the liquor traffic. There are no apologies for such participation. Now that what it sought through much tribulation has become a reality, the outlawry of the whole business, it finds itself in the position of seeking to make stable and secure that which has come to pass. There were many other contributing factors in this result without which no such legislation would have been at this time possible, economic, social, financial conditions which had reached a cumulative, corroborative position to that of the church but it is doubtful if they would have become effectively opera-

tive for many generations had it not been for the compelling urge of a large section of the Christian church.

In my discussion, therefore, I am not insensible to the combined equation, that many things entered into the final decision; many factors of great national importance such as other men better qualified than I can report. My particular concern at the present time is to relate ourselves as a body of Christian people to a situation for which we are largely responsible; I want to elaborate a definition of the church's necessary attitude toward public morality.

By the church in this discussion I mean organized Christianity as represented in denominational groups and those agencies which are its legitimate progeny; by public morality I mean the ethical character of public or group conduct, as distinguished from individual conduct. There is a sense in which all public questions have in them moral qualities but there are some which are outstanding in their evil consequence, such as slavery, gambling, the liquor traffic, child labor, inadequate wage and with a growing importance, the question of international relations and war.

The control of such public questions are usually matters of legislation, there seems to be and probably is no other way finally to deal with them, save where because of the desperate character of the business, such as slavery, violence becomes necessary in order to settle the issue. In the final disposition through legislation of such matters the church is supposed to stand aside. Legislation is the prerogative of the state. It is not because the church is incompetent to participate but that it is outside its legitimate function. In this country the separation of church and state is a concluded matter and never the twain shall meet. Any infringement of this working order is sure therefore to meet with disfavor on both sides of the house. And yet the only way of making great public questions finally effective is through legislation. The church might preach temperance till doom's day but without supporting legislation prohibition could never become an established fact. Nor does the church suppose for one moment that people can be legislated into righteous living. What the church can do and must do is to discover the immoral character of great public issues by bringing them over against the great teachings of Christ Jesus; to create agencies and forces and impulses that will bring these issues to justice; to educate and stimulate the public mind to the essential immorality of such issues, and let the whole finally issue in legislative procedure. Such a result we believe has actually taken place with respect to the eighteenth amendment; that the conscience of America has asserted itself; that the great body of our people, despite every agitation to the contrary, wanted and still want this constitutional provision.

1. It is not always easy to give a definition of or make clear what one means by the term moral or morality. Religiously it may mean one thing and legally another. The church may be thinkink of the inherent wrong in a question which the state may disavow simply because no statute has been violated. America is a composite of many groups and that which one may condemn is often in the mind of another quite correct or at least allowable. There are conflicting oral estimates on

every hand. We are an aggregate people wherein every ethical and moral attitude of the world finds an exponent. In the settlement and development of this country there were great contributions from many nationalities of Europe plus the black man from Africa. There were people of widely varying practices, due to racial differences, to religious training and civil conditions. Historians find it quite different to analyze the American mind and state what it is. It is much simpler to tell what is Irish, or English, or Scotch or German or Nordic or Mediterranean or European or Asiatic than it is to state exactly what is American for we are the composite of all these, with a mighty plus! It takes many generations of association and assimilation to arrive at a group mind. But if the spirit of America found expression in the Revolutionary War we can to some degree designate what elements of our population were responsible for it. Had we waited for a united opinion or had certain elements prevailed we would today be a part of the British Empire. The great war of the states, what we call the Civil War, was in the final analysis not a question of slavery, that was simply the occasion, but a collision of two theories of life. The Civil War began when the Puritan settled in New England and when the Cavalier established himself in the South. When the country became a national entity and began to develop a national mind we find two distinct consciences or moral attitudes. They fought it out in legislation and on the battle field and the Puritan mind prevailed. So now if the consciences of America is to be determined by the issue of this fratricidal strife it is not difficult to discover what it is. But in the meanwhile this puritan mind with all its blue laws and its effort to regulate conduct is still with us and still contested. Why should it not be? America has become the home country of the world with every diversity of thought and mind. Millions are here and they are still coming with every sort of political, economic and religious background and naturally find themselves in wide diversity to many of the ethical and moral standards here prevailing. They have been looking for political and economic advantage little realizing to what extent they are the result of a religious attitude.

This confused notion of morality is not alone racial; the same thing prevails among the churches themselves. There is no unit of moral designation or of attitude prevailing even among those who are supposed to be interpreters of such matters and perhaps it is as well that it should be so. To a very great extent the war on the liquor interests has been charged up to the Evangelical faiths, and in particular to Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians. That is probably correct. The same charge was brought against them as having precipitated the Civil War; they wouldn't let slavery alone. The Roman Catholic Church has as an organization kept itself entirely aloof from any active participation in the prohibition movement. Their constituency largely coming from countries but recently where drinking of alcoholic beverages is an accepted practice could hardly be expected either to participate measurably in the movement or accept its decisions. Their theory of temporal authority, of the church, of the priesthood, has made it difficult, if not impossible, to unite in any co-operative movement. The Lutheran Church has its antecedents in Germany and the Protestant Episcopal Church in the

established church of England. The diversity of origins, both racial and religious, have undoubtedly contributed to the various attitudes of our people to the eighteenth amendment.

But despite these diversities of opinion and of attitude there has come to pass that which we style the Eighteenth Amendment and which, please God, will ever remain in the law of the land. America has a conscience on so great a matter and never again will the great majority of our people willingly consent to its repeal or long abide the iniquitous effort to bring to pass its nullification. The sale and manufacture of alcohol for beverage purposes in this land of ours belongs to a day that is dead. The saloon is an institution of history. The liquor question has in fact stepped outside national limits and become a world question, and that which was once looked upon as a mere matter of personal indulgence with its consequent train of evil will ultimately come to be recognized the world over for what it really is, a sin against God and a crime against mankind. Even though there may be a sincerely wide diversity of attitude, due to racial, religious and personal differences there can be no allowance of difference in respect to constituted authority; that the eighteenth amendment is the law of the land; that there is an irreducible morality and obedience to law is the minimum.

2. The church is vitally concerned in this whole matter, for it conceives its mission to be none other than to provide a conscience for the world. It is the one supreme institution whose commission is from God, to carry forward the work and ministry of Jesus Christ our Lord, to bring to pass the kingdom of God on the earth. The day that Jesus left this world, there on the mountainside with heaven and earth attending, he commissioned his disciples to make their way throughout the earth, preaching and teaching what they had learned of Him, making disciples of every nation. It was then and still is a large order. It means at last a reconstruction of the entire social order, a complete readjustment of the world's life to the mind and will of God as revealed in Jesus Christ. Along with whatever happens to this world must go at the same time a constantly expanding and widening realization of what the kingdom is. The church finds in the Bible definite teachings, great principles, inspiring attitudes. The man made Christian through Him who when He, the Spirit of truth, had come would lead us into all truth finds himself a new creature where old things had passed away; he is a new creation filled with new graces and constantly growing in grace. His whole relation to the world is changed. His unfolding experience is that of implications and new inspirations. Wherever he goes he carries along a new world, new with the dawning of each day. The church which is at once the result of these new found experiences and impulses becomes their exponent before the world and instantly finds itself in conflict with the prince of this world.

Making the world Christian and fastening a conscience upon the world is slow business. Every Christian worker and disciple in himself knows how distressingly slow is the conquest of his own soul. The world is always with us. Preachers in particular realize what long and tedious processes are necessary to bring people into a full acceptance of all the implications of the gospel of Christ so that it is no strange matter

therefore that wide diversities should develop among Christian people as to conscience and duty.

It is admitted, of course, that the church must deal with individuals in the performance of their duty but it is equally apparent that the church must deal with people in all the relationships of life, constantly interpreting to them the will of God and their Christian obligations. A church that fails to relate its people to the world in which they live stops short of its duty. We have to deal with people not only in their individual status, their own personal problems, but in their group relationships as well. The nature of one's occupation for example has a great deal to do with the type of Christian character he will develop and one's associate's either social or business will of necessity determine his conduct. It is highly important for every man to watch his groups and know his community contacts; he can't stay away altogether. No matter how fine one's purposes or instincts one has to live and learn how to live in company with other people. These group contacts, these public meetings, these general questions, are life and death to him. For they bear down on his life. Every one knows there is a group mind, a group conscience as well as the individual mind. Of course the group is but the aggregate of individuals and it might be thought that the group would of necessity reflect the mind of the individuals of the group. That would be true if they were all of the same mind and exposed to the same conditions but in most cases they are not. Those who are familiar with the group mind know how easily oftentimes a group will act at variance with their individual opinions. There is a group morality differing altogether from the standards of individual morality. That which is wrong for the individual may sometimes appear to right in the group. War, for example is held the right of the nation but fighting is denied to the individual; hatred, theft, lying, murder are matters of common acceptance when one goes forth to war because he belongs to the group. Those same things done in an individual capacity would certainly lead him to prison and perhaps to the electric chair, still a victim of the group mind; and certainly in relation to the kingdom of God he is under condemnation. Please understand me. I do not give sanction to the group minds herein stated, I simply state the fact. But because this group mind, this group or public morality, bears down so heavily upon life and carries with it so many consequences of good or evil, it becomes to the church a matter of exceeding importance that this group morality shall be Christian and that the actions permitted the group shall in no wise differ from the actions allowed the individual members of the group. The right of the church therefore to speak is unassailable; nay more, the duty of the church to speak becomes imperative. It must therefore seek to impose a conscience upon society at large; the same sort of conscience it is supposed to urge upon its individual members. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God; thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

There is ample justification for the statement that the church must furnish the world's conscience. Where otherwise is it to come from? It is all very well to say to the church and Christian people "lay off public questions, lay off those things which involve the prerogatives of politics and the state," but should they lay off, who is to speak instead?

We must turn these great questions of Sabbath desecration, prohibition, gambling, law enforcement over to those who know how to deal with public questions: the cosmopolitan newspapers, the trained politicians, the city boss, intellectual clowns—behold these become the experts, the mentors and the censors of public morality,—behold, they are the ones to speak and let all the churches be silent before them! Listen to this sweet extract from a recent book: "Leading a pure and holy life is precisely the same kind of thing as dressing properly and taking off one's hat to a lady. Righteousness, good manners, fashion,—they are all one. The sole compelling force behind all morality is the public opinion of any given place or time; and the sole motive of every decent act is one's pre-occupation with what the neighbors think."

3. The Church's business is to save the world, not just to salvage it. It is true we save the world by saving the individuals of the world, and finally there is no other way to save it. But we do not lighten our task or speed our success by ignoring the conditions under which people live. Back into this world life, with its every contact, under its every influence these people must go and work out their salvation. It is hard enough at best without being made unnecessarily hard. Christian workers remember how difficult in the old days of the saloon it was to hold a man to the kingdom when no matter how eagerly he sought to restrain a vicious appetite he was constantly confronted with the open saloon and boon companions; or how difficult it is now for our young people to maintain correct attitudes toward law and righteousness with many of their elders in open defiance of the law and patrons of the underworld. How many preachers there are here today who could testify with me that in order to save some of their men from the saloon they have time and again imperiled their very lives. How well I recall the time when I risked the sharp knife of a butcher, took his bottle away from him and swore I would carry him home to his wife and children sober that day or they would carry me home dead. But this is sob stuff. Besides, there is no saloon now to worry about.

The church it seems must keep quiet about this thing in any active fashion. Its annual and general gatherings must continue to deal in platitudes which find their legitimate interment in records that no one ever sees! Their business is to take hold of the broken bodies of men hurled back by a conscienceless world but not to touch the despoiler; to seek out orphaned and lonely children and be mother and father to them. Well, this is a sweet and beautiful ministry, honored of God and esteemed by men. But why attempt to make of the church not much other than a public scavenger; to follow around in the world to clean up the ways of wicked men; to clean up the stench and misery left behind by a miserable business that has ever affected the world and corrupted every decent man or woman who came within sight of it. No greater evidence of the iniquity of the whole business need be sought than what for love of it has come to pass in the disobedience to law on the part of those who otherwise, as President Hoover says, are respectable citizens. How lightly they hold their citizenship, that for the sake of personal indulgence they would violate the law of the land. It is because, we are told, that people refuse to believe it is wrong to drink, if they want to do so, no matter

what the law is. There is an evil spirit in a business that will cause a man to sell his birthright for a mere drink of wine or whiskey.

Preventive medicine is perhaps as good a way as any to illustrate what I mean. We are in constant praise of these wonderful men who by day and night, in peril of their own lives, tirelessly, sacrificially, toil on to discover how to combat and prevent disease. As one physician put it years ago, we are constantly striving to make our business unnecessary by providing cures for disease and preventing them. Maj. Gorgas did more to build the Panama Canal than did Col. Goethals and deserves infinitely more praise for saving men from the yellow fever than did the chaplain who followed around in other days, burying the dead and caring for the widows and orphaned children.

The church has been charged for many years with its other worldliness; more intent upon getting people into heaven than making them happy on earth. Even now they say the laboring man isn't interested in the church because the church isn't interested in him. Perhaps the most vitriolic attacks on the church to be heard can still be found in certain branches of organized labor. They are mistaken but in some way they have to come to feel that the church has failed to keep step with Jesus, that it is more concerned about the rich man than the poor man. Perhaps we should be more concerned about the rich man; he is in the greater peril of the two. But that isn't what labor is thinking about, rather that the church is simply content with fattening itself with the spoils of flattery and letting the rest of the world go by.

The church in all probability has been derelict in its duty to make this a better world. Whether or not it has discharged its full responsibility towards labor, capital, education, missions, and done all that various interests may have demanded of it, may be questioned. But there is one thing certain, we are constantly animated by the desire to do the right thing; that which we believe to be in the will of God. Interests most immediately concerned may outstrip us in formative opinion but no interest or organization on earth is more intent upon the major business of making this a good world, a place wherein righteousness dwells. The attitude of the church towards present public morality grows out of the settled conviction that the use of alcohol for beverage purposes is the occasion of enormous evil; not to the individual alone but to society at large, tending to undermine every principle of righteousness, every sense of justice and at last destructive of the thing the church has upon its heart, the establishment of the kingdom of God on the earth.

4. The preacher is the voice of the church. Much confusion of thought grows out of the failure or inability of people to understand why it is that preachers of some denominations are much more active in public questions than are the preachers of some others. The main reason perhaps is the theory of their calling. Christian denominations for the most part fall within two general classifications: Liturgical churches, wherein the sacraments of the church become the major means of ministry, such as the Roman Church and to a lesser degree, the Protestant Episcopal and Lutheran Churches; and the Evangelical Churches, wherein the truth declared and accepted or rejected becomes the major appeal. One is a priestly function, the other prophetic; one is the successor to

Aaron the other is Isaiah; one goes to the altar place and the other climbs a pulpit; one withdraws himself and the other cries aloud. It is our conviction that the preacher must bring the sins of the world over against the great principles of the Christian religion. His mission is the interpreter of and the witness to these great divine realities. He is supposed to be the embodiment of what he preaches and God pity him when he is not. The final convincing argument for a truth is to see it incarnated, like as in Jesus. The good man is God's best evidence. One would not be so bold as to say that every preacher should be accepted by the world at large; there are foolish preachers of the gospel just as there are foolish editors and lawyers and business men. Nor would one say that the final morality has made its appearance or the last word been said. In all probability the coming generations will be astonished at our sluggish moral attitudes as we today are amazed at the laxity of bygone generations. The Christian ethic is an emerging, a constant awakening to higher codes. But apart from the higher forms to come it is doubtful if any higher type of morality, public or private, is to be had than that which is espoused and practiced by the church and by Christian people. The golden rule is a possibility despite the fact that it is to many just that much poetry. None can deny the validity of the neighbor appeal; to love as one would be loved, as the solution of the world's ills, were the whole world willing to take Jesus seriously and to practice such adventures. The preacher has a matchless theme and a valued code to lay on the conscience of the world. And it is all right to preach it in theory. But dare he make the application? Dare he say, Thou art the man? Dare he or any group of Christian people say to a great corporation, you are not neighborly, you make vast profits, you work your men and women to death on an inadequate wage, you hold them in virtual bondage. Ah, my brethren, there is the rub! Preach the poetry of Jesus and the world will endure you and perhaps admire you. Preach the prose of Jesus and its impulse is to do with you what it did to the Lord Himself. He comes under condemnation, he becomes a socialist, or a dreamer or if not so complimentary just a plain meddler. If he lifts his voice against race track gambling, or sabbath desecration, or law violation or against a partizanship that would destroy the law of the land he becomes a political parson. "Preach the gospel" we are told, let these things that you know nothing about alone, leave them, to God knows what. See the placards of news stands, and see boldly displayed the racing tips and bids, and pass by on the other side. Watch many young girls returning from work turn to the last sports edition to see what the races have done to their little venture. Go to the movies and hear bootleggers praised and applauded, their pictures cheered while hisses greet those men who are charged with the safety of our lives, do all these things, go on your way unmindful, forget it, or at least if it is on your conscience, go home and pray about it. Preach the gospel! What is the gospel if it is not our brothers blood crying up from the ground; the neighbor among thieves, the Christ victimized by the selfishness and folly of unthinking or vicious people! Preachers for the most part know very little about big business, about science, about law, about medicine, but they know a good deal about right conduct and are able to detect without much difficulty the higher

moralties and relationships of life. And there is one more thing that they know: they know, despite their ignorance of worldly wisdom, that no business or practice is or can be economically or socially sound that is morally bad. They may not be able to point out a complete analysis or a solution other than to say, "Get your house in order." They may and do know very little about what is called the pari-mutuel system practiced at race tracks but they do know that gambling is death, and suicide, and murder, and poverty, and would say to Maryland, the Great Free State, get out of the gambling business and cease bartering our souls away for a mess of pottage. And they would also say, put yourself back into the Union in the spirit of fair play, join in with your other brothers of these United States in the maintenance of the fundamental law of the land.

Political parsons! As if a bit of mild persecution like this, or the implied threat to cut in on their salaries, could make a particle of difference. Preachers already know too well what a limited salary is for that to make a particle of difference. The persecution, the attempted intimidation! And yet we see one other ugly outreach of the ugly business. Those who find themselves in the minority in order to achieve their ends would attempt, and I judge with some success if letter columns in our papers are an indication, to discredit the ministry of evangelical churches unto the advantage of those denominations who when the country called in this great emergency were silent. They would drive a wedge in between the clergy and their constituency and holds them up to ridicule. It is an old game but a desperate one. Those who play it, thinking thereby to fight off the clergy by attempting to discredit them are either thoughtless or malicious. We prefer to believe it is simple inconsiderateness. For this country of ours gains but little and loses much when any one attempts to belittle a class of men which has been and still is a mighty power of the American Republic. Newspapers given to this sort of thing have more to lose by losing the respect of the clergy than they at times realize. So far as the church is concerned a bit of persecution like this is a small matter. She has come through the years out of much suffering and this is no new voice that we hear. We are threatened with loss of members, with the break up of Protestantism and all other dire fatalities. The church isn't in the business of saving itself but of saving the world. If any legitimate charge can be brought against the preacher it is that his voice hasn't been loud enough. There was a time when the evangel of Christ drove preachers like mad men up and down the earth; their tendency now is to softness. The world lays not heavily enough upon their hearts. The sins and sufferings of mankind do not sufficiently burden them. We sleep too well. A day of judgment is a forgotten memorandum.

Those old prototypes of the Bible were exceedingly annoying people. Old Elijah, who crowded a king and queen to the wall! They had led their people astray. And Nathan, who shook every bone in King David's body with the personal accusation, "Thou art the man!" And Isaiah to Hezekiah: "Set thy house in order for thou shalt surely die." And down through the years, John Knox, "Give me Scotland or I die" and John Wesley crying out "The World is my parish."

Mr. Wickersham, whom the president has appointed chairman of the Law and Order Commission, writing in a recent Century magazine on "Making Real the Pact of Paris" ends by saying "Over against this creed (the fighting instinct) are set the higher instincts of a better civilization. Out of the baser character of earlier days there is slowly evolving a philosophy which sees in the preservation of life and the development of the soul of a man greater gain than can be realized by a mutual and competitive destruction of human life. After centuries of blindness the practical value of the teachings of Christ is breaking upon the minds of men. 'Withered is the garland of war.' By love and not hate is the soul of man developed to its greatest possibilities." If this commission headed by this remarkable man shall be dominated by this attitude and conviction of such a statement as this about war and shall make its findings after the same manner as touching its particular duty, the church looking on shall see of the travail of its soul and be satisfied.

The other day in Paris, Texas, I stood on a sidewalk in consultation with others about a church location. Down the street came two young men, of college age, one of them kicking ahead of him a piece of bunting while he walked along. When near me I saw it was a small American flag. "Hold on, my lad, that's an American flag, pick it up and stop kicking it, that won't do." Back came the surly reply; and another kick, "It's my flag and I'll do as I please." "No you won't young man, pick it up and don't you dare kick it again." He picked it up and went off murmuring, "It's my flag and I'll do as I please, its none of your business." Half a block away he dropped it again, gave it another kick and threw it upon a nearby bush. It was his flag to kiss, but never to kick; his to lay against his heart, never beneath his foot. It was his piece of bunting but it was my flag and my business. He was a thoughtless lad whom the years will cure. But I that stood by must raise my voice in protest only to meet with the same resistance that is usual with those who insist on plying their way unmolested and undisturbed.

The church is intent on making a new world, a new heaven and a new earth; to make real the great symbols of love and brotherhood; the great sacrifice of Jesus Christ her Lord. The whole world is our neighbor and we would make every man to share in the glory of the kingdom of God on the earth. God helping us we shall hold high the banner of the cross; seek ever the destruction of the destroyers; rid the world of its mischief and crown Him Lord of all.

And the voice said, "Cry." What shall I cry? All flesh is grass and all the goodness thereof is as the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand forever! O, Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O, Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

And be assured, Mr. President of our United States, we stand at your right hand. We will not fail you in your heroic endeavor to make good the good law of the land.

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Number	CHARGE	Assessed	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Children's Day	Special for For. Missions	Y. P. Missionary Union	Easter Offering	Special for Home Missions	Rally Day	Young People's Day Special for Education	W. F. M. S.	W. H. M. S.
		President's Salary	President's Salary	Maryland Conference	Maryland Conference									
1	Accomac, Va.....	23	23	178	178	50			23		8		23	
2	Amelia, Va.....	14	14	111	111	60								
Baltimore:														
3	Alnut Memorial.....	29	29	231	231	17			26		17		117	123
4	Bethesda.....	12	12	93	93	60			50		50			
5	Brooklyn.....	37	37	232	133	100	85	10	92		52	32	106	
6	Calvary.....	28	28	227	227			25	80	20	55		138	66
7	Chesaco Park.....	7	7	62	62	12		7	8		7		5	5
8	Christ Church.....	55	55	431	431	150		140	114		48	10	134	105
9	East Baltimore.....	22	22	177	177								100	
10	Edmondson Ave.....	8	8	66	66								40	40
11	Eutaw.....	36	36	285	285	200		5	166		72		325	403
12	Evergreen.....	16	16	122	122	50			50		50		60	
13	Glenburnie.....	23	23	176	176				125		35		25	
14	Grace.....	36	36	280	280	157	50	10	75	53	70		30	20
15	Graceland Park.....	8	8	66	66				32					
16	Hampden.....	61	61	479	479	500		75		138			161	
17	Keen Memorial.....	25	25	201	201						19			
18	Lauraville.....	14	14	105	105						40		291	
19	Linthicum Heights.....	23	23	176	176				186		53	11	109	75
20	Lowe Memorial.....	37	37	293	293									
21	Marley.....	13	13	98	98				40					
22	North Baltimore.....	49	49	389	389								410	400
23	Payson Street.....	15	15	117	117								44	
24	South Baltimore.....	27	27	215	215	59								
25	Starr.....	71	71	560	560	100		112	25	75			437	337
26	St. John's.....	64	64	503	503			200	205		108	20	624	412
27	St. Paul's.....	31	31	241	241	40			60		50		50	40
28	Towson.....	19	19	142	142			1						
29	Trinity.....	28	28	221	221				25		25	45	25	25
30	Violetville.....	14	14	114	114								75	
31	West Baltimore.....	62	62	407	407	201			150		40		350	400
32	Wilton Hgts.....	26	26	204	204			107	25		16		55	34
33	Bedford, Pa.....	19	19	147	38			23						
34	Belair.....	19	19	156	156	70				40				
35	Bivalve.....	16	16	119	119					27	15			
36	Buckeytown.....	28	28	229	229				11	150	69	50	85	
37	Cambridge.....	32	32	244	244			119						118
38	Cambridge Circuit.....	7	7	55	55									4
39	Cannon, Del.....	13	13	106	106		20	10			35	34		
40	Caroline.....	14	14	109	109	27			44		21	10		
41	Carroll Circuit.....	13	3	99	17			6		27	16	3	14	15
42	Cecil.....	17	17	138	138									
43	Centreville.....	22	22	172	172	65			100		35			75
44	Chestertown.....	37	37	296	296			50	60	40			224	
45	Chincoteague, Va.....	9	9	68	68		20			18	38	10		
46	Clayton, Del.....	15	15	117	177									
47	Concord, Pa.....	17	17	138	83				11				21	
Crisfield:														
48	Mt. Pleasant.....	41	41	325	325	74		13	55		44		152	125
49	Lawsonia.....	8		62										
50	Mariners.....	22	22	170	170	38			26	23	28			
51	Crumpton.....	4		84										
Cumberland														
52	First Church.....	31	31	245	245						20		6	
53	Melvin Chapel.....	10	10	75	52	12			15		7	10		
54	Mapleside.....	7	7	58	23				7		8			

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55	Fairview	2	2	20	20																		60																
56	Dagsboro	17	17	140	23								45																										
57	Deer Creek	10	10	75	75																																		
58	Deer Park	31	31	244	244																		50																
59	Delmar	22	22	175	175																																		
60	Delta	20	20	162	162																		35	80															
61	Denton	23	23	182	182																		48																
62	Dorchester	17	17	136	136																		10																
63	Dover	13	13	95	95																		99																
64	Easton	26	26	205	205																		83																
65	Elizabeth	19	19	151	151																		18																
66	Fairfax	10	10	79	9																																		
67	Fawn Grove	23	23	218	218																																		
68	Federalsburg	16	16	122	122																																		
69	Felton	7	7	62	62																																		
70	Finksburg	24	24	188	188																																		
71	First Church, Newark	92	92	733	733																																		
72	Frederick	16	16	125	125																																		
73	Georgetown, Del.	25	25	193	175																																		
74	Greenbackville	20	20	151	84																																		
75	Greenbush & Tasley	13	13	99	99																																		
76	Greenwood	20	20	156	156																																		
77	Grove	13	13	100	82																																		
78	Hallwood	4	4	28	28																																		
79	Harbeson	16	16	125	125																																		
80	Harmony, Md.	1	1	10																																			
81	Harmony, W. Va.	13	13	99	99																																		
82	Harpers Ferry, W. Va.	15	15	118	118																																		
83	Harrington, Del.	22	22	172	172																																		
84	Howard	28	28	224	224																																		
85	Hurlock	18	18	147	90																																		
86	Indian River	3	3	25	25																																		
87	Kemptown	20	20	157	157																																		
88	Kennedyville	13	13	105	28																																		
89	Kent Island	10	10	80	80																																		
90	Laurel	33	33	263	263																																		
91	Laurel Circuit	13	13	98	85																																		
92	Leeds	15	15	115	115																																		
93	Leipsic	5	5	41	41																																		
94	Lewes	5	5	41	41																																		
95	Lewistown	7	7	60	60																																		
96	Liberty	11	11	92	92																																		
97	Lynchburg	31	31	253	253																																		
98	Mardela	19	19	146	146																																		
99	Middleway	3	3	26																																			
100	Milford	37	37	288	288																																		
101	Milton	16	16	125	125																																		
102	Mr. Nebo	21	21	169	93																																		
103	Massawango	1	1	8																																			
104	New Church	23	23	181	184																																		
105	Newmarket	24	24	190	190																																		
106	Nichols' Memorial	13	13	106	106																																		
107	Northumberland	25	25	196	100																																		
108	Oak Grove	6	6	47	47																																		
109	Oxford	13	13	98	80																																		
110	Parksley	22	22	169	169																																		
111	Patapsco	2	2	15																																			

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60	60	60	60	82	82	100	51	133	270	111	104	104	104	322	809	942	58	
45	430	45	45	318	35	15	25	110	768	90	210	100	100	15	1068	1173	56	
217	233	739	233	1031	557	54	152	709	1125	850	200	300	300	15	200	2990	3699	53
401	451	641	641	738	738	100	738	1396	1396	400	417	293	575	326	3445	4183	59	
445	501	501	501	683	683	100	683	1200	1200	360	338	675	40	28	277	2966	3649	60
204	560	560	560	771	771	100	37	808	1350	225	568	109	109	403	2655	3463	61	
74	435	136	435	578	239	50	239	900	900	240	150	115	115	173	1578	1867	62	
206	296	296	296	404	404	100	404	763	690	518	250	250	250	395	2526	2930	63	
68	170	466	223	636	398	63	79	703	1350	360	629	75	150	125	145	2834	3537	64
34	244	34	34	43	43	13	43	398	900	540	736	125	125	180	322	2313	3211	65
344	332	676	676	922	922	100	65	987	800	135	92	125	125	45	997	1040	66	
120	258	378	378	516	516	100	16	532	1312	300	289	532	350	63	578	3153	4140	67
47	191	47	47	260	118	45	118	116	1050	300	104	37	130	11	100	1732	2264	68
153	433	586	586	798	798	100	22	820	736	20	20	150	102	1018	1134	21338	4203	69
219	270	270	270	3095	3095	100	1992	5087	3000	1500	7004	700	400	160	313	3473	4233	70
188	358	188	358	529	329	62	6	335	975	150	215	1225	1225	1594	16251	16251	71	
419	598	219	810	419	51	25	444	181	1281	300	681	100	2000	570	48	4980	5424	72
100	308	100	308	430	212	49	212	1125	1032	300	350	150	150	753	2345	3126	73	
180	483	180	483	655	55	86	451	825	1125	425	130	75	145	370	2270	2482	74	
46	307	46	307	420	147	35	147	654	825	250	172	100	100	283	1530	1981	75	
10	88	10	88	120	130	108	10	140	654	75	100	75	100	154	1058	1206	76	
359	338	338	338	529	529	100	92	621	1125	200	300	250	600	27	115	1576	1716	77
128	33	33	33	44	77	12	335	750	1125	200	300	250	100	28	286	2859	3480	78
74	45	365	116	498	249	50	27	276	750	150	200	200	200	241	1141	1476	79	
205	117	532	322	726	516	71	200	716	1125	420	602	96	35	12	718	3008	3724	80
344	696	696	696	947	947	100	16	964	1200	150	235	1400	175	148	3308	4272	81	
113	173	485	286	662	463	70	11	474	1125	240	287	545	1400	250	2447	3087	82	
55	190	245	245	335	335	100	2	337	218	138	181	150	150	233	1271	1745	83	
159	654	813	813	1109	1109	100	40	1149	675	200	135	500	500	64	207	1727	1823	84
40	305	40	305	416	138	33	138	625	675	200	135	500	500	105	1776	2102	85	
100	216	357	316	487	446	92	6	452	1125	180	231	524	500	25	146	2731	3183	86
60	125	60	125	171	91	53	91	338	625	300	60	60	60	44	1029	1167	87	
129	129	129	129	187	107	84	187	390	1125	180	231	524	500	25	146	2731	3183	88
50	83	138	133	255	200	80	200	285	390	96	10	60	60	82	700	887	89	
76	84	284	160	387	263	68	263	675	285	15	15	550	550	144	444	644	90	
461	333	784	794	1068	1078	101	228	1306	675	100	200	550	550	30	1555	1818	91	
114	66	455	180	320	345	55	345	1125	2250	600	2000	35	1000	90	665	6840	8146	92
203	25	892	228	1217	553	45	84	687	1125	120	120	1000	1000	857	1902	2251	93	
355	382	382	382	526	526	100	53	579	1500	450	1535	650	250	325	952	5662	6299	100
25	524	25	714	139	20	20	139	375	975	240	367	183	62	53	305	2153	2714	101
312	257	569	569	776	776	100	776	1387	642	250	460	350	27	311	2040	2179	102	
267	590	267	590	776	776	100	776	1387	642	250	460	350	27	311	2040	2179	102	
164	328	164	328	283	263	63	263	675	100	200	550	550	550	285	2852	3628	104	
92	607	92	607	828	217	26	217	1200	1050	160	235	475	524	106	119	2668	3165	105
66	34	147	100	200	153	77	153	230	1200	225	154	128	100	325	300	2750	2867	107
314	80	305	394	416	505	121	505	1125	900	250	210	175	175	145	1680	2185	108	
428	521	428	428	712	619	87	80	699	1350	240	514	100	100	336	2540	3238	110	
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		24	35	47	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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113	St. Luke's	35	35	47	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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116	Pipe Creek	16	16	16	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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125	Quinton	2	2	2	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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132	Sharptown	20	20	20	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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135	Snow Hill Circuit	7	7	7	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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137	St. James	19	19	19	16	27	35	21	1	15	121	124	124	125	126	127	128	128	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	152	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165																																																																																																																																	
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91	163	640	91	752	91	11	91	91	819	600	1400	110	650	279	3858	3449	112	
163	164	849	317	1153	626	626	626	626	1650	900	1634	2050	650	227	451	7798	8424	113
224	71	153	295	1572	361	361	361	361	1438	675	1835	100	456	702	5231	5592	114	
227	159	386	386	627	527	100	29	556	900	340	137	304	1681	2237	115
78	677	655	655	78	894	100	95	56	989	1275	300	45	198	2143	3132	117
315	125	845	440	1153	748	100	748	748	1550	420	818	500	2000	415	7453	8201	118	
53	179	502	232	683	415	65	37	452	827	180	170	150	1350	120	1457	1909	119	
236	43	43	43	57	57	100	37	57	225	40	40	15	.....	30	310	367	120
15	26	41	41	55	55	100	1	55	190	975	120	100	.....	49	2819	3192	121
157	30	130	28	177	62	62	1	29	.....	45	35	173	.....	101	499	554	122
64	52	62	62	70	70	100	1	65	.....	75	15	70	.....	5	132	161	123
529	114	400	271	545	416	70	45	416	270	100	270	.....	.....	74	759	924	124
28	692	529	944	781	81	26	45	826	1223	.....	442	1779	200	274	1394	1310	125
67	208	29	283	72	83	83	2	72	669	150	125	.....	350	111	1405	1477	128
845	731	1576	2149	2149	148	100	2	150	600	150	100	.....	.....	230	1140	1200	129
440	60	700	955	755	79	90	90	845	2250	675	2700	.....	1800	184	269	4331	130
350	152	602	602	684	684	100	96	780	1350	200	205	717	1000	499	4550	5305	131	
178	361	612	539	835	702	91	14	776	1600	600	400	600	.....	652	3652	4428	134
468	156	213	135
170	293	463	463	631	631	100	50	681	1125	200	550	256	270	101	2502	3252	136	
94	465	94	635	264	42	16	280	900	1050	425	250	100	.....	128	1953	2634	137
257	117	374	374	510	517	101	14	531	900	250	165	48	.....	295	1658	1938	138
103	186	108	253	175	70	2	177	.....	713	300	115	40	.....	305	1473	2004	139
100	484	100	661	277	45	30	307	.....	656	.....	166	53	.....	158	1033	1210	140
282	175	282	240	531	221	100	531	.....	950	565	320	150	350	81	2416	2723	141
258	67	67	67	92	92	100	5	429	1125	170	400	300	200	300	2495	3026	142	
231	131	362	362	493	493	100	18	511	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	487	1546	1975	144
74	241	74	329	144	44	144	144	.....	784	200	75	.....	.....	.....	300	392	145
214	10	563	214	768	419	55	20	439	1050	125	160	225	.....	240	1800	2311	146
10	96	100	105	138	143	100	143	.....	675	50	50	75	.....	110	960	1104	147
202	41	713	243	972	502	52	16	518	148
187	37	581	224	793	436	55	436	.....	1500	405	498	136	135	1078	5001	6440	148
397	24	608	421	830	643	70	145	788	1500	350	1500	250	240	630	5370	6806	151	
66	90	147	155	201	209	101	15	224	1350	540	430	90	600	120	29	3159	3947	152
482	133	615	839	839	100	261	1100	1675	600	600	600	100	160	600	3635	4735	153	
168	23	436	191	595	259	44	20	279	1350	450	550	900	.....	391	3641	3920	154
49	751	829	830	1130	1132	100	1132	1500	450	1070	67	1240	282	497	5076	6208	155
680	895	1584	1584	2159	2159	100	2159	2250	900	693	600	500	300	3801	9044	11203	157
351	43	392	394	535	537	100	96	633	900	.....	214	676	.....	638	2428	3261	158
366	373	745	1017	1017	100	100	1117	.....	1480	300	760	.....	.....	603	3143	4260	159
24	234	256	258	348	350	100	3	353	1800	480	274	.....	285	257	3006	3449	160
148	907	1074	1055	1410	1431	100	162	1593	2475	1800	2828	906	3260	1876	535	18379	20272	161
31	124	151	155	206	210	100	210	.....	640	.....	84	18	.....	112	854	1064	162
249	614	249	837	472	56	472	1125	100	450	426	2101	2573	163	
.....	12	17	164
118	45	230	163	314	247	78	247	487	150	60	172	889	1146	165	

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NAME OF CHARGE	General Conference \$110,000	Annual Conference \$35,500	President's Salary and Expenses \$4,500
Accomac.....	722	232	31
Amelia.....	461	149	20
Baltimore, Alnutt Memorial.....	902	291	38
Bethesda.....	384	124	17
Brooklyn.....	1235	400	51
Calvary.....	939	303	39
Chesaco Park.....	255	82	11
Christ Church.....	1792	578	75
East Baltimore.....	708	229	30
Edmondson Ave.....	440	142	19
Entaw.....	1260	406	53
Evergreen.....	490	158	21
Glenburnie.....	783	253	33
Grace.....	1118	361	46
Graceland Park.....	280	90	12
Hampden.....	1927	622	80
Keen Memorial.....	802	259	34
Lauraville.....	903	292	38
Linthicum Heights.....	753	243	32
Lowe Memorial.....	1000	323	42
Marley.....	440	141	19
North Baltimore.....	1666	537	69
Payson Street.....	521	168	22
South Baltimore.....	802	259	34
Starr.....	2180	703	90
St. John's.....	2212	714	91
St. Paul's.....	1004	324	42
Towson.....	632	204	27
Trinity.....	1075	347	45
Violetville.....	550	178	24
West Baltimore.....	1666	537	69
Wilton Heights.....	812	262	34
Bedford.....	625	202	27
Belair.....	628	203	27
Bivalve.....	502	162	22
Buckeystown.....	847	273	36
Cambridge.....	1049	339	44
Cambridge Circuit.....	222	72	10
Cannon.....	442	143	19
Caroline.....	410	132	18
Carroll.....	420	135	18
Cecil.....	559	180	24
Centreville.....	629	203	26
Chestertown.....	1257	406	52
Chincoteague.....	311	101	14
Clayton.....	483	156	21
Crisfield—Mt. Pleasant.....	1376	444	57
Lawsonia.....	358	115	16
Mariners.....	710	229	30
Crumpton.....	158	50	8
Cumberland—First Church.....	1008	325	42
Melvin.....	292	95	13
Mapleside.....	168	54	8
Fairview.....	206	67	10
Dagsboro.....	581	187	25

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Deer Creek.....	301	97	13
Deer Park.....	953	307	40
Delmar.....	768	247	32
Delta.....	677	219	28
Denton.....	767	248	32
Dorchester.....	553	178	24
Dover.....	407	132	18
Doylesburg.....	569	183	24
Easton.....	336	271	35
Elizabeth.....	603	194	25
Fairfax.....	326	105	14
Fawn Grove.....	888	287	37
Federalburg.....	493	259	21
Felton.....	306	98	14
Finksburg.....	808	161	34
First Church, Newark.....	3308	1068	136
Frederick.....	530	172	23
Georgetown, Del.....	820	264	34
Greenbackville.....	696	225	30
Greenbush & Tasley.....	431	139	19
Greenwood.....	637	206	27
Grove.....	398	129	18
Hallwood.....	335	108	15
Harbeson.....	563	182	24
Harmony, Md.....	33	10	2
Harmony, W. Va.....	409	132	18
Harpers Ferry.....	432	140	18
Harrington.....	755	244	32
Howard.....	870	281	31
Hurlock.....	593	191	25
Indian River.....	107	34	6
Johnsville.....	194	63	8
Kemptown.....	1100	355	39
Kennedyville.....	430	138	19
Kent Island.....	283	92	13
Laurel.....	1088	351	45
Laurel Circuit.....	399	129	18
Leeds.....	478	155	21
Leipsic.....	151	49	7
Lewes.....	166	54	8
Liberty Lewistown.....	458	148	22
Lynchburg.....	1237	399	51
Mardela.....	569	183	24
Middleway.....	116	37	5
Milford.....	1286	414	54
Milton.....	544	175	23
Mt. Nebo.....	686	222	24
Nassawango.....	29	11	2
New Church.....	777	251	33
Newmarket.....	780	252	33
Nichol's Memorial.....	448	144	20
Northumberland.....	827	267	35
Oak Grove.....	295	95	13
Oxford.....	415	134	18
Parksley.....	717	231	31

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Patapsco.....	55	18	4
Philadelphia—Emmanuel.....	763	246	32
St. Luke's.....	1101	355	46
Taylor Memorial.....	1275	412	53
Pipe Creek.....	514	166	21
Pittsville.....	847	273	36
Pocomoke.....	1087	351	46
Poplar Springs.....	620	201	26
Portsville.....	43	14	2
Powellville.....	448	144	19
Prince George.....	96	31	5
Quantico.....	161	52	8
Queen Anne.....	52	16	3
Quinton.....	71	23	4
Reliance.....	527	170	22
Ridgeville.....	584	188	32
Rowlandville.....	279	89	12
Salem.....	316	102	14
Salisbury.....	2069	667	86
Seaford.....	955	309	40
Sharptown.....	685	221	29
Smyrna.....	75	24	4
Snow Hill.....	847	274	36
Snow Hill Circuit.....	198	64	9
Stewartstown.....	852	274	36
St. James.....	607	196	26
St. Michaels.....	610	197	26
Susquehanna.....	480	156	21
Texas.....	260	84	12
Trinity, Salem.....	951	307	40
Tyreana.....	265	86	12
Union.....	800	258	34
Union Bridge.....	423	136	18
Union Church.....	67	22	4
Wallace Memorial.....	491	158	22
Warwick.....	282	91	13
Washington—Alexandria.....	767	247	32
Calvary.....	100	33	6
Cherrydale.....	986	319	41
Congress Street.....	824	266	34
First Church.....	761	246	32
Fort Meyer Heights.....	147	48	7
Mt. Olivet.....	853	275	36
Mt. Tabor.....	604	195	25
North Carolina Ave.....	1065	344	45
Rhode Island Ave.....	2038	658	84
Wesley Chapel of Kent.....	491	159	21
Westminster.....	1021	330	43
Wilmington—First.....	345	112	15
Peninsula.....	1643	530	68
West Wilmington.....	213	68	10
Whaleyville.....	816	263	34
Wiegands.....	12	4	2
Wye.....	304	98	13

MEMBERSHIP

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	Members	Received	Withdrawn by Cer.	Discontinued	Deceased	Probationers	Reported last year	Received	Elected to Membership	Discontinued	Adults Baptised	Children Baptised	Conversions	Officers and Teachers		Scholars on Roll	C. E. Societies		Members	Intermediate Societies		Members	Junior Societies	Members	Foreign Missions
														Schools	Scholars		Members	Members							
Accomac, Va.....	281	6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	19	8	423	2	80	..	..	..	..	..	..
Anelia, Va.....	174	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	21	10	190	1	20	..	..	..	..	..	..
Baltimore:																									
Alnut Memorial.....	187	12	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	75	1	29	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bethesda.....	193	37	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	25	67	387	1	25	1	20	..	1	23	..
Brooklyn.....	344	9	10	2	1	16	1	15	4	1	..	..	2	15	10	41	2	437	43	24	..	1	60	5
Calvary.....	303	35	2	52	6	43	41	6	4	..	..	..	1	20	60	300	1	300	30	..	..	..	..	25
Chesaco Park.....	85	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	14	..	104	30	30	..	..	..	..	..	..
Christ Church.....	545	40	15	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	150	65	425	1	36	1	30	1	25	140	..
East Baltimore.....	156	15	2	44	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	15	18	121	25	25	..	..	..	..	..	10
Edmondson Ave.....	416	109	8	26	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	51	130	74	44	..	..	..	..	..	25
Eutaw.....	1	358	53	13	11	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	1	29	20	308	..	..	1	15	1	40	5
Evergreen.....	133	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	19	..	130	..	27	..	1	15	1	40	..
Grace.....	1	353	16	11	66	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	7	7	1	40	36	425	1	40	1	30	10
Graceland Park.....	80	27	..	28	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	10	23	..	1	30	140	31	1	1	1	30	3
Hampden.....	1	627	45	10	25	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	40	54	152	316	1365	1	45	2	45	1	75
Keen Memorial.....	1	205	31	2	..	3	13	3	13	..	..	..	2	13	25	1	30	105	278	1	102	1	156	..
Lauraville.....	1	323	52	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	9	11	1	34	25	275	2	26	1	32	..
Linthicum Hgts.....	1	190	43	11	24	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	33	1	17	25	195	1	20	1	25	10
Lowe Memorial.....	3	300	65	40	140	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	74	60	1	30	100	250	..	..	1	50	..
North Baltimore.....	2	242	9	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	7	1	23	16	149	1	30	..	..	..
Payson Street.....	1	117	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	11	11	1	15	5	155	1	25	1	18	..
South Baltimore.....	1	208	1	25	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	1	1	17	..	100	..	..	..	..	..
Starr.....	1	529	67	14	54	6	51	51	..	..	..	..	6	21	1	39	30	310	1	42	1	33	1	28
St. John's.....	1	449	18	5	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	15	1	24	42	324	1	60	..	34	25
St. Paul's.....	2	328	10	7	1	4	11	11	..	..	..	..	11	7	7	1	43	42	342	1	15	1	13	..
Towson.....	1	224	22	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	14	17	2	21	15	183	..	..	1	12	10	5
Trinity.....	1	150	101	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	21	37	1	45	60	650	1	30	1	160	..
Violetville.....	1	147	10	3	13	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	10	1	17	18	226	1	22	1	18	125	10
West Baltimore.....	1	334	7	4	6	3	24	24	..	..	..	..	3	24	1	35	52	334	1	40	1	20	130	110
Wilton Hgts.....	2	247	19	7	62	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	9	1	32	64	352	1	20	1	22	10
Bedford, Pa.....	1	260	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	8	5	2	40	20	440	1	8	..	..	..
Belair.....	1	227	10	8	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	5	35	4	30	50	250	1	20	..	..	..
Deer Creek.....	1	171	5	..	5	..	6	6	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	5	75	1	12	..	..	..	..
Bivalve.....	1	120	3	2	..	2	6	22	4	20	..	..	2	4	8	2	32	42	218	1	14	..	1	40
Buckeystown.....	1	189	11	5	58	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	12	2	20	10	215	1	20	1	18	..	..
Cambridge.....	1	350	15	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	20	15	1	30	20	350	1	100	1	50	119
Cambridge Circuit.....	1	57	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	2	14	41	80	1	18	..	..	4
Cannon, Del.....	1	132	32	18	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	9	35	2	20	12	125	1	33	1	24	117
Caroline.....	1	133	14	7	19	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	3	38	4	30	25	160	1	35	..	..	..
Carroll Circuit.....	1	170	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	3	16	137	17	2	2	2	35	11
Cecil.....	1	208	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	4	39	14	245	..	..	..	..	..
Centreville.....	1	118	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	12	100	1	25	..	..	..	..
Chestertown.....	1	368	24	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	14	1	23	10	250	1	57	1	25	30
Chincoteague, Va.....	1	53	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	1	13	11	105	..	..	..	..	13
Clayton, Del.....	1	113	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	2	28	17	140	1	15	..	..	..
Concord, Pa.....	1	267	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	3	3	20	23	211	1	9	1	12	..	..
Crisfield:																									
Crisfield.....	1	407	5	3	1	5	54	54	..	..	..	..	7	2	1	40	..	530	1	88	..	..	..	13
Lawsonia.....	1	239	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	20	3	148	1	75	..	..	..	..
Mariners.....	1	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Crumpton.....	1	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cumberland:																									
First Church.....	1	324	16	10	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	24	16	1	18	24	235	1	18	..	1	25
Fairview.....	1	74	12	1	..	4	5	..	1	..	..	..	3	5	16	1	14	28	182	..	..	..	..	..
Melvin Chapel.....	1	79	6	3	15	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	1	13	..	..	133	1	25	1	12	..	..
Mapleside.....	1	71	4	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	9	6	..	140	..	..	1	14	..	..
Dagsboro.....	1	271	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	23	..	200	..	..	1	27	..
Deer Park.....	1	392	1	2	24	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	2	30	18	485	2	88	2	61	50
Delmar, Del.....	1	257	16	2	..	10	11	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	125	18	409	1	37	1	31	1	35	..
Delta, Pa.....	2	234	13	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1	22	22	155	1	40	..	..	1	35	25
Denton.....	1	233	4	..	4	1	4	..	3	5	4	1	22	11	249	1	30	
Dorchester.....	1	206	2	1	1	1	1	4	1	3	21	44	150	1	25	

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		Received	Members																										
Dover, Del.	110	26	1								1	13	25			9	36	106	1	36				1	14				
Easton	238	8	4									8	6	1	1	16	10	152											
Elizabeth, N. J.	136	4	10									6	3	4	2	30	30	141							1	10			
Fairfax, Va.	135											1	3	4	2	3	3	149											
Fawn Grove, Pa.	345	6	2									4	2	2	3	4	365												
Federalburg	115	12	2									1	1	1	1	10	4	84	1	28									
Felton, Del.	112											8	3	3	14	5	70												
Finksburg	285	32										22	32	3	38	40	355												
First Ch., Newark	818	126	13									6	20	75	2	62	18	610											
Frederick	209	12	1									9	9	7	3	36	21	217											
Georgetown, Del.	327	7										9	9	1	23		400												
Glenburnie	244	17	5									14	19	1	22	7	279												
Greenbackville	296	54										4	54	3	50		350												
Greenbush & Tasley	148	16	4									12	20	2	17	19	226												
Greenwood, Del.	238											1				22	10	136											
Grove	125	3	10									1	9	3	2	1	159												
Hallwood	92											1	1	1	10	23	101												
Harbeson, Del.	224	24										24	60	2	32		220												
Harmony, W. Va.	148												12	1	24	7	151												
Harpers Ferry, W. Va.	120	4	2										3	2	22	46	150												
Harrington, Del.	231	1	5									7	7	1	25	48	332												
Howard	309	18	1									13	30	4	45	27	343												
Hurlock	153	1										6	6	3	40	30	285												
Indian River	44												1	9		50													
Kemptown	268	11	2									2	2	8	20	30	248												
Kennedyville	150	2	2										5	5	15	5	136												
Kent Island	89											2	2	2	25	8	162												
Laurel, Del.	326	11	12									1	4	6	27	15	265												
Laurel Circuit, Del.	131														18	59	69												
Leeds	127	2	2									1	3	2	14	12	130												
Lewes, Del.	67											12	1	1	12		120												
Leipsic, Del.	40											6	1		7	10	57												
Lewistown	108	7	3										6	7	6	2	110												
Liberty	123	1													2	18	5	110											
Lynchburg, Va.	447	134	3									60	20	220	1	14	172	532											
Mardela	252	8	6										2	4	42		320												
Marley	129	3	1										4	3	30	15	231												
Middleway, W. Va.	63	17										2	4	17	1	8	15	75											
Milford, Del.	457	24	1									1	21	26	1	35	40	510											
Milton, Del.	186	23	1									7	12	1	18	20	189												
Mt. Nebo	275	4										6	30	4	30	25	279												
New Church, Va.	279													1	3	35	10	235											
Newmarket	343	10	2									5	7	4	48		400												
Nichols Memorial	126	12	1									8	13	1	14	2	140												
Northumberland, Va.	355	10										10	15	3	40	15	250												
Oak Grove, Va.	150	7	1												2	17	19	108											
Oxford	118	6													3	15	10	97											
Parkley, Va.	222	21	5									19			1	34	14	215											
Patapsco	12														1	6		35											
Philadelphia:																													
Emanuel	120											3	12	1	16	12	162												
St. Luke's	338	22	4									2	10	20	41	65	327												
Taylor Memorial	170	11	5									1	1	1	23	56	237												
Pipe Creek	161	1													2	16	12	112											
Pittsville	342	6	5										1	9	2	28		196											
Pocomoke City	340	30	3									7	26	1	25	10	303												
Poplar Springs	216	8	3									3	5	3	23	3	200												
Powellville	160	7	3										7	4	20	25	225												
Quancock	40	3										2	1	1	18	20	120												
Reliance	218												18	3	36		234												
Ridgeville	453	56											32	3	41	66	423												
Rowlandville	66	1										4	4	9	1	4	45												
Salem	71												2	1	8		73												

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Salisbury.....	1	720	29	12	74	10	33	35	820	
Seaford, Del.....	1	351	14	1	5	11	1	41	250	
Sharptown.....	1	240	2	14	15	1	123	35	..	264	
Smyrna, Del.....	1	15	16	..	28	
Snow Hill.....	1	269	30	20	260	
Snow Hill Circuit.....	1	57	8	..	45	
Stewartstown, Pa.....	2	227	6	38	90	345	
St. James.....	1	209	15	10	180	
St. Michael's.....	1	205	19	1	167	
Susquehanna.....	1	192	26	14	166	
Texas.....	1	92	6	..	93	
Trinity.....	1	203	13	25	87	
Tyreana, Va.....	1	326	10	5	44	10	12	15	230	
Union.....	1	104	11	..	114	
Union Bridge.....	1	106	16	9	194	
Wallace Memorial, Va.....	1	106	2	10	110	
Warwick.....	1	56	12	
Washington:																										
Alexandria, Va.....	1	172	13	3	2	3	1	5	10	1	24	30	245	1	35
Calvary.....	1	86	28	1	4	4	2	2	27	43	249
Cherrydale, Va.....	1	286	18	1	9	13	13	1	33	31	342	1	14	1	15	1	26	5
Congress Street.....	1	214	43	5	2	21	21	31	1	24	52	314	1	45
First Church.....	1	207	7	1	8	..	125
Mt. Tabot.....	1	100	1	..	16	29	161	1	19
Mc. Olivet.....	1	230	17	7	..	5
North Carolina Ave.....	1	268	13	1	19	2	1	10	1	10	5	27	30	221	1	30	1	18	1	23	55	5
Rhode Island Ave.....	1	552	35	15	10	5	12	18	1	44	40	415	2	50	1	24	1	20	200
Walker's Chapel.....	1	92	14	9	..	5
Wesley Chap. of Kent.....	1	185	34	1	9	2	1	1	1	11	11	55	2	30
Westminster.....	1	303	11	2	1	28	8	279	1	48
Wilmington:																										
First Church.....	1	48	..	1
Peninsula.....	1	590	87	1	9	13	61
2nd Church.....	1	35	12	1
Whaleville.....	1	367	..	3
Wye.....	1	114	3
Queen Anne.....	1	63	5	5	15	4
Detached Churches:																										
Central.....	1	63	5	2	1	5	3	1	12	10	71
Harmony.....	1	35
Portsville.....	1	46	1
Quinton.....	1	54
Union Church.....	1	60	..	1	8	1

PASTORS' SALARY AND PROPERTY

CHARGE	Pastor's Salary 1929-1930	PROPERTY							Church Papers Taken
		Appointments	Churches	Parsonages	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	
Accomac, Va.....	1500	2	2	1	25000	3000	85	8000	15
Amelia, Va.....	1200	3	3	1	7000	3000	.....	4500	14
Baltimore									
Alnutt Memorial.....	2100	1	1	1	65000	10000	.....	40000	20
Bethesda.....	1300	1	1	.....	9000	.....	.....	3500	7
Brooklyn.....	2100	1	1	1	60000	10000	21250	29000	25
Calvary.....	2000	1	1	1	40000	5000	9000	26500	17
Chesaco Park.....	900	2	2	1	10000	6000	4300	6000	5
Christ Church.....	2200	1	1	1	65000	7000	.....	23000	37
East Baltimore.....	1900	1	1	1	30000	4500	.....	13000	26
Edmondson Ave.....	3000	1	1	1	11000	8500	93000	79000	37
Eutaw.....	2650	1	1	1	60000	10000	12300	29800	35
Evergreen.....	1000	1	1	1	15000	14000	8000	26000	8
Grace.....	2500	1	1	1	73000	6000	21200	30000	24
Graceland Park.....	1300	1	1	.....	10000	.....	883	.....	5
Hampden.....	2800	1	1	1	175000	20000	38392	75000	90
Keen Memorial.....	1850	1	1	1	60000	10000	18000	30000	13
Lauraville.....	2500	1	1	1	70000	10000	44000	32500	15
Linthicum H'ts.....	2250	1	2	1	28000	8500	.....	27650	22
Lowe Memorial.....	2400	1	1	1	50000	8000	.....	15550	20
North Baltimore.....	3300	1	1	1	50000	7000	6300	45000	37
Payson Street.....	1000	1	1	1	20000	3000	9500	20000	15
South Baltimore.....	2000	1	1	1	26500	8000	5775	14000	17
Starr.....	3500	1	1	1	280000	20000	17400	61000	52
St. John's.....	3000	1	1	1	100000	10000	.....	94000	36
St. Paul's.....	2000	1	1	1	60000	5000	16050	22500	20
Towson.....	2200	2	2	1	30000	8000	1512	18000	14
Trinity.....	2400	1	1	1	45000	7000	21500	25000	30
Violetville.....	1500	1	1	1	52000	10000	26800	25000	18
West Baltimore.....	3500	1	1	.....	90000	.....	.....	39000	69
Wilton H'ts.....	1900	1	1	.....	60000	.....	8950	20000	15
Bedford, Pa.....	1150	5	5	1	10700	5000	.....	.....	.....
Belair.....	1200	4	4	1	30000	10000	250	10000	22
Bivalve.....	1200	2	2	1	10000	1900	.....	4500	16
Buckeystown.....	1800	2	2	1	35000	4500	.....	14600	33
Cambridge.....	2300	1	1	1	45000	4000	1650	30000	27
Cambridge Circuit.....	.....	2	2	1	4000	1500	.....	2000	13
Cannon, Del.....	900	2	2	1	12000	2500	.....	13000	15
Caroline.....	1050	4	4	1	5000	2500	.....	5500	17
Carroll Circuit.....	900	3	3	1	5000	3500	700	6000	12
Cecil.....	1000	3	3	1	20000	2500	.....	13100	11
Centreville.....	1500	1	1	1	40000	7500	5200	23325	22
Chestertown.....	2400	1	1	1	75000	10000	.....	58000	51
Chincoteague, Va.....	.....	1	1	1	6000	1600	400	3000	3
Clayton, Del.....	2	2	1	16000	4000	2200	2700	15
Concord, Pa.....	1000	3	3	1	6000	1500	125	5000	15

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Crisfield: Crisfeld.....	2400	1	1	1	30000	3000	1200	41000	30
Lawsonia.....	1	1	1	2000	2000	2000
Mariners.....	1700	1	1	1	35000	2800	8000	23000	9
Crumpton.....	.....	2	2	1	4800	1500	.....	1200	2
Cumberland: First Church.....	2000	1	1	1	40000	7000	320	27000	25
Fairview.....	360	1	1	.....	4500	.....	.....	800	5
Mapleside.....	.....	1	1	.....	1500	.....	.....	500	.....
Melvin Chapel.....	.....	1	1	1	2000	3000	2700	3800	.....
Dagsboro.....	1025	2	2	1	8000	2000	.....	7000	.....
Deer Creek.....	800	2	2	1	4000	3000	.....	5700	.....
Deer Park.....	1500	2	2	1	16000	8000	200	11500	20
Delmar, Del.....	1900	1	1	1	25000	6000	875	1200	24
Delta, Pa.....	.....	1	1	1	10000	5000	400	6000	33
Denton.....	1800	1	1	1	20000	3500	.....	8865	13
Dorchester.....	1200	3	3	1	12500	2500	.....	8100	20
Dover, Del.....	1200	1	1	1	20000	5000	600	10000	8
Easton.....	1800	1	1	1	25000	5000	5400	12885	24
Elizabeth, N. J.....	1200	1	1	1	20000	8000	3100	14300	9
Fairfax, Va.....	800	4	4	1	10000	2000	.....	6525	5
Fawn Grove, Pa.....	1750	2	2	1	20400	5000	400	14425	24
Federalsburg.....	1456	1	1	1	7000	3000	75	7900	13
Felton, Del.....	1000	4	5	1	6000	2500	337	1500	9
Finksburg.....	1800	3	3	1	41000	8000	3200	25000	25
First Church, Newark.....	4500	1	2	1	113000	35000	.....	142500	49
Frederick.....	1250	3	3	1	6600	2500	.....	5950	11
Georgetown, Del.....	1700	1	1	1	35000	6000	9140	30000	9
Glenburnie.....	2200	1	1	1	50000	7000	29064	32000	18
Greenbackville.....	1300	3	3	1	13000	1000	1800	8000	8
Greenbush & Tasley.....	1500	2	2	1	7000	7000	3200	9000	9
Greenwood, Del.....	1100	3	3	1	10000	2000	.....	10300	8
Grove.....	1000	4	4	1	11000	1800	.....	.....	9
Hallwood.....	1000	1	1	1	10000	3000	800	6000	8
Harbeson, Del.....	1500	2	2	1	12000	4000	1700	8000	10
Harmony, W. Va.....	1000	1	1	1	8000	2500	.....	6000	19
Harpers Ferry, W. Va.....	1400	2	2	1	11500	5000	.....	6000	12
Harrington, Del.....	1500	1	1	1	60000	8000	100	35000	30
Howard.....	1600	4	4	1	43000	5000	8800	29750	44
Hurlock.....	1500	3	3	1	12000	3200	.....	8500	26
Indian River.....	.....	1	1	.....	6000	.....	.....	4000	.....
Kempdown.....	1000	3	3	1	14000	4000	.....	11500	9
Kennedyville.....	900	1	1	1	5500	6000	2000	6300	19
Kent Island.....	900	2	2	1	10000	1800	.....	7800	16
Laurel, Del.....	2100	1	1	1	70000	10000	1600	26000	38
Laurel Circuit, Del.....	1000	1	4	1	8000	5000	.....	6200	7
Leeds.....	1500	2	2	1	22000	3500	552	14750	14
Lewes, Del.....	500	1	1	3000	2500	3
Leipsic, Del.....	450	1	1	1	4000	500	2000	1

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Lewistown.....	2	2	1	4500	2200	23	
Liberty.....	700	2	2	1	12000	3000	5600	16	
Lynchburg, Va.....	3000	1	1	1	40000	7000	13000	20	
Mardela.....	1500	4	4	1	15000	2000	6800	27	
Marley.....	1500	3	3	1	7000	5000	2545	12	
Middleway, W. Va.....	.....	1	1	1	4000	2500	1700	3	
Milford, Del.....	2000	1	1	1	41000	10000	4500	29000	14
Milton, Del.....	1300	1	1	1	5000	3500	858	7000	26
Mt. Nebo.....	1200	3	3	1	13000	4000	300	12700	27
New Church, Va.....	1850	3	3	1	70000	3000	.....	24000	24
Newmarket.....	1400	4	4	1	50000	3500	1676	22400	27
Nichols Memorial.....	1600	1	1	1	12000	6000	.....	6900	6
Northumberland, Va.....	1500	4	4	1	40000	2500	5200	10000	20
Oak Grove, Va.....	400	2	2	1	3500	1000	.....	3000	16
Oxford.....	1200	1	1	1	4000	4000	.....	4000	10
Parksley, Va.....	1800	1	1	1	30000	5000	.....	9000	19
Patapsco.....	.....	1	1	.....	1000	.....	.....	1000	1
Philadelphia, Pa.									
Emmanuel.....	2000	1	1	1	60000	8000	9500	16300	11
St. Luke's.....	2400	1	1	1	100000	25000	3250	44500	23
Taylor Memorial.....	2200	1	1	1	64000	8000	7575	40000	8
Pipe Creek.....	1200	2	2	1	9000	4000	.....	8000	15
Pittsville.....	1700	2	2	1	14000	4000	1000	9500	18
Pocomoke City.....	2600	1	1	1	55000	7500	32000	46860	36
Poplar Springs.....	1100	3	3	1	10000	6200	.....	11200	17
Powellville.....	1300	4	4	1	14000	2500	.....	4000	23
Quantico.....	500	3	3	1	2500	1000	.....	1000	2
Reliance.....	1000	3	3	1	13000	1800	.....	10450	12
Ridgeville.....	1500	3	3	.....	24000	.....	75	17800	20
Rowlandville.....	.....	3	3	1	8500	1500	.....	5500	6
Salem.....	600	1	1	1	4000	2000	.....	3000	14
Salisbury.....	3300	1	1	1	175000	15000	30000	116300	46
Seaford, Del.....	1800	1	1	1	25000	10000	3500	26000	30
Sharptown.....	1800	2	2	1	21000	4500	75	13000	18
Smyrna, Del.....	.....	1	1	.....	7000	.....	.....	1000	.....
Snow Hill.....	2100	1	2	1	56000	6000	.....	30000	25
Snow Hill Circuit.....	.....	3	3	1	10000	1500	.....	1500	7
Stewartstown, Pa.....	1500	2	2	1	16000	3500	.....	7000	24
St. James.....	1400	2	2	1	15000	5000	.....	8500	20
St. Michael's.....	1200	2	3	1	15000	2000	.....	14000	11
Susquehanna.....	1000	2	2	1	15000	7000	.....	12000	23
Texas.....	875	2	2	.....	10000	.....	.....	8000	4
Trinity.....	1200	2	2	.....	32000	6000	6350	18500	18
Tyreana, Va.....	1500	1	1	1	1500	1500	2000
Union.....	1500	3	3	1	7000	3000	7500	15
Union Bridge.....	1000	2	2	1	10500	3000	7800	19

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Wallace Memorial, Va.....	1400	1	1	1	5000	3000	3500	26
Warwick.....	900	2	2	1	3200	1200	3600	10
Washington									
Alexandria, Va.....	2000	1	1	....	50000	.....	2862	20800	20
Calvary, Va.....	1440	1	1	1	4000	8000	7200	6600	2
Cherrydale, Va.....	2340	1	1	1	45000	8000	10075	12000	6
Congress Street.....	2000	1	1	1	40000	15000	4000	13000	24
First Church.....	1900	1	1	1	40000	10000	3400	35000	15
Mt. Tabor.....	.....	1	1	1	18000	6000	1650	22500	14
Mt. Olivet.....	2200	1	1	1	20000	9000	4900	15000	22
North Carolina Ave.....	2000	1	1	1	81000	11000	7451	27000	22
Rhode Island Ave.....	3000	1	1	1	25000	12000	5200	36000	38
Ft. Myer Heights.....	1000	2	2	....	23500	.....	6050	13800	1
Wesley Chapel of Kent.....	1200	2	2	1	25000	2000	.....	10000	10
Westminster.....	2080	1	1	1	25000	4000	.....	20800	25
Wilmington First Church.....	1000	1	....	1	5000	.....	.....	.....	10
Peninsula.....	3300	1	1	1	120000	30000	54800	80500	30
Second Church.....	1000	1	1	....	5000	.....	.....	3000	.....
Whaleyville.....	1500	3	3	1	12500	2500	500	6200	.....
Wye and Queen Anne.....	650	3	3	2	12500	6000	.....	8800	8
Detached Churches									
Central.....	.....	1	1	....	2500	.....	.....	1500	2
Harmony, Md.....	.....	1	1	....	2500	.....	.....	1000	.....
Portsville.....	300	1	1	....	6000	.....	.....	1000	1
Quinton.....	450	1	1	....	3500	.....	.....	2500	4
Union Church.....	400	1	1	....	5000	.....	.....	2000	2
Maryand Conference Bldg.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250000	.....	.....	100000	.....
President's Parsonage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18000	.....	.....	12000	.....
W. T. Seminary.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170000	.....	.....	90000	.....
W. M. College.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000000	.....	.....	800000	.....
Home for Aged.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13000	.....	.....	3000	.....

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

TOTAL FOR GENERAL INTERESTS

President's Salary	\$3,249
Maryland Conference Budget	24,210
General Conference Budget	56,276
Credits:	
Children's Day	5,778
Special for Foreign Missions	1,729
Young People's Missionary Union	920
Easter Offering	6,066
Special for Home Missions	889
Rally Day	3,883
Special for Education	901
W. F. M. S.	7,273
W. H. M. S.	4,505
Total Credits	31,914
Paid on Budget, less Credits	24,362
Paid on Total Assessment	83,735
Miscellaneous general	9,816
Total for General Interests	93,551
Pastor's Salary	175,311
Rental value of parsonage	53,823
Current Expenses	92,577
Paid on building and improvement	98,357
Paid on debt	55,373
Paid on Interest on debt	27,418
Miscellaneous local	63,002
Total paid for local interests	565,861
Total paid for all purposes	659,412

RAYMOND W. WHITE

Steward.

J. PEYTON ADAMS

Assistant.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

MEMBERSHIP

	1929	1928	Incr.	Decr.
Ministers and Preachers	163	168	.....	5
Supply Preachers	18	.14	4	.....
Unstationed Ministers and Preachers	45	45	.....	.....
Full Members	34,787	34,755	32	.....
Full Members Received	2,422	3,444	.....	1,022
Full Members Withdrawn	508	989	.....	481

Full Members Discontinued	1,559	1,162	397	.....
Full Members Deceased	367	525	.....	158
Probationers	379	331	48	.....
Probationers Received	163	334	.....	171
Probationers Elected to Membership	115	226	.....	111
Probationers Discontinued	20	23	.....	3
Adults Baptized	212	314	.....	102
Children Baptized	1,094	2,056	.....	962
Conversions	2,018	2,977	.....	959
Sunday Schools.....	264	258	6	.....
Sunday School Officers and Teachers	3,827	3,672	155	.....
New Scholars	3,411	3,843	.....	432
Scholars on Roll	37,357	38,319	.....	962
Senior Christian Endeavor Societies..	129	139	.....	10
Senior Christian Endeavor Members..	4,766	4,982	.....	216
Inter. Christian Endeavor Societies..	40	39	1	.....
Inter. Christian Endeavor Members..	926	1,010	.....	84
Jr. Christian Endeavor Societies.....	64	63	1	.....
Jr. Christian Endeavor Members.....	1,995	1,972	23	.....
Money for Foreign Missions	\$907	1,338	.....	\$431
Money for Conf. Union Missionary..	\$843	1,699	.....	856

PROPERTY

	1929	1928	Incr.	Decr.
Appointments	275	275	.....	.....
Churches	282½	286½	.....	4
Parsonages	141	144	.....	3
Value of Church Property.....	\$6,216,700	\$5,626,350	\$590,350	.....
Value of Parsonage Property	824,800	824,600	200	.....
Debt on Church and Parsonage..	699,277	683,339	15,938	.....
Ins. on Church and Parsonage..	3,092,035	3,013,305	78,730	.....
Church Papers Taken	2,753	2,950	.....	197

The membership totals reveal a difference of 44. This discrepancy is accounted for by the loss of one church, not appearing in the list of charges; and differences in several pastor's reports between last year's figures and this.

KARL H. WAREHEIM
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MANUAL

RULES OF ORDER AND REGULATIONS FOR THE Government of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Rule 1. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. 1. Conference shall convene in Annual session on the second Wednesday in June. (The first date for annual session under this rule being Wednesday, June 12, 1929.) The current conference year shall end on May 31st.

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. 1. 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. Committee on Conference Apportionments—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.)

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.)

20. New Century Service—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

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 Appeal, 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.

Further, under the Minimum Salary Regulation, it shall be understood that the maximum appropriation shall not exceed \$300, except in such cases as are specifically recommended by the Board of Survey. See Minutes 1923, page 65, item 16.

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.

15. Pastors, in arranging for their regular Quarterly Conference, shall give the President of the Conference at least two (2) weeks advance notice of date of such meeting, so that the President may be aided in so arranging his itinerancy as to meet the most Quarterly Conference Sessions possible during the year.

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, 3600 Copley Road, Baltimore, as the President's parsonage.

2. The assessment of \$4,500 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 specification, 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 stately 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 or appoint a Lady Visitor from each church on the charge, where there is more than one appointment, and that the duties of this representative be defined as follows: She shall be expected to maintain a sympathetic understanding of the Home in her church; to visit the Home whenever convenient; to co-operate with the Board of Lady Superintendents in securing special donation of money, food and supplies, and so far as possible to promote the interests of the Home in her local church."

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.

1. 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. The Superannuated Ministers are invited to attend Conference as guests of the 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.

5. The Superannuate Ministers are guests of the Conference.

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., American Bible Society and Contingent Fund of the Executive Committee.

Second: The Board of Finance shall ascertain—

a. The average amount paid by each charge for all purposes, plus unpaid total assessments, after deducting the amounts overpaid on "Assessments," "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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