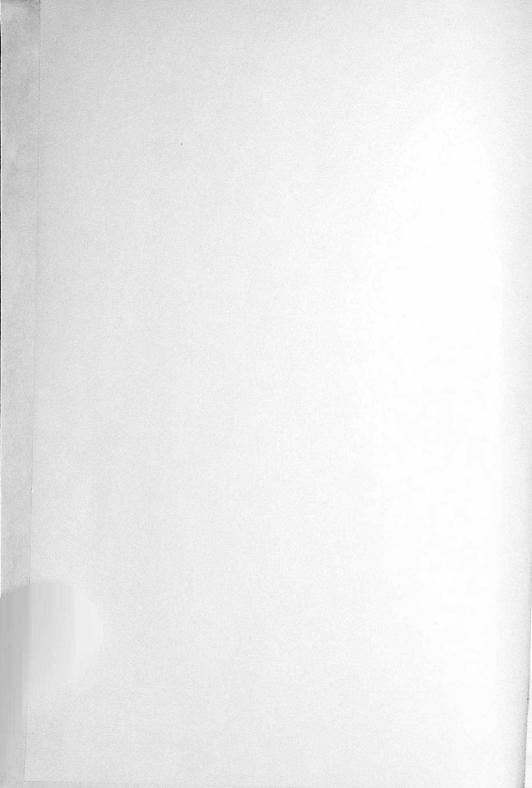
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- Itinerary and Orders (1934 Session) C. M. Elderdice, Chairman; N. O. Gibson, (Examiner A); E. T. Kirkley, (Examiner B); E. T. Read, (Examiner C.); G. A. Ogg, (Examiner D); J. L. Ward (Examiner E). (1935 Session): J. L. Ward, Chairman; N. O. Gibson, (Examiner A); E. T. Kirkley (Examiner B); E. T. Read (Examiner C); G. A. Ogg (Examiner D); B. F. Ruley (Examiner E).
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- President's Report: J. A. Dudley, H. A. Kester, H. L. Schlincke, Thos. G. Pearce, E. H. Davis, W. E. Ritchie.
- Audit: A. F. T. Raum, B. A. Bryan, N. G. Strawbridge.
- Program: President, Secretary, E. D. Stone.
- Home for the Aged: R. W. Sapp, W. A. Donaway, Wm. Schmeiser, Harry E. Burns, Irving Legates, Robert Fleetwood.
- Conference Arrangements: President, Standing District Committee.
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Lord's Day Alliance Committee—Louis Randall, Chairman, and a minister and layman from each conference district.

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CONFERENCE EXAMINERS AND EXAMINATIONS

- 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.
 - Homiletics. (d)
 - (c) English Bible.

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

- (2) The president shall, not later than one week after the adjournment of Conference, appoint a committee of six to be known as the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. Of these, one shall be appointed as chairman and one each as examiner in "a," "b," "c," "d" and "e" to examine all classes.
- (3) The Chairman shall serve for one year. At the expiration of that time examiner "a" shall become chairman and the president shall appoint a new examiner "a." So in order "b." "c." "d" and "e" shall become chairman. The president annually appointing an examiner in the place of him who becomes chairman.
- (4) Each examiner 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.
- The Committee shall submit its recommendation concerning application for admission and ordination on Saturday Morning.

J. L. WARD, Chairman,

N. O. GIBSON.

E. T. KIRKLEY, E. T. READ, G. A. OGG,

B. F. RULEY.

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."
 - 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 I, III, X, XVI, XVII, XXI. Volume II, Chapters II, IV, IX, XV, XXVII, XXXV.
 - (d) "The Pupil and the Teacher" by Weigle.
- (e) "English Bible," Historical Books of the Old Testament, Genesis to Second Chronicles.

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.

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.

Students: W. A. Schafer, Lee Elliott.

J. L. WARD, Chairman.

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JOURNAL

Westminster, Md., June 13, 1934

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY

Opening:—The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church opened its One Hundred Sixth Session in Alumni Hall of Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland, on the above date at 9:15 A. M. The President, L. B. Smith, called the Conference to order and conducted the devotional service.

A. N. Ward offered the opening prayer.

The President read the Scripture Lesson, I Cor. 12:12-13:13.

Roll Call:—The Secretary called the Roll of Conference. Louis Randall moved that the name of I. S. Owens be transferred to the Memorial Roll. Motion adopted.

Bar of Conference:—A. N. Ward moved that the Bar of the Conference be set as including the seats on the lower floor of the Hall. Motion adopted.

Reports:—The Secretary read the reports of the Secretary and the Committee on Credentials. Three credentials were signed by the pastors instead of the Chairman of the meetings. Report recommended the seating of the delegates.

The distribution details of the Minutes were given in the report.

The Secretary requested that after seventeen years of service in the secretarial corps, his name be not considered in the election of the Secretary for the coming year.

A letter from Milton Charge regarding the inability of delegate or alternate to be present was read as part of the report, and committee recommended seating of a new delegate. (See Report B.)

Motion: W. A. Melvin moved that those named be seated as delegates.

- J. C. Byrd explained the reason of New Church's action. G. J. Hooker spoke.
- J. H. Straughn moved the reference of the entire question to a special committee of three. This committee to give a ruling on the interpretation of the meaning of the law. George Hines spoke.

Louis Randall moved to amend by reference of the question to a Committee on Revision of the Manual. A. N. Ward, O. W. Prince, G. W. Haddaway, and R. L. Shipley spoke. R. L. Shipley moved as a substitute the acceptance of the Secretary's report. G. A. Morris, G. I. Humphreys, L. C. Randall and B. A. Bryan spoke. G. I. Humphreys moved to postpone action until the committee on Revision of the Manual can report on the legality of this question at 2:00 P. M. today. This motion carried. Com-

mittee on Revision was excused to prepare their report on this question. (See Report S.)

Memorial Service:—The Memorial Roll was called by Avery Donovan. Louis Randall read the obituary for Irving S. Owens. J. W. Baxley, M. E. Hungerford, J. T. Bailey, J. L. Nichols, C. M. Elderdice, Avery Donovan, H. B. Ward, delegate from Mariners, and L. B. Smith added their words of tribute. Conference sang one verse of "Crossing the Bar."

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the President, assisted by J. McL. Brown, Geo. Hines, J. A. Wright, A. H. Green, G. A. Morris, J. W. Parris and G. F. Farring.

Report:—The Committee on Manual Revision made a partial report which was read by J. H. Straughn. First: The committee recommends the seating of the delegates in question, and the committee bring its interpretation later. Second: The delegate from Milton be seated under a certain interpretation of the Manual. Third: This interpretation be submitted to the Executive Committee of the General Conference for its approval or disapproval. On motion the partial report was adopted. The motion to accept the Secretary's report was then adopted. (See Reports B and S)

Conference Sermon:—The President presented Arthur W. Ewell, who called on G. I. Humphreys to offer prayer. A. W. Ewell then preached the Conference Sermon. The theme of the sermon was "The Making of Peace." After singing "Hail to the Brightness of Zion's Glad Morning," the benediction was pronounced by S. F. Cassen.

AFTERNOON

Opening:—The President called the Conference to order at 2:15 P. M. E. D. Stone led the praise service.

President's Report:—The President called G. F. Farring to the chair and then read his annual report. E. D. Stone requested an addition to the President's report of 98 accessions to Hampden Church. G. A. Morris spoke in a pleasing manner on the character of the President, using Character, Conscience, Conduct and Creed as the C's of the life of L. B. Smith. The President's character was passed. (See report A)

Standing Committees:—The President read the list of Standing Committees. J. H. Straughn suggested the advisability of L. B. Smith serving on the Board of Survey and Extension. G. W. Haddaway spoke. E. C. Makosky moved that the President of the Conference be a member of the Board ex officio and L. B. Smith be appointed to the board. Motion carried.

Program:—L. B. Smith spoke on the program and the arrangement for Friday morning, the hour of the day for the Report of the Committee on Christian Literature and Education be 9:45 A. M.

Election of Officers:—F. A. Holland, W. L. Hoffman, W. A. Wheatley and Fulton J. Downing were appointed as Tellers for the election of President.

The ballott as taken on roll call with the following result:

Votes cast 249; necessary to a choice 125; E. A. Sexsmith, 124; E. L. Bunce, 107; J. H. Straughn, 6; R. L. Shipley, 4; W. H. Litsinger, 2; R. Y. Nicholson, 2; R. W. White, 1; G. E. Leister, 1; C. M. Elderdice, 1; W. A. Melvin, 1; Total 249.

- E. L. Bunce moved that the Secretary cast the ballot for E. A. Sexsmith. Motion carried. Secretary cast the ballot for E. A. Sexsmith. J. H. Straughn and A. N. Ward spoke in appreciation of the stand of E. L. Bunce. L. B. Smith appointed E. L. Bunce and Chas. N. Satterfield to escort E. A. Sexsmith to the chair as President-elect. E. A. Sexsmith spoke briefly and took the chair. E. L. Bunce spoke.
- R. Y. Nicholson nominated W. F. Wright for Secretary of the Conference. M. E. Hungerford, Chas. N. Spence seconded the nomination of W. F. Wright. G. W. Haddaway moved that the Secretary cast the ballott for W. F. Wright, carried. G. W. Haddaway moved that Conference express its appreciation of the work done by G. J. Hooker as Assistant Secretary, and Secretary. W. F. Wright was escorted to the desk and assumed his office.
- J. L. Green moved that Secretary cast the ballot for C. F. Cummins for Treasurer. Carried.
- J. N. Link moved that Secretary cast the ballot for R. W. White for Conference Steward. Carried.

Motion that Order of Day be postponed and have the Roll Call for Pastors' Report. Carried.

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

Communication:—The Roll of Charges was called by the Secretary to receive communications,

Appointments:—The Treasurer appointed G. E. Leister as assistant and Ellsworth Jennings as Clerk.

Motion to adjourn—carried.

EVENING

Opened at 7:30 P. M. with the President, E. A. Sexsmith, presiding. Praise Service led by E. D. Stone. L. B. Smith led in prayer.

Address by Rev. J. C. Broomfield, D. D., President of the General Conference.

The President introduced Dr. Charles R. Erdman, who addressed the Conference on the subject "The Book of Ecclesiastes."

Offering received during the singing of a hymn.

Benediction pronounced by W. H. Litsinger.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY

Opening:—Session was opened with President, E. A. Sexsmith, in the chair at 9:30 A. M.

Minutes of the preceding day were read and approved as corrected.

Roll Call:-The Secretary called the roll.

Appointments:—H. L. Elderdice was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations.

The Secretary announced the Assistant Secretaries—John W. Townsend, Dorsey K. Sturgis and Karl H. Wareheim.

A. F. T. Raum was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Audit.

Elections:—1. Standing District Committee:—Tellers: B. I. Barnes, J. T. Bailey, S. E. Burgess, W. N. Fleckenstein.

H. Gilligan asked for an explanation of the purpose of this Committee. E. A. Sexsmith explained the work of the committee.

Motion passed to dispense with the calling of the roll and that ballots be collected. Motion passed that tellers be allowed to retire to count the ballots. J. P. Cooper appointed in place of S. E. Burgess, who was called to a committee meeting.

2. Committee on Appeals:—Tellers: R. W. Sapp, C. L. Dawson, E. L. Leaverton, W. G. Monroe.

Motion passed to omit the Roll Call and permit the tellers to collect the ballots and retire to count them.

Announcements:—Louis Randall announced a meeting of Committee on Superannuates.

The President appointed J. A. Trader Secretary to the President.

A. N. Ward spoke recommending those speaking on Conference floor to come to the front.

The President announced a change on Committee on Literature and Education—J. G. Eaton to take the place of J. A. Trader.

Resolution:—A resolution was presented by E. C. Makosky on cooperation with our Baltimore publishing house. Adopted. (See Resolutions)

Report:—The report of the Maryland Education Endowment Society was presented by the President of the Society and read by the Secretary of the Conference. Adopted and referred to the Committee on Christian Literature and Education. G. I. Humphreys, F. G. Holloway, Rowland Watts, L. B. Smith and H. L. Elderdice spoke. (See Report J)

Mr. G. W. Crabbe, of the Anti-Saloon League, was presented to the Conference.

Resolution:—E. C. Makosky introduced a paper recommending a Lord's Day Program for the Conference and cooperation with the Lord's Day Alliance. A motion was made to accept and refer the paper to the Committee on Moral Reform. Substitute motion to refer to committees on Moral Reform and Christian Literature and Education. Passed.

Motion passed to hear Mr. G. W. Crabbe of the Anti-Saloon League.
Mr. Crabbe addressed the Conference.

Request to be excused from further attendance of the Conference session granted to G. A. Morris by the Conference.

Report:—Partial report of the Board of Finance was read by the Secretary. Motion passed to take up the report by items. E. C. Makosky, L. B. Smith spoke.

Items 1, 2, 3, adopted.

Item 4. Substitute passed that the President of the Conference with the Board of Finance settle upon the time of a Maryland Conference Day. E. C. Makosky, L. W. Gordon, G. H. Burgess, George Hines, E. A. Sexsmith, R. L. Shipley, P. W. Crosby, M. E. Dearholt, H. Gilligan, G. W. Haddaway and L. W. Dykes spoke.

Item 5. Maryland Conference Budget. J. H. Straughn spoke, and moved to amend by creating a separate budget for superannuates, and that the Board of Finance present the matter in its report. Motion passed. P. W. Crosby, J. L. Green, C. F. Cummins, G. W. Haddaway, R. W. White, J. H. Straughn spoke. Item was adopted.

Partial report adopted, (See Report E).

Devotions:—L. B. Smith presided at the morning devotions. Conference was led in prayer by N. O. Gibson. Address by Dr. Erdman.

Benediction was pronounced by M. E. Dearholt.

AFTERNOON

Conference was called to order by the President at 2:00 O'clock.

Resolution:—A Memorial Day Resolution was read by the Secretary, which upon motion was adopted and referred to the Committee on Manual Revision.

Motion was made that a committee be appointed to consider the Superannuate financing program. The Chairman requested that it be held in abeyance, and Conference concurred.

Report:—The Report of the Deaconess Board was read and upon motion was referred to the Committee on Benevolent Agencies.

L. B. Smith was called to the Chair.

Reports:—The Report of the Tellers on Standing District Committee was heard. The following were elected: Ministers: E. D. Stone, W. H. Litsinger, E. C. Makosky. Laymen: J. H. Baker, W. C. Scott, and T. A. Murray.

The report of the Tellers on Committee on Appeals was heard. The following were elected: Ministers—J. H. Straughn, J. M. Gill. Laymen—F. G. Reinicker, H. Gilligan, F. P. Adkins. Motion was passed that the Secretary cast a ballot for J. W. Kirk as the third ministerial member of this committee.

The report of the Committee on Audit was read and adopted. (See

Report Q).

The report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage was read. Supplementary remarks were made by L. B. Smith, G. W. Haddaway and W. H. Litsinger spoke to the report. Report adopted. (See Report A3).

Communications:—Greetings from J. L. Elderdice, W. S. Hanks, C. G. Soderbom, Betty and Paul Cassen, Paul F. Warner, W. H. Hodges and A. G. Lynch were read by the Secretary.

Motion passed that the Secretary make proper response to the letters, that these communications be referred to the proper committees, and that Conference appreciation be expressed to the Cannon Charge for use of the parsonage as a home for W. S. Hanks.

G. W. Haddaway spoke concerning the commendable work being done by our loyal workers on their respective fields of labor.

The President took the chair.

E. C. Makosky moved to reconsider the report of the Committee on President's Parsonage, and this report be referred to the Committee on Audit. Passed.

Report:—The report of the Board of Trustees of the Conference was read by E. C. Makosky, who stated that this report had been audited. Report was adopted as read. (See Report D).

On motion the Secretary cast ballot for G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, F. G. Usilton and W. C. Scott as Trustees until 1937.

W. F. Wright asked to be excused for the remainder of the afternoon session. Conference consented.

J. M. Gill's request to be excused from Conference session on Friday was granted.

The Conference took up the matter of the special financing program.

A Resolution was introduced by G. W. Haddaway that a Committee consisting of the President of the Conference, the Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Board of Finance, be appointed to provide means to meet emergencies in payments to our superannuates. Motion passed to refer the resolution to the Board of Finance.

J. L. Nichols spoke in appreciation of the former President's work for the superannuates.

Report:—Supplemental report of a special committee of the Board of Trustees of the Conference pertaining to the Headquarters Building was read by J. H. Straughn, Secretary of the Committee. A statement was given which showed the financial condition of the building, revealing that we have reached the place of deciding whether to raise the money needed or to liquidate. A paper was read reviewing the situation and recommending refinancing the Headquarters Building, by the following methods:

- To raise \$150,000.
- 2. To utilize an insurance annuity plan.
- To receive special gifts for this interest.

On motion Mr. E. E. Wooden explained the proposed insurance plan.

The President asked L. B. Smith to take the chair.

The President spoke briefly on the proposed plan. G. I. Humphreys, G. W. Haddaway, A. N. Ward spoke. J. H. Straughn requested the Chairman, L. B. Smith, to vacate the chair to address the Conference upon this subject. J. W. Townsend took the chair and L. B. Smith spoke giving additional information as to the imperative needs. The report was unanimously adopted as presented. (See Report D).

Various announcements were made.

Benediction was pronounced by C. E. Dryden.

EVENING

The session was opened with a Praise Service led by E. D. Stone. Fred G. Holloway presided.

Offering was received and announcements were made.

R. L. Shipley read the scripture lesson from Ephesians, Chapters 3 and 4.

W. H. Litsinger led in prayer.

Dr. Chas. R. Erdman addressed the Conference.

Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Erdman.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY

Opening:—Conference was called to order at 9:00 A. M. with the President presiding.

The Roll Call was omitted by common consent of the Conference. Minutes were read and adopted as corrected.

The request of G. W. Ports that G. E. Howell be seated as delegate from the Second Church, Lynchburg, Va., was granted.

On motion the President appointed a committee to visit H. B. Jester, at Mt. Wilson.

It was moved that the historical exhibit presented by L. B. Smith be placed in the hands of a special committee. The Chairman of the Committee on President's Report stated that the committee will bring in definite recommendation upon this matter. Motion withdrawn. L. B. Smith stated that the historical documents were entirely in the hands of the Conference to be used according to Conference wishes.

E. C. Makosky was asked to preside.

Devotions:—Conference sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." H. L. Elderdice led in prayer. Rev. Charles R. Erdman, D. D., gave his closing expository address upon the twenty-first chapter of the gospel of John.

The Chairman fittingly expressed to Dr. Erdman the hearty appreciation of the Conference.

The President of Western Maryland College rose to speak upon the point of personal privilege.

Report:—The Chairman of the Committee on Christian Literature and Education stated the report was not ready, but requested the Conference to hear the representatives of the General Conference Agencies.

J. H. Straughn substituting for W. C. Perkins, Chairman, represented the Board of Publication, speaking of our excellent publications and the earnest desire of the Board to serve the church.

Frank W. Stephenson, Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, was presented and addressed the Conference. He emphasized the program of the church and urged the exaltation of the Christian ministry and the utilization of the churches' resources.

- R. L. Shipley, Editor of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, brought us a "Pod of Peas," about the church paper. The subscriptions at this time total 5226 an increase of 900 since last August.
- A. N. Ward, President of Western Maryland College, spoke supporting the need of a great denominational paper, and the need of educated workers in the church. He made an urgent appeal that Western Maryland shall ever remain a Christian College and further stated the plans for the proposed dormitories, and desire to entertain the Conference again next year.
- Fred G. Holloway, President of the Westminster Theological Seminary expressed the concurrence of the Seminary with the Board of Christian Education and its relationship to the entire church. The past year's enrollment was the second largest in the history of the Seminary. A Summer School will be conducted at High Point, N. C. The present trends in theological training were mentioned.
- Dr. W. W. Davis of the Lord's Day Alliance was presented and addressed the Conference. A. N. Ward made a statement in appreciation of the message.

Order of the Day:—J. H. Straughn moved that the Report of the Committee on Manual Revision be made the order of the day for Monday 3:30 P. M. Motion passed.

Announcements were made about the afternoon program of missionary endeavor and various committee meetings.

C. E. Dryden made a motion for the superannuation of Rev. J. F. Wooden. Testimonials were given by C. E. Dryden, G. W. Haddaway, E. D. Stone, E. C. Makosky, J. N. Link, Matthew Pickett, J. W. Baxley and B. I. Barnes. Motion passed by rising vote.

Additional announcements were made by the secretary.

 $K.\ H.\ Wareheim\ requested to be excused from the afternoon session. Granted.$

Benediction was pronounced by J. H. Straughn.

AFTERNOON

The President called Conference to order at 2 P. M.

L. B. Smith was called to the chair.

Report:—The Report of the Committee on Missions was read by H. C. Burkins. (See Report M)

Announcements:—Time for the meeting of Ministers' wives was changed to the close of the afternoon session.

G. W. Haddaway presented Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, President of Maryland Branch, who spoke regarding the work, and asked the Conference to give her ten new organizations during the year.

Mrs. W. J. Brewer, Vice President of the Washington-Virginia Branch, was introduced and brought greetings, and a report from Mrs. Bullis, the President.

G. W. Haddaway presented T. R. Woodford, who spoke of the work at Pine Ridge, Ky.

Mrs. W. C. Hammer, President of the Women's Convention, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

- G. W. Haddaway also presented Miss Bettie Brittingham, Associate Secretary of the Board of Missions, who spoke further regarding the missionary work.
 - G. W. Haddaway spoke on the work of the Board of Missions

Announcement:—Mrs. Armstrong announced a women's meeting in Baker Chapel following the afternoon session.

Request that report of Committee on Missions be read. On motion the report was adopted.

Announcement:—Saturday 10:30 A. M. was set as an Order for the Day for hearing a fraternal messenger from the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The report of the Summer Conference was moved up twenty minutes.

Benediction by Wm. Schmeiser.

EVENING

Conference opened with Song Service led by E. D. Stone.

H. L. Elderdice presided.

Historical Meeting preliminary to Sesqui-Centennial of Methodism, was held, with R. L. Shipley and Leonard B. Smith bringing the addresses.

Benediction was pronounced by H. L. Elderdice.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY

The President called the Conference to order at 9:00 o'clock. Minutes were approved as read.

Announcements:—The President announced that arrangements had been made for the Ordination Service to be held in the Westminster Church.

The President appointed the following committee to visit H. B. Jester in the hospital: E. L. Bunce, N. C. Clough, and H. E. Gray. Dr. Sexsmith spoke of Brother Jester's condition and J. F. Bryan brought personal greetings from our brother. Conference held a moment of silent prayer, and was afterward led in prayer by L. B. Smith in behalf of Brother Jester and family.

The President announced interviews and asked G. I. Humphreys to preside.

Devotions were led by T. G. Betschler.

- A. N. Ward announced the reception to the Conference this evening.
- J. H. Straughn spoke relative to the attendance and moved, that a count of the Conference by order be made, in order to ascertain the numbers present at this time within the conference bar. Motion passed. The count of the Conference revealed the attendance as being: Ministers 97—laymen 61, total 158.
- J. Earl Cummings, Chairman of the Committee on Pulpit Supply read the report, which was adopted.

Report:—A partial report of the Board of Finance was presented by J. N. Link, Chairman of the committee. (See Report E).

Item 4 of the original report revised, calling for the observance of Maryland Conference Day, at the most appropriate time, in the churches was adopted.

Item 5, concerning the budget was revised in order to make provision for the superannuates.

Recommendation that the total budget be the same as last year \$39,050.00. L. B. Smith spoke in opposition to the proposed reduction of suplemental salaries. Louis Randall, J. N. Link, J. H. Straughn, C. F. Cummins spoke to the question.

Amendment was made by L. B. Smith that the amount assessed for supplemental salaries be \$2500, and that the percentages on pastors' salaries be continued, pending the recovery of a normal income from the Invested Fund.

J. H. Straughn urged a clarification of the appropriation and that we follow the revised item of the report. P. W. Crosby defended the adjustments of the Board in ascertaining the results shown in the report.

Conference consented to suspend the discussion of this report in order to hear the chairman of the Committee on Superannuates. The amendment was separated into two items.

Item 1—That amount for supplemental salaries shall be \$2500. Chas. F. Cummins, Conference Treasurer spoke favoring the plan providing that the superannuates be given priority in payments, and that the Treasurer be permitted to used the Maryland Conference funds for this purpose. W. H. Litsinger, J. A. Dudley, G. W. Haddaway, J. W. Foard, J. H. Straughn and H. Gilligan spoke. Item adopted.

By Conference consent Fred G. Holloway, a member of the Committee on Official Relations, introduced the following: Dr. Lloyd M. Bertholf, head of the Department of Biology of Western Maryland College; Rev. H. W. Bassler, Pastor of the Reformed Church of Westminster; Rev. Tsukasa Oda of Japan, and the Rev. O. G. Robinson of Westminster, Fraternal messenger of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Rev. O. G. Robinson addressed the conference. A. N. Ward, made appropriate response for the Conference.

A. N. Ward introduced Dr. John D. Nicodemus, a layman of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who addressed the Conference concerning the Strawbridge Home.

The Rev. W. T. Lloyd of the Walkersville M. E. Church was introduced to the Conference.

It was moved by A. N. Ward that the Maryland Annual Conference sympathetically endorse the proposal brought to its attention by Dr. Nicodemus concerning the purchase of the Strawbridge Farm and without incurring any financial obligations, cooperate with the efforts of the representatives of the M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South, to bring this project to a successful conclusion. Motion passed.

Motion to reconsider the action of Thursday relative to Item 5 (a separate column for superannuate assessment) of the report of the Board of Finance was lost.

J. H. Straughn and J. L. Green spoke in support of the revision made by the Board.

Item 2 of the amendment introduced by L. B. Smith relative to the superannuate assessment was discussed by the following: L. B. Smith, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Straughn, W. H. Litsinger, J. M. Gill, J. N. Link, J. L. Green, H. Gilligan, J. W. Foard and Louis Randall. L. B. Smith made a plea to continue the same support of the Headquarters Building and Church Extension work as last year.

Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations introduced the Rev. E. T. Mowbray, D. D., Executive Secretary of the City Missionary Society of the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church.

- L. B. Smith spoke on point of order. The chair ruled the point not sustained.
- J. H. Straughn gave further explanation and J. W. Kirk, F. P. Adkins, and J. H. Lynch spoke. J. L. Green moved to amend that the percentage on pastors' salary be placed in the current fund for superannuates for one year.

Motion passed to authorize the Committee on Superannuates to make up their report on the basis of the appropriation of \$14,050.

Motion passed to recess until 2 P. M. to take up the necessary Conference business.

AFTERNOON

Session called to order at 2:05 with G. I. Humphreys presiding.

Motion passed that the report of the Board of Finance be recommitted.

Partial report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read. Item 1—That Henry Schauer, a graduate of the Seminary be received and ordained. Adopted. Item 2—That Lawrence Little be received by transfer from the N. C. Conference. Adopted. (See Report F)

Invitations:—Invitations for the Conference for 1935 were received from the following: Peninsula Church, Wilmington, Del., Western Maryland College, Westminster, Md., Edmondson Ave. Church, Baltimore, Md. These were laid on the table according to conference regulation.

Report:—The Secretary of Temperance reported the printing and distribution of Temperance literature for use in the churches and Sunday schools. The report recommended the continuance of this program. Report adopted and referred to the Committee on Moral Reform.

Communications:—Communications were received from the Sesqui-Centennial Committee of Methodism asking that delegates be sent from the Maryland Conference.

Resolution—The Secretary read resolutions from E. Baltimore church recommending the appointing of a committee of five to consider Christian work among the Jews. The paper was referred to the Committee on Missions,

The Chairman of the Committee on Superannuates read the report of the Committee, which was laid on the table according to Conference regulation. (See Report H)

Henry Schauer and Lawrence Little were received into the Conference by the President.

Conference gave way to the meeting of the Superannuate Fund Society and the Mutual Relief Association. (See Conference Societies).

Conference reconvened.

A Resolution was introduced proposing a change in the arrangement of the Conference program. Motion passed that the resolution be held in abeyance.

Announcements of various committee meetings were made.

Motion passed to adjourn.

Benediction pronounced by S. W. Coe.

FIFTH DAY, SUNDAY

Ordination Service was held in the Westminster M. P. Church. Prayer was offered by Louis Randall, Responsive Reading by the pastor of the church, J. E. Cummings. Scripture Lesson was read by P. M. R. Schauer. Sermon by T. R. Woodford. After the sermon Henry H. Schauer was

ordained to the office of elder in the church of God by the President of the Conference assisted by Louis Randall, P. M. R. Schauer and the Secretary.

Afternoon and evening services were held as per the Conference program. A musical program led by E. D. Stone, and followed by an Old Fashioned Testimony Meeting led by G. E. Baughman was held in the afternoon. In the evening J. H. Straughn gave an illustrated lecture—"The Origin of American Methodism."

SIXTH DAY, MONDAY

MORNING

Opening:—After singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," the President called the Conference to order.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The President made a statement concerning the making of appointments, and asked L. B. Smith to take the chair.

J. F. Wooden led the devotional services.

A. N. Ward spoke in personal appreciation of J. F. Wooden. Further tribute was given by L. B. Smith.

Communications:—A letter from J. Pearre Wantz, Cashier of Union National Bank, Westminster, commending the good work of the Treasurer was read. Motion passed to incorporate the letter in the Minutes. (See Report C2).

Reports:—The report of the Committee on Evangelism was read. Motion made that the report be adopted and financial items be referred to the Board of Finance. J. H. Lynch spoke emphasizing the evangelistic effort of the church. Rowland Watts called special attention to the "Won by One" program. Report adopted. (See Report P.)

The report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies was read recommending the support of the Deaconess work and the Maryland Tract Society, expressing appreciation of the generous gifts from individuals and benevolent agencies. (See Report K)

G. W. Haddaway spoke of the Maryland Tract Society's arrangement with the Headquarters Building in the matter of office rental, and the need for supporting this work. Report adopted.

Report of the Committee on Deaconness Work was read. The report recommended an election of members to the Board. The following were elected: Ministers: J. L. Ward, Laymen: J. W. Armstrong, A. W. Beam, Wm. Gilligan, W. F. Spangenberg, Mrs. W. F. Chew, Mrs. W. O. Shriver.

Report of the Committee on Home for the Aged was read. L. B. Smith supplemented the report, mentioning the gift of shrubbery from the L. G. Tingle Nursuries of Pittsville for the Home. Report adopted. (See Report N).

The following were elected members of the Board of Managers: S. F. Cassen, J. N. Link, T. A. Murray, C. C. Richardson.

Announcements were made concerning the settlement of all claims in connection with Conference entertainment, and the meeting of the Ministers' wives today, at 1:30 P. M.

Report of the Board of Finance was presented by J. N. Link, Secre-

tary of the committee.

Item 5 was discussed. The Secretary was called to the chair, and L. B. Smith spoke in opposition to the report, and proposed the reconsideration of the action taken upon this subject. J. H. Lynch, G. W. Haddaway sustained this view. E. C. Makosky, J. H. Straughn, J. L. Green, G. I. Humphreys spoke to a point of order. The Secretary relinquished the chair to L. B. Smith. The chair ruled the motion to reconsider was in order and debatable. J. H. Straughn spoke in opposition to any further reconsideration. H. Gilligan advocated reconsideration so that the entire question could be settled upon its merits.

Conference voted to reconsider. An amendment was offered for the entire arrangement. J. F. Bryan, J. H. Straughn, G. W. Haddaway spoke. G. I. Humphreys requested the withdrawal of the paper. J. H. Straughn asked the privilege of withdrawing the paper moving at the same time that the report be re-committed with instruction to incorporate the budget schedule proposed by L. B. Smith. Henry Gilligan rose to personal privi-

lege. Request was granted.

Motion passed that the report be recommitted to the Board of Finance.

Conference recessed giving way to the meeting of the Church Extension Society. (See Conference Societies).

Conference reconvened.

Committee on Audit reported the accounts of the Mutual Relief Association and Church Extension Society were audited and found correct. (See Report Q).

Committee's Report on Itinerancy and Orders was read. (Items 1 & 2, previously adopted). (See Report F).

Items 3—that W. A. Schafer be continued in the third year studies; 4, that Lee Elliott be passed to the third year; 5, that John H. Mark be placed in the hands of the President; 6, that A. C. Ford be licensed provided employed by the President, were adopted.

Report as a whole adopted.

Report of the Committee on President's Report, was made by J. A. Dudley, Chairman of the Committee. (See Report A2).

Recommendation 1—Amended that at least ten delegates be appointed by the President to the Sesqui-Centennial Meeting in Baltimore, adopted as amended.

Recommendation 2—That the Conference endorse the acquisition of deeds and titles to church property was adopted.

Recommendation 3-On superannuates omitted.

Recommendation 4—That an instructor be appointed to instruct new members of the Conference in the keeping of Church Registers. Adopted.

Recommendation 5—That legal authority be appointed to attend to the proper form for annuities and bequests to the Conference to be printed in the Minutes was adopted. Recommendation 6—That Church Extension Societies be formed in all districts of the Conference was adopted.

Recommendation 7—That Conference district boundaries be revised, and the Board of Survey named as the Committee. Adopted.

Recommendation 8—Relative to the Conference History. Supplementary motion that a committee of three with the author of the work, L. B. Smith, be appointed with instructions to print this historical record. Adopted. (See Special Committees)

Report was held in abeyance pending action upon item 3 by the Board of Finance.

Report of the Conference Librarian referring to the historical record of the Conference was adopted. (See Report R).

A. N. Ward moved to recess until the afternoon session. Motion passed.

Benediction pronounced by H. L. Schlincke.

AFTERNOON

Conference session called to order by J. H. Straughn who presided. Conference sang, "Just As I am." Led in prayer by W. A. Melvin.

Reports:—An additional report of the Committee on Missions recommending the appointment of a committee of five to take up the matter of mission work among the Jews was adopted.

The Committee on Superannuates submitted the table of appropriations for the ensuing year which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service was read by J. H. Lynch, Chairman of the Committee. The following recommendations were considered:

- 1. That the office of Temperance Secretary and the work as instituted last year be continued. Adopted,
 - 2. Emphasizing family devotions and Bible teachings. Adopted.
- 3. That we cooperate with the Lord's Day Alliance in the upholding of the Lord's Day. Adopted.
- 4. That the church should assert its position regarding official members who engage in the sale of alcoholic beverages. Adopted.
- 5. That we crusade against all forms of gambling. Adopted. Motion carried that the report as a whole be adopted. (See Report J).

The Committee on Revision of the Manual made its report. J. H. Straughn, Secretary of the Committee, presented the report calling G. I. Humphreys to the chair. The following changes were made in the report.

- 1. Resolution introduced by F. P. Adkins changing hours of session referred to the Program Committee for 1935. (See Resolutions).
- 2. Amendment passed that in the Conference program the Sermon shall follow the Communion Service.

3. Resolution introduced regarding the instruction of delegates and the right of congregations in their expressions regarding appointments. H. Gilligan offered a substitute. (See Manual Reg. 2, section 5). H. L. Elderdice, G. I. Humphreys, F. J. Heaney, B. A. Bryan, R. L. Shipley, B. I. Barnes spoke. Adopted with the understanding that Henry Gilligan and J. H. Straughn adjust the language to harmonize with the sense of the Conference as expressed by the vote.

Conference passed the motion that the Alternate from First Church, Newark, be seated as the delegate.

Motion to amend the item by omitting the phrase "condemn the practice of using the secret ballot," was lost.

Report adopted as a whole. (See Manual)

Invitations:—The pastors of Peninsula Church, Wilmington, and Edmondson Avenue Church, Baltimore, W. P. Roberts and J. L. Green, respectively, loyal sons of W.M.C. withdrew their invitations for next Conference session in favor of President Ward and Western Maryland College.

The invitation of A. N. Ward to meet at Western Maryland College for the 1935 session accepted by unanimous rising vote of the Conference.

A. N. Ward addressed the Conference.

Report of the Committee on Summer Conference of Ministers was read by the secretary. J. Newton Davis of Drew Seminary will be the guest speaker of the Summer Conference. The treasurer's report was included.

J. L. Green, President of the Summer Conference, spoke of the plans for the Conference this year, and for the redecorating and refurnishing the Seminary. He also solicited funds for this purpose at \$75 per room, to be paid within ninety days or as soon thereafter as possible. R. L. Shipley will receive a general fund to cover the expense of needed plumbing work in the Seminary.

President F. G. Holloway, of the Seminary, expressed appreciation of the splendid response of the Conference.

Report adopted. (See Report O)

Moved that bar of Conference be reserved for ministers, delegates and their wives, and that six ushers be appointed by the chair. J. E. Cummings, W. P. Roberts, N. C. Clough, M. E. Hungerford, F. J. Heaney and J. P. Cooper were appointed.

Announcements were made.

Conference recessed until 7:30.

Benediction by C. E. Dryden.

EVENING

The devotional Song Service began at 7:30 o'clock. E. D. Stone led the service, with Mrs. Clyde Grimes at the piano.

Conference was called to order at 7:50 with A. N. Ward presiding.

L. B. Smith read a note from Mrs. H. B. Jester telling of the success of the operation which H. B. Jester had undergone. E. L. Bunce of the committee appointed to visit Brother Jester spoke.

Additional report of the Committee on Christian Literature and Education was read. Recommended that R. W. White and George Mather be elected representatives on the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education. (See Report I).

The report reviewed items presented fully at a previous session of the Conference. R. W. White, President of the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education read the report of the work of the Council during the past year and plans for the ensuing year.

Recommendations:—1. That a place be given to this work on the Conference program of 1935. Adopted.

- 2. That the Conference confirm the action of the Executive Committee in employing a part time Director of Religious Education. Adopted.
- 3. That the Council be given permission to secure offerings to help defray expenses in connection with this work. Adopted.

Lawrence Little, Director of Religious Education, of the Conference, spoke of the general objectives of Christian education.

- J. H. Lynch spoke of the program and advocated general cooperation in this program. Report as a whole adopted.
 - J. H. Straughn took the chair.
- J. N. Link spoke concerning the services of Lawrence Little and the part which A. N. Ward had in making this work possible. Conference gave a rising vote of appreciation.

The Secretary read a note of thanks from Mrs. H. B. Jester in appreciation of the gift received from the ministers' wives of the Conference.

Supplemental report of the Board of Finance was submitted by J. N. Link. The preamble and first four recommendations having been approved, items 5, 6, and 7 were read adjusting the budget, making the levy for superannuates upon pastors' salary and churches the same as last year, and granting \$100 for the Committee on Evangelism. Henry Gilligan spoke. The supplemental report was adopted. Report as a whole adopted.

Item 3 of the Report of the Committee on President's Report concerning the Board of Finance which had been held in abeyance was read by the Secretary and adopted. Item adopted. Report as a whole adopted.

Report of the Committee on Statistics was read by the Chairman, J. L. Marker. L. B. Smith spoke. Motion to adopt, carried.

The Report of the Committee on Official Relations was read by the Secretary, Henry Gilligan. Motion made to adopt the report.

Requests were made for the following churches to be placed upon the Honor Roll:

Hobbs and Burrsville churches on Caroline Charge New Market Church on Frederick Charge Ruthsburg Church on Queen Anne Charge Buckeystown—100% plus \$100 raised.

The report showed 17 charges and 9 churches on the Honor Roll. L. B. Smith, as a member of the Board of Missions, requested the loan of W. M. Snyder without affecting his status in the conference. J. A. Dudley spoke on the request. Granted.

Recommendations were adopted with the following exceptions:

Recommendation 8, Item 2, calling for delinquents on raising assessments to come before the Committee on Official Relations. Motion to adopt was lost. Item 3—Motion made to lay this item on the table. Chairman of the Committee, H. L. Elderdice, spoke. Motion lost. J. F. Bryan, B. I. Barnes, Henry Gilligan, B. F. Ruley, F. G. Holloway, R. Y. Nicholson, J. T. Bailey, J. P. Turkington, C. M. Jenkins, F. P. Adkins spoke to the original item. Motion carried.

Report as a whole adopted. (See Report L).

Motion carried that the Secretary cast a ballot for J. Lee Marker as Conference Statistician.

Report of the Conference Steward, R. W. White, was read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Group Life Insurance made by Chas. F. Cummins, Conference Treasurer and representative. Adopted. (See Report C1).

Report of the Treasurer of the Conference read by the Treasurer. Motion to adopt. L. B. Smith spoke in praise of the better financial conditions as indicated by the report. Report adopted. (See Report C).

Additional report from the Committee on Revision of the Manual. Revised item of the Committee as read by Henry Gilligan was adopted. (See Report S).

Report as a whole adopted.

An offering was received.

Conference recessed for an indefinite period.

Conference called together by the President at 11:20 P. M.

President made a statement concerning the Plan of Appointments and asked the Conference to adjourn and reconvene Tuesday morning.

Motion carried to adjourn and reconvene Tuesday at 9:00 A. M. Session closed with prayer by L. B. Smith.

SEVENTH DAY, TUESDAY

MORNING

Conference opened at 9:00 A. M. with J. H. Straughn in the chair.

"Oh For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" was sung.

W. L. Hoffman led in prayer.

Minutes were read and approved.

J. H. Straughn asked L. B. Smith to take the chair.

Supplemental report of the Committee of Itinerancy and Orders was read, recommending

1. That Lee Elliott, Willard Sylvester and Leslie Werner be given license to administer the ordinance if employed by the President. Motion to adopt carried.

Moved that J. H. Straughn, E. C. Makosky and F. M. Benson be appointed a committee to examine and consider the revision of the charter Manual. Motion carried.

The Report of the Board of Survey and Extension was presented, with the following recommendations:

That the name of New Market Charge be changed to Maryland Line. That several closed churches be reopened.

That appropriations to churches and supplemental salaries as per the report be made.

By common consent the report was held in abeyance.

- A. F. T. Raum, C. C. Day, J. W. Townsend, F. G. Holloway, C. N. Spence commented regarding the cooperation of the press.
- G. W. Haddaway was elected Representative on the Lord's Day Alliance.

Motion carried to express thanks and appreciation of Mrs. Paul Wimert, reporter of the Hanover Evening Sun and Associated Press, and James Eiseman, representative of the Washington Post and other papers.

- E. C. Makosky read the final report of the Board of Survey and Extension. Motion to adopt. (See Report G).
- M. E. Dearholt and C. C. Day commented concerning the change of name of New Market Charge to Maryland Line.

President Sexsmith took the chair and commented on the making of the Plan of Appointments.

Statement of final change in the report of the Board of Finance. Report adopted. (See Report G).

The Minutes were approved as read.

Plan of Appointments was read.

L. E. Haddaway made an appeal. .Case referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Chair ruled that the members of the Committee on Appeal present should take the case under advisement.

Conference recessed awaiting the report of the Committee.

Report of the Committee on Appeals made verbally by J. H. Straughn, Chairman, that L. E. Haddaway had withdrawn his appeal upon assurance of sufficient financial support.

- E. C. Makosky, moved that an appropriation of \$300 supplemental salary be made to Carroll Circuit. Motion Carried.
- G. I. Humphreys moved that Plan of Appointments be adopted. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

Conference sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Motion carried to adjourn.

L. B. Smith led in prayer and pronounced the benediction.

E. A. SEXSMITH, President W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary K. H. WAREHEIM, Journal Clerk

Approved June 19, 1934.

REPORTS

REPORT A

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 20)

"It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities."

There are "many things to say unto you" who are assembled here for the one hundred and sixth session of this Annual Conference. But we shall have ample opportunity later to present and discuss quite a few of these "many things" through the various committees and organizations to report at this session. Therefore, to avoid unnecessary repetitions, some of those things which shall come to you regularly through the proper channels of communication—need receive little more than a brief reference in the President's report.

If ever in the more than a century of our history, the hearts of the members of this Conference and of our churches ought to abound in gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His specific guidance and unfailing providence through years of trial and financial hardship, it is today. No mere human institution on earth can probably give a better account of itself since the beginning of the world-wide depression than the Church of Christ.

The language of President J. D. Kinser in his annual report thirtyeight years ago, during what was known as the "Cleveland depression," expresses it equally as well for us today. He said: "The stagnation in business, and the general depression in finances, have made aggressive moments difficult. The work has advanced only by great sacrifices. In some charges the people with little money at their command, have done nobly their best for their church. The collections for general interests will doubtless be deficient, but I have been gratified to know that many charges will, in spite of hard times, meet their assessments in full. Failure of business, and low prices of farm products have carried timidity into the church. Progress in some cases has been made by the triumph of the pastor's faith and courage over the inertia and hopelessness of the church." This quotation from one of my illustrious predecessors is used verbatim by your retiring President without either comment or amendment to express the exact reaction he also has today as he steps aside from "the care of all the churches." "Thanks be unto God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for-as-much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

THE DEPARTED

Only one of our ministers has gone from our midst to his "house not made with hands eternal in the heavens." Rev. I. S. Owens, Pastor of our church at Georgetown, Delaware, after a short illness, died at the Milford Hospital, February 18.

Two of the widows of our honored members on the Memorial Roll, and the wife of one of our active itinerants ceased their sojourn here to take up forever their abode in the land of cloudless sky. Mrs. Catherine Little, widow of the late Dr. Francis T. Little, a former President of this Conference, and Mrs. Cornelia Tredway, wife of Dr. Silas B. Tredway, for many years a prominent member of this Conference, and Mrs. Mary L. McCaslin, wife of Rev. C. K. McCaslin, Pastor of Bel Air Charge, departed this life on the following dates respectively: December 10, 1933, August 23, 1933, March 9, 1934. Committees in each case will present appropriate obituaries for publication in our Journal.

THE APPOINTMENTS

It is with much gratification that we are able to report no changes made in the Plan of Appointments announced at Denton last June. With practically no outspoken dissatisfaction all the pastors and their congregations have labored together through the year without the necessity of a single adjustment. The death of Rev. I. S. Owens, of course, made a vacancy in the pastorate at Georgetown. which has been filled acceptably by Rev. J. P. Adams.

THE TRANSFER

Rev. W. B. Sanders, a Supernumerary minister of this Conference, after fraternal correspondence, decided to unite with the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and was given his transfer in April.

THE ITINERARY

As regular readers of The Methodist Protestant-Recorder the members of the Conference, of course, have observed the completion of another annual visitation by the President to every charge in the District. This is the third year in the five that this was achieved. In addition to this, twenty-one charges were visited twice, two of them thrice, and two of them four times. One hundred and forty-one sermons or addresses were delivered aside from brief messages to Sunday Schools and young people's meetings, and twenty-seven quarterly conferences or local church officials meetings were conducted.

The itinerary for the five years has been arranged so that every church on every charge has been visited by the same President perhaps for the first time in history. Some of these churches we are told have received their first Presidential visit, the usual plan having been to have the service in the principal or centrally located church.

THE QUARTERLY DISTRICT CONFERENCES

The establishment of this plan to meet the ministers and as many of their officials and members as can be assembled quarterly in the various districts of the Conference, to face up with them the problems of the local church or charge, and of the Annual Conference and the general interests, has become now a fixed and necessary function of the administrative head of this body. Three series of these Conferences, numbering twenty for the year, have been held in the months of September, December and March. The attendance, except in a few cases of inclement weather, has been larger than ever, and the manifest interest more evident.

THE INTERDENOMINATIONAL ACTIVITIES

The President of the Maryland Conference is the supervisor of perhaps the largest District to be travelled regularly by any one church official in this area. He therefore is called upon perhaps more frequently than any other similar official to represent his church in interdenominational councils and federated Christian activities. During the year he has endeavored to keep pace with the progress of all the general movements endorsed by evangelical churches, attending small and large groups without number, speaking for his church in behalf of every cause endorsed by this Conference as vital to the Kingdom of Christ. These include the Church Federation, the Anti-Saloon League, the W.C.T.U., the Lord's Day Alliance, the Maryland General Hospital, the Maryland Tract Society, the Pocket Testament League, and the Council of Religious Education. In addition to these he has endeavored to serve faithfully the general church as a member of the Board of Missions and the Board of Administration, having recently been elected Recording Secretary of the Board of Missions.

THE SESQUI-CENTENNIAL

In October of this year Methodists from all parts of the earth and from all branches of this ecclesiastical family will assemble in Baltimore to celebrate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of Methodism in America, which took place in Lovely Lane Meeting House, Redwood Street near Calvert Street in December 1784. This Conference is well represented on the General Committee and on all the sub-committees which are regularly at work to plan this memorable event.

Maryland is celebrating her Tercentenary and for one-half its history Methodism has been at work saving the souls, building the character and shaping the coveted destinies of unnumbered hosts of its citizens. Dr. E. L. Watson will represent the General Committee in a brief address to this Conference tomorrow. On Sunday night in this Hall, Dr. J. H. Straughn will present an illustrated lecture on the "Organization of American Methodism", bringing to us the results of months of intense research and reading concerning the years of Methodism prior to the rise of the Methodist Protestant Church.

One of our recommendations will suggest a plan of continued cooperation and participation.

THE OFFICE WORK

The executive office located in our Headquarters Building, has become more and more a place for definite personal discussion and voluminous correspondence, for "the business of the King must not delay." Many pastors and laymen have here been interviewed every week, and thousands of communications have gone out to all parts of the District. Small groups and committees have been frequently assembled for consultation to facilitate the work of the Conference at the least possible financial expense.

THE CONFERENCE HISTORY

A by-product of the Sesqui-Centennial plans was the appointment, a year ago, of a committee not only to cooperate with the General Committee, but also "to provide for and have prepared a history of this Conference up to date for the session of 1934." This committee was duly appointed and has held one meeting. The result of its single function will be presented in part on Friday night of this week in this Hall, with Dr. H. L. Elderdice as Chairman, and the Editor, Dr. Shipley, and your

retiring President as speakers.

Inasmuch as the complete details of these matters will be more fully covered in the addresses of Friday night, it is necessary herein only briefly to announce that your President has spent a good portion of nearly half the current year, in addition to his administrative and Church Extension duties, in reading the entire collection of Conference Journals since 1829, and from these and other available sources of information, has endeavored to prepare an Historical Sketch of the Maryland Conference, covering items not included in the Semi-Centennial Sketch prepared in 1881 by Dr. J. T. Murray and Dr. T. H. Lewis found in the Centennial Volume of our Historical Record. This Historical Sketch is hereby presented to this Conference. It matters but little to the writer as to what is done with it, except that he expresses the hope that it will not be entirely discarded and forgotten. Its author has been abundantly blessed, refreshed and enlightened by the research he has made in its preparation. We shall speak of it in detail on Friday evening. The document, however, is now available for reference to any committee which you may desire to name.

THE EXHIBIT

In addition to the sketch above referred to, your President has endeavored through the year to procure photographs of all the churches and parsonages on all the charges of the District in order that he might prepare an Historical Exhibit of the Churches of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. He disclaims altogether the honor of being the artist to arrange these pictures so attractively as you will see them, this function being assumed entirely by his stenographer and our Conference Librarian, Rev. G. M. Clayton.

The exacting ordeal of extracting from the pastors by correspondence and in person these pictures and brief historical data we shall not attempt to recite; but we do regret that the ultimate failure of some of

the pastors to grant our request has forced the admission that the Exhibit is, alas, incomplete. We trust the churches not included on these pages may yet be added to the group, in order that we may have portrayed in pictures in a single volume all the properties of this Conference. This Exhibit is also presented to this body with the hope that it will prove to be an interesting and helpful asset.

THE PROPERTY DEEDS

Another more or less successful attempt by your President, in line with frequent emphasis down through history as to the necessity of correctly written and regularly recorded deeds to all church properties, has been that of assembling for the files of the Church Extension Society, copies of all the deeds to all the properties throughout the Conference. This also has been an almost impossible task, but truly a rewarding one. Pastors and some of their officials have sacrificially endeavored to procure these documents in exact duplicate verbage.

The effort has not only brought into our possession at one place most valuable information concerning title to many properties about which we know actually nothing, but furthermore, it has revealed to local officials in quite a few places the disturbing fact that their property deeds are not on record at all. Steps are being taken already in a few places to correct this sometimes expensive oversight. This effort should be continued until our Church Extension files shall contain the full information. Furthermore, immediate plans should be made to correct the inaccuracies and irregularities revealed in this quest. One of our recommendations concerns this matter.

THE CHARGES

Building and Improvements

The same caution shown last year in the matter of new buildings and expensive improvements has continued, because of the acute financial conditions prevailing. Pastors and their officials have preferred to maintain their local and benevolent budgets rather than to incur heavy expense for building. However, the year has not passed without some such needed improvements to property.

The church at Delmar has been practically rebuilt. With a complete change of architectural design in the front elevation, and brick veneer over the entire building, it is a very attractive structure. The cost was about \$3,300, of which \$1,250 has been raised in cash and most of the remainder covered in subscriptions.

The Afton Church building on Northumberland was destroyed by fire on Sunday, February 11. Insurance to the amount of nearly \$2,000 was collected. The congregation is worshipping in an attractive closed school building nearby, and is engaged in a campaign for funds with which to rebuild at an early date. This is the most active church on the charge.

The parsonage on Cecil charge at Bay View, Maryland, was burned during a very cold February night much to the inconvenience of Pastor Woodward and his wife. From the insurance collected, however, and an aggressive campaign for funds launched immediately by the pastor and his officiary, over \$3,000 was soon made available for rebuilding. The adjoining lot was purchased and an attractive and well equipped semibungalow erected, and is now occupied.

The amount reported raised for building and improvements is \$19,100. Twenty-five charges report having raised \$200 or more on building and improvements, as follows: Cecil (including insurance) \$3400; Delmar \$1250; Trinity (Baltimore) \$800; Bedford \$750; Clayton \$600; Chestertown \$560; Union Bridge and R. I. Ave., each \$500; Harbeson-Lewes and Sharptown each \$450; New Church and Salisbury each \$400; Federalsburg \$375; Centreville-Queen Anne \$360; New Market \$325; Whaleyville, Cherrydale, Starr and Westminster each \$300; Caroline \$275; Kennedyville \$270; Dagsboro \$260; Congress St., Pocomoke and Buckeystown each \$200.

Debts

Many churches have not allowed debts to drag on until financial conditions improve. Six charges report debts all paid. Churches with very large debts have labored faithfully to keep up interest payments, even though no reductions on principal debt can be reported.

Thirty charges report having raised \$250 or more on debts, as follows: Centreville \$2000; Bethesda \$1025; Salisbury and R. I. Ave., each \$1000; Snow Hill \$1230; W. Baltimore \$870; Eutaw and St. John's each \$700; First Church (Wilmington) \$625; Congress St. \$550; First Church (Lynchburg), Mt. Olivet, Bedford, Trinity (Baltimore), Emmanuel, Grace and Hampden, each \$500; Peninsula \$480; Evergreen \$445; Pocomoke and Wilton Hgts., each \$350; Hebron \$315; New Market, Second Church (Lynchburg), and Howard, each \$300; St. Paul \$275; Harbeson-Lewes, Easton and Lauraville each \$250.

The charges report a total of \$20,200 paid on debt.

Pastoral Support

The feverish zeal to reduce amounts set for the support of pastors' families has resulted largely in a reduction of the amount of the weekly offerings by the members, which in many cases was already too small, rather than in bringing the local budget expenses within the current income; so that the same situation has been generally faced,—a deficit about as large as usual and fully as much difficulty in raising it.

For the coming year most of the charges have set the salaries at the same, amount. While twenty charges have seen fit to lower the amount for pastoral support to the extent of \$3700, nevertheless eleven others have courageously taken the opposite course and have increased their pastors' salaries to the extent of nearly \$2000.

It is to be earnestly hoped that our church officials will be mindful of the burdens which many of our pastors are still bearing because of debts incurred for their education, and also the increased automobile expense over that of the average citizen, and prevent, if possible, a re-

duction anywhere else in the entire Conference. On the other hand, may it be that our lay leaders will see the necessity of a thorough membership canvass and regular follow-up, in order that our members may be induced to follow the scriptural plan of dedicating a portion of their income every Sunday of the year. Follow the plan of Paul, the great supervising official, "Concerning the collection. . . . I have given order to the churches." "And we have confidence that ye will do the things we command you."

Concerning tried and well proved plans of church finance, there is no improvement to be made to this.

Evangelistic Results

While there has been apparently no sweeping revival bringing multitudes into the Kingdom, for which many of us do most devoutly pray, yet we rejoice in the fact that a larger evangelistic harvest has been garnered than in either of the past two years. The preliminary reports indicate that there have been 1750 conversions and over 1800 accessions. Eleven hundred members, however, are reported lost through death, transfers and removals, showing, if accurate, a net gain of nearly 700.

The greatest concern we have for our church today is not financial, but spiritual. Our greatest slump during the depression is evidently not in money received and distributed, but in the number of souls saved and enlisted for Christian service.

A quotation from the report of President Kinser of nearly forty years ago was used to express our reaction to the present financial situation. Another sentence from the same report expresses unamended our reaction to the evangelistic situation which faces us: "The best development of the church of today will be found in an intelligent effort to save the lost." Still another from the report of his successor, Dr. A. D. Melvin, in 1900: "Plain practical preaching, 'not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and the power'; accompanied by practical hand to hand and heart to heart work will save men now as well as of old."

The chairman of our Committee on Evangelism, Rev. W. A. Melvin, serving also as Superintendent of Evangelism for the General Conference, is doing a magnificent work for the Kingdom in truly apostolic fashion. His "Won by One Band" now numbers nearly ten thousand endeavoring soul winners, and the actual souls won are reported personally to him by correspondence this year alone is the popular Pentecost number, "three thousand." When we remind ourselves of the joy there is in Heaven over one sinner that repenteth, shall we not rejoice with exceeding joy that so many are being "added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women."

Fourteen pastors have been deprived of the joy of witnessing a single conversion during the entire year, while thirteen admit that they have toiled all the year "and caught nothing" as far as members for their churches are concerned. Brethren, perhaps you need to "cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find;" for twenty of our pas-

tors, with their congregations have been fishing in the same great sea of mankind, in cities and town and country places, and have caught a thousand for Christ and the church.

The charges reporting 25 or more conversions for the year are as follows: Second Church (Lynchburg) 102; Hampden 98; Trinity (Baltimore) 87; Whaleyville 63; St. Paul (Baltimore) 62; Lowe Memorial 60; First Church (Lynchburg) 56; Cherrydale 54; Wilton Heights 44; Edmondson Ave. 41; First Church (Cumberland), and St. Lukes, each 39; Delmar 38; Stewartstown 35; Ridgeville 33; Bivalve 32; Dorchester and Kemptown each 31; Eutaw 29; Grace and Linthicum Heights each 28; First Church (Washington) 26.

Twenty-five or more new members have united with the churches on the following charges: Trinity (Baltimore) 102; Hampden 98; Second Church (Lynchburg), and Cherrydale each 65; Wilton Heights 59; Edmondson Ave. 58; First Church (Cumberland) 53; Lowe Memorial 50; Delmar 46; Ridgeville and Whaleyville each 41; Eutaw 40; Greenwood-Cannon 37; Grace 33; Starr and Stewartstown each 32; Salisbury 31; Kemptown 30; St. Lukes and Wesley Chapel of Kent each 27; Taylor Memorial 26; Mt. Olivet and Linthicum Heights each 25.

Church Registers

The action of this Conference last year in the interest of preserving an accurate record of all our members has met with favorable response on many of our charges. One series of the District Conferences was devoted largely to a helpful discussion on how to use the Church Register. Not all the churches have procured the new register as instructed, some postponing it because of having on hand registers in good condition, and others neglecting it on the basis of a supposed economy.

If the second century of this Conference is to be historically preserved, those of us who are in charge of its affairs in the beginning of it must set a good example to future generations, and make our membership records neat, complete and accurate.

Seventy years ago this Conference by resolution declared it to be "highly important that a correct register of all members be kept," and called upon the pastors to see that it was "strictly and promptly adhered to." One of our recommendations will suggest further progress in this direction.

Home Comings, Anniversaries and Memorials

One of the most delightful and helpful features of the year's work at many of our churches has been the large number of special services as Anniversary celebrations and Home Comings. They have served to bring many people back home to the "church by the side of the road," and to stimulate the work of the Kingdom. Churches like persons grow old, and they likewise deserve to be honored for their countless benefactions to mankind.

The memory of former pastors and members who have long since gone to their rich reward should be freshly maintained on these occasions, in order that their children and children's children may receive inspiration and "Thank God and take courage."

THE BENEVOLENT OFFERINGS

Distinct evidence of progress in this respect is visible among many charges. Another alarming and embarrassing deficit in both the Annual Conference and World Service budgets is evident. However, the deficit trend of the past four "Depression" years has been apparently arrested. During the year over forty of the charges voted officially to adopt the cooperative agreement approved by the Board of Finance and were awarded in each case A Certificate of Cooperation, for having agreed officially upon the policy of a planned regular income for benevolences, maintaining a separate fund for benevolences, and making monthly remittances to the Conference Treasurer. Some of the churches have separate treasurers for benevolent funds whose sole duty is to promote the benevolent budget and to forward amounts regularly to Treasurer Cummins, for use in meeting the current demands of the Conference and the general church. If ever we reach the place of adequate support for all our beloved family of benevolent agencies it will be along this line, and may God speed the day.

Eighteen charges expect to be on the Honor Roll at this Conference for having raised the entire amount assessed upon them for all benevolences. Seventy others expect to receive Honorable Mention for having raised all that was assessed upon them for the interests of the Maryland Conference, while all except twelve have responded with the full amount assessed for administrative expenses.

Maryland Tract Society

Among the favored miscellaneous benevolences which our Conference emphasizes is the Maryland Tract Society, located in our Head-quarters Building. By Conference action a free-will offering is to be taken annually for this cause. Fifty-seven charges have responded to this appeal with a total offering of \$205.

We should enlist every church in support of this great gospel agency. Through its corps of consecrated workers over thirteen thousand visits are made annually into the homes of the poor, with personal conversations, prayer and scripture reading, and constant distribution of tracts and portions of the printed Word. It is laying up treasures in Heaven to place an offering here.

Special for Superannuates

Last year ten of our itinerant ministers were added to our Superannuate roll. We rejoice that none of them has been called from us through the year, save two of the Conference widows. In the meantime the annual income from the Invested Fund has decreased to the extent of over two thousand dollars. This has necessitated an increased graduated percentage of assessment upon the pastors; an appropriation of \$2,500 of our former Church Extension assessment for Superannuates, and a re-

quest for a special offering from each charge of an amount at least equal to that assessed upon the pastor. Sixty pastors have paid to date their assessment to this fund \$1045, and 70 charges have made a free will offering of a total of \$786. By means of this timely cooperation, together with the prompt and efficient service of Mr. F. Murray Benson, Treasurer of the Superannuate Fund Society, in collecting and forwarding the monthly revenue, the Conference Treasurer has been able to pay in full the small allotments made to our Superannuate ministers and widows. Surely this is in line with "pure and undefiled religion."

Group Insurance

Three families have received one thousand dollars each in full payment of policies, one because of the death of the insured, and two because of permanent total disability.

The premium collections, together with the \$2,000 assessment for insurance, has been inadequate to meet the full group premium, and we have been compelled to apply much of the accumulated dividends toward the balance of premium due. As soon as possible a provision should be made to make the premium collections equal to the full amount required, so that our dividends may accrue to a larger superannuate investment fund.

THE MORAL SITUATION

Perhaps we should not anticipate at this early hour the report which shall come before this body for careful consideration from the Committee on Moral Reform. Practically every minister and layman here is aware of the acute lapse in moral conditions at this time. We should individually approach the members of the above mentioned committee and register with them such suggestions as will aid them in bringing before us for careful and prayerful consideration a report that will express in a most specific and emphatic manner exactly what we think of the situation, and what we intend to do about it. Equivocation may appear to some to be the wiser plan, because it is the way of least resistance, and perhaps the least injurious to the feelings of those who are personally involved. But it is not the part of Christian valor to be timid or evasive in so vital a matter as this. Like Jesus, we must despise and denounce their sins, and use the keys of the Kingdom to open the doors thereof to those only who express a determination to leave their cherished sins behind them.

Temperance

After a century of education and agitation, we witnessed fourteen years ago the writing of a Prohibitory Amendment, concerning intoxicating liquors, into the Federal Constitution. Then followed a period of expensive apathy on the part of the church, and of unprecedented propaganda and falsification on the part of the aroused sponsors of this outlawed traffic. We have seen that Amendment repealed, and our nation imitate the dog that "is turned to his vomit again; and the sow that was

washed to her wallowing in the mire." Exactly like the evil spirit about which spake our Lord, this wicked thing in our day has gone out and taken seven others, and they have now entered in to dwell among us; and it is only a matter of a little time when the "last state' will undoubtedly be "worse than the first."

In the year the writer of this report was born Maryland had driven legalized liquor from ten of its twenty-three counties. In the year just past it welcomed back this same evil with legal protection into every county save one.

The most alarming phase of this great question is that which involves the members and families of our own churches. While, thank God, a remnant, perhaps proportionally as great as those in Elijah's day—who had not bowed to Baal, are still the sworn arch enemies of this foe of society, yet it is literally true that many of our people have been deceived into thinking it now a respectable thing. Applications to sell liquor have been signed by members of our churches. Alas, some of our people have yielded to the lure of financial gains, surrendered their convictions, forfeited their good name for the great riches offered, and have actually gone into the business of selling this demon rum for a living. After having accepted our invitation into the fellowship of a church which has always stood four square against this evil, they are now willing to put a stigma upon the good name of the church they profess to love, and support with their money.

This astonishing situation carries us back over a half century ago, when this very Conference memorialized the General Conference for such "ecclesiastical legislation as will protect our churches from the pernicious influence of all rum-selling and rum-drinking members and from the reproach brought upon them through members who engage in the traffic of intoxicating liquors or sign applications for liquor licenses." A few years later in 1888 the legislative body of the church declared itself thus: "That any member who makes, sells, or signs application for license to sell, or rents property for the purpose of selling any spirituous liquors as a beverage is guilty of immorality, and shall be dealt with accordingly." "So long as this continues," said our fathers in this Conference, "the cause of Christ is humiliated." "Such offenders should be brought to speedy trial," said they, "and be expelled."

We shall cover more of this point in our historical address on Friday night.

It is time for aggressive and specific action along all lines—education, evangelization, crusade for legislation and redemption of victims from the curse. Our Committee on Moral Reform will submit a method of approach to a solution of this acute problem. Our national leaders professing to champion, like Jeroboam, the over burdened and "forgotten man," have already made for themselves a reputation like that of Jeroboam "who made Israel to sin." We must begin again to remove this accursed thing from our national life.

Lord's Day Observance

Equally as rapid as the backward step in the matter of temperance, is the wayward trend of the feet of our people from the Sabbath, doing

their own pleasure on God's holy day and speaking their own words concerning it, rather than the Divine warnings against forgetting it.

The Executive Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance will appear in person before this Conference, and our Committee on Moral Reform will present a definite program of cooperation with this interdenominational organization for the preservation of the Divinely instituted Day.

Gambling

The popularity of race track and other forms of gambling recreations and sports is sufficiently acute to arouse our God-fearing people to a crusade of reform against them. The zeal of many of our municipal, State and national leaders to secure a balanced budget more rapidly by the establishment of legalized lotteries, and protected gambling dens, ought to determine the course of action for every Christian voter in selecting his candidates for offices of public trust, both in the primaries and the general election. But there is a far more acute problem awaiting our immediate attention in the actual existence of gambling devices and functions for raising funds in some of our churches. Card parties with luring prizes are being resorted to as a means of procuring church funds. Raffles by personal solicitation, public advertisement, and social and commercial functions are used to supply our treasuries.

The consciences of our people are being numbed by customs born of the multitude which do evil.

Ringing rebuke must resound from our pulpits in the name of Him who despises such things, even when done presumably in His name. Kind but firm restraint against such methods must be personally given to our people who sometimes "have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge." While there is "need of patience" that we may do "the will of God," there is also need of haste to stem the tide of worldliness, and of questionable forms of commercialism in our little flocks to which is given the promise of the Kingdom.

Our Committee on Manual Revision will submit a change of wording in the Regulation entitled "Lotteries." We most heartily recommend its adoption, and strictest observance, whatever the apparent cost in dollars and cents. We can never obtain the favor of Him whose we are and whom we serve, in our efforts to promote the interests of His Kingdom, if we invite His disfavor in the methods we follow to finance them.

The Bequests and Benevolent Gifts

Pastors in some cases replied to our question concerning bequests in the affirmative, with the amounts, but failed to name the testators. Everyone of these benefactors of our beloved church should be recorded by name in the journals of this Conference, and perpetuated in grateful memory in our sacred archives. Legacies are reported as follows: Elizabeth Church is made residuary legatee in the will of Moses Baiz; to Fawn Grove Church \$100; to Congress Street Church \$100, by Miss Emma Beale; to Centreville Church \$2,150 by Sidney Jump; to New Hope Church on Whaleyville \$100 by Mrs. Martha J. Duncan; to Brookville Church \$6,000 by T. N. Ordorf; to Salisbury Church \$1,000 by Mrs. Mary P. Ward; to North Caro-

lina Avenue Church \$500 by Miss Mary L. Stephens; to First Church, Newark, \$1,500 by A. A. Ripple and \$1,000 by Mrs. Marietta White.

Encouragement should be given our people who desire that their good works may follow them in specific form after they shall have rested from their labors, to provide annuities in their life-time and bequests in their wills for their churches and their Conference funds for Superannuates, Church Extension, Home for the Aged, or our general educational and missionary boards and institutions. A recommendation will later suggest a method of cooperation in this important function.

The St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society have generously aided through the President in keeping the "wolf from the door," of some of our parsonages. The depression has decreased the income of these organizations but their benefactions are many and beautiful. May our Heavenly Father raise up many even in our century to provide trust funds like these to do for our spiritual successors in distress what the founders of these societies did with their earthly possessions.

THE COOPERATING CONFERENCE AGENCIES

Standing and special committees and representatives of the various societies and boards will report for them and speak in their behalf. It is therefore enough merely to mention them here and most heartily endorse the constructive recommendations which will be subsequently made in their behalf at this session.

Church Home

This haven of rest for our faithful men and women lingering in the twilight zone of earthly life, will have its thirty-eighth anniversary July 15. From two inmates at the beginning, the circle has been enlarged by others to twenty-six. Many have gone to the "rest that remaineth for the people of God." We most heartily commend the management of this Home on the part of those in charge of it directly and indirectly.

Ministers' and Young People's Summer Functions

The Summer Conference for Ministers will convene soon for its twenty-fourth consecutive session. Its program will be announced during this session. The ministers of this entire Conference should, if at all possible, avail themselves of this helpful privilege.

The Summer Training School with an improved curriculum, will be held the last week in July. Its attractive and timely features will be presented for favorable consideration later in this session. It deserves our best thought and heartiest cooperation.

Women's Auxiliary Branches and Deaconess Work

Maryland is the only Conference in our denomination to have two Branch auxiliaries operating in behalf of the general interests of the church. They are defying depression and surmounting every obstacle by meeting their entire apportionments. Representatives will be heard on Friday afternoon, following the report of the Committee on Missions.

Miss Lillian N. DeMoss continues her work among the churches under the direction of the Deaconess Board. Her valued services are available anywhere in the District.

Church Extension

The report of the Board of Managers at the annual meeting of the Society on Friday morning will contain an accurate account of the work of this department through the year. The President of the Conference, acting also as Superintendent of Church Extension for the fourth consecutive year, has sought to simplify the financial problems of this Society, and the plans have met with a most gratifying response. Our creditors now number less of banking institutions and more of churches with trust funds, and individuals within the churches. A few years ago practically all our large interest payments were made to disinterested banks and institutions. Now, over one-half of the total appropriations from our Conference benevolent funds for the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society goes back into the churches as interest on investments.

The report will show no elaborate building program in this department, but distinct progress toward a new era of church extension in the near future.

Our Headquarters

One of the most important matters to be considered at this session relates directly to our Headquarters Building at 516 North Charles Street, Baltimore. Consideration of this vital subject has entirely passed the conjectural stage. It must now result in specific action. We have much to gain by meeting the emergency frankly and courageously, and we have everything to lose of all we ever had in this respect, together with heavy obligations which would not be cancelled by foreclosure proceedings. Of course we will meet the emergency.

The Conference Trustees will bring the matter to our attention tomorrow afternoon with specific proposals. Your President is familiar with every phase of this inevitable emergency, and he most heartily endorses the proposed plan.

President's Parsonage

During the incumbent's occupancy of this comfortable home many needed improvements have been made, including papering throughout, painting and renovating the floors, and new cement side-walks. The percentage of the assessed salary turned over to the Agent, Mr. J. Frank Brown, has more than met these expenses, and a considerable surplus is in hand. There is need of new furniture and other improvements. The Agent's report will come before you.

THE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Sesqui-Centennial. That an enlarged special committee be appointed to represent this Conference in cooperation with similar committees from Conferences of the other two Methodist bodies, in the completion of the plans for and the promotion of the Sesqui-Centennial of

Methodism to take place in October of this year, and that at least ten delegates to this Sesqui-Centennial be elected by this Conference.

- 2. Property Title Deeds. That a committee be appointed, with the President to be elected at this session, as Chairman, to complete if possible the collection of copies of deeds to all our church and parsonage properties, to examine all copies in hand, labeling each one to indicate briefly the provisions in the deed; and that, in the cases of churches which have no deeds recorded, or whose deeds are defective, to proceed as far as possible to procure adequate property titles.
- 3. Superannuates. That the plan of cooperation to supplement the fund for distribution, in order not to lower the percentage in each case, adopted last year, be continued for another year.
- 4. Church Register Instruction. That the Committee on Itinerary and Orders, either through one of its capable Examiners, or a special appointee of the Committee, instruct each candidate, who receives favorable consideration, as to how to prepare and maintain an accurate and uniform register of church membership.
- 5. Bequests and Annuities. That a form for the making of Bequests and Annuities, with encouraging suggestions, be prepared by capable legal authority, to be printed in the Journal, and if possible circulated among our people.
- 6. Church Extension. In view of the fact that during the periods of our greatest growth in this department, the churches of Baltimore, the District of Columbia, and of the Delmarva Peninsula were organized into local societies of Church Extension, that we proceed to encourage as far as possible the formation of Church Extension groups to promote new projects where needed, in their districts, and to render such aid as possible to churches with extension programs.
- 7. Districts. That either through the Board of Survey and Extension, or through a special committee, there be a revision of District boundaries in order to provide the President with the greatest possible cooperation in the various sections of the Conference. That this Committee take under advisement also the matter of preparing the list of appointments in Districts, rather than as at present, and to report at this session.

THE RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT

I cannot close this report, dear friends, without forgetting a bit of modesty and using boldly the singular form of the first personal pronoun for a few moments of observation.

In these five memorable years, unusual privileges have been granted me to serve the church we all love and without any hardship to myself. I have made nearly eight hundred official visits to churches, preached or made addresses over six hundred times, and conducted fully three hundred meetings with pastors and church officials.

The Conference and Church Extension financial problems, acute as they were when caught by the overwhelming depression, have been solved in large part, and brought to a point of absolute security by nothing short of Divine wisdom imparted to poor finite minds.

The Liquidation League was promoted in defiance of a distressing drought and increasing financial depression, resulting in the raising of twenty-two thousand dollars in cash,—an amount which virtually meant the difference between solvency and bankruptcy for our church extension treasury.

The Conference Board of Finance has been created and has faithfully cooperated in a program of strictest economy of administration, and protection to an endangered treasury.

The Seminary Endowment Campaign was launched and successfully conducted to a point of surprising achievement in view of depressing financial conditions.

The Districts have been partially organized, and conferences helpfully conducted quarterly for four consecutive years, greatly stimulating our lagging local churches and cheering the faint-hearted in a time when weariness needed no alibi.

New church buildings have been erected at Calvary, Va., Bethesda and West Baltimore, First Church (Wilmington), Mariners and two on Bedford; and new organizations with adequate property equipment have been received at Claremont and Second Church (Lynchburg).

New parsonages have been erected or purchased at Friendship, Ridgeville, Second Church in Lynchburg, and Cecil.

Elaborate additions and improvements have been made to our properties at Cambridge, First Church (Lynchburg), Starr, Oak Grove and Prince George, Providence on Kemptown, Mt. Tabor on Deer Creek, Hebron, Snow Hill, Federalsburg and St. James.

More than a quarter of a million dollars have been raised on building and improvements in the five years, with one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars on debts, and about as much for interest on these debts.

The debt of the Conference treasury has been reduced from seventeen thousand and three hundred dollars to ten thousand and five hundred dollars, with the prospect of another substantial reduction at this Conference session.

The custom of making loans for current Conference expenses and deficits has been arrested, and heavy interest items saved to our Treasury.

Over thirty-five thousand dollars in bequests to various churches and agencies have been reported.

The full membership of the churches has reached and maintained its maximum point in history beyond thirty-five thousand.

Ten thousand conversions have occurred in our various pastorates, and ten thousand eight hundred members have been added to the churches.

I come, now, my fellow ministers and lay leaders, to hand the duties of this important and sacred office over to another whom you will soon choose by franchise.

You have honored me with the largest total number of votes ever received by one elected to this position, a total of 840 votes out of 1035 cast in five years—an honor so far beyond my merit as to humble me

immeasurably. God has graciously preserved my health and guarded me "in journeyings often" as I have engaged "in labours more abundant," if not in verbal "stripes above measures;" "in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in weariness, and painfulness, in watchings often;" in the "care of all the churches." Only one day's engagements in the five years have been cancelled because of health, and on that day a terrific storm would have prevented them anyhow.

The ministers and their wonderful families, as well as many of our laymen, have manifested a beautiful hospitality in their homes. I shall never forget them.

"Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified even as it is with you. . . . And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God."

LEONARD B. SMITH, President.

June 13, 1934.

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COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 32)

Your committee has considered the splendid report of the President and appreciates his wise and untiring leadership. We thank God for the spirit of optimism, the strong faith and hope in God found therein. The report is proof that God has graciously bestowed upon him such health and strength that he was able during his five years as President to make eight hundred official visits, preach or make addresses over 600 times, and conduct three hundred meetings with pastors and church officials, the added work of Church Extension, with its financial problems, and, in the midst of a great depression speaks of but one thing—"surely God was with him and leading him."

During the last five years the membership of the churches has reached and maintained its maximum point of more than thirty-five thousand. Ten thousand conversions and ten thousand eight hundred members added to the churches, and while many of the churches have been unable to maintain their high standard of financial support of the Conference and its progress, yet during the time, through the Liquidation League, twenty-two thousand dollars in cash has been raised, relieving the pressure on our Church Extension Treasury.

The passing of one of our beloved ministers and two ministers' widows and the wife of one of our active pastors to a better home is noted and we join with our President in sympathy for their loved ones and pray God's richest blessings upon them.

The Quarterly District Conferences continue to prove beneficial and helpful to the work of the Kingdom. We observe that the attendance has been on the increase, resulting in great good to the churches and a better understanding of the Conference program.

We note with great pleasure that this Conference is represented on the general committee and all subcommittees of the Sesqui-Centennial of Methodism. We believe that cooperation and participation in this celebration should be continued.

The Conference History compiled by the President, entailing months of research and labor is most illuminating and should be preserved by the Conference in some form to be decided by this body. This labor should

not go for nought.

The Historical Exhibit prepared by the President, ably assisted by the Conference Librarian is another worthy achievement of the year, yet we regret that it is not complete, since some of the brethren have failed to cooperate in sending pictures and information regarding the various churches of the Conference. We believe this work should be continued until this exhibit is complete in every detail.

The assembling of the property deeds or copies, of the churches and parsonages of the Conference in some central point under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Society is a splendid move in the right direction and this endeavor should be further pursued until all deeds are filled with

the proper authorities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. The Sesqui-Centennial.—We concur in the recommendation for the appointing by the President of at least ten delegates to this anniversary to be held in Baltimore in October, 1934.
- 2. Property Title Deeds.—Believing in the importance of the assembling of the property deeds in the care of the Church Extension Society we endorse this recommendation.
 - 3. Superannuates.—We concur in this recommendation.
 - 4. Church Register Instruction.—We concur in this recommendation.
- 5. Bequests and Annuities.—We endorse the naming of a capable legal authority to prepare a form of bequests and annuities, the same to be printed in the Conference Minutes annually, the President to name the attorney.
- 6. Church Extension.—Since our greatest growth in church extension occurred when we had church extension societies organized in various parts of the Conference, we heartily endorse this recommendation.
- 7. District.—The revision of the district boundaries seems imperative, therefore we concur in this recommendation.
- 8. The Conference History.—We recommend the naming of a committee of three and author to be entrusted with the Conference History and such committee to have the same printed if considered advisable.

J. A. DUDLEY, Chairman, H. A. KESTER, Secretary, H. L. SCHLINKE, THOMAS G. PEARCE, E. H. DAVIS, W. E. RITCHIE.

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REPORT A-2

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AGENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

For Year Ending May 31, 1934

For Year Ending may by		
Cash balance May 31, 1933	\$	251.94
Remittance from Conference Treasurer		818.75
Amount to be accounted for	\$1	,070.69
Expenditures		
To Central Fire Insurance Company-		
On account of Principal of Mortgage\$	500.00	
Interest on Mortgage	137.50	
Water Rent to Baltimore Tax Collector	26.50	
Rugs and Mats	78.19	
Painting and Supplies	21.44	
Repairs	55.25	
Federal Check Tax	.08	
Total expenditures	\$	818.96

J. FRANK BROWN, Agent.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

Cash balance on hand May 31, 1934.....\$

Special Appointments

Editor Methodist Protestant-RecorderR. L. Shipley 3
President High Point College
President Western Maryland College
Professor Western Maryland CollegeLawrence Little 1
President Westminster Theological SeminaryF. G. Holloway 3
Professor Westminster Theological Seminary
Secretary Board of Missions G. W. Haddaway 9
President Westminster College, Tehuacana, TexasC. A. Sutton 1

Loaned

Board of Missions	Paul M. Cassen10
Dourd of Missions	Paul F. Warner 9
	W. H. Hodges 4
	C. G. Soderbom 5
	A. G. Lynch 2
Chaplain United States Army	J. R. Wright17
Salvation Army	J. T. Fenby 3

Supernumerary

Supernumerary				
Clayborne Phillips 2	P. M. Lue Rutz 2			
Superan	nuates			
	Yrs.			
Yrs.	G. A. Morris 3			
G. F. Farring17	D. W. Anstine 2			
J. L. Elderdice14	J. W. Parris 2			
G. J. Hill14	J. W. Parris			
P. L. Rice14	J. McL. Brown2			
S. W. Coe12	A. H. Green			
Dorsey Blake 9	J. L. Nichols			
S. F. Cassen 8				
George Hines 7	C. H. Dobson			
B. W. Kindley 7	A. W. Betts 2			
W. S. Hanks 6	C. S. Marshall 2			
J. A. Wright 6	J. F. Wooden 1			
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Baltimore:	TowsonA. W. Ewell 3			
BethesdaG. M. Clayton 11	TrinityW. L. Hoffman 2			
BrooklynCarroll Maddox 2	VioletvilleW. B. Judefind 18			
CalvaryA. F. T. Raum 5	Violetville W. B. Judenila 10			
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East BaltimoreJ. L. Ward 3	BedfordW. H. Stone, Jr. 2			
Edmondson AveL. B. Smith 1	Bel AirC. K. McCaslin 5			
EutawR. W. White 3	BivalveF. J. Phillips 1			
EvergreenJ. F. Bryan 3	BuckeystownC. E. Dryden 8			
Glen Burnie W. F. Wright 8	CambridgeT. C. Mulligan 8			
GraceN. O. Gibson 2	CarolineW. T. Archer 3			
HampdenE, D. Stone 22	Carroll CtC. F. Cummins 1			
Assistant, SupplyA. C. Ford 1	CecilE. C. Woodward 4			
HowardH. C. Burkins 3	CentrevilleL. C. Randall 3			
Keen MemorialLouis Randall 1	Chestertown W. H. Litsinger 1			
LauravilleC. M. Adams 1	ClaremontJ. M. Kay 3			
Linthicum Heights	ClaytonC. M. Cullum 2			
E. C. Makosky 4	Crisfield:			
Lowe MemorialW. A. Melvin 19	Mt. PleasantC. M. Elderdice 2			
MarleyG. R. Donaldson 6	MarinersJ. R. McKeawn 3			
Nichols MemB. A. Bryan 2	CumberlandG. E. Baughman 2			
	Cumberland CtW. K. Lyons 2			
	DagsboroC. M. Jenkins 1			
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DorchesterW. C. Mumford 5	ParksleyJ. W. Baxley 2
Dover-LeipsicW. F. Bauscher 5	Philadelphia:
DoylesburgIra M. Dinkle 2	EmmanuelD. K. Sturgis 2
EastonE. T. Read 15	St. Lukes
ElizabethJ. W. Balderston 15	Taylor MemN. C. Clough 3
Fairfax	Pipe CreekW. H. Stone 2
Fawn GroveK. H. Wareheim 5	PittsvilleF. M. Volk 3
FederalsburgG. E. Leister 8	Pocomoke CityP. W. Crosby 1
FinksburgE. W. Simms 2	Poplar Springs L. W. Gordon 1
First Church,	PowellvilleH. N. Nicklas 2
NewarkJ. A. Dudley 3	RelianceSupplied by Pastors
FrederickG. E. Wunder 3	of Seaford and Sharptown 5
FriendshipUnder	RidgevilleB. I. Barnes 5
care of D. W. Anstine, Sup. 2	St. JamesJ. L. Marker 7
GeorgetownRussell Sapp 1	St. MichaelsE. H. Keehner 1
GreenbackvilleO. G. Brewer 4	SalisburyJ. L. Green 1
Greenbush-	Seaford
HallwoodA. W. Simms 3	SharptownM. E. Hungerford 4
Greenwood-CannonG. A. Ogg 1	Snow HillJ. W. Townsend 1
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J. H. Mark, Supply 3	Trinity-Satemanner 22.
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P. M. R. Schauer 5	Wallace Mem
Harper's FerryStephen Galley 3	Warwick Leslie Werner, Supply 2
HarringtonH. L. Schlincke 1	
HebronF. M. Clift 1	Washington: AlexandriaTo be Supplied
Hurlock	CalvaryT. G. Betschler 1
Indian River-To be Supplied	CherrydaleJ. A. Trader 6
KemptownG. E. Turner 1	Congress StH. A. Kester 7
KennedyvilleL. E. Haddaway 2	First ChurchC. L. Dawson 4
Kent Island-Wye J. P. George 3	Lewis Mem W. A. Roberts 5
LaurelJ. G. Eaton 2	Mt. Olivet G. E. McDorman 3
Laurel CtLee Elliott, Supply 7	Mt. TaborF. W. Siffrin 4
LeedsF. A. Holland 1	N. C. AveG. E. Brown 5
Liberty-LewistownH. G. Hager 3	R. I. AveR. Y. Nicholson 9
Lynchburg:	Walker's Chapel &
First ChurchJ. H. Lynch 11	Ft. Myer Hgts.J. J. VonHagel 3
Second ChurchG. W. Ports 5	Wesley Chapel of Kent
Tyreanna	W. A. Donaway 2
Willard Sylvester, Supply 2	Westminster J. E. Cummings 2
MardelaG. S. Ross 5	Whaleyville Ellsworth Jennings 2
Maryland LineM. E. Dearholt 4	Wilmington:
MilfordJ. T. Bailey 1	First ChurchT. R. Woodford 1
MiltonO. W. Prince 3	PeninsulaW. P. Roberts 3
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REPORT B

SECRETARY'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 19)

To The Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Friends:

Through the goodness of God it is our privilege to meet again in our Annual Conference session. May we honor Him throughout this session as never before. As Secretary, I take pleasure in submitting my seventh annual report.

Credentials: All credentials have been carefully examined and with the following results: All credentials show the election of delegates to have been held according to disciplinary requirements, that is, at least ten days before the sitting of the annual conference. The following charges present their credentials signed by the pastor: Carroll Circuit, Harmony and New Church. This is a violation of our Manual as shown in Regulation 19, however, for this session, I recommend that the delegates be seated. No credentials have been received from Fairfax, Indian River, 2nd. Church of Lynchburg and Tyreanna.

Minutes: According to conference action we are printing 2,000 copies of the Minutes and these are distributed on the basis of one copy to every twenty members of the church. This takes 1776 copies for our charges, 23 copies to our Superannuates, 20 copies to men doing special work or in Supernumerary relation, 41 to the widows of ministers, 10 to General Conference Officers and other concerns who make special request, 10 to detached churches and 25 for the use of the Conference President, Secretary and Treasurer. All these make a total of 1905 copies. But there are 65 charges that receive less than ten copies (not enough for members of their official boards). If the Secretary should try to make these up to ten, it will take more copies than we have printed. It seems to the Secretary that some consideration should be given this matter as our present plan does not satisfy our churches.

Resignation: Permit me to have another word. This conference session shows that I have given seventeen years of service to the secretarial work of this conference. Four years were given as an assistant with Rev. Sherman Phillips, six years as an assistant with Dr. Humphreys and Dr. Shipley, and the last seven years as Secretary. I have tried always, despite my many mistakes, to do the work of this office for the best interests of my conference, and where errors have occurred, to know they were not purposely done. One good brother minister in writing me about an error, said, "yours is a thankless task, you will have to get your reward in heaven." I do not know that my name will even be considered this afternoon, but take this opportunity of asking the conference not to consider me for re-election. The work of this office entails many hours of work not only during the conference session but throughout the year, yet it has been a pleasure to do it for the conference and I record my appreciation of your cooperation and confidence in me

through the years. At the same time I wish to thank the men who have so ably and willingly assisted me in this work.

With all good wishes for my successor and a willingness to serve wherever it is possible, I am,

Sincerely,

G. J. HOOKER, Secretary.

REPORT C

TREASURER'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 36)

Westminster, Maryland June 18, 1934

To the President and Members of the Maryland Conference;

Brethren:-

I have the honor to submit a report showing receipts and expenditures for the period June 20, 1933 to May 31, 1934. We desire to call attention to the plan that has been successful during the past few years relative to forwarding the president's salary during the months requested. It is sincerely hoped that every church will promptly forward these funds when notified to do so. The plan of forwarding Maryland Conference funds monthly, although in its infancy, has to a large extent been placed in operation by our rural charges. If during the present year they will continue this system, and the churches in the cities adopt the same method it will assist greatly in meeting regularly our financial obligations. It has been noticed on several occasions that funds obtained on special days for General Conference interests have been withheld for months and sometimes until the close of the Conference year. Help us to relieve their burden by forwarding funds obtained on special days within a reasonable time after they are received. Permit me to express my deep appreciation of your confidence in again selecting me as treasurer for the ensuing year. I shall endeavor to render faithful and efficient service with a view to placing into operation methods whereby the expression of your confidence may have the consideration it so justly deserves.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer.

BUDGET A—PRESIDENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES (Assessment \$4,500.00)

	Receip	ts
Balance from y	ear 1932-1933	\$1,001.11
Surplus from	Transportation—1933	151.20
Received from	district	4,421.70

Total \$ 5,574.01

\$ 43,651.10

Disbursements

Expenses	4,050.00	AL ar
Transmitted to Agent for Parsonage	300.00	
Balance	1,224.01	
Total	\$	5,574.01

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BUDGET B-MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE INTERESTS

(Assessment-\$39,050.00)

Receipts

Balance from year 1932-1933	\$2,448.19	
From District	28,998.38	
From Pastors—		
Assessment-percentage on salary	1,044.55	
Obligations due the conference		
From Churches—Superannuate Special		
From F. Murray Benson-Treas. Superannuate Society		
Funds-Tract Society	209.75	
Miscellaneous	571.48	
Total	\$	43,651.10

Disbursements

Superannuates & Insurance\$	22,485.60
Board of Survey & Church Extension-	
Church Appropriation & Clerical Asst.—	
Churches\$4,545.00	
Clerical 520.00	5,065.00
Supplemental Salaries	1,675.00
Headquarters Building	1,310.00
Incidental Expenses	2,452.95
Our Church Home	4,500.00
Presidents Parsonage Fund	568.75
Religious Education	200.00
Maryland Tract Society	209.75
Payment on Loans-Union National Bank, Westminster	
Maryland	3,079.32
Interest on Loans-Union National Bank, Westminster,	MEN.
Maryland	630.74
Federal Tax	16.54
Balance on hand and in bank	1,457.45

\$ 5,065.00

DETAILED STATEMENT

SUPERANNUATES	
Receipts	
From District\$6,684.13	
From F. Murray Benson-Treas 9,000.00	
Superannuate Assessment—Special—Conference 1,855.89	
Superannuate Assessment—Special—Churches 935.87	
Superannuate—Pastors Assessment	rest to a
Superannuate—Pastors Obligations	Aller In S
Difference	
Total\$	00 405 60
Total	22,485.60
Disbursements	
Disbursements	
Authorized Payments to Superannuates	
(10 Monthly Distributions.)\$20,485.60	
Premium on Group Insurance Policy 2,000.00	
	00 405 60
Total\$	22,485.60
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DETAILED STATEMENT	
BOARD OF CURVEY AND CHURCH EXTENSION	
BOARD OF SURVEY AND CHURCH EXTENSION	
From District\$8,540.03	
Total\$	8,540.03
Disbursements	
Board of Managers, Churches and Clerical	
Howard—on debt\$ 150.00	
Board of Managers—Lauraville 400.00	
First Church —Wilmington	
Board of Managers—Bethesda Church	
Board of Managers—Edmondson Ave. Church	
Double of Managers Carrary of the minimum	
Calvary Church—Parsonage Debt 200.00	
Board of Managers—Fort Myer Heights	3
Board of Managers-Lewis Mem. Church 560.00	
Evergreen on Debt	1.00
\$4,545.00	
Secretary to President	
Decreasing to 1 resident	

Supplemental Salaries		
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Caramba alemilla Va	100.00	
Vannadywilla	200.00	
Want Island Wwo	100.00	
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Markhambarland Va	50.00	
Emmanual Phila	50.00	
Denley Chringe	100.00	
Powellville	50.00	
Caint Michaela	100.00	
Whaleysville	100.00	
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Total	\$	1,675.00
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Headquarters Building		
Headquarters Building\$	1,310.00	
Difference	490.03	
Total	\$	1,800.03
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Total	\$	8,540.03
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DETAILED STATEMENT		
INCIDENTALS		
Receipts		1.7
From District	\$	1,855.90
Funds—Offering—Annual Conference—1933	115.58	
Funds—Offering—Group Meetings	68.77	
Funds—Texas—1932-1933	55.00	
Funds—1exas—1502-1505	45.00	
Funds—Hallwood—1932-1933	28.00	
	30.00	
Funds—Chateau—1932-1933		
Funds—Trans. & Ent.—1932-1933	31.19	
Funds—General Conference Delegation	105.00	
Funds—Temperance Literature	92.94	
	571.48	
Difference	25.00	4
Total	\$	2,452.95

Disbursements

Disbursements		
President: Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc	\$	224.99
Secretary: Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc		16.25
Treasurer: Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationary, etc		166.97
Salaries:		
Secretary	50.00	
Steward	50.00	
Treasurer	500.00	
-	\$	600.00
Printing:		
Minutes	448.50	
Minutes—Postage	24.86	
General	125.00	
_	\$	598.36
Multigraphing:		
Letters for President and Treasurer		37.80·
Stationery:		
Books, etc.		35.05
Committees:		
Auditing	10.26	
Evangelistic	100.00 \$	110.26
Miscellaneous:	φ	110.20
Annual Conference\$	17.50	
Group Meetings—Expenses	78.00	
Glenburnie—Refund	10.00	
Oscar Buck—Honorarium	107.00	
Repairs—Adding Machine	20.85	
Repairs—Typewriter	15.00	*
Summer Conference	200.00	
Telephone	134.86	
Temperance Literature	67.56	
Treasurers Bond	12.50	
	\$	633.27
Total	\$	2,452.95

DETAILED STATEMENT OUR CHURCH HOME

Receipts

From District\$	4,454.15	
Difference	45.85	
Total	\$	4,500.00

Disbursements				
Paid James Pearre Wantz—Treasurer\$4,500.0	0			
Total	_ \$	4,500.00		
DETAILED STATEMENT				
PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE				
Receipts				
From District\$ 446.5	57			
Difference	.8			
	-			
Total	\$	568.75		
Payment on Loan)0 75			
Total	\$	568.75		
DETAILED STATEMENT				
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION				
Receipts				
From District\$ 150.	79			
Difference	21			
Total	_ \$	200.00		
Disbursements				
Paid—Dr. Thos. C. Mulligan—Treasurer\$ 200.0	0			
1	- 100 - 100	CONTRACT NAMES		
Total	\$	200.00		
STATEMENT SHOWING CONDITION OF LOANS NEGOTIATED TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE Receipts				
Received from District	92			
	-			
Total	\$	5,010.92		
Disbursements Amount Paid on Loan\$3,079.	00			
Amount Paid—Interest on Loan				
Difference				
Total	-	5,010.92		
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\$ 1,231.50

SUMMARY

SUMMARY				
Amount of Deficit—Gratitude Gift Loan Fund—1929\$8,000.00				
Amount of Deficit—Close of Conference Year—1929 7,768.33				
Amount of Deficit—Close of Conference Year—1930 1,458.65				
Interest on Loans—June 1, 1933 to May 31, 1934 630.74				
Total\$	17,857.72			
Amount Paid on Loans—1930-1931\$3,000.00				
Amount Paid on Loans-1931-1932 726.98				
Amount Paid on Loans-1932-1933 1,500.00				
Paid Loans—1933-1934—From Dist. \$919.04				
From Group Ins. 580.96 1,500.00				
Paid Loans—1933-1934 2,160.28				
Amount Paid—Interest on Loans—1933-1934 630.74				
Amount Remaining Unpaid on Loans 8,339.72				
. Total\$	17,857.72			
BUDGET C—GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET	×			
(Assessment \$88,000.00)				
Receipts				
Amount Received from District\$19,404.44				
Amount Received from Y. P. Missionary Union · 500.00				
Total\$	19,904.44			
Disbursements				
Paid General Conference Treasurer\$19,904.44				
Total\$	19,904.44			
For detailed statement of funds raised for the several inter Report of Conference Steward.	rests, see			
TRANSPORTATION AND ENTERTAINMENT FUND				
TRANSPORTATION				
Receipts				
For Pastors\$ 645.50				
For Delegates				

Disbursements		
For Pastors		547.50
		476.00
	Mr. 11' Lines Dontomo oto	

Miscellaneous-Multigraphing, Postage etc. Multigraphing\$ 3.22 Postage 10.00 Tax 2.84 16.06 Balance 191.94

> 1.231.50 Total

ENTERTAINMENT

Receipts

Amount Received\$1,863.51 Total 1,863.51

Disbursements

Amount Paid to Dr. A. N. Ward\$1,863.51 Total 1,863.51

REPORT C1 GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

Westminster, Md. June 15, 1934

To the President and Members of the Maryland Annual Conference

Greetings:-

We desire to submit for your consideration an itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements necessary to continue in force the group insurance. It will be seen, the premium to be paid annually is steadily increasing. While it is not necessary at this time to make a readjustment of the plan to meet this obligation, it must in a short time receive due consideration. It was necessary this year to use the entire amount of dividends accumulated, owing to the fact that so many of the members failed to meet this obligation April 1st the date when due and payable. We now have on hand and in bank a balance of \$1,279.05 which will be safely guarded in order that it may be applied for this specific purpose next year. In addition to this, one hundred dollars is due and payable from delinquents. With this sum on hand and prompt payment of premiums when due it would seem that very little of the dividend should be used. I desire to again request that the sum of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars be added to the superannuate assessment to meet the group insurance.

STATEMENT OF AMOUNT OF INSURANCE

May 31, 1934—152 Members	\$152,000.00
1933 Recei	pts
June, 19—Balance Brought Forward 1934.	\$1,480.00
May, 1-From Maryland Conference	2,000.00
May 12-From Dividends	
May, 31—From Members	
Total	\$ 6,449.48
Disburse	ements
1933	
June, 26-Paid Union National Bank-	-Westminster\$ 580.96
1934	
May, 1-Payment on Premium. (Conf	erence) 2,000.00
May 12-Dividend applied on Premiur	n 1,359.48
May 12-Federal tax	
May 12-Payment on Premium (From	
May 31—Balance on Hand	1,279.05
Total	\$ 6,449.48
SUMM	ARY
Receipts	Disbursements
Balance\$1,480.00	Paid Union Nat. Bank\$ 580.96
From Md. Conference 2,000.00	Paid Assessment 4,589.43
From Members 1,610.00	Federal Tax
Total Dividend 1,359.48	Accumulated Div
H 400 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	Balance on hand and in

\$ 6,449.48

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer and Conference Group Insurance Representative

REPORT C-2

Westminster, Maryland May 11, 1934.

bank 1,279.05

Mr. George J. Hooker, Secretary Maryland Annual Conference, Seaford, Del.

Total\$6,449.48

Dear Mr. Hooker:-

Many, many times we wait until a man is buried before we bestow on him the flowers that are due him, and there is no question about it, the time for all good things to be said and done, is the time when a man is giving the best years of his life in the service of serving, and especially when he is serving the Master, and I am writing you as an officer of the Conference to tell you and the Conference of my opinion and impressions of THE WATCH DOG OF THE CONFERENCE, Rev. Charles F. Cummins.

For a number of years this bank has handled the funds of the Maryland Annual Conference, and for the same number of years we have been dealing with Mr. Cummins, and during my thirty-six years experience in banking, I have never dealt with any man who was more efficient, more interested in his work and who kept a better detailed bank account than the Treasurer of our Conference, Chas. F. Cummins.

I would like to have all the members of our Conference know the great amount of detail involved in his job, and what a great thing it is for the Conference to have a man of his ability handling the cash, for in all these years with the handling of thousands of checks, I cannot recall a single error, and I assure you that there are many good bankers who cannot have this said about them.

The Rev. Mr. Cummins probably wouldn't want me to write this letter but I just thought that I would like to let you and the Conference know what I think of our Treasurer, and how fortunate we are in having him, and it would please me very much to have you read this letter to the members of the Conference at the next meeting.

Yours very truly,

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ, Cashier
Union National Bank,
Westminster, Maryland.

REPORT D

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(See Journal Page 24)

To the Maryland Annual Conference:-

The Board of Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference reports that it has met many times during the year in order to look after the trust committed to us by this Conference.

As our Charter requires, we elect at the Annual Meeting, May 11th, the following officers to serve during the year 1934-35: E. C. Makosky, President, G. W. Haddaway, Vice-President, Rowland Watts, Secretary, and F. Murray Benson, Treasurer and Counsel.

The membership as required by law, is now constituted as follows: E. C. Makosky, B. F. Ruley, Julian P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho to serve until 1936; J. H. Straughn, W. A. Melvin, Rowland Watts and F. Murray Benson to serve until 1935; and G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, W. C. Scott and F. G. Usilton whose terms of office expire with this session, and

whose places are to be filled by election by the Conference during this session

The Treasurer's report for the year June 1st, 1933 to May 31st, 1934 is submitted herewith, as is also the detailed report of the finances in connection with the Headquarters Building. These reports have been audited.

A committee dealing with the problems arising from our Headquarters Building has been appointed and J. H. Straughn will make the report of this committee to this Conference.

E. C. MAKOSKY, President ROWLAND WATTS, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR JUNE 1ST, 1933 TO MAY 31ST, 1934

F. Murray Benson, Treasurer

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Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church

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To Balance as per last report		\$1	,063.06
To Commissions on Trust Income\$	48.68		
To Interest on Deposit	23.14		71.82
		\$1	,134.88
By rent of Safe Deposit Box\$	11.00		
Treas, Expense Account	50.00		
Balance to Credit Trustees	.073.88	\$1	,134.88
DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE	77 94		
To Balance as per last report\$	77.24		
To Income from Investments	790.75	\$	867.99
By amount paid Board of Publication for Methodist			
Protestant-Recorder per appropriation\$ By amount paid Md. Educational Endowment So-	450.00		
	166.67		
ored per appropriation minimum	43.39		
By commissions credited to Trustees General Fund	CONTRACTOR STATE		007 00
By balance on deposit	207.93	\$	867.99

Respectfully submitted

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer

Audited and found correct

ROWLAND WATTS

Auditing Committee.

SPECIAL REPORT ON HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

(See Journal Page 24)

The following paper is the content and substance of a special report to the Trustees of the Conference on re-financing the Headquarters Building. It is brought to the Conference with the unanimous approval and recommendation of the Trustees.

At a previous session the Trustees gave authority for a meeting of laymen with the Trustees to consider the questions relating to our Head-quarters Building. The meeting was held in North Baltimore Church, Monday evening, May 21st, at a dinner furnished by two of our laymen. Thirty-four men were in attendance, a fuller record appearing in the records of the Secretary of this Board.

The whole financial situation was thoroughly reviewed and a most lively interest exhibited. Apart from a number of suggested approaches to a solution of our affairs, many of which are included below, there was a most pronounced feeling that everything possible should be done to conserve our property. To this end a resolution was adopted as follows: "That we favor the suggestion of Mr. J. H. Baker, that a meeting consisting of the Trustees of the Conference, and the creditors of the Building, including the holders of the mortgage, be held so as to acquaint all parties with the true situation concerning the building, and a demand be made upon said creditors for a reduction in the rate of interest. We also look with favor upon the suggestion of Mr. Ernest E. Wooden, in reference to the insurance plan and recommend that it be investigated. Further, be it resolved that we petition the Maryland Annual Conference, at its next session, to authorize and appoint Rev. J. H. Straughn, in conjunction with his pastorate at North Baltimore Church, to raise \$50,000 for the immediate relief of the building at 516 N. Charles St., said amount to be raised throughout the Maryland District, or wherever else possible." An additional motion was adopted authorizing the appointment of a special committee of the laymen's group to cooperate with the Trustees in its efforts. The Chairman of the Board appointed Daniel MacLea, J. H. Baker, H. C. Staley, Judge W. H. Forsythe and H. E. Gilbert.

After several informal conferences in which were discussed straight appeals, an insurance plan, balanced budget, etc., the following recommendations are being brought to you. The insurance plan to be stated came after quite a long conference with Mr. E. Jay Becker, at the instance of Mr. Wooden.

- 1. That a complete financial statement be made to the Annual Conference showing the actual conditions of our Headquarters Building affairs,
- 2. That we make every effort to balance our budget in order to arrest the annual loss in operations; by omitting amortization, reducing operating expenses, increasing income. All three are imperative. This suggestion is in line with the first part of the resolution of Mr. Staley and Mr. Baker.
- 3. That we recommend a refinancing plan to the Conference in line with the second part of the resolution but enlarged as follows:
- (a) That we plan to raise a total sum of \$150,000 to refinance our entire obligations, or \$100,000 as a minimum.

- (b) That every dollar secured shall inhere in the Superannuated Fund Society, but invested without interest in the Headquarters Building, the object being that as soon as consistent with the general financial situation of the building, the building and all its assets shall be turned over to the Society or administered for its benefit, as the Conference may later determine.
 - (c) The following methods may be employed:
- 1. An insurance plan as outlined to the Board of Trustees; this plan to pay into the Society the aggregate premium on about 600 certificates of insurance of \$450, each costing subscribers \$300, payable \$5.00 per month for a period of five years and running as an endowment for a maximum of 35 years; naming their own estates as beneficiaries of the insurance, our Headquarters Building paying the annual premium on the aggregate premiums of the master policy. This aggregate premium as estimated by Mr. E. Jay Becker, author of the plan, would be about 3½% of the combined insurance. This would be a considerable saving in interest as compared with present charges. The aggregate premuims paid in by subscribers would accure to the Building for liquidation of present indebtedness.
- 2. A straight appeal for cash subscriptions for those who may prefer to give this way providing opportunity for many to give in smaller amounts than the insurance proposition.
 - 3. An annuity appeal on an interest payment to be determined.
 - 4. The creation of a Laymen's Committee for special gifts.
- 5. It is further recommended that the Trustees be empowered to set up the whole appeal, selecting such a group of ministers and laymen as may be necessary to carry out these provisions.

TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

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

105,883.60

2% per annum 24,971.50

74	MARYLAND ANNUA	L CONFE	RENOB	00112
	Property Equipment and Fixtures	891.33	(* 50 m.)	
	Less Reserve for Depreciation 10% per annum	675.25	216.08	
	Office Furniture	40.00		
	Less Reserve for Depreciation 10% per annum	22.00	18.00	166,11 7.68
		200		*
	Deferre	ed .	1,834.11	
	City and State Taxes		713.30	
	Prepaid Insurance Prepaid Interest on Notes Payable		269.84	
				\$173,446.2 5
2	Liabiliti	ies		*
Cu	1934 City and State Taxes		\$ 3,144.19	
			49,987.50	
	Notes PayableAccounts Payable		893.33	e**
	Accrued Interest:		000.00	
	Mortgage Payable	\$ 2.493.33		
	Notes Payable	466.05	2,959.38	
	Notes Fayable	400.00		
	Total Current Liabilities	21		56,984.40
	Mortgage Payable — due June		•	STATES OF STATES OF COURSE
	10, 1934			96,000.00
	Total Current Liabilities and			
	Mortgage Payable			152,984.40
Ne	t Worth			
	Balance-June 1, 1933	n 3	\$ 29,299.36	
	Less Net Loss for year ended May			
	31, 1934 (Ex. B)		2,837.51	20,461.85
				STATE OF STA
				\$173,446. 25
	EXHIBI	T B.		
	OPERATING PROFIT AND LOSS	STATE	MENT FOR	YEAR
	ENDED May 3			
Inc	ome	,		(-
	Rents	3 85		\$10,272.20
Ex	penses			
	Lights and Power	\$479.60		
	Coal	546.08	\$1,025.68	
	Elevator Repairs and Inspection		68.88	
	Painting Building	180	697.00	
	Window Cleaning, Plumbing, Re-	11 V 4 S	091.00	
	pairs and Miscellaneous		409.13	
	T		409.19	

Janitor Service	2,399.80	
Plate Glass	542.11	
Taxes and Water Rent	3,497.87	
Interest on Mortgage and Notes		
Payable	7,644.68	
Collection Fees	65.04	•
Accounts Receivable Charged Off	49.28	16,399.47
Net Loss before Depreciation	Y a	\$ 6,127.27
Depreciation		
Building	\$2,617.10	
Property Equipment and Fixtures	89.14	
Office Furniture and Fixtures	4.00	2,710.24
Final Net Loss for Year—Exhbit A		\$ 8,837.51

REPORT E

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

(See Journal Pages 23 & 35)

The Board of Finance has had several meetings during the year. The Board has urged and tried to be of help in the raising of the Conference benevolences. It has also cooperated with the Treasurer of the Conference in the economical expenditure of Conference monies.

The President of the Conference worked out a table explaining the expenditures of the Maryland Conference Dollar as follows:

Incidentals	6 1/4	cents
Supplemental Salaries	6 1/4	cents
Superannuates		cents
Aged Peoples' Home		cents
Church Extension		cents
Group Insurance	5	cents
Headquarters Building		cents
President's Parsonage Debt	1 1/4	cents
Religious Education		cents
Reduction of Debt		cents
	100	cents

Your Board believes that if the pastors would make greater use of this information it would help materially in the raising of assessments.

The Board authorized Dr. E. C. Makosky to present to the Executive Committee of the General Conference a suggestion from this Board that there be a careful check through the various Boards of the General Conference of the charges with reference to the special offerings received on Special Days. The purpose of this inquiry is to procure prompter remittances of such offerings following the observation of those Days.

The Board conferred with and approved the plan of the Treasurer in computing the transportation charges to Conference on the gasoline and oil basis from some central point in a community to the seat of the Annual Conference instead of the railroad basis.

Recommendations

Your Board recommends:

- 1. That all ministerial delinquents in obligations to the Superannuated Fund Society or to the Treasurer of the Conference for annual contributions to the Superannuate Fund in arrears for more than one year be automatically referred to the Committee on Official Relations.
- 2. That the Treasurer of the Conference be given a certified copy of all reports adopted by the Conference involving financial obligations, signed by the chairmen of the committees.
- 3. That the Conference confirm the decision of the Board that the percentage of salary for the Superannuated Fund is to be computed on the assessed salary and not on what is paid.
- 4. That at the most appropriate time each charge shall designate a day as a Special Day for Maryland Conference interests when informational and inspirational emphases shall be followed, when necessary, by an intensive effort to pay these interests in full.
- 5. That the total assessment for The Maryland Conference Budget for the year 1934-35 be the same as that of last year, \$39,050, to be divided as follows:

Incidentals	\$ 2,400.00
Superannuates and Insurance	10,000.00
Special for Superannuates	2,500.00
Church Extension	\$11,000.00
To be divided as follows:	
Church Extension\$ 7,5	00.00
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\$11.0	00.00
Church Home	6,000.00
President's Parsonage	500.00
Deduction of Data	
Reduction of Debt	6,650.00

6. That the assessment upon the pastors' salaries to be applied to the superannuated fund be continued upon the same basis as last year, and that the special Superannuated Fund offering asked of the churches also be continued upon the same basis as that of last year which is the equivalent of the amount of the assessment levied upon the pastor's salary.

7. That the Committee on Evangelism be granted \$100.00 out of the incidental fund appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

P. W. CROSBY, Chairman,

J. N. LINK, Secretary.

REPORT F

COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

(See Journal Pages 30, 32 & 37)

Your Committee offers the following report:

We recommend:

- 1. That Henry Schauer be received into Conference and ordained.
- 2. That Lawrence Little be received by transfer from the North Carolina Conference.
 - 3. That W. A. Schafer be continued in the studies of the third year.
- 4. That Lee Elliott has completed his studies in the second year and has passed to the third year.
 - 5. That John H. Mark be placed in the hands of the President.
- 6. That A. C. Ford be granted license to administer the ordinances provided he be employed by the President.

We recommend that Lee Elliott, Willard Sylvester, Leslie Werner be granted license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders

C. M. ELDERDICE, Chairman,

E. T. KIRKLEY, Secretary,

J. L. WARD,

N. O. GIBSON.

E. T. READ,

G. A. OGG.

REPORT G

BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION

(See Journal Page 37)

We have examined the report of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society and the report of the Treasurer, approving the action of the Board and accepting the report of the Treasurer. These reports are attached to the proceedings of the Church Extension Society.

Boundaries

- 1. That Reliance Charge remain a charge, but served as last year by pastor of Seaford at Gethsemane Church and by pastor of Sharptown at Wheatley's Church.
 - 2. That Harmony Church near Denton be attached to Grove Circuit.
- 3. That Eldorado Church continue its relation as last year, under the care of the pastor of Federalsburg.
- 4. That the name of New Market Charge be changed to Maryland Line.
- 5. That the closed churches below be detached from former relation, be opened and given the following relation: Mt. Olivet on Cecil be placed in care of pastor of Leeds. Porter's Mill on Old Quantico, in care of pastor of Hebron; Faith on old Georgetown Circuit be placed in care of the pastor of Georgetown.

Appropriations

First Church, Wilmington (on debt)	\$	400
Lauraville (On debt)		500
Calvary, Va. (On debt)		300
Howard (last of appro.)		150
Grace Church, Baltimore (On debt)		100
Evergreen (On debt)		100
Bethesda (On debt)	1	,000
Board of Managers (On debt)	4	,000

Supplemental Salaries

Oxford	\$100	Doylesburg	50
Whaleyville	100	Claremont	50
Emmanuel (Phila.)	50	Dagsboro	100
Wallace Memorial	200	Greenbackville	100
Deer Creek	200	Dover-Leipsic	100
Texas	300	St. Michaels	100
Clayton	50	Accomac	100
Kent Island-Wye	100	Bivalve	175
Lewistown-Liberty			100
Poplar Springs		New Church	100
PowellvilleFirst Church (Wilmington)	50	Greenbush-Hallwood	100
on salary	300	Carroll Ct	300

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

REPORT H

COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES

(See Journal Pages 30 & 33)

Your Committee on Superannuates after careful and painstaking consideration of every individual case referred to it by this Conference begs leave to submit the following table of appropriations for the Conference year 1934-35.

The distribution of the Invested Fund has been made on the basis of \$12.00 for superannuated ministers and \$6.00 for the widows of deceased ministers:

APPROPRIATIONS

Ministers

	Invested Fund	Collections	Totals
Anstine, D. W	. 600	•••••	600
Betts, A. W	. 48	72	120
Blake, Dorsey	. 384	•••••	384
Brown, J. McL	432	100	532:
Cassen, S. F	. 528	72	600
Coe, S. W	. 396	204	600
Dobson, C. H	. 192	208	400
Elderdice, J. L	492	108	600
Farring, G. F	516	******	516
Green, A. H	492	108	600
Hanks, W. S	276	204	480
Hill, G. J	324	276	600
Hines, George	420	180	600
Jester, H. B	312	288	600
Kindley, B. W		******	516
Kirk, J. W		*****	552
Morris, G. A	444	*****	444
Marshall, C. S	24	26	50
Nichols, J. L	348	252	600
Parris, J. W.	· 504	96	600·
Rice, P. L	108	84	192
Wright, J. A	444	156	600
Wooden, J. F.	576	24	60 0
Widows and I	Dependents		
Alexander, Mrs. C. M		180	234
Arnett, Mrs. C. S			162
Beane, Mrs. A. S		88	298
Benson, Mrs. F. T	222	100	322
Bennett, Mrs. L. A	156	200	356
Bowers, Mrs. J. S	204	21	225
Cain, Mrs. F. S.	198	115	313
Crouse, Mrs. T. O.	36	113	149

I.	nvested Fund	Collections	Totals
Ewell, Mrs. J. H. S	102	******	102
Gilbert, Mrs. D. N.	18	118	136
Gilbert, Mrs. D. N.	156	40	196
Greenfield, Mrs. D. L	168	202	370
Hodge, Mrs. G. R.	192	150	342
Jones, Mrs. E. H.	246	79	325
Johnson, Mrs. H. W. D.	138	79	217
Kilgore, Mrs. J. L.	264	182	446
Klein, Mrs. F. C.	30		30
Lewis, Mrs. R. L	312		312
Lewis, Mrs. T. H.	48	213	261
Litsinger, Mrs. J. E.		162	204
Middleton, Mrs. C. B.	204	60	264
Mullineaux, Mrs. F. H.	186	162	348
Neepier, Mrs. W. J.	144	120	264
Norris, Mrs. J. W.	198	235	433
Nowlin, Mrs. C. P.		161	275
Owens, Mrs. I. S.	NAME OF THE OWNER OWNER OF THE OWNER	149	281
Reynolds, Mrs. F. D.	18	100	118
Sanderson, Mrs. C. W.		142	214
Sherwood, Mrs. W. N	1000020727	67 .	187
Smith, Mrs. G. J		94	100
Smith, Mrs. S. J		244	352
Stevans, Mrs. F. L.		70	136
Sullivan, Mrs. J. G	8- 3 (4.75)	181	235
Tyson, Mrs. R. T	1800 Mari	185	203
Valiant, Mrs. S. G	26000000		198
Van Dyke, Mrs. E. H	198	144	234
Walter, Mrs. A. J	90	-	144
Warfield, Mrs. E. A		•••••	222
Warner, Mrs. L. F	222		
Williamson, Mrs. R. S		118	154
Weigand, Mrs. J. A	. 48	*****	48
Wright, Mrs. H. F	. 84	166	250
Yingling, Mrs. J. H		88	112
	\$14,172	\$6,986	\$21,158

LOUIS RANDALL, Chairman, F. G. REINICKER, Secretary.

REPORT I

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE AND EDUCATION

(See Journal Pages 26 & 35)

Christian education is one of the means whereby the Christian church seeks to accomplish its task of evangelizing the world. It is identical in spirit and purpose with missions, evangelism, and every other worthy aspect of the church's program. It promotes the cause of missions by giving information and vision and by stimulating participation in various missionary enterprises. It undergirds evangelism by providing those influences which lead to intelligent understanding and acceptance of Jesus Christ as Saviour. It supplements the work of conversion by providing a constructive program of training for effective Christian service. Neither missions nor evangelism can be effective without the use of educational methods; Christian education is unworthy the name unless it is missionary and evangelistic. There can be no conflict, therefore, among these aspects of the church's work. They are rather mutually interdependent and complementary.

Christian education does not aim to substitute human devices and methods for the work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts and lives of men but seeks to bring men into such relation to the will and purpose of God as to make His work effective. The aim of Christian education is two fold; to develop Christian character in individual persons and to Christianize human society. These are the essential aims of the Christian Church. The Church can accomplish its work only through a more effective use of the educational method.

Progress is being made in this regard. Under the direction of Dr. Lawrence Little in cooperation with Dean Raymond White of our Leadership Training School, increasing impetus has been given to intensive training in Christian life and service. Vacation Schools, local and community leadership schools, training classes in church schools and numerous other agencies to further our cause are being attempted.

We believe that when local churches have been properly aroused, a continuous flow of youth with vision and consecration will be going out into all the local church service fields, and into our colleges and seminaries for specialized training for world-wide service.

The recommendation concerning the Lord's Day has been received and is commended to the Conference.

The committee recommends the appointment of Rev. R. W. White and Geo. Mather to the Maryland-Delaware Council.

WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Under the able guidance of President F. G. Holloway, the Seminary has closed another successful year without a deficit.

The enrollment of 64 students was the second largest in the history of this institution. In addition to the Maryland Conference there were representatives from ten other Conferences for a total of 41 students of our church. There were 23 students from five other denominations.

The standard of this institution is being raised so that it ranks among the foremost in the country.

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

After another successful year President A. N. Ward has announced that the Trustees of the College have voted to erect a new Girls' Dormitory to be completed by April 1, 1935. He is also beginning a campaign for the erection of a new Boys' Dormitory.

The enrollment, including those taking extension courses, reached 810, the largest in the history of the college.

The Endowment Fund totals \$900,000.

The entire amount of the Student Loan Fund, \$10,000, has been loaned to worthy students.

METHODIST PROTESTANT-RECORDER

The church paper has had a material increase in subscriptions this year. From a list of 4378 subscriptions last June a total of 5226 subscriptions are now in force. This means a net gain of 848 subscriptions.

Through the advice of the Editor the block subscriptions for the months of March and April resulted in a temporary 25 per cent gain. Many churches have continued this plan of distributing the church paper among their members.

It is necessary that all of our churches should use our Sunday School literature. It ranks high in quality and low in cost.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Since the Board of Administration at its meeting in Washington, D. C., on May 18, passed the resolution that church school literature may be ordered from the Baltimore house, pastors and church school officials, beginning October 1st may order the same through the Baltimore Publishing House. Other merchandise can be likewise purchased.

J. LEAS GREEN,
J. G. EATON,
E. C. WOODWARD,
WM. A. WHEATLEY, JR.,
FULTON J. DOWNING,
N. J. PARKS.

REPORT OF THE MARYLAND CONFERENCE COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Your President of the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education is very grateful for the privilege of serving in this particular field of Christian work which is on the hearts of every member of the Maryland Conference and which is commanding more interest and is being given more consideration each year.

Just before the adjournment of our Conference session of 1933, when the Treasurer announced that the Council would receive a distribution of only \$30.00 of the \$200.00 assessed on the district for the Leadership Training School, the promotion of the school seemed impossible. We had engaged some instructors outside of our Conference and felt morally responsible to give them small honoraria. But we faced the embarrassment and they cheerfully served without remuneration, with a few special contributions from interested individuals and a speedy distribution of a part of the 1934 assessment, we saved the day though we faced a small deficit.

We enrolled 190 in our Conference Leadership Training School which met at Western Maryland College, July 24-30. We offered 13 units in the Standard Course and four units in the Young People's Course as was outlined in the report of one year ago. The school gave 169 standard credits and 32 credits for the Young People's Course. Twenty-two diplomas were given in the Young People's Course and 85 signed the Life Service Declaration Pledges, agreeing to offer themselves for full-time or part-time service for the Master.

A school has been conducted in Lynchburg, Virginia, with the enrollment of 89 students to whom 74 credits were issued. Other schools have been conducted as follows: Fawn Grove with an enrollment of 21 students and 17 credits issued; Westminster with an enrollment of 20 students and 2 credits issued; Taylor Memorial with 16 credits issued; Washington with an enrollment of 72 and 42 credits issued.

In the Summer School of Religious Education conducted by Western Maryland College in 1933, 13 students received a total of 39 semester hours credit. In the regular session of 1933-34 the college awarded 93 semester hours credits to 38 students.

At Westminster Theological Seminary students were enrolled and credits were issued.

Our Conference has cooperated in 17 interdenominational schools during the Conference year, and we have enrolled about 125 pupils in these schools.

During the Conference Leadership Training School tentative arrangements were made by the Executive Committee with the President of Western Maryland College for Dr. Lawrence Little, Professor of Religious Education in this college, to serve as part-time Director of Religious Education for the Council, beginning October 1, 1933. It was agreed that Western Maryland College would continue the full salary of the Director as Dean of the School of Religious Education of the college, would release him for his activities with the Council without requirement upon the Council for salary, would assume his necessary travel and other expense, and would receive against this expense voluntary offerings in meetings conducted and other gifts from interested individuals and churches.

On October 1, 1933, Dr. Little assumed the work of part-time Director. He has done a very commendable work. He has carried a full time responsibility at the college and has spent an average of two days a week in the field. It is impossible to reduce to statistics all the results of this type of work. But this Conference would be interested in knowing that in the eight months of Dr. Little's activities he has travelled 5,250 miles, attended 40 meetings with a total attendance of 5,800, conducted 126 individual conferences and interviews, directly reached 58 charges in the Conference and mailed 840 letters and packages. We appreciate the cooperation of Dr. Ward, the President of Western Maryland College, and the contributions of individuals and churches which made financially possible this herculean record of Dr. Little.

Plans have been made for the Conference Leadership Training School which will be held at Western Maryland College, July 30 to August 6 of this year. Thirteen courses will be offered in the Standard Course. We

will offer the six general units and for the first time in the school will offer the study of the pupil in the Beginner, Primary, Junior and Intermediate Departments. An elective course on Missions will be taught by Rev. J. Earl Cummings and the Women's Auxiliary of the Maryland Conference is cooperating in the enrollment of pupils for the course. For some time we have felt that the ministers of the Conference would appreciate a course for ministers and advanced leaders. The President of Western Maryland College has made it possible for us to have Prof. P. S. Lindley of High Point College with us this year. He will teach an elective course entitled "The Interpretation of Religious Education," which course will be for ministers and advanced leaders. Few of us could enroll for the three weeks course offered formerly by the college, but many of us will enroll for this one week course we feel sure. The price of registration for this year, including tuition, room and board, will be \$9.50.

At the recent meeting of the International Council of Religious Education, a new course was presented and adopted for young people, who are too young for the Standard Course. It is called the "A-Level Course." Credits for this course are interchangeable and it may be given in the local churches without the preparation of course plans. This course will take the place of our Young People's Course which was denominational and did not afford the students the privilege of interchanging credits. We will offer two units in this course, namely, "Christian Endeavor Methods," and "Old Testament History."

For some time we have seen the necessity of boys' and girls' camps in this Conference. Many of our younger boys and girls attend camps and when they have reached the age for Leadership Training they prefer to continue to attend the camps rather than our Leadership Training School. For the first time in our history we are conducting a boys' camp. It will be held under the direction of Dr. Little at Western Maryland College and on the dates following our Leadership Training School. If the experiment proves successful, and we believe it will, we expect to announce to this Coference at its next session a camp for our younger girls. The date will be August 6-18.

Your President has responded to the calls of the Conference when it was physically possible. He has represented this Conference in the Maryland and Delaware Council of Religious Education, the Delaware and the Maryland Christian Endeavor Unions.

He continues to write the Christian Endeavor page for the Mathodist Protestant-Recorder with much pleasure and satisfaction. Beginning with next week's issue a correspondence section will be found on this page. It is his purpose to answer questions on the subject of Christian Endeavor work in this section.

It has been a pleasure to have been associated with the bre hren in this type of work. They have been kind in their expressions, gen rous in their contributions, patient with their leader and charitable in their comments. Had it not been for the cooperation of the men of the Maryland Conference, the best group of men in the world, success could not have been achieved and your President's report could not have been commendable.

Recommendations

- 1. That a special place be given the Council on the Conference program for the session of 1935.
- 2. That the Conference confirm the action of the Executive Committee of the Conference Council in the employment of a part time Director of Religious Education, with the understanding that the expense of his work will not financially involve the Annual Conference.
- 3. That the Council be given permission to accept offerings from individuals, Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies and churches to help defray the expenses of a part-time Director of Religious Education.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND W. WHITE, President.

THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society wishes to submit the following report for the year just closed:

The Society held its annual meeting at the Baltimore Book Rooms on June 4th, and transacted the usual business. Treasurer Mather reported the receipt of the income from the Drinkhouse estate as well as the interest on the invested fund. One bond is still in default.

The following officers were elected: Fred G. Holloway, President; N. O. Gibson, Secretary; George Mather, Treasurer.

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

REPORT J

COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM AND SOCIAL SERVICE

(See Journal Page 33)

Many are the forces that are allied against morality, righteousness, economic recovery and domestic tranquility. Namely, bad moving pictures, obscene literature, unscrupulous newspepers, nation-wide gambling, graft and chiseling in high places, the liquid traffic, and Sabbath desecration, all of which we denounce as enemies of God and society. We will not take your time to discuss in detail all the evil of those forces, but we bring to you for consideration the many picture, the press, gambling, whiskey and war.

Believing that much of our trouble s due to religious ignorance, if we, as a church, will face the facts squarely, and set our faces toward the task of evangelization and religious equation, we may at least quicken the conscience and raise the standards our own constituency.

Moving Pictures stand as a great educator, but so long as they exalt the gangster, and glorify the woman with a questionable past, such impressions will reflect in the living of those who learn nothing or little elsewhere. We know enough about literature to say that there are plenty of clean stories for the screen, and until moving pictures resort to such as their program we shall continue to list them among modern evils.

The Daily Press.—We know well the power of the press. As the news medium it has a big place in our life, and for all the good it has done we commend it, but when it stoops to become a propaganda sheet for the gangster, the gambler, and the whiskey crowd, it then must expect to be frowned upon by this body as an enemy of society.

Gambling.—Never in the memory of this generation has gambling been so rampant and open as now. Baseball pools, the number system, slot machines, race-track gambling, thrive in the most obscure places. Slot machines at the corner store, baseball pool tickets, sold from a penny up, make it possible for children to gamble their candy money. We must go on record as condemning this racket, but we must do more than condemn, we must take action in the form of a crusade against this power.

Whiskey.—Beer flows freely and is available for any age. Whiskey again is wearing the American flag as a symbol that the traffic is legal, but all that is legal is not right. The wet forces promised us there would be no saloons, but the condition today is worse than the saloon ever was. Any place with a few tables and sandwiches may dispense alcoholic beverages. While the old saloon had its name and reputation, now where you may drink may look like anything but a saloon. Yet the smell and the results are the same. We condemn the use of alchoholic beverages in any form whatsoever. The liquor people know how to form the drink habit for a nation, since candy containing alcohol has been sold to children, and a bottle of "harmless" beer contains as much alcohol as a glass of whiskey. Intemperance is not only a moral question, but it is also a vital economic question. Moreover, we dare not live in this machine age and breed a race of drunkards.

The danger of moderation.—We cannot tolerate even moderate drinking, for sooner or later the moderate drinker becomes the habitual drunkard. Temperance is not enough. You cannot control alcohol individually or collectively. We must abolish it. Therefore, not temperance, but prohibition must be our war-cry. We lost the Eighteenth Amendment because we put its enforcement into the hands of its enemies; but next time, and God helping us there will be a next time, we will eliminate the enemy from the court along with the traffic from the street corner. Three-fourths of the voters of this nation failed to cast their ballots when the Eighteenth Amendment was repealed. Did the Christian citizens of this nation do their duty at that critical time? Were they true to their Lord? We wish to go on record as commending the Anti-Saloon League, the W. C. T. U. and any other agency that helps us fight the liquor traffic. We point with pride to the service rendered by Bishop James Cannon, Jr. We thank God for his exoneration in the courts, and commend the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for continuing to honor him as a Bishop. We pledge anew

our support to the temperance cause. Let us ever remember that the Christian who for gain furnishes his fellow-man with alcoholic beverages is at the same time selling his Lord for the "thirty pieces of silver," or their equivalent.

Sabbath Desecration.—The first day of the week is fast fading from a Holy Day to a holiday. The church of Jesus Christ for nineteen centuries, has preserved this day which our risen Lord gave us, even at the cost of martyred saints, now it is in danger of falling into the hands of vandals, who seek to strip it of all that makes it of value to God and man. We wish to go on record as condemning the abuse of this day. We believe in religious and political freedom. We rebuke Germany for her attitude toward the Jew, but let Jew, Greek and Barbarian know that we, as a church, do not condone the abuse of this day. We deplore and denounce the use of the Lord's Day for purpose of political propaganda, for sport and for financial gain. The Lord's Day Alliance will continue to have our support. It is our most efficient medium through which to secure legislation that will hold for us even a remnant of the Sabbath.

World Peace.—We join hands with all agencies engaged in promoting this cause, by saying that our pulpits shall never again be turned into platforms from which we will incite men to fight, other than in defense of sacred national rights.

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

We have reviewed and condemned some of our modern evils. Now what shall we do about them? "Judgment must begin at the house of God." The followers of Christ "are the salt of the earth." Every person who has united with our church has pledged to "live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world." We expect the conduct of our members, to be in harmony with this pledge. Should they presumptuously disregard this sacred pledge, they must assume the responsibility for the consequences. "The way of the transgressor is hard." Our recommendations may be drastic, so drastic as to leave Gideon with only three hundred men, but they are the only kind of men who may expect victory to perch upon their banners.

Recommendation 1. Appreciating the generosity of Messrs. J. H. Baker, Daniel Baker, Jr., David B. Baker and J. D. Baker, Jr., which made possible the distribution, throughout the churches of our Conference, of the Temperance Catechism, prepared by Rev. T. H. Lewis, D.D., and grateful to Rev. J. W. Kirk, D.D., for his untiring efforts as Conference Temperance Secretary, we recommend, that the office of Temperance Secretary created by the Conference of 1933, be continued in order to acquaint our youth with the evils of alcohol, and that the same methods be used in support of the office as those of last year.

Recommendation 2. Believing that much of modern evil can be cured by knowledge of the Word of God, the dearth of which we so much regret, the average church having only twenty-six hours per year in which to teach the Bible to its youth, we recommend that this Conference advocate the

teaching of God's Word in our homes. We also urge upon our people the reestablishment of the family altar.

Recommendation 3. Since the sanctity of the Lord's Day is threatened more and more, the church must deal sternly with offenders. Unwilling that our Conference should suffer from compromising circumstances, we recommend that the members of this body refuse to accept any tickets, or passes from establishments of sports, or amusements that give exhibitions on the Sabbath. We further recommend that this Conference endorse and use, as far as possible, the Educational Program of the Lord's Day Alliance and cooperate with its committee in planning for the observance of the 90th anniversary of the first National Lord's Day Convention held in Baltimore, November 27, 28, 1844, with Hon, John Quincy Adams as President. We request the President of our Conference to name a Lord's Day Chairman and one minister and one layman from each of our Conference Districts, as our Committee to cooperate with the Lord's Day Alliance Committee, not only in the observance of the above named anniversary, but also in the promotion of its Educational Program. We urge our people to lend their financial assistance to the Alliance by taking some one of its memberships.

Recommendation 4. Since alcoholic beverages of any kind contribute to the delinquency of society the church must begin, at some place, to combat the traffic. We recommend that any member of our church, who engages in the sale of liquor be not chosen to official position in our communion.

Recommendation 5. Since there, universally, prevails an epidemic of gambling, we hereby go on record as condemning the practice thereof, and urge the members of this Conference to crusade in our respective communities against it in any form whatsoever. We, moreover, urge our pastors, and the officials of our churches, to exert all influence in their power, with our people, against anything savoring of gambling, or element of chance, in the raising of money for church interests. We recommend that this Conference go on record that money raised through the aforesaid methods be not accepted by any pastor thereof.

J. H. LYNCH, Chairman,
J. W. BAXLEY, Secretary,
T. J. TURKINGTON,
THOS. E. WATKINS,
S. M. YINGLING,
MRS. E. M. DILLON.

REPORT K

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies has examined the two papers referred to it, viz, the reports of the Deaconess Board and the Maryland Tract Society.

We commend these organizations for the fine work they are doing which is so greatly needed.

We recommend that the churches continue their cooperation with the Deaconess work and give it their loyal support.

The report of the Deaconess Board is herewith attached.

We also recommend the continuance of the annual offering for the Maryland Tract Society in all our churches.

We rejoice in the splendid work that is being done for our aged in the Church Home, and commend the support of this worthy benevolence to all our churches.

We note with pleasure the legacies left several of our churches during the year, and concur with our President in his report when he says, "Encouragement should be given our people who desire that their good works may follow them in specific form after they shall have rested from their labors, to provide annuities in their life-time and bequests in their wills for their churches and their Conference funds for superannuates, church extension, Home for the Aged, or our general educational and missionary boards and institutions."

We further appreciate the very generous support of the St. John's Board of Beneficience and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society which have so generously aided the Conference during the year through its President.

W. L. HOFFMAN, Chairman, W. F. BAUSCHER, Secretary,

REPORT OF THE DEACONESS BOARD

Our Deaconess work is limited to the one worker we have, Miss Lillian DeMoss. Miss DeMoss keeps busy most of the year. Since last Conference she has labored in Newark, N. J.; Cherrydale, Va.; Georgetown, D. C., and Christ Church, Baltimore. Her work is always acceptable.

The terms of office of J. L. Ward, A. W. Beam, W. F. Spangenberg, Arthur K. Richmond, Mrs. W. C. Shriver, Mrs. Rose Beebe, expire with this session of Conference, and their successors are to be appointed at this Conference.

W. F. Chew, a member of Christ Church, and of this Board, died during the year, and his successor must be appointed.

Financial Statement

Balance from last year	\$ 72.00
Gifts from churches served	
From Church Extension Society on interest	350.00
From Edmondson Ave. Church on interest	175.00
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Expenditures

Miss DeMoss' Salary\$240.00	•
Board and incidental expenses	
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Balance on hand	.\$120.00

W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary
W. A. MELVIN, Treasurer

REPORT L

COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS

(See Journal Page 35)

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

Personal Report Statistics

From the pastors' reports handed to your Committee, we are pleased to note a net increase of 80 in the number of subscriptions to the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, and we are informed this increase does not include block subscriptions. The church must have the information and inspiration which the paper is progressively giving under the able Editorship of R. L. Shipley, and we commend the continued increase in its circulation to pastors and delegates. Let us aim to place the paper in every home.

We are again pleased to note that all but nine charges report the election of Lady Visitors to our Home for the Aged at Westminster.

We regard the distribution of disciplines to all new members as imperative, and note with pleasure the reported general compliance with this church law.

We record with pleasure that the ministers indebted to the Board of Christian Education, are, generally, making earnest efforts to liquidate their obligations. We reiterate our suggestion made last year that the early payment of all such obligations be made, 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 17 charges and nine churches are entitled to places on the Honor Roll having raised 100 per cent or more of both Maryland and General Conference benevolences. They are as follows:

Charges

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Eutaw Kemptown Howard Oxford North Baltimore Pipe Creek Buckeystown Ridgeville Union Bridge St. Johns R. I. Ave. Chestertown T. H. Lewis Mem. Federalsburg Westminster Indian River

First Church, Wilmington

Churches

Madison
Eldorado
Parkton on Maryland Line Charge
Hobbs & Burnsville on Caroline

New Market on Frederick Charge
Ruthsberg on Queen Anne
Doylesburg on Doylesburg Charge
Wheatley on Reliance Charge

Your Committee last year emphasized the failure of certain charges to pay the special assessment covering the expenses of representatives to the General Conference of 1932. We deem it necessary to list the delinquent charges by name and amount paid.

Charge		unt Due
Chesaco & Graceland Park	\$ 9.00	
Evergreen		8.00
St. Paul's (Baltimore)	18.00	12.00
Carroll Circuit		5.00
Claremont	8.00	5.00
Mariners		10.00
Denton		17.00
Dorchester		10.00
Harbeson, Del.		8.00
Harmony, W. Va.		7.00
Hurlock	15.00	3.75
Kent Island		6.00
Leeds	15.00	7.50
Lewes, Del		4.00
Lynchburg, Second Church		5.00
Northumberland		10.00
St. Michaels		8.00
Trinity-Salem		15.00
Alexandria		7.00
Union Church (Salisbury)		4.00
Union Church (Sansbury)		
Total unpaid		\$173.25

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that:

1. Paul F. Warner, W. H. Hodges, 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 its request.
 - 3. J. Ralph Wright be loaned as Chaplain in the United States Army.
 - 4. F. N. Bowers be placed on the Unstationed List.
- 5. Claybourne Phillips be given supernumerary relationship to Northumberland Charge.
- 6. 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; Professor Western Maryland College, Lawrence Little; President Westminster Theological Seminary, F. G. Holloway; Professor Westminster Theological Seminary, H. L. Elderdice; Secretary Board of Missions, G. W. Haddaway; President Westminster College, Tehuacana, Texas, C. A. Sutton.
- 7. All payments due by ministers to the Superannuate Funds, both from special annual assessments and the Endowment Fund, and all amounts due on Group Insurance, be paid in full.
- (a) Where appropriation is made by the Conference to supplement the salary of a minister, that hereafter the Treasurer of the Conference be directed to deduct from such appropriation one-third of the amount due to the Conference for Group Insurance and the Superannuate Fund, annually until fully paid.
- (b) Hereafter when a minister claims superannuate relief the Treasurer of the Conference be instructed to deduct from his apportionment the first year all unpaid obligations to the Superannuate Funds.
- 8. Your Committee is conscious of the fact that the active minister of the Maryland Conference is appointed to a well-night impossible financial task. He faces a field bound on the north by a general budget, well drilled and thoroughly equipped with men and ammunitions; on the south by an Annual Conference budget, constantly recruiting until its name is legion; on the east his local church with a long list of legitimate legionaries and a longer list of illegitimate camp followers; and on the west by his personal citadel—the parsonage with its inmates and its ever urgent and absolutely necessary challenges for food, raiment, medicine, doctors, educational advantages for the children, contributions to all religious and semi-religious collections, and last but not least an automobile in which he must keep up with the ecclesiastical demands or be retired on half pay—if any.

The ideal minister is victorious in all these conflicts—reports 100% assessments, the cancellation of every long-standing debt left by his predecessor, the liquidation of every debt contracted during his tenure of office, and hundreds of dollars saved for a rainy day.

This ideal pastor is commended by your Committee. The average minister with whom your committee deals is one of 3 types:

1. The few who do accomplish all that is laid upon them by the Conference but regret that after having done all, they still feel that they are unprofitable servants. May their tribe increase!

2. The many who collect all their salary but not all of their General and Annual Conference assessments. We recommend that the pastor who makes such a record for three successive years be required to appear before the Committee on Official Relations and explain the reason why he is more popular than the sacred work committed to his care.

We recognize that all the responsibility in this matter does not properly belong to the minister, and we therefore recommend that the delegate from that charge which fails for three successive years to meet the General and Annual Conference assessments shall also appear before the Committee on Official Relations.

3. The chronic delinquent who always fails to secure the assessments in full, even in those charges which never failed his predecessors, and, or, leaving his charge habitually leaves unpaid personal debts.

We recommend that all such seriously question the validity of their call to preach, that the President of the Conference tell them frankly the reason why he has difficulty in assigning them to even the poorest charges, that he will give them only one more chance, and that if at the end of the year there be no improvement, they are to ask for superannuation, or for a supernumerary relation, or for transfer to the unstationed list, or to be left without an appointment for two years, or to retire entirely from the ranks of the ministry.

9. Every minister shall bring to the attention of the Annual Membership Meeting on Stations and to the Quarterly Conference on Circuits the importance of the constant attendance of the lay representative upon all sessions of the Annual Conference, to the end that nominees for delegate and alternate shall state their intention of complying with such regular attendance if elected.

Respectfully submitted.

H. L. ELDERDICE, Chairman, HENRY GILLIGAN, Secretary, FRED G. HOLLOWAY, R. Y. NICHOLSON, FRED P. ADKINS, CHARLES N. SATTERFIELD.

REPORT M

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

(See Journal Page 27)

The tremendous importance of our missionary activities demands our deepest concern and most careful consideration. Christ's commands concerning the relation of Christians toward others permits of no other attitude than that of the servant, the steward, and the sacrifice for God and for man. May we speedily arrive at that point when unselfishness shall predominate and a love for others shall force every professing Christian to do his full part in the missionary endeavor. The reports from the various fields show courageous faith in the face of tremendous odds. The

home base needs an awakening of missionary zeal supplementing and equal to the faith and zeal of our missionaries and their helpers.

Your Committee has read carefully the letters received from our missionaries, and commends their sacrificial spirit and unswerving loyalty in the Master's cause.

Kalgan, China. Brother C. G. Soderbom informs us that of fortynine native workers only nineteen were left on the pay roll. This retrenchment naturally causes discouragement. We rejoice to know that
they have been able "to keep the Kalgan School open through the direct
contributions of friends." We earnestly hope and pray that friends may
be found to make it possible to continue this good work. We are glad to
note the twenty-fifth anniversary of our work in China has been reached
and we join with Brother Soderbom in his prayers that God will inspire
plans to fittingly celebrate the event.

Nagoya, Japan. The letter of Brother Paul F. Warner of Nagoya, Japan, shows a very fine spirit which we greatly appreciate. His statement that "the depression in the homeland has affected the work over here even more seriously" and "we are trying hard not to be discouraged, but it is heartbreaking to be forced to abandon work that was the result of years of patient effort and earnest prayer, and to be unable to take the gospel message to thousands of those who need it," touches our hearts and awakens a new determination on our part to help the cause in Japan. We are pleased to note that Brother and Mrs. Warner shall be in America soon, and trust their presence will greatly increase interest in our work in Japan.

Dhulia, India. The letter of Brother Paul Cassen is especially appealing. His statement that "this past year has brought much of sorrow and discouragement to the India Mission. We have been compelled to close work for which we have labored and striven for the past eight years. Our carefully laid plans come to nought, but through it all, we have not lost courage nor do we intend to give up," at once tell us of the seriousness of the condition of the work in India, and also shows the courage of our representatives on the field. He further says, "You have commissioned us for a task; the task is not finished, DO NOT CALL US HOME, but keep us here and support our work with your prayers and as much of your money as you can spare. We ask no more." Can we fail our representatives? NO! Let us lend every effort to back up their work.

The letter from Brother W. H. Hodges and A. G. Lynch from Seattle, Washington, express fellowship and a keen interest in the work both at Seattle and in the Maryland Conference.

Pine Ridge. We are pleased to know of the continued prosperity at Pine Ridge. Alvan Drew School had the largest enrollment in its history the past year. The debt on the new school building and all other obligations have been paid in full. We trust the withdrawal of Dr. and Mrs. T. R. Woodford from that work will not in the least interfere with its progress and further development. We pray that the new leaders, Rev. G. W. Andrew, Mr. W. O. Suiter and Miss Minnie Byrd may be led and blessed of God.

We commend the Missionary Department of the Maryland Council

of Religious Education for its continued support of Rev. and Mrs. Paul M. Cassen. The \$800 raised through the Christian Endeavor Society and Sunday School have helped the cause and helped in training the young people in missionary expression. Every Sunday school superintendent and Christian Endeavor President should help in raising money for missions through this organization. They should not be satisfied until their young people put this item in their goal for the year. Rev. J. Earl Cummings. the Treasurer, is ever ready to help in this regard.

We rejoice in the increase of the total amounts raised on the apportionments of the Maryland Branch and the Washington-Virginia Branch. In view of the fact that more than half of our churches have no organized women's missionary societies, this Committee recommends that our Secretaries of the Board of Missions devise some plan whereby each church shall have some part in the women's work of the church through an organization already existing or through a new organization. At least the money now given by Aid Societies and Women's Bible Classes should go through the Branch office (Mrs. Thursby, Treas. of Maryland Branch and Mrs. Bishop, Treas. of the Maryland-Virginia Branch).

We urge cooperation in the canvas for new subscribers to the Missionary Record.

The plan to re-district the Conference so that the women of each church shall be part of a local group is commended. It should be remembered that every woman of every church is supposed to be a member of the State Women's Organization and should be interested and active in the missionary enterprise through the local church.

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 Miss Bettie Brittingham, Associate Executive Secretary, have rendered most efficient service. Their stressing of the necessity of regular contributions to World Service augmented by the emphasizing of the Special Days should be commended, as should also the fact that all funds raised for World Service should be sent immediately to the proper treasurers, and on no account to be diverted or divided.

We are pleased with the results of the Family Dollar,—600 families have responded. We hope that others will cooperate. If every family would contribute it would largely solve the financial problems of the Board of Missions.

In each of the letters from our missionaries, we note the request for the home base to join with the foreign field in prayer. Let us be sure to pray fervently and work diligently that those sent out by us may never doubt the willingness of the pastors and people of the Maryland Conference to back them at the throne of grace and also to help the combined prayers to be answered by sacrificial service and consistent work.

> T. R. WOODFORD, Chairman, C. B. ROBEY, MRS. W. L. BISHOP, WILLARD HOWETH, H. C. BURKINS, Secretary, H. R. HARKINS.

Referring to the Resolution offered by East Baltimore Station concerning the attitude of the Christian toward the Jews, this Committee believes it to be the thought of the Methodist Protestant Church that we would gladly welcome all Jews who are ready to believe in our Lord Jesus Christ and follow Him.

We recommend the granting of the request stated in the resolution, namely that the President appoint a committee of five to consider the matter and report to the Conference at its next session.

Committee

T. R. WOODFORD, Chairman, H. C. BURKINS, Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE OF THE MARYLAND BRANCH WOMEN'S MISSIONARY WORK

As President of Maryland Branch Women's Missionary Work I beg

to submit the following report:

As we look back over the past twelve months, I feel we are justified in saying that Maryland Branch has had a good year. I should like to outline briefly what I consider marks of progress. The quarterly meetings in Baltimore have been well attended and full of interest. Many auxiliaries now send elected delegates responsible for taking back to their group a definite report.

The reports from the four districts outside of Baltimore have been encouraging. More would attend these district meetings if they were nearer at hand. We think that a new system of districting, more in line with the conference districts would mean that the quarterly meeting-place would be more accessible. An advance step was taken at the last quarterly meeting of the Branch when a Baltimore District was organized. The Baltimore group now has officers distinct from the Maryland Branch. This District will hold four meetings a year while the Branch will have an annual meeting in the spring and a stated executive meeting in the fall. As a result we believe, not only that the other Districts will assume a larger share in the work, but that the Baltimore group will develop new leadership.

The zeal with which the missionary women put across the "summer special" of sending articles, new and old, to Pine Ridge was indicative of the willingness to do the one-thing more, a truly missionary spirit. It was gratifying to hear Dr. Woodford say that the generous boxes of articles helped them to get through the year financially. Another project is being planned for this summer, to include Dillonvale and the Children's Home, as well as Pine Ridge.

Very definite thought has been given to the matter of interesting our young people and making them feel their responsibility for the World Service program of the Church. A conference was held with Dr. Little, as Director of Religious Education at Western Maryland College; with Rev. Mr. White, as Dean of the Summer Training School; and with Rev. Mr. Cummings, as leader of the missionary class in the school, and we are trying to work out together some practical plans.

Though not an integral part of our Maryland Branch organization, the Home for Business Girls 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. Mrs. Sweeney has the gift of creating a real home atmosphere. There has been an average of ten girls in the Home this year.

So much for our advance steps, now I would report some of our Branch problems with the hope that the Committee on Missions can help us to solve them. Our chief problem is how to get the cooperation of non-cooperative churches. This year only two new organizations have been reported. If your Committee on Missions could send a representative through the Conference to convert the pastors to a world vision, I believe our problem would be largely solved, and we would not have to report that only eighty-one churches out of approximately two hundred and fifty have organized missionary work.

We are sorry to note a decrease in the number of subscribers to the "Missionary Record". Only 374 this year as against 412 last year. We are now putting on a special drive to improve these figures.

On our apportionment of \$15,000 for world service we raised \$12,745. This was \$400 more than last year, but we shall not be satisfied if we do not reach the \$15,000 in the year to come. We are urging every auxiliary to begin their financial task at once and send in funds monthly. We are also apportioning small amounts to churches that have no organized missionary giving.

We believe that a more active interest among the men of the Church would greatly help the women's work. If this movement is to succeed it should be promoted, not by the women, but by the men themselves. If the Laymen's Movement is failing to function, could not the Maryland Conference through its Committee on Missions start a movement of its own, beginning with the Brotherhoods and Men's Bible Classes of our churches?

We wish in closing to express our appreciation of the cordial cooperation of Dr. L. B. Smith, as President of the Maryland Conference, and Dr. Richard Shipley of the "Methodist Protestant-Recorder", and of Dr. Haddaway and Miss Brittingham who have served us in every way possible, especially do I wish to thank every missionary pastor, and there are many, who have been behind our work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. W. ARMSTRONG.

The Washington and Virginia Branch, though small in numbers, feels it has accomplished some worthwhile work this year. We have eight auxiliaries belonging to our Branch and four churches in which there are no auxiliaries. These eight (with the cooperation of just one of the churches in which there is no auxiliary), raised a total of \$1,567.75.

Our apportionment was \$1,650.00. Though we fell short just a little of that mark, we are nearer our goal than we were a year ago.

We have accepted from the Board of Missions the same apportionment as last year, \$1,650.00, and pledge ourselves to pray more and work harder that the full amount may be raised.

We are pleased to report a much larger attendance at our Quarterly meetings. Also the loyalty of the pastors of our churches in their attendance.

The outstanding event of the year was the privilege of entertaining the Women's Annual Missionary Convention. This was a source of inspiration to us, and we are praying it may be a great blessing in the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WM. J. BULLIS.

REPORT N

COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Committee for the Home for the Aged is pleased to pass on to you the encouraging news of the work done during the past year, which has been a trying one.

Though the income to the Home from our Conference Treasurer was \$1,181.00 less than a year ago, two very great improvements have been made, namely, the landscaping of the garden and lawn and the renovating of the dining room.

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father that Mrs. E. A. Warfield, our matron, has recovered and has returned to her loving service after an operation in a Philadelphia hospital. May He grant her strength for her daily duties.

We are deeply impressed with the fine spirit of unity and helpfulness on the part of all in the Home, manifested in the absence of the matron during the past winter, when there was a great deal of sickness.

We rejoice that Visitors' Day was encouraging to the Board of Lady Visitors and that the young people from the Leadership Training School visited the Home. On Thursday last, seventy-five members of this Conference attended the Garden Party.

We regret that we must call attention to a decrease in the number of donations for two years. Reports reveal a less number a year ago when reports showed less than the previous year. We are glad that some of our churches remembered our friends in the Home at Christmas time.

Your Committee noting the need for increased interest in many of our churches has offered a suggestion to the Board of Lady Superintendents and some of the officers of the Women's Auxiliary that a place be given in their Quarterly meetings to present the interests of the Home. These officers are favorable to the suggestion. This offers a means of contact with more churches at least four times a year. We urge the cooperation of every member of the Conference.

The terms of Rev. S. F. Cassen, Rev. J. N. Link, Mr. T. A. Murray, and Mr. C. C. Richardson expire at this session and their successors should be elected.

R. W. SAPP, Chairman, WM. SCHMEISER, Secretary, W. A. DONOWAY, IRVING E. LEGATES.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED, AT WESTMINSTER, MD.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Gentlemen,

The Home continues to operate at capacity and has the largest waiting list in its history.

It is a matter of sincere regret to your board that we have not been able to care more promptly for those whose applications have been received.

We respectfully request that the annual appropriation of \$6,000 be continued for the next conference year.

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

We call your attention to the fact that the terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session: Rev. S. F. Cassen, Rev. J. N. Link, Mr. T. A. Murray and Mr. C. C. Richardson.

GEORGE MATHER,
President Board of Managers.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF LADY SUPERIN-TENDENTS TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED

March 22, 1934.

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

There were no deaths at the Home during the year. Mrs. Mary E. Ziegler, of Stewartstown Church, who entered the Home August 31, 1929, was removed to Springfield State Hospital April 4, 1933, where she died April 14, 1933. Funeral services were held at the Home April 15. Interment at Stewartstown, Pa. Miss Annie E. Kinzer, of Westminster Church, entered the Home October 18, 1932. She was removed to Springfield State Hospital March 12, 1934, suffering from bad mental condition.

The following applicants were admitted: Mrs. Hollis G. Bixler and Miss Allie M. Bixler of Westminster Church.

We regret to report that our matron, Mrs. E. A. Warfield, is in a hospital in Philadelphia. She is recovering from an operation and hopes to be able to resume her duties in the near future. Mrs. Ackley, our nurse, was willing to assume the duties of matron during Mrs. Warfield's absence, and we have employed an extra woman to assist with the nursing. There has been a great deal of sickness in the Home this winter, also quite a number suffering from the infirmities of old age. This condition requires constant attention and the preparation and carrying up of at least eight or nine trays three times a day. It is accomplished only by the splendid cooperation of every one in the Home: the matron, nurse, guests, and servants. Nowhere else, to my knowledge, is there such a fine spirit of unity and helpfulness.

Vsiitors' Day was held on August 30. Considering the depression, we felt that the attendance was very good. The receipts were not so large as formerly, owing to the fact that we reduced the price of the lunch. A number of young people who were attending the Leadership Training School at Western Maryland College last July visited the Home. They entertained the guests with several very pleasing programs and expressed

themselves as being delighted with the Home.

Christmas was a very happy time for the Home family. All received a number of gifts and enjoyed all the good things of the season, including turkey for Christmas dinner.

You will notice two very great improvements:—the landscaping of the garden and lawn and the renovating of the dining room—two things that have long been the desire of our hearts. Mr. George K. Mather kindly superintended the former to say nothing of the many hours of time and labor he gave to the work himself. Mrs. Warfield made possible the latter by securing sufficient funds to pay for the chairs, draperies and paint. The Ladies' Board paid for the tables, the painting of furniture, floor, and woodwork. We invite you to inspect these two "major operations" before you leave here today. The Board also purchased new dishes for use in the dining room, a desk for the matron's room, and a rug for the front hall. We spent very little money this year because we had very little to spend: cash donations have fallen off greatly.

Much to our surprise, there was a very little reduction in the quantity or the quality of the supplies sent in for the pantry. Donations were received from sixty-five churches and organizations, and from seventy-two individuals. Twelve organizations brought their donations, rendered programs and served refreshments.

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

Receipts	
Cash on hand March 18, 1933	\$277.68
Cash donations	87.81
Net receipts on Visitors' Day	73.38
Sale of chairs	7.50
Miscellaneous	11.15
-	\$179.84
Total	\$457.52

Disbursements

Miller Electric Co\$	5.70
Freight and hauling	7.23
Flowers	3.00
Clothing	3.50
Oculist	18.25
Painting	32.47
Dentistry	11.00
Windows and screens	24.54
Tuning piano	3.50
Tables for diningroom	48.00
Desk	21.95
Daily papers	17.86
Christmas	62.28
Household Supplies	19.53
Miscellaneous	14.42
The state of the s	\$293.23
Balance in bank March 22, 1934	\$164.29

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.

THE HOME FOR THE AGED OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH, WESTMINSTER, MD.

Westminster, Maryland March 22, 1934.

Maryland Annual Conference Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Sirs:-

I herewith submit to you the annual statement of receipts and disbursements of the Home for the Aged for year ending March 15, 1934.

Receipts

March 15, 1933 Balance as shown by last report	148.08
to meet current bills for the year	3,000.00
Cash received from Chas. F. Cummins Conference Treas	4,000.92
Cash donation	30.00
Cash donation from St. James Circuit Chestertown	6.02

Cash donation from St. Johns Church of Baltimore	200.00 57.00
Total amount of receipts	\$7,442.02
Disbursements	
Bills paid for use of table and board	\$2,097.97
Bills paid for ordinary expenses	1,142.57
Bills paid for salaries and wages	2,022.00
Bills paid for supplies of all kinds	557.90
Bills paid for special expenses	530.61
Balance in hands of Treasurer March 15, 1934	1,090.97
	\$7.442.02

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ, Treasurer.

Westminster, Maryland, March 22, 1934

We, the undersigned Committee, appointed by the President to audit the accounts of Jas. Pearre Wantz, Treasurer of the Home for the Aged of the Methodist Protestant Church beg to report that they have performed that duty to the best of their ability. We have checked and examined the current account, and find all amounts paid out supported by the proper vouchers and are correct.

We have also audited the account of the invested fund and counted and appraised all the securities in that fund with the result that the appraised value of the invested fund at the present time is \$42,241.68.

> GEORGE MATHER, CHAS. E. RICHARDSON.

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BrooklynMrs. Sarah C. Jones3807 Fifth St., Balto., Md.
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Chesaco ParkMrs. Bertha HerbertRaspeburg, P. O., Md.
Christ ChurchMrs. W. ChewChurch Lane, Pikesville, Md.
East BaltimoreMrs. Chas. D. Brown1222 N. Caroline St.,
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EutawMrs. R. C. Brodie 2106 Erdman Ave., Balto., Md.
EvergreenMrs. A. O. DeMoss 219 Alpine Rd., Balto., Md.
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Balto., Md.
Glen Burnie
GraceMrs. Ida Whaley2510 N. Greenmount Ave.,
Balto., Md.
Hampden
Balto., Md.

HowardMrs. L. C. BurnsOlney, Md.
Mrs Ren Hill
Mrs Marlow BensonBrookville, Md.
Mrs. Irvin GaitherEllicott City, Md.
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Keen MemorialMrs. C. G. Crist3027 Remington Ave., Balto.,, Md.
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Lowe Memorial
Mrs Anna Hohbs
Mrs Ella Disney
Mrs Doris DownesOdenton, Md.
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Georgetown
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Mrs. Robert WindsorIjamsville, Md.
Mrs. Golden MoxleyMonrovia, Md.
Mrs D Vurey Kennedyville, Md.
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Mrs. Waiter Beinismus Stewartstown, Pa.
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Wallace MemorialMrs. Eppie LewisHampton, R. D., Va. WarwickWarwick, Md.
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Peninsula	Mrs.	w.	D.	Vei	nn,	Sr.,415 Phila. Pike, Wilmington, Del.
Detached: Madison .	Mrs.	Wn	n. H	arr	ing	tonMadison, Md.

REPORT O

SUMMER CONFERENCE FOR MINISTERS

(See Journal Page 34)

The Summer Conference for Ministers will convene August 27-31. Our program will be built around Dr. J. Newton Davis of Drew Seminary, supported by our own men. Last year fifty-five men paid their dues and the attendance continued about the same.

This year we are planning to use more of our own men and are hoping that an increasing number of our brethren will desire to attend.

Here fellowship is at its best, and we go back heartened for our task. Your leaders are anxious for the time to come when all our ministers will plan to spend these few days together. In Summer session we are free from the nag of business, rid of the anxiety over the plan of appointments, free to be together in a comradeship that is above comparison.

We shall need \$200 again for our expenses, and believe that this Conference will receive dividends ample to justify this cost.

J. LEAS GREEN, President.

SUMMER CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS

Treasurer's Report		. 7
Balance, June 14, 1933		\$ 63.95
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Receipts	6	
Part of 1932 Conference appropriation	\$ 50.00	
1933 Conference appropriation	200.00	
Ministers' Dues	112.00	
Board and linen charge		
Total receipts	\$517.25	517.25
		\$581.20
Disbursements	*	

 Honoraria
 \$245.00

 Ministers' and Speakers' Board
 165.25

 Miscellaneous expenses
 10.50

Tax on	checks		.14
	Total	disbursements\$42	0.89 \$420.89
Balance,	June	18, 1934	\$160.31

J. EARL CUMMINGS, Treasurer.

REPORT P

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

(See Journal Page 31)

The work done this year as last for the Maryland Conference has been in conjunction with the work done throughout the denomination on Personal Evangelism. The Won-by-One Band now has 9400 members; 4300 more than last Conference. There has been reported converted 4900, or 2700 since last Conference.

The Band has grown during the past year in numbers equal to the previous three years of its existence. It has been a wonderful labour of love.

Spent for printing, stamps, etc.\$637.00 Received in donations\$575.00

Your Chairman earnestly requests the continuance of the appropriation of \$200.00 from this Conference,

W. A. MELVIN, Chairman.

REPORT Q

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal Pages 24 & 32)

The Committee appointed by the President to audit the Treasurer's books, performed this task and found all accounts correct. Every penny, by the painstaking care of our untiring Treasurer, was followed in its course from its reception until it has been properly expended.

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

REPORT Q 1

Your Committee on Audit has audited the account of the Treasurer of Mutual Relief Association and found same correct.

The account of the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society has been audited and found correct.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. T. RAUM, Chairman, BENJ. A. BRYAN, Secretary.

REPORT R

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE LIBRARIAN

(See Journal Page 33)

It is with pleasure that I submit my second Annual Report as Conference Librarian.

While the duties of this office are never arduous, the activities of this year have exceeded those of last year. By request, your librarian, assisted the President of the Conference in assembling into an attractive loose-leaf album, photographs and historical sketches of the churches and parsonages of the Maryland Annual Conference, which promises to be invaluable as a ready reference work. Although incomplete, the Conference may rest assured that it will be brought up to date shortly after the rise of Conference.

Your librarian also calls the attention of the Conference to the interesting and comprehensive history of the Maryland Annual Conference, also prepared by Dr. Smith, and presented by him to the Conference at the Historical Meeting on Friday night of this session, and recommends that both Album and History be accepted, and that a rising vote of thanks be extended the author and compiler, the Rev. Leonard Bayard Smith, D. D., President of the Maryland Annual Conference from 1929 to 1934.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. CLAYTON, Conference Librarian.

REPORT S

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE MANUAL REVISION COMMITTEE

(See Journal Page 20)

With reference to seating delegates whose credentials were reported as irregular by the Secretary:

- 1. That the delegates be seated from those charges where the credentials were signed by pastors presiding at the Quarterly Conferences, the Conference having yielded to their irregularity for a number of years. Your committee desires to inform the Conference, however, that the revision of the Manual distinctly provides that hereafter a pastor's name attached to a certificate of election of a delegate and alternate will invalidate the same.
- 2. That the delegate from Milton, whose election occurred less than ten days prior to the sitting of Conference, be seated. Inasmuch as the church had its regular election in proper time, and finding at a late date that neither the delegate or alternate could attend the Conference,—that the rule be interpreted as having been observed and that the special election be construed as an adjourned session.

3. That the interpretation of the rule be submitted to the Executive Committee of the General Conference for a ruling. If this ruling confirms your committee's interpretation that the Manual be amended accordingly.

E. C. MAKOSKY, J. H. STRAUGHN, W. F. WRIGHT.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, the Board of Administration at its meeting in Washington, D. C., May 18, passed the resolution favoring the policy that Church School Literature in the future may be ordered, billed from, and paid for, at either the Baltimore or Pittsburgh houses, therefore, be it

Resolved, that in harmony with that action and with the knowledge that in ordering Church Literature from our Baltimore Publishing House, orders for other merchandise are very often enclosed with these orders, we ask all of our pastors and Church School officials to begin with the October literature to order same through the Baltimore Publishing House.

Resolved further, that we pledge to the Baltimore Publishing House and to the Board of Publication anew our hearty cooperation in widening the usefulness and circulation of our own literature and publications, including The Methodist Protestant-Recorder.

E. C. MAKOSKY, L. B. SMITH, J. LEAS GREEN, J. N. LINK.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Resolved: That the Program Committee for the next session of the Conference be requested to arrange regular business sessions from 8:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M., and that the committee meetings be arranged for afternoons only.

FRED. P. ADKINS, FRED. G. HOLLOWAY, HENRY GILLIGAN.

Referred to Program Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Memorial Day

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that we honor the memory of the ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church who have psased from the labors of earth to their heavenly reward,

Resolved, That we provide for Memorial Services to be held annually by inserting the following amendment in our manuel:

Memorial Day

A Standing Committee of 3 ministers shall be appointed to arrange Memorial Services, to be held on the Sunday nearest May 30, of each year

by congregations and ministers in honor of the ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church who are buried in cemeteries located near our churches.

The duty of this Committee will be to secure information about the burial places of all members of the Conference whose names are on our Memorial Roll, to gather biographical data to be used in the Memorial Services, to prepare on Order of Service for use when desired, and to arrange or appoint churches and ministers to conduct these services when such appointments would aid in securing a service for every minister who has been a member of the Conference and has passed into the Heavenly home. (See Reg. 16)

R. L. SHIPLEY, L. B. SMITH, J. N. LINK.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Resolved, That a Committee consisting of the President of the Conference, the Treasurer, and the Chairman of the Board of Finance, beauthorized to procure funds with which to meet emergencies in payment of our superannuates regularly.

G. W. HADDAWAY, A. H. MASON.

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The Mutual Relief Association convened in Alumni Hall, Westminster, Maryland, on the afternoon of Saturday, June 15, 1934. W. H. Lit-

singer, in the chair.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report was read with the Report of the Conference Auditing Committee appended as follows: "We have audited the above report and find the same correct, June 15, 1934." A. F. T. Raum, B. A. Bryan, N. J. Strawbridge. The financial Report above referred to is as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT

The property of the control of the c		
On hand June 1, 1933	\$524.72	
Collections		
On cases prior to June 1, 1933\$ 81.00		
On case 112		
On case 113 190.00		
On case 114		
On case 115		
On Notes—Principal and Interest 28.31		
	\$852.31	
		\$1,377.03
Expenditures		
To Mrs. Alice Tredway Stevenson\$200.00		
To Mr. Austin M. Little 200.00		
To Mrs. I. S. Owens 200.00		
To Rev. C. K. McCaslin 200.00		
Postal Cards and Printing 16.65		
Stationery and postage		
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	\$817.35	
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		\$559.68
Balance on Hand		
Notes\$369.00		
Cash		
On hand June 1, 1934\$559.68		
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On unanimous vote the Secretary cast the ballot of the Association for the same officers as last year, viz:-

W. H. Litsinger, President; J. F. Bryan, First Vice-President; C. E. Dryden, Second Vice-President; G. A. Ogg Secretary-Treasurer.

On motion of G. W. Haddaway, G. A. Ogg was instructed to interview all members of Conference who are eligible to membership in the Mutual Relief Association; and to submit the names of those who refuse

to join to the Conference Committee on Official Relations.

Meeting adjourned.

G. A. OGG, Secretary.

MEMBERS OF MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Adams, C. M. Adams, Ziba and wife Alexander, Mrs. Emma 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. L. A. Benson, Mrs. Frances E. 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 Byrd, J. C. Cain, Mrs. Bessie D. Cassen, Paul M. and wife Cassen, S. F. Cheyney, Harold E. Clayton, G. M. and wife Clough, N. C. and wife Coe, S. W. and wife Crosby, P. W. and wife Crouse, Mrs. Jennie P. Cullum, C. M. and wife Dawson, C. L. 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 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, Lawrence Lynch, A. G. and wife Lynch, J. H. Makosky, E. C. and wife Marker, J. Lee McCaslin, C. K. 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 Parris, J. W. Pierce, A. A. Prince, Owen W. Randall, L. C. and wife Randall, Louis and wife Raum, A. F. T. and wife Read, E. T. and wife Reynolds, Mrs. Emma 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.

Schauer, H. H. 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 Stone, Walter H. Jr. Sutton, C. A. 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.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

The Superannuated Fund Society was called to order by Vice-President, J. W. Kirk. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. The report of the Treasurer was read and approved. Motion prevailed that the Treasurer include in his annual report a list of the Superannuate Fund Society holdings; the amounts and what is not yielding an income.

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. M. 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.

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Laymen: Daniel MacLea, E. J. Paige, F. Murray Benson, C. Lawrence Beyer.

A vote of appreciation was extended to the Treasurer for his splendid service rendered in behalf of the Society.

A. N. Ward, E. C. Makosky, Henry Gilligan and J. H. Lynch spoke in appreciation of the services of Vice-President, J. W. Kirk.

J. A. DUDLEY, Secretary.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer In Account With

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

Permanent Fund

Receipts

Acce.pts	
To Balance as per last report\$ 189.38	
To sale \$2,000 Calvert County 4% Bonds	j
To sale \$2,000 Norfolk and Carolina R. R. Bonds 1,921.70)
To sale Ground Rent 125 N. Howard Street 2,192.50)
To Payment on Principal \$5,000 Standard Mortgage Bonds 1,500.00)
To Payment on Principal \$1,400 limited Mortgage Co 420.00)
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Total Receipts\$8,125.33	5
Disbursements	
To Amount Invested as per Order of Board\$5,300.00	
To Amount Advanced to Income a c as per Order of	
Board 512.31	
To cash on hand	
To Balance on Deposit in Savings Account 101.33	
To Balance on Deposit Checking Account 2,191.69	
\$8,125.3	5
Income Account Receipts	
To Income Received from Investments\$8,995.85	
To Amount Received from Trustees-Refund of	
Advance 450.00	
To advance from permanent fund 512.31	2

Disbursements

D	premium on Treas. Bond\$	25.00	
Бу	Brokerage on Bond	.82	
BA	Exp. of Louis Randall, Secy	11.40	
Ву	Tax on Securities	101.44	
ВУ	Purchase of Ground Rent Bill forms	5.75	
Ву	Purchase of Ground Rent Din 1971	450.00	
Ву	Advance to Trustees	13.75	
Ву	Refund to Trustees	350.00	
Ву	Allowance to Treas. Expense Acct	300.00	
Ву	Amounts remitted to C. F. Cummins, Con-		
	ference Treasurer, as follows:		
193	3		
	July 31, Check for\$1	,400.00	
	August 30, Check for	850.00	
	October 16, Check for	650.00	
	November 1, Check for	600.00	
	December 5, Check for	850.00	
	January 3 (1934), Check for	900.00	
	February 7, Check for	750.00	
	March 12. Check for	750.00	
		700.00	
	April 4, Check for	1,550.00	
	May 21, Check for 1	1,000.00	60 050 16
		_	\$9,958.16

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer.

Above account examined and found correct.

All Securities examined and deposited in Safe Deposit Box of Superannuated Fund Society.

CHAS. L. BEYER, G. M. CLAYTON,

Auditing Committee.

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The Church Extension Society met on Monday, June 18, 1934, with the President, J. L. Ward, presiding.

In the absence of the Secretary, D. K. Sturgis was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Minutes were read and approved.

Motion that the report of the President and Treasurer be referred to the Board of Managers without reading. Carried.

On motion Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot for the same officers to be reelected as follows: 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 the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot for the same Board of Managers: 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.

D. K. STURGIS, Secretary pro tem.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The work of this Board during the year has been confined largely to the further adjustment of financial obligations. The Conference President, acting as Superintendent, has given counsel to the few of our pastors and church officials who have been engaged in building or improving church and parsonage properties.

Buildings

The rebuilding of Delmar Church was promoted after capable architectural counsel was provided at the Board's expense. The plans for the new parsonage at Cecil to replace the old one destroyed by fire were first reviewed by the President of the Conference.

The Sale of Closed Churches

The property of Bennett Memorial Church, Crisfield, having deteriorated badly through vacancy and neglect, was sold for \$100. The church property at Girdletree, Maryland, was sold for \$200; and the church building at Kesley Chapel, formerly on Wesley Chapel of Kent, was sold for \$75. The benches in Wiegands Chapel near Milton were sold for \$20. Deeds for these properties were given by the Trustees of the Conference, and the monies deposited in the Treasury of our Board.

Title Transfers

By agreement with the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, following the turning over of Claremont Church and parsonage and congregation, the property at Felton, as already those of Quantico and Crumpton had been, has been deeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church at Felton, and similar action at Chincoteague will be taken as soon as court approval shall have been secured.

Emergency Appropriations

Acute situations arising through postponed paving tax payments, and extra heavy interest expenses with pressure of creditors, have necessitated the payment of nearly twenty-five hundred dollars from the Board's funds to relieve Graceland Park, St. Paul, Calvary, Edmondson Avenue, and Bethesda Churches. These extra appropriations were approved by the Board of Managers.

Thomas Hamilton Lewis Memorial

Although authority was given the Conference President and the Board of Survey and Extension two years ago to plan the erection of the first

permanent unit of this church in Washington, its postponement has been necessary because of the impossibility of collecting or borrowing sufficient funds to finance it. The pastor and congregation have continued loyally to overcome the discouragements growing out of postponement. The church is self-supporting in its present maintenance, and the oppportunities for a great church are inestimable. It is to be earnestly hoped that the building project may be launched in the present calendar year.

Church Extension Investments

The acute financial conditions growing out of our heavy obligations at the time the depression overtook us have been greatly relieved by a series of successful plans of liquidation and adjustment. Following the Liquidation League plan of principal debt reduction and the assumption of large portions of the Board's debts by Edmondson Avenue and Calvary Churches, the Conference President promoted a plan to enlist private individuals and churches with trust funds to invest in church extension. The Treasurer's report will include the result. Eight churches have invested a total of \$8,249.00 in your Board of Managers, and thereby not only safeguarded these funds but increased substantially their income. Sixteen ministers and members of the churches have personally invested an aggregate of \$26,050.00. The interest on all these loans has been paid regularly and promptly, and the amount of the Board's debts has not increased through the plan. Obligations at various banks have been either paid off entirely or greatly reduced. The reclamation of our credit is most gratifying.

We believe it is possible through the continuance of this plan to finance our entire Church Extension enterprises through personal and church investments. At the same time the plan works profitably for our churches in that it turns back into the churches and their members the benevolent appropriations made for interest expense.

District Church Extension Groups

Before the Conference Church Extension Society was organized under its present name, the Baltimore City Church Extension Society was functioning effectively in the establishment and building of new churches. Out of the thousands of dollars raised through the activities of this group, about fifteen churches received timely and substantial aid and their building enterprises were successfully completed. The same is true on a smaller scale in the District of Columbia, and a most conspicuous illustration of the success of the plan is seen in Peninsula Church, Wilmington, which resulted almost altogether through the cooperation of the Peninsula Church Extension Society on the Delmarva Peninsula.

We believe that the time is ripe for the revival of church extension interest in the various sections of our Conference, and the formation of groups in the various districts or groups of districts in the Conference.

E. D. STONE, President, LEONARD B. SMITH, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

P. W. Crosby, Treasurer

Amount Received

1933	Superiorities appropriate appropriate to the superiorities and the superiorities appropriate appropria	
June	21—Balance Brought Forward\$	2,312.97
0	15-C. F. Cummins, Conference Checks	2,574.15
	27-Loan arranged by President	300.00
July	5-Trustees of Milton Church Loan	253.73
	6-Hopewell M. P. Church, Loan	150.00
	10-C. B. Adams, Int. on Mortgage on Wright's Adv. Farm	119.27
	17-W. B. Gilligan, Treas. Alnutt Memorial M.P. Church	23.34
Aug.	3-Loan arranged by President	400.00
	27-Loan by Deer Creek Cemetery, Inc	1,000.00
	27-Check from Natan Bailey, Rental of Salem Church	5.00
Oct.	3-Loan arranged by Pres. from Brookville M.P. Church	4,000.00
	11-Glenburnie Church, Paid on Loan	75.00
Nov.	1—Loan arranged by President	2,500.00
858/1	1-Miss Ella Martin, Loan by President	1,500.00
	25-Loan arranged by President	200.00
	29-H. L. Schlincke (Refund)	25.00
	29-Rev. H. D. Dukes, on purchase price of Bennett	78 A 7078
	Memorial M. P. Church	100.00
Dec.	6-Mr. and Mrs. T. D. D. Braun, Loan	200.00
	6-Loan arranged by President	100.00
	6-Rev. D. E. Higgs, Payment on Purchase of Second	
	Church, Wilmington	50.00
1934	800	
Jan.	3—Refund from Bank	8.14
	3-L. B. Smith, Loan, Boy's Club, Chesaco Park Church	25.00
1	10—C. B. Adams	119.27
	15-W. D. G. Wrightson, Treas., Int. on Loan to Laura-	75.00
	ville M. P. Church	75.00
Feb.	1—Loan arranged by President	200.00
	1-L. B. Smith, for Lewis Memorial	50.00
	12-Jane Dyson, Credit on Loan (Glenburnie Church)	25.03
	16-Trustees of Zion M.P. Ch., Harry T. Robinson, Treas.	500,00 70 0 1
	16-L. B. Smith, Credit, Graceland Park Church	7.30
	16—Balance from Payson Street Church	2,000.00
	28-Trustees of Zion M. P. Church Cemetery	2,000.00
Mar.		200.00
	Church	
Apri	1 5-B. C. Holden, Loan	1,000.00 167.00
	5—Geo. E. Hudson	40.00
	13—Glenburnie M. P. Church, on Loan	200.00
	21—Loan arranged by President	49.06
	27—Liberty Church, Settlement of Insurance	250.00
	28-C. F. Cummins, Treas	200.00

120	MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE	JUNE
	10-Miss Ida May Dodd, Loan	350.00
May	12—New Market M. P. Church, Loan	950.00
	28—Mr. Martin Corkran, Loan	1,000.00
	28—Harry D. Mench, Purchase Price, Kesley Chapel	75.00
	Total\$2	23,249.23
	Amount Disbursed	
1933	S . TV (L & Ca) \$	497.92
June		
July	1—To Calvert Bank on Note	776.83 3.73
	6—To Frank B. Carey, Treas., Milton M. P. Church	17.10
	6-To L. B. Smith, Agent for Warwick Church	15.00
	6-To Florine Coleman, Int. on Loan	140.00
	6-To W. F. Wright, Loan to Glenburnie Church	380.00
	12—To G. M. Clayton on Conference Appropriation	2,500.00
	13-To W. D. G. Wrightson, Treas., Loan to Lauraville Ch.	71.25
	13—To Land Mortgage, Int. on Lewis Memorial Lot 29—To Int. on Loan arranged by President	15.00
Aug.	14-To Miss Ella Martin, Int. on Loan	60.00
	21-To Elkton Banking and Trust Co	530.00 229.45
	23—To National Central Bank	295.50
.	27—To Atlantic Life Insurance Co	70.47
Sept.	11—To Baker, Watts & Co	30.00
	22—To Int. on Loan arranged by President	00.00
	son Avenue Church	50.00
	27—To Int. on Loan arranged by President	18.00
	27—To Union Nat. Bank, Int. on Loan to Edmondson	20.00
	Avenue Church	75.00
	28—To Bruce C. Wernner, Architect Fee for Delmar Ch.	25.00
Oct.	3—To Calvert Bank, Int. and Principal	765.33
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	6—To Trustees of Hopewell Church	5.70
	11-To Kent County Savings Bank, Int. on Note	277.50
	12-To Land Mortgage Co., Lewis Memorial	821.25
	23-To J. L. Crupper, on Principal and Interest on Fort	
	Meyer Heights Mortgage	2,675.00
	23-To J. L. Crupper on Principal and Interest on Fort	-
	Meyer Heights Mortgage	400.00
	30-To Miss Ella Martin, Int. on Loan	150.00
	30-Int. on Loan arranged by President	60.00
Nov.	1-To G. M. Clayton, \$283 on Loan and \$125 on Appro.	408.00
	1-To Baker, Watts & Co., Payment in full on Loan	1,350.00
	10-To H. L. Schlincke, for Repairs on Girdletree Church	75.00
	10-To W. A. Melvin, Int. on Deaconess Loan	50.00
	14—To Int, on Loan arranged by President	30.00
	23-To Elkton Banking & Trust Co., on Princ. and Int.	712.00
	23—To J. W. Townsend, on Appropriation	150.00
	23—To National Central Bank, \$300.00 on Principal and	888000 R - 14000 A
	\$24.85 on Interest	324.85

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	25-To Mrs. Myrtle B. Cooper, Int. on Loan	60.00
	25-To Street Bowman, Int. on Loan	30.00
	25-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	6.00
	28-To Edmondson Ave. Church, Loan on Organ	880.90
Dec.	6-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	10.50
Jan.	3-To F. B. Carey, Treas., Int. on Note, Milton M. P.	
	Church	7.50
	3-To H. L. Murphy, Int. on Note, Hopewell Church	4.50
1934		
Jan.	3—To Federal Tax	.02
*	3—To Int. on Loan arranged by President	15.00
	3-To L. B. Smith, Int. on Note, Warwick Church	17.10
	10-To Calvert Bk., \$150.00 on Princ. and \$12.75 on Int.	162.75
	17-To Mutual Life Insurance Co., Int. on Note	60.00
	30-To The Transcript for Advertising of Kesley Chapel	1.50
	30-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	20.00
Feb.	5—To Int. on Loan arranged by President	15.00
	13-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	12.00
	14-To Elkton Banking and Trust Co., on Principal	166.94
	14-To Elkton Banking and Trust Co., Int. and Principal	370.56
	14—To Deer Creek Cemetery, Inc	30.00
	28—To National Central Bank	319.50
	20-To W. A. Melvin, Int. on Deaconess Loan	50.00
	28—To Atlantic Life Insurance Co	291.00
Mar.	2-To Account Chesaco Park M.P. Church	499.70
	5-To Eutaw Savings Bank of Balto. for St. Paul's Ch.	100.00
	12-To Eutaw Savings Bank of Balto. for St. Paul's Ch.	100.00
	19-To Eutaw Savings Bank of Balto. for St. Paul's Ch.	63.00
	22-To W. A. Melvin, Int. on Deaconess Loan	50.00
	28-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	18.00
	28-To Union Nat. Bank, \$200 on Princ, and \$75 on Int.	275.00
	28-To Trustees Salem M.P. Church on Note	120.00
	30-To Calvert Bank on Note	259.20
	30-To Hopewell Church on Note	8.10
April	6-To Calvary Church, Va., on Int	450.00
	9-To G. W. Haddaway, Int on Loan (Bd. Missions) to	22.22
	Calvary Church, Va	50.00
	16-To Kent County Savings Bank, Princ. \$750.00 on	
	Int. \$277.50	1,027.50
	16-To Mutual Life Insurance Co	560.00
	23-To G. W. Haddaway, Int. on Loan (Bd. Missions) to	400.00
	Calvary Church, Va	100.00
	28—To Miss Ella Martin, Int. on Loan	386.42
	28-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	75.00
May	1-To G. M. Clayton, Balance on Appropriation	212.00
coast	10-To Loan arranged by President	60.00
	10-To Miss Ella Martin, Int. on Loan	2.50
	15-To Elkton Banking and Trust Co	210.50
	22-To National Central Bank, \$200 on Princ., \$17.05	
	on Int	217.05

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	23-To Loan arranged by President	6.00
	31-To Mrs. Myrtle B. Cooper, Int. on Loan	60.00
	31-To Street Bowman, Int. on Loan	30.00
	31-To Int. on Loan arranged by President	42.00
	31-To T. D. D. Braun, Int. on Loan	6.00
	31-To E. E. Coleman, Int. on Loan	6.00
	31-To G. E. Leister, for Advertising Liberty Church	2.00
	31—To Federal Tax	3.02
The second	Total	\$21,584.64
	Summary	
Amou	int Received	23,249.23
Amou	int Disbursed	21,584.64
Amou	nnt on Hand in Bank	1,664.59
	Respectfully submitted,	

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

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	
60	Born	Conference	Died
Name	1782	1829	1830
Name Charles Rigby	1785	1829 ,	1830
Joseph Scull		1830	1831
Washington Hamilton Hays William Bamber		1831	1832
William Bamber	1812	1829	1833
		1829	1834
		1830	1841
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Reuben Tyler Boyd	1842		1865
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Amon Richards	178		1877
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Thomas McCormick	1832	1859	1884
Charles Theodore Cochell James Martin Elderdice Arthur Daniel Murray Miskimon	1817	1840	$1884 \\ 1884$
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Arthur Daniel Murray Henry Edward Miskimon McFaden	1845	$1866 \\ 1847$	1885
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William Thomas Dumm	1817 1824	1844	1886
William Thomas Dumm David Anthony Shermer, M. D. Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.	1817	1839	1888
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D	1836	1861	1888
William Francis Livingston	1843	1868	1889
Charles McFeely Thompson	1850	1874	1889
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Augustus Webster, D. D.	1840	1864	1890
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James Thompson	1816		1891
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Theodore Denny Valiant	1867		1894
Theodore Denny Vallant	1817		1895
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. D.	1817		1895
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D. Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L. James Kane Nichols, D. D.	181		1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D.	1832		1896
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Thomas E. Coulbourn	1863		1896
Riley Seth Williamson	181		1896
John Robert Nichols	182		1897
James Thomas Ward, D. D.	182		1897
Rhesa Scott Norris James L. Killgore, D. D.	183		1898
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Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D	. 183		1903
Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D	. 187		1904
Adolphus David Melvin, D. D	. 184		1904
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Robert Semple Rowe Charles Smith Arnett	1852	1875	1913
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Thomas H. Wright	184		1917
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Edward L. Beauchamp	188		1921
E. H. Van Dyke, D. D. E. A. Warfield, A. M., B. D., Ph. D.	186		1922
E A Warfield A. M., B. D., Ph. D.	186		1923
Charles Nathan Alexander William Duncan Litsinger	187		1922
William Duncan Litsinger	183		1924
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Frederick C. Klein, A. M., D. D. D.	. 18		1927
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James Garritson Sullivan, M. D	. 18		1929
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Frank Thomas Benson, D. D.	18		1929
Thomas Owings Crouse A M. D. D	18		1929
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George Quitman Bacchus	18	50 1874	1930
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Name	1852	1876	1930
John Wesley Trout, D. D	1848	1873	1931
Franklin Hening Mullineaux	1866	1895	1931
Frank Shaw Cain	1871	1907	1932
Frank D. Reynolds	1874	1900	1932
Henry W. D. Johnson	1858	1888	1932
Louis A. Bennett	1866	1892	1932
Irving S. Owens	1873	1915	1934
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OBITUARIES

REV. IRVIN STRAYER OWENS



On that beautiful wintry Sunday morning, February 18, 1934, when all nature hailed with delight the glory of the rising sun as it sent its polished shafts of golden light over hill and dale, into shady nooks and darkened crevasses awakening a sleeping world to the beauties of God's handiwork in the fanciful pencilings of the Frost King, and illuminating the death chamber in the Emergency Hospital at Milford, Delaware, where he had made a brave though losing fight with the ravages of disease the Rev. Irvin Strayer Owens, pastor of the Georgetown, Delaware, Methodist Protestant Church surrounded by his devoted wife and children and a faithful parishioner, Mrs. Minnie Green, slipped quietly away into that

realm of eternal day to await the "Manifestation of the sons of God."

Brother Owens, during the last few weeks of his mortal life was a great sufferer but fortified by a sustaining faith, "He endured as seeing Him who is invisible." Calmly awaiting "The muffled oar," he turned to the writer and said, "Randall, if this is crossing the bar it isn't so bad."

Calling his children present, two not having as yet reached the hospital, to his bedside in a most touching manner he gave each a tender, fatherly admonition and blessing. To the faithful wife, bearing up bravely as she sat by his side through the trying ordeal, as he stroked her hand and looked into her tear dimmed eyes he said, "God bless you Sallie, you've been a good, faithful wife to me." And then reaching out his trembling hand and grasping the hand of his physician and lifting it to his lips kissed it twice, and said, "Doctor, you did your best, God bless you." And, expressing his appreciation of the tender ministries of his faithful nurse he said, "You have been kind to me and my family, God bless you too." Then a brief word to Rev. P. M. R. Scahuer relative to their neighboring pastorates, and then looking up and out to that "Land of far distances," and folding his hands on his bosom as an act of supreme resignation to the will of God he said, "Now Lord, I'm ready to go."

As one witnesses such a triumphant death-bed scene as his one feels like exclaiming in the language of one of old, "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my latter end be like his."

Brother Owens, who was 60 years of age, was the son of the late Josiah and Adiline Owens of near Sharptown, Maryland. Born on the twelfth day of September, 1873, he early gave himself to the Lord, his conversion taking place at Mt. Hermon Church on the Sharptown Circuit. Later on he transferred his membership to the Sharptown church under the pastorate of Rev. H. W. D. Johnson, and was licensed to preach during the pastorate of Rev. F. D. Reynolds, March 4, 1914. Receiving his early education in the Sharptown schools, hearing the call of God to preach he applied and was received into the Maryland Annual Conference in 1915 at the Rhode Island Ave. Conference faithfully serving the following charges: Bivalve, Maryland, 1915-16; Mardela, Maryland, 1917-20; Powell-ville, Maryland, 1921-25; Mariners, Maryland, 1926-31; Georgetown, Delaware, 1931 to the date of his translation, February 18, 1934.

Brother Owens leaves to mourn his going, his faithful wife, Mrs. Sallie Owens, to whom he was married July 27, 1898, and the following children, Manson W. of Powellville, Maryland; Miss Alda M. of Baltimore, Maryland; I. Bowers, a student at Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland, and the Misses Sara C. and Betty, at home to bless and brighten the home for mother.

The following sisters and brothers also survive: Mrs. Herman Spear, Mrs. Lillie Bennett, Noah and Albert Owens, Sharptown, and Mrs. J.

Frank Beach, of near Columbia, Maryland.

Mr. George F. Rust, of Georgetown writes, "During Brother Owens ministry here he endeared himself to the hearts not only of his constituency but his fellow townsmen. His passing leaves a vacant place in the thoughts of many who will long remember his kindly ways, his ever helping hand to all those needing his sympathy and help. His Christian character so manifested itself in his daily life that those who follow after him will be influenced for good. Our hearts are filled with sympathy for his loved ones but we know full well that they are leaning on the arms of the everlasting Father who can and will comfort and help them bear the burdens laid upon them."

Rev. E. L. Bunce, pastor of St. Johns' M. P. Church, Baltimore, Maryland, writes, "I became acquainted with Brother Owens at the time he joined the Maryland Conference and that acquaintanceship soon ripened

into a warm friendship.

"I appreciated and esteemed him highly for his splendid ideals, his fine loyalty and deep sincerity. He gave the best he had of body, mind, and soul to the work of the ministry. There were no false notes nor uncertain sounds in his messages. He was a faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ."

Brother U. C. Ward, of Mariners' Church, writes, "Having had the pleasure of knowing Brother Owens for five years, and during the first year of his pastorate among us, of having him in my home on several occasions afforded me the opportunity to become a close and affectionate friend. I found in him a man after God's own heart, sincere in his convictions, strong in his profession, condemning evil and upholding right-eousness.

Brother Owens came into our midst in a time of struggle. We were in a rebuilding project and needed a man strong and courageous. Brother Owens proved a man of this type, taking off his coat and taking up his tools he entered into the work with a strong determination to make it a success and he accomplished his purpose, giving us a beautiful church, since burned to the ground, but which will go down in memory as a monument to his credit as a soul saving station. He has gone from our midst, but "His works do follow him."

Rev. E. C. Graham, another member of the Committee adds this testimony, "During the years that it was my privilege to know Rev. I. S. Owens, I found him a man of up-standing qualities. He possessed real virtues. In these days of testing, he was true to those ideals that make preachers different and set them apart from the crowd. He never played "policy" with any moral issue. He never "soft-peddled" that he might receive the favor of men. The favor of his Lord was his aim. He preached with all his might and understanding the truth of the Book. He believed the Book to be the truth.

He had opinions and expressed them; he had ideals and he lived them; he had spiritual convictions and he preached them; he had the gift of making friends and he kept them.

Brother Owens was a man of sincerity, integrity, and faithfulness. He was a Christian in the true sense. In the world, yet not of the world; his face was set toward the heavenlies; and now, by the grace of God, he has arrived, and is waiting for that day when the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall reward him with a crown of righteousness for his faithful service."

Henry G. Graves, of Georgetown, adds his word of testimony to this worthy man of God. "I became acquainted with Rev. I. S. Owens when he began his work as pastor of our Church at Georgetown in 1931. He was a man of beautiful Christian character, and his kindly disposition endeared him to all who knew him. As a pastor he was quiet, gentle, loving and kind. If we all would walk in his footsteps I am sure we should not wrong our church, our friends or ourselves. He was a fatherly Christian gentleman to us younger folks always ready and willing to give us the best advice and help us all he could. He always met us with a loving hand clasp and a smile for everyone. During the last few hours of his life he left us a very encouraging testimony. He said, "If this is the end, 'Crossing the bar' isn't so bad."

Brother Samuel E. Shockley, of Snow Hill, Maryland, adds his word of appreciation of this good man, "Brother Owens was a good man. He lived what he preached. While I shall miss.... I feel a sense of a great loss but heaven's gain. In serving the people of this Charge I never heard anyone say anything against him. He was a good preacher and a good man.... While pastor of our Charge he remodeled Mt. Zion church in which he has a memorial for which I am glad. I feel that in thinking of Brother Owens it shall always be a big help to me."

"THROUGH THE GATE"

"He has gone through the gate to another land Led by the Master's hand, Where everything is kind and good, Where everyone is understood, So try to believe that the One above Has taken him home as an act of love."

Funeral services were held in the Georgetown church Wednesday, February 21, 1934 at eleven o'clock, with the Chairman of this Committee in charge, assisted by the Rev's. M. E. Hungerford, of Sharptown, Md., P. M. R. Schauer, of Harbeson, Delaware, and O. W. Prince, of Milton, Delaware, the President of the Conference arriving in time to add a brief word of commendation of our deceased brother, following this service the remains were taken to the Sharptown Church for the final obsequies. Rev. L. B. Smith, D. D., President of the Conference, conducting the services at that town at one o'clock assisted by Revs. W. H. Litsinger, D. D. of Salisbury, Md., J. A. Wright, of Delmar, Dela., H. L. Schlincke, of Snow Hill, Md. and Louis Randall, D. D. of Milford, Delaware, after which the remains were borne to the Red Men's Cemetery of Sharptown for interment, the President being assisted at the grave by Rev's. J. P. Butler, of Hebron, Md. and F. M. Clift, of Dagsboro, Delaware.

LOUIS RANDALL, Chairman, E. L. BUNCE, E. C. GRAHAM, GEORGE F. RUST, U. C. WARD, SAMUEL E. SHOCKLEY, JR. HENRY G. GRAVES.

MRS. F. T. LITTLE

In a reminiscent mood Dr. Little, toward the close of his life, told a group of his brother ministers how that after the Annual Conference in March 1873 he rode up from Snow Hill, Maryland, to his new appointment, Queen Anne Circuit in Queen Anne County and, arriving on a rainy day, found refuge and welcome at "Lansdowne," the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Pere Wilmer, prominent residents of the neighborhood and members of Ruthsburg Methodist Protestant Church on Queen Anne charge. Coming with the family about an open fire he was attracted by a little lady in the circle, a daughter of the family. Seven years later that "little lady" became his wife in Ninth Street Church, Washington, D. C. Thus began the married life of one among the lovliest of that group of noble women, the wives of the minister of the Maryland Conference.

Mrs. Little was born at Lansdowne, September 26th, 1855, her mother being Isabella Hammond, daughter of Denton and Elizabeth Hammond. Converted early in life she joined Ruthsburg Church, after marriage transferring her membership to the churches of which her husband was successively pastor, moving in each church as in the home with quiet charm and refined cordiality.

She was a true minister's wife, so quiet and self effacing in her devotion to Dr. Little and the family that one of the undersigned describes his personal impression of her as "almost like a shadow filled with light." Mingling domestic management, motherly care and social grace in an unusual degree she pervaded the neighborhood with an influence of grace and kindliness. It was her pleasure to protect her husband's study, making that place a retreat and sanctuary.

Changes, which the years brought, Mrs. Little met with courage born of her quiet devotion to God. She knew sorrow. It came to her own family first in the death, March 12th, 1898, of a little son, Kenneth Carlisle, and in later life, of her first born, Pere Wilmer on May 14th, 1929. Just before her own death her minister son, Rev. Frances Little, D. D., died of a malady contracted while serving as a chaplain in the world war, but the greatest sorrow of all was occasioned by the distressing illness and death of her husband, November 22nd, 1928. Every one of these experiences she met with patience and Christian fortitude.

Her other children are, Mrs. Caulk Kemp of St. Michael's, Maryland, Mrs. W. Holten Parr, Miss Ann Little and Reese Hammond Little of Baltimore, and Austin McLean Little of Jacksonville, Florida. These all with loving solicitude watched over the declining years of their mother's life which she spent with devoted sisters, the Misses Mollie and Isabel Wilmer in their home at 1600 Bolton Street, where on December 10th, 1933, she quietly passed into the perfect home.

Funeral services were conducted by the ministerial members of this committee in the late home and her body was laid beside that of her husband in Loudon Park Cemetery, Baltimore.

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WALTER R. GALE

Committee.

MRS. SILAS BALDWIN TREDWAY

"We spend our years as a tale that is told;" a quotation quite familiar and oft repeated. The span, the stretch of years, seems always brief and hidden between so very much of life interest; a record of birth and death, of romance, love, marriage, children, home, trial, sacrifice, patience, courage, routine, transfigurations. In every life, were it an open book and understood, there is so much of genuine worth and astonishing meaning.

When the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church met in Centreville, March, 1879, Silas Baldwin Tredway, then a member of that body for seven years and in his thirty-second year of life, met and became enamoured of Cornelia Palmer. Six weeks later they were married, April 24, 1879, and for thirty-eight years they went life's way together, happily, beautifully, until July 7, 1917, when God called the beloved husband and father home. Sixteen years of widowhood, and now the dear wife and mother has gone on to her beloved.

Cornelia Palmer Tredway was born of Quaker parents, Edward E. and Juliet H. Palmer, at Leipsic, Delaware, May 23, 1857. When she was about

twelve years of age the family moved to Centreville, Maryland, and became identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Her decease occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stevenson, Newark, New Jersey, August 23, 1933. At the home, Rev. J. W. Balderston, in the absence from the city of her pastor, had a final service. She was brought to the Presbyterian Cemetery, Govans, Baltimore, and laid beside her husband; Rev. L. B. Smith, president of the Conference, assisted by a number of other ministers, officiating. Three children survive: Mrs. Alice T. Stevenson, Newark, New Jersey; Dr. T. Palmer Tredway, Erie, Pennsylvania; Miss Idella W. Tredway, Washington, D. C.

This is the brief, external record.

The full life of the wife of a minister is one best known and understood only by those who have experienced it; it is the fellowship of a limited fraternity. She has of course the ordinary duties and routine of a wife and mother; the problems of a home and always the financial problem, the latter never ending. There is nothing peculiar in this. All wives, general speaking, have the same cares although some of them may reach a period in life when the financial worry eases off. But the wife of a minister knows very well when she consents to share the fortunes of the itinerancy she is accepting financial limitation for a life time. In the after years when she sees the fine homes and comforts of many of her friends there may come some tugging at the heart, but usually there is no murmuring. Her particular and peculiar problems, strange as it may seem, are not financial. On an average the minister's home, well managed, financially will average that of his congregation. There are many perquisites, more formerly than now. No effort is made to keep up with the passing show; it is impossible in the first place and it is not expected by considerate people. The minister's position in a community is such as to require expenditures at times he is unable to meet. Taken however, by and large, the home life of the ministry is comfortable and uncomplaining.

The nature of a minister's work is the area which makes his wife's problems most acute. There must be complete identification of commitment. It isn't just enough to make a home for her husband; she must share his life. It is impossible to turn over to her husband the making of a living; his relation to the community at large and his intimate relationships with many of his people is such that the wife must go along with him, in understanding and sometimes in body. Then too, he is at home too much not to share his work. It is in this field the minister's wife carries her heaviest load. She must support him sympathetically and at times be his better She must meet the expectations of the congregation, which at times is a severe ordeal. Some churches expect a minister's wife to be at the command of the church and the community; to accept leadership and duties in the church of a most exacting kind, and all too frequently, to be compelled tactfully to deal with inconsiderateness. It is quite possible, so easily possible, to create many additional problems for her husband. She is not allowed independence of mind or action; she is too closely observed for that. Her time and her home sometimes are invaded rather recklessly by thoughtless people. There are many such related matters of this peculiar field of the wife of a minister of the gospel. To move around

among them, giving no offense, retaining the love and loyalty of the people, easing off somewhat of the load of her husband, keeping her home at peace, retaining her own poise,—these, dear readers, are achievements of a high order.

Well, Mrs. Tredway. Her husband was a very remarkable man. Without the privilege of adequate educational opportunities he became one of the best minds the Maryland Conference has known, indeed, a scholar. Now scholarship, love of books, the student habit, requires some money, and time, and quiet. It is not possible in an unregulated or disturbed home. He had no church quarrels. His ministry, while never spectacular, was always acceptable. He came to a charge, did his work well, left it well. Many of the older people of the churches remember him and his family with genuine affection. There were the three children, all of them being graduated from Western Maryland College, good students, of fine character. And, remembering how very small was the largest salary the family ever received, one wonders how it became possible.

Those who know Mrs. Tredway well can understand perfectly her part in all this. She stood the test—wife, companion, mother, Christian, friend, neighbor. There was no effort at pretentiousness, no obtrusiveness,—quietly she moved along and was always at her task. With the same evenness she went through the difficult periods of widowhood. Some years ago she fell and broke her hip, from which she recovered fortunately, but with the same fortitude and equanimity she faced and overcame that misfortune.

Rev. James A. Dudley the pastor of the Newark Church, which Mrs. Tredway attended in her last years brings this record:

"It has been my pleasure to know the Tredways for many years, having attended the funeral of Dr. Tredway in 1917, but it was not until my entrance upon the pastorate of First Church that I became intimately acquainted with Mrs. Tredway. She divided the year between the homes of her son, Palmer, and daughter, Alice. I visited her often during the fall, winter and spring, and as summer came we realized her stay on earth was soon to end. The attending physician so informed the family but while her strength failed her interest in the church, the conference and the kingdom never waned. She seemed to store up questions to ask her pastor when next he called, usually relating to older ministers of the conference. I visited her the day before leaving for my vacation and assured her I would call immediately on my return but on August 23, in the midst of the terrible storm that swept the eastern seaboard she quietly and peacefully slipped away to greet her Lord and dear ones gone before. Her's was a beautiful life and I thank God for the privilege of knowing her so well during the declining years of her life."

Other members of the committee unite in a tribute of affection to this good woman; there is so very much that could be said and space would forbid all that one would like to say. But God be praised for this kind of Christian grace and character; through such people as she do we find a growing confidence in the eternal world.

JAMES H. STRAUGHN, JAMES A. DUDLEY, J. L. WARD, DR. VALLIE HAWKINS, W. H. RICHARDSON, MRS. CHARLES DODD.

MRS. MARY LOUISE PEREGOY McCASLIN

In the Methodist Protestant parsonage, Belair, Maryland, Thursday, March 8, 1934, Mary Louise Peregory McCaslin, wife of Rev. Charles Kerr McCaslin, pastor of the Belair Circuit, after a severe and lingering illness, passed from labor to reward. The following Sunday her funeral ceremony was held in the parsonage, conducted by Dr. L. B. Smith, president of the Maryland Conference, assisted by Revs. B. W. Kindley, H. L. Murphy, and H. L. Elderdice. A fraternal organization, of which she was a member, also officiated, paying beautiful tributes to the memory of their departed sister. Her body was then taken to Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, the home of her childhood, there to await the resurrection morn.

In early girlhood, while Rev. B. W. Kindley was pastor of her home church, she was identified with the work of the Sunday school and a devout worshipper at all the appointed hours and places of worship. This was in 1888. Five years later, when Rev. Charles K. McCaslin began a two years' ministry in that charge, she had become so attached to Christian activities and had so developed her spiritual faculties that the young pastor recognized her superior fitness to share with him his life work in the ministry. She, too, was wise in finding in him the type of man who was qualified to inspire in her the noblest ambition for a life of consecrated service to their common Master. Their union was blessed with four sons and two daughters, who, until their lips are sealed in their last sleep, will never cease to sing her praise.

As a preacher's wife, she proved herself an intelligent, discreet, sympathetic, energetic, faithful, and resourceful helpmate. Every program launched by her husband, every repair of old churches or building of new churches, and every forward movement for the welfare of that part of the kingdom committed to his care, had her enthusiastic and tireless support. Yet, in spite of all these labors of love for the parish, she did not neglect her home duties. She was devoted to all the interests of her children. The burdens of domestic life were many and heavy but she bore them all with amazing patience, generous understanding, fadeless hope and unfailing love. She deserves the fitting Biblical description of the ideal wife and mother: "She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also praises her."

The ministerial members of this committee, familiar with her work in various charges in the states of Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania, unite in the tribute that she lived, loved, and labored for the Methodist Protestant Church because she believed that she could thus best express her devotion to the Great Head of the church.

And the lay members of this committee are unanimous in their verdict that she was a rare mistress of the parsonage and a ministering angel to all the churches. James T. Norris, who knew her during her husband's pastorate on Belair during 1905-9, and again from his second pastorate beginning four years ago and not yet ended, is in a position to write: "She was an immaculate housekeeper, her house was home in the full meaning of the word. Though of late she was broken in health, yet not in spirit, for she bore her sufferings with greatest Christian fortitude and as long as

strength permitted attended all the meetings of the Aid Society." Matthew Pickett, of Poplar Springs Charge, found in her "a Chrisian of the highest type, showing her faith by her consecrated works, especially in organizing and re-organizing Sunday schools and playing the role of teacher." And one of her own sex, a member of this committee, Mrs. Philena T. Fenby, of the Finksburg Circuit, out of an experience of seven years in doing teamwork with her, pays this beautiful tribute: "She exemplified the virtues and graces of refined Christian womanhood. Always a cheerful smile and a gracious welcome awaited those who visited her home. Loyal to her church no sacrifice was too great for her to make for her Master. Though dedicated to all kinds of Christian work yet perhaps her favorite field was teaching young people the Word of God." We who knew her best can say now what we are sure the Judge of all the earth will say: "Well done, good and faithful servant." And to those who feel most deeply her absence from her home on earth:

"She did not die; She was too near an Angel. One morn, near the break-of-day, Hand in hand with some unseen Evangel She went away."

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THE MAKING OF PEACE

Text: Eph. 2:14—"For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us."

The New Testament pictures peace as having various meanings. Sometimes it is used merely as a farewell benediction upon departing guests: "Depart and go in peace." It is sometimes used to signify the happy state of the redeemed in heaven when rewarded with "Glory, honor and peace." At other times, it describes a general characteristic of Messiah's kingdom as prophecied by Zacharias: "The Day-spring from on high shall visit usto guide our feet into the way of peace," and as in the angelic chorus on the night of His advent: "On earth peace." Again, it is used to signify a country at peace from war: "By thee, most noble Felix, we enjoy much peace;" or to describe the state of the church free from persecution: "So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace." There is a deeper sense in which it is used, appreciated only by those who have Christian experience: "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts:" it is the spiritual tranquillity of the soul of him who can read his title clear to the last bequest of the Master to his disciples: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you." It was this peace that ruled Christ in the midst of the darkest night of his earthly experience when He was shrouded by a darkness that not only blotted out the light of the noon-day sun, but that hid even the Father's face. Yet, it was during this hour that he talked most about His peace, and breathed His peace upon the disciples, and promised His peace to all who have surrendered their lives at the foot of the cross. It is the peace by which Christ has sustained His own through the centuries in the midst of the world's fiery tribulations. And again, peace signifies the harmony prevailing among members of a brotherhood: "To keep the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace." It is in a similar sense that peace is portrayed by our text: "For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;" or as Moffatt puts it, "For he is our peace, he who has made both of us a unity and destroyed the barrier which kept us apart." Paul here shows that they who were in a state of enmity are reconciled in Christ. Between the Jews and the Gentiles there had been a great enmity. They were so much at variance that they were disposed to malign, hate and reproach each other. This fued was caused by the ceremonial law, called the middle-wall of partition because it alluded to the partition which separated the court of the Gentiles from that, into which, the Jews only had liberty to enter. When Christ by the sacrifice of himself removed the partition-wall by abrogating the legal ceremonies, he reconciled these two divisions of men by the cross, "having slain the enmity thereby." He framed them into one new society, one

church of believers, uniting them to himself as their common head;" so making peace."

My Subject is "THE MAKING OF PEACE"

"He is our peace." Christ is not only our hope for peaceful relations between Jews and Gentiles, but between all peoples. I cannot conceive of any genuine, satisfying and lasting peace for the individual, family, church, nation or the world of nations unless it is a peace made by Christ, the Prince of Peace. A peace that begins with the individual, "Acquaint now thyself with God and be at peace;" through victory over self, by a full surrender, a man is "justified by faith," and finds "peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." But, this experience does not end with the individual. He must share his experience. He must pass it on to others until the social unit is pacified and expresses its peace in social customs, civil laws, and international agreements, to the end that peace and good-will may reign universally.

To thoughtful people there is not a more urgent and serious question before the public than the making and maintaining of peace and good-will on earth. In this time of restlessness and uneasiness borne of fear and distrust, the Church should publish the glad-tidings and conditions of peace; should pray, organize and work for peace more zealously than ever before. The Church should appeal to Christians everywhere to bear witness anew to the God of love, who through Jesus Christ has broken down the wall of partition between nations and races, and summons all mankind to the larger fellowship of the Kingdom of God.

I believe that men are realizing with increasing conviction that there is no way of reconciling the principles of Christ and the practice of war. Jesus challenges war. In his own soul he rose so far above the levels of common morality that he keeps challenging many things to which the world socially consents. I have tried as many others have done, by every argument I could lay my hands on, to harmonize Christ and war, but in vain. Some seem to think that they can do it. We hear one man saying, "I do not ask God's purpose. He gave me the sword, and though merely to wield it, is itself a lie against the light, at the bidding of my Lord, I use it." We say that now. It is a choice today. Christ or war—we can have our choice, but we cannot have both.

The present international situation should cause grave concern. There is a threatening war psychology that almost everyone senses. The fear of another world war is gripping the hearts of many people. The development of self-seeking nationalism is alarming. The mad race of nations in augmenting their armaments is disquieting. Institutions of international conciliation are waning in influence and power as peace pacts are ignored by militaristic nations.

In view of these and other dangerous conditions, we believe that Christians everywhere should take a positive stand for peace, and declare in no uncertain terms their undivided allegiance to Him whose we are and whom we serve.

(I) Reasons For Desiring Peace

Let us look at some of the major reasons for the making of peace.

(a) First, because of the irrationality of war. War is a dethronement of reason and an appeal to force. A rational, intelligent and educated manknows that might does not make right.

"A nation is" as Milton taught, "simply a huge individual, and should behave itself accordingly." If any man begins to act outside of the commonly accepted standard of personal behavior, we either jail him or send him to an insane asylum. Our individual lives, our social order, our institutions, are founded on this absolutely clear and fundamental conviction. If the nation is as an individual, then the nations should live together as individuals ought to live together. Sir Edward Grey once said, "Two nations should live side by side as two gentlemen whose estates adjoin." Why not? Do we need a profound treatise, intelligible only to a Machiavellian brain, to keep matters straight between our backyard or farm and that of our neighbor? No more do these larger individuals, the nations.

The law of right and duty is as plain and binding as between you and your neighbor. Nations are as strongly bound to good behavior for the sake of the greater good, world peace and righteousness, as individual citizens are bound to right conduct for the welfare of their own community or state. When two men are fighting we instinctively feel that they are acting cut of their baser nature. They are below reason and conscience, the distinctively human characteristics. Accordingly they are, while fighting, dehumanized. Our common expression is, they act like brutes. The same is true of the larger individuals, nations.

When fighting they are plainly below the human level. They are acting below reason and conscience. When the fit is on, self-interest in its highest sense is flung aside and every thought is focused upon the one mad purpose to injure the enemy at any cost. Certainly, the insanity of war should cause all to revolt from it.

The Cost of War

(b) Again, we need to work for peace because of the frightful cost or waste of war. War's cost is incomprehensible. The cost in men and money of the World War is beyond computation for the average man. Paul Hutchinson in the June issue of Scribner's magazine gives the following staggering estimate: "During four years of warfare ten million soldiers had been killed, three million more had passed into oblivion as missing, twenty million more had been wounded, and thirteen million civilians had died from starvation, malnutrition, disease and other causes directly connected with the fighting. Two hundred billion dollars had been blown away in carrying on the struggle, and Professor Bogart estimates that if the indirect losses are added, the total cost of the war reached 338 billions. That, be it noted, before the bills for pensions and bonuses and interest on bonds and reparations began to come in." Billions of dollars for slaughtering the sturdiest members of the race as the fittest, physically, are always the first to go.

In the United States, we are now spending from 70 to 80 per cent of our national income to pay for past wars or provide for future wars. If all this money or most of it, could be used in some constructive program for human uplift, it would produce wonderful results. Forests could be reclaimed; land irrigated; canals and highways built; diseases like hookworm, tuberculosis, cancer and others might be destroyed; improvements in the living of the toilers; pensions for the aged; training in arts and industries given to children through the founding of new schools.

All these and other important things wait for money, and while we wait, the money is spent for wars and the preparation of wars. We are in bondage to the army and navy. We are worshipping Mars the god of hate and war, instead of Jehovah, the God of love and peace.

Consider, if you please, a few other appalling facts of war's awful cost. Think of its effect upon education and the liberal arts. Perhaps the worst effect upon education is that ideals become debased, and the public mind misdirected. Heroism becomes identified with militarism, so that he that taketh a city is esteemed greater than he that ruleth his spirit. We have but to refresh our memories anent the results of the philosophies of Bernhardi and Nietzsche, to appreciate more fully this formidable fact.

Then too, where able bodied men are liable to military service, university professors as well as students are called to the colors. Under the system of conscription which prevails in Continental Europe, no exception is made in favor of genious or learning. During the World War, it was impossible to estimate how many glorious canvases, how many masterpieces in music, sculpture and literature, how many brilliant discoveries and inventions perished potentially in the trenches. Fritz Kreisler, the great violinist, on returning to America after being wounded at the front said: "Next to me in the trenches was a prince, a sculptor, a mathematician, and a professor, and nobody asked them who they were, or cared. We forgot everything except the work we had to do." If much of our hope is in education, then surely we have an impelling motive to war against war.

In the next place, let us think of war in its relation to the question of eugenics. In keeping with Bernhardi's teaching that "war is a biological necessity," and the theory of vegetable and animal life, epitomized by Darwin, Wallace and Spencer in their immortal phrases, "Natural selection," "The struggle for existence," and "The survival of the fittest," Vice Admiral Ahlefeld, formerly of the German navy, contends that "deer and antelope thrive best where there are lions and tigers to kill them; that civilization gets forward fastest on a powder-cart; and that enduring world-wide peace would mean degeneracy, and be a misfortune for the human race." The militarists in using the biological argument apparently forget that in the struggle for existence, adaptation to invironment may mean degeneracy and result in the survival of the inferior. The ill effects of war are felt not only during wartime, and by the living; but they influence the future and millions unborn. The law that refers to "visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation," still operates.

Now, one of the laws of eugenics is that "like produces like," like the

seed is the harvest. Apply the principle to war. We want good fathers, the strongest, the healthiest, the bravest, the noblest and the best. War says, "Give me these and take for the fathers of the race, the weakling, the unhealthy, the cowardly, the ignoble, the worst. There are exceptions, of course. But war does what it can to weaken paternity. More brave men enlist than cowards. War says, "Examine men, and if any man is deformed, diseased, incapacitated, defective mentally in any way, we do not want him. He can stay at home. War seeks the best. Instead of war's resulting in the survival of the fittest, "it must in all times," says Novicow, "reverse the process of selection."

Look at another fact of the cost of war. Its effect upon the home. Unquestionably the home affects, tremendously, the social order. There are multitudes of homes to which the husband and father never returns from war. This means in many instances, the mother is compelled to neglect her children to become a bread-winner. It is not difficult to trace the connection between neglected children and crime, or between malnutrition and degeneracy. I wonder how many criminals there are today, the greater number of whom are youthful, are criminals because of the World War's effect upon millions of homes?

And think of war's effect upon Christian missions. Wars between Christian countries produce some of their most disastrous effects in non-Christian lands. But, be it said of our missionaries, not because of fear or lack of support on their part. It is true that missionary boards find it more difficult to sustain them and their work. Yet, in many instances, missionaries have carried on with greatly diminished support, sometimes with none. Despite frightful risks of attack, violence, murder and plague, they have heroically remained at their post. This courageous loyalty has won for them the hearts and confidence of many people, who before, could not be reached.

However, war does not deserve the credit for this, any more than the physician's devotion is to be credited to the plague he fights. Nevertheless, war tends to paralyze the work of missions, because it ostensibly, shows the paralysis of the religion the missionary proclaims. Missionary work is never easy; but certainly, it is more difficult as the result of war.

A certain chief in Central Africa shows how it works. Missionaries had been laboring with him, and when so-called Christian nations wanted African natives to take part in the world war, this chief consented. He would not go to Europe, but in Africa be planned to fight, to kill all the adult males, carry off all the women, cut off as many noses, ears or lips as he could, and kill all the children. This was his idea of helping a Christian nation. A missionary characterizes the war as carried on in Central Africa as "Hell let loose." How can missionaries tell non-Christian peoples that Christianity means love, when Christians are killing one another?

International Interdependence

(c) Furthermore, we should work for peace because of international interdependence. The interactions and interdependences of nations are bewildering, and quite impossible to comprehend.

Nations cannot live nor die unto themselves any more than individuals. The interlacing conditions of the world, materially, intellectually, and morally speak forcefully for peaceful and friendly cooperation of all nations. The higher characteristics of our social order, the multiple demands of civilized life, make greater the number of our interdependences. The savage in his hut is independent; but the merchant prince in his mansion is dependent upon a thousand interactions from the ends of the carth to maintain his business. Material independence is invariably the mark of a low order of life. Many needs and desires, involving a varied and complicated service, are the sign of a higher order of life. Out of the comparitively thin and impoverished state of independence, the nations of the world have moved forward into a life of interdependence.

This condition has been brought about, in the first place, by the evolution of transportation and commerce. In ancient times, caravans probably moved no faster than two miles an hour. For thousands of years the horse was the swiftest means of travel that men knew. Now, we have harnessed steam and gasoline; electricity speeds us on our way; the seas are conquered, the mountains tunnelled, the air is an open road. A century ago one could not have circled the earth in ten months, now it is an accomplished fact in eight days. How the earth has shrunk. Men everywhere are sharing their ideas with one another. News flashes from land to land, over the wires, under the seas, on the wings of the air. What happens today in Paris or London is heralded tomorrow to the ends of the earth. And what happens anywhere, makes a difference everywhere. The bullet from an assassin's gun slaying a Crown Prince, plunges the whole world in a ruinous war. What happens in Russia, Japan, China or Mexico, is of interest to us all. It may cost us our sons in war, our property in taxes, the ruin of our business and the loss of common necessities such as coal, food and clothing. No thoughtful man can anymore, be careless of the thoughts, faiths, purpose and character of any race or nation on earth. We are members of one another.

The means of transportation in the first stage of commerce was very rudimentary consisting of rafts, galleys and slow-moving and expensive caravans. The difficulties and dangers of commerce were such that it was remunerative to transport, from nation to nation, only very valuable commodities, such as jewels, spices and silks. In its next stage of development which came with the introduction of the sailing vessel, and later the mariner's compass, it then paid to transport luxuries, and conveniences. But later, with the application of steam to both land and sea transportation, it became profitable to transport even the necessities of life. These great changes in the cost, facility and organization of transportation naturally, created an increased, economic interdependence of nations. The greatest example of this, is seen in Great Britain's dependence upon other nations for four-fifths of her food supply alone. One of the most hopeful signs of peace is the increasing belief that not simply our ideals, but our economic interests are against war. When economic interdependence becomes so complete that the very existence of each nation is dependent on others, there will either be no more war or mankind will destroy itself.

This interdependence is seen also in the world of finance. The vast

commerce of the world makes necessary institutions of international credit and exchange, which would make the world financially interdependent even if there were no international investments. When in the summer of 1914 the London Stock Exchange closed, every stock exchange in the world followed suit. Otherwise the failure of prominent financial or commercial houses, in any country, would have precipitated a general financial panic. Because of such failures, as everybody knows, within the past few years, nations are all suffering and troubled, and many strained in their relations with one another almost to the breaking point.

The nations' interdependence is also seen with reference to health. As commercial intercourse increases between nations, the more easily can disease be transmitted from one nation to another. India and South America can transmit plague as well as wheat. Cholera is international. The health conditions of nations also concern international trade. With Great Britain, for instance, selling \$350,000,000 worth of goods in one year to India, it makes a difference, in pounds, shillings and pence to Britain whether or not a plague in India carries off a million purchasers. Nature and economics are thus teaching us that the world is a brotherhood, and that we are our brothers' keepers.

Many people do not appreciate this interdependence of mankind. If they did, they would be more concerned about international cooperation.

We can realize in a slight degree the gain such interdependence has brought to civilization by imagining its withdrawal. Suppose one nation should refuse to use the discoveries, inventions, and improvements of any nation except its own; suppose Englishmen ceased to use anything German, or French, or American; suppose Germans used only German inventions, or Americans only American products, how immeasurably poorer each nation would be. It is almost unthinkable. Suppose each nation were to limit itself to its own literature, how growth would be stunted. Said Goethe, "Science and art belong to all the world: and before them the boundaries of nationality disappear." Without economic interdependence our bodies would starve; without intellectual interdependence our minds and souls would be impoverished.

Now, as of old, "Am I my brother's keeper" is regarded by many, evidently, as heresy. These familiar words of Genesis were given as a challenge to social responsibility, and the selfishness of individualism, has repeated the challenge through the centuries. The new world life with its profound social and economic changes, is answering that challenge, and men are finding, that they are their brother's keepers, whether they want to or not. People everywhere are becoming neighbors, and we shall not be able to neglect the well-being of any, without peril to ourselves. This is as true in the spiritual sphere as in the material. It has been said that whether or not the non-Christian world can be saved without the Gospel, the Church cannot be saved without sending it.

(II) Some Major Causes of War

Let us now consider some major causes of war.

(a) First, I think that we will all agree that the chief cause of war is a narrow and perverted nationalism. The concern of the Christian

Church with nationalism, is not new. Perhaps the first exhibition of it is seen recorded in the 16th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, which informs us of the first invasion of Christianity into the western world: "These men," said Paul's enemies, "being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city, and set forth customs which it is not lawful for us to receive, or to observe, being Romans." Exactly so, "being Romans." Thus we see that Christianity was met by the challenge of nationalism. The opposition to Christianity did not appear on the grounds of an opposing religion, but from an opposing nationalism. The Romans persecuted the early Church, not because of intolerance toward religion, but because those early Christians would not do obeisance to Caesar, because they would not bow before the supreme authority of the state, and become mere puppets of the state. They put Christ first, a thing all Christians should do today in all things.

Nationalism is the Church's most dangerous rival. How many in our churches realize it? What is nationalism? The crux of nationalism grows out of the idea of sovereignty, authority and pride. The state is supreme. It refuses to acknowledge control outside of its own independent will. To safeguard its own interests, it will war against, or with other sovereign states, in order to maintain its own supremacy. Being a sovereign unit, it holds absolute authority over citizens within its own domain. The nation during war can conscript a person's business, food supplies, money, life, family and opinion. And in order to color emotionally its sovereign claims, it must be boastful. Each nation thinking that it is the best. Professor Larson of Berlin writes: "We are morally and intellectually superior to all, without peers. It is the same with our organizations and with our institutions." Cecil Rhodes speaks of the British as "The greatest people the world has ever seen." An American diplomat says, "God has yet made nothing or nobody equal to the American people; and I don't think he ever will or can." Sovereignty-authority-pride, these are the major items of the sinister dogma of nationalism; and in every point they conflict with the Spirit and principles of Jesus Christ.

In the first place, the theory of nationalism is wrong. In the kind of a world in which we live, a nation should no more have the right to be free from cooperative control, than the individual. We call the individual who wants to be a law unto himself, free from all outside controlling influence, an anarchist. The same principle applies to nations. In theory the doctrine of nationalism means anarchy. Its trend, inevitably, involves war in fact. Much of the world's chaotic condition today is due to the selfish interests of sovereign states conflicting. Nationalism, also, clashes with the sovereignty of God. War divides God into tribal gods. We cannot say, "I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth," and believe in the tribal gods of wartime. Nationalism denies the Fatherhood of God over all, and makes impossible the brotherhood of man.

The dogma of nationalism, likewise, clashes with the conscience of a religious man concerning the matter of supreme allegiance. Should God have the right of way, our first allegiance, or should the state have it? Note these words of a true nationalist, "The state, it seems to me, is not at all made for religion, but religion is made for the state . . . The state has supremacy in everything . . . When the state has pronounced, the

Church has nothing further to say." This means a complete surrender of everything to the state. Even the Church of Rome never exacted, from its adherents, a more absolute obedience than this kind of nationalism would impose upon the citizens. The trend of nationalism in our country, and in almost all of the nations in recent years, has become alarming.

Already our freedom of expression of opinion has been curtailed. At the time of our country's aggressive war against Mexico, Abraham Lincoln in the house of representatives lifted his voice against the war. In the same house, Joshua R. Giddings, called it, "A war against an unoffending people, without adequate or just cause, for the purpose of conquest" and declared "I will lend it no aid, no support whatsoever. I will not bathe my hands in the blood of the Mexican people, nor will I participate in the guilt of those murders which have been and will hereafter be committed by our army there." Contemporaneously, men like Daniel Webster, James Russel Lowell and Theodore Parker, vehemently, denounced the same war. Those days of free expression are gone. Today, were we to exercise such liberty, in wartime, we would be jailed. Our American forefathers who threw off the shackles of an oppressive monarchy, had no intention of putting in its place any kind of absolute state, whatever. They would have fought to the last man, this sinister kind of nationalism we see developing in our midst. would have staked everything upon the primacy of their individual consciences.

Is it not time for the Church to fearlessly take a positive stand against war, and the things that make for war? Is the Church going to be silent and allow, without voicing a mighty protest, this narrow, selfish, war-provoking nationalism to keep growing until we shall be plunged into another terrible holocaust? Shall we surrender our consciences to the state? Is the dogma, "My country, right or wrnog," to be the Christian's sentiment, and thus place God and conscience subservient to nationalism? In the same spirit of the early Christians, we must resolve to "obey God rather than men."

All of us may not be able to go as far as Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick and thirteen thousand other ministers have gone in renouncing war; but, I think all Christians should be ready to go as far as Dr. Fosdick in his statement to a Japanese statesman, in answer to the personal question, "Dr. Fosdick, as a Christian minister, what would be your attitude, if your country were to wage an aggressive and unjust war?" "I would denounce it," replied Dr. Fosdick, "with all my soul, and take the consequences." I believe that if this position were taken, determinedly and strongly voiced by all Christians, that it would accomplish much for the cause of peace.

I believe that the Christian Church was sufficiently strong in Germany to have nullified Prussianism, if she had courageously voiced the principles of the Prince of Peace, for years before the World War. No wonder there were many indictments that Christianity had failed. But, it was not Christianity that had failed. You cannot charge failure to that which had not been truly applied. But, the organized Church ignominiously failed. The Church ought to have been the leader, chastizing the wrong

doer with a voice so loud, and so clear, that it would have been heard around the world. If she had been crushed immediately for it, it would have made no difference; it would only have added to her greatness, and her divine mission. As Bishop McDowell has so splendidly said: "I must think of the standards of Christ, irrespective of whom it shall offend. I think that is what Jesus meant when he said: "Except a man leave father and mother, and brother and sister, and all things, he cannot be my disciple."

The opportunity is at hand again for the Church to speak. Shall we embrace it? Or shall future generations say, after another terrible war may have come and gone, "If only the Church back in 1934 had raised her voice as she might have done, this terrible evil would not have fallen upon the world."

Greed and War

(b) Another evil thing that makes for war is greed. Great fortunes are made out of most wars, and things that lead to war. A person with the spirit of avarice is always more concerned about saving himself than he is in saving his country. Senator Borah was justified on one occasion when he expressed his indignation, aroused by this greedy type, in the words, "A great many swine are rooting for themselves under cover of the flag, while pretending to be rooting for Uncle Sam." And that is what many are doing today. From evidences already available, international good-will is constantly attacked on all sides by the munitions manufacturers, whose sole interest is profits, and it makes no difference to them whether they sell machine guns to kill the enemy or kill their own soldiers. Profits are profits. The more people that are killed, the more profits are amassed.

The recent revelations of the international ramifications of the munitions traffic, exposing the activity of certain armament firms in Britain, which were helping to rearm Germany, while certain political leaders were affecting an attempt to prevent this very thing, have horrified and disgusted many people. One of the reactions from it, affected the Church of England. Under the circumstances, and in view of the nature of the Church's mission, this is good. "Physician heal thyself," is not at all Reports from London of a movement among clergymen impertinent. to force the Clergy Pension's Institute to divest itself of some \$50,000 worth of stock in Vickers, Ltd., one of the largest armament makers in the world, is both astounding and encouraging. Heretofore, investment in Vicker's shares, was considered as sound, as investment in a brewery, and as appropriate for Church funds. But, now there is a change of opinion. This looks like a new conscience at work. It appears that there is a growing determination that the issue between peace and war, shall not be decided by those whose bank-accounts swell, when the roar of cannon and bursting shells is in the air.

This change of attitude is also in evidence in our midst. Doubtless the recent action of the United States Senate to investigate the munitions interests, and their propaganda, is proof of it. And very probably, it

was this that inspired President Roosevelt's effort to secure national and international action to restrain the traffic in war materials.

It is about time for such a change of opinion on this very important matter. It is time that the masses knew that munitions makers are largely responsible for armament races, and that history shows indisputably, that competition in armaments, inevitably, leads to war. It is high time for the Church to denounce all, whose greed involves them in a pernicious business, which by its very nature and results, must compromit duties they owe to God and mankind. Munitions interests have too long been regarded as eminently respectable in all the nations of the world. Their true nature should be exposed. Peace loving persons and institutions should clear their skirts of any connection with a business whose zeal for profits makes little difference as to whether their guns kill sons of the enemy or sons of their native land.

Purely on the basis of principle involved, organizations and individuals of the Church and state, that are vitally concerned about the extension of international good-will, should sell whatever stock they have in these corporations. Institutions and leaders cannot advocate peace with their voices while their hands are busy clipping coupons from stocks of corporations which are bending all their energies to the destruction

of good-will among mankind.

Prejudice and War

(c) Still another major cause of war is prejudice.

The greatness of an individual or a nation is best determined by the spirit of magnanimity, and the great sins against magnanimity, are vindictiveness, jealousy and prejudice. These have left a trail through history marked with bigotry and blood. Perhaps the most common is prejudice. It is prejudice more than anything else that checks the spread of brotherhood, and makes for discord. Quoting another, "This man hates the Jews; that man has a deep dislike of Catholics; and this other cannot stand a Protestant. One man is sure that all Japanese are liars; another thinks that every German or every Frenchman, as the case may be, has a devil; and, as for social lines, 'our kind' are the elect people, and all the rest are more or less barbarian."

"In a prominent New York Church where the crowds were pressing down the aisles, the usher showed a Chinese couple into a pew just as two Americans reached the spot. "Pshaw!" exclaimed the woman, "why did you let those heathen go in first?" One naturally hesitates to properly describe such an attitude. Of course it was discourteous and provincial; but it was more. It was one of those contemptible and sinful attitudes which today is destroying human life and making exceedingly difficult the solution of our social and world problems—a bigoted and ignorant prejudice that curses whole classes and races. Let us bear in mind, when we are tagging members of different nations and races with such despised terms as "Dago," "Sheeny," "Chink," "Greaser," and "Nigger" that primarily, they are not Italians, Chinese, Mexicans, Jews, Gentiles, black, brown, white or yellow. Primarily, they are individual

human beings, God's children, a good deal like ourselves, and doubtless, in many cases, a good deal better.

How soon shall we be big enough to rise above petty racial prejudices, and begin in a serious fashion to properly appraise and appreciate our racial heritage, and render thanks to God for its variety and richness, a heritage which gives the Russian a love of music, the German an aptitude for science, the Italian an appreciation of art, and the French a passionate love of liberty. All the great races whose sons enter our gates have their distinctive contribution to make to America. "Art and science know no bonds of race," nor should any national, particularily, a Christian. Who cares to what race a man belongs who finds a cure for cancer, or becomes a master on the violin?

To get at the heart of the matter, the fundamental need of America and the world, is Christian friendship, for only Christ can inspire friendship big enough to overthrow vindictiveness, overcome jealousy, and enable one to love his enemies, and be friendly toward his rivals. Such a spirit is too big to be blocked by prejudice, for it breaks down all the middle-walls of partition that are erected by caste, class and races. It is this spirit of unconquerable good-will that is the indispensible basis for the spread of universal brotherhood.

(III) The Way To Peace

(a) We naturally, first think of the viewpoint of the militarist.

The way to peace, says the militarist, is to be ready for war, to be so powerful, so well fortified and equipt, that no other nation shall dare attack us. We are not questioning the sincerity of those who hold this view; but we are questioning their judgment.

It is not very long ago that men fiercely defended the duel as a means of satisfying serious differences between individuals. armed to "keep the peace." Was life more secure then, than now, when they take for granted the good-will of most men? Can that be good for nations, which individuals and communities, have found wholly bad? History prove to all but the blindest, that armaments lead to war. "War is a feared result, but militarism is a more fearful cause." Before the World War, we were told with high airs of authority and almost constant repetition that great armaments were a sure guaranty of peace. nations were solemnly advised to make themsleves so formidable in dreadnoughts, armies, fortifications, endless munitions, that no one would dare attack them. Nations so armed would make a general war so inconceivably horrible that the world could not, and would not, face it. So peace was assured. But the most powerfully armed nations in the world were the very ones that were engaged in the most destructive war of history. One would suppose that that fact would silence the old argument. It seems incredible that they should go on using it as if nothing had happened. The patient is dead. Instead of saying, "bury him," they say, "no, go right on giving him the same remedy."

Peace that relies upon armed force is not peace. The peace of force can never be anything but temporary. Before it, is the vision of universal

discord, held in check by fear. A period of exhaustion is sometimes called peace. The nations, like pugilists, simply stop in order to get breath for another round. When a nation is "bled white," it is a matter of rest or death. That period of convalescence is like the enforced temperance of the drunkard. He is gaining strength to plunge into deeper delirium. When the forces of a nation - military - economic - financial - are exhausted, it is like a case of nervous prostration. Rest becomes imperative. But, we instinctively ask, "What passions lie couched behind that enforced quiet." Naturalists tell us that fighting lions will often lie for many minutes within easy striking distance of each other without moving a muscle. They are too exhausted to stir. Only their eyes are busy measuring the strength of their antagonist. They are not at peace. No more are the armed nations, who have their spies abroad eyeing the armaments and fortifications of their neighbors, making a census of their fighting men. pondering carefully their financial strength. Such nations are not at peace. They simply are not sure enough of their strength to strike.

Let the militarists answer this question, "Has their method worked?" Let the answer come from the slaughter-fields of Asia and Europe. Militarism has had a fair, nay, an extreme chance to prove its theory that the way to make peace is by preparing for war, and it has utterly failed.

The Christian Way To Peace

(b) The only satisfactory method to bring about peace is the Christian way. Not battleships, submarines, airplanes, and poison gas, but only organized good-will can ever give to the nations of the world real security, and cast out fear. That is the word of the New Testament, and that is the ideal for the universe. It is not by accident that peace and good-will are indissolubly joined in that divine manifesto issued to the world when Jesus came. When the will of the individual yields itself to the divine will, then good-will reigns between God and the soul, and peace which passeth understanding reigns.

When good-will between nations is back of all their interrelations, war, with all its corollaries, becomes impossible to thought. The three thousand miles of unfortified boundary line between us and Canada is a perpetual testimony to the whole world, that the peace of good-will is profound and unassailable.

As we view the text we see that Paul had before his eyes the wonderful fact, that somehow, a new feeling was in the world among men. Peace was coming slowly, but steadily; where hitherto there had been hatred and contempt and suspicion. All through the ages the Jews had despised the Gentiles, and the Gentiles had hated the Jews. But now they were fraternizing, engaging in common worship, living together in kindly appreciation. Paul knew and we know, what was the cause of this astonishing transformation. Jesus had done it. It was he who had "made both one," who had "slain the enmity," and brought this new and lasting peace. Christ had "broken down the middle wall of partition," "so making peace." And how did Christ accomplish this? He did not do it by force, except the force of love. The Christian Church has but to reveal and advocate more fully the Spirit and teachings of Christ in order to aid greatly in

the abolition of war; for the Christ Spirit is love, brotherliness, humaneness, neighborliness and peacefulness; while the war spirit is hate, revenge, pride, suspicion and jealousy. The religion of Christ is nothing more than the life of God in our souls, so we will love God and love man. Let love work no evil to his neighbor, but as ye would that men should do to you, do you also to them likewise.

The Prince of Peace sends his disciples to all nations with this transforming message of love. For wherever it goes, it changes their lives. It reforms the soul which is the soul of reform, it obliterates geographical boundaries, it breaks down the middle walls of partitions between people, it cares not under what flag a man is born, nor for the color of his skin. "A man's a man for 'a that." There is neither Jew nor Gentile. He bids us put up the sword, for we are brethren, and sends us forth to all nations, to win them to the kingdom of peace.

These times in which we live offer a tremendous challenge to the Church. Today, the Church is being put to a severe test. On the sincerity, sacrifice, the loving humility of the leaders of religious thought and practice, the world's future mainly depends. The world is ready and waiting for the Church. But, she must come, not with the voice of a false Christ of worldliness, selfishness, conventional and superficial, ceremonial or narrow sectarianism, but with the voice of the Christ of love and devotion to humanity.

Christianity has been the mightiest influence in history, but like the disciples in Gethsemane, it has sometimes gone to sleep, and like Peter, has sometimes denied its Lord. The Church must return to the spirit of the stable and the cross, in everyday life as well as in creed. How did Christianity become such a mighty force in a few generations? Because its leaders believed in it with all their hearts and souls and minds; because they were anxious to live it, as well as ready to die for it. The Church must live and work in the same spirit. It is a day to practice the faith in and love for our fellow men of which Paul speaks in Eph. 1:15, "I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints." If we cannot do this individually, within the nation, and above all, between the churches; if we are suspicious of one another, and question each other's fidelity, or seek our own glory, how can we hope to promote international good-will, and faith and confidence between race and race.

The real issue, fundamentally, is the issue of our being Christian through and through. The race's real trouble, is that there has been no consistent and radical trial of the spirit and principles of Christ in the whole realm of human life. The contention of Drummond holds true, the "the whole cross is more easily carried than the half." The Church cannot go on, as another has said, "preaching Jesus to individuals and Machiavelli to states. At last the high Gods weary of such stupidity and send the deluge." Let the Church by faith and practice, know that Christianity is meant to permeate all the life of men, then she shall be inspired by the possibilities of a new and glorious civilization. She will sound with distinctness and with great insistence, the high note of love which is the distinctive command of Christianity. The highest evidence in the earliest days of the Christian religion was, "Behold, how these

Christians love one another." Ours, is a sorely troubled and embittered world. It greatly needs the help and message that only Christ's true followers can convey to it. In this dark hour of the world's need, let us proclaim the coming dawn; let us go forth with the only Gospel the world has ever known which teaches, that love shall conquer hate, that light shall dissipate the darkness, that good shall triumph over the ill, that where sin did abound nationally, and internationally, as well as personally, grace shall yet much more abound. For as Whittier writes,

"Grace is a stream whose foutain is in God; Love is the fountain which this stream supplies; For God is love's unchangeable abode, Unfailing source of good to all that is."

"Grace in creative acts is manifest,
For all things were of wise and good design,
Adapted to secure the very best,
And holiness and happiness combine."

"Grace in Redemption all its fullness shows, Reversing evil and educing good; From Jesus' wounds the healing virtue flows Which reconciles a sinful world to God."

"Grace will achieve through Providence its plan, And God's eternal purpose consumate, (Glory to God on high, good-will to man!) The curse remove and all things new create."

As God's word is true such an era of peace and righteousness is coming: "And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people, and they shall beat their swords into plow-shares, and their spears into pruning-hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

I thank God for the promise that right shall ultimately triumph over all wrong; that the time will come when our Lord's prayer, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done" will have been accomplished; when the "knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the great deep;" when the kingdoms of this world will have become the kingdoms of our Lord Jesus Christ; when he shall reign from sea to sea and from shore to shore; when the cross will have become the central object of the universe around which all the affections and hopes of mankind shall be entwined; when all shall gratefully acknowledge the Fatherhood of God, and be bound together into an indissoluable brotherhood. In the meantime, we are not to be silent or idle. It is not a truth to go to sleep on. We must work for peace. We must give for peace. We must pray for peace.

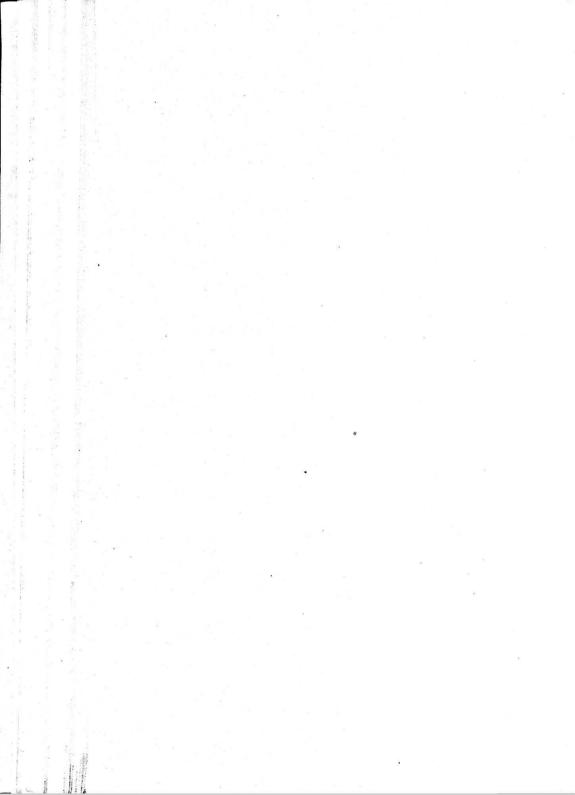
"God of our fathers, God of the nations, Sovereign supreme over all the wide world, Here we would praise Thee with heartfelt oblations, Here while the banner of peace is unfurled.

Lord of the centuries, pardon the ages
Dark with the terrors of battle and blood;
Give forth Thy light and unfold the bright pages—
Glorious era of true brotherhood.

Judge of all peoples, still with us pleading, Teach us Thy justice and reason and right; Give us courage to follow Thy leading, Children of liberty, children of light.

Rise, O Church of Christ, rise in Thy splendor, Lead forth the nations to war against war; Stand for the highest, by Freedom's defender, Brotherhood, justice and peace evermore."

OLIVER HUCKEL.



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Stewartstown Susquehanna T-inity-Salem Union Bridge. Wallace Memorial Warwick.	2 2 3 2 1 2	2 2 3 2 1 2	1 1 1 1 1 1	16000 8000 36000 16000 7000 3200	3500 2000 5000 3400 3000 1200	6000	13000 8000 10500 9900 3500 3500	8 8 19 15 3	30	295 184 261 177 164 91	652 405 576 390 362 201	980 610 867 587 545 303	120 120 145 100
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STEWARD'S REPORT W. M. C. JUNE 18, 1934

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	1934	1933	Incr.	Decr.
President's Salary & Expenses	\$ 4,420	\$ 4,419	1	
Maryland Conference Budget	29,128	27,170	1958	
General Conference Budget				230
Credits:				
Undesignated Payments on				
Budget	6,910	6,315	595	
Children's Day	3,776	4,129		353
Rally Day	2,998	3,853		855
Young People's Day	858	1,598		740
Easter Offering	3,962	3,350	612	
Women's Auxiliary	14,133	13,807	326	
Young People's Union	659	588	71	
Special for Missions	1,026	283	743	
Special for Education	234	518		284
Special Children's Home	130	121	9	8
Paid on General Conference Bud	34,686	34,562	124	
Paid on Total Assessments	68,234	66,151	2083	
Miscellaneous General	4,546	5,951		1,405
Total for General Interests	72,780	72,114	666	
Pastors' Salaries	196,342	209,076		12,734
Rental Value of Parsonages	52,395	54,342		1,947
Current Expenses	86,726	92,482		5,756
Paid on Building & Improvements	19,910	24,013		4,103
Paid on Debt	22,107	32,152		10,045
Paid on Interest on Debt	43,126	43,661		535
Miscellaneous Local	43,205	48,539		5,334
Total Paid for Local Interests	463,812	504,265		40,453
Total Paid for All Purposes	536,592	576,379		39,787

RAYMOND W. WHITE, Steward, J. R. McKEAWN, Assistant Steward.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

	1934	1933	Incr.	Decr.
Ministers and Preachers	170	169	1	
Supply Preachers		5		
Unstationed Ministers & Preachers	48	48		
Full Members	35,415	35,518		103
Full Members Received	1,862	1,892		30
Full Members Withdrawn	345	420		75
Full Members Discontinued	1,140	1,069	71	
Full Members Deceased	404	390	14	
Probationers Received	209	126	83	
Probationers elected to Membership	146	74	72	
Probationers Discontinued	23	24		1
Adults Baptized	151	262		116
Children Baptized	1,034	1,165	131	
Conversions	1,789	1,659	130	
Sunday Schools	243	244		1
Sunday School Officers & Teachers	3,764	3,060	704	
New Scholars	2,978	2,976	2	
Scholars on Roll	35,660	36,562		902
Senior C. E. Societies	141	145		4
Senior C. E. Society Members	4,454	4,560		106
Junior C. E. Societies	52	60		8
Junior C. E. Society Members	1,388	1,503		115
Money for Foreign Missions	654	476	178	
Money for Missionaries	723	855		132
PROPE	ERTY			
Appointments	246	255		9
Churches	259	262		3
Parsonages	132	132		
Value of Church Property	6,499,700	6,464,000	35,700	
Value of Parsonage	754,600	763,600		9,000
Debt on Church and Parsonage	864,805	863,265	1,540	
Church Papers Taken	1,851	1,725	126	
Insurance on Church & Parsonage	3,802,625	3,843,560		40,935

J. LEE MARKER

J. HALL BARTON

MANUAL

RULES OF ORDER AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE

Government of the Maryland Annual Conference

RULE I. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE

1. The Conference shall convene in annual session each year on the second Wednesday in June. The fiscal year shall be from June 1 of each year to May 31 of the following year.

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 Secretary shall distribute the printed Minutes to the charges on the basis of one copy for each twenty members. Provided that extra copies may be supplied charges where need may appear. Also, copies shall be mailed to all ministers of the Conference holding special relation to the Conference, to all institutions and officials of the general church, to the widows of ministers of the Conference, and to other miscellaneous organizations that may apply.

5. Each session shall fix the bar of the Conference and shall require

all members to sit therein.

RULE II. DUTIES OF OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

A-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; preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration; not allow improper personalities nor reflections upon any religious communities.
- 4. 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"
- 5. State a question sitting but stand when the question is put and taken; stand when he states a point of order and when he makes any formal communication to the Conference,
- 6. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken unless there be a tie, but he may vote in case of ballot.
- 7. 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.

- 8. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.
- 9. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.
- 10. In the event of the death of any ministerial member, or his wife, or widow, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee of three ministers and three laymen from the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.
- 11. 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 Quarterly District Conferences over the area where feasible; assume general oversight of all church work; examine church registers; 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.

12. The President shall visit the quarterly conferences of the charges as frequently as possible and shall sympathetically present the claims of the General and Annual Conferences; shall seek to secure a salary to the pastor of not less than \$1,200, and the prompt payment of the same; shall urge adequate insurance on all church property, the incorporation of the churches, the employment of approved and systematic financial plans, and such other matters as he may deem of value for the welfare of the work.

B-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. Be the Committee on Credentials and keep an accurate list of members of the Conference.
- 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, Steward and Statistician 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 publication and distribution of the Minutes.
 - 12. Supply the pastors with blanks, and send 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. These records shall be kept in the vault of the Headquarters Building.
- 14. He shall maintain a book entitled "Memorial Roll" which shall include the names of the ministers of the Conference who are deceased, in the order of their decease, with information concerning them such as dates of birth and death, places of interment, etc. He shall also maintain a book for ministers' wives, in which a record of their full name (Maiden name), place of birth, church connection, services, etc., shall be kept.

C-Duties of Steward, Treasurer and Statistician:

- 1. The Conference Steward, the Treasurer, and the Statistician, shall constitute the Board of Stewards who shall receive the reports and collections from the pastors and shall be responsible to the Conference for all reports, monies, receipts and vouchers delivered to them.
- 2. The Board of Stewards shall meet on Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock in open conference to receive the pastors' envelopes containing the reports and collections; shall meet thereafter to make a distribution of the various reports to the proper persons; shall note the agreement of the pastors' financial reports with the financial envelopes and prepare the reports of the Conference.

The report blanks shall consist of the following:

- a. Financial, covering collections for general and local interests.
- h. Statistical, covering memberships of all organizations.
- c. Pastors' personal reports.
- d. Certificate of delegate's and alternate's election.
- e. General information.
- f. A financial envelope corresponding to financial report.
- g. A general envelope to contain the whole.
- 3. The Steward shall receive, after checking with the Treasurer the envelopes and blanks, the financial reports of the pastors from which he shall make his report.
- 4. The Treasurer shall receive the financial envelopes and all monies, vouchers and receipts enclosed. He shall hold these monies for distribution according to the action of Conference upon order of the Board of Finance, which order shall be the voucher of the Treasurer covering his various transactions. This same provision for distribution shall apply throughout the year for monies received during the sitting of Conference and for monies received ad interim. He shall keep an account with some accepted bank, and his accounts shall be open for inspection at all times by the President of the Conference, the Board of Finance or by any one designated by either of them. The Treasurer shall designate the charges whose assessment for President's Salary, Travel Expenses and Parsonage Expense is due each month of the year, rotating from year to year. Charges failing to pay their apportionment in the month designated shall be referred to the Board of Finance for further action.
- 5. The Statistician shall receive the membership blanks submitted by the pastors from which he shall make his report.
- 6. In all cases where discrepancies in reports may appear the Steward, the Treasurer, or the Statistician, according to the department in which errors may be noted, shall seek to correct same by conference with the pastor concerned.

RULE III. 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.

The Standing Committees shall be:

1. The Board of Finance—5 Ministers, 5 Laymen.
The chairman to be appointed one year in advance. Recommend Conference budget, apportion and promote all budget assessments, and have general oversight of Conference finances as provided in Conference Minutes 1930, page 47.

2. Itinerancy and Orders-6 Ministers.

For further record of the duties of this Committee see detail listed in the forepart of the Conference Minutes under title "Conference Examiners and Examinations."

Board of Survey and Extension-5 Ministers, 5 Laymen.

The President of the Conference shall be a member ex-officio and the Chairman of the Board. This Board shall serve for the full twelve months period and shall at Conference and ad interim review the church extension needs of the Conference, make recommendations as to Church Extension appropriation, pastors' supplemental salaries, church and parsonage operations (Reg. 1, Par. 9, etc.)

4. Pulpit Service-3 Ministers.

This Committee shall make the assignments for Sabbath preaching during the sitting of Conference.

5. Superannuates-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

Review the needs of the superannuated ministers and widows of the Conference, make appropriations, etc.

6. Christian Literature and Education-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. Review and report on all reports of our educational institutions, publishing interests, etc.

7. Moral Reform and Social Service-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. Deal with such matters as relate to Sabbath observance, prohibition, economic and social conditions.

8. Benevolent Agencies-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

Review the Deaconess work, etc.

9. Official Relations-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

Review and pass upon the character of all ministers and the Conference relationship to their charges, etc., and shall read as part of their report an "Honor Roll" of charges which pay their assessments in full.

10. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
To be appointed by the President upon the death of a minister of the Conference or the wife of a minister.

11. Missions-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

Review the activities of our church in foreign and home fields.

12. President's Report-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. Pass upon the report of the Conference President.

13. Audit-2 Ministers, 1 Layman.

To whom shal be referred all financial reports of institutions and boards belonging to this Conference.

14. Conference Program for the following session-3 Ministers (One of whom shall be the President).

15. Appointees on Executive Committee of Council of Religious Education-President of the Conference and two members, appointed for two years each, but appointed one each year.

16. Home for the Aged-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

Review the work of this institution.

17. Conference Arrangements—the President and Standing District Committee.

18. Evangelism-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

Tht 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.

20. Memorial Day-3 Ministers.

- 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, where-upon 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.

RULE IV. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION

- 1. The order of business for each session of the Conference shall be arranged by the Program Committee appointed at the preceding session. Its report shall be made immediately following the roll call and be subject to approval, amendment or disapproval by the Conference.
 - 2. For the opening day it shall follow this order:

Call to Order.

At nine o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Annual Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, with prayer by himself or by another, and with congregational singing.

b. Roll Call.

The Secretary noting the absentees.

In the event of the death of any member of the Conference since the preceding session, the Chairman of the Obituary Committee, or in his absence some member of the Committee, shall formally announce the fact to the Conference, such announcement being made when the name of the deceased is reached at the Roll Call, and the name shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Memorial Roll by the Secretary.

- c. The Program Committee's report for Conference consideration,
- d. Memorial Roll Call by some one designated by the President.
- e. The Lord's Supper, administered by the President assisted by such ministers as may be selected by him.
- f. The Conference Sermon, preached by the President or someone designated by him.
- g. The benediction.

Afternoon Session, 2 P. M.

h. Examination of the President:

The Conference shall open with a hymn and prayer, after which 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 the committee shall answer the question: "Shall his character pass?"

- i. Election of Officers, 3 o'clock.
 - 1. President
 - 2. Secretary
 - 3. Treasurer
 - 4. Steward
 - 5. Statistician

The Steward, Treasurer and Statistician elected at one session shall serve at the following session of the Conference, and they shall each appoint two assistants with Conference approval.

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- 6. Standing District Committee, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
- 7. Committee on Appeals, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
- j. Examination of Official Character, 4 o'clock.

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 bag of the Conference Steward. The reports and charges against official character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Relations.

- k. Benediction at pleasure.
- 3. The Program Committee will adjust the remainder of the Conference sessions without requiring undue absence from the floor of Conference by the committee members.
- 4. The order of business for the daily sessions shall be arranged by the Program Committee but shall include for each morning, and in such order as the Committee may elect, a devotional service, reading of the Minutes, roll call (complete or absentees only), call by the Secretary for official communications by pastors and delegates, reports from institutions and boards, which shall without reading (unless so requested and allowed at the time) be sent to the proper committees.
- 5. Committees shall report to the Conference at the time designated in the program. The report may be read by any member of the committee or by the Secretary. A re-reading of the report by the Secretary may be had at any time by a request from the floor.
- 6. The time for the reports of committees arranged on the program shall be considered as the order of the day and any delayed report must be withheld until the pending Order of the Day is concluded.
- 7. When any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session and at a specific hour.
- 8. Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.
- 9. Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the list of business.
- 10. When any business is taken into consideration it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day or by adjournment.

RULE V. DECORUM

- 1. When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise and address the Chair "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference, after which he may proceed addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.
- 2. If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

- 3. No interruption shall be allowed while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.
- 4. When a member is called to order he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule or order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.
- 5. In deciding a question of order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate, but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustains the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.
- 6. No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of the Conference, nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.
- 7. Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.
- 8. Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at all daily sessions of Conference, unless excused by the Conference on request.

RULE VI. MOTIONS

- 1. Every motion and resolution shall be written, signed and read aloud by the maker, handed to the chair and read aloud by the Secretary, before any action can be taken upon it by the Conference, except motions to adopt and second, motions for amendment which do not change the content of a paper, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.
- 2. Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.
- 3. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the first three to be taken without debate; and the first always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.
- 4. It shall be in order to move the previous question, or that the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending—except in cases in which character is involved—and if sustained by two-thirds of members present the question shall be taken. It shall not be in order for a member to move the previous question or to move to lay on the table at the close of his speech in which the pending question has been discussed.
- 5. When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be put first.
- 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 invitations to fix the place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

RULE VII. 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 can change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.
 - 5. Blank ballots shall not be counted.
- 6. Ayes and Nays, and a vote by order shall be as prescribed in the Discipline.

RULE VIII. 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 1. DUTIES OF PASTORS

- 1. The pastor shall be held jointly responsible with the Stewards of his churches for the collection of the assessments on his charge made by the Conference; in accordance with the provision of the Discipline, and to report quarterly at the time of the District Conference, the amounts raised on his charge for the benevolences to date, in order to determine the standing of his charge concerning the budget for benevolences.
- 2. It is the duty of the pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, parsonages and other church property, as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and whenever allowed by state law have their churches incorporated. 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.
- 3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary suitably among the several appointments, and to have the same paid when notified by the Treasurer of the Conference that it is due.
- 4. Pastors are required to see that families belonging to their churches are supplied with the Catechism of our church and to arrange in the church schools for its use.
- 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 according to regulation of the Discipline.
- 6. Pastors, when changing appointments, shall hand to their successors, a plan of the work of the charge, including correct church registers, addresses of members, names of ill and aged persons, list and addresses of Sunday school members, list of prospective members, etc.

7. 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.

8. No minister of this Conference shall go as a loan to any church outside of the Maryland Conference unless said church is willing to con-

tribute to the Superannuate Fund of this Conference.

9. All pastors are required to submit in detail to the Board of Survey and Extension all plans their churches may have for new church buildings and parsonages, remodeling or extensive improvements, locations for buildings, etc., for advice and counsel, before giving their consent to or proceeding with the execution of their plans. This is done that churches may have advantage of the study and experience of the Conference in all such matters. Further, no church shall receive any appropriation from Conference funds until this Board of Survey and Extension shall have reviewed their plans and passed favorably upon the same.

10. All married pastors of the Conference shall be guaranteed a minimum salary of \$1,200, and parsonage, and 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 \$2,500, 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.

11. Pastors, in arranging for their regular Quarterly Conferences shall give the President of the Conference at least two (2) weeks advance notice of date of such meetings, so that the President may be aided in so arranging his itinerary 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. Provided, that only those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in the Constitution of the denomination, Article IV, Section 3, and in the Discipline under "Trustees," page 80, Section 9. (See 1932 Discipline). (These references having to do with property).

2. 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.

3. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Treasurer, Steward, Class-leader, and Sunday School Superintendent, Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

4. Only those ministers who have faithfully exercised the office of Elder for two years in the Conference shall be eligible to the office of Pres-

ident of the Annual Conference.

5. The Conference records the fact that authority for the appointment of pastors to charges resides in the Annual Conference, but fully recognizes the right of the annual membership meeting or of a quarterly conference to give instructions to the delegate to the Annual Conference as to the return of a pastor, that it strongly disapproves the secret ballot for the return or removal of a pastor, that it condemns the complimentary vote that asks for a pastor's return in the public meeting and seeks his removal at the Annual Conference.

Regulation III. THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE

- 1. The President's Parsonage, owned by the Conference, is 3600 Copley Road, Baltimore, Md.
- 2. The Conference each year shall elect an Agent of the President's Parsonage, who shall out of monies placed in his hands for the purpose pay the water rent, insurance and maintain all needful repairs.
- 3. An assessment of \$4,500 shall be laid on the District for the President's salary, traveling expenses and for the expenses of the President's Parsonage, the assessment to be known as "President's Salary and Expenses." Nine-tenths (\$4,050) of this amount shall be paid the President for salary and traveling expenses; one-tenth (\$450) shall be paid to the Agent of the President's Parsonage for the purposes recorded in Section 2. The method of levying this assessment is recorded under Rule II, Section C, paragraph 4.

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. MINISTERS AND SPECIAL RELATIONS

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. CHURCH 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.
- 2. Pastors are directed to carry out the Discipline regulaions 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. OUR CHURCH HOME

- 1. Every charge shall elect or appoint a Lady Visitor from each church on hte charge, where there is more than one appointment, and 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

Ordained ministers only have the right to administer, or to assist in administering, the Christian ordinances of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, baptism and marriage; except those pastors who have been given license by an Annual Conference for one year at a time. A license to preach, or election to orders (preceding ordination) does not constitute this right.

Regulation IX. UNSTATIONED MINISTERS

The Conference will not recognize as an unstationed 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, selling chances, and other games of hazards, is strongly condemned by this Conference. Pastors are required to oppose such methods. The wilful continuance of such practices shall, upon recommendation of the Committee on Official Relations, subject pastors and churches responsible, to disciplinary action.

Regulation XI. MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY

The placing of mortgages 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 the Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.
- 2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep a record of his nativity, and 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. UNFERMENTED WINE

The Conference recommends the use of unfermented wine in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Regulation XV. 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 XVI. MEMORIAL DAY

A Standing Committee of three shall be appointed to arrange Memorial Services to be held on the Sunday nearest May 30, of each year, by congregations and ministers in honor of the ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church who are buried in cemeteries located near our churches. The duty of this committee will be to secure information about the burial places of all members of the Conference whose names are on our Memorial Roll, to gather biographical data to be used in the Memorial Services, to prepare an Order of Service for use when desired, and to arrange or appoint churches and ministers to conduct these services when such appointments would aid in securing a service for every minister who has been a member of the Conference and has passed into the Heavenly home.

Regulation XVII. PASTORS' MOVING EXPENSES

As the Discipline grants the Annual Conference the right to "make such regulations as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the ministers and preachers," it is the judgment of this Conference that the charge to which a minister or preacher is assigned should pay the moving expenses of the incoming pastor. Provided, that this regulation shall apply only to appointments within the Maryland Conference District. It is expected that with men who have been "loaned" or who have been in special relation outside of the Maryland Conference area the agency served or the minister moving shall provide the moving cost.

Regulation XVIII. ELECTION OF DELEGATES

First. 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.

Second. 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.

Third. 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.

Fourth. In all cases of the election of delegate some one other than the pastor shall preside and shall sign the certificate of election. The pastor's name attached to any certificate of election invalidates the same.

Regulation XIX. PLAN OF CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

A-Expense of Travel:

The establishment of a pro rata basis of expense in reaching the seat of Conference for each minister and delegate shall be determined by the Board of Finance and the Treasurer. Pastors shall be notified of the amounts, and the churches are expected to pay the same before a designated period prior to the sitting of the Conference. Pastors and delegates will receive a Treasurer's check for the round trip from their homes. (Superannuates will have their expenses paid out of Conference funds).

B-Expense of Entertainment

- 1. Each charge shall be assessed an amount equal to one percent 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 (who are pastors), candidates for admission, superannuates, supernumeraries, those in special relation and the General Agents of the church, are eligible for entertainment.

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 carfare to and from the seat of Conference as the case may be, excluding the first trip. Maximum amount allowed shall be \$2.00 per day. 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.

C-Cooperation

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 XX. PLAN OF LEVY FOR THE BUDGET

- 1. The Budget System in distribution is of three parts—
 - The President's Salary, Traveling Expense and Parsonage Expenses.
- b. Maryland Conference interests, to wit:—Incidental expenses of Conference, Superannuates, Church Extension, Our Church Home and Headquarters Building.

- c. General Conference Interests, to wit:—The Board of Christian Education, the Board of Missions, the Board of Superannuates (for the General Church), the Children's Home (High Point, N.C.), the Aged People's Home (West Lafayette, Ohio), the American Bible Society, the Contingent Fund.
- 2. 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 for 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 previous year, and determine the per capita necessary to provide 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 Budget, 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 XXII. ADMISSION TO THE ITINERANCY

- 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.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND ANNUITIES

I give and devise (if real estate) or I give and bequeath (if personal property) to (here name the proper incorporated body and if not incorporated name an incorporated General or Local Conference Board having jurisdiction) the following described real (personal) property, to wit: (here describe property) with the request that it be used for the following purposes.

Name or names of Corporations of Institutions.

It is my desire that this devise (or bequest) shall not fail because of a failure to properly name the corporate body organized for the purpose of receiving bequests and holding title to property for the purposes of this legacy and in the event that the donee of this bequest (or devise) shall not be incorporated, I direct my said Executor (or Executrix) to pay over or convey said real (or personal) property to the proper incorporated body of the Methodist Protestant Church having power to accept and hold bequests for the Society, Institution or body named in this Article or for the purposes set forth herein.

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