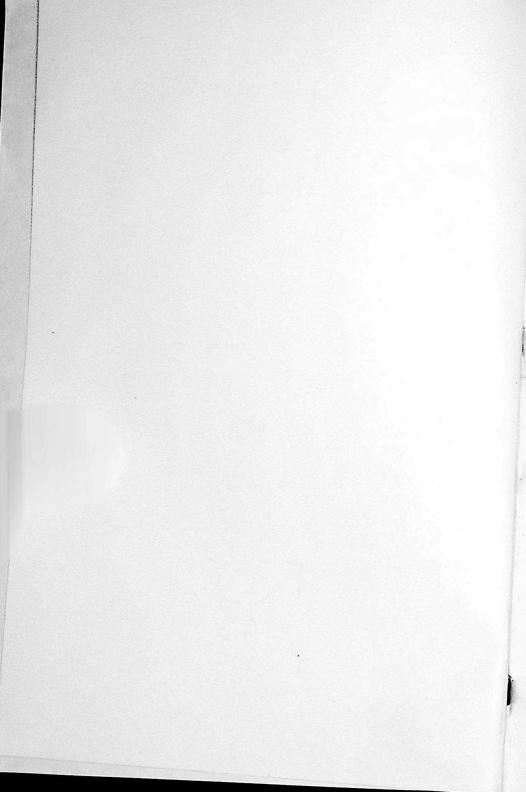
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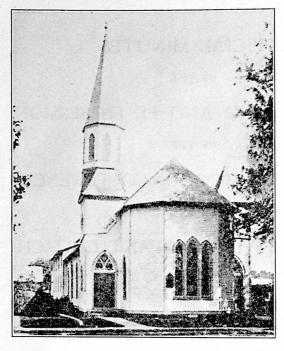
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Alexander, Mrs. Emma Arnett, Mrs. Fanny Beane, Mrs. Eliza Bennett, Mrs. Lillian Benson, Mrs. Frances Bowers, Mrs. Lucy Cain, Mrs. Bessie Crouse, Mrs. Jennie Ewell, Mrs. Gertrude Gilbert, Mrs. Emma F. Johnson, Mrs. Georgia Jones, Mrs. Emma F. Johnson, Mrs. Georgia Jones, Mrs. Mary E. Lewis, Mrs. Mary E. Lewis, Mrs. Rena Lewis, Mrs. Kate Litsinger, Mrs. Adele Middleton, Mrs. G. Mullineaux, Mrs. Rosc Norris, Mrs. Blanche Neepier, Mrs. Blanche Neepier, Mrs. Leila Reynolds, Mrs. Emma J. Sanderson, Mrs. Mar; Sherwood, Mrs. W. Smith, Mrs. Annie A. Smith, Mrs. Annie A. Smith, Mrs. Annie A. Smith, Mrs. Rebecca Stevens, Mrs. Sadie I. Sullivan, Mrs. Corneli Tyson, Mrs. Emma Valiant, Mrs. Katie C. Van Dyke, Mrs. Walter, Mrs. Isabella Warfield, Mrs. Mary J. Warner, Mrs. Susan J. Warner, Mrs. Susan J. Su	Rev. C. M. Rev. C. S. Rev. A. A. Rev. J. S. Rev. F. T. Rev. J. S. Rev. T. O. Rev. J. H.S. Rev. D. L. Rev. H.W. Rev. E. H. Rev. E. H. Rev. F. C. Rev. T. T. Rev. J. L. Rev. F. C. Rev. T. H. Rev. F. T. Rev. J. E. Rev. C. H. Rev. G. J. Rev. G. J. Rev. G. J. Rev. G. J. Rev. S. Rev. E. Rev. E. Rev. E. Rev. E. Rev. E. Rev. E.	3107 Fleet St., Baltimore, Md. 314 Overhill Rd., R. D. Balto., Md. Reisterstown, Md. 4105 Woodhaven Ave., Balto., Md. 4009 Woodhaven Ave., Balto., Md. 1743 Tyndale Ave., Baltimore, Md. 1743 Tyndale Ave., Baltimore, Md. Fort Deposit, Md. 515 Franklin St., Denton, Md. 611 W. Miner St West Chester, Pa. Easton, Md. Tudor Arms Apts., Baltimore, Md. Crisfield, Md. Greenwood, Del. Delmar, Del. 5126 Locust St., Philadelphia, Pa. Berwyn, Md. 40 E. 27th St., Baltimore, Md. 2844 Wisconsin Ave., Wash., D. C. 1314 Linden Ave., Baltimore, Md. 210 W. Penna. Ave., Towson, Md. 3640 Elm Ave., Baltimore, Md. Cambridge, Md. 1332 15th St., N. W., Wash., D. C. 835 Wellington St., Baltimore, Md. Fairfield, Rock Bridge Co., Va. 830 N. Luzerne Ave., Baltimore, Md. 604 W. 7th St., Chester, Pa. 908 Shallcross Ave., Wilmington, Del. Williamsburg, Md. Pittsville, Md. Lansdowne, Md. Seven Pines, Richmond, Va., R. D. 3 1613 Irving St., Washington, D. C. Cos Cob, Conn. 3617 10th St., N. W., Wash., D. C. H. Lemon Hill, Salisbury, Md. 1429 S. Walnut St., Milford, Del.
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Committee on Appeals—J. H. Straughn, J. W. Kirk, J. M. Gill, F. G. Reinicker, Henry Gilligan, W. A. Sheppard.

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- Board of Finance: P. W. Crosby, W. F. Wright, J. A. Dudley, E. C. Makosky, Chas. F. Cummins, Donald Munroe, Wm. H. Parker, Jr., C. C. Jones, E. E. Wooden, H. S. Startt.
- Itinerancy and Orders (1933 Session): R. L. Shipley, Chairman;
  N. O. Gibson, (Examiner A); E. T. Kirkley, (Examiner B);
  E. T. Read, (Examiner C); C. M. Elderdice, (Examiner D);
  J. L. Ward, (Examiner E).

  (1934 Session): C. M. Elderdice, Chairman; N. O. Gibson, (Examiner E).
  - (1934 Session): C. M. Elderdice, Chairman; N. O. Gibson, (Examiner A); E. T. Kirkley, (Examiner B); E. T. Read, (Examiner C); G. A. Ogg, (Examiner D); J. L. Ward, (Examiner E).
- Pulpit Service: T. J. Turkington, W. T. Archer, E. W. Simms.
- Superannuates: Louis Randall, G. E. Brown, W. P. Roberts, F. G. Reinicker, S. E. Burgess, Mrs. J. F. Johnson.
- Literature and Education: J. L. Green, J. G. Eaton, E. E. Coleman, Rowland Watts, A. H. Mason, Mrs. Ella Gray.
- Religious Education: J. N. Link, L. C. Randall, H. E. Hudgins, G. K. Mather, W. C. Saylor, Miss Beatrice Miskimon.
- Moral Reform and Social Service: J. W. Kirk, J. F. Bryan, B. F. Ruley, W. T. Hague, C. N. Spence, Mrs. Edith M. Driscoll.
- Benevolent Agencies: K. H. Wareheim, F. M. Volk, W. A. Roberts, H. E. Gray, J. H. Barton, Mrs. Daisy E. Baker.
- Official Relations: E. A. Sexsmith, H. L. Elderdice, R. Y. Nicholson, L. W. Dykes, Wm. A. Sheppard, Henry Gilligan.
- Statistics: J. L. Marker, F. B. Bailey, Wm. A. Wheatley.
- Missions: W. B. Judefind, H. A. Kester, G. E. McDorman, G. W. Lewis, W. N. Fleckenstein, Mrs. W. J. Brewer.
- President's Report: J. A. Dudley, T. C. Mulligan, B. I. Barnes, Chas. W. Pearce, Mornay G. Davis, Mrs. Alice Walker.
- Audit: N. C. Clough, H. L. Murphy, J. E. Chamberlain,
- Program: President, Secretary, E. D. Stone.
- Home for the Aged: C. C. Day, H. O. Keen, R. W. Sapp, D. T. Work, John W. Peterson, Earl K. Linthicum.
- Conference Arrangements: President, Standing District Committee.
- Evangelism: W. A. Melvin, J. W. Baxley, L. E. Haddaway, J. A. Davis, Thales Disney, Mrs. E. M. Dillon.
- Group Life Insurance: President and Treasurer.
- Board of Survey and Extension (1933-34): President, E. C. Makosky,
  W. H. Litsinger, J. H. Straughn, G. W. Haddaway, J. P. Dodge,
  J. H. Baker, Wm. E. Cain, H. W. Batchelder, Frank Haines.
- President's Parsonage and Furnishings: President, Agent, and President Baltimore Preacher's Meeting.
- Librarian: G. M. Clayton.

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEES 1933-34

- Sesqui-Centennial Committee: President, H. L. Elderdice, C. C. Day, Dr. J. H. M. Rowland, F. G. Usilton.
- Representatives on Executive Committee, Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education: R. Y. Nicholson, J. N. Link.
- Manual Revision Committee: E. C. Makosky, J. H. Straughn, W. F. Wright.
- Special Day Superannuate Fund Offering: Sunday, November 5, 1933
- District Chairmen: No. 1, J. W. Baxley; No. 2, W. H. Litsinger; No. 3, G. E. Leister; No. 4, Louis Randall; No. 5, E. A. Sexsmith; No. 6, W. P. Roberts; No. 7, K. H. Wareheim; No. 8, J. E. Cummings; No. 9, C. E. Dryden; No. 10, G. E. Baughman; No. 11, J. H. Lynch; No. 12, R. Y. Nicholson; No. 13, E. C. Makosky.

Secretary of Temperance: J. W. Kirk.

#### Anti-Saloon League:

For Maryland: E. C. Makosky, E. L. Bunce.

For Delaware: W. P. Roberts, Louis Randall.

Lord's Day Alliance: N. O. Gibson, R. S. Jett, Mrs. T. R. Matthews.

### CONFERENCE EXAMINERS AND EXAMINATIONS

- (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.
  - (c) English Bible.

The student 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 may examine students at any time during the Conference year when mutually convenient. Each examiner shall report on each student annually to the committee, who shall thereupon make its recommendations to the Conference.
- (5) The Committee shall submit its recommendation concerning application for admission and ordination on Saturday Morning.

C. M. ELDERDICE, Chairman

J. L. WARD,

N. O. GIBSON.

E. T. KIRKLEY,

E. T. READ.

G. A. OGG.

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

#### PREPARATORY COURSE

- (a) Christian Graces and Gifts for the Ministry, which will be an examination of the applicant's experience. The applicant must have read Lewis' "The Minister and His Own Soul."
  - (b) Tillett's "Personal Salvation."
- (c) Lewis' Handbook. The discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church including the preface. The applicant must have shown that he has studied these books and that he is especially familiar with our ministerial function and procedure.

(d) The applicant will be expected to present and read to this Examiner an original sermon, a selection from our psalter, and a hymn. All persons applying for admission to 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 a Quarterly Conference and must personally appear before the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

#### FIRST YEAR

- (a) Elderdice's "The Preacher's Problems."
- (b) Curtis' "Christian Faith." 1-180.
- (c) Drinkhouse "History of Methodist Reform." Volume 1, Chapters
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  - (d) "The Pupil and the Teacher" by Weigle.
- (e) "English Bible," Historical Books of the Old Testament, Genesis to Second Chronicles,

Student:

#### SECOND YEAR

- (a) Leach's "Church Administration."
- (b) Curtis' "Christian Faith." 180-344.
- (c) Fisher's History of the Christian Church. 1-286.
- (d) Broadus' "Preparation and Delivery of Sermons."
- (e) English Bible—Books from Ezra to Ecclesiastes. Student: Lee Elliott.

#### THIRD YEAR

- (a) Squire's "Parish Program of Religious Education."
- (b) Curtis' "Christian Faith," 347-end of book.
- (c) Fisher's "History of the Christian Church." 286-end of book.
- (d) Newton's "The New Preaching."
- (e) Calkins' "Historical Geography of the Bible Lands." English Bible—Prophetical Books—Isaiah to Malachi.

Student: W. A. Schafer.

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### JOURNAL

Denton, Md., June 14, 1933.

#### FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY

Opening:—The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church opened its One Hundred Fifth Session in the Methodist Protestant Church, Denton, Maryland, on the above date at 9:10 A. M. The President, L. B. Smith, called the Conference to order and conducted the devotional service. Hymn No. 353 was sung. The Scripture Lesson, Phillipians 4, was read by the President, and prayer was offered by E. C. Makosky.

Roll Call:—The Secretary called the Roll of Conference and on motion the names of H. W. D. Johnson and L. A. Bennett were transferred to the Memorial Roll.

Certain adjustments were made in the Roll of Delegates.

The following brethren, who had notified the Conference of illness or other causes of preventing their appearance at this session, were excused: A. A. Pierce, S. W. Coe, J. L. Elderdice, W. S. Hanks, J. P. Adams and H. B. Jester.

Reports:—The Secretary read the Report of the Secretary and the Committee on Credentials. On motion the report was adopted.

Memorial Service:—The Memorial Roll was called by J. F. Wooden. G. W. Haddaway read the obituaries for H. W. D. Johnson and L. A. Bennett. Hymn No. 496 was sung. Prayer was offered for the families of the departed brethren by A. N. Ward.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the President, assisted by J. A. Wright, G. F. Farring, Geo. Hines and J. W. Kirk.

Conference Sermon:—The President presented W. L. Hoffman, who brought the Conference Sermon on the theme, "The Christ of the Twentieth Century."

After singing "My Jesus I Love Thee," benediction was pronounced by J. M. Gill.

#### AFTERNOON

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 2:00 P. M.

E. D. Stone led the praise service.

Bar of the Conference:—On motion the Bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first ten pews.

President's Report:—The President called G. F. Farring to the chair and then read his annual report.

· At the conclusion of the reading of his report the President's character was passed.

E. C. Makosky moved that the President's report be referred to the Committee on President's Report, and that the items relating to the change of finances or the provision of new sources of income, be referred to the Board of Finance, and that the Board of Finance be requested to report on these items at the time set on the program for 9:40 A. M. Thursday for Partial Report of Finance. Motion carried.

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

Announcements:—Mrs. J. W. Armstrong announced the holding of a Woman's Missionary Meeting Thursday morning.

Report:—The Secretary read the report of the Program Committee. Motion to adopt. Carried.

Pastors' Reports:—The Secretary called the Roll of Pastors for their Annual Reports.

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

Election of Officers:—G. E. Turner, A. W. Ewell, C. C. Jones, and Willard Ellis were appointed as Tellers for the election of President.

J. H. Straughn was called to the chair.

The result of the ballot was as follows: L. B. Smith, 161; E. A. Sexsmith, 18; E. L. Bunce, 6; P. W. Crosby, 2; W. H. Litsinger, 2; J. F. Bryan, 1; C. C. Day, 1; B. F. Ruley, 1; J. H. Straughn, 1; Total votes cast, 193; necessary to a choice, 97.

L. B. Smith having a majority vote was declared elected, and taking the chair spoke briefly.

G. A. Morris spoke and moved that the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot for George Joseph Hooker for Secretary. Motion carried. George Joseph Hooker was declared elected.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot for C. F. Cummins for Treasurer.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot for R. W. White for Steward.

Standing District Committee:—J. N. Link, J. T. Bailey, J. A. Davis and M. G. Davis were appointed as Tellers for the Standing District Committee; the ballot was taken and on motion the Tellers retired to count the ballot.

Committee on Appeals:—Karl H. Wareheim, E. C. Woodward, S. E. Burgess and A. H. Smith, were appointed as Tellers for the Committee on Appeals. After the ballot was taken the Tellers were granted permission to retire and count the ballot.

Appointment:—The Conference Steward announced the appointment of J. R. McKeawn as Assistant Steward.

Adjournment:—After announcements, Conference adjourned with B. I. Barnes pronouncing the benediction.

#### **EVENING**

Conference Praise Service was led by E. D. Stone.

J. L. Green led in prayer.

After the Praise Service the President introduced Rev. Oscar M. Buck, D. D., of Drew University, who spoke on, "The New World and the Universal Christ."

Hymn No. 195 was sung.

G. W. Haddaway pronounced the benediction.

#### SECOND DAY, THURSDAY

Opening:—The Conference opened at 9:00 A. M. with the President presiding. During the Praise Service, F. B. Bailey led in prayer.

Journal:-The minutes were read and approved.

Roll Call:—The Secretary called the Roll of Conference. During the roll call N. C. Clough, reported that the delegate and alternate were unable to be present and requested the seating of Paul Fletcher as delegate from Taylor Memorial Church.

The Committee on Credentials reported its agreement to the seating of Paul Fletcher.

Motion to seat Paul Fletcher as delegate from Taylor Memorial. J. H. Straughn, N. C. Clough, G. A. Morris, H. Gilligan, E. A. Sexsmith, E. C. Makosky and G. W. Haddaway spoke to the question. Motion carried.

Roll call continued.

Maryland Educational Endowment Society:—The report of the Maryland Educational Endowment Society was read by N. O. Gibson. The income from this Society was used as donors desired. Motion the report be adopted. Carried.

Request for Superannuation:—J. L. Green requested that A. H. Green be superannuated. Motion request be granted and referred to Superannuate Committee.

W. H. Litsinger and the President spoke.

Motion adopted.

Louis Randall, requested that J. L. Nichols be granted a superannuated relationship. W. P. Roberts spoke. Motion request be granted, and referred to Superannuate Committee. Carried.

E. L. Bunce requested that H. B. Jester be granted a superannuated relationship. Louis Randall spoke. Motion request be granted and referred to Superannuate Committee. Carried.

G. W. Haddaway requested that J. P. Adams be granted the relationship of a superannuate. R. L. Shipley spoke. Motion request be granted and referred to Superannuate Committee. Carried.

Louis Randall requested that J. W. Parris be granted the relationship of a superannuate. Motion request be granted and referred to Superannuate Committee, Motion carried.

- C. M. Adams requested that C. S. Marshall be granted superannuated relationship. J. H. Straughn spoke. Motion request be granted and referred to Superannuate Committee. Motion carried.
- G. W. Haddaway requested that C. H. Dobson be granted superannuated relationship. N. O. Gibson and E. W. Simms spoke. Motion request be granted and referred to the Superannuate Committee. Motion carried.

Report:—A partial report of the Board of Finance was read by W. F. Wright. Suggestion that recommendations be acted on item by item.

- Item 1. Allows using the report of last year rather than current. Adopted.
- Item 2. Reduction of incidentals to \$2,500. G. A. Morris and J. L. Green requested information. Adopted.
- Item 3. Superannuates Budget remain the same. J. H. Straughn, J. L. Green, K. Wareheim spoke. Motion words "and Insurance" be included. Adopted.
- J. H. Straughn raised the question in the discussion of priority of certain payments in the Budget made by action of last Conference. The President ruled that priorities noted by one Conference had no binding on future Conferences.
- Item 4. Church Extension budget of \$14,000.00. J. L. Green, G. W. Haddaway, and W. H. Litsinger spoke. Motion to take out the item for \$2,500 Special Superannuates, and make it a separate item. Adopted.

By common consent E. C. Makosky gave some figures regarding the Headquarters Building finances. A. N. Ward and J. M. Gill requested information. G. W. Haddaway and J. H. Straughn spoke. Adopted.

Item 5 and 6. Church Home and President's parsonage budgets. Adopted.

Items 7 and 8. Religious Education and Reduction of Debt Budgets. Adopted.

Motion to adopt report as a whole. Carried.

Committee on Appeals:—The Tellers reported that J. H. Straughn, J. W. Kirk and J. M. Gill were elected as ministerial members of Committee on Appeals, and F. G. Reinicker was the only layman elected. Motion Secretary cast the ballot for Henry Gilligan and W. A. Sheppard, the next highest laymen. Motion adopted.

Standing District Committee:—The Tellers reported that E. D. Stone, E. C. Makosky and W. H. Litsinger, W. C. Scott, J. H. Baker and T. A. Murray were elected as members of the Standing District Committee. Motion report be accepted. Adopted.

Reports:—The report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference was read by the Secretary. On motion the report was adopted, and the Secretary cast the ballot for E. C. Makosky, B. F. Ruley, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho as members of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Deaconess Board:—The report of the Deaconess Board was read by the Secretary showing the financial condition for the year. Motion the report be adopted and the Secretary cast the ballot for W. A. Melvin, W. F. Wright, W. F. Chew and Mrs. W. B. Gilligan. J. A. Dudley, E. L. Bunce, J. N. Link, W. A. Melvin and J. H. Lynch spoke. Motion carried.

Greetings from our Workers:—The Secretary read greetings from the following workers in other fields and members of the Conference unable to be present: C. Phillips, J. L. Elderdice, G. J. Hill, P. M. Cassen, C. G. Soderbom, T. G. Betschler, W. H. Hodges, W. S. Hanks, T. R. Woodford, P. F. Warner and S. W. Coe. On motion same were referred to the Committee on Official Relations, and the Secretary of Conference reply to the letters.

Appointments:—The Secretary reported the appointment of the following as assistants: E. L. Bunce, C. R. Strausburg, J. W. Townsend and A. F. T. Raum.

Report:—The report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage was read by the Secretary showing expenditures of \$432.17. Motion report be referred to Committee on Audit. Adopted.

Personal Privilege: J. F. Bryan brought personal greetings from H. B. Jester now at Mt. Wilson.

Report:—The Committee on Audit reported that the Treasurer had handled \$104,407.13, and no errors found. Report adopted, and the treasurer given permission to purchase needed binders.

Devotional Service:—E. T. Read led in prayer. Dr. O. M. Buck brought the devotional message.

After announcements the benediction was pronounced by J. M. Gill.

#### **AFTERNOON**

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 2 P. M. and led the Praise Service. George Hines led in prayer.

The Conference Librarian reported he had no report.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by W. A. Melvin, showing an expenditure of \$589, and contributions of \$263. Motion to adopt and referred to the Board of Finance.

Church Extension Society:—Conference gave way to the Church Extension Society. Conference reconvened with the President in the chair.

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

Conference reconvened with the President in the chair.

E. D. Stone led in singing, "What a Friend We Have In Jesus."

The President spoke on the spirit of cooperation that is prevailing at this session and requested G. W. Haddaway to preside.

Mutual Relief Association:—Conference gave way to the Mutual Relief Association.

Conference reconvened with G. W. Haddaway in the chair.

Adjournment:—After announcements, the benediction was pronounced by J. W. Kirk,

#### **EVENING**

E. D. Stone had charge of the Praise Service. F. G. Holloway presided. J. H. Straughn led in prayer.

Dr. O. M. Buck brought another of his fine messages.

Song, "Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen in Me."

R. L. Shipley pronounced the benediction.

#### THIRD DAY, FRIDAY

Opening:—The Conference opened at 9:00 A. M., with the President presiding.

During the praise service G. E. Turner led in prayer.

Journal:-The minutes were read and approved.

Roll Call:-The Secretary called the Roll of Conference.

Request for Superannuation:—J. H. Straughn requested that A. W. Betts be granted the relationship of a superannuate. Motion request be granted and referred to the Committee on Superannuates. (Carried).

Report:—The report of The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read by the secretary. Report considered item by item.

Item 1. Ellsworth Jennings be ordained. The President spoke in appreciation of his work. (Adopted)

Item 2. Jesse Clifford Byrd be received and ordained. J. A. Trader, J. H. Straughn and R. L. Shipley spoke favorably. (Adopted)

H. E. Cheyney be recevied and ordained. G. E. McDorman spoke favorably. (Adopted)

W. K. Lyons be received and ordained. T. C. Mulligan and C. N. Spence spoke in his praise. (Adopted)

W. H. Stone, Jr., be received and ordained. The President, C. M. Elderdice, E. D. Stone and J. H. Lynch spoke for him. (Adopted)

Item 3. G. A. Sutton be received on transfer from the Texas Conference. F. G. Holloway, H. L. Elderdice, and G. W. Haddaway recommended the adoption of this item. (Adopted)

Item 4. P. M. Lue Rutz be received on transfer from the Fort Smith-Oklahoma Conference and be granted a supernumerary relation. P. M. Lue Rutz waived all rights to supernumeration. H. Gilligan and R. L. Shipley spoke on behalf of this recommendation. (Adopted)

Motion partial report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

Appointment:—H. N. Nicklas was appointed by the President as Collector for gift for the sexton of the Conference church.

W. D. Wilson:—The President spoke in a touching way of the services of W. D. Wilson and his affliction. Motion that the Secretary send a letter to W. D. Wilson. J. H. Straughn moved to substitute "a committee to visit W. D. Wilson and bring in a special report for our permanent records." J. L. Nichols, J. H. Straughn, E. C. Makosky, J. M. Gill, and E. L. Bunce spoke. Motion carried.

Request for Superannuate Relationship:—J. L. Ward requested that J. McLain Brown be granted a superannuated relationship. Motion request be granted and referred to Committee on Superannuates. Carried.

Mutual Relief Association:—G. A. Ogg spoke regarding an action of the Mutual Relief and requested the Conference to allow the action be postponed one year. This was so considered by mutual consent.

Invitation for 1934:—Christ Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, invited Conference to meet there in 1934. The invitation was laid on the table for 24 hours.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Literature and Education was read by Rowland Watts. The report reviewed the work and condition of Westminster Theological Seminary, Western Maryland College, The Methodist Protestant-Recorder, The Board of Publication and the Methodist Protestant Sunday School Literature. Motion to adopt the report after hearing from the representatives of these organizations. J. H. Straughn spoke on behalf of the Board of Publication. R. L. Shipley spoke for The Methodist Protestant-Recorder. A. N. Ward represented the Western Maryland College.

Motion that the hour of the day for 11:00 A. M., Saturday be set to hear A. N. Ward and F. G. Holloway at that time, and the report of the Committee on Literature and Education finally considered. (Carried).

Devotional Service:—E. D. Stone led the singing. Dr. O. M. Buck brought the closing message and led in the closing prayer.

#### AFTERNOON

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 2:00 P. M. E. D. Stone led the praise service.

Board of Administration:—J. C. Broomfield, President of the General Conference was presented and spoke of the Methodist Protestant Church at work in the world at large, and the needs of the church at this time.

A. N. Ward took the chair.

Lord's Day Alliance:—W. W. Davis, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland, was introduced and spoke on "The Commercialized Lord's Day."

E. L. Bunce moved that G. W. Haddaway be elected as a member of the Lord's Day Educational Committee. Carried.

On motion the Conference also endorsed the Membership Program of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Missions was read by G. E. McDorman. G. W. Haddaway, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions presented Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, President of the Maryland Branch, who pleaded for the organization of auxiliaries in every church, and organized Men's Brotherhoods for missionary work.

G. W. Haddaway also presented Mrs. L. F. Warner, the mother of Paul F. Warner, who added her words to those of Mrs. Armstrong for a deeper interest in the missionary work. G. W. Haddaway addressed the Conference on the work of the Board of Missions.

Motion to adopt the Report of Committee on Missions. Carried.

Appointment:—The Treasurer announced the appointment of G. E. Leister as Assistant Treasurer.

Report:—The Secretary read the report of the Committee on Pulpit Service. Motion to adopt. Carried.

After announcements Conference adjourned with E. C. Makosky pronouncing the benediction.

#### **EVENING**

Conference Praise Service was in charge of E. D. Stone. E. C. Makosky presided. J. N. Link led in prayer.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read by J. W. Kirk. The Conference goes on record as being opposed to the return in any form of intoxicating drink and calls upon all Christians to carry on in the battle for Prohibition. A definite plan of Temperance Education was outlined. The report deplored the present divorce conditions in America, and called for a uniform divorce law. All people were called upon to properly observe the Lord's Day as a Day of rest and worship. The administration plan of disarmament was commended. Race track gambling was condemned. The report urged the Conference to appoint a Secretary of Temperance without pay.

George W. Crabbe, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, was presented and addressed the Conference. E. L. Bunce, F. G. Holloway, J. L. Nichols, E. C. Graham and B. F. Ruley spoke. Motion report be adopted as a whole. Substitute motion "recommit to the Committee for additions suggested." E. D. Stone, J. W. Kirk and F. G. Holloway spoke. Substitute motion withdrawn. Motion report be adopted as read. (adopted)

After announcements Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. W. Kirk.

#### FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY

Opening:—The President called Conference to order at 9:00 A. M., and led the Praise Service.

Journal:-The minutes were read and approved,

Appointment:—The President announced the appointment of J. H. Straughn and W. H. Litsinger as the Committee to visit W. D. Wilson and prepare the permanent record.

Devotional Service:—The devotions were in charge of D. W. Anstine. G. W. Haddaway took the chair.

Request for Superannuation:—L. B. Smith requested that D. W. Anstine be granted the privilege of superannuate relationship and referred to the Superannuate Committee. G. W. Haddaway, P. W. Crosby, W. A. Melvin, C. C. Day and C. N. Spence spoke. Motion request be granted. Carried.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Superannuates was read by Louis Randall. Report was laid on the table for twenty-four hours. J. H. Straughn requested information. Louis Randall gave the information requested.

Presentations:—Frank Stephenson, Secretary of the Board of Education, and Lawrence Little, Professor at Western Maryland College, were presented to the members of the Conference.

Report:—J. A. Dudley read the report of the Committee on President's Report. The report was considered by items:

Recommendation 1, referring to the correct manner of keeping the Church Register: J. N. Link, E. C. Makosky, G. E. Turner, J. H. Straughn and R. L. Shipley spoke. Motion to amend the item. E. L. Bunce, J. L. Ward, L. C. Randall, A. N. Ward, J. A. Dudley, Louis Randall, J. L. Nichols and W. H. Litsinger spoke. Substitute Motion, "The reference of the entire matter to the committee." Substitute motion carried.

Recommendation 2, regarding Superannuate support and the percentages to be paid by the ministers. E. C. Graham moved to amend by changing the wording of the item. Amendment carried. Motion to adopt portion A as amended. Adopted. J. W. Kirk, George Hines, and

G. W. Haddaway spoke. Motion to lay on table. Hour of the Day was called for.

Invitation for Conference of 1934:—An invitation was received from St. Paul's Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore. The invitation was laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

Report:—Report of the Committee on Literature and Education.
A. N. Ward, spoke on behalf of Western Maryland College and then called on Lawrence Little for additional remarks. J. H. Straughn and J. L. Green spoke.

- F. G. Holloway was presented and spoke in the interest of Westminster Theological Seminary.
- H. L. Elderdice was called upon for a brief greeting. Motion to adopt the report. Carried.

Report:—The report of the Committee on President's Report was taken up again. J. A. Dudley asked that the President of the Conference come in. E. C. Makosky called for an explanation. J. W. Kirk withdrew motion to lay on the table. C. F. Cummins, Treasurer of the Conference spoke concerning the item referring to superannuates' allowance, J. W. Kirk, E. C. Makosky, C. F. Cummings, E. L. Bunce, J. L. Green, and L. B. Smith spoke to the item, E. C. Makosky made motion that superannuate claims have priority over any other funds of the Conference. He was requested to prepare a Resolution. L. B. Smith, and C. F. Cummins, spoke to the item. The item was read as corrected. Item adopted.

Item A of Recommendation 2 regarding amounts assessed on pastors' salaries was read.

Recommendation 3 concerning supplemental salaries was adopted as read.

Recommendation 4 referring to payment of assessments was read, and adopted. J. H. Straughn requested that the blank for the District Quarterly Conferences be changed.

Recommendation 5 concerning the increase of premium for Group Insurance was read. J. A. Trader, G. I. Humphreys, and E. A. Sexsmith, spoke to the item. Motion that this item be held in abeyance until Committee on Group Life Insurance presented its report. Carried.

Recommendation 6, adopted.

Recommendation 7, adopted.

Recommendation 8 adopted.

The report as a whole was deferred for adoption.

Resolution:—A resolution offered by E. C. Makosky was read.

Motion that consideration of this resolution be given in connection with the report of the Committee on Superannuates. Carried.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read. The following were called to the chancel: Jesse Clifford Byrd, Harold Eglin Cheyney, William Kenneth Lyons, Walter Henry Stone, Jr., Clarence Arthur Sutton, P. M. Lue Rutz. The President greeted them and after words of counsel and advice, received them into the Conference.

Adjournment:-Conference adjourned.

#### FIFTH DAY, SUNDAY

Ordination Service:-The service opened at 11:00 A. M.

Hymn No. 374 was sung. Prayer was offered by W. F. Wright.

Responsive reading No. 40 was led by G. E. Brown.

The Scripture Lesson, Eph. 3, was read by W. A. Melvin.

Hymn No. 461 was sung.

The Ordination Sermon was preached by R. Y. Nicholson.

Sermon Theme: "The Ministry, A Poor Trade, A High Calling."

After the sermon, Ellsworth Jennings, Jesse Clifford Byrd, Harold Eglin Cheyney, William Kenneth Lyons and Walter Henry Stone, Jr., were ordained to the office of Elder in the Church of Christ.

The President was assisted by G. J. Hooker, W. F. Wright, G. E. Brown, W. A. Melvin and R. Y. Nicholson.

The benediction was pronounced by L. B. Smith.

#### SIXTH DAY, MONDAY

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 9:00 A. M., and led the Praise Service.

Journal:—The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

Devotional Service:-J. L. Ward had charge of the devotional period.

G. W. Haddaway was called to the chair.

E. A. Sexsmith moved that Frank Stephenson, Secretary of the Board of Christian Education be given ten minutes to address the Conference immediately after consideration of the report of the Committee on Superannuates.

Invitation for 1934:—On motion the rules regarding invitation laying on table for twenty-four hours were suspended to allow T. C. Jones to present an invitation for Conference to meet at Wilton Heights Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, in 1934.

Resolution:—A resolution was presented regarding the priority of the claims of the superannuates on the funds of the Conference. E. C.

Makosky spoke on the priorities. J. H. Straughn discussed the priority resolution in its effects upon other interests of the Conference budget, suggesting at the close of his address some other way of meeting whatever deficit might arise in receipts for the superannuates. He presented a substitute resolution doubling the percentages for ministers to pay instead of as originally planned. This was accepted by E. C. Makosky. G. A. Morris, J. W. Kirk, Louis Randall, J. H. Lynch and J. M. Gill spoke.

The substitute was amended, "We request the churches to assume an amount equal to the ministers' amount to aid in raising the deficit in the Superannuate Fund." E. A. Sexsmith, K. H. Wareheim, A. W. Beets and J. M. Gill spoke. Louis Randall submitted an amendement to the substitute adding and that "the President appoint a day for the churches to raise this amount." W. A. Wheatly, Jr., L. W. Dykes, J. L. Nichols, Mrs. H. C. Grimes, K. H. Wareheim, Rowland Watts, W Ellis, J. A. Dudley, H. Gilligan, H. M. Webster, G. I. Humphreys, C. N. Spence and J. H. Straughn spoke. Substitute adopted as amended.

Report of Committee on Superannuates was adopted as a whole.

The chair presented Frank Stephenson, Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, who addressed the Conference on behalf of the Board he represented.

Presentation:—M. S. Andrews, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Denton, was presented.

Report:—The report of the Committee on Religious Education was read by L. C. Randall. Motion report be adopted. (Carried)

R. W. White read his report as President of the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education. Motion report be adopted and the two Conference Executive Committee members be elected. Motion Secretary cast the ballot for R. Y. Nicholson for two years and J. N. Link for one year. (Carried)

Adjournment: -After announcements G. E. Brown pronounced the benediction.

#### AFTERNOON

Opening:-J. W. Townsend called the Conference to order, and on motion R. L. Shipley took the chair.

Reports:—The Committee on Audit rendered a partial report as having audited books of Agent of President's Parsonage and Treasurer of Church Extension Society and found same correct. Adopted.

The report of the Committee on the Home for the Aged was read by the Secretary. Motion to adopt and secretary cast ballot for E. C. Makosky, J. P. Wantz and O. S. Herr as members of the Board of Managers. Motion carried.

Committee on Official Relations:—The Chairman, E. A. Sexsmith spoke briefly and the report of the Committee on Official Relations was

read by Henry Gilligan. The report showed 16 charges and 9 churches on the Honor Roll.

Recommendations:—Seven men be loaned to Board of Missions; one loaned to Salvation Army; one loaned as Chaplain U. S. Army; two left without appointment at their own request; two be given supernumerary relationship.

Several recommendations were presented regarding financial difficulties of the men in the ministry. All charges not paying the General Conference expenses do so at once. Every charge urged to rally to the cause of paying 100 per cent on General and Maryland Conference assessments. Motion made committee be given authority to insert names of churches on Honor Roll in their report.

In considering the items, G. A. Morris and G. I. Humphreys suggested an amendment to No. 8 (a), same to be considered as a separate item. Motion item be omitted. Motion lost. Motion item 8 (a) be amended, "unless satisfactory explanation be made to Committee on Official Relations." A. N. Ward, and J. F. Bryan spoke. Motion to lay on table entire item. Motion lost. E. A. Sexsmith, H. Gilligan, C. M. Adams, E. T. Read, A. N. Ward, Rowland Watts and G. I. Humphreys spoke. Motion that preamble to item 8 (a) and the amendment be resubmitted to the committee. G. E. McDorman spoke. G. A. Morris rose to a point or order. Motion carried.

The Chairman of the Committee requested the appointment of two additional members. A. N. Ward and Rowland Watts were appointed.

Committee on Official Relations retired to revise the entire item 8.

Invitation for 1934:—Motion that rules be suspended and that invitation from A. N. Ward, President of Western Maryland College, for the session of 1934 Conference be received. E. C. Makosky and G. W. Haddaway spoke. Motion carried.

Report:—J. L. Green read the report of the Summer Conference. Motion to adopt. J. L. Green and J. N. Link spoke. Adopted.

Report:—An additional report of the Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service was read by B. F. Ruley. The report referred to immoral movies, prize-fighting, use of tobacco by ministers and unemployment. Motion to adopt.

F. G. Holloway presented a substitute for the article regarding the unemployment situation.

Motion to strike out the committee's item. G. I. Humphreys, G. W. Haddaway, Mrs. E. M. Driscoll and B. F. Ruley spoke.

L. B. Smith took the chair.

Motion to strike out, carried.

C. N. Spence, J. W. Kirk, Mrs. E. M. Driscoll, G. W. Haddaway, G. I. Humphreys, B. F. Ruley, J F. Bryan spoke. E. C. Makosky called

for the previous question. The item condemning prize-fighting was adopted.

The item condemning boxing in colleges and Y. M. C. A.'s was adopted 54 to 35 on a standing vote.

The item referring to smoking was adopted. Motion to amend the report. "This Conference regards that smoking on the part of any member of the church is setting a hurtful example." J. W. Kirk, J. N. Link, Mrs. E. M. Driscoll, Eugene Maddox, and J. H. Lynch spoke. B. I. Barnes moved to place the amendment on the table. Carried.

Resolution:—F. G. Holloway presented a resolution on economic conditions. Same was adopted.

Partial Report of Committee on Official Relations:—Henry Gilligan read the report that was recommitted to the committee on Official Relations and revised. Report taken up item by item. Preamble and Item 8 (a) regarding ministers finances adopted. Item 8 (b) adopted. J. H. Straughn, H. Gilligan, G. W. Haddaway, G. E. Turner, and E. L. Bunce spoke. Item 8 (c) regarding unpaid salaries adopted. Item 9 urging 100% payment of Budget—G. W. Haddaway spoke. Adopted. Motion report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

Motion that we recess at 5:00 P. M., until 7:00 P. M.

Report:—J. A. Dudley read the report of the Committee to visit W. D. Wilson. The original committee to visit W. D. Wilson could not serve and J. A. Dudley, E. D. Stone and Walter H. Stone had been appointed to serve.

Report:—The Committee on President's Report submitted a partial report read by J. A. Dudley. Item 1 regarding Church registers, deferred. Item 2, regarding insurance premiums, adopted.

H. N. Nicklas reported collecting \$28.00 for sexton and same turned over to Miss Bailey.

Conference recessed.

#### **EVENING**

 $\mathbf{Opening} {:}{\mathbf{--}} \mathbf{The}$  President called the Conference to order at 7:00 P. M.

Report:—Item 1 of the Partial Report of the Committee on President's Report, referring to the Church Registers was read by the Secretary. Motion to adopt. W. H. Litsinger moved to substitute the word "advised" instead of "required." J. H. Straughn, H. Gilligan, G. W. Haddaway and W. H. Litsinger spoke. Amendment lost. Motion carried.

The report as a whole was adopted.

The Board of Finance presented a partial report recommending \$100 for the Committee on Evangelism. Carried.

J. H. Straughn read the report of the Board of Survey and Extension. Adjustments were recommended as to changing of certain

boundaries. E. C. Makosky, P. W. Crosby, J. H. Straughn, G. J. Hooker spoke. The President explained the status of the Reliance Charge. The list of appropriations was included in the report. Motion report as a whole be adopted. Carried.

Resolution:—J. N. Link presented a resolution amending the Manual, combining the Standing Committee of Religious Education and Committee on Literature and Education. Moved to adopt. Carried.

J. N. Link presented a resolution amending the Manual, first as to the qualifications of those seeking admission to membership in the Maryland Annual Conference; second, the President to appoint certain supply pastors; third, that all candidates after the 1935 Conference session, serve three years after reception under the appointment of the Annual Conference before ordination. J. N. Link, E. L. Bunce, W. A. Melvin and J. L. Green spoke. R. L. Shipley moved to refer to the Committee on Revision without action. G. W. Haddaway, A. F. T. Raum, J. L. Ward and F. G. Holloway spoke. Motion to refer lost. Motion to adopt. Carried.

P. W. Crosby spoke on Regulation 22, and moved that the Regulation be stricken out. K. H. Wareheim spoke. Motion carried.

Report:—The Secretary read the report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. The Committee reported as to the studies of men going through the Conference Course, and recommended certain men be granted license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President. Motion to adopt. Carried.

Invitation for 1934:—Christ and St. Paul's Methodist Protestant Churches of Baltimore withdrew their invitations for 1934. Conference then voted on the remaining two invitations—Wilton Heights Methodist Protestant Church and Western Maryland College, and by vote decided to meet at Western Maryland College in 1934. T. C. Jones moved to make it unanimous. Carried.

Report:—W. A. Roberts read the report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies. G. W. Haddaway spoke. Motion to adopt. Passed.

The offering was received and Conference united in singing "Wonderful Words of Life."

Report:—Committee on Statistics report was read by J. L. Marker. Moved to adopt. Carried.

The report of Conference Steward was read by R. W. White. J. H. Straughn spoke. Motion report be adopted and order of day 1934 for this report be made not later than Monday morning 10:00 A. M. Carried.

Conference Treasurer:—The Conference Treasurer read his report. Motion to adopt and refer to a committee on Audit to be provided by the Board of Finance. Adopted.

Group Life Insurance:-C. F. Cummins read the report of Group

Life Insurance. Motion report be adopted and Treasurer be given permission to act as he requested. Carried.

Transfer:-Motion to continue Transfer of W. M. Snyder. Carried.

Entertainment:—T. J. Turkington expressed his thanks for the cooperation of the Conference members.

A. N. Ward spoke about the Summer School at Western Maryland College and urged the young men preparing for the ministry to go to Western Maryland College at special rate for the present emergency of financial distress. He also replied to T. J. Turkington's words.

Motion rising vote of thanks to the pastor and members of Denton Church was taken.

Journal:-Minutes read and approved.

Plan of Appointments:—The President read the Plan of Appointments.

Motion Plan of Appointments be adopted.

Adjournment:-J. H. Straughn gave the closing prayer at 10:10 P. M.

LEONARD B. SMITH, President G. J. HOOKER, Secretary A. F. T. RAUM, Journal Clerk

Approved June 19, 1932.

### REPORTS

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### REPORT A

(See Journal Page 17)

"Let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not,"—(Gal. 6:9)

"Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard that the everlasting God. . . . fainteth not, neither is weary? . . . . He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. . . . . They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and faint not."—
(Isa. 40: 28-31)

The close of the one hundred and fifth year of our history finds us in the midst of the great so-called "depression." Nevertheless our hearts rejoice that the elders who through faith "obtained a good report" are not all yet gone to their reward. Among those assembled here with their fellow labourers, men and women of the pew, "whose names are in the book of life," are those indeed who add to the list of saints "who through faith . . . . . wrought righteousness, obtained promises" and "out of weakness were made strong." We shall not rehearse our trials, but rather rejoice in our triumphs, and raise here our Ebenezer. If there should be those who have been overtaken in the fault of murmuring at the bitter waters of Marah in this modern desert of discipline, "ye which are spiritual restore such . . . . in the spirit of meekness. . . . . Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ."

#### **ABSENT**

Two of our beloved ministers have severed their superannuate relationship with the Conference to take residence in the city which hath no need of the sun. "and the Lamb is the light thereof." Rev. H. W. D. Johnson departed this life July 14, 1932, and Rev. Louis A. Bennett on July 22, 1932.

. Three devoted, consecrated and useful ministers' wives have responded to Heaven's roll call and left a host of loved ones and friends who sorrow, "but not as others who have no hope." They were Mrs. Owen W. Prince, Mrs. P. M. R. Schauer, and Mrs. John M. Gill. Obituary Committees will record our tributes of Christian love in the proceedings of this session.

#### AFFLICTION

Five of our pastors have been stricken with severe and prolonged physical diseases preventing one of them from entering at all upon the duties of the pastorate to which he was assigned, another from pursuing his duties further than one week following the adjournment of Conference a year ago, still another from serving actively more than five months, and necessitating the absence of the other two from their pulpits for two or three months.

#### **ADJUSTMENTS**

- C. H. Dobson was excused, because of physical disability, from the appointment at Harmony, W. Va., to which he was assigned, and J. H. Mark was appointed as Supply Pastor immediately after the adjournment of last Conference session.
- J. L. Nichols was compelled because of affliction to abandon his active duties as pastor at Milford, Delaware, soon after Conference. The President, with the help of a number of the retired ministers, and active pastors carried on the work until November 1, when Brother Nichols' resignation was accepted. Louis Randall was released from Brooklyn Charge in order to accept the invitation to the pastorate at Milford.

Carroll Maddox was released from First Church, Cumberland, to accept the invitation of the Brooklyn congregation to become pastor of this church.

Chas. E. Shaw, a local preacher belonging to First Church, Cumberland, was appointed, upon the request of the membership, as Supply Pastor of this church for the remainder of the Conference year.

A number of retired ministers, active pastors, Seminary teachers and students, and local preachers have assisted the President in supplying the pulpits of Pipe Creek Circuit and Mt. Tabor (Washington) during the prolonged illness of the pastors, until the latter were able to resume their duties.

H. B. Jester was stricken with a serious illness in November, and was compelled to relinquish all the duties of his pastorate at Delmar, Del. J. A. Wright and G. A. Morris, retired members of this Conference, assisted by other visiting ministers, having rendered most excellent service by keeping up all the pastoral duties of this church. Through the efficient leadership of these consecrated ministers, and the exemplary loyalty of our people at Delmar, the work has not been allowed to suffer through the unfortunate illness of Brother Jester.

The pulpit of Emmanuel Church, Philadelphia, was made vacant by the resignation of J. P. Adams in February. The President has assigned various ministers to conduct the Sunday services for the remainder of the year, and the congregation has been most loyal.

J. A. Davis, a local preacher at Pocomoke City, and Walter H. Stone, Jr., a Seminary student, served in keeping the pulpit supplied at Friendship Church until November, at which time, by request of the people, the church was left unsupplied.

J. C. Byrd, a Seminary student, served as pastor of Payson St Church, Baltimore, until the property was sold in October, and services discontinued permanently.

P. M. Lue Rutz, a member of the Mississippi Conference, residing in Washington, has conducted the worship services at Salem and Beulah Churches on Fairfax charge throughout the year.

#### VISITATION

Assuming that a visit might be of some value to every pastor and charge, your President has ignored the action of this Conference in releasing him from the obligation to visit the various charges, and he is happy to announce that every charge in the Conference has been visited at least once, fifteen on two occasions, two thrice, and three of them four times. In other words, he has made one hundred and sixty-three presidential visits to churches, preached or spoken one hundred and fifty-one times, and conducted forty-six official meetings or Quarterly Conferences, assisting in the solution of the difficult problems in the local churches made acute by economic conditions.

#### DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Eighteen of these most helpful conferences have been conducted over most of the district, at which nearly all the pastors and many of their leaders have been present, submitting quarterly reports from the local churches and engaging in a full and prayerful discussion of many of our common financial, organization and spiritual problems. This most helpful feature has passed the experimental stage, and should receive more definite official provisions with duties relating thereto carefully outlined in the Manual.

#### INTERDENOMINATIONAL PARTICIPATION

Your President has endeavored to represent his denomination faithfully in all interdenominational activities, including those of the Federation of Churches, wherein he is Chairman of the Comity Commission for Baltimore City, the Anti-Saloon League, the Lord's Day Alliance, the Maryland General Hospital, the Maryland Tract Society, the Pocket Testament League, and other similar agencies for the advancement of Christian righteousness. In these and other activities he desires to record with appreciation the fine cooperation of Dr. G. W. Haddaway and Dr. R. L. Shipley, his congenial and ever helpful neighbors in the Headquarters Building.

As a member of the Board of Missions and of the Board of Administration he attended the entire sessions of these bodies in Pittsburgh, Penna., in May.

### OFFICE CONSULTATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

One of the inevitable consequences of the acute financial depression is the vast increase of personal interviews with pastors and laymen in

the office, and the overwhelming correspondence concerning local and general problems which had to be solved. The extra drain upon his physical and mental resources has been more than met by Him who giveth wisdom to all that ask it, and who supplieth all our needs according to His riches in glory.

#### LOCAL CHURCH ACHIEVEMENTS

Caution has been demonstrated by pastors and officials in the matter of needed improvements to church properties because of acute financial conditions. No new buildings have been erected.

1. Improvements. A number of church buildings and parsonages have undergone timely improvements, and ample funds to cover them have been promptly raised by loyal and generous laymen.

Eighty-five charges have raised a total of \$10,627 for building and improvements. Charges raising \$250 or more each are as follows: New Market \$1,400, Westminster \$1,400, Fawn Grove \$1,106, Salisbury \$1,000, St. John's \$1,000, First Church, Newark \$800, N.C. Ave. \$800, Wallace Mem. \$800, Claremont \$700, Evergreen \$525, Kent Island-Wye \$514, Laurel \$500, R. I. Ave. \$500, Milford \$400, Eutaw \$400, Bedford 400, Georgetown \$350, Union Bridge \$350, Mt. Tabor \$340, Wesley Chapel \$305, Kemptown \$300, St. Luke \$250, Pittsville \$250, Cecil \$250.

2. Church Debts. Fortunate are those churches which were not overtaken by the depression with burdensome financial debts. However, while a few have found it difficult to meet the actual interest requirements, several have made reductions on the principal of their debts. Heroic sacrifices have been made by loyal and generous pastors and laymen. The half of these will never be told until the "other books" are opened.

Sixty-four charges have made reductions on their principal debts to the extent of \$11,602. Charges reducing their principal debts \$200 or more each are as follows: R. I. Ave. \$2,500, Pocomoke City \$1,800, W. Baltimore \$9,087, Lauraville \$1,325, St. John's \$1,500, Christ Church \$1,232, Mt. Olivet \$1,000, Georgetown \$700, Salisbury \$500, Milford \$500, Bedford \$1,200, Bethesda \$1,000, Edmondson Ave. \$750, Hampden \$475, Wilton Heights \$384, Kennedyville \$300, 2nd Church Lynchburg \$400, 1st Church, Lynchburg \$300, Snow Hill \$312, Eutaw \$300, Delmar \$300, Howard \$300, Cambridge \$275, Glen Burnie \$250, Ridgeville \$242, Peninsula \$400, Liberty-Lewistown \$400, Finksburg \$205, Elizabeth \$200, Easton \$200, Calvary \$200, Hebron \$364, Finksburg \$205.

#### BENEVOLENCES

Perhaps never in our denominational history have there been more faithful and sacrificial efforts exerted by most of our pastors and people to meet the imperative needs of our Conference benevolent agencies and the World Service. The same effort in the days of prosperity would probably have more than doubled our offerings at that time. Truly history is being made in this respect.

Last year in his annual report the President recommended the requirement of monthly remittances to the Conference treasury of the funds in hand for the benevolences, and if possible at the close of each quarter the payment of the full amount due to date thereon. His purposes in this recommendation were to facilitate the raising of these funds without hardship by distributing the gifts to them throughout the year, to provide the Treasurer with funds without expensive and impossible borrowings to meet current Conference expenses, and incidentally to prevent serious complications growing out of the financial crisis throughout the world. He confesses now his ignorance then of the full import of his recommendation. Those churches which have observed this rule are in far more advantageous position at this Conference session, and have prevented actual suffering and dire financial consequences through their prompt and regular remittances. Among the churches which did not observe the rule, unfortunately, some of them are compelled to report a shortage for the first time in their history, while, to make matters worse for them and the Kingdom interests involved, some of them have had benevolent funds tied up in closed and restricted banks, while the negligent express their deep regrets, and the innocent suffer.

May the day be now at hand when the real exigencies of the occasion will induce all our churches to practice that kind of stewardship that will provide regular and adequate benevolent receipts, just as we urge our members to contribute regularly toward the local and general expenses of the churches. (See Recommendation No. 4).

Seventeen charges are expected by their pastors to be on the Honor Roll, while sixty-seven pastors report their expectations of raising the Annual Conference benevolences in full.

#### MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Because of the wide spread poverty in almost every community our churches have contributed, in ways impossible to record, toward the relief of the poor. Here again 'twill require the opening of the "other books" to find the record of those who, inasmuch as they fed the hungry and clothed the naked, did it unto Him.

Thirty-seven charges raised a total of \$154 for the Maryland Tract Society.

#### LOCAL EXPENSES AND PASTOR'S SALARIES

While economy has been wisely observed within the churches in keeping down expenses, we fear that ofttimes the emphasis has been placed too much upon a reduction of expenses and too little upon a more general participation of the members in regular Christian giving. In a great many cases church officials have found it less laborious to vote cuts in pastors' salaries and other reductions in expenses than to make the extra effort to conduct and follow-up every member visitations in behalf of adequate budget offerings, and more efficient handling of church finances.

There are many many cases of sublime fidelity and marvelous generosity among our dear people which will never fully come to light in the memory of man. It is to be hoped by the mercies of God that all our people will come to realize the imperative need of everyone's laying by him in store on the first day of the week "according as God hath prospered him."

Three charges have increased their pastors' salaries for next year. Sixty-five charges have continued their pastors' salaries at the same amount for next year.

Sixty-three charges have decreased the pastors' salaries to the extent of a total of about \$17,000.

#### CONVERSIONS AND ACCESSIONS

While our reports do not indicate yet any great turning of the people from their wicked ways to seek humbly God's face that He may hear from Heaven, forgive their sin and heal the land, yet some evidences are seen of increased church attendance, accompanied by an encouraging number of conversions and accessions. Certainly nothing we can do will come so near overcoming the full consequences of the depression, as to emphasize constantly the call to repentance for sin and confession of Christ as in the apostolic days.

Rev. W. A. Melvin, General Conference Superintendent of Evangelism, has contributed a marvelous amount of time and energy, as well as hundreds of dollars personally to enlist throughout the denomination a great army of personal workers pledged to win at least one soul each to Christ. The movement has resulted in thousands of conversions as will be seen from his report. May there be soon the sound of many reapers coming again with rejoicing bringing their sheaves with them.

One hundred and twelve charges report a total of 1569 conversions for the year. Fifteen charges report no conversions for the entire year. Those reporting 25 or more for the year are as follows: First Church, Lynchburg 160, St. Paul 82, Wilton Heights 46, First Church, Wilmington 37, Taylor Memorial 35, Deer Creek 37, Fairfax 31, First Church, Washington 31, Nichols Memorial 30, Howard 30, Dorchester 30, Eutaw 30, Cambridge 28, Second Church, Lynchburg 28, Salisbury 25, Glen Burnie 26, Bedford 25, R. I. Ave. 26, Snow Hill 26, Northumberland 25.

One hundred and nineteen charges report a total of 1751 accessions for the entire year. Thirteen charges report no accessions. Those reporting 25 or more accessions are as follows: First Church, Lynchburg 95, Wilton Heights 69, First Church, Wilmington 53, Eutaw 52, Edmondson Ave. 51, Starr 42, Peninsula 37, Bedford 35, Taylor Memorial 33, Second Church, Lynchburg 32, West Baltimore 32, Northumberland 32, First Church, Newark 31, First Church, Washington 31, Evergreen 30, Frederick 29, Salisbury 29, R. I. Ave. 29, Mt. Olivet 25, Calvary, Va. 26, St. John's 25.

One hundred and seventeen charges report a total loss of 1150. If the facts revealed in the pastors' questionnaires are accurate we should show a net gain in membership this year of 601.

#### PUBLIC MORALITY

A full report from the Committee on Moral Reform will be submitted to this Conference Friday night, and the entire evening devoted to a full and frank discussion of the same.

#### What Price Repeal!

The war of the centuries is still on. It has been waged since long before the wisest man of his day declared "Strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." The battle just now apparently is favorable to the enemy, but the war will not be over until "the Kingdoms of this world are become the Kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and He shall reign forever and ever." Until then, our part of the militant church of Christ must maintain an uncompromising stand against the manufacture or sale of all forms of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes. Just now the masses of our citizens are being grossly deceived and misled.

The outlawed liquor traffic, by its defiance of law, has intimidated millions of would-be law abiding citizens, and has seemed to succeed in making them believe what the experiences of a century have proven to be a lie,-that if again placed under legal sanction, this traffic will obey the law. It never did, and with the facilities of our day at its disposal, it will be more defiant of law now than ever. It is taking advantage of the depression by making its greatest attack upon the Christian Church when our funds are low, and many of our people are in poverty. It has enlisted selfish millionaires to swell its coffers with campaign funds, with the promise that their millions remaining will be protected from further taxation because the poor drinker will lift the burden from the rich man at the expense of his own family comforts. It has again dominated both great political parties. By its popular clamor it has induced the President of our nation to violate his own oath of allegiance to the Federal Constitution, and the Congress to nullify a section of the same. It has used the attractive promise of extra revenue to balance the national budget, as a modern mess of pottage to purchase the sacred birthright of the American people.

We have the sad spectacle of a National Administration throwing its gigantic strength against the Eighteenth Amendment with an amazing threat of intimidation that unless it is repealed forthwith, extra income taxes will be levied; and that if it is repealed these tax burdens will be lifted. If this be true, at whose expense will this burden be lifted, but that of the poor victims of its ravages as soon as it returns in legalized form? Such a spectacle emanating from the highest office of the land makes a decent citizen hang his head in shame, and cry What Price Repeal!

The members of our churches must not be swept off their feet unknowingly by this avalanche of sentiment taking no account of the aftermath of actual repeal. We must not follow even "a multitude to do evil." We can never "justify the wicked for reward and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him." We cannot afford to partici-

pate in the woe due them who build the city with blood. We must not be responsible for "tables full of vomit and filthiness, so that there is no place clean." In spite of the gullible masses of citizens now restless because of the prevalent economic conditions, and frantic for relief, we must seek the healing of the land through the Sun of righteousness in whose wings alone healing is to be found.

There is greater need for nationwide Prohibition today than ever. Our people should be carefully, prayerfully and patiently taught again the awful evils of intoxicating drink and enlisted for courageous opposition to the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. In Maryland they should be organized for a large vote against repeal on September 12. Vacations should be sacrificed if necessary, in the interest of a heavy Dry vote on that date, Old Defenders Day, September 12. On that day in Maryland an army, far more dangerous than the Army of Britain could have been in 1812, will make their invasion against the great citadel of temperance and sobriety. May we do our part to see that the banner of Christian righteousness, like the Star Spangled one, shall still wave "o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave." The Anti-Saloon League, the W. C. T. U. and all other allied temperance groups should receive the undivided support of every congregation in order that we may stand united against this greatest foe the human family has on earth.

#### The Lord's Day

Stealthily the enemies of our Lord are manouvering to crowd off the calendar the Day for special engagements with Him to rest our bodies and refresh our spirits in His presence. This Conference should give heed to the request of Dr. W. W. Davis, representing the Lord's Day Alliance, for strenuous opposition to all legislation designed to destroy the State-wide Sabbath laws, and for our hearty cooperation in the proposed educational campaign concerning the use and abuse of the Lord's Day. Dr. Davis will be heard at this session, and our Committee on Moral Reform will doubtless incorporate in its report definite recommendations relating thereto.

#### "WORLD SERVICE"

The President of the General Conference, and various other representatives of our General boards and institutions, will be heard here on Friday. They will present in detail the challenging message and program of the Board of Administration recently held in Pittsburgh. They will tell us why we cannot afford to call home our heroic and consecrated missionaries, and why we must afford to keep open our Theological Seminary and our Christian colleges, and promote on even a wider scale our schools of training in Christian leadership. They will clarify the beclouded atmospheres surrounding our publishing houses, and the Editor will show us conclusively that the remedy for all our ills is prescribed in the columns of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder so that "he that runs may read."

Your President challenges his Conference to defy depression, and bring a much larger number of our churches to the Honor Roll by raising in full all benevolent funds. He pleads for every family to subscribe for and regularly read the church paper. To do the one will impoverish no church member, and to do the other will enrich the cultural life, and deepen the religious interest of every household.

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROBLEMS AND PRIVILEGES

Someone has written that "back of the problem lies a privilege, and in the exercise of the privilege there is power," and that "Our Lord instituted His church and carried it on not that He may face us with problems that vex us, but give us privileges that challenge and bless us." If this be true, and it is, then the Maryland Conference should rejoice in its increasing privileges, rather than surrender in despair in the face of its difficult problems and limited resources.

#### Superannuates

The increased labours of the modern pastorate growing out of the greater demands of our time, together with the added responsibilities of pastors in leading their people successfully through this period of depression, make heavier drains upon the physical strength of our pastors who are of advanced years. Furthermore the necessary adjustments constantly being made in the list of appointments tend to limit rather than increase the number of appointments to be filled. We must not further darken the path which leads to a deserved retirement for our aged ministers by permitting our depleted income to reduce the meagre allowances we make for our superannuates. The Superannuate Fund Society has suffered a decrease in its income from investments. The number of retired ministers will increase at this session. maintain our present ratio of distribution of the income from the invested fund there must be provided an additional amount of at least \$4500. The amount apportioned from the assessment fund must necessarily be decreased a bit to allow for the greater number on the list. There are still unpaid past due notes for subscriptions made to this fund, which should be paid immediately. Only a small amount was paid during the year. These amounts together with the payments of a percentage of pastors' salaries, which by action of this Conference a year ago, were used for distribution to the superannuates this year, should be used for the coming year also to supplement the decreased income from the Furthermore extra funds should be provided in order invested fund. to maintain the same ratio for distribution until the normal income from this fund is restored. One of our recommendations will invite us to the privilege of solving this problem. Mr. F. Murray Benson, the newly elected treasurer of this fund, is rendering most efficient service for the Society.

#### Insurance

The gradual rise in the average age of our ministers has brought about such an increase of the total premium required to procure this

much needed insurance, that the \$2,000 assessed upon the Conference plus the amount assessed upon the insured, totalling less than \$3500, is at least \$1,000 below the total premium required. To draw from the dividends accumulating is both unsafe and unwise, because, first, there is no guarantee that there will be a dividend, since this depends upon the number of deaths and other circumstances, and second, these dividends, if any, should be available for other more urgent purposes, such as the payment of the Conference debt, the increase of the invested fund for Superannuates, or a special fund to provide free premiums for our superannuates. It is therefore necessary that larger funds for the premium be procured. One of our recommendations will invite our attention to this privilege.

The Mutual Relief Association continues to provide a most timely service of financial aid for the stricken families where death occurs within our ranks. The cost is negligible, and if at all possible every minister and his wife, if there be one, should join it. The protection is worth the average cost, but the privilege of thus bearing, in a manner, one another's burdens transfers the duty into a real privilege. Rev. G. A. Ogg continues his beneficent service as the Secretary-Treasurer of this Society.

#### Legacies and Special Benevolences

We do not have full information regarding bequests made by thoughtful and devoted members and friends of the Methodist Protestant Church. The President will appreciate any facts concerning such that may be known by our pastors and laymen. Once in a while he is consulted concerning provisions to be made in the will of a devoted churchman. His counsel is cheerfully and unselfishly offered in order that those desiring to extend and enlarge their beneficent service, even after their decease, may do so constructively. Mr. John O. Robinson, a devoted member of Deer Creek Church, who went to his reward in Heaven, over a year ago, generously remembered in a legacy the Deer Creek Church and the Cemetery surrounding it.

The Pipe Creek Benevolent Society has partially recovered from its financial reverses, and has again made a donation through the President, to some ministers in distress.

The St. John's Board of Beneficence for the first time in many years has suffered a serious depletion of revenue, because of the failure of institutions wherein some of their funds are invested, and because of postponed collections from other investments. Nevertheless the generous cooperation of this Board with your President has enabled the latter to provide for a few most acute cases of grievously afflicted ministers.

Attention should be called also to the generous gifts of some of our ministers and laymen, and a few congregations and church groups who through the year have made free will offerings to enable the President to tide over some of our brethren compelled to abandon their active labours because of illness. Others have rendered valued service by assisting the President in maintaining the worship services of churches whose pastors were ill without cost to the pastors.

Grateful appreciation is recorded also for the kindness and generosity of the congregations of Pipe Creek Charge, Mt. Tabor (Washington), Milford, and Delmar, which continued in full their pastors' salaries during long periods of serious illness.

The Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Companies deserve our gratitude for their generous grants of free transportation over their lines for the President of this Conference up to this calendar year, when a reduced income compelled withdrawal of this courtesy.

#### Our Church Home

Here continues to operate, unabated by depression and all other obstacles, one of the finest privileges and perhaps less of a problem, because of its attractiveness. The efficient executive committee and Board of Lady Managers, together with those in direct charge of affairs within the Home, have succeeded again in balancing their budget, in spite of an addition to the building and physical equipment. Donations from the churches continue to provide needed supplies in a timely way. Miss Kate Murray, who has served many years as Matron resigned because of feeble health, and Mrs. E. A. Warfield, widow of an honored member of this Conference, has been appointed to succeed her. Mrs. Warfield has made a large place for herself in the hearts of those who await here peacefully life's beautiful sunset.

#### Summer Conference and Training School

The use of these two names brings to the remembrance of many two of the most pleasant and profitable weeks of the year spent at Western Maryland College and the Seminary every summer. About one-third of our ministers usually avail themselves of this timely retreat in late summer. 'Twould be indeed a refreshing, encouraging and enlightening vacation feature for every member of this Conference if he would plan to embrace this privilege at so moderate a cost. Prevalent financial conditions have made it necessary to discontinue a director of Religious Education, but the Maryland Conference Council continues to provide special training for our youth and leaders of youth, with accredited certificates for those meeting the required attainments.

### Women's Work-Maryland and Washington-Virginia Branches

While these organized and active auxiliaries of the women of our Conference will have their great work reviewed by the Committee on Missions, yet attention should be called to this fast growing and indispensable department of our church life. The women of the churches in the various sections of our Conference are meeting quarterly for conferences on the vital issues of our denominational work for Christ's Kingdom. New auxiliaries are being formed in churches and on circuits for the purpose of enlisting all the women of the churches in both local financial and spiritual support of the churches, and in all the work of our general boards and institutions included in our "World Service" projects.

Miss Lillian N. DeMoss, our lone Deaconess, continues to render efficient service in the churches and communities where she is called to do special work, including organization, surveys, and other kinds of Christian ministry.

#### Church Extension

The report of the President of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society will more carefully survey the field of action which your Conference President has covered, serving also in the capacity of its Superintendent in the interest of economy. He has advised extreme caution in the creation of financial obligations for building and improvements. He has counseled frequently with pastors and their officials concerning the financing and reduction of debts within the local church.

The authorized ereceion of the first unit of the Lewis Memorial Church in Washington, so very urgently needed, was necessarily postponed for the reason that no loan on the proposed structure was obtainable.

The outstanding success of this department of our Conference this year lies in there being procured fully a dozen private loans for preferably prolonged investment as well as cooperation. These loans have enabled us to pay off some retiring notes held by banks and individuals without increasing the total of our debt. In fact we rejoice to report more than \$4,000 less debt than a year ago, with all interest payments made promptly and no defaulting at any time. There has been an evident increase of credit in this department during the year. If we continue to have the loyal and liberal support of our churches in the full, prompt and regular payments on their Conference benevolences, we have no fear of any embarrassment in meeting the heavy but gradually lowering debts in this most important home missionary agency within our Conference.

#### Headquarter's Building

Perhaps nothing of such great importance at least to the material and social life of our Annual Conference has undergone a severer test during the depression than has our central headquarters office and mercantile building. This Conference, a year ago, discussed at considerable length the problems which had developed through the reverses suffered by this kind of real estate in Baltimore and other cities. It was evident that some rather unusual measure had to be taken to prevent serious financial complications growing out of vacated rooms, reduced and delayed rentals, in view of the tax and interest requirements. The large equity which the Conference has in this property, together with borrowings made to procure it, not covered at all by the mortgage, necessitated our continuing to finance it as a Conference institution. By Conference action the Trustees have borrowed from the Superannuate Invested Fund enough to meet the required expenses in excess of the income from rentals. The interest on these loans is being paid regularly so that the Superannuate Fund has lost nothing.

The time has come however, when this Conference must decide whether or not the possession and maintenance of this building, in view of all these facts, are of such necessity as to share in the budget of this Conference. The Trustees will make a request for such provision, and the Board of Finance will propose an answer to this request. It is your President's conviction that it should be granted, even if it means the temporary outlay of a part of our church extension funds. The part which this building plays here in the center of the largest Conference in the denomination is of such vital importance as to make it imperative for this Conference ultimately to pay off its debt, and bring it to a self-supporting basis.

#### Economy

If he understands the meaning of this word at all, your President has tried in every phase of our Conference work to use it daily as a watchword. He has had the most valued aid of the Treasurer of the Conference, Rev. Chas. F. Cummins. The only increased expense grows out of a far more voluminous correspondence which in view of higher postal rates, has required a larger outlay. Practically no expenses have been paid for Board and Committee meetings or for travel. Meetings were called only when absolutely necessary, and members at a distance were frequently excused to save expense. Several of our ministers and laymen have rendered excellent service at no expense whatever. Audits have been made, benevolent assessments computed at the vast expenditure of energy and time, and without any compensation either for service or meals.

Mr. J. Frank Brown, the genial and efficient agent of the President's parsonage, continues his gratitous labours in this capacity and incidentally has succeeded in obtaining a concession in the required reduction of the mortgage debt in order to prevent too great a drain upon our Conference treasury.

#### SESQUI-CENTENNIAL OF METHODISM

All branches of Methodism are preparing to celebrate next year the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of Methodism in America in 1784. This event is of unusual significance to all Methodists in Maryland and Delaware because of the historical background afforded this great church by these two states. A commission, composed of ministers and laymen of the three Methodist bodies in our midst, is planning an elaborate program in commemoration of this event, which will be both national and local. This Conference should enter heartily into this celebration. A recommendation herein will suggest an effective method of cooperation.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Church Registers—That greater emphasis be laid upon the sacred rights of church membership, and special attention be given to the preparation and preservation of membership registers. That officials in our churches be requested to provide one of the new registers, now available if needed, to replace worn out ones, and that pastors use extra care to record plainly all members in full connection with the serial number,

manner and date of reception, and all other data of interest as suggested therein. That exhibits of church registers be made, if possible, at Preachers' Meetings and District Conferences for the purposes of improving this feature of our work.

2. Superannuate Support—That, in view of the enlarged list of members in our family of Superannuate ministers and widows at this time, necessitating a lowering of the amount distributed from the district, there be maintained the same ratio of distribution from the income from the invested fund. That the shortage in this income be provided through the use of receipts during the coming year from payments on outstanding notes to the Superannuate Fund Society, the amount assessed upon the pastors on the basis of their salaries, and by an appropriation of \$2,500 from the church extension fund.

That the amount assessed upon pastors for this fund for this year be as follows: Pastors receiving not more than \$1200,  $\frac{1}{4}$ % of their salaries; pastors receiving more than \$1200 and not more than \$1800,  $\frac{1}{4}$ %; pastors receiving more than \$1800,  $\frac{1}{4}$ %.

That the Treasurer be authorized to make monthly payments to all Superannuates of % of their monthly allowance due them, the remainder to be paid at the end of the Conference year.

- 3. Supplemental Salaries—That this Conference continue to specify \$1200 as the minimum salary for a married ordained pastor, but in view of the large reduction made in salaries below the minimum, making impossible the guarantee of this minimum salary from Conference funds, that the Manual, Reg. 1, Par. 13, be amended by striking out the words "will be responsible only for the difference between the proposed salary of the church and the \$1200, not exceeding \$300 in amount" and inserting the words "will appropriate to various charges on pastor's salaries from a maximum total of \$2500 amounts which are deemed imperative and justifiable by the Board of Survey and Extension."
- 4. Benevolences—That this Conference call the attention of church treasurers to the gross injustice of allowing funds raised for benevolences to be used for local expenses, or to remain idle on deposit, or in the hands of treasurers until the end of the year, while they are needed so constantly during the year, and that churches and charges reporting quarterly their benevolences paid to date be given honorable mention. That the Manual, Reg. 1, Par. 6, be amended by adding the words "and to report quarterly, at the time of the District Conferences, the amounts raised on his charge for the benevolences, in order to determine the standing of his charge concerning the budget for benevolences."
- 5. Insurance—In view of the fact that the total annual premium of our Group Insurance Policy is at least \$1,000 in excess of the amount allowed from the Conference budget plus the amount assessed upon the ministers insured, that the amount of the premium required from each minister insured be \$15.00 instead of \$10.00 as at present.
- 6. Sesqui-Centennial—(1) That this Conference authorize the appointment of a committee whose duties shall be first, to cooperate with

similar committees from the other Methodisms in planning an appropriate celebration of the Sesqui-centennial of the organization of American Methodism, and (2) to provide for and have prepared a history of this Conference up to date for the session of 1934.

7. Manual Revision—That a committee of three be appointed to revise our Conference Manual for the purpose of eliminating irrelavant and unnecessary material, improving the composition, and suggesting certain provisions covering our present work; and that the report of this committee be published in the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, at least one month before the session of 1934, and acted upon at that session.

"Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you to me indeed is not grievous." "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all, making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now." This fellowship is most delightful as your President receives the many kindnesses of parsonage occupants, and sits in official groups of your laymen discussing the care of the churches. He is deeply grateful for the kind care of a loving Providence who has preserved his health and protected him in all his travels so that again he is able to say that he has not missed an engagement in the churches or a day at the office on account of illness or accident.

We have laboured together with God against terrific odds. We have rejoiced with one another in successes and triumphs; we have wept with one another in our griefs, and borne one another's burdens as best we could. Each one perhaps will regret that he did not obtain a better report through faith. "But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another."

LEONARD B. SMITH,
President.

June 12, 1933.

### COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Pages 24, 25, 29)

Your committee has considered the encouraging report of the President and heartily commend his faithful, tireless, and wise administration of the increasing duties of his office. We give thanks to God for the beneficent mercy bestowed upon him.

Our hearts are saddened by the removal of two of our beloved ministers, and three ministers' wives, from our midst. We join our President in expressions of sympathy and bespeak for their loved ones the grace that is all sufficient. We further offer our sympathies to the brothers who have suffered severe afflictions during the Conference year.

We gratefully note the efficient administration of the affairs of the Conference during its interim, and especially commend the President in his untiring labors in visiting the charges of the district, and his many other duties.

We heartily concur with the President in his enthusiastic appraisal of the values of the Quarterly District Conferences, and we believe that they are of inestimable worth in helping to solve our common financial, organization and spiritual problems.

We rejoice with the President over the heroic effort and commendable achievements of many churches in raising Conference benevolences. We regret the widespread, almost panicky, slashing of pastors' salaries. We trust that this tendency is merely an emergency adjustment and will not be allowed to jeopardize the efficient execution of pastoral services within the Conference.

We note with sincere thanks to almighty God the claiming of 1569 souls for Him. We thank Him for this harvest, and urge the brethren to even greater efforts in the all important task of evangelism.

We agree that the invasion of true liberty by personal license in the form of the legalized liquor traffic is not to be condoned. We urge the greatest diligence on the part of our brethren and our churches in the struggle which is now ours. The work of the Anti-Saloon League, the W. C. T. U., and the Lord's Day Alliance deserves and is given our praise and we urge the support of these agencies for righteousness.

We especially commend the President for his efficient work in the capacity of Superintendent of Church Extension. Much of his time has been devoted to the affairs of this office.

There have been countless times during the year when the funds of the Conference could have been expended judiciously in promoting the Conference work, but the President and all the officers and committees have sought to execute their duties with the utmost economy. We commend them most highly for such savings to the Conference.

We are interested in the Sesqui-Centennial of Methodism and as Methodist Protestants favor the action of the President in raising a committee to cooperate with the other bodies in this celebration.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Church Registers. We concur in the recommendation that special care be exercised in the keeping of Church Registers, that all the old records be bound and preserved as historical records of the churches and placed in a safe deposit box if possible for safe keeping, that all charges be required to secure new Registers and all information noted in the Registers that is desired by the church. Also that the Registers be exhibited at the Preachers' Meetings and District Quarterly Conferences.
- 2. Superannuate Support. We heartily endorse the recommendation regarding Superannuate Support. We concur in the Conference action regarding the appropriation of \$2,500 from Church Extension funds. (a) We recommend that adoption of the item regarding amounts assessed upon ministers for this year, viz; ministers receiving not more than \$1200 shall pay an amount equal to ¼ of 1% of their salaries; ministers receiving more than \$1200 and not more than \$1800 shall pay an amount equal to ½ of 1%; ministers receiving more than \$1800 shall pay an amount equal to 1% of their salaries. (This does not apply to superannuates).

- (b)—We further concur in the recommendation that the Treasurer of the Conference be authorized to make monthly payments to all superannuates of three-fourths of their monthly allowance due them, and the remainder to be paid at the end of the Conference year.
- 3. Supplemental salaries. We concur in the recommendation regarding supplemental salaries, and approve the proposed change in the Manual; that Regulation 1, Paragraph 13, be amended by striking out the words "will be responsible only for the difference between the proposed salary of the church and the \$1200, not exceeding \$300 in amount," and inserting the words "will appropriate to various charges on pastor's salaries from a maximum total of \$2500, amounts which are deemed imperative and justifiable by the Board of Survey and Extension."
- 4. Benevolences. The inherent danger of permitting obligations to "pile up" is easily apparent. We recommend adoption of the President's recommendation regarding payment and report of the benevolences at each Quarterly District Conference and urge the Manual change as suggested. That the Manual, Regulation 1, Paragraph 6, be amended by adding the words "and to report quarterly at the time of the District Conference, the amounts raised on his charge for the benevolences in order to determine the standing of his charge concerning the budget for benevolences."
- 5. Insurance. Inasmuch as the dividends in the hands of the Treasurer reveal that the annual premium can be met for next year without an increase of from \$10 to \$15.00, that the assessed amount for next year be \$10 for each insured minister. Adopted.
- 6. Sesqui-Centennial. We recommend that a committee of five be appointed to represent us in planning for the celebration of the Sesqui-Centennial of Methodism, and that an appropriate history of this Conference be prepared including the annual session of 1934.
- 7. Manual Revision. We recommend that a committee of three be appointed to revise our Conference Manual, and that its report be published in the Methodist Protestant-Recorder at least one month before the session of 1934 and acted upon at that session.
- 8. District Conference. We heartily concur in the President's action regarding Quarterly District Conferences, and submit the following amendment to the Manual, Rule 2, Paragraph 13, by the following insertion: "and conduct regular Quarterly District Conferences over the area where feasible," making the paragraph read, "The President of the Conference is relieved from the usual plan of visitation on the charges. He is to make survey of the Districts; and conduct regular Quarterly District Conferences over the area where feasible, assume general oversight of all churchwork; 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."

Respectfully submitted,

- J. A. DUDLEY, Chairman,
- B. I. BARNES, Secretary.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF J. FRANK BROWN, AGENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

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For the lear Enging May 31, 1933.
Cash balance May 31, 1932\$484.11 Remittance from Conference Treasurer
Amount to be accounted for\$684.11
EXPENDITURES
To Rev. G. A. Ogg, Treas. Mutual Relief Association balance in full on note
Total expenditures
Cash balance May 31, 1933
Special Appointments
Editor Methodist Protestant-Recorder
Loaned
Board of Missions
W. H. Hodges 3
A. G. Lynch 1
Chaplain United States Army

Salvation Army ......J. T. Fenby......

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## Supernumerary

Clayborne PhillipsP. M. Lue Rutz	1
P. M. Lue Rutz	
Superannuates	
Yrs.	rs.
16 C A Morris	2
G. F. Farring	1
J. D. Ederate	1
19 I McI. Brown	1
1. A H Green	1
B. W. Bleles 8 J. L. Nichols	1
S. F. Cassen	1
George Hines 6 C. H. Dobson	1
B. W. Kindley	1
W. S. Hanks	1
J. A. Wright 5 0. S. Maisham	1
J. W. Kirk	-
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APPOINTMENTS	
Charge Pastor Yrs. Charge Pastor Y	rs.
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Ct Pauls E C Graham	3
Duramore.	3
M Ewell	Z
Column A E T Pour 4 Trinity	
Charges & Greecland VioletvilleW. B. Judefind	1.4
Pork W N White 2 West BaltimoreJ. M. Gill	18
Christ Church E. T. Kirkley 1 and G. A. Ogg	4
East BaltimoreJ. L. Ward 2 Wilton HgtsT. C. Jones	5
Edmondson Ave. J. L. Green 9 BedfordW. H. Stone, Jr.	. 1
EutawR. W. White 2 Bel AirC. K. McCaslir	1 4
EvergreenJ. F. Bryan 2 BivalveC. M. Jenkins	s 2
Glenburnie W. F. Wright 7 Buckeystown C. E. Dryder	1 7
Grace	
HampdenE. D. Stone 21	r 2
Hampden	_
Keen Memorial C. M. Adams 6 Carroll Ct.	v 1
LauravilleP. W. Crosby 5 Sprigg Harwood, Supply	
Linthicum Hgts. CecilE. C. Woodwar	
E. C. Makosky 3 CentrevilleL. C. Randa	11 2
Lowe Memorial W. A. Melvin 18 Chartertown E A Sevenit	
MarleyG. R. Donaldson 5	0.00
Michols McManning.	
North Balto J. H. Straughn 2 Clayton	11 7

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Charge Pastor Y	rs.	Charge Pastor Yr	s.
Crisfield:		Laurel CtLee Elliott	6
Mt. Pleasant C. M. Elderdice	1	LeedsG. E. Turner	3
MarinersJ. R. McKeawn	2	Liberty-Lewistown H. G. Hager	2
CumberlandG. E. Baughman	1	Lynchburg:	
Cumberland CtW. K. Lyons	1	First ChurchJ. H. Lynch	10
DagsboroF. M. Clift	1	Second ChurchG. W. Ports	4
Deer CreekZiba Adams	1	TyreannaWillard Sylvester,	
Deer ParkF. B. Bailey	4	Supply	1
DelmarE. E. Coleman	1	MardelaG. S. Rose	4
DeltaB. F. Ruley	6	MilfordLouis Randall	2
DentonT. J. Turkington	3	MiltonO. W. Prince	2
Dorchester W. C. Mumford	4	Mt. NeboE. H. Keehner	3
Dover-LeipsicW. F. Bauscher	4	New ChurchJ. C. Byrd	1
DoylesburgI. M. Dinkle	1	New Market M. E. Dearholt	3
EastonE. T. Read	14	Northumberland L. W. Gordon	4
ElizabethJ. W. Balderston	14	OxfordAvery Donovan	1
FairfaxSupplied by pastors		ParksleyJ. W. Baxley	1
of Calvary and Mt. Olivet,		Philadelphia:	
and P. M. Lue Rutz	1	EmmanuelD. K. Sturgis	1
Fawn GroveK. H. Wareheim	4	St. Lukes	11
FederalsburgG. E. Leister	7	Taylor Mem N. C. Clough	2
FinksburgE. W. Simms	1	Pipe CreekW. H. Stone	1
	_	PittsvilleF. M. Volk	2
First Church, NewarkJ. A. Dudley	2	Pocomoke CityJ. T. Bailey	2
Newark		Poplar SpringsJ. F. Wooden	7
FrederickG. E. Wunder	2	PowellvilleH. N. Nicklas	1
FriendshipUnder care of D.	- 4	RelianceSupplied by pastors	
W. Anstine, Superannuate	1 3	of Seaford and Sharptown	4
GeorgetownI. S. Owens	3		4
GreenbackvilleO. G. Brewer	J	RidgevilleB. I. Barnes	4
Greenbush-Hallwood A. W. Simms	2	SalisburyW. H. Litsinger	4
THE STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE P	2	Seaford	3
Greenwood-Cannon H. E. Hudgins	1	Snow HillH. L. Schlincke	4
	200	Stewartstown	3
GroveHenry Schauer, Supply	-	St. JamesJ. L. Marker	6
Harmony, W. Va. J. H. Mark, Supply	2	St. MichaelsC. M. Kelser	2
	300	SusquehannaH. L. Murphy	5
Harbeson-Lewes P. M. R. Schauer	4	Trinity-SalemF. J. Phillips	1
Harpers FerryStephen Galley		Union BridgeG. H. Stocksdale	2
HarringtonR. W. Sapp		Wallace MemA. A. Pierce	1
Hebron	5		
HurlockF. A. Holland	4	WarwickLeslie Werner, Supply	1
		ANNERS NO. 10 AT	
Indian RiverUnder care of	10	Washington:	4
Dorsey Blake, Superannuate		AlexandriaC. M. Compher CalvaryJ. W. Townsend	8
KemptownC. F. Cummins	1	CherrydaleJ. A. Trader	5
KennedyvilleL. E. Haddaway	1	Congress StH. A. Kester	6
Kent Island-Wye J. P. George	2	First ChurchC. L. Dawson	3
LaurelJ. G. Eaton	1	rirst Church L. Dawson	•

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Lewis MemW. Mt. OlivetG. E.				W. A. Donawa	
Mt. TaborF N. C. AveG	. W. Siffri	n 3	Westminster Whaleyville Ells	J. E. Cumming sworth Jenning	gs 1 gs 1
R. I. AveR. Y Walker's Chapel	and Ft.			C. A. Sutto	
Myer Hets, J.	J. VonHage	el 2	Peninsula	W. P. Rober	ts z

# REPORT B SECRETARY'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 16)

To The Maryland Annual Conference, Dear Friends:

Another conference is with us and it is my privilege to submit my sixth annual report as Secretary of this conference. The work of this office is more arduous than many think, yet it has been a pleasure to do my part in this capacity for the conference and in appreciation of your confidence in electing me to this office. Perhaps errors will always be made, but they are not purposely made and your kindly indulgence is asked in them all.

Credentials: The delegate's credentials so far as received, have been carefully examined. There is marked improvement in the time for holding elections according to disciplinary requirements and in the signatures on the credentials. No credentials have been received from Fairfax, Friendship, Tyreanna and St. Michaels. The credentials from Caroline, Dorchester, St. James and Warwick are signed by the pastor as chairman of the meeting which elected the delegate. Whaleyville had no chairman for their meeting and their credentials are not signed. Harmony, W. Va., has elected no delegate. Though irregular, I recommend that the delegates from the charges mentioned, be recognized and seated.

Minutes: The last annual session of this conference authorized the Committee on publication of Minutes to reduce the number of copies from 2500 to 2000 and a new rate of distribution to the charges was made also. Accordingly 2000 copies were printed and the distribution was made on the basis of one copy to every twenty members of a charge. For distribution on this basis for 1933, it will take 1811 copies of minutes, leaving a surplus of 189. This basis of distribution is not entirely satisfactory to every charge as 61 charges receive less than ten copies and consequently not enough to supply the members of their official boards. However, if the conference so desire, the Secretary can distribute the 189 copies as far as possible to those charges receiving less than ten.

With all good wishes for a profitable session of conference, I am, Sincerely.

G. J. HOOKER, Secretary.

#### REPORT C

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 30)

Denton, Maryland. June 19, 1933. 53

To the President and Members of the Maryland Conference: Brethren;

I take pleasure in submitting for your consideration the following report showing the receipts and expenditures of the Treasurer of the Conference for the period June 20, 1932 to May 31, 1933. During the past year many of our churches adopted the plan of forwarding funds to the Treasurer at the close of each month, thus carrying out our recommendation made in a former report. We again request pastors and financial officers to adopt this plan of transmittal in order that we may be able to meet the obligations falling due month after month. system whereby certain designated churches are required to forward the assessment for President's salary and expenses during a certain month has materially assisted in meeting this important obligation promptly. We feel sure that in the future all churches will respond promptly to our request for this particular assessment. During the past year financial conditions have caused us many hours of deliberation as well as extra service in order to fully cope with the situation as it existed. However it has been a real pleasure to endeavor to perform the duties of the office in a way that would prove beneficial to all concerned. We desire to express our appreciation to pastors and financial officers for their hearty cooperation during the past year and beg to assure all that it is our intention, the Lord willing, to give you the best service possible during the coming year. If we can in any way assist you with your financial burdens it will be a pleasure.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer.

### CONFERENCE TREASURER

### BUDGET-A-PRESIDENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES

(Assessment \$4,500.00)

#### Receipts

Balance from year 1931-1932	\$	996.03
Surplus from Transportation-1932		145.19
Received from district	4	,359.89

#### Disbursements

Apportionment to President for Salary & Expenses \$	4,050.00
Transmitted to Agent for Parsonage	450.00
Balance	1,001.11

otal...... \$ 5,501.11

### CONFERENCE TREASURER

## BUDGET-B-MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE INTERESTS

(Assessment \$39,050.00)

#### Receipts

Balance from year 1931-1932\$ From District		
From Pastors for Superannuate Fund Assessment—one-fourth of one per cent\$597.84  —Obligations due the conference	21,120011	
(For Superannuate Fund Society)	1,332.57	
From F. Murray Benson—Treas.—Superannuate Fund Society	9,000.00	
From District—Tract Society	112.23	
From District-General Conference Delegation	81.02	
Miscellaneous	430.91	
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Total		\$41,027.93

#### Disbursements

Incidental Expenses\$	2,500.97
	20,217.00
Board of Survey and Church Extension	9,704.15
Our Church Home	4,000.92
Religious Education	30.00
Maryland Tract Society	112.23
Office Rent	600.00
General Conference Delegation	624.58
Payment on loans-Union Nat. Bank, Westminster	56.05
Interest on loans-Union Nat. Bank, Westminster	720.00
Balance on hand in bank	2,448.19
Federal Tax	13.84

Fotal......\$41,027.93

# DETAILED STATEMENT BOARD OF SURVEY AND CHURCH EXTENSION

Receipts		TF 0" 46
From District\$1	0,554.21	
Total		310,554.21
Disbursements		
Appropriations		
Doylesburg—Special on salary\$	50.00	
Redford-Special on salary	50.00	
Board of Managers—Bethesda—Baltimore	750.00	
Calvary, Va.	300.00	
Board of Managers for Calvary Debt	450.00	
Carroll Circuit—Special on salary	50.00	
Deer Creek—Special on salary	50.00	
Board of Managers—Edmondson Avenue	1,429.15	200
Board of Managers-Ft. Myer Heights	295.00	
Georgetown—on debt	100.00	
Howard-on debt	100.00	
Ridgeville—Special on salary	50.00	
Susquehanna—Special on salary	100.00	
T. H. Lewis Memorial—on debt	550.00	
Wilmington, First Church—on debt and interest	400.00	
President's Clerical Assistance	780.00	
Lauraville—on debt	350.00	
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Total Appropriations		\$ 5,854.15
Supplemental Salaries		
S TI C Hagan 21 22\$	125.00	
Ft. Myer Heights—Rev. H. G. Hagar, 31-32\$	100.00	
Chesaco-Graceland—Stephen Galley, 31-32 Amelia—Rev. A. A. Pierce	200.00	
Texas—Rev. H. O. Keen	100.00	
Bivalve—Rev. C. M. Jenkins	100.00	
Cannon—Rev. C. M. Cullum	150.00	
Caroline—Rev. W. T. Archer	150.00	15-95
Carroll—Rev. W. H. Stone	300.00	
Carroll—Rev. W. H. Stone	100.00	
Claremont—Rev. J. M. Kay	75.00	in .
Dagsboro—Rev. F. J. Phillips	200.00	ii.
Frederick—Rev. G. E. Wunder	100.00	
Greenbackville—Rev. O. G. Brewer	200.00	
Greenbush & Tasley—Rev. A. W. Simms	300.00	)
Greenwood—Rev. J. W. Parris	200.00	
Grove—Rev. A. W. Betts	150.00	
Hallwood—Rev. D. W. Anstine	100.00	
Kennedyville—Rev. J. M. Brown Lewistown-Liberty—Rev. H. G. Hagar	200.00	
Lewistown-Liberty—Rev. H. G. Hagar	196	

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	200.00		
Pipe Creek-Rev. A. H. Green	100.00		
Ponlar Springs-Rev. J. F. Wooden	100.00		
St Michaels—Rev. C. M. Kelser			
Susquehanna-Rev. H. L. Murphey	200.00		
Warwick-Rev H. N. Nicklas	300.00		
Whaleyville—Rev. F. M. Clift	100.00		
Total Supplements Salaries	\$	3,850.00	)
Balance		850.06	;
Balance	-		
Total	\$	10,554.21	L
DETAILED STATEMENT			
GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATI	ON		
Receipts	67.00		
From District\$	E Section Section		
Refund—Mrs. Hupfield	14.02		
Balance	543.56		
Total		624.5	8
Total			
Disbursements			
Paid to pastors and laymen\$	624.58		
Total		624.5	8
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DETAILED STATEMENT			
INCIDENTALS			
Receipts			
From District		2,108.6	6
Funds-Trans. & Ent1931-1932	69.62		
Funds-Carroll Circuit-1931-1932	5.05		
Funds—Wilton Heights—1931-1932	170.00		
Funds—Saint James—1931-1932	23.00		
Funds—Sale of Conference Minutes	3.24		
Funds—Offering—Annual Conference 1932	103.38		
Funds—Group Meetings			
Funds—Group Meetings		\$ 430.	91
	-		200190
Total		\$ 2,539.	57
Disbursements			
President:		<b>\$</b> 313.	24
Office Expenses-Stamps, Stationery, etc		\$ 313.	U-#

Secretary:
Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc......

Treasurer:		171.09
Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc		111.00
Salaries: Secretary\$	50.00	
Steward	50.00	
Treasurer	500.00	
Treasurer	\$	600.00
n destant		
Printing: Minutes\$	400.00	
General	193.07	
Incidental Postage	24.38	
Incidental Fostage	\$	617.45
Multigraphing	*	44.91
Committees: Auditing\$	8.27	
Auditing	3.00	
Church Extension Evangelistic	200.00	
Evangelistic	\$	211.27
	Ψ	221.01
Miscellaneous:	10.00	2.5
Annual Conference\$	.92	terra sa
Expressage	36.88	
Group Meetings	10.00	
G. Campbell Morgan, Expense	150.00	
G. Campbell Morgan	7.50	
Moving	2.75	
Repairs, Numbering Machine		
Summer Conference	150.00	
Telegrams	2.69	
Telephones	140.05	
Treasurer's Bond	12.50	523.29
	\$	523.29
winds and all William Africa	W	38.60
Balance		38.00
Total	.\$	2,539.57
Total		2,000101
DETAILED STATEMENT		
INVESTED FUND		
Receipts		
From Pastors' Assessments	\$	734.63
From Pastors' Obligations		597.84
From Tastors Obligations	·	
Total	\$	1,332.47
Disbursements		
None	.00	
Balance	\$	1,332.47
Datatice		
Total	\$	1,332.47
*Considered in payment of Superannuate Fund.	27.2	

# STATEMENT SHOWING CONDITION OF LOANS NEGOTIATED TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Amount of Deficit—Close of Conference Year-1929 7 Amount of Deficit—Close of Conference Year-1930 1 Interest on Loans—June 1, 1932 to May 31, 1933 From District	\$ 56.05 720.00 739.04	1,515.09 1,515.09
Amount Paid on Loan	56.05 720.00 739.04 \$ ,000.00 ,768.33 ,458.65 720.00	
Amount Paid on Loan	720.00 739.04 \$ ,000.00 ,768.33 ,458.65 720.00	1,515.09
Amount Paid on Loan	720.00 739.04 \$ ,000.00 ,768.33 ,458.65 720.00	1,515.09
Amount Paid—Interest on Loan	739.04 \$,000.00 ,768.33 ,458.65 720.00	1,515.09
Total  SUMMARY  Amount of Deficit—Gratitude Gift Loan Fund-1929\$ 8 Amount of Deficit—Close of Conference Year-1929 7 Amount of Deficit—Close of Conference Year-1930 1 Interest on Loans—June 1, 1932 to May 31, 1933 From District	,000.00 ,768.33 ,458.65 720.00	1,515.09
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Interest on Loans—June 1, 1932 to May 31, 1933  From District	720.00	
From District		
From District	739.04	
	\$	18,686.02
Amount Paid on Loans—1930-1931\$ 3	000 00	
Amount Paid on Loans—1931-1932	726.98	
Paid—Loans 1932-1933, from District\$ 56.05	120.90	4
From Group Insurance		
	F00.00	
Amount Paid—Interest on Loans—1932-1933	,500.00	
	720.00	
Amount Remaining Unpaid on Loans		
Balance	739.04	
Total	\$	18,686.02
DETAILED STATEMENT		
OFFICE RENT		
From District\$	450.00	
Balance	452.63	
Datance	147.37	
Total		\$ 600.00
Disbursements		
Office Rent-June 30, 1932 to May 31, 1933\$	600.00	
Total		\$ 600.00

# DETAILED STATEMENT OUR CHURCH HOME

Receipts	sel.	
From District\$	4,520.92	
	\$	4,520.92
To James Pearre Wants, Treasurer\$	4,000.92	
Disbursements		
Balance	520.00	
Total	\$	4,520.92
DETAILED STATEMENT		
PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE		
Receipts		
From District\$	563.75	
Total	\$	563.75
Disbursements		
None	.00	
Balance\$	563.75	
*Considered in payment of Superannuate Fund.	\$	563.75
DETAILED STATEMENT		
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	- 22	
Receipts		
From District\$	601.71	
Total	\$	601.71
Disbursements		
Committee (Expenses)\$	30.00	
Balance	571.71	
Total	\$	601.71
DETAILED STATEMENT		
SUPERANNUATES		
Receipts		
From District\$	6,786.80	
From F. Murray Benson	9,000.00	
Balance	4,430.20	
Total	\$	20,217.00

Disbursements		
Authorized Payments to Superannuates		
(10 Monthly Distribution)\$1	8,217.00	
Premium on Policy	2,000.00	
Total		\$20,217.00
CONFERENCE TREASURER	*******	
BUDGET C—GENERAL CONFERENCE B (ASSESSMENT \$88,000.00)	UDGET	
Receipts		
Amount Received from District\$2	0,222.76	
Amount Received from Y. P. Missionary Union	525.00	
Amount Received from John Formwalt, Pipe Creek	100	
Charge	373.00	
Total		\$21,120.76
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Disbursements	1 100 70	
Paid General Conference Treasurer\$2	1,120.76	
Total		\$21,120.76
For detailed statement of funds raised for the sereport of Conference Steward.		
TRANSPORTATION AND ENTERTAINMENT TRANSPORTATION	NT FUNI	
Receipts		
For Pastors\$	590.00	
For Delegates	829.00	
Total	1000	\$ 1,419.00
Disbursements		
For Pastors\$	531.88	
For Delegates	724.62	
Miscellaneous-Multigraphing, Postage, etc	11.30	
Balance	151.20	
Total		\$ 1,419.00
ENTERTAINMENT		
Receipts		
Amount Received\$	1,851.07	
Total		\$ 1,851.07
Disbursements		
Amount Paid to Denton Church\$	1,851.07	* 7 7 1
Total		\$ 1,851.07

#### REPORT D

# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(See Journal Page 20)

To the Maryland Annual Conference:-

The Board of Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference reports that it has held the regularly prescribed meetings and a number of special sessions during this Conference year in order to properly look after the trust committed to us.

- 1. At the annual meeting held May 31, 1933, the Board elected the following officers to serve during the year 1933-1934: E. C. Makosky, president; G. W. Haddwaay, vice-president; Rowland Watts, secretary and F. Murray Benson, treasurer and counsel.
- 2. The membership as required by charter is now constituted as follows:-J. H. Straughn, W. A. Melvin, Rowland Watts and F. Murray Benson to serve until 1935; G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, W. C. Scott and F. G. Usilton to serve until 1934, and E. C. Makosky, B. F. Ruley, Julian P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho whose term of office expires with this Conference session, and whose places are to be filled by election of this Conference.
- 3. In obedience to your direction that the Board take over the management and financial obligations of the Headquarters Building, 516 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md., your Board has earnestly addressed itself to that task. The detailed statement concerning the building will be found attached to this report. The Treasurer's report submitted herewith has been audited.

E. C. MAKOSKY, President.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR JUNE 1, 1932 TO MAY	7 3	1, 1933
F. Murray Benson, Treasurer, in account with Trustees of the Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Chur	M: ch	aryland
To Balance as per last report		.032.32
" Commissions on Trust Income\$ 67.88	100	
" Interest on Deposit		90.64
	\$1	,122.96
By rent of Safe Deposit Box 5.00		
B. F. Ruley—Exp. in attending meetings 6.40		
Balance to Credit Trustees		
Treas. Expense Account	\$1	,122.96
DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE		w m
A PART CONTRACTOR OF THE PART	\$	126.12
To Balance as per last report"  " Income from Investments	1	885.00
	\$1	,011.12

By amt. paid Board of Publication for Methodist	e 700 00	40.0
Protestant-Recorder per appropriation	.φ 100.00 7	
per appropriation	. 183.33	
By commissions credited to Trustees General Fund	. 50.55	
By balance on deposit		\$1,011.12

#### Respectfully submitted,

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer. Audited and found correct THOS. W. DONOHO, ROWLAND WATTS,

Auditing Committee.

\$176,777.29

# TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

Headquarters Building, 516 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md. BALANCE SHEET—MAY 31, 1933

	Asset	ts			
Cur	rent				
i i	Cash in Bank		\$	1,635.10	
	Accounts Receivable			3,537.18	101 021 DALEM 1 DES
	Loan Receivable—Employee			59.00	\$ 5,231.28
Fixe	ed - Krym - I was a region of the		n		
	Land-516 N. Charles St., Bal-				
	timore, Md		\$	60,000.00	
	Building N. Charles St. Bal-				
	timore, Md\$1 Less Reserve for Deprecia-	30,855.10			
	, tion 2% pa	22,354.40		108,500.70	
ST.	Property equipment and				
	FixturesLess Reserve for Deprecia-	891.33			
	tion 10% pa	586.11		305.22	
	Office Furniture	40.00			
	Less Reserve for Deprecia-	THE RES			
	tion 10% pa	18.00		22.00	168,827.92
	gert "		_		
	Defe	rred			
	City and State Taxes			\$ 2,076.69	
1 V	Prepaid Insurance			370.46	
	Prepaid Interest, Notes Payable			270.94	2,718.00

#### Liabilities

Current			
1933 City and State Taxes	4 7 5	\$ 3,560.04	
Notes Payable		44,687.50	
Accounts Payable		602.85	8 000
Accrued Interest:			
Mortgage Payable\$	2,296.72		
Notes Payable	330.82	2,627.54\$	51,477.93
Fixed			
Mortgage Payable—due 6 10 34			96,000.00
Net Worth			29,299.36
		\$	176,777.29

# TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

Headquarters Building, 516 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md.

Operating Profit and Loss Statement-Year	En	ded May 3	31, 1933
Income			
Rents Discounts Secured	\$	12,271.14 .84	\$12,271.98
Expenses	Ÿ		
Light and Power	\$	1,292.06	
Elevator Repairs and Inspection		233.97	
Building Repairs		260.00	1 1 2
Painting Building		116.00	
Hauling Ashes		48.50	
Salary Agent		600.00	
Janitor Service		2,488.45	
Insurance, Fire, Public Liabil- ity, Plate Glass and Work-			1 80
men's Compensation		504.60	
Taxes and Water Rent		3,795.47	
Interest, Mortgage and Notes			
Payable		6,976.42	
Advertising		64.80	
Miscellaneous Expenses		884.53	17,264.80
Net LOSS before Depreciation			\$ 4,992.82

Depreciation	ec (17 10	A constant
Building	\$2,617.10	
Property Equipment and	89.13	
Fixtures	4.00	2,710.23
Office Furniture	4.00	
Final Net LOSS from Operations		7,703.05
HEADQUARTERS BUILDING	G	
STATEMENT OF RENT TO JUNE 1, 1933 an	d STATEME	ENT OF
OUTSTANDING OBLIGATION		
Delinquent Rentals to June 1		
Baltimore City Mission & Church Extension	1	
Society M. E. Church	.\$ 130.00	
D. C. Hedben & Co	. 98.50	1
Kapsi-Kon Yeast Corp	115.00	
Maryland C. E. Union	. 280.00	
Maryland C. E. Ollolland	. 70.00	2.9
Methodist Protestant Board of Publication	The same and the s	
Arthur P. Myers	1027/ 1070/00/00 DOM: 1027/02/0	
Dr. C. Alfred Shreeve	SERVICE PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NAMED AND ADDRESS O	
H. P. Stewart, Jr.		No. of Sections
Dr. E. A. Thompson		
	0	2
Total	••	\$ 3,537.18
Memo of June Rent Accounts	••	944.32
No. 1 No. 1		
Outstanding Notes	e c 750 00	
Baker, Watts & Co	2,000.00	
Trustees Md. Annual Conf		
G. W. Haddaway		
Westminster Savings Bank		
G. E. Leister	1/58	
Wesleyan Chapel, Inc.		
Calvin Harrington, Trustee		-
Superannuate Fund Society Maryland Annu Conference		
Conterence		•
Total	••••	44,687.50
Interest due in June		
Baker, Watts & Co.	\$ 34.87	
G. W. Haddaway	90.00	i
Wesleyan Chapel, Inc.		i never el
Mutual Life Insurance Co. (Mortgage In		

Outstanding Bills, Due		
Tax on Property 1933\$	3,560.04	
Tax on Awning 1932-33	7.00	
Queen City Window Cleaning Co. 6 Mos	90.00	
Warsaw Elevator Co. Inspection\$24.00		
Repairs 18.80	42.80	
H. S. Reinicker & CoCoal	187.71	
John D. Beckely & Sons-Painting	100.00	

Miscellaneous		175.34	
Total		\$	4,162.89
Cash Ralance (In R	ank) June 1 1933		1,635,10

#### REPORT E

#### BOARD OF FINANCE

(See Journal Pages 19, 29)

The Board of Finance has had several meetings during the year without any expense at all to the Conference.

We have conferred with the President and Treasurer, and have given them whatever assistance possible in the many vexing problems which they have faced.

In order that the matter of the Conference Minutes may not be held up in their printing it is recommended that the word "last" be substituted for the word "current" in Item B of the second section of Regulation 21, which is the Plan of Levy for the Budgets in the Manual.

Your Board further recommends that the Maryland Conference Budget for the next year be as follows:

Incidentals\$	2,500.00
Superannuates and Insurance	9,000.00
Special Superannuates	2,500.00
Church Extension (to be divided as follows)	11,500.00
Church Extension 7,500.00	
Supplemental salaries 2,500.00	
Headquarters Building 1,500.00	
11,500.00	
Church Home	6,000.00
President's Parsonage	600.00
Religious Education	200.00
Reduction of Debt	6,750.00

Board of Finance

P. W. CROSBY, Chairman.

### Supplemental Report of Board of Finance

We recommend that the Committee on Evangelism be granted \$100.00 for their work.

#### REPORT F

# PARTIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

(See Journal Pages 21, 22, 26, 30)

Your Committee offers the following report:

We recommend:

- 1. That Ellsworth Jennings be ordained.
- 2. That Jesse Clifford Byrd, Harold Eglin Cheyney, William Kenneth Lyons, and Walter H. Stone, Jr., be received into Conference and ordained.
- 3. That C. A. Sutton be received by transfer from the Texas Conference.
- 4. That P. M. Lue Rutz, having waived all claim on the Superannuated Fund be received by transfer from the Fort Smith-Oklahoma Conference and by his own request be granted a Supernumerary Relation.

Respectfully submitted.

R. L. SHIPLEY, Chairman

E. T. KIRKLEY, Secretary

E. T. READ

N. O. GIBSON

C. M. ELDERDICE

J. L. WARD

### COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

Your Committee offers the following report.

The Committee has received application for admission into the Conference from preachers who come with recommendations from their quarterly conferences holding local preacher's licenses.

We have urged these candidates to prepare themselves for the work of the ministry by study in the Westminster Theological Seminary. Their names have been handed to the President of the Annual Conference to consider for supply work if their services can be utilized.

#### We report:

1. That W. A. Schafer has completed his studies in the Second Year and has passed to the Third Year.

2. That Lee Elliott has completed his studies in the First Year and has passed to the Second Year.

We recommend that Henry Schauer, Leslie Werner, Sprigg Harwood, Willard Sylvester, W. A. Titchenell and Lee Elliott be granted license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President.

R. L. SHIPLEY, Chairman, E. T. KIRKLEY, Secretary, C. M. ELDERDICE, N. O. GIBSON, E. T. READ, J. L. WARD.

#### REPORT G

#### BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION

(See Journal Pages 29, 30)

Your Committee has reviewed with much appreciation the report of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society, and are in hearty appreciation of the fine work continued by that Board. Nothing in the report requires action or recommendation by this committee.

#### Boundaries

- 1. That Central Church near Milford be attached to and become a part of Milford Charge.
- 2. That the request of New Market and Frederick Charges for an exchange of names be held in abeyance for one year pending a decision on the part of these two charges as to permanent names.
- 3. That Liberty Church on Reliance Charge be declared a closed church, the Quarterly Conference of Reliance Charge so recommending; and the property be placed in the hands of the President of the Conference for disposition. Further, that the status of the two remaining churches on Reliance Charge remain the same as before.
- 4. That the two charges Greenbush and Tasley and Hallwood be combined into one charge to be known as Greenbush and Hallwood. This arrangement is made with the understanding of at least a \$1200 salary.
- 5. That Lewes Charge be made a part of Harbeson Circuit, and charge to be known as Harbeson-Lewes.
- 6. That Payson St. Church, Baltimore, be closed and the name of the charge discontinued from the Conference Roll.
- 7. That the name of the Fort Myer Heights Charge be changed to read Walker's Chapel and Fort Myer Heights.
- 8. That the Ruthsburg and Hayden Churches of the former Queen Anne Circuit be detached from Centreville following the action of last year, and be restored to its former status of Queen Anne Circuit, to be served by the pastor of Centreville.

- 9. That Cannon and Greenwood be consolidated under the name of Greenwood-Cannon.
- 10. That Hebron Church of the present Cannon Charge be attached to Dagsboro.

#### Appropriations

- 1. All appropriations hereinafter following are made on the condition of total receipts for church extension and supplemental salaries. In the event that receipts in each or either instance are inadequate for 100% payment that each appropriation shall share the percentage of loss.
- 2. We recommend the continuance of recommendations 1, Board of Finance, 1932, page 65, as follows: "No church shall receive appropriations on supplementary salary or any other appropriation until such church has paid an amount of its assessments that is satisfactory to the Board of Finance."

#### For Church Extension:

Howard for Mt. Carmel Church, (last installment)	200
Lauraville (last installment), Board of Manager	500
First Church, Wilmington	400
	1,000
Board of Managers for Edmondson Ave. Church	1,750
Board of Managers for Calvary Church, Va	500
Calvary Church on parsonage debt	300
Board of Managers for Ft. Myer Heights	500
Board of Managers for Lewis Memorial Church	750
Evergreen, Baltimore, on debt	100

#### For Supplemental Salaries:

Texas	300	Kent Island-Wye	100
Claremont	50	Lewistown-Liberty	75
Clayton	50	Northumberland	50
Dagsboro	100	Emmanuel	50
Deer Creek		Poplar Springs	100
Dover	50	Powellville	
Greenbackville	100	St. Michaels	
Kennedyville	200	Whaleyville	100

#### Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MAKOSKY, Chairman, J. H. STRAUGHN, Secretary.

#### REPORT H

#### COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES

(See Journal Pages 24, 26, 27)

Your Committee on Superannuates after much travail of soul—for under the strenuous economic conditions it has been a source of

regret, really of mental anguish—that we have been compelled to deny perfectly legitimate requests which have come up to us from those who have borne the burdens in the heat of the day.

We have conscientiously given each individual case special consideration and herewith submit for your consideration the results of our labors.

The distribution of the Invested Fund has been made on the basis of \$12.00 and \$6.00 as prescribed by this Conference. (See Conference Minutes of 1927, page 73).

Tables and recommendations are herewith submitted.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That those contemplating a superannuate relationship shall apply to the Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuate Fund Society for superannuate questionnaire blank as soon as such decision has been reached, and that all such requests be in the hands of the Committee on Superannuates not later than Thursday of Conference week.
- 2. That provisions for dependent children be published with the Superannuate Society regulations in the Conference Minutes each year.
- 3. That all applications for superannuate relationship be referred to the Committee on Superannuates before final action by the Conference granting such relationship.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS**

#### Ministers

	Invested Fund	Collections	Totals
Adams, J. P.	\$ 156	\$	\$ 156
Anstine, D. W		*****	600
Betts, A. W		72	120
Blake, Dorsey		*****	384
Brown, J. McL.		100	532
Cassen, S. F.		72	600
Coe, S. W		204	600
Dobson, C. H.		208	400
Eldredice, J. L.		108	600
Farring, G. F	F + 0		516
Green, A. H.		108	600
Hanks, W. S.	276		276
Hill, G. J.		276	600
Hines, George	100	180	600
Jester, H. B.	010	288	600
Kindley, B. W.			504
Kirk, J. W.			552
Morris, G. A.		*****	444
Marshall, C. S.	24	26	50

In	vested Fund	Collections	Totasl
Nichols, J. L	348	252	600
Parris, J. W.	504	96	600
Rice, P. L.	108	84	192
Wright, J. A.	444	156	600
Wilgit, J. A.			
Widows and Deper	dents		
A STATE OF THE STA	E.A	180	234
Alexander, Mrs. C. M	54		162
Arnett, Mrs. C. S	162	88	298
Beane, Mrs. A. S	210	100	322
Benson, Mrs. F. T	222	200	356
Bennett, Mrs. L. A	156	18	225
Bowers, Mrs. J. S	207	115	313
Cain, Mrs. F. S	198	113	149
Crouse, Mrs. T. O	36		102
Ewell, Mrs. J. H. S	102	110	136
Gilbert, Mrs. D. N	18	118	196
Greenfield, Mrs. D. L	156	40	420
Hodge, Mrs. G. R	168	252	342
Jones, Mrs. E. H.	192	150	300
Johnson, Mrs. H. W. D	246	54	217
Kilgore, Mrs. J. L	138	79	446
Klein, Mrs. F. C.	264	182	30
Lewis, Mrs. R. K	30	******	312
Lewis, Mrs. T. H	312	010	261
Litsinger, Mrs. J. E	48	213	301
Little, Mrs. F. T.	270	31	204
Middleton, Mrs. C. B	42	162	263
Mullineaux, Mrs. F. H		60	i company
Neepier, Mrs. W. G	186 '	162	348 264
Norris, Mrs. J. W	144	120	0-10-000
Nowlin, Mrs. C. P	198	235	433
Reynolds, Mrs. F. D		149	287
Sanderson, Mrs. C. W	18	100	118
Sherwood, Mrs. W. N	72	142	214
Smith, Mrs. G. J	120	67	187
Smith, Mrs. S. J		94	100
Stevens, Mrs. F. L		244	352
Sullivan, Mrs. J. G		70	136
Tredway, Mrs. S. B			228
Tyson, Mrs. R. T		181	235
Valiant, Mrs. S. G.		185	203
Van Dyke, Mrs. E. H.			198
Walter, Mrs. A. J.		144	234
Warfield, Mrs. E. A		*****	144
Warner, Mrs. L. F			222
Williamson, Mrs. R. S	. 36	118	154
Weigand, Mrs. J. A			48

Wright, Mrs. H. F.	84	166	250
Yingling, Mrs. J. M	24	88	112
\$1.	4,131	\$6,651	\$20,782

#### Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS RANDALL, Chairman, F. G. REINICKER, Secretary, W. P. ROBERTS, S. ELWOOD BURGESS, MRS. J. F. JOHNSON, GEO. E. BROWN,

Committee on Superannuates.

#### SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION SUPERANNUATE PROVISIONS

Whereas, the pastors fo the Maryland Annual Conference have already been assessed on the following graduated scale, on pastors' salaries to meet an emergency in our Superannuate provisions, up to and including \$1200 one quarter of one per cent, above \$1200 to \$1800 one half of one per cent, and over \$1800 one per cent, to raise needed funds for our superannuate obligations, therefore be it

Resolved, that the respective charges be and the same are hereby requested to raise an equal amount on the same graduated scale for the Conference year 1933-34, and that the President of the Conference designate such day as he deems advisable for the presentation of the request of the Annual Conference. Each pastor to present the request to local congregation or congregations and forward funds to the Conference Treasurer at once.

LOUIS RANDALL, KARL H. WAREHEIM, B. F. RULEY.

#### REPORT I

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE AND EDUCATION

(See Journal Pages 22, 25)

Your Committee desires to report upon matters referred to it as follows:

#### WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Board of Governors of the Seminary reported through the President, J. M. Gill, a prosperous year in spite of reduced income. We regret that the Seminary closed this year with a deficit. We heartily commend the spirit of devotion that led members of the faculty to contribute the amount of salary still due, so the deficit might not be still greater.

The enrollment of 70 was the largest in the history of the Seminary. Twenty were from the Maryland Conference, other Conferences were represented, and there were representatives from seven other denominations.

The student body showed a commendable spirit of industry in study, so that, in the essentials, it is felt that the year was most hopeful.

The Seminary has received this year from the Maryland Conference Endowment Fund through President Holloway, two thousand forty-two dollars and thirty-five cents (\$2,042.35). There are a number of pledges still unpaid.

It is evident that the Seminary must have a greatly increased endowment to continue successfully, and it is earnestly hoped the Conference will continue to help in building up the endowment and in encourag-

ing worthy young men to enter the Seminary.

We concur in the recommendations of the Board for the ensuing year.

- 1. That the Maryland Conference loan Fred G. Holloway to the Board of Governors, as President of Westminster Theological Seminary.
- 2. That the Maryland Conference loan Hugh L. Elderdice as Professor of Practical Theology in The Westminster Theological Seminary.
- 3. That the Maryland Conference elect Fred G. Holloway Treasurer of all contributions to the Endowment Fund of the Seminary.

#### WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

Under the energetic leadership of President A. N. Ward the College has had a successful year.

The Endowment Fund now totals \$900,000.00, but must be very much increased to insure the continued growth of the College.

The Student Loan Fund is now \$10,000.00. \$7,000.00 has been loaned to worthy students leaving but \$3,000.00 available for the coming year. We commend this fund to the prayerful consideration of anyone interested in the growth of the kingdom.

The enrollment, including those taking extension courses, reached 768, the largest in the history of the College. We earnestly commend the three weeks intensive summer course in Religious Education. It furnishes a rare opportunity for church workers.

The College must have additional dormitories if it is to continue to grow in numbers.

#### METHODIST PROTESTANT-RECORDER

The Methodist Protestant-Recorder is growing more and more to be a news record of the activities of all the Conferences of our denomination. The special departments are not surpassed by any religious journal that has come to the notice of the Committee. The Editorial Department is strong and helpful.

The paper, beautiful as it is in its make-up and helpful as it must prove to every Methodist Protestant, cannot long survive unless many more of our members subscribe to it. Denominational devotion and enthusiasm for the cause may create a great paper, but it takes cash to buy material and print a paper. We strongly urge that every Methodist Protestant family subscribe and every official member not only subscribe, but lend his best endeavors to building up the subscription list. We should all cooperate in presenting the merits and essential usefulness of our church paper to every member of our denomination.

Our Sunday school literature is equal to any published, and not more costly. Our churches should all use it.

#### BOARD OF PUBLICATION

While the Board of Publication appertains to the General Conference and not to the Maryland Conference especially, the recent arrangement of the publishing interests in accordance with the plan devised by the last General Conference vitally affects the interests of our Conference.

The Board has been compelled to resort to extreme measures in order to combat the severe pressure of general business conditions. Collections have been difficult. Economies have been effected, and the total results for the year satisfactory. The Sunday school literature published and distributed at Pittsburgh shows fine profits; the Methodist Protestant-Recorder published at Baltimore shows about the same annual loss, and the mercantile and printing departments are doing fairly well.

It is highly important to patronize our own Concern and necessary for the churches to be more punctual in meeting their obligations.

Committee on Literature and Education,

J. LEAS GREEN, Chairman ROWLAND WATTS, Secretary

#### REPORT J

# THE COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(See Journal Page 27)

Your committee regrets that it is impossible to continue for the time being the services of Dr. C. E. Forlines as Director of Religious Education of The Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education. During the little while he served as Director, he laid an adequate and enduring foundation.

The ever-increasing emphasis upon the technique of religious education in the Westminster Theological Seminary causes us to "Thank

God and take courage."

It is gratifying to note the exceptional work done this past year by the Maryland Christian Endeavor Union under the leadership of Rev. Harold Cheyney, who has recently graduated from The Westminster Theological Seminary. We urge all of our ministers and Christian Endeavor Societies to cooperate to the fullest extent with the state and local unions.

The Second Summer School of Religious Education in Western Maryland College will be held from July 1 to 21. The courses offered under the leadership of Dean Lawrence Little should attract many of our ministers and lay leaders.

The Leadership Training School at Westminster continues its efficient work, its leaders conserving the best values of past years, yet ever adapting the school to meet the unfolding aims of modern religious education. Every minister and Church School Superintendent in The Maryland Annual Conference should seek out potential leaders among their young people; and not only encourage but assist them where necessary to enable them to share the information and inspiration of a week on College Hill.

A Community Daily Vacation Bible School project, under the direction of Dr. Lawrence Little, is getting started in Westminster, Maryland, with a faculty of fifteen instructors and three hundred pupils. We urge that Local Church or Community Daily Vacation Bible Schools be started wherever possible.

Because of the increasing need for teachers of religion to secure as large a mastery of the technique of religious education as possible, and because the specialized techniques require more trained instructors of teachers than it is possible to get for most local denominational training schools, we urge our ministers, officers, and teachers, to cooperate actively and whole-heartedly with the Community Inter-denominational Schools, and with The Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education.

Believing that most of our teachers and officers are eager to be "workmen that need not to be ashamed", and that they would be glad to use more efficient methods if they had access to them, we urge each church to build a Workers' Library, gradually accumulating and utilizing informational and inspirational magazines and books. As an approach to this ideal, we suggest that each church, or some organizations of each church subscribe for and place at the disposal of its workers, at least one copy of The Methodist Protestant-Recorder, The International Journal of Religious Education, and The Christian Endeavor World.

Not merely because of loyalty to denominational requirement, but because of the surpassing quality, we urge that each and every church using International Uniform Lessons purchase the lesson materials published by our own Board of Publication.

We urge our ministers, Church School workers and Christian Endeavorers to cooperate in every way with our Board of Christian Education.

Interpreting religious education not as an isolated step-child of the church, but as an all-embracing program to develop Christian character that expresses itself adequately in all of life's relationships, we believe it vital enough to recommend:

1. That the President of The Maryland Annual Conference be requested to place a major emphasis upon religious education during one of the four series of District Conferences this year.

2. That the Program Committee for the 1984 Conference Session be requested to set aside a period when our Conference Religious Educational Program may be adequately presented.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. LINK,
J. COLVIN RANDALL,
H. E. HUDGINS,
GEORGE MATHER,
BEATRICE MISKIMON,
W. C. SAYLOR.

# REPORT OF MARYLAND CONFERENCE COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Your President of the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education submits the following report:

A few weeks after the adjournment of the last session of our Conference, Dr. C. E. Forlines, your Director of Religious Education, was taken seriously ill while teaching in North Carolina. The attack incapaciated him for the work of directing the Leadership Training School at Western Maryland College. He appointed your President to execute the program which he had prepared in his usual efficient manner.

The Executive Committee of the Council, in view of the uncertain physical condition of Dr. Forlines which necessitated his resignation, and the urgent need of money in this time of scarcity, elected your President to serve as Director of Religious Education and Director of Conference Schools in addition to his duties as President. This your President has tried to do without any cost to the Conference.

This work has been very pleasant. The men and organizations have cooperated in their usual commendable manner. Not a single speaking engagement has been given a negative answer and with the exception of one meeting of the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education all denominational and interdenominational meetings which involved your three-in-one representative have been attended.

With the cooperation of the denominational office in the Seminary Building, the detail work of the Council has been carefully planned and the records properly revised and recorded.

Your President expresses his appreciation of the many kind things which have been spoken and written relative to the Christian Endeavor page of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder which he has edited. The Maryland Christian Endeavor Union and Harold Cheyney, its President, the Delaware Christian Endeavor Union and Henry Gass its President, the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education and its Executive Secretary, Dr. R. W. Sanderson, and the city unions of our own denomination have cooperated in Christian Endeavor Conventions and Cooperative Training Schools.

With the cooperation of the men in Lynchburg, Va., a profitable school has been conducted with 66 enrolled and 55 receiving credits.

The Washington City Union has conducted a school with an enrollment of 80 and 50 credit certificates issued.

The Leadership Training School was successfully conducted at Western Maryland College with an enrollment of 207 which represented only one less than the previous year. Your Council issued 199 credits. Eighty-two persons consecrated themselves to definite Christian service, 9 Christian Workers Diplomas were awarded.

Classes have been taught at three points in our Conference district. At Lynchburg, Va., 22 students were enrolled and 16 credits issued. At Western Maryland College 4 were enrolled and 4 credits given. At the Westminster Theological Seminary 9 were enrolled and 9 credits were given. In the cooperative schools within our Conference, 64 credits have been earned and awarded.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council, your President was elected as Dean of the Leadership Training School which will be conducted at Western Maryland College July 24 to July 30. Arrange-

ments have been completed for this school.

The school will offer a new course which has been planned by Rev. F. L. Gibbs and his assistants for the young people who are fourteen, fifteen and sixteen years of age. Books have been reviewed by Rev. F. L. Gibbs, Mrs. F. B. Meyer and your President, and the curriculum has been completed. Fourteen year old students will study "Bible Pioneers," and "Our Neighbors," taught by J. B. Jones and B. I. Barnes. Fifteen year old pupils will study "Adventures in Christian Living" and "Our Missionary-Educational Enterprises," taught by Lawrence Little and Mrs. R. W. White. Sixteen year old pupils will study "The Bible in the Making" and "Group Activities," taught by E. T. Kirkley and George R. Smith. We have felt a need of such a course for a long time and it will be offered for the first time this year.

For the first time in the history of our school, the Council will offer courses in administration in the Beginner, Primary, Junior and Intermediate Departments. These courses will be taught by Mrs. C. C. Day,

Kathleen Paschall, Catherine Ogle and Rev. J. N. Link.

The six general units of the Standard Course will be offered. They are as follows: A Study of the Pupil, The Principles of Teaching, The Old Testament, The New Testament, The Message and Program of the Christian Religion, The Teaching Work of the Church. The courses will be taught by W. A. Roberts, J. Leas Green, F. G. Holloway, M. J. Shroyer, J. A. Trader and C. C. Day.

Three elective courses will be offered. They are as follows: Missionary Methods and Materials, Training in Worship and Devotional Life, and Religious Education in the Family. The instructors will be J.

Earl Cummings, George K. Mather and C. E. Forlines.

This school will have eighteen instructors. Text books may be rented for twenty-five cents in the Standard Course, and may be borrowed for the Young People's Course. The price has been reduced to \$8.50 for the week. We are expecting 300 registrations. We have done our best to make the school delightful and helpful.

Your President desires to express his appreciation for the beautiful expressions and excellent cooperation of the men in our Conference who are determined that this important feature of our work shall not suffer in these hours of "privilege."

#### RECOMMENDATION

That this Conference elect two representatives to the Executive Committee as prescribed by this Discipline of our church.

RAYMOND W. WHITE, President.

#### REPORT K

## COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM AND SOCIAL SERVICE

(See Journal Pages 23, 24, 28, 29)

Your Committee desires to report as follows:

Your Committee desires to place this Conference on record as being wholly opposed to any legislation looking forward to the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. Surely the Christian people of this country must be convinced that the power of strong drink in its mildest form must react upon the human body in a very unfavorably way, entering the vital organs and vitiating the constitution so that the seeds of disease for both mental and physical disorders are sown.

For more than fifty years the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church has expressed itself as an enemy of the liquor traffic. In its deliverances it has urged total abstinence, opposed license in every form, forbidden its members from the manufacture and sale of spirituous and malt liquors, forbidden them from signing applications for license under the penalty of expulsion, forbidden the renting of property for saloon purposes, and urged its members to vote only for those candidates for political office who stood for the destruction of this business. It has charged this traffic with making drunkards, debauching the people, breaking up homes, ruining family life, being guilty of every form of crime, having no mercy on wifehood or childhood, sending to drunkards' graves one hundred thousand people yearly, many to insane asylums, thousands of men guilty of crime, while under the influence of drink to prison, causing untold thousands of accidents. It has called this business iniquitous, abominable, nefarious, the greatest enemy to civilization, and a menace to human happiness, declaring that it does more to destroy the peace and happiness of the home, and to turn this earth into a hell than all other causes combined. It has sent boys and girls hardly out of their teens, home to their parents maudling drunk, corrupting their morals and ruining them for this life and for the life to come.

But this Conference through all these years has never condoned it nor endorsed the licensing of it, but called on its membership for its entire destruction. It will not condone it now. We cannot be cajoled, flattered, muzzled, bought or drugged by the cry of party loyalty. Our consciences cannot be seared by party platform when it calls upon us to leave its standard and betray the cause of prohibition, because some political leaders for the time being on the crest of high political honor, should call for the licensing of beer and the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. We have always given the trumpet call for battle. All types of ministers have been on the Temperance Committee, but these men whether they have been conservatives or radicals in each deliverance have given the sound of the trumpet.

The liquor traffic has never changed its spots. It is a leopard still, ready to spring upon innocence and weakness to tear them to pieces. It claimed it did not want the saloon back and vociferously in press and public speech and in party convention declared its renunciation of the But the moment that 3.2% beer bill was ready there was a scramble for license until 3,000 were issued in Baltimore City alone, and then at once over night, the saloons came back, same old saloons swung their doors wide open in exactly the same location, then the signs, then the beer wagons and full page newspaper advertisement extolling beer. Grocery stores have it, drug stores have it, department stores have it, clothing stores have it, lunch rooms have it, homes are solicited for it, it was stamped as non-intoxicating with no age limit in the national law, and boys and girls of tender age were invited to drink it, and in home parties for young life it was served. It is a most iniquitous measure, and this Conference will not stand by and see it re-established without making war upon it.

We won in 1919 a great war even the Eighteenth Amendment Constitutional Prohibition, and it has been a tremendous success, notwithstanding speakeasies, newspaper propaganda, bootleggers, lies, false news, false twists and misrepresentations. Our young people by the millions have never seen a saloon nor have they seen drunken men. A new generation is growing up without knowing the taste of alcohol, even the beer leaders published it, that the young generation would have to be taught to like the taste of beer, thus acknowledging unwittingly how great has been the success of prohibition. We are grieved that our National Congress has given to our nation a legal beer, a beer in violation of the Eighteenth Amendment, thus nullifying our National Constitution, and the President of our country signed such a law. It is our conviction that this is one of the most vicious enactments any Congress ever passed in all the history of our country. It not only violates our Constitution, but it has proclaimed such a beer as non-intoxicating, thus deceiving the people and giving the impression that it can be drunk without creating an appetite for stronger liquors and without producing drunkenness. No restrictions have been thrown around it as to its sale in the national law. It can be sold anywhere. Young men and young women will be seen drunk, the alcohol habit will fasten itself upon them and our hospitals will have their wards for alcoholics. Women will be afraid to walk through certain sections of their communities, automobiles will have their drunken drivers and smash-ups and injuries will be so frequent that the story of them will be no news, and it will again be as it was before prohibition. "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contention? who hath babblings? who hath wounds witout cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine, they that go to seek mixed wine." Another unworthy feature of the proposed repeal is that it is being done for revenue, that the licensing of beer and the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, will bring into our national, state, city and county treasuries millions of dollars. In other words selling our boys and girls and happiness of homes for money, making drunkards of young life for money, inducing crime of every sort for money, breaking hearts and crushing spirits for money, just for the pitiful price of a supposed saving of a few dollars in taxes. Even the national administration is calling on its party for repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment for money.

We feel that the Chief Executive of this great nation has sadly disappointed the multitude who hoped for better things.

The wishes of a large number of those of our churches for better things or improved legislation seem but to meet with the constant disapproval if not rebuff. This Conference would call the thought of the people back to the Bible attitude toward revenue from wrong. It is true today as ever that "righteousness exalteth the nation, while sin is a reproach to any people". Increasing revenue by this nefarious traffic in alcohol means to weaken the moral fibre of our nation. mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Such tactics as these prevailing will in time undermine the foundation of our republic and lay as a withering blight the blessed institution of this glorious nation in the grave of degradation. The woes of Isaiah have threatened with the terrible promise of swift justice and dire punishment to those who are thus controlled, to sin against the brethren means to sin against God, for only that nation that trusts and follows God shall eventually prosper. A nation cannot spend its money for beer and expect at the same time to buy bread. Prosperity cannot come by way of the beer mug and the whiskey glass. No nation can sell the prohibition cause for thirty pieces of silver without at last burning its conscience and compelling it to buy a Potters Field for the burial of its drunkards.

And now we are in another war, even the war to prevent the repeal of Constutional Prohibition, Many gave their lives and thousands gave their money to secure the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment and again many are ready to lay down their lives and thousands their money for its retention. We are not dismayed, God is the living God. This Conference renews its declaration of war against this body and soul and mind and spirit destroying business, and proclaims to the world its undying opposition to alcohol as a beverage, whether that alcohol is in the form of beer or whiskey. For us there is no retreat, no compromise, no surrender.

With these facts as set forth in this report, we resolve, First, that we deplore the attitude of the President of this country in his advocacy of the licensing of beer and in his calling for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, Second, That we immediately upon the adjournment of this Conference organize the churches of our Conference against repeal, that we call upon every pastor to organize his church to campaign against repeal, that a committee be appointed in every church to carry forward this campaign, that the pastor shall preach definitely on this subject one or more times before September 12, 1933, that leaflets and literature

specifically dealing with this subject be frequently distributed in the churches so that every Sunday school scholar and every member and visitor shall have received one or more leaflets. Third, That every member be earnestly urged to work and to vote for its retention and on September 12 go to the polls and cast their votes for only those candidates who will oppose repeal. Fourth, That a Secretary, known as Temperance Secretary be appointed by the President, whose duty shall be to communicate with every pastor pressing organization for his church, sending leaflets which he has selected in sufficient numbers for distribution for each child and man and woman in his church. He shall serve without pay but upon the adjournment of Conference every pastor will lift a plate collection and forward the money to the Treasurer of the Conference who shall pay for the leaflets ordered by the Secretary of Temperance and for the postage required to send this literature to the churches. Fifth, That our Conference enter upon an educational program in our Sunday schools for temperance instruction. To this end that we order printed forty thousand copies of our Temperance Catechism prepared by T. H. Lewis, by action of this Conference in 1907. That these catechisms be sent to each Sunday school in sufficient numbers for every member of the Sunday school. That every three months each Sunday school hold a temperance service at which time this catechism shall be read in responsive service, at which service also children shall be urged to sign the pledge for total abstinence.

We give to the Anti-Saloon League and its Superintendent our very hearty endorsement. We believe it has been and is still a mighty factor in the promotion of the elimination of the saloon. The wet interests of the nation have sought by every unworthy method to destroy its influence, but we regard it as worthy of our warmest support and we cordially open our pulpits and churches to its representatives.

#### Woman's Christian Temperance Union

Believing that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has been a power in the prohibition cause we hereby pledge anew our cooperation to this noble army of splendid women who are fighting for the protection of their homes and native land. We urge every Christian woman to join the ranks of the W. C. T. U., thus strengthening the forces that are fighting for the retention of the Eighteenth Amendment.

We reemphasize the need of cooperation in their educational work.

#### Divorce Laws and its Evils

No law in our statutes is more hurtful to our home life and the life of our nation than our present divorce law. The sacred and solemn vows of our once honored matrimonial service have been passed into discord and the present divorce law has wrought havoc in many homes. Marry today and separate at will, seems the idea. These conditions have brought about in many cases a state of companionate marriage which is a disgrace to a people of our present day enlightenment and education.

Your committee and our denomination as a whole fully condemn these conditions and urge that our whole church everywhere use its utmost efforts to correct this terrible evil. The many conflicting laws of various states make this evil hard to overcome, but we as Christian people should labor to make a uniform law. And our ministers should hold close to our church law in every instance or else receive the condemnation of the Conference.

Continued unemployment with little hope for gaining a livelihood for themselves and their families has had a tendency to eat into the moral life of our nation, and it is up to us as a church and Conference to do our best to overcome these conditions.

#### Sabbath Observance

The Lord's Day was instituted to meet mans' deepest need. The moral welfare of our people is dependent largely upon the right use of this holy day. At the present time the desecration of the Sabbath is a common thing. Many church people are engaging in worldly pasttimes on this day and are also helping to commercialize the day by the purchasing of things on that day which could be purchased on a week day. Maryland which has been conspicuous among the states for official adherence to the right observance of the Lord's Day seems to be growing more and more lax in this regard. Greed for gold rather than love for God seems to be the most dominant idea among many of our citizens. We reaffirm the action of last year's Conference in the following recommendations:

First, That in accordance with the action of our 1932 General Conference all our pastors make the Lord's Day educational program a part of the regular work of their churches.

Second, That the book published by the Lord's Day Alliance, "The Day of Worship," which has been commended so highly by the leaders of the protestant churches of our country be given wide circulation in all our homes and congregations.

Third, we request that the President of our Conference name a committee of three, a pastor, a layman and a woman, to cooperate with the Lord's Day Alliance in its work vital to every home and church in the state.

#### Disarmament

- 1. We heartily endorse the plan of disarmament of our administration and fully commend the means by which it is trying to put the same into effect, hoping thereby to realize a world peace.
- 2. We desire also to condemn race track gambling and fight against this evil with all our might.

J. W. KIRK, Chairman B. F. RULEY, Secretary J. F. BRYAN, C. N. SPENCE, EDITH M. DRISCOLL.

# SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM AND SOCIAL SERVICE

Realizing the growing menace among us in motion picture industry and feeling assured that the young of our land are being exposed to severe mental and moral strain, for an expert on child psychology has lately declared that no child under ten years of age should be permitted to attend their shows, it is the judgment of your Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service that a stricter censorship should be observed, and that any picture that savors of the immoral should be at once denied public exhibition. We insist that the moving picture censors and theatre managers cooperate to see that only clean pictures be shown, and that those which glorify sex, banditry, bootlegging, etc., etc., be outlawed, and that we lend our encouragement to every effort made by the leaders of these industries to bring about a speedy reform.

In view of the distressing economic conditions with its resultant unemployment of millions of American citizens, we, the members of the Maryland Annual Conference, in recognition of our obligations as disciples of Jesus and as believers in economic justice, do hereby commit ourselves, and call our membership to the following:

- 1. As ministers of Jesus Christ, we are determined to reconsecrate ourselves to the principle of a selfless ministry whose primary objective shall be service to God and man.
- 2. As laymen of Jesus Christ, we reconsecrate ourselves to the principle of service to God and man in our business and professional life, and will devote ourselves to the ideal of economic justice for all.
- 3. As a conference, we desire to express our sympathy to all who have been afflicted by the present economic debacle, and to register our gratitude for the loyalty and support of an impoverished laity in these trying days.

FRED G. HOLLOWAY, E. C. MAKOSKY.

We condemn prize fighting which is done in many of our states. This brutal and demoralizing physical combat between men in the presence of many thousands of our people for the sake of money is most beastly and degrading to our citizenship. Boxing in our colleges and Y. M. C. A's. is a questionable sport, and has a tendency to lead into professional prize-fighting.

We deplore smoking among our people, whether old or young, and we believe that the minister who smokes is setting a hurtful example.

> J. W. KIRK, Chairman B. F. RULEY, Secretary J. F. BRYAN, C. N. SPENCE, EDITH M. DRISCOLL, W. T. HAGUE.

#### REPORT L.

#### COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

(See Journal Pages 20 and 30)

We appreciate the loyal support of the churches in the interest of the various Benevolent Agencies of the Conference.

- 1. The Home of the Aged has shared in the contributions of the year, and we urge continued interest in this great institution.
- 2. We note the contributions made by many of our churches to the Maryland Tract Society, and regret that not all of them shared in this necessary work. The work of this Society is of great value to the Kingdom, and should receive the support of every church in the Conference. We therefore suggest the continuation of the committee's recommendation No. 3 of last year, namely, "That a special annual offering be taken in all our churches, preferably at a communion service, for the work of the Maryland Tract Society, and immediately forwarded to the Treasurer of the Conference."
- 3. We heartily concur in the work of the Deaconess Board and recommend the continuation of this work.

#### Respectfully submitted,

K. H. WAREHEIM, Chairman F. M. VOLK, W. A. ROBERTS, H. E. GRAY, J. H. BARTON, MRS. DAISY E. BAKER.

#### REPORT OF THE DEACONESS BOARD

Our own Deaconess, Miss Lillian DeMoss, has been steadily employed during the year. A favorable response has been made to every church that has asked for her services. She has labored during the past year in Washington, D. C., in Wilmington, Del., and in Baltimore. When not asked for elsewhere she works at Christ Church, Baltimore.

The terms of the following members of the Board expire with this Conference, and their successors are to be elected: W. A. Melvin, W. F. Wright, W. F. Chew and Mrs. W. B. Gilligan.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts	
Balance from last year\$	96.00
Donations from churches	35.00
Interest from Edmondson Ave. Church	525.00

#### Expenditures

Miss DeMoss' Salary	240.00 344.00
	\$ 584.00
Balance on hand	\$ 72.00

W. A. MELVIN, Treasurer.

#### REPORT M

# COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS

(See Journal Pages 27, 28, 29)

After careful consideration of the communciations and reports referred to us, the Committee reports as follows:

#### Personal Report Statistics

From the reports handed to your committee, we regret to note a net decrease in the number of subscriptions to The Methodist Protestant-Recorder of 39. Your committee deems it especially essential during these times that the subscription list not only be maintained but increased. The church must have the information and inspiration which the paper contains under the efficient Editorship of Dr. R. L. Shipley, and its future should be made secure by a subscription list which will make it self-supporting. We therefore urge a full cooperation on the part of charges and pastors with the Editor and publisher in their efforts for a wider circulation of our church paper.

We are pleased to report that Lady Visitors to our Home for the Aged at Westminster have been appointed in all but five charges.

An improvement in the distribution of Disciples to new members is gratifying. We regard such distribution as imperative and again earnestly insist that the church law be complied with.

The list of ministers indebted to the Board of Christian Education referred to your committee have been carefully considered and we believe most of them are making earnest efforts to liquidate their obligations. We again urge the early payment of all such obligations in order that the Board may be in position to grant financial assistance to others seeking aid in their preparation for the ministry.

#### Honor Roll of Charges

In accordance with Resolution No. 8, Page 113, 1924 Minutes, we report that sixteen charges and eight churches are entitled to places on the Honor Roll, having raised 100% or more of both Maryland and General Conference benevolences. They are as follows:

#### CHARGES

Edmondson Ave.
Eutaw
Howard
Nichols Memorial
North Baltimore
St. Johns
Buckeystown
Chestertown

Deer Creek
Federalsburg
First Church, Newark
Indian River
Lewes
Salsibury
R. I. Ave.
Westminster

#### CHURCHES

Burrsville on Caroline Charge Madison Ridgeville Church

Ridgeville Church Eldorado Bethel on Cecil Charge Union Chapel on Belair Charge Doylesburg on Doylesburg Charge Wheatleys on Reliance Charge

#### Pledges to Superannuate Fund

These pledges were originally made ten years ago. Your Committee has urged upon the brethren whose pledges are still unpaid that they complete them without delay. This fund should be fully completed.

We are glad to report a general compliance with the Conference regulation requiring that one-fourth of one percent of each pastor's annual salary be paid into the Superannuate Fund. No active pastor can say with assurance that he may not be the next to seek superannuate relation, and we insist that the delinquents who appeared before this committee keep the promise there made to meet these obligations this Conference year.

A number of charges have failed to pay the special assessment to cover the expenses of representatives to the General Conference held in May 1932, even after receiving from the Conference Treasurer the following letter: "It appears from the records of this office that your charge has failed to meet an assessment for \$----- which was levied last year to meet the expenses of the representatives sent to the General Conference session in May 1932. The Committee on Fianace have discussed this matter fully and are of the opinion that it is unfair to permit certain charges to disregard Conference action while others meet the requirements. This matter is brought to your attention with a view to having your station or charge meet this obligation in order to avoid the embarrassment of having the Finance Committee submit this subject to the Board of Official Relations for consideration during the next regular session of our Annual Conference. In conclusion permit me to state that I am sending this letter by direction of the Board of Finance and not on my own initiative. It will be a source of great pleasure to me, however, to assist you to adjust the matter if in my power to do so."

The following charges have paid a part of this assessment: St. Pauls, Baltimore.

The following charges have paid nothing on this assessment: Chesaco & Graceland, Evergreen, Keen Memorial, South Baltimore, Carroll, Clare-

mont, Mariners, Denton, Dorchester, Harbeson, Harmony, Hurlock, Kent Island, Leeds, Lews, 2nd Church (Lynchburg), Northumberland, Poplar Springs, Seaford, St. Michaels, Susquehana, Triniay-Salem, Alexandria, First Church (Washington).

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that:

- 1. Paul F. Warner, W. H. Hodges, Thos. G. Betschler, T. R. Woodford, C. G. Soderbom, Paul Cassen and A. G. Lynch be loaned to the Board of Missions in accordance with its request.
- 2. J. Tracey Fenby be loaned to the Salvation Army of Baltimore in accordance with his request.
- 3. J. Ralph Wright be loaned as Chaplain in the United States Army.
  - 4. F. N. Bowers be left without appointment at his own request.
- 5. Clayborne Phillips and W. B. Sanders be given supernumerary relationship, to Northumberland and Westminster Charges respectively.
- 6. Pastors and delegates of those charges that have not paid the General Conference representatives' expense assessment, shall, immediately upon the adjournment of this Conference, take up the matter with their charges and forward the assessments to the Conference Treasurer.
- 7. We concur in the following special appointments: Editor, Methodist Protestant-Recorder, R. L. Shipley; President High Point College, G. I. Humphreys; President Western Maryland College, A. N. Ward; President Westminster Theological Seminary, F. G. Holloway; Professor Westminster Theological Seminary, H. L. Elderdice; Secretary Board of Missions, G. W. Haddaway; Harold E. Cheyney be left without an appointment at his own request to pursue his further education as Teaching Fellow at Westminster Theological Seminary.
- 8. Inasmuch as complaints have been lodged against some of our ministerial brethren charging delinquency in meeting their personal financial obligations, resulting in monetary loss to the creditors and in reputation loss to the debtors: and inasmuch as such defaults are frequently without valid reasons, and bring humiliation to the local churches served by the individuals referred to, reproach upon the Conference that assigns them their posts of high honor and exalted responsibility, and a low standard of honesty to the business community with which they deal, we therefore recommend:
- (a) That when any minister of this Conference be charged officially with delinquency in meeting his personal financial obligations, the President notify him that, unless he satisfy all just claims and promise to contract no more debts unless reasonably sure of his ability to cancel the same when due, he will be refused the assignment to a pastorate; and further, that a charge failing to pay the salary of its pastor shall not be given a pastoral assignment the following year unless satisfactory.

explanation of such failure be made to the Committee on Official Relations.

- (b) While recognizing the unprecedented hardships ushered in by the depression, and with intelligent sympathy to all our pastors who are honestly striving to make both ends meet, we nevertheless recommend that they, for their own sakes and for the sake of a much-needed example to their parishioners, return to the practice of "the fine, old, rare art of learning to do without" many luxuries, conveniences and comforts.
- (c) That, in case of unpaid salary compelling a minister to borrow money, he apply to his Official Board to provide the loan, in order that the church may share the knowledge of his necessities, and their own responsibility to meet the same.
- 9. That in view of the urgent need of meeting the Maryland and General Conference obligations, every charge and pastor rally to the challenge of raising in full all assessments laid for general and local interests during the Conference year 1933-34.

#### Respectfully submitted,

E. A. SEXSMITH, Chairman,
HENRY GILLIGAN, Secretary,
R. Y. NICHOLSON,
L. W. DYKES,
HUGH L. ELDERDICE,
W. E. SHEPPARD,
A. N. WARD,
ROWLAND WATTS.

#### REPORT N

# COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

(See Journal Page 23)

Your Committee on Missions submits the following report:

The great commission of our Lord still challenges us to go forward in these perilous times to "disciple the nations of the earth," for He said, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Who will dare not to accept the challenge to follow such a great Commander as ours, when He is leading?

We rejoice in the fact that none of our missionaries have been recalled from their fields of labor, and that our work as a whole is doing well in spite of difficulties. We are very happy to learn that eight or nine of our most promising Methodist Protestant young men and women have accepted the call to go out into the missionary field, but owing to the lack of funds are compelled to remain at home.

We recommend that some church or a combination of two or more churches send out some of these missionaries.

Your Committee has read carefully the letters received from our missionaries, and commends them for their heroic endeavor, and splendid achievements.

Kalgan, China. Brother C. G. Soderbom writes encouragingly of the work there, and especially of the great opportunities. He says, "One of the greatest causes for praise and thankfulness that we have had this year is that my third son gave both his heart and life to the Lord. He is now in training at the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, and is preparing for service in Mongolia, one of the hardest mission fields in the world." God is putting the unoccupied fields on the hearts of His people, and calling out workers for them.

Japan. Brother Paul Warner, of Nagoya, Japan, speaks optimistically. He says, "Let us not plead the cause of hard times in face of world-wide Kingdom responsibility. In spite of these difficulties, let us seek greater opportunities for service." We pray God's richest blessing upon him and his companion.

Dhulia, India. Brother Paul Cassen writes encouragingly of his work, and appreciation of our support both in prayers and money.

We commend the Missionary Department of the Maryland Council of Religious Education for its continued support of Rev. and Mrs. Paul M. Cassen. We sincerely trust that every Sunday school and Christian Endeavor Society within the bounds of the Maryland Conference will support more generously than ever our very own missionaries, "Paul and Betty." The Treasurer is Rev. J. Earl Cummings who will be glad to receive contributions and supply such missionary information as may be available.

We heartily commend Brother Thomas R. Woodford for the fine work he has done at Pine Ridge, Kentucky. A new dormitory has been built at a cost of \$10,000.00, of which \$7,000.00 has been paid.

The letters from Brothers T. G. Betschler and W. H. Hodges, pastors of our churches at Seattle, Washington, are full of optimism.

We are pleased to learn that Miss Olive Hodges and Dr. Edith Lacy are soon to return to their fields of labor, Japan and India, respectively.

We covet the prayers of our entire church in behalf of these most faithful missionaries.

The communications received from Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, President of Maryland Branch, and Mrs. W. J. Bullis, President of the Washington-Virginia Branch are most gratifying. Mrs. Armstrong in her report considers the work of the year under four main heads, Organization, Finance, Missionary Education and Spiritual Life. We rejoice with her in the fact that there has been organized three auxiliaries which make a total of 85. We commend the ladies of the Maryland Branch for raising \$12,305.00 on their apportionment, and \$13,885.00 for all purposes, and the special emphasis which they are placing on systematic giving through the monthly envelopes, also \$810.00 as a special fund for the return trip to India of Paul and Betty Cassen. We also commend them for accepting from the Board of Missions the same apportionment as of last year, \$15,000.00.

Mrs. Bullis in her communication reports \$1,492.11 raised for missions. We are glad to know that the Washington-Virginia Branch assisted in procuring funds to send Paul and Betty Cassen back to India. Mrs. Bullis also reports that there has been this year an increase in the number of auxiliaries using monthly literature and the Year Book furnished by the Board. Also more readers of the Missionary Record and mission study books.

We note as of last year the dual slogan or goal and apply it to every branch and district in our Conference:- "An Auxiliary in every church, and every member an active one."

The reports of Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Bullis will follow this report in the Minutes.

Dr. G. W. Haddaway, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions, and Mrs. Marie Thompson, Associate Executive Secretary, have rendered most efficient service.

May our pastors and people give to them and the Board of Missions their most hearty cooperation.

We urge upon every pastor to do all in his power to prevent monies raised on the special days from being diverted, but be sent immediately to the Conference Treasury.

We urge that all of our pastors and people pray earnestly in these days for God's richest blessing upon our missionary work and workers, throughout the length and breadth of our beloved church.

> W. B. JUDEFIND, Chairman, G. E. McDORMAN, Secretary, H. A. KESTER, G. W. LEWIS, W. N. FLECKENSTEIN, MRS. WM. J. BREWER.

# MARYLAND BRANCH WOMEN'S MISSIONARY WORK OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

As President of Maryland Branch Women's Missionary Work I begto submit the following report:

In order to be as concise as possible, I shall consider the work of the year under four main heads: (1) Organization, (2) Finances, (3) Missionary Education, (4) Spiritual Life.

(1) Organization. We are sorry to report only three new auxiliaries organized during the past year. At the same time, we believe that progress has been made in strengthening existing organizations. This is evidenced by the fact that delegates are attending in larger numbers the quarterly meetings not only of the Baltimore District, but of those on the Eastern and Western Shores. The plan of holding the Quarterly Meeting at the time of the Minister's Meeting has worked well on the Western Shore and is now being tried out by the three Districts on the Eastern Shore, we hope with satisfactory results. The attendance at the Annual Meeting held in March was especially encouraging, with thirty-

two auxiliaries represented and fifty-one out-of-town delegates present, eight of them having come from far-away Newark. These meetings, with the opportunity, not only for fellowship, but for the comparing of problems and the interchange of ideas, give an impetus to the work.

The Districts are being urged to feel the responsibility for organizing a Women's Auxiliary in every church in their District. This work goes slowly, sometimes because of the lack of vision of the pastor, sometimes of the women themselves, sometimes of both. Some societies persist in doing things in the same old way because they have not been shown how much more workable is the circle plan. These are the societies that we hope may be reached through the District organizations. The plan is being tried out successfully where there are three small churches on a circuit, to have each church constitute a circle, and the three together an auxiliary, meeting quarterly. It is in this matter of organization that we especially plead for the cooperation of every pastor.

(2) Finances. It is a matter of sincere regret that the Maryland Branch failed to reach its apportionment of \$15,000. This may have been due in some measure to the bank difficulties. Although we actually lost only a little over \$100 in bad checks, individual gifts naturally reflected the financial pressure. We feel that in many cases it was sacrificial giving that brought our total to \$12,305 on apportionment, and \$13,885 for all purposes. Special emphasis will be placed this year on the use of the Monthly Offering Envelope by every member of every auxiliary. It is the systematic monthly giving, even if the gift be small, that is the solution of our financial problem.

In addition to our apportionment there was raised about \$810 as a special fund for the return trip to India of our Betty and Paul Cassen. Maryland Branch is most grateful for the fine response to the appeal on the part of individuals and organizations.

This year the "summer special" is a campaign for clothes, both old and new, with which to restock the depleted store at Pine Ridge. The women are entering into this new project with their ever-ready devotion.

We have accepted from the Board of Missions the same apportionment as last year, \$15,000, and have pledged ourselves to pray more and to work harder to reach our goal. Our Finance Committee has already sent out letters giving a yearly apportionment, not only to each auxiliary, but to the churches which have no organizations, hoping that the pastors will realize that a missionary organization is the best means for raising their General Conference budget. The Lord's Acre Movement, which is being successfully used in the rural areas of other denominations, is being sponsored by the Maryland Branch.

(3) Missionary Education. We realize that the finest missionary strategy is missionary education and the Branch is constantly working along that line. We have encouraged the use of the Year Book to the extent that our faithful Secretary of Literature, Mrs. John Held, has sent out each month at the expense of the Branch, a copy of the program leaflets, which means two fine missionary articles, to ninety-two organizations throughout the Conference. We recognize the value of "The Mis-

sionary Record" and regret that there was a loss of about one hundred subscriptions last year. A special effort is now being made to bring the number back to 502 subscribers. Every pastor should subscribe. This past year each District was asked to appoint a Secretary of Literature to work out plans for supplying leaflets, plays, pageants, etc., to the auxiliaries.

(4) Spiritual Life. More important to our missionary work than anything else is the deepening of the spiritual life of the individual. A change of heart is the thing most needed if a church member is to see straight and be straight in his attitudes toward world service.

At every quarterly meeting the need for a vital personal experience has been emphasized by our fine Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. A. E. Weber. The use of the Devotional Book, "Studies in the Portrait of Jesus", has been urged for every circle. The custom of holding mid-quarterly prayer meetings at the Book Rooms has been continued. Special emphasis is being placed this year on the observance by every church woman of the morning Quiet Hour. We are trying to make this our missionary principle: "We must go deeper if we would go further."

Though not an integral part of our Maryland Branch organization, the Girl's Home continues to have the interest and support of many of our missionary women. Under the competent management of the House Mother, Mrs. Sweeney, the Home has carried on in spite of difficulties. There has been an average of twelve girls in the Home this past year. When the hoped for up-turn in business shall come, a larger number of girls will mean a larger service.

This report is not complete, until I have expressed the appreciation of the Branch, not only to Dr. L. B. Smith and to Dr. R. L. Shipley, for their cooperation in places of public leadership, but to every pastor who has quietly but steadily been a strength and a guide to the women's missionary work in his church. Although I represent the women, I always use the term women's missionary work with an inward protest, realizing that it is not the women's work or the men's work, but the glorious responsibility of both working together.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. W. ARMSTRONG.

# WASHINGTON AND VIRGINIA BRANCH WOMAN'S MISSIONARY WORK OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

As President of Washington-Virginia Branch of Women's Missionary Work, I beg to submit the following report.

There are twelve churches belonging to our Branch, (two in one charge) and we have eight auxiliaries. These eight auxiliaries, one of which contains only eight active members, paid to the Mission Board this year \$1492.11.

The apportionment given us by the Board of Missions was \$1650.00. Although we did not reach that mark, we realize it was through hard

work and sacrificial giving we were able to raise what we did, and are happy over it.

We have an increase in the number of auxiliaries using the monthly literature furnished by the Board, and the year book. Also more readers of the Missionary Record and more general use of the Mission Study Books. All of which means an advance in missionary education. Two of our churches have active young women's missionary circles.

All of our churches report more missionary instruction being given in the Sunday school now than in previous years.

Our slogan for the year is—"An auxiliary in every church and every member an active one."

We ask the assistance of the Board of Missions in impressing upon the ministers the importance of having an auxiliary in each church. Also their duty to assume a portion of the budget, even though they have no organized women's work in their church.

Pledging our loyalty to the Maryland Conference, of which, we, the women of the Washington-Virginia Branch have the honor of being a small part, and praying God's blessing upon this session.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS, WILLIAM J. BULLIS.

#### REPORT O

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED

(See Journal Page 27)

Your Committee for the Home of the Aged believes that the splendid work done by the Home deserves the praise and support of this entire Conference. It seems only fair that the attention of this body ought to be called to the fact that the income from the Invested Fund has declined more than \$800 in one year, and more than \$1,700 in two years; yet the Home has not suffered. In order to make the repairs and improvements to the Home, as well as pay the regular expense, it seems that the Board of Managers has acted most wisely as well as economically and that they deserve our thanks.

We regret that it is necessary to report four deaths. One of those whose death is recorded was Mrs. Clara P. Cushing, the widow of the Rev. H. C. Cushing, an honored member of this Conference for fifty-five years.

We are sorry that Miss Kate Murray, the faithful matron for twentyseven years found it necessary to resign, but we believe that it was a wise and thoughtful act that prompted the Board of Lady Superintendents to allow her to continue to occupy the room which had been hers for so long even though it necessitated other changes.

We are pleased to note that Mrs. E. A. Warfield, the widow of the Rev. E. A. Warfield, has been secured for Miss Murray's place.

Your committee believes that the Board of Lady Superintendents was most fortunate in securing as nurse Mrs. Alfred Ackley.

There has been a decrease in the number of churches sending donations. We suggest that churches hold Harvest Home Services and send donations to the Home, and that whenever this is not practical that some time during the year a communion offering or a special offering be taken for benefit of the Home.

We are pleased to note that Santa Claus did not forget the Home when he made his usual visit, but remembered the Home through several organizations and individuals.

It is with pleasure that we note the interest taken in the Home by the young people attending the Leadership Training School, as well as the ministers and visitors on Visitors' Day. Although Visitors' Day was the best yet observed, we believe that there should be even greater interest shown in this institution.

The terms of E. C. Makosky, J. P. Wantz and Ober S. Herr expire at this session of the Conference, and their successors should be elected.

C. C. DAY, Chairman,

R. W. SAPP, Secretary,

H. O. KEEN,

D. T. WORK,

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J. W. PETERSON.

# REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED, AT WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND

March 30, 1933.

To the Maryland Annual Conference, Gentlemen,

of the Board of Lady Superintendents.

The Home continues to operate at capacity and carries a waiting list.

The receipts and expenditures, together with other matters of interest are fully set forth in the reports of the Treasurer and the Secretary

We respectfully request that the annual appropriation of \$6,000 be continued, but conscious of the peculiar economic condition of today, your Board passed the following resolution;

"The Conference for many years has allowed the Home an annual assessment of \$6,000. This amount is needed for the proper support of the Home. But we wish to express our loyalty to the whole program of the Conference, and, should it be found necessary temporarily to readjust the amount of the Annual Conference Budget, this Home, while needing all possible assistance, will heartily cooperate with the findings." The following resolution was also adopted;

"Your Board has been advised of the action of the last Conference in setting up priorities in the distribution of the Maryland Conference Budget which must inevitably adversely affect the amount which should be payable to the Home. (See Resolution 4, 1932 minutes). We feel we must protest this arrangement and we urge the Conference to restore to the Home its pro rata participation in the Maryland Conference Budget."

We call your attention to the fact that the terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session; Dr. E. C. Makosky and

Messrs. J. P. Wantz and Ober S. Herr.

GEORGE MATHER, Pres. Board of Managers.

## REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF LADY SUPER-INTENDENTS TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED

March 21, 1933.

The Home family is composed of twenty-six guests, the matron, nurse, and two servants—thirty in all.

We regret to report the following deaths since our last meeting: Miss Martha C. Hitch, of Laurel Church, entered the Home January 22, 1924, died March 19, 1932, aged 77 years; Mrs. Martha Bruff Fairbanks, wife of Mr. Samuel H. Fairbanks, entered the Home May 15, 1929, died December 14, 1932, aged 84 years; Mrs. Clara P. Cushing:, widow of Rev. H. C. Cushing, entered the Home May 27, 1930, died September 29, 1932, aged 87 years; Mrs. Sarah A. Stultz, widow of Mr. Nathan Stultz, entered the Home May 5, 1930, died January 18, 1933, aged 84 years.

The following applicants were admitted:-Mrs. Olevia A. Parrish, of Bethany Church, Baltimore; Mrs. Mary E. Porter, of Denton Church; Mrs. Annie L. Wagner, of Wilton Heights Church; Miss Annie E. Kinzer, of Westminster Church; Mrs. Agnes R. Ruark, of Violetville Church; Miss Kate Murray, of Westminster Church.

Mr. Samuel B. Holland, of Pocomoke Church, who was admitted to the Home February 16, 1932, could not become reconciled to living in Westminster after having spent his whole life of 81 years in Pocomoke. He said to me, "The Home is alright, if it were only in Pocomoke." He was so homesick and dissatisfied that he finally decided to return to his beloved Pocomoke on July 19, 1932. This he was at perfect liberty to do within his probationary period of six months.

Mrs. Emma Blizzard, who accepted the position of nurse in November, 1929, resigned June 1, 1932. We were most fortunate in securing for this position Mrs. Alfred Ackley, a niece of Dr. Joshua W. Hering, and former resident of Westminster. Mrs. Ackley took up her duties June 1. There has been an unusual amount of sickness in the Home this year. At one time, eleven of the guests were very ill and it was necessary to employ an extra nurse to assist Mrs. Ackley.

Miss Kate Murray, our faithful matron for twenty-seven years, was taken ill the latter part of November and was not able to perform the duties of her position. This happened just at the time there were so

many ill and had it not been for the splendid cooperation of all the guests and the servants, it would have been impossible to carry on. Fortunately, two of the ladies, Mrs. Parrish and Miss Wilson, were able and willing to assume the duties of matron until we could secure someone to take Miss Murray's place.

We are very happy to report that Mrs. E. A. Warfield, widow of Rev. E. A. Warfield, accepted the position of matron and entered upon her duties January 20. We felt that Miss Murray would be happier if she were allowed to remain in the bedroom she had occupied for so many years, so this necessitated making the matron's sittingroom into a bedroom for Mrs. Warfield. This was done with very little difficulty and expense. A cupboard was changed into a clothes closet, woodwork painted, curtains and rug purchased, and several chairs upholstered.

A number of young people who were attending the Leadership Training School at Western Maryland College, visited the Home on July 27. Visitor's Day was held August 31. In point of numbers and interest, this was the biggest and best Visitor's Day ever held at the Home.

Christmas and the holiday season were celebrated as usual. Although the gifts were not so numerous nor so large as in former years, they were sufficient to supply all needs and all had a happy time.

The following repairs and improvements were made: Painting of six bedrooms and porch chairs, new bookshelves, four small rugs for bedroms, mattress, lighting fixtures, and radiator en closures for reception room. Donations were received from 72 churches and organizations, and from 105 individuals. Eighteen delegations brought their donations, rendered programs, and served refreshments.

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

#### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand March 15, 1932	\$	521.72
Cash from Contribution box	10.79	
Net receipts on Visitor's Day	133.85	
Cash donations	206.80	
Contributions to Improvement Fund	244.50	
Miscellaneous	10.35	606.29
Total	\$1	,128.01

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Painting	107.35
Clothing	6.66
Miller Electric Co.	12.20
Chickens	10.25
Carpentry	18.82
Freight and hauling	6.30
Paint	4.25
Radiator Enclosures	34.30

Flowers	13.50	
Flowers	65.83	
Christmas	17.75	
A. W. Wampler, supplies	3.75	
Tickets to play at church	5.00	
Upholstering chair	3.75	
Extra nursing	5.20	
Ice Cream	3.00	
Repairing teeth		
Miscellaneous	23.92	\$ 850.33
Balance in bank March 18, 1933		\$ 277.68

#### Respectfully submitted,

MRS. DENTON S. GEHR, President,
MRS. CLARA S. BILLINGSLEA,
Vice-President,
MRS. W. R. McDANIEL, Cor. Sec.
MRS. HILDA R. ALBAUGH,
Rec. Sec. & Treasurer,
MRS. ALICE BABYLON,
MRS. GEORGE K. MATHER,
MRS. J. PEARRE WANTZ,
Board of Lady Superintendents.

Westminster, Maryland. March 16, 1933.

Maryland Annual Conference Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Sirs:-

I herewith submit my annual report of receipts and disbursements of the Home for the Aged of the Methodist Protestant Church for the year from March 16, 1932 to March 16, 1933.

#### Receipts

Balance on hand as shown by last report to Conference	8.08
Received from Chas. F. Cummins, Treasurer of Conference	5,181.41
Income transferred from invested Fund	2,000.00
Cash donation from St. James Church in Chestertown, Md	17.28
Cash donation from St. Johns Church of Baltimore, Md	200.00
Cash donation from Matron Miss Kate Murray	11.00
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Total receipts for year......\$7,417.¶7

#### Disbursements

Paid	for	supplies for table use	2,739.83
"	"	ordinary expenses	1,343.52
"	"	labor and wages	2,112.15
"	"	supplies of all kinds	461.27
27	"	special expenses, funerals and other	612.92
Bala	nce	in hands of Treasurer at close of year	148.08

\$7,417.77

I also beg to report that the stocks and bonds belonging to the invested fund have been appraised and the appraised value of these securities as of March 16, 1933 is \$33,754.73.

#### Respectfully submitted,

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ, Treasurer.

#### Auditing Committee report.

We the undersigned committee appointed by the President to examine the accounts of Jas. Pearre Wantz, Treasurer of the Home for the Aged of Methodist Protestant Church for the year ending March 16, 1933, beg to report that we have performed that duty to the best of our ability and have found them correct and supported by the proper vouchers, and that we have also examined and counted the securities of the invested fund and hereby certify to their correctness.

GEORGE MATHER,
OBER S. HERR,
CHAS. E. RICHARDSON,
Auditing Committee.

## LADY VISITORS TO THE HOME FOR THE AGED

AmeliaSadie	GillMannboro, Va.
	D. A. Davis 6205 Harford Rd., Balto., Md.
BrooklynMiss	S. E. Jones3807 Fifth St., Balto., Md.
CalvaryMrs.	Chas. Alexander 3107 Fleet St., Balto., Md.
Graceland ParkMrs.	Bertha HerbertRaspeburg, Md.
Christ ChurchMrs.	W. F. Chew 220 Church St., Pikesville, Md.
Chesaco ParkMrs.	W. M. SwanerDundalk, Md.
Edmondson AveMrs.	F. S. Sudman2925 Belmont Ave.,
	Balto., Md.
East BaltimoreMrs.	Ella Brown1222 N. Caroline St.,
	Balto., Md.
EutawMrs.	R. C. Brodie2106 Erdman Ave., Balto., Md.
EvergreenMrs.	A. O. DeMoss219 Alpine Rd., Balto., Md.
Glen BurnieMrs.	Jas. H. CroggonGlen Burnie, Md.
GraceMrs.	W. T. Whaley2512 Greenmount Ave.,
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Mrs. L. C. Burns
Mrs. Ben Hill
Keen MemorialMrs. C. G. Crist3027 Remington Ave., Balto., Md.
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Linthicum HeightsMrs. J. Clinton RobertsLinthicum Hgts., Md.
North Baltimore
St. Johns Mrs. Jesse Linthicum514 Rossiter Ave.,
St. PaulsMrs. O. S. Stevens3016 E. Monument St.,
South Baltimore
Miss Fannie Brown5018 Old 11edeller 2007,
LauravilleMrs. George Bing3309 Southern Ave., Balto., Md.
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Violetville
Wilton Heights
Fallston, Md.
Bel Air
Bel Air (Grace) Miss Mollie James Emorton, Md.
Bivalve
Buckeystown
Cambridge
Cannon Mrs. J. R. Cannon Cannon, Del.
Caroline Mrs. Ralph Meredith Ridgely, Md.
Carroll Circuit
Centerville
Cecil
Chestertown Mrs. Walter U. LusbyChestertown, Md.
ClaremontMiss Rose Maynard (Oak Grove Ch.)Surry, Va.
Mrs. Wm. Costenbader (Claremont Church) Claremont, Va.
Crisfield
Cumberland First Mrs. Mary KellerCumberland, Mu.
Cumberland Circuit Mrs. Russell Hendrickson, Cumberland R. 3, Mu.
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Pipe CreekMrs. W. D. Smith
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Poplar SpringsMiss Lena Burdett
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Lewis MemorialMrs. G. W. Barrentine436 Delafield Place,
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MadisonMrs	. William HarringtonMadison, Md.
PortsvilleMrs	. C. W. PhillipsLaurel, R.D., Del.
QuintonMrs	. Oliver JohnsonPocomoke City, Md.

#### REPORT P

## THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

(See Journal Page 17)

The printed programs are before you for your consideration. The conference is fortunate in having Rev. Oscar M. Buck, D. D., Professor of Comparative Religions-Drew University, for several addresses. We urge all the members of our conference to attend these services under Dr. Buck.

Some changes have been made in the time for the Conference Sermon and the administration of the Lord's Supper, but the program generally follows those of former years.

We recommend the adoption of the program.

LEONARD B. SMITH, G. J. HOOKER, E. D. STONE.

#### REPORT Q

# THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF BALTIMORE CITY

(See Journal Page 18)

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society met at the Book Rooms, Baltimore, on May 31, 1933. The usual order of business was transacted. The Treasurer reported through Fred G. Holloway that the income from the Henrietta Gibson legacy was collected in part but that the bond in which this was invested is now in default. He also reported the receipt of the income from the Drinkhouse Estate. These sums were turned over to the Seminary and distributed in accordance with the wish of the donors. The following officers were elected: Fred G. Holloway, President; George K. Mather, Treasurer; N. O. Gibson, Secretary.

## Respectfully submitted,

FRED G. HOLLOWAY, President, N. O. GIBSON, Secretary.

#### REPORT R

# THE SUMMER CONFERENCE

(See Journal Page 28)

The Summer Conference for ministers will hold its next session August 28 to September 1, at Westminster, Md.

The Program Committee has about completed its work and we are glad to announce that Dr. H. L. Elderdice will bring us five addresses. Every member of this Conference should be present to hear this great and revered man of God.

Two other speakers have been secured; Dr. Ralph Sockman, who will give five inspirational and devotional addresses, and H. Augustine Smith, who speaks three evenings on Art, Music and Pageantry in Worship.

We were glad to greet about the usual number of men on the Hill last year, and hope that the character of the program outlined will cause many others to be present this year.

The Summer Conference should not be compelled to persuade men to attend. The urge of fellowship and a larger preparation for the ministry should bring all of us together for these four days.

We request the usual appropriation of \$200 from this Conference to assist in the expense of the program.

J. LEAS GREEN, President, GUY E. LEISTER, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report	
Balance, June 9, 1932	\$136.07
Receipts	
One-half the Maryland Conference Appropriation\$100.00	
Delegates' Board	
Ministers' Dues	
\$351.00	
	\$487.07
Disbursements	
Conference program expenses\$261.60	
Delegates' Board, Western Maryland College 161.30	
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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

(See Journal Page 20)

Featuring the "Won-by-One' Band of Personal Workers.

This report includes the work of this Band throughout the denomination; as this work was endorsed by the General Conference at its last session, and the Chairman of the Committee of the Maryland Conference was made Secretary of Evangelism for the entire church.

There are now five thousand one hundred and fifty (5,150) persons who have signed the covenant card to pray and try to win at least one soul. There have been reported the names and addresses of two thousand two hundred and sixty-three (2,263) converted.

Your Committee recommends the continuance of the appropriation of \$200.00 from this Conference.

W. A. Melvin, Chairman.

# REPORT T GROUP INSURANCE

(See Journal Page 30)

Denton, Maryland. June 19, 1933.

To The President and Members of the Maryland Annual Conference, Greetings;

We are pleased to submit herewith an itemized statement pertaining to the Group Insurance. We have received a communication from the Insurance Company stating that the premium for 1934 will be approximately \$4,503, assuming that the same members now insured continue and four additional members are added. It will be seen that the yearly obligation to the Insurance Company is greatly increased. Some provision must be made to meet this condition. It will be necessary to raise an additional thousand (\$1,000) dollars to meet this situation. We appreciate fully the assistance tendered us at all times by the representatives of the Prudential Life Insurance Company. We have the honor to recommend that the sum of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars be added to the Superannuate assessment to meet the payment of a portion of the Group Insurance, and that such action as deemed necessary be taken to cover the estimated deficit.

# TREASURER'S REPORT, GROUP INSURANCE

#### Financial Statement

# STATEMENT OF AMOUNT OF INSURANCE

May 31, 1933, 148 members	\$148,000.00
Receipts	
1932	
June 22-*Balance brought forward\$1,443.5	<b>95</b>
1933	
May 12-From Maryland Conference 2,000.00	3
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May 31—From members 1,480.00	ס
Total	- \$ 7,238.59
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*Error of \$10.00 in Minutes-1932-Correct Amount \$1,443	.95.
Disbursements	
1932	
June 22-Paid Union National Bank, Westminster\$1,443.9	5
1933	
May 12—Payment on Premium 2,000.00	0
May 12—Dividend applied on premium	
May 31—Balance on hand	
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Total	\$ 7,238.59
SUMMARY	
From Md. Conference\$2,000.00 Paid Assessment	Q1 211 61
From Members	
Total Dividends 3,053.82 Balance on hand and	
——— Bank	1,480.00
Total\$6,533.82	

## Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer and Conference Representative.

Total ......\$6,533.82

#### REPORT U

# REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal Page 20)

The special committee, appointed by the President to audit the Conference Treasurer's books, have done so, and to quote from last year's

report, "not a single error was noted." The Treasurer handled a total of \$104,407.13 in five different accounts; Assessments, Liquidation League, Tract Society, Transportation and Entertainment, and Insurance. And in the handling of all these accounts he showed his usual efficiency.

The Treasurer recommends, and we concur in that recommendation, that he be permitted to purchase a set of binders for the filing away of records that will be very valuable to the Conference for future reference.

W. F. WRIGHT, JOHN N. LINK, J. LEAS GREEN, RAYMOND W. WHITE.

#### REPORT V

## COMMITTEE TO VISIT REV. W. D. WILSON

(See Journal Pages 24, 29)

The committee to visit Rev. W. D. Wilson, the supply pastor of Lewes, Delaware, who suffered a stroke of paralysis while in attendance upon the Conference on Wednesday, desires to report that it performed that duty, a happy privilege, Saturday afternoon.

Your committee found Brother Wilson in bed under the doctor's care. His daughter informed us that he was somewhat improved, and they entertain the hope that he will soon be out and able to actively serve again.

We conveyed the love and affection of the Maryland Conference to our brother and he in turn sent his greetings and love to the Conference.

Brother Wilson has served Lewes Charge most acceptably for at least twelve years and each year has met every obligation placed upon the charge. The Annual Conference has been most fortunate in having the services of such a consecrated workman. Repeatedly Brother Wilson referred to the honor that the Conference bestowed upon him, and the gratitude that was his to serve among us.

J. A. DUDLEY, E. D. STONE, W. H. STONE.

#### REPORT W

# COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal Page 27)

Your Committee on Audit recommends the report of the Treasurer of Church Extension Society as carefully examined and find it correct.

Respectfully submitted,

N. C. CLOUGH, Chairman, H. L. MURPHEY, Secretary.

Your Committee on Audit has examined report of the Agent of President's Parsonage and desire to recommend the correctness of the report.

Respectfully submitted,

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## RESOLUTIONS

#### RESOLUTION NO. 1

#### Substitute Resolution Superannuate Provisions

WHEREAS, The pastors of the Maryland Annual Conference have already been assessed on the following graduated scale, on pastors' salaries to meet an emergency in our Superannuate provisions, up to \$1,200 one quarter of one per cent, \$1,200 to \$1,800 one half of one per cent, \$1,800 and over one per cent, to raise needed funds for our superannuate obligations, therefore be it

Resolved, That the respective charges be and the same are hereby requested to raise an equal amount on the same graduated scale for the Conference year 1933-34, and that the President of the Conference designate such day as he deems advisable for the presentation of the request of the Annual Conference. Each pastor to present the request to local congregation or congregations and forward funds to the Conference Treasurer at once.

LOUIS RANDALL, KARL H. WAREHEIM, B. F. RULEY.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2**

WHEREAS, The work of the Standing Committee on Literature and Education and the Standing Committee on Religious Education overlaps and duplicates, therefore

Be It Resolved, That the Manual, Rule V, Section 2, be amended so that the Standing Committee on Literature and Education and the Standing Committee on Religious Education be merged into one standing committee to be known as the Committee on Christian Literature and Education.

JOHN N. LINK, J. LEAS GREEN.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 3

To meet a vital need, the following addition to the Manual is submitted:

#### Regulation 23. Admission to the Itineracy

1. Candidates for admission to the itineracy of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church should have a collegiate training, and must be graduates of the Westminster Theological Seminary, or a school of equal rank, except where experience and practice have demonstrated such unusual natural and spiritual graces as would justify

for such individual the suspension of the foregoing regulation upon the recommendation of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders and the vote of the Conference.

- 2. The President of the Conference shall have authority to employlocal preachers, preferably seminary students, to supply charges wheretheir services can be utilized.
- 3. The provision of the Discipline that itinerant preachers shall be eligible for ordination only after serving three years under the appointment of an Annual Conference, shall apply to all candidates after the 1935-Conference Session, exclusive of any time served while a student.

JOHN N. LINK, L. W. DYKES, JAS. H. STRAUGHN, J. LEAS GREEN, ROWLAND WATTS, HENRY GILLIGAN.

## CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

#### CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The Church Extension Society met on Thursday, June 15, 1933, with the President, J. L. Ward, presiding.

Minutes were read and adopted.

L. B. Smith, President of the Conference, asked that consideration be given the reading of the report of the President of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society. The report was read, and on motion it was referred to the Board of Survey and Extension.

The report of the Treasurer was read and adopted. The report was

referred to the Committee on Audit.

The following officers were elected: President, J. L. Ward; First Vice-President, G. E. Brown; Second Vice-President, J. L. Nichols; Treasurer, P. W. Crosby; Secretary, J. W. Townsend.

On motion of G. W. Haddaway, the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot for the same Board of Managers, substituting the name of H. C. Staley for T. A. Myers.

Ministers: L. B. Smith, E. D. Stone, P. W. Crosby, R. Y. Nicholson. Laymen: H. C. Staley, W. C. Scott, D. C. MacLea, Henry Gilligan. Society adjourned.

J. W. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

#### P. W. Crosby, Treasurer

#### AMOUNT RECEIVED

1932		
June	4-Cash in Bank of Baker, Watts and Co\$1,635.47	
	Cash in Calvert Bank 354.86\$	1,990.33
	10-Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas., T. H. Lewis Mem.	1,000.00
	10—Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas. Ft. Myer Heights	650.00
	10-Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas. Interest Calvary	600.00
	10-Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas. Debt Edmondson	
	Avenue	1,021.00
July	2-Gift from Salem Church, Clayton, Del	15.00
	12-Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas. (L.L.) Misc	84.00
	12-Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas. (T. H. L. Memorial	
	L. L.)	214.48
8	18—A. B. Adams, Int. on Butler Estate	119.27
	21-Check from C. F. Cummins, Treas. (T. H. L. Memorial	
	L. L.)	94.98

2 3 Sept. 2 3 Oct. 1	MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE  10—L. B. Smith for rent of Felton Parsonage	JUNE 51.07 154.98 2,500.00 234.98 32.44 50.00 20.00 600.00 49.98
2 3 Sept. 2 3 Oct. 1	Lewis Memorial \$135.00.  Reg. Fund \$19.98.  23—Loan, Elkton Banking and Trust Co	154.98 2,500.00 234.98 32.44 50.00 20.00 600.00
2 3 Sept. 2 4 3 Oct. 1	Lewis Memorial \$135.00.  Reg. Fund \$19.98.  23—Loan, Elkton Banking and Trust Co	2,500.00 234.98 32.44 50.00 20.00 600.00
Sept. 2 3 Oct. 1	Reg. Fund	2,500.00 234.98 32.44 50.00 20.00 600.00
Sept. 2 3 Oct. 1	23—Loan, Elkton Banking and Trust Co	234.98 32.44 50.00 20.00 600.00
Sept. 2	Miscellaneous 9.98.  8—Rent from Felton Parsonage	32.44 50.00 20.00 600.00
2 3 Oct.	8—Sale—First Payment—West Wilmington	50.00 20.00 600.00
2 0 2 3 Oct.	8—Sale—First Payment—West Wilmington	20.0 <b>0</b> 600.00
0ct.	22—Board of Managers—Rebate Chesaco Insurance	600.00
od # 3 Oct.	7—C. F. Cummins, Treas. T. H. Lewis Memorial	
Oct.	7-C. F. Cummins, Treas. T. H. Lewis Memorial	49.98
1	11 Palance Cale Cheeses Personage	
1	11—Balance Sale Chesaco Tarsonage	128.92
	Charge)	190.00
1	13—Lillie A. Higgs on West Wilmington Sale	50.00
. 2 . 7 .	15-C. F. Cummins-T. H. Lewis Memorial	119.98
2	20-C. F. Cummins for Lewis Memorial	29.98
	24-L. B. Smith from Edmondson Avenue Church	300.00
Nov. 1	10.—L. B. Smith from Nazarene Church, Wilmington, Del 16—Loan arranged by President	50.00 1,000.00
	2-C. F. Cummins (Lewis Memorial \$5.00; General Fund	
Dec.	\$126.98)	131.98
ži.	15—L. B. Smith from Lillie A. Higgs, Wilmington Church	50.00
	31—C. F. Cummins, Liquidation League (Lewis Mem.	
	\$5.00; Gen. Fund \$15.98)	20.98
	31-C. F. Cummins, Edmondson Avenue appropriation	400.00
1933	PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF TH	
	7-Loan arranged by President	500.00
ouii.	18—L. B. Smith, Lillie A. Higgs, Wilmington, Del	50.00
	31—Loan arranged by President	509.98
	14—L. B. Smith, Lillie A. Higgs, Wilmington, Del	50.00
	23—Loan from National Central Bank	2,462.50
	17—Loan arranged by President	1,000.00
	28—L. B. Smith, Lillie A. Higgs, Wilmington, Del	50.00
Apr.	10-Edmondson Avenue Church on Interest	300.00
	14-Easton National Bank	121.06
May	4-Loan arranged by President	5.000.00
	4—Loan arranged by President	2,000.00
Turna		2,000.00
June	1—Loan Mrs. Myrtle B. Cooper, Aberdeen, Md	1,000.00
	1—Loan Mr. Street Bowman, Aberdeen, Md 1—Loan arranged by President	200.00
	1—Refund Edmondson Avenue Church	30.00
		50.50
	Total	207 007 00

	AMOUNT DISBURSED	
1932		
June	6-Baker, Watts and Co. Red of Principal \$18.00 to	126.06
	\$1,700 Int 8—Baker Watts and Co. Checking Charge	1.00
	8—Third National Bank Chestertown, Red. Prin. \$500.00	2.00
	Int.	597.50
	16—W. J. Highfield, Inc., Wilmington, Del. Ins. Md. Church, Wilmington	11.10
	18—National Central Bank a c Edmondson Avenue Church	
	Note	1,024.60
July	1—Calvert Bank Red. of Prin. \$500. and Int. \$305.97	2.40
July	Edm. Ave.	805.97
	2—Elkton Banking and Trust Co. Int. on Note and Red.	
	of Prin	1,600.00
	13-L. B. Smith, Agent for Warwick Charge, Int	17.10
	13—Real Estate Trustee Inc. on Prin. \$1000 Int. \$86.25	1,086.25
	29—Elkton Banking and Trust Co. Bal on note	125.50
Aug.	12-Miss Ella Martin Interest on note	60.00
rrag.	12-Burke, Herbert and Co. Bk's. Int. \$2000 mos. \$60.00	1.0
	Pd on Prin	1,060.00
	12-Atlantic Life Ins. Co. Richmond, Va. Int. on Mtgs.	77
	Ft Myer	154.50
	12-Atlantic Life Ins. Co. Curtailment of Mtge. Ft. Myer	150.00
Sept.	8-Third National Bank, Chestertown, Md. Prin. \$100;	
578	Int \$90.00	190.00
	14—Baker, Watts and Co. Red. of Prin. \$100 Int. \$24	124.00
Oct.	7-J. W. Townsend for Calvary Ch.	80.00
	8-W. R. Kelly Co. Wash. D. C. Ins. on Ft. Myer Heights	174.00
	12-Kent County Savings Bank for Edmondson Ave.	005.00
	Church (Loan)	285.00
	Federal Tax	.30 402.25
Sept.	29—Calvert Bank—by Dr. L. B. Smith	220.67
Oct.	13—National Central Bank	71.25
	13—Real Estate Trustee Inc	1,135.00
	21—To Joseph L. Crupper on Note of \$2,000	1,100.00
	29—The Real Estate Trustee Inc. 21/2 % per ¢ Refinance	118.75
	charge Lewis Mem. Ch. Mortgage	1.00
Nov.	1—Bank Charge	1000
	10—The Elkton Banking and Trust Co. Payment on prin. and Int. on Note	321.50
	and Int. on Note	1,015.00
Dec.	3—W. R. Kelley, Renewal Mortgage Loan Mrs. L. C.	5.5
Dec.	Follansbee	155.00
	10—Third National Bank, Chestertown, Md. on Note	88.50
	12 Roker Watte and Co on Note	73.51
	24—Edgar Fontaine, Agent for Insurance on Girdletree	
	Ch	2.90
1933		
Jan.	9-L. B. Smith, Warwick Ch. Interest	17.10
	8—Calvert Bank	542.00
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	13—Real Estate Trustee Inc. Interest on Mortgage	71.25
	to C N Payme Agent. Insurance on Liberty Ch	3.55
	31—Balance on Loan Arranged by President	9.98
Feb.	1 Charge on checking Account for Jan	1.00
reb.	20 National Central Bank Payment on Note	500.00
	23—Joseph L. Crupper, Balance on Note	1,020.00
	23—Elkton Banking and Trust Co. Int. on Note	133.00
	23—Atlantic Life Insurance Co	300.00
Mar.	1-Third National Bank of Chestertown, Md. Payment	
1.141.	on Prin. and Int. on Note	388.50
	1-W. H. Eaton, Agt. Ins. on Felton Ch. and Parsonage	5.00
	16—February Tax	1.00
	16-Baker, Watts and Co. on Note	72.75
	17-C. E. Turner, Ins. on Liberty Ch	3.82
	23-C. E. Turner, Agt. Ins. on Liberty Ch	1.50
	30-Calvert Bank	337.92
	31-Interest on Loan Arranged by President of Conference	15.00
	31-Interest on Loan Arranged by President of Conference	3.00
Apri	7-Trustees of Hopewell M. P. Ch. Interest on Loan	5.70
	7-Real Estate Trustees, Inc. Int. on Mortage	71.25
	7-Third National Bank, Chestertown, Md	128.00
	13-Kent County Saving Bank	
87.4.	20—Joseph L. Crupper	75.00
	20—Ella Martin, Interest on Note	120.00
	29-Calvary M. P. Ch. (Advance on appropriation)	200.00
May	1-Bethesda Church (Advance on appropriation)	500.00
	4-Third National Bank, Chestertown Prin. \$2,000 Int.	
	\$27.50	2,027.50
	12-Interest on Loan arranged by President of Conference	30.00
	12-Elkton Banking and Trust Co. Prin. \$1,000; Int. \$81.00	1,081.00
	17-Miss Ella Martin, Int. on Note	30.00
	23—Elkton Banking and Trust Co. \$300 Prin. \$24.50 Int.	334.50
	23—National Central Bank (Prin. \$400.00; Int. \$32.55)	432.55
June	7-Calvert Bank on Edmondson Church on note in full	1,000.00
	7-Third National Bank, Chestertown on note in full	3,517.50
	8-Baker, Watts and Co. Prin. \$100; Int. \$21.46	121.46
	Federal Tax	.88
	Total	24,914.92
	SUMMARY	
Amo	ount Received	27.227.89
Amo	ount Disbursed	24,914.92
		202-0
Amo	ount on hand in bank	2,312.97
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Respectfully submitted,

P. W. CROSBY, Treasurer, Church Extension Board of Managers.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The work of this Board has been so closely associated with the Administrative Department this year that it is difficult to distinguish the one from the other. The President of the Conference has directed his activities largely toward the solution of financial problems growing out of the pressure of maturing notes in spite of the necessarily limited income from benevolent funds.

#### Adjustment of Notes

Many obligations of long standing in various banks have been shifted to private individuals and interested church groups, thereby increasing our credit and reducing the amount required for reduction. Eleven private loans have been procured by the President amounting to about \$14,000.00, and the same applied to pay off notes coming due, without adding anything to the total debt. The Board urges further cooperation on the part of our people and churches, not only for its cooperative value, but because of its safety as an investment of private and trust funds. All interest payments have been paid promptly, and a reduction of over \$4,000.00 has been made in our total indebtedness.

#### Payson Street Church

The acute financial situation of this church came to the attention of this Conference a year ago, and the matter was referred to a committee composed of the President of the Conference and Mr. Daniel MacLea, for action. The vacant store and apartment property belonging to the church could not be rented, and the demand for a substantial reduction in the mortgage debt on the entire property could not be met. It was impossible for the small membership to raise the required funds sufficient to meet these expenses and maintain the local current budget. After a series of conferences the congregation authorized the sale of the property and the trustees sold the same for a price covering the mortgage, plus accumulated interest and tax expense. The furniture was placed into the hands of the President, who sold enough to meet existing current bills and to furnish adequately the chapel of the Lewis Memorial Church. Most of the remaining members have been transferred to adjoining churches. The church should be declared legally closed by this Conference.

#### Chesaco Park Parsonage

The large mortgage debt against this property held by the Perry Hall Building and Loan Association was increasing by the accumulation of interest and penalties. The Board of Managers paid \$500 thereon last year out of Liquidation League funds, and no appropriation could be provided for it this year. The charge has suffered serious reaction from the depression. Consequently it was one of the most acute problems facing us at the beginning of the year. Very fortunately we procured a sale of the property at \$4,000.00 cash, to meet the balance due on the mortgage plus accumulated interest and penalties, and a small balance of about \$32.00 which was turned over to the treasury.

# Second Church (West Wilmington) Wilmington, Del.

This church was closed two years ago. The property was sold during the year to the Nazarenes for \$1,800.00, payable \$50.00 per month for eight months, and then a mortgage for the balance of \$1,400.00 to be reduced at the rate of \$250.00 per year. The eight months payments have been made and the mortgage is being prepared.

#### Lewis Memorial Church

The need of at least a unit of a permanent building for this new organization becomes more and more imperative. After repeated inquiry and solicitation it was found to be impossible to procure a loan to finance the same, until the pressure of financial conditions is relieved and money on loans is again available. The congregation and Sunday school continue to prosper. The scarcity of funds last fall necessitated the refinancing of the mortgage on the lot at \$4,750.00, and collections have been made on subscriptions sufficient to leave a credit of about \$1,600.00 in the treasury at the present time. Quite a few subscriptions toward the fund remain unpaid, the subscribers requesting more time in view of the need of obligations in their local churches. Just as soon as it is possible to procure a reasonable loan there should be at least a modest beginning to the permanent building.

#### Edmondson Ave. Church

The members of this church have had their share of misfortune in the wide-spread unemployment, losses and reduced salaries. No serious difficulty has been met in maintaining all current expenses including interest and some reduction on debt. The church expects to pay its benevolences in full again.

#### Calvary Church, Virginia

This church continues to make the necessary interest payments on the mortgage debt, and by the help of the Conference appropriation has made a regular interest payments on parsonage debt. Financial conditions have increased the difficulty of meeting all local obligations, but the people expect to take care of the debt entrusted to them.

#### Fort Myer Heights

This church has been unable to raise either a part of its interest or reduction of debt. The mortgage has been reduced each year by \$300.00 as per agreement by the Board of Managers. It was renewed at \$5,000 last September to be reduced \$300.00 per year.

#### Bethesda Church, Baltimore

This church continues to meet its share of the debt incurred by the erection of the new building three years ago. The Conference will necessarily be compelled to cooperate a few years longer by appropriating something toward the debt. But it will ultimately prove to be an excellent investment.

#### First Church, Wilmington

The church has fortunately added a large group of new members to the congregation this year, and has paid its pastor's salary and all other current expenses except the full amount of interest on the debt. Over \$1,000.00 was borrowed by the Trustees to meet the full amount of interest required.

#### Lynchburg Mission

A mission has been formed by Rev. George W. Ports in Lynchburg, Virginia, with a Sunday school of over one hundred meeting on Sunday afternoons and an occasional preaching service. No financial obligation has been assumed. It is our hope that this enterprise may ultimately enable us with Tyreanna Charge to provide a third regular pastor for the Lynchburg area.

#### Proposed Faulkner Memorial Church

Miss Alice V. Fought, of Falls Church, Virginia, near Washington, desires to make possible a church in memory of her mother who died recently, using her mother's maiden name Faulkner as the name for the church. She offers to deed three building lots, one block off the Lee Highway, about two miles beyond Cherrydale in a community of perhaps two hundred residences within three quarters of a mile. She offers also to finance a modest temporary structure, and a nominal weekly offering as a fee for pastoral service. Dr. R. Y. Nicholson and Mr. Henry Gilligan have ably assisted the President in these negotiations. The Board of Survey and Extension will give the proper consideration to this offer.

Death has removed from our ranks during the year one of God's noblest of men, Mr. Thomas A. Meyers, former President of the Board of Managers. For years Brother Myers has contributed to the Society generously not only in money, but in time and thought for the purpose of advancing the cause of church extension. We miss his wise counsel and excellent judgment in the problems confronting us. The vacancy should be filled by the Conference.

E. D. STONE, President.

June 14, 1933.

#### Mutual Relief Association

The Mutual Relief Association met in the Methodist Protestant Church, Denton, Maryland, on June 15, 1933, with W. H. Litsinger presiding.

The Secretary-Treasurer read his financial report which was endorsed by the Committee on Audit. Motion to adopt prevailed. Motion prevailed to amend; that the Secretary-Treasurer be instructed to submit the names of all delinquent members and members of the Conference who are eligible to membership, to the Committee on Official Relations.

Election of officers was taken up and the following elected: President, W. H. Litsinger; First Vice-President, J. F. Bryan; Second Vice-President, C. E. Dryden; Secretary-Treasurer, G. A. Ogg.

On motion a rising vote of appreciation was extended to G. A. Ogg for his work as Secretary-Treasurer.

Conference was requested to publish the Constitution in this year's Minutes.

#### Financial Report

On hand June 1, 1932	\$ 520.68	
Collected on Cases prior to No. 107\$ 74.00		
Collected on Case No. 107 191.00		
Collected on Case No. 108 190.00		
Collected on Case No. 109 187.00		
Collected on Case No. 110 182.00		
Collected on Case No. 111 158.00		
Collected Principal on note and interest 47.99		
	\$1,029.99	
		\$1,550.67
Expenditures		
Expenditures		
To Mrs. H. W. D. Johnson\$200.00		
To Mrs. L. A. Bennett 200.00		
To J. P. Wantz—Church Home 200.00		
To Owen W. Prince 200.00	(90)	
To P. M. R. Schauer 200.00		
Stockton Press, Postals		
Stockton Press, Postals		
Stockton Press, Postals 8.10		
150 Blank Postals to address in advance 1.50		
Carfares and postage 1.00		
100 Jan 100 Ja		
	\$1,025.93	
Balance		\$ 524.72
In National Central Bank 94.10		
Notes		
Cash 56.62		

G. A. OGG, Secretary-Treasurer.

\$524.72

#### Members of Mutual Relief Association

Adams, C. M. Adams, Ziba and wife Alexander, Mrs. C. N. Archer, W. T. Bailey, F. B. Bailey, J. T. and wife Balderston, J. W. Baughman, Geo. E. Bauscher, W. F. Baxley, J. W. and wife

Bennett, Mrs. D. A. Benson, Mrs. F. T. Betschler, T. G. Bowers, Mrs. Lucy Brewer, O. G. and wife Brown, J. McL. and wife Bryan, B. A. and wife Bryan, J. F. and wife Burkins, H. C. and wife Butler, C. P. and wife Cain, Mrs. Bessie D. Cassen, Paul M. and wife Cassen, S. F. Clayton, G. M. and wife Clough, N. C. and wife Coe, S. W. and wife Compher, C. M. and wife Crosby, P. W. and wife Crouse, Mrs. Jennie P. Cullum, C. M. and wife Day, C. C. Dinkle, Ira M. and wife Dobson, C. H. and wife Donovan, Avery Donoway, W. A. and wife Dryden, C. E. and wife Dudley, J. A. and wife Elderdice, J. L. and wife Elderdice, H. L. Ewell, A. W. and wife Farring, G. F. Galley, Stephen George, J. P. and wife Gibson, N. O. Gill, J. M. Gordon, L. W. and wife Green, A. H. and wife Green, J. L. 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 Jennings, Ellsworth and wife Johnson, Mrs. H. W. D. Johnson, Mrs. Sarah R. Jones, Thomas C. Judefind, W. B. and wife Kay, J. M. Keen, H. O. Kester, H. A. Kindley, B. W. Kirk, J. W. and wife Kirkley, E. T. and wife Klein, Mrs. Mary E. Leister, Guy E. Lewis, Mrs. Mary M. Link, J. N. Litsinger, Mrs. Adele C. Litsinger, W. H. Little, Mrs. Katie W. Lynch, A. G. and wife Lynch, J. H. Makosky, E. C. and wife Marker, J. Lee McCaslin, C. K. and wife McKeawn, J. R. and wife Melvin, W. A. and wife Mumford, W. C. and wife Murphey, H. L. and wife Mulligan, T. C. and wife Neepier, Mrs. A. S. Nicklas, H. N. and wife Nichols, J. L. and wife Nicholson, R. Y. Nowlin, Mrs. Lelia M. Ogg, G. A. and wife Owens, I. S. Parris, J. W. Pierce, A. A. Prince, Owen Randall, L. C. and wife Randall, Louis and wife Raum, A. F. T. and wife Read, E. T. and wife Reynolds, Mrs. E. J. Rice, P. L. and wife Roberts, W. P. and wife Robey, C. B. and wife Ross, G. S. Ruley, B. F. Schauer, P. M. R.

Schlincke, H. L. and wife Schmeiser, Wm.
Sexsmith, E. A. and wife Shipley, R. L. and wife Siffrin, F. W.
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 Townsend, J. W. and wife Trader, John A.
Tredway, Mrs. Cornelia Turkington, T. J. and wife

Turner, G. E.
Volk, Frank M. and wife
Walter, Mrs. Isabella S.
Ward, A. N. and wife
Warner, Mrs. Susan V.
White, R. W.
Weigand, Mrs. Anne R.
Williamson, Mrs. Laura B.
Wooden, J. F. and wife
Woodford, T. R. and wife
Woodward, Eugene C. and wife
Wright, J. A. and wife
Wright, W. F. and wife
Wunder, G. E. 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	vears	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.

#### THE SUPERANNUATE FUND SOCIETY

The meeting of the Superannuate Fund Society was called to order by Vice-President, J. W. Kirk. The report of the Treasurer was read and approved.

The election of officers resulted in the election of the following: 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, F. Murray Benson.

The election of the Board of Managers resulted as follows: Ministers, G. W. Haddaway, E. L. Bunce, G. M. Clayton, J. A. Dudley. Laymen, Daniel MacLea, E. J. Paige, F. Murray Benson, C. Lawrence Beyer, F. Murray Benson, Treasurer.

REV. C. K. McCASLIN.

June 15, 1933.

#### 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).
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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 is retrospective to and including the year 1923.

- 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?

\$7,325.79

# PLAN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SUPERANNUATED FUNDS DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Your Committee recommends that Section 3 paragraph 4, "Superannuated Fund Regulations," be, and the same is hereby amended to read.

"Appropriations from the Superannuated Fund of this Conference, other than the invested funds, shall be allowed in the case of dependent children, at the time of superannuation on the following graduated scale.

From 1 to 5 years of age.......\$9.00 per year, or \$45.00 a year From 6 to 10 years of age......\$12.00 per year or \$60.00 a year From 11 to 15 years of age.....\$15.00 per year or \$75.00 a year From 16 to 21 years of age.....\$7.00 per year or \$35.00 a year

At age of 18 years, allowance for dependent children shall cease, except in case of affliction, when the Conference shall allow a flat rate of \$50.00 a year during such dependency.

These appropriations to be made from the contingent funds of the Conference for Superannuates.

# SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer

In Account With

#### SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

#### Permanent Fund

#### Receipts

To	Balance as per last report of Thomas A. Murray,		
	retiring Treasurer		\$1,050.34
To	sale Dalrymple Ave., Mortgage\$	3,800.00	
To	amt. in reduction Seventh St. Mortgage	100.00	
To	amt. in reduction Battery Park Mortgage	100.00	
To	sale Safe Harbor Bonds	2,025.45	
To	amt. in reduction Decatur St. Mortgage	250.00	i.
	und a grand the Till of the second		\$6,275.45
	Total Receipts		\$7,325.79
	Disbursements		
By	amt. invested per direction of Board\$	6,700.00	
To	amt. advanced to income per order of Board	436.41	
To	Balance on Deposit in Savings Account	101.33	
To	Balance on Deposit in Checking Account	88.05	
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#### Income Account

To amt. rec'd from Thomas A. Murray, retiring	Treas.\$	768.18		
To income rec'd from investments by this Acco	untant	8,152.69		
To interest on Savings Account		25.54		
To advance permanent fund		436.41		
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By Premium Treas. Bond\$	25.00			
By Journal-Record Cards & Rubber Stamps	7.50			
By Tax on checks	.32			
By Tax on checks	350.00			
By Treas. Expense Account		28 289	follows	::
By Amounts remitted to C. F. Cummins, Confer	200 00	cabi, as		108
Amount forwarded\$	304.04			
1932				
July 27, Check for\$1	,400.00			
August 29, Check for	900.00			
September 28, Check for	850.00			
October 31, Check for	750.00			
	750.00			
November 29, Check for				
1933				
January 3, Check for	700.00			
January 30, Check for	750.00			
March 17, Check for	700.00			
April 18, Check for	750.00			
May 11, Check for	800.00			
	650.00			
June 6, Check for				
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\$9,382.82

### Respectfully submitted

### F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer.

Above account examined and found correct. All income accounted for and Securities of Society deposited in Safe Deposit Box of Superannuated Fund Society.

CHARLES L. BEYER, G. M. CLAYTON,

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 me at that day."—2 Tim. iv: 7, 8.

Tim. iv: 7, 8.		Entered	
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Nomo	1782	1829	1830
	1785	1829	1830
Joseph Scull Hays	1100	1830	1831
Joseph Scull Washington Hamilton Hays		1831	1832
Washington Hamilton Hays William Bamber	1812	1829	1833
William Bamber Jacobs Charles Wesley Jacobs		1829	1834
John James Hanson	••••••	1830	1841
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		1834	1843
		1833	1844
Daniel Davies, M. D.		1838	1844
		1842	1844
	••••••	1843	1846
	1820	1844	1847
	1787	1829	1851
	1806	1832	1851
	1783	1830	1851
	1817	1841	1851
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Washington Roby	1832		1862
Washington Roby	1806		1863
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Dauban Tylor Royd	1842		1865
Whomas Hart Renton Austin	1828		1866
Tamas Engage Whiteside	1787		1867
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Thomas H. Burgess	181		1870
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Inthon I Cox	182		1870
Christian Eversale	183		1871
Daniel Bowers	181		1871
Tahn Margan	184		1871
Hanny C Hayaha	181	777	1874
Taba Eldovdico	181		1875
Tohn Poharts	178	~	1876
Amon Dichards			1877
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D	181		1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D	TOT	•	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant	183		1878
William C Ames D. D. S	100		1878
John Edgar Read	181		1879
Thomas M. Bryan	170		1879
William Corrie Lanscomb	110		1881
Thomas Ashury Moore	104		1881
David Norwood Gilbert	100		1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins	180 182		1882
Thomas Lee	104	77 1001	-

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	Born	Conference	Died
Name	1822	1842	1883
Peter Light Wilson	1792	1869	1883
Thomas McCormick	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice	1817	1840	1884
James Martin Elderdice	1856	1879	1884
James Martin Elderdice Arthur Daniel Murray Henry Edward Mismon	1845	1866	1885
	1825	1847	1885
	1813	1841	1885
	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm	1817	1843	1886
William Thomas Dumm David Anthony Shermer, M. D. Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.	1824	1844	1886
David Anthony Shermer, D	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston	1836	1861	1888
William Francis Divingson	1843	1868	1889
Charles McFeely Thompson Robert Thomas Smith	1850	1874	$\frac{1889}{1890}$
	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson	1840	1864	1890
James Thompson Robert Wilkins Berryman	1819	1853	1891
Pohert Wilkins Berryman	1816	1876 1850	1892
James Henry Ellegood	1817		1894
James Henry Ellegood Theodore Denny Valiant  Nicolary A M B D.	1820		1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D	1867		1895
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D. Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L.	1817		1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D.	1817 1815		1895
	1832		1896
John William Charlton	1853		1896
	1863	711-	1896
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Rhesa Scott Norris	1832		1898
Rhesa Scott Norris  James L. Killgore, D. D.			1898
James L. Killgore, D. D.  John Wesley Everst	184		1899
John Wesley Everist Robert Luther Lewis	184		1899
Robert Luther Lewis Andrew James Walter Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D.	1830	1851	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D. George Jeffrey Smith	184		1900
George Jenrey Binth	1820		1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day	182		1900
William Greenbury Tronnes	181		1901
Hamilton Jefferson Day William Greenbury Holmes Lawrence Webster Bates, D. D. W. J. Floyd	183		1902
W. J. Floyd	182		$\frac{1902}{1902}$
W. J. Floyd  Jesse Shreeve  John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D.  Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D.  Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D.  Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D.  Adolphus David Melvin, D. D.  Abraham Downs Dick	183		1902
John Edward Tyson D. D	183		1902
Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D. D. D	183		1903
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Adalahas David Melvin, D. D.	184		1904
Adolphus David Melvin, B. B. Abraham Downs Dick	182		1905
Titleton	104		1905
John Jackson Murray, M. D., D. D.	. 182		1905
John Jackson Murray, M. B., B. Z. William Sim Hammond, D. D.	. 183		1905
William Sim Hammond, D. D George Durbin Edmonston	$\frac{184}{182}$		1905
George Durbin Edmonston	. 182		1906
William Augustus Crouse David Wilson, M. D.	. 184		1906
David Wilson, M. D	. 181		1907
William John Neepler	. 184		1907
Jacob Mathias Yingling	. 186		1908
Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D.  Jacob Mathias Yingling  John Hewlings Stockton Ewell	. 182		1908
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Name	Born	Conference Entered	Died
	1836	1866	1909
James Thomas Lassell, D. D.	1833	1860	1909
James Thomas Lassell, B. B. John Bayley Jones		1887	1910
John Bayley Jones Benjamin Parker Truitt Benjamin Parker Hoblitzell	1861	1859	1911
Benjamin Parker Truitt Solomon Ashbury Hoblitzell	1836		1911
John David Kinzer, D. D.	1841	1863	1912
John David Kinzer, D. D. William Sherman Phillips	1868	1889	
William Sherman I minps	1866	1896	1912
Herbert F. Wright Robert Semple Rowe Semple Rowe	1832	1865	1912
Robert Semple Rowe	1852	1875	1913
Robert Semple Rowe Charles Smith Arnett	1854	1877	1913
	1879	1904	1913
James Ernest Litsinger	1844	1881	1913
Jacob Ezra Nicholson		1873	1914
William James Dillon Lucas	1834	1859	1914
		1911	1914
Charles Walter Sanderson, B. D	1879	1880	1915
	1850		1916
John Carter Poston	1833	1913	
	1866	1895	1916
	1867	1908	1916
Thomas H. Wright	1840	1895	1916
Thomas H. Wright	1846	1872	1917
Silas Baldwin Teld D. D.	1848	1868	1917
	1848	1870	1917
	1862	1889	1917
	1851	1884	1917
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	1847	1916	1918
Charles William Cole	1887		1919
Charles William Cole	1861	1881	1919
	1865	1891	
	1845		1920
	1852	1873	1920
Jesse W. Norris	1856	1884	1921
Edward L. Beauchamp	1885	1909	1921
Edward L. Beauchamp	1863		1921
E. H. Van Dyke, D. D E. A. Warfield, A. M., B. D., Ph. D	1869		1922
E. A. Warfield, A. M., B. D., Fn. D.			1923
	1839		1922
William Duncan Litsinger	1845		1924
Francis Thomas Tagg. D. D	1040		1924
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G Ti MaCullough	1000		1925
Harry Sherman Johnson	1864		1925
John Matthew Holmes, D. D	184		
William N. Sharwood	101		1926
Augustus Webster Mather Frederick C. Klein, A. M., D. D	184		1926
Englowick C Klain A M D. D.	185		1926
Charles Price Nowlin, B. D.	1864	1893	1927
Wm. S. Simms	1849		1926
Wm. S. Simmis	184		1928
James William Gray	185		1928
Addison Spurgeon Beane	184		1928
Propose Thomas Little II II	104		1929
Tomos Corritson Sullivan M. D	104		1929
Webster Matthew Strayer	183	77	1929
Webster Matthew Strayer	185		
Enong Thomas Ranson U. II	100		1929
Thomas Owings Crouse, A. M., D. D	. 185		1929
Thomas Hamilton Lewis, D. D., LL. D	. 185		1929
Goorge Linitman Bacchus	. 100	0 1874	1930
Luther Farwell Warner, D. D	. 186		1930
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	Born	Conference	Died
John Wesley Trout, D. D	1852	1876	1930
John Wesley Trout, D. D	1848	1873	1931
Frank Shaw Cain	1866	1895	1931
B l. D Paynolds	1871	1907	1932
Till Hamilton Iones	1874	1900	1932
W D Johnson	1858	1888	1932
Louis A. Bennett	1866	1892	1932

## OBITUARIES

### REV. HENRY WINTER DAVIS JOHNSON



Rev. Henry Winter Davis Johnson, son of William and Elizabeth Jane Johnson, was born in Cecil County, Maryland, March 30, 1858 and died July 15, 1932 at his home in Greenwood, Delaware. His funeral service was conducted in the Greenwood, Delaware, Methodist Protestant Church, of which he was the pastor for a number of years. Twenty of his ministerial brothers were present, a number of whom participated in the service. The interment was in Bay View Cemetery in Cecil County.

Bay View Methodist Protestant Church was the religious home of his boyhood and early manhood. Brother Johnson, with the writer and several others, was received into

the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church April, 1888 in Broadway Church, Baltimore, Maryland. Brother Johnson was every inch a man, a manly man, a most sincere Christian man in every sense of the word. Although not robust in body he was a giant in Christian character. He had a keen, well-developed and furnished mind. His heart was in the right place, tender, true and kind. He possessed a soul filled with love toward God and his fellow man.

Our brother was a remarkable gospel preacher, an excellent pastor, the truest of friends. Our friendship began when we joined the Conference and continued until his dying day, ever increasing in warmth and devotion without a single interruption in the least degree. When the time came to retire from the active ministry he approached the writer and said, "Haddaway, I have got to quit and I want you to ask the Conference to superannuate me." While somewhat retiring and unassuming in disposition he was sociable and entertaining to a remarkable degree. He was universally popular on all the charges he served during his long ministry and dearly loved by all the people.

Brother Johnson was a most devoted husband, kind to the last degree to his loving and companionable wife, and the best of fathers to the son of this happy union.

Rev. Wm. J. Thompson, D. D., of Drew Theological Seminary, boy-hood friend of brother Johnson, wrote to the widow as follows:

"I go back over fifty years to Bay View and so do I address you.

"I have heard of your sore bereavement. How well I remember him. For short he was called Hen Johnson for long Henry Winter Davis Johnson. No one pronounced his name long or short in any way but with sincere esteem of his unusual character.

"I recall when we were in the Bay View School. He was easily head and front of us all on any count.

"There was an idealism about him; we all felt it but did not know the name of what we felt. His thirst for learning, his diligent application, his wholesome influence I scarcely think was lost on any of us all these years.

"Martha Barns, who lived with 'Aunt Tenne' Barns, told of a company who went one night to extra meetings at Bethel, remarked on his true, genuine goodness wishing they could be like him.

"The fine editorial in the Methodist Protestant-Recorder says the same. All who had contact with him between these two events join in the same appraisal.

"The Lord was not in the earthquake nor in the great fire but in the still small voice. He was in the life and voice of Henry Johnson. I regard him as belonging to the choicest type of the Christian ministry.

"For the past fifty-five years I had not seen him more than three times yet his goodly influence has been with me. I remember him affectionately and I send my tenderest sympathy to you."

Rev. D. W. Anstine of Hallwood, Virginia, a life-long intimate friend wrote the following:

"The passing of the Rev. H. W. D. Johnson has taken from the ministry of the Methodist Protestant Church one of her most faithful pastors; a devout Christian, an earnest worker, a preacher of no mean ability. For more than forty years he served in the active pastorate, and never left a charge except at his own request. His difficulty (if I may use that word) was not in staying on a charge but getting away from it when in his judgment he thought it best to move. He preached a plain, simple gospel, thoroughly orthodox according to Methodist interpretation of the Scriptures. What he preached he believed and lived. Socially he was one of the most congenial friends I have ever had. It was always a pleasure to have him in my home, with me in revival work or with him at camp meetings. He saw the bright side of life and lived there. When afflicted and at times suffered pain he was cheerful and uncomplaining.

"God's will was his will and when at last the time had come for him to exchange worlds he was ready. No cry of despair, no groping in the darkness for a lamp that had gone out, but with gleaming torch and the shout of victory in his blood washed soul he entered into the marriage supper of the Lamb."

Rev. C. E. Dryden, Buckeystown, Maryland, pays the following loving tribute to our deceased brother:

"Rev. H. W. D. Johnson, became my pastor at Mariners Church near Crisfield when I was a boy fourteen years of age. It was largely through his influence that I went to Western Maryland College to prepare for the ministry. It was during his pastorate on Caroline Charge that I was made associate pastor and from that time until his death we were intimate friends. He gave me license to preach as a local preacher, united me in marriage and baptized my two children. I think it might be truthfully said that I knew him more intimately than any other minister in our conference.

"No finer Chrsitian gentleman could be found than brother Johnson. I considered him absolutely all around 100%. As a preacher he was one of the best original thinkers to whom I ever listened. Every one who sat under his preaching for twelve months treasured great Spiritual riches. He had the ability to say great things in a great way. I have never heard any one who could unfold truth as convincingly as he. He had, generally speaking, long pastorates and the longer he stayed the better he was loved. I am more than glad to lay this humble tribute to his memory."

Mr. W. S. Lord, a banker of Greenwood, Delaware, and a prominent member of our church, presents the following tribute:

"I had the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with brother Johnson several years. His kind, jovial disposition made it a pleasure to visit him and have him in our home and his loyalty to his Maker and Church left a very distinct impression of his sincere Christian life. He was respected and loved by all who knew him."

Brother Johnson's work on earth was well and faithfully done. He has gone to his glorious reward. For him to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. His widow and son we commend to the tender care of Him who has promised to be a husband to the widow and a father to the fatherless.

G. W. HADDAWAY,
D. W. ANSTINE,
C. E. DRYDEN,
W. S. LORD,
J. P. COOPER,
O. S. CALLUP,

Committee.

#### REV. LOUIS ALLEN BENNETT



Rev. Louis Allen Bennett, son of E. T. and Sara Bennett, was born near Mardela Springs, Wicomico County, Maryland, January 26, 1866 and after twelve years of patient suffering died at the home of his son, L. A. Bennett, Jr., at Severna Park, Maryland, on July 22, 1932. His funeral service was held in Starr Methodist Protestant Church, Balti-Thirty of his ministerial brethren of the Maryland Annual Conference were present, a number of whom participated in the service. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery. Baltimore.

Brother Bennett was converted and united with the church when only twelve years of age. He was educated in the public schools of his

native county and at the Westminster Theological Seminary at Westminster, Maryland. Brother Bennett was admitted to the membership of the Maryland Annual Conference in the year of our Lord 1892. For about thirty years, or until suddenly stricken with paralysis twelve years ago, he was a prodigious worker and a remarkably successful minister of Jesus Christ.

Brother Bennett was a family man. His interest largely centered in their welfare. He was a good provider for his loved ones. He possessed a fine business ability which served him to good purpose in his life's work. Our brother was endowed with a strong physique and the energy of a steam engine. He was also generous to a fault. He enjoyed company, yea he longed for the companionship of his brethren. He was deeply spiritual, pious, demonstrative and emotional.

Brother Bennett was a revivalist of the genuine type. He had revivals everywhere he served, and not of the frothy kind either. He was instrumental in winning thousands of souls to Christ. Brother Bennett was a church organizer and a church builder, a direct and stirring preacher of the word of God and he stirred his hearers to conviction and repentance. He firmly believed in prayer and practiced it with a never swerving faith in God. This was largely the secret of his successful ministry.

Rev. J. N. Link, his pastor at the time of his death, adds the following:

"It was my privilege to be in the home of Rev. Louis A. Bennett many times during the last four of his inactive years. Three reactions stand out more clearly and beautifully than all the others:

"1. His never-flagging interest in the Maryland Conference and his brethren of the ministry. As long as he was able to talk, we discussed vital issues. When the power of speech was taken away, he listened hungrily for every item of interest about the Church.

- "2. He found, even in the midst of protracted suffering, that the gospel he had preached so earnestly and eloquently to others, was efficacious. Especially was he helped by prayer. Although I always prayed with him, sometimes he would interrupt me to ask me to pray. Long after he had lost the ability to utter other words, I would still distinguish the request, "Pray."
- "3. His experience demonstrated the certainty of the fulfillment of Scripture promises when the conditions are met. He cast his bread upon the waters with rare prodiglaity of consecration. He found it again in these last years in the beautifully sacrificial love and attention given him by a wonderful companion, splendid children and unusual neighbors.

"I thank God that I have known and still know Louis Allen Bennett."
Rev. J. McLain Brown writes that:

"'Rev. L. A. Bennett died last night'. So read the telegram sent by our Brother Link on July 23, 1932.

"When we had our last interview with our deceased brother his condition was such that we came away with the impression that his days upon earth were numbered.

"Our younger men did not know Louis Bennett; but some of us, now lingering in the twilight of life, knew him intimately and loved him for his consecrated zeal to his Master, his family and his Church. No man among our present generation of preachers ever conducted more revival services or witnessed the manifestation of God's Holy Spirit in the salvation of mankind and womankind such as was his privilege to witness. The Milford revival, as it was known, was conducted for more than one year by our brother during which time almost as many people were converted to God as were saved on the day of Pentecost.

"The Providence of God was revealed in a most remarkable way to brother Bennett while he was the pastor of our Harrington Church. He had become greatly baffled and discouraged in his ministry and a lucrative offer to go to Salisbury, Maryland, and establish himself in business came at this particular time. He took the matter under consideration, and as usual prayed that God might find a way out of his dilemma; and Milford, Delaware was God's answer. He went hither with his tent, and almost over night the great awakening began; drunkards, libertines, faithless men and women, the careless, the business and professional men responded to his masterful appeals; when cold weather came they secured an old building in which to continue the work. The writer was with him on three different occasions in this great meeting, and the overwhelming joy of the people is one of the outstanding pictures in my mind that abides to this day.

"The secret of his power was his faith in God and His work, the consecration of his life to his Master, and his perseverance in prayer. God had taught him in His own school to prevail as did Elijah in the days of Ahab, and having called him, used him for His own glory. May his mantle fall upon some Elisha who will follow in his steps."

Mr. Wilbur Dickerson of Milford, Delaware, says:

"My relationship with Rev. L. A. Bennett dates from September 1910

when the great revival, which was begun under a tent, was in progress in Milford. It was then, through the ministration of the Holy Spirit, that I became convicted of my sins and gave my heart to God and dedicated my life to His service. In the organizing and building of our church I was chosen as one of brother Bennett's advisors, and in that capacity I was brought intimately into association with him, and from that association I learned to love him for his sterling qualities and to appreciate him as a man of God. There grew up between us a mutual love and affection that lasted throughout his life.

"His work in Milford will ever be a living monument to him and his

posterity. 'Though he be dead, yet he speaketh'.

"Brother Bennett has been released from helpless suffering and gone to the reward of the faithful until death. As a Conference we greatly miss him. Though absent from us in body, results of his labors remain with us. We commend the widow and children to the tender care of brother Bennett's God, their God and the God and Father of us all. May all be faithful until death. Amen."

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#### MRS. O. W. PRINCE

When an aged minister loses his aged wife it is pathetic, yet the law of compensation brings the sweet memories of a long life of married happiness and many joint experiences of success and failure, joy and sorrow in the Master's service. But when a young minister loses his young wife it seems tragic. Such is the experience of Rev. O. W. Prince in the sudden and unexpected passing of his wife.

Though reared in the faith and worship of the Episcopal Church, she transferred her membership, her sympathy, and her loyal support to the denomination represented by her husband. When he decided to give up a lucrative business for the ministry, she readily cast her lot with that of her husband. To better equip herself to aid in his church work she made many sacrifices during his three years in the seminary, and found time to take herself a course in Religious Education. Her interest in her educational work was intense and yet she neglected no home duties nor ceased to engage in local church work at the same time.

Those most familiar with her home life bear the same testimony to her efficiency, as is borne by those familiar with her school work. She was the soul of hospitality and even a strange visitor could see at a glance that "She looketh well to the ways of her household and eateth not the bread of idleness." Therefore it is natural that "her children arise up and call her blessed, her husband also and he praiseth her."

The voices of the laity on the charges served by her husband are united in bearing glad witness to her splendid character and charm as a friend and fellow-worker in the kingdom. Not only was she a faithful

team-mate with her husband but she was a devoted mother, and a superior leader in the work of the young people of the church and community. She made friends with all who came within the range of her influence, for her welcome was warm and her spirit cheerful and inspiring. In fact in all the virtues and graces of the Christian life she so lived and loved and labored that her memory lingers in many hearts and homes as a rare example of "kindliness, faith and nobility of purpose."

The death of Mrs. Prince occurred at her home in Milton, Delaware, on Sunday, November 6, 1932. The funeral took place at her home church, Delmont, on the Marley Circuit, near Baltimore, conducted by the President of the Conference, assisted by the pastor of the church, Rev. G. R. Donaldson, on the following Wednesday, November 9. Inter-

ment at Druid Ridge Cemetery.

H. L. ELDERDICE, L. B. SMITH, P. M. BARROW, DUVAL W. SWEADNER.

#### MRS. MAYBELLE ELIZABETH SCHAUER

Maybelle Elizabeth Schauer, beloved wife of Rev. P. M. R. Schauer, departed this life on April 1, 1933. For more than ten months she had been a sufferer and under the care of local physicians and specialists in Baltimore City. Her funeral services were conducted in Grace Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, Maryland, in charge of Rev. E. T. Kirkley, assisted by Dr. L. B. Smith, President of the Conference and Rev. Raymond W. White. Interment was made in Lorraine Park Cemetery.

Early in life Mrs. Schauer experienced the call to a definite Christian service. She found expression for her conviction as a Deaconess in our

church.

It was my privilege as a member of the faculty of instruction to meet Mrs. Schauer for the first time in the class room of our Diaconal Home. Her enthusiastic and systematic preparation for her course in English demonstrated her conviction that the Spirit was leading her into the world for a successful Christian Ministry.

She was among the frequent visitors in the parsonage of Trinity Methodist Protestant Church and was often assigned to that parish as an assistant to the pastor. Her work was systematic and accurate. She was loved by the entire congregation and was instrumental in bringing many of those splendid members into a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and proper Church relationship.

On February 11, 1925, Mrs. Schauer, who was formerly Maybelle Waples, became the wife of our widowed brother, Rev. P. M. R. Schauer. She became a mother to the motherless children and an effective church

worker with her companion.

This woman of God was loyal to her call, thorough in her preparation, consecrated to her task, faithful in her suffering and departed this life with a hope that will gently part the draperies of death and bring her face to face with Him, Who shall say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant—enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

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Rev. Louis Randall writes:

My first acquaintance with Sister Schauer, than Miss Waples, was when I was invited to join the Faculty of the Deaconess Training School. Sister Schauer was a member of one of my classes. She was one of the faithful ones scarcely, if ever missing a class, always manifesting a keen interest in the discussions of the class which covered a more or less comprehensive course in those Bible topics designed to fit and prepare a Deaconess for her life's work.

The subsequent contacts revealed a continued interest in the studies of the old BOOK as the text book of the life to which she had voluntarily devoted her gifts and graces.

Since coming to the Charge which I am now serving, next door neighbor, the contacts have become more frequent and I came to know Mrs. Schauer in those trying days of sore affliction through which she was called upon to pass ere the call to higher things came to her. She was a great sufferer but through it all her faith in the sustaining grace of our Heavenly Father grew brighter as the days ran into weeks, and weeks into months of suffering. That she wanted to get well, to live, was but the natural expression of her appreciation of the relationships of the life she had chosen and in which she took great pride and found much joy.

"'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Rev. George Hines writes:

"I first made the acquaintance of Sister Schauer when, with her father and mother, she united with the Methodist Protestant Church at Snow Hill, Md. She had just reached young womanhood, and was anxious to devote her time and talents to the service of her Master. She was appointed to the position of organist of the church and assistant superintendent of the Junior Christian Endeavor Society. She filled both positions most acceptably and with unwavering devotion. She was a lovable Christian girl and, while never enjoying robust health, gave unsparingly of her time and talents wherever she was needed in the activities of the church."

Mr. L. F. Mason writes:

"Mrs. Schauer was interested in Mission Work and was a great help with our church music, although hindered by physical conditions from helping largely in the activities of the church. She had many friends who were saddened by her death."

With the departure of Maybelle Elizabeth Schauer, we are reminded of another break in the ranks of the ministers' companions who are a mighty, though many times obscure, power in the successful Christian Ministry. With one accord we ascribe to her sacred memory the lines of James Montgomery:

Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ:
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

The pains of death are past,
Labour and sorrow cease,
And life's long warfare closed at last,
Thy soul is found in peace.

RAYMOND W. WHITE, Chairman, LOUIS RANDALL, GEORGE HINES, L. F. MASON, FRANK M. BELL.

#### MRS. J. M. GILL

It was April 19, 1910, that Miss Annie Estelle Crump became the wife of the Rev. Dr. John M. Gill. The wedding was a surprise to all and occurred on the evening of their departure to Seattle, Washington, where Dr. Gill fulfilled a remarkable pastorate of five years. had been a teacher in the high schools of Washington and was filling a distinctive place in the educational circles of that city. She was from her girlhood a leader in Church work in the Methodist Episcopal Church and later in the Rhode Island Church with which her family had made connection upon their moving into the neighborhood. During the residence in Seattle rumors come to the East of her charm as a hostess, her tireless activity in the church and her perfect comradeship with one whose habit is was to give his life without reserve to the labor of a pastorate. Dr. and Mrs. Gill returned to Maryland in 1928 and in the success of the West Baltimore Church she has had a large part. The old church was revived in spirit and courage, it endured a complete change in the color of the community and has recently moved its location without loss of members or strength. In all this her influence was conspicuous. Mr. Fred J. Heaney has written.

"No one can adequately measure the value to West Baltimore Church of Mrs. Gill's inspiring spiritual leadership. Each new contact with her charming personality added substance and vigor to one's Christian life. In all church services the presence of the Spirit of God was evidenced in her very appearance and gave necessary encouragement to the leaders, particularly those of less experience. She realized that every individual has a responsibility for the success of a meeting and she performed her part on every occasion. Her ready smile, appreciative nod and hearty entrance into every song brought forth the best efforts of the leader and made him feel that she was confirming the approval of her Master."

Trained in the theory and practice of education, too well experienced to be led by every vagary of modern religious education, the service of Mrs. Gill in the Church school at West Baltimore was outstanding. She was the teacher of a great woman's Bible class which will bear her name as a perpetual memorial. Mr. T. Irving Rothel, makes this testimony.

"The Superintendent of West Baltimore Sunday school acknowledges the wonderful privilege that was his to have Mrs. Gill in his Corps of Teachers for such a long period of time. She was always present with a prepared lesson and delivered it to an interested Bible Class of Women. In addition to her faithful duties as Teacher she was always ready to lead in extra Services of the school. She specialized in the Christmas exercises and caused to be presented a splendid "White Gift Service" at which time the various outside interests of the School, Pine Ridge, Westminster Home, etc., and the poor of our community were well remembered.

Invariably she would greet the members of the school with a kind word and pleasant smile. She was also very much interested in the children—and frequently visited the Primary and Beginners Departments and was helpful to them with her Missionary talks. She will be remembered by everyone in the school for long years to come."

Her personality was rich and magnetic. She made herself felt by what she was as well as what she said. Her friendship was sincere and her smile was radient. The beauty of the Lord Her God was upon her. The Rev. Dr. E. C. Makosky, a former President of the Maryland Annual Conference and once a pastor of the West Baltimore Church, from his full and intimate knowledge of her life and character writes.

"Mrs. Gill was an ideal pastor's wife. She had a winsome personality, was cultured, and possessed such grace and charm as to win the hearts of all who knew her. She was an organizer and leader whom people delighted to follow. Young and old alike were eager to march forward under the banner she raised; and help onward to success the cause in which she enlisted them for Christ and the Church,—her church.

Our Conference bows in humble submission to the Divine Will and assures to our brother the united prayers of our brotherhood that God may comfort his heart; and by His love fill the void created by her going until the shadows flee and the re-union takes place in the morning."

As a homemaker Mrs. Gill not only made a house comfortable and liveable, showing rare ability as an economist as well as a hostess, but she made the dwelling place an altar to God in which a spiritual quality was discerned. Her comradeship with her husband was beautiful. She gave her life for his joy and the promotion of his work. She was a mother to the son of the home, Colonel Robert J. Gill, whose career she has followed with love and been a factor in his success. She was a friend whose every contact left something finer in the heart.

An illness, accompanied with intense pain prostrated her during the late winter, and peace came April 1, 1933, when she passed from suffering into the life of the spirit freed from the body. Her funeral services were conducted in the West Baltimore Church and the interment was in the Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D. C. At a Memorial Service held April 30, 1933, in the West Baltimore Church the announcement was made that the new pipe organ, soon to be installed, would be a memorial to her activity in promoting the music of the church. She is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Gertrude Ruff and Miss Eva Crump of Washington. She has left behind a conviction of life eternal and those who sorrow in their loneliness are not as those without hope.

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## THE CONFERENCE SERMON

REV. W. L. HOFFMAN

#### THE CHRIST OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

Text: John 1:42-"Thou art . . . . thou shalt be."

In presenting this subject to you this morning, it is not my intention to attempt to bring you anything new. For, as Dr. Tagg used to say, when referring to scriptural truth, "What's old is new, and what's new isn't true." However, I dedicate myself this hour to the proposition of stirring up your pure minds by way of remembrance. If I succeed in doing this, I shall count myself most happy.

E. Stanley Jones, in this book entitled "Christ of the Indian Road," points out that one must interpret Christ to the man of India in terms he can grasp and understand before he can fully appreciate and appropriate Him. A little later this same author broadens his idea and writes a book which he calls "The Christ of Every Road." In this book he declares that Christ must be reconceived in the present day thinking minds of the people for them to get the greatest benefit out of His ministry. "We do not need a new religion, but a new discovery of Christ," says Dr. Jones. And I wish to add to this statement that we need a new application of Christ to every day living. We must evaluate Him before we can appropriate Him. For, after having studied the signs of the times, we feel like saying, who knows but that He has come into the world for such a time as this? And were He to speak today, I think He would say, "To this end was I born, for this cause came I into the world."

Having been inspired by these thoughts, it is my desire to endeavor to interpret Christ to you in terms of twentieth century needs. This, in order that we may not only read about what Christ did in the first century, but what He can and will do in the twentieth century. For I am thoroughly convinced that what our country needs today is not the inflated dollar, but the exalted Christ. Then our hearts will be enlarged with His love, and we will do the whole will of God.

It is a fine sentiment to sing with the children:

"I think when I read that sweet story of old, When Jesus was here among men, How He called little children as lambs to His fold, I should like to have been with them then."

Yes, this is fine sentiment for the child mind, but not so good for that of the adult. We who are older should understand that Jesus is here now just as certainly as in the days of His flesh. Did He not promise us as much when He ascended to His Father and our Father, to His God and our God? Listen—"Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end

of the world." Or as James Moffatt translates it,—"I will be with you all the time, to the very end of the world." Happy is he who realizes this, and lives accordingly.

One bright Sabbath morning while preaching in the church I served as pastor in Seattle, Washington, I felt the atmosphere of the church so changed and surchanged with the presence of Jesus that I could hardly contain myself in the pulpit. The entire audience was swayed by the consciousness of His presence. This was so evident, that even a small boy in the congregation sensed the situation, and looking up into his mother's face, whispered, "Mother, Jesus is here." Such experience as these none of us would exchange for kingdoms. But the surprise to me is that we do not have more of them. Is it because our faith burns low much of the time? And yet we are all ready to confess that this is the spirit we should take with us into the pulpit if we wish to impress upon the people of the twentieth century that Jesus is here.

This morning I desire to take you back to the Christ of the first century, and introduce you to Him once more as He walked and talked among men. Then I shall rapidly bring Him down through the centuries, marking His work of other days. And finally, I wish to present Him to you as the One who is able, ready, and willing to help the church solve its twentieth century problems.

#### 1. The Christ of the First Century

I shall use but one example to illustrate His power in the first century, the one the text suggests—Peter.

The words of the text, as you doubtless know, were spoke by Jesus to Peter when his brother Andrew brought him to his new-found Lord. Perhaps it will be helpful to review the circumstances under which Peter found himself in the presence of Jesus. For it did not just happen, and those who wait for such things to "just happen" will go away empty.

John the Baptist has pointed Jesus out to Andrew and John as "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." These men associated themselves with Jesus long enough to be convinced that John was right. Then Andrew, so rejoiced over his discovery, thought of his own brother and partner, with desire to interest him in Jesus. So, quoting, "He first findeth his own brother Simon. . . . and brought him to Jesus, . . . . And when Jesus beheld him He said, thou art Simon, the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, a stone."

"Thou art.... thou shalt be." Between these lines is written the history of one of the most interesting characters on record. It is the history of one of the most vacillating, and yet, well-meaning men who ever lived. Peter could sway the disciples or the multitude at will.

However, before entering into the study of Peter, and Christ's dealing with him will you permit me to disgress long enough to lay a tribute of praise at the feet of Andrew? It may be of great value to some of US. Very little is said about Andrew in Holy Writ, but he is worthy of honorable mention. No doubt he was modest and unassuming, but substantial. Perhaps he did not do many things, but what he did counted tremendously. He was founder of the "Win One Society." He was not

qualified to swing the crowd, but he could lead one to the place where he would be empowered to do so—to the feet of Jesus. Then he had discharged his duty. Jesus could do the rest. We may take time to learn our lesson here. We cannot regenerate men—but Jesus can. It is our job to bring unregenerate men to the feet of the world's Redeemer, and let Him do the rest. I am sure Jesus gave Andrew credit for some of the great work Peter did in after years. Andrew received a royalty on what Peter did as he was influential in bringing him to Jesus. Not many of us can sway the multitude, but all of us can bring sinful man to the Saviour—and no one can estimate what these saved men can do.

Coming back once more to the text, it is interesting to note how Jesus followed the old Hebrew custom of attaching deep significance to the meaning of words. He says, "Thou art Simon, which means a heark-ener; thou shalt be Cephas," which means a stone. Jesus is playing on words here to teach His lesson. One who hearkens to good advice will become as substantial as a rock, and this is exactly what happened to Peter.

To be sure, this was no easy task for Jesus, but it produced the desired results. And what more can one ask for regardless of effort expended? So when we hear Peter say, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God," we rejoice with Jesus that He eventually won Peter. We likewise rejoice with Peter when we hear Jesus pronounce His blessing upon him. Listen! "Blessed art thou Simon Barjona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in heaven. . . . . . And upon this rock I will build My church; and (listen again) the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Isn't that assurance enough for the twentieth century? The gates of hell are working as battering rams against the doors of our churches today, but they shall not prevail.

#### (a) What Jesus did for Peter

I have no doubt that we all are sympathizers with Peter. Both because we are so much like him in many ways, and because He was such a well-meaning man. And I am sure we all feel like mingling our tears with his when, after denying his Lord, he went out and wept bitterly.

We repeat, it was no easy task for Jesus to make a Petros of a Simon. But all the more glory to Him for having been able to do so, and all the more glory to Peter for having responded to his ministry.

Perhaps Peter is better known to the multitude by his denial than in any other way. It is natural for one to hold up the weak points in a man's character, and try to make them overshadow the strong ones. If one minister goes wrong, the newspapers of the country feature it in glowing headlines on the front page as though it were somehting for the world to rejoice over. But they never mention the ninety and nine ministers who do not go wrong. They neither emulate their virtues nor record their services. But why should we care? It is a compliment to be ignored by some people.

We all are familiar with the circumstances which caused Peter to deny his Lord at an inopportune moment. But in order to emphasize the points, I shall briefly review them. There were four downward steps taken by Peter before the denial.

First, his over-confidence in himself. When Jesus told him he would deny Him, he vehemently denied the allegation, and declared he would die with Him but never deny Him. To much self-confidence has been the undoing of many a man, and wrecked what might have been a remarkable career. As Frankling said, "He who stoops low as he walks through life will miss many a bump."

Second, he slept while on duty. When Jesus told him to keep guard at the gate while He went yonder and prayed, Peter miserably failed Him. He had been given a very small part of the duty in connection with the garden tragedy, but he failed in that. Jesus is always ready to do more for us than He asks us to do for Him, and then we, like Peter, are often found asleep at the switch. No man can sleep on the job and succeed.

Third, he followed afar off. As they led his Master away, he followed, but at a distance. He weakened as distance lengthened. Space between Jesus and His followers is very dangerous. And unfortunately, such generally increases when once begun. "Keep close to Jesus all the way," is good advice, and we all would do well to heed it. Across the life of many a failure can be written, "He followed afar off."

Fourth, Peter indulged in warming himself at the enemies' fire, and thus identified himself with them. The enemies of Jesus kindle many fires of sin and temptation across the pathway of those who would follow Him, and we would do well to always steer clear of them. Else we may be denying our Lord and lapsing back into the old habit of swearing like Peter did. Any one of these acts on the part of Peter was dangerous, and all combined were disastrous.

But, thanks be to God, Jesus did not despair of His charge. His patience, His forebearance, His pity, and His love won out with Peter. And the only thing that gives us hope today is that "He loves us with an everlasting love." Yes, Peter was a problem on the hands of Jesus, but we all are such problems. And we can say with Paul, "By the grace of God, I am what I am." Jesus will always win out with us if we permit Him to do so. The hearkening Simon became the established Peter.

#### (b) What Jesus Did With Peter

Witness Peter on the day of Pentecost, as he witnesses for Jesus. There he stands as a towering giant pointing his finger of condemnation at the hypocritical multitude, denouncing them as murderers. "Him ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain." The reaction was tremendous. "Men and brethren what shall we do?" was the penitent cry of melted hearts. The message had struck home with gratifying results, showing three thousand conversions. Again, we behold him with John on their way to the temple at the hour of prayer. Peter was consecrated unto the Lord, but he dared not forsake the means of grace that keep him so,—the temple and prayer. I hope I will not have to elaborate

on this point. It is too self-evident for comment. In the name of Jesus, the lame man they encountered at the temple gate was healed. This caused another controversy, which in turn, gave Peter another opportunity to demonstrate his power in the Holy Ghost. Hear his second sermon, and behold its far-reaching effect. Once more the crowd is charged with first degree murder, "and killed the Prince of Life." Once more results are gratifying, five thousand being converted. After this he became so powerful in the Lord, that even his shadow was a benediction to many as he walked through the streets.

Thus briefly, we see what Christ did for and with Peter in the first century.

#### II. The Christ of the Centuries

Now, men and brethren, all of this happened in the early part of the first century. The question for us to answer today is,—has Jesus lost His power coming down through the years? I say no, a thousand times no. You may think this record is all well and good for His day, but how about our day? Every day is His day. "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever," is the declaration of the Word. Shall we not believe it? The interest He manifested in the first century, He manifested through the centuries; the power He demonstrated them, He demonstrates now. If I did not believe this with my whole heart, you could count me out so far as being an ambassador for Jesus today, and I would surrender my credentials to this holy body at once.

The power of Christ has been made manifest through the centuries. History will substantiate this affirmation. Let us call the roll of some names of the "just men made perfect," and see what He did for them. Hear them testify as to His saving grace and keeping power. Time will not permit me to call many of these names, but I wish to mention some to demonstrate what I mean.

CONSTANTINE, the first Roman emperor to be converted to the Christian faith. He, like Paul, saw the light of heaven break across his pathway, and the flaming cross in the noon day sky proclaiming to Him his mission, "by this sign conquer." The God of all grace had come into his heart and taught him the way of life everlasting. He gave the Christians their first political protection for their new found faith. And the cross is still the sign by which we must conquer.

SAVONAROLA, seeing the corrupt condition of the morals of Florence, addressed himself to correct those conditions. He succeeded in doing so at the cost of his life. They hanged him and burned his body, but they could not destroy the good work he did as a missionary among them. We need such men to do some house-cleaning in our own beloved country today. May God raise them up for such a purpose.

AUGUSTINE, the defender of the faith for forty-three years. The power of Christ was best demonstrated in him through his writings. I will just take time to refer you to his "City of God" to prove this statement.

MARTIN LUTHER, the hero of the Reformation. Hats off to him! Behold him as he laboriously crawls up the steps of the Vatican on hands

and knees doing penance. It was then that a still small voice spoke to him, "The just shall live by faith." See him as he rises from his knees and superstition, and goes forth to champion the cause of Christ in the Reformation.

Now let us turn to the missionary field and recognize some of those who gave their lives to this great cause.

WILLIAM CAREY, the father of English Missions, heard the call while at his cobbler's bench, "Go ye into all the world, and preach My Gospel to every creature." We are not surprised at this when we learn that he worked with an open Bible by his side, and a map of the world hanging on the wall before him. He gave his life to India. It has been well said that "what he did for India was great, but what he did for the rest of the world was greater." He sowed the seed that sprang up in many places later.

ROBERT MORRISON set sail for China soon after Carey went to India, to tell the story of Jesus and His love to those benighted people. The good work he did among the Chinese is past finding out, and will only be revealed when the books are opened.

DAVID LIVINGSTON then went to Africa. To him the dark-skinned sons of Ham became his first love. He, no doubt, did more for the "dark continent" than any other missionary. His life and works are so familiar to you that it would be an infringement upon your time to dwell on them here.

CLARA SWAIN was the first woman medical missionary in all the world. As a child, she was not like other girls. Her heart's desire was gratified when she was sent to India to major on ministering to the women and children of that country. She soon showed the world what a field of opportunity lay in this kind of missionary work.

MARCUS WHITMAN, the first medical missionary to the much wronged Indians of our own country. Those who travel in the great northwest will see and hear the name of Whitman quite often. Whitman College, at Walla Walla, Washington, is named for him. They speak his name in reverence. This, because he did so much for the Indians in that farflung part of the country. He left many monuments to his missionary zeal in that beautiful part of God's world, but none so great as the country itself. For it is a matter of history now that it was through his solicitations to the President and Congress that one of the most scenic and wealthy parts of the United States was saved to us from England.

And what more shall I say concerning those who came under the power of Christ through the centuries? Time would fail me to tell of Justin Martyr, Francis Xavier, Charlotte Tucker, Dan Crawford, and Dwight L. Moody. These all died in the faith, having received a good report.

"O God to us may grace be given, To follow in their train."

But dare we overlook the name of JOHN WESLEY before this body? He describes himself as a brand plucked from the burning. Being a son of the rectory, he soon learned the love of Christ that passeth knowledge. As he communed with his Lord, his heart was strongely warmed within him, and he came forth bearing a new banner on which was written, "By grace are ye saved through faith." He set England afire with this message, some of the sparks landing in America, where they were kindled into a great flame. He built better than he knew, and left a great monument to his memory—the great Methodist Church throughout the world. Let us take a moment to thank God once more for John Wesley.

Why should I have to go back as far as Wesley to recognize what God has done for Methodism? Will you pardon me if I become a little personal and speak of some who are more familiar to us? I wish to mention the names of some from our own ranks who have fought a good fight, who have finished their course, who have kept the faith. We cherish the names of A. D. Melvin of kindly voice; J. D. Kinzer with godly face; and J. J. Murray, of saintly countenance. We hold in sacred memory such names as F. T. Little, J. M. Sheridan and T. H. Lewis. These being dead, yet speak. Methinks I see them hovering near this moment in that great cloud of witnesses. "There were giants in those days."

Nor should we omit the names of some of our worthy laymen who counted not their lives dear unto themselves, that they might finish their course with joy. The names of J. W. Herring, Daniel Baker, and A. R. Lewis will ever be dear to this body. "Their works do follow them."

And these men, both ministers and laymen, are only typical of the personnel of our Conference.

#### III. The Christ of the Twentieth Century

While touring California three summers ago, we stopped off in Yosemite Valley for a few days to see what God had wrought in that part of His earthly Paradise. The floor of the valley is forty-two hundred feet above sea level. Glacier Point, the highest elevation above the valley, is three thousand feet higher. We traveled to this point over twenty-eight miles of precipitous mountain road. It took us three hours to make the ascent, traveling much of the time in second and low gear. When we arrived at the summit, the view that greeted our eyes was worth all it cost. The panorama of the valley below, rivers, lakes and waterfalls, and the snowclad mountains and the ice-capped peaks in the distance were beautiful beyond description. The splendor of God was about us everywhere. When we walked out on the rocky point we found a guard rail securely placed around the edge of the precipice. It served not only as a precaution, but as a protection. For had one fallen over, there hardly would have been enough left of him for a decent burial.

Brethren, I am not a pessimist, but we all know that the world is in a critical condition today. And as President Roosevelt said on the day of his inauguration, we cannot close our eyes to the facts. Someone has said we are standing on the edge of a precipice. Those who have been studying the signs of the times concede that we are either on the verge of a revolution or a revival. Which shall it be? This is one of the most serious questions ever put before the public. And it seems to me that the church of the living God should answer it. We who continue to have

faith in Jesus Christ must either build a fence at the top of the precipice with a revival, or we must help the world build a hospital at the bottom. Yes, and worse still, we will have to dig a graveyard in its shadow. We had to resort to the latter in the world war, shall we repeat it? No, ten thousand times no! Let those in Flanders Field speak; let those sent home maimed, halt and blind, speak; let the widows and orphans speak; let the seventy-three million souls that suffered in the fires of the war speak; let the worlds of today which are still gathering up the fragments from the wreckage of the war speak; they all with one consent cry out, "Let there be no more war." Then the alternative is a revival.

It is a matter of history now that the only reason England did not follow France in her bloody revolution was because John and Charles Wesley had become acquainted with the Christ of their day, and had succeeded in introducing Him to others. As a result, there was a great revival in the hearts of the English people which stemmed the tide of the revolutionary spirit. Say, are there not some Wesleys in this audience who can be the forerunners of a great revival in our day? All I think that is necessary to bring such to pass is for some of us to have as much faith in Christ as Peter had, and the Wesleys had. Why can't this bit of history be repeated that the entire world may be rescued from the jaws of sin which breed discontent and revolution? It is a challenge to the church of Christ today, shall we not meet it?

I do not wish to be critical, but it seems to me that the church has not been meeting its problems satisfactorily. At least, it has not been handling them successfully. What can be the trouble? I am sure our task is not greater than that of the church of the first century, nor of the church through the centuries. I wonder some times if we are not frightened at our responsibility, and I am not surprised at this. When we see those in authority legislate to violate the very constitution they took oath to protect and defend; when we see so much law violation and so little law enforcement; when we see the supposed friends of the church try to filch the cross from Christianity; we wonder what is to be done. Then our anxiety may drive us into a huddle and cause us to come out with some new play. But sometimes this is dangerous. Too often when we do this, we make the mistake Roy Riegals made when he ran with the ball toward the enemies' goal. Or we may come out with some high sounding word like the economic world did when it gave us technocracy. But remember this word died in the throes of birth. In the name of the living God, let us get into a huddle and come out with some new word if you please. May I be permitted to suggest that word? Christocracy! If we form our plays around this word, we shall be able to withstand the fiery darts of the wicked, and having done all to stand. For one plus Christ is stronger than all the evil forces arrayed against us. Remember the cross represents the plus sign.

It is said in prophesy that in the day of the Lord, the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. This indicates that they did not possess them in the day they had them. They evidently had, but did not possess. We only possess that which we utilize to the best advantage. We do not even possess life in its fullest sense until we possess Jesus. Else why should He say, "I came that ye might have life, and have it more abun-

dantly?" I sometimes wonder if we possess Christ in the truest sense of the word today? Christ speaks to the Christian as well as to the sinner many times when He said, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." God gave us Christ first, and with Him all else. Men and women, do we possess Christ as we should today? He is ready to lead us out to heights of victory.

"The Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar;
Who follows in His train?
Who best can drink His cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears His cross below,
He follows in His train."

The powers that be are trying to erase the eighteenth amendment from the Constitution of the United States. If this is done, it will be the greatest blot on our national history that was ever known. But this we have to say—if we cannot protect the Eighteenth Amendment, we can protect our boys and girls against the evil effect of its repeal. We can have God through Christ create clean hearts in them and renew right spirits within them. As Dr. Broomfield said in his report to the Board of Administration, "it seems as though anything can be licensed that has in it the jingle of the dollar for the public treasury." Legalizing that which will destroy both body and soul for revenue is beyond the conconception of well thinking people. We need a twentieth century Boston Tea Party. Who will volunteer to organize one? Put me down as a charter member,

One of the great problems before the world today is disarmament. If we can get the nations of the earth to disarm from selfishness and greed we shall have solved the problem. Let them take off the armour of man and put on the whole armour of God, and see what happens. "Salvation shall be my walls and bulwarks," saith the Lord of hosts. And He has not seen fit to change His program to accommodate the greed of man. I firmly believe that if we can get enough Christians to let Christ have the right of way in their lives, this can be brought to pass. According to my way of thinking, disarmament resolves itself into rearmament. We must be rearmed with the cross of Calvary. Too many of us have gotten out from under the cross and its efficacy. We need to take a lesson from Constantine, "by this sign conquer." We have forgotten the stipulation of Jesus when He said, "And, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me."

The self-appointed commission of laymen to investigate the Mission field hands out to the world a book entitled "Re-thinking Missions." In this book the cross is entirely ignored. Then Mr. Kagawa, a Japanese convert to the Christian faith, comes forth in his criticism on the book and deplores the fact that the cross has been left out of the committee's thinking. Going further, Mr. Kagawa says, "This present age is evil. The age of Nero was evil. But Christ's teaching at length conquered the

Roman empire. Machine civilization is deplorable. But I am convinced that the good news of love through the cross of Jesus will lead the Orient, and the whole world into the light." This from a Japanese. This is the kind of faith we need today.

Yes, the cross is still the most powerful weapon in the world today. Take it out of civilization, and the dark ages will be more than repeated. Humanism and communism will bring death and destruction. Remember that Paul said, "For the preaching of the cross is to them that PERISH foolishness; but to us that are SAVED it is the power of God."

In the cross of Christ I glory, Towering o'er the wrecks of time; All the light of sacred story Gathers round it's head sublime."

Brethren, pehaps some of these suggestions seem to be visionary and impossible to you. But if we affirm our faith in the Christ of the twentieth century, I believe that a revival which will produce such results is imminent.

One day several of us were standing in the railroad station at Sykesville, Maryland, waiting for the train which was already over-due. After awhile we heard the engine whistle blow, and saw the train heading for the station from around the curve. We all hurriedly grabbed our baggage and stepped out on the platform to board the train as soon as it stopped. But to our chagrin, it never even hesitated when it approached the station. As it rushed by we stood in amazement looking at one another with questioning eyes. Word soon came to us that the train was a special, carrying some of the officials of the road on it, and therefore had the right of way. The right of way! Think what it means to have the right of way. All other interests must be side-tracked for one who has the right of way. Think what it means for Christ to have the right of way in our lives so that everything else must be side tracked. Let selfishness, doubt and fear be side-tracked while Christ has the right of way. If those who name the name of Christ as their personal Saviour would let Him have His way with them, I think many, if not all, the things I have suggested would come to pass. The uncertainty of commercial values can deprive us of our stocks and bonds, but it cannot deprive us of our Christ unless we will it so, which God forbid.

While touring the New England states last summer, I was very anxious to see old Trinity Church in Boston, made famous by the pastorate of the late Phillips Brooks. I realized my desire when I road up in front of that stately edifice. While sitting in my car looking upon the church, I thought of the man who let Jesus have the right of way in his life. Then I looked at the statue erected to his memory standing in front of the building, and thought, how fitting. There, as you doubtless know. Phillips Brooks stands forth as victor in his work, while the secret of his greatness stands in the background Jesus with outstretched hand in benediction upon him stands near by. Yes, that was the secret of Phillips Brooks greatness. And it is the secret of every man's greatness.

Someone has recently said, our country needs a dictator, and that dictator should be Christ Jesus. Let us enter into the "new deal" with our new President, providing it be along the lines of the square deal with our God. He is sole owner of everything, and we are his farmers. Christ is the general superintendent of His affairs. Let Jesus be our dictator and see what happens. I am sure then that the Eighteenth Amendment will be left on our statute books, and I am sure then that every dinner pot shall have two chickens in it, and every garage will contain two cars without a drunken chauffeur to drive them. If He cannot become our national dictator, let Him be our personal dictator. Then, in the language of His mother, "Whatsoever He says do, do it."

Come on boys, we can win in the great fight with the Christ of the twentieth century as our captain! Let us agree with Dr. Jones when he said, "We do not need a new religion, but a new discovery of Christ." Let us know Christ as Peter knew Him; let us know Him as those who were labourers together with Him in past centuries knew Him; let us know Him as our fathers knew Him. Then, let us here highly resolve that "these dead shall not have died in vain." "If, as and when" we do this, "the kingdoms of this earth shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ."

"Thou O Christ, art all I want; More than all in thee I find; Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness; False, and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace in thee is found, Grace to cover all my sin:
Let the healing stream abound, Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
Freely let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity."

Amen and Amen!

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# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

# TOTAL FOR GENERAL INTERESTS

	1933	1932	Incr.	Decr.
President's Salary & Expenses	4,419	4,510		91
Maryland Conference Budget	27,170	31,371		4,201
General Conference Budget		1		
Credits:				
Undesignated Payments on Budget	6,315	13,498		7,183
Children's Day	4,129	5,097		968
Rally Day	3,853	4,095		242
Young People's Day	1,598	538	1,060	
Easter Offering	3,350	5,101		1,751
Women's Auxiliary	13,807	15,588		1,781
Young People's Union	588	480	108	
Special for Missions	283	793		510
Special for Education	518	374	144	
Special Children's Home	121	(1)	121	
Paid on General Conf. Budget	34,562	45,564		11,002
Paid on Total Assessments	66,151	81,445		15,294
Miscellaneous General	5,951	14,388		8,437
Total for General Interests	72,114	95,833		27,719
Pastors' Salaries	209,076	232,913		23,837
Rental Value of Parsonages	54,342	57,003		2,661
Current Expenses	92,482	98,400		5,918
Paid on Bldg. and Improvements	24,013	62,223		38,210
Paid on Debt	32,152	34,151	¥	1,999
Paid on Interest on Debt	43,661	44,934		1,273
Miscellaneous Local	48,539	62,034		13,495
Total paid for Local Interests	504,265	591,658		87,393
Total paid for All Purposes	576,397	687,491		111,094

RAYMOND W. WHITE, Steward, J. R. McKEAWN, Asst. Steward.

# STATISTICAL SUMMARY

## **MEMBERSHIP**

	1933	1932	Incr.	Decr.
Ministers and Preachers	169	162	7	
Supply Preachers	5	12		7
Unstationed Ministers and Preachers	48	49		1
Full Members	35,518	35,527		9
Full Members Received	1,892	1,830	62	
Full Members Withdrawn	420	363	57	
Full Members Discontinued	1,069	940	129	
Full Members Deceased	390	381	9	
Probationers Received	126	197		71
Probationers Elected to Membership	74	48	26	
Probationers Discontinued	24	10	14	
Adults Baptized	267	206	61	
Children Baptized	1,165	1,190		25
Conversions	1,659	1,881		222
Sunday Schools	244	250		6
Sunday School Officers and Teachers	3,060	3,787		727
New Scholars	2,976	3,043		167
Scholars on roll	36,562	37,118		556
Senior C. E. Societies	145	134	11	
Senior C. E. Society Members	4,560	4,456	104	
Junior C. E. Societies	60	59	1	
Junior C. E. Society Members	1,503	1,514		11
Money for Foreign Missions	476	682		206
Money for Missionaries	855	1,146		291

# **PROPERTY**

	1933	1932	Incr.	Decr
Appointments	255	259		4
Churches	262	261	1	
Parsonages	132	130	2	
Value of church property	6,464,000	6,570,000		106,000
Value of parsonage property	763,600	792,200		28,600
Debt on church and parsonage	863,265	891,280		28,015
Church papers taken	1,725	2,025		300
Insurance on church and parsonage	3,843,560	3,821,525		22,035

J. LEE MARKER, F. B. BAILEY, W. A. WHEATLEY, Jr.

# MANUAL

# RULES OF ORDER AND REGULATIONS

#### FOR THE

# Government of the Maryland Annual Conference

Rule I. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. 1 Conference shall convene in Annual session on the 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 shall receive Minutes in the proportion of one copy to every twenty members.

- 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; and conduct regular District Quarterly Conferences over the area where feasible; 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 he with the Chairman of the Board of Finance and the Conference Treasurer 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 of 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 designated 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 Superannuate 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 accounts 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. The Board of Finance .... 5 Ministers, 5 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. Committee on Christian Literature and Education.
  - 6. Moral Reform and Social Service-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
  - 7. Benevolent Agencies-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
  - 8. Official Relations-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
  - 9. Statistics-1 Minister, 1 Layman,
- 10. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. The Committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.
  - 11. Missions-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
  - 12. President's Report-2 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
  - 3. Committee of Audit-2 Ministers, 1 Layman.
- 14. Conference Program for the following session—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President.)
- 15. Appointees on the Executive Committee of Union of Young People's Work—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 2 Laymen,
  - 16. Home For The Aged-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
- 17. Conference Arrangements—The President and the Standing District Committee.

- 18. Evangelism—3 Ministers and 3 Laymen. The President of the Conference a member, ex-officio, with voting power. (This an ad-interim committee.)
- 19. Group Life Insurance—President of Conference, and Treasurer of Conference.
- 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.
- 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 calling of the Conference Roll, and the same shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Memorial Roll by the Secretary.
- 3. Following the Roll Call, the Memorial Roll shall be called. The Lord's Supper shall then be served, after which the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon. 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. The Conference Sermon shall be published each year in the Conference Minutes.
- 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:-On each day following the opening session there shall be held a devotional service.

Reading of Minutes of the preceding day for correction and 2.

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.
- Call for reports from Boards, Instructions 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.
  - Miscellaneous business.
- 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.
  - Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have pre-

cedence of all business except the order of the day.

- Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.
- 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.
- If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.
- 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.
- 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 speaks.
- 4. It shall be in order to move the previous question, or that the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending—except in cases in which character is involved—and if sustained by two-thirds of members present the question shall be taken. It shall not be in order for a member to move the previous question or to move to lay on the table at the close of his speech in which the pending question has been discussed.
- 5. When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.
- 6. No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.
- 7. A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.
- 8. No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment; but it shall be in order to move a substitute for the main question, and one amendment to the substitute, and if a substitute is accepted it shall replace the original proposition.
- 9. All motions to fix the place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.
- Rule X. Voting.—1. Every member who is within the bar at the time a question is being put shall vote, unless the Conference for a special reason shall excuse him.
- 2. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question, who is not within the bar at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.
- 3. Votes for all Conference Officers, the Committee on Appeals, Standing District Committee, Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference and all other officers of all other organizations shall be by ballot. Otherwise, voting shall be by yea and nay; but a division of the house being called a count vote shall be taken, members rising in their places and standing until they shall have been counted.
- 4. A member may change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.
  - Blank ballots shall not be counted.
- 6. Ayes and nays, and a vote by order 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 cooperation 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, 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 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 Superannuate 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, ets., 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 \$1,200, except in cases where the pastors agree to serve for less than the minimum salary to accommodate personal situations.

Further, that the minimum salary guarantee as outlined above shall be interpreted as meaning that the Annual Conference will appropriate to various charges on pastors' salaries from a maximum total of \$2500, amounts which are deemed imperative and justifiable by the Board of Survey and Extension, and that no allowance will be made for any deficit that may occur in the salary promised by the church.

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 eighteen 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.
- 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 SUPERNUMER-ARY 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, teacher's meetings should be statedly held under the direction of the pastor or superintendent.
- 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 cooperate with the Board of Lady Superintendents in securing special donations 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 requirements 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 judgement 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. Members of the church who remove from the community without taking a certificate shall be given pastoral care through correspondence by the pastor, and if they manifest an interest in the church and desire to be continued as members shall remain on the register. But such members, and members remaining in the community but absenting themselves from the church services and failing to give to the support of the church or to cooperate with the church in Christian work for more than one year, shall be visited by the pastor or written to by him if residing elsewhere and appealed to in loving solicitude for their loyalty to their Lord and to the church and to resume active relations to the church. If after six months, no change is manifest, it shall be the duty of the quarterly conference to address to each of such members a kind and Christian letter calling attention to their loss and the loss to the church of such neglect, and beseeching them not to abandon the hope of their calling in Christ Jesus, and admonishing them that if no change is made by them within six months the church will be compelled to regard their silence to mean that they wish to end their communion with us, and to drop their names from our register. If, after another interval of six months any member thus advised still manifests no interest, it shall be the duty of the pastor to report their names to the church and to show that the requirements of this section have been complied with, and the church shall have authority then to vote whether such members shall be continued or dropped. In the case of stations this action may be taken by the quarterly conference.

Regulation XVII. PASTOR'S 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

#### 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 the Treasurer of the Conference, who is authorized to obtain the transportation rates from each charge to the seat of Conference from any representative railroad agent—that each charge shall pay its 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 Minister's round-trip fare shall be paid out of the Conference fund, provided they attend Conference.

#### B-Expense of Entertainment.

- 1. That each charge shall be assessed an amount equal to one 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 member of the Conference can make a claim on the Conference if he remains at his own home, or if he is entertained, without expense to himself, by relatives or friends.
- 4. In lieu of money for board, a member is permitted to charge his car fare to and from the seat of Conference as the case may be, ex-

cluding the first trip. Maximum amount allowed shall be \$2.00 per day. Members are not entitled to the maximum amount if their actual expenses are less.

5. All members of Conference who make their own arrangements to stop at hotels or boarding houses shall be entitled to the maximum amount of \$2.00 per day.

6. The Superannuated Ministers shall be entertained upon the same basis as other members of the Conference.

C .- Corporation.

1. The Conference shall require that every charge shall cooperate in this plan, and the names of the charges which fail to cooperate shall be reported to 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, Board of 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 of each Conference Session.

## Regulation 22. ADMISSION TO THE ITINERACY

1. Candidates for admission to the itineracy of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methdoist Protestant Church should have a collegiate training, and must be graduates of the Westminster Theological Seminary, or a school of equal rank, except where experience and practice have demonstrated such unusual natural and spiritual graces as would justify for such individual the suspension of the foregoing regulation upon the recommendation of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders and the vote of the Conference.

2. The President of the Conference shall have authority to employ local preachers, preferably Seminary students, to supply charges where

their services can be utilized.

3. The provision of the Discipline that itinerant preachers shall be eligible for ordination only after serving three years under the appointment of an Annual Conference, shall apply to all candidates after the 1935 Conference Session, exclusive of any time served while a student.

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