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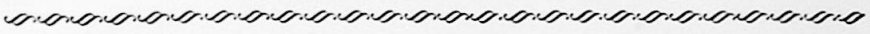
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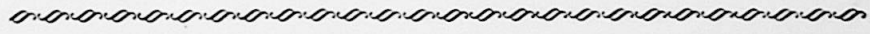


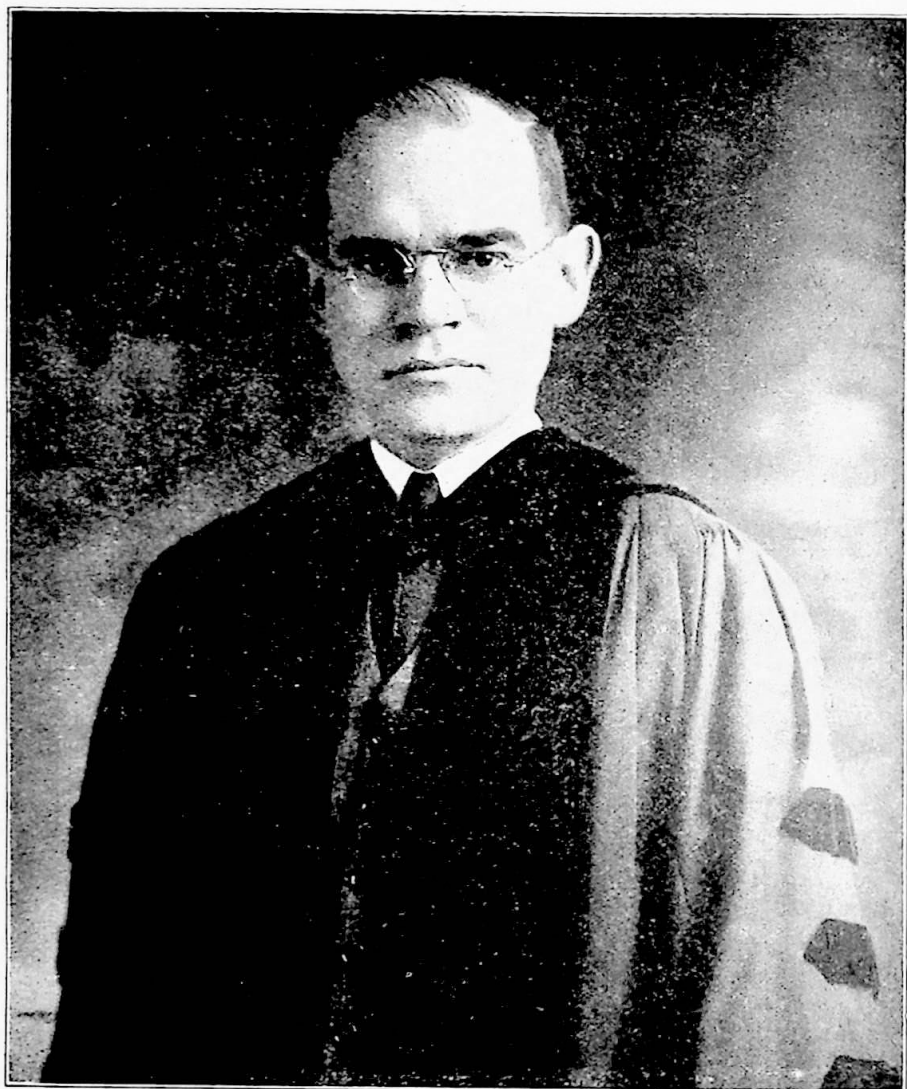
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297	J. M. Gill.....	1882	1885	426	W. P. Roberts.....	1905	1907
299	S. F. Cassen.....	1883	1886	428	C. M. Elderdice.....	1906	1907
308	J. W. Kirk.....	1885	1886	429	W. L. Hoffman.....	1906	1908
309	B. W. Kindley.....	1885	1887	432	L. B. Smith.....	1906	1907
310	H. L. Elderdice.....	1885	1885	434	W. S. Hanks.....	1906	Tr.
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321	G. W. Haddaway.....	1888	1890	438	P. L. Rice.....	1907	1909
339	J. W. Parris.....	1891	1891	440	G. A. Ogg.....	1907	Tr.
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347	A. H. Green.....	1892	1894	461	W. C. Mumford.....	1911	1912
350	C. K. McCaslin.....	1892	1893	462	C. M. Adams.....	1912	1914
354	J. A. Wright.....	1892	1892	463	W. F. Bauscher.....	1912	1913
355	G. M. Clayton.....	1893	1896	464	J. A. Dudley.....	1912	1912
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357	George Hines.....	1893	1896	466	E. W. Simms.....	1912	1913
358	W. B. Judefind.....	1893	1896	467	W. F. Wright.....	1912	1914
359	E. C. Makosky.....	1893	1895	468	Ziba Adams.....	1913	Tr.
364	G. J. Hill.....	1894	1894	471	C. C. Day.....	1913	1914
365	W. H. Litsinger.....	1894	1896	472	W. M. Snyder.....	1913	1914
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371	C. E. Dryden.....	1895	1897	474	J. N. Link.....	1914	1916
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373	G. A. Morris.....	1895	1898	481	J. P. Adams.....	1916	1917
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399	J. L. Nichols.....	1900	1903	506	J. R. McKeawn.....	1919	1919
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405	J. H. Straughn.....	1901	1903	508	J. L. Green.....	1919	1919
406	C. R. Strausburg.....	1901	1904	509	J. W. Baxley.....	1919	1919
409	P. W. Crosby.....	1903	1904	513	E. C. Graham.....	1920	Tr.
411	G. J. Hooker.....	1903	1904	515	G. E. Turner.....	1920	1920
413	Clayborne Phillips.....	1903	1905	516	F. M. Volk.....	1920	1920
415	R. L. Shipley.....	1903	1905	518	C. M. Jenkins.....	1920	1928
416	B. A. Bryan.....	1904	1906	519	C. P. Butler.....	1920	Tr.
417	G. I. Humphreys.....	1904	1906	520	J. E. Cummings.....	1921	1921
421	F. M. Clift.....	1904	1906	521	J. T. Fenby.....	1921	1921

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524	C. M. Kelsner.....	1921	1921	566	C. S. Marshall.....	1929	1929
525	P. F. Warner.....	1921	1921	567	F. W. Siffrin.....	1929	Tr.
528	M. E. Dearholt.....	1922	1922	570	B. I. Barnes.....	1930	1930
529	T. J. Turkington.....	1922	1922	571	A. A. Pierce.....	1930	1930
530	J. L. Marker.....	1922	1922	572	W. A. Roberts.....	1930	1930
531	T. G. Betschler.....	1922	1922	573	C. G. Soderbom.....	1930	Tr.
532	T. C. Mulligan.....	1922	1922	574	Ellsworth Jennings....	1930	1933
533	A. W. Simms.....	1922	1922	575	W. M. White.....	1930	1932
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537	P. M. Cassen.....	1923	1923	578	G. E. Baughman.....	1932	1932
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541	Wm. Schmeiser.....	1923	1926	582	H. N. Nicklas.....	1932	1932
542	F. B. Bailey.....	1923	1924	583	W. H. Stone.....	1932	1932
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550	Edwin Keehner.....	1926	1926	590	L. C. Little.....	1934	Tr.
552	C. F. Cummins.....	1926	1926	591	H. H. Schauer.....	1934	1934
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561	F. N. Bowers.....	1928	1928	598	T. E. Landis.....	1936	
562	I. M. Dinkle.....	1928	1928	599	E. R. Shield.....	1936	

## UNSTATIONED MINISTERS AND PREACHERS

Charges	Ministers	Preachers
Calvary .....	.....	E. Lester Keyser Elmer Hassell M. Schiffner A. F. Snyder
Christ .....	.....	Walter F. Glasgow
East Baltimore .....	.....	T. David Wilkie Sprigg Harwood
Grace .....	.....	Frank M. Bell Robert Loss
Lauraville .....	.....	Leonard F. Cushman
Lowe Memorial .....	.....	George Phelps Robert Raines Capt. M. A. Titchnel
St. Pauls .....	.....	John M. Laufer
Trinity .....	.....	B. F. Kerr, Sr.
Violetville .....	.....	Wm. Kesmodel
W. Baltimore .....	.....	Fred. J. Heaney

Charges	Ministers	Preachers
Wilton Heights .....	.....	Harry L. Kogelschatz Chester B. Street
Cumberland Ct. ....	.....	A. T. Reckley
Dover .....	.....	Lawrence E. Haddaway
Easton .....	.....	Chas. Read
Federalburg .....	.....	Tilghman Hastings
Georgetown .....	.....	Virgil C. Littleton
Grove .....	.....	J. F. Spence
Harbeson-Lewes .....	.....	George Simpler
Hebron .....	.....	Harvey Baker
Kempton .....	.....	Hobart M. Webster
Lynchburg, 1st Ch. ....	.....	Geo. W. Easton
Lynchburg, 2nd Ch. ....	.....	R. L. Davis
Milford .....	.....	O. E. Bryant
Oxford .....	.....	C. Floyd Carroll
Philadelphia:		Clarence E. Smoot
Emmanuel .....	.....	Tommie Werengo
St. Lukes .....	Horace S. Miller.....	George H. Wilson
Taylor Memorial .....	.....	George Gillespie
Pocomoke City .....	.....	Howard M. Dobson
St. Michaels .....	.....	Wm. M. Tees
Stewartstown .....	.....	Frank W. Wolfgang
Susquehanna .....	.....	J. A. Davis
Walkers Chapel & Ft. Myer Heights.....	.....	Chas. M. Dyott
Mt. Olivet .....	.....	Samuel M. Connell
R. I. Ave. ....	.....	Stanley King
Eldorado .....	.....	S. A. Hughes
		John K. White
		S. P. Beach
		R. L. Pile
		C. W. Guthrie
		George Brinsfield

CHARGES AND LAYMEN

Charge	Layman	Charge	Layman
Charges and Laymen		Keen Memorial.....	Lewis F. Ransom
Accomac.....	Ed. C. Taylor	Lauraville.....	W. D. G. Wrightson
Amelia.....	R. F. Brandon	Linthicum Hgts	
Baltimore:			Mrs. E. M. Dillon
Bethesda.....	Mrs. C. A. Davis	Lowe Memorial..	Wilmer Messick
Brooklyn.....	H. E. Gray	Marley.....	Mrs. Walter Stegman
Calvary.....	Mrs. E. L. Keyser	Nichols Mem...	Mrs. Hettie Disney
Chesaco & Graceland		N. Baltimore.....	G. W. Dexter, Jr.
Christ Ch.....	A. E. Woodward	St. Johns.....	L. W. Dykes
E. Baltimore.....	W. F. Glasgow	St. Pauls.....	P. L. Reynolds
Edmondson Ave.	W. S. Leaverton	S. Baltimore..	Mrs. Daisy E. Baker
Eutaw.....	Walter C. Alvey	Starr.....	Robt. S. Jett
Evergreen.....	C. F. Argabright	Texas.....	Mrs. Herbert Howard
Glen Burnie..	Mrs. J. F. Johnson	Towson.....	G. Edgar Harr
Grace.....	Dr. John Block	Trinity.....	W. L. Coleman
Hampden.....	Geo. W. Bond	Violetville.....	H. E. Buckheister

<i>Charge</i>	<i>Layman</i>	<i>Charge</i>	<i>Layman</i>
West Baltimore.....	E. S. Higdon	Lewistown-Liberty.....	Edward Miller
Wilton Hgts.....	Jos. F. Whiteley	Lynchburg: First....	A. H. Mason
Bedford.....	Mrs. Leah Stoner	Second.....	C. E. Smoot
Bel Air.....	Harry S. Pyle	Tyreanna.....	Mrs. G. W. Ports
Bivale.....	Mrs. B. J. Dayton	Mardela.....	J. H. Twilley
Buckeystown.....	R. S. Grams	Maryland Line.....	H. C. Schilling
Cambridge.....	R. P. Smith	Milford.....	Fulton Downing
Caroline.....	T. H. Towers	Milton.....	Frank B. Carey
Carroll Ct.....	J. Mahlon Grimm	Mt. Nebo.....	H. E. Burns
Cecil.....	John Smith	New Church.....	Mornay G. Davis
Centreville.....	R. Carroll Wilson	Northumberland.....	Edward Gough
Chestertown.....	Geo. H. French	Oxford.....	O. S. Gallup
Claremont.....	Mrs. I. A. McCoy	Parkley.....	N. J. Parks
Clayton.....	Franklin Stevens	Philadelphia:	
Crisfield:		Emmanuel.....	C. W. Slemmer, Jr.
Mt. Pleasant.....	M. B. Thawley	St. Lukes.....	Mary Richards
Mariners.....	John D. Crockett	Taylor Mem.....	Mrs. Wm. George
Cumberland.....	Benj. O'Rourke	Pipe Creek.....	E. E. Roop
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Dagsboro.....	Chas. Elliott	Pocomoke.....	J. A. Davis
Deer Creek.....	John W. Peterson	Poplar Springs.....	Raymond E. Hardy
Deer Park.....	Vernon L. Bonner	Powellville.....	E. H. Schmidt
Delmar.....	Doda Hearn	Queen Anne .....	
Delta.....	Simon Clayman	Reliance.....	A. Hill Smith
Denton.....	J. Ed. Nichols	Ridgeville.....	Jesse Day
Dorchester.....	George Wainwright	St. James.....	H. S. Startt
Dover.....	Mrs. Cora E. Farlow	St. Michaels.....	Mrs. John Seymour
Doylesburg.....	Alma Van Syoc	Salisbury.....	Fred. P. Adkins
Easton.....	John W. Howeth	Seaford.....	John W. Hastings
Elizabeth.....	Chas. J. Kurzweil	Sharptown.....	J. P. Cooper
Fawn Grove		Snow Hill.....	W. O. Shockley
Miss Minnie Strawbridge		Stewartstown.....	Grover C. Lowe
Federalburg.....	H. B. Messenger, Sr.	Susquehanna.....	Mrs. Alice Walker
Finksburg.....	Leonard K. Clifton	Trinity-Salem.....	Mrs. Kate Adams
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Newark.....	Geo. H. Schumacher	Wallace Mem.....	George W. Lewis
Frederick.....	J. Burgess Jones	Warwick.....	Edna M. Taylor
Friendship.....	S. M. Pusey	Washington:	
Georgetown.....	Andrew J. Murray	Alexandria.....	Milton T. Penn, Sr.
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Greenbush-Hallwood.....	H. S. Lang	Cherrydale.....	Dr. W. G. Monroe
Greenwood-		Congress St.....	Mrs. H. C. Grimes
Cannon.....	Mrs. Nora Wroten	Fairfax.....	Chas. F. Henderson
Grove.....	Mrs. Elmer Kelly	First Church	
Harbeson-Lewes.....	Wm. McIlvain	Miss Eunice F. Hartley	
Harmony.....	Wesley Samsell	Lewis Mem.....	Paul Lindsay
Harpers Ferry.....	Miss B. Miskimon	Mt. Olivet.....	E. B. Croson
Harrington.....	Charles E. Taylor	Mt. Tabor.....	J. G. Huddleston
Hebron.....	Hobart M. Webster	N. C. Ave.....	Miss Kate Searles
Howard.....	A. K. Pickett	R. I. Ave.....	J. P. Dodge
Hurlock.....	Mrs. P. E. Douglas	Walker's Chapel & Ft.	
Indian River .....		Myer Hgts.....	Mrs. Geo. Marcey
Kempton.....	Floyd Moxley	Wesley Chapel	
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Laurel Ct.....	Henry Chipman	First Church.....	W. H. Driscoll
Leeds.....	Clemson Brown	Peninsula.....	Leslie W. Whaley
Leipsic.....	Mrs. Jennie C. Fennimore	Quinton.....	J. L. Cowger



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- President's Report:** A. W. Ewell, B. I. Barnes, W. A. Donoway, H. S. Startt, E. E. Roop, J. A. Davis.
- Audit:** A. F. T. Raum, E. C. Woodward, P. L. Reynolds.
- Conference Program:** President, W. F. Wright, E. D. Stone.
- Appointees on Executive Committee of Council of Religious Education:** H. E. Cheyney (1 year), W. A. Roberts (2 years).
- Representatives on Commission for Religious Education for Delmarva Peninsula at request of Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education:** W. P. Roberts, J. L. Green.
- Home for Aged:** W. L. Hoffman, L. C. Randall, N. C. Clough, Andrew J. Murray, A. K. Pickett, Frank B. Carey.
- Conference Arrangements:** President, Standing District Committee.
- Evangelism:** E. D. Stone, W. A. Melvin, T. J. Turkington, J. P. Dodge, A. E. Woodward, George W. Bond.
- Group Life Insurance:** President and Treasurer.
- Memorial Day:** R. L. Shipley, J. F. Bryan, H. E. Hudgins.
- Conference Librarian:** G. M. Clayton.

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District No. 3.....T. J. Turkington	District No. 8.....E. C. Makosky
District No. 4.....N. C. Clough	District No. 9.....E. L. Bunce
District No. 5.....G. A. Ogg	

(For groups of charges comprising Districts see Minutes of 1934)

**Committee on Jewish Work:** Dr. E. B. Fenby, W. A. Melvin, C. M. Adams, J. T. Fenby, J. L. Ward.

**Committee to Complete Collection of Deeds and Legal Papers of Churches and Parsonages:** President, Secretary, F. M. Benson.

**Committee of Missionary Activities among the Churches:** G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, J. A. Dudley, J. P. Dodge, J. W. Armstrong, L. W. Dykes.

**Secretary of Temperance:** J. W. Kirk.

**Legal Authority with whom to confer with respect to Annuities and Bequests:** F. M. Benson, 2 E. Lexington Street, Baltimore, Md.

**Lord's Day Alliance Committee:** G. W. Haddaway, Chairman, and a minister and layman from each Conference District.

**Committee of Laymen on Pastoral Support:** H. C. Staley, E. E. Wooden, C. L. Horsey, Henry Gilligan, C. N. Satterfield.

**Committee to act with President on Closed Churches:** E. C. Makosky, L. B. Smith, R. S. Jett.

**Committee to edit the Minutes:** Secretary, R. L. Shipley, G. M. Clayton.

**Committee on Church Libraries:** J. E. Cummings, H. C. Burkins, L. W. Whaley.

**Committee to serve on Board of Trustees of Anti-Saloon League of Maryland:** T. C. Mulligan, C. M. Elderdice, A. W. Ewell, C. E. Dryden, W. A. Wheatley, Jr., Mrs. Herbert Fallin, E. E. Wooden, C. H. Slater.

**Committee on Church Union Information:** J. H. Straughn, L. B. Smith, F. G. Holloway, Henry Gilligan, F. P. Adkins, H. C. Staley.

**Committee on Maryland Educational Endowment Society:** E. T. Read, R. L. Shipley, Robert F. Hayes.

## CONFERENCE EXAMINERS AND EXAMINATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

(4) Each examiner may examine students at any time during the Conference year when mutually convenient. Each examiner shall report on each student annually to the committee, who shall thereupon make its recommendations to the Conference.

(5) The Committee shall submit its recommendation concerning application for admission and ordination on Saturday Morning.

E. T. KIRKLEY, Chairman  
E. T. READ,  
G. A. OGG,  
B. F. RULEY,  
R. L. SHIPLEY,  
F. G. HOLLOWAY.

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

### PREPARATORY COURSE

(a) Christian Graces and Gifts for the Ministry, which will be an examination of the applicant's experience. The applicant must have read Lewis' "The Minister and His Own Soul."

(b) Tillet'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.

E. T. KIRKLEY, Chairman  
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 G. A. OGG,  
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 R. L. SHIPLEY,  
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Westminster, Md., June 10, 1936.

## FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY

The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church convened at nine o'clock in Alumni Hall, Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland, in its 108th Annual Session.

**Devotions:**—President E. A. Sexsmith led the devotional service. The assembly sang Hymn 300, "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing My Great Redeemer's Praise." Scripture reading, Ephesians 2. Prayer was offered by J. H. Straughn, President of the General Conference.

**Roll Call:**—The Conference Secretary, W. F. Wright, called the roll of the Conference. On motion, and by common consent, the following names were transferred to the Memorial Roll: S. W. Cee, A. N. Ward, Louis Randall, F. J. Phillips and A. W. Betts.

**Memorial Roll:**—C. E. Dryden called the Memorial Roll, and the following obituaries were read: For A. W. Betts by H. L. Schlincke; for F. J. Phillips by J. T. Bailey; for S. W. Coe by L. B. Smith; for A. N. Ward by R. L. Shipley; for Louis Randall by G. W. Haddaway. Ziba Adams gave added tribute to the memory of A. N. Ward. The Conference stood for a moment in silent tribute and was then led in brief prayer by the President.

**The Lord's Supper:**—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was conducted by the President, assisted by ministers of the Conference.

**Conference Sermon:**—J. N. Link preached the Conference sermon on the subject, "The Dynamic for a Conquering Church." Colossians 1:18.

After announcements by the President and the singing of Hymn 152, the benediction was pronounced by C. B. Robey.

## AFTERNOON

The President called the Conference to order at 2:00 P. M. E. D. Stone led in the singing of hymns.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was read by the Secretary, and adopted. (See Report B).

J. H. Straughn was asked to preside.

**Report:**—After the singing of hymn, "Blessed Assurance," the President gave his report for the year. The report clearly indicated the work in connection with the office and comprehensively reviewed the activities of the Conference in all of its many relationships. A large number of conversions and accessions on the various charges were reported. A slight financial increase in benevolences is to be noted. The churches were urged to increase the subscriptions to the Methodist Protestant-Recorder. The question before the Conference this week brings us the challenge of

the day in the course of church unity. Several recommendations were made. The report was referred to the Committee on President's Report, and the President's character passed. (See Report A).

President Sexsmith read the list of Standing Committees.

The Secretary read an invitation to the ministers' wives and widows from Mrs. F. G. Holloway to attend the lawn party this afternoon.

The following ushers were appointed: H. E. Cheyney, Head Usher; W. K. Lyons, Walter Stone, Jr., R. E. Vañ Cleaf, L. E. Werner, J. B. Jones, H. H. Schauer, J. J. Von Hagel.

Report of the Program committee was adopted.

The pastor from West Baltimore Church, J. M. Gill, made the request that he be left without appointment for one year. The request was granted by vote of the Conference.

**Election of Officers:**—The Bar of the Conference was set as the central and lower level of the auditorium.

Roll of Conference was corrected so that the alternates could be seated for absent delegates.

Conference proceeded to elect its President.

Tellers were appointed: C. B. Robey, H. H. Schauer, J. P. Cooper, Leonard Clifton.

Motion passed to collect ballots without a roll call.

Result of vote—Ballots cast 190, necessary for a choice 96. E. A. Sexsmith 156; E. L. Bunce 19; L. B. Smith 7; W. H. Litsinger 2; J. N. Link 2; W. F. Wright 1; C. M. Elderdice 1; P. W. Crosby 1; R. Y. Nicholson 1.

E. A. Sexsmith was declared elected and duly presented to the Conference. He spoke concerning the work of the Conference and pledged his devotion to the tasks of the office.

Motion passed that the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for W. F. Wright as Secretary, which was done by Assistant Secretary Townsend.

Motion passed that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for C. F. Cummins as Treasurer.

R. W. White spoke of his work as Steward for more than ten years, and moved that the Secretary cast the ballot of Conference for J. R. McKeawn, Steward. Ballot was cast.

Motion passed that the Secretary cast the ballot for J. L. Marker as Statistician. Ballot was cast.

H. C. Staley was elected Agent of the President's Parsonage on ballot cast by the Secretary.

The vote for Standing District Committee was taken with Wm. Schmeiser, E. L. Jennings, Floyd Moxley and J. F. Whiteley as Tellers. Motion passed that Roll Call be suspended and tellers collect ballots and be permitted to retire to count the same.

Vote for the Committee on Appeals was taken with I. M. Dinkle, W. A. Roberts, N. J. Parks and F. B. Carey as Tellers. On motion roll call

was suspended, the tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the same.

Motion passed to change the order of the day Friday morning, making the hour for hearing the fraternal messengers from the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church 10:15, with the understanding that the meeting of the Church Extension Society be arranged later.

Conference Roll was called in order to get a complete record of members present.

J. A. Davis was appointed by the President to serve in place of W. A. Hoblitzell on the Committee on President's Report.

Roll call of pastors for annual reports.

Roll call of charges for communications.

On motion Conference session adjourned.

Benediction pronounced by J. W. Baxley.

#### EVENING

The evening session opened with a song service led by E. D. Stone. Fred. G. Holloway led in prayer. The President presented G. I. Humphreys to the Conference, who in turn introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. Clovis G. Chappell, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. Chappell addressed the Conference upon the subject—"Successful Services," based upon the text Acts 10:33.

Prayer was offered by G. I. Humphreys. Announcements. Congregation sang Hymn 240, "I Love to Tell the Story." Benediction pronounced by F. G. Holloway.

#### SECOND DAY, THURSDAY

Conference session opened at 9 A. M., with the President in the chair. After singing a hymn we were led in prayer by F. A. Holland.

**Roll Call:**—The Secretary called the roll.

**Minutes:**—Minutes read and adopted.

**Announcements:**—Invitation by F. G. Holloway to attend social and musical on Saturday. Substitution of J. Ed. Nichols in place of W. O. Shockley on Committee on Superannuates.

The report of Westminster Theological Seminary was submitted by H. L. Elderdice.

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

Report of the Tellers on vote for Standing District Committee—E. D. Stone, W. H. Ltsinger, E. C. Makosky, J. H. Baker and W. C. Scott were elected. On motion F. M. Benson was elected.

Report of Agent of Group Life Insurance was read by the Secretary and adopted. (See Report C-1).

Report of the Tellers on vote for Committee on Appeals. J. H. Straughn, and J. P. Dodge were elected. By vote the Secretary was au-

thorized to cast ballots electing E. L. Bunce, J. N. Link, N. J. Parks and F. P. Adkins.

Dr. W. W. Davis, representative of the Lord's Day Alliance, was presented to the Conference and spoke of the gambling situation and the Lord's Day question. He requested that G. W. Haddaway be continued as a representative on the Lord's Day Alliance Committee.

Mr. George W. Crabbe, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, was presented to the Conference and appealed to the church to diligently pursue efforts toward the advancement of prohibition.

**Report of the Trustees:**—E. C. Makosky read the report of the Conference Trustees. By common consent action on the report was deferred. Motion passed that the Secretary cast the ballot for E. C. Makosky, B. F. Ruley, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho as Trustees. On motion the Secretary cast ballot for Robt. S. Jett to fill the place made vacant by the decease of Rowland Watts. Report held in abeyance.

Report of the Committee on Manual Revision was read by E. C. Makosky. Several changes were recommended as to various Boards and Societies of the Conference. (See Report T).

President Sexsmith resumed the chair.

G. I. Humphreys and E. A. Sexsmith spoke as to the possibility of printing the charters. Report adopted.

President of the General Conference, J. H. Straughn, was presented to the Conference. He addressed the Conference on the needs of the church in the exercise of larger influence and adjustment. Emphasis was laid upon the need of adjustment of the church program in the world today and the church's program of educational and missionary activity. The need of a social application of the gospel and of evangelism as a compelling urge in Methodism. These adjustments are definitely related to the financial program of the church and the question of Methodist Union. The plea was made to carry out these necessary adjustments and work out the questions involved.

Conference gave way to the meeting of the Superannuate Fund Society.

Conference reconvened at 11:35. E. D. Stone led in singing of hymns. Dr. Chappel addressed the Conference on the subject, "I sat where they sat." Ezekiel 3:15.

Benediction by E. T. Kirkley.

#### AFTERNOON

Conference was called to order by the President at 2:00 o'clock, and sang "What a Friend we Have in Jesus."

L. B. Smith was asked to preside.

**Announcement:**—Doda Hearn was appointed in place of W. A. Wheatley, Jr., on the Committee on Superannuates.

**Report:**—The report of the Committee on Missions, and also the report of the Committee on Missionary activities among the churches were



read by Mrs. E. L. Keyser and the Secretary. (See Report W). G. W. Haddaway, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions spoke, calling attention to the use of offerings received on special days, reviewing the work in our foreign fields and in the home land. The plan has been to conserve our interests during the past year, but it is expected that the work will be expanded during the ensuing year.

The presiding officer, L. B. Smith, gave way to Miss Bettie Brittingham, Executive Secretary Women's Work of the Board of Missions, who in turn announced Mrs. J. W. Armstrong as Chairman of the panel presentation. Mrs. Armstrong introduced the following women to the Conference: Miss Bettie Brittingham, Executive Secretary of Women's Work of the Board of Missions, Mrs. Miriam B. Matthews, President Maryland Branch, Mrs. W. G. Brewer, President Washington-Virginia Branch, Mrs. E. L. Keyser, Chairman of the Baltimore District, Mrs. Russell Sapp, Chairman of the Peninsula District, Mrs. Jas. Molesworth, Chairman of the Western District, Mrs. F. A. Holland, Chairman of District No. 5, Mrs. Phillip Douglas, Chairman of the Central District, Mrs. W. A. Mitchell, Representative of the Lower Peninsula District.

B. I. Barnes, J. L. Green and C. L. Dawson were also presented in connection with the panel presentation on auxiliary work and the work of the Women's Branch, and testified as to the work of the auxiliary plan.

L. B. Smith resumed the chair.

The Secretary read communications from the following workers in our mission field: A. G. Lynch, W. M. Snyder, W. H. Hodges, P. F. Warner, C. G. Soderbom, P. M. Cassen.

Motion to adopt the report. J. H. Straughn spoke requesting that the report be held in abeyance in order to emphasize the recommendation relative to the reports of pastors. Amendment that this recommendation be referred to the Committee on Official Relations. Motion passed. Report adopted. (See Report M).

Report of the Summer Conference was read by J. E. Cummings, President. Treasurer's report was read by T. G. Betschler, Treasurer. Motion to adopt the report. J. N. Link requested that the President of the Summer Conference be permitted to address the Conference on the program. Reports adopted. (See Report O).

Report of Special Committee on Jewish Work. The Secretary read the report of the committee's work in Baltimore in its ministry to the Jews and foreigners in the city. Motion carried to adopt the report and to continue the committee. (See Report U). N. O. Gibson brought a word of greeting from Avery Donovan. The Secretary read communications from C. S. Marshall and W. S. Hanks. E. C. Makosky moved that the President appoint a committee to visit Brother Donovan and that the Secretary be instructed to communicate with the other brethren.

Announcement of committee meetings.

The chair asked J. F. Wooden to offer prayer for our superannuates who are ill, and N. O. Gibson to offer prayer for our missionaries.

Invitation given to visit the Home for the Aged.

After prayer, Conference adjourned.

## EVENING

The evening session began at 7:30 o'clock with President Sexsmith presiding. Praise service was led by E. D. Stone.

J. H. Straughn announced that an informal meeting will be held immediately after the adjournment of this meeting in Baker Chapel to give information on Church Union.

Offering received. A vocal selection was rendered by Mr. Chas. Reiner, Jr., accompanied on the piano by Mrs. H. C. Grimes.

Prayer was offered by R. Y. Nicholson.

Dr. C. G. Chappell made the address of the evening, reading a scripture from the 20th chapter of Acts beginning with the 17th verse. Text: "Abraham dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom," Gen. 13:12.

Congregation sang hymn "Blest be the Tie That Binds," and "Let the Beauty of Jesus be Seen in Me."

Benediction by Dr. Chappell.

## THIRD DAY, FRIDAY

Conference was called to order by the President at 9 o'clock. Minutes were read and approved. Devotions were conducted by W. A. Roberts. J. H. Straughn assumed the chair.

Motion by G. A. Morris that the regular delegate from Calvary Charge be seated was passed. C. B. Robey on request was excused for the day. Conference sang the hymn "Rescue the Perishing."

**Report:**—The report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by E. D. Stone, Chairman of the Committee. It set forth the work of evangelism in our churches and called for the prayerful consideration of this work. The greater use of special days was emphasized. J. A. Dudley asked the inclusion of Mother's Day in the suggested program. W. H. Litsinger asked that Conference keep in mind the Preaching Mission as planned by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ. R. L. Shipley endorsed the plan and urged the fullest cooperation in this Preaching Mission. B. A. Bryan emphasized the need of Evangelism. G. W. Haddaway stressed the use of the Communion service. W. G. Monroe spoke of the importance of personal work and prayer. Report adopted. (See Report P).

L. B. Smith spoke of the splendid ministry of W. B. Judefind for the past forty-three years and moved that his request for a superannuate relationship be granted. W. C. Alvey testified to the blessing of Brother Judefind as a pastor. Motion carried and request referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

The fraternal messengers of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, were presented to the Conference. The Rev. O. G. Robinson, pastor of the Westminster Methodist Episcopal Church, and chairman of the delegation, introduced the other members, Dr. Chas. W. Baldwin, Dr. Frank Porter, and Rev. William Hoffman. Dr. Chas. W. Baldwin brought greetings and addressed the Conference.

The following were introduced to the Conference: Dr. Crates S. Johnson, Editor of Sunday School Literature of the Methodist Protestant Church; Rev. W. L. Lynn, of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church; Rev. J. E. Holt of the Baltimore Conference; Rev. H. C. Gonso, pastor of the Church of God, Westminster; Rev. E. S. Fooks, a member of the Pittsburgh Methodist Protestant Conference; Rev. Charlton Strayer, of the Congregational Church; and Rev. Klein K. Haddaway of the Congregational Church.

The committee on Literature and Education not being ready to report, motion was passed to hear the various representatives of the agencies and institutions of our church. Dr. R. L. Shipley, Editor of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder spoke about his work and the paper. The second speaker for the Board of Publication was Dr. C. S. Johnson, who told of his work as Editor of the Sunday School literature. Dr. G. I. Humphreys, substituting for Dr. F. W. Stephenson, Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, addressed the Conference in the interest of this department, by reading a paper which he read to the General Conference. By common consent the report of the committee was considered open until an opportune time to complete.

A partial report of the Board of Finance was read by R. W. White, Secretary of the Committee, calling for reductions in appropriations to church and institutions, due to a shortage in assessments received. (See Report E).

President F. G. Holloway of Western Maryland College, extended an invitation for the Conference to meet at the college in 1937.

**Announcements:** The following appointments were read:

Treasurer's Assistants: G. E. Leister, E. L. Jennings.

Secretary's Assistants: J. W. Townsend, Dorsey Sturgis, K. H. Wareheim.

Report of the Committee on Pulpit Supply was read by W. H. Stone and adopted.

L. W. Gordon's request to be excused from the afternoon session was granted.

Conference recessed. Benediction by Wm. Schmeiser.

#### AFTERNOON

Conference session was called to order by the President. E. D. Stone led in the singing of hymns. Prayer by G. H. Schumacher.

The Order of the Day having arrived for the consideration of an Overture for the General Conference on Methodist Union, the Chair requested J. H. Straughn, President of the General Conference, to present the Overture and make whatever comment thereon he deemed wise. After some explanation of the Overture he stated that the General Conference ruled the Overture could not be sent to the local congregations for a referendum and that immediate action must be taken forthwith by all the Conferences. In referring to the action of the General Conference he stated that the Plan of Union and the Overture were adopted by a vote

of 142 for and 39 against. He also reported that the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church voted 472 in favor and 83 in opposition to the Plan of Union. At the conclusion of his remarks J. H. Straughn moved that the Overture be adopted, the motion being seconded by J. W. Kirk.

The Overture is as follows:

"Moved, That the report of the Commission be received, and that the Plan of Union be approved, and that the said Plan of Union forthwith, upon the adjournment of this General Conference be sent and transmitted to the several Annual Conferences of this church for action thereon as provided in Article XVII of the Constitution of the Methodist Protestant Church."

G. A. Morris offered an amendment that action be deferred until the annual conference session of 1937, and that the question be referred to the local congregations.

G. I. Humphreys raised the point of order and the President ruled the amendment out of order.

G. A. Morris appealed the decision. C. M. Elderdice seconded and sustained the appeal. G. A. Morris gave his reasons for the amendment and the appeal as made. A vote on the President's ruling was taken with the result that his ruling was sustained.

J. M. Gill made inquiry as to the constitutionality of the General Conference action.

G. A. Morris read a paper opposing the proposed Methodist Union.

J. M. Gill spoke concerning adjustments involved and opposed the proposition.

J. H. Straughn under ruling of personal privilege spoke in explanation of his former statements and paid high tribute to J. M. Gill.

W. G. Monroe spoke for the Union. J. McL. Brown spoke in favor of the Union. T. G. Betschler requested that a letter from P. M. Cassen, our missionary in India, be read, which urged the Union. The Secretary read the letter. G. W. Haddaway, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions, approved the attitude expressed in the letter from our mission field. J. P. Dodge spoke favorable to the Union citing Rhode Island Avenue Church as an example of Christian unity and effort. G. H. Schumacher spoke advocating the Union. F. P. Adkins spoke calling attention to the fact of the good in both types of church government and endorsed the idea of this unity as presenting our best procedure in Kingdom advancement. F. G. Holloway presented facts indicating the value of the union to small churches, and pled for the advance of Christianity, believing that the spirit of unification must be followed. R. S. Jett spoke favoring the union. J. L. Nichols spoke for the Union. W. S. Leaverton spoke advocating Methodist Union on the basis of a Christian emphasis. George Hines spoke in opposition. E. T. Read advocated the Union as a most progressive step in Methodism. J. L. Green pled for union because of its importance for winning the youth of the world.

Miss Bettie Brittingham, Executive Secretary of Women's Missionary Work, was extended the privilege of the floor, and spoke of the Women's

Work and the enlarged rural opportunities that will come through the adoption of the proposed measure.

C. E. Easterday urged the vote in favor.

E. L. Bunce spoke of his intense interest in the advancement of the Kingdom and why he favored the Union.

E. C. Makosky moved to recess until the regular evening session.

E. T. Read was excused from attendance upon the Saturday sessions. Benediction pronounced by H. L. Elderdice.

### EVENING

The session opened at 7:30 with the President presiding. Service of Song was led by E. D. Stone.

**Business session:**—The discussion on the overture from the General Conference was resumed.

J. N. Link expressed himself in favor of Union for the sake of making Christ more preeminent.

C. C. Day spoke of Methodist reunion and the fine associations to be procured through Union.

L. W. Dykes spoke of his affection for the Methodist Protestant Church and his belief in this movement as the right one.

A. H. Mason spoke of his conversion to the proposed plan and urged a unanimous vote.

Stephen Galley told of his association with the Methodist Church in England and that he favored the adoption of the plan.

G. W. Ports expressed his hopes in the Master's service and endorsement of the Plan of Union.

C. B. Robey spoke of his sincere desire that the will of God shall be done.

L. B. Smith, a member of the Commission on Union, related some of his experiences and relations in connection with the work of the Commission and Committees for the past seven years. He also gave reasons for settling the question in the Annual Conference rather than in the local churches or by community action, and stated that the local churches will be permitted to work out their own relationships in the future. A unanimous vote was requested.

R. W. White asked the privilege of having the Young People's Chorus of the Rhode Island Avenue Church sing. Motion passed that the chorus be heard. The chorus sang three sacred selections to the delight and inspiration of the audience.

F. M. Volk spoke of his relationship in Methodism and expectation of the new Methodist Church.

G. I. Humphreys spoke suggesting what should be said to the local congregations regarding the action of the Conference, and that he wanted to be on record for the Union. The kinship of Methodists and challenge of the world today were presented as the important reasons for this union.

A. H. Green spoke of his reaction favorable to Union.

Moved by G. A. Morris that the vote be taken by secret ballot.

Substitute offered by H. L. Elderdice to use a Yea and Nay vote.

H. B. Messenger was permitted to speak expressing why he objected to this type of vote.

J. H. Straughn raised the question as to whether the debate is arrested. The chair ruled that the substitute was before the Conference.

G. A. Morris and H. L. Elderdice spoke to the substitute.

E. C. Makosky rose to a point of order. W. H. Litsinger inquired as to the point of order. Point of order sustained. Request was made for a vote on the substitute for a Yea and Nay vote. Vote was taken which decided that the final vote on the Plan of Union shall be a Yea and Nay vote.

J. W. Baxley spoke for the maintenance of the denomination and stated that he would vote for Union.

B. F. Ruley testified his opinion and registered his intention to vote for the Union.

Conference granted that J. H. Straughn be permitted to speak and voted that the vote should be taken immediately after he spoke. J. H. Straughn spoke of the unique historical relationship of Methodism in connection with the vote of our church.

By request of the chair L. B. Smith led in prayer.

A Yea and Nay vote was taken.

J. T. Bailey explained the attitude of the Milford Church and the absence of the delegate. J. A. Dudley called attention to the absence of the delegate from Glen Burnie and said her vote was favorable to the plan.

R. L. Shipley inquired if those absent could record their vote later. Chair ruled no.

Secretary called the roll and the vote was taken as follows:

**Yea:** (Ministers) G. F. Farring, D. W. Anstine, S. F. Cassen, J. W. Kirk, H. L. Elderdice, J. F. Wooden, G. W. Haddaway, J. W. Parris, C. M. Cullum, A. H. Green, C. K. McCaslin, J. A. Wright, G. M. Clayton, W. B. Judefind, E. C. Makosky, W. H. Litsinger, C. E. Dryden, H. O. Keen, J. F. Bryan, N. O. Gibson, F. A. Holland, E. D. Stone, G. H. Stocksdale, E. T. Read, J. L. Ward, B. F. Ruley, G. E. Brown, C. M. Compber, J. L. Nichols, J. H. Straughn, C. R. Strausburg, P. W. Crosby, G. J. Hooker, R. L. Shipley, B. A. Bryan, G. I. Humphreys, F. M. Clift, J. T. Bailey, N. C. Clough, Carroll Maddox, W. P. Roberts, W. L. Hoffman, L. B. Smith, E. L. Bunce, G. A. Ogg, E. A. Sexsmith, M. E. Hungerford, R. Y. Nicholson, W. C. Mumford, C. M. Adams, W. F. Bauscher, J. A. Dudley, A. W. Ewell, W. F. Wright, Ziba Adams, C. C. Day, J. N. Link, E. T. Kirkley, J. P. Adams, J. P. George, C. H. Dobson, H. L. Murphey, L. E. Haddaway, A. F. T. Raum, G. S. Ross, G. E. McDorman, J. W. Townsend, R. W. White, K. H. Wareheim, G. E. Leister, J. L. Green, J. W. Baxley, G. E. Turner, F. M. Volk, C. M. Jenkins, J. E. Cummings, J. T. Fenby, F. G. Holloway, M. E. Dearholt, T. J. Turkington, J. L. Marker, T. G. Betschler, T. C. Mulligan, A. W. Simms, O. G. Brewer, G. W. Ports, J. A. Trader, H. A.

Kester, Wm. Schmeiser, F. B. Bailey, C. B. Robey, R. W. Sapp, C. L. Dawson, J. G. Eaton, E. E. Coleman, W. A. Donoway, Ed. Keehner, G. E. Wunder, H. C. Burkins, H. E. Hudgins, D. K. Sturgis, Stephen Galley, I. M. Dinkle, O. W. Prince, B. I. Barnes, A. A. Pierce, W. A. Roberts, E. L. Jennings, W. M. White, E. C. Woodward, G. E. Baughman, Lee Elliott, J. J. Von Hagel, J. M. Kay, H. N. Nicklas, W. H. Stone, J. C. Byrd, H. E. Cheyney, W. K. Lyons, W. H. Stone, Jr., P. M. Lue Rutz, L. C. Little, H. H. Schauer, H. B. Flater, J. B. Jones, E. H. Taylor, R. E. Van Cleaf, L. E. Werner.

(Laymen) R. F. Brandon, Mrs. C. A. Davis, Mrs. E. L. Keyser, A. E. Woodward, W. S. Leaverton, Walter C. Alvey, C. F. Argabright, Geo. W. Bond, Lewis F. Ransom, Mrs. E. M. Dillon, Mrs. Walter Stegman, Mrs. Hettie Disney, Geo. W. Dexter, Jr., L. W. Dykes, P. L. Reynolds, Mrs. Daisy E. Baker, Robt. S. Jett, G. E. Harr, W. L. Coleman, Jos. F. Whiteley, Mrs. Leah Stoner, Mrs. B. J. Dayton, R. S. Grams, Russell P. Smith, T. H. Towers, John Smith, Mrs. I. A. McCoy, John D. Crockett, Benj. O'Rourke, Mrs. E. L. Collins, John W. Peterson, Doda Hearn, George Wainwright, Mrs. Cora E. Farlow, Alma Van Syoc, Miss Minnie Strawbridge, Leonard K. Clifton, George H. Schumacher, J. E. Bevans, H. S. Lang, Mrs. Nora Wroten, Mrs. Elmer Kelly, Miss B. Miskimon, A. K. Pickett, Mrs. P. E. Douglas, Henry Chipman, A. H. Mason, C. E. Smoot, Mrs. G. W. Ports, J. H. Twilley, Frank B. Carey, Ed. Gough, O. S. Gallup, N. J. Parks, Chas. W. Slemmer, Jr., Mary Richards, Mrs. Wm. George, E. E. Roop, J. A. Davis, E. H. Schmidt, A. Hill Smith, Fred. P. Adkins, John W. Hastings, J. P. Cooper, Mrs. Alice Walker, Mrs. Kate Adams, Edna M. Taylor, Mrs. E. J. Skidmore, Dr. W. G. Monroe, Mrs. H. C. Grimes, Miss Eunice F. Hartley, Mrs. George Marcey, Paul Lindsay, E. B. Croson, J. G. Huddleston, Mrs. Kate Searles, J. P. Dodge, James H. Boulter, Sam. B. Schofield, Walter P. Whaley, W. H. Driscoll, Leslie W. Whaley.

**Nay:** (Ministers) George Hines, G. A. Morris.

(Laymen) Geo. H. French, Vernon L. Bonner, J. Ed. Nichols, Wm. McIlvain, Chas. E. Taylor, Wm. B. Gordy.

**Result:** 218 votes cast—For: 128 ministers, 82 laymen; Against: 2 ministers, 6 laymen. Total vote 210 for, 8 against.

President ordered that the Secretary issue certificates to the Secretary and President of the General Conference of the adoption of the Overture by the Maryland Conference.

Motion passed to adjourn.

Conference sang the Doxology. Prayer and benediction by H. L. Elderdice.

#### FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY

Conference was called to order with E. C. Makosky in the chair. Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Mrs. W. H. Driscoll, a member of First Church, Wilmington, was given the floor to speak of Dr. T. R. Woodford's health. J. H. Straughn



read a letter just received from Dr. Woodford and requested that he be given a superannuate relation. Adopted.

Devotions were conducted by T. G. Betschler.

B. F. Ruley spoke of the work of H. O. Keen as a member of the Conference and made a motion that he be given a superannuate relation. Adopted and referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

The President appointed Walter Stone, Jr., J. L. Ward, and G. E. Leister, as a committee to visit Avery Donovan.

Report of the Maryland Educational Endowment Fund was read by the Secretary and adopted. (See Report I-1).

The invitation from Western Maryland College to entertain the Conference in 1937 was unanimously accepted.

A partial report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read by the Secretary. Report was considered by items.

1. That Klein Kinzer Haddaway be accepted on transfer. Adopted.

2. That Theodore E. Landis be received into the Conference and be given license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President. F. G. Holloway, J. N. Link, C. M. Jenkins and G. I. Humphreys spoke to the manual regulation in this and similar cases. Adopted.

3. That E. R. Shield be received into membership and given license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President. L. B. Smith, F. G. Holloway, H. L. Schlincke, J. N. Link, C. R. Strausburg, W. A. Donoway, spoke. Adopted.

4. That Norman Roberts, A. C. Ford, W. W. Sylvester, and William J. Wright, be granted licenses to administer the ordinances if employed by the President. Adopted. (See Report F).

Report of the Committee to pro-rate Conference Transportation Assessment was read by the Secretary and accepted. (See Report X).

Report of the Committee to collect deeds and legal papers from the churches and parsonages was read and adopted, recommending that the work be continued. L. B. Smith expressed the wish that the Conference be authorized to employ legal counsel as may be necessary without delay. J. L. Ward, E. C. Makosky, G. W. Haddaway spoke. (See Report S).

The report of the Committee on Audit was read and adopted. (See Report Q). Conference gave way to a meeting of the Mutual Relief Association.

Conference resumed at 11:05.

N. O. Gibson, Chairman of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders presented the new members to be received into the Conference by the President, namely—K. K. Haddaway, T. E. Landis, E. R. Shield.

Report of the Memorial Day Committee was read and adopted. (See Report V).

The following overture from the General Conference relative to mission conferences was read by the Secretary. "To determine the qualifications and status of Annual and Mission Conferences, and define their

boundaries; provided however, that the Annual Conferences of any two or more districts shall have power, by mutual agreement, to alter their respective adjoining boundaries, or to set off new districts, but every alteration shall be reported to the ensuing General Conference for its action." Motion made to approve the overture. J. H. Straughn read the article in the Discipline, gave the reasons for the overture and advocated its approval. G. I. Humphreys, H. L. Elderdice and E. C. Makosky spoke favorably. Adopted by unanimous vote. Secretary was instructed by vote to certify the adoption to the President and the Secretary of the General Conference.

The Secretary reported corrections in the count of votes in the Overture ratifying Church Union, formerly reported: For 128 ministers, 84 laymen; against 2 ministers, 6 laymen, total 212 for, 8 against. Substitute correction: For 128 ministers, 82 laymen; against 2 ministers, 6 laymen, total 210 for, 8 against.

L. B. Smith requested that a record of opinion be recorded of those delegates or ministers who were not present at the time of voting, with the understanding, of course, that it not be construed as a vote, and so moved. G. A. Morris, Geo. Hines, G. I. Humphreys, J. A. Dudley, J. H. Straughn, W. H. Litsinger, J. P. Dodge, F. G. Holloway spoke as to the corrections and recording of opinions.

F. G. Holloway moved to substitute that no further alterations shall be made with the exception of Brother Hines' request, and the vote as taken Friday night, with this one change, shall be considered official, the vote standing 210 for and 8 against.

J. A. Dudley, L. B. Smith, G. I. Humphreys, C. C. Day, G. W. Haddaway, J. P. Dodge, W. H. Litsinger, K. K. Haddaway, G. A. Morris, spoke upon the questions involved. The substitute prevailed and was adopted.

Motion passed that the Plan of Union as adopted by the Conference be printed in the Minutes. (See Plan of Union in back of book).

Report of the Committee on Superannuates was read by W. P. Roberts and laid on the table in accord with the Manual Regulations.

J. L. Nichols requested that his name be removed from the superannuate list and that he be given a special relationship to the Conference. L. B. Smith spoke in appreciation of J. L. Nichols. J. H. Straughn moved that the present relationship of J. L. Nichols be continued. Passed.

#### Announcements.

Conference adjourned and the benediction was pronounced by J. W. Kirk.

### FIFTH DAY, SUNDAY

The morning Worship Service was held in Alumni Hall conducted by the President. Hymn 221 was sung. Prayer was offered by E. C. Makosky. Responsive reading was led by J. G. Eaton. Scripture was read by W. F. Wright. Two solos were sung by Mr. James Richards, a recent graduate of Western Maryland College, accompanied by Mr. Charles Forlines at

the organ. Hymn 371 was sung, after which the sermon was delivered by F. G. Holloway from the text "Not my will but Thine be done."

Benediction by F. G. Holloway.

#### EVENING

The vesper service was held in Baker Chapel with E. T. Read in charge. Congregation sang hymns. H. L. Elderdice led in prayer. Solos were rendered by Mr. Richards and T. J. Turkington. The scripture lesson was read by Leslie Werner. Dr. Read spoke on the subject "Memories."

#### SIXTH DAY, MONDAY

##### MORNING

The President called the Conference to order at 9 o'clock. C. M. Compher led in prayer.

Minutes were read and adopted.

Devotions were led by H. E. Hudgins on the theme "The Singing Heart."

J. N. Link, as a personal privilege, expressed his appreciation of the devotional services as conducted by members of the Conference.

Report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage was read by the Secretary. Adopted. (See Report A-2).

Committee on President's Report read their report. Motion to adopt. G. W. Haddaway called attention to the absence of reference to the work of the Board of Missions. The Secretary of the Committee expressed the willingness to insert the said reference. L. B. Smith called for the reading of the five recommendations to which the committee referred.

On motion they were taken up by items. Recommendations 1 and 2 were adopted. Recommendation 3 was discussed. L. B. Smith urged serious consideration of the old closed churches and cooperation in dealing with this condition. Ziba Adams presented the fact that we should provide that these church buildings should be kept from the hands of irresponsible persons. E. C. Makosky stated that these matters will be dealt with by the provisions of this recommendation.

Recommendation 5, pertaining to Committee for Publication of Minutes, adopted.

Report adopted as a whole. (See Report A-1).

Report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies was read by J. A. Dudley, chairman. It referred to the Maryland Tract Society the need of increased cooperation in the Deaconess Work. Motion to adopt. The chairman of the Committee amplified the report. G. W. Haddaway urged a larger support of these agencies. Report adopted. (See Report K).

The following were elected to fill the vacancies on the Board of Deaconess Work: W. A. Melvin, J. A. Dudley, Mrs. O. F. Betton, W. B. Gilligan, Mrs. W. C. Scott, W. F. Spangenburg.

The report of the Conference Librarian was read by the Secretary indicating the work in connection with the historical records. G. W. Haddaway and G. M. Clayton suggested a few insertions. Adopted. (See Report R).

Report of the Committee on Superannuates was read by the Secretary. Motion to adopt. W. P. Roberts, chairman of the Committee, called attention to the need of prompt and complete payments to this claim. (See Report H).

Report of the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education was read by R. W. White, president of the Council. The report carried two recommendations: 1. Provision for a special place on the 1937 Conference program, which was approved; 2. That organizations be solicited for voluntary offerings to conduct this work, which was also approved. Report adopted. (See Report I).

G. W. Haddaway was permitted to make a statement regarding the need of an automobile for the missionary work in China.

Dr. F. W. Stephenson, Executive Secretary of the Department of Institutions of the Board of Christian Education, was introduced to Conference and invited to address the same. Announcement of the luncheon and meeting of ministers' wives.

Report of the Committee on Four Hundredth Anniversary of Printing of the English Bible. Adopted. (See Report Y).

Report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read by T. C. Mulligan, Chairman of the Committee. Motion to adopt. C. E. Dryden called attention to the question of road resorts. R. C. Jett urged that we express our interest to a greater degree in and for world peace. G. W. Ports spoke concerning dealing with the question of church members selling beer, and requested that the report include some definite expression of the attitude of the Conference. J. W. Kirk urged a decided spirit on this question. Report adopted. (See Report J).

Report of the Temperance was read by J. W. Kirk, Secretary. Report adopted with the understanding that the work of the Secretary be continued. (See Report J-1).

The Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations announced the presence of Rev. J. C. Scarboro, pastor of Union Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Westminster, and L. C. Little introduced him to the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Christian Literature and Education was continued.

In connection with the report of the Committee on Christian Literature and Education F. G. Holloway, President of Western Maryland College, addressed the Conference in the interest of this institution.

H. L. Elderdice spoke for the Westminster Theological Seminary, representing the President, Dr. Charles E. Forlines, who was absent due to his conducting a summer institute for ministers in North Carolina. The progress and improvements and program of the institution were briefly cited.

The report of the Committee on Christian Literature and Education was read by E. E. Coleman. Motion made to adopt by items.

1. That block subscriptions be made a part of the regular program of the churches. Adopted.

2. That cooperation be given Dr. Holloway in procuring students. Adopted.

3. That Dr. C. E. Forlines be permitted to solicit funds in the churches by mutual consent. Adopted.

4. That a question be included in the Pastor's Reports relative to the use of Sunday School literature. W. H. Litsinger objected to increasing the number of questions on the personal report blanks. J. E. Cummings, chairman of the Committee, told of the need of this information for our literary editors and publishers. E. C. Makosky pointed out the importance of getting our own literature into greater use. J. L. Green called attention to the questions now on the blanks. W. G. Monroe stated that the recommendations should be accepted. Adopted.

5. That a committee to make a study of church libraries be set up, looking forward to familiarizing our people with worthy Christian literature. J. E. Cummings explained the item. Adopted.

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

W. H. Stone, Jr., chairman of Special Committee to visit Brother Avery Donovan, reported the visit of the committee and other Conference members on Sunday and brought return greetings.

Announcements.

Conference sang the Doxology. Benediction by W. B. Judefind.

#### AFTERNOON

Conference was called to order with J. H. Straughn presiding. Conference sang several hymns. Prayer by L. W. Dykes.

On motion Conference gave way to a meeting of the Church Extension Society and asked E. C. Makosky to take the chair.

Conference reconvened. G. A. Morris requested the right of personal privilege.

J. L. Marker read report of Statistician. L. B. Smith, T. G. Betschler spoke. Adopted.

The report of Committee on Home for Aged was read by L. C. Randall, Secretary. G. A. Morris spoke. Report adopted. (See Report N). Members of the Board were elected as follows: E. C. Makosky, J. Pierre Wantz, Ober S. Herr, F. Murray Benson. Motion that the Board be authorized to make changes suggested by Committee on Manual Revision. Motion adopted.

H. L. Elderdice moved that in the interest of economy of time the minutes be read up to the present hour, 3.15 P. M. Motion prevailed.

Minutes were read by D. K. Sturgis. Roll call of those who had not yet answered.

No other business being before the Conference recess was declared at 3.30 until 7.30. Benediction by D. W. Anstine.

### EVENING

Conference reconvened at 7.30 with J. H. Straughn presiding. Service of song led by E. D. Stone.

Report of the Committee on Official Relations was read by R. Y. Nicholson. The Secretary reread the report which was taken up by items.

1. Pertaining to loan of ministers to Board of Missions. Adopted.
2. C. M. Kelsner placed on unstationed list. Adopted.
3. Clayborne Phillips given supernumerary relation. Adopted.
4. Ministers without appointments. Adopted.
5. That the name of W. M. Snyder be restored to its original place on the Conference roll. W. H. Litsinger, J. H. Straughn, E. C. Makosky, P. W. Crosby, G. W. Haddaway, J. A. Dudley spoke. F. G. Holloway read the regulation from the Discipline pertaining to this case. Recommendation carried.
6. J. R. Wright be loaned to United States Army. Adopted.
7. Special appointments approved.
8. That pastors and delegates have personal report blanks and the appropriate questions be placed upon the respective blanks. Chairman of the Committee informed the Conference of the questions omitted. Motion carried.
9. Expression of gratitude to various persons and groups who had to do with the entertainment of Conference. Adopted.

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

Report of the Board of Finance was read by R. W. White. Motion to adopt. Carried. (See Report E).

Report of the Trustees of the Conference and Trustees of the Headquarters Building was read by J. H. Straughn. The report of the Board of Trustees as a whole was adopted.

Moved that the privilege be given to include other necessary figures and that the report be adopted. Carried. (See Report D-1).

Mr. John Lindsay, janitor of the Headquarters Building, and his wife were introduced to the Conference.

G. A. Morris was granted the right of personal privilege. An offering was lifted for the janitor and those who waited on the Conference. By special request Mr. Charles Reiner, Jr., sang, "The Holy City," by Adams.

Mrs. Miriam Matthews, President of the Maryland Branch, was presented to the Conference. Mrs. Matthews spoke of the missionary work in China and the need for an automobile, telling of the plan to procure the necessary amount. Permission was given to receive contributions.

E. C. Makosky introduced a resolution calling for the mimeographing of the assessment tables for the year. Passed. (See Resolution 1).



Mr. Reiner sang "Just For Today."

Report of the Conference Steward, R. W. White was read by J. R. McKeawn. R. W. White explained several items. Report adopted.

Treasurer's report was read by the assistant Treasurer, G. E. Leister. Adopted. (See Report C).

Partial report of the Board of Survey and Extension was read by J. N. Link. Adopted. (See Report G).

J. E. Cummings announced the 26th Annual Session of the Summer Conference of Ministers at the Westminster Theological Seminary. The program was outlined. R. Y. Nicholson spoke concerning the Summer School. W. P. Roberts spoke of the Alumni Association of Westminster Theological Seminary and plans to develop the organization in connection with the Summer Conference. J. E. Cummings announced that the ministers' wives are invited to attend during the second week.

Resolution introduced authorizing the circularizing of our people and churches on the subject of Church Union. (See Resolution 2).

Report of the Committee on Audit was read and adopted. (See Report Q-1).

Mr. Reiner sang "Forward to Christ," by O'Hara. Conference sang a hymn. H. L. Elderdice led in prayer. E. D. Stone led in singing. The chair called for voluntary testimonies of Christian faith and experience. A number of persons testified. Mr. Reiner sang "My Soul is Athirst for God," by Sickle.

Minutes to this point of procedure were read and adopted.

Conference recessed until 11.50 P. M.

R. W. White announced the summer camp for intermediates. L. C. Little explained the purpose and the plan. He also spoke of the Leadership Training School.

Supplemental report of the Board of Survey and Extension was read by J. N. Link. Moved to adopt. Carried. (See Report G).

The President resumed the chair at 12:35 A. M.

Supplemental report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read recommending that F. C. Carroll, Robert Loss, W. P. Kesmodel and Lawrence Haddaway be granted licenses to administer the ordinances if employed by the President. Adopted. (See Report F).

Plan of Appointments was read by the President. On motion adopted. Moved to adjourn.

Conference closed with prayer and benediction by E. A. Sexsmith.

E. A. SEXSMITH, President.

W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

K. H. WAREHEIM, Journal Clerk.

Approved June 15, 1936

# REPORTS

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## REPORT A

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Pages 18 and 30)

To the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, now assembled in its 108th Session:

Dear Brethren:—

“Grace, mercy and peace from God, our Father, and Jesus Christ, our Lord.”

We gratefully acknowledge the blessings of God which have sustained us throughout the year and under whose kind providence we are enabled to gather to give an account of our stewardship, and deliberate upon plans for the extension of the Kingdom throughout the days which lie just ahead.

This will undoubtedly be one of the most important sessions of this Conference held since its beginning. We therefore will need to be much in prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit that the will of our Lord and Master may be done in and through us.

#### OUR DECEASED FELLOW-LABORERS

We reverently record the names of five ministers, six widows of ministers, and the companion of a brother beloved, all of whom have joined the church triumphant since we last met in annual session.

**Rev. A. W. Betts**, who had served faithfully for many years as a supply pastor before his reception as a member of the Conference, passed away July 25, 1935, at his home near Preston, Maryland.

**Rev. Frederick J. Phillips**, after a long and painful illness in John's Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, died August 14, 1935.

**Rev. Samuel W. Coe**, a most faithful minister and Christian of rare qualities closed his earthly pilgrimage August 25, 1935, at his late home in Brooklyn Park, Maryland.

**Rev. Albert Norman Ward**, while preaching in Madonna Presbyterian Church in his old home community, on Sunday evening, September 29, 1935, suddenly stepped across the border into the heavenly land.

**Rev. Louis Randall**, after a very brief but severe illness closed his earthly life on May 24, 1936, at the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mrs. Annie R. Weigand, widow of Rev. J. A. Weigand, peacefully departed this life on June 29, 1935, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred. J. Herrigel, Jr., Short Hills, N. J.

Mrs. Mary Ward Lewis, widow of Rev. Thomas H. Lewis, an honored minister of this Conference, died July 24, 1935, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Veasey, of Orlando, Florida.

Mrs. Annabel Smith Elderdice, wife of Rev. H. L. Elderdice, departed this life on September 7, 1935, at her late home in Westminster, Maryland.

Mrs. Laura Buckner Coe, widow of Rev. S. W. Coe, entered her heavenly home on December 10, 1935, from the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Stoll, in Brooklyn Park, Maryland.

Mrs. Ida R. Gilbert, widow of Rev. D. N. Gilbert, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Chaffinch, Easton, Maryland, on December 12, 1935.

Mrs. Kate Greenfield, widow of Rev. David L. Greenfield, after a long illness, passed away on December 21, 1935, at the home of her son, Dr. Robert Kent Greenfield, in Baltimore, Maryland.

Mrs. Eliza Beane, widow of Rev. A. S. Beane, quietly entered into rest on January 10, 1936, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Waidner, of Baltimore, Maryland.

Two laymen died during the year who have been so intimately identified with this Conference that we feel mention should be made of them in this report.

Mr. Thomas A. Murray, became the legal advisor of this Conference many years ago and gave most efficient service in this capacity without any remuneration. He found a delight in serving the Conference as the Treasurer of the Superannuate Invested Fund, giving to the same the most careful oversight, and in many other ways gave of his time and ability for the welfare of the Conference. We owe to him a lasting debt of gratitude. Death came to him peacefully on September 14, 1935.

Mr. Rowland Watts, who for many years was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Conference, and the most efficient Secretary of that Board, passed away on January 29, 1936.

The places of such men as these will be difficult to fill. Their local church and the Conference will miss them and will forever hold the memory of such able and devoted lives as a precious inheritance.

## AD INTERIM ACTS

### Changes in Appointments

On September 5, 1935, Rev. J. P. Adams was released by the quarterly conference of Marley Charge and appointed to Bivalve Charge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. F. J. Phillips. This appointment became effective September 16, 1935.

September 12, 1935, Rev. William J. Wright, a student at Westminster Theological Seminary, was appointed as supply pastor of Marley Charge and has served in that capacity most acceptably.

On September 17, 1935, Rev. W. W. Sylvester, was released by the quarterly conference of Carroll Circuit, and appointed associate pastor of West Baltimore Church.

September 17, 1935, Rev. N. B. Blackman, an ordained minister of the Iowa-Missouri Conference, now a student at Westminster Theological Seminary, was appointed supply pastor of Carroll Circuit and has served the charge most acceptably.

#### **Headquarters Refunding Campaign**

At the last session of the Conference it was decided that this Campaign should be continued. I have therefore given considerable time and effort to bringing the canvass to a successful completion and to work out further details of a satisfactory settlement of the Headquarters Building obligations. While some additional subscriptions were secured, the total is far below what we had hoped. However, we have very materially relieved a serious financial situation and opened the way for a possible financial solution of the obligation. A detailed report of the Campaign and management of the Headquarters Building will be given later in the Conference session.

#### **Church Extension**

For several years you have placed in the hands of your President, the supervision of the Conference church extension activities. At our last session definite plans were made for the erection of the Lewis Memorial Church in Washington, D. C. This enterprise has taken a great deal of time and careful planning during the year. I am happy to report that the parsonage has been completed, and we are now beginning the erection of the church edifice. The community has grown so rapidly as to justify our plans and purposes in the establishment of this church which will be completed under the direction of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society.

#### **Interest Reduction**

As Superintendent of Church Extension acting under the direction of the Board of Managers I undertook to secure a reduction in the interest rate on the obligations of the Board, which has met with a most favorable result. The interest reduction secured will amount to \$553.00 annually.

#### **Itinerary**

Owing to the time given to the erection of the Lewis Memorial Church, and the Headquarters Refunding Campaign, I have not visited all the charges of the Conference during this year, but have visited a number of charges several times, giving attention to such business matters in local churches as required consideration. Quarterly conferences and other meetings have been held wherever necessary. I have travelled over 17,000 miles, delivered 135 sermons and addresses, held 25 District Conferences and given attention to inter-denominational and civic matters of interest to and for the welfare of our people.

### AFFILIATED AGENCIES

#### Anti-Saloon League and Women's Christian Temperance Union

These organizations continue their activity against the legal liquor traffic which has again become entrenched in our state and nation. We were promised by those advocating the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment that the saloon would not return. We did not believe this promise would be made good, and true to form the pledge has not been kept. The legalized liquor traffic has always been the enemy of humanity, destructive to clean government and a chief cause of crime. Either this evil must be removed or society engulfed in moral ruin. If the church is to oppose sin it must take its stand against this traffic. It cannot side-step the issue. It should therefore lend its moral and financial support to all worthy organizations assisting in the overthrow of the liquor business.

I am glad to record our appreciation of the splendid services rendered this state by Mr. George W. Crabbe, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, and to Mrs. Mary R. Haslup, President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Maryland; as well as to those of other states within the boundary of our Conference district who are serving in like capacity.

#### Lord's Day Alliance

The Lord's Day, the first institution planted in American soil, is essential to the moral welfare of our nation and the spiritual growth of our churches. We are therefore facing a most serious problem in the persistent effort now being made to prevent its proper observance. The insidious attempts to commercialize the Christian Sabbath and to turn it into a holiday rather than a holy day must inevitably hinder the progress of Christianity. It is high time the Christian Church be aroused to the evils growing out of a continental Sunday, and being thus aroused set herself to the task of rectifying the causes leading to such a condition. There are two courses of action open to us. First, we must do all in our power to protect the Lord's Day by legislation and the enforcement of law. Second, we must carry on a well planned educational program setting forth the moral and physical value of a proper observance of the day.

Dr. W. W. Davis, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland, has given most valuable service in preventing the repeal of our Sunday laws and creating sentiment for their enforcement. We congratulate him on his achievements as our leader, and express our sincere sympathy in the bereavement which has come to him recently in the death of his good wife, pledging him our prayers and loyal support.

#### Maryland Tract Society

The work of this Society is not spectacular, but rather quietly it works among an unchurched group distributing the Word of God and other literature dealing with life situations and decisions, making personal appeals for the acceptance of Christ. A summary of their work for the year is as follows: Homes visited 16,480; personal interviews on the

subject of Christian life 13,899. The Scriptures have been read and prayer offered in over 3,000 homes, as a result of which many have accepted Christ. They have distributed 145,075 tracts and nearly 4,000 copies of one or more of the gospels. The Society has also given much time in helping to relieve physical suffering and extending comfort and cheer among the unfortunate of our population.

We wish to express our appreciation of the splendid financial response made to this cause from many of our churches, which has made it possible to house the Society in our Headquarters Building.

## MARYLAND CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

### Western Maryland College

Western Maryland College continues to grow in influence and efficiency. With a faculty of 47, and a total enrollment for the regular and summer sessions of 857 students, backed by a productive endowment of \$754,736, its future is full of promise. We are approaching a time when the church related college will be given a larger recognition in the educational field thus affording a better opportunity for definite Christian service. This, however, cannot be done without a larger liberality on the part of the church in supporting these institutions.

The sudden death of Dr. Albert Norman Ward, the most efficient President of Western Maryland College, came as a distinct shock not only to the institution and the Conference, but to the entire denomination. His administration was one of incessant labor and great achievement. This is evidenced by the greatly enlarged facilities, growth in student body, increased faculty and multiplied endowment. The college, however, has found a worthy successor to this noble man in the person of Dr. Fred G. Holloway, who has entered upon his administration with faith and courage to build upon the foundation so well laid, a greater college. We rejoice in his selection and pledge to him our most hearty support.

### Westminster Theological Seminary

This institution had its inception in a resolution adopted by the Maryland Conference at its session held in March, 1881, by which a committee was created to mature plans for the teaching of systematic theology to the graduates of the college who were preparing for the Christian ministry. It has had four Presidents, all of whom were members of this Conference:—Dr. Thomas H. Lewis, Dr. J. T. Ward, Dr. H. L. Elderdice, Dr. Fred G. Holloway—and now one whom we know so well that he seems our very own—Dr. Charles E. Forlines, a member of the North Carolina Conference. The growth and achievements of this School of the Prophets are so well known to us all that they need not be related in this report. No one could be more highly esteemed than the man who now heads our Seminary and to him we likewise pledge our hearty support.

### Home for the Aged

Under the wise supervision of the Board of Managers, the Home continues its loving service to many of the less fortunate of our aged

people. The report of the Board of Managers which will be submitted to this Conference shows a splendid financial record for this year. The Matron, Mrs. E. A. Warfield, endeavors to maintain the atmosphere of a Christian family, ever giving herself in a beautiful devotion to the welfare of those who compose the household. Many of our churches have responded in liberal donations thereby greatly assisting in the upkeep of the Home. This is a worthy undertaking for churches or church organizations and we trust that a larger number will cooperate in this way.

#### **Superannuate Fund**

The distribution of funds for the support of our superannuates comes, as you know, from two sources—first from the Invested Fund managed by the Superannuate Fund Society of which Mr. F. Murray Benson is Treasurer. (His report to this Conference will show an increase in revenues from our investments and also a considerable increase in the value of the securities). The second source of revenue is from the Maryland Conference Budget. Last year this was placed in a separate column and a special appeal made for raising the entire amount during the month of November. The results are gratifying and if continued this year we believe will bring a much larger return. The constantly increasing demands made upon the modern pastorate, together with advanced age and ill health have compelled an increasing number of our ministers to seek retirement. It is quite evident if we are to provide adequate support for those who have labored among us the time is fast approaching when we must increase our invested funds.

#### **Mutual Relief Association**

The full record of assistance and comfort extended by this Association to the members of our fellowship will never be written. At a time when sympathy means most, the opportunity is offered for an expression of the love that binds us together in the finest brotherhood I have ever known. This Association, however, is dependent upon the cooperation of the entire Conference if it is to function successfully. Conference membership implies membership in the Association. It is important therefore for all members who have not enrolled in the Association to do so at once.

#### **Group Insurance**

The advisability of our Group Insurance has been proven by the assistance given the families of our deceased ministers. We began this plan of insurance ten years ago; since then the Prudential Insurance Company has paid to beneficiaries the sum of \$22,000, and to the Conference in dividends the sum of \$7,495.24, making a total of \$29,495.24. Although there has been some increase in the premium on account of an increase in the average age of the members of the Conference, we have been able to pay all premiums without asking for an increase in the appropriation for this purpose, or increasing the amount paid by the participating ministers. It is quite important, however, that all premiums be paid promptly in order that the Treasurer may have sufficient funds on



hand to meet our obligation to the company when due. A full report will be submitted to the Conference by the Treasurer.

#### **Women's Auxiliaries**

The women of the Maryland Conference are leading in our missionary activities. The Maryland Branch has 88 Auxiliaries, which during their last fiscal year have raised the sum of \$13,007.23. The Washington-Virginia Branch has 8 Auxiliaries, and raised during their last fiscal year the sum of \$1,706.00. This makes a total of 96 auxiliaries with a total raised of \$14,713.23. While these funds are not handled by the Conference Treasurer, they amount to considerably more than half the total which passed through the Conference Treasurer's hands last Conference year for the World Service budget. It would seem therefore that churches are depending too largely upon the Women's Auxiliaries for the raising of their missionary offerings. However, the money raised is not the most important contribution made. The missionary instruction given is most vital to the life and growth of our churches. Our Lord gave the Church a world commission. She must lift up her eyes and look upon the fields both far and near, intelligently understanding the needs of humanity everywhere and with the passion of her Master go forth to seek and to save a world so much in need of His saving power. There should be an Auxiliary in every church or at least on every charge.

#### **Deaconess Work**

The Deaconess Board offers the services of Miss Lillian DeMoss, who by training and experience is prepared to render exceptionally fine service to any church in the Conference. Pastors will do well to avail themselves of her services.

#### **Summer Conference for Ministers**

The ministers of the Maryland Conference are afforded at a very nominal cost, an unusual opportunity for personal contact with outstanding church leaders and to receive from them council and inspiration for meeting the ever increasing demands upon the Christian ministry. These gatherings have proven a great blessing to those who have attended. We therefore urge all our ministers, especially the younger men, to avail themselves of this means of further equipment for their work. An excellent program is being arranged for this year which will be described fully in the report to this body.

#### **Council of Religious Education**

Under the direction of this organization a Leadership School is held on College Hill each summer for the training of leaders for the local church. This school has come to have such an important place in our Conference, and has proven such a blessing to many of our young people, as to reveal its wisdom and importance. Under the direction of this Council Leadership Schools are also being held in various districts of the Conference in cooperation with the State Councils of Religious Education,

thus giving to a larger number of our church workers the opportunity for training in their departments. The report of the Council will give details of their plans for the year.

### BENEVOLENT AGENCIES AND BEQUESTS

We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of the Board of Beneficence of St. John's Church and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society which through their gifts have brought happiness to many. We owe both of these societies a lasting debt of gratitude for their kindness.

We record our appreciation of the following bequests:

Miss Fannie T. Hay, for many years a faithful member of First Church, Wilmington, Delaware, and often a Delegate to this Conference, through her Will made the following gifts: To the Board of Missions \$1,000; To the Home for the Aged \$1,000; To the Superannuate Fund \$1,000; To Westminster Theological Seminary \$3,500; To First Methodist Protestant Church, Wilmington, Del., the residue of her estate.

Through the will of Mr. O. P. Roberts, formerly an official member of Alnutt Memorial Church, but later of Starr Church, to the Home for the Aged \$5,000.

Through the will of Mr. T. A. Murray, who was for a number of years so actively engaged in all the affairs of our Conference, to the Home for the Aged \$500, and Westminster Theological Seminary \$500.

From Miss Maggie A. Knipp of West Baltimore Church to the Superannuate Fund \$500, to the Home for the Aged \$500.

### LOCAL CHURCH ACHIEVEMENTS

The following church and parsonage enterprises have been undertaken or completed this year.

Afton Church on Northumberland has been completed and will be dedicated, without any indebtedness, in the near future.

Plans have been drawn for the rebuilding of Riverton Church on Mardela Charge, which was destroyed by fire some months ago.

The Lewis Memorial parsonage has been completed, and the Church is now in the course of erection. This is being done under the supervision of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society.

East Baltimore Church has purchased a parsonage.

Melvin Chapel on Cumberland Circuit, which was seriously damaged by fire in January, necessitating almost a rebuilding of the church, will soon be completed.

First Church, Wilmington, Delaware, has purchased a parsonage.

Besides these a number of charges have made extensive improvements to their properties, the total reported through the questionnaires amounting to \$35,796, which is in excess of last year.

The following charges have raised \$500 or more for building and improvements:

St. John's .....	\$ 3,000	Mt. Olivet .....	1,500
Buckeystown .....	1,500	N. C. Ave. ....	850
Cumberland Ct. ....	1,100	Eutaw .....	1,025
Dover-Leipsic .....	825	First Church (Newark).....	665
Greenwood-Cannon .....	500	Northumberland .....	1,200
Howard .....	800	Bethesda .....	500
Maryland Line .....	553	R. I. Ave. ....	1,000
Susquehanna .....	650	Cambridge .....	1,526
First Church (Wilmington)	1,600	Chestertown .....	2,000
Calvary, Va. ....	700	Hampden .....	2,500
Cherrydale .....	800	West Baltimore .....	4,500

#### Reduction of Debt

In the midst of the present condition of so large a number of our constituency among the unemployed and the financial stringency which still exists, we feel that commendable results have been accomplished in the reduction of the financial obligation of many of our churches. The total debt reduction as reported in the questionnaires amounts to \$28,354.00.

The following charges have paid \$500 or more on debt:

Edmondson Ave. ....	\$ 1,000	Calvary, Va. ....	2,300
St. Paul's .....	952	Cherrydale .....	500
Wilton Heights .....	526	Eutaw .....	500
Bedford .....	600	Hampden .....	725
First Church (Lynchburg)	700	Brooklyn .....	500
Second Church (Lynchburg)	700	Bethesda .....	610
Milford .....	650	Starr .....	3,500
Pocomoke .....	2,500	Salisbury .....	500
First Church (Wilmington)	3,100	Seaford .....	1,150
Peninsula .....	500	West Baltimore .....	1,000

#### Numerical Growth

So far we have been dealing with our financial achievements. These are important, but we now turn our attention to an accounting of our stewardship in the saving of souls,—the all important reason for the existence of the church. She must ever point men to Christ or lose her own life. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever will lose his life for My sake and the gospel the same shall save it." The evangelistic program and activity of our churches should not be spasmodic. Not so much high pressure methods but even pressure. Why should we not expect souls to be saved at any time? There are two great essentials—the mind of Christ and the passion of Christ. When these possess our lives the holy spirit will guide us in the supreme business of the church—introducing men to Jesus. "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." A number of churches have had very fine revivals during the year.

The following have had 25 or more conversions:

Edmondson Ave. ....	40	Indian River .....	52
Lowe Memorial .....	55	Lewistown-Liberty .....	35
St. John's .....	25	Second Church (Lynchburg).....	127
South Baltimore .....	25	Milton .....	26
Violetville .....	26	Mt. Olivet .....	27
Wilton Heights .....	52	Mt. Tabor .....	27
Bedford .....	50	Lauraville .....	43
Cecil .....	31	First Church (Newark).....	26
Deer Park .....	27	Accomac .....	28
Dover-Leipsic .....	29	Glen Burnie .....	34
Fairfax .....	45	Salisbury .....	46
Greenbackville .....	41	Hampden .....	54

The following charges report 25 or more accessions:

Edmondson Ave. ....	54	First Church (Lynchburg).....	37
Grace .....	25	Second Church (Lynchburg).....	58
Lowe Memorial .....	60	Peninsula .....	25
St. Johns .....	32	Calvary, Va. ....	28
St. Pauls .....	27	Mt. Olivet .....	85
Wilton Heights .....	42	Mt. Tabor .....	25
Bedford .....	36	First Church (Newark).....	35
Cecil .....	28	R. I. Ave. ....	65
Cumberland .....	29	Glen Burnie .....	58
Deer Park .....	25	Salisbury .....	66
Howard .....	26	Hampden .....	32

### MARYLAND CONFERENCE AND WORLD SERVICE BUDGET

A survey of the amount of money contributed by the Maryland Conference for each of these budgets since 1925, is most interesting, but in some instances not encouraging. In 1925 the Treasurer received for Maryland Conference budget, not including President's salary, the sum of \$28,780.72. In 1935 he received for the same purpose the sum of \$28,843.15, an increase over the report of 1925, of \$61.45. The high year during that time was 1927 when we raised \$48,713.12. (This includes Centennial Gratitude Gift). The low year, 1933, when the amount raised was \$27,103.77. This would indicate that we have begun to recover our losses during the years of the depression and that we might look for better days. With the World Service budget the figures show a greater difference. In 1925 the Treasurer received \$64,743.00, not including the amount contributed through the Women's Auxiliaries. In 1935 he received \$20,319.03. The high year was 1928 with total receipts of \$73,611.10. The low year was 1934 with an offering of only \$19,904.44. 1935 showed a slight increase. Let us hope this indicates a turn in the right direction. I am sure the financial conditions through which we have passed is responsible in the main for these heavy declines in the amount raised, but I am also quite sure this amount could be largely increased if better methods were used for raising our benevolences. In many churches

there is really no plan, and in others the plans adopted are not worked wholeheartedly.

We need to bring the church to a consciousness of her stewardship. This will take considerable education as to the underlying principles of Christian stewardship, and also in some way to make the interests comprehended in these budgets live in the minds of our people. The word "budget" has no appeal. But Superannuate ministers, aged people who are homeless, little children who are orphaned, and the awful plight of people without the gospel do have an appeal. It is this appeal which must be brought home to the minds and hearts of our people. I am submitting a recommendation relative to this matter.

### PASTORAL SUPPORT

Last year I called special attention in my report to the large decrease which has taken place in pastoral support, and offered a recommendation which has been carried out with some favorable results. However, we still have 17 charges with salaries under \$1,000, and 18 more with salaries under \$1,200. This presents a serious problem. We have again written to all charges receiving supplements on pastor's salaries asking that they assume the amount of the supplement. Some have responded favorably, others have not or could not. We shall not cease in our efforts to find a solution to this problem if possible, and therefore I am offering another recommendation.

### THE METHODIST PROTESTANT-RECORDER

In August, 1928, The Methodist Protestant and The Methodist Recorder were consolidated giving us one official paper for the entire denomination. At the General Conference four years ago Dr. R. L. Shipley was elected Editor, and was unanimously reelected at its recent session. No man among us has served his denomination more wholeheartedly than has he. His editorials are always timely and forceful carrying a vital message which should be read by all our constituency.

While the total circulation of the paper is larger than four years ago, it is regrettable, however, that there has been such a decrease in the number of subscriptions within the Maryland Conference. This should not be. Inasmuch as it is the only periodical giving the news and program of the denomination, it should be in the home of every family. It is our paper—he is our editor—and should have the loyal support of the entire church. The block subscription plan has been found very helpful in increasing the circulation. We therefore would urge churches and pastors to cooperate with this and all other plans for the enlargement of the subscription list. Two Conferences have adopted the rule of sending the paper free to all their superannuates. It would be a commendable thing for the Maryland Conference to follow their example.

### LOOKING FORWARD

Another Conference year has come to a close. Another chapter in our history has been written. No doubt we all wish it might have been

a better record, however faithful we may have been. A new door of opportunity opens with a new conference year. We may join with the great Apostle to the Gentiles as he entered the city of Rome—"He thanked God and took courage." The challenge of the future is before us. A confused and needy world is calling for help and guidance. The church must rise to her opportunity. We know not what it may demand of us. It may and probably will require a readjustment of ourselves to new conditions, new tasks, yes new opportunities for travelling in new paths, for testing our real faith in the gospel of love and brotherhood we have been preaching so long. The Maryland Conference, the cradle of Methodist Protestantism, has possessed the spirit of the pioneer. I am not exaggerating when I say that nearly all Protestantism is watching the outcome of our deliberations this week. We may hold the key to the success or failure of one of the greatest movements in the Protestant Church in a hundred years. May the mind and spirit of Christ pervade each one of us, and may we be willing to say with Paul, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended; but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Unitedly with Him let us go forward, whichever the way may lead, to the attainment of a richer Christian experience, a more complete consecration to the will of Christ, and the achievement of greater things for His Kingdom.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. I recommend that the Board of Finance shall make a careful study of plans for increasing the revenue from the Maryland Conference and World Service Budgets, and with the President of the Conference shall direct the furtherance of such plans as may be adopted; and further, they shall call to their assistance the District Chairman and such other Committees as may be necessary.
2. I recommend that a committee of five laymen be appointed to study the matter of pastoral support throughout the Conference, and to promote such plans for increasing the pastors' salaries as may be deemed wise.
3. That a committee of three members of the Board of Survey and Extension be appointed to act with the President in studying the condition of all closed churches, and to recommend to the Board of Survey such action as in their judgment may be advisable.
4. In view of the great need of creating an evangelistic spirit throughout the Conference, I recommend that the Standing Committee on Evangelism, with the President and District Chairmen, shall promote such plans and programs as may be feasible, and that there be an allowance not to exceed \$150.00 from the Conference Incidental Fund, to provide literature and other material in the promotion of the same.
5. In order to avoid duplication of material in reports, and to secure a larger economy and accuracy in the publication of the Conference Minutes, I recommend that a committee of three be appointed, of which

the Secretary of the Conference shall be the Chairman, to edit and publish the Conference Minutes.

With grateful appreciation of the fine cooperation and many kindnesses shown me throughout the year, and thanksgiving to God who hath kept me in health and safeguarded my travels, I respectfully submit this my second annual report.

E. A. SEXSMITH, President.

June 10, 1936.

### REPORT A-1

## COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 30)

We your Committee on President's Report, have reviewed carefully the same and beg to submit our findings. We thank God for His continued providence, care and guidance given our President during the year, in the wise and beneficent administration of his office and his able and sympathetic care of the flock.

God in His infinite wisdom has called to rest during the year five, active or superannuate, of our brethren, seven wives or widows of ministers, and two laymen of unusual merit. We miss them and join with the President in expressing our sympathy to the families of these departed ones.

The administrative activities of our President, as presented in his report, meet with our approval and deserve our commendation. We appreciate the preservation of the many interests of the Conference by his actions in regards to the Headquarters Refunding Campaign, church extension and interest reduction. These activities have cost much in time and effort and show the effects of discriminating wisdom. In addition to these duties he has performed a remarkable itinerancy touching the field as his best judgment deemed necessary.

We heartily agree with the President in his stand on the liquor question and in his appraisal and support of the Anti-Saloon League and the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Likewise we join in his praise of the works and his request for support of the Lord's Day Alliance and the Maryland Tract Society.

We rejoice in the remarkably favorable condition of our educational institutions, promotional and benevolent societies and agencies. We note with deep gratitude the sound state of finances throughout our schools, agencies and societies generally, the liberal and heartening legacies bequeathed to our loved institutions and the splendid spirit of optimism and hope permeating these members of our corporate body. We especially are grateful for the unselfish and tireless efforts of the Women's Auxiliaries in the promotion of educational inspirational and financial programs in support of the Conference program.



Side by side with marked achievement within the Conference itself stands the notable accomplishment of the local church. Twenty-two churches have raised \$500 or more on building or improvement with an aggregate of \$41,021.00. This splendid record is matched by reduction of debt to the aggregate of \$28,704.00, from twenty-one charges paying \$500 or more. The number of conversions and accessions within our churches is a source of real rejoicing. This is our vital task and real commission.

We readily concur with the President in his expression of appreciation of the fraternal and sympathetic bond of affection made possible by the Mutual Relief Association, and hope that every member of the Conference will see the high privilege of becoming associated with this beautiful brotherhood.

We unreservedly concur with the President in his forward look concerning a united and determined front on the part of our church in contact with the world. We rejoice in the courageous and envisioned action taken in this Conference toward the building of a fairer and, in the sight of God, a more pleasing church. May God bless us as we attempt great things for Him through it.

#### Recommendations

We concur in all five of the recommendations and ask for their adoption.

A. W. EWELL,  
B. I. BARNES,  
W. A. DONOWAY,  
H. S. STARTT,  
E. E. ROOP,  
J. A. DAVIS.

#### 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, 1936

#### Receipts

Cash Balance May 31, 1935.....	\$ 12.26
Remittance from Conference Treasurer.....	1,132.50
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Total Receipts .....	\$1,144.76

#### Disbursements

Central Fire Insurance Company	
Principal of Mortgage .....	\$500.00
Interest on Mortgage .....	82.50
Premium 3 yr. Insurance on Parsonage.....	64.38
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	\$646.88

Turner & Thomas, Inc.

Premium 3 yr. Insurance on Contents Par- sonage .....	3.13
Water Rent .....	26.50
Repairs .....	153.65
Refrigerator .....	279.50
Federal Check Tax & Carrying Charges.....	3.00
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Total Disbursements .....	1,112.66
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Cash Balance May 31, 1936.....	32.10
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Balance of Mortgage on Property.....	\$1,000.00

H. C. STALEY, Agent.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

Special Appointments

Yrs.

President General Conference.....	J. H. Straughn.....	1
Editor Methodist Protestant-Recorder.....	R. L. Shipley.....	5
President High Point College.....	G. I. Humphreys.....	7
President Western Maryland College.....	F. G. Holloway.....	1
Professor Western Maryland College.....	L. C. Little.....	3
Professor Westminster Theological Seminary.....	H. L. Elderdice.....	5
Executive Secretary Board of Missions.....	G. W. Haddaway.....	11
President Westminster College, Tehuacana, Tex.....	C. A. Sutton.....	3

Loaned

Board of Missions.....	P. M. Cassen.....	12
	P. F. Warner.....	11
	W. H. Hodges.....	6
	C. G. Soderbom.....	7
	A. G. Lynch.....	4
	O. W. Prince.....	2
	W. M. Snyder.....	2
Chaplain United States Army.....	T. C. Jones.....	1
	J. R. Wright.....	19

Supernumerary

Clayborne Phillips .....	4	P. M. Lue Rutz.....	4
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Superannuates		Yrs.	
G. F. Farring.....	19	A. H. Green..... 4	
G. J. Hill.....	16	J. L. Nichols..... 4	
P. L. Rice.....	16	C. H. Dobson..... 4	
Dorsey Blake .....	11	C. S. Marshall..... 4	
S. F. Cassen.....	10	J. F. Wooden..... 3	
B. W. Kindley.....	9	F. W. Siffrin..... 2	
W. S. Hanks.....	8	Avery Donovan .....	2
J. A. Wright.....	8	G. E. Brown..... 2	
J. W. Kirk.....	6	C. M. Cullum..... 2	
G. A. Morris.....	5	G. R. Donaldson..... 2	
D. W. Anstine.....	4	H. O. Keen..... 1	
J. W. Parris.....	4	W. B. Judefind..... 1	
J. McL. Brown.....	4	T. R. Woodford..... 1	
Left without appointment at own request.....		E. H. Keehner..... 1	
		J. M. Gill..... 1	

## APPOINTMENTS

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Accomac.....	E. C. Graham	3	Towson.....	G. E. McDorman	1
Amelia.....	J. H. Mark, Supply	2	Trinity.....	C. M. Adams	1
Baltimore:			Violetville.....	W. H. Stone, Jr.	1
Bethesda.....	G. M. Clayton	13	W. Baltimore.....	C. C. Day	1
Brooklyn.....	Carroll Maddox	4	Wilton Hgts....	W. L. Hoffman	1
Calvary.....	F. B. Bailey	2	Bedford.....	I. M. Dinkle	1
Chesaco & Graceland			Bel Air.....	G. A. Ogg	2
Park.....	W. M. White	5	Bivalve.....	H. B. Flater	1
Christ Church....	E. T. Kirkley	4	Buckeystown.....	C. E. Dryden	10
East Baltimore....	J. L. Ward	5	Cambridge.....	T. C. Mulligan	10
Edmondson Ave..	L. B. Smith	3	Caroline .....	Ziba Adams	1
Eutaw.....	W. F. Wright	2	Carroll Ct.		
Evergreen.....	J. F. Bryan	5		N. B. Blackman, Supply	2
Glen Burnie.....	J. A. Dudley	2	Cecil.....	H. N. Nicklas	1
Grace.....	N. O. Gibson	4	Centreville.....	L. C. Randall	5
Hampden.....	E. D. Stone	24	Chestertown.....	W. P. Roberts	1
Asst.....	A. C. Ford, Supply	3	Claremont.....	J. J. Von Hagel	2
Keen Mem....	K. H. Wareheim	1	Clayton.....	R. E. Van Cleaf	2
Lauraville.....	E. C. Woodward	1	Crisfield:		
Linthicum Heights			Mt. Pleasant..	C. M. Elderdice	4
	W. A. Roberts	2	Mariners.....	W. C. Mumford	2
Lowe Mem.....	W. A. Melvin	21	Cumberland.....	G. E. Baughman	4
Marley.....	W. J. Wright, Sup.	2	Cumberland Ct.....	J. P. Adams	1
Nichols Mem.....	B. A. Bryan	4	Dagsboro.....	W. T. Archer	1
N. Baltimore..	W. H. Litsinger	1	Deer Creek.....	C. M. Jenkins	1
St. Johns.....	E. L. Bunce	7	Deer Park.....	C. F. Cummins	2
St. Pauls.....	H. E. Hudgins	3	Delmar.....	W. A. Donoway	1
S. Baltimore....	H. L. Murphey	1	Delta.....	B. F. Ruley	9
Starr.....	R. Y. Nicholson	3	Denton.....	T. J. Turkington	6
Texas.....	E. H. Taylor	1	Dorchester.....	A. W. Simms	1

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Dover-Leipscic.....	L. E. Haddaway	2	Parkside.....	J. B. Jones, Jr.	1
Doylesburg			Philadelphia:		
Myron Z. Hovda, Supply		1	Emmanuel.....	T. E. Landis	1
Easton.....	E. T. Read	17	St. Lukes.....	P. W. Crosby	1
Elizabeth.....	J. W. Balderston	17	Taylor Mem.....	N. C. Clough	5
Fawn Grove.....	J. G. Eaton	2	Pipe Creek.....	Wm. Schmeiser	1
Federalsburg.....	G. E. Leister	10	Pittsville.....	F. M. Volk	5
Finksburg.....	E. W. Simms	4	Pocomoke.....	G. J. Hooker	1
First Church,			Poplar Springs.....	J. W. Baxley	1
Newark, N. J. ....	J. N. Link	2	Powellville.....	E. R. Shields	1
Frederick.....	C. M. Compher	1	Queen Anne..Sup. from Centreville		
Friendship..D. W. Anstine, Sup.		4	Reliance		
Georgetown.....	R. W. Sapp	3	Sup. from Seaford & Sharptown		
Greenbackville.....	L. W. Gordon	1	Ridgeville.....	C. L. Dawson	2
Greenbush-			St. James.....	J. L. Marker	9
Hallwood.....	J. C. Byrd	1	St. Michaels....	C. R. Strausburg	1
Greenwood-Cannon.....	J. M. Kay	2	Salisbury.....	J. L. Green	3
Grove.....	F. M. Clift	1	Seaford.....	E. E. Coleman	1
Harmony....Robert Loss, Supply		1	Sharptown.....	M. E. Hungerford	6
Harbeson-			Snow Hill.....	J. W. Townsend	3
Lewes.....	P. M. R. Schauer	7	Stewartstown.....	C. B. Robey	6
Harpers Ferry			Susquehanna.....	H. L. Schlincke	1
W. P. Kesmodel, Supply		1	Trinity-Salem.....	H. G. Hager	2
Harrington .....	Stephen Galley	1	Union Bridge...G. H. Stocksdale		5
Hebron.....	G. E. Wunder	1	Wallace Mem.....	A. A. Pierce	4
Howard.....	D. K. Sturgis	1	Warwick....F. A. Carroll, Supply		1
Hurlock.....	C. P. Butler	3	Washington:		
Indian River..Supplied from Milton			Alexandria		
Kempton.....	G. E. Turner	3	Norman Roberts, Supply		3
Kennedyville.....	W. F. Bauscher	2	Calvary.....	T. G. Betschler	3
Kent Island-			Cherrydale.....	E. C. Makosky	2
Wye.....	J. P. George	5	Congress St.....	H. A. Kester	9
Laurel.....	H. C. Burkins	1	Fairfax.....	P. M. Lue Rutz	3
Laurel Ct.....	Lee Elliott	9	First Church...A. F. T. Raum		2
Leeds.....	F. A. Holland	3	Lewis Mem.....	J. A. Trader	2
Lewistown-Liberty			Mt. Olivet....K. K. Haddaway		1
W. W. Sylvester, Supply		1	Mt. Tabor.....	W. K. Lyons	3
Lynchburg:			N. C. Ave.....	B. I. Barnes	2
First.....	H. E. Cheyney	2	R. I. Ave.....	R. W. White	2
Second.....	G. W. Ports	7	Walker's Chapel and Ft.		
Tyreanna.....	G. W. Ports		Myer Heights..L. E. Werner		2
Mardela.....	O. G. Brewer	1	Wesley Chapel		
Maryland Line...M. E. Dearholt		6	of Kent.....	C. K. McCaslin	1
Milford.....	J. T. Bailey	3	Westminster.....	A. W. Ewell	1
Milton.....	G. S. Ross	2	Whaleyville.....	E. L. Jennings	4
Mt. Nebo.....	J. T. Fenby	1	Wilmington:		
New Church.....	J. R. McKeawn	2	First.....	W. H. Stone	1
Northumberland..H. H. Schauer		3	Peninsula.....	J. E. Cummings	1
Oxford .....	George Hines	3			

E. A. SEXSMITH, President.

**REPORT B****SECRETARY'S REPORT**

(See Journal Page 17)

Your Secretary would report that he has tried to faithfully perform all the duties prescribed and incident to the office.

The last conference through the report of the Board of Finance directed the Secretary to pro-rate the assessment of \$1,500 for the expense of the representatives to the General Conference. This was done and published in the Methodist Protestant-Recorder.

As your Committee on Credentials, your Secretary would report that Credentials were received from all charges except Chesaco Park, Grace-land Park and Indian River.

The Credentials of Carroll Circuit and St. James are irregular in that the pastor of Carroll Circuit signed as chairman of meeting and the date of election was not 10 days before the convening of the Annual Conference. The Credential from St. James was signed only by the Secretary of the meeting. In view of the circumstances surrounding these two cases your Committee would recommend the seating of these two delegates.

Very respectfully submitted,

W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

**REPORT C****TREASURER'S REPORT**

(See Journal Page 34)

Westminster, Maryland

June 15, 1936.

To the President and Members of the  
Maryland Annual Conference.

Greetings:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report as Treasurer for the year ending May 31, 1936. I again desire to call attention to the fact that it will be of great assistance to us in meeting the demands of the Conference if every financial officer of the church can be induced to forward the funds to the Treasurer monthly. The demands are such that we are many times unable to meet conditions as they exist. Appreciating the confidence reposed in me and thanking one and all for the assistance given me during the performance of my duties, I am yours,

In Christ Jesus,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer.

**CONFERENCE TREASURER**  
**BUDGET A—PRESIDENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES**

(Assessment \$4,500.00)

**Receipts**

Balance brought forward (Year 1934-1935).....	\$ 1,112.85
Received from District .....	5,109.67
Miscellaneous .....	226.28
	\$ 6,448.80
Total .....	\$ 6,448.80

**Disbursements**

Apportionment to President	
Salary and Travelling Expenses .....	\$ 4,050.00
Amount Allotted Agent—President's Parsonage....	450.00
Paid—Board of Managers .....	835.00
Balance .....	1,113.80
	\$ 6,448.80
Total .....	\$ 6,448.80

**BUDGET B—MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE INTERESTS**

(Assessment \$39,650.00)

**Receipts**

Balance brought forward (Year 1934-1935).....	\$ 1,632.81
From District .....	19,033.09
From Pastors—	
Assessment—Percentage of Salary .....	1,128.58
Obligations due the Conference .....	88.50
From Churches—	
Superannuate Special (Year 1934-1935).....	149.00
From F. Murray Benson—Treas. Superannuate So.	10,000.00
Funds—Tract Society .....	250.73
General Conference Delegation .....	1,523.16
Miscellaneous .....	452.80
From Superannuates .....	10,257.39
	\$ 44,516.06
Total .....	\$ 44,516.06

**Disbursements**

Insurance .....	\$ 2,000.00
Superannuates .....	20,824.72
Board of Survey and Church Extension—	
Church Appropriation and Clerical Asst.—	
Churches .....	5,376.00
Clerical .....	520.00
Supplemental Salaries .....	2,500.00
Headquarters Building .....	1,420.00

Incidental Expenses .....	2,618.17	
Our Church Home .....	4,000.00	
President's Parsonage Fund .....	582.50	
Maryland Tract Society .....	250.73	
General Conference Delegation .....	1,523.16	
Payment on Loans—Union National Bank, West- minster, Md. ....	714.00	
Interest on Loans—Union National Bank, West- minster, Md. ....	492.86	
Balance on Hand and in Bank .....	1,693.92	
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>\$ 44,516.06</b>

### DETAILED STATEMENT

#### BOARD OF SURVEY AND CHURCH EXTENSION

##### Receipts

From District .....	\$ 8,962.69	
Difference .....	853.31	
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>\$ 9,816.00</b>

##### Disbursements

#### Board of Managers, Churches and Clerical

Bethesda—on Debt .....	\$ 500.00	
Calvary of Virginia—on Debt .....	150.00	
Downes Chapel—Clayton Circuit—on Debt.....	50.00	
First Church—Wilmington—on Debt .....	625.00	
Lauraville—on Debt .....	300.00	
Mt. Carmel Church—Howard Circuit—on Debt.....	50.00	
Board of Managers—Lewis Memorial—on Debt.....	750.00	
Board of Managers—Church Extension Society— on Debt .....	2,951.00	
Secretary to President .....	520.00	
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>\$ 5,896.00</b>

##### Supplemental Salaries

Texas .....	\$ 300.00	
Bivalve .....	150.00	
Claremont, Va. ....	50.00	
Clayton, Del. ....	200.00	
Dagsboro, Del. ....	100.00	
Deer Park .....	200.00	
Doylesburg, Pa. ....	50.00	
Greenbackville, Va. ....	50.00	
Greenbush-Hallwood, Va. ....	100.00	
Liberty-Lewistown .....	125.00	



New Church, Va. ....	50.00	
Oxford .....	100.00	
Emmanuel, Phila. ....	100.00	
Poplar Springs .....	100.00	
Powellville .....	50.00	
Ridgeville .....	125.00	
St. Michaels .....	50.00	
Wallace Memorial, Va. ....	100.00	
Warwick .....	200.00	
Walkers Chapel-Ft. Myer Heights.....	300.00	
		<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>

<b>Headquarters Building</b>		
Headquarters Building .....		1,420.00
		<u>          </u>
Total .....		\$ 9,816.00

## DETAILED STATEMENT

### INCIDENTALS

#### Receipts

From District .....	\$ 1,720.59	
Funds—Offering—Annual Conference—1935 .....	122.00	
Funds—Offering—Group Meetings—1935-1936.....	157.80	
Funds—Transportation—1934-1935 .....	22.00	
Funds—Brooklyn—1934-1935 .....	100.00	
Funds—Clayton, Del.—1934-1935 .....	36.00	
Funds—Greenwood—Cannon, Del.—1934-1935.....	15.00	
Difference .....	444.78	
		<u>          </u>
Total .....		\$ 2,618.17

#### Disbursements

<b>President</b>		
Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc. ....	\$ 108.99	
<b>Secretary</b>		
Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc. ....	15.00	
<b>Treasurer</b>		
Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc. ....	149.62	
<b>Salaries</b>		
Treasurer .....	500.00	
Secretary .....	\$ 50.00	
Steward .....	50.00	
		<u>          </u>
		600.00
<b>Printing</b>		
Minutes .....	\$718.14	
Minutes—Miscellaneous Expenses .....	15.00	
General .....	220.87	
		<u>          </u>
		954.01

<b>Multigraphing</b>	
Letters for President and Treasurer.....	40.45
<b>Stationery</b>	
Books, etc. ....	16.65
<b>Committees</b>	
Auditing .....	\$ 15.78
Dist. Chairman .....	5.00
Finance .....	6.00
Stewardship .....	2.00
	<u>28.78</u>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
Annual Conference .....	\$ 22.15
Dorchester—	
Overpayment—Funds—1934-1935 .....	5.00
Furniture .....	27.00
Group Meetings .....	90.87
Honorarium—Wm. E. Foulkes .....	50.00
Honorarium—Geo. W. Richards .....	50.00
Honorarium—Robt. E. Speer .....	50.00
Summer Conference .....	200.00
Telephone .....	197.15
Treasurer's Bond .....	12.50
	<u>\$ 704.67</u>
Total .....	\$ 2,618.17

**INSURANCE****Receipts**

From District .....	\$ 1,433.19
Difference .....	566.81
Total .....	\$ 2,000.00

**Disbursements**

Premium on Group Insurance .....	\$ 2,000.00
Total .....	\$ 2,000.00

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

**Receipts**

From District .....	\$ 2,257.33
Total .....	\$ 2,257.33

**Disbursements**

Amount Paid on Loan .....	\$ 714.00	
Amount Paid—Interest on Loan .....	492.86	
Difference .....	1,050.47	
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Total .....		\$ 2,257.33

**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, 1935 to May 31, 1936....	492.86	
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Total .....		\$ 17,719.84

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 District .....	\$919.04	
From Group Insurance .....	580.96	
	<hr/>	1,500.00
Paid Loans—1933-1934 .....	2,160.28	
Paid Loans—1934-1935 .....	125.00	
Paid Loans—1935-1936 .....	714.00	
Amount Paid—Interest on Loans—1935-1936.....	492.86	
Amount Remaining Unpaid on Loans .....	7,500.72	
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Total .....		\$ 17,719.84

**DETAILED STATEMENT****OUR CHURCH HOME****Receipts**

From District .....	\$ 4,301.46	
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Total .....		\$ 4,301.46

**Disbursements**

Paid—James Pearre Wantz—Treasurer .....	\$ 4,000.00	
Difference .....	301.46	
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Total .....		\$ 4,301.46

**DETAILED STATEMENT  
PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE**

<b>Receipts</b>	
From District .....	\$ 357.83
Difference .....	224.67
Total .....	\$ 582.50
<b>Disbursements</b>	
Payment on Loan .....	\$ 500.00
Payment—Interest .....	82.50
Total .....	\$ 582.50

**DETAILED STATEMENT  
SUPERANNUATES**

<b>Receipts</b>	
From District .....	\$10,257.39
From F. Murray Benson—Treasurer .....	9,000.00
Superannuates—	
Special—Churches (Year 1934-1935) .....	149.00
Superannuate—Pastor's Assessment .....	1,128.58
Superannuate—Pastor's Obligations .....	88.50
Difference .....	201.25
Total .....	\$ 20,824.72
<b>Disbursements</b>	
Authorized Payments to Superannuates (10 Monthly Distributions) .....	\$20,824.72
Total .....	\$ 20,824.72

**CONFERENCE TREASURER**

**BUDGET C—GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET**

(Assessment \$88,000.00)

<b>Receipts</b>	
Amount Received from District .....	\$17,372.67
Amount Received from Y. P. Missionary Union.....	270.00
Total .....	\$ 17,642.67
<b>Disbursements</b>	
Transmitted to General Conference Treasurer.....	\$17,642.67
Total .....	\$ 17,642.67

For Detailed Statements of Funds raised for the several interests, see report of Conference Steward.

**TRANSPORTATION AND ENTERTAINMENT FUND**

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Receipts**

For Pastors .....	\$ 608.85	
For Delegates .....	608.90	
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Total .....		\$ 1,217.75

**Disbursements**

For Pastors .....	\$ 613.30	
For Delegates .....	527.60	
Miscellaneous—Multigraphing and Postage .....	15.75	
Balance .....	61.10	
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Total .....		\$ 1,217.75

**ENTERTAINMENT**

**Receipts**

Amount Received .....	\$ 1,851.29	
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Total .....		\$ 1,851.29

**Disbursements**

Amount paid to Dr. F. G. Holloway .....	\$ 1,851.29	
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Total .....		\$ 1,851.29

**REPORT C1**

**GROUP LIFE INSURANCE**

(See Journal Page 00)

Westminster, Maryland,  
May 30, 1936.

To the President and Members of  
The Maryland Annual Conference.

Greetings:

I herewith submit for your consideration the following report showing in detail the receipts and expenditures with reference to the Group Life Insurance now in force with the Prudential Life Insurance Company of America.

By comparison with the previous year it will be noted there is an increase in the premium amounting to \$166.89. This is comparatively small when we consider we have included in the insurance fifty-two ministers sixty years of age or over. Consideration should also be given the fact that we have twenty ministers included who have reached the age of seventy. Comparing the dividends with those of last year we find a de-

crease in amount allowed of \$521.20. This is no doubt owing to the fact the Company liquidated three claims from death during the past year. In order to meet the assessment in full it was necessary to use the entire amount of accumulated dividends. Many of our ministers fail to meet their assessment when due mainly I am sure on account of shortage of funds. If we could arrange in some way with the Insurance Company to make the payment June 16, instead of April 16, it would certainly be a step in the right direction.

### STATEMENT OF AMOUNT OF INSURANCE

May 31, 1936—154 Members ..... \$154,000.00

#### Receipts

1935

June 20—Balance Brought Forward .....\$1,118.44

1936

May 1—From Maryland Annual Conference..... 2,000.00

May 1—From Dividends ..... 787.38

May 31—From Members ..... 1,620.00

Total ..... \$ 5,525.82

#### Disbursements

May 1—Payment on Premium (Conference).....\$2,000.00

May 1—Dividend Applied on Premium ..... 787.38

May 1—Payment from Collections ..... 2,167.70

May 31—Balance on Hand ..... 570.74

Total ..... \$ 5,525.82

### SUMMARY

#### Receipts

Balance .....\$1,118.44

From Conference ..... 2,000.00

From Members ..... 1,620.00

Total Dividend ..... 787.38

Total .....\$5,525.82

#### Disbursements

Assessment .....\$4,955.08

Accumulated Dividend..... .00

Balance on Hand..... 570.74

Total .....\$5,525.82

Respectfully Submitted,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS,

Treasurer and Conference Representative.

## REPORT D

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(See Journal Pages 20 and 33)

Your Board of Trustees met as often as the business of the Conference required action. The Campaign for the refunding of the debt on our Headquarters Building had our careful attention. James H. Straughn, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, having this matter in hand, will present his report to this Conference.

During this year we lost the only surviving Charter Member of our Board:—Rowland Watts went to the Heavenly Home on January 29, 1936. At the Annual Meeting of the Board, the President was instructed to prepare a suitable "Memorial," and to send a copy of it to the family, include a copy of it in the records of the Board, and present a copy of it with this report to the Annual Conference.

As per Charter requirement at our Annual Meeting we elected the following officers to serve during the year 1936 to 1937: E. C. Makosky, President; G. W. Haddaway, Vice-President; F. Murray Benson, Treasurer and Counsel. The office of Secretary was left open to await the filling by this Conference of the vacancy caused by the decease of our long-time Secretary, Rowland Watts.

The membership of the Board of Trustees is now constituted as follows: James H. Straughn, W. A. Melvin, F. Murray Benson, and one to be elected in place of Rowland Watts, to serve until 1938; G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, W. C. Scott and Fred. G. Usilton to serve until 1937; E. C. Makosky, B. F. Ruley, Julian P. Dodge and T. W. Donoho, whose terms of office expire with this Conference, and whose places together with that of Rowland Watts, deceased, are to be filled by election of the Conference during this session.

The Treasurer's report for the year, which has been audited, is submitted herewith.

E. C. MAKOSKY, President.

## MEMORIAL FOR ROWLAND WATTS

The record in this Board of our beloved brother, Rowland Watts, who passed to his reward January 29, 1936, is notable. He was one, and the last surviving, of the Charter Members of this Board; and its efficient Secretary for many years. He was most active, faithful, punctual and painstaking in all that pertained to the duties of this Board.

By temperament, education, experience and wide familiarity with the church, its membership, its aims and its responsibility he was admirably fitted to serve upon this Board.

He gave to it his time, his talents and his toil unsparingly. His genial personality and brotherly kindness had endeared him to each of the members of this Board. We shall miss him but will ever hold dear his memory



and have him before us as an example worthy of our emulation. We extend our sincere sympathy to you and the family.

Signed on behalf of the  
Board of Trustees of the  
Maryland Annual Conference of the  
Methodist Protestant Church

E. C. MAKOSKY, President.

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
CONFERENCE TRUSTEES**

**F. Murray Benson, Treasurer**

in account with

Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference of the  
Methodist Protestant Church

**GENERAL FUND**

**Receipts**

	Income	Corpus
To Balance as per last report.....	\$1,076.33	\$
To Commission on Trust Inc. ....	54.40	
To Loan from Superannuated Fund a/c 516 N. Charles Street .....		1,000.00
To Cash Received from Agents, 516 N. Charles St....		2,220.57
	<u>\$1,130.73</u>	<u>\$3,220.57</u>

**Disbursements**

By Treasurer Allowance .....	\$ 50.00	\$
By Court Costs—Trustees vs. Kapsi-Kon Yeast Co...	17.35	
By Payment a/c Mortgage Int. 516 N. Charles St....		2,220.57
By Payment to Agent 516 N. Charles St. a/c Exp....		1,000.00
By Balance on Deposit .....	1,063.38	
	<u>\$1,130.73</u>	<u>\$3,220.57</u>

**DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE**

**Receipts**

To Balance as per last report.....	\$ 395.41	
To Income from investments .....	1,013.00	
	<u>\$1,408.41</u>	

By Amount Paid Board of Publication for Methodist Protestant-Recorder .....	750.00	
By Amt. Paid Md. Educational Endowment Society..	166.67	
By Commission to Trustees General Fund.....	50.65	
By Balance on Deposit .....	441.09	
		<u>\$1,408.41</u>

Respectfully Submitted

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer.

Examined and found correct

G. W. HADDAWAY,  
THOS. W. DONOHO,  
Auditing Committee.

### REPORT D-1

#### TRUSTEES HEADQUARTERS REFUNDING CAMPAIGN

##### STATEMENT—May 30, 1936

	April 30, 1936	Month of May	May 30, 1936
Units Sold (212½ to May 30, 1936).....	\$63,750.00	\$.....	\$ 63,750.00
Special Gifts .....	2,615.00	.....	2,615.00
	<u>\$66,365.00</u>	<u>\$.....</u>	<u>\$ 66,365.00</u>
<b>Less Expenses:</b>			
Discounts Allowed .....	\$ 3,852.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 3,888.00
Expenses of Campaign.....	2,967.28	10.00	2,977.28
Insurance Premiums Paid.....	6,291.85	.....	6,291.85
	<u>\$13,111.13</u>	<u>\$ 46.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,157.13</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b> .....	<u>\$53,253.87</u>	<u>\$ 46.00</u>	<u>\$ 53,207.87</u>
<b>Accounted for as follows:</b>			
Paid on Indebtedness .....	\$21,500.00	\$.....	\$ 21,500.00
Subscriptions Receivable .....	27,854.00	505.00	27,349.00
Trustees Maryland Conference .....	2,650.00	.....	2,650.00
Cash .....	1,249.53	459.00	1,708.53
Petty Cash .....	.34	.....	.34
	<u>\$53,253.87</u>	<u>\$ 46.00</u>	<u>\$ 53,207.87</u>

	Original Amount	Paid off in May	Paid to May 30, 1936	Balance Due May 30, 1936
<b>Indebtedness:</b>				
Mortgage Payable .....	\$ 96,000.00	\$.....	\$18,500.00	\$ 77,500.00
Baker, Watts & Co. ....	6,750.00	.....	1,000.00	5,750.00
G. W. Haddaway .....	3,000.00	.....	.....	3,000.00
Calvin Harrington .....	5,000.00	.....	.....	5,000.00
Kent Co. Savings Bank....	10,000.00	.....	1,000.00	9,000.00
G. E. Leister .....	1,000.00	.....	.....	1,000.00
Superannuate Fund Society...	16,375.00	.....	.....	16,375.00
Susquehanna Charge .....	237.50	.....	.....	237.50
Trustees Md. Annual Conf....	2,000.00	.....	.....	2,000.00
Westminster Savings Bank....	10,000.00	.....	1,000.00	9,000.00
	<u>\$150,362.50</u>	<u>\$.....</u>	<u>\$21,500.00</u>	<u>\$128,862.50</u>

## EXHIBIT "B"

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH  
REALTORS, CHAS. H. STEFFEY, INCORPORATED,  
FOR YEAR ENDED MAY 31st, 1936**

<b>Receipts:</b>	
collected June 1st, 1935 to May 31st, 1936.....	\$12,537.09
ce on hand as of May 31st, 1935.....	689.93
nce through Trustees of the Md. Annual Conf...	1,000.00
ance through Headquarters Trustees (Loan).....	2,060.00
	<u>\$16,287.02</u>
<b>Disbursements:</b>	
Light and Power .....	\$ 504.75
Coal .....	536.45
Elevator Repairs and Inspection.....	49.05
Window cleaning, Repairs, Supplies, etc.....	258.84
Newspaper Advertising .....	128.38
Janitor and Elevator Service—Wages .....	2,399.80
<b>Insurance:</b>	
Public Liability—	
Workmen's Compensation and Plate Glass.....	148.89
Taxes for year 1935.....	3,059.52
Water Rent .....	105.50
Interest on Mortgage and Notes Payable.....	5,210.07
Commissions, Collections and Supervision Fees.....	635.49
<b>Paid—</b>	
Accounts payable to others as of May 31st, 1935.....	820.12
	<u>13,856.86</u>
Balance on hand May 31st, 1936.....	\$ 2,430.16

## REPORT E

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

(See Journal Pages 23 and 33)

Your Board met several times during the year to transact necessary business.

The Board of Finance has received from the Treasurer of the Conference the information that at present he has assets of \$12,271.12 with which to meet liabilities of \$19,761.74. In view of the deficit of \$7,490.62 the Board finds it necessary, though regrettable, to recommend that the following reductions be made in appropriations:

Headquarters Building .....	\$1,080.00
Church Home .....	2,000.00
Union National Bank .....	1,500.00
Bethesda Church .....	500.00
Calvary, Va. ....	150.00
Downes Chapel on Clayton Charge.....	50.00
First Church, Wilmington .....	125.00
Lauraville .....	200.00
Mt. Carmel on Howard Charge.....	50.00

At the last meeting the following recommendations were unanimously adopted.

1. That the Maryland Conference Budget for the year 1936-1937 be set at \$26,450.00, to be distributed as follows:

Incidentals .....	\$ 2,400.00
Insurance .....	2,000.00
Church Extension: to be divided—	
Church Extension .....	\$8,500.00
Supplemental Salaries .....	2,500.00
Headquarters Building .....	1,500.00
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Total .....	12,500.00
Church Home .....	6,000.00
President's Parsonage .....	500.00
Reduction of Debt .....	3,050.00
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Total .....	\$26,450.00

2. That \$13,200 be levied upon the charges of the Conference for superannuate requirements.

3. That the President and Treasurer of the Conference be authorized to negotiate a loan sufficient to meet the claims of the superannuates if necessary.

4. That the pastors of the Conference be requested to give one-half of one percent of their salaries to the Superannuate Fund for one year.

P. W. CROSBY, Chairman,  
R. W. WHITE, Secretary.

**REPORT F****REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS****PARTIAL REPORT**

(See Journal Pages 28 and 34)

We recommend that

1. Klein Kinzer Haddaway be received by transfer from Broadway Winterhill Congregational Church.

2. T. E. Landis, a graduate of Westminster Theological Seminary, be received into Conference, and be given license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President.

3. E. R. Shield, a graduate of Westminster Theological Seminary, be received into Conference, and be given license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President.

4. Norman Roberts, A. C. Ford, W. W. Sylvester, Wm. J. Wright, F. C. Carroll, Robert Loss, W. P. Kesmodel, Lawrence Haddaway, be granted license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President.

N. O. GIBSON, Chairman,  
E. T. KIRKLEY, Secretary.

**REPORT G****BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION**

(See Journal Page 34)

The report of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society has been read and approved.

Communications were received from many charges asking for appropriations to worthy causes. With limited resources, it was impossible to grant all requests. After careful thought, we submit the following recommendations:

**Boundaries**

1. That Eldorado Church continue its relation as last year, under the care of the pastor of Federalsburg.

2. That Indian River be supplied by the pastor of Milton Charge.

3. That Reliance Charge remain a charge, but served as last year by the pastor of Seaford at Gethsemane Church, and by the pastor of Sharptown at Wheatley's Church.

4. That Linden Church on Howard Circuit be detached, listed among the Detached Churches, and be served by the pastor of Howard Circuit.

5. We concur with the Committee on President's Report in the approval of recommendation No. 3 of the President's Report, that a "committee of three members of the Board of Survey and Extension be appointed to act with the President in studying the condition of all closed

churches, and to recommend to the Board of Survey and Extension such action as in their judgment may be advisable.

#### Appropriations

Mt. Carmel on Howard Circuit (last installment of \$1,000 promised on debt).....	\$ 25
Evergreen Church, Baltimore (Providing they raise \$400 on debt).....	200
Calvary, Va., (Providing they raise \$1,500 on debt).....	300
Bethesda, Baltimore (providing they raise \$1,000 on debt).....	500
First Church, Wilmington (providing they raise \$1,000 on debt).....	500
Lauraville Church, Baltimore (providing they raise \$1,000 on debt).....	500
Secretarial help for President and Church Ext. Supt.....	500
Lewis Memorial Church (on Building).....	2,000
Special, Board of Managers, (On debt of Church Extension Society).....	3,975
Special, Board of Managers, for Lewis Memorial Church	600
Special, Board of Managers, for Walker's Chapel and Ft. Myer Heights.....	225

#### Supplemental Salaries

Nichols Memorial .....	100	Greenbush-Hallwood .....	100
Texas .....	200	Lewistown-Liberty .....	50
Bivalve .....	150	New Church .....	50
Claremont .....	50	Oxford .....	100
Clayton .....	150	Poplar Springs .....	100
Dagsboro .....	100	Ridgeville .....	75
Deer Creek .....	200	St. Michaels .....	100.
Greenbackville .....	100	Wallace Memorial .....	50

E. C. MAKOSKY, Chairman,  
J. N. LINK, Secretary.

#### REPORT H

#### COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES

(See Journal Pages 29 and 31)

Your Committee on Superannuates has given prayerful and sympathetic consideration to each individual claim that has come before it, and deeply regrets that it is handicapped by insufficient funds to all it would like to do for our superannuates.

The distribution of the Invested Fund has been made on the same basis as in previous years, \$12.00 for each year of active service for ministers, and \$6.00 for each year of active service for their widows and de-

pendents on the graduated scale. (See Conference Minutes 1933, page 122).

We respectfully submit for your consideration the following table of appropriations.

### APPROPRIATIONS

#### Ministers

Name	Invested Fund	Collections	Totals
Anstine, D. W. ....	\$ 600	\$ .....	\$ 600
Blake, Dorsey .....	384	.....	384
Brown, G. E. ....	432	168	600
Brown, J. McL. ....	432	100	532
Cassen, S. F. ....	528	72	600
Cullum, C. M. ....	516	84	600
Dobson, C. H. & Dependent.....	192	208	400
Donaldson, G. R. ....	516	84	600
Donovan, Avery .....	528	72	600
Farring, G. F. ....	516	.....	516
Green, A. H. ....	492	108	600
Hanks, W. S. ....	276	274	550
Hill, G. J. ....	324	276	600
Judefind, W. B. ....	516	.....	516
Keen, H. O. ....	492	108	600
Kindley, B. W. ....	516	.....	516
Kirk, J. W. ....	552	.....	552
Morris, G. A. ....	444	.....	444
Marshall, C. S. ....	24	26	50
Nichols, J. L. & 2 Dependents.....	348	152	500
Parris, J. W. ....	504	96	600
Rice, P. L. ....	108	.....	108
Siffrin, F. W. & Dependent.....	72	28	100
Wright, J. A. ....	444	156	600
Wooden, J. F. ....	576	24	600
Woodford, T. R. ....	444	48	492
	<u>\$10,776</u>	<u>\$2,084</u>	<u>\$12,860</u>

#### Widows and Dependents

Alexander, Mrs. C. N. ....	54	180	234
Arnett, Mrs. C. S. ....	162	.....	162
Benson, Mrs. F. T. ....	222	100	322
Bennett, Mrs. L. A. ....	156	200	356
Betts, Mrs. A. W. ....	24	76	100
Bowers, Mrs. J. S. ....	204	21	225
Cain, Mrs. F. S. ....	198	115	313
Crouse, Mrs. T. O. ....	36	113	149
Elderdice, Mrs. J. L. ....	102	148	250
Ewell, Mrs. J. H. S. ....	102	.....	102
Hodge, Mrs. G. R. ....	168	202	370



Name	Invested Fund	Collections	Totals
Jester, Mrs. H. B. & 2 Dependents.....	132	268	400
Jones, Mrs. E. H. ....	192	150	342
Kilgore, Mrs. J. L. ....	138	79	217
Klein, Mrs. F. C. ....	264	182	446
Lewis, Mrs. R. K. ....	30	.....	30
Litsinger, Mrs. J. E. ....	48	213	261
Lynch, Mrs. J. H. & Dependent.....	108	192	300
Middleton, Mrs. C. B. ....	42	162	204
Mullineaux, Mrs. F. H. ....	204	60	264
Norris, Mrs. J. W. ....	144	120	264
Nowlin, Mrs. C. P. ....	198	202	400
Owens, Mrs. I. S. ....	114	161	275
Phillips, Mrs. F. J. ....	210	8	218
Randall, Mrs. Louis ....	258	92	350
Reynolds, Mrs. F. D. ....	132	149	281
Sanderson, Mrs. C. W. ....	18	100	118
Sherwood, Mrs. W. N. ....	72	142	214
Smith, Mrs. G. J. ....	120	67	187
Smith, Mrs. S. J. ....	6	94	100
Sullivan, Mrs. J. G. ....	66	70	136
Tyson, Mrs. R. T. ....	54	181	235
Valiant, Mrs. S. G. ....	18	185	203
Walter, Mrs. A. J. ....	90	144	234
Ward, Mrs. A. N. ....	186	.....	186
Warfield, Mrs. E. A. ....	144	.....	144
Warner, Mrs. L. F. ....	222	78	300
Williamson, Mrs. R. S. ....	36	118	154
Wright, Mrs. H. F. ....	84	166	250
Yingling, Mrs. J. H. ....	24	88	112
	<u>\$ 15,558</u>	<u>\$6,710</u>	<u>\$22,268</u>

W. P. ROBERTS, Chairman,  
 J. W. BAXLEY, Secretary,  
 H. L. SCHLINCKE,  
 GEO. H. SCHUMACHER,  
 DODA HEARN,

Committee.

## REPORT I

### COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE AND EDUCATION

(See Journal Page 32)

Christian literature and Christian education are two vital factors in the molding of Christian character and the establishment of a Christ-like society. The neglect or the inefficient use of these forces by the church hinders and hurts the growth of Christian personalities and blocks

the coming of Christ's Kingdom. The church must dedicate and consecrate itself to the task of creating and disseminating a body of literature which is saturated with the spirit of the Man of Galilee. The church must dedicate and consecrate itself to the program of Christian education, cost what it may, if the goal of the church is to be realized in this or any succeeding generation.

Our church paper, *The Methodist Protestant-Recorder*, edited by Dr. R. L. Shipley, our Sunday school periodicals and papers, edited by Dr. Crates S. Johnson, and *The Missionary Record*, are well written and ably edited publications. They should have a place in the home and church of every Methodist Protestant. A reading church will make an informed church, and an informed church will make an intelligent church. Ignorance is the father of prejudice and prejudice is the devil that keeps alive bitterness and strife among individuals and the family of nations which inhabit this whirling ball of stardust we call the earth.

Our educational institutions within this Conference area deserve our continued support. Western Maryland College during the past year lost a great leader in the person of Dr. A. N. Ward. Time would fail us to speak of this giant of God who lives in every movement toward the building of a greater Western Maryland College. His mantle has fallen on the shoulders of Dr. Fred G. Holloway, and under his guidance and leadership the college will continue to grow. He not only has our best wishes for the continued success of the college but he has our moral, spiritual and financial support to the limit of our ability.

Dr. Holloway's successor at the Seminary is a man who needs no introduction to the Maryland Conference. President Chas. E. Forlines has assumed the duties of his office and we confidently expect a vigorous, unique and successful administration of the most important institution in the denomination. Needed equipment has been added this year; new pulpit Bible, new hymn books and new chapel chairs. We challenge every minister and layman to support Dr. Forlines and his consecrated and loyal faculty. We rejoice in the organization of a National Alumni Association.

Our Leadership Training School at Westminster, under the direction of the President, Rev. Raymond White, continues to grow and fulfil an important place in the educational life of our church.

This Conference was happy to hear the message which was delivered by President G. I. Humphreys of High Point College, in behalf of the church-related colleges.

Every means available, literature, schools, libraries, reading circles, discussion groups, should be used by our churches to the end that God's Kingdom may come on earth.

Your committee offers the following recommendations:

1. That every minister and charge seek to continue the block subscriptions to *The Methodist Protestant-Recorder*, and make it a permanent part of the church program.

2. That every minister and layman of the Methodist Protestant Church shall cooperate with Dr. Holloway by sending him the names of prospective students.

3. That the pulpits of our churches be open to Dr. Forlines and his faculty and that they be permitted to solicit special offerings for the cause of the Seminary.

4. That the following questions be printed on the Personal Report Blanks of the ministers: "Does your Church School use the Sunday School literature of our Board? If not what do you use and why?"

5. That an ad interim committee be appointed by the President of the Conference to study methods of promoting church libraries and bring its report to the next session of this Conference.

J. E. CUMMINGS, Chairman,

E. E. COLEMAN, Secretary.

### REPORT OF THE MARYLAND CONFERENCE COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education is committed the task of organizing and promoting interchurch activities in the field of religious education and of assisting local churches in the improvement of their own programs. Within the limits of time and resources available your Council has endeavored to meet its responsibilities in these fields during the past year. In the main our activities may be grouped under the following general heads, each of which will be given brief consideration in this report: Leadership Training, District rallies, Assistance to local churches; and Interdenominational cooperation.

**Leadership Training:** Our Conference leadership training school, held at Western Maryland College last summer was one of the largest and most widely representative in attendance we have ever held. In addition to our conference leadership school, a number of local schools were held under the auspices of our Conference Council and the denominational Board of Christian Education. Notable among these were large schools held in Cumberland, Lynchburg and Washington. An interesting number of our churches are taking advantage of interdenominational schools conducted by the International Council of Religious Education and its auxiliary agencies. A new training venture on the part of our Council is the leadership training camp for high school boys conducted the last two summers. This camp included courses in personal religious living, Bible study, the life of Christ, life saving and first aid, and related subjects. Last year a carefully selected group of thirty-six boys attended from practically every part of the Conference district. This camp is being merged with the Junior High School Camp referred to later in this report.

**District Rallies:** Our Conference Council assisted the President of the Conference in our winter series of district rallies. In each of these rallies a discussion group for young people was provided, in which serious consideration was given to the task of the church in our modern world and to the place of youth in this total task. Plans for the "Christian Youth Building a New World," program were outlined in each of these rallies. In most cases a supper meeting was arranged in which young people and their leaders were given the opportunity of viewing the larger

responsibilities of young people's groups in our local churches. The evening services were given over to addresses on the place of religious education in the work of the church.

**Religious Education in the local Church:** Our Council has rendered every assistance possible to local churches in improving their work in religious education. The Director has visited a large number of churches, speaking during the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor hours and at the regular preaching services, and conducting conferences with the educational leaders of various churches. He has carried on a wide correspondence with pastors, Sunday school leaders, and Christian Endeavor officers in which every effort has been made to meet the individual problems of local leaders. The President and other officers and departmental superintendents of the Council have also rendered similar assistance whenever called upon.

**Interdenominational Cooperation:** The officers and the director of our Council have taken advantage of every opportunity to bring about a closer cooperation with interdenominational agencies in religious education as well as with the educational boards of other denominations. The director continues to serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the Delmarva Commission on Christian Education; as chairman of the Education Committee and member of the Board of Directors of the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education; as member of the Educational Commission of the International Council of Religious Education; and a pastoral counsellor of the Maryland Christian Endeavor Union.

One of the practical results of this closer cooperation with other denominations is the launching of a Junior High School Camp for intermediate boys and girls to be held in cooperation with the Board of Education of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Western Maryland College, June 29 to July 5. In this camp a well rounded program of worship, study and recreation is provided. Courses will be offered in such fields as Bible Study, Christian living, dramatics, music, nature study, arts and crafts, first aid and life saving, and other specialized interests. This camp meets a need long felt in our denominational life and should have the hearty support of our various churches.

**Our Work in the Future:** During the past two years we have had the part-time services of Lawrence Little as Director of the Council. Because of an increasingly heavy teaching program at the college, he feels that he cannot continue his responsibilities in this connection and asks to be relieved at this season of the Conference. It will be necessary therefore for our Council to carry on its work without his services in the field. This we will try to do through correspondence, through occasional visitation on the part of our officers and departmental superintendents, and through a more thorough organization of our districts and the wider use of voluntary leaders in the respective areas. During the past year, we have secured the services of district chairmen in our various districts. We are planning to complete our organization in each district in the early fall and hope to have a large group of workers associated with our district chairman and the officers of the Council in carrying our work throughout the Conference. In this effort we ask for the cooperation and help of all our leaders and churches.

Our Leadership Training School for this Conference year will be July 27th to August 2. The new curriculum has been adopted and adapted. Two series of courses will be offered, the first and second series. "The Life of Christ," and "Christian Youth Building a New World," will be offered in the first series. The following Second Series Courses which compare in many respects to the Standard Curriculum will be offered: "My Christian Beliefs," "How the Bible Came to Be," "Jesus and His Teachings," "The Church through the Centuries," "Understanding our Pulpits," "Ways of Teaching," "Education for Missions and World Friendship," "Administration, Grouping and Equipment in the Beginner Department," "Administration, Grouping and Equipment in the Primary Department," "Administration, Grouping and Equipment in the Junior Department," "Youth and Worship," "The Purpose and Program of the Church."

The following contributions have been made during this Conference year: Towson \$2; Ewell's Church (Clayton) \$2; Hallwood Church \$2; Fawn Grove \$5; Laurel \$2; Seaford \$7.50; Wesleyan Chapel \$1; R. I. Ave. \$10; Uniontown Church \$3; St. Johns \$10; Buckeystown \$1; Hobbs \$5; Denton \$2; Hayden Church \$2; Parksley \$5; Norrisville Church \$2; Deer Creek \$3; Lynchburg S. S. \$8; Pocomoke \$2; Poplar Springs \$5; Rev. J. P. George \$1; Moores Chapel \$2.50; Rev. H. L. Schlincke \$2; Harrington S. S. \$5; Wallace Memorial \$1; Hurlock \$3; Milford, C. E. \$2; Howard Chapel \$1; Denton S. S. \$2; Pleasant Grove C. E. \$1; Mt. Zion (Md. Line) \$1; Union Bridge-Johnsville \$1; Cambria Church \$1; Union Bridge \$5; Grove \$1; Milton \$5; Salisbury \$10; Milford S. S. \$5; Brooklyn S. S. \$1; Wilton Heights S. S. \$5; Hurlock C. E. \$1; Cumberland \$2.50; Georgetown C. E. \$2.50; Eutaw C. E. \$5; Deer Park C. E. \$2; Buckeystown \$5; St. Pauls \$2.50; Sandy Mt. S. S. \$5; Woodensburg \$5; Calvary S. S., Va. \$5; Linthicum Heights S. S. \$5; Buckeystown S. S. \$5; West Baltimore Int. \$2; Elizabeth \$2; Emmanuel (Phila.) \$2; Fairview S. S. \$2; Melvin Chapel \$2; Cumberland 1st Church \$6.50; R. I. Ave Int. \$5; Cherrydale, Va. \$10; Taylor Memorial \$2.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a special place be given to a program arranged by the Council in cooperation with the Conference Program Committee for the Conference session of 1937.

2. That the Council, in view of the fact that it no longer participates in the Conference Budget, be given permission to solicit offerings from individuals, Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor Societies and churches to help meet the expenses of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND W. WHITE, President.

### REPORT I-1

## THE REPORT OF THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY

(See Journal Page 28)

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society would make the following report for the year just closed.

The receipt of the usual income from the Drinkhouse Estate as well

as the interest on the invested fund has been reported to the Society through the Treasurer.

The President of the Society presents his resignation, upon the appointment of his successor by the President of the Maryland Annual Conference, the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

FRED G. HOLLOWAY, President.

N. O. GIBSON, Secretary.

## REPORT J

### COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM AND SOCIAL SERVICE

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service makes the following report.

It is our firm and deep conviction that the "Word of God is the only sufficient rule of faith and practice in all things pertaining to godliness" and that the "church as a society of believers in Jesus Christ," is the only agency in the world which aims to incarnate the teachings and spirit of Christ in human life and personality. Every force and influence that is not of God is alien and hostile to the true church and should be eradicated. We conceive the attitude of the church to be the attitude of Christ in all things. If this be true, then "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." The church has always been and must ever be in conflict with evil forces. The forces which crucified Christ are still in our midst and would crucify the church. These evil forces instead must be attacked by the church. Lethargy, reserve, complacency, inactivity must not characterize the church in times like this. We must attack. We must live our opposition, militantly, to every form of evil.

Many are the inroads of evil which seek to destroy us. We cite a few: Perhaps none is more prominent in our social life, or has a larger patronage than the movies. Recognizing the grain of good in this industry we unhesitatingly say that, judging by its fruits, it is relentlessly and unceasingly promoting a most pernicious, warped, immoral and unchristian philosophy of life. 38% of the annual admissions to movies are those of early adolescence or younger. The delicate matter of sex is treated in such a way as to plant the seeds of impurity in this fertile soil. The marriage relation is pictured as superficial, frivolous, and unfaithful. A venture to be regarded with suspicion and doubt. As a result the idea of divorce falls very naturally into the minds of these young people. The example of the ease and frequency of obtaining divorce is set before them in nearly every community. Broken marriages and broken homes are the shifting sands beneath the foundation of our whole social life. The family must ever stand as the unit of society. We would urge the ministers to emphasize the sanctity of marriage. We believe that the marriage vow deserves special treatment in our Young People's groups.

We endorse the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, and urge our pastors to open their pulpits to its representatives. We likewise heartily en-

dorse the work of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. We who are advocates of righteousness in all its forms, find in the diabolical liquor interests one of the most brazen and flagrant enemies of the Kingdom of God. This enemy, intoxicating drink, which "at last biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder" is one of the worst enemies of humanity. It not only destroys the body and the soul of the user, it brings shame, disgrace, misery and poverty. They who are interested in the production and consumption of this nefarious product "regard not the work of the Lord, neither consider the operation of His hand." They "justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him." We deplore the billboard, newspaper and radio advertisements of this venomous substance. In order that we may present a united front in launching a new offensive against the liquor forces we favor reorganization and unification of the dry forces of America. We are persuaded that the organizations have become weak and ineffective.

We heartily endorse the work of the Lord's Day Alliance and commend the leadership and aggressiveness of the Executive Secretary, Dr. W. W. Davis.

We deem it necessary to offer an expression of our deep feeling in regard to the social gospel. Not to the exclusion of the evangelistic emphasis upon soul-saving. Rather we place this first. But an emphasis upon the social application of the gospel of Christ is sorely needed. We believe the Golden Rule to be applicable to living conditions. Not only does Christ want us to have an eternal home, but he wants us to have the highest and best kind of temporal home. The children of the slums must face life with tremendous handicaps, doors of vice and crime swing wide to them. It cannot be said that the perverted conscience and sense of of right is of their own choosing. That many are undernourished, underprivileged, and overworked must be charged to the godlessness of our civilization. Jesus has pronounced woe upon him through whom these little ones are offended. We raise our voice in the name of Christ, against those who oppress the weak and the poor. And we call unto them to help answer the prayer—"Thy Kingdom come on earth."

World Peace. We believe in the ideals of the League of Nations and the World Court. We mourn the fact that these institutions for the promotion of peace and goodwill have failed to measure up to both of their opportunities and responsibilities with the result that the nations of the world are feverishly rearming, and thereby crucifying the Prince of Peace on the cross of nationalistic selfishness and greed.

We offer the following recommendations:

First, that the President of our Conference be authorized to appoint four laymen and four ministers to serve as State Board of Trustees of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, in addition to the present members who are—G. W. Haddaway, Fred. P. Adkins, Mrs. E. A. Craig, E. L. Bunce, J. H. Baker, J. W. Kirk, R. L. Shipley, L. B. Smith, E. A. Sexsmith, and J. H. Straughn.

Second, Whereas, at the regular session of the 1935 legislature of Maryland, a Bill to set up a Dog Racing Commission to conduct dog races throughout the State of Maryland failed to pass by a margin of one vote, and



Whereas, during the special session of the legislature March, 1936, 3 Dog Racing Bills were introduced and 4 other gambling bills, none of which got out of the Committee, and

Whereas, gambling in many forms is gripping the life of our people with great harm to our youth, churches, homes and society, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in session in Westminster that we pledge our cooperation to the Maryland Civic Club organized to prevent the legalization of gambling in Maryland, and be it further

Resolved, that we request all our pastors and members to use their utmost effort to prevent the enactment by the Maryland Legislature of all laws whose purpose is to legalize gambling, and be it further

Resolved, that we request our President, Dr. E. A. Sexsmith to cooperate with the Maryland Civic Committee in making the harmful effects of gambling known to our church constituency throughout the bounds of our Conference.

T. C. MULLIGAN, Chairman,  
J. G. EATON, Secretary,  
H. A. KESTER,  
W. B. GORDY.

#### REPORT J-1

### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF TEMPERANCE

(See Journal Page 31)

I have the pleasure of reporting that twice in the Conference year every active pastor was notified by personal mail that it was his duty by Conference action to hold a temperance meeting every three months in his Sunday school, at which time should be read in concert Dr. Lewis' Temperance Catechism and pledges should be signed. I am glad to report that in some of the charges this was done—in one charge 55 signed the pledge; in another the splendid number of more than 100 took the pledge of total abstinence and opposition to the liquor traffic. In still another a special service of Biblical teaching most searching and educational was given to the young. It is my judgment that this work in our Sunday schools is most important and educative and that all pastors should be insistant that the quarterly temperance meeting, with pledge signing, be held in every Sunday school.

Respectfully,

J. W. KIRK, Temperance Secretary.

## REPORT K

## COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

(See Journal Page 30)

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies has had only one report submitted to it: namely the Deaconess Work, but we have secured other facts and figures from the Conference Treasurer concerning the Maryland Tract Society. The Deaconess Work is a creature of this conference and as such naturally submits a report. It is regrettable that so few of our churches make use of the services of our lone Deaconess, Miss Lillian DeMoss. Here is one fully trained and equipped to assist busy pastors in the detail work of the church. Any church may secure her services at any time by communicating with the Board. Hitherto the Deaconess Board requested the churches employing Miss DeMoss to pay five dollars a week to the Board, but last year a suggestion was made to this conference that a free-will offering be lifted at the close of her engagement and this given to the Board.

It is true the Deaconess Board has an invested fund that nets an income of \$525 a year, but this is inadequate to carry on this most wonderful work and must be supplemented by gifts from the churches to meet all claims against the Board. The gifts this year from the churches totalled only \$24.31. This is the least received from this source since the institution of this work. There seems to be some misunderstanding of the value of this service to a church. Last year Miss DeMoss assisted five churches in their work: namely Eutaw, First Church, Wilmington, Lewis Memorial, Christ Church and Starr. An engagement of two or three weeks in which Miss DeMoss would contact the Sunday school scholars and tardy church members and in visitation of the community would prove most profitable, not alone in the city churches but also the towns. We would urge the pastors to secure Miss DeMoss' services for two or more weeks and observe the value of her work upon your church.

We recommend the Deaconess Board to contact the pastors and secure employment of Miss DeMoss throughout the year. Further we recommend more regular meetings of the Deaconess Board, believing that this will stimulate interest in this ministry of the church.

The terms of the following members expire with this session and their successors should be elected. Ministers: W. A. Melvin, W. F. Wright. Laymen: W. B. Gilligan, W. F. Spangenburg. Ladies: Mrs. Rose Beebe, Mrs. W. B. Gilligan.

We are most happy for the response made to the appeal for a free-will offering for the Maryland Tract Society. This splendid agency for the extension of the Kingdom deserves the support and cooperation of the churches. Sixty-four churches responded this year with an offering of \$250.73. Most of the amounts were small, only one church giving more than \$10. We urge each church to make an offering for this society's work.

We learn with pleasure that several of our churches have received legacies from their members who have passed to their Heavenly home. Ministers should encourage their members in making wills to remember

the various institutions and boards of the denomination as well as the local church.

We appreciate the continued assistance given the President of the Conference by the St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society whereby relief has been extended to many needy cases throughout the Conference.

J. A. DUDLEY,  
G. J. HOOKER,  
R. W. SAPP,  
N. J. PARKS,  
BENJ. O'ROURKE,  
O. S. GALLUP,

Committee.

### REPORT K-1

## REPORT OF OUR DEACONESS WORK

(See Journal Page 30)

As we have only one Deaconess, her work cannot be very extensive. There are certain months in the year that many churches could use her services. Miss DeMoss does faithful work wherever employed. She has assisted five of our ministers this conference year.

### Financial Statement

#### Receipts

Balance from last year .....	\$106.20
Interest on Invested Fund .....	525.00
Gifts from Churches served .....	24.31
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	\$655.51

#### Disbursements

On Salary .....	\$240.00
On Board and Expenses .....	343.65
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	583.65
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	\$ 71.86

W. A. MELVIN, Treasurer.

The terms of the following members expire with this session and their successors should be elected: W. A. Melvin, W. F. Wright. Laymen: Wm. Gilligan, W. F. Spangenberg. Ladies: Mrs. Rose Beebe, Mrs. W. B. Gilligan.

## REPORT L

### COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS

(See Journal Page 33)

Your Committee on Official Relations has given prayerful consideration to all the reports and communications referred to us, and make the following report:

#### Personal Report Statistics

From the pastors' reports handed to the Committee, we note a net increase of 87 in subscriptions to The Methodist Protestant-Recorder. The Editor, in the report of last year, recommended that the pastors strive for 100% circulation in the homes of our people and that at least every official member be a subscriber, and a subscription list of not less than one subscription to every ten members on roll. We regret that these recommendations have not met with greater response.

We note that the number of charges failing to elect a Lady Visitor to our Home for the Aged at Westminster has increased from two last year to eight this year.

We report that the number of charges failing to distribute the Discipline to new members has increased to 18. The church law requires that this distribution shall be made and we regard it as important.

In contrast with these failures we observe with pleasure the fact that the ministers indebted to the Board of Education are generally meeting their obligations. This is also the case in the matter of the Superannuate Fund and Group Life Insurance.

#### Honor Roll of Charges

In accordance with Resolution No. 8, page 113, 1924 Minutes we report that 12 charges and 5 churches are entitled to places on the Honor Roll, having raised 100% or more of both Maryland and General Conference benevolences. They are as follows:

#### Charges

Eutaw	Friendship
Linthicum Heights	Federalsburg
North Baltimore	Indian River
St. Johns	Oxford
Buckeystown	Pipe Creek
Chestertown	R. I. Ave.

#### Churches

Eldorado (Detached)	New Market on Frederick
Kellers Chapel on Harpers Ferry	Poplar Springs on Poplar Springs
Unity Church on Hurlock	Linthicum Chapel and Brookeville
Wheatley's Church on Reliance	on Howard
Charge	

## RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that:

1. Paul F. Warner, W. H. Hodges, C. G. Soderbom, Paul M. Cassen, A. G. Lynch, O. W. Prince, Wilbur M. Snyder and T. C. Jones be loaned to the Board of Missions in accordance with its request.
2. C. M. Kelser be placed on the unstationed list.
3. That Clayborne Phillips be continued in a Supernumerary relation.
4. J. M. Gill and E. H. Keehner be left without an appointment at their own request.
5. That the name of W. M. Snyder be restored to its place on the Conference Roll.
6. That J. R. Wright be loaned as Chaplain in the U. S. Army.

We concur in the following special appointments: President General Conference, J. H. Straughn; Editor, Methodist Protestant-Recorder, R. L. Shipley; President High Point College, G. I. Humphreys; President Western Maryland College, Fred. G. Holloway; Professor Western Maryland College, Lawrence Little; Professor Westminster Theological Seminary, H. L. Elderdice; Secretary Board of Missions, G. W. Haddaway; President Westminster College, Tehuacana, Texas, C. A. Sutton.

Considering the question referred to us from the report of the Committee on Missions, namely, "Did you observe the special days for World Service, and send the full amount of the offerings to the interest to which the day was dedicated?" we feel that this question with that concerning the use of our Sunday School literature and certain others in the Pastor's Personal Report blank really belong in a report by the charge rather than by the pastor.

We therefore recommend two blanks, one for the pastor and one for the delegate. That questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, on the present Pastor's Report Blank be those for the Pastor's Report in the future; and that the questions referring to the special days for World Service referred to above and the question concerning the use of our Sunday School literature, with questions 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 compose a blank to be filled in by the delegate.

We recommend that the thanks of the Conference be extended to Western Maryland College, Dr. Fred G. Holloway, President, Dean and Mrs. Schofield, the Young Peoples' Chorus of Rhode Island Avenue Church, Mrs. Paul M. Wimert, the Associated Press Reporter, and all others who in any way have contributed to the success of this Conference and the comfort of its members.

WM. H. LITSINGER, Chairman,  
 R. Y. NICHOLSON, Secretary,  
 E. L. BUNCE,  
 F. P. ADKINS,  
 L. W. DYKES.

**REPORT M**  
**COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS**

(See Journal Page 21)

There is no "statute of limitation," for the Great Commission. It has not expired or been repealed. Christ is still the only Saviour, and it is still true that "there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." The obligation to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," still rests upon us. Our Lord himself has commanded us to do so, and if we love Him we will keep His commandments. The fields are still "white unto the harvest," and it is our responsibility and our opportunity to send forth reapers to glean the precious sheaves.

The Methodist Protestant Church has not been unmindful of her duty and privilege in this matter. For many years our missionaries have labored faithfully in China, Japan and India, as well as our mission fields at home. We honor them for their courage and consecration, their faithfulness and efficiency, their loyalty to the church and their devotion to the cause of Christ. We rejoice that in these trying times we have been able to conserve the fruits of their labors as well as we have, and that our lines have held against the surging onslaught of adversity. But we must not be content with that. We believe the time has come for us to "go forward," to "lengthen cords and strengthen stakes," to "launch out into the deep and let down our nets for a draft." Our missionaries at the front are ready for such an advance movement, if we will back them up. We at home must do our part.

We desire to again express our appreciation of the faithful and efficient services of Dr. G. W. Haddaway, the Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions, and of Miss Bettie Brittingham, Executive Secretary of the Department of Women's Work. They are giving us splendid leadership, and deserve our wholehearted and enthusiastic support.

We urge our pastors to inspire and supervise the missionary activities of the local churches. We would emphasize the need of the special day offerings during the year. It is very important that the pastors and churches properly observe these special days, as stipulated by the General Conference, and it is even more important that they send the offerings taken on these days to World Service. It has been brought to the attention of the Committee that some churches are delinquent in this matter, using a part, and in some instances, all of the offering for their local interests. This is a misappropriation of the day, if not a misappropriation or misuse of funds, and tends to cripple our Missionary and Educational work. We therefore recommend that the following question be added to the Pastor's Personal Report Blanks: "Did you observe the special days for World Service, and send the full amount of the offerings to the interest to which the day was dedicated?"

**Women's Work**

We note with pleasure that two new Branches have been organized, Texhoma and Georgia, and that 53 new Auxiliaries are reported for this

year, making a total of 656 Auxiliaries now organized. We are also glad to note a gain of 608 in the subscriptions to The Missionary Record. The Secretary reports an increase in receipts from the Branches, the total amount for the past year being \$56,907.60, which under the circumstances, is very gratifying.

#### Home Missions

Our work in the home land not only holds its own, but shows some definite signs of progress. From the farflung battle line of Seattle, on the Pacific Coast, comes the report of advancement during the past year. Here we have three splendid churches with three consecrated ministers doing a fine work for the Kingdom in that great western metropolis.

From Pine Ridge, in the southwest, comes an encouraging word of continued success under the capable and efficient leadership of Rev. G. W. Andrew. This young man, of far vision and great faith is giving himself unreservedly to his great task, and with gratifying results. Pine Ridge is certain to forge ahead with such a leader. He is building well upon the foundation laid by his predecessors.

Here in the east, in the nation's capital, our newest work is slowly, but surely, taking form. When completed, the Thomas Hamilton Lewis Memorial Church will be a fitting monument to the great and beloved man whose name it bears, a source of pride to the entire denomination and a power for good in perhaps the most strategic city in all the world. We are glad to learn that the Board of Missions is backing this project with an appropriation of \$10,000, payable in four annual instalments.

Our needs at home are great, as well as those abroad, and should not be forgotten or neglected in the face of pressure of urgent needs in distant lands.

#### Foreign Missions

**Japan:** Rev. Paul F. Warner is entering upon the second year of his pastorate of the School Church. The spring evangelistic meetings have just been held, in which there have been 25 decisions for Christ. There were 77 accessions last year. The Japan Conference now reports a membership of 3,132, with about 1800 Sunday school scholars. We are glad to note an increase in the enrollment at the Nagoya School.

**China:** Rev. C. G. Soderbom reports an increase in the number of Christians and in the number of churches. During the past year there have been 73 adults, 51 children baptized. Voluntary opening of places intended for worship is increasing. Most of these places are humble and the rooms small. But the offer of them is a sign that God is calling His people to go forward.

**India:** A letter from Rev. Paul Cassen expresses his hope and wish that the Union of Methodism will come quickly, and his deep conviction that unity on the mission fields, both at home and abroad, will make for more efficient service by a better organized church.

The general situation in India affords excellent opportunity for missionary work.

C. M. ELDERDICE, Chairman,  
MRS. E. LESTER KEYSER, Secretary,  
T. G. BETSCHLER,

C. L. DAWSON.  
M. G. DAVIS,  
FULTON DOWNING.

## REPORT M-1

REPORT OF MARYLAND BRANCH WOMEN'S  
MISSIONARY WORK

(See Journal Page 21)

As President of the Maryland Branch I beg to submit the following report for the year ending March 15, 1936.

As in previous reports I shall classify the activities of the Branch under five heads.

**1. Organization:** Our aim this year has been to strengthen the six districts which compose the Branch, by putting upon them the definite responsibility of trying to organize through an Extension of Work Committee some form of women's work in every church of the District; and we are emphasizing more and more that the form should be **one** women's organization composed of **all** the women of the church to promote **all** the interests, both local and world service.

The reports from the Districts at the annual meeting would indicate that real progress is being made. Special appreciation was expressed for the cooperation given by the ministers who attended the quarterly meetings and brought a group of women with them.

A new organization at Georgetown, Delaware, was reported, and a reorganization of the women's work at Pocomoke City, and the putting on of a missionary program at Snow Hill. Bethesda Church, Baltimore, has made a beginning by the organization of a young people's circle and several other young women's circles were reported.

It was suggested that the Wilmington churches, which have not belonged to any district, try the experiment of meeting with the Delaware District. The new President, Mrs. T. R. Matthews hopes to visit each District during the coming year with a "flying squadron" of Branch officers and secretaries, and we hope this may result in a number of organizations.

**2. Education:** This has been promoted through the "Missionary Record" for which sixty-eight new subscribers were secured during the year. As twenty-five names were dropped this makes the net gain only forty-three. The total number of subscribers is now four hundred and twenty-three, but there should be many more. Leaflets in connection with our Guide Book have been sent out regularly each month to an average of ninety churches. Special literature along the line of Christian education, as well as of missions, has been made available by Miss Brittingham at the Board of Missions headquarters. The visits of Miss Mildred Miskimen to our District meetings and to many of our local churches were of great educational value, and it was also our privilege to have at our Annual Meeting Mrs. Hazel Greenwald and Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Andrew. Last summer at the Training School at Westminster there was a class in missions conducted by Miss Brittingham, especially planned to help our auxiliary work. We are urging a large attendance in this class for this year.

**3. Finance:** The apportionment of Maryland Branch was reduced last year from \$15,000 to \$14,000. Toward this we raised a little over



\$13,000. It was a disappointment not to meet our quota, but we felt some satisfaction in raising nearly \$1,000 more than last year. Our Finance Committee now has the plan of furnishing each District Chairman with a list of the apportionments of the churches in her District, asking her to encourage the sending in of monthly remittances. She is expected, too, to urge those churches who have no auxiliary to designate out of their church budget some contribution to the Women's Work. We recommend that the Conference Committee on Missions cooperate in this plan by making the pastors see the value of letting their women have a definite share in World Service. In other ways this Committee might be a great help to our Branch. Over and above the apportionment, \$217 was sent as Christmas gifts to our various fields, and the India ice-box fund of \$328 was completed.

**4. Spiritual Life:** The devotional book called the "Guide Book" was used extensively throughout the Branch and proved very helpful. Some Districts placed a special emphasis on the keeping of the Quiet Hour and the establishment of the family altar in the home. We regret that the idea of tithing, as a means of spiritual growth, has not been as systematically promoted as it should have been.

**5. Special Projects:** The sending of used clothing and supplies to Pine Ridge and Dillonvale was promoted through the Districts. Some money was also sent for necessary articles. The project of the ice-box for India was completed, and letters thanking all who contributed were received. The Electrolux which is now installed, is proving of great value.

The Home for Business Girls, which is a special project in which many of our women are interested, has had the best year in its history, with every room filled during the winter. Not only has the interest been met, but a part of the debt has been paid off.

The project planned for the coming year is to cooperate with other Branches in raising a fund for a much needed automobile for our China work.

After seven years of service as the president of the Branch I felt that the time had surely come for a new president to be elected. It was with the utmost confidence that I handed over to Mrs. T. R. Matthews the reins of office; I feel sure that Maryland Branch will go forward to greater accomplishments with her wise and experienced hand to guide.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. W. ARMSTRONG, Past President. .

#### REPORT N

### COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED

(See Journal Page 32)

Your Committee on Home for the Aged at Westminster feels honored in presenting its review of the several reports committed to it. To be associated with this, a most commendable enterprise of the church, is to

feel that we join, in our small way, in ministering in Christlike manner unto some of those who need us most.

Certainly the hands, heads, and hearts, of those daily and intimately giving of their time and service fulfill the expectation of us by the Master to supply bodily, mental, and spiritual food unto His beloved sheep of the flock. This is evidenced in the constant, successful efforts of those who render tender and loving care unto the guests of the Home, according unto their several necessities and desires. The atmosphere of the Home in all its appointments savours of that sacred fellowship which knows no regimenting, but in which the individual of each person is recognized, and in which understanding and sympathy find full expression. Though the Home is an institution the warmth of a Christian home is transplanted here.

It is noticeable that the physical equipment is being well cared for; and as the ravages of time and use make replacements and repairs necessary, the same are provided in excellent taste and so arranged as to make for a more serviceable and more cheerful environment. To be noted also are the suitable markers on the graves of those lately deceased, that thereby their resting places may be identified, and the remembrance of them be held in proper respect.

Our year's Honor Roll includes the Board of Managers; the Board of Lady Superintendents; the Matron, Mrs. E. A. Warfield; Mrs. Helen Ackley, the nurse; Mrs. H. B. Jester; Dr. L. K. Woodward, faithful physician of the Home family; Dr. F. A. Holden, the Oculist; the 77 churches and organizations, and the 87 individuals, all donors through the year; 21 groups, and students of the Seminary, who have rendered programs and conducted services in the Home during the year. All honor to those 9 ladies, octogenarians all; and a devout petition to the Father that these, and others, may have His blessing as they weather these days when the flesh fails and the spirit grows strong. May Luther Cross, faithful cook, who has so well prepared the bodily food for others, but who now with an affection of the heart must retire from active service, be made strong in soul by feeding upon the Bread of Life. We acknowledge with pleasure the report of the Treasurer of the Home with reference in a special way to donations from the St. John's Church Benevolent Society, and an unknown friend of the Home.

We have received the request of the Board of Managers for a continuance of the \$6,000 appropriation and after studying the financial structure on which the Home is based would recommend that the same be granted.

Certain individuals, particularly those representing the several charges as Lady Visitors may be interested in knowing how they may best contribute to the needs of their Home. One has been and others are herein advised to communicate with Mrs. E. A. Warfield, Westminster, Maryland, who serves the Home well as its Matron.

Three members of the Board of Managers complete their terms of service at this time, viz: Rev. E. C. Makosky, D.D., Mr. J. Pearre Wantz, and Mr. Ober S. Herr; and one Brother, T. A. Murray has passed unto the

heavenly home, where the years are unnumbered. We recommend that their successors be here elected.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. HOFFMAN, Chairman,  
L. C. RANDALL, Secretary,  
N. C. CLOUGH,  
FRANK B. CAREY,  
A. K. PICKETT,  
Committee on Home for the Aged.

Westminster, Maryland, March 18, 1936.

Maryland Annual Conference  
Westminster, Maryland.

Dear Sirs:-

I herewith submit to you my annual statement as Treasurer of the Home for the Aged of the Methodist Protestant Church at Westminster, Maryland, of receipts and the disbursements for the year from March 15, 1935, to March 15, 1936.

#### Receipts

March 15, 1935, Balance in hand as shown by last report.....	\$ 20.01
Amount transferred from Invested Fund to general account with which to meet the current obligations of the Home....	4,000.00
Amount received from	
Chas. F. Cummings, Conference Treasurer.....	4,000.00
Amount from Invested fund for refund to Mrs. Johnson who paid her entrance fee and then decided she would not enter	500.00
Donation received from St. John's Church Benf. Society.....	200.00
Donation received from a friend of the Home.....	100.00
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Total amount of receipts .....	\$8,861.20

#### Disbursements

Bills paid for table use .....	\$2,233.24
Bills paid for ordinary expenses .....	1,573.19
Bills paid for salaries and wages .....	2,188.75
Bills paid for supplies of all kinds .....	936.90
Bills paid for special expenses and repairs .....	1,755.48
Cash balance in hands of Treasurer at close of fiscal year.....	173.64
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	\$8,861.20

I also beg to report that the invested fund has been appraised and audited by the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers and the securities and cash making up the invested fund is appraised at \$68,509.22.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PEARRE WANTZ, Treasurer.

### AUDITORS' REPORT

We the undersigned auditing committee who are the members of the Executive Committee living in Westminster do hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Jas. Pearre Wantz, for the year ending March 15, 1936, and have found them correct and supported by the proper vouchers. We also certify that we have examined and counted the securities belonging to the invested fund as listed above and which are in the hands of the Treasurer in the safe deposit box in the vault of the Union National Bank, Westminster, and have found them correct and all of them accounted for.

J. EARL CUMMINGS,  
CHAS E. RICHARDSON,  
OBER S. HERR.

### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF LADY SUPERINTENDENTS TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED

March 26, 1936.

The Home family consists of twenty-five guests, the matron, nurse, and two servants—twenty-nine in all. We regret to report that our faithful cook, Luther Cross, who had been with us many years, was compelled to retire from active service, due to heart affection. His place is being satisfactorily filled by a woman cook.

There were three deaths during the year: Miss Alverda M. Bixler entered the Home December 19, 1933, died May 10, 1935, age: about 86 years; Miss Virginia Fox entered the Home July 1, 1919, was removed to Springfield State Hospital September, 1931, where she died July 26, 1935, age: 87 years; Mrs. Agnes R. Ruark entered the Home February 5, 1933, died December 30, 1935, age: 71 years.

The following applicants were admitted: Miss Sallie Simpson and Miss Stella Sessford of Grace Church, Baltimore; Miss Mary F. Hyson of Hampden Church, Baltimore; Miss Hettie Mellie Sharrer of Westminster Church; Mrs. Martha O. Clifton of Christ Church, Baltimore.

There has been more sickness than usual—due partly to the advanced age of some of the guests. You will be interested to know that nine-ladies are over eighty years of age: one is 87; two, 86; one, 84; three, 83; one, 82; and one, 81. One of these, Mrs. Mettee, is practically blind, necessitating her being in infirmary under constant supervision of the nurse; another, Miss Hopper, is paralyzed; and one, Mrs. Askey, is in bad mental condition. At times, during extreme illnesses and at death, we have had to have a practical nurse to assist Mrs. Ackley. We have been fortunate in being able to call in Mrs. H. B. Jester to help out in emergencies.

We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the services of our faithful physician, Dr. L. K. Woodward, who gives not only his time and attention to the Home family, but, in addition, donates one-half of his bill annually. Dr. Holden, the oculist, has also been most kind

and helpful with those whose eyes have needed attention, operating when necessary without charge to us.

Special events were as follows: June 13, Garden party especially for those attending the Maryland Annual Conference at Western Maryland College; August 18, Band concert on the lawn; August 28, Visitors' Day, which was most successful in every respect.

Again, we were able to give the Home family a "Merry Christmas" through the generosity of our many friends. We were happy, also, to grant their requests for articles of wearing apparel and little comforts. We wish more of our Church people would make a point of visiting the Home during the holidays and catch a glimpse of the happiness they have helped to give our old folks.

The following repairs and improvements were made: Linoleum on diningroom floor; sittingroom completely renovated—new paper, new floor, woodwork painted, furniture repaired and re-covered; walls painted of two bedrooms and one bathroom; sign on front of building repaired and lettering renewed with gold-leaf; electric sweeper repaired; furniture repaired and upholstered; tables and porch chairs painted; storm windows in two bedrooms; connection with the new city sewer system; cellars cemented; fruit cupboards in cellar enclosed; toilet for servants put in cellar; and all electric wiring renewed to conform with new ruling.

Purchases as follows: New radio, six mattresses, one entire new bed and spring, draperies in livingroom, easy chair, light, mirror, electric percolator, heater, and toaster; also piano tuned. We have placed suitable markers on graves of those lately deceased and interred in Westminster cemetery.

Donations were received from seventy-seven churches and organizations and from eighty-seven individuals. Twenty-one groups visited the Home, rendered programs, and served refreshments to all. Students of the Seminary conducted services at the Home frequently during the year.

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

#### Receipts

Cash on hand March 27, 1935 .....		\$267.65
Cash donations .....	\$131.75	
Long distance telephone calls .....	14.25	
Net receipts on Visitors' Day .....	170.10	
Net receipts of Garden Party .....	23.60	
Miscellaneous .....	21.43	
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		\$361.13
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Total .....		\$628.78

#### Disbursements

Household supplies .....	\$ 80.69
Tuning piano .....	3.00
Renovating sign .....	25.00

Furniture .....	13.75
Flooring .....	33.91
Upholstering .....	46.50
Painting and papering .....	44.30
Clothing .....	9.41
Labor .....	23.00
Flowers for deceased .....	14.50
Dentistry .....	6.50
Marker for grave .....	20.00
Oculist .....	36.00
Christmas .....	77.66
Daily papers .....	17.20
Traveling expenses of patients .....	10.75
Miscellaneous .....	29.78
	\$491.95

Balance in bank, March 26, 1936..... \$136.83

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.,  
 MRS. ALICE BABYLON,  
 MRS. GEORGE K. MATHER,  
 MRS. J. PEARRE WANTZ,  
 Board of Lady Superintendents.

June 15, 1936.

The Maryland Annual Conference,  
 Westminster, Maryland.

Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that we report the home in excellent condition and the property well cared for.

For the first time in several years we have absorbed the waiting list and at this writing there is a vacancy. We respectfully request the continuance of the appropriation of \$6,000.00.

We call attention to the fact that the terms of the following members of the Board of Managers expire with this conference session: E. C. Makosky, J. P. Wantz, O. S. Herr. We also report with regret the death of T. A. Murray whose place should also be filled.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE MATHER,  
 President Board of Managers.

**REPORT O**  
**REPORT OF THE SUMMER CONFERENCE**

(See Journal Page 21)

The 26th Annual Session of the Summer Conference for Ministers will be held in the Westminster Theological Seminary, August 31st to September 4th. We believe that the program for this year will challenge every man to be present in body, mind and spirit.

The personel and courses of study and lectures are as follows:

Dr. M. J. Shroyer—History of the Apostolic Church.

Dr. C. E. Forlines—Varieties of American Religion.

Dr. H. L. Elderdice—The Modern Minister.

Dr. Geo. Walter Fiske—The Christian Family and Christian Worship.

Dr. Albert W. Beaven—Preacher Problems for Every Parish.

Doctors Shroyer, Forlines and Elderdice need no introduction to Methodist Protestant ministers. Doctor Geo. Walter Fiske has been for more than a quarter of a century professor of Religious Education and Practical Theology in the Graduate School of Oberlin College, and is the author of a number of well known and helpful books. Doctor Albert W. Beaven is President of Colgate-Rochester Theological Seminary, a former President of the Federal Council of Churches, a distinguished author and a member of the Preaching Mission.

Ministers' wives are cordially invited to share the Summer Conference program.

Room and board will cost per person \$5.50 for the week. The minister's dues are \$2.00 per year.

We request the appropriation of \$200 for this year.

Hoping and trusting that on August 31st you will again be on "the Hill," to enjoy a week of inspiration, instruction and good fellowship.

Respectfully yours,

J. EARL CUMMINGS, President.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance, June 18, 1935 ..... \$187.91

**Receipts**

1935 Maryland Conference Appropriation ..... \$200.00

1935 Ministers' dues ..... 118.00

Board and Linen Charge ..... 258.50

576.50

\$746.41

## Disbursements

Honoraria .....	\$305.00
Ministers' and speakers' Board and Expenses....	296.50
Printing of Programs .....	9.25
Miscellaneous Expenses .....	20.00

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 630.75

Balance on hand June 11, 1936.....

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 \$133.66

THOS. G. BETSCHLER.

## REPORT P

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

(See Journal Page 22)

The greatest work any human being can do in this world is to lead a soul into the intimate fellowship of Jesus Christ. No other work can in any wise measure up in importance to this.

This not only effects the life of the soul in this world but it fixes the destiny of the soul in the world which is to come.

This is why we say that no work which we are called upon to do is in any wise comparable to this great task of leading men to Christ.

We firmly believe that the warming of the hearts of our people in this matter will solve the many problems of the Church.

There is no time which makes it so easy for the Church to accomplish great tasks as when the "Times of refreshing shall come from the Presence of the Lord." Everything seems to take on new life. A new joy comes to the saint. A new attraction is added to the Church. Men love to go where men are finding God.

The fact that men are finding God, that homes are being changed, that family altars are being set up, that Jesus Christ is coming into His own, and that a heavenly atmosphere is being felt in the community, these things stir the hearts of men as nothing else can. We believe the church needs these things more than anything else.

When Jesus Christ comes into His own, we shall not have to beg men for money enough to run His kingdom. There is no power so potent to open the purse of a man as the power of a warm regenerated heart. We believe these things must begin at the house of God and specifically with the "Man of God."

A great awakening does not come simply by planning and the ordinary line of working. The fact is, a great awakening is not worked up—It is prayed down. Stanley Jones tells a story which expresses our thought so well that we ask your patience in hearing it. He was speaking of a minister who was not succeeding very well and this minister said, "I have been preaching things that are not operative in me. I refuse to perjure myself any longer." "I am not going to preach again unless I can preach reality. I'll give God until Sunday to do something for me and if He



doesn't do anything for me before Sunday, someone else can preach, I won't." Here was spiritual honesty and desperation that was bound to lead somewhere. He could go no further until he had gone deeper. He took Saturday off as a day of retreat. He came forth from those prayer hours a changed man. He had a new dynamic—the Spirit. He went into his pulpit next morning. The crowd filed in and settled back in their seats to listen to the old words. He hadn't been talking ten minutes before they saw they had a new minister. The Word was throbbing in his words. He was going further now for he had gone deeper. We are on the verge of something big but we cannot capture these latent yearnings for Christ unless Christ captures us more completely. Materialism and inertia will close in on these spiritual yearnings and smother them, unless we can meet them with a gospel adequate in breadth and in depth. Pentecost gives both, we are therefore shut up to the alternate of Pentecost or failure.

"We cannot go further until we go deeper." We believe this firmly and truly. We are here giving some thoughts and plans which may be used to bring an awakening to the church.

First, a retreat for the Church, a time of real prayer and devotion before the Master. Not alone in the church but in the home. Keeping quiet hours alone with God for self-examination. The prayerful reading of the Word for at least ten days, and then gathering together in one place with one accord for prayer and praise and patient waiting for the gracious outpouring of His spirit. We believe that a retreat of this kind, earnestly and faithfully observed will bring a great blessing upon the church.

Second. At this time to form a personal workers class; prayer lists should be made. These lists to contain names of persons who are not Christians. These should be visited by the personal workers. These visits to be made with one purpose, to present the claims of Christ to those who do not know Him and make an earnest effort to get them to accept Christ. A Pledge Card would help out in this matter. The personal workers class should meet at least once a week for definite prayer for those on their lists and receiving any information that might help in the winning of those not yet reached. The personal touch in all this matter cannot be over-estimated to the good of those who are sought and the workers. There must be much prayer and consecration in personal work, and there cannot be any substitute for the passion of Christ. We must study the man, his conditions, his bent to or from religion. Find a real point of contact; use tact; study the seasons; arouse as little opposition as possible; forget that you have any feelings; expect some rough sailing and best of all remember that when you go with the bread of life, Christ Jesus has been there before you and more—He will be there when you arrive.

Third. Too much cannot be said about soul winning preaching—preaching that has in it a passion for lost men. Preaching which definitely expects an answer. Preaching which grips the hearts of men. Preaching which has no uncertain sound, ever remembering "It has pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save men. For He said, "My Word shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and

it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." What wonderful backing, why shouldn't we expect souls to be saved when we preach? If so be we preach the Word which He sent. Preach to win; preach to save; God teach us to preach sermons drenched by prayer and the Holy Spirit of God.

Rev. Jesse Bader, Chairman of the Evangelistic Committee of the Federal Council of Churches, presented the plan of a "Preaching Mission," to the General Conference of our church. Under the plan outstanding preachers of our day will conduct a "Four Day Preaching Mission" in the chief cities of America. Workers will return from these centers to their respective fields to conduct an "Eight Day Preaching Mission." Shop meetings, radio broadcasts and services in local churches (conducted by the ministers of those churches) who will bring to our nation a consciousness of the fact that a united effort is being made to preach Christ. Every church and pastor is urged to prayerfully cooperate in this mission which God may bless with Pentecostal fire.

Fourth. The work among the young people—what a fascinating field. Helping God to grow a church. It has been estimated that from fifty to seventy-five percent of the children in our schools never become members of the church. There is a deep underlying cause for that. After the Sunday school session they go home. After the Christian Endeavor Meeting they go home. They seldom get into the church service. And when the time comes, when many think they are too old to go to Sunday School they just quit and when they quit the school they do not begin with the church. We believe this is a weakness in our young people's work and we believe we should give to this matter our very best thought and energy that by some means we may correct this weakness and grip the young people of our schools and societies and turn this tide of life into the church.

Here it seems is the place where religious education should begin firmly to establish the contact between the church and the school and the Christian Endeavor. Do not let the work of education end with the school. That is a fatal error. Let us not think if we educate them that will save them. It is a wonderful thing to educate a young soul and it is so important. It is inexcusable to be ignorant when you may know, but "ye must be born again." It is much better to educate a newborn soul than to educate a soul thinking that that is the way to get him into the kingdom. There is only one way into the kingdom—you must be born into it.

The great goal of the school should be to get them to Christ as soon as possible and get them into the church not later than twelve years of age. Do it before the world begins its deadening work upon them.

Fifth. Great Harvest days. All we have said in the beginning of this paper applies here. Be sure the people know about the meeting. People are never interested in the thing about which they know nothing. Do not be afraid to spend a little money in personal letters, advertising, phone calls, etc., so that the people in the community will know that there is a wind in the tops of the mulberry trees and it is time for us to go.

Sixth. Just a word about our special days. The Holy Communion Service—how easy it is to open the door for the wonderer to come in, confess his sins, receive Him into his heart and seal it with the blessed

covenant of blood which Jesus shed for all. How easy to draw the net on Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter.

We cannot close this report without a word about one of the members of this committee—Rev. W. A. Melvin. Surely God has laid His hand upon this man and given him a burning passion for souls. Four years ago he was chosen by the General Conference as the Secretary of Evangelism. Since that time he has had reported to him ten thousand souls through the Won-by-One Band. He has sent out eighty thousand letters each containing six or seven pieces of literature telling men how to find God. Twenty thousand of these letters have been written in long hand and addressed and stamped. The General Conference was so much interested in his work they selected him to serve another four years and gave him an appropriation to carry on the work. May God still continue to bless and save through this man of God.

With a song of praise for every soul that God has given us during this year and a fervent prayer that God will speedily revive the entire church, we are

Yours in His glad service,

E. D. STONE,  
W. A. MELVIN,  
T. C. MULLIGAN,  
DANIEL MacLEA,  
S. M. YINGLING,  
E. LESTER KEYSER.

#### REPORT Q

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal Page 28)

Your Committee on Audit has audited the following accounts:

Treasurer of the Church Extension Society.  
Agent of President's Parsonage.  
Treasurer of Mutual Relief Association.

The same were found correct.

A. F. T. RAUM, Chairman,  
E. C. WOODWARD,  
P. L. REYNOLDS.

#### REPORT Q-1

### REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AUDIT— TREASURER'S BOOKS

(See Journal Page 34)

Your Special Committee appointed by the President to audit the Treasurer's books reports that we met with the Treasurer at the Book

Rooms and audited his books. The accounts were found to be without error and showed the same painstaking and very careful work as has always characterized his work.

W. F. WRIGHT,  
A. W. EWELL,  
W. A. ROBERTS,  
F. B. BAILEY.

## REPORT R

### REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE LIBRARIAN

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Librarian respectfully reports that under instruction from the Maryland Annual Conference at last year's session, duplicate copies of the Methodist Protestant, the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, and other duplicate historical material, were presented to the Enoch Pratt Library, and were courteously received and placed in the collection of Maryland historical data.

Furthermore, all material belonging to the Historical Society of the Maryland Conference received from Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse and Dr. F. T. Tagg, and other historical material, located in the vault of the basement and the Drinkhouse Memorial Room in the Headquarters Building, have been thoroughly arranged and properly indexed by an expert, Robert F. Hayes, Jr. In this special task the Librarian was ably assisted by Dr. R. L. Shipley and Dr. G. W. Haddaway. Key to the vault may be obtained at the editor's office.

Other duties of the office have been carefully looked after.

G. M. CLAYTON, Librarian.

## REPORT S

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE COLLECTION OF DEEDS AND LEGAL PAPERS FOR CHURCHES AND PARSONAGES

(See Journal Page 28)

Your Committee would report that we have met during the year; that at this meeting we went over all the papers which have been received noting those charges from whom no report has as yet been received. These papers are at present kept in a filing cabinet in the President's office. They will be kept there so that as from time to time other papers are received they may be properly filed away.

Your Committee noted also that there are a great many irregularities in these papers. This was noticed from just a casual observation. We believe that when our legal colleague, Mr. Benson, shall have had time to go over them more thoroughly more perhaps may be found, and this all

to the end that corrections may be made bringing the legal papers for our properties up to good form.

Your committee would recommend that this matter be left in the hand of the President and Secretary of the conference and F. Murray Benson to receive other papers that will come in, examine, file and confer without delay with officials of the several properties where irregularities exist.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MAKOSKY,  
W. F. WRIGHT,  
F. MURRAY BENSON.

## REPORT T

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MANUAL REVISION

(See Journal Page 20)

To the Maryland Conference

Dear Brethren:

Your Committee has carefully studied the charters and by-laws of the various agencies of the Conference and makes herewith certain recommendations.

1. It is our conviction that many practices have grown up out of harmony with charters and regulations through a lack of familiarity with these charters and regulations. Your Committee therefor suggests that at the next annual meetings all the Boards review their acts of incorporation and rules.

2. The Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference

a. We recommend that the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference be instructed and authorized so to amend its charter and by-laws that the annual meeting of the Trustees for organization be changed from the third Tuesday in May to the second week in July and that the term of office of newly elected members to the Board shall begin with the first of July next succeeding their election. And further, that if legal difficulty arises whereby this recommendation may not be effected the Trustees shall make report of the same to the next meeting of this annual conference. Provided, that the present officers of the Trustees shall hold office until the annual meeting of the Board in July, 1937.

b. Paragraph VI, by-laws, That the Trustees examine this provision for investment of their funds and should there be occasion for revision of the same they report their findings with recommendations to the next session of this annual conference.

3. The Church Extension Society

a. That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Society Article V, Membership, be made: That the entire article be stricken out and the following substituted—That all members of the Maryland Annual

Conference, clerical and lay, at any one session, shall constitute the membership of the Society. The Society is hereby authorized and instructed to make this change in their charter at its annual meeting during this conference according to Article VII—amending the Constitution.

b. We recommend that Article VII, amending the Constitution, be rewritten as follows—This constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Society when two thirds of those present at the meeting shall so determine. The Society is hereby instructed and authorized to make this change at its next session.

c. We recommend that Article III, By-laws, with reference to the payment of monies to the Missionary Steward, be rewritten by the Board of Managers of the Society to conform to our present conference organization, that of handling monies through the Conference Treasurer; and that the Society pass this instruction on to the Board of Managers.

#### 4. The Superannuated Fund Society—

a. Strike out Article IV, Membership, and insert the following—That all members of the Maryland Annual Conference, clerical and lay, at any one session, shall constitute the membership of the Society.

b. Strike out, Article VIII, first paragraph referring to list of members and make the next paragraph begin as follows—“The Managers shall, by the assistance” etc.

c. Strike out Article XII, amending Constitution, and insert—“This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Society when two thirds of those present at the meeting shall so determine.”

d. By-Laws, Sec. 2, end of paragraph, strike out “Provided, That their entire property or estate shall at no time exceed in value the sum of forty thousand dollars.”

#### 5. Home for the Aged—

A number of changes in the Manual are made necessary by the present practice in the administration of this institution—

a. The name. The charter provides “The Home for the Aged of the Methodist Protestant Church.” Some years ago the conference adopted by vote the name “Our Church Home.” An adjustment of this title should be determined.

b. Article III and IV, Constitution, need to be revised to conform to present practice, as to cost of admission and Honorary Members.

c. Article VII, as to Board of Visitors, needs to be changed to conform to present terminology—Lady Visitors; the change to be made in all three sections of this Article.

d. Several changes in the By-Laws are made necessary by present practice, Article IV, sec. 2, percentage of allowance to inmates of the home on property, and Article V, the personnel of the Executive Committee.

Your Committee recommends with reference to the above notations that they be referred to the Committee on Benevolent Agencies for such review as the Committee may be disposed to make and that the Home

management be asked for a complete rewriting, and made available in printed form, of their Constitution and By-Laws, conformed to present management of the Home.

6. Maryland Educational Endowment Society—

This Society was organized June 3, 1870, for a period of forty years, the charter so providing. The Society therefor has expired. Many of the functions of the Society have been absorbed in other agencies of the church and the question arises as to the value of its continuance. There are however certain financial interests involved. Your committee therefor recommends that a committee of five, the President of the Conference as chairman, two ministers and two laymen, be appointed by the president of the conference to determine the future status of this organization, and report to the session of Conference, 1937.

JAS. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman,  
E. C. MAKOSKY.

REPORT U

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH WORK

(See Journal Page 21)

To the Maryland Annual Conference of the  
Methodist Protestant Church:

Jewish Work for the past year:-

Through the labors of a Jewish convert to Christianity, Rev. F. L. Hertzfeld, whom we have known for a number of years, we wish to state that we have been successful in pursuing the work as a church among the Jews in particular and foreigners in general, with the following results.

Brother Hertzfeld has voluntarily distributed tracts and papers as follows: English, 2340; Hebrew, 1225; German, 725; Italian, 175; Spanish, 50; Lithuanian, 425; Polish, 530; Bohemian, 450; Chinese, 25; and Russian, 250.

Bibles and New Testaments, Yeddish Old Testaments, 5; New Testaments 120; separate gospels, 300; German Bibles, 2; German New Testaments, 25; Lithuanian, separate gospels, 50; Russian New Testaments, 5; Russian separate Gospels, 10; Italian New Testaments, 4; and Italian separate Gospels, 50.

Visits made to homes, 250; revisits, 180; visits to ships, 50; visits to hospitals and other institutions, 210; conversions, Jews, 8; Gentiles, 150; preached in 5 languages, 260 services, including open air meetings; helped 5 families with food; 3 families provided 10 children with clothes and shoes enabling them to go to Sunday School.

We can say, Praise God from whom all blessings flow, that in our declining years we can be instrumental in bringing the gospel to the Jews and our foreign neighbors as a denomination and may the inflow of His grace make our service with Israel to be unspeakably precious.

We are desirous for the Conference to grant us the use of the church at the corner of Chester and Lombard Streets 3 days in the week to open a mission for the Jews and foreigners.

Yours in His name,

DR. E. B. FENBY, Chairman.

#### REPORT V

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL DAY

(See Journal Page 28)

Your Committee held one meeting and arranged for services to be held at the graves of all the deceased members of this Conference so far as our records allow us to plan for the services. It is impossible for us to report just how many of these services were carried through. We are sure that in almost every instance profitable and inspiring recognition was given to each minister for whom the service was planned.

There are some ministers of our Conference, the location of whose graves are not known to us and we would appreciate any information that would enable the committee to make a complete register. It would also be helpful if the ministers holding these services would report back to the committee so that a permanent record of each year could be preserved.

Each year has convinced us of the value of Memorial Day services in honor of our brothers who have been translated and we venture the hope that this will be a permanent custom in our church fellowship.

R. L. SHIPLEY,

L. B. SMITH,

E. L. BUNCE.

#### REPORT W

### COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

(See Journal Page 21)

The above named Committee held one meeting during the year at which it was decided—

1. To ask the church to make special prayers for a deeper interest in the all important work of missions.
2. That pastors preach a missionary sermon at least once a quarter
3. That every church be urged to effect missionary organizations among both men and women.
4. While realizing the importance of missionary literature and pro-



gram, it was thought best through missionary prayer meetings at present to deepen the spirit and individual members of the same.

We recommend that the Committee be continued.

G. W. HADDAWAY,  
W. B. JUDEFIND,  
J. A. DUDLEY,  
J. P. DODGE,  
J. W. ARMSTRONG,  
L. W. DYKES.

#### REPORT X

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO PRO-RATE TRANSPORTATION ASSESSMENT

(See Journal Page 28)

Your Committee reports that in accordance with the regulations of Paragraph A, Regulation XIX of the Manual we secured the latest road maps of the State of Maryland and neighboring states. From these we worked out the nearest route to Westminster from the various charges keeping generally on the main highways. These findings were submitted to the treasurer that he might work out the Transportation Assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. WRIGHT,  
J. A. DUDLEY,  
G. A. OGG,

Committee.

#### REPORT Y

### COMMITTEE ON THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PRINTING OF THE ENGLISH BIBLE

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Committee on the 400th anniversary of the printing of the English Bible begs to report that it cooperated with the Maryland Bible Society in the promotion of its program in the observance of this great event. Inasmuch as the Bible Society furnished materials to our churches, Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies for the observance of this event there was very little work for the committee to do except to give its endorsement and urge our churches to enter wholeheartedly into the observance of same.

E. L. BUNCE,  
E. T. KIRKLEY  
R. Y. NICHOLSON,  
R. S. JETT,  
E. LESTER KEYSER.

## RESOLUTIONS

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### RESOLUTION NO. 1

Inasmuch as there must of necessity be some time to elapse between the adjournment of this Conference and the issuing of the complete Minutes, and as many of the pastors would like to have the Table of Assessment as soon as possible; therefore be it

*Resolved*, that the Secretary is hereby authorized to have a sufficient number of copies mimeographed to supply each pastor with the Assessments, and to send same to him at the earliest possible moment.

E. C. MAKOSKY,  
RAYMOND W. WHITE.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2

*Resolved*, That a special committee be appointed by the President of the Conference to cooperate with him in sending to all our churches information concerning Methodist Union; and holding such group meetings and conferences as may seem advisable for the completer understanding of the Plan of Union.

R. L. SHIPLEY,  
JAS. H. STRAUGHN.

## CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

### MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The Mutual Relief Association convened in Alumni Hall, Western Maryland College, June 12, 1936, with President W. H. Litsinger in the chair.

The minutes of the 1935 session were read and approved.

Auditing Committee reported the Secretary-Treasurer's accounts correct.

Secretary-Treasurer read his report which was approved.

Officers were elected as follows:-On motion of W. H. Litsinger, J. N. Link was elected President. On motion of C. E. Dryden, R. W. White was elected First Vice President. On motion of J. F. Bryan, W. A. Roberts was elected Second Vice President. G. A. Ogg was reelected Secretary-Treasurer.

Adjourned.

G. A. OGG, Secretary.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

On Hand, June 1, 1935 .....		\$ 719.53
<b>Receipts</b>		
On Cases prior to June 1, 1935.....	\$ 98.00	
On case 121 .....	190.00	
On case 122 .....	185.00	
On case 133 .....	182.00	
On case 134 .....	185.00	
On case 125 .....	178.00	
On case 126 .....	168.00	
On case 127 .....	34.00	
Interest on Notes .....	21.12	
		1,241.12
		\$1,960.65
<b>Expended</b>		
To Mrs. W. J. Neepier .....	200.00	
To Mrs. Anna R. Herrigel .....	200.00	
To Mrs. H. Ward Lewis .....	200.00	
To Mrs. S. W. Coe .....	200.00	
To Mrs. A. N. Ward .....	200.00	
To Mrs. J. Wilbur Stoll .....	200.00	
To Dr. Robt. K. Greenfield .....	200.00	
To Cards, printing, etc. ....	20.75	
		\$1,423.75
Balance on hand June 1, 1936.....		\$ 536.90

Notes .....	\$369.00
In Com. and Savings Bank, Bel Air.....	104.14
Currency .....	63.76
	\$536.90

Audited and found correct.

A. F. T. RAUM, Chairman.

#### MEMBERS OF MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Adams, C. M.	Dudley, J. A. and wife
Adams, J. P.	Elderdice, H. L.
Adams, Ziba and wife	Elderdice, Mrs. J. L.
Alexander, Mrs. Emma	Elliott, Lee
Archer, W. T.	Ewell, A. W. and wife
Bailey, F. B.	Farring, G. F.
Bailey, J. T. and wife	Fenby, J. Tracy
Balderston, J. W.	Galley, Stephen
Barnes, B. I. and wife	George, J. P. and wife
Baughman, Geo. E.	Gibson, N. O.
Bauscher, W. F.	Gill, J. M.
Baxley, J. W. and wife	Gordon, L. W. and wife
Bennett, Mrs. Lillian A.	Green, A. H. and wife
Benson, Mrs. Frances E.	Green, J. L. and wife
Betschler, T. G.	Haddaway, G. W. and wife
Bowers, Mrs. Lucy	Hanks, W. S.
Brewer, O. G. and wife	Hill, G. J.
Brown, J. McL. and wife	Hines, George and wife
Bryan, B. A. and wife	Hodge, Mrs. Emma F.
Bryan, J. F. and wife	Hodges, W. H. and wife
Burkins, H. C. and wife	Holland, F. A.
Butler, C. P. and wife	Holloway, F. G. and wife
Cain, Mrs. Bessie D.	Hooker, G. J. and wife
Cassen, Paul M. and wife	Hudgins, H. E.
Cassen, S. F.	Hungerford, M. E. and wife
Cheyney, Harold E.	Jennings, Ellsworth and wife
Clayton, G. M. and wife	Johnson, Mrs. Sarah R.
Clough, N. C. and wife	Jones, Thomas C.
Crosby, P. W. and wife	Judefind, W. B. and wife
Crouse, Mrs. Jennie P.	Kay, J. M.
Cullum, C. M. and wife	Keen, H. O.
Cummings, J. E. and wife	Kester, H. A.
Dawson, C. L.	Kindley, B. W.
Day, C. C. and wife	Kirk, J. W. and wife
Dinkle, Ira M. and wife	Kirkley, E. T. and wife
Dobson, C. H. and wife	Klein, Mrs. Mary E.
Donovan, Avery	Leister, Guy E.
Donoway, W. A. and wife	Link, J. N.
Dryden, C. E. and wife	Litsinger, Mrs. Adele C.

Litsinger, W. H.	Schauer, P. M. R.
Little, Lawrence C. and wife	Schlincke, H. L. and wife
Lyons, W. K.	Schmeiser, Wm.
Makosky, E. C. and wife	Sexsmith, E. A. and wife
Marker, J. Lee	Shipley, R. L. and wife
McCaslin, C. K.	Siffrin, F. W.
McDorman, G. E.	Simms, E. W. and wife
McKeawn, J. R. and wife	Smith, Mrs. Annie A.
Melvin, W. A. and wife	Smith, L. B. and wife
Mumford, W. C. and wife	Stocksdale, G. H. and wife
Murphey, H. L. and wife	Straughn, J. H. and wife
Mulligan, T. C. and wife	Stone, Walter H. Jr.
Nichols, J. L. and wife	Sutton, C. A. and wife
Nicholson, R. Y.	Taylor, E. H.
Nicklas, H. N. and wife	Townsend, J. W. and wife
Nowlin, Mrs. Lelia M	Trader, John A.
Ogg, G. A. and wife	Turkington, T. J. and wife
Parris, J. W.	Turner, G. E.
Pierce, A. A.	Volk, Frank M. and wife
Prince, Owen W. and wife	Walter, Mrs. Isabella S.
Ports, G. W.	Ward, Mrs. A. N.
Randall, L. C. and wife	Warner, Mrs. Susan V.
Randall, Mrs. Louis	Werner, Leslie
Raum, A. F. T. and wife	White, R. W.
Read, E. T. and wife	Williamson, Mrs. Laura B.
Reynolds, Mrs. Emma J.	Wooden, J. F. and wife
Rice, P. L. and wife	Woodford, T. R. and wife
Roberts, W. P. and wife	Woodward, Eugene C.
Roberts, W. A. and wife	Wright, J. A. and wife
Robey, C. B. and wife	Wright, W. F.
Ross, G. S.	Wunder, G. E. and wife
Ruley, B. F.	Yingling, Mrs. Ella N.
Schauer, H. H.	

### SUPERANNUATE FUND SOCIETY

The Superannuate Fund Society was called to order Thursday, 10:20 A. M., with the President, E. A. Sexsmith, in the chair.

The Treasurer's report was read and a vote of thanks extended the Treasurer.

The election of the Board of Managers resulted as follows:

Ministers: G. W. Haddaway, E. L. Bunce, G. M. Clayton, J. A. Dudley.

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

The election of officers resulted in the election of the following: First Vice-President, J. W. Kirk; Second Vice-President, W. B. Judefind; Third Vice-President, C. K. McCaslin; Recording Secretary, W. P. Roberts; Treasurer, F. Murray Benson.

The following revision was made to the Manual:

A—Strike out Article IV, Membership, and insert the following—  
That all members of the Maryland Annual Conference, clerical and lay,  
at any one session, shall constitute the membership of the Society.

B—Strike out Article VIII, first paragraph, referring to list of mem-  
bers and make the next paragraph begin as follows—"The Managers shall,  
by the assistance," etc.

C—Strike out Article XII, amending Constitution, and insert—"This  
Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the  
Society when two thirds of those present at the meeting shall so de-  
termine."

D—By laws, Section 2, end of paragraph, strike out "Provided, that  
their entire property or estate shall at no time exceed in value the sum  
of forty thousand dollars."

Minutes of the past meeting were read and approved.

J. A. DUDLEY, Secretary.

## SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

### TREASURER'S REPORT

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer

In Account With

## SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

### Permanent Fund

#### Receipts

To Balance as per last report.....	\$5,968.09	
To Repayment of Mortgage 7th St., Washington.....	4,000.00	
To Redemption of Ground Rent—1676 Jackson St.....	700.00	
To Repayment Mortgage Battery Park, Washington..	3,800.00	
		\$14,468.09

#### Disbursements

By Mortgage Loan, 4315 Springdale Avenue.....	\$3,000.00	
By Purchase Ground Rent, 3916 Hayward Avenue.....	1,502.25	
By Purchase Ground Rent, 3913 Carlisle Avenue.....	1,090.91	
By Purchase Trustees Maryland Annual Conference by order of Board of Governors .....	1,000.00	
By Advance to Income Account .....	1,212.95	
By Balance on Deposit Fidelity Trust Co. ....	6,661.98	
		\$14,468.09

### Income Account

#### Receipts

To Income from Investments .....	\$8,246.55	
To Advance from Permanent Fund .....	1,212.95	
		\$ 9,459.50

<b>Disbursements</b>	
By return advance by Treasurer .....	42.50
By return deposit in error .....	12.00
By Examination of delinquent rents .....	30.00
By Premium on Treasurer's Bond .....	25.00
By Treasurer's Allowance .....	350.00
By Payments to C. F. Cummins, Conference Treasurer, as follows—	
<b>1935</b>	
August 2 .....	1,500.00
October 1 .....	1,500.00
December 2 .....	1,500.00
<b>1936</b>	
February 22 .....	1,500.00
May 1 .....	2,250.00
June 5 .....	750.00
	\$ 9,459.50

Respectfully submitted,

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer,

Above account examined and found correct.

CHARLES L. BEYER,

G. M. CLAYTON,

Auditing Committee.

## INVESTMENTS

### Permanent Funds

#### SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

Loaned to Trustees Maryland Annual Conference.....\$13,675.00

### Securities

Items marked with asterisk (\*) are not paying income

Baltimore Transit Co.	
*Series B—1st Debenture .....	500.00
Series A—1st Debenture .....	3,500.00
*30 Shares—1st 5% Pref. Capital Stock Universal Mortgage Co.	
Series E .....	2,500.00
Asso. Mortgage Co. Inc. 20 yr. Debenture.....	4,480.00
*Mortgage Guarantee Co. of America Certificate of Deposit Series AF 5 ½ %—1st Mortgage.....	4,000.00
Southern Railway Co. 1st Cons. Mortgage .....	1,000.00
*Inter Burroughs Rapid Transit Co. Certificate of Deposit 7% Gold Note .....	2,300.00

Southern Railway Co.	
1 share Common Stock	
24 shares Preferred Stock	
*Federal Mortgage Co.	
Participation Certificate Series J. ....	2,000.00
*Seaboard Airline Railway Co.—Certificate of Deposit	
Certificate of Deposit—G.C.&N. ....	1,000.00
*U.S.F. & G. Co.	
585 Shares	
First National Bank Baltimore	
39 shares	
Participation Certificate 74/400,000 Merchants National Bank, Balti-	
more, Maryland.	

**Mortgages**

\$25,000.00 on 2131-2133 Maryland Avenue
6,000.00 on 1502 Park Avenue, Baltimore
3,000.00 on 4315 Springdale Avenue

**GROUND RENTS OF SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY**

2212-14 Boston Street .....	\$ 72.00	
841 ½ W. Lombard Street .....	54.00	
130 S. Eden Street .....	60.00	
2023, 2025 E. Pratt Street .....	each 52.30	—\$104.60
916 N. Fremont Street .....	60.00	
2530 W. Baltimore Street .....	70.00	
2400, 2408 E. Lafayette Avenue .....	each 49.00	— 98.00
715, 717 N. Monroe Street .....	each 65.00	— 130.00
1503, 1505, 1507, 1509, 1511, 1513, 1515 W. Frank-		
lin Street .....	each 85.00	— 595.00
1 W. Twenty-fourth Street .....	80.00	
809, 811, 813 N. Gilmor Street .....	each 82.00	— 246.00
1238 St. Matthew Street .....	30.00	
568 Wilson Street .....	60.00	
2934 Dillon Street .....	33.00	
1119 N. Calhoun Street .....	60.00	
1728 Druid Hill Avenue .....	90.00	
1315 Orleans Street .....	36.00	
1317 Orleans Street .....	36.00	
605 Smith Street .....	30.00	
813 Woodley Street .....	56.00	
1107, 1109, 1111, 1113 Woodley Street .....	each 46.00	— 264.00
1730 Druid Hill Avenue .....	90.00	
1232, 1236, 1238, 1246, 1248, 1250 Columbia Ave.		
each	36.00	— 216.00
601, 603, 605 E. Randall Street .....	each 52.50	— 167.50
1628 Jackson Street .....	45.50	
1500, 1508, 1516 Covington Street .....	each 47.00	— 141.00
1524 Covington Street .....	43.50	
1513 Clement Street .....	30.00	



1515-17 Clement Street .....	50.00		
1519, 1521, 1523 and 1525 Clement Street .....	24.00	—	96.00
1418, 1420 Towson Street .....	36.00	—	72.00
1401 Cooksie Street .....	25.00		
1823 W. North Avenue .....	70.00		
1802 Druid Hill Avenue .....	75.00		
2579, 2504, 2506 and 2513, 2515 W. Fayette St. each	56.00	—	280.00
702 N. Strickler Street .....	50.00		
312, 314, 316 S. Gilmor Street .....	30.00	—	90.00
1121 N. Carey Street .....	70.00		
1307, 1309 N. Fremont Street .....	100.00	—	200.00
1122, 1126 N. Gilmor Street .....	60.00	—	120.00
1132, 1134, 1136, 1138 and 1140 N. Gilmor St., each	50.00	—	250.00
1113 W. Lexington Street .....	60.00		
1312 W. Lanvale Street .....	75.00		
1719 Latrobe Street .....	40.00		
626 W. Lanvale Street .....	66.00		
1800 Druid Hill Avenue .....	80.00		
105 Amity Street .....	19.25		
1329 Upton Street .....	36.00		
777 W. Pratt Street .....	24.00		
820, 822 W. Pratt Street .....	39.00	—	78.00
2659 W. North Avenue .....	60.00		
1025 N. Eutaw Street .....	33.75		
1027 N. Eutaw Street .....	33.75		
3733 Eastern Avenue .....	30.00		
616 Homestead Street .....	60.00		
Charles and Barre Streets .....	210.00		
813, 815, 817, 819, 821, 823, 825 N. Dallas St., each	20.57	1/7—	144.00
1523 E. Madison Street .....	30.00		
121 N. Greene Street .....	138.00		
1640 Jackson Street .....	42.00		
1640 E. Fort Avenue .....	30.00		
1421 Clement Street .....	30.00		
707, 703 N. Mount Street .....	60.00	—	120.00
3916 Hayward Avenue .....	90.00		
3913 Carlisle Avenue .....	60.00		

### CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

Church Extension Society met on Monday, June 15, 1936. In the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents, E. C. Makosky presided.

The minutes were read by the Secretary and approved.

The report of the Board of Managers was read and referred to the Board of Survey. The Treasurer's report was authorized to be printed.

The report of the Committee on Manual Revision was read and adopted. See Report on Manual Revision.

There being no other business the election of officers was held, the following being elected: President, E. C. Makosky; First Vice-President,

L. W. Dykes; Second Vice-President, N. C. Clough; Secretary, J. W. Townsend; Treasurer, C. F. Cummins.

Board of Managers: Ministers—L. B. Smith, E. D. Stone, R. Y. Nicholson.

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1515-17 Clement Street .....	50.00	
1519, 1521, 1523 and 1525 Clement Street .....each	24.00	— 96.00
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1802 Druid Hill Avenue .....	75.00	
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312, 314, 316 S. Gilmor Street .....each	30.00	— 90.00
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1307, 1309 N. Fremont Street .....	100.00	— 200.00
1122, 1126 N. Gilmor Street .....	60.00	— 120.00
1132, 1134, 1136, 1138 and 1140 N. Gilmor St., each	50.00	— 250.00
1113 W. Lexington Street .....	60.00	
1312 W. Lanvale Street .....	75.00	
1719 Latrobe Street .....	40.00	
626 W. Lanvale Street .....	66.00	
1800 Druid Hill Avenue .....	80.00	
105 Amity Street .....	19.25	
1329 Upton Street .....	36.00	
777 W. Pratt Street .....	24.00	
820, 822 W. Pratt Street .....	39.00	— 78.00
2659 W. North Avenue .....	60.00	
1025 N. Eutaw Street .....	33.75	
1027 N. Eutaw Street .....	33.75	
3733 Eastern Avenue .....	30.00	
616 Homestead Street .....	60.00	
Charles and Barre Streets .....	210.00	
813, 815, 817, 819, 821, 823, 825 N. Dallas St., each	20.57	1/7— 144.00
1523 E. Madison Street .....	30.00	
121 N. Greene Street .....	138.00	
1640 Jackson Street .....	42.00	
1640 E. Fort Avenue .....	30.00	
1421 Clement Street .....	30.00	
707, 703 N. Mount Street .....	60.00	— 120.00
3916 Hayward Avenue .....	90.00	
3913 Carlisle Avenue .....	60.00	

### CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

Church Extension Society met on Monday, June 15, 1936. In the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents, E. C. Makosky presided.

The minutes were read by the Secretary and approved.

The report of the Board of Managers was read and referred to the Board of Survey. The Treasurer's report was authorized to be printed.

The report of the Committee on Manual Revision was read and adopted. See Report on Manual Revision.

There being no other business the election of officers was held, the following being elected: President, E. C. Makosky; First Vice-President,

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### Interest Reduction

During the year it was decided to seek a reduction in the interest rate being paid on the obligations of the Board of Managers. Accordingly each of our creditors was interviewed in person or by letter with very favorably results. Only three banks and two individuals declined our request. The net saving secured in reductions of interest will amount to \$553.00 annually.

We have not undertaken to report all details of our activities as it would take considerable space and time, but wish to assure you that your Board of Managers have sought to exercise its best judgment in all matters under its supervision.

Treasurer's report is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. STONE, President.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

### Receipts

#### 1935

June 1—Balance Brought Forward .....	\$ 1,520.11
June 14—Payment of Loan—First Church, Wilmington.....	200.00
June 14—Payment of Loan—Bethesda, Baltimore.....	500.00
June 14—Appropriation—Maryland Annual Conference.....	3,500.00
June 14—Personal Loan .....	100.00
June 24—Personal Loan .....	200.00
July 6—C. B. Adams—Int. on Mortgage—Wrights Adv. Farm	119.27
Aug. 5—Trustees, Mount Zion Cemetery.....	900.00
Aug. 5—Trustees, Mount Zion Cemetery.....	100.00
Sept. 18—Calvary Church of Virginia—Interest.....	25.00
Nov. 7—Dolbo Memorial (Nazarene)—Interest.....	38.25
Nov. 7—Chincoteague Parsonage—Balance in full.....	52.16
Nov. 11—Edmondson Avenue—Interest .....	300.00
Dec. 5—Personal Loan .....	1,200.00
Dec. 10—Edmondson Avenue—Interest .....	131.25

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Jan. 9—Sale of Jones Chapel.....	50.00
Jan. 18—Personal Loan .....	3,000.00
Jan. 18—Personal Loan .....	50.00
Jan. 18—C. B. Adams—Int. on Mortgage—Wrights Adv. Farm	119.27
Feb. 20—Insurance Refund—Jones Chapel .....	9.31
Feb. 26—Calvary Church of Virginia—Interest .....	25.00
Mar. 17—Edmondson Avenue—Interest .....	131.25
Apr. 1—Uniontown M. P. Church—Loan .....	200.00
Apr. 8—First Nat'l. Bank Chestertown—Loan .....	4,900.00
Apr. 14—First Nat'l. Bank Chestertown—Loan .....	100.00
Apr. 17—Personal Loan .....	400.00
May 6—Edmondson Avenue—Interest .....	300.00

Total .....\$18,170.87

## Disbursements

1935

June 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	\$ 60.00
June 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	30.00
June 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	6.00
June 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	6.00
June 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	87.00
June 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	30.00
June 1—	Kent County Savings Bank—Chestertown—Payment on Principal .....	600.00
June 1—	Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton—Payment on Principal .....	400.00
June 1—	Wye M. P. Church—Trustees—Interest.....	15.00
June 8—	Henry Gilligan—Expenses .....	2.00
June 8—	Dr. R. Y. Nicholson—Expenses .....	1.50
June 8—	Treasurer—Expenses .....	2.00
June 18—	Dr. William H. Litsinger—Expenses.....	3.00
June 25—	Uniontown M. P. Church—Interest .....	18.00
June 25—	The Union National Bank—Westminster—Interest....	52.50
July 1—	Payment of interest on Personal Loan .....	3.75
July 1—	Milton Church—Interest on Loan .....	7.50
July 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
July 1—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
July 1—	Warwick-Galena Fund—Interest on Loan .....	17.10
July 1—	Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Baltimore—Interest on Loan .....	52.50
July 3—	Thomas H. Lewis Memorial Church—Appropriation..	90.00
July 6—	Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation .....	25.00
July 8—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan .....	15.00
July 8—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	36.00
July 8—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
July 31—	Thomas H. Lewis Memorial Church—Appropriation..	90.00
July 31—	Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
July 31—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	12.00
Aug. 10—	Zion M. P. Church (Harry T. Robinson) Interest on Loan .....	15.00
Aug. 10—	Zion M. P. Cemetery (Harry T. Robinson) Interest on Loan .....	60.00
Aug. 10—	Deer Creek M. P. Cemtery (M. S. Harkins) Interest on Loan .....	30.00
Aug. 13—	Elkton Banking & Trust Co., Elkton—Interest.....	16.00
Aug. 19—	Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l Church—Appropriation.....	90.00
Aug. 19—	Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Aug. 21—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
Aug. 28—	Interest on Deaconess Home Loan.....	131.25
Aug. 28—	Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Principal....	150.00
Aug. 28—	Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Interest.....	127.50
Aug. 28—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
Sept. 13—	Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	1.00
Sept. 13—	Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l Church—Drawing Plans....	450.00

Sept. 25—Payment of Interest on Personal Loans.....	18.00
Sept. 25—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l Church—Appropriation.....	90.00
Sept. 25—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Sept. 25—Salem Church—Howard Charge—Interest.....	120.00
Sept. 25—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	10.50
Sept. 25—The Union National Bank—Westminster—Interest....	52.50
Sept. 25—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	30.00
Oct. 10—Kent Co. Sav. Bk.—Chestertown—Payment on Princ.	200.00
Oct. 10—Kent Co. Sav. Bk.—Chestertown—Payment of Int....	196.70
Oct. 10—Hopewell Church—Susquehanna Charge—Interest....	10.20
Oct. 10—Mutual Life Ins. Co. of Balto.—Interest on Loan.....	52.50
Oct. 10—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
Oct. 28—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation.....	90.00
Oct. 28—Fort Meyer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Oct. 28—Bethesda Church—Baltimore—Appropriation .....	500.00
Oct. 28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	60.00
Oct. 28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	300.00
Oct. 28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	75.00
Nov. 2—First Church—Wilmington—Loan .....	500.00
Nov. 2—Treasurer—Expenses .....	2.00
Nov. 12—Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton—Interest.....	15.00
Nov. 12—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
Nov. 12—New Market M. P. Church—Interest.....	28.50
Nov. 23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	6.00
Nov. 23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	30.00
Nov. 29—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation.....	90.00
Nov. 29—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	75.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	60.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	5.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	30.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	6.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	6.00
Nov. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
Nov. 29—Wye M. P. Church—Trustees—Interest.....	15.00
Nov. 29—Interest on Deaconess Home Loan.....	131.25
Dec. 5—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Drawing Plans....	244.85
Dec. 10—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation.....	50.00
Dec. 20—The Union National Bank—Westminster—Interest..	49.58
Dec. 20—Uniontown M. P. Church—Interest.....	15.00
Dec. 24—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation....	10.00
Dec. 24—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation....	50.00
Dec. 31—Thos. H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation.....	100.00
Dec. 31—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
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Jan. 3—Milton Church—Interest on Loan.....	7.50
Jan. 3—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
Jan. 3—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	12.50
Jan. 8—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	12.50



Jan. 8—Warwick—Galena Fund—Interest on Loan.....	17.10
Jan. 8—Mutual Life Ins. Co. of Balto.—Interest on Loan....	52.50
Jan. 8—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
Jan. 11—Henry Gilligan—Expenses .....	2.00
Jan. 11—Treasurer—Expenses .....	2.00
Jan. 18—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l.—Parsonage.....	1,459.45
Jan. 21—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	36.00
Jan. 21—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
Jan. 31—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Jan. 31—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation.....	100.00
Jan. 31—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	12.00
Jan. 31—Zion M. P. Ch. (Harry T. Robinson)—Int. on Loan..	15.00
Jan. 31—Zion M. P. Cemetery (H. T. Robinson)—Int. on Loan	72.50
Feb. 11—Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton—Interest.....	15.00
Feb. 11—Deer Creek Cemetery (M. S. Harkins)—Int. on Loan	25.00
Feb. 11—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
Feb. 20—Henry Gilligan—Expenses .....	2.00
Feb. 20—Dr. John N. Link—Expenses.....	6.10
Feb. 21—Treasurer—Expenses .....	2.00
Feb. 25—Interest on Deaconess Home Loan.....	131.25
Feb. 29—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Feb. 29—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation....	100.00
Feb. 29—Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Principal....	150.00
Feb. 29—Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Interest.....	123.00
Feb. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
Feb. 29—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l.—Parsonage.....	1,459.45
Mar. 17—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	15.00
Mar. 24—The Union National Bank—Westminster—Interest....	43.75
Mar. 24—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	18.00
Mar. 28—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l.—Parsonage.....	1,459.45
Mar. 28—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
Mar. 28—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Appropriation.....	100.00
Mar. 28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	8.75
Mar. 28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	30.00
Mar. 31—Salem Church—Howard Charge—Interest.....	100.00
Apr. 8—Hopewell Church—Susquehanna Charge—Interest....	10.20
Apr. 8—Kent Co. Savings Bank—Chestertown—Interest.....	186.00
Apr. 8—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
Apr. 9—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	5.00
Apr. 10—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l. Church—Drawing Plans....	1,254.26
Apr. 12—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l.—Parsonage.....	1,459.45
Apr. 24—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l.—Interest on Parsonage.....	9.00
Apr. 30—Bethesda Church—Baltimore—Appropriation .....	500.00
Apr. 30—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l Church—Appropriation.....	100.00
Apr. 30—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
May 2—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	300.00
May 2—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	60.00
May 2—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	62.50
May 7—Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton—Interest.....	15.00
May 7—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00



May	7—New Market M. P. Church—Interest.....	23.75
May	7—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	5.00
May	7—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan.....	25.00
May	7—Thomas H. Lewis Mem'l Church—Appropriation.....	50.00
May	7—Fort Myer Heights Church—Appropriation.....	25.00
	Balance on hand and in Bank.....	\$ 1,888.73
	<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$18,170.87</b>

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer.

May 30, 1936.

## 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.

Name	Born	Entered Conference	Died
Charles Rigby .....	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull .....	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hays .....	.....	1830	1831
William Bamber .....	.....	1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacobs .....	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson .....	.....	1829	1834
William Kesley .....	.....	1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger .....	.....	1842	1842
Samuel L. Rawleigh .....	.....	1834	1843
Daniel Davies, M. D. ....	.....	1833	1844
William W. Maddux .....	.....	1838	1844
William W. Ball .....	.....	1842	1844
William H. Boardley .....	.....	1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood .....	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster .....	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese .....	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier .....	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson .....	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins .....	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D. ....	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright .....	1823	1849	1859
Nevelle Steele Greenaway .....	1824	1852	1861
William Turbert Wright .....	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby .....	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell .....	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden .....	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton .....	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd .....	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin .....	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside .....	1828	1850	1866
Eli Henkle .....	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D. ....	1792	1838	1867
Thomas H. Burgess .....	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson .....	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox .....	1791	1869	1870
Christian Eversole .....	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers .....	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan .....	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayghe .....	1844	1869	1871
John Elderdice .....	1814	1838	1874
Amon Richards .....	1818	1843	1875
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D. ....	1787	1870	1876
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D. ....	1813	1839	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant .....	1810	1830	1877
William C. Ames, D. D. S. ....	1852	1870	1877
John Edgar Read .....	1839	1869	1877
Thomas M. Bryan .....	1846	1865	1878
William Corrie Lipscomb .....	1818	1846	1879
Thomas Asbury Moore .....	1792	1869	1879
David Norwood Gilbert .....	1824	1845	1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins .....	1851	1873	1881
Thomas Lee .....	1808	1865	1881
.....	1821	1857	1882

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Peter Light Wilson .....	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick .....	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell .....	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice .....	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray .....	1856	1879	1884
Henry Edward Miskimon .....	1845	1866	1885
Joseph Alexander McFaden .....	1825	1847	1885
Alfred Baker .....	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton .....	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm .....	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M. D. ....	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D. ....	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston .....	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson .....	1843	1868	1889
Robert Thomas Smith .....	1850	1874	1889
Augustus Webster, D. D. ....	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson .....	1840	1864	1890
James Thompson .....	1819	1853	1890
Robert Wilkins Berryman .....	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood .....	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant .....	1820	1846	1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D. ....	1867	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L.	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D. ....	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D. ....	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton .....	1832	1860	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn .....	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson .....	1863	1887	1896
John Robert Nichols .....	1815	1838	1896
James Thomas Ward, D. D. ....	1820	1843	1897
Rhesa Scott Norris .....	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D. D. ....	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everist .....	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis .....	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter .....	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D. ....	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith .....	1844	1876	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day .....	1820	1846	1900
William Greenbury Holmes .....	1822	1855	1900
Lawrence Webster Bates, D. D. ....	1819	1840	1901
W. J. Floyd .....	1831	1871	1902
Jesse Shreeve .....	1824	1847	1902
John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D. ....	1834	1859	1902
Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D. ....	1835	1856	1902
Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D. ....	1830	1850	1903
Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D. ....	1872	1899	1903
Adolphus David Melvin, D. D. ....	1846	1872	1904
Abraham Downs Dick .....	1826	1854	1904
Charles Humphreys Littleton .....	1829	1852	1905
John Jackson Murray, M. D., D. D. ....	1824	1842	1905
William Sim Hammond, D. D. ....	1832	1851	1905
George Durbin Edmonston .....	1844	1864	1905
William Augustus Crouse .....	1824	1870	1905
David Wilson, M. D. ....	1826	1845	1906
William John Neepier .....	1848	1871	1906
Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D. ....	1817	1841	1907
Jacob Mathias Yingling .....	1847	1873	1907
John Hewlings Stockton Ewell .....	1865	1889	1908
Henry Caleb Cushing, D. D. ....	1828	1853	1908

Name	Born	Conference Entered	Died
James Thomas Lassell, D. D. ....	1836	1866	1909
John Bayley Jones .....	1833	1860	1909
Benjamin Parker Truitt .....	1861	1887	1910
Solomon Ashbury Hoblitzell .....	1836	1859	1911
John David Kinzer, D. D. ....	1841	1863	1911
William Sherman Phillips .....	1868	1889	1912
Herbert F. Wright .....	1866	1896	1912
Robert Semple Rowe .....	1832	1865	1912
Charles Smith Arnett .....	1852	1875	1913
Samuel Joseph Smith, D. D. ....	1854	1877	1913
James Ernest Litsinger .....	1879	1904	1913
Jacob Ezra Nicholson .....	1844	1881	1913
William James Dillon Lucas .....	1849	1873	1914
James Earle Maloy .....	1834	1859	1914
Charles Walter Sanderson, B. D. ....	1879	1911	1914
George Roberts McCready .....	1850	1880	1915
John Carter Poston .....	1833	1913	1916
Fitzhugh Lee Stevens .....	1866	1895	1916
Robert Thomas Tyson .....	1867	1908	1916
Thomas H. Wright .....	1840	1895	1916
Silas Baldwin Tredway, D. D. ....	1846	1872	1917
David Lee Greenfield, D. D. ....	1848	1868	1917
John Lee Straughn .....	1848	1870	1917
George Robert Hodge .....	1862	1889	1917
Edwin Oliver Ewing .....	1862	1884	1917
Joseph Augustus Weigand .....	1851	1884	1917
Charles William Cole .....	1847	1874	1918
John Solon Bowers, D. D. ....	1887	1916	1918
Robert Kendall Lewis .....	1861	1881	1919
Aquilla Augustus Harriman .....	1865	1891	1919
Walter Raleigh Graham, D. D. ....	1845	1871	1920
Jesse W. Norris .....	1852	1873	1920
Edward L. Beauchamp .....	1856	1884	1921
E. H. Van Dyke, D. D. ....	1885	1909	1921
E. A. Warfield, A. M., B. D., Ph. D. ....	1863	1887	1921
Charles Nathan Alexander .....	1869	1884	1922
William Duncan Litsinger .....	1879	1917	1923
Francis Thomas Tagg, D. D. ....	1839	1863	1922
Joseph Levin Mills, D. D. ....	1845	1871	1924
C. E. McCullough .....	1840	1860	1924
Harry Sherman Johnson .....	1865	1891	1925
John Matthew Holmes, D. D. ....	1864	1890	1925
William N. Sherwood .....	1845	1865	1925
Augustus Webster Mather .....	1876	1900	1926
Frederick C. Klein, A. M., D. D. ....	1845	1866	1926
Charles Price Nowlin, B. D. ....	1857	1879	1926
Wm. S. Simms .....	1864	1893	1927
James William Gray .....	1849	.....	1926
Addison Spurgeon Beane .....	1840	1861	1928
Francis Thomas Little, D. D. ....	1858	1893	1928
James Garritson Sullivan, M. D. ....	1849	1872	1928
Webster Matthew Strayer .....	1848	1871	1929
Jarrett Mitchell Sheridan, D. D. ....	1836	1858	1929
Frank Thomas Benson, D. D. ....	1851	1875	1929
Thomas Owings Crouse, A. M., D. D. ....	1862	1886	1929
Thomas Hamilton Lewis, D. D., LL. D. ....	1852	1872	1929
George Quitman Bacchus .....	1852	1876	1929
Luther Farwell Warner, D. D. ....	1850	1874	1930
	1867	1891	1930

Name	Born	Entered	
		Conference	Died
John Wesley Trout, D. D. ....	1852	1876	1930
Franklin Hening Mullineaux .....	1848	1873	1931
Frank Shaw Cain .....	1866	1895	1931
Frank D. Reynolds .....	1871	1907	1932
Ellis Hamilton Jones .....	1874	1900	1932
Henry W. D. Johnson .....	1858	1888	1932
Louis A. Bennett .....	1866	1892	1932
Irving S. Owens .....	1873	1915	1934
Harry Burton Jester .....	1882	1907	1934
James Luther Elderdice, M. D. ....	1858	1880	1934
Joseph Henry Lynch .....	1886	1917	1935
Artemus Washington Betts .....	1856	1929	1935
Frederick James Phillips .....	1868	1900	1935
Samuel Walker Coe .....	1855	1891	1935
Albert Norman Ward, A.B., A.M., D.D., LL.D., ....	1871	1895	1935
Louis Randall, D. D. ....	1867	1892	1936

## OBITUARIES

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### REV. ARTEMAS WASHINGTON BETTS



Artemas Washington Betts, son of Joseph B. and Sallie Ann Bailey Betts, was born near Gumboro, Delaware, on September 23rd, 1856, at 5 A.M. As the first rays of the morning sunrise filtered through the pines around the parsonage he helped to build at Grove, Caroline County, he quietly slipped away on July 26th, 1935.

Hush, not a sigh, not a tear, not a struggle, but through with the world, the flesh and the devil, but "Asleep in Jesus." An intense sufferer it was a relief to be released and hear the words from Him "Well

done thou good and faithful servant." He was recognized among us not as a deep theologian but no one among us hewed closer to the line than he, his theology was made up of five letters J.E.S.U.S.—Jesus, and he knew nothing among men except him who was crucified, he was somewhat emotional, and often as he testified in the classroom his heart burned within him of the mercy and goodness of God, and as he felt the presence of God, the tears would begin to flow and as he sat down he would exclaim "Glory to God."

His holy life was a fruit of his faith and he lived a useful life and in the very atmosphere of God, filled with His Spirit, he made no show in the flesh. As a lad he manifested a deep interest in spiritual things, he was converted at the age of sixteen in a little school house at Phillips Hill, near Gumboro, he immediately became active by holding class and experience meetings in the community, his services were in demand for often was he called upon to conduct and assist in revival services outside of his own community. About 1880 he was given an exhorter's license, and shortly thereafter a preacher's license by the Dagsboro Quarterly Conference. Through his effort a church was built at Vines Neck, Delaware, which he served as pastor, he was also instrumental in building a church at Millville, Delaware, and served this church for many months during the absence of a regular pastor. The church at Dagsboro, Delaware, and Hebron Church, near Georgetown, Delaware, were also erected through his labors, he was also successful in the organizing and building a church in Chincoteague, Virginia.

He was received and ordained by the Conference in 1929. The following charges were served by him, Lawsonia, Maryland, one year; Franklin City, Virginia, two years; Hobbs, Caroline County, Maryland, three years; Felton, Delaware, three years; for the second time he was appointed to Hobbs, Maryland, and served for three years; his last appointment was Grove, Maryland. Because of his infirmities he sought a superannuate relation but continued to live at Grove, Maryland, for eight years, although he was not physically able, he often conducted services in the absence of the regular pastor. Eternity alone can reveal the hundreds or

thousands of souls that accepted Christ during his pastorate. The appointments he served never paid large salaries but he labored on in faith and hopes that were childlike in their simplicity and divine in their beauty. Like a grand old oak that had weathered the storms and winds of many gales, his strong frame lost its erect carriage and his locomotion became feeble and tottering.

The direct cause of his death was dropsical diabetes and heart attacks. The day before his death he called his beloved wife to his side who had comforted him through fifty-seven years and asking her to sing "Someday We'll Understand," despite his bodily pain he found comfort in that Friend who had been his guide for so many years. On September 5th, 1878, he married Eleanor Green, daughter of David and Furnetty Green, she and the following children survive: David L. of Dagsboro, Delaware; Calvin L. of Grove, Maryland; Artemas R. of Crisfield, Maryland; Martin G. of Denton, Maryland, and Manolia E. Davis.

The funeral services were conducted in the Methodist Protestant Church at Dagsboro, Delaware, by the President E. A. Sexsmith, D.D., assisted by a number of members of this Conference on July 29th, 1935, interment was in Millsboro, Delaware.

Rev. G. J. Hooker writes as follows:

"I hardly know when I first became acquainted with Brother Betts but for a number of years I have known him and have watched him in his work and at the sessions of the Annual Conference. He had a number of hard and difficult appointments as supply preacher in our Conference, but was always willing to go anywhere so that he might tell the story of Jesus to men and women. To tell that story was the greatest passion in his life. Our acquaintanceship became more intimate while he was the pastor of Caroline Charge and I was the pastor at Denton, Md. I learned then to really know him and appreciate some of his marked characteristics.

"Physically, Brother Betts was rugged and strong. To many who did not know him, he seemed uncouth, but his heart was true and his faith in God as rugged and strong as his body. Knowing also his sterling character, it was a great pleasure to see him received into Conference membership in 1929, and a still greater pleasure to have had a part as Secretary of the Conference, in laying my hand on his head in ordination. He filled his place well. His task is done."

The following tribute is given by Rev. J. T. Bailey, of Milford, Delaware:

Rev. A. W. Betts was a man after God's own heart. He was a good religious man, filled with the Holy Ghost. His preaching was of the old nature, and stirred the hearts of his hearers. He practiced what he preached, and persons in looking on his daily life took notice that he had been with Jesus. Before he began work in the Maryland Conference he was a local preacher and did much work in that capacity. He was a mighty good evangelist, and as a local preacher was often sought to hold revival meetings as they were called in his day, and almost always would have a number of conversions. He was selected several years ago to hold a meeting in Hebron Church on Georgetown Circuit, and the effects of that meet-



ing are still seen in a few people in Georgetown, and frequently talked about.

In 1918 I was sent to Georgetown as the pastor, and by agreement made with the delegates from Georgetown and Dagsboro I was given charge of Dagsboro Church. Among the very first names I heard mentioned was that of Brother Betts. He was then serving our Greenbackville Charge, Brother Betts had during his day as a local preacher started a movement which resulted in the organization and the building of the Methodist Protestant Church in the country about two miles or less from Dagsboro, which building was finally moved to Dagsboro. Every one had a good word for Brother Betts and every one loved him. It was then and there that our acquaintance began. We would often meet in Dagsboro, frequently both of us invited for dinner when Brother Betts was in that community. I was in his home and helped him in extra meetings, and heard many of the kindest remarks concerning his life and work. The words did not cease when he left the charge. But people frequently talk of his Christian life and splendid consecration to his work. He later became pastor of Caroline Charge where I had served from 1910 to 1913, in meeting those people on that charge they always had good words for Brother Betts. He was loved by all on that charge.

Brother Betts way of preaching suited a great many people, and I have never heard any one say they did not like it. It was a clear denunciation of sin, in every form and pointed sinners "To the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world." His labours are done and he has gone to be with his Lord. "Well done thou good and faithful servant. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord Henceforth yea saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

J. E. Bevans, layman in Greenbackville, Va., adds this testimony:

I had the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with Brother Betts a few years when he was our pastor at Greenbackville, Va.

His kind jovial disposition made it a pleasure to visit him and have him in our home and his loyalty to his maker and church left a very distinct impression of his sincere christian life. He was respected and loved by all who knew him.

The following is from the pen of John R. Richards a layman of Caroline Circuit:

I had the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with Brother Betts, he was my pastor on Caroline charge for several years and as such, his kind jovial disposition, his good wholesome common sense and above all his unbounded faith in God made him a lovable friend and a most enjoyable guest in the home.

In his last illness I visited him just before he was called to his reward and found that though the old frame was weakened from the ravages of disease, he was still happy in the sunlight of God's love and patiently waiting the call. "Come up higher."

H. L. SCHLINCKE, Chairman  
G. J. HOOKER,  
J. T. BAILEY,  
J. E. BEVANS,  
JOHN R. RICARDS



## REV. FREDERICK J. PHILLIPS



Rev. Frederick James Phillips was born in Sharptown, Maryland, Wicomico County on April 22, 1868. He was the son of Thomas Collins Phillips and his wife Asenath Walker. He was made a member of the Maryland Annual Conference in April, 1900, and was ordained in the said conference in its annual session in April, 1903. His first appointment was Lawsonia, near Crisfield, from there he went to Quantico and from there to Pocomoke Circuit. He served many of our charges, always receiving hard charges to serve, but always trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength he accomplished some things for Him and His cause. His outstanding work perhaps was on New Market charge at Maryland Line, where he led the people into the accomplishment of a long anticipated thing, that of the building of a new church

and paying the bills and dedicating the new church. His charges were all in the rural districts except one which was then known as the Second Church Wilmington, Delaware. On August 14, 1935, in John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, he laid down this life and went to be with his God whom he had loved, honored and served from his childhood. On August 17, his funeral services were held in the Methodist Protestant church at Bivalve of which he was then the pastor. His body was laid to rest in the Methodist Protestant Cemetery of Sharptown, Maryland. Those of his brethren who took part in the burial services were the president of the conference, Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, D. D., John T. Bailey, his life long friend, John R. McKeawn, F. M. Clift and M. E. Hungerford.

On January the 16, 1901 he was united in matrimony to Miss Sallie Jane Tyler of Crisfield, Md., by the Rev. G. W. Haddaway of the Maryland Conference. This proved to be a very wise choice in a companion. She was a very earnest worker with him in every way in the work of the kingdom. She was all of his life a real helpmeet in the affairs of life and its work. To this marriage two children were born. The first never survived its infancy, the second Lillian survives her father as does also his wife. They feel very keenly their loss but appreciate that their loss is his gain. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Joseph Twilley.

There is no man living who knew brother Phillips quite as well as chairman of the committee and who is the writer of this particular part of this paper. Just as far back as my memory goes I remember Fred Phillips. He comes into my memory with my mother. While he was about four

years older than I yet we were always pals. Therefore, what I am writing is from actual experience. There perhaps was no boy in our entire community who had the confidence of the people as did Fred. If any of us when we were out together would get apples or peaches, or get in to a watermelon patch and get fruit without asking for it, Fred would not in any sense participate in the act, refusing to eat the fruit because he said it was stolen. He was never guilty of boyish, mean, tricks as boys usually were and are. The reason was, he thought it bad. His church work began before he was converted. He was elected secretary of the Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal church when he was about 15 years of age, which position he held for several years. When he was about 19 years old and the writer of this about 15, one night on the outside of the church Fred said to me, "Let's give our hearts to Jesus Christ tonight and get religion. We are poor boys but we had just as well have religion as any one else." I said, "No, I am not." He then asked me to go in the church and sit with him. This I always did if I had the opportunity. I did that night and when the preacher gave the invitation Fred arose and said to me, "come on Jack, let's go and get religion." I refused, he went. But soon I was kneeling at his side and there he wrestled with God until he received the evidence that his sins were forgiven and the Spirit of God was bearing witness with his spirit that he was born of God. There never arose a doubt in his mind as to his second birth; and to his dying day he felt that was the only way to get into the kingdom of God by the way of the cross and the altar, the new birth. He joined the Methodist Episcopal church where he remained and worked faithfully until sometime during the year of 1892. I withdrew from the Methodist Episcopal Church as joined the Methodist Protestant church. Very soon he followed and he never regretted his act believing that God was calling him in that field of labor.

In the fall of 1897 brother Phillips received local preacher's license from the Quarterly Conference of Union Circuit, a part of which was Sharptown church of which he was a member. He did some local work. Preaching when the opportunity presented itself. He later went to Westminster Theological Seminary where he graduated and joined the ranks of the Maryland Annual Conference. He never had the advantage of an education from the schools. He never had the privilege of graduating from a high school. The only school from which he ever graduated was the school of the Prophets at Westminster. He was however, very ambitious for an education. For some few winters, I do not remember just how many, we had a night school in the town taught by the teacher of our public schools. Fred would work during the day and go to that school at night and help pay the teacher. The writer was by his side, when this night school was not being held he was very studious in his home, often burning the midnight oil to get some foundation for an education. He was born of poor parentage financially and at a very early age had the care of a mother and a sister placed upon him because of the disability of his father, who died in Brother Phillips early boyhood. He worked earnestly and faithfully for a very small amount and took care of those loved ones until his sister married, and then for nine years took care of an invalid mother who died while he was the pastor of Quantico Circuit. With all of the rest of his good traits he was true to the command of God when he said,

Honor thy Father and thy Mother that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

Fred was an earnest preacher. His whole ambition was to bring lost sinners to the knowledge of a Saviour. It was to that end he preached and to that end he worked and lived. He never sought to make his appointments but received what ever appointment was given him as from God. The late Dr. Little said during his presidency, "I can send Freddie Phillips anywhere and he will not murmur, but will go and do his best." He never reached the height of appointments in the conference that many other men have reached, but no person will get any closer to the throne of God than will Brother Fred Phillips because of the life he lived, in Jesus Christ. A good man has fallen, a man who never swore an oath, who never took a drink of intoxicating liquor, one who has lived an exceptional life, but while he has fallen, he has also arisen, for says the Scripture that the body must fall but the Soul goes back to the God who gave it.

Sleep on beloved, sleep on and take thy rest  
Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast.  
We love thee well but Jesus loves thee best  
Good-night Good-night.

Calm is thy slumber as an infant's sleep  
But thou shall wake no more to toil and weep  
Thine is a perfect rest, secure and deep  
Good-night Good-night.

Brother W. J. Willing of Bivalve writes:—Rev. Frederick J. Phillips came to Bivalve charge in June, 1934. One of the first things he did was to try to get the young people interested in the work of the church. Not only did he preach the gospel but he lived it as well. He soon gained the good will and respect of all. In February, 1935, he had an attack of the lagrippe from which he never fully recovered. We could see he was failing fast, but there was no let up in his efforts from the church until finally he had to consent to go to the hospital. I visited him in the hospital four days before he died and almost his only thought and conversation was to get back to his work. We have never had a minister that was more sincere and earnest then Brother Phillips. It is with deep sorrow and regret that we have had to part with our beloved pastor.

Rev. A. H. Green writes:—I am glad to pay Rev. F. J. Phillips a small tribute. I became acquainted with Brother Phillips in 1896 or 1897 while I was pastor at Mardella the first time. I watched his progress while he was preparing for the ministry at Westminster Seminary and when he joined the conference I was glad to take him by the hand and welcome him among us. He always impressed me as a man of sterling Christian character. We became friends and the feeling increased with the years. I called him Freddie. I am glad to pay tribute to his memory. He was an acceptable preacher wherever appointed. He took the work of the ministry seriously and studied to show himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. In my

judgment the crowning achievement of his ministry was the building of the splendid church at Maryland Line. Brother F. J. Phillips proved himself to be a man in his devotion to, and care of an afflicted mother in her declining years. He was a good man and full of the Holy Spirit and faith.

Mr. H. M. Webster of Hebron, a lay member of the committee writes the following:—The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at a late or an early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will; place no faith in tomorrow for the hands may then be still. We feel with all our heart that this little poem was the objective of our dear brother F. J. Phillips; and whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to call him from labor to reward we sorrow with those who sorrow from a human stand point, yet with our deeper sense of thinking we rejoice to know that he is not dead but sleepeth. We lift our hearts to God in gratitude for his life, our congenial associations as pastor, brother and friend. I trust for grace to live the principles he taught and lived while among us. Therefore be it resolved that we dare not question the dispensation of God's divine providence but place our lives unreservedly in His hands to do His will as He reveals that will to us.

Rev. J. L. Nichols writes: An appreciation of Rev. Frederick J. Phillips. An appreciation is often written of the president of a college or seminary or some other successful person. Much praise is given the fellow who makes the touchdown in the football game. They ought to be appreciated and praised. They have devoted their very lives to the accomplishment of the work they were sent out to do, but too little is said of the stalwart character that has not filled the place of a president or a ball carrier but who has by his very life made it possible for the other fellow to make a success he has. Were it not for the foot soldier who goes down into the dust and agony of the battle; and whose battle scarred body fills an unknown grave the general would not be great. I am thinking of Jesus Christ now, when He was born there was no torchlight procession. He was born of poor parents and in a manger. In His career He led no army and took no city. He died on a cross like a malefactor. But He could love; and today the whole world tries to find the place where He was born, and the tomb that was broken from the inside. But today I am trying to write of one of His humblest followers, one who tried to be like Jesus.

Rev. Frederick J. Phillips was a stalwart character. From a very humble start he became a strong preacher. While others were seeking pleasure he wanted to know more and would seek the quiet places to pore over his books. Two passions seemed uppermost in his life. He wanted to be like Jesus and had a wonderful love for his invalid mother. Not often would he speak of the humble home in Sharptown, but it was always in the most endearing terms. It was a poor home. One day he told me that he had worked for twenty years for a mere pittance to keep that home and the loved ones. He went wherever he was sent cheerfully. I have never heard him find fault or complain. If he had but a chance to tell the story of Jesus he was satisfied, and could tell that story because he believed it. It was part of his life. It is because that such men have lived that we



have a Methodist Protestant church today. "Know ye not that a great man has fallen today?"

Signed

JOHN T. BAILEY,  
W. J. WILLING,  
A. H. GREEN,  
H. M. WEBSTER,  
J. L. NICHOLS,

Committee.

### REV. SAMUEL WALKER COE



Rev. Samuel Walker Coe was born February 28, 1855, at Greensboro, North Carolina. His death in the body occurred August 25, 1935, at his Brooklyn home, Baltimore, Md.

Following the funeral services three days later, in charge of Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, D. D., President of the Maryland Conference, and the chairman of this committee, assisted by other ministers of the Conference, about twenty of whom being in attendance, interment took place in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Baltimore, near the grave of Bishop Francis Asbury.

The parents of Brother Coe were John P. and Sybil Wood Coe of Greensboro, N. C. His grandfather, Rev. John Coe, on October 6, 1799, at the age of nineteen years, was ordained a Deacon by Bishop Asbury, the certificate of the ordination remaining in the possession of surviving members of Brother Coe's family.

This "good minister of Jesus Christ" was converted at the age of sixteen years. After completing his scholastic training at Guilford College, North Carolina, he entered the ministry, and served faithfully as a member of the North Carolina Conference until 1891 when he transferred to the Maryland Conference. For thirty-three years he devoted a most active life to the following pastorates: Queen Anne, Finksburg, Bel Air, Cecil, Eutaw, Delta, Oxford, Pittsville, Brooklyn, Seaford and Susque-

hanna. Since 1923 until the date of his death, he was one of our most beloved family of Superannuates.

In the year 1882, Brother Coe married an excellent young Christian woman, Miss Laura Buckner of Asheville, North Carolina. This beautiful and delightful union continued fifty-three years, to be broken when death did them part for only a very brief season, since Mrs. Coe followed her husband in death three months later. The home was particularly favored of God in the gift of five excellent children, four sons and one daughter, Three of the sons are prominent ministers of the Congregational Church, Rev. Robert W. Coe, Pastor of Leyden Congregational Church near Boston, Mass., Rev. Albert B. Coe, Pastor of the First Congregational Church, Oak Park, Chicago, Illinois, and Rev. M. Walker Coe, Pastor of the Congregational Church at Carver, Mass. The oldest son, Mr. Samuel E. Coe, and the daughter Mrs. E. Wilbur Stoll, are residents of Baltimore, Maryland.

The princely character of this man of God was appraised only by those who were privileged to know him throughout the years of his constructive and fruitful ministry. One of the members of this committee who had this privilege calls our attention to the picture drawn by the Divine Artist in the Fifteenth Psalm of one who is qualified for Heavenly citizenship. Among its striking features it is said, such a man "walketh uprightly," that is, one whose life always points up to God. No one could know Brother Coe well and have intimate fellowship with him, observing his meek, humble, Christlike spirit, without being pointed up to God. He adorned the doctrine of the Gospel of the Son of God. The prayer recently set to music "Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen in Me," was answered for him. If any among us could appropriate the words of Paul, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain," he could. He has left our ranks, but he has left behind him the holy fragrance of a life entirely surrendered to his Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

An abbreviated description of the life of Brother Coe would read something like this: A deeply spiritual man, a good preacher, a student of the Word, always "rightly dividing" it to the edification of believers, a man of implicit faith and effectual prayer, able to talk with God intimately in God's own language, a soul-winner and successful minister, "a good man and full of the Holy Ghost."

Two of the laymen of the Obituary Committee were products of his evangelistic endeavor on Finksburg Charge during their boyhood days. They both testify affectionately to their early memory of this hard-working pastor going about doing good, organizing the necessary societies, remodeling the church and parsonage properties, having erected two of the churches of that charge during his pastorate there, and holding revival meetings with many conversions. Yet in all these exacting duties he found time to join Mrs. Coe in giving careful attention to the rearing of their interesting family of children, all of whom grew up in the church interested keenly in the work of the church. The home life here was beautiful, a spirit of love and consideration existing noticeably among all the members of the family.

These same laymen vividly recall how Brother Coe's sympathetic manner of ministering to his people made him easy to approach. If he did not

agree with one, his kindly way of expressing a contrary opinion made him a most helpful counselor in life's perplexing problems.

Furthermore, the busy pastoral labors and difficult tasks in remodeling and building churches and parsonages, did not obscure the vision of this man of God of white harvest fields remote from his own fields of service. The Church Extension program of his Annual Conference, the educational institutions of his denomination, and its benevolent agencies and its missionary activities, at home and abroad challenged always his most sympathetic attention and sacrificial cooperation. On the last day of his conscious life on earth, he read diligently the columns of his Conference Minutes and church paper, and conversed with members of the family intelligently concerning the problems confronting the church.

The exemplary character, the strong convictions, the challenging zeal, the obviously deep spiritual life, the attractive and tender friendliness, the resourceful intellect, and the cultured and affable manner of this useful minister of the Gospel will continue to be a lingering asset to every one who is privileged to hold him in loving memory.

LEONARD B. SMITH,

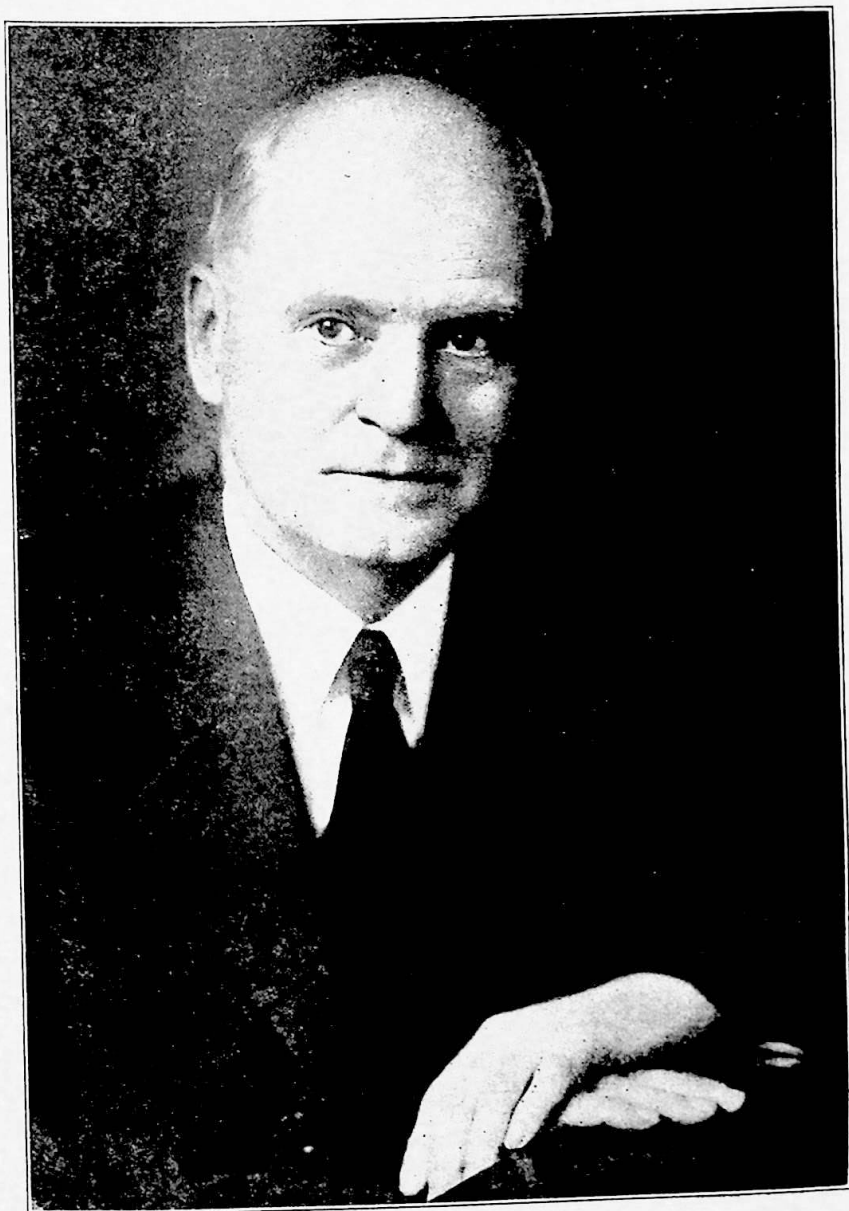
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#### ALBERT NORMAN WARD

Albert Norman Ward was born at Shawsville, Harford County, Maryland, November 27, 1871, the son of the late John T. and Elizabeth Mellor Ward. His background was a Christian home where the family altar was a permanent institution. A father, who was a merchant of wide interests with absolute integrity and unusual ability gave him ideals of honor and his first training in business. His mother was a woman of rare spirituality, with a love for the beautiful in nature and literature. There was a large family, all of whom had confidence in and unusual affection for one another. Mr. T. Harry Ward, Mrs. Edgar A. Cairnes, of Jarrettsville, Mrs. William Rowe of Bel Air, and Mrs. John G. Rockwood of Washington, survive their distinguished brother.

The public schools of his county, the State Normal School fitted him for entrance in Western Maryland College, from which he graduated in 1895. While in Washington, D. C., he did special work in English Literature at the George Washington University, receiving his A.M. degree. His attainments in scholarship and his achievement in educational administration brought for him recognition in honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity from Adrian College and Otterbein College, 1920; the degree of Doctor of Laws from Kansas City University, 1921, and George Washington University, 1932.

The Christian ministry called him to life service. The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church at the session held in Alexandria, 1895, received him as a preacher, ordained him as a minister of the Gospel in the session of 1897 held in old Broadway Church. All of his pastorates were successful. The first charge was Christ Church,



ALBERT NORMAN WARD, A.M., D.D., LL.D.



Baltimore, 1895, followed by North Baltimore, 1896, 1897, from which he was sent to the North Carolina Avenue Church, Washington, D. C. Here he found a building incomplete with an organization dispirited and uncertain of the future. During his ministry, 1897-1905, the structure was finished and furnished, a pipe organ installed and the congregation took its place among the leading churches of the capital. The General Conference of 1904 was entertained in this church. Answering the call of the Board of Home Missions he became the pastor of First Church, Seattle, 1906-1909, and moved the church from its down-town location, erecting on its present site one of the finest church buildings on the Pacific Coast. While pastor of the church in Denton, Maryland, 1910-1912, a Sunday school house was built to take care of the growing constituency. He served as vice-president of the Western Maryland College, 1913-1916, from which position he resigned to become the minister of the Salisbury Church. Serving this charge during the trying years of (1916-1918) the World War, made impossible the things which Doctor Ward dreamed of doing, but because his insistence upon the necessity of a new church building the forward step became imperative and during the succeeding pastorate was erected. A very substantial fund was secured under his leadership toward the purchase of the lot on which the church now stands. Called to serve as the Chancellor of Kansas City University, Kansas, in 1918, he so impressed the community that there are those who think that if his service could have been retained the school would have been saved to the cause of Christian education.

The call to the Presidency of Western Maryland College came in 1920, with the resignation of Dr. Thomas H. Lewis, who became the President of the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. The fifteen years of his administration were epochal. Four structures, McDaniel Hall, Science Hall, Blanche Ward Hall and the new power house were erected as units of a comprehensive scheme of buildings and grounds which will make the greater Western Maryland College. The older buildings all received attention and new equipment. The campus was extended to ninety-three acres, beautified and equipped for diverse athletics, with a picnic park and an open air theatre. A farm was added to the college equipment and the endowment greatly augmented.

The development of the educational work of the college kept pace with the increased equipment. Under the guidance of President Ward a committee to readjust courses of study was constantly at work so that the old time three-way curriculum gave way to the seven-group which provided for many electives in the several departments of the college. Some of the new departments enlisted his particular interest and showed his far sight in planning for the future. He believed and frequently expressed his faith that education is the greatest asset of democracy and ignorance is its greatest foe. The faculty was inspired in finding in him a friend and a leader. A true estimate of his character by one who knew best designates him as a man of vision, of pre-vision, re-vision and pro-vision. The problems of the depression were met with courage by increasing employment through building construction, meeting reduced income with changing contracts and aiding students whose families had met with reverses. Without his large-heartedness many would have been compelled to leave college

who were enabled to graduate. His building of the college as an institution was balanced by his personal consideration of the individuals within the faculty and the student body.

National recognition of his eminence in education came to President Ward as the initiator and real leader of the Liberal Arts College Movement which has had such a deep and subtle influence upon the college life of America. He would have been the executive leader of this movement if he had been willing to sacrifice his full time service at Western Maryland College.

Among the events in celebration of the Fifteenth Anniversary of his presidency was the unveiling of an oil painting which will give his portrait a permanent place in the college buildings. The act which gave Doctor Ward the highest joy was the naming of the new dormitory, the Blanche Ward Hall, in honor of his wife. Miss Blanche Murchison of La Grange, North Carolina, became his bride June 28, 1905, and has been his comrade true and his helpmeet through the years. She has been particularly gifted in planning the beautiful development of the campus. As a hostess her grace has made the life on College Hill lovely. One son was born to this union, Abert Norman Ward, Junior, of the class of 1935, Western Maryland College.

The translation from the life upon earth came by sudden death while Doctor Ward was preaching in the Bethel Presbyterian Church, Harford County, Maryland, Sunday evening, September 22, 1935. The service was a home coming occasion and the immediate family, with the exception of one sister, were all present. Funeral services were conducted in Alumni Hall, Wednesday, September 25, 1935. The great auditorium was crowded with representatives of the civic, religious and educational life of the state. Doctor E. A. Sexsmith, the President of the Maryland Annual Conference, had charge of the service, reading a short biography. Addresses were made by Bishop W. F. McDowell, Dr. J. C. Broomfield, and Dr. J. H. Straughn. Prayers were offered by Dr. C. E. Forlines and Rev. J. Earl Cummings. Scripture was read by Dr. F. W. Stephenson, Dr. H. L. Elderdice, Dr. F. G. Holloway and Dr. R. L. Shipley. Mr. Frank Mellor of New York, and the Western Maryland Quartette sang while the college stringed orchestra gave exceptionally beautiful music. Burial was in the cemetery at Westminster, Maryland, where sleep his distinguished predecessors in the presidency of Western Maryland College.

If you seek the monument of Albert Norman Ward look about you. On this holy hill, in Washington, D. C.; Seattle, Washington; Denton and Salisbury, Maryland there have been erected to the glory of God and the service of man, buildings that without him would not have been. He made the world a fairer place and grass grows where his footsteps pressed.

If you seek more enduring monuments look within you. He inspired all who came within the circle of his influence. His comrades in the ministry of Christ are braver because of his words. He made us see Christ and what he would have us to do. He was kind and strong, spurring us to larger things. May the dreams which he has bequeathed to us become the deeds they would have been had God not given him rest. He lives about us in unfinished tasks and the highest honor we can pay to his memory is to accomplish that for which he gave his life.

Albert Norman Ward was the captain of our mind and heart, the noble grammariān of God, whose word and will he ever sought, of whom Robert Browning, whose writings he knew so well and loved so deeply, wrote:

Was it not great? Did he not throw on God,  
 (He loves the brethren)—  
 God's task to make the heavenly period  
 Perfect the earthen?  
 Did he not magnify the mind, show clear  
 Just what it all meant?  
 He would not discount life, as fools do here,  
 Paid by instalment.  
 He ventured neck or nothing—heaven's success  
 Found, or earth's failure:  
 "Wilt thou trust death or not?" He answered  
 "Yes!"  
 That low man sees a little thing to do,  
 Sees it and does it;  
 This high man, with a great thing to pursue,  
 Dies ere he knows it.  
 That low man goes on adding one to one,  
 His hundred's soon hit:  
 This high man, aiming at a million,  
 Misses an unit.  
 That man has the world here—should he need the next,  
 Let the world mind him!  
 This throws himself on God, and unperplexed,  
 Seeking shall find him.

R. L. SHIPLEY,  
 H. L. ELDERICE,  
 F. G. HOLLOWAY,  
 F. P. ADKINS,  
 F. M. BENSON,  
 A. M. ISANOGLA,

Committee.

#### REV. LOUIS RANDALL, D.D.



Dr. Randall was born July 12, 1867, educated in the public schools and Westminster Theological Seminary, graduating in 1892. He was received into the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church the same year and ordained in 1894. Brother Randall served the following churches with distinction and success: Bethany, 1892; Payson Street, 1893; Salisbury, 1894, 1895; Cumberland, 1896; North Carolina Avenue, 1897; Dover and Leipsic, 1898; Kennedyville, 1899-1901; Dorchester, 1902; Stewartstown, 1904, 1905; Crisfield, 1906-1912; Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, 1913-1915; Taylor Memorial, Philadelphia,

1916-1918; Alnutt Memorial, Baltimore, 1919-1924; Linthicum Heights, 1925-1927; St. Paul's, Baltimore, 1928-1930; Brooklyn, 1931; Milford, 1932; Keen Memorial, 1934, 1935.

Dr. Randall died May 24, 1936, in the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, after a serious operation and much suffering. His funeral was held in Keen Memorial Church, of which church he was the pastor at the time of his death. The funeral services were conducted by W. B. Judefind, assisted by a number of his ministerial brethren. Interment was in Westminster, Maryland, cemetery.

Dr. Randall was a scholarly and forceful preacher of the Word, a hard worker, very industrious pastor of sympathetic nature, sincere friend and loyal and true to all he believed to be right. He married Miss Matilda Lee Derr of Westminster, Maryland, November 27, 1893. His widow and three children survive, Rev. L. Colvin, a talented young minister of this Conference; William C., a resident of Westminster, and Mrs. Frances M. Schauer, wife of Rev. H. H. Schauer, also a promising young minister of the Maryland Conference. To these dear ones Dr. Randall has left a legacy of Christian character and worthy of their sincere imitation. We commend them to the loving care of their Heavenly Father, whose love and care never ceases for His children.

Mr. J. P. Dodge, a member of the committee, pays the following tribute: "Dr. Louis Randall was my pastor about 20 years ago. We learned to confide in each other and I regarded him as one of my best friends. He was not afraid of work and gave the best he had of mind and heart to the service he felt he was called to do. He was firm in his convictions, courageous in his utterances and sincere in his efforts to evangelize the community in which he labored. He was a kind, sympathetic and understanding friend to me in my hour of great sorrow, and I have always counted it a privilege to number him among those who have been my spiritual leaders in the Church."

Mr. Charles S. Holt, also a member of the committee, states: "Dr. Randall was of such an affectionate character we termed him 'Father Randall.' He was known and respected by each and every member for his gracious manner, kindly interest in our organization, never failing to render service. The Choir Alumni of Alnutt Church was so fond of him that one of the members of this Group represented the organization at the funeral of Dr. Randall and sang most effectively Johnson's beautiful number, "Face to Face."

"His deep and sincere interest in the young people of the church brought about the organization of such groups as the Dorcas Society, the Joash Club and the Gleaners; the latter organization still exists and is doing a good work. Dr. Randall was greatly loved by all who knew him and were privileged to work with him. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family in this time of great sorrow. The church regrets deeply having lost so faithful and devoted friend to the cause of Christ."

Mr. Charles G. Crist, a member of the Keen Memorial Church of which Dr. Randall was pastor when he died, states, "We all learned to love him for his kind and good work for the Master. He was especially attentive to the sick, always willing to aid. He also took a great interest in the



young folks of the church, having formed the Gleaners Club of about twenty young ladies, also organized a Junior Choir of about eighteen boys and girls. He organized a Bible Class of young men with about thirty-five members in regular attendance. This work will no doubt continue and do a great deal of good. Dr. Randall, in his short pastorate, was instrumental in making substantial payment on the principal debt of the church. He was an able leader among his people, always giving advice and ready to aid anyone when it was possible to do so.

Rev. G. M. Clayton states, "My acquaintance with Dr. Randall dates back to the summer of 1891, when he was supplying the work at Dover, Delaware, then in its beginning. At the time I was getting ready to enter Westminster Theological Seminary in the fall and he was a frequent visitor in my home at Clayton, proving an unflinching source of real encouragement to me. When the Seminary opened its doors, he and I were the first arrivals, having traveled together from our homes in Delaware; so it was he who introduced me to those most delight days on "the hill." Our acquaintance had already ripened into a fine friendship. When he married I was honored in being chosen as one of his ushers. He was a good preacher of the Gospel and a sympathetic and untiring pastor. He was industrious, resourceful and methodical in whatever he undertook to do. To every task he gave himself with whole-hearted devotion. I am truly grateful for my association with this man of God, and here record the sincerest Christian affection we enjoyed, each in the other, for so many years. I cannot think of the passing of my friend without the profound sense of very definite loss."

G. W. HADDAWAY,  
E. D. STONE,  
G. M. CLAYTON,  
J. P. DODGE,  
C. S. HOLT,  
C. G. CRIST,

Committee.

#### MRS. ANNIE R. HOPKINS WEIGAND

Mrs. Annie R. Hopkins Weigand, widow of Rev. Joseph Augustus Weigand, of precious memory was born January 10, 1859, Harford County, Maryland.

She was the daughter of Samuel Parker and Mary Forest Hopkins. Her childhood and youth were spent in Havre de Grace and Port Deposit, Maryland.

While Brother Weigand was pastor of our Kennedyville Church he met and wooed Miss Hopkins, and they were married in Baltimore on March 7, 1880, by their mutual friend, the Rev. Theodore Denny Valiant, then president of the Maryland Annual Conference. To this union six children were born. Four of these preceded her to the heavenly home; only two daughters:—Mrs. Harry Lynn Fooks and Mrs. Fred Herrigel, Jr., survive. It was from the home of the latter, at Short Hills, N. J., where she had been tenderly and lovingly domiciled, that her spirit took its flight on Saturday,

June 29, 1935. She did not suffer a protracted illness, but suddenly her heart gave way and she was ushered into the Eternity to be with her dear ones whom she had "loved long since and lost awhile."

Her funeral services were held in our First Church, Newark, N. J., her pastor, Rev. Dr. John N. Link, officiating. Her body rests beside that of her beloved husband, in Evergreen Cemetery.

I knew Mrs. Weigand for many years and found her gentle, kind, courteous, devoted to her family and faithful to her church and her Christ.

I will let others of the Committee tell of her character and worth:—Rev. Dr. R. L. Shipley writes: "My acquaintance with Mrs. Weigand began after the death of her husband, and she was making her home with her daughters. It was during the years of my pastorate in the First Church, Newark, N. J. She was always kind to her pastor and seemed sincerely delighted to have him call. Her interest in the conference and the things of the church was keen. She always wanted to know all about the ministers and their wives, about the churches and their progress.

"Her personal associations had been with the older ministers, and yet through the associations of her children she made the acquaintance of many of the younger preachers and was always enquiring about them with sympathy. Her loyalty and love to the things of God were unimpaired through the years. She enjoyed the worship of the Church of Christ. She made a dignified and yet undaunted protest against the evil of the days. She showed faith in God and resignation to His will. The signs of spiritual health were ever upon her. Her honored husband becoming superannuated, through invalidism, shortly after her marriage, she managed the home on the meager resources of his pension and saw to the education of her children. She had the strength and the intelligence to master hard circumstances and the character of her children and grandchildren bear witness to an excellency of personality which refuses to be defeated by the hardness of life. She was gentle and refined with that dignity which we associate with a lady of the old school, having something we miss in the bolder years in which we live. Always tastefully gowned, quiet and reserved, she showed the gentleness which was hers by birth and which she never lost through the years.

"The last years of her life, spent in comfort and peace in the beautiful home of her daughter, made repayment for the times of struggle and sacrifice which she had made for her children. Having done what she could for them they did what they could for her. There is no shadow of reproach upon the home life of this noble family. Her end came quickly from a heart attack and she was saved the suffering of long illness."

Brother B. W. Kindley says: "The year 1890 marks the date of my first acquaintance with Mrs. Weigand. I succeeded her honored husband at Milton, Delaware; and since that date our friendship with her family has been intimate and pleasant. In that year Brother Weigand retired from the active ministry because of failing health, and made his home in Milton. We were frequently in their home and enjoyed immensely their wholesome fellowship. We shared with them their pleasures and their sorrows, for it was there they lost a precious little daughter, Ella, with scarlet fever. Mrs. Weigand was of great help to my bride, who was in-

experienced in her new and responsible position. In due time we moved to another field, yet our friendship continued unabated. We frequently exchanged visits and Mrs. Weigand was ever the same gracious hostess and true friend."

Brother George H. Schumacher, an honored layman of the church in Newark adds this tribute: "I knew Mrs. Weigand for over twenty-three years, and Mrs. Schumacher has known her for more than thirty-three years. Since the death of her husband her time had been divided between her two daughters, Mrs. H. L. Fooks and Mrs. Fred Herrigel, Jr., where she received every care.

"She leaves six grandchildren, all of whom seemed very fond of her. She was a gentle woman who had known both sickness and sorrow in the death of her two sons and her husband; a good neighbor, always pleasant and friendly, industrious and interested in people and things, and appeared to have many friends. She attended her church regularly, and was faithful to it."

Brother F. D. Holloway another member of the Committee and also one of the charter members of Clinton Hill Mission, afterwards merged with Hill Street Church to become "First Church" writes: "It was my privilege, in the early days of the Clinton Hill Church to have the friendship of Mr. and Mrs. Weigand. My almost daily visits to her home led me into a fellowship which had never been broken. Mrs. Weigand always received me very cordially and indeed made me feel welcome at all times. She was a fine house-wife, a devoted mother and a true friend. Mrs. Weigand was devoted to the church, and when able, attended its services; and I never can forget her hearty handshake that meant so much to me. She was a true mother and deserves a great deal of credit for her love and fidelity to her family. May God's richest blessing rest and abide with her loved ones that she has left behind, and may they in later years rise up and call her blessed."

The words of our dear Doctor Kirk made a fitting climax to the memory of our dear friend; he says:

"My memory of Mrs. Weigand clusters so much around Brother Weigand that I link them together. I cannot help thinking of how much of care and attention were called for from her in the attacks of illness of the heart with which he suffered in the dread of night, and how great a blessing she was to him in those sufferings. In those days of long ago salaries were exceedingly meager, and yet, as a faithful helpmeet, how carefully she must have husbanded her resources, and made him feel that a precious partner would share his weakness of body and uphold him in his burden of superannuation; and I cannot think of her without feeling the radiance which came from a pleasant countenance."

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

She thought a good night kiss was given,  
And like a lily her life did close;

Angels uncurtained that repose,  
And the next waking dawned in heaven.

EUGENE C. MAKOSKY,  
RICHARD L. SHIPLEY,  
J. W. KIRK,  
B. W. KINDLEY,  
G. H. SCHUMACHER,  
F. D. HOLLOWAY,  
GEORGE MATHER,

Committee.

### MRS. MARY WARD LEWIS

Milestones in the life of Mrs. Thomas Hamilton Lewis mark important events in the history of Methodist Protestant institutions. She was born in Philadelphia, April 24, 1852, the daughter of Rev. J. T. Ward, a prominent Methodist Protestant minister of that city. He later held pastorates in Pipe Creek and Liberty, Md., Alexandria, Va., and Washington, D. C.

In 1866 they moved to Westminster, Md., and three years later Dr. Ward became the first President of Western Maryland College. Mary Ward was graduated from Western Maryland College in 1871, the first class upon which the college bestowed diplomas.

In 1877 she married Rev. T. H. Lewis, a graduate of the college, and at that time pastor of St. John's Methodist Protestant Church in Baltimore.

In 1882 the Westminster Theological Seminary was opened and Dr. Lewis became its first President. In 1886 he succeeded his father-in-law as President of Western Maryland College, and for three years they lived in the college dormitory, moving in 1889 into the new president's home on College Hill, where for thirty-one years Mrs. Lewis presided with grace and dignity. In 1920 Dr. Lewis resigned as President of the college to become President of the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. They moved to Washington, D. C., where Mrs. Lewis made her home until shortly before her death on July 24, 1935, at the home of her daughter in Orlanda, Florida.

Funeral services were conducted in Baker Chapel, Western Maryland College, on Friday, July 26, 1935. The eulogy was given by her husband's successor as President of the college, Dr. A. Norman Ward. Dr. J. H. Straughn was in charge, assisted by Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, Dr. R. L. Shipley, and Dr. Fred Holloway. Interment was by the side of her husband in Westminster Cemetery. Surviving are six children, Mrs. Herbert Veasey, Orlando, Fla., Mrs. H. L. Richmond, Mobile, Ala., Ward Lewis, Pittsburgh, Pa., the Misses Marjorie and Elizabeth Lewis and T. H. Lewis, Jr., Washington, D. C.

While she lived in Westminster, Mrs. Lewis was an active member of the Woman's Club and of the Civic League. Both local and general programs of her denomination had her intelligent and loyal support. She was active in the Missionary Societies and the Mite Society. She was a member of the Board of Managers of the Methodist Protestant Home for the Aged from its beginning in 1896 until she left Westminster.



As student, daughter of the first President, wife of the second President, and mother of six of its graduates, she was probably more closely associated with Western Maryland College and for a longer time, than any other woman has ever been. Her name is perpetuated by the Browning Society of which she was a member by the Mary Ward Lewis annual award to the best all-round college girl. Throughout her long life, Western Maryland College was very close to her heart, its interests, its growth and progress were a source of great delight to her.

Dr. J. T. Ward's diary depicts his only daughter as one whose highest ambition was to please her parents and he makes it plain that she was always a great delight to him. In after years she took no thought for herself what she might attain. Her husband's and her children's success and honor were all that she desired, and to minister to them was her greatest pleasure. Her quiet, unassuming life was a source of strength to her eminent husband, and her constant care and tender devotion to her family made possible the opportunities which he so fully utilized of exercising his own talents in the wider fields of public life. She was indeed the compliment of his aggressive spirit. They were fitly mated and lived together in complete understanding.

Modesty, self-effacement, gentleness, kindness, self-control were her attributes. She has left a fragrant memory wherever she has been.

Submitted,

MRS. A. N. WARD,  
MRS. W. R. McDANIEL  
DANIEL BAKER, JR.,  
H. L. ELDERDICE,  
J. H. STRAUGHN.

#### MRS. H. L. ELDERDICE

Mrs. Annabel Smith Elderdice lives on in the memory of those who knew her as her own best eulogy. The beautiful hills of Bedford County, Pa., cradled her, and now a hillslope in Carroll County, Md., has received her while her real self is alive in hundreds of friends who loved her.

Her relationship to the Maryland Annual Conference began with her marriage to Dr. H. L. Elderdice, while he was pastor of Broadway Church, Baltimore. Their beautiful devotion, each to the other, has been a great vindication of the Christian ideal of matrimony. She immediately won the hearts of the congregation at Broadway as, "All that a minister's wife should be, cordial, helpful, deeply religious, uncompromising in her conception of right, thoroughly human and thoroughly understanding." The pastorate at Broadway was followed by five years at Pocomoke City. There too, she impressed the congregation by her fine personality, cultivated mind, and practical judgment. She was an example of fine Christian womanhood, whose influence is still felt in Pocomoke City Church and community after the lapse of forty years.

During the thirty-five years of her active relation to the Westminster Theological Seminary as the companion of its honored President, she re-

vealed her ability as an intelligent, sympathetic, faithful and efficient co-worker in its various activities for securing of men and money for an educated ministry. Her mind and heart and hand entered into all its improvements and the beautifying and enrichment of its physical surroundings. But greater than this was the contribution she made to the personalities of the student body, where she played the role of a true mother in her wise, sympathetic counsel to these young men. She often entertained them in her home and in times of sickness turned it into a hospital, nursing them back to health, all the while revealing the beauty of Christian character expressed in loving sacrificial service. This ministry extends throughout the entire denomination, for the men who have received training in this institution during that period will carry through life the impressions made upon them and the lessons they learned from this noble woman.

With all her responsibilities as wife of the President of the Seminary, she found time to prove herself a friend of the town in which she lived. She was an honored member of the Woman's Club, and at one time its president. She was one of the leaders in the movement that resulted in planting a row of Liberty trees—in memory to the soldiers of the World War—just outside of Westminster, the first such row, in America. The impression which she made on the town was so great that her death was keenly felt by all the citizens.

She not only acquitted herself as a devoted wife, but as a wise mother. Her home radiated the spirit that typified her own life. The devotion shown to her by her daughter and son was a natural tribute to the devotion shown to them by herself.

Her religious creed was neither emotional nor mystic but sanely practical. Her devotional life was real. She neglected neither public worship nor private devotion. To her the Church with its stated hours of worship was a means of grace. Here with her family she took her place regularly, so long as health would permit, as a faithful member. She found a real joy in her hours of private devotion. No day's toil, however strenuous it might be, could deprive her of her evening quiet hour spent reading the Bible and in meditation. Her religious life, however, became really vocal in deeds of thoughtful, kindly helpfulness alike to friend and stranger. While trying to reach Micah's standard: "What doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" she believed the best way to serve Him was by serving His needy children. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me" was with her the most practical kind of Christianity.

There was no lapse of greatness in her character during the years of her illness. Indeed the strength of her character increased as the strength of her body decreased. One who visited her in her last days remarked, "her courage is one of the most astounding evidences of spiritual power, which I have ever seen." There is no doubt of it. Here is a woman who will always be a constant source of inspiration to all who knew her.

We know that she still lives because her character was made up of eternal qualities.

Mrs. Elderdice passed away September 7, 1935, services were held September 9, at the Westminster Methodist Protestant Church, with the follow-

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ing clergymen officiating: Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, Reverend J. E. Cummings,  
Dr. A. N. Ward, Dr. M. J. Shroyer, Dr. C. E. Forlines, Dr. W. H. Litsinger,  
Dr. F. G. Holloway.

F. G. HOLLOWAY,  
S. F. CASSEN,  
R. L. SHIPLEY,  
E. A. SEXSMITH,  
H. C. JONES,  
MRS. ELLA VEASEY,  
GEORGE K. MATHER,  
Committee.

## MRS. LAURA BUCKNER COE

Mrs. Laura Buckner Coe, the widow of Rev. S. W. Coe, was born at Asheville, North Carolina, June 24, 1857, and departed this life, December 9, 1935, from the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. Wilbur Stoll, Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland.

Her funeral service was conducted from the home of her daughter, and was in charge of Rev. J. M. Gill, D.D., assisted by Rev. Leonard B. Smith, D.D., Rev. G. W. Haddaway, D.D., and Rev. J. L. Ward.

Following this service her body was taken to Mount Olivet Cemetery and laid to rest by the side of her husband, who preceded her in death by three months and fifteen days.

She was the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Robert Buckner, of Asheville, North Carolina. They were loyal supporters of the Methodist Protestant Church, and it was while Brother Coe was their pastor that he and Sister Coe were very happily married.

She is survived by four sons and one daughter. Three of the sons are well known ministers of the Congregational Church, Rev. Robert W. Coe, pastor of Leyden Congregational Church, Boston, Massachusetts; Rev. Albert B. Coe, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Oak Park Chicago, Illinois, and Rev. M. Walker Coe, pastor of the Congregational Church, Carver, Massachusetts. Mr. Samuel E. Coe, the oldest son, lives at Brookline, Massachusetts, and Mrs. E. Wilbur Stoll, the daughter, lives at Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland.

She is also survived by one brother, Rev. Albert G. Buckner, a retired Presbyterian minister, of Clio, South Carolina, and two sisters, Mrs. Eller, of Dallas, Texas, and Miss Jennie Buckner, of Asheville, North Carolina.

It was the privilege of the chairman of this committee to have known Sister Coe almost from the beginning of her itinerant life in the Maryland Conference. This acquaintance dates back to the time when she was mistress of the parsonage on Finksburg Circuit, and Brother Coe was our pastor there. It was then that a friendship with these faithful servants of the Master began, that has grown through all the intervening years.

She was a woman refined in manner, sympathetic in spirit, and beautiful in Christian character. She always beautifully exemplified these graces in her home, in the church, and in the community in which she lived. Wherever she went her influence was sure to be seen and felt for good.

She possessed an active and well stored mind, and never lost interest in anything, even up to the very last, and through all her invalidism she was of the most patient and sweetest characters that we have ever known. Surely she did not live in vain.

All the members of the committee pay tribute to her memory.

Rev. C. E. Dryden, of Buckeystown, Maryland, writes, "It is a great pleasure to offer a brief tribute to the life of Sister Coe. I knew her quite intimately for a number of years. It was a great pleasure to call on Brother and Sister Coe in their delightful home in Brooklyn, Maryland. I lived in Glen Burnie, about four miles away. Brother Coe was one of my dearest friends, and this friendship grew with the years. He was most kind to me through the years. When I made my two trips to the Holy Land, first in 1927, he filled my pulpit at Glen Burnie, and in 1928 he and Sister Coe moved into the parsonage at Buckeystown and took full charge of my work for nearly three months. Mrs. Coe, to me was a very lovely woman, quiet, composed; so refined and so pleasing; it was a pleasure to know her and to be in her home. I have lost two very dear friends in the going of Brother and Sister Coe, but heaven seems dearer to me since their going. Their memory will always be cherished, and I know that I shall see them by and by."

Rev. George Hines, of Oxford, Maryland, writes, "I became acquainted with Sister Coe, the wife of Rev. S. W. Coe, when he was stationed on Queen Anne Circuit, and lived at Ruthsburg, Maryland. I spent one day and night with them, and the impressions made on my mind by the atmosphere and home life of their home remain with me to this day, and the outstanding impression is that Sister Coe was all that a preacher's wife ought to be. And subsequent events have proved that she was all that the mother of a preacher's children ought to be."

Rev. J. M. Gill, D.D., of Baltimore, Maryland, writes, "I esteem it a great honor to be called upon to lay a twig of respect and love upon the memory of such a beautiful Christian character as Mrs. Coe.

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### MRS. LAURA BUCKNER COE

Mrs. Laura Buckner Coe, the widow of Rev. S. W. Coe, was born at Asheville, North Carolina, June 24, 1857, and departed this life, December 9, 1935, from the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. Wilbur Stoll, Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland.

Her funeral service was conducted from the home of her daughter, and was in charge of Rev. J. M. Gill, D.D., assisted by Rev. Leonard B. Smith, D.D., Rev. G. W. Haddaway, D.D., and Rev. J. L. Ward.

Following this service her body was taken to Mount Olivet Cemetery and laid to rest by the side of her husband, who preceded her in death by three months and fifteen days.

She was the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Robert Buckner, of Asheville, North Carolina. They were loyal supporters of the Methodist Protestant Church, and it was while Brother Coe was their pastor that he and Sister Coe were very happily married.

She is survived by four sons and one daughter. Three of the sons are well known ministers of the Congregational Church, Rev. Robert W. Coe, pastor of Leyden Congregational Church, Boston, Massachusetts; Rev. Albert B. Coe, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Oak Park Chicago, Illinois, and Rev. M. Walker Coe, pastor of the Congregational Church, Carver, Massachusetts. Mr. Samuel E. Coe, the oldest son, lives at Brookline, Massachusetts, and Mrs. E. Wilbur Stoll, the daughter, lives at Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland.

She is also survived by one brother, Rev. Albert G. Buckner, a retired Presbyterian minister, of Clio, South Carolina, and two sisters, Mrs. Eller, of Dallas, Texas, and Miss Jennie Buckner, of Asheville, North Carolina.

It was the privilege of the chairman of this committee to have known Sister Coe almost from the beginning of her itinerant life in the Maryland Conference. This acquaintance dates back to the time when she was mistress of the parsonage on Finksburg Circuit, and Brother Coe was our pastor there. It was then that a friendship with these faithful servants of the Master began, that has grown through all the intervening years.

She was a woman refined in manner, sympathetic in spirit, and beautiful in Christian character. She always beautifully exemplified these graces in her home, in the church, and in the community in which she lived. Wherever she went her influence was sure to be seen and felt for good.



She possessed an active and well stored mind, and never lost interest in anything, even up to the very last, and through all her invalidism she was of the most patient and sweetest characters that we have ever known. Surely she did not live in vain.

All the members of the committee pay tribute to her memory.

Rev. C. E. Dryden, of Buckeystown, Maryland, writes, 'It is a great pleasure to offer a brief tribute to the life of Sister Coe. I knew her quite intimately for a number of years. It was a great pleasure to call on Brother and Sister Coe in their delightful home in Brooklyn, Maryland. I lived in Glen Burnie, about four miles away. Brother Coe was one of my dearest friends, and this friendship grew with the years. He was most kind to me through the years. When I made my two trips to the Holy Land, first in 1927, he filled my pulpit at Glen Burnie, and in 1928 he and Sister Coe moved into the parsonage at Buckeystown and took full charge of my work for nearly three months. Mrs. Coe, to me was a very lovely woman, quiet, composed; so refined and so pleasing; it was a pleasure to know her and to be in her home. I have lost two very dear friends in the going of Brother and Sister Coe, but heaven seems dearer to me since their going. Their memory will always be cherished, and I know that I shall see them by and by.'

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She was a mother of unusual devotion and wisdom. The Christian characters of her children are living monuments of the power of her holy life.

She learned the secret that seems to be hard for many to grasp, that it is not what we do for Jesus which makes the life effective for Him, but what He does for us. The Holy Spirit had done much for her life because she had wholly given her life to God as an instrument of righteousness. Her religion was not a profession, not chalk and water, but the power of the living Christ in her soul.

In the closing days of her life the shadows of bereavement and physical suffering were many and dark, but her cheerful, beautiful Christian spirit radiated sunshine and good cheer up to the very moment when she heard the voice of the Master saying, 'Well done, enter into the joy of thy Lord.'

Miss Nannie I. Stevens, of Oxford, Maryland, says, "In the home going of Mrs. S. W. Coe the church, her family and friends have sustained a great loss, but our loss is her gain; for she has not only gone to be with the Master she served so faithfully, but also with her husband and to whom she was an ever faithful helpmate. Loyal to each other in life; death did not long divide them.

Sister Coe, as I recall her when her husband was my pastor, was an ideal Christian wife, mother and hostess. It was always a real joy to be a guest in her home. She was one of whom it could be truly said, "To know her was to love her'."

Mrs. Herbert F. Cover, of Westminster, Maryland, adds this tribute, "I really haven't seen Mrs. Coe for many, many years, but in my impressionable age the Coe family played an important part of my life. Mrs. Coe being such a lovely and close friend of a little girl ten years old, I realize now, it was her sincerity, simplicity and dignity which formed the beautiful part of her personality, and also do I realize and have for many years, that their ideal home life based on Christianity, love and genuineness extended far, touching and influencing all with whom they come in contact."

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J. M. GILL  
MISS NANNIE STEVENS  
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#### MRS IDA HAYMAN GILBERT

The ripened years of half a century have passed and now in the homeland of the soul, Ida Hayman Gilbert and David Norwood Gilbert have met. An earthly married life of only four years—a long time "a'whiles"—and now Life Eternal.

Mrs. Gilbert was born January 8, 1855, in the old family homestead near Friendship Methodist Protestant Church, Somerset County, Maryland, the oldest daughter of Thomas J. and Mary Margaret Hayman. Her earliest associations were in Friendship Church of which she became a member when a girl. From a home radiant with Christian grace and faith

she went to be the mistress of the manse, marrying Rev. David N. Gilbert, February 28, 1877. With her husband, a deeply spirited, saintly man of God whose years of earthly ministry of word and deed have lingered long in moving influence among those to whom he was preacher and friend, she lived in Prince William, then Quantico and next Kent Island. While pastor of Kent Island on August 15, 1881, the young minister and husband, only thirty years of age, was called of God into the greater life. The young wife and mother of two children (A. Clarke Gilbert and Alythea Virginia Gilbert) faced the long road ahead; but with a faith that laid hard hold upon the promises of Him who is the abundant comfort of the fatherless and widow. What passed during those years is the story of a Godly family led by the Light that never fails.

Mrs. Gilbert made her home in Salisbury, after a few years, uniting with Bethesda Church and living there until 1911 when she went with her daughter—Mrs. Lawrence Chaffinch—to Easton, Maryland, where she resided until her joyful entrance into her eternal home, December 12, 1935.

Brief annals of a quiet, beautiful life. But that is far from all. Beneath the surface her true life was deeply rooted and grounded in the love of God, first known in early childhood, to be strengthened as year by year she realized anew the power and peace which passeth understanding. To the development of the two children she gave her best in tenderest care and teaching, pouring her very soul into their welfare. And the influence of this ministry has passed into the lives of her grandchildren.

With the hallowed memory of her husband she lived in the presence of God, rejoicing in a great faith; and she still lives, for "to live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." Services of tribute were conducted by Rev. Edgar T. Read, D.D., in Calvary Methodist Protestant Church, Easton, Md., on Sunday morning, December 15, 1935, and in the afternoon of that day her body was laid to rest in the cemetery of Wesleyan Chapel, Harford County, this service conducted by Rev. James H. Straughn, D.D., and Rev. Henry Murphy. The sun only sets to rise unto a brighter day, and "then the just will shine like the sun in the Realm of their Father."

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 JAMES H. STRAUGHN  
 RICHARD L. SHIPLEY  
 WILLIAM SHEPPARD  
 FRED P. ADKINS

#### MRS. KATE ROBERTS GREENFIELD

Mrs. Kate Roberts Greenfield came quietly to the end of this life in her home, the Tudor Arms Apartments, Baltimore, Maryland, December 21, 1935, after a long illness. Funeral services were held in Christ Methodist Church, Chestertown, on Tuesday, the day before Christmas, and her body was laid beside that of her late husband, the Rev. David Lee Greenfield, D.D., a prominent member of the Maryland Annual Conference, in Chester Cemetery.

Mrs. Greenfield was born in Centreville, October 18, 1861, the daughter of Rev. John Roberts, also of the Maryland Conference, and his wife, Maria



Louisa Mathews, of Glenwood, Howard County, Maryland. Her marriage took place September 22, 1891, while Dr. Greenfield was pastor of West Baltimore Station, of which she was a member. Moving to Chestertown later she spent the rest of her married life successively in Pittsburgh, Washington, Pocomoke City, Chestertown, Westminster and Baltimore. After Dr. Greenfield's death in 1917 she and her son lived together in Newark, Delaware, New Haven, Conn., and Baltimore. Her son, Dr. Kent Roberts Greenfield, now Professor of Modern European History in the Johns Hopkins University, was born in Chestertown. She had two brothers, the late Mr. Henry Fletcher Roberts of Baltimore and the late Dr. James M. Roberts of Richmond and a younger sister, Miss Maria Louisa Roberts, now living at Ashland, Virginia.

Born and growing up in a parsonage she became schooled in the economies necessary to a minister's family, but, cultivating her native fineness of taste she was able to make the various homes in which she lived more attractive than those of many families with far greater means at their disposal. She was unusually beautiful as a young woman and carried her distinction and personal charm into old age. She shrank with deep repugnance from every manifestation of coarseness, intemperance and impurity, and, as few others, "kept herself unspotted from the world."

Her interest in what was going on about her gave her an extraordinary charm as a companion. An old friend remarked, "Mrs. Greenfield cannot go out to mail a letter without having an adventure." She entertained every one she met, and her influence was effective in bringing out the best in other people.

Mrs. Greenfield's interests centered in her home and family. She regularly attended public worship and the women's meetings of the church, and, although she seemed to think it was not the part of a minister's wife to take the lead in church affairs, she did her part and encouraged others by her presence. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and was one of the founders, and the first president of the Woman's Club of Westminster later becoming active in the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Christian faith gave her patience in suffering and hope in sorrow. Among the joys of her long invalidism was to have her son read aloud Dr. Greenfield's sermons. What sermons! After retirement Dr. Greenfield had carefully arranged his sermon manuscripts. These were taken out one by one and read for a renewal of the inspiration to hearer and reader which they had been at first to many. She gratefully took the comfort they held for her as she faced the sunset.

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**MRS. ELIZA JANE BEANE**

The subject of this obituary was a native of the State of Virginia, having been born on July 17, 1852. On September 12, 1878, she was united in marriage to the Rev. A. S. Beane, who was, for many years, a member of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and who preceded her to the better land by more than seven years. The marriage ceremony was performed in Baltimore, Md., by the Rev. J. C. Groth. To this union, there were born five children: Lolah, E. Addison, J. E. Jennings, Stella J. and Marion E.

Mrs. Beane had the distinction of being the mistress of Keen Memorial Parsonage for twenty years, and of holding her membership in that church until the day when her Lord transferred it to the church above.

I came to know her in the autumn of 1928, having been appointed as the successor of Brother Beane at the Lynchburg, Virginia, Conference held in September of that year. I, first, saw her at the Sunday morning worship service, in the church she had dearly loved for so long. I wondered what her attitude toward me would be since it was I who stood behind the sacred desk that had been the joy and pride of her companion for so many years. Soon after the service, my doubts and fears departed; for I had scarcely grasped her hand when I began to realize that she was one of the noble sort whom I might trust and in whom I might safely confide. I found in her a real friend; and also one who put her church and her Lord ahead of every earthly thing.

I was her pastor for six conference years, and even after my pastorate had ceased at Keen Memorial, I kept in touch with her and visited her occasionally, but during the more than seven years of my acquaintance with her, I never heard her speak an ugly word or knew her to do a small or mean thing. In my humble judgment, she was a truly remarkable and noble character.

After great physical suffering, she departed this life, in the Maryland General Hospital, on January 10, 1936; having been a sojourner upon this earth during the space of eighty-three years, five months and twenty-four days. Very appropriate funeral services were held in Keen Memorial Church, on Monday, January 13, 1936, at eleven o'clock A. M. The services were in charge of the late Dr. Louis Randall, who, at that time, was her pastor. The funeral address was delivered, in keeping with her special request, by the writer of this obituary. Her remains were laid to rest, by the side of her husband, in beautiful Woodlawn Cemetery, where she awaits the first resurrection.

Her departure was a great loss to those who know her and loved her so well, but we comfort ourselves by the thought that our earthly loss was her Heavenly gain; for her soul's confidence was in Him who said, "I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself that where I am there you may be also." Of her, we feel that we can truthfully say,

"Asleep in Jesus blessed sleep,  
From which none ever wakes to weep;  
A calm and undisturbed repose,  
Unbroken by the last of foes."

Rev. W. A. Melvin says, "I have known Mrs. Eliza Beane, widow of Rev. A. S. Beane, for about thirty-five years. For several years, we were neighbors. I always considered her a good and faithful minister's wife. She took a great interest in the work of the church where her husband was pastor. She was also a good mother, and looked after every interest of her children.

Mr. W. O. Smith writes, "Although advanced in years, having passed eighty-three, she was quite young in her ways and habits. You would see her with a smile on her face for everyone with whom she came into contact. She enjoyed the many visits she paid her friends, and they always welcomed her with opened arms; truly glad to have her in their home. She has done a wonderful work among us; and she is, indeed, missed and mourned not only by the people of Keen Memorial Church, but by all of the people of the community in which she spent so many of the years of her life."

Mr. D. T. Work pays her the following tribute: "I knew and loved Mrs. E. J. Beane, wife of Rev. Addison S. Beane, for the last twenty-five years of her life, because of her loyalty and devotion to her God and Saviour, to her husband and family, and to her church. Her Christian life in devotion to her Lord and Master was inspirational. Her devotion to her husband was shown by her cooperation with him in every activity of his life and church work. The impressions she made and left upon the hearts and minds of the young girls whom she was privileged to teach in our church and community can be seen even today.

It was my privilege and pleasure to visit Sister Beane frequently in her last years, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Waidner, on Barclay Street, and it gave her much joy to hear me read from her Bible the words that were so very familiar to her; but words she could not then read on account of her failing eye-sight."

"We sit beside the lower feast today,  
She at the higher.  
Our voices falter as we bend to pray;  
In the great Choir  
Of happy Saints she sings, and does not tire.

We break the bread of patience and the wine  
Of tears we share.  
She tastes the vintage of that glorious vine  
Whose branches fair  
Set for the healing of all nations are.

I wonder is she sorry for one pain,  
Or if grown wise.  
She, wondering, smiles, and counts them idle, vain,  
These heavy sighs,  
These longings for her face and happy eyes.

Smile on then, beloved, as God wills is best;  
We lose our hold,

Content to leave thee to the deeper rest,  
The safer fold,  
To joy's immortal, youth while we grow old;

Content the cold and wintry day to bear  
The icy wave,  
And know thee in immortal summer there,  
Beyond the grave;  
Content to give to the Lord that gave."

C. M. ADAMS  
W. A. MELVIN  
D. T. WORK  
W. O. SMITH

## CONFERENCE SERMON

By J. N. LINK

### THE DYNAMIC FOR A CONQUERING CHURCH

*"That In All Things, He May Have The Preeminence"*—Colossians 1:18

It should be a source of gratification to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ, and His Church, that in the years just behind us, while many supposedly rock-ribbed institutions have been shaken to their foundations, or have been destroyed altogether, so few churches have closed their doors. Many Churches have rendered heroic service. Without complaining, they took their share, and often more than their share, of cuts, and set the example of heroic re-adjustment.

But let us not congratulate ourselves too much! A note that was intended to be dominant in the life of The Church has been muted all too often in recent years: the note of an unconquerable conviction that Christ's Church is destined to be victorious now, in the midst of adverse circumstances, as well as ultimately, at the consummation of all things. Some persons lost all hope for The Church. They asserted in doleful, or dogmatic, tones that The Church was decadent. We heard much about the twilight of The Church and even of Christianity. Some held on to their faith that ultimately Christ will conquer, but saw no hope for the present time. To them, it was merely a matter of making the best of a bad situation, of holding on until better times arrived. Gradually we have realized that these are not the proper attitudes for Christ's Church! Many have begun to think with Thomas Curtis Clark that

"This is no time for fear, for doubts of good,  
 For broodings on the tragedies of fate.  
 It is a time for songs of brotherhood,  
 For hymns of joy, of man's divine estate.  
 Though echoes of old wars depress the heart,  
 Though greed and hate still curse men's nobler ways,  
 Though foul suspicion blasts our life apart,  
 It is a time for confidence and praise.  
 Let prophets prophesy, let poets sing,  
 Our dreams are not in vain. The night is past.  
 Together, as new hopes are awakening,  
 Let us proclaim: God's Kingdom comes at last!  
 Our Babels crash. Let selfish flags be furled.  
 As brothers all, we build a Friendly World."

When Jesus Christ challenged those men who were the nucleus of His Church to go and conquer the world, they had none of the resources commonly deemed indispensable to conquerors. They had no money. They had no military force. They had only a duty and a dynamic. Their duty was summarized in the challenging imperatives of The Great Commission, "Go, Teach, Baptize." Their dynamic was Christ's promise, "Lo I am with



you always." Facing that duty with that dynamic, it was soon said of them in Thessalonica, "These that have turned the world upside down are come here also."

The Churches of Macedonia were born in an unpromising environment. Their members were drawn from the poorer classes. Nevertheless Paul was able to write that in a great trial of affliction, the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. He was able to testify how, up to their means, and beyond their means, they gave, begging him of their own accord to do them the favor of letting them contribute to the support of the saints. They did more than even Paul expected because first they gave themselves unto the Lord and then put themselves at Paul's disposal to be used as he thought best for the glory of God.

On his way home from his Third Missionary Journey, Paul could say to the Ephesian elders summoned down to the Aegean shore, "Behold I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem not knowing the things that shall befall me there, save that the Holy Spirit witnesseth in every city saying that bonds and afflictions await me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify to the Gospel of the grace of God."

With another century came Polycarp spurning the proconsul's importunity, "Swear and I set you free. "Curse Christ" and answering in the familiar words, "Eighty and six years have I served Him and He did me no wrong. How can I blaspheme my King that saved me?" When the proconsul threatened, "I have beasts and to them will I throw you unless you repent," Polycarp still refused. When the proconsul insisted, "If you despise the beasts I will have you consumed by fire unless you repent," Polycarp answered, "You threaten me with the fire that burns for an hour and is speedily quenched; for you know nothing of the fire of the judgment to come and of eternal punishment which is reserved for the wicked. Why delay? Bring what you will!"

With passing centuries, the spiritual vision of The Church was blurred by the grandeur of temporal authority. The Church lost its passion, its purity, its power. It almost lost its soul! But there came an hour when a humble monk envisioned what popes had forgotten. Under the stimulus of the rediscovered principle of justification by faith, Martin Luther began the struggle that finally brought him to trial declaring, "I cannot submit my faith either to the pope or to the councils, because it is clear as the noon-day that they have often fallen into error, and even into glaring inconsistency with themselves. If then I am not convinced by proof from The Holy Scriptures, or by cogent reasons; if I am not satisfied by the very texts I have cited, and if my judgment is not in this way brought into subjection to God's Word, I neither can nor will retract anything; for it cannot be right for a Christian to speak against his conscience." Then turning a look on that assembly which held in its hands his life or death, he said, "I stand here, and can say no more; God help me. Amen."

John Wesley had his heart-warming experience of the forgiving, empowering love of God. It was not easy for the cultured priest of the Established Church to turn from the comfortable places of preferment to the

fields and byways, to stand the sneers of former associates and the insults of mobs, but the love of Christ constrained him, empowered him to endure with joy, and to achieve undreamed of results.

On May 18, 1742, when Mr. Wesley entered Newcastle-on-Tyne for the first time, he was shocked by the drunkenness and foul language of the people. He noted in his Journal, "We came to Newcastle about six, and after a short refreshment, walked into the town. I was much surprised: so much drunkenness, cursing, and swearing (even from the mouths of little children) do I never remember to have seen and heard before, in so small a compass on time." But Mr. Wesley was not daunted by difficulties. He found in them his great opportunities. Looking with realistic vision upon sinful Newcastle, he wrote, "Surely this place is ripe for Him who came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." He was attracted by the very things which would have made others depart. He preached with convincing and converting power from the text, "He was wounded for our transgressions." Amid such unfavorable environment was born that Methodism which has victoriously made the world its parish.

One hundred and eight years ago a valiant people faced a difficult situation. For conscience's sake, they had refused to obey the mandate of entrenched authority and stifle their convictions. They had been ecclesiastically repudiated and ruthlessly excommunicated from their spiritual home. They were Methodists at heart. There was no other Methodist Church. What was to be done? They could be hypocritical, do violence to their integrity, render lip-service that their minds and hearts could not sanction, and be received back by Mother-Church. They could ask for admission into some other denomination that lacked the experiential emphasis which had made Methodism so dear to them. Or they could start a new Methodist Church in which there would not be the tyranny of taxation without representation. But how could they start a new Methodist Church? They had no money, nor organization, no buildings. They were discredited, discounted, defamed by many. But they had one resource more sufficient than all the others: a deep and sincere experience of, and devotion to, the Lord Jesus Christ. Trusting in Him for strength, against handicaps and opposition that dwarf into utter insignificance the handicaps and opposition of this present time, they labored with heroic abandon and brought forth this Methodist Protestant Church which has made so mighty a contribution to the extension of the Kingdom of God that now the Mother-Church has not only accepted the very principles for which she originally drove away her finest sons and daughters, but has sent forth a gracious and sincere invitation to all the descendents of her sons and daughters to come and help her build a larger, and better, and more influential spiritual home!

The First Century Christians, Luther, Wesley, our Methodist Protestant Fathers, were not merely piously resigned, smugly satisfied with the status quo of their day, passively waiting for better times. They were Conquering Christians who made up the nucleus of a Conquering Church. They went forth with a victorious note dominant and they changed civilizations as well as characters!

It is this note which has been missing in The Church in recent years and which must be sounded now. How shall we recover it? Many sug-



gestions are being made: Educate the people. Perfect the organization. Build a more gripping and challenging program. Do more high-powered advertising. But these are not enough. All these may be done without our having a Conquering Church!

Paul points the way in Colossians 1:18. "That in all things, He may have the preeminence." Two things stand out in this verse: (1) The Fact, which should ever be kept before us as a goal; the fact that Christ is Divinely destined to preeminence. (2) The Force, which is the dynamic by which to reach that goal.

The Apostle riveted the attention of the Colossians upon Christ as he pointed out the uniqueness of The Master. He emphasized how Christ united in Himself the headship of Creation as the Creative Force of God, and headship of The Church as its Founder in Whom all the fulness of The Godhead dwells, and Who made possible reconciling peace through the blood of His Cross, this unique union of the headship of Creation and of The Church being in Christ Jesus so that in all things He might have the preeminence. Then he drove home the practical truth that if they gave Christ the preeminence in all things, adhering to the foundations and stability of the faith instead of moving away from the hope they had grasped from Christ's Gospel, as so many others had done, then Christ would ultimately present them before God consecrated, unblemished, ir-reproachable.

This fact of Christ's preeminence, once accepted as a goal, becomes the force, the dynamic, by which we may attain it. Once we place His preeminence at the center of our conscious living and striving, we release His Divine Power to enable us to approach our goal. Jesus indicates the secret of His power-filled life when He said, "For I do always the things which please Him." He organized His purposeful living around the pattern of the Will of God. In Gethsemane, it was when He came to victorious surrender, "Not as I will but as Thou wilt," that angels came and ministered unto Him. Then He was ready to face the traitor, the mob, the indignities, the Cross, and, doing so, to conquer.

As we tarry a while in this Annual Conference Session, during which so many vital decisions must be made, and go forth to labor in our respective fields, what a difference it would make if "Christ Preeminent" were not only our ever-present ideal, but our motivating force!

What a difference it would make as we approach what will probably be the most vital issue to come before this Conference—that of Methodist Union. If we are thinking primarily of size, or prestige, or preferment, there will likely be confusion, impatience, and heated debate. If we are thinking primarily of historic events, and are swayed primarily by sentimental values, we are apt to be unduly biased and dogmatically intolerant.

But if we give Christ the preeminence, if we seek to know His will, the issue will become more clearly defined as we sense the restlessness of Christ that yearns for suffering humanity in all the world to know Him, Whom to know aright is life eternal. Then we will not decide this issue of Methodist Union by the degree of prestige, or preferment it may bring us, nor by the sacrifice of historic heritage it may require, but by this: Where can the Maryland Conference do the more to extend the boundaries of the Kingdom of God and allay the restless yearning in the heart

of Christ? As an independent Methodist entity? Or as a vital part of a united Methodism? This issue is so vital, its implications are so far-reaching, our responsibility is so deep-rooted in the heart of Christ, that we must put Christ at the very center of our thinking, seek until we find His Will in this matter, and then make it the deciding factor in our voting, regardless of what ambitions are frustrated or sacrifices necessitated. May God have mercy upon us if we do otherwise than make Christ preeminent here!

What a difference it would make in what laymen expect of preachers if Christ were truly made preeminent. As vividly as though it were yesterday, I recall the witticism of Josephus Daniels when addressing the Maryland Conference in Rhode Island Avenue Church, Washington, in 1915. Referring to empty pews, he attributed them to the fact that many preachers do to their congregations that which the barber does to his customers, "Squirts sweet wind at them." I laughed with the crowd that evening, but the injustice and untruth of that witticism have ranked across the years. It is my conviction that, in proportion, there are not nearly as many preachers "squirting sweet wind" at their congregations as there are congregations who desire that their preachers do that very thing.

The first Apostles declared that it was not reasonable that they should leave the preaching of the Word of God in order to serve tables, not because serving tables was degrading in any way, but because it was physically impossible to do both things: to do the specialized task of preaching and the detailed tasks of serving tables. All too many modern laymen expect their preachers to serve the financial, organizational, dramatic, social, athletic, publicity tables and then, on those rare Lord's Days when they have no more pressing engagements and attend Church, to have their preachers preach soothing historical sermons which will not trouble their conscience by applications that are too personal.

If Christ were truly preeminent, many laymen would accept more fully the Stewardship of their time, their talents, their tithes. They would release their preachers from the obligation of serving tables to devote themselves once more primarily to the preaching of the Word of God. I hold no brief for those preachers who discard their holy privilege and obligation of declaring the Atoning Love of Christ, with its individual and social implications, and substitute for the Gospel of Jesus sensational harrangues concerning political and economic revolution. At the same time, I am concerned when groups of laymen band themselves together and vow to cut off the financial support of those preachers who dare mention the social implications of Christ's Gospel.

When laymen make Christ preeminent, they will not only release their preachers from serving tables, but will say to them, "Give us the unadulterated truth as it is in Christ Jesus. If your sermons leave us always comfortable, and never stir us to a sense of shame and repentance, we know that you are not preaching the Word, for we know that the Word of God is "quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit . . . and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.' Give us the unadulterated truth of God, however it may sting us, only do it with a spirit of sympathetic love." This is the kind of a preacher that laymen would ask for and support if Christ were preeminent in their lives.

And what a difference it would make in our preaching and practicing if Christ were always preeminent there? Sincere though we are in our dedication and determination to preach Christ, how easy it is to unintentionally inject our own personalities into our sermons and service until we are magnified and Christ is dwarfed. David Ewen, in his biography of Arturo Toscanini, "The Man With The Baton," says that working under Toscanini may tax the last ounce of energy that the musicians possess, but they know his flaming sincerity, his simple modesty, his unaffected passion for great music, and they almost worship him. Once at a rehearsal of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, Toscanini laid bare the soul of the music for the men. Overwhelmed by the realization that they had just been given an altogether new vision of a masterpiece, they arose as one man at the end of the rehearsal and cheered the conductor at the top of their lungs. Toscanini gestured wildly, desperately trying to arrest their enthusiasm. Finally, when their spontaneous cheering had subsided, he turned a pained face to his men, tears glistening in those brilliant eyes of his. "Please, please," he called out in a pathetic voice, "Don't do this to me. You see, gentlemen, it isn't me. It's Beethoven."

If Christ were preeminent in our hearts, instead of courting compliments, or prodding for praise, or plotting for prominence, would we not rather, whenever we heard any comments that magnified us and minimized our Lord, cry out, "Please, please, don't do this to me. It is not I. It is Christ!"

"O, the bitter pain and sorrow  
That a time should ever be  
When I proudly said to Jesus,  
'All of self, and none of Thee.'

Yet He found me. I beheld Him  
Bleeding on the accursed tree;  
And my wistful heart said faintly,  
'Some of self, and some of Thee.'

Day by day His tender mercy,  
Healing, helping, full and free,  
Brought me lower, while I whispered,  
'Less of self, and more of Thee.'

Higher than the highest heavens,  
Deeper than the deepest sea,  
Lord, Thy love at last has conquered—  
'None of self, and all of Thee.'

**Christ Preeminent! This is the Dynamic for a Conquering Church!  
Let us apprehend it, appreciate it, accept it, apply it!**



FINANCIAL  
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TABLES





## COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Number	CHARGES													
		Assessed President's Salary	Paid President's Salary	Assessed Superannuates	Paid Superannuates	Assessed Md. Conf. Budget	Paid Md. Conf. Budget	Undesignated Budget	Children's Day	Rally Day	Young People's Day	Easter Offering	Women's Auxiliary	Md. Conf. Council
1	Accomac.....	35	25	21	91	57	177	30	30	15	4	25	36	17
2	Amelia.....	21	21	56	...	...	108	60	5	17	20	...	10	...
3	Baltimore:	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36	...
4	Alnut Memorial.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	5
5	Bethesda.....	39	39	102	102	199	512	...	35	25	...	12	10	...
6	Brooklyn.....	60	60	156	116	309	148	...	10	9	...	30	200	...
7	Calvary.....	50	50	129	129	253	110	...	20	25	...	30	200	...
8	Chesaco Park.....	11	...	31	4	59	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	...
9	Christ Church.....	68	68	176	137	348	195	...	40	12	...	35	315	...
10	East Baltimore.....	37	37	95	95	188	188	...	24	14	10	35	309	...
11	Edmondson Avenue.....	72	72	182	182	362	362	...	30	...	...	151	682	...
12	Eutaw.....	74	74	189	189	380	380	...	75	150	100	50	10	50
13	Glen Burnie.....	33	20	58	58	114	114	...	10	10	8	2	15	103
14	Grace.....	47	47	119	119	236	44	...	30	30	20	4	20	50
15	Grace Land Park.....	58	58	147	70	298	40	30	30	3	5	6	100	10
16	Hampton.....	9	9	23	6	43	3	...	115	...	...	...	...	...
17	Keen Memorial.....	36	30	94	80	183	61	...	6	10	...	20	...	8
18	Lauraville.....	52	52	133	133	263	263	8	17	18	5	27	...	...
19	Linthicum Heights.....	44	44	112	112	119	120	169	75	45	18	50	283	90
20	Lowe Memorial.....	58	58	148	148	292	214	27	25	30	...	50	95	...
21	Marley.....	22	22	56	...	109	12	...	7	13	...	...	...	...
22	Nichols' Memorial.....	22	22	59	59	115	74	...	15	15	...	10	...	...
23	North Baltimore.....	66	66	168	176	333	333	207	75	50	25	50	720	...
24	St. John's.....	93	93	239	239	474	474	60	50	25	243	1060	150	...
25	St. Paul's.....	44	44	114	114	225	15	...	...	...	...	100	...	...
26	South Baltimore.....	32	32	83	83	162	162	...	23	27	...	25	...	62
27	Starr.....	113	113	289	289	574	574	31	100	50	...	75	883	8
28	Texas.....	16	16	42	40	80	20	...	20	10	7	17	...	...
29	Townson.....	44	44	113	113	221	132	8	31	24	3	80	335	...
30	Trinity.....	64	64	165	10	325	15	...	...	...	...	75	...	...
31	Violetville.....	27	27	70	70	137	22	...	20	28	...	31	60	5
32	West Baltimore.....	67	67	171	171	330	145	...	100	46	15	...	500	...
33	Wilton Heights.....	51	51	131	26	267	82	...	23	20	5	35	211	...
34	Bedford.....	39	39	101	101	198	42	...	5	10	...	15	...	...
35	Belair.....	37	37	91	91	174	127	17	38	18	...	40	5	...
36	Bivalve.....	25	25	66	...	129	71	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
37	Buckeyestown.....	41	41	107	107	211	211	...	150	100	15	100	300	35
38	Cambridge.....	49	49	126	126	247	247	...	...	...	...	102	...	...
39	Caroline.....	17	17	45	34	84	67	5	40	20	...	20	...	...
40	Carroll Circuit.....	18	12	48	8	92	11	...	3	17	...	8	...	...
41	Cecil.....	30	30	79	79	154	154	42	50	15	...	45	10	10
42	Centerville.....	26	26	70	39	135	73	...	10	12	4	35	92	...
43	Chestertown.....	61	61	157	157	311	311	266	122	89	37	235	230	45
44	Claremont.....	29	29	76	76	147	85	...	10	13	3	19	...	3
45	Clayton.....	21	21	55	38	106	63	...	12	9	4	17	11	32
46	Crisfield:	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
47	Mt. Pleasant.....	52	52	134	134	264	264	...	40	42	25	40	125	...
48	Mariners.....	28	28	75	75	145	...	...	27	...	...	...	...	...
49	Cumberland:	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
50	First Church.....	43	43	112	112	218	200	121	12	17	10	25	...	10
51	Cumberland Circuit.....	31	31	83	32	161	112	...	5	10	10	50	...	...
52	Dagsboro.....	24	24	62	16	121	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
53	Deer Creek.....	18	18	49	49	93	93	...	16	9	...	13	40	5
54	Deer Park.....	46	46	120	120	237	237	...	3	60	50	7	50	63
55	Delmar.....	41	41	105	105	206	206	...	50	50	40	50	100	10
56	Delta.....	31	31	81	33	159	103	...	25	8	...	7	50	...
57	Denton.....	35	35	91	91	177	177	...	25	12	5	40	153	...
58	Dorchester.....	28	28	72	27	143	25	...	25	16	...	20	...	...
59	Dover.....	18	18	48	48	93	43	...	5	5	3	5	50	...
60	Doyleburg.....	29	29	76	68	149	66	...	7	7	...	7	...	10
61	Easton.....	27	27	71	71	138	138	...	25	20	15	25	95	5
62	Elizabeth.....	26	26	67	67	130	35	...	12	7	...	12	...	...
63	Fairfax.....	14	14	38	27	71	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...
64	Fawn Grove.....	49	49	126	126	248	248	250	51	...	16	110	100	...

## AND LOCAL INTERESTS

Special for Education	Children's Home	Assessed World Service Budget	Total Paid World Service Budget	Total Assessment	Paid Total Assessment	Percentage Paid on Total Assessment	Miscel. General Interests	Total Paid Gen. Interests	Assessed Pastor's Salary	Paid Pastor's Salary	Rental Value of Parsonage	Current Expenses	Paid on Building and Improvements	Paid on Debt	Paid for Interest on Debt	Miscellaneous Social	Total Paid for Local Interests	Total Paid for all Purposes	Pastor's Salary 1936-1937	Number	
590	360	44	893	156	17	9	156	1200	1200	150	375	100	117	12	12	1919	2075	1200	1		
1028	846	275	1278	555	35	20	575	1800	1800	750	1000	50	525	1000	525	1882	1189	700	2		
196	100	29	14	36	3	13	316	1600	1600	600	1030	500	610	1253	856	6849	6165	1600	3		
1154	407	1746	807	303	30	20	575	1800	1800	750	1000	50	525	1000	525	1882	1189	700	4		
664	110	1004	303	303	30	20	575	1800	1800	750	1000	50	525	1000	525	1882	1189	700	5		
1028	231	1553	555	555	35	20	575	1800	1800	750	1000	50	525	1000	525	1882	1189	700	6		
846	275	1278	564	44	5	19	700	500	500	500	762	42	25	100	458	415	3735	4329	1500	7	
1204	385	1820	1001	1001	100	100	181	1182	3000	3000	900	1684	146	1000	2637	338	9705	10887	3000	8	
623	220	943	540	540	30	30	594	1500	1500	500	762	42	25	100	458	415	3735	4329	1500	9	
1258	1258	1901	1901	100	100	100	181	1182	3000	3000	900	1684	146	1000	2637	338	9705	10887	3000	10	
378	80	573	272	47	20	292	1200	1325	900	225	300	200	445	252	3647	3939	1200	12	12		
782	138	1185	348	348	19	19	351	2000	2000	600	580	200	50	1012	363	4805	5163	2500	13	13	
882	164	1485	332	332	19	19	351	2000	2000	600	1300	50	50	1022	476	5448	5799	2000	14	14	
141	14	216	32	32	35	35	1144	2600	2600	1200	3023	2500	725	1741	846	12635	13779	2600	15	15	
1748	215	2642	1109	42	42	42	215	1650	1650	750	471	63	450	663	308	4355	4570	700	16	16	
609	44	922	215	215	40	40	523	1900	1900	1000	1210	75	1527	712	6424	6947	1900	18	18		
875	75	1323	523	40	48	1054	1600	1600	600	1023	200	200	100	196	312	3619	4673	1800	19	19	
730	730	1005	1000	100	48	1054	1600	1600	600	1023	200	200	100	196	312	3619	4673	1800	20	20	
973	227	1471	64	42	97	744	1920	1920	300	1200	200	200	100	196	312	3619	4673	1800	21	21	
362	20	549	54	10	11	208	1200	1160	300	322	205	75	44	323	2430	2638	1000	22	22		
389	42	576	197	34	11	208	1200	1160	300	322	205	75	44	323	2430	2638	1000	22	22		
1107	1127	1674	1702	102	102	527	2229	3000	3000	900	1905	3000	3000	500	126	931	12437	15004	3000	23	23
1578	1588	2384	2394	100	173	2567	3000	3000	900	3980	3000	3000	3000	500	126	931	12437	15004	3000	24	24
748	100	1131	273	24	40	313	1560	1560	480	874	60	952	853	257	5036	5349	1700	25	25		
539	137	816	414	51	11	425	1300	1300	600	600	75	152	280	276	3283	3708	1200	26	26		
100	1912	1327	2888	2303	80	168	2471	3000	3000	900	3530	450	3500	3247	850	15477	17948	3000	27	27	
266	54	404	130	32	5	135	675	510	200	200	200	200	100	100	296	1006	1141	675	28	28	
738	48	1116	770	70	25	795	2000	2000	800	624	100	120	8	300	4012	4807	1800	29	29		
1082	82	1636	171	10	21	192	2100	2100	600	714	100	500	1005	105	5124	5316	1600	30	30		
455	144	689	263	38	23	286	1500	1560	480	517	100	500	1005	105	5124	5316	1600	30	30		
1131	661	1699	1044	61	31	1075	2500	2500	1838	4500	1720	1987	571	13116	14191	2000	32	32	32		
857	294	1306	453	35	48	501	1800	1800	360	850	200	525	315	31	4081	4582	1500	33	33		
660	30	998	212	21	13	225	1200	1200	250	275	100	650	155	282	2912	3137	1200	34	34		
583	118	882	373	42	11	384	1300	1300	600	500	75	152	280	276	3283	3708	1200	35	35		
429	3	649	99	15	2	101	950	950	75	225	70	200	100	100	205	1525	1626	950	36	36	
700	700	1059	1059	100	362	1421	1800	1800	250	760	1365	1000	1000	1000	408	4583	6004	1800	37	37	
828	102	1246	524	42	16	540	2000	2000	400	1604	1500	175	851	30	6560	7100	2000	38	38		
282	85	428	203	47	19	203	900	900	150	35	100	100	100	100	192	1277	1480	900	39	39	
307	28	465	59	13	19	78	600	413	225	41	99	35	21	51	885	963	600	40	40		
514	172	777	435	56	10	445	1200	1150	300	560	240	455	50	250	190	2440	2885	1200	41	41	
449	153	680	291	43	22	313	1200	1200	360	687	849	1000	1000	1000	160	3256	3569	1200	42	42	
1033	1033	1562	1562	100	50	1612	2200	2200	600	1300	2000	2000	2000	2000	691	6791	8403	2200	43	43	
490	48	742	238	32	10	248	1000	990	120	134	7	100	100	100	235	1486	1734	1000	44	44	
353	85	535	207	39	207	800	800	800	180	475	150	100	100	100	50	1755	1962	800	45	45	
880	272	1330	722	54	20	742	2100	2100	240	835	1000	1000	1000	1000	633	3808	4550	1600	46	46	
483	27	731	130	18	20	130	1200	1200	120	425	1000	1000	1000	1000	120	417	2282	2412	1200	47	47
726	195	1099	550	50	14	564	1600	1600	600	584	280	95	43	152	3624	4188	1600	48	48		
536	75	811	250	32	4	254	1200	1150	50	128	930	1000	1000	1000	378	2768	3022	1200	49	49	
401	4	608	72	12	8	80	800	800	200	187	200	200	200	200	60	1448	1528	800	50	50	
310	83	470	243	32	2	245	700	700	120	63	35	100	100	100	103	1021	1266	700	51	51	
789	233	1192	636	53	19	655	1400	1400	500	538	1000	1000	1000	1000	210	2648	3303	1400	52	52	
686	300	1038	652	62	14	666	1600	1600	240	455	50	250	98	434	3127	3793	1600	53	53		
525	90	800	257	30	32	289	1400	1400	360	248	150	100	100	100	230	2092	2214	900	54	54	
590	235	893	538	60	14	552	2000	2000	300	299	100	100	100	100	39	2738	3290	2000	55	55	
473	61	716	141	19	30	171	1000	1000	200	250	250	200	200	200	20	1720	1891	1000	56	56	
302	68	461	177	38	35	212	850	800	480	345	200	200	200	200	32	2002	2214	900	57	57	
496	31	750	194	26	15	209	1020	1020	120	100	300	200	200	200	395	1385	2144	1020	58	58	
459	215	695	451	65	44	495	1620	1620	200	540	25	150	300	50	2885	3480	1620	59	59		
433	31	656	159	24	11	170	1000	1000	720	465	200	86	160	209	2840	3010	1020	60	60		
239	5	362	46	13	11	57	150	305	150	35	80	200	200	200	75	645	702	200	61	61	
825	527	1248	950	75	53	1003	1750	1750	300	433	146	100	100	100	466	3095	4095	1750	62	62	



COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Number	CHARGES	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Assessed	Paid	Undesignated	Children's	Rally	Young	Easter	Women's	Md.	Special
		President's	President's	Superannuates	Superannuates	Md. Conf.	Md. Conf.	Budget	Budget	Budget	Day	Day	People's	Offering	Auxiliary	Conf.	Missions
		Salary	Salary										Day		Council		
63	Federalburg.....	22	22	58	58	111	111	111	111	32	50	75	45	50	50	15	...
64	Finksburg.....	38	38	99	99	193	193	32	32	51	51	32	11	26	155	...	...
65	First Church, Newark.....	147	147	376	376	747	747	503	43	51	51	26	10	30	109	...	...
66	Frederick.....	25	25	67	67	131	91	11	14	26	10	30	10	12	...	...	...
67	Friendship.....	3	3	11	11	17	17	17	17	17	18	18	10	12	...	...	...
68	Georgetown.....	40	40	104	104	203	13	...	...	...	33	37	...	55	25	...	...
69	Greenbackville.....	27	27	78	18	153	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	5	...	...
70	Greenbush-Hallwood.....	36	36	92	11	181	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...
71	Greenwood-Cannon.....	35	35	92	40	179	116	...	...	...	33	9	...	20	49	...	...
72	Grove.....	10	10	29	29	53	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...
73	Harbeson-Lewes.....	36	36	93	...	181	177	...	...	...	20	20	...	23	...	...	...
74	Harmony, W. Va.....	16	16	40	40	78	78	...	...	...	10	28	10	5	60	...	...
75	Harpers Ferry.....	23	23	61	11	118	52	...	...	...	5	6	5	10	75	10	48
76	Harrington.....	33	33	85	85	166	166	...	...	...	75	59	...	62	10	...	...
77	Hebron.....	39	39	103	103	202	95	...	...	...	20	20	...	15	10	...	...
78	Howard.....	41	41	106	106	207	207	453	453	...	...	...	...	...	50	50	...
79	Hurlock.....	22	15	60	20	115	38	...	...	...	37	38	...	18	65	...	...
80	Indian River.....	4	4	14	14	25	25	...	...	...	84	16	...	15	...	...	...
81	Kemptown.....	45	45	116	99	228	110	...	...	...	10	10	...	10	65	...	...
82	Kennedyville.....	23	23	60	60	114	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
83	Kent Island-Wye.....	26	26	66	66	128	128	...	...	...	15	38	30	52	5	...	...
84	Laurel.....	46	46	117	75	231	231	...	...	...	110	65	20	30	50	...	...
85	Laurel Circuit.....	17	17	45	30	86	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...
86	Leeds.....	25	25	65	65	126	126	...	...	...	31	7	...	15	...	...	...
87	Leipsic.....	5	5	15	15	26	26	...	...	...	...	3	3	5	...	...	...
88	Lewistown-Liberty.....	24	24	64	64	124	116	...	...	...	10	11	10	10	...	...	...
	Lynchburg																
89	First Church.....	78	78	187	50	369	62	...	...	...	...	23	23	181	35	...	...
90	Second Church.....	18	18	35	35	83	88	...	69	7	9	25	25	35	...	...	...
91	Tyreanna.....	13	13	35	35	66	17	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...
92	Mardella.....	32	32	83	83	162	162	...	...	...	15	34	14	27	...	...	...
93	Maryland Line.....	41	41	105	105	207	207	230	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
94	Milford.....	64	55	166	166	327	105	...	...	...	58	40	...	50	117	...	...
95	Milton.....	29	29	76	76	147	147	...	...	...	35	31	17	62	2	...	...
96	Mt. Nebo.....	30	20	78	...	153	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
97	New Church.....	35	35	91	56	176	64	11	36	16	...	...	...	144	...	...	...
98	Northumberland.....	42	30	107	6	210	5	7	23	...	...	...	...	15	25	5	...
99	Oxford.....	17	17	46	46	88	88	50	48	25	30	28	87	...	...	...	...
100	Parkaley.....	36	36	92	92	179	179	...	...	...	43	35	...	43	90	...	5
	Philadelphia																
101	Emmanuel.....	22	22	59	10	114	10	...	...	...	20	15	10	25	...	...	...
102	St. Luke's.....	53	53	150	70	296	131	...	...	...	...	13	...	26	50	9	...
103	Taylor Memorial.....	43	43	111	111	218	72	...	...	...	10	15	...	20	100	...	...
104	Pipe Creek.....	20	20	53	53	103	103	85	15	...	...	...	...	126	115	...	...
105	Pittsville.....	41	41	106	106	209	209	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
106	Pocomoke City.....	47	47	121	78	239	...	...	...	...	26	51	...	30	48	...	...
107	Poplar Springs.....	29	25	76	42	147	91	179	19	10	6	20	30	30	...	...	...
108	Powellville.....	23	23	61	35	117	109	...	...	...	5	...	5	4	...	...	...
109	Queen Anne.....	9	9	26	13	48	39	54	25	10	...	...	...	5	...	...	...
110	Reliance.....	24	18	63	54	121	108	28	43	12	...	...	...	20	5	20	...
111	Ridgeville.....	33	33	85	85	165	165	50	21	64	4	25	100	...	...	...	...
112	St. James.....	27	27	68	68	132	132	...	...	...	100	74	...	100	...	...	...
113	St. Michaels.....	22	22	56	20	108	43	...	...	...	18	9	...	6	...	...	...
114	Salisbury.....	106	106	271	271	537	537	...	...	...	100	40	...	65	525	...	...
115	Seaford.....	44	37	113	90	220	220	...	...	...	42	65	7	40	41	...	...
116	Sharptown.....	33	33	87	87	169	169	...	...	...	65	30	16	40	...	...	...
117	Snow Hill.....	42	42	108	108	213	213	10	123	118	...	...	...	123	20	5	...
118	Stewartstown.....	41	41	104	104	205	205	268	...	...	...	...	...	...	105	...	...
119	Susquehanna.....	24	24	65	42	126	126	...	...	...	12	18	7	24	56	...	...
120	Trinity-Salem.....	32	20	85	30	165	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
121	Union Bridge.....	24	24	62	62	120	122	27	18	28	...	...	31	125	...	...	...
122	Wallace Memorial.....	23	23	58	58	113	113	16	6	12	8	11	...	10	78	...	...
123	Warwick.....	12	12	33	33	63	63	58	35	11	5	7	...	5	...	...	...
	Washington:																
124	Alexandria.....	33	33	86	58	163	...	...	...	...	20	20	15	60	...	...	5

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369	370	560	561	100	10	10	571	1456	1456	250	139	202	275	21	84	2131	2702	1456	63	
546	307	976	637	64	35	672	1200	1320	1320	300	400	126	126	21	84	2131	3135	1320	64	
2487	1285	3757	2312	61	105	2417	3000	3000	3000	1500	5284	844	305	1227	11855	14272	3000	65		
433	189	656	372	57	11	383	1200	1200	1200	120	120	120	120	23	2463	2030	1200	66		
57	57	88	88	100	10	88	1000	1000	1000	166	60	73	73	43	342	430	1000	67		
678	150	1023	307	30	13	320	1500	1500	1500	300	354	140	268	300	205	3076	3396	1500	68	
509	15	767	77	10	12	84	1000	1000	1000	120	200	85	75	55	575	2110	2199	1000	69	
660	48	909	105	12	10	1000	1000	1000	1000	120	150	16	16	192	74	1546	1651	1000	70	
596	111	902	302	30	30	302	1125	1125	1125	180	435	500	30	151	2421	2723	1125	71		
214	13	327	100	33	3	103	675	675	675	65	16	16	16	16	772	815	650	72		
604	25	914	238	26	6	244	1200	1200	1200	200	481	148	124	50	1931	2175	1200	73		
258	136	392	270	69	9	279	600	700	150	150	149	124	124	228	1359	1629	700	74		
394	31	596	117	20	30	147	1300	1300	200	200	105	105	105	94	1099	1846	1600	75		
552	319	836	603	72	21	624	1350	1350	360	767	200	64	3	157	2901	3525	1350	76		
676	55	1021	282	27	13	305	1056	1056	150	230	115	115	115	235	1768	2073	1200	77		
689	555	1043	909	87	14	923	1800	1800	150	480	350	75	236	423	3514	4437	1600	78		
383	160	580	333	40	23	323	1200	1200	240	360	200	25	50	41	1841	2074	1200	79		
84	94	127	138	100	15	409	1550	1550	150	350	200	200	10	665	3125	3534	1550	81		
790	140	1129	394	35	8	121	1200	1200	200	133	125	125	125	72	1888	2009	1000	82		
381	30	578	113	20	8	368	1175	1175	150	240	100	100	100	247	1912	2289	1175	83		
424	140	644	360	56	310	939	1600	1600	350	732	100	100	157	649	3488	4927	1600	84		
770	277	1164	629	54	6	131	1000	1000	300	125	100	100	100	20	1545	1676	1000	85		
286	40	434	125	26	20	298	1200	1200	240	150	100	100	60	306	2056	2354	1200	86		
420	62	636	278	44	20	57	150	200	96	60	25	25	25	558	2061	2314	200	87		
87	11	133	57	43	8	253	825	713	240	240	220	325	325	558	2061	2314	713	88		
414	41	626	245	39	28	487	1800	1800	400	1625	460	650	1217	325	6477	6974	2000	89		
1318	279	1952	469	24	16	327	2100	2100	40	192	150	700	348	210	3740	4067	2100	90		
254	170	330	311	79	4	75	500	500	10	75	80	80	80	23	2542	2920	1300	92		
221	6	330	71	22	4	378	1300	1300	300	445	474	280	28	246	3269	3910	1400	93		
538	90	815	367	46	11	647	1400	1338	200	281	896	280	28	246	3269	3910	1400	93		
689	240	1042	593	57	52	643	1560	1560	400	1351	100	527	250	422	4610	6253	1560	94		
1089	147	741	399	54	12	411	1300	1300	360	350	100	100	100	325	2435	2846	1300	95		
489	147	741	399	54	12	411	1300	1300	360	350	100	100	100	325	2435	2846	1300	95		
509	770	36	5	36	1000	796	130	290	115	100	115	115	115	52	1383	1419	1000	95		
589	207	891	362	41	24	386	1100	1100	360	120	100	100	100	25	127	1732	2118	1050	97	
700	75	1059	116	11	10	126	1000	1000	187	890	90	176	176	294	2677	2763	1000	98		
291	291	442	442	100	33	475	1000	1000	250	204	90	100	100	255	1799	2274	1000	99		
697	216	904	523	58	12	535	1200	1200	250	490	60	100	100	53	2155	2690	1200	100		
379	70	574	112	19	22	134	1200	1200	420	258	21	60	629	157	2645	2779	1200	101		
985	98	1490	352	24	27	379	1900	1900	1200	1460	472	150	959	6141	6520	1900	102			
724	145	1096	371	34	26	397	1600	1600	480	795	156	183	350	580	4144	4541	1800	103		
341	341	517	517	100	24	541	1100	1100	340	208	100	100	100	189	1837	2378	1100	104		
694	55	1050	411	39	14	425	1500	1500	300	194	79	100	100	18	2212	2737	1500	105		
793	155	1290	280	23	16	296	1700	1700	360	240	200	200	200	402	639	5941	6237	1700	106	
492	274	744	432	58	10	442	1000	1000	240	150	50	30	30	1240	1682	1100	107			
389	14	590	181	31	34	215	1100	1150	150	50	30	30	30	21	1401	1616	1150	108		
159	94	242	155	64	3	158	490	420	100	260	100	100	100	68	818	976	420	109		
404	128	612	308	50	8	316	850	900	72	101	110	110	110	348	1531	1847	700	110		
552	264	835	547	66	8	555	1300	1300	180	162	100	292	13	492	2439	2994	1300	111		
440	274	667	601	75	9	510	1400	1400	350	200	100	100	100	24	2074	2584	1400	112		
300	33	564	118	22	9	127	850	850	250	276	180	180	180	99	1655	1782	850	113		
1789	730	2703	1644	61	107	1751	3000	3000	800	2657	1300	1505	2110	11372	13123	3000	114			
735	225	1112	472	42	3	475	1300	1300	480	291	1150	124	324	3669	4144	1300	115			
562	151	852	440	52	4	440	1350	1350	275	284	246	72	4	238	2469	2909	1350	116		
708	399	1071	762	71	19	781	1500	1500	400	456	312	240	17	559	3484	4265	1600	117		
682	373	1032	723	70	19	742	1500	1500	240	211	81	81	81	315	2367	3109	1500	118		
417	117	632	309	49	15	324	1200	1200	300	160	415	415	415	250	2325	2649	1200	119		
649	301	831	50	6	50	1100	1100	1100	300	327	341	185	185	163	2434	2484	1100	120		
401	229	607	437	72	32	469	1285	1248	200	431	182	182	182	25	2086	2555	1285	121		
377	141	571	335	59	9	344	1000	1084	300	350	250	250	250	94	1978	2322	1000	122		
210	126	318	234	72	8	242	900	900	120	100	25	25	25	170	1315	1567	900	123		
662	120	850	211	25	11	222	300	300	300	300	815	406	130	111	763	2525	2747	500	124	

**COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL**

Number	CHARGES	Assessed President's Salary												Special for Missions
		Assessed President's Salary	Paid President's Salary	Assessed Superannuates	Paid Superannuates	Assessed Md. Conf. Budget	Paid Md. Conf. Budget	Undesignated Budget	Children's Day	Rally Day	Young People's Day	Easter Offering	Women's Auxiliary	
125	Calvary.....	27	27	70	70	136	136	...	...	30	...	65	...	40
126	Cherrydale.....	61	61	155	155	307	307	...	18	11	...	175	...	...
127	Congress Street.....	39	39	100	100	195	195	...	...	4	...	100	...	...
128	First Church.....	32	32	81	81	159	159	...	...	...	16	60	...	...
129	Fort Myer Heights.....	17	17	46	46	87	87	...	10	10	...	20	...	...
130	Mt. Tabor.....	22	22	59	59	114	114	...	...	...	...	55	...	...
131	Mt. Olivet.....	36	36	93	93	182	182	...	41	33	...	176	...	...
132	North Caroline Avenue.....	44	44	108	108	213	213	...	60	54	...	165	...	...
133	Rhode Island Avenue.....	97	97	247	247	490	490	...	54	38	...	350	...	...
134	Lewis Memorial.....	17	19	43	43	86	86	...	78	...	...	50	...	...
135	Wesley Chapel of Kent.....	32	32	83	83	162	162	...	...	39	...	18	...	...
136	Westminster.....	48	48	126	126	248	248	...	...	61	...	350	...	...
137	Whaleyville.....	31	31	78	78	153	153	...	...	33	...	10	...	...
138	Wilmington	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
138	First Church.....	30	30	77	77	149	149	...	8	12	...	60	...	...
139	Peninsula.....	95	95	243	243	483	483	...	...	...	...	7	...	...
	Detached Churches	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
140	Chateau.....	3	3	10	10	17	17	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
141	Eldorado.....	7	7	18	18	33	33	...	10	15	...	...	...	...
142	Madison.....	6	6	19	19	35	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
143	Portsville.....	4	4	13	13	21	21	...	...	3	...	...	...	...
144	Quinton.....	6	6	18	18	33	33	...	11	17	...	14	...	...
145	Union Church.....	7	7	19	19	33	33	...	39	...	...	...	...	...
146	Providence.....	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...

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	Special for Education	Children's Home	Assessed World Service Budget	Total Paid World Service Budget	Total Assessment	Paid Total Assessment	Percentage Paid on Total Assessment	Miscel. General Interests	Total Pd. General Interests	Assessed Pastor's Salary	Paid Pastor's Salary	Rental Value of Parsonage	Current Expenses	Paid on Building and Improvements	Paid on Debt	Paid for Interest on Debt	Miscellaneous Local	Total Paid for Local Interests	Total Paid for all Purposes	Pastor's Salary 1936-1937	Number	
...	30	452	165	685	398	58	23	420	1800	1800	1800	600	849	889	2300	1035	570	8043	8463	1900	125	
...	1021	469	1544	992	51	30	1022	2400	2400	2400	2400	600	1092	800	500	451	614	6457	7479	2400	126	
...	651	100	985	434	44	46	480	2000	2000	2000	2000	720	750	370	300	162	51	4353	4833	2000	127	
...	528	321	800	593	74	11	604	1700	1700	1700	1700	540	330	175	100	189	284	3318	3922	1700	128	
...	291	71	441	177	40	6	183	1000	1000	1000	1000	180	140	245	...	...	85	1650	1833	1150	129	
...	380	201	575	396	10	406	1400	1400	1400	1400	1400	750	719	300	180	100	79	3528	3934	1500	130	
...	605	314	916	625	68	20	912	1800	1800	1800	1800	600	417	1500	823	195	681	6016	6644	1800	131	
...	14	708	527	1073	802	20	912	1800	1800	1800	1800	840	760	510	...	...	374	331	4615	5527	1800	132
...	1630	1630	2464	2464	100	288	2752	3300	3300	3300	3300	900	2595	200	800	35	846	8676	11428	3300	133	
...	253	191	399	339	85	24	363	1800	1800	1800	1800	600	128	...	...	...	384	2912	3275	1800	134	
...	539	179	816	456	56	18	474	1200	1200	1200	1200	300	300	229	...	...	140	2179	2653	1200	135	
...	816	511	1238	933	75	48	981	2080	2080	2080	2080	480	1572	350	...	...	550	5032	6013	2080	136	
...	569	74	771	336	44	...	336	1200	1200	1200	1200	75	400	...	...	...	73	1748	2084	1200	137	
...	497	124	753	276	38	20	296	1400	1400	1400	1400	350	654	1647	3097	680	202	8030	8326	1400	138	
...	1608	427	2420	813	33	32	845	2500	2500	2500	2500	2107	163	500	2968	260	10898	11743	2500	139		
...	55	5	85	35	41	1	30	100	150	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	175	211	100	140	
...	108	108	166	166	100	1	167	360	360	360	360	...	51	260	...	...	25	696	863	360	141	
...	114	19	174	79	45	...	79	...	400	...	...	...	80	150	...	...	...	630	709	400	142	
...	71	7	109	26	24	1	27	240	240	...	...	...	...	35	...	...	...	37	312	339	240	143
...	107	61	164	118	72	1	120	300	300	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	93	418	538	300	144
...	110	39	169	98	58	...	100	300	300	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	325	425	300	145	
...	4	...	...	9	...	...	9	...	30	...	34	...	...	...	...	...	3	37	40	85	146	

## PROPERTY, ASSESSMENTS, PASTOR'S SALARY

CHARGE	PROPERTY							ASSESSMENTS						
	Appointments	Churches	Parsonage	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken	President's Salary & Exp.	Superannuates	Md. Conference Budget	World Service Budget	Total Assessments	Pastor's Salary 1936-1937
Accomac.....	1	2	1	20000	3000	200	8600	1	31	92	184	603	910	1200
Amelia.....	3	3	1	7000	3000	.....	1000	7	19	56	112	368	555	700
Baltimore:														
Alnutt Memorial.....	1	1	1	50000	.....	.....	20000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethesda.....	1	1	1	60000	.....	37000	45000	.....	35	104	207	677	1023	1600
Brooklyn.....	1	1	1	60000	13500	18540	34000	.....	52	155	310	1008	1525	1800
Calvary.....	1	1	1	40000	5000	.....	21500	20	40	117	234	763	1154	1500
Chesaco Park.....	1	1	1	2500	.....	.....	1800	12	10	29	58	187	284	600
Christ Church.....	1	1	1	70000	7000	4270	23000	45	59	174	348	1132	1713	2000
East Baltimore.....	1	1	1	20000	2000	2000	9000	20	31	93	186	601	911	1500
Edmondson Avenue.....	1	1	1	100000	6500	49500	53900	20	64	193	386	1259	1902	3000
Eutaw.....	1	1	1	60000	7000	7800	29800	30	66	194	388	1268	1916	2500
Evergreen.....	1	1	1	15000	14000	7800	26600	3	20	59	118	386	583	1200
Glen Burnie.....	1	1	1	50000	4000	23500	31200	26	40	120	240	779	1179	2500
Grace.....	1	1	1	73000	6000	18500	30600	3	50	148	296	960	1454	2000
Graceland Park.....	1	1	1	10000	.....	.....	5000	.....	7	19	38	123	187	400
Hampden.....	1	1	1	175000	20000	30350	65000	32	90	269	538	1755	2652	2600
Keen Memorial.....	1	1	1	40000	6000	16900	20800	16	32	95	190	616	933	1600
Lauraville.....	1	1	1	50000	7500	37620	3000	22	45	135	270	880	1330	1900
Linthicum Heights.....	1	2	1	28000	8500	.....	22375	9	38	115	230	745	1128	1800
Lowe Memorial.....	1	1	1	50000	8000	.....	15500	30	49	148	296	969	1462	1920
Marley.....	3	3	1	7000	5000	1879	10000	5	18	54	108	348	528	700
Nichols' Memorial.....	1	1	1	12000	6000	623	8900	12	20	58	116	337	531	1000
North Baltimore.....	1	1	1	60000	7000	6300	56900	26	55	163	326	1055	1599	2500
St. John's.....	1	1	1	100000	10000	4000	94000	32	82	242	484	1571	2379	3000
St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	60000	5000	15500	22500	11	37	111	222	719	1089	1700
South Baltimore.....	1	1	1	20000	8000	4654	15890	21	28	81	162	523	794	1200
Starr.....	1	2	1	190000	10000	93345	100000	37	98	291	582	1895	2866	3000
Texas.....	1	2	1	9000	.....	.....	8500	4	14	41	82	268	405	675
Towson.....	1	2	1	25000	8000	.....	18000	17	36	113	226	738	1113	1800
Trinity.....	1	1	1	45000	7000	18531	12500	6	54	161	322	1053	1590	1600
Violetville.....	1	1	1	50000	8000	25000	25000	8	23	69	138	446	676	1500
West Baltimore.....	1	1	1	100000	.....	37778	40000	46	58	170	340	1106	1674	2000
Wilton Heights.....	1	1	1	65000	4000	6415	23000	12	42	125	250	818	1235	1500
Bedford.....	4	4	1	36000	3000	2658	16000	9	35	102	204	664	1005	1300
Belair.....	1	2	1	30000	10000	.....	10000	18	30	90	180	587	887	1300
Bivalve.....	1	2	1	13000	1500	.....	4500	11	22	66	197	428	648	950
Buckeystown.....	1	2	1	35000	4500	.....	24600	23	33	101	201	655	990	1800
Cambridge.....	4	4	1	68500	4500	13925	48000	18	43	127	254	824	1248	2000
Caroline.....	1	1	1	4000	1800	.....	5300	4	14	43	86	278	421	950
Carroll Circuit.....	3	3	1	5000	3500	510	6000	6	13	36	72	236	357	600
Cecil.....	4	4	2	28000	5000	.....	17350	10	25	75	150	486	736	1200
Centreville.....	1	1	1	37500	5500	.....	26700	11	23	67	134	437	661	1200
Chestertown.....	1	1	1	85000	10000	8000	65000	41	52	155	310	1008	1525	2200
Claremont.....	3	3	2	14000	2500	.....	7000	9	25	77	154	503	759	1000
Clayton.....	2	2	1	16000	800	.....	7000	2	17	51	102	331	501	800
Crisfield:														
Mt. Pleasant.....	1	1	1	55000	8000	775	41000	8	45	135	270	874	1324	1600
Mariners.....	1	1	1	18500	2000	3500	11500	7	23	69	138	448	678	1200
Cumberland:														
First Church.....	1	1	1	40000	8000	630	25000	5	38	113	226	737	1114	1600
Cumberland Circuit.....	3	3	1	8000	3000	2700	4600	5	27	80	160	520	787	1200
Dagsboro.....	2	2	1	8000	2000	.....	8500	4	21	63	126	413	623	800
Deer Creek.....	2	2	1	4000	3000	.....	5700	.....	15	47	94	307	463	700
Deer Park.....	2	2	1	18000	8000	.....	12500	24	41	122	244	793	1200	1400
Delmar.....	1	1	1	20000	4000	1500	9400	19	37	106	212	687	1041	1600
Delta.....	1	1	1	8000	4000	80	.....	5	27	80	160	523	790	.....
Denton.....	1	1	1	20000	2500	.....	11000	8	30	89	178	581	878	2000
Dorchester.....	3	3	1	7000	1500	.....	5000	3	24	72	144	466	706	1000
Dover.....	1	1	1	20000	5000	900	8000	3	15	43	86	277	421	900
Doyleburg.....	3	3	1	7000	1400	.....	5900	10	26	77	154	501	758	1020
Easton.....	1	1	1	25000	5000	5000	13000	18	28	84	168	546	826	1620



PROPERTY, ASSESSMENTS, PASTOR'S SALARY

CHARGE	PROPERTY							ASSESSMENTS						
	Appointments	Churches	Parsonage	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken	President's Salary & Exp.	Superannuates	Md. Conference Budget	World Service Budget	Total Assessments	Pastor's Salary 1936-1937
Elizabeth.....	1	1	1	20000	8000	2700	145000	4	64	128	412	626	1000	
Fairfax.....	4	4	1	4000	2000		6525	4	12	37	74	233	356	200
Fawn Grove.....	2	2	1	30000	5000		14425	22	44	129	258	841	1272	1750
Federalburg.....	1	1	1	9000	2500		7000	24	20	58	116	376	570	1456
Finksburg.....	3	3	1	41000	7000	300	25000	19	34	101	200	658	993	1320
First Church, Newark.....	1	1	1	130000	35000		142500	121	361	720	2343	432	3545	3000
Frederick.....	3	4	1	6800	2500		4000	23	66	132	432	652	1200	
Friendship.....	1	1	1	3000	1500		2000	3	9	16	59	87		
Georgetown.....	1	1	1	35000	6000	432	30500	1	34	101	202	661	998	1500
Greenbackville.....	3	3	3	10000	2000	875	9000	1	26	77	152	498	753	1000
Greenbush-Hallwood.....	3	3	3	16000	7000	3200	15000	29	86	172	562	849	1000	
Greenwood-Cannon.....	3	4	2	18000	6000	350	24550	29	86	170	558	843	1125	
Grove.....	4	5	2	11000	1800		2500	2	12	35	70	222	345	650
Harbeson-Lewes.....	3	3	3	17000	4000		11000	30	89	178	581	878	1200	
Harmony, W. Va.....	1	1	1	8000	2000	6000		9	17	49	98	323	487	700
Harpers Ferry.....	2	2	1	11500	5000		6000	4	20	61	122	397	600	1000
Harrington.....	1	1	1	45000	5000		40500	15	28	84	167	545	824	1350
Hebron.....	4	4	1	10000	3000			36	107	213	697	1053	1600	
Howard.....	4	4	1	43000	5000	3965	30500	43	18	54	106	347	525	1200
Hurlock.....	2	2	1	9800	3000		7300	18	4	13	25	82	124	208
Indian River.....	1	1	1	6000			4000	2	4	11	23	767	1158	1550
Kempton.....	4	4	1	31600	4000		10900	29	60	119	390	580	1000	
Kennedyville.....	1	1	1	8000	4000	1200		29	62	124	406	613	1175	
Kent Island-Wye.....	3	3	2	15000	5000		30600	11	40	117	232	760	1149	1600
Laurel.....	1	1	1	70000	7500	3500		3	15	45	88	290	438	1000
Laurel Circuit.....	4	4	1	8000	5000		6200	9	29	61	122	398	601	1200
Leeds.....	2	2	1	20000	2500	1000	18000	9	24	81	122	398	601	1200
Leipic.....	1	1	1	3000	500		2000	1	4	13	24	81	122	200
Lewistown-Liberty.....	3	3	1	11000	3000		8775	16	21	63	125	411	620	713
Lynchburg:														
First Church.....	1	1	1	50000	4000	20000	20000	20	63	190	379	1239	1871	2000
Second Church.....	1	1	1	11000	6000		9500	14	36	107	214	701	1058	2100
Tyreanna.....	1	1	1	1500	1500		1750	1	12	35	69	226	342	600
Mardela.....	4	4	1	12000	2600		7800	12	28	82	166	544	821	1300
Maryland Line.....	4	4	1	50000	3500	760	22400	10	35	105	209	689	1038	1400
Milford.....	1	1	1	43500	10000	3490	26900	7	53	159	317	1038	1567	1560
Milton.....	1	1	1	5000	3500	250	7000	12	24	71	142	463	700	1300
Mt. Nebo.....	3	3	1	13000	4000		12700	3	24	69	137	451	681	1000
New Church.....	1	3	1	70000	3000	425	25000	5	29	85	169	553	836	1050
Northumberland.....	4	4	1	38500	3500	4350	8000	10	35	104	206	679	1024	1000
Oxford.....	1	1	1	5000	4000		5000	5	15	45	89	282	441	1000
Parksley.....	1	1	1	36000	5000	450	9000	16	31	91	180	592	894	1200
Philadelphia:														
Emmanuel.....	1	1	1	60000	5000	10182	22000	7	18	56	110	359	543	1200
St. Luke's.....	1	1	1	225000	25000	3826	57000	21	51	152	303	887	1303	1900
Taylor Memorial.....	1	1	1	45000	5000	6400	24000	15	36	105	210	682	1033	1800
Pipe Creek.....	1	1	1	9000	4000		8000	11	17	53	105	343	518	1100
Pittsville.....	2	2	1	14000	5000	250	9500	14	35	105	210	688	1038	1500
Pocomoke City.....	1	1	1	30000	5000	23825	27000	18	40	119	237	777	1173	1700
Poplar Springs.....	3	3	1	10000	5500		11200	11	25	73	144	475	717	1100
Powellville.....	4	4	1	14000	1500		3900	7	19	59	117	384	579	1150
Queen Anne.....	2	2	1	7500	1500	50	5000	2	8	25	48	158	239	420
Reliance.....	2	2	1	10000	1800		10450	4	20	60	120	392	592	700
Ridgeville.....	2	2	1	10300	4000		13800	15	29	86	170	558	843	1300
St. James.....	2	2	1	15000	5000		8500	10	22	66	132	429	649	1400
St. Michaels.....	2	2	1	16000	2000		8000	2	18	53	106	346	523	850
Salisbury.....	1	1	1	165000	12000	41800	100000	40	98	292	582	1908	2880	3000
Seaford.....	1	1	1	25000	8000	1800	26000	8	37	111	220	722	1090	1300
Sharptown.....	1	2	1	21000	4500		16000	13	29	85	170	556	840	1350
Snow Hill.....	1	2	1	60000	6000	132	40000	14	36	108	214	702	1060	1600
Stewartstown.....	2	2	1	17000	3500		19500	7	35	104	206	678	1023	1500
Susquehanna.....	2	2	1	8000	3500		8000	8	22	66	131	422	647	1200

**PROPERTY, ASSESSMENTS, PASTOR'S SALARY**

CHARGE	PROPERTY								ASSESSMENTS					
	Appointments	Churches	Parsonage	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken	President's Salary & Exp.	Superannuates	Md. Conference Budget	World Service Budget	Total Assessments	Pastor's Salary 1936-1937
Trinity-Salem.....	3	3	1	36000	5000	6180	10500	7	27	80	160	523	790	1100
Union Bridge.....	1	1	1	16000	3400	.....	9900	16	21	65	129	420	635	1285
Wallace Memorial.....	1	1	1	7000	3000	.....	3500	12	19	57	112	368	556	1060
Warwick.....	2	2	1	3200	1200	.....	3500	4	12	34	67	218	331	900
Washington:														
Alexandria.....	1	1	...	40000	.....	3920	20000	1	25	74	148	479	726	500
Calvary.....	1	1	1	30000	9000	17700	25000	2	25	75	150	485	735	1900
Cherrydale.....	1	1	1	30000	6000	7000	12000	5	54	161	322	1050	1584	2400
Congress Street.....	1	1	1	30000	8000	2700	1800	10	34	101	202	653	990	2000
First Church.....	1	1	1	30000	10000	2800	29000	4	27	79	158	507	771	1700
Fort Myer Heights.....	2	2	...	23500	.....	9450	18800	4	15	43	86	282	426	1700
Mt. Olivet.....	1	1	1	20000	7000	5575	21500	2	31	93	186	602	912	1800
Mt. Tabor.....	1	1	1	20000	6000	1400	20000	5	26	77	154	501	758	1500
North Carolina Avenue.....	1	1	1	60000	7000	6100	23500	18	37	108	216	698	1059	1800
Rhode Island Avenue.....	1	1	1	75000	10000	500	36500	38	84	253	506	1644	2487	3300
Thomas H. Lewis Memor.....	1	1	1	21000	12000	.....	.....	6	17	43	86	253	399	1800
Wesley Chapel of Kent.....	2	2	1	25000	2200	.....	10000	13	29	86	172	563	850	1200
Westminster.....	1	1	1	25000	6000	.....	20800	28	43	127	254	825	1249	2080
Whaleyville.....	3	3	1	8000	2500	.....	6500	5	25	74	148	485	732	1200
Wilmington:														
First Church.....	1	1	1	60000	6000	36594	50000	14	25	75	150	486	736	1400
Peninsula.....	1	1	2	120000	37000	57601	86500	20	77	229	458	1496	2260	2500
Detached Churches:														
Chateau.....	1	1	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....	2	3	8	16	51	78	100
Eldorado.....	1	1	.....	2500	.....	20	1000	10	5	17	34	110	166	360
Linden Church.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madison.....	1	1	.....	6120	.....	.....	3000	.....	5	16	32	99	152	400
Portsville.....	1	1	.....	5000	.....	.....	1000	.....	3	12	24	73	112	240
Quinton.....	1	1	.....	5000	.....	.....	2900	.....	5	17	34	107	163	300
Union Church.....	1	1	.....	4000	.....	.....	2000	2	5	17	34	109	165	300
Md. Conf. Bldg.....	.....	.....	.....	250000	.....	.....	100000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. T. Seminary.....	.....	.....	.....	170000	.....	.....	90000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. M. College.....	.....	.....	.....	1250000	.....	.....	800000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Home for Aged.....	.....	.....	.....	13000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
President's Parsonage.....	.....	.....	.....	18000	.....	.....	12000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....







## MEMBERSHIP

CHARGE	Unstationed Ministers and Preachers	Probationers	Full Members				Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	Conversions	Sunday Schools			Y.P.S.C.E.			Amt. for Conf. Un. Missionary					
			Received	Elected to Membership	Withdrawn	Discontinued				Received	Withdrawn	Discontinued	Deceased	Officers and Teachers	New Scholars		Scholars on Roll	C. E. Societies	Members	Junior Societies	Members
Wallace Memorial.....	138					12						224	1	63			5				
Warwick.....	70					2					12	1	22				-10				
Washington:																					
Alexandria.....	143					4	3	1	1	1	33	14	1	51							
Calvary.....	178					11	1	1	1	1	28	56	1	22							
Cherrydale.....	402					11	1	1	1	1	34	31	1	36			10-10				
Congress Street.....	239					10					10	10	1								
First Church.....	136					11	9	1	1	1	10	18	1	12	1	15	-15				
Fort Myer Heights.....	103					11	14				16	29	1	14							
Mt. Olivet.....	302					1		1	1	1	15	37	1	26			-15				
Mt. Tabor.....	185					1	3	3	3	3	22	59	1	63	1	35	35-140				
North Carolina Avenue.....	240					3	3	3	3	3	21	1	1	14							
Rhode Island Avenue.....	644					65	17	1	1	1	6	6	2	130			-10				
Thomas H. Lewis Memorial.....	114					14	4	31	1	1	22	45	10	431	1	22	-10				
Wesley Chapel of Kent.....	312					16	7	6			10	1	22	240							
Westminster.....	293					4					4	3	27	16	359						
Whaleyville.....	224																				
Wilmington:																					
First Church.....	167					9	4				19	25	185	1	30	1	18				
Peninsula.....	660					36	4	1	1	1	30		400	1	29	1	30				
Detached Churches																					
Chateau.....	21										1	8	35								
Eldorado.....	32						15				1	6	45	1	25						
Linden Church.....	36																				
Madison.....	36										1	2	30								
Portsville.....	28										5	2	60								
Quinton.....	61										10	2	36								
Union Church.....	43						3				6	40	40								
Hebron Church.....	25							1			1	11	75								

## STEWARD'S REPORT

	1936	1935	Incr.	Decr.
President's Salary .....	\$ 5,105	\$ 4,347	758	
Superannuates .....	11,156			
Maryland Conference Budget .....	17,997	29,036	117	
General Conference Budget				
Credits:				
Undesignated .....	3,771	5,353		1,582
Children's Day .....	4,095	4,486		391
Rally Day .....	3,203	3,153	50	
Young People's Day .....	846	1,042		196
Easter Offerings .....	4,646	4,899		253
Women's Auxiliary .....	14,374	13,506	868	
Young People's Union .....	400	720		320
Special for Missions .....	960	864	96	
Special for Education .....	60	78		18
Special for Children's Home....	184	91	93	
Paid on General Conf. Budget..	32,539	34,192		1,653
Paid on Total Assessments.....	66,797	67,575		778
Miscellaneous General .....	4,533	6,053		1,520
Total for General Interests.....	71,331	73,628		2,297
Pastors' Salaries .....	195,990	195,795	195	
Rental Value of Parsonages .....	51,623	52,830		1,207
Current Expenses .....	88,481	85,804	2,677	
Paid on Building and Improvements	42,977	33,044	9,933	
Paid on Debt .....	32,317	39,259		6,942
Paid on Interest on Debt.....	36,635	42,751		6,116
Miscellaneous Local .....	43,552	43,368	184	
Total Paid for Local Interests.....	490,329	492,851		2,522
Total Paid for All Purposes.....	561,660	566,415		4,755

RAYMOND W. WHITE, Steward,  
J. R. McKEAWN, Assistant Steward.

## STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

STATISTICAL SUMMARY  
MEMBERSHIP

	1935	1936	Incr.	Decr.
Ministers and Preachers .....	172	171		1
Supply Preachers .....	8	7		1
Unstationed Ministers and Preachers	55	50		5
Full Members .....	35,822	36,081	259	
Full Members Received .....	2,110	1,678		432
Full Members Withdrawn .....	369	326		43
Full Members Discontinued .....	853	653	200	
Full Members Deceased .....	398	407	9	
Probationers on Roll .....		136		
Probationers Received .....	156	183	27	
Probationers Elected to membership..	101	71		30
Probationers Discontinued .....	9	1		8
Adults Baptized .....	305	157		148
Children Baptized .....	1,217	1,115		102
Conversions .....	2,039	1,896		143
Sunday Schools .....	239	246	7	
Sunday School Officers & Teachers....	3,706	3,671		35
New Scholars .....	3,131	2,803		328
Scholars on Roll .....	35,787	35,595		192
Senior C. E. Societies.....	140	138		2
Senior C. E. Society Members.....	4,428	4,501	73	
Intermediate C. E. Societies.....	80	32		48
Int. C. E. Society Members.....	1,408	734		674
Junior C. E. Societies.....	48	48		
Junior C. E. Society Members.....	1,260	1,219		41
Amt. cont. by C. E. Int. and Jr. for Foreign Missions .....		323		
Cont. by C. E. and S. S. to Conf. Un. Miss. ....		665		

## PROPERTY

Appointments .....	250	241		9
Churches .....	258	258		
Parsonages .....	132	135	3	
Value of Church Property.....	6,618,300	6,453,420		164,880
Value of Parsonage .....	745,900	752,300	6,400	
Debt on Church and Parsonage.....	877,582	802,318		75,264
Church Papers Taken .....	1,725	1,761	36	
Insurance on Church & Parsonage....	3,804,425	3,765,000		39,425

J. LEE MARKER, Statistician.



# MANUAL

## RULES OF ORDER AND REGULATIONS FOR THE Government of the Maryland Annual Conference

### RULES OF ORDER

#### 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.
- b. 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. (a) 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.

4. (b) 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.

4. (c) 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.

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.

#### 2. 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."

3. 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 appropriations, 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 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 shall 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.  
The President of the Conference a member ex officio, with voting power. (This an ad interim committee).
  19. Group Life Insurance—President of Conference and Treasurer of Conference.
  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, whereupon the President may request the visitors be brought to him, to be by him introduced to the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

#### **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:

a. 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.*

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 shall 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 contribute 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 President 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 regulations concerning the organization of our Sabbath Schools into Foreign Missionary Societies and the taking of a collection every quarter for Foreign Missions.

3. Children's Day shall be faithfully observed by all our Sabbath Schools, and the money received on that day shall be exclusively devoted to the Children's Day offering for Foreign Missions.

### Regulation VII. OUR CHURCH HOME

1. Every charge shall elect or appoint a Lady Visitor from each church on the 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; provided however that in case both the delegate and the alternate are unable to attend the sessions of the Conference a special election may be held, and such election be construed as an adjourned session of the meeting which elected the original delegate.

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 transportation of ministers and delegates to and from the Annual Conference shall be placed upon a mileage basis of two (2) cents per mile. A special committee shall be raised annually to compute the mileage and report the same to the Conference Treasurer who shall pro-rate the Transportation Assessment and notify the charges accordingly through the pastors. 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 to their homes. Superannuates will have their expenses paid out of the 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—
  - a. 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 Methodist Protestant Church should have a collegiate training, and must be graduates of the Westminster Theological Seminary, or a school of equal rank, except where experience and practice have demonstrated such unusual natural and spiritual graces as would justify, for such individual, the suspension of the foregoing regulation upon the recommendation of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders and the vote of the Conference.
2. The President of the Conference shall have authority to 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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# PLAN OF UNION

of

The Methodist Episcopal Church  
The Methodist Episcopal Church, South  
The Methodist Protestant Church

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## TRANSMITTAL

We, the Commissions on Interdenominational Relations and Church Union of The Methodist Episcopal Church, The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and The Methodist Protestant Church, holding that these Churches are essentially one in origin, in belief, in spirit, and in purpose, and desiring that this essential unity be made actual in organization and administration in the United States of America and throughout the world, do hereby propose and transmit to our respective General Conferences the following Plan of Union and recommend to the three Churches its adoption by the processes which they respectively require.

## DIVISION ONE

### Article I—Declaration of Union

The Methodist Episcopal Church, The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and The Methodist Protestant Church shall be united in one Church.

### Article II—Name

The name of the Church shall be The Methodist Church.

### Article III—Articles of Religion

The Articles of Religion shall be those historically held in common by the three uniting Churches. (See *Disciplines*.)

## DIVISION TWO—CONFERENCES

1. There shall be a General Conference for the entire Church with such powers, duties, and privileges as are hereinafter set forth.
2. There shall be Jurisdictional Conferences for the Church in the United States of America, with such powers, duties, and privileges as are hereinafter set forth.
3. There shall be Central Conferences for the Church outside the United States of America, with such powers, duties, and privileges as are hereinafter set forth.
4. There shall be Annual Conferences as the fundamental bodies in the Church, with such powers, duties, and privileges as are hereinafter set forth.

### Section I—General Conference

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

*Article II.*—The General Conference shall meet in the month of April or May once in four years, beginning with such year and at such place as shall be fixed by the Uniting Conference, and thereafter at such time and in such place as shall be determined by the General Conference or by its duly authorized committees.

*Article III.*—The General Conference shall fix the ratio of representation in the General, Jurisdictional, and Central Conferences from the Annual Conferences, with the total ministerial membership in the Annual Conference as a basis, provided that each Annual Conference shall be entitled to at least one ministerial and one lay delegate in the General Conference and also in the Jurisdictional or Central Conference.

*Article IV.*—The General Conference shall have full legislative power over all matters distinctively connectional, and in the exercise of said power shall have authority as follows:

1. To define and fix the conditions, privileges, and duties of church membership.
2. To define and fix the qualifications and duties of Elders, Deacons, Supply Preachers, Local Preachers, Exhorters, and Deaconesses.
3. To define and fix the powers and duties of Annual Conferences, Mission Conferences, and Missions, and of District, Quarterly, and Church Conferences.
4. To provide for the organization, promotion, and administration of the work of the Church outside the United States of America.
5. To define and fix the powers, duties, and privileges of the Episcopacy; to adopt a plan for the support of the Bishops, to provide a uniform rule for their superannuation, and to provide for the discontinuance of a Bishop because of inefficiency or unacceptability.
6. To provide and revise the Hymnal and Ritual of the Church and to regulate all matters relating to the form and mode of worship, subject to the limitations of the First Restrictive Rule.
7. To provide a judicial system and a method of judicial procedure for the Church, except as herein otherwise prescribed.
8. To initiate and to direct all connectional enterprises of the Church, such as publishing, evangelistic, educational, missionary, and benevolent, and to provide boards for their promotion and administration.
9. To determine and provide for raising the funds necessary to carry on the connectional work of the Church.
10. To fix a uniform basis upon which Bishops shall be elected by the Jurisdictional Conferences and to determine the number of Bishops that may be elected by Central Conferences.

11. To select its presiding officers from the Bishops, through a committee, provided that the Bishops shall select from their own number the president for the opening session.
12. To change the number and the boundaries of Jurisdictional Conferences upon the consent of a majority of the Annual Conferences in each Jurisdictional Conference involved.
13. To establish such commissions for the general work of the Church as may be deemed advisable.
14. To enact such other legislation as may be necessary, subject to the limitations and restrictions of the Constitution of the Church.

## Section II—Restrictive Rules

1. The General Conference shall not revoke, alter, or change our Articles of Religion, or establish any new standards or rules of doctrine contrary to our present existing and established standards of doctrine.
2. The General Conference shall not change or alter any part or rule of our government so as to do away Episcopacy, or destroy the plan of our itinerant General Superintendency.
3. The General Conference shall not do away the privileges of our Ministers or Preachers of trial by a committee and of an appeal; neither shall it do away the privileges of our members of trial before the church, or by a committee, and of an appeal.
4. The General Conference shall not revoke or change the General Rules of the United Societies.
5. The General Conference shall not appropriate the produce of the Publishing House, the Book Concern, or the Chartered Fund to any purpose other than for the benefit of the traveling, supernumerary, superannuated, and worn-out preachers, their wives, widows, and children.

## Section III—Amendments

1. Amendments to the Constitution may originate in either the General Conference or an Annual Conference.
2. Amendments to the Constitution shall be made upon a two-thirds majority of the General Conference present and voting and a two-thirds majority of all the members of the several Annual Conferences present and voting, except in the case of the First Restrictive Rule, which shall require a three-fourths majority of all the members of the Annual Conferences present and voting. The vote, after being completed, shall be canvassed by the Council of Bishops and the amendment voted upon shall become effective upon their announcement of its having received the required majority.
3. A Jurisdictional Conference may by a majority vote propose changes in the Constitution of the Church, and such proposed changes shall be submitted to the next General Conference. If the General Conference adopt the measure by a two-thirds vote, it shall be submitted to the Annual Conferences according to the provision for amendments.

### Section IV—Jurisdictional Conferences

*Article I.*—The Jurisdictional Conferences shall be composed of as many representatives from the Annual Conferences as shall be determined by a uniform basis established by the General Conference.

*Article II.*—All Jurisdictional Conferences shall have the same status and the same privileges of action within the limits fixed by the Constitution. The ratio of representation of the Annual Conferences in the General Conference shall be the same for all Jurisdictional Conferences.

*Article III.*—The General Conference shall fix the basis of representation in the Jurisdictional Conferences, provided that the Jurisdictional Conferences shall be composed of an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates, the ministerial to be elected by the ministerial members of the Annual Conferences and the lay delegates by the lay members.

*Article IV.*—Each Jurisdictional Conference shall meet within the twelve months succeeding the meeting of the General Conference at such time and place as shall have been determined by the preceding Jurisdictional Conference, or by its properly constituted committee. The first meeting of each Jurisdictional Conference after the General Conference shall be called by the Council of Bishops at a date fixed by them and at a place selected by a Committee on Entertainment appointed by them.

*Article V.*—The Jurisdictional Conferences shall have the following powers and duties and such others as may be conferred by the General Conference:

1. To promote the evangelistic, educational, missionary, and benevolent interests of the Church, and to provide for interests and institutions within their boundaries.
2. To elect Bishops and to co-operate in carrying out such plans for their support as may be determined by the General Conference.
3. To establish and constitute Jurisdictional Conference Boards as auxiliary to the General Boards of the Church as the need may appear, and to choose their representatives on the General Boards in such manner as the General Conference may determine.
4. To determine the boundaries of their Annual Conferences, provided that there shall be no Annual Conference with a membership of fewer than fifty ministers in full connection, except by the consent of the General Conference.
5. To make rules and regulations for the administration of the work of the Church within the Jurisdiction, subject to such powers as have been or shall be vested in the General Conference.
6. To appoint a Committee on Appeals to hear and determine the appeal of a traveling preacher of that Jurisdiction from the decision of a trial committee.

### Section V—Central Conferences

*Article I.*—There shall be Central Conferences for the work of the Church outside the United States of America with such duties, powers,

and privileges as are hereinafter set forth. The number and boundaries of the Central Conferences shall be determined by the Uniting Conference. Subsequently the General Conference shall have authority to change the number and boundaries of Central Conferences. The Central Conferences shall have the duties, powers, and privileges hereinafter set forth.

*Article II.*—The Central Conferences shall be composed of as many delegates as shall be determined by a basis established by the General Conference. The delegates shall be ministerial and lay in equal numbers, the ministerial delegates to be elected by the ministerial members and the lay delegates by the lay members of the Annual Conference.

*Article III.*—The Central Conferences shall meet within the year succeeding the meeting of the General Conference at such times and places as shall have been determined by the preceding respective Central Conferences or by commissions appointed by them, or by the General Conference. The date and place of the first meeting succeeding the first General Conference shall be fixed by the Bishops of the respective Central Conferences, or in such manner as shall be determined by the General Conference.

*Article IV.*—The Central Conferences shall have the following powers and duties and such others as may be conferred by the General Conference:

1. To promote the evangelistic, educational, missionary, and benevolent interests and institutions of the Church within their own boundaries.
2. To elect the Bishops for the respective Central Conferences in number as may be determined from time to time, upon a basis fixed by the General Conference, and to co-operate in carrying out such plans for the support of their Bishops as may be determined by the General Conference.
3. To establish and constitute such Central Conference Boards as may be required and to elect their administrative officers.
4. To determine the boundaries of the Annual Conferences within their respective areas.
5. To make such rules and regulations for the administration of the work within their boundaries as the conditions in the respective areas may require, subject to the powers that have been or shall be vested in the General Conference.
6. To appoint a Committee on Appeals to hear and determine the appeal of a traveling preacher of that Central Conference from the decision of a Committee of Trial.

#### Section VI—Episcopal Administration in Central Conferences

1. The Bishops of the Central Conferences shall be elected and inducted into office by their respective Central Conferences.
2. The Bishops of the Central Conferences shall have membership in the Council of Bishops with vote limited to matters relating to their respective Central Conferences.
3. The Bishops of the Central Conferences shall preside in the sessions of their respective Central Conferences.



4. The Bishops of each Central Conference shall arrange the plan of Episcopal visitation within their Central Conference.

5. The Council of Bishops may assign one of their number to visit any Central Conference. When so assigned the Bishop shall be recognized as an accredited representative of the general Church; and when requested by a majority of the Bishops of a Central Conference may exercise therein the functions of the Episcopacy.

## Section VII—Annual Conferences

*Article I.*—The Annual Conference shall be composed of all the Traveling Preachers in full connection with it, together with a lay member elected by each pastoral charge. The lay members shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and shall have been for the four years next preceding their election members of one of the constituent Churches forming this union, or of The Methodist Church.

*Article II.*—The Annual Conference is the basic body in the Church, and as such shall have reserved to it the right to vote on all constitutional amendments, on the election of ministerial and lay delegates to the General and the Jurisdictional or Central Conferences, on all matters relating to the character and conference relations of its ministerial members, and on the ordination of ministers, and such other rights as have not been delegated to the General Conference under the Constitution, with the exception that the lay members may not vote on matters of ordination, character, and relations of ministers. It shall discharge such duties and exercise such powers as the General Conference under the Constitution may determine.

*Article III.*—The Annual Conference shall elect ministerial and lay delegates to the General Conference and to its Jurisdictional or Central Conference in the manner provided in this section, Articles IV and V, at the session preceding the General Conference. The persons first elected up to the number determined by the ratio for representation in the General Conference shall be representatives in that body. Additional delegates shall be elected to complete the number determined by the ratio for representation in the Jurisdictional or Central Conference, who, together with those first elected as above, shall be delegates in the Jurisdictional or Central Conference. The additional delegates to the Jurisdictional or Central Conference shall in the order of their election be the reserve delegates to the General Conference. The Annual Conference shall also elect reserve ministerial and lay delegates to the Jurisdictional or Central Conference as it may deem desirable.

*Article IV.*—The ministerial delegates to the General Conference and to the Jurisdictional or Central Conference shall be elected by the ministerial members of the Annual Conference, provided that such delegates shall have been traveling preachers in the constituent Churches forming this union, or in The Methodist Church, for at least four years next preceding their election and are in full connection with the Annual Conference electing them when elected and at the time of holding the General and Jurisdictional or Central Conferences.



*Article V.*—The lay delegates to the General Conference and to the Jurisdictional or Central Conference shall be elected by the lay members of the Annual Conference, provided that such delegates be at least twenty-five (25) years of age and shall have been members of the constituent Churches forming this union, or of The Methodist Church, for at least four years next preceding their election, and are members thereof within the Annual Conference electing them at the time of holding the General and Jurisdictional or Central Conferences.

### Section VIII—Boundaries

*Article I.*—The Methodist Church in the United States of America shall have Jurisdictional Conferences made up as follows:

*Northeastern*—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico.

*Southeastern*—Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Cuba.

*Central*—The Negro Annual Conferences, the Negro Mission Conferences and Missions in the United States of America.

*North Central*—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota.

*South Central*—Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico.

*Western*—Washington, Idaho, Oregon, California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Alaska, Hawaiian Islands.

*Article II.*—The work of the Church outside the United States of America may be formed into Central Conferences, the number and boundaries of which shall be determined by the Uniting Conference, the General Conference having authority subsequently to make changes in the number and boundaries.

*Article III.*—Changes in the number, names, and boundaries of the Jurisdictional Conferences may be effected by the General Conference upon the consent of a majority of the Annual Conferences of each of the Jurisdictional Conferences involved.

*Article IV.*—Changes in the number, names, and boundaries of the Annual Conferences may be effected by the Jurisdictional Conferences in the United States of America and by the Central Conferences outside the United States of America, according to the provisions under the respective powers of the Jurisdictional and the Central Conferences.

### Section IX—District Conferences

*Article I.*—There may be organized in an Annual Conference District Conferences composed of such persons and invested with such powers as the General Conference may determine.

### Section X—Quarterly Conferences

*Article I.*—There shall be organized in each pastoral charge a Quarterly Conference composed of such persons and invested with such powers as the General Conference shall provide.

*Article II.—Election of Church Officers.*—Unless the General Conference shall order otherwise the officers of the church or churches constituting a pastoral charge shall be elected by the Quarterly Conference or by the members of said church or churches at a meeting called for that purpose, as may be arranged by the Quarterly Conference, unless the election is otherwise required by local church charters or state laws.

### Section XI—Church Conferences

There may be a Church Conference in each church, having such powers and duties as the General Conference may prescribe.

## DIVISION THREE—EPISCOPACY

*Article I.*—There shall be an Episcopacy in The Methodist Church of like plan, powers, privileges, and duties as now exist in The Methodist Episcopal Church and The Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

*Article II.*—The Bishops shall be elected by the respective Jurisdictional and Central Conferences and ordained or consecrated in the historic manner of Episcopal Methodism at such time and place as may be fixed by the General Conference.

*Article III.*—There shall be a Council of Bishops composed of all the Bishops of all the Jurisdictional and Central Conferences. The Council shall meet at least once a year and plan for the general oversight and promotion of the temporal and spiritual interests of the entire Church and for carrying into effect the rules, regulations, and responsibilities prescribed and enjoined by the General Conference, and in accord with the provisions set forth in this Plan of Union.

*Article IV.*—The Bishops of each Jurisdictional and Central Conference shall arrange the Plan of Episcopal Supervision of the Annual Conferences, Mission Conferences, and Missions within their respective territories.

*Article V.*—The Bishops shall have residential and presidential supervision in the Jurisdictional Conferences in which they are elected. A Bishop may be transferred from one Jurisdiction to another Jurisdiction for presidential and residential supervision by the Council of Bishops when such transfer is requested by the Jurisdictional Conference to which such proposed transfer is to be made.

A Bishop may be assigned by the Council of Bishops for presidential service or other temporary service not to exceed a year, in another Jurisdiction than that which elected him, provided request is made by a majority of the Bishops in the Jurisdiction of the proposed service.

In the case of an emergency in any Jurisdiction through the death or disability of its Bishops the Council of Bishops may assign one or more

Bishops from other Jurisdictions to the work of the said Jurisdiction with the consent of a majority of the Bishops of that Jurisdiction.

*Article VI.*—The Bishops of The Methodist Episcopal Church and of The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the time union is consummated, shall be Bishops of The Methodist Church.

The delegates from the Annual Conferences of The Methodist Protestant Church in the Uniting Conference shall have the authority and power to elect to the office of Bishop two ministers of their Church who, upon ordination or consecration at the Uniting Conference by the Bishops of the other two Churches, shall become effective Bishops of The Methodist Church.

The effective Bishops shall be assigned for service to the various Jurisdictional Conferences by the Uniting Conference.

*Article VII.*—A Bishop presiding over a District, Annual, or Jurisdictional Conference shall decide all questions of law coming before him in the regular business of a session, provided that such questions be presented in writing and that his decisions be recorded in the Journal of the Conference.

Such an Episcopal decision shall not be authoritative except for the pending case until it shall have been passed upon by the Judicial Council. Each Bishop shall report in writing annually all his decisions of law, with a syllabus of the same, to the Judicial Council, which shall affirm, modify, or reverse them.

*Article VIII.*—The Bishops of the several Jurisdictional Conferences shall preside in the sessions of their respective Jurisdictional Conferences.

## DIVISION FOUR—THE JUDICIARY

*Article I.*—There shall be a Judicial Council. The General Conference shall determine the number and qualifications of its members, their terms of office, and the method of election and the filling of vacancies.

*Article II.*—The Judicial Council shall have authority:

1. To determine the constitutionality of any act of the General Conference upon an appeal of a majority of the Council of Bishops, or one-fifth of the members of the General Conference; and to determine the constitutionality of any act of a Jurisdictional or Central Conference upon an appeal of a majority of the Bishops of that Jurisdictional or Central Conference or upon the appeal of one-fifth of the members of that Jurisdictional or Central Conference.

2. To hear and determine any appeal from a Bishop's decision on a question of law made in the Annual or District Conference when said appeal has been made by one-fifth of that Conference present and voting.

3. To pass upon decisions of law made by Bishops in Annual or District Conferences.

4. To hear and determine the legality of any action taken therein by any General Conference board or Jurisdictional or Central Conference board or body, upon appeal by one-third of the members thereof or upon

request of the Council of Bishops, or a majority of the Bishops of a Jurisdictional or a Central Conference.

5. To have such other duties and powers as may be conferred upon it by the General Conference.

6. To provide its own methods of organization and procedure.

*Article III.*—All decisions of the Judicial Council shall be final. However, when the Judicial Council shall declare any act of the General Conference unconstitutional that decision shall be reported back to that General Conference immediately.

## PROCEDURE—UNITING CONFERENCE

*Article I.*—There shall be a Uniting Conference composed of 900 delegates, of whom 400 shall be from The Methodist Episcopal Church, 400 from The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and 100 from The Methodist Protestant Church, chosen in such manner as may be determined by the respective General Conferences, provided that the ministerial and lay members shall be in equal number.

*Article II.*—The Uniting Conference shall be held within twelve months after the final approval and adoption of this Plan of Union by the three Churches, at the call of the Bishops of the two Churches and the President of the General Conference of The Methodist Protestant Church, and at a date fixed by them and at a place selected by a Joint Commission on Entertainment of five persons from each of the three Churches, this commission to be appointed by the Bishops of the two Churches and the President of The Methodist Protestant General Conference.

*Article III.*—The expenses of the Uniting Conference shall be borne by the three Churches in proportion to their respective representation.

*Article IV.*—The duties and powers of the Uniting Conference, subject to the provisions of this Plan of Union, shall be:

1. To harmonize and combine the rules and regulations as found in the Disciplines of the three Churches relating to membership, the conferences, the ministry, judicial administration, and temporal economy.

2. To harmonize and combine the Rituals of the three Churches.

3. To provide for the unification, co-ordination, and correlation of the connectional missionary, educational, and benevolent boards and societies of the three Churches.

4. To provide for the unification, co-ordination, and correlation of the publishing interests of the three Churches.

5. To provide a plan for the control and safeguarding of all permanent funds and other property interests of the three Churches and the interests of those persons and causes for which these funds were established.

*Article V.*—In order to facilitate the work of the Uniting Conference, the three General Conferences at the sessions wherein this Plan of Union is approved shall continue their Commissions on Union with such changes

in personnel as they may desire, and authorize the Joint Commission thus formed to make special preparation for the Uniting Conference by the appointment of proper committees to deal with (a) membership, conferences, ministry, judicial administration, and temporal economy; (b) rituals; (c) connectional boards and societies; (d) publishing interests; (e) permanent and pension funds; and (f) such other matters as imperatively call for advance consideration.

*Article VI.*—All Annual Conferences of the three Churches shall retain their existing status until by the action of the Uniting Conference it shall be determined otherwise.

*Article VII.*—The legislative power of the Uniting Conference shall be confined to harmonizing and combining provisions now existing in the Disciplines of the three Churches, or one or more of these Churches.

*Article VIII.*—The boundaries and composition of the Annual Conferences within the several Jurisdictional Conferences as made up in this Plan of Union shall be adjusted at the time of the meeting of the Uniting Conference by the delegates from the Annual Conferences within the respective Jurisdictions, sitting apart for that purpose during the period of the Uniting Conference, provided that in the case of those Annual Conferences that may be divided by the Jurisdictional Conference lines, their delegates shall allocate themselves to the respective Jurisdictional Conferences upon the basis of church membership of their Conferences in the respective Jurisdictions.

*Article IX.*—The Uniting Conference shall fix the basis of representation of the Annual Conferences in the first General Conference and in the Jurisdictional and Central Conferences.

*Article X.*—Pending the meeting of the Uniting Conference each of the three uniting Churches shall be governed by the rules and regulations of its own Discipline.

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### Recommendations

I. The General Conference is authorized to extend to the autonomous Methodist Churches outside the United States of America formerly connected with our bodies, an invitation to enter into conference with us with respect to such relationship with The Methodist Church as may seem mutually desirable.

II. The co-operative relationships which already exist between any of these three Methodist bodies and Churches in foreign fields not covered by other provisions herein shall be continued as may seem mutually advantageous.

III. The world-wide character of Methodism shall be recognized by participation in the Ecumenical Methodist Conference and by the appointment of a commission to assist in bringing all Methodist bodies throughout the world into more intimate and effective relationship.



IV. We recommend that financial support of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church be continued by those jurisdictional divisions with which said Church is historically related, and to such an extent as those Jurisdictions may deem wise.

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