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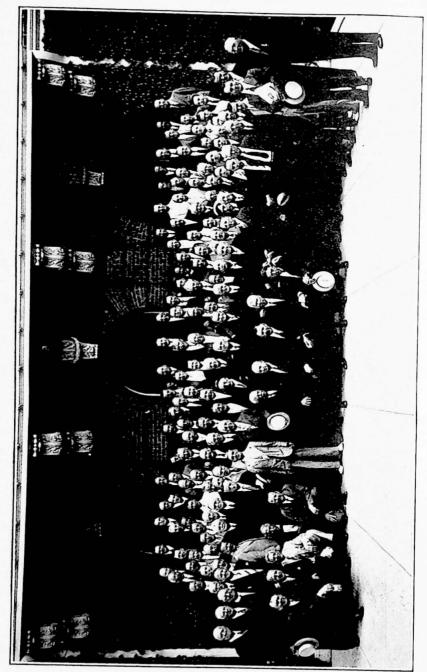
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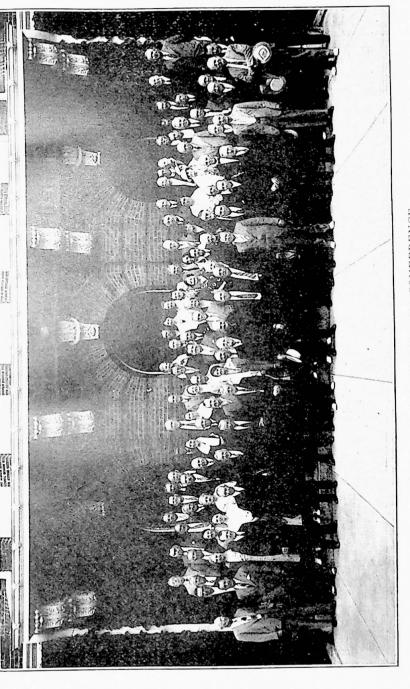
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UNITING CONFERENCE OF METHODISM

To the Maryland Annual Conference Methodist Protestant Church:

The Commission on Union to which was committed the matter of apportioning to the annual conferences their quota of delegates to the Uniting Conference of the Methodist Church herewith notifies you of your number of representation:

You are entitled to eight ministerial and eight lay delegates to sit in the Uniting Conference, to be elected by your body.

You are also authorized to elect at least an equal number of alternates to succeed to the places of delegates who may be unable to serve; these alternates not to be elected to succeed any particular person but to take their places in succession to the delegates already elected.

We recommend that all elections be made without nominations from the floor and that balloting continue until all election shall be had from the floor.

Official ballots are being provided for your use.

It is not necessary to remind you to make adequate financial provision for the necessary expenses of your delegtaes to the Uniting Conference.

JAS. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman

The Commission on Union.

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CONFERENCE EXAMINERS AND EXAMINATIONS

- (1) The Conference course of study shall be of four years duration and in five groups of subjects as follows:
 - (a) Practical Theology.
 - (b) Christian Theology.
 - (c) Church History.
 - (d) Homiletics.
 - (c) English Bible.

The 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.

G. A. OGG, Chairman

B. F. RULEY,

R. L. SHIPLEY,

F. G. HOLLOWAY,

C. C. DAY,

K. K. HADDAWAY.

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

PREPARATORY COURSE

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

(d) The applicant will be expected to present and read to this Examiner an original sermon, a selection from our psalter, and a hymn. All persons applying for admission to the Conference will write to the President of the Conference for official blanks, on which application should be made. All persons seeking license to administer the ordinances must have recommendation from a Quarterly Conference and must personally appear before the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

FIRST YEAR

- (a) Elderdice's "The Preacher's Problems."
- (b) Curtis' "Christian Faith." 1-180.
- (c) Drinkhouse "History of Methodist Reform." Volume 1, Chapters 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.

G. A. OGG, Chairman

B. F. RULEY,

R. L. SHIPLEY,

F. G. HOLLOWAY,

C. C. DAY,

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FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY

MORNING

The Maryland Annual Conference convened in its One Hundred and Tenth Session in Alumni Hall, Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland, June 8, 1938. President Edgar A. Sexsmith called the Conference to order at nine o'clock and led the devotional service.

Devotional Service. Conference sang hymn No. 408, "O Where Are Kings and Empires Now." Scripture reading, Col. 3:1-17. George Hines led in prayer.

Roll Call. The Conference roll of ministers and laymen was called by W. F. Wright, Secretary. The following names were transferred to the Memorial Roll: J. M. Gill, H. L. Elderdice, Avery Donovan, G. M. Clayton. A. W. Ewell brought greetings from J. F. Wooden; N. C. Clough brought greetings from G. F. Farring along with request to be excused from attending the session. G. F. Farring has been an honored member of this Conference for sixty-five years and has never missed a roll call until now. Request granted.

Memorial Roll and Memorial Service. The Memorial Roll was called by J. L. Ward. W. B. Judefind read the obituary of George M. Clayton. E. L. Bunce read the obituary of John M. Gill. The obituary of Avery Donovan was read by L. B. Smith. Rev. Charles E. Forlines, D.D., President of the Westminster Theological Seminary, and a member of the North Carolina Conference, read the obituary of Hugh Latimer Elderdice.

By the request of the President, the Conference stood for a moment of silent tribute and was then led in prayer by W. H. Litsinger.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. This service was conducted by the President, assisted by ministers of the Conference.

Conference Sermon. Conference joined in singing hymn No. 345, "I Am Thine, O Lord." P. F. Warner read scripture selections from the second chapter of Luke and the twenty-eighth chapter of Matthew and led in prayer.

F. G. Holloway preached the sermon, based on the texts: "Fear not, today a Saviour is born" and "Fear not, he is risen."

Conference sang hymn No. 401, "The Church's One Foundation."

Benediction. After announcements by the President, F. G. Holloway pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON

Conference was called to order at two o'clock with President E. A. Sexsmith in the chair. Conference sang hymn No. 248, "Blessed Assurance." E. C. Makosky led in prayer.

Roll Call. The Secretary called the roll of those who had not answered at the morning call. Request of L. W. Gordon to be excused from the Conference session until Friday was granted.

Secretary's Report and Committee on Credentials. The Secretary made his report and requested brevity in all reports so as to keep the minutes within a certain limit of size.

A statement of credentials was made and all necessary adjustments approved. (Report B)

Bar of the Conference. The bar of the Conference was ordered to include all seats on the main floor of the auditorium.

Report of the Program Committee. The printed program was adopted and distributed.

President's Report. J. H. Straughn was asked to assume the chair. President E. A. Sexsmith read his annual report. Fitting tribute was paid to our deceased members. A complete review of official acts and Conference activities was given. Brief statements were made regarding the Fellowship Crusade, Headquarters Building, Summer Conference for Ministers, Conference Council of Religious Education, work of the Women's Auxiliaries, Deaconess Work, Church Extension Work, Benevolent Agencies, Western Maryland College, Westminster Theological Seminary, Superannuate Fund, Mutual Relief Association, Group Insurance, Benevolent Societies, and the following allied organizations: Lord's Day Alliance, Anti-Saloon League, Women's Christian Temperance Union, Maryland Tract Society, Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education.

Special mention was made of achievements of many churches in their local fields of endeavor. A total amount of improvements was \$64,375. Indebtedness on churches was reduced by \$56,240 during the year. Members received during the year totaled 2,202. Indications are that salaries will be increased and that there will be a further increase in the World Service Budget. The President's parsonage is now free of all indebtedness.

Our position in connection with Methodist Union was defined.

Recommendations were made as follows:

- 1. That the conference historical record be completed and printed.
- 2. Continue our present program of assisting the Maryland Tract Society.
- 3. Suspension of conference rule in order to ordain members of Conference.
- 4. That we raise the Maryland Conference assessment and World Service Budget in full.

The Conference voted that the President's Character pass. (Report A)

Announcements of Standing Committees. President Sexsmith read the list of standing committees.

Election of Officers. The President asked J. H. Straughn to preside.

1. President—Tellers: T. J. Turkington, W. L. Hoffman, Fulton Downing, F. L. Ball.

Ballots were distributed. The Secretary called the roll for the casting of votes. The result was as follows: 234 ballots cast—necessary to choice 118—Votes cast for E. A. Sexsmith 122; L. B. Smith, 107; E. L. Bunce, 4; Edgar Read, 1.

- E. A. Sexsmith was declared elected.
- 2. Secretary. On motion assistant sceretary cast the ballot for W. F. Wright as secretary.
- 3. Treasurer. The Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot for Charles F. Cummins as treasurer.
- 4. Conference Steward. Ballots were distributed and motion passed that they be collected, the tellers being permitted to retire to count the same.
- 5. Statistician. R. W. Sapp was elected statistician by ballot cast by the Secretary as instructed by the Conference.
- 6. Agent for the President's Parsonage. H. C. Staley was elected the agent for the President's Parsonage by secretarial ballot.
- 7. Standing District Committee. Tellers: J. G. Eaton, G. E. Mc-Dorman, G. E. Harr, J. H. Sydnor. Ballots were received and tellers permitted to retire to count the same.
- 8. Committee on Appeals. Tellers: G. W. Ports, Lee Elliott, John Byers, C. R. Pitt. Vote taken and tellers permitted to retire to count the ballots.

Report of the Tellers. J. R. McKeawn elected as Conference Steward.

Introductions. Rev. George R. Brown, D.D., of Reedsville, North Carolina, a member of the North Carolina Conference, and Rev. W. H. Best, D.D., Presiding Elder of the Baltimore District of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were presented to the Conference.

Roll Call of Pastors for Annual Reports. The Secretary called the roll of pastors for reports, which were received by the steward.

Roll Call of Charges for Communications. The Secretary called the roll of charges for the receiving of communications.

Announcements. Substitutions on Committees: G. W. Ports for R. W. Sapp on Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service. W. H. Harrison's name added to Committee on Audit.

Resolution. E. C. Makosky introduced a resolution in recognition of G. W. Haddaway's fifty years' ministry in the Conference. Adopted. Conference stood and sang the doxology. Dr. Haddaway expressed his appreciation of the resolution. (Resolution 1)

Adjournment. Motion passed to adjourn. After announcements the benediction was pronounced by J. T. Bailey.

EVENING

Service of Song. The evening service was conducted by President Sexsmith. E. D. Stone led in a service of worship and praise. J. H. Straughn led in prayer. The offering was received.

The President introduced Dr. Edwin H. Lewis, Professor Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, who addressed the meeting, on the subject, "The Christian Evangel." E. D. Stone led in prayer. Conference joined in singing hymn No. 351, "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken."

The benediction was pronounced by R. Y. Nicholson.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY

MORNING

Opening of Conference. The President called the Conference to order at 9 o'clock. Conference sang "I Am Thine, O Lord." C. E. Dryden led in prayer.

Roll Call. Motion passed that roll be called only of persons who had not previously responded. The Secretary called the roll accordingly.

Reading of the Minutes. The minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Report of the Maryland Educational Endowment Society. The report was read by N. O. Gibson and was adopted by the Conference. (Report I-1)

Report of Tellers for election of the Committee on Appeals. The following were declared elected: J. H. Straughn, E. L. Bunce, J. N. Link, N. J. Parks, R. S. Jett, Henry Gilligan.

Report of Tellers for election of the Standing District Committee. The following were declared elected: E. C. Makosky, E. D. Stone, W. H. Litsinger, W. C. Scott, J. H. Baker, F. M. Benson.

Communications. The Secretary read letters from G. F. Farring, C. M. Cullum and T. R. Woodford. Motions were passed that the Secretary be instructed to answer for the Conference the letters received from Brothers C. M. Cullum and T. R. Woodford.

Lord's Day Alliance Representative. Dr. W. W. Davis, Executive Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, was presented to the Conference and spoke of the program and work of the Alliance.

Resolution. G. W. Haddaway introduced a resolution relative to the church's position regarding lotteries in Maryland. Adopted. (Resolution 2)

Report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage. The Secretary read the report which was adopted. (Report A-2)

Address President of General Conference. President J. H. Straughn addressed the Conference. He spoke of the Uniting Conference of Methodism to be held April 26, 1939; the results of the Fellowship Crusade; the program of raising the World Service Budget in full in the next year and church union.

Report of Conference Trustees and Headquarters Refunding Campaign Committee. E. C. Makosky read the report of the Trustees including the treasurer's statement. J. H. Straughn gave an analysis of the business condition of the Headquarters Buliding which indicated the best for about six years.

The Secretary read a report and statement of the Headquarters Refunding Campaign at this time. President E. A. Sexsmith spoke of the working of the plan. G. W. Haddaway spoke concerning the insurance program.

Reports were adopted. (Report D)

Request. C. B. Robey requested to be excused from Conference on Friday to attend a funeral. Request granted.

Motion to suspend the order of the day and to hear the Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. Mr. G. W. Crabbe, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, was presented and given the privilege of addressing the Conference about the liquor traffic.

Announcements. Announcements were made regarding various committees and boards. The President announced his plan of interviewing delegates and ministers.

Quiet Hour. Conference spent several moments in quiet meditation and was then led in prayer by Dr. George R. Brown, a visiting member of the North Carolina Conference. E. D. Stone led in the singing of a hymn.

Address. The Conference was addressed by Dr. Edwin H. Lewis on the topic: "The Relationship Between the Living Christ and the Kingdom of God."

Closing. Henry Gilligan led in prayer. The benediction was pronounced by E. A. Sexsmith.

EVENING

Service of Song. The evening session began at 7:30 o'clock with E. D. Stone leading the worship service. R. Y. Nicholson led in prayer. Then the offering was received. The congregation sang another hymn. President Sexsmith made several announcements, after which he pre-

sented Dr. Edwin H. Lewis, the speaker of the evening. Dr. Lewis spoke on the subject: "Dynamic Motivation for Christian Living."

Benediction. G. I. Humphreys led in prayer. Dr. E. A. Sexsmith pronounced the benediction.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY

MORNING

Opening. The President called the session to order, and led in singing hymn No. 345, "I Am Thine, O Lord." A. E. Woodward led in prayer.

Roll Call. By common consent only the names of those who had not previously responded were called. The President requested that all present answer the roll call in order to be duly recorded.

Communications. The Secretary read communications from the following: C. S. Marshall, W. H. Hodges, W. M. Snyder, J. C. Byrd, J. W. Parris. A motion was passed that the Secretary reply to these communications.

Reading of the Minutes. The minutes were read and approved.

Election to the Board of Trustees of the Conference. J. H. Straughn, W. A. Melvin, R. S. Jett and F. M. Benson were elected.

Change in Program. Secretary requested the setting of a time for the meeting of the Superannuate Fund Society. Motion passed that the meeting be scheduled for 12:25, Friday, and the Mutual Relief Association be scheduled as the last item of business Saturday.

Report of Committee on Religious and Social Work among Aliens. J. L. Ward read the report, which was received and the item calling for an appropriation was referred to the Board of Finance. Rev. F. L. Hertzfeld addressed the Conference concerning his work among the Jews and aliens in Baltimore. (Report V)

Correction in Publicity. President J. H. Straughn read a statement from the Baltimore Sun and requested a correction concerning the meeting of the Uniting Conference. The press representative agreed to have an explanation and correction published.

A motion was made that this Conference endorse the invitation for the Uniting Conference to meet in Baltimore. G. W. Haddaway, E. C. Makosky, J. L. Green spoke, discussing the question. A substitute motion that a committee draft a resolution to be formally presented was made. Motion as substituted passed.

Report of the Committee on Pulpit Supply. A. G. Lynch, chairman of the committee, read the report. Adopted.

Request of E. E. Coleman for Information Concerning Delegate. Because of illness of delegate, request made that the wife of delegate from Reliance be seated as delegate. The chair ruled it as illegal. Quiet Hour. Conference sang several hymns. President Sexsmith led the devotions. F. A. Holland and G. H. Shumacher led in prayer.

Introductions. The following were introduced to the Conference: The Rev. W. A. Ledford, Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Rev. C. I. Flory, Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Dr. Crates S. Johnson, Editor Sunday School Literature, and Dr. Frank W. Stephenson, Executive Secretary Board of Christian Education.

The President asked J. H. Straughn to preside.

Report of Committee on Christian Literature and Education. H. E. Cheyney, secretary of the committee, read the report. The representatives of the various institutions and agencies spoke to the Conference. R. L. Shipley, D.D., spoke for the Board of Publication. F. W. Stephenson, D.D., spoke for the Board of Christian Education. F. G. Holloway, D.D., spoke for Western Maryland College. President Sexsmith resumed the chair.

- C. E. Forlines addressed the Conference representing the Westminster Theological Seminary.
- R. W. White read the report of the Maryland Council of Religious Education.
- G. W. Haddaway, J. W. Kirk, E. A. Sexsmith, R. Y. Nicholson spoke to the item of report regarding the Theological Seminary.

Crates S. Johnson, D.D., Editor of the Sunday School Literature of the Methodist Protestant Church, was granted the privilege of speaking to the Conference. S. F. Cassen spoke in reference to the Seminary.

The recommendations were read:

- 1. That a committee be raised by the President of the Conference to assist in plans to endow the Hugh Latimer Elderdice Chair of Practical Theology.
- 2. Council of Religious Education be given permission to solicit offerings.

Motion to postpone Church Extension Society meeting to Saturday in order to hear fraternal messages was passed.

J. E. Cummings, chairman of the committee, spoke.

Reports adopted. (Report I)

Communication. A resolution from the Women's Executive Committee, Maryland Branch, was read and the communication recorded. (Resolution 5).

Introductions. The Committee on Official Relations presented Rev. O. G. Robinson and Rev. J. M. Gillum, D.D., fraternal messengers from the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who addressed the Conference.

Special Request. J. L. Green made a request regarding the delegate from Salisbury. Motion carried.

Committee Appointment. President Sexsmith appointed the following on a committee to draft a resolution relative to the invitation for the Uniting Conference: E. C. Makosky, G. W. Haddaway, W. C. Scott.

Motion to adjourn passed.

Announcements of various committees and meetings were made.

The benediction was pronounced by N. C. Clough.

AFTERNOON

Opening. The afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock with the President in the chair. Conference sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." S. F. Cassen led in prayer.

Election of Representatives. A communication from the chairman of the Commission on Union was read.

Motion passed that the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for J. H. Straughn to the Uniting Conference of Methodism.

Request to seat the delegate from Pocomoke granted. Tellers A. W. Ewell, N. C. Clough, H. A. Kester, C. H. Burkins, G. W. French, M. D. Lamborne, W. O. Shockley, N. J. Parks.

Ballots were distributed, and vote taken.

Secretary called the roll for reception of ballots.

On motion the tellers retired to count the ballots.

Question raised as to the validity of ballots.

C. C. Day, K. K. Haddaway, J. H. Straughn spoke. R. L. Shipley moved that if either side of the ballot—lay or ministerial—be invalidated it shall not invalidate the other; and that if J. H. Straughn's name appears among the ministers, thus making eight, it shall not invalidate the ballot.

E. C. Makosky and E. D. Stone spoke. Motion carried.

Report of Special Committee on Uniting Conference Invitation. E. C. Makosky, chairman of the committee, read a resolution urging the backing of the invitation to hold the Conference in Baltimore. W. H. Litsinger and L. B. Smith spoke. Adopted. (Resolution 3)

Conference gave way to the Superannuated Fund Society.

Conference Session Resumed. Announcements of boards and committees. Motion passed to adjourn. Benediction pronounced by G. E. McDorman.

EVENING

Opening Service. E. D. Stone led in a service of worship and praise. Fred P. Adkins led in prayer.

Business Session.

Report of the Committee on Legal Papers. Report read by Secretary and adopted. (Report T)

Invitations. Invitations were read from Western Maryland College and from the Denton Church for the Conference session, June, 1939.

Report of Committee on Memorial Day. Report read by Conference Secretary, which told of the memorial day services throughout the Conference.

R. L. Shipley spoke of the placing of a memorial marker on the grave of one of our ministers and requested that an offering be received for this purpose. Amendment to report to conform to this plan was passed and the report was adopted. (Report R)

Report of the Committee on Missions and Missionary Work among the Churches. President Sexsmith asked those participating in the program to come on the platform. T. C. Mulligan read the report of the Committee on Missions. The Secretary of the Conference read the report of the Committee on Missionary Work among the Churches which recommended the continuance of the present program. The vote for adoption of these reports was held in abeyance until after the various speakers would present the work.

- 1. Mrs. Miriam B. Matthews, President Maryland Branch, read a paper regarding the work of the branch and its various districts.
- 2. Mrs. W. G. Brewer, President of the Washington-Virginia Branch, spoke of the work of the branch.
 - 3. Mrs. Paul Warner, missionary to Japan, greeted the Conference.
- 4. Paul F. Warner, missionary to Japan, addressed the Conference relative to the Christian work in Japan.
- J. A. Trader asked that the names of our missionaries in Seattle, Washington, be included in the report.

The report was adopted.

Paul F. Cassen, missionary to India, spoke.

G. W. Haddaway, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions, spoke in regard to the present program of the Board in the home as well as in our foreign field. (Report M)

Report of Agent of Group Insurance. Secretary read the financial report of the group life insurance for the year. Motion made to receive the report. E. C. Makosky spoke to the fact that 36 members had failed to pay their premiums this year and called attention to the dangerous conditions faced thereby. G. W. Haddaway spoke. E. A. Sexsmith explained the possible reason for this condition. J. L. Nichols, B. F. Ruley spoke. Motion passed to defer action on the report. (Report C-1)

Announcement. J. H. Straughn announced that the tellers for the election of delegates to Uniting Conference would be ready to report early Saturday morning.

Motion to adjourn.

C. E. Dryden led in a closing prayer.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY

MORNING

Opening. President Sexsmith called the Conference to order at 9 o'clock. Conference sang a hymn, after which H. A. Kester led in prayer.

Roll Call. Roll called of only those who have not responded.

Reading of the Minutes. The Minutes were read and approved.

Personal Privilege. G. W. Haddaway asked the Conference for the privilege of speaking to the Conference, which was granted.

Request for Superannuation. L. B. Smith spoke concerning G. H. Stocksdale and moved that the application for superannuate relationship be granted and referred to the Committee on Superannuates. J. L. Ward, G. A. Morris, G. I. Humphreys, L. B. Smith and J. A. Dudley spoke.

Report of the Committee on President's Report. H. A. Kester read the report endorsing the report and concurring in the four recommendations. Motion was made to adopt the report. G. A. Morris called for the reading of the portion of the report referring to church union and spoke against the statement. Report adopted.

B. F. Ruley called for a reading of the recommendations, and spoke regarding the item concerning ordination. G. W. Haddaway spoke in reference to the item concerning the Tract Society. W. H. Litsinger and George Hines spoke. (Report A-1)

Quiet Hour. Service conducted by the President. Conference sang a hymn. Scripture reading and commentary by the President. Volunteer prayers were offered by the members of the Conference. Hymn.

Report of the Tellers on election of representatives to the Uniting Conference. The complete report was read by A. W. Ewell, chairman of the committee. 225 votes cast, necessary to election 113.

The following were declared elected:

Ministers	Laymen
E. A. Sexsmith	F. Murray Benson
L. B. Smith	J. H. Baker
R. L. Shipley	Henry Gilligan
F. G. Holloway	Fred P. Adkins
J. L. Green	W. C. Scott
	H. C. Staley

The vote was taken for the needed number to complete the delegation. Tellers were permitted to retire to count the ballot.

Resolution. E. C. Makosky introduced a resolution that the President be chairman of the Committee on Historical Record. J. N. Link, G. A. Stocksdale, L. B. Smith spoke. Carried.

Report of the Committee on Superannuates. The report was read by W. P. Roberts, chairman of the committee, and laid on the table for at least 24 hours in accord with Conference regulation. (Report H)

The President asked J. H. Straughn to preside.

Report of Committee on Church Libraries and Conference Librarian. The Secretary read the report. H. E. Hudgins, Librarian, spoke. E. T. Read, G. W. Haddaway, J. L. Nichols spoke.

Motion made to amend the report and rescind any previous action of the Conference, that the books be transferred in the seminary. E. T. Read, H. E. Hudgins, J. L. Nichols, C. C. Day, J. E. Cummings, G. W. Haddaway, Henry Gilligan spoke. The privilege of withdrawing the amendment was granted. The report was adopted. (Report S)

Resolution. The Secretary read a resolution concerning cooperation with the Anti-Saloon League. Referred to Committee on Moral Reform.

Partial Report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. B. F. Ruley, secretary of the committee, read the report. The following recommendations were included, as the report was taken by items.

- Item 1. Recommend that Norman Roberts be given license to administer the ordinances. Carried. G. I. Humphreys, E. T. Read, K. K. Haddaway spoke.
- Item 2. That N. B. Blackman be received on transfer from the Iowa-Missouri Conference. Carried. W. H. Litsinger, R. L. Shipley spoke.
- Item 3. That F. A. Carroll be received and ordained. G. W. Ports, E. T. Read, B. F. Ruley spoke. Carried.
- Item 4. That Jasper Lee Jones be received and ordained. G. I. Humphreys spoke in opposition to his being ordained. J. L. Green moved to strike out the ordination recommendation. Motion carried. Item adopted.
- Item 5. Recommended that A. C. Ford be given license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President. Carried.
- Item 6. Concurance with President's recommendations to suspend the rule and recommending the ordination of T. E. Landis, E. R. Shield, E. N. Hassell, W. P. Kesmodel, R. F. Loss, W. J. Wright. T. C. Jones, S. Galley, F. G. Holloway spoke. Carried.

The entire partial report was adopted. Conference set 12:15 as the time of receiving the new members. (Report F)

Personal Request. L. E. Haddaway asked to be excused from Conference until Monday morning. Granted.

Introductions. The chairman of the committee, W. H. Litsinger, introduced Rev. R. W. Cook, of the Baltimore Conference, who spoke of the work with delinquent children in Baltimore. Rev. John Calvin Scarborough, pastor of the Union Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Westminster, was introduced.

Report of the Committee on Evangelism. Report was read by T. J. Turkington, and adopted. (Report P)

Church Extension Society Meeting. Conference gave way to the Church Extension Society.

Partial Report of the Board of Finance. R. W. White, chairman, read the report calling for reductions of 70 per cent on appropriations to various churches due to deficit in receipts. Report adopted. (Report E)

Reception of New Members into Conference. President E. A. Sexsmith received N. B. Blackman, F. A. Carroll and Jasper L. Jones into the Conference.

Report of Tellers for Election of Representatives to the Uniting Conference. (Second Ballot). A. W. Ewell read the report which stated no election on the last ballot cast. Conference then proceeded to vote again. Tellers were permitted to retire and instructed to report the result Monday morning.

Announcements. Motion passed to adjourn. C. M. Elderdice pronounced the benediction.

FIFTH DAY, SUNDAY

MORNING WORSHIP

Morning Worship Service. The congregation sang hymn No. 13, "All Worship the King." M. E. Hungerford led in prayer. Responsive reading selection No. 16, was led by the President. The Gloria Patri.

Scripture reading, II Timothy 1:1-13; John 19:17-30. Hymn No. 235, "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds." Offertory by W. A. Donoway. A special vocal selection rendered by Mr. Daniel Baumgartner, accompanied by Mr. Maier.

Sermon. The sermon was preached by G. I. Humphreys on the text, John 19:30, "It is Fninshed."

Ordination. The ordination service was conducted by President Sexsmith, assisted by J. H. Straughn, J. A. Wright, W. F. Wright, S. F. Cassen. The following were ordained: Theodore Landis, E. R. Shields, Elmer Hassell, William Kesmodel, Robert Loss, W. J. Wright, Floyd Carroll.

Congregation stood and sang the doxology. Benediction by S. F. Cassen.

EVENING WORSHIP

The evening service was conducted by E. A. Sexsmith. Congregation sang hymn 15, "Come Thou Almighty King." Prayer was offered by F. G. Holloway. The President led in responsive reading, selection 8. E. T. Read read the scripture selection from Book of Hebrews. Offertory prayer by A. H. Green. Hymn 67, "O God Our Strength, to Thee We Sing." Vocal selection by Mr. Baumgartner.

Sermon. The sermon was preached by Rev. M. J. Shroyer, D.D., Professor in the Westminster Theological Seminary. The subject, "The

Epistle to the Hebrews." Prayer by B. F. Ruley. Hymn 312, "A Charge to Keep I Have." The benediction was pronounced by Dr. Shroyer.

SIXTH DAY, MONDAY

MORNING

Opening. Conference was called to order at 9:05 o'clock by the Secretary, who asked E. C. Makosky to preside. Conference sang hymn 300, "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing My Great Redeemer's Praise." J. T. Bailey led in prayer. President Sexsmith assumed the chair.

Roll Call. Several changes were made in the listing of delegates. The Secretary called the roll of those who had not previously answered the call.

Reading of Minutes. The minutes were read and approved.

Personal Request. G. W. Ports requested that he be excused from Conference because of a funeral. Request granted.

Seating of Delegates. J. N. Link moved that George Shumacker be seated as the delegate from Newark in place of W. E. Cain.

Report of the Fellowship Crusade Commission. The report was read by the Secretary and adopted. (Report W)

Report of the Tellers: (Third Ballot) 138 ballots cast, necessary to choice 70.

Minister elected-G. I. Humphreys.

Layman elected-Fred Herrigel.

Ballots distributed for the election of one minister and one layman to complete the delegation. Secretary called the roll for reception of ballots.

Tellers were permitted to retire and count the ballots received.

Substitution on Committee: President appointed J. P. Cooper to take the place of W. O. Shockley on the Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service.

Announcements. Treasurer's assistant, Guy Leister; Clerk, W. F. Bauscher; Assistant Secretaries, J. W. Townsend, D. K. Sturgis, K. H. Wareheim. Request to seat the alternate from Clayton Charge as delegate granted. E. A. Sexsmith asked J. H. Straughn to preside.

Report of the Special Commission on Church Libraries. J. E. Cummings, chairman of the committee, requested the reading of last year's report. The Secretary read the report, after which the chairman read the report of the committee for this year, recommending the re-affirmation of the previous report and explaining the objectives of the commission. Report adopted. (Report S-1)

Final Reading of the Report on Superannuates. The Secretary read the report urging the prompt and complete raising of the funds and giving the list of appropriations totaling \$21,008.00. (Report H)

Resolution concerning relationship to the Superannuate Fund. G. I. Humphreys introduced a resolution recommending conditions of and relationships to the Superannuate Fund in the future, and that a committee be appointed to work out the detailed plans involved. Motion to adopt.

J. F. Bryan inquired regarding the boundaries of the Conference. J. H. Straughn answered by saying that the Uniting Conference would fix the boundaries. G. A. Morris made inquiry of the chairman regarding the present status of the Maryland Conference. The chairman stated that legally we are the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, but technically we are the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Church. When does the Maryland Annual Conference cease to be. The Uniting Conference will determine. L. B. Smith gave additional information. J. W. Kirk made inquiry.

Resolution adopted. (Resolution 6)

Report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies. C. L. Dawson, chairman of the committee, read the report.

T. C. Routson made inquiry and spoke regarding the Jefferson Benevolent Society. The chair recommended the inclusion of the statement in the report. Amendment to this effect passed. Report approved with the understanding that the committee submit nominations. (Report K)

Report of Tellers for Representatives to the Uniting Conference. Fourth Ballot) A. W. Ewell read the result of the ballot, which elected E. C. Makosky. Ballots distribute to elect one layman to complete the delegation. Roll called and ballots received. Tellers permitted to retire to count the votes.

Consideration of Invitations to Entertain the 1939 Session of the Conference. The invitations were received from Western Maryland College and from the Denton Church. G. A. Morris rose to a point of order and was ruled against by the President.

F. G. Holloway spoke for Western Maryland College, and J. E. Nichols spoke for the Denton Church. On motion of the delegate from Denton the Conference voted unanimously to accept the invitation to convene at Western Maryland College.

Report of the Summer Conference. J. E. Cummings, President of the Summer Conference, read the report. The Secretary of the Conference read the financial report. Report adopted. J. E. Cummings made a statement concerning the guest speakers and program of the Summer Conference. F. G. Holloway spoke especially urging the ministers' wives to attend. (Report O)

Devotional Service. Conference sang "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Special prayer was asked for Dr. W. R. McDaniel and Mrs. A. N. Ward. C. E. Dryden led in prayer. J. H. Straughn read the scripture. N. O. Gibson led in prayer. Conference sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Announcements. The meeting of the various committees were announced.

The Secretary announced arrangements for taking a picture of the Conference.

Personal Request. W. A. Roberts asked to be excused from further attendance upon the Conference in order to attend a funeral. Request granted.

Report of Tellers for Election of Representatives to the Uniting Conference. (Fifth Ballot) A. W. Ewell read the report. Daniel MacLeawas elected. This completed the list.

Election of Alternates to Uniting Conference. Additional tellers appointed to assist in the counting of the ballot. E. C. Woodward, E. E. Coleman, H. E. Hudgins, C. L. Dawson, C. E. Bennett, Geo. Schumacher, A. K. Pickett, W. H. Harrison. Ballots collected on roll call and tellers permitted to retire to count the ballot.

Report of the Committee on Home for the Aged. E. E. Coleman read the report. Adopted. Motion passed that Secretary cast the ballot for those whose terms expired with this Conference. J. H. Straughn, W. P. Roberts, Geo. Mather, E. B. Fenby.

Motion passed to refer the item concerning finances to the Board of Finance. (Report N)

Introduction. Chairman of Committee on Official Relations introduced Rev. J. W. Harms, executive secretary of the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education, who spoke to the Conference.

Report of the Committee on Audit. The Secretary read the report on auditing of accounts. Adopted. (Report Q)

Report of the Statistician. R. W. Sapp, statistician-elect, read the report. It was gratifying to note the increase in membership of 677, making a total of 36,891 and of other favorable indications in the report.

Report of the Steward. The report was read by J. R. McKeawn, the steward. An explanation of credit for the Fellowship Crusade was given. Mrs. Lester Keyser, Miss Bettie Brittingham, G. W. Haddaway, L. B. Smith, Henry Gilligan, M. E. Dearholt, G. E. Wunder, J. A. Dudley, Mrs. Matthews, President of the Maryland Branch, J. W. Townsend, J. W. Baxley, Mrs. Clinton Roberts, J. L. Green spoke concerning the item regarding the monies as raised by the Women's Auxiliaries.

Report adopted.

Mutual Relief Association Meeting. Conference gave way to the Mutual Relief Association at 12:15.

Conference resumed at 12:30 with W. F. Wright in the chair. Motion to adjourn. J. L. Nichols led in a closing prayer.

AFTERNOON

Opening. Conference session began at 2:08 o'clock with J. H. Straughn presiding. Conference sang several hymns. Eldridge Taylor led in prayer. Conference sang another hymn.

Report of the Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service. C. M. Elderdice, chairman of the committee, read the report which reviewed the many moral issues of today and set forth a Christian position relative to these matters. Endorsement was given organizations with interests allied to the church in their program for the good of men and upholding the ways of righteousness.

Motion made to adopt.

Henry Gilligan spoke expressing objection to the legislative recommendations of the report. J. W. Kirk spoke in regard to a need of a Conference Secretary of Temperance, and made a motion that the President be authorized to appoint this secretary, whose business it shall be to stimulate temperance work in our churches and Sunday Schools. This amendment was passed. J. L. Nichols moved that the report be recommitted with instructions to eliminate the references to political and legislative measures.

R. S. Jett spoke sustaining the motion.

N. J. Wimbrow, E. L. Bunce, E. W. Simms, G. W. Haddaway, C. B. Robey, A. F. T. Raum, J. T. Fenby spoke opposing the motion. J. L. Nichols spoke again in favor of the amendment.

C. M. Elderdice, chairman of the committee, spoke in opposition to the amendment. G. A. Morris spoke.

The previous question was called for and the vote taken. Motion lost. The report as amended adopted. (Report J)

Introductions. Rev. John Lindsay was introduced to the Conference and given permission to speak.

Report of the Board of Finance. R. W. White chairman of the Board read the report and made explanations regarding appropriations. Motion was made that the difference between assessment apportioned and appropriations be made available for additional reduction of our conference debts. G. W. Haddaway, G. I. Humphreys moved to amend that the matter be left in the hands of the President and the Board of Finance and to recommend to the next annual session of the conference. Amendments and motion carried.

Report adopted. (Report E)

Resolution: Printing Conference Sermon. The secretary read a resolution for the printing of the Conference Sermon and the Ordination Sermon in the minutes. (Resolution 9)

Report of Tellers for Election of Alternates: (First Ballot) For Uniting Conference. The report was read by A. W. Ewell. 164 ballots cast, necessary for election 83. The following were elected: Ministers: R. Y. Nicholson, R. W. White, J. N. Link, E. L. Bunce, G. W. Haddaway. Lay-

men: Mrs. M. B. Matthews, R. S. Jett, N. J. Parks. Ballots were distributed, roll called for deposit of ballots and the tellers permitted to retire to count the ballots.

Motion to Recess passed. C. C. Day pronounced the benediction.

EVENING

Service of Song. The evening session began at 7:30 o'clock with a service of song led by E. D. Stone.

Business session: J. H. Straughn, Presiding.

Report of Tellers-Election of Alternates to the Uniting Conference; (Ballot Two) The following were elected: Ministers—E. D. Stone, W. F. Wright; Laymen—L. W. Dykes, Frank L. Ball.

Ballots were distributed and vote was taken with the roll call. Tellers permitted to retire to count the vote.

Supplemental Report of Committee on Benevolent Agencies. Recommendations of the committee for nominations. Item 1—Conference voted the following as elected to the Deaconess Board, L. W. Dykes, Mrs. Norman White, E. J. Paige, Mrs. S. H. Wareheim, G. W. Haddaway, G. E. Brown.

- 2. Statement accepted concerning the Jefferson Benevolent Society.
- 3. Acknowledgement of additional bequests.

Report adopted. (Report K)

Supplemental Report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. This report was read by B. F. Ruley, Secretary of the Committee. Recommendations:

- 1. That W. W. Sylvester be received and given license to Administer the Ordinances. Carried.
- 2. That John Mark be received on transfer having waived all claims on the Superannuate Fund. Carried.
- 3. That Charles E. Read be received into the conference and given license to administer the ordinances provided he be given appointment. Carried.
- 4. That J. P. McKeithen, N. J. Neese, and Jasper Lee Jones be granted license to administer the ordinances. Carried.

Report adopted. (Report F)

Personal Privilege. E. T. Read was granted the privilege of expressing his great joy that his son was accepted into the conference.

Personal Privilege. G. A. Morris was granted the right of personal revivilege and spoke to the conference about dealing in personalities.

Report of the Committee of Christian Education. The report was read by the secretary and adopted. (Report I)

Report of the Treasurer. Charles F. Cummins Treasurer of the Conference spoke about the way the finances of the Conference are handled

and then read the report. Motion passed and the Conference gave a rising vote of thanks to the Treasurer. Report adopted (Report C)

Conference Minutes. G. I. Humphreys spoke on the possibility of the saving of space in the printing of the minutes by eliminating unnecessary material. Motion that the editorial committee of the minutes may omit the manual and any other material deemed unnecessary.

R. L. Shipley spoke in opposition to the motion and the motion was withdrawn.

Report of Tellers on Election of Alternates to the Uniting Conference, (Ballot Three) The following were elected: Ministr: T. C. Mulligan. Laymen: Wade Insley, W. H. Harrison, C. N. Satterfield. The list was complete with this ballot.

Memorial Tribute to Henry C. Hayghe and Collection for Grave Marker. R. L. Shipley made a statement and after a prayer the ushers received an offering for this purpose.

Communications. The secretary read a communication concerning pictures of the President of the General Conference, the President of the Maryland Conference and of the Conference which were given by the local studio and Mrs. Wimert, Associated Press Reporter.

J. H. Straughn read a letter to President Sexsmith from Governor Nice.

Report of the Committee on Official Relations. W. H. Litsinger, chairman of the committee, read the report. A number of corrections were made to conform to statements of pastors of various charges as to payment of assessments.

Recommendations were made as to members of the conference assigned to special appointments.

Appreciation was expressed for the entertainment of the Conference. Moved that the report be adopted. G. I. Humphreys spoke regarding his special appointment to the Presidency of the High Point College in the light of the probabilities connected with re-adjustments associated with the new Methodist Church.

The chairman presented Miss Bettie Brittingham, an executive secretary of the Board of Missions to the conference, who spoke concerning Missionary conferences and meetings. Report adopted. (Report L)

President E. A. Sexsmith resumed the chair.

Report of the Board of Survey and Extension. E. C. Makosky, chairman of the Board, made a statement regarding appropriations. J. N. Link, secretary of the committee, read the report. Henry Gilligan spoke of the Lewis Memorial Church and the appropriation for this purpose. Report adopted.

Resolution Concerning the Uniting Conference Expense. The secretary read a resolution giving authority to apportion the expense of delegates to the Uniting Conference. Resolution was adopted. (Resolution 7)

Resolution Concerning World Service Budget. The secretary read a resolution setting November as appreciation month and that a committee be appointed to conduct a program for the raising of assessments in full. J. H. Straughn spoke as to the Uniting Conference and the World Service Budget. Resolution was adopted. (Resolution 8)

Message from J. F. Wooden and J. W. Parris. C. E. Dryden made a report concerning these brethren who were unable to attend the Conference, and made a motion that the Conference convey appropriate greetings to these men. Carried.

Reception of Members into the Conference. The President received the following members into the Conference: W. W. Sylvester, John Mark, and Charles E. Read.

Collection. The president asked F. G. Holloway to make a statement of the purpose of the collection. The offertory prayer was made by R. L. Shipley. Offering was received.

Reading of the Minutes. The minutes were read and with a few minor corrections adopted.

Report of the Collection for Memorial Marker. Offering received, \$90.50. Motion carried that the balance over the cost of a suitable grave marker be given to the Mutual Relief Society.

Committee to visit G. F. Farring. The President announced the appointment of the following to visit G. F. Farring: W. H. Litsinger, J. L. Ward, N. C. Clough.

The Plan of Appointments. E. A. Sexsmith made statements regarding the conference plans and then read the plan of appointments, which was adopted.

Closing. E. T. Read led in prayer and pronounced the benediction.

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

Approved June 13th, 1938

REPORTS

REPORT A

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 20)

To the Maryland Annual Conference Of the Methodist Protestant Church:

DEAR BRETHREN:

"Grace be unto you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ.

Who gave himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

To whom be glory forever and ever."

We assemble today in our 110th Annual Session to render Thanksgiving unto our heavenly Father whose loving care has guided us throughout this long period and hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings. In recording the achievements for the year and laying plans for the immediate future, we shall need wisdom and grace from on high. Let us therefore make the time of our sojourning together one of constant prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

OUR CO-LABORERS AT REST

Death has again entered our ranks claiming four of our brother ministers and three of the faithful handmaidens of the ministry. We have missed their response to our roll call today, but will always cherish their labors of love and devoted christian character, while we await a glorious reunion in the church triumphant.

Rev. George Manlove Clayton after a painful illness passed quietly to his heavenly reward on Sunday morning, September 5, 1937. He had given forty-four years of faithful service to his Master in the Maryland Conference.

Rev. John Montgomery Gill fell asleep on Sunday, December 12, 1937 to awake in heaven. For fifty-four years he had labored most efficiently among us as an eloquent preacher, a wise councillor, and a most successful pastor.

Rev. Avery Donovan, after nearly four years of the most patient suffering, was released from the infirmities of the flesh on Thursday, February 24, 1938. Having united with the Maryland Conference in 1891 he had given thirty-three years of devoted service to the ministry at the time of his retirement. He was known as a good preacher, a church builder, and faithful pastor.

Rev. Hugh Latimer Elderdice, an educator, an orator, a christian, and a friend. He lived life in the superlative. Words fail to adequately express our appreciation of this man of God. After fifty-three years of the most active and efficient ministry he peacefully joined the church triumphant on May 12, 1938. Our most beloved minister rests from his labors and his works do follow him.

On February 23, 1938, Mrs. Anna M. Kilgore, widow of Rev. J. L. Kilgore, died at her home in Philadelphia, Pa., where she had lived for many years. Having been in poor health for a long time she was deprived of the fellowship of the church but lived a devoted christian life.

Mrs. Georga Anna Middleton, widow of Rev. C. B. Middleton, died on Thursday, April 14, 1938 at her home in Baltimore, Maryland. For many years she had been a most faithful member of Hampden Church where the beauty of her christian character had been an inspiration to many.

On Friday, May 6, 1938, Mrs. Margaret P. George, wife of Rev. J. P. George, died at the parsonage in Harbeson, Delaware. She was a devoted wife and loving mother. Her first thought was for others. Having nursed her mother during a severe attack of pneumonia, which caused her death, she contracted the desease and with weakened vitality was unable to recover. The loss is great but she has left a valuable heritage in her noble christian character.

These all having obtained a good report through faith, rest in the promise of Christ Jesus who said: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

Obituary committees were duly appointed in each of these cases and have made their reports to this conference.

OFFICIAL ACTS

At the close of our last session Carroll and Fairfax circuits were left to be supplied. On July 14, 1937, I appointed Rev. W. J. Neese, a student at Westminster Theological Seminary from the North Carolina Conference, supply pastor of Fairfax Charge, the appointment to become effective as of July 23rd. On July 30, 1937, I appointed Rev. J. P. McKetithen, a student at the Westminster Theological Seminary also from the North Carolina Conference to supply Carroll Circuit. This appointment became effective September 1, 1937. I secured the assistance of several local preachers in caring for the services on this charge until Brother McKeithen could take up the work.

Seventeen District Conferences were held during the year at which time all the interests of the Conference and denomination were presented. The attendance at these conferences was largely composed of official members and represented a larger number of charges than usual.

I have not visited all the charges of the Conference this year owing to the fact that it became necessary for me to visit several charges a number of times, and that it is becoming more difficult to arrange Sunday afternoon appointments. I have endeavored to be present at as many Quarterly Conferences and Members' Meetings as possible. I have delivered 137 sermons, and addresses, attended 75 Quarterly Conferences and business meetings, which has necessitated my traveling over 18,000 miles.

FELLOWSHIP CRUSADE

During the last session of Conference a message was received from the Board of Administration setting forth the denominational program for the year.

This was adopted by the Conference and your President was instructed to appoint a commission to make such plans as would be necessary for its presentation to the church. The commission was appointed and faithfully endeavored to acquaint our constituency with the needs for and purpose of the crusade and earnestly solicited their hearty cooperation in realizing each of its objectives.

The response to the evangelistic appeal was quite gratifying. A more thorough evangelistic program was stimulated in many churches with a constant emphasis upon the great need of a deeper spiritual experience on the part of our people.

The response to the effort for an enlarged circulation of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder resulted in the addition of 500 new subscribers from the Maryland Conference, and over 2300 from the denomination, making the largest circulation of the paper in many years. While we rejoice in this success, we realize it should have been much larger. An average of one subscriber to every ten members of the church is a reasonable asking. Each charge can, therefore, easily estimate its goal. Let us not be satisfied until we reach that standard. This would insure the permanency of our church paper.

The financial response to the Fellowship Crusade appeal was not at all gratifying. Many reasons have been given. Heavy local church debts, financial conditions throughout the country, and the lack of a cooperative spirit, all hindered its success. However, a number of churches subscribed their entire quota, some nearly the amount, while others made substantial contributions.

ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS

Lord's Day Alliance

Every pastor must be conscious of the increasing difficulties encountered in his program caused by those who are in organized efforts to commercialize the Lord's Day. The drift toward a continental Sunday is everywhere apparent. The church must take account of this trend before it is too late and concentrate its energies on the awakening of our people to the necessities of a proper observance of the Christian Sabbath. There are two lines of activity which seem to be most essential; legislation to protect the day from those who would commercialize it and education to reveal its essential place in our moral and spiritual life and the creation of an attitude which will demand its proper observance.

The Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland, through its efficient secretary, Dr. W. W. Davis, has prepared an educational program which if widely used will make a large contribution toward the realization of conditions we hope to obtain. I therefore urge its use to all our churches.

Anti-Saloon League and Women's Christian Temperance Union

These two splendid organizations continue their vigilant warfare against one of the greatest organized evils of our civilization—the legalized liquor traffic. We were promised by the advocates of repeal, that the saloon would never come back, but what we now have is worse than the former.

The Washington State Temperance Bulletin reports: "That there were 439,650 girls enrolled in all institutions of higher learning in 1934, the last year for which figures are available at the Bureau of Education, Department of Interior. One million, three hundred and fifty thousand girls were enrolled in 1936 in the liquor-serving establishments, taverns, roadhouses, and night clubs, etc., according to a survey reported in the Philadelphia Inquirer of September 27, 1936. What a contrast? The drink bill in 1937 was five billion dollars. More than twice the total expenditures for public and elementary high schools in 1934. I said in a previous report "that this enemy of human society again challenges every lover of righteousness and clean government. The war against the liquor traffic, started so many years ago, must be carried on to victory. There must be no compromise." I want to re-affirm that statement.

The Anti-Saloon League and Women's Christian Temperance Union merit our most hearty cooperation. I wish to commend the efficient leadership of these organizations and urge a loyal support on the part of the churches of our Conference.

Maryland Tract Society

The Maryland Tract Society is carrying on a very definite Christian work among a group thus far largely neglected by the church, or at least, they have not been able to reach. They maintain several centers where the children of the poor are gathered for religious instruction and through the distribution of copies of the gospels and tracts carry a gospel message to many who otherwise would not be touched by Christian influence. It is a valuable ministry carried on in a quiet way by a group of consecrated workers and deserves the continued support of our churches. They continue to occupy a room in our Headquarters Building and are glad to render any service possible to our churches.

Church Federation and Council of Religious Education

During recent months the Church Federation of Baltimore City and the Maryland-Delaware Council of Religious Education have been consolidated and a new executive secretary secured. Rev. John Harms comes to this position well recommended having served in a similar capacity elsewhere. We bespeak for him a hearty welcome on the part of our churches and a full cooperation in the building of a program adequate to meet the religious needs of this area from an interdenominational standpoint.

CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS AND INTERESTS

Western Maryland College

"Dear old Western Maryland." There are many sons and daughters of hers besides a host of friends who gladly join in this chorus. It is beyond the power of any to properly evaluate the blessing this splendid institution has been to the many young people who have composed the student body. It is a Christian college and anxious to have its clientele from Christian homes. We rejoice that the enrollment during the past year is by far the largest in the history of the college.

As we face the trends of our modern civilization we must recognize the vast importance of the Christian college in perpetuating much that has been vital to our social and religious life. It is therefore imperative that the church give its most loyal support to our educational institutions.

Western Maryland is now much in need of a new chapel adequate for its enlargd student body. This presents a fine opportunity for a memorial gift to a most noble cause.

Westminster Theological Seminary

While this institution belongs to the general church it 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 a systematic theology to the graduates of the college who were preparing for the Christian ministry. Four of its five presidents have been honored members of this Conference:

Dr. Thomas H. Lewis, Dr. J. L. Ward, Dr. H. L. Elderdice, Dr. Fred G. Holloway, and the fifth, seems so near to us all that we might claim him too, Dr. C. E. Forlines, a member of the North Carolina Conference, who is now giving such efficient service as President of our school of the prophets.

They have just closed a very successful year. Three of the graduating class will enter this Conference at its present session. The most pressing need of the Seminary is an adequate financial support. The best means of securing a permanent support is through endowment. Fifty thousand dollars will endow the Elderdice chair. This should be secured before Methodist Union is fully consummated. What we do we should do quickly.

Church Extension

A report giving details of our Church Extension activities will be submitted later in our session. However, it is well to call attention to the fact that this has been a year of extensive church improvement. While nearly all of this work has been under the direction of the local congregations, the President of the Conference acting as Church Extension Superintendent has given council to official boards and building committees.

Headquarters Building

We are pleased to report we have been able to keep a high percentage of our office space occupied throughout the year which has greatly assisted

in meeting the obligations of running expenses and interest on the indebtedness. The income from rents has had a substantial increase during the
year. Payments have been made regularly on the mortgage. A detailed
report of the work will be submitted by the Trustees which should have
the careful consideration of this Conference. I do not mean to imply that
our problems have been solved by any means, but they are being solved
and with full cooperation on the part of all concerned will succeed. With
Methodist Union a certainty we feel that our location is strategic. The
Book Store and Printing Plant are a great convenience to this area of
Methodism and have operated at a splendid profit during the year.

Summer Conference for Ministers

An unusual opportunity is afforded the ministry of our Conference each year through the Summer Conference for Ministers held at the Westminster Theological Seminary. The programs have always given information and inspiration of great value in meeting the intricate problems of the ministry. Many look forward to this occasion as a real blessing, socially, intellectually, and spiritually.

An excellent program is being prepared for this year. We therefore solicit your attendance.

Conference Council of Religious Education

This Council has been unable to render as large service as they would like on account of limited resources which prevents the employment of a field secretary. However, this has not hindered the most outstanding activity of the council which is the conducting of a Leadership Training School at Western Maryland College each summer. The school last year was in every way a great success. The type of work done was superior to former years while the enrollment was exceptional.

The Council cooperates with the state and county organizations of like character as well as those of other denominations. The program for this summer is well in hand and indicates a school of most efficient training.

Women's Auxiliaries

Out of the \$31,389.00 reported by the General Church Treasurer as having been raised by the Maryland Conference for the year ending April 30, 1938, \$15,759.00 was raised by the Women's Auxiliaries of the Maryland and Washington-Virginia Branches. This is a splendid record for the Women's Auxiliaries of our Conference. Too much cannot be said in praise of the fine organization which they have effected and their hearty response and support to the whole program of the church. We should not be satisfied until there is at least one Auxiliary on every charge. To this end we solicit the loyal support of every pastor in the conference.

Deaconess Work

Miss Lillian DeMoss, our efficent deaconess working under the supervision of the Deaconess Board, continues to perform a most valuable service for all the churches which are fortunate enough to secure her assis-

tance. Her life has been a benediction to many homes and her council to individuals has been abundantly blessed to the enrichment and guidance of those who needed such a friend. Pastors in planning their program for the year should apply early in the year to the Deaconess Board if they desire her services.

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

Home for the Aged

Under the wise supervision of the Board of Management both the physical and financial condition of the Home is excellent. While there has been some shrinkage in the value of the vested interests they are of a high quality and will, no doubt, return to former values with the return of a normal financial condition. The property and grounds are constantly being improved and beautified. We may take just pride in this beautiful benefaction to many of our less fortunate. It is important that each charge elect a lady visitor through whom our constituency may be kept in touch with the activity and needs of the home. Detailed reports of both the Treasurer and Secretary of the Board of Lady Superintendents will be submitted later in our session.

Superannuate Fund

We wish to express our appreciation to the Board of Managers and to Mr. F. Murray Benson, Treasurer, for their wise management of this fund. While the income from the invested fund has been reduced in recent years on account of lower income from investments we have not lowered the basis of appropriation to beneficiaries. This difference has been made up out of the Superannuate budget raised by the churches. The invested fund should be increased in order to provide adequate protection for the future.

Mutual Relief Association

"A friend in need is a friend indeed." This Association affords the members of the Conference the opportunity of an expression of sympathy to their bereaved co-laborers that is more than words. It would seem that every member would covet this opportunity of showing a spirit of love and real brotherhood when kind words and deeds are golden. Again I solicit every member of the Conference to enroll in the membership of the Mutual Relief Association.

Group Insurance

The treasurer's report will give a full financial statement relative to its administration. The fact that it has proven a great blessing to the families of our deceased brethren needs no added emphasis. I call attention, however, to the rule of this Conference which provides that all men uniting with the Conference are requested to cooperate in the plan, and that the prompt payment of premiums will greatly facilitate its operation.

Bequests

We record our appreciation of the following bequests:

A gift of one thousand dollars by the will of Rev. G. M. Clayton to Bethesda Church to be applied on the indebtedness.

The erection of a church house adjacent to the Bay View Church, Bay View, Maryland, as a gift of one of its most loyal members, Miss Pocahontas Reed, at a cost of approximately \$8,000.00.

A legacy of \$1,000.00 to the Bay View Church by the will of Mr. Reed.

The gift of a farm through the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler, Providence Church, Deer Park Charge, to the Home for the Aged, the same having been sold netting the home \$4,500.00.

We also express our appreciation to the Board of Beneficence of St. John's Church and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society for their continued generosity in helping to meet emergencies which have arisen during the year. They have proven themselves a real friend for which we shall always be grateful. An additional amount was received from the legacy of Mrs. Mamie B. Bartholomew to the amount of \$1,200.00 in cash and securities.

LOCAL CHURCH ACHIEVEMENTS

An aggressive spirit has prevailed throughout the Conference during the year. Time will not permit a full recording of the outstanding accomplishments.

The rebuilding of the Burrsville Church and its dedication on May 8th free of indebtedness deserves special mention. In the light of the size and financial ability of the congregation it is an achievement which reflects great credit to the wise management of the pastor and official board.

The Lewis Memorial Church has been completed, and is one of the most attractive auditoriums in our conference. Their report at this session will show a most gratifying growth in every department.

Salisbury has raised in cash and subscriptions over \$36,000; thereby covering their entire indebtedness.

Brookeville Church on Howard Charge has purchased a splendid school building adjacent to their church to be used as a parish house.

As stated in the bequests Bay View Church has erected a splendidly equipped church house which was the gift of one of their members.

Rhode Island Avenue has installed a new pipe organ and made improvements to their church building.

Eutaw Church has purchased a new parsonage at a cost of \$10,000.00.

In addition to these many other church and parsonage properties have undergone extended improvements. The total reported to me thus far amounts to \$64,375, which greatly exceeds the report of last year.

The following report having raised \$500.00 or more for Building and Improvements:

Brooklyn	\$	550	Harper's Ferry	524
			Howard	3,250
	lle		Kemptown	500
Glen Burnie		1,142	Leeds	800
			Lewistown-Liberty	525
	more		Lynchburg, 2nd	586
			Mardela	825
			Maryland Line	525
			Northumberland	500
	, 1st		Pipe Creek	1,200
			Salisbury	
Delmar		560	Seaford	
Denton		956	Sharptown	
			Snow Hill	1,330
Dovlesburg		1.286	Stewartstown	4,843
			Susquehanna	1,531
	Newark		Wallace Memorial	600
District State of the State of			Calvary, Va	
	ewes		Cherrydale	1,152
			Rhode Island Ave	3,000

Reduction of Debt

The indebtedness on church and parsonage property has been greatly reduced during the year. Reports indicate a total of \$56,242. which also exceeds the amount paid last year.

Charges having paid \$500.00 or more on debt are as follows:

Bethesda\$	620	Trinity-Salem	1,301
Brooklyn		Calvary, Va	600
Christ, Baltimore		Starr	4,000
Edmondson Ave	135	Trinity, Balto	
Eutaw	380 cm	West Baltimore	1,000
Glen Burnie		Cambridge	1,100
Hampden	The state of the s	Delmar	
Lauraville		Easton	FFA
Lynchburg, 1st		Cherrydale	FAA
Lynchburg, 2nd		Mt. Tabor	
Emmanuel, Phila.		North Carolina Ave	075
Pocomoke	333500 TO	Rhode Island Avenue	500
Salisbury		Peninsula	1,200
Stewartstown		- Chilliana	2 *

Numerical Growth

It is easy to tabulate our financial success but no one can fully evaluate the spiritual influence of our labors. We have been building character, the value of which cannot be tabulated in conference minutes. The best we can do is to record the visible results. A total of 1,889 conversions have been reported. The following charges report having had 25 or more.

Brooklyn	34	Federalsburg	48
Calvary, Baltimore	~ -	First Ch., Newark	34
Edmondson Ave	25	Hebron	36
Lowe Memorial	30	Kent Island-Wye	26
Towson	26	Lewistown-Liberty	25
Cumberland, 1st		Lynchburg, 2nd	127
Deer Creek	32	Milton	56
Deer Park	33	Poplar Springs	25
Delmar		Salisbury	25
Dorchester	43	Cherrydale	26
Dover-Leipsic	32	Rhode Island Avenue	
Eldorado	40	Peninsula	29
Fawn Grove			

Pastors have reported a total of 2,202 members received during the year which is an increase over last year.

Charges having received 25 or more are as follows:

Bethesda	25	Cumberland, 1st	71
Brooklyn	41	Deer Park	35
Calvary, Baltimore	34	Dorchester	25
Dover-Leipsic	28	First Church, Newark	42
Easton	42	Hebron	34
Fawn Grove	57	Howard	38
Christ Church, Baltimore	27	Lynchburg, 1st	27
Edmondson Ave.	52	Lynchburg, 2nd	91
Glen Burnie	29	Mt. Nebo	40
Grace	25	Salisbury	45
Hampden	39	Seaford & Reliance	25
Lowe Memorial	30	Calvary, Va	51
St. John's	33	Lewis Memorial	84
	25	Mt. Olivet	26
St. Paul's	25	Mt. Tabor	30
Starr	42	Rhode Island Avenue	60
Towson	200	Peninsula	40
Wilton Heights	41	remnsua	20
Bel Air	25		

Pastoral Support

Knowing the seriousness of the situation with respect to pastoral support in many cases we have continued our efforts to secure an increase in pastor's salaries.

A communication was mailed to each Quarterly Conference relative to the matter. Charges receiving supplements to pastor's salaries were asked to absorb the amount of the supplement in the amount of salary set for the ensuing year. The response, although not as large as last year, is quite gratifying. So far there have been increases reported on charges amounting to \$3,005.00. This makes a total for the two years of over \$10,005.00.

MARYLAND CONFERENCE AND WORLD SERVICE BUDGETS

According to our records the total raised for the Maryland Conference budgets show a slight increase for 1936 over 1935 and a larger increase in 1937 over the previous year. Present indications are that there will be an increase also this year. This growth is in the right direction but it should be more rapid. We also had an increase in our World Service Receipts in 1937 over 1936 and the indications are for a further increase this year.

The Board of Administration has centered the financial program of the denomination for the coming year in raising the World Service Budget in full. We most heartily endorse this centralization of effort. We can raise these budgets in full if we organize our resources and give to the undertaking a full measure of cooperation.

President's Parsonage

Fifteen years ago the Maryland Conference sold the President's Parsonage at 1420 Linden Avenue and purchased the home now occupied by your President at 3600 Copley Road at a cost of \$16,500. We are glad to report that the final payment of \$500.00 has been made during the year and the property is now free of incumbrance. Through efforts of the agent, Mr. H. C. Staley, in cooperation with the President the property has been kept in good repair. The agent will submit his annual report later in our session.

METHODIST UNION

This has been a live subject ever since Dr. Thomas Hamilton Lewis, our valiant leader challenged the two larger bodies of Methodism to join the greatest Protestant Movement of this country for over a century.

It has constantly gained momentum until now it is a certainty. Its process of development has extended throughout my entire ministry. It has taken time, patience, careful and prayerful consideration.

The steps taken towards its consummation have been according to our constitution and discipline. We now stand ready for the final ceremonies next April which will unite the followers of John Wesley into the largest Protestant denomination in this country. We are giving up nothing vital to our denomination during the past but are gaining much for the future. There will be no Methodist Episcopal Church. There will be no Methodist Episcopal Church, South, There will be no Methodist Protestant Church. But there will be a Methodist Church composed of the three. Each having made their contribution to its organization and governing principals.

This therefore is likely the last gathering of the Maryland Conference as a distinctively Methodist Protestant Body. By the time we meet again we will be a unit of the Methodist Church. This does not mean that our conference boundaries will be changed by that time. It will probably take until 1940 or longer for these matters to be adjusted. Let us pray that as this union comes there may come in larger measures the endowment of power from on high upon the new church as she faces the great tasks of our present civilization.

In the words of Henry Dennam speaking before the recent session of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, "I cannot see how the Methodist Episcopal Church because of certain limitations, will ever bring about a great national revival. I cannot see how the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, because of certain limitations, will ever bring about a great American revival. I cannot see how the Methodist Protestant Church, because of certain limitations, will ever bring about a nation-wide revival. But I can see how these three churches consummated into the American Methodist Church, and known as the Methodist Church, committed unto God, and possessing a heart warming experience can under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, bring to this nation a great spiritual revival."

The life and teachings of our Lord and Master challenge us. National and international conditions, economic, social, and moral and religious conditions challenge us. The prayer of Jesus calls us to reveal him through a united church. "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their words,

That they all may be one; as thou Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

We believe the answer of American Methodism to the call of God and the needs of the world will be, "Here I am, send me." May her lips be touched with a live coal from off the alter of God as she goes forth as one great army to publish the glad tidings of Salvation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Inasmuch as Methodist Union is being consummated it is important that the records of the Maryland Conference should be completed. The data necessary to bring the historical record, published some years ago by Dr. Thomas H. Lewis, up to date has been assembled in our office. I therefore, recommend that a committee be appointed to complete the historical record of the Conference and that the same be printed in whatever form the Conference may direct.
- 2. That the Conference continue its cooperation with the Maryland Tract Society and that we request our churches to give one Communion offering for the support of this work. The time of the offering to be suggested by the President.
- 3. Inasmuch as this is likely to be the last session of our Conference as a distinctively Methodist Protestant Conference and there are several young men now serving in the Conference who under our Manual Rule 22, Paragraph 3, are not to be ordained until 1939 or 1940 I recommend that this rule be suspended making it possible for the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders to recommend their ordination at this Conference if in their judgment their character and qualifications justify so doing.
- 4. That this conference approve the program for World Service as outlined by the recent session of the Board of Administration and that the President be authorized to appoint such committees as may be necessary to

carry forward the program. That we set as our goal "The Maryland Conference and World Service budgets raised in full."

With sincere gratitude to our Heavenly Father who has kept us in health and protected us during our journeys from misfortune and with keen appreciation for the kind hospitality and cooperation both of our ministers and laity, I respectfully submit this my fourth annual report.

E. A. SEXSMITH, President.

June 8, 1938

REPORT A-1

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 28)

The Committee on President's Report has reviewed the same and hereby submits its findings. We deeply appreciate the care and guidance our Heavenly Father has given to our beloved President in performing his many duties.

With our President we shall miss our brothers in the ministry, Brothers G. M. Clayton, J. M. Gill, Avery Donovan and H. L. Elderdice as well as sisters Anna M. Kilgore, Georga Anna Middleton and Margaret P. George. However we know that our loss is their gain.

We commend him for the manner in which he performed his administrative acts during the year. His willingness to be of help to the entire Conference is very commendable. Especially, his earnestness in stimulating interest in the Fellowship Crusade helping to bring about the following gratifying results; a large increase in new members in the churches, additional subscribers to the Methodist Protestant-Recorder of 500 in the Maryland Conference and of over two thousand in the entire denomination bringing to pass the largest circulation in many years.

The Anti-Saloon League, the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and the Lord's Day Alliance, the Church Federation and Council of Religious Education, and the Maryland Tract Society deserve our hearty cooperation as suggested by our president. We should use every effort to help them in their service of love and usefulness at all times.

The Western Maryland College and the Westminster Theological Seminary are subjects of pride to all of us and we appreciate the success and usefulness to all of us. We join with the President in recommending the Elderdice chair for the Seminary to the amount of \$50,000.

The improvements in our churches and parsonages are very gratifying. Surely we can rejoice with our President when he reports that the Head-quarters Building is now in a more promising condition than for years.

The reminder of the Summer Conference for Ministers comes in a good time. We will be wise to make arrangements to attend this highly beneficial conference. Our Leadership Training School offers an oppor-

tunity to our young people's work of Religious instruction and fellowship that is much needed.

Since the Women's Auxiliaries have contributed over half of the the money sent to the General Conference Treasurer from the Maryland Annual Conference we highly approve of his suggestion that there should be at least one auxiliary on every charge.

The assistance of our deaconess will bring gratifying results to any local church. In reporting on our benevolent agencies, namely the Home for the Aged, Superannuate Fund, Mutual Relief and Group Insurance, our President reminds us of many deeds of mercy that have occurred through them during the year. Especially do we approve of his suggestion that every member of the Conference, enroll in the membership of the Mutual Relief Association. The bequests of the year have been very praiseworthy, and the assistance of the Board of Beneficence of St. John's Church and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society is much appreciated. We rejoice with our President that our President's Parsonage is free from debt. It is truly an occasion for joy.

The report states that church and parsonage properties have undergone repairs that amounted to \$64,375 which greatly exceeds last year's report. Also the indebtedness on church and parsonage properties have been greatly reduced by \$56,242 which also was more than last year. Conversions that numbered 1,889 and 2,202 members received; as well as a substantial increase in pastoral support gives us assurance of an upward trend in the activities of our churches.

Your committee concurs with the President in his endorsement of the Board of Administration's financial program for the coming year, that is, that every charge centralize its efforts to raise the World Service Budget in full. Let us make a special effort to this end. As we face Church Union let us get our house in order so that we can enter into our new relationships knowing that we have brought our best into the Union. Let us with the President look forward with confidence to Union, believing that we have been led, and are being led by God, our heavenly Father in this enterprise.

We agree with the President in his optimistic outlook on the future. Going forward with God as our leader, we cannot fail. Let us trust Him more completely.

We concur in the four recommendations of the President and ask for their adoption. (Especially the Third Recommendation that has reference to the suspension of the rules that will permit the ordination of several young men before Union is consummated.)

> H. A. KESTER, Chairman, H. C. BURKINS, Secretary, ARTHUR K. PICKETT, MALCOLM D. LAMBORNE, THOS. G. BETSCHLER.

REPORT A-2

(See Journal Page 23)

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, 1938

Receipts		
Cash Balance June 1, 1937	\$	150.49
1937		
June 13 Remittance from Conference Treas\$250.00		
1938		
February 5 Remittance from Conf. Treas 500.00		
Total Receipts\$ 75	00.00	
Total	\$	900.49
Disbursements		
Central Fire Insurance Company		
Principal of Mortgage\$500.00		
Interest on Mortgage	27.42	
•	26.50	
Water Rent	17.85	
	77.07	
Total Disbursements		648.84
Total Disbursements	_	
Cash Balance May 31, 1938	\$	251.65
Mortgage on Property Paid in Full.		
H. C. STALE	7, Age	nt.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

Special Appointments		Yrs.
President General ConferenceJ.	H.	Straughn 2
Editor Methodist Protestant-RecorderR.	L.	Shipley 7
President High Point CollegeG.	I. I	Humphreys 9
President Western Maryland CollegeF.	G.	Holloway 3
Professor Western Maryland CollegeL.	C.	Little 4
Professor Westminster Theological SeminaryJ.	N.	Link
Executive Secretary Board of MissionsG.	w.	Haddaway13
President Westminster College, Tehuacana, Texas C.	Α.	Sutton 5

\$270,850,860,960	
Board of Missions	P. F. Warner13
Doard of Missione	W. II. Hougestimmer
	C. G. Soderbom 9
	O. W. Prince 4
*	W. M. Snyder 4
	W. M. Shyder
	J. C. Byrd 2
Chaplain United States Army	J. R. Wright21
Clayborne Phillips	merary 6
Left without appointment at own req	uest
Superan	nuates
C. P. Francisco 21	J. L. Nichols 6
G. F. Farring21	C. H. Dobson 6
G. J. Hill18	C. S. Marshall 6
P. L. Rice18	
Dorsey Blake13	J. F. Wooden
S. F. Cassen12	F. W. Siffrin
J. A. Wright10	G. E. Brown 4
J. W. Kirk 8	C. M. Cullum4
G. A. Morris 7	H. O. Keen 3
D. W. Anstine 6	W. B. Judefind 3
J. W. Parris 6	T. R. Woodford 3
J. McL. Brown 6	F. M. Clift 2
A. H. Green	G. H. Stocksdale 1
	Charge Pastor Yrs.
Charge Pastor Yrs.	Charge
AmeliaJ. L. Jones 1	Lowe Mem'lW. A. Melvin 23
Baltimore:	Mariey Detaile,
BethesdaL. E. Werner 2	Nichols Melli I Will. Bellineiser
BrooklynN. C. Clough 2	N. BaltimoreW. H. Litsinger 3
CalvaryG. J. Hooker 2	St. John'sE. L. Bunce 9
Chesaco and Graceland	St. Paul'sH. E. Hudgins 5
ParkE. H. Keehner 2	S BaltimoreH. L. Murphey 3
Christ ChurchE. T. Kirkley 6	StarrR. Y. Nicholson 4
East BaltimoreJ. L. Ward 7	Toyes E. H. Taylor 3
Edwardson Ava T. R Smith 5	TowsonG. E. McDorman 3
Edmondson AveD. D. Similar	Trinity
Eulaw	ver ve Ci In 2
Evergreen	C C Dorr 3
Glen BurnieJ. A. Dudley 4	TI T Hoffman 3
GraceN. O. Gibson 6	
HampdenE. D. Stone 26	C A Occ 4
AssistantA. C. Ford, Sup. 5	Rel Air
Keen Mem'lK. H. Wareheim 3	Rivalve
LauravilleE. C. Woodward 3	Buckeystown
Linthicum Heights	
W. A. Roberts 4	CarolineH. H. Schauer 1

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor Yrs.	2.1
Carroll Circuit			Laurel	H. C. Burkins	8 1
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Cecil			Leeds	F. A. Holland 5	5
Centreville			LeipsicSup. 1	by pastor of Clayton	
Chestertown			Lewistown-	,	
Claremont				.W. W. Sylvester &	3
ClaytonR	E. Van Cle	af 4		, W. W. Dj	
Crisfield:			Lynchburg:	m To Tondie 1	
Mt. Pleasant	C. M. Elderdi	ice 6	First Church	1 1. 12. Danais	•
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Cumberland 1stG	. E. Baughm	an 6	Tyreanna	Sup. by Pastor of	-
Cumberland Ct	W. M. Wh	ite 2		d Church, Lynchburg	
Dagsboro	W. T. Arch	er 3	Mardela		3
Deer Creek	J. P. Ada	ms 1	Maryland Line	WI DCurrior	8
Deer Park			Milford	J. T. Bailey	5
DelmarW	A Donow		Milton	G. S. Ross	4
Delta	B F Ru	lev 11	Mt. Nebo	G. E. Wunder	1
DentonT.	I Turkingt	on 8	New Church	J. R. McKeawn	4
Dorchester	Ziba Ada	ms 1			1
DoverL	. E. Haddaw	ay 4	Oxford	George Hines	5
Doylesburg	.W. J. Wrig	ght 2	Parksley	J. B. Jones, Jr.	3
Easton	T. C. Jor	nes 2	Philadelphia:	Manager III Control III PEO	
ElizabethJ.	W. Balders	ton 19	Emmanuel	E. L. Jennings	1
Fawn Grove			St. Lukes	J. G. Eaton	2
Federalsburg			Taylor Mem	'lCarroll Maddox	2
Finksburg				H. G. Hager	2
First Church,			Pipe Creek	F. M. Volk	7
Newark, N. J	.H. E. Cheyr	ney 1	Page slee	G. E. Leister	2
Frederick	B. A. Bry	yan 2	Poplar Spring	sJ. W. Baxley	3
FriendshipD. W			Popular Spring	E. R. Shield	3
Georgetown				E. R. Silicia	
Greenbackville			Queen Anne		10
Greenbush-			Supplied by	Pastor of Centrevil	16
Hallwood	Robert I	loss 2	Reliance		
Greenwood-			Suppli	ed by Pastors of	rd
Cannon				narptown and Seafor	4
Grove	J. H. M	ark 1	Ridgeville	C. L. Dawson	1
Harmony			St. James	J. M. Kay	3
Harbeson-Lewes.			St. Michaels	C. R. Strausburg	5
Harper's Ferry			Salisbury	J. L. Green	3
Harrington	G. E. Tui	rner 2	Seaford	E. E. Coleman	
Hebron	E. C. Gral	ham 1	Sharptown	M. E. Hungerford	8
Howard	D. K. Stu	rgis 3	Snow Hill	J. W. Townsend	5
Hurlock	C. P. Bu	ıtler 5		C. B. Robey	8
Indian RiverSt	applied from	Milton	Susquehanna	H. L. Schlincke	3
Kemptown	Stephen Ga	alley 2	Trinity-Salem	A. A. Pierce	2
Kennedyville	W. F. Baus	cher 4	Union Bridge.	A. W. Simms	1
Kent Island-			Wallace Mem	Elmer Hassell	2
WyeF	M. R. Sch	auer 2	Warwick	F. A. Carroll	3

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Washington:			N. C. Ave	B. I. Barr	nes 4
Alexandria			R. I. Ave	R. W. Wh	ite 4
	Roberts, S	up. 5	Walker's Chape	el and Ft. My	yer
CalvaryT.			Heights	J. T. Fen	iby 1
Cherrydale E.			- Wesley Chapel o	f	
Congress Street			Kent		
FairfaxN. J			Westminster	A. W. Ew	vell 3
First ChurchA.		2000	WhaleyvilleV	W. P. Kesmo	del 1
Lewis Mem'l	J. A. Tra	der 4	Wilmington:	G Committee	
Mt. Olivet K.	K. Hadday	vay 3	First	W. H. Sto	one 3
Mt. Tabor			PeninsulaJ	. E. Cummir	ngs 3

Detached Churches

Chateau...Supplied from Dorchester Eldorado.....Sup. from Federalsburg Hebron....Supplied from Georgetown Hunting Creek..Sup. from Parksley Linden......Supplied from Howard Madison....Supplied from Cambridge Portsville......Supplied from Laurel Quinton....Supplied from Pocomoke Union.....Supplied from Salisbury

REPORT B

SECRETARY'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 20)

Your Secretary reports that as faithfully as he knows how he has tried to perform the duties of the office.

The minutes again last year were printed by our own Stockton Press at the same price of the last four years. We would like to call to the attention of the Conference that the price for printing the minutes is \$550.00 for 2,000 copies of 176 pages each, and for each additional page the price is \$2.25 per page. You can readily see then that to keep the cost of our minutes down it will be necessary for us to keep within the limit of 176 pages. This fact is being mentioned that we might urge, the President of the Conference concurring, the several committees and others who have reports to present to the Conference that they be as concise as possible in what they have to say and very much to the point, thus we can keep within the price bid for the publication of our minutes.

As your Committee on Credentials we report as follows:

Credentials have been received from every charge except Chesaco Park, Marley, Cumberland Circuit, Tyreanna, Queen Anne.

All Credentials received were properly filled out with the exception of one which was signed by the pastor as chairman of the Quarterly Conference. We recommend that in spite of this irregularity the delegate be seated. It is the delegate of Walker's Chapel and Fort Myer Heights.

All meetings were held 10 days prior to the meeting of the Annual Conference.

Very respectfully submitted,

W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

REPORT C

TREASURER'S REPORT

(See Journal Page 35)

Westminster, Md., June 13, 1938.

To the President and Members of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Greetings:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report as Treasurer for the year ended May 31, 1938. During the twelve years of service in this capacity I have received the support of the pastors and financial officers in such a way that I deem it my duty to hereby express to them my appreciation for their assistance. I shall endeavor to render the best of service during the coming year and thus merit the confidence you have reposed in me. Sincerely yours.

In Christ Jesus.

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer-

BUDGET A-PRESIDENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES

322.18	
4,439.22	
101.46	
\$	4,862.86
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DETAILED STATEMENT

BUDGET B-MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE INTERESTS

(Assessment \$39,650.00)

Receipts

Balance brought forward (Year 1936-1937)\$	2,600.80
From District—	
For Miscellaneous Interests	20,424.07
For Superannuates	10,855.80
From Pastors-Assessment-Percentage of Salary	995.70

From F. Murray Benson-	9,000.00	
Treasurer Superannuate Society	143.35	
Funds Tract Society	4,336.86	
Funds Fellowship Crusade	316.48	
Miscellaneous	310.40	
Total	\$	48,673.06
Disbursements		
Insurance\$	3,434.02	
Superannuates	21,682.72	
Board of Survey and Church Extension—		
Church Appropriations and Clerical Asst	8,056.00	
Supplemental Salaries	2,500.00	
Incidental Expenses	2,477.53	
Our Church Home	2,000.00	
Presidents Parsonage Fund	500.00	200
Maryland Tract Society	143.35	
Fellowship Crusade	4,336.86	
Payment on Loans—		
Union National Bank, Westminster, Md	950.00	
Interest on Loans—		
Union National Bank, Westminster, Md	351.00	
President's Office Rent	420.00	
Balance on Hand and in Bank	1,821.58	
Total DETAILED STATEMENT BOARD OF SURVEY AND CHURCH EX	TENSION	
Receipts	9,852.66	
From District	703.34	
Difference	103.54	
Total	. \$	10,556.00
Disbursements		
Board of Managers-Churches and C	lerical	
Bethesda Church—Baltimore—Builders Note	87.00	
Bethesda Church—Baltimore—Builders Roccimination Bethesda Church—Baltimore—on Debt	90.00	
Calvary Church—Virginia—on Debt	36.00	
Evergreen Church—Baltimore—on Debt	30.00	
Greenbush-Hallwood—Parsonage Debt	30.00	
Lauraville Church—Baltimore—on Debt	150.00	
Violetville Church—Baltimore—on Debt	S	
Board of Managers—Church Extension Society		
Board of Managers—Lewis Memorial	(5)	
Secretary to President		
Secretary to President		
Total		8,056.00

		Assessment -
Supplemental Salaries		
Nichols Memorial\$	200.00	
Texas	400.00	
Bivalve	150.00	
Caroline	50.00	
Claremont	50.00	
Clayton	150.00	
Deer Creek	250.00	
Dorchester	100.00	
Greenbackville	200.00	
Greenbush-Hallwood	100.00	
Kennedyville	50.00	
Liberty-Lewistown	50.00	
New Church	100.00	
Northumberland	50.00	
Oxford	100.00	
Pipe Creek	50.00	
Poplar Springs	100.00	
St. Michaels	150.00	
Trinity-Salem	200.00	0 200 00
• -	\$	2,500.00
	_	10 550 00
Total	\$	10,556.00
THE CHICKEN CRICADE	4	
FELLOWSHIP CRUSADE		
Receipts	4 000 00	
From District\$	4,336.86	
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Total	\$	4,336.86
Disbursements		
Amount Paid to General Conference Treasurer\$	2,104.45	
Amount Paid to Church Extension Society		
Incidental Expenses—		
(Meetings, Printing, Postage, etc.)	127.97	
Total	\$	4,336.86
DETAILED STATEMENT		
INCIDENTALS		
Receipts		
From District\$	2.164.96	
Funds—Offering—Annual Conference—1937	_,	
1007 1000	150.00	
Funds_Offering_Group Meetings_1937-1938	150.00 143.94	
Funds—Offering—Group Meetings—1937-1938	150.00	
Funds—Transportation—1936-1937	150.00 143.94	
Funds—General Conference Delegation	150.00 143.94 13.54	
Funds—Transportation—1936-1937	150.00 143.94 13.54 3.00	
Funds—General Conference Delegation	150.00 143.94 13.54 3.00	2,481.44

Disbursements

Disbuisement		
President Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc\$	202.60	
Secretary Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc	41.50	
Treasurer Office Expenses—Stamps, Stationery, etc	171.42	•
Salaries \$ 50.00		
Secretary		
Ct		
Treasurer 500.00	600.00	
Printing \$610.27		
Minutes		
General	675.14	
Committees	*	
Superannuates\$ 3.24		
D D-1	<u>2</u>	
Auditing10.27	18.51	
Miscellaneous	9.75	
Annual Conference	112.70	
D. li-ti- Machina	5.95	
Til O Cumananniiata Commilliee	50.25	
Carrier Mantings	50.00	
II Daniel Poling	50.00	
TI I M Rowland	50.00	
Honorarium—A. A. Brown	25.00	•
Missions—F. L. Hertzfeld	20.00	
Painting Room	200.00	
Summer Conference	180.99	
Telephone	1.22	9
Telephone Cleaning Room	12.50	
Treasurer's Bond	3.91	
Difference		
Total	\$	2,481.44
REPORT C-1	53	
INSURANCE		
Receipts	1,919.86	
From District	422.52	
Danie Danie Agggement	1,091.64	
Difference	1,001.04	
Total	\$	3,434.02

Disbursements		
Premium on Group Insurance\$	2,922.52	
Payment of Loan	500.00	
Payment of Interest	11.50	
rayment of interest	11.00	
Total	\$	3,434.02
STATEMENT SHOWING CONDITION OF LOAN TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE MA ANNUAL CONFERENCE		TIATED
Receipts		
From District\$	1,654.34	
Total	\$	1,654.34
Disbursements	050.00	
Amount Paid on Loan\$	950.00	
Amount Paid-Interest on Loan	341.00	×.
Difference	353.34	
· <u>*</u>		4 05 4 0 4
Total	\$	00
Amount of Loan Remaining Unpaid May 31, 1938	\$	5,250.00
DETAILED STATEMENT OUR CHURCH HOME Receipts From District	4 636 27	
From District	4,050.21	
Total	9	4,636.27
B1.7		•
Disbursements	2,000.00	
Paid—James Pearre Wantz—Treasurer	2,636.27	
Difference	2,636.27	
Total		\$ 4,636.27
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DETAILED STATEMENT		
PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE		-
Receipts	•	
From District	\$ 388.06	
Difference	7	
Difference		=
Total		\$ 500.00
Disbursements		
Payment on Loan	500.00)
rajment on noan		=
Total	·	\$ 500.00

DETAILED STATEMENT

SUPERANNUATES

Receipts	vibración de la partica.	
From District\$	10,855.80	
From F. Murray Benson-Treasurer	9,000.00	
Superannuate—Pastors Assessment	573.18	
Difference	1,253.74	
		
Total	\$ 2	21,682.72
×		
Disbursements		
Authorized Payments to Superannuates	575 0 11 47	
(10 Monthly Distributions)\$	21,682.72	
·		
Total	\$:	21,682.72
BUDGET C-GENERAL CONFERENCE	BUDGET	
(Assessment \$88,000.00)		
Receipts		
Amount Received from District\$	19,407.09	
Amount Received from Y. P. Missionary Union	700.00	
.		405 00
Total	\$	20,107.09
Disbursements		
*Transmitted to General Conference Treasurer\$	20,107.09	
-		00 107 00
Total		20,107.09
*For Detailed Statement of Funds raised for the s	several inter	ests, see
Report of Conference Steward.		
TRANSPORTATION AND ENTERTAINM	ENT FUND	
TRANSPORTATION		
Receipts	650.00	
For Pastors	660.00	
For Delegates	000.00	
	s	1,310.00
Total	*	1,010.00
Disbursements		
For Pastors	610.74	
For Delegates	549.12	
Miscellaneous—Postage	9.00	
Balance	141.14	
Datance		
Total	\$	1,310.00
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ENTERTAINMENT

Receipts		
Amount Received\$	1,931.31	
Total\$	1,931.31	
Disbursements		
Amount Paid to Dr. F. G. Holloway\$	1,931.31	
Total\$	1.931.31	
7001		
GROUP LIFE INSURANCE		
STATEMENT OF AMOUNT OF INSUR	ANCE	
April 16, 1938—151 Members\$1	51,000.00	
Receipts		
1937		
May 16—Balance Brought Forward\$	41.72	
1938		
May 12-From Maryland Annual Conference	3,434.02	
May 12—From Members	1,557.50	
May 12—Dividends	460.92	
May 12—From Loan	300.00	
-		
Total	\$	5,794.16
Disbursements		
1937		
Nov. 23—Payment of Loan (Year 1937)\$		
Nov. 23—Payment of Interest on Loan (Year 1937)	20.50	
1938	2,500.00	
May 12—Payment on Premium (Conference)		
May 12—Payment of Premium (From Members)	1,102.93 422.52	
May 12—Payment on Premium (Pastors Assessment)	Marine Co.	
May 12—Payment on Premium (Dividends)	460.92 300.00	
May 12—Payment on Premium (Loan)	87.29	
Balance on Hand and in Bank	81.29	
Total	\$	5,794.16
A Jun from Nambors uppeld to date	•	365.00
Amount due from Members unpaid to date	Ψ	7320

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer and Conference Representative.

REPORT C-2

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO AUDIT THE TREASURER'S BOOK

Your committee appointed by the President to audit the books of the Conference Treasurer reports that we met at the book rooms in Baltimore and performed the task. Because of the fine work which our Treasurer does it was not a difficult task to follow every cent received by him to its proper expenditure or depository.

W. F. WRIGHT, Chairman W. A. ROBERTS K. H. WAREHEIM W. H. STONE, JR.

REPORT D

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(See Journal Page 23)

In accordance with the change in the By Laws effected by your action at our last conference session (See Minutes 1937, page 60) your Board of Trustees met in our Headquarters Building, Baltimore, Maryland, on the last Monday in June,—being the 28th at 2 P.M.

The following officers were elected: E. C. Makosky, President; G. W. Haddaway, Vice-President; Robert S. Jett, Secretary, and F. Murray Benson, Treasurer and Counsel.

The membership of the Board now consists of the following: G. W. Haddaway, W. B. Judefind, F. G. Usilton, and W. C. Scott whose term of offices expire in 1940; Julian P. Dodge, T. W. Donoho, B. F. Ruley, and E. C. Makosky whose term of office expire in 1939, and J. H. Straughn, W. A. Melvin, R. S. Jett, and F. Murray Benson whose term of office expires with this Conference session and whose places are to be filled by election of the Conference during this session.

The Treasurer's Report for the year, duly audited, and reports concerning our Headquarters Building are submitted herewith.

The Headquarters Building continues to require the diligent consideration of the Board. The past year shows appreciable additional income, the total from rents being well over twelve thousand dollars, and the largest since the heavy depreciation of the early thirties. Last year the Conference did not continue the special appropriation of previous years and the loss of this additional income seriously affected our ability to handle a number of obligations at various times and increased our total loss for the year. The building bears a very vital relation to our entire conference and denominational interests and in this period of financial readjustment is in urgent need of the continued support of the Conference. Your Board therefore begs the restoration of conference aid with an appropriation of \$2,000.00 for the coming year. This will insure an income of very decided need and will obviate the possibility of serious deficits in operation.

The reports of operations and status of our obligations follows in the tabulated reports attached.

E. C. MAKOSKY, President

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR

JUNE 8th, 1937 to JUNE 8th, 1938

F. Murray Benson, Treasurer

in account with

Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church

GENERAL FUND Receipts

To Balance as per last Report\$	951.05
To Commission on Trust Income	53.11
>	\$ 1,004.16
Disbursements	mental variati
Taxes City of Baltimore\$	102.80
Purchase of Secretary's Book	5.00
E. C. Makosky, Traveling Expense	8.00
Treasurer's Allowance	50.00
Balance to Credit of Trustees	838.36
	\$ 1,004.16
	E 200
DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE	
Receipts	
To Balance as per last Report\$	492 28
	400.00
To Income from Investments	
To Income from Investments	
To Income from Investments	912.36
To Income from Investments Disbursements	912.36
Disbursements	912.36
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Respectfully submitted,

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer

Audited and found correct

G. W. HADDAWAY,
ROBERT S. JETT,
Auditing Committee.

TRUSTEES HEADQUARTERS REFUNDING CAMPAIGN STATEMENT

		April, 1938	Month of May	1	May 31, 1938
Units Outstanding-202 1/2		.\$61,350.00	\$ 600.00	\$	60,750.00
Special Gifts		. 2,852.50			2,852.50
Dividends Life Insurance		. 25.33	3.96		29.29
Payments made on Son Cancelled		330.00	189.00		519.00
Life Insurance Policie			47.88	46	170.03
		\$64,679.98			64,320.82
Less Expenses	*			_	
Discounts Allowed		\$ 3,988.65	\$	\$	3,988.65
Expenses of Campaign		3,221.83	1.00		3,222.83
Insurance Premiums Pa	id				11,607.75
		\$18,281.89	\$ 537.34	\$	18,819.23
N				-	
NET INCOME			1.5	\$	45,501.59
Borrowed Money		350.00	95.00		445.00
		\$46,748.09	\$ 801.50	\$	45,946.59
				-	
Accounted for as follows:		#00 007 FO	e 950.00	e	30,587.50
Paid on Indebtedness	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	\$30,337.50			12,258.00
Subscriptions Receivable Unpaid balance on S	e haawintian	13,174.00	(303.00		12,200.00
Cancelled	49047400 1 LOOK 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10		(411.00		
Trustees Md. Annual (50		2,735.00
Cash					365.95
Petty Cash			100 May 100 Ma		.14
• • • • • • •				-	
		\$46,748.09	\$ 801.50	\$	45,946.59
Indebtedness:				-	
indebtedness:	Original	Paid in	Paid to		Amount May 31st, 1938
Mortgage Payable\$	Amount	May e	May \$24 500 00	9	
Baker, Watts and Co.	6,750.00	250.00	2,250.00	φ	4,250.00
G. W. Haddaway	3,000.00	200.00			3,000.00
Calvin Harrington	5,000.00				5,000.00
Kent Co. Savings Bk	10,000.00				8,500.00
G. E. Leister	1,000.00				1,000.00
					0.0

Sup. Fund Society		 	16,375.00
Trustees Md. An. Conf.	2,000.00	 	2,000.00
Westminster Sav. Bk	10,000.00	 1,500.00	8,500.00
Susquehanna Charge	237.50	 237.50	
Other Loans	445.00	 350.00	95.00
	AS A LOS DE HECHOSOMORY	Control of the	

\$150,807.50 \$ 250.00 **\$30,337.50 \$120,220.00**

Accounts in Arrears

7 accounts— 1 month back	1 account-13 months back
3 accounts— 2 months back	1 account-16 months back
4 accounts— 3 months back	1 account—17 months back
1 account—18 months back	1 account—25 1/2 months back
1 account-21 months back	1 account—27 months back
1 account—22 months back	1 account—28 months back
1 account— 4 months back	4 accounts—30 months back
1 account— 6 months back	1 account—31 months back
1 account— 8 months back	1 account—40 months back
1 account— 9 months back	

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH REALTORS—CHAS. H. STEFFEY, INCORPORATED, FOR YEAR ENDED MAY 31st, 1938

EXHIBIT "B"

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Receipts:		
Balance on hand May 31st, 1937\$	816.59	
Rents collected from June 1st, 1937 to May 31st, 1938 1	2.086.48	
Contribution from the Maryland Annual Conference		
of the Methodist Protestant Church	200.00	
	1,400.00	
	\$14,503.0	1
Disbursements:		
Light and Power\$	508.03	
Coal	000.00	
Elevator Repairs and Inspection	71.34	
Repairs, Window Cleaning, Supplies, etc\$768.62		
Less collected from Tenants as follows:		
First floor-account of Decorating\$170.00		
No. 401-2-3-account of Decorating 30.00		
No. 505-6-Account of Decorating 20.00		
Basement-account of refitting and		
adjusting windows 10.00		
\$230.00		
	538.62	
Newspaper Advertising	75.78	
Janitor and Elevator Service-Wages	2,399.80	
Insurance—Fire, Plate Glass, Public Liability and		
Workmen's Compensation	377.09	

Taxes for the year 1937	3,231.84	
Water Rent	159.70	
Interest on Mortgage and Notes Payable, and In-		
terest and Penalties on Taxes	4.552.75	
	90.45	
Federal and State Pay Roll Taxes	20.10	
Headquarters Refunding Campaign-on account of	415.00	
Loan	410.00	
Susquehanna Charge Wesleyan Chapel Note paid in	007.50	
full	237.50	
Commissions on collections and Supervision Fees	657.48	
W1	\$:	13,315.38
	(
Balance on hand May 31st, 1938	\$	1,187.69
Dalance on hand May 6150, 1000		
Rent Cancellations:		
Room No. 404—Association of League of Nations,	Maryland	
Room No. 404—Association of League of Trations,	ommittee	
Branch, Rent partially abated by Headquarters' C	Contomber	
for Summer months from June 15th, 1937 to S	eptember	37.50
14th, 1937	Ф	51.00
****	•	1 010 65
Total expectant monthly rental as of May 31st, 1937		1,018.00
Total expectant monthly rental as of May 31st, 1938		989.65
		A2007-19 - 2000-190
Loss in expectant rental as of May 31st, 1938	\$	29.00
Total number of Rooms vacant as of May 31st, 1937	7	
Total number of Rooms vacant as of May 31st, 1938	7	
Total number of Rooms vacant as of May 5150, 2555		
	None	
Gain or loss in occupany as of May 31st, 1938		
Estimated monthly rental value of rooms vacant as of	May 31st,	
1938	\$	239.00
1905		
*		

TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH HEADQUARTERS BUILDING 516 North Charles Street

16 North Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland

June 1st, 1937 to May 31st, 1938

EXHIBIT "A" Assets

Current

Accounts Receivable:		
Due from Chas. H. Steffey, Inc., (Realtors, Agents for Headquarters Building)\$	1,187.69	
Due from others—delinquent Rents	814.66	
Notes Receivable (Kapsi-Kon Yeast Corporation)	920.10	
Interest on aforesaid Notes	174.06	
Interest on aforesaid Notes	\$	3,096.51

Fixed Land—516 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Building—516 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md\$		60,000.00		
Less reserve for Depreciation, 2% per annum	35,439.90	95,415.20		
Property Equipment & Fixtures	891.33	30,410.20		
Less reserve for Depreciation, figured on basis of 10% per annum	891.33	000.00		
Office Furniture	40.00			
Less reserve for Depreciation; 10% per annum	38.00	2.00		
•			15	5,417.20
g/ t.e.				
Deferred City and State Taxes (7 months, year 19				22
Prepaid Insurance Premiums		370.12		
Prepaid Interest on Notes payable— paid by Chas. H. Steffey, Inc		148.75	3	2,389.10
		-	216	30,902.81
Y * 1 *11**		•	рт	00,002.02
Current City and State Taxes (year 1938) Notes Payable		.\$ 3,206.10 . 53,950.00		
Accounts Payable:				
Headquarters Refunding Campaign		2,735.00		
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc.				
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest:		735.47		
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc.		735.47 632.02		
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest: Mortgage Payable		735.47 632.02 1,537.27		62,795.86
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest: Mortgage Payable		735.47 632.02 1,537.27		62,795.86
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Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest: Mortgage Payable Notes Payable Total Current Liabilities Fixed Mortgage payable Monumental Life Insupany as of May 31, 1937	urance Con	735.47 632.02 1,537.27	\$	75,100.00
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest: Mortgage Payable Notes Payable Total Current Liabilities Fixed Mortgage payable Monumental Life Insurance	urance Con	735.47 632.02 1,537.27	\$	30000 V 1702 12
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest: Mortgage Payable Notes Payable Total Current Liabilities Fixed Mortgage payable Monumental Life Insupany as of May 31, 1937	urance Con	735.47 632.02 1,537.27	\$	75,100.00
Headquarters Refunding Campaign Other unpaid bills for repairs, maintenance, Insurance, etc. Accrued Interest: Mortgage Payable Notes Payable Total Current Liabilities Fixed Mortgage payable Monumental Life Insupany as of May 31, 1937 Reduction in Mortgage	urance Con	735.47 632.02 1,537.27 	\$	75,100.00 3,600.00

EXHIBIT "A"

Depreciation:		
Building\$	2,617.10	
Property Equipment and Fixtures	00.00	
Office Furniture and Fixtures	4.00	
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Total Depreciation for year ended May 31, 1938

\$ 2,621.10

The figures as shown on Exhibit "A" above compiled from data furnished us from other sources and not verified—Therefore, we do not guarantee them.

REPORT E

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

(See Journal Page 00)

Having received from the Treasurer of the Conference the statement that the Conference faces liabilities to the amount of \$23,346.32 and assets with which to meet them to the amount of \$15,767.96, the Board of Finance finds it necessary in order to make up the deficit of \$7,578.36, to recommend the following reductions be made in appropriations:

Bethesda, Baltimore, on Builder's Note	\$203.00
Bethesda, Baltimore, on Debt	410.00
Calvary, Virginia, on Debt	264.00
Evergreen, on Parsonage Debt	70.00
Greenbush-Hallwood, on Parsonage Debt	70.00
Lauraville, on Debt	350.00
Violetville, on back Interest	175.00

The Board adopted unanimously the following recommendations:

1. That the Maryland Conference Budget for the year of 1938-1939 be set at \$27,650 and distributions be made as follows:

Incidentals	\$2,500.00
President's Office Rent	
Stenographic Help for Church Extension	
Insurance	2,500.00
•	\$ 6,150.00
Church Extension to be divided:	
Church Extension	9,000.00
Supplemental Salaries	2,500.00
Supplemental Salaries	\$12,000.00
Church Home	The state of the same of the s
Headquarters Building	1,000.00
Reduction of Debt	1,500.00
	\$ 5,500.00
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- 2. That \$12,000 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 give one-half of one per cent of their salaries for one year to be applied to the Superannuate Fund.
- 5. The Board of Finance has carefully considered the request for \$50.00 from the Jewish Work Committee, and recommends that the request be not granted.
- 6. That the request of the Summer Conference for \$200.00 and the request of the Committee on Church Libraries for \$50.00 be approved with the understanding that they are to be paid from the Conference Incidental Funds.

RAYMOND W. WHITE, Chairman.

Amendment adopted by the Conference:

That the difference between the amount assessed upon the Conference and the amount apportioned to the various interests be apportioned to reduction of debt; and that this amount, or any portion of the same collected, be made available, upon the recommendation of the President and the Board of Finance for distribution to the various Conference interests as is needed.

REPORT F

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

(See Journal Pages 29 and 35)

Your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders after its regular business session makes the following recommendations:

- A. We recommend that Norman Roberts be given license to administer the ordinances providing he is employed by the President.
- B. We have received the transfer papers of Rev. N. B. Blackman, an ordained minister of the Iowa-Missouri Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church and recommend that he be received.
- C. We recommend that F. A. Carroll, a student pastor having served Warwick Charge and a graduate of the Seminary of this year be received and ordained.
- D. We recommend that Jasper Lee Jones, a college graduate and of the Seminary be received.
- E. We recommend that Archie Ford be given license to administer the ordinances if employed by the President.

Your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders concurs in the recommendation as found in the President's Report for a suspension of the rule and recommend that the members of this Conference who are now on probation be ordained. They are as follows: W. J. Wright, T. E. Landis, E. R. Shield, E. N. Hassell, W. P. Kesmodel, R. F. Loss.

Supplemental Report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders

- 1. We recommend that W. W. Sylvester be received as a member of the Conference and given license to administer the ordinances.
- 2. We recommend that J. H. Mark be received by transfer from the United Presbyterian Church of the Presbytery of Big Spring, having waived all claims to the Superannuate Fund.
- 3. We recommend that Charles E. Read be received into the Conference and given license to administer the ordinances providing he is employed by the President.
- .4. We recommend that J. P. McKeithen and N. J. Neese, Jasper L. Jones be granted license to administer the ordinances provided they be employed by the President.

E. T. READ, Chairman

B. F. RULEY, Secretary

G. A. OGG

R. L. SHIPLEY

F. G. HOLLOWAY

C. C. DAY

REPORT G

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SURVEY AND EXTENSION

(See Journal Page 36)

The reports of the Treasurer and of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society of the Maryland Annual Conference have been read and approved.

After having given careful and sympathetic consideration to every request made to our Board by personal application and by letters, we respectfully submit the following recommendations:

Boundaries

- 1. That Hunting Creek Church be detached from Accomac Circuit.
- 2. That Hunting Creek Church be served by the minister of Parksley as a detached Church.
 - 3. That Lee Mont Church be declared a closed church.
 - 4. That Accomac Circuit be discontinued.
- 5. That Providence Church, which was detached from Hebron Circuit, remain in its present status, and that it be left in the hands of the Church Extension Superintendent.

- 6. That Mt. Lebanon Church on Kemptown Circuit, which was closed several years ago, be designated a closed church.
- 7. That Fairview Church on Frederick Circuit, which has been closed for a number of years, be designated a closed church.
- 8. That Tasley Church, on Greenbush-Hallwood Charge, be designated a closed church.
- 9. That Leipsic Church be supplied by the minister of Clayton Charge.
- 10. That the name of Texas Charge be changed to Texas-Poplar Grove Charge.

Appropriations

Because the unusual shrinkage in the percentage of Maryland Conference Assessments paid this year reduces the amount of money available for appropriations to the churches, and because we believe that appropriating funds to churches and then being able to pay only 30 per cent of the amount appropriated is discouraging to the churches involved, we recommend that:

- 1. \$5,000.00 be appropriated to the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society for Church Extension Debt.
- 2. \$2,000.00 be appropriated to the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society for Lewis Memorial Church.
- 3. That the remainder, if any, be placed in the hands of the Board of Managers to be distributed according to the most pressing needs.

Supplemental Salaries

Amelia\$ 50.00	Kennedyville\$100.00
Bivalve 150.00	Lewistown-Liberty 75.00
Caroline 150.00	New Church 100.00
Claremont 150.00	Nichols Memorial 100.00
Clayton 50.00	Oxford 100.00
Deer Creek 50.00	St. Michaels 150.00
Ft. Myer Heights and	Texas-Poplar Grove 300.00
Walker's Chapel 150.00	Trinity-Salem 100.00
Greenbackville 100.00	Warwick 150.00
Greenbush-Hallwood 100.00	Wallace Memorial 150.00
Grove 75.00	

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

REPORT H

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES

(See Journal Pages 28 and 31)

Your Committee on Superannuates has had to face the vexing problem of appropriating moneys to our beloved superannuates when sufficient funds are not to be had. We could wish that every desire of every superannuated minister and widow could be gratified, but it must be evident we cannot do the impossible. With the utmost care the apportionments were made last year to keep within the expected income, but alas another deficit, The invested fund is realizing just a little more than half that of peak days and the collections from the district only 82 per cent paid this year. It is sincerely hoped that this, our last year as a denomination, will see the assessment for Superannuates paid in full. With such an achievement there will be a relief from deficits.

We strongly urge inasmuch as the Annual Conference was assessed \$13,200 for Superannuates and that only \$10,855.80 was paid that the Conference seek in every way to pay this assessment in full this year.

Total	amount distributed th	nis year\$21,682.72
Total	Receipts	20,428.98

Leaving a balance for the Conference to provide of \$ 1,253.74—Deficit

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 widows and dependents on the graduated scale. (See Conference Minutes 1933, page 122.)

Our Superannuates need their apportionments regularly. The Treasurer of the Conference cannot do the impossible? Funds must be in hand. Won't you, Brother Pastor, get busy soon after Conference and send in your assessments for this purpose?

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

SUPERANNUATE LIST

Ministers

Name	Invested Fund	Collections	Totals
Anstine, D. W	\$ 600.00	\$	\$ 600.00
Blake, Dorsey	384.00		384.00
Brown, G. E		168.00	600.00
Brown, J. McL.		168.00	600.00
Cassen, S. F.			528.00
Clift, F. M.		104.00	500.00
Cullum, C. M.		84.00	600.00
Dobson, C. H		173.00	365.00
Farring, G. F.			516.00
Green, A. H.		108.00	600.00
Hill, G. J.		276.00	600.00

Name	Invested Fund	Collections	٠	Totals
Judefind, W. B.				516.00
Keen, H. O.		108.00		600.00
Kirk, J. W.				552.00
Morris, G. A				444.00
Marshall, C. S.		26.00		50.00
Nichols, J. L. and Two Dependents		252.00		600.00
		000 DUM POC ALIEN SELECT		600.00
Parris, J. W		96.00		108.00
Siffrin, F. W. and Dependent		22.00		130.00
				504.00
Stocksdale, G. A		156.00		600.00
Wright, J. A		156.00	*	600.00
Wooden, J. F.		24.00		
Woodford, T. R	444.00	56.00	•	500.00
Widows and	Dependents			
Alexander, Mrs. C. N	\$ 36.00	\$ 180.00	\$	216.00
Arnett, Mrs. C. S	162.00	•••••		162.00
Benson, Mrs. F. T	. 222.00	78.00		300.00
Bennett, Mrs. L. A	. 156.00	144.00		300.00
Betts, Mrs. A. W		76.00		100.00
Bowers, Mrs. J. S		21.00		225.00
Cain, Mrs. F. S		102.00		300.00
Clayton, Mrs. G. M.		34.00		100.00
Crosby, Mrs. P. W.		114.00		300.00
Crouse, Mrs. T. O		114.00		150.00
Donaldson, Mrs. G. R.		54.00		300.00
Donovan, Mrs. Avery		180.00		300.00
Elderdice, Mrs. J. L.		98.00		200.00
Ewell, Mrs. J. H. S.				102.00
Hodge, Mrs. G. R.		132.00		300.00
Jester, Mrs. H. B. and One Dependent		218.00		350.00
Jones, Mrs. E. H		108.00		300.00
Klein, Mrs. F. C.		36.00		300.00
				30.00
Lewis, Mrs. R. K.		177.00		225.00
Litsinger, Mrs. J. E.		177.00		300.00
Lynch, Mrs. J. H. and Dependent		192.00		0000 N N N
Mullineaux, Mrs. F. H.		60.00		264.00
Norris, Mrs. J. W.		120.00		264.00
Nowlin, Mrs. C. P.		102.00		300.00
Owens, Mrs. I. S.		161.00		275.00
Phillips, Mrs. F. J.		15.00		225.00
Randall, Mrs. Louis		42.00		300.00
Reynolds, Mrs. F. D		149.00		281.00
Sanderson, Mrs. C. W		100.00		118.00
Sherwood, Mrs. W. N		142.00		214.00
Smith, Mrs. S. J		94.00		100.00
Sullivan, Mrs. J. C	66.00	70.00		136.00
Tyson, Mrs. R. T	54.00	181.00		235.00
Valiant, Mrs. S. G	18.00	185.00		203.00

Name	Invested Fund	Collections	Totals
Walter, Mrs. A. J.	90.00	144.00	234.00
Ward, Mrs. A. N.	186.00		186.00
Warfield, Mrs. E. A.	144.00	156.00	300.00
Warner, Mrs. L. F.	222.00	78.00	300.00
Williamson, Mrs. R. S	36.00	118.00	154.00
Wright, Mrs. H. F.	84.00	166.00	250.00
Yingling, Mrs. J. H.		88.00	112.00
Totals	\$14.958.00	\$6,050.00	\$21,008.00

W. P. ROBERTS, Chairman, J. A. DUDLEY, Secretary, C. E. DRYDEN, JNO. A. WRIGHT, JR., C. F. ARGABRIGHT, N. J. PARKS. 75

REPORT I

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE AND EDUCATION

(See Journal Page 25)

The Committee on Christian Literature and Education submits the following report.

The Methodist Protestant-Recorder, our own church paper, continues to serve our people in a most efficient way, raising its voice to spread information of a religious nature in a day when few such voices are heard. Our people should recognize the importance of this single voice of the church. A militant church must first of all be an informed church. Let us continue the good work of enlarging the family of readers, a task already well begun during the Fellowship Crusade. An increased circulation will make stronger churches and a happier editor.

We believe that our churches should use the literature published by our own Board of Publication. This material is ably edited and is written with the special needs and interests of our own church schools in mind.

The Leadership Training School conducted by our Conference Council of Religious Education, under the leadership of Rev. Raymond W. White and his council staff, provides an opportunity for the training of our workers which no church in our Conference should miss. The school increases steadily in size and in efficiency. The courses offered cover a wide range of leadership activity, and the fellowship of the workers from near and far provides a needed stimulus and incentive for better work back home. Your committee urges every church to send a delegation to this school.

Our educational institutions within this Conference area deserve our continued support. Western Maryland College received in cash and pledges

a total of \$111,000 through the campaign conducted last year. The College Trustees have authorized the erection of a Boy's Dormitory and the Field House, these two buildings to cost approximately \$225,000.00. Western Maryland College marches on. Christian colleges must continue to exercise a vital influence in the life of the church and society, and Christian people must support these institutions. State-supported institutions will be state-controlled institutions. The surest and safest way to maintain a religiously free and tolerant democratic society is by sending into society men and women trained in Christian colleges. We pledge Dr. Holloway our utmost loyalty.

Every man in the Conference rejoices in the improvements that have been made in the Seminary building and our hearts are made glad in the work that is being done in training men for the ministry.

In the appointment of Dr. J. N. Link to a professorship in the Westminster Theological Seminary, this Conference heartily concurs. We pray God's Blessing upon him as he takes up his new duties.

Every heart has felt a strange sense of emptiness because of the passing of our beloved teacher and friend, Dr. Hugh Latimer Elderdice. In what more fitting way can we honor his name than by the endowment of the chair of Practical Theology? We therefore recommend—

That a committee be raised by the President of this Conference to formulate and project plans and programs which will result in the endowment of the Hugh Latimer Elderdice Chair of Practical Theology.

J. EARL CUMMINGS, Chairman, HAROLD E. CHEYNEY, Secretary

REPORT OF MARYLAND CONFERENCE COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

For nineteen years your President of the Maryland Conference Council of Religious Education has been engaged in the young people's program of this Conference. This is his sixth report as President of the work. All these years have been so pleasant and profitable their memory seems like a bit of classical romance. They have convinced your President that when we enter the Methodist Church we will have every reason to be proud of our faithful and efficient pastors, our sincere Church leaders, local and general and our responsive youth everywhere. We are not ashamed of our work done in the past, our program created for the present and the wealth we have to offer to the mighty Methodist Church of the future.

We have seen and experienced the growth of this work of Leadership Training over a number of years. Carefully and constructively, year by year, we have built upon the experiences and programs of our noble leaders in this field. We come to this Conference with a report and a program which we believe marks the zenith of our work. We thank God for His incessant blessings and our comrades for their cooperation. We have tried to live and work so that God could get done in our sphere

of His earthly work that which He desired to accomplish. May this ever

At the Annual Business Meeting of the Coucil a resolution was unanimously adopted to send the entire executive committee to the Christian Education Conference conducted by our Board of Christian Education. In September of last year five members attended this Conference which was conducted on the Camp Grounds at Sabina, Ohio. This Conference proved to be very interesting and no doubt our Council will profit by this generous action. These delegates proved themselves willing to be trained for better service in directing the Leadership Training Program for this Conference.

The Council cooperated with the Baltimore Conference Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church in conducting a Methodist Junior High School Camp for intermediate girls and boys. The camp was conducted at Western Maryland College, June 28th to July 4th. possible provision was made for the enrichment of Christian living. We studied the Bible, Nature. First Aid and Life Saving and other specialized Our leaders were experienced in particular interests. This was the second year we have conducted an intermediate activities. Camp. While our enrollment was not quite as large this second year, we are confident this camp fills a long-felt need in our Conference, and that the enrollment will increase as our leaders in the local churches become better acquainted with the project and its objectives. The purpose of this school-camp is to aid Junior High School girls and boys in their physical, mental, social, and spiritual development through enriched experiences in Christian living. We highly commend it to the parents and leaders of children between the ages of twelve and fourteen.

The enrollment of our Leadership Training School increases year by year. Our enrollment exceeded all records last year. Four courses in the "A" series and fourteen courses in the "B" series were offered. Practically every student earned a certificate. More than fifty students were awarded a First Series Certificate. Throughout our Conference credits have been issued to students enrolled in denominational and interdenominational schools. For some years the local church has made little or no effort to conduct short training courses. This is unfortunate. However, there is a growing interest in the restoration of local church classes and many of our leaders are promoting the "A" series courses in connection with the local church program. We encourage this and include in our Leadership School program for this summer a course on "How to Teach the "A" Series Course in the Local Church."

In cooperation with the Baltimore Conference Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we conducted our first Methodist Sunday School Superintendents' Retreat at Western Maryland College last September. The purpose of this new project is to have our leaders study the problems of the Sunday School Superintendent and to pool experiences in finding solutions of these problems. Special consideration was given to such problems as increasing Sunday School enrollment and attendance, the enlistment and training of teachers, the best available materials for Sunday School workers, the place of evangelism in the work

of the Sunday School and other problems familiar to interested superintendents and Church school workers. Our enrollment was not very large. This, we feel, was due to the fact that our correspondence was sent out during the late summer months. This apparent delay could not be avoided because of the fact that the Retreat idea did not come to us and the program was not arranged until the first week in August. However, most favorable reports came to us from superintendents who attended. These encouraging reports have convinced ue that the project is very profitable and another Retreat will be sponsored in September of this year.

With this report we present to you four features of our future program which we feel merit your interest and will challenge our people throughout the Conference.

The Methodist Junior High School Camp will be conducted at Western Maryland College, June 27th to July 3rd. Girls and boys between the ages of twelve and fourteen are admitted upon payment of \$1.00 registration fee and a physician's certificate. The entire cost of attending the Camp will be \$10.50. We present this program to you with the hope that the intermediate girls and boys under your leadership may hear about it and be given an opportunity to profit by attending. Rev. L. E. Werner is our registrar for this camp.

The Annual Training School will be conducted at Western Maryland College, July 25th to August 1st. Four "A" Series Courses and fourteen "B" Series Courses will be offered. Among our evening speakers will be Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder, a member of the National Preaching Mission, and Dr. Paul F. Warner, our returned missionary from Japan, and Rev. Paul M. Cassen, returned missionary from India. We have added to our faculty three instructors for departmental materials and methods. All of them edit Sunday School materials for their denominations. The entire cost of attending this school will be \$10.50. Rev. J. W. Townsend is registrar for this school.

The Methodist Sunday School Superintendents' Retreat will be September 17th and 18th. The program will begin at 2:30 on Saturday afternoon and close 9:00 Sunday night. Sunday School superintendents and their wives, and other leaders interested in the administrative work of the Church and Sunday School are invited to attend. We have secured professional leadership for this Retreat. We commend this program to every Church school in the Maryland Conference and urge the school to send its leader as a delegate. The entire cost, including registration fee, lodging on Saturday night, and meals from Saturday dinner through supper on Sunday, is \$3.50.

The perennial problem of the local church is the lack of leadership. We are fully persuaded that no program of Leadership Training is adequate that overlooks the work of the local church. Our training schools reach a few. The local church can reach all. We feel that this lack of leadership is a result of our failing to challenge and train younger pupils. Too often we wait until we need leaders and then accept anyone who will agree to fill a vacancy. This is not good strategy. We commend a program to the local church that will begin to solicit future leader-

ship among our youth who have reached the age of fourteen year at least, consecrate those who accept the challenge, and begin to train them for a future need. To this end we urge the local churches to organize special classes and use the "A" Series Courses of instruction. The method of procedure will be taught in our Leadership Training School.

We come to this Conference with a surplus in our treasury. This is due to the generosity of our churches.

Recommendation

That the Council, in view of the fact it no longer participates in the Conference Budget, be given permission to solocit offerings from individuals, Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies and Churches to help meet the expense of the Council.

R. W. WHITE, President.

REPORT I-1

REPORT OF THE MARYLAND EDUCATION ENDOWMENT SOCIETY

(See Journal Page 22)

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society submits the following report for the year ending June, 1938. The annual receipts from invested funds for the benefit of the Westminster Theological Seminary were received and properly distributed. They consist of the annual income from the Drinkhouse Estate, the interest on an invested fund received from Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, and the Henrietta Gibson Scholarship Fund.

R. Y. NICHOLSON, President N. O. GIBSON, Secretary

REPORT J

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM AND SOCIAL SERVICE

(See Journal Page 34)

These are days that try men's souls. The times are out of joint. The whole world is in a state of economic disorder, political confusion, and moral collapse. Upon the earth there is "distress of nations, with perplexity; men's hearts failing them for fear and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." There are wars, savage and brutal wars, raging in China and Spain; there are disturbing rumors of war in many places, and feverish preparations for war everywhere. There is unspeakable tyranny, personal regimentation, class oppression, and religious and racial persecution in the dictator-ruled nations of Europe. "Man's inhumanity to man" still "makes countless thousands

mourn." Civilization itself has broken down at many points, and the very foundations of life are shaken.

In our own country, millions are unemployed or working only on part time and for meager wages, while, on the other hand, highly-paid executives receive salaries and bonuses amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars, and the stock-holders of great corporations complain because their dividends are not as fat as formerly. Production, having been systematically curbed, remains sluggish; industry is practically paralyzed; business is hesitant and fearful; capital is static, and individual initiative in a state of suspended animation. The burden of taxation, however, continues to increase, the Federal deficit grows by leaps and bounds, and the National debt mounts ever higher and higher. All of which implies something radically wrong with our economic and social order.

But if economic conditions are bad, moral conditions are even worse. Lawlessness abounds and deeds of violence multiply with shocking rapidity. The crime wave sweeps on at flood tide, and the sinister shadow of the kidnaper and child-murderer falls over the threshold of many happy Immortality and vice, passion and lust, selfishness and greed debase the individual, defile the home, befoul the church, and corrupt the body politic. Drunkenness, martial infidelity, Sabbath desecration, irreverence, contempt of moral standards and impatience of moral restraintall these prevail, not universally, of course, and perhaps not even predominally, but to such an alarming degree as to inspire the gravest concern for the future of our country. We may well ask ourselves if ours is not, after all, the merchandise of Babylon, which includes traffic in "the soul of men." At any rate, the forces of evil, irreligious and antisocial, were never more militantly active and aggressively hostile than today. The battle rages on many fronts, and there is good fighting all along the line.

The battle still rages, for instance, on the Prohibition front. Let there be no mistake about that. "There is no discharge in that war." Our lines were beaten back when the Eighteenth Amendment was repealed, but they are re-forming, and the counterattack is about to be launched, nay, it has already begun. The Liquor Traffic, with its attendant evils, is still "Public Enemy No. 1." The Ethiopian has not changed his skin, nor the leopard his spots. Nothing has happened or developed since the repeal of Probibtion, which was to bring in a Utopia, to alter or modify our conviction that the legalized Liquor Traffic must be destroyed, that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors must be absolutely prohibited, and that prohibition must be thoroughly and rigidly enforced. On the contrary, the conditions prevailing today only intensify that conviction. With our highways lined with notorious roadhouses and crowded with drunken and drinking drivers; with hundreds of thousands of young girls, most of them in their teens, serving as bar-maids in taverns and tap-rooms; with women, and even children, drinking and getting drunk as never before, and with the consumption of liquor increasing every year, surely we can do no less than renew our vow of eternal hostility to this nefarious business, and wage a relentless warfare against it. We join with our Presbyterian brethren in pledging ourselves "to work and pray for the return of National Prohibition."

We are much disturbed by reports that some of our church members identify themsleves, in one way or another, with the liquor business. We are of the conviction, that no member of the church should compromise himself or his church, by using, selling, or renting buildings in which are sold, intoxicating liquors of any kind. Nor should he, directly or indirectly, have any interest in, or receive any profits from, such an utterly un-Christian and anti-Christian business. Let there be no mincing of words. Let us say to all such "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon."

We heartily endorse and commend the work of the Anti-Saloon League, under the faithful and efficient leadership of its superintendent, Mr. G. W. Crabbe. We urge all possible cooperation with this organization on the part of our pastors and churches. We also express again our appreciation of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and the splendid service it has rendered, and is still rendering, in this cause. We would stress the need of scientific education and religious training among our children, our young people and adults, as to the evils of intemperance and the blessings of total abstinence.

We also endorse the organization known as "The Associated Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Maryland, Incorporated, which is described as "a movement to enlist in behalf of unfortunate boys and girls (including those coming before Children's Court) the personal interest of men of good will." We believe this movement can render a real service in the reduction of juvenile crime.

Because of the determined and persistent efforts which are being made to commercialize and desecrate the Lord's Day, we need to emphasize, by precept and example, the supreme importance and divine authority of the commandment to "remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy." As the Lord's Day Alliance has been effectively engaged in preserving and protecting the sancitity of the Sabbath, we heartily endorse the work of this organization, and commend the Executive Secretary, Dr. W. W. Davis, for his efficient and untiring efforts in its behalf. We pledge our cooperation in the legislative and educational program which he has outlined to us. We concur in the resolution referred to us, endorsing a proposed bill to prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages between 12 o'clock Saturday night and 6 o'clock Monday morning.

The insidious evils of gambling, in its many forms, are increasingly before us. As Christians, it is our duty to oppose the spread of this vicious habit. We must be alert, in the coming election, to the proposal to amend the State Constitution so as to open the way for the legislation of lotteries. As a Conference, we condemn gambling in all its forms. In order that it may present an unbroken front to the world on this question, we urge our pastors and laymen to observe and enforce the following regulation of our Manual: "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 re-

quired to oppose such methods. Willful continuance of such practices shall, upon recommendation of the Committee on Official Relations, subject pastors and churches responsible to disciplinary action." (Regulation 10.)

We are horrified at the utter brutality of modern warfare, as demonstrated in China and Spain. We cannot too strongly condemn the cowardly bombing of defenseless cities, the ruthless slaughter of civilians, including innocent women and children, and the wanton destruction of hospitals, orphanages, asylums, and other humanitarian institutions. We deplore the world-wide rearmament race, in which our own country is participating, and the spirit of conquest which is predominant in many of the militaristic nations. Surely the church should take the lead in all sane efforts to promote peace, in the name of her Master, "The Prince of Peace." That her own house may first be set in order, and to avoid even the appearance of evil, we express the hope that the time will come when Christian institutions will no longer foster military training. We believe, that, under present world conditions, military training is still necessary, and that in some ways it is beneficial, but we feel that it should not be associated with a Christian or church-controlled college. Let us work for peace; let us preach the Gospel of Peace, in the name of the God of Peace.

C. M. ELDERDICE, ChairmanGEO. W. PORTS, SecretaryW. A. ROBERTSF. G. REINICKERJ. P. COOPER

Amended by the Conference to instruct the President to appoint a Secretary of Temperance to stimulate education within the church by providing temperance lessons and the urging of total abstinence pledge signing in our Sundays Schools.

REPORT K

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

(See Journal Page 32)

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies submits the following: The Deaconess Work, the Maryland Tract Society, the St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pope Creek Benevolent Society have all been matters of careful consideration.

The Maryland Tract Society is carrying on a very definite Christian work among a group thus far largely neglected by the church. They maintain several strategic centers where poor children receive necessary spiritual instruction, copies of the gospels and tracts carrying a gospel message. The churches of the Maryland Annual Conference have given \$143.34 to this splendid interest. We sincerely urge that every church support this most worthy cause.

The Deaconess Board has performed a most meritorious service with Miss Lillian DeMoss as our lone deaconess assisting those churches requesting her services. Her work has inspired all those with whom she has come in contact. Wherever Miss DeMoss has served fine impressions have been made for Christ and the Kingdom of God. She has served the following churches during the past year: Eutaw, Starr, Lewis Memorial, Emmanuel, Brooklyn, Christ Church, First Church in Wilmington, Keen Memorial, and North Baltimore. In most instances they were repeat engagements, which speak well for her spiritual ministrations. Free will offerings from the churches amounted to \$88.00. Any pastor desiring her help should apply early in the year to the Deaconess Board, and in all fairness to the Board offerings should be sent in promptly.

During the year two members of the Deaconess Board have been translated to their celestial reward: W. F. Spangenberg and Mrs. W. F. Chew. We shall miss their fellowship and counsel. Their vacancies must be filled at this Conference. Also the terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session and their successors should be elected: E. J. Paige, Mrs. S. H. Wareheim, G. W. Haddaway, and G. E. Brown.

We most gratefully appreciate the Christian generosity of the St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society and any others who have assisted the President of the Conference in emergencies which have arisen during the conference year.

The following bequests are gratefully acknowledged

A gift of \$1,000 by the will of Rev. G. M. Clayton to the Bethesda Church to be applied on the indebtedness.

The erection of a church house adjacent to the Bay View Church at Bay View, Maryland, as a gift of one of its most loyal members, Miss Pocahontas Reed, at the cost of \$8,000.00.

A legacy of \$1,000.00 to the Bay View Church by the will of Mr. Reed.

A gift of a farm through the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler of the Providence Church on the Deer Park Charge to the Home of the Aged, the same having been sold for \$4,500.00.

- 1. The committee wishes to submit the following supplemental report: We nominate L. W. Dykes to succeed Mr. W. F. Spangenberg, deceased, and Mrs. Norman White to succeed Mrs. W. F. Chew, deceased. We further recommend that E. J. Paige, Mrs. S. H. Wareheim, G. W. Haddaway, and G. E. Brown be re-elected to the Board.
- 2. The Jefferson Benevolent Society, formerly of the Old Jefferson Circuit, created years ago for the benefit of the ministers of that circuit has ceased to exist. Two churches remaining from this circuit, namely, Lewistown and Buckeystown are now on separate charges and the funds of said society have been distributed equally between the two churches.
- 3. We gratefully acknowledge from the estate of Mrs. Mamie Bartholomay the following additional bequests: to Christ Church, Balti-

more, \$1,700; Maryland Conference, \$1,100; and Westminster Theological Seminary, \$1,100. (See Minutes of 1937, page 43).

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. DAWSON, Chairman WALTER H. STONE B. I. BARNES H. D. DAVIS

REPORT K-1

REPORT OF THE TREASURER, THE DEACONESS BOARD

Disbursements	
Salary of Deaconess\$240.00	
Board and Room Rent 370.00	
Incidental Expenses of Board 8.15	
	\$618.15
Receipts	
Balance, June 1, 1937\$ 69.21	
Interest on Investment 525.00	
Free-will Offering from Churches 88.00	
	\$682.21
Disbursements	. 618.15
Balance	.\$ 64.06

W. A. MELVIN, Treasurer

REPORT L

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL RELATIONS

(See Journal Page 36)

Again the pastors' and delegates' reports evidence, generally, a fine spirit of cooperation with the Conference in its work for Christ and His Church. The exceptions are few, so few as to be notable.

There are still a few Sunday Schools who do not use our own literature. This failure reflects upon their loyalty; moreover, we believe our literature is the best for us.

The Conference insists that all Boards of Trustees be incorporated, primarily for the benefit of the local churches involved. Not to comply with this rule is for a church to stand in its own light.

We note that only four charges report not having elected a Lady Visitor to our Church Home.

Special days named by the General Church afford opportunities for meeting World Service quotas. They are appointed largely for this purpose and should be used to accomplish it.

The increase in subscriptions to the Methodist Protestant-Recorder is highly gratifying, especially in these transition days when full information as to developments is needed. Other news agencies do not carry these facts so fully as does the religious press. Moreover the other departments of our church organ bring interesting and valuable aids to Christian living.

The Superannuated Fund and the Group Life Insurance are conference-supported, mutual agencies for the benefit of ministers and their families when age or misfortune overtakes them. Small payments are expected annually from ministers to each of these interests. The times must be few when such payments cannot be made and in those cases an explanation is accepted. The pastor's personal report blank contains these two questions: "Have you met your obligation to the Superannuated Society's Investment Fund this year?" and "Have you paid your assessment for Group Insurance?" Your committee feels that a categorical "no" by the pastor in answer to these questions is not satisfactory.

Honor Roll of Charges

The following charges have paid the Maryland and World Service Budgets in full: Eutaw, Linthicum Heights, North Baltimore, St. John's, Buckeystown, Chestertown, Federalsburg, Friendship, Howard, Indian River, Oxford, Pipe Creek, Poplar Springs, Salisbury, Rhode Island Avenue, Lewis Memorial and Wesley Chapel of Kent. Seventeen, in all, as against thirteen last year.

The following detached church has again paid Maryland and World Service Budget in full: Eldorado.

The following churches on charges have paid the Maryland Conference and World Service Budgets in full: Thawley's Church (on Caroline Charge), Ruthsburg (on Queen Anne Charge), Bates Memorial Church (on Snow Hill Charge).

The following charges have paid the Maryland Conference Budget in full: East Baltimore, Edmondson Avenue, Hampden, Lauraville, Nichols' Memorial, St. Paul's, South Baltimore, Starr, Texas, Wilton Heights, Cambridge, Caroline, Cecil, Centreville, Clayton, First Church (Cumberland), Deer Park, Delmar, Denton, Easton, Fawn Grove, Finksburg, First Church (Newark), Harrington, Hebron, Kent Island, Laurel, Leipsic, Lewistown-Liberty, Second Church (Lynchburg), Tyreanna, Mardela, Maryland Line, Milton, Parksley, Pittsville, Pocomoke City, Powellville, Queen Anne, Reliance, Ridgeville, Seaford, Sharptown, Snow Hill, Stewartstown, Susquehanna, Union Bridge, Wallace Memorial, Warwick, Calvary (Virginia), Cherrydale, Congress Street, First Church (Washington), Fort Myer Heights, Mt. Olivet, Mt. Tabor, Westminster.

The following detached churches have paid the Maryland Conference Budget in full: Madison, Quinton, Union.

The following churches on charges have paid the Maryland Conference Budget in full: Claremont (on Claremont Charge), Oak Grove (on Claremont Charge), Choptank (on Grove Charge), Grove (on Grove

Charge), Hayden (on Queen Anne Charge), Central and New Market (on Frederick Charge), Doylesburg and Roxbury (on Doylesburg Charge).

- 1. 'We recommend that the following be loaned to the Board of Missions in accordance with its request: Paul F. Warner, W. H. Hodges, C. G. Soderbom, O. W. Prince, W. M. Snyder and J. C. Byrd.
- 2. That Clayborne Phillips be continued in a Supernumerary relation.

3. That Paul M. Cassen be left without an appointment at his own request.

- 4. That J. R. Wright be loaned as Chaplain in the United States Army.
- 5. 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, F. G. Holloway; Professor, Western Maryland College, Lawrence Little; Professor, Westminster Theological Seminary, J. N. Link; Secretary, Board of Missions, G. W. Haddaway; President, Westminster College, Tehuacana, Texas, C. A. Sutton.

We are again indebted to Western Maryland College and Westminster Theological Seminary, Presidents Holloway and Forlines and Dean Schofield; to Mrs. Paul M. Wimert, the Associated Press Reporter, and to all those who have contributed in any way to the comfort and success of this Conference. To all these we extend our sincere thanks.

W. H. LITSINGER, Chairman R. Y. NICHOLSON E. L. BUNCE F. P. ADKINS HENRY GILLIGAN GEO. H. SCHUMACHER

REPORT M

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

(See Journal Page 27)

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" is just as truly our Lord's command for this age as it was when he first gave it to his followers. Many efforts, seeking to control the world, have endeavored to invalidate our Lord's command but the obligation and the challenge cannot be set aside. In face of the issues of this day, the Church of Christ must not be found guilty of neglect. At home and abroad the fields are white, the opportunities inviting but as of other years, the laborers are too few. Pray ye therefore that the Lord of the harvest will send more laborers into his harvest.

Home Missions

Pine Ridge: The Maryland Conference is always definitely interested in this work. Under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Andrews

gratifying results are being obtained and the school must succeed under such efficient service. "During the year a new home has been provided for the superintendent, the store completed and other needed improvements made in the kitchen facilities. The school has continued with its same fine standing of the years."

The Far West: Word from Brothers Hodges, Snyder and Byrd tells us of their work in the great northwest and of their keen interest in our work here.

Alien Work: While this Conference has no particular mission in this field yet we rejoice in the work of Rev. F. L. Hertzfeld and endorse him as a faithful servant of Jesus Christ and commend his work to our Conference. If within the province of this committee, we recommend that this Conference give him the same appropriation as of last year—\$50.00 to be used for purchasing literature.

Foreign Missions

Japan: This country is passing through grave conditions. The Sino-Japanese War is a matter of deep regret to the Christian world. We are told that the Japanese Christians are not sympathetic with this war, yet they are practically helpless when you know that only one-half of one per cent of Japan is Christian. This, of course, is a very small per cent of her population and yet, as has been sad, "Japanese Christians weigh more than they count." Rev. Paul Warner and his wife are now at home on furlough and you have the fine privilege of hearing from them personally. Of course we shall continue to give them our support.

China: What a field and how vast and immeasurable the opportunities. With all we do, we shall but touch the borders of her great needs.

We regret that Miss Grace Armstrong has been withheld from the task to which she so ardently desired to go, but advice from Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, is against the sending of new misisonaries into that section now. May the entire church pray that war may end and that China may become the most fertile field for Christian service.

India: We are told that "India is awakening but the missionary personnel is decreasing on account of the financial depression in the sending countries." Our chillenge was never greater. Let us pray that a new day is coming for India. "At the present time India is bowing at the feet of our Lord with 500 to 600 new souls daily."

We rejoice that Miss Eva Logue of Deer Park, who applied to our Board of Missions for service in India and could not be sent, has now been accepted by the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. After a period of training in London she will go to India.

The greatest need of the world today is not money but prayer and faith. As Christians may the passion of our prayer be "World Peace."

T. C. MULLIGAN, Chairman G. J. HOOKER, Secretary W. A. DONOWAY MRS. E. L. KEYSER MRS. J. C. ROBERTS W. S. LEAVERTON

THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

Your committee is not unmindful of the importance of the work committed to its care. It is not easy, however, to ascertain the effects of the organizations in our last report. We feel some effective work has been accomplished in Missionary interest among the churches. New organizations have been affected during the year.

We recommend that we be much in earnest prayers, pastors preach missionary sermons, and make every possible effort to increase the number of Missionary Societies both among the men and women in the local churches of our Conference.

It is further recommended that this committee be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HADDAWAY

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MARYLAND BRANCH WOMEN'S MISSIONARY WORK

Mr. President and members of the Maryland Annual Conference, it is indeed a privilege to bring greetings to you from the women of the Maryland Branch, Women's Missionary Work. Educationally, Spiritually and Materially, we have made rapid strides; more prayer circles formed, deeper consecration of our women in this great cause, more of our young people attending our Leadership Training Schools, more attractive and informative programs, and our budget raised in full without extra appeals. One hundred and one churches contributed to our budget of \$14,000.00, 82 met their apportionments in full, 28 paid more than the quota assigned.

The success of our entire program means that we are more adequately able to touch the lives of "others," truly this is a real cause for rejoicing.

O, ministers of the gospel, grasp this opportunity to press toward the mark, catch the true spirit of World Service! The more interest your women evince in missions, so much more effective will be their work in the local church; monies raised credited on your World Service Budget, a real solution to the problems confronting you.

Our "flying squadron," consisting of members of our executive committee, has done outstanding work this year in visiting our districts, and has placed the whole program of the church on the hearts of our women, through fellowship one with the other. We wish to pay tribute to the effective work and hearty cooperation of our executive committee and

district chairmen; through their efforts six new auxiliaries have been formed

We want especially to thank Dr. E. A. Sexsmith and Dr. R. L. Shipley and the pastors of the churches who have helped the women carry out their program.

To our Executive Secretaries, Dr. G. W. Haddaway and Miss Bettie Brittingham, our thanks for their interest and kindness in keeping us informed of the latest news from our fields.

Our Meth-Pro-Home is filled to capacity, and has had the most successful year in its history, having met all its financial obligations in full as they came due, made worthwhile and needed improvements to its property and equipment.

We were blessed in having Rev. and Mrs. Horace Williams, our returned missionaries from China, this year, who visited our districts and many of our churches, bringing inspiring messages, which created a new and awakened interest. Dr. and Mrs. Paul Warner of Japan are with us at present, and are doing effective work at our district meetings, and we are looking forward to having Miss Olive Hodges of Japan with us in the near future.

At the Women's Convention of the Methodist Protestant Church at Tiffin, Ohio, last month, the annual award (a Japanese Kimono) to the Branch, whose young people raised the most money per capita, was given to the Maryland Branch. This will remain in our possession for one year, or as long as we continue to be victorious. In connection with this, I should like to say that we have a fine costume bureau (to which this costume will be added), which is at the disposal of any of our churches.

Last year, we were all delighted to have one of our own to offer to serve Him in China. I refer to Grace Armstrong. As you know, we, as a Branch, assumed her support, but owing to war conditions, we have been unable to send her. Our Board of Missions felt it inadvisable to send her to China under existing conditions. The money which has been contributed to her support is being held by our Treasurer, and we ask your earnest prayers that war in the Far East may soon cease, so that we may advance His Kingdom throughout the world. This presents a real opportunity for work among our young people,—a definite peace program, a program designed to give each individual, spiritual peace. How else can we obtain international peace except through the Prince of Peace. "He is our peace," the solution to world problems.

Having reviewed the work of the past year, we must now look to our future. I should like so much to lay this challenge upon the altar of faith, this year, and emphasize the word GROW, as our year's theme suggests "Fellowship in Furtherance." To grow spiritually will enable as personally, and as a group, to emerge beyond the level of accepted goodness into radiant living, sharing a consecrated prayer life one with the other. Through this means, we may grow by establishing more auxiliaries, realizing our most cherished ambition, AN AUXILIARY ON EVERY CHARGE; arranging attractive and informative programs, through efficient use of our Guide Book and monthly material; enlisting the aid of our children, young people and women to back the whole program of the church.

Our district chairman, Mrs. P. E. Douglas of Central District; Mrs. Mollie Molesworth of Western District; Mrs. Charles Wilkins of Lower Peninsula; Mrs. H. C. Burkins of Delaware; Mrs. Willis Bulette of the Fifth District, and Mrs. Joseph Stup of Baltimore, stand willing and ready to assist our ministers in any way to help form auxiliaries. Please avail yourself of this opportunity to get an auxiliary on your charge. Let us make every effort to boost the subscription list of the Missionary Record. There are only four hundred and eighty-six subscribers in Maryland Branch, surely here is a real opportunity for growth. We are hoping, this year, that each church will send new and used clothing, or any of the articles needed, which are listed in the June issue of the Missionary Record, to our Alvin Drew School at Pine Ridge, Kentucky.

Growth may be stimulated by our interest in the Fellowship Crusade, here is our challenge to "put our house in order," for that new spirit of union, which pervades the Christian World.

We cannot grow unless we have fellowship one with the other. This the explanation of the church, a cooperative body. How can we get the most out of a cooperative fellowship? We refer to the Scriptures for our answer, "And He came in the Spirit into the temple." If we attend our churches and meetings in the spirit, then we shall see the amazing possibilities of "Fellowship in Futherance.

MIRIAM B. MATTHEWS, President

REPORT N

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED

(See Journal Page 33)

Having reviewed the reports of the officers of the institution, your Committee on the Home for the Aged submits the following:

- 1. The entire staff, and governing bodies of the Home are to be commended for their consecrated service and efficiency. Christian fellowship and understanding prevail in the Home life and the business interests are intelligently administered. We regret the necessary resignations from the Board of Lady Superintendents of Mrs. George Babylon, because of illness, and Mrs. Hilda Albaugh, due to change of residence. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Lloyd Elderdice and Mrs. George Benson to the Board.
- 2. The present family of the Home consists of twenty-five guests, the matron, nurse, and two servants.
- 3. We find the building and equipment in excellent condition and commend all those responsible. A visit to the Home impresses one with this fact. We urge those attending the Conference and those who will attend the Leadership Training School to avail themselves of the opportunity to visit our Home and its guests.
- 4. The donations of food and money by individuals, churches, and other organizations are to be commended and we suggest that more of our people remember our Home in this manner.

5. A number of bequests have been received during the year, notably that of Mrs. Robert Wheeler, of Bird Hill, Carroll County, who left to the Home a farm, which later was sold. The ministers and laymen of the Conference can render a great service if they will urge their friends to remember this worthy cause in their wills.

Recommendations

- 1. The term of office of Rev. J. H. Straughn, Rev. W. P. Roberts, George Mather, and Dr. E. B. Fenby, as members of the Board, expire with this session and we recommend the election of their successors.
- 2. The Board of Managers request the continuance of the present appropriation of \$6,000.00 and we recommend that their request be granted.

W. L. HOFFMAN, Chairman EDW. E. COLEMAN, Secretary J. W. BAXLEY W. N. FLECKENSTEIN JOSEPH G. GREEN W. I. HERBERT

REPORT N-1

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED

To the Maryland Annual Conference, Gentlemen,

We are glad to report the property in excellent condition. There is a small waiting list at present.

We express our appreciation for a number of bequests during the year, especially that of Mrs. Robert Wheeler, of Bird Hill, Carroll County, who in her will left us a farm which we later sold. If members of the Conference will use their influence to have friends who have means include in their wills the Home for the Aged it will greatly help us.

We respectfully request that the present appropriation of \$6,000 be continued.

We call your attention to the fact that the terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session: Rev. J. H. Straughn, Rev. W. P. Roberts, George Mather and Dr. E. N. Fenby.

GEORGE MATHER, President, Board of Managers.

REPORT N-2

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY SUPERINTENDENTS HOME FOR THE AGED OF WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND

March 24, 1938.

At the present time we have twenty-five guests in the Home, matron, nurse and two servants, a total of twenty-nine. All rooms are filled.

There were two deaths during the year, Miss Amanda Hopper, of North Baltimore, died on April 28, 1937, aged 86 years, and Miss Letitia Marley, of West Baltimore, passed away on July 8, aged 84 years.

We have had four persons to enter the Home since last report: Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hunter from Mt. Lebanon Church; Miss Helen Virginia Moore from Finksburg, and Mr. Robert Henry Craig from Mt. Nebo.

Owing to our efficient manager, Mrs. Masten and our faithful nurse, Mrs. Ackley, things have run along smoothly. Some of the guests are sorely afflicted because of the infirmities of age, but all are given the best attention.

Visitors' Day, September 1, was a decided success. Many ministers and members of different churches were present, bringing gifts of food and cash. This day is looked forward to with interest by those who dwell in the Home as well as by members of the Ladies' Board.

Christmas is one of the most delightful days of the year. No trouble is spared to make all happy. Personal gifts, candy, money and even turkeys were provided by interested friends. We wish all could have seen the joy and happiness that prevailed.

Donations were received from about forty churches and organizations. Many individuals and groups brought entertainments and served refreshments to all present. Entertainments and services have been held by students from the college and seminary. A twenty-year subscription to the Democratic Advocate came from a friend. Mrs. Wantz gave a tea at her home during the holiday season.

For all this we are deeply grateful. We feel there are others who would find equal pleasure in sharing their blessings if they would "come and see."

Numerous repairs and improvements have been made, and others are listed as far as funds permit.

Mrs. George Babylon resigned because of illness, and Mrs. Hilda Albaugh, due to change of residence. Mrs. Lloyd Elderdice and Mrs. George Benson have been elected new members of the Board. The office of secretary-treasurer, held by Mrs. Albaugh, has been divided. Mrs. J. P. Wantz was elected treasurer and Mrs. George Mather, secretary.

Financial Report

Receipts		
Cash on hand, March 13, 1937\$	49.66	
Donations		
Net receipts from Visitors' Day	144.03	
Christmas checks	147.10	
Telephone refunds	7.71	
Total		\$462.60
Disbursements		-
Daily papers\$	15.80	
Household supplies	18.69	

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Balance on hand, March 13, 1938		\$177.82
Total		\$284.78
Christmas expenses	83.86	0004 70
New vacuum cleaner	31.08	
Oculist and dentist	18.00	
Turkeys for Thanksgiving and annual meeting		
Painting	19.77	
Special treats and birthdays	25.20	
Cleaning and repairing clothes	9.91	
Clothing	11.32	
Piano tuned	6.85	*
Repairs to radio and furniture	3.00	
	22.86	
Flowers for deceased	10.25	

REPORT N-3

REPORT OF JAS. PEARRE WANTZ, TREASURER OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH AT WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND

March 15, 1937 to March 15, 1938

Westminster, Maryland, March 15, 1938

Receipts

Receipts	
March 15, 1937—Balance as reported in last report	\$ 35.60
Received from Chas. F. Cummins, Treasurer	3,300.00
Transfer from Invested Fund Interest Account	4,000.00
Transfer from Invested Fund Interest Account	200.00
Donation-St. John's Church, Baltimore, Md	- 05
Donation-Milton, Delaware, Church	0.00
Rebate on Insurance	2.00
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	\$7,538.85
Disbursements	
Bills paid for table use	\$2,161.30
Bills paid for salaries and wages	2,435.50
Bills paid for ordinary expenses	1,365.03
Bills paid for ordinary expenses	462.61
Bills paid for supplies	994.89
Bills paid for special expenses	
Balance on hand at close of year, March 15, 1938	119.02
	\$7,538.85

I also beg to advise 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 \$64,975.16.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. PEARRE WANTZ, Treasurer

We, the undersigned committee appointed by the President to examine the account of Jas. Pearre Wantz, Treasurer, beg to advise that we have performed that duty to the best of our ability and we have found the accounts correct and supported by the proper vouchers. We have also gone over the securities in the invested fund and have counted and appraised them and report that they are correct.

A. W. EWELL,
OBER S. HERR,
GEORGE MATHER,
Auditing Committee.

LADY VISITORS TO THE HOME FOR THE AGED

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Friendship	Mrs. S. M. Pusey	Congretown Delaware
	Mrs. John L. Wilson	Georgetown, Delaware
Greenbackville	Man III C Y	Camparanceville Virginia
Greenbush-Hallwood	Mrs. Hiram S. Lang	Greenwood. Del.
Greenwood-Cannon	Mrs. Nora Wroten Mrs. Elmer Kelley	Preston Md. R. F. D.
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Harmony	Miss Margaret L. Wils Mrs. Grace Landis	Falling Waters. W. Va.
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Harrington	Mrs. Jennie Creadick.	
Hebron	Mrs Killa Seahrease	Ileuron,
	Mrs Walter Smith	Salisbury, Ma., R. D. 2
Howard	Mrs Nellie Craver	Brookeville, Mu.
	Mrs Edna Roswell	Brookeville, Mu.
,	Mrs Annie Parlett	Clarksville, Mu.
	Mrs A K Pickett	Clarksville, Mu.
Hurlock	Mrs. Mamie Harper	Millshope Delaware
Indian River	Bertha I. Wright	Monrovia Md.
Kemptown	Mrs. Carl Cline	Locust Grove, Md.
Kent Island-Wye	mrs. milda Anthony	
Laurel	······Mrs. Charles L. Horsey	Laurel. Delaware
Laurel Circuit	•••••	
Leeds	·······Mrs. Gladys Gregg	Elkton, Md., R. D. 5
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Lewistown-Liberty	Mrs Dorothy Stull	Lewistown, Md.
Lynchburg, 1st Church	chMrs. Wm. Weeks	310 Wadswerth Sty
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Mardela	Mrs. Saddie Eversman	Mandala Carings, Md.
	Fannie Reddish	Mardela Springs, Md.
	Minnie Twilley	Mardela Springs, Md.
Maryland Line	Mrs. Dorothy Dashiell	nson Parkton Md.
Milford	Mrs. A 1 Weltons	Milford, Del.
Milton	Alesea Johnson	Milton, Del.
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New Church	Mrs Meta Conquest.	Atlantic, va.
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	Mrs Ella Fletcher	Wattsville, va.
Northumberland	Mrs Mary P. Eskride	eBurgess Store, va.
Oxford	Mrs W H Myers	Oxiora, Mu.
Parksley	Mrs N. J. Parks	Parksley, va.
Emmanuel	· ·····Mrs. C. W. Slemmer.	5418 Malcolm St., Philadelphia, Pa.
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Taylor Memorial	Mrs. Wm. George	5840 Front St., N.,
Pipe Creek	Mrs. Dewy Stoner	New Windsor, Md.
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Pocomoke	T MaMaster	Pocomoke City,
Poplar Springs		
r Spgs	Mrs. A. G. Bowman	Mt. Airy, Ma.
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Trinity-Salem	Mrs. Charles Hamitoniii Mrs. Lucy Taylor	Marion Station, Md.
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Alexandria	Mrs. R. L. Wright	Alexandria, Va.
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Calvary	Mrs. E. B. Garber	Arlington, Va.
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Cherrydale	Mrs. Amos Donaldson	Arlington, Va.
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First Church	Miss Eunice Hartley:	Washington, D. C.
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Lewis Memorial	Mrs. Wallace Streeter	Washington, D. C.
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Mt. Olivet	Mrs. Wm. L. Ball	Arlington, Va.
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Walker's Chapel a	and	
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HebronMrs.	Julia SammersGeorgetown, Del.
LindenMrs.	W. E. TalbottClarksville, Md.
MadisonMrs.	Bertie HaringtonMadison, Md.
Portsville	Oliver JohnsonPocomoke City, Md.

REPORT O

REPORT OF THE SUMMER CONFERENCE

(See Journal Page 32)

The 28th Annual Session of the Summer Conference for Ministers will be held in the Westminster Theological Seminary, August 29th to September 2nd. Every effort has been made to build a program that will interest and challenge every man of the Maryland Conference.

Our guest speakers will be the Rev. J. Alfred Kaye, M. A., the Pastor of New Court Congregational Church, London, England, and Doctor E. G. Homrighausen, Professor of Christian Education in Princeton Theological Seminary.

Ministers wives are cordially invited to share our 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 respectfully request an appropriation of \$200.00 for this year.

J. EARL CUMMINGS

President.

REPORT OF SUMMER CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Balance June 11, 1937	\$	201.76	
1937 Maryland Conference Appropriation\$	200.00		*
1937 Ministerial Dues	102.00		
Board and Linen Charge	202.55		
	\$		
		\$	706.3

Disbursements	
Honoraria	235.55
	\$ 480.15
Balance June 10, 1938	\$ 226.16

THOS G. BETSCHLER, Treasurer.

REPORT P

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

(See Journal Page 29)

Evangelism: The word which expresses the last thought in the mind of the Master before His departure.

What is evangelism? To the members of this committee it is the most comprehensive word in the vocabulary of the Christian Church, an all inclusive word which gathers within its scope people of every age within our churches from the youngest to the oldest. People of every class, rich or poor, learned or illiterate. People of every color or race for color and nationality are no barriers to the real spirit of Evangelism. The good news must reach all from the youngest child to the aged man or woman. Joseph the rich man of Arimathaea heard it gladly. And Jesus sent this word to John the Baptist, as part of his credentials, that the poor have the Gospel preached unto them. Nicodemus the learned teacher of the Jews was a subject of personal evangelism.

And what shall we say more? For the time would fail us to tell of Mary Magdalene, of Levi and Zacchaeus the Publican, and the fisherman of Gallilee, who through Evangelism were brought into a living relationship with Jesus.

"Tell it again, tell it again, Salvation's story repeat o'er and o'er Till none can cay of the children of men, Nobody ever has told me before."

This thing called Evangelism is something that embraces every part of our church life. We have our missionary work, what is that but a very practical form of World Evangelism? Didn't Jesus say "God ye into all the world and deciple, or evangelize all people"?

We speak of our work of religious education, what is that but the very hand maid of Evangelism? For when it is separated from evangelism it is but a useless gesture. When we appeal to our people and ask them to give to the church of their material substance upon what is our appeal based? For nothing short of the proclaiming of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the winning of souls to Him. In our thinking we are very prone to associate evangelism with the professional Evangelist. But we must never forget that when the Apostle Paul told a man to "Do the

work of an Evangelist", he was writing to a pastor. We are pastors and it is our duty and ought to be our privilege to do the work of Evangelists. The shepherd of the flock must do more than look after the ninety and nine. He must go after that lost one.

What have we been doing, and what are we going to do in the field of Evangelism? This committee through its correspondence with the department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches, was furnished with these facts, First: That there is an ever increasing interest in, and desire for, devotional literature among the churches. And that a number of new publications have been launched during the past year or so to meet this desire for devotional material both for personal and family worship. We highly recommend such literature as the Fellowship of Prayer, the Upper Room and the Childrens Fellowship of Prayer. It is a very fine indication of a deepening interest in spiritual matters when it is brought to our attention that in 1937 over 700,000 copies of the Fellowship of Prayer and more than one million copies of the Upper Room were used during the year.

We feel sure that our Conference acted very wisely in promoting this spreading of Devotional literature during our Fellowship Campaign.

Second: The National Preaching Mission. During 1937 in thirteen centers where the Preaching Mission was observed the total attendance was 353,260. Any movement that can bring together this great number of people to hear the old, old story of Jesus and His love cannot help but have the blessing of God upon it and the stamp of Divine approval. According to the report of the Department of Evangelism "The National Preaching Mission" will go down in church history as one of the greatest spiritual movements that has ever come to America. The response which has been aroused and the renewed life in the churches which has followed are occasions for deep gratitude to God.

Third: The University Christian Mission is a united effort, initiated by the department of Evangelism, on the part of all groups engaged in student Christian work, to present the claims of the Christian faith and life upon students of America. It is in the main an outgrowth of the National Preaching Mission conducted in 1936 and 1937. The nation-wide response to this concerted movement and the deepened spiritual values of educational centers have encouraged the belief that the time is ripe for a united advance in positive Christian work on our campuses.

The University Christian Mission has one supreme objective—to lead students and teachers to a vital faith in God as revealed in Jesus Christ, the Saviour and Lord of life, and to a thorough personal committment to His cause in the world. This committee rejoices that such a movement has been started, and requests the sincere prayers of all our ministers and laymen that God's richest blessing be upon it.

We rejoice with our fellow pastors and laymen in the number of souls added to the church during the year. Many and varied were the methods used but it is for the results, rather than the methods, through which they were reached, that we thank God.

Your committee would call the attention of this Conference to the suggestion made by Dr. R. L. Shipley in the Methodist Protestant Re-

corder of April 22nd, of organizing our accessions; giving them something to do; giving them a definite place in the activities of the church that they may not only be born into the Kingdom but that they may "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." We feel that the greatest weakness in the whole realm of Evangelism is that of failing to follow up after the decisions have been made. We quote Dr. Shipley, "Let every pastor and every mature member of the church give real welcome to the newcomers; find places within the church circles for them; make way so they may have space in which to work; receive them into the communion and fellowship of the church; watch over them, instruct, counsel, admonish and cherish them with all long suffering, gentleness and love."

Rev. W. A. Melvin, a member of this committee, informs us that through the "Won by One" Band there has been reported more than 6000 conversions during the year, coming in at the rate of one hundred per week. This great movement is not confined to our own denomination but embraces people of many denominations. Brother Melvin is sending out on an average of about one hundred packages of devotional literature per day. He will be more than pleased to supply any pastor or church. Just drop him a card telling him of your needs along this line and he will be glad to supply you.

We are convinced of the fact, that a great blessing has come to the church through the recent commemoration of Wesley's Aldersgate experience, as evidenced by that great meeting of united Methodists in the City of Baltimore and all the other meetings of its kind in large centers throughout the world. May this experience of the warm heart continue to be ours, and we pray that it may send us out, like the great Founders of Methodism, with a burning passion for lost souls.

The Conference Program Committee is to be commended for its fine selection of our guest speaker in the person of Dr. Edwin H. Lewis. We feel sure that his messages have been an inspiration to our entire conference.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1st That the officers and teachers of each Sunday School with the Pastor constitute a working committee to make a thorough study of the school to ascertain the number of scholars who have never made a confession of Christ, and who are not members in the church, also the parents of such scholars. We feel sure that this presents a very fertile field for evangelism, especially in the Fall or during the Easter Seasons.

2nd We Recommend the use of devotional literature in the homes of our people such as the "Upper Room" and the Fellowship of Prayer and that our Pastors urge our people to read such literature.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. STONE
W. A. MELVIN
T. J. TURKINGTON
J. P. DODGE
A. E. WOODWARD
WILBUR MESSICK

REPORT Q

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

(See Journal Page 33)

Your committee on Audit has audited the books of the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society. The accounts were found to be without error and showed the careful attention he has always given to this work.

Your Committee on Audit has examined the following accounts and find the same correct:

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

> A. F. T. RAUM, Chairman W. H. HARRISON L. C. RANDALL

REPORT R

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL DAY

(See Journal Page 27)

Your committee has this year as, in other times, made assignment of the resting places of our beloved and honored dead to the ministers and churches of the Conference. In the absence of the chairman from the city this labor of love was performed by the other members of the committee assisted by Rev. W. B. Judefind. On account of the proximity of the date of Memorial Day to the session of the Annual Conference it is not possible to get complete reports of all services held. From information received in many ways we are assured that services of some kind were held in remembrance of all the members of the Conference who have entered into the rest that remaineth to the people of God. The reports, with the information gathered to assist in the arrangement of the services, are deposited in the office of the President of the Conference.

We believe that this sacred celebration should be a part of the church calendar and recommend the continuation of the committee.

The memorial service has brought to our attention that one of the ministers of this conference sleeps in an unmarked grave. Rev. Henry C. Hayghe who at the very beginning of a promising career gave himself to the care of one who was suffering with small pox and contracted the dread disease from which he died. There is no more heroic record in the annals of our Conference and we recommend that the Conference make some provision for a suitable marker to be placed at his grave in the cemetery adjoining our church in Kennedyville, Maryland.

R. L. SHIPLEY J. F. BRYAN W. A. ROBERTS

REPORT S

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE LIBRARIAN

(See Journal Page 31)

Your Librarian has been fortunate in securing the gratuitous services of Mr. Robert F. Hayes, Jr., who helped him become acquainted with the details of the work after the death of the late Librarian, G. M. Clayton. Mr. Hayes is familiar with the work, having been temporarily employed in 1936, to catalogue our library material.

This material, located in the vault and Drinkhouse Memorial Room in the Headquarters Building, has been made more accessible by further cataloguing. A list of instructions for library users has been placed in a conspicuous place near the book cases. The large portrait pictures on the wall of the Drinkhouse Room and in the adjoining corridor have been properly labeled with names, dates and brief biography of the portrait subjects.

The usefulness of the library will be greatly increased when the Chronological Record of ministers and churches is brought down to date as suggested by the President in his report. The Record as it now stands on our Library shelves, after four editions, closes with the year 1928. Such a complete and compact record of every minister and church will be of inestimable worth when persons who are not in our present fellowship desire to become acquainted with our men and our churches.

For the benefit of those who do not know: your Conference Library contains a complete file of "The Methodist Protestant Recorder" and its predecessors; the Maryland and General Conference Minutes, from the very beginning of our denomination to the present time; also a complete set of Disciplines. You are free to use these and the hundreds of other documents on the shelves. We only ask that you handle them carefully, reverently.

The time is almost here when the Methodist Protestant Church, as a separate and distinct denomination, will be but a memory, existing only in history. In the meantime we should make every effort to preserve the record of our great history. Future generations will benefit most from our more than one hundred years of existence if historians and others can have ready access to the records of those years. Within our conference territory there are, no doubt, many historic papers, pamphlets, books and pictures that will be lost to posterity unless collected in one central place. I, therefore, APPEAL to Methodist Protestants everywhere to give or lend any articles that have denominational historic value. If the material cannot be transferred to our Library, we will appreciate it if it is reported to the Librarian to be catalogued in our card index; this index will then show where the material can be found.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Librarian be authorized to draw on the Conference Treasurer for an amount not to exceed twenty-five dollars, to provide, among other things, additional metal shelves for the proper filing of the bound volumes of "The Methodist Protestant Recorder."

H. E. HUDGINS, Librarian.

REPORT S-1

CHURCH LIBRARY COMMISSION

The Church Library Commission held one meeting during the conference year. It was the unanimous opinion of the commission that no attempt should be made to edit and publish bulletins on "The Why and How to Establish and Operate a Church Library," or on "The Purpose, Nature and Scope of a Church Library," until there was an evidence on the part of at least five or more churches or pastors that they were seriously interested in the establishment of a church library. The commission therefore sent out a suggested book list and a letter to each pastor requesting a statement as to his interest and the interest of his church in such a project. To this letter nine replies were received declaring a definite interest in the establishment of a church library.

We, therefore, recommend that this Conference re-affirm the recommendation of the committee—on pages 102-103 of the 1937 Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

- J. EARL CUMMINGS, Chairman
- J. N. LINK
- R. L. SHIPLEY

REPORT T

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGAL PAPERS

(See Journal Page 26)

Your Committee on Legal Papars reports that we are continuing our efforts to secure the legal papers of our properties, and as they are received they are being properly filed for any future reference.

E. A. SEXSMITH, Chairman W. F. WRIGHT F. MURRAY BENSON

REPORT U

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1938

(See Journal Page 35)

This Board was created at the last session of the Maryland Annual Conference upon the recommendation of President Sexsmith. It is composed of five ministers who are appointed for the purpose of cooperating with the General Conference Board of Christian Education, particularly to pass on all applicants within our Conference District who desire aid from the General Board.

We wish to report that the names submitted to us by the General Board have been reviewed and either confirmed or rejected. Since the committee is scattered and the applications come in at different intervals through the year, it is difficult to assemble our group for unanimous action. We recommend that the Conference request the Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education to send to our committee for review the names of all persons seeking aid from our Conference District.

F. G. HOLLOWAY

R. W. WHITE

K. K. HADDAWAY

R. L. SHIPLEY

T. C. MULLIGAN

REPORT V

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ALIEN RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL WORK

(See Journal Page 24)

Your Committee on Alien Religious and Social Work held one meeting during the year at which meeting the report of Rev. F. L. Hertzfeld, the Hebrew Christian missionary, was received and carefully considered.

Brother Hertzfeld's report shows that he has been untiring in his labors, and that his work has been of an unusual character, extending from that of distributing tracts to that of preaching in a number of foreign languages.

We desire to record our great appreciation of his faithful service, and also of the assistance given to him by a large number of our pastors and churches of the city.

We offer the following recommendations:

First, that the work be continued, and that the President of the Conference appoint a committee to supervise the work during the year.

Second, that the Conference make an appropriation of \$50.00 for the purpose of aiding Brother Hertzfeld in his missionary activities.

> C. M. ADAMS, Chairman J. L. WARD, Secretary W. A. MELVIN A. EUGENE WOODWARD

REPORT W

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FELLOWSHIP CRUSADE

(See Journal Page 31)

At the last session of our Conference a message was received from the Board of Administration setting forth the Fellowship Crusade program. A large committee was appointed to receive this message and to recommend such action as in their judgment the Conference should take regarding the same.

The committee recommended that the Conference concur in the action of the Board of Administration in the inauguration of the Fellowship Crusade seeking to increase the circulation of the church paper, the liquiduation of the indebtedness of our denominational and Conference Boards and the quickening of our spiritual life. That we accept the goal of \$15,000 suggested by the President of the General Conference.

That the Maryland Conference set an additional amount of \$15,000 to be applied to the Lewis Memorial enterprise, and that a special committee be appointed by the President to project and direct the Fellowship Crusade.

The committee was appointed immediately upon the rise of the Conference and outlined our program of cooperation with the denomination. It undertook through the circulation of literature, the holding of group meetings, and District Conferences to acquaint the churches with the details of the program and the needs of the same with an earnest solicitation for a hearty cooperation on the part of our constituency. Reports indicate a fine response to the evangelistic appeal. We are sure the emphasis given this part of the Crusade had much to do with making this the best year from the standpoint of conversions and accessions to our church membership we have had for sometime.

The effort to increase the circulation of the Church Paper was also quite sucessful. Five hundred new subscribers were secured in the Maryland Conference and over 2,300 throughout the denomination, giving to the church paper its largest subscription list for a number of years. While we rejoice in this success we should not be satisfied with it until at least ten per cent of our membership are enrolled as subscribers. This would insure the permanency of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder of which we are justly proud.

The financial appeal of the Fellowship Crusade did not succeed. Some churches paid their apportionment in full, others paid a good portion of the amount asked, while some made only small contributions, with a large number making no contribution at all. We believe the committee labored faithfully, but the response was small. The totals will be reported by the Conference Treasurer. They cannot be incorporated here as the amount is not yet available.

We still have opportunity to redeem the financial objective of the Fellowship Crusade. The recent meeting of the Board of Administration decided to continue its efforts to pay off the indebtedness of our General Boards through an effort to raise the World Service Budget in full this year. With this accomplished the Boards will have sufficient funds to cancel their obligations. This Conference should and I believe will enter most heartily into this endeavor.

E. A. SEXSMITH, Chairman Fellowship Crusade Committee.

REPORT X

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION 6

(See Journal Page 112)

Report of Special Committee appointed to carry out Resolution 9, Conference Minutes, 1938:-

Your committee appointed to make a faithful study of all the records of the ministers of this Conference and determine their status in terms of years of service in relation to the Invested Fund of the Superannuate Society, as of this present year, and their findings to be published in this year's Minutes, submits the following report:-

We have examined carefully the records of all and have noted the actual active years of service in the Conference, and publish the list below.

Your committee regrets that, due to a lack of information concerning the years of active service on the part of our ministers wives it is unable to publish such a list with this report.

We hope to submit such a list at our next session of Conference.

Superannuate List as of June, 1938

Superannuate List as of June, 1936					
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Ministers	Rec'd.	Service	Ministers 1885	46	
Anstine, D. W	1879	50	Kirk, J. W1885	1000000	
Blake, Dorsey	1892	32	Morris, G. A1895	2	
Brown, G. E	1899	36	Marchall (S	29	
Brown, J. McLain	1893	36	Nichole I I	42	
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Clift, Frank M	1892	43	Ciffrin R W	42	
Cullum, C. M	1917	16	Stockedale (t. H1000	50-75-E	
Dobson, C. H	1809	43	Wright A A	7. 2	
Green, A. H	1904	26	Wooden . H		
Hill, G. J	1009	43	Woodford, T. R1899	31	
Judefind, W. B	1093	43			
Keen, H. O	1895	40			
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Arnett, Mrs. C. S.		27	Mullineaux, Mrs. F. H	24	
Benson, Mrs. F. T.		37	Norris, Mrs. J. W.	33	
Bennett, Mrs. L. A		26	Nowlin, Mrs. C. P	19	
Betts, Mrs. A. W.	• •••••	4	Owens, Mrs. I. S		
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Bowers, Mrs. J. S.		33	Dandell Mrs. Louis	==	
Cain, Mrs. F. S		11	Reynolds, Mrs. F. D		
Clayton, Mrs. G. M.		31	Candarson Mrs. U. W	- T	
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Jester, Mrs. H. B.			Warner Mrs. L. F		
Jones, Mrs. E. H.		34	Williamson Mrs. R. D		
Klein, Mrs. F. C		44	Wight Mrs H. F	v	
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Balderston, J.	W1881	57	Townsend, J. W1919	19		
Haddaway, G.	W1888	50	White R W	19		
Hines, George	1893	39	Wareheim, K. H1919	19		
Makacky E (1893	45	Makanim I R	19		
Litsinger, W. Schlincke, H.	H1894	44	Leister, G. E	19		
Cablinger, W.	11895	43	Green, J. L1919	19		
Dryden, C. E.	1895	43	Rayley J. W	18		
Bryan, J. F.	1896	42	Graham E. C	18		
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Gibson, N. O.	1896	42	Volk F M1920	18		
Holland, F. A	1896	42	Tonking C M1940	18		
Stone, E. D	1996	42	Butler, C. P	18		
Melvin, W. A.	1907	41	Cummings, J. E1921	17		
Read, E. T Ward, J. L	1007	41	Ronhy I T	9		
Ward, J. L	1897	39	Hodge W H1941	17		
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Straughn, J.	H1901	37	Dearholt, M. E1922	16		
Strausburg, C	. R1901	37	Turkington, T. J1922	15		
Hooker, G. J.	1903	35	Marker, J. L1922	16		
Shipley, R. L. Bryan, B. A.	1903	35	Marker, J. D	16		
Bryan, B. A.	1904	34	Betschler, T. G	16		
Humphreys, (. I1904	34	Mulligan, T. C	16		
Bailey, J. T.	1905	33	Simms, A. W	16		
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Ewell, A. W.	191	20	Burkins, H. C192			
Simms, E. W	191		Hudgins, H. E192			
Wright, W. 1	F191	2 26	Sturgis, D. K192	27 11		
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Coorgo J P		0 22	Pierce, A. A			
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Raum A F	T191	7 21	Jennings, E. L19	30 8		
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Kay, J. M195	32 6	Van Cleaf, R. E1935	3
Nicklas, H. N193	32 6	Van Clear, R. E1935	3
Stone, W. H193	32 6	Werner, L. E1935	2
Byrd, J. C193	33 5	Haddaway, K. K1936	2
Cheyney, H. E193	3 3 5	Landis, T. E1936	2
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E. C. MAKOSKY W. P. ROBERTS H. C. STALEY

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO 1

(See Journal Page 22)

Re-olution Congratulating G. W. Haddaway Upon Completing Fifty
Years in This Conference

Fifty years of usefulness and fruitfulness have come and gone since George W. Haddaway joined our conference in its session in old Broadway Church, Baltimore, in April 1888.

He has through all these years been most conscientious and faithful in the discharge of every task the conference asked him to perform.

He has served among us as pastor for forty years. By his wise leadership he has added to the value of our church property, promoted the influence and prestige of our cause, and helped in the growth and development of this Conference

For the last ten years he has served the denomination in the capacity of Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions. These have been very critical years; but he has with rare skill and consecration in that office, kept our work both in the home and foreign fields going forward.

We extend to him our heartiest congratulations on this Golden Anniversary and assure him that we rejoice with him in the fact that God has spared his life, with physical and mental powers unimpaired; and we wish for him many more years of service for Christ and the church.

May our heavenly Father bless him as he continues in the active service of kingdom building, and may the Christ he preaches be his constant companion and helper.

Resolved: that we express our love, appreciation and hearty good wishes by standing and singing the doxology and in praying that our God may bless him and our church as we together march to further service.

E. C. MAKOSKY HENRY GILLIGAN ROBERT S. JETT.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

(See Journal Page 23)

WHEREAS, the 1937 General Assembly of Maryland passed a Resolution proposing to amend constitution of the State of Maryland by the striking out of the section of our constitution that prohibits lottery—

WHEREAS, this Resolution will be submitted to the voters of Maryland at the General Election on November, 1938—therefore be it

Resolved by the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church that we urge all the people connected with our Church and our Church constituency to do their utmost to defeat this Resolution striking out the lottery amendment from the constitution of Maryland, and be it further

Resolved that we request our President to name a Committee representing every part of the State of which he shall be Chairman to secure the cooperation of our Methodist Protestant constituency to defeat this proposed resolution.

G. W. HADDAWAY E. C. MAKOSKY.

RESOLUTION NO 3

(See Journal Page 26)

WHEREAS: the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized at the Christmas Conference of 1784 in the city of Baltimore; and

WHEREAS: The Methodist Protestant Church was organized in the city of Baltimore; and

WHEREAS: The Methodist Protestant Church was re-united in 1877 in the city of Baltimore; and

WHEREAS: Much of the history of Methodism has centered in and around the city of Baltimore;

Therefore, Be It Resolved: that the Maryland Annual Conference heartily urges the invitation about to be extended to hold the Uniting Conference in the city of Baltimore.

E. C. MAKOSKY G. W. HADDAWAY W. C. SCOTT

RESOLUTION NO. 4

(See Journal Page 28)

WHEREAS the data for bringing our Historical Record up to date is assembled in the office of the President, therefore be it resolved the President be the chairman of said Committee.

E. C. MAKOSKY
E. D. STONE
J. F. ATKINSON

RESOLUTION NO. 5

(See Journal Page 25)

A Resolution from the Executive Committee, Maryland Branch
WHEREAS the approaching Uniting Conference for Methodist Union
will deal definitely with the problems of the connectional boards and so-

cieties of the new church, the outcome of which is of such serious consequence to the women of the church because of the millions of dollars invested in schools, hospitals, and other types of missionary service and whereas we believe that women as laymen of the church have a contribution to make in the plans for the new Methodist Church, we ask that the membership of the Maryland Annual Conference give serious consideration to electing an adequate representation of women to represent this Conference in the Uniting Conference.

Executive Committee Maryland Branch
MYRTLE G. COLLIER
Secretary.

RESOLUTION NO. 6

(See Journal Page 32)

WHEREAS, the Unification of Methodism has been assured by the required vote of the respective General Conferences of the three branches involved. And since it remains only that the Uniting Conference, to be in session April, 1939, shall determine and fix the boundaries of the various annual conferences within the several jurisdictional areas, whereby the membership of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church will be determined. And since the Uniting Conference will be in session before the time set in our Manual for the next regular session of our annual conference, it seems wise and logical that this conference now in session shall define the status of its ministerial members with relation to the Invested Fund of this conference as to the future. Therefore, be it

Resolved, that it is the sense of this Conference-

First: that all of our Superannuated Ministers, widows, and dependents shall henceforth hold the same relationship to this Fund, with the same claim on the distributive income therefrom, as shall be determined by the Committee on Superannuates at this session. Such changes as shall come about by death or maturing age of dependents to be automatically adjusted by such committee as shall be regularly set up to act in the trusteeship of said Fund.

Second: That all of our ministers in active relation to this conference at the close of the present session shall henceforth bear a relationship to this Fund in ratio as has been the number of years of service from the time of their admission to this conference up to the present session, June, 1938. And this number of years of active service for each of the ministers now in active relation to this conference shall determine the future claim on the distributive income from this Fund, whenever superannuation takes place, in whatever annual conference of Methodism he shall hold membership, without respect to what may be conference membership at the close of the Uniting Conference.

Third: That a committee be appointed by the President of this conference which shall make a faithful study of all the records of all the ministers of this conference and determine their status in terms of years

of service in relation to this invested fund as of this present year for record in the printed journal of this year.

Fourth: That nothing in the above three paragraphs shall be construed as meaning any action by this conference to determine the final disposition of this invested fund by the Uniting Conference but only as furnishing information and indicating an expected superannuation credit and protection.

G. I. HUMPHREYS HENRY GILLIGAN

RESOLUTION NO. 7

(See Journal Page 36)

Concerning Uniting Conference Expenses

Resolved, that the Board of Finance lay an aggregate apportionment of \$3000 on the district for the expenses of our delegates to the Uniting Conference of Methodism, allowing to each delegate transportation and entertainment expense as may be necessary when the place of the conference may be determind.

J. H. STRAUGHN W. F. WRIGHT.

RESOLUTION NO. 8

(See Journal Page 37)

Concerning the World Service Budget

Resolved that this conference accept the call of the Board of Administration for a determined concentration on our World Service budget; that we herewith commit ourselves to the task of securing not only the World Service in full but also our annual conference budgets; that we will observe "appreciation Month," being November, at which time we will present these budgets after due and thorough preparation that our people may have ample opportunity to meet their payments within the denominational fiscal year.

Resolved further, that the President appoint an appropriate committee, of which he shall be chairman, to carry forward this high purpose of putting our financial house in order and raise the slogan—"Every Charge on the Honor Roll."

JAS. H. STRAUGHN W. F. WRIGHT.

RESOLUTION NO. 9

(See Journal Page 34)

Resolved, that the Conference sermon delivered by F. G. Hollaway and the Ordination sermon delivered by G. I. Humphreys be included in the printed preceedings of this Conference.

FRED P. ADKINS HENRY GILLIGAN GEO. H. SCHUMACHER

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The Mutual Relief Association convened in Alumni Hall, Western Maryland College, June 13th with J. N. Link, President, in the chair.

Minutes of last year's meeting were read by G. A. Ogg, and approved.

The Secretary-Treasurer's Report was read and approved.

- G. A. Ogg spoke of similar organizations in the other Methodist Groups and that our investments were thus secured.
- J. N. Link spoke of the desire that a ministers' wife be reinstated without the minister being in the Mutual Relief Association. G. W. Haddaway moved that the wife be allowed to join. L. B. Smith, L. W. Gordon spoke. Motion carried.
- J. L. Nichols moved that vote of appreciation be given the Secretary, G. A. Ogg. Motion adopted.

All officers were re-elected as follows: J. N. Link, President; R. W. White, 1st Vice-President; W. A. Roberts, 2nd Vice-President; and G. A. Ogg, Secretary-Treasurer.

G. A. OGG, Secretary-Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts		
On hand, June 1, 1937	\$	497.91
On cases prior to June 1, 1937\$	141.00	
On case 133	185.00	
On case 134	178.00	
On case 135	164.00	
On case 136	115.00	
On case 137	84.00	
Dues paid in advance	2.00	
Interest on note	18.00	
Interest from bank	4.03	
	. \$	891.03

\$1,388.94

			Expenditures	
To	Mr.	W. R.	Clayton\$	200.00
To	Colo	nel Rob	pert J. Gill	200.00
To	Mrs.	Avery	Donovan	200.00
To	Rev.	J. P.	George	200.00
To	Miss	Dorot	hy Elderdice	200.00
Pos	tal (Cards :	and Stockton Press	11.68

Phone Calls	.80 .89 1.80		
-	\$	1,015.17	
On hand June 1, 1938, the following	_	\$	373.77
West Baltimore Church Note\$	300.00		
In Bel Air Commercial and Savings Bank	66.98		
Undeposited	6.79	*	
-	\$	373.77	
,	-	\$	373.77

Above account audited and found correct June 11, 1938.

A. F. T. RAUM, Chairman.

MEMBERS OF MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Adams, C. M. and wife Adams, J. P. Adams, Ziba and wife Alexander, Mrs. Emma Bailey, F. B. Bailey, J. T. and wife Balderston, J. W. Barnes, B. I. and wife Baughman, Geo. E. Bauscher, W. F. Baxley, J. W. and wife Bennett, Mrs. Lillian A. Benson, Mrs. Frances E. Betschler, T. G. Bowers, Mrs. Lucy Brewer, O. G. and wife Brown, J. McL. and wife Bryan, B. A. and wife Bryan, J. F. and wife Burkins, H. C. and wife Butler, C. P. and wife Cain, Mrs. Bessie D. Cassen, Paul M. and wife Cassen, S. F. Cheyney, Harold E. Clayton, Mrs. G. M. Clough, N. C. and wife Crosby, Mrs. Blanche L. Crouse, Mrs. Jennie P.

Cullum, C. M. and wife Cummings, J. E. and wife Dawson, C. L. Day, C. C. and wife Dinkle, Ira M. and wife Dobson, C. H. and wife Donoway, W. A. and wife Dryden, C. E. and wife Dudley, J. A. and wife Elderdice, Mrs. J. L. Elliott, Lee Ewell, A. W. and wife Fenby, J. Tracy Galley, Stephen George, J. P. Gibson, N. O. Gill, J. M. Gordon, L. W. and wife Graham, E. C. and wife Green, A. H. and wife Green, J. L. and wife Haddaway, G. W. and wife Haddaway, K. K. and wife Haddaway, Mrs. L. E. Hagar, H. G. Hassel, Elmer N. Hill, G. J. Hines, George and wife Hodge, Mrs. Emma F.

Hodges, W. H. and wife Holland, F. A. Holloway, F. G. and wife Hooker, G. J. and wife Hudgins, H. E. Hungerford, M. E. and wife Jennings, Ellsworth and wife Johnson, Mrs. Sarah R. Jones, Thomas C. Jones, J. B. Judefind, W. B. and wife Kay, J. M. Keen, H. O. Kesmodel, W. P. Kester, H. A. Kirk, J. W. and wife Kirkley, E. T. and wife Klein, Mrs. Mary E. Landis, Theo. E. Leister, Guy E. Link, J. N. and wife Litsinger, Mrs. Adele C. Litsinger, W. H. Little, Lawrence C. and wife Lynch, A. G. Lyons, W. K. Makosky, E. C. and wife Marker, J. Lee McDorman, G. E. McKeawn, J. R. and wife Melvin, W. A. and wife Mumford, W. C. and wife Murphey, H. L. and wife Mulligan, T. C. and wife Nichols, J. L. and wife Nicholson, R. Y. Nicklas, H. N. and wife Nowlin, Mrs. Lelia M Ogg, G. A. and wife Parris, J. W. Pierce, A. A. Prince, Owen W. and wife Ports, G. W. and wife

Randall, L. C. and wife Randall, Mrs. Louis Raum, A. F. T. and wife Read. E. T. and wife Reynolds, Mrs. Emma J. Rice, P. L. and wife Roberts, W. P. and wife Roberts, W. A. and wife Robey, C. B. and wife Ross, G. S. Ruley, B. F. Schauer, H. H. Schauer, P. M. R. Schlincke, H. L. and wife Schmeiser, Wm. Sexsmith, E. A. and wife Shipley, R. L. and wife Siffrin, F. W. Simms, E. W. and wife Smith, L. B. and wife Stocksdale, G. H. and wife Straughn, J. H. and wife Stone, W. H. Stone, Walter H. Jr. Sutton, C. A. and wife Taylor, E. H. Townsend, J. W. and wife Trader, John A. Turkington, T. J. and wife Turner, G. E. Volk, Frank M. and wife Walter, Mrs. Isabella S. Warner, Mrs. Susan V. Werner, Leslie White, R. W. and wife Williamson, Mrs. Laura B. Wooden, J. F. and wife Woodford, T. R. and wife Woodward, Eugene C. Wright, J. A. and wife Wright, W. F. Wunder, G. E. and wife Yingling, Mrs. Ella N.

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

The Church Extension Society met Friday, June 10, at 12 noon, with E. C. Makosky in the chair.

The minutes were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and referred to the Board of Survey.

The Report of the Board of Managers was read and referred to the Board of Survey for review.

E. D. Stone, President of the Board of Managers spoke.

The election of officers then took place and resulted in the following: President, E. C. Makosky; 1st Vice-President, L. W. Dykes; 2nd 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, C. F. Cummins.

Laymen-H. C. Staley, Henry Gilligan, W. C. Scott, D. C. MacLea.

A motion to adjourn was carried.

J. W. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Dear Brethren:

The year has been one of extended improvements to church and parsonage property throughout the Conference, also the reduction of indebtedness.

The church at Burrsville has been rebuilt at a cost of about \$3,000.00 and was dedicated May 8, 1938. The entire cost of the building and furnishings was covered by cash and subscriptions before dedication.

A new church house was erected adjacent to the Bay View Church as a gift from one of their most faithful members, Miss Pocahontas Reed. This provides much needed equipment for a modern church program.

Brookeville Church on Howard Charge has purchased a school building located beside their church and are using it as a social hall, which greatly adds to their ability to enlarge their church activity.

While most of the building and improvements which have been made has been under the direction of the local congregations, the President of the Conference acting as Church Extension Superintendent, has counselled with official boards, building committees, and pastors in most every case.

The Lewis Memorial Church was completed and formally opened October 17, -937. Since that time the growth in every department of the church has been most gratifying. Over eighty members have been received into the church and over 100 new Sunday school scholars enrolled. The

church will pay 100% on all benevolences including the Fellowship Crusade. The response from the community and the loyalty and liberality of the membership certainly justifies this undertaking as a church extension enterprise. It is one of the most attractive auditoriums in the Maryland Conference and is a credit to the denomination.

The lot containing 30,180 square feet cost \$18,000. The parsonage which is a modern eight room brick colonial building cost \$10,684.67. The church building including all furnishings cost \$59,624.15 making a total cost of \$88,506.82. \$14,500 had been paid on the lot before the erection of the church and parsonage was begun. There has been raised from the Maryland Conference in cash and pledged, during the course of erection \$13,140. The local church assumed as their first share \$10,000.00 and have been paying regularly on the same. The Board of Missions pledged \$10,000.00 in four annual installments. \$2,000.00 has been paid. In addition to the above we will have one-half of the Fellowship Crusade gift to apply to this fund.

We have been able to meet all our obligations on interest during the year with required amoritizations.

With the same appropriations from the Conference as last year we should be able to carry our obligations and required amortizations throughout the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. SEXSMITH, Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

Receipts

\$ 80.82
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June 29-Alnutt Memorial-for Church Extension	75.00
	119.27
July 23—Lauraville—Interest	5.00
	5.00
Aug. 26—Rev. D. W. Anstine—101 Lewis Memorial	300.00
Sept. 6—Personal Loan	3.00
Sept. 6—Personal Loan	1.00
Sept. 25—Crisfield—for Lewis Memorial	1.00
Sept. 25—Crisneld—for Lewis Memorial Sept. 25—Easton—for Lewis Memorial Oct. 2—Personal Loan	1,500.00
Oct. 2—Personal Loan	2.20
Oct. 2—Calvert Bank—Refund of Protest Fee Oct. 21—Federalsburg—for Lewis Memorial	5.00
Oct. 21—Federalsburg—for Lewis Memorial	1.00
	49.02
Oct. 21—Lewis Memorial (Offering Sunday, Oct. 11. Oct. 28—Loan—from Calvert Bank, Baltimore, Md	4,903.75
Oct. 28—Loan—from Calvert Bank, Battimore, Md. Nov. 3—J. D. Baker—for Lewis Memorial Church	2,000.00
Nov. 3—I. D. Baker—for Lewis Memorial Charles Nov. 3—Edmondson Ave.—Interest	250.00
	5.00
Nov. 5—St. John's Church—for Lewis Memorial Nov. 11—Dolbo Memorial (Nazarene)—Interest	38.25
Nov. 11—Dolbo Memorial (Nazarene)—Interest Indiana. Nov. 11—Laurel Circuit—for Lewis Memorial	10.00
Nov. 11—Laurel Circuit—for Lewis Memorial	1,000.00
Nov. 16—W. C. Scott—for Lewis Memorial Nov. 18—Lewis Memorial—Refund on Drayage	5.78
	1.00
Nov. 18—Bedford, Pa.—for Lewis Memorial	1.00
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Dec. 24—Hurlock—for Lewis Memorial Dec. 24—Delmar, Del.—for Lewis Memorial Memorial	1.00
Dec. 24—Milford, Del.—for Lewis Memorial Dec. 24—Westminster—for Lewis Memorial	50.00
Dec. 24—Westminster—for Lewis Memorial Dec. 24—Peninsula Church—for Lewis Memorial	2.00
Dec. 24—Peninsula Church—for Lewis Memorial Dec. 24—St. James—for Lewis Memorial	2.00
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1938		2.00
Jan.	11-Westminster-for Lewis Memorial	200.00
Jan.	11 Personal Loan	2,000.00
Jan.	11 Personal Loan	119.27
Jan.	13_C R Adams_Int. on Mortgage—Wrights Adv. Farm	75.00
Jan.	10_I auraville_Interest	500.00
Jan.	10 Pound of Missions—for Lewis Memorial	4.00
Jan.	10 Sharntown—for Lewis Memorial	1.00
Jan.	10 Phode Island Ave —for Lewis Memorial	3.00
Jan.	10 Federalshurg—for Lewis Memorial	25.00
Jan.	10 Phode Island Ave —for Lewis Memorial	100.00
Jan.	10 St John's Roard Benef.—for Lewis Memorial	25.00
Jan.	25 North Raltimore—for Lewis Memorial	1,107.71
Feb.	2 Mrs Mamie R Rartholemy—Legacy	8.34
Feb.	2_Mrs Mamie B. Bartholemy—Dividend on Securities.	19.00
Feb.	25_Federalshurg—for Lewis Memorial	131.25
Mar.	2 Edmondson Ave —Interest	4.00
Mar	5 Pay C F Farring—for Lewis Memorial	1.00
Mar	5 Milford Del —for Lewis Memorial	200.00
Man	9 Personal Loan	1,000.00
Mar	10 Parsonal Loan	2,000.00
Mar	10 Personal Loan	20.00
Apr	22 Dr F A Sexsmith—for Lewis Memorial	545.66
Apr	20 Fellowship Crusade—for Lewis Memorial	1,000.00
May	14 Poord of Missions—for Lewis Memorial	25.00
May	16 Mrs C P Nowlin—for Lewis Memorial	4.00
May	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4.00
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June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	75.00
June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	
June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	5.00
June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	30.00
June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	60.00
June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	5.00
June	A Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	15.00
June	A Dowment of Interest on Personal Loan	25.00
June	Www. M P Church—Trustees—Interest	12.50
June	4 Honey Cilligan—Expenses	
T	A Charles F Cummins—Expenses	
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Tun	24 Trustees—Warwick Cemetery—Interest	00
T	24 Trustees_IIniontown Church—Interest	
T	24 The Union National Bank—Westminster, Md.—III	
T	24 Ellton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton, Md.—Interest.	^
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June	29-Milton M. P. Church-Interest	6.25
June	29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	12.50
June	29-Warwick Charge-Interest	17.10 12.50
June	29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	60.00
July	1_Lawis Memorial_Expenses of Architect	30.00
July	23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	12.50
July	23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	12.50
July	23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	2,477.69
July	23-Allen C. Minnix-for Lewis Memorial Church	50.00
July	31_Lewis Memorial Church—Dossel Cloth	28.75
July	31-Middleway Church Property-Title	10.00
Aug.	2—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	72.50
Aug.	2—Trustees of Mt Zion Cemetery—Interest	15.00
Aug.	2—Trustees of Mt Zion Church—Interest	100.00
Aug.	2-First National Bank-Chestertown, MdInterest	3.75
Aug.	2-Warwick Cometery Inc -Interest	12.50
Aug.	2-Pine Creek Roney Society-Interest	25.00
Aug.	2_Deer Creek Cometery_Interest	25.00
Aug.	2—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	147.00
Aug.	10—Lewis Memorial Church—Payment on Organ	109.50
Aug.	28—The Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Interest	Discount of the Control of the Contr
Aug.	28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	12.50
Ang	28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	131.25
Aug.	. 28—Interest on Deaconess Home Loan	150.00
Sept	17—Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton, Md.—Principal	45.00
Sent	17-Elkton Ranking & Trust CoElkton, MdInteresting	15.00
Sent	17 Dayment of Interest on Personal Loan	37.50
Sept	17—Union National Bank—Westminster, Md.—Interest	320.95
Sept	23—Lewis Memorial—Perpetual Bldg. Assoc.—on Loan	5.00
Sept	29—Trustees of Uniontown M. P. Church—Interest	125.00
Sept	t. 29—Payment of Interest. on Personal Loan	100.00
Sept	29—Trustees Salem M. P. Church (Howard Charge)—Int.	8.75
Sept	t. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	37.50
Sept	t. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	8.50
Sept	t. 29—Trustees of Hopewell Church—Interest	126.00
Sept	t. 29—Kent County Savings Bank—Chestertown, Md.—Int	25.00
	t. 29—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	40.00
Oct.	4—Lewis Memorial Church—for Drayage	37.50
Oct.	11—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	
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Oct.	. 12—Lewis Memorial Church—for Furnishings	225.00
Oct.	. 15—Lewis Memorial Church—for Furnishings & Frs	260.00
Oct		6.25
Oct		158.40
Oct	19—Lewis Memorial Church—for Freight Work—Organ 26—Lewis Memorial Church—Inst. Place Work—Organ	28.00
Oct	26—Lewis Memorial Church—for Electric Bulbs	25.65
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Oct	26—Lewis Memorial Church—for Pipe Organ	305.00
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Oct.	28—Bethesda M. P. Church—Appropriation	25.00
Oct.	28—Trustees—Trinity M. P. Church—Newark, Md.—Int	50.00
Oct.	28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	62.50
Oct.	28—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	318.75
Oct.	28—Lewis Memorial—Perpetual Bldg. Assoc.—on Loan	250.00
Oct.	28 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	1,556.60
Nov.	1—Lewis Memorial Church—for Church Latintal	25.00
Nov.	18—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	23.75
Mov	18_Trustees_New Market M. P. Church—Interest	5.00
Morr	18 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	25.00
Nov	18 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	2.00
Morr	18 Charles F Cummins—Expenses	1,000.00
Morr	24—Payment of Personal Loan	318.75
Nov	27_Lewis Memorial—Perpetual Bldg. Assoc.—on Loan	75.00
Nov.	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	5.00
Morr	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	5.00
Nor	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	30.00
Nov.	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	60.00
Nov	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	5.00
Nov	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	15.00
Nov	27—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	100.00
Nov.	27—First National Bank—Chestertown, Md.—Interest	12.50
Nov.	27—Trustees—Wye M. P. Church—Interest	3,761.35
Dec.	1-Allen C. Minnix-for Lewis Memorial Church	131.25
Dec.	2—Interest on Deaconess Home Loan	25.00
Dec.	7—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	1,000.00
Dec.	7—Payment of Personal Loan	
Dec.	8—Delmont Church—Insurance	679.00
Dec.	8—Lewis Memorial Church—Allied Crafts Co	446.64
Dec.	8—Lewis Memorial Church—Sundt-Wenner & Fink	418.00
Dec.	8—Lewis Memorial Church—Wicks Pipe Organ Co	2,000.00
Dec.	14—Lewis Memorial Church—for Furniture	166.63
Dec.	18—Lewis Memorial Church—Insurance	5.00
Dec.	18—Trustees—Warwick Cemetery, Inc.—Interest	15.00
Dec.	18—Trustees—Uniontown M. P. Church—Interest	42.75
Dec.	18—Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—Elkton, Md.—Interest	37.50
Dec.	18—Union National Bank—Westminster, Md.—Interest	100.00
Dec.	24—Lewis Memorial Church—for Shades	
Dec.	30—Lewis Memorial—Perpetual Bldg. Assoc.—on Loan	
Dec.	30—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	75.00
Dec.	30—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	- 05
Dec.	30—Trustees—Milton M. P. Church—Interest	12.50
Dec.	30—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	12.50
Dec	30—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	17.10
Dec.	30—Trustees—Warwick Charge—Interest	5
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Jan	. 13—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	
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Jan.	25-Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	10.00
Jan.	25—Trustees—Mt. Zion Cemetery—Interest	72.50
Jan.	25_Trustees_Mt Zion Church_Interest	15.00
Feb.	3—Lewis Memorial Church—Sundt, Wenner & Fink	1,000.00
Feb.	9—Trustees—Warwick Cemetery, Inc.—Interest	3.75
Feb.	9—Pine Creek Beney Soc.—Interest	12.50
Feb.	9-Trustees-Deer Creek Cemetery	25.00
Feb.	9—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	25.00
Feb.	25-Interest on Deaconess Home Loan	131.25
Feb.	25-Lewis Memorial Church-Perp. Bldg. Assocon Loan	318.75
Feb.	25—The Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Principal	150.00
Feb.	25—The Atlantic Life Ins. Co.—Richmond, Va.—Interest	100.38
Feb.	25—Calvert Bank—Baltimore, Md.—Interest	93.36
Feb.		7.50
Feb.	25—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	15.00
Feb.		12.50
Mar.		2.00
Mar.	5—Safety Deposit Rox (Rent)	5.00
Mar.		3,000.00
	23_Elkton Banking & Trust Co.—	2 9 0000E-Y
	Prin. \$150.00; Int. \$42.75	192.75
Mar	23-Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	15.00
Mar	23_Union National Rank—Westminster—	10.00 to 10.
	Prin. \$250.00; Int. \$37.50	287.50
Mar	23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	37.50
Mar	23_Trustees_Uniontown M. P. Church—Interest	5.00
Mar	23 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	125.00
Mar	23_Lawis Memorial Church—Perp. Bldg. Assoc.—on Loan	318.75
Mar	23_Salem Church_Howard Charge_Interest	90.61
Mar	23_Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	8.75
Mar	23—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	37.50
Mar	99 First National Bank—Chestertown—	00
	Prin. \$250.00: Int. \$100.00	350.00
Apr.	7 Trustees Honewell Church—Interest	8.50
Apr.	7 Poyment of Interest on Personal Loan	25.00
Apr.	7 Want Co Savings Rank—Chestertown, Md.—Interest	126.00
Apr.	7 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	37.50
Apr	7 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	10.00
Apr	7 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	6.25
Apr	19 Lowis Momorial Church—for Watermain	114.33
Apr	14 Lawis Mamorial Church—Pern. Bldg. Assoc.—Sewel.	111.24
Apr	16 Lowis Memorial Church—to Allen C. Minnix—Inc	30.00
May	2 Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	50.00
May	O Tamis Mamanial Church Pern Ridg. Assoc.—on Loan	318.75
May	2 Pothordo Church to Provident Savings Bank-Inc	500.00
May	2 Dayment of Interest on Personal Loan	62.50
May	- 0 D of Interest on Personal Loan	250.00
May	. 9 Thurston Thinity M P Church—Newark, Mu.—Int	25.00
May	- 0 Manuel Manuel M D Church—Interesting	23.75
May	2—Payment of Interest on Personal Loan	5.00
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May 7—Lewis Memorial Church—to Penn Electric Co	25.00		Mav
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Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. CUMMINS, Treasurer.

TIME

May 31, 1938.

SUPERANNUATE FUND SOCIETY

The Superannuate Fund Society was called to order Friday afternoon with Vice-President, J. W. Kirk, in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and a rising vote of thanks extended the Treasurer.

The election of the Board of Managers resulted as follows:

Ministers: G. W. Haddaway, E. L. Bunce, J. A. Dudley and C. C. Day.

Laymen: Daniel McLea, 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, S. F. Cassen; Corresponding Secretary, W. P. Roberts; Recording Secretary, J. A. Dudley; Treasurer, F. Murray Benson.

G. A. Morris was granted personal privilege.

The Society adjourned.

J. A. DUDLEY, Secretary.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer
In Account with
SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

Permanent Fund

Receipts

	Rece.pts	7.0000000000000000000000000000000000000
То	Bal. as per last report of F. Murray Benson, Treas	\$ 3,651.95
To	liquidation Universal Mortgage Company Bonds\$	2,000.00
	legacy Cecelia Wannamaker Estate	
To	refund of amount advanced for redemption of 1526	8
	Clement St	314.15
To	acct. Goldseker contract to purchase ground rents	1,000.00
To	acct. Goldseker contract to purchase ground rents	211.01

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Total Receipts	\$12,716.07
Disbursements	
By Purchase ground rent, 2908 Norfolk Avenue\$1,714.2	8
By Purchase ground rent, 1822 E. Fayette Street 555.6	0
By Amount advanced redemption, 1525 Clement Street 314.1	5
By Purchase ground rent, 412 N. Port Street 534.8	9 .
By Loan—Trustees of Maryland Annual Conference 1,400.0	0
By Purchase ground rent, 3530 Edmondson Avenue 1,661.3	7
By Purchase ground rent, 204 N. Monroe Street	0
P. D. Street, No. 238-40	
By Deposit account purchase ground rents, Nos. 338-40 E. 20th Street	0
By Advance to Income Account by order of Board 1,707.2	1
By Balance on deposit	7
by balance on deposit	=== 1
	\$12,716.07
Income Account	
Receipts	
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To Amount received from investments	1
To Advance from Permanent Fund	_
Total Receipts	\$ 9,506.27
Disbursements	
By Treasurer's allowance\$ 350.0	0
By Tax on securities	8
City of Politimone	
By Expense of printing bills	
By Premium Treasurer's bond	
By accrued ground rent advanced, 1822 E. Fayette St 10.2	1975
By Refund H.O.L.C.—ground rent collected in error 82.0	****
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By Remittances to Chas. F. Cummins, Conference	
Treasurer, on account of payments to	
superannuates, as follows:	
1937	•
Aug. 14—Check for	0
Sent 28_Check for 1,500.0	U
Dec. 29—Check for	-

1938

938					9,000.00
Tot	al Dis	bursements	•••••	 \$	9,506.27

Respectfully submitted,

F. MURRAY BENSON, Treasurer

Above account examined and found correct.

CHAS. L. BEYER, J. A. DUDLEY, Auditing Committee.

THE MEMORIAL ROLL

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day."—2 Tim. iv: 7, 8.

Tim. iv: 7, 8.		Entered	
Name	Born	Conference	Died
	1782	1829	1830
Charles Rigby	1785	1829	1830
Joseph Scull		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 1844
William W. Ball	•••••	1842	1846
William H. Boardley		1843	1847
Samuel D. Norwood	1820	1844	1851
Isaac Webster	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson	1817	1841	1853
Levin A. Collins	1814	1837	1855
John Smith Reese, M. D	1790	1829	1859
Francis George Wright	1823	1849	1861
Nevelle Steele Greenaway	1824	1852	1862
William Turbert Wright	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell	1832	1856	1863
Josiah Varden	1806	1831	1864
George D. Hamilton	1798	1831	1865
Reuben Tyler Boyd	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin	1842	1863	1866
James Francis Whiteside	1828	1850	1867
Eli Henkle	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D	1792	1838	1868
Thomas H. Burgess	1828	1861	1870
Thomas Mahlon Wilson	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox	1791	1869	1870
Christian Eversole	1820	1852	1871
Daniel Bowers	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan	TRIT	1844	1871
Henry C. Havehe	1844	1869	1874
John Elderdice	1814	1838	1875
John Roberts	1818	1843	1876
Amon Richards	1787	1870	1877
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant	1852	1870	1878
William C. Ames. D. D. S	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read	1846	1865	1879
Thomas M. Bryan	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Linscomb	1792	1869 1845	1881
Thomas Asbury Moore	1824	1873	1881
David Norwood Gilbert	1851	1865	1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins	1808	1857	1882
Thomas Lee	1821	1001	2002

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Nome	Born	Conference	1883
Name Peter Light Wilson	1822	1842	1883
	1792	1869	1884
Charles Theodore Cochell	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice	1817	1840 1879	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray	1856	1866	1885
Henry Edward Miskingon	1845	1847	1885
	1825	1841	1885
	$\frac{1813}{1854}$	1876	1886
Christopher Burns Middleton	1817	1843	1886
William Thomas Dumm	1824	1844	1886
William Thomas Dumm David Anthony Shermer, M. D. Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.	1817	1839	1888
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D	1836	1861	1888
William Francis Livingston	1843	1868	1889
		1874	1889
		1832	1890
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		1853	1890 1891
		1876	1892
		1850	1894
James Henry Ellegood		1846	1894
Theodore Denny Vallant	. 186′		1895
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D Edwin Ruthern McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L.	. 181		1895
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		31 1871	1902 1902
W. J. Floyd	18	24 1847	1902
Jesse Shreeve John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D. Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D. Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D. Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D. Adolphus David Melvin, D. D.	18	34 1859	1902
John Edward Tyson Ewen, M. D.	18	35 1856	1903
Benjamin Franklin Benson, D.	18	30 1850	1903
Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D.	18	72 1899	1004
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George Durbin Edmonston	13	344 1864 324 1870	1905
William Augustus Crouse	1	826 184	1906
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Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D.	1	847 187	3 1907
Jacob Mathias Yingling	1	865 188	
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-2	Dawn	Entered Conference	Died
Name			1909
James Thomas Lassell, D. D	1836	1866 1860	1909
John Bayley Jones	1833 1861	1887	1910
Benjamin Parker Truitt	1836	1859	1911
Solomon Ashbury Hoblitzell	1841	1863	1911
John David Kinzer, D. D	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 1913
James Ernest Litsinger	1879	1904	1913
Jacob Ezra Nicholson	1844	1881 1873	1914
William James Dillon Lucas	1849 1834	1859	1914
James Earle Maloy	1879	1911	1914
Charles Walter Sanderson, B. D	1850		1915
George Roberts McCready John Carter Poston	1833	1913	1916
Fitzhugh Lee Stevens	1866	1895	1916
Robert Thomas Tyson	1867		1916
Thomas H. Wright	1840		1916
Silas Baldwin Tredway D. D	1846		1917
David Lee Greenfield D D	1848	4000	1917
John Lee Straughn	1848		1917 1917
George Robert Hodge	1862		1917
Edwin Oliver Ewing	1851		1918
Joseph Augustus Weigand	1847		1918
Charles William Cole	1887 1861		1919
John Solon Bowers, D. D	1865		1919
Robert Kendall Lewis	1845		1920
Aquilla Augustus Harriman	1852		1920
Jesse W Nomis	1856	1884	1921
Jesse W. Norris Edward L. Beauchamp	1885	1909	1921
E. H. Van Dyke D. D.	1863		1921
E. H. Van Dyke, D. D E. A. Warfield, A. M., B. D., Ph. D	1869		$1922 \\ 1923$
Charles Nathan Alexander	1879		1923
William Duncan Litsinger	1839		1924
Francis Thomas Tago I) I)	1845 1840		1924
Joseph Levin Mills, D. D	1040		1925
G. E. McCullough	1864	4000	1925
Harry Sherman Johnson	1845		1925
William N. Sherwood	1876		1926
Augustus Wahster Mather	1845		1926
Augustus Webster Mather	185		1926
Charles Price Nowlin B. D	100		1927
Wm. S. Simms	104		1926 1928
James William Gray	1840		1928
Addison Spurgeon Beane	1999		1928
Francis Thomas Little D. D	104		1929
James Garritson Sullivan, M. D	183	4050	1929
Webster Matthew Strayer Jarrett Mitchell Sheridan, D. D	185		1929
Frank Thomas Benson, D. D.	186		1929
Thomas Owings Crouse, A. M., D. D.		2 1872	1929
Thomas Hamilton Lewis D. D. LL. D	100.		1929
George Quitman Bacchus	100		1930 1930
Luther Farwell Warner, D. D	186	7 1891	1900

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N.	Born	a	Died
Name	1852	1876	1930
John Wesley Trout, D. D	1848	1873	1931
Franklin Hening Mullineaux	1866	1895	1931
Frank Shaw Cain	1871	1907	1932
Frank D. Reynolds	1874	1900	1932
Ellis Hamilton Jones	1858	1888	1932
Henry W. D. Johnson	1866	1892	1932
Louis A. Bennett	1873	1915	1934
Irving S. Owens	1882	1907	1934
Harry Burton Jester	1858	1880	1934
James Luther Elderdice, M. D	1886	1917	1935
Joseph Henry Lynch	1856	1929	1935
Artemus Washington Betts	1868	1900	1935
Frederick James Phillips	1855	1891	1935
Samuel Walker Coe	1871	1895	1935
Albert Norman Ward, A.B., A.M., D.D., LL.D.,	1867	1892	1936
Lonis Kandall, D. D	1878	1903	1937
Phillip Waxter Crosby		1892	1937
George Robert Donaldson	1868		1937
Charles Kerr McCaslin	1863		1937
William Sumner Hanks, D.D.	1856	1906	
William Summer Hanks, D.D.	1862	1885	1937
Bradley Wilson Kindley	1871		1937
George Manlove Clayton	1856		1937
John Montgomery Gill, D.D	-000	1001	1938
Avery Donovan	1802	1002	
Hugh Latimer Elderdice.		1885	1938
A.M., S.T.B., D.D., LL.D	1900	1000	

OBITUARIES



REV. GEORGE MANLOVE CLAYTON

George Manlove Clayton was born in Clayton, Delaware, June 2, 1871, and died in Baltimore, Maryland, September 5, 1937, after a lingering illness.

His funeral was held in Bethesda Church, Baltimore, conducted by the chairman of this obituary committee, in the absence of the President of the Conference, assisted by the following ministers—L. B. Smith, D.D.,

J. H. Straughn, D.D., E. D. Stone, D.D., R. L. Shipley, D.D., W. A. Melvin and Leslie Werner. Forty-eight ministers were present, beside a large number of friends and members of churches he had formerly served in this city.

Dr. Smith delivered the principal eulogy.

Mr. Clayton was buried in the beautiful cemetery in Westminster, Maryland, where many of his comrades in the ministry are sleeping to await the glorious resurrection morning.

He was converted in youth and became an active member of the Clayton Church in Delaware. After graduation at Westminster Theological Seminary, he was received into the Maryland Conference in 1893, and ordained in 1896. This latter year he was happily married to Miss Linnie Weaver of Westminster, and to this union was born one child. Surviving Mr. Clayton, are his widow and son, Weaver Clayton, Ph.D., now of New York City and two grandchildren.

He was a useful and honored member of his Conference for forty-four years, during which time he served the following charges: Waverly, Frederica, Hurlock, Stewartstown, Pocomoke City, Parksley, Park Road, Wilton Heights, Centreville and Bethesda. The last named charge he served thirteen years and during his pastorate, erected a splendid church. He retired, on account of illness, June, 1937.

Beside this church, he built the Parksley and Hunting Creek Churches. These stand as monuments of his faith and zeal and ability, as a church builder. He was always ready and willing to do whatever was required of him.

As a man—he was modest and unassuming, never seeking place or position. He was unselfish; so interested in others and in the Lord's work that he did not think of his own personal needs. He was kind and sympathetic, never speaking harshly or critically of others. He was courteous and optimistic. His people, even the little children, had no difficulty in approaching him.

He had sorrow—deep sorrow, but by word or facial expression, he rarely showed it. "He carried his cross with a smile."

In fact we might sum up the elements of his fine character in a statement made by one of the members of this committee—"He was, indeed, a high toned Christian gentleman."

As a preacher—he was eloquent and convincing, yet quite simple, clear in thought and expression. He believed the Bible—the whole Bible—and as he preached it, he helped others to believe it.

Dr. Smith, in his eulogy, said "I was always impressed with his eloquence and fervor as a preacher of the Gospel. Both in composition and delivery his sermons were excellent. He could have occupied any pulpit, anywhere, without embarrassment to the church to which he belonged."

As a pastor—he was interested in his people and anxious to help them in every way possible, like "the good shepherd who gave his life for his sheep." Being friendly he made friends readily. Mr. S. L. Baker, a member of the Parksley Church—and a most intimate friend of Brother Clayton, says, "He still has many friends in Parksley and Hunting Creek."

It was at these two appointments that Brother Clayton built two very beautiful churches. Mr. Baker was a member of the building committee of the Parksley Church and says—"Though there were discouragements connected with the work, Brother Clayton was always cheerful, optimistic and good natured—thus the people were kept united and confident, by the sweet spirit of their pastor." Wherever he served he was held in high esteem. Another says of him: "Tender-hearted, his pastoral ministry was in love-and won him the love of his people."

As a writer-he was clear and comprehensive-interesting and helpful. Again quoting Dr. Smith from the eulogy delivered—he said: third gift which this useful man dedicated to God, was that of writing. For about eighteen years he wrote for the Methodist Protestant and the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, the page devoted to the Sunday school lesson. It was not uncommon for visitors like myself, in travelling the district, to hear adult teachers refer to statements in his article on the current lesson which they had just read from his pen."

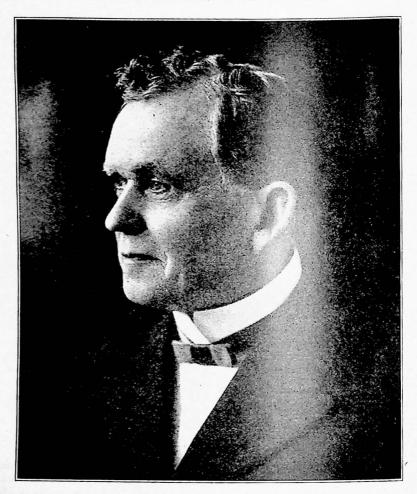
Dr. Shipley, in an editorial published in a September number of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, on the death of Brother Clayton, pays this splendid tribute to him: "Dr. F. T. Benson, then the editor of the church paper, enlisted him as the expositor of the Sunday school lessons, in October, 1919, and until his illness made this service impossible, he continued to render gracious service, gratuitously, week by week. Through the years he brought his copy to the composing room, taking no vacation without making provision ahead, and making no complaint about anything. The work was appreciated—and what gave him more joy,—was used. In every part of the country we heard of his work and its value. The entire church was in his debt and the gratitude of the Board of Publication and the editor of this paper, are inexpressible. His literary style was clear, with a gift for alliteration. The analyses of the material was easily grasped and his exposition went into the depths of the meaning of the Holy Scriptures. The Spirit of God tabernacled in his soul and was his teacher."

So, our good friend and brother has finished his work and has done it well. Now, he has gone on to receive his reward. An honored member of our Conference fraternity has left us, to mingle with the members of the heavenly fraternity. A child of God has gone to dwell in the Father's house, where are many mansions.

On the Sabbath of September the fifth, while loving friends anxiously looked upon him and tenderly ministered to him, his spirit peacefully left his sick and emaciated body, to take its flight to the eternal city of God where health and happiness are the possession of all the citizens of that

> W. B. JUDEFIND, J. H. STRAUGHN, E. D. STONE, S. L. BAKER, H. C. McNEILL, C. A. DAVIS,

> > Committee.



REV. JOHN MONTGOMERY GILL, D.D.

John Montgomery Gill, son of John M. Gill and Mary Hughes Gill, was born in Northumberland County, Virginia, March 6, 1856. He was received into the Maryland Conference in 1882, at its annual session at Broadway Church, Baltimore, Maryland, and was ordained at the Conference of 1885 in Alexandria, Virginia. On June 3, 1885, he was married to Miss Emma Yingling of Westminster, Maryland. Mrs. Gill was called to her heavenly home on February 26, 1897. Of this union two children were born, John Montgomery, who died in infancy and Hon. Robert J. Gill of Baltimore, Maryland. On April 19, 1910, Dr. Gill was married to Miss Estelle Crump of Washington, D. C. She entered into the "House not made with hands" on April 1, 1933.

Dr. Gill served the following charges: Baltimore Circuit, assistant 1882, Harper's Ferry 1883, Belair, assistant 1884, Eutaw 1885-1890, Lib-

erty 1891-1892, North Baltimore 1893-1895, Chestertown 1896-1900, Central 1901-1902, Rhode Island Ave. 1903-1909, Loaned to Board of Home Missions 1910-1915, West Baltimore 1916-1935, Left without appointment at own request 1936-1937.

He served as a member of the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary for thirty-seven years and was president of the Board twenty-seven years of that period. He was elected to the presidency of the Conference at the session of 1917 at Starr Church, which he declined because of physical disability. He gave fifty-four years of faithful, efficient service to this Conference and the Methodist Protestant Church.

A typical Southern gentleman, dignified, cultured, warm hearted, friendly, sympathetic, sincere. An implacable foe of sin in all its forms and manifestations. A man of strong convictions, and he stood by these convictions in the face of all opposition regardless of the cost.

He was a great preacher. He had no patience with the modern trends in theology. His message was the simple gospel of the New Testament. A church builder, a sympathetic pastor, a wise administrator, a winner of souls. He lives today in the lives and memories of thousands whom he touched and won and ministered unto across the fifty-four years of loving service. If we could draw aside the veil today I am sure we could see a large group in the assembly of the redeemed who have come from the humble homes of the poor, the mansions of the wealthy from the Monumental City, the Nation's Capitol, from the wind swept hills of Baltimore and Frederick, from the sunny slopes of Kent and the wave kissed shores of the Great North West. Who are they?—"These are they who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" under the gracious ministry of John Montgomery Gill.

The members of the committee pay tribute as follows:

Dr. J. W. Kirk: "John M. Gill and I became acquainted in September, 1879—59 years ago. Both of us were freshmen at Western Maryland College and this friendship formed then, ripened into affection, and we were close and intimate for these years without ever a break.

"In my knowledge of him and his work, he was never known to lower any religious standard. He was an ardent advocate of the old methods in revival work. He laid special emphasis on the prayer meeting and endeavored to bring his entire church to feel the necessity of the prayer meeting. He had strong convictions and was independent in his thinking.

"One of the extraordinary things of his life was the ability God gave him for the care of his young son. By the death of the mother he was left alone with the care and responsibility of rearing and training this son who was only seven or eight years of age. He tenderly nurtured this lad and so instilled in him the high principles of honor, manliness, temperance and integrity that Robert J. Gill has become a worthy citizen of Baltimore, reflecting honor upon his city and state."

J. P. Dodge: "Dr. J. M. Gill, or Brother Gill, as I preferred to call him, was a real brother and friend to me, and I believe we understood and appreciated each other as few brothers in the flesh ever do. I knew him as my pastor for about ten years and as a very dear friend for almost forty

as he enjoyed the fellowship of the redeemed while here, I am wondering what the fulness of his joy must be now.

"He lived very near his Saviour and has inspired love and service for years. We have had many good times together and I shall miss him. But Him in many others, and there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness which he has received from the loving hands of Him for whom he gave many years of labor and love."

T. D. Bowers: "I know of no more fitting tribute than can be paid to Dr. Gill, my friend and former pastor, than to say 'None knew him but to love him, and none named him but to praise.' No minister of my acquaintance realized more keenly the responsibility of his high calling than did Dr. Gill. He dignified the ministry through a faith in God that characterized his preaching as well as his attitude towards his fellowmen. He had power with God in the preaching of the gospel because of the sincerity of his Christian life. He led sinners to repentance and men's thoughts to the nobler things of life because of the beauty of Jesus which was reflected in his teaching and in the purity of his life.

"He inspired the confidence of his fellowmen in his ministry because of his simple faith in and his abiding loyalty to his Lord. His presence in the home was like a benediction. One could not be in the presence of Dr. Gill very long without being impressed with the depth of his Christian experience and the chastity of his conversation. Dr. Gill was among the last of the old school of the members of the Maryland Conference who are rapidly being transfered to the Church Triumphant, but the influence of his Christian life, his loyalty to the principles and doctrines of the Methodist Protestant church, and the success of his exceptional ministry will linger long in the memory of those who loved him and worked with him in the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God. How fitting it was that when he was called to the Church Triumphant, he should just wrap the drapery of his couch about him, and on a Sabbath morning awake in the presence of his Lord whom he loved and served so faithfully while on earth."

T. Irving Rothell: "There was a man who came from God and his name was John." Surely this has been exemplified in the life and work of John M. Gill.

"He became pastor of West Baltimore church and served it for over twenty years. He was fearless in the presentation of a four square gospel which told men they must repent. He drew a straight line from the city of Baltimore to heaven and told the people they must walk straight in their dealings with their fellowmen if they would see Jesus.

"He was mighty in speech and in prayer. He was a tither and was the cause of many following him along this line. He was noted for his punctuality and inspired the congregation to this end. He was attentive to the sick and shut-ins. He knew his people and when a regular attendant was absent he immediately found out the reason. He put every ounce of his strength into his work and left the results with the Lord. He lived close to God and exhorted his people to do the same."

Dr. Gill quietly slipped away to the home beyond, Sunday morning, December 12, 1937, while asleep.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday morning December 14, at West Baltimore Church. The services were in charge of E. L. Bunce, assisted by J. H. Straughn, C. C. Day, R. Y. Nicholson, G. E. McDorman and E. H. Taylor. Interment was made at Westminster, Md.

Committee:

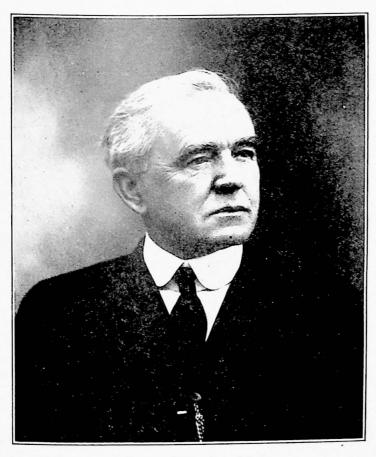
E. L. BUNCE

J. W. KIRK

J. P. DODGE

T. D. BOWERS

T. I. ROTHELL



REV. AVERY DONOVAN

Avery Donovan was born at Ellendale, Delaware, February 22, 1862. He received his education in the public schools, and in the Academy at Georgetown, Delaware.

Though a devout Christian from the time of his conversion at eighteen years of age, and interested in every form of Christian work in which he always took a leading part, he did not decide to enter the ministry until after a period of eleven years in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. At eighteen years of age he began this business career as telegraph operator of the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad at Franklin City, Va. When he took residence there he united with the Methodist Protestant Church, and soon thereafter was made Superintendent of the Sunday school, and Class Leader, and received license to preach from the Quarterly Conference.

On his twentieth birthday anniversary, February 22, 1882, he was married to Miss Ida Dawson of Seaford, Delaware. Five children were born to them, three of whom survive them. Mrs. Harvey M. Phillips, Laurel, Delaware, Mrs. John A. Garber, Baltimore, Maryland, and Mr. Avery K. Donovan, Wilmington, Delaware. This happy union remained unbroken for twenty-nine years, twenty years of which were spent in a most useful and successful ministerial career, with Mrs. Donovan devoting herself unreservedly to the duties of their interesting and happy family, and at the same time ably assisting her husband in the arduous duties of his difficult and important pastorates. On July 24, 1911, while Brother Donovan was serving as Pastor of Christ Church at Laurel, Delaware, Mrs. Donovan departed this life and went to her heavenly Home.

While Pastor of the church at Buckeystown, Maryland, Brother Donovan met Miss Helen DeLashmutt. Later they were married, and for the remaining years of his life they lived and labored faithfully and happily together, Mrs. Donovan taking a most active part in the work of the churches, and most tenderly ministering to Brother Donovan during his long illness.

In the year 1891, while engaged as telegraph operator and ticket agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Dover, Delaware, Brother Donovan yielded to a pressing call of God to enter the ministry, at great financial sacrifice. He was received into the Maryland Conference in April, 1891, and was ordained a year later, 1892.

For forty-three years, Brother Donovan served the following charges and positions:—Powellville; Pittsville; Accomac, Va., Snow Hill; one year as agent of Western Maryland College; Laurel; Buckeystown; Sharptown; St. James; Dover, Del.; Fawn Grove, Pa.; Finksburg; and Oxford. At the Conference in 1934, he was reappointed to Oxford, but was stricken before leaving for home, and was unable to resume the active work again. At the Conference of 1935 he was superannuated. Following a long illness of nearly four years, he heard the call to his higher realm, and went to be forever with his Lord on February 25, 1938.

Besides the children by the first marriage, already referred to, and Mrs. Donovan, Brother Donovan is survived by one brother, Mr. James R. Donovan, Wilmington, Delaware, and one sister, Mrs. Rachel Harris, Georgetown, Delaware.

If one were limited to brief space to describe this man of God, one would write something like this: Earnest and effective evangelist; heartwarming preacher; faithful pastor; hard worker; efficient leader; church

builder; excellent financier; safe counselor; devoted husband; loving father; good minister; true friend.

During a period of only twenty years, in addition to other district achievements, four beautiful churches were erected under the leadership of this efficient pastor, and each one was erected and financed in the midst of most difficult circumstances, including financial depression. They are the churches at Leemont, Virginia, (recently destroyed by fire); Snow Hill, Maryland; Laurel, Delaware, and Sharptown, Maryland. No tongue has ever fully described, and no record of earth will ever be made of the actual toils and sacrifices of this good man in the realization of these building objectives in the face of all but prohibitive obstacles. One of the committee, a layman of the Bates Memorial Church at Snow Hill, declares that his influence in that town, begun during the time he built the beautiful church and parsonage located in the center of the town, will always exist there, because of his most efficient leadership in that great undertaking, his wonderful Christian character, and his readiness and willingness to help Another layman of the committee, living at Laurel, and associated with Brother Donovan during the erection of the beautiful Christ Church there, says that "Those of us who labored with him never enter the church that we are not reminded of his sound judgment and capable planning of the details of the interior of our church." Commenting further, this layman says, "While in Laurel he organized a young people's group, called the E. R. C. (Ever Ready Circle), and his grip on the young people was wonderful. The minutes of some of the meetings record as high as seventy present, including not only young people of Christ Church, but others of the town, unreached by other churches. This organization was a power for good not only financially, but even unto this day we can see its effects in the leadership of our church. ("Their works do follow them.") No task for his Lord or his church was too menial for him. I have seen him during blinding snowstorms, during the building of the church, carrying heavy lumber into the building, after the workmen had left, to prevent it from being damaged. He found time also to keep in touch with his pastoral work. Within eight weeks from the time he became pastor, he had been into every home of the church membership." The comment of this observing layman could be duplicated by many others who were fortunate enough to have such a pastor during the active years of this good minister's busy career.

Brother Donovan was more than a church builder, good organizer, and faithful pastor. To every person he was a sympathetic friend. His heart was tender, and he knew how to help those whose hearts were troubled or anxious or broken. He was a safe adviser in life's intricate problems. He was a deeply spiritual preacher, with a passion for souls that never abated. His implicit confidence in Christ and all that Christ said and promised was so real in his messages that he would frequently preach himself into passionate eloquence. Tears would wash his cheeks and stream down his face, and bring a similar reaction to many of his listeners. Often the unsaved would tremble and break down with conviction as he called them to repentance. He was a fearless preacher. He gave the whole Gospel, and spared no man or woman who was not living as one ought to live. He vehemently condemned sin, and then would pity and plead with the

sinner "to forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, . . . return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon." He never altered the Gospel message to adjust it to the "times." With him it was a case always that "If any man preach any other gospel . . . let him be accursed." No, he was "not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ . . . the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

That deep spirituality and that longing to proclaim the Gospel message continued with this dear man 'till his last conscious hour. To his visiting brethren he would always cry out in tears, "O, I do want to preach the old Gospel again." Among his last coherent expressions, in a glad outburst of joy in Christ, he repeated the words,

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains."

Yes, the old Gospel that lured him from a lucrative position in business into the ministry, the Gospel that gave life and hope to many penitent sinners, the Gospel that comforted the hearts of countless numbers of his flocks, the Gospel that he believed and preached with such joy and passion, that dear old Gospel lingered longest in his fading consciousness, and was on his "latest breath."

A few hours before he passed away, he referred to the old Green-backville Church where he was converted as a youth, and called it his "Hallowed Spot," and quoted some of the words of the song that bears that name,

"And when from earth I rise to soar
Up to my home in Heaven,
Down will I cast my eyes once more
Where I was first forgiven."

Funeral services were held at the Mitchell Home, 1900 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Maryland, Saturday night, February 26, in charge of the President of the Conference, Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, assisted by Dr. E. D. Stone and Dr. E. L. Bunce. Further services were conducted at Christ Church, Laurel, Delaware, Sunday, February 27, in charge of the pastor, Rev. H. C. Burkins, and assisted by Rev. W. A. Donoway, Rev. G. S. Ross, Rev. F. M. Clift, Rev. C. C. Day and Dr. L. B. Smith. Interment took place at Seaford, Delaware. A large number of ministers and laymen from the various churches were present at the services.

LEONARD B. SMITH, E. D. STONE, H. L. MURPHY, O. S. GALLUP, W. S. GODFREY, A. E. CULVER,

Committee.



HUGH LATIMER ELDERDICE

On July 24, 1860, at Carlislie, Pennsylvania, a child was born. His parents were Rev. James M. Elderdice and his wife, Matilda (Heffelfinger) Elderdice. They named their son Hugh Latimer—Hugh Latimer Elderdice.

His was a rich heritage. His fine Scotch-Irish characteristics came from his father. From his mother he inherited his fine German qualities. This native endowment accounts in part for his sane independent individualism, his determined perseverance, his indefatigable industry, his methodical attention to details, his ardent patriotism, his warm friendship, his intense love of home, his fervent religious devotion, and his sane practical mysticism.

His environment, too, was good. He was reared in a Christian home—the parsonage of a Methodist Protestant minister. The visitors to that home were good church people, and their children were his companions. Early in life he joined the church. He attended a Christian college. He chose a Christian vocation, and he married a fine Christian woman.

He so utilized this rich heritage and this good environment that, like the child Jesus, he grew "in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man." He attended Western Maryland College from which he was graduated in 1882. As a student he soon became conspicuous as a religious leader. In his freshman year he made a covenant with a classmate to read the Bible through annually, reading three chapters every week-day and five every Sunday. This covenant he faithfully kept until his last illness made it impossible for him to continue the reading. On a flyleaf of his well-used Bible is a notation which indicates that on January 1, 1938, he started for the sixtieth time to read his Bible through. He was one of a number of ministerial students who started a movement which resulted in the founding of Westminster Theological Seminary.

He also attended Yale Divinity School from which he was graduated in 1885. During two summer vacations, while a student at Yale, the American Board for Home Missions of the Congregational Church sent him to do missionary labors in Minnesota. There he organized a Congregational church.

When he dedicated his life to the Lord, he joined Harmony Methodist Protestant Church in Berkeley County, West Virginia. His license to preach was granted, in February, 1881, by the Westminster Methodist Protestant Church. By the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, in 1885, he was ordained to the Christian ministry.

For twelve years he was a most popular, successful and beloved pastor. During this time he served but two charges. For seven years, from 1885 to 1892, he was pastor of Broadway Methodist Protestant Church in Baltimore City. From 1892 to 1897, when he was elected president of Westminster Theological Seminary, he was the pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church in Pocomoke City, Maryland. In both these charges he made many life-long friends.

While he was pastor at Broadway he was married to Annabel Smith of Bedford, Pennsylvania. For forty-five years she was his faithful and loving companion. Much of his great success was due to his happy homelife. He loved his wife as did Jacob loved Rachel. When on September 7, 1935, she passed to her eternal reward, his great sorrow was born with great Christian fortitude.

His great work was done in connection with Westminster Theological Seminary. He was a moving spirit in the founding of this institution. In 1897 he was elected its president. For thirty-five years he held this position. In 1932 he resigned the presidency and was elected President Emeritus and was continued as Professor of Practical Theology. These positions he held until his decease.

All the present buildings of the Seminary were erected during his administration. His greatest work, however, was not the erection of these buildings. A greater work he did in the building of Christian character and otherwise preparing men for the Christian ministry. Hundreds of men have gone from his classrooms to all sections of the United States, to Japan, to China and to India to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. About three-fourths of the ministers in this Annual Conference have studied in his classroom and profited by his instruction.

For fifty-three years he was an honored member of this Annual Conference. For five years he was its efficient secretary. For the last

thirty-eight years he has been a member of every session of the General Conference. For four years he was its excellent secretary. He was a member of the commission that prepared the new Methodist Hymnal. In 1937, he represented his denomination in the World Conference on Faith and Order at Lausanne, Switzerland. Again in 1937 he was an official representative to the World Conference on Faith and Order at Edinburgh, Scotland, and he was an unofficial delegate at the World Conference on Life and Work at Oxford, England.

On May 12, 1938, after an illness of several months, he finished his earthly labors and went to his heavenly reward. The faith that had so well supported him in life sustained him equally well in death. In his pocket-book were the following lines which he had marked "My Creed":

"Oh seek me not within the tomb,

Thou shalt not find me in the clay;
I pierce a little wall of gloom,

To mingle with the day."

For twenty-four hours his body lay in state in the Seminary Chapel. The funeral was largely attended. More than seventy-five of his ministerial brethren were present. Those having part in the funeral service were: Dr. James H. Straughn, President of the General Conference; Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, President of the Maryland Annual Conference; Dr. Fred G. Holloway, President of Western Maryland College; Dr. Charles E. Forlines, President of Westminster Theological Seminary; Dr. M. J. Shroyer, Professor of Biblical Literature in Westminster Theological Seminary; Dr. Richard L. Shipley, Editor of the Methodist Protestant-Recorder, and Rev. Arthur W. Ewell, pastor of the Westminster Methodist Protestant Church. His body was interred in the Westminster Cemetery.

He is survived by a daughter, Miss Dorothy Elderdice; a son, Captain Hugh Latimer Elderdice, Jr.; a half-sister, Mrs. Mabel Freeny, Pittsville, Maryland, and two half-brothers, Dr. John M. Elderdice, Salisbury, Maryland, and Webster Elderdice, Mardela Springs, Maryland.

Dr. Hugh Latimer Elderdice was a great man and great were his achievements. He was a great pastor, a great preacher, a great educator, a great Christian. He fought a good fight, he finished the course, and he kept the faith. Good and faithful servant of God, well done.

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MRS. JAMES L. KILLGORE

Mrs. Anna Malinda Killgore, the widow of Dr. James L. Killgore, passed to her heavenly home, February 23, 1938. Her death took place at 5126 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Plummer. Her interment, on February 26, in Mount Peace Cemetery was in charge of Rev. Carroll Maddox. Thus was brought to an end a life of more than 90 years. Mrs. Anna Malinda Killgore, nee Johnson, was born at Glade Run, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, December 8, 1847. On January 22, 1867, she became the bride of Dr. Killgore, who was fifteen years her senior. That happy union came to an end with his death, May 4, 1898. Sister Killgore was the mother of 12 children, but only three have survived her. In addition to Mrs. Plummer, Mr. J. E. Reese Killgore of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, is known to the writer. Two of Sister Killgore's grandchildren, Mrs. George Weber and Miss Ida Starts, are members of St. Luke's Methodist Protestant Church, Philadelphia.

Sister Killgore was at the side of her husband while he served six different charges in the Maryland Conference. Her memory to the last recalled happy days from acquaintance with President Grant to that with Governor Warfield of Maryland. She left her name on the register of Our Lisbon Charge. Those happy days were followed by years of severe trial in which she had to take sole charge of her numerous family. Her loving devotion victoriously solved all problems and she brought up a splendid family of children. After several years in Northeastern Pennsylvania, she moved to Philadelphia where she was brought once more into contact with her beloved denomination.

She was crippled in her late years and quite deaf, but what a gentle gracious motherly Christian personality she was! She never forgot her love for her husband and their mutual joys in the service of Christ and with loving tenderness she constantly spoke of him. Her children were preciously dear to her and she gave them at all times the deep affection of her mother heart. Her keen mind, her warm friendliness, her patient thoughtfulness so visible in her old age must have been characteristic of her in her prime and so she must have been the angel of every parsonage her lovely spirit graced.

CHAUNCEY C. DAY, Chairman, CARROLL MADDOX, J. W. KIRK,

Obituary Committee.

MRS: GEORGANNA MIDDLETON February 23, 1852—April 13, 1938

"Rest—How sweet the word to the tired and weary, the afflicted and suffering; but sweeter far its realization to the Christian pilgrim who has reached the end of the journey, the Christian soldier who has fought his last battle, the Christian laborer who has borne his last burden, the Christian minister who hears the Master's 'Well done.' How weary with nights and days and even months of suffering our dear brother was, no

tongue can tell; but 'tis over now, for on the 16th day of March, 1886, at about 5 o'clock in the morning, he entered into rest."

These words are a part of a most beautiful tribute written by Dr. J. L. Mills, fifty-two years ago, as chairman of the committee, upon the passing of Rev. C. B. Middleton, a talented member of the Maryland Annual Conference. His dear companion, Mrs. Georganna Middleton joined him in that blessed country, just a few days ago. How entirely appropriate are the words quoted here to the long and useful life of this good woman. The work she did for the Church while she lived in the parsonage will never all be told. The old records show that those days were the darkest days in the history of the church. While the man of God did all that any one would be able to do, this wonderful woman through her ceaseless work, in soliciting funds and getting many interested in the work made it possible to pay off the heavy debt. For twenty-five years we have known this good woman and her talented children. We know of no one who has made a greater sacrifice to help the church than this mother and her children. She had a rich Christian experience. She loved the church which was so dear to her in her younger days.

Her place was never vacant if in any wise she could be present. Advanced years and suffering made her regular attendance impossible.

Rev. D. W. Anstine, who was her pastor for seven years, writes, "I well remember her late husband, Rev. C. B. Middleton, one of our brightest young ministers. He was called from labor to reward at a time when his reputation as a preacher and an orator were attracting wide attention beyond the bounds of the Maryland Conference. I was glad and a bit proud to find this splendid woman one of my parishioners at Hampden. I often visited her home on Elm Avenue.

Fifty-two years of widowhood; a right long time to wait for that reunion so many are looking forward to. The memory of her gifted husband seemed always fresh in her mind. One had but to speak of him to release her emotions and call forth words of praise and admiration for the one so dear in life, now gone but not forgotten. Like a fond mother, treasuring the playthings of the baby God had called away, Sister Middleton kept sacred in her heart and memory the worth and words of her companion long since gone to his home beyond." Miss Lillian Middleton, a teacher in the public schools of Baltimore, and Doctor Austin Middleton, professor of Biology in the University of Louisville, Kentucky, remain on this side of the river. On Saturday, April 16, 1938, we laid to rest this precious mother, beside her husband in Oak Hill Cemetery in Washington, D. C. We will not forget to pray that the guiding hand of God will ever remain with her dear children until the glad home-coming, when the little family will meet in the Father's house.

E. D. STONE

D. W. ANSTINE

A. C. FORD

C. L. BEYER

MRS. J. P. GEORGE

Mrs. Margaret P. George, beloved wife of Rev. J. P. George, the pastor of Harbeson-Lewes Charge, was born on a farm in Wicomico County, about ten miles from Salisbury, Maryland, July 5, 1891. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Abbott, now deceased, the mother having passed away about six weeks prior to her daughter's death.

Margaret was converted in Siloam Methodist Episcopal Church when she was about nineteen years of age, and soon thereafter manifested a definite desire to render some special Christian service. Favored of God with a talent of music, and desiring to use it for His glory, she consecrated this talent to Gospel singing at revival services wherever the opportunity was afforded her. While rendering service as a Gospel singer in a revival conducted by Brother George, she and this young minister became deeply interested in each other and were later married. To this happy union were born two children, a son, J. Wesley George, Baltimore, Maryland, and a daughter, Miss M. Virginia George, Harbeson, Delaware. They, with their father, and three brothers of Mrs. George, survive her.

Aside from looking well "to the ways of her household," this consecrated woman gave herself unreservedly to the work of the church, singing solos, directing special programs, providing special music, and in many other ways cooperating with her husband in advancing the various interests of the Kingdom of God.

Mrs. George was a quiet, sweet spirited and modest Christian woman. Love, wth her, was the kind that "vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up. Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh, no evil; rejoiceth not in inquity, but rejoiceth in the Says a member of the committee, a layman of the church at Hallwood, Virginia, "She was a woman of sterling character. She loved This kind of her Lord, her church, her home and her neighbor." love, described by Paul in I Corinthians 13, always expresses itself in these spheres. Such love on her part earned for her the love of others in return. A good woman on the committee, who was associated intimately with Mrs. George on Kent Island Charge, refers to her "gracious manner, unpretentious ways, courteous speech, and thoughtfulness of others, which made her a beloved woman in our community." "Her influence and memory," says this friend, "will live on in the hearts of many persons in every community where she has lived. Her loyalty to her church, and her musical talent devoted to it were highly appreciated. She was always willing to use her talents in behalf of God's kingdom. Her quiet cooperative spirit was ever undaunted."

The home life of this lovely Christian wife and mother was beautiful. A layman at Laurel, who is a member of the committee, comments on this phase of her life particularly, referring to her as "a dutiful and devoted wife and an excellent mother." Did not one say long ago of such a woman "The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her. . . She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. . . Her children arise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her"? This beautiful home life is further commented upon by a minister on the committee, who lived near Brother George, while he served the Whaley-

ville Charge, saying among other things that "During our pastorate at Pittsville she graced the parsonage at Whaleyville, and many pleasant and profitable hours we enjoyed with her. We would discuss church problems together, and as we turned homeward we would go with a firmer step and a more optimistic spirit, because we had been in contact with one of God's noble women. To her nothing was too much for the members of her family, no sacrifice too great, no service to small."

This kind of testimony seems to characterize all the comments of the many friends and acquaintances of Mrs. George. Another minister on the committee, who is now a neighbor of Brother George, refers to two weeks he spent in the home of this good woman at Greenbackville, while helping in a revival meeting. Says he, "I never saw a more devoted mother and wife, giving her all for the comfort of her children and her husband. She was quiet in her manner and sweet in her disposition, and always Christlike in her attitudes. She was also a great church worker, willing and ready to do anything that was for her Lord and His kingdom. The work of the church was never hard to her, because of her loyalty and devotion to her Christ. Those who came in contact with her saw Christ reflected in her daily life. Members of the Harbeson-Lewes Churches have said to me, 'We have lost a great worker and a good woman. We all loved her.'"

How wonderfully endowed are these marvelous women of God who consent to go along with us the rough roads of the ministry, and patiently absorb the shocks we encounter! Pope calls such a wife "a peculiar gift of heaven." Rousseau says, "her pleasures are in the happiness of her family." Milton adds,

"For nothing lovelier can be found In woman than to study household good, And good works in her husband to promote."

After a brief illness with pneumonia, contracted soon after the death of her dear mother, to whom she gave such loving attention, Mrs. George quietly passed away at her home in Harbeson, Delaware, May 6. Funeral services were conducted in her late home by the President of the Conference, Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, assisted by Dr. J. L. Green, Rev. F. M. Volk and Rev. G. S. Ross. Interment was in the cemetery at Salisbury, Maryland.

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CONFERENCE SERMON

By

FRED G. HOLLOWAY

"Christianity, the Religious Motive, and the World Today"

Texts: Luke 2:10 b, 11; Matt. 28:5 b, 6 b.

Scripture: Luke 2:8-14; Matt. 28:1-7

The ministry of Jesus opens with an angelic announcement. "Fear not, today a Saviour is born." The ministry of Jesus closes with an angelic announcement. "Fear not, he is risen." This suggests the fact that Christianity is a revealed religion. Christ entered the world of fact by divine announcement; he entered the world of spirit by similar proclamation. His birth was a breaking into the events of time. His resurrection was a breaking into the events of eternity.

This scientific age will insist on a scientific study of the founder of our faith. Well and good. Yet Christianity can never be solely a matter of reason. There is always the element of faith necessary to its apprehension, for ours is a revealed religion. "No one has ever seen God. The only Begotten Son of the Father has declared him."

"Fear not, Christ is born." "Fear not, Christ is risen." These are more than texts. They are the two most significant statements in all history. First, "Christ is born." Second, "Christ is risen."

"Christ is born" is a statement which indicates that God's grace and love had reached its perfect manifestation. "Christ is risen" is a statement which indicates that man's loyalty to the divine will had reached its perfect consummation. One is a statement to a world that did not know it had him; the other to a world that had had him and thought it had lost him. Both statements were announcements of good news. "Fear not; he, whom you never knew existed, is." "Fear not; he, whom you once knew and believed no longer exists, is." The one is a message of hope to a world that had never known what Christ was like; the other is a statement of hope to those who had known what Christ was like, but who could not bear to think what the world would be like without him.

1. Christ is born. How meaningful this statement is becomes evident when we reflect upon its significance, for it meant that the hope of the prophets had been fulfilled. The dark ages preceding Christ's coming had looked for the light and the light had now come into the world. This groping for certainty would be no longer necessary. The partial revelation of God, manfest of old in divers ways and divers portions was fulfilled in the perfect revelation in Jesus Christ.

It meant that the world would no longer wonder what God was like. It would see what God was like and know. Previously, men quoted Moses, the prophets and the rabbis; men looked to Abraham for salvation; called upon Zarathustra for help; quoted Aristotle, Plato and Socrates.

But now came a new authority and since his day men know by their experience the significance of the words and cry out: "The Saviour is born."

It meant that a baby had come into the world whose response to every stimulus was exactly what it ought to be; that a baby was to become a boy who was to grow in wisdom as in stature and in favor with man as with God. How can we appreciate the fulfillment of this God-filled life unless we recognize how continuously he responded to the Father's will? "Line upon line, precept upon precept." So often we are given to cry out for a sudden discovery of God, but here was one who was discovering God all the time. Every step forward was based on a forward step just preceding it. There was no wasted motion of a treadmill search for God. Rather here is one who stands alone, upon a mountain top, as it were, in his understanding of God because he had travelled that rugged ascent by himself, yes, found God upon a hill, found him completely when his hands were pierced and his heart broken.

We have talked much recently about the Aldersgate experience as though it is something that can happen to anybody, just like that. I tell you it is not so. It takes Epworth, it takes Oxford, it takes Georgia, it takes Herrnhut, it takes all these to make Aldersgate. There are certain indispensable antecedents to an experience such as Wesley had. Aldersgate was not chance, it was the inevitable consummation of Wesley's search for reality. Our failure to attain an Aldersgate experience is probably due to the fact that we are satisfied with less than Wesley to begin with. "Line upon line, precept upon precept." The kind of religious satisfaction we get depends upon the kind of religious life we are satisfied with. Conversion may strike a man in the depths of sin, but it is not likely to find him unless he is looking for it. Yet Aldersgate does not seem to me so much the conversion of the soul as the consummation of the soul's deepest longings.

As with Jesus, so with Wesley, we see a man born in religious environment, dedicated to religious purposes, educated in a religious background, searching constantly for religious realities. Here is a kind of Mount of Transfiguration in the 18th century manner on a street in an English city. And what followed Transfiguration in Christ's life? From then on "he steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem." So with Wesley in the Aldersgate transfiguration. From then on he steadfastly set his face to preach the gospel of faith to all people.

Christ is born. What did this mean? It meant that man would see life lived in its sincerest way, truth followed to its fullest light. It meant that the person who was best to understand life and the secret to moral power had come into the world. It meant that the greatest code of moral standards that the earth had ever known was to come into being. It meant that men would learn that the great law of life is the law of love, and that this law must prevail even in one's attitude toward one's enemies. It meant that we can give the lie to those cynics who cry that love is sentimental and that such an attitude toward one's enemies is ludicrous, I say, give the lie to it because the man who advocated it died for it and in the hour of death prayed for his enemies: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do."

2. "Fear not, Christ is risen." Be it noted again that the resurrection of our Lord is a revelation. It is not scientifically apprehended. We cannot write after it Q.E.D. "which was to be proved but Q.E.C. "which is to be believed." Frankly, the whole question of the risen Lord has never been a problem to me. The fact of his coming into the world and living and dying as he did is sufficient evidence that he arose. As a matter of pure reason, I do not think it any more surprising that he was resurrected than that he lived and died as he did. In his life and in his death there was constant need of bringing his will into alignment with the Father's. I do know how difficult this is, how utterly impossible it seems at times. But here was a case in which it was done and if the Son had both the will and the power to raise himself constantly to his Father's will, it is not surprising if the Father had both the will and the power to finally raise his Son to his own side.

"Chrict is risen," and you ask what this means? It means that he still has abiding influence over men; that is, over those men who wish to have it.

We cannot be so sentimental as to supose that even yet all men are drawn to him, but as in his own day, so now, he still rebukes, he still chastens, he still makes both friends and enemies. He is yet a living reality.

It means that all that for which he stood still has validity, still has authority. His pronouncements on conduct must still be reckoned with. What he had to say about our relationship to God and our relationship to men has more than temporal significance. We do not pass by his words as we do those of other teachers "whose little systems have their day, who have their day and cease to be." Because he still lives, we can no more separate him from what he taught than could his contemporaries. Let it be noted that there were among them those who hated him, hated him not for what he was but for what he taught. I repeat, his resurrection means not only that he lives but that all that he advocated lives with him. The poet's lament:

"O Prince of Peace O Sharon's dewey Rose How mute you lie within your vaulted grave The store the Angel rolled away with tears Is back upon your mouth these thousand years,"

these words, I say, of the poet are worthy of note. Yet I believe that his lips are open and his tongue speaks and his words still ring with absolute authority. I have seen men try to stop his mouth; I have seen them place their rough hands upon his lips and seek to stem his utterances before they are heard, but always that tongue, like a sharp two-edged sword, pierces through. No power on earth can stop it. It is still man's authoritative moral code!

Christ is risen! What does it mean? It means that the greatest friend man has ever had still lives; that his friendship is not isolated to a single generation in history, but that it has been available to every generation since the announcement was made "Christ is born." It means that he is

"No dead fact stranded on the shores of the oblivious years, But warm, sweet, tender, even yet
A present help is he;
And faith has still its Olivet,
And love its Galilee."

Now I wish to repeat, these texts are more than texts; they are the two most significant facts of history. They were facts in the day of their occurrence. They were facts when Paul was converted, when Augustine dedicated himself to Christianity, when Luther declared "Here I stand," when Wesley's "heart was strangely warmed." They are still facts and if facts we should continue to appropriate the power and the guidance that in them lie.

These strange days see strange things taking place on the earth. Strangest of all is the lessening of the religious motive in the lives of men. New alliances, based on economic and political theories replace the old predicated upon religious motives. Once Christianity, and later Mohammedanism went out to conquer the world. But Fascism and Communism have now replaced them. And because of the economic theories in each of these political concepts, men are stepping out of old barriers into new fences. The prides and prejudices of other years are replaced by new ones based on economic theories. And unfortunately we are taking our political and economic ideas more religiously than our religion.

It is high time for us to reaffirm the religious motive as the only saving force for civilization. Economics is not enough; political theory is not enough; scientific research is not enough. Suppose we do get the economic theory we want? Suppose we do find our political idea dominant? Suppose we do multiply scientific discovery? Will these bring salvation? Not at all. Nothing but the religious motive can prevail. We must have a complete, not a partial picture of the world. We must have a complete view, not the shattered outlook that is based on the hobbies of our perplexities. No picture of the universe is complete which does not include such things as the objectives of mankind, the standards of personal conduct, the principles of social morality and the security of faith in the reality and directing power of God. This Christianity does.

"Christ is born." "Christ is risen." History's greatest facts are still valid. Why should civilization's present uncertainty make us uncertain about history's surest certainties?

We should be about our business of crying out that only the religious motive can prove permanently effective. We should make permanently effective what we cry out by our complete commitment to him who was born—to die, but who died—to rise again and by that to bring life to the world.

Far, far away is Bethlehem,
And years are long and dim
Since Mary held the holy Child
And angels sang to Him:
But still to hearts where love and faith
Make room for Christ in them,

He comes again, the Child from God, To find His Bethlehem.

Beyond the sea is Galilee,
And ways which Jesus trod,
And hidden there are those high hills
Where He communed with God;
Yet on the plains of common life
Through all the world of men,
The voice that once said, "Follow me,"
Speaks to our hearts again.

Gethsemane and Calvary,
And death and bitter loss,
Are these but echoes drifting down
From a forgotten cross?
Nay, Lord, for all our living sins
Thy cross is lifted up,
And as of old we hear Thee say,
"Can ye too drink My cup?"

O Life that seems so long ago,
And yet is ever new,
The fellowship of love with Thee,
Through all the years is true,
O Master over death and time,
Reveal Thyself, we pray,
And as before amongst Thine own,
So dwell with us today!

ORDINATION SERMON

By

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Scripture: John 19:19-30

Text: John 19:30

There is a focal point in Christianity—it is the Cross. And it is out of the Atonement that Christianity functions. Calvary and not Bethlehem is the place where the history of the race converges. The Cross and not the Tomb is where God and man meet. The incarnation is inexplicable without the Cross, and the Resurrection is the epitome of life because its power centers in the death of Jesus Christ.

It is not the song of an angel choir or the message of an Easter Morn that brings us to our knees and breaks our heart—it is the day when redeeming love is fully manifested; that is what brings assurance that God for Christ's sake forgives our sins. It was when John Wesley trusted Christ and Christ fully for salvation that there came an assurance that strangely warmed his heart and forever empowered his life for a service that gripped mankind and changed the tides of civilization.

The recital of the passion of Our Lord is a dramatic one, and it is in the fullness with which this marvelous story is told that we find a peculiar significance. The heart of that story lies in the Master's sixth word from the Cross—"It is Finished."

The last words of a dying person have about them a solemnity and an awe and a spirit all their own. But when we come, seeking to interpret these last sayings, and especially this saying, of this man Jesus whom we reverently proclaim the Son of God we feel that we are on holy ground. We know that we are in an atmosphere so peculiarly all its own that we seek to penetrate it only with the utmost humility and reverence.

No human mind can fully understand the content and grasp the full significance of what Jesus spoke from the Cross. The best we can do is to gropingly reach out and feel after some bit of the message carried in the words uttered.

The Seven Sayings from the Cross are as links of precious pearls in a chain of gold, welded out of the hot flame of a physical, mental and spiritual fire that was a trinity of divine-human experience. The text is one of the four sayings in the second bracket and speak of the consciousness of work fully done.

I think there is a two-fold meaning. There is

FIRST: The Note of Finality.

We read it then with the emphasis on "IT". I think Jesus was saying that the personal suffering was over. This was the end of the physical agony, the end of mental anguish, and the end of the spiritual con-

flict. Perhaps like a picture there flashed across his vision all that had happened since He had supped with his disciples in the Upper Room. All that had crowded in upon Him—the betrayal, the trial, the mocking, the scourging, the ingnominy and shame—all. "IT is finished," and "there was darkness over the land."

"Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in When Christ, the Mighty Maker, died for man the creature's sin."

When we first look at the cross we see the picture of personal suffering; all that we can conceive of physical, mental and spiritual agony is there. That is the first picture that any one must see when he first looks at the cross. That must have been the picture that those who stood by, that day outside the garden wall, saw—they, his mother and the other women, the soldiers, the rulers, and those that passed by. It is the reality of this suffering, which the scene portrays, that Jesus says is finished. For immediately he utters that last word of a great spiritual fellowship and gives up the ghost.

We would not unduly prolong looking at such a picture. Great human suffering is hard to look upon, and even harder to share in spirit. We, today, mercifully draw the vail, and say in respect thereto, "It is finished."

I think there is the other emphasis in that Note of Finality. It meant also that His special mission was finished. IT has the immediate meaning as to suffering; but there is also back of the immediate meaning that other of His mission.

Back there in the wilderness, he faced his first great testing—that testing determined what kind of a personality was going to come forth and there came One dedicated to a great ideal and ordained to a great purpose; One who conceived of a Kingdom to be set up in the hearts of men whereby they would be fitted for the Kingdom of God; One who determined to build Such a kingdom even at the cost of His own life. Now the way of being true to that mission had been walked; that mission, says Jesus "is finished." Tennyson must have caught the sense of the dedication that Jesus gave to that mission, when he wrote—

"Strong Son of God, Immortal Love. There is,

SECOND: The Note of Triumph.

The emphasis is on "Finished."

The death of Christ was not merely an end to suffering, not merely the end to the mission, it is an achievement, it is a great and glorious result. Jesus had wrestled with the possibility of defeat since that day when He had come out of the wilderness to begin His mission of Redemption, but He was not to be defeated. This note of victory that He sounds—finished—is as if he lifted a torch above the darkness that settled over Calvary, a torch to lighten mankind in its search for light and life.

Jesus was saying that He had established a Kingdom that could never be overthrown, a kingdom whose inner principle could never die

because His Spirit and His Power and His Purpose would forever reign in it and make it a living kingdom. He was saying in that word "finished" that He could lay down His life and take it up again because all power had been given Him in heaven and in earth. He was saying I have achieved in giving my life a ransom for many, that whosoever believeth shall have life.

The valley, that day, echoed the word "finished" that sounded in triumph from Golgotha, and the hills and the valleys have been echoing it ever since. No tumult of crowded cities, no silence of the country sides, no distractions that crowd our lives, no sin that creeps into our hearts, no realism of our modern days, none of these can altogether shut out that truth; the work of human redemption by divine love sharing, is for us if we will, and if we do not altogether compel ourselves to forget.

We would not altogether hide the picture of his suffering, we would not forget the dedication to the mission He set Himself, but above all we would today renew our hearts and minds with a consciousness that He triumphed—that the Victory was won—that He could dare commend His Spirit to the Father and give up the ghost in peace because He had secured forever for man the assurance of pardon and peace and power in the spirit. With these words Jesus changed the cross of wood into a throne of gold and the twisted brambles into an amaranthine crown set with the diamonds of eternal hope. You see "finished" is a hallelujah note—it is the joy tone in the funeral dirge of Calvary. This is the most challenging, the most far reaching, the most glorious utterance coming out of the Passion experience of Our Lord.

And now what are the implications arising out of the interpretations we have given the words "It is Finished"?

FIRST: Christ's death is the hope of a world's redemption.

A world redeemed is the heart of Old Testament prophecy, "and righteousness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the seas." It is the promise of the New Testament dream—"And, I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth coming down from God out of heaven." And the promise and the dream center in the atoning work of the Son of God. It is so as to

(a)—Social reconstruction. This is engaging the mind of the world For 2000 years this objective has been before the Christian consciousness and within the Christian program, even if at times it has been a far off goal and a somewhat forgotten objective. It is still the unfinished task of mankind. By its nature it will always be—it is only that we keep it before us as our constant aim and seek to make progress towards it.

It faces each generation to beckon and lure us on. Through the centuries the light of the Galilean has been playing on the goal. The shadows of human error and mistake have fallen across it, but still the goal is there; and the road winds and the light shines for the venturesome spirit and the gallant soul. The very immensity of the task worked at but always unfinished, is the constant challenge.

The New Testament envisions a new world—a world in which the more enduring values would have emphasis and would dare men's think-

ing and men's efforts and stand out as ultimates to be sought in human relationships.

And this ideal of social reconstruction, of a world redeemed, finds its hope in the atoning work of the Son of God, And this is because the impact, within human society, that leavens unto the refashioning of the social order, comes out of redeemed personalities.

It is so as to

(b) Individual salvation. It is this that makes for a remade society, And the hope for individual salvation lies in Christ's atoning work.

There is no hope in science alone. Science only puts into our hands the results of its discoveries, the benefits of its inventions. Science does not, cannot, furnish us the wisdom to best use these benefits and handle these discoveries.

There is no hope in education alone. Education can only bring us to see the truth and know the laws of truth; but education alone is neither understanding nor wisdom.

There is no hope simply in a planned economy and a code for industry and an official control over monetary valuation. These have to do with things. But the spirit of man must be panoplied with truth and light and power, if man is to master things.

Christ's death is set in the foundation of God's will and purpose for man in relation to his love. There is a necessity for it, that necessity lies in the fact that we are sinners—"He was manifested that He might put away sin." This sense of sin, normal, both insistent and persistent tells man he needs forgiveness. And because man needs it, he must find a way to see and experience the sense of restoration.

Sin was not only man's problem, it was also God's problem. It could not be ignored or suppresed—something had to be done about it, and Christ's atoning death did that something. God manifested His love towards us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. He died to put away sin. This is the hope of the individual who will relate himself to that atoning work. The death of Christ is in relation to his love. It is eternal love sharing—it is the eternal heart giving its all—"God so loved that He gave His only begotten Son." Take the death of Christ from the love of God and you rob it of its great and glorious meaning. It no longer has that divine heart throb that goes deeper than sin and sorrow and death and wondrously encompasses life in adoration and joy and peace and hope and eternal outlook.

SECOND: Christ's death is the basis of the Church's mission.

"Christ loved the church and gave himself for it." If the church has a mission it is because Christ gave Himself for the church. His atonement becomes the impulse unto that mission. This is so for

(a) The content of its message.

The simplest truth of the Gospel and the profoundest fact of our Theology must be put in the same words, "He bore our sins." Take away the meaning of these words and the death of Christ has no more right to a place in religion than the death of any martyr to any cause. His great commission to the church was and is "Go-Preach-Teach" the

good news. But if there is no atonement there is no good news. Paul said it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe"—but it is foolish preaching that undertakes to proclaim Christianity as a vital saving religion without the atonement.

That kind of preaching has no New Testament authority and no vitalizing message for human experience. The church has a message, and the heart of that message is in the words—"Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." Cut the heart out and the life of the message is gone. Oh, we can still preach a good code of ethics, we can still declare a fine philosophy, we can still discuss a science for practical living, but we haven't a gospel that saves unto the uttermost.

It is so as to

(b) The power of its purpose.

The purpose of the church is to ransom men and redeem a world. But it has no power to do this save in the power of the Cross. The atoning death of Christ is what differentiates the church as to its purpose in the world, and the consciousness of that truth is what gives it power. The problem of life that religion has to do with is how shall a sinful man be justified with God, and how can men make a new world. It is an universal problem. Where is the solution? It is to be found only at the Cross. Christ alone can do this for the world—no one else has or can if he would.

It is not enough that the church sets for its purpose changed men and a better social order—it must know and lay hold upon the power that can enable it to realize that purpose. The church needs still to sing as a joyous belief and a passionate appeal—

"There is power, power, wonder working power In the precious blood of the Lamb."

THIRD: Christ's death is the dynamic for the Christian minister.

The Christian minister is of the elect. He is priest and prophet, the successor of the apostolic group. Jesus called that group unto Himself, trained them and chose them for the ministry of His Gospel. "Ye have not chosen me, (He said) but I have chosen you and ordained you." (John 15:16) Mark says—"He ordained twelve that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach." (Mark 3:14)

The minister is called of Christ, chosen by Christ and ordained to his ministry by Him. If we are truly of the elect, we do not choose the ministerial office—we are propelled into it by a compulsion not to be denied. And there has to be a dynamic more powerful, more impelling than any mental training or mode of life or external pressure.

That dynamic is found in Our Lord's death. This is so

(a) For the public office.

"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto men." (John 12:32) We are ordained to preach the Christ who is a Saviour. Prophet He was, preacher He was, good man He was, philosopher He was; but Saviour He was and Is and evermore shall be. He died to be a Saviour—eternally so. And a Saviour for all. Not just for those

who are somewhat good, not just for those who are somewhat penitent, not just for those who sometimes say a prayer, not just for those who sometimes go to church. He died for all. "He became the propitiation for our sins, and not for our sins only, but for the sins of the whole world." He died that all might believe and receive Him through repentance and remission. This is the simple fact of the Gospel—this is the hallelujah note of the New Testament—this is the grand oratorio of Christian experience.

This is our dynamic, and our chief one, as we go forth to preach the Gospel. This is what makes it a great gospel—this mighty atonement. This sin bearing, sin expiating love, which pleads for acceptance, which takes the whole responsibility of the sinner—if only he yield himself to it. This is the way the New Testament states it—and, this my brothers of the ministry, is our charter. I am not concerned how philosophy looks at it, I am not concerned how theology interprets it. The New Testament appeal is sufficient, it comes out of eternal love, by divine death. To yield to that appeal—to just abandon oneself to that love, by faith, is to enter into life. We have no other way of life to offer men. How else can a poor sinner like me—like you—find life at all?

There is no peace where there is no forgiveness—there is no forgiveness where there is no penitence—there is no penitence where there is no Saviour—there is no Saviour where there is no Atonement.

What shall I do-what can I do-what will I do?

"Here Lord, I give myself away
"Tis all that I can do."

And the dynamic is there

(b) For our personal assurance.

We live an individual life aside from the functions of our public ministry. We must have an experience before we can share an experience. And there is need of personal assurance in our own hearts before we can speak with assurance to the hearts of others. The dynamic for this assurance is in the atoning work of our Lord.

There is One who saves—this must be a precious and abiding part of our experience. The minister must know, above all other knowledge, that he has a Saviour.

I think Paul found his dynamic just here—he puts it thus—"This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of which I am chief."

My brethren, here is where all must stand. I must have a Saviour or I die—I do have a Saviour and so I live! "He that hath the Son of God hath life."

What the church needs mightily today—within the ministry and within the layity—is the renewed assurance that God for Christ's sake has forgiven our sins; that we are trusting Christ and Christ alone for salvation. In every one is a holy place—sacred, sweet, sustaining—the altar of the soul. Here is where God and spirit meet—here the mystic warming can be—here the passion fires are kindled—here life surrenders

and is assured—"and heaven comes down our souls to greet, and glory crowns the mercy seat."

We who follow in the footsteps of John and Paul and a long line of worthy souls must constantly hug to our hearts the great fact that we, too, have a Saviour.

And our Saviour is One who keeps. We need this constant assurance. It is the only way our hearts are going to be kept warmed, strangely so—mystically so, joyously so.

This is our dynamic—we have a Saviour who keeps, because He died to finish His work all the way of human experience. When we toil all night and catch nothing—when the days are all too long and utterly wearying—when tragic disappointments and bitter sorrow strike into our lives—when hope is shattered and faith is hard pressed—when the body begins to weaken and the mind is darkened—when the road grows long and the trials are many—when the heart aches and the spirit is daunted—then we need to know that we have a Saviour who can and does keep. We need through all the days and nights and years to keep our hearts attuned to hear and understand the words—"Lo, I am with you: Be of good cheer, I have overcome."

What am I saying, you who are to be ordained and my other comrades of the Cross? Just this—CHRIST IS ALL, ALL IN ALL.

"His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood, When all around my soul gives way He then is all my help and stay.

On Christ the solid rock I stand—
All other ground is sinking sand.

"It is finished"—God loves and Christ saves—and we live forevermore.

"I was in the spirit

And behold a door opened in heaven

I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number Stood before the throne and before the Lamb

And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels

Fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God.

What are these which are arrayed in white robes? And whence came they?

These are they which came out of great tribulation and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in his temple; and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them and shall lead them unto

living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Revelations, Chapters 1; 6; 7.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When my eyelids close in death;
When I rise to worlds unknown—
And behold Thee, on thy throne

Rock of Ages, Cleft for me— Let me hide myself in Thee."

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES



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121	Trinity-SalemUnion Bridge	27 22 19	27 22 19 12	78 65 55	 65 55	156 130 110	130 110	10 100 100	40 130	·::	22 42	14 12	17 60	130	13
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124	Washington: Alexandria	23	22	69	69	138	7	43	***************************************	20	28	20	55		
125	Calvary	23 28 55	23 28	81	81	162	162		12	50	45		50	82	15
126	Cherrydale	55	55	161	161	322	322	100	340		19		56	225	
127	Congress Street	24 26	24	101	101	202	202	100						105	
128 129	First Church	26	26	77	77	154	154	100		55	55		67	150	
130	Fort Myer Heights	14	14	42	42	84	84	100	11	6	.7	5	18	• • • •	• • •
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184	Lewis Memorial	21	21	62	62	124	124	100	243	16	13		46	50	100
135	Wesley Chapel of Kent	30	30	87	87	174	174	100	328		60	40			
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14	Portsville	1 4	4	lii	ii	22		41	31			•••			l ::
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Alnutt Memorial. Bethesda Brooklyn Calvary Chesaco Park Christ Church East Baltimore. Edmondson Avenue Eutaw Evergreen Glen Burnie Graceland Park Hampden Keen Memorial Lauraville Linthicum Heights Lowe Memorial North Baltimore St. John's St. Paul's St. Paul's South Baltimore St. Paul's Violetville West Baltimore Wilton Heights Bedford Bel Air Bivalve Buckeystown Cambridge Carrolli Circuit Cecil Cecil Centreville Chestertown Claremont Claremont Claremont Claren Crisfield: Mt. Pleasant		111111111111111111111111111111111111111	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		9000 9000 50000 50000 50000 50000 25000 20000 60000 15000 730000 7300000 730000 730000 730000 730000 730000 7300000 7300000 730000	2500 (1400) (150	356-6 1722 1722 1722 1722 1722 1722 1722 172		650 70 70	1122331223312253250000000000000000000000	18	111 12 17 8 210 26 6 8 13 13 14 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	22 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	736 1 996 1 183 139 139 139 139 139 139 139 139 139 13	1497 1008 1712 1276 1712 1806 12174 2008 662 2211 1302 1484 174 1850 1321 11123 1552 2758 795 2758 1513 1689 1721 1316 689 1721 1316 689 1731 1347 1347 1347 1347 1347 1347 1444 1552 1752 1795 1795 1795 1795 1795 1795 1795 1795	140 250 150 260 170 200 190 11 28 30 30 7 5 11 28 30 18 12 30 18 11 28 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
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Doylesburg	3111421311311311223214413144113	3 1 1 4 4 2 2 1 1 4 4 4 2 2 1 1 3 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 2 2 1 1 3 3 3 1 1 4 4 2 2 1 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	7000 25000 25000 26000 20000 4000 32000 9000 130000 130000 15000 170000 45000 11000 3000 3000	14000 50000 25000 25000 25000 25000 25000 25000 25000 20000 15000 25000 25000 3000 3000 40000 7500 7500	4250 2900 250 250 100 1000 1200	14500 6525 15625 7000 25000 142000 9000 20500 1000 24550 2000 11000 6000 40500 34000 10000 21000 21000	2	29 17	788 820 300 300 300 1322 977 3422 7717 668 850 349 558 516 122 660 6111 40 611 61	1555 119 611 125 193 193 193 194 124 124 124 125 193 160 165 98 116 160 235 182 224 121 121 222 81 122 23 122 23 122 23	475 62 644 411 449 533 229 550 326 386 531 780 688 347	3412 713 93 969 618 675 801 344 827 490 799 1172 996 522 160	145 150 300 120 150 1100 1100 120 1200 1200 1200
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Sharptown	1 2 2 2 2 3 2 1 1 2	2 2 2 2 2 3 3 2 1	1	21000 60000			16000 41500		31 39	89 115	178 229	592 762	890 1145	1800
Stewartstown	2	2	ī	20000				46	44	128	257	855	1284	1500
Susquehanna	2	2	1				9000		25	73	145	483		1200
Trinity-Salem	3	3	1				10500	8	26	77	155	514 434	772 652	1100
Union Bridge	2	2	1				9900	14	22	65 55	131 111	368	553	100
Wallace Memorial	1	1	1				3500 4500	25 6	19 12	36	71	236	355	
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First Church	1		1	30000					26	77	153	509	765	
Fort Myer Heights	1 3	2	2				7500		15	43	87	289	434	
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Portsville		1	1 :				. 1000		5	11	21 32			
Quinton Union Church		1	11.	. 500			2000		6	16 17				
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REPORT OF THE STEWARD

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	1938	1937	Increase	Decrease
	President's Salary\$ 4,439	\$ 4,447		8
	Superannuates 11,672	11,812		140
	Maryland Conference Budget 19,610	20,308		698
	Total Maryland Conference Budget 35,721	36,567		846
	World Service Budget Credits:			
	Undesignated 4,679	4,102	577	
	Children's Day 4,191	3,843	348	
	Rally Day 3,434	3,424	10	
	Young People's Day 1,426	896	530	
	Easter Offering 5,482	4,632	850	
	Women's Auxiliary 14,735	15,673		938
	Maryland Conference Council 551	426	125	
	Special for Missions 726	835		109
	Special for Education 184	157	27	
	Special for Children's Home 267	187	80	
	Special Fellowship Crusade 1,102		1,102	
	Paid on World Service Budget 36,777	34,175	2,602	
	Paid on Total Assessments 72,498	70,742	1,756	
	Miscellaneous General Interests 8,172	5,450	2,722	
	Total for General Interests 80,670	76,192	4,478	
	Pastor's Salary202,648	195,694	6,954	
	Rental Value of Parsonages 54,438	52,091	2,347	
	Current Expenses 90,089	90.906		817
	Paid on Building and Improvements 68,230	49,156	19,074	
	Paid on Debt 53,532	39,480	14,052	
	Paid on Interest on Debt 38,591	37,557	1,034	
	Miscellaneous Local Interests 43,822	44,764		942
	Total Paid for Local Interests551,350	508,648	41,702	
	Total Paid for All Purposes632,020	585,840	46,180	

J. R. McKEAWN, Steward H. H. SCHAUER, Assistant Steward

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

MEM	BESHIP			
9	1937	1938	Increase	Decrease
Ministers and Preachers	169	166		3
Supply Preachers	6	7	1	
Unstationed Ministers & Preachers	51	45		6
Full Members	36,214	36,891	677	
Full Members Received	2,088	2,257	169	
Full Members Withdrawn	384	426	42	
Full Members Discontinued	990	687		303
Full Members Deceased	474	426		48
Probationers on Roll		156		
Probationers Received	230	142		88
Probationers				
Elected to Membership	65	53		12
Probationers Discontinued	1	14	13	
Adults Baptized	190	176		14
Children Baptized	1,191	1,142		49
Conversions	1,938	1,954	16	
	240	240		
Sunday Schools	3,671	3,651		20
Sunday School Officers & Teachers	2,625	2,945	320	i
New Scholars	35,096	34,801		295
Scholars on Roll	118		26	
Senior C. E. Societies	3,657	3,947	290	21
Senior C. E. Members	3,037	37	.200	1
Junior C. E. Societies	879	852		27
Junior C. E. Society Members	819	802		
Amount Contributed by C. E. Int.	400	382		47
and Jr. for Foreign Missions	429	364		
Contributed by C. E. and S. S. for		450		14
Conference Union Missions	490	476		7.2
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	1937	1938	Increase	Decrease 4
Appointments	238	234		
Churches	254	254		
Parsonages	135	136	1	
Value of Church Property	6,367,720	\$6,456,420	\$88,870	10.000
Value of Parsonage Property	751,700	731,800		19,900
Debt on Church and Parsonages	806,452	745.959		60,493
Church Papers Taken	1,708	2,008	300	
Insurance on Church & Parsonages	3,779,640	3,821,240	41,600	
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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:

The Conference Steward, the Treasurer, and the Statistician, shall constitute the Board of Stewards who shall receive the reports and col-lections from the pastors and shall be responsible to the Conference for all reports, monies, receipts and vouchers delivered to them.

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:

Financial, covering collections for general and local interests.

Ъ. Statistical, covering memberships of all organizations.

Pastors' personal reports.
Certificate of delegate's and alternate's election. d.

General information.

f. A financial envelope corresponding to financial report.

A general envelope to contain the whole.

- 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, an-

nually, 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.
- The Statistician shall receive the membership blanks submitted by the pastors from which he shall make his report.
- In all cases where discrepancies in reports may appear the Steward, the Treasurer, or the Statistician, according to the department in

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which errors may be noted, shall seek to correct same by conference with the pastor concerned.

RULE III. COMMITTEES

- 1. All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.
 - The Standing Committees shall be:

1. The Board of Finance—5 Ministers, 5 Laymen.
The chairman to be appointed one year in advance. Recommend Conference budget, apportion and promote all budget assessments, and have general oversight of Conference finances as provided in Conference Minutes 1930, page 47.

2. Itinerancy and Orders-6 Ministers.

For further record of the duties of this Committee see detail listed in the forepart of the Conference Minutes under title "Conference Examiners and Examinations."

Board of Survey and Extension-5 Ministers, 5 Laymen.

The President of the Conference shall be a member ex-officio and the Chairman of the Board. This Board shall serve for the full twelve months period and shall at Conference and ad interim review the church extension needs of the Conference, make recommendations as to Church Extension 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 of the Conference, make appropriations, etc.

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.

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:

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.
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 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.

. 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), 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 Confer-

ence shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

RULE VII. VOTING

- 1. Every member who is within the bar at the time a question is being put shall vote, unless the Conference for a special reason shall excuse him.
- 2. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question, who is not within the bar at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.
- 3. Votes for all Conference Officers, the Committee on Appeals, Standing District Committee, Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference, and all other officers of all other organizations shall be by ballot. Otherwise, voting shall be by yea and nay; but a division of the house being called a count vote shall be taken, members rising in their places and standing until they shall have been counted.
- 4. A member can change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.
 - 5. Blank ballots shall not be counted.
- 6. Ayes and Nays, and a vote by order shall be as prescribed in the Discipline.

RULE VIII. AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS

All motions or resolutions, whether submitted by committees or individual members, contemplating an amendment to these Rules and Regulations, must so specify. Otherwise, such action shall not be binding upon any other session of the Conference than that at which the same is passed.

REGULATIONS

Regulation 1. DUTIES OF PASTORS

- 1. The pastor shall be held jointly responsible with the Stewards of his churches for the collection of the assessments on his charge made by the Conference; in accordance with the provision of the Discipline, and to report quarterly at the time of the District Conference, the amounts raised on his charge for the benevolences to date, in order to determine the standing of his charge concerning the budget for benevolences.
- 2. It is the duty of the pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, parsonages and other church property, as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and whenever allowed by state law have their churches incorporated. No minister of this Conference shall give his consent or assistance to building a church or parsonage on a lot that is not deeded unconditionally to an incorporated Board of Methodist Protestant Trustees.
- 3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary suitably among the several appointments, and to have the same paid when notified by the Treasurer of the Conference that it is due.
- 4. Pastors are required to see that families belonging to their churches are supplied with the Catechism of our church and to arrange in the church schools for its use.
- 5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the church whether they have been baptized, and if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay according to regulation of the Discipline.
- 6. Pastors, when changing appointments, shall hand to their successors, a plan of the work of the charge, including correct church registers, addresses of members, names of ill and aged persons, list and addresses of Sunday school members, list of prospective members, etc.

7. Station and Circuit Stewards shall furnish the pastor with a sufficient number of Disciplines, that he may be able to present each new member with a copy, in compliance with Disciplinary law.

8. No minister of this Conference shall go as a loan to any church outside of the Maryland Conference unless said church is willing to con-

tribute to the Superannuate Fund of this Conference.

9. All pastors are required to submit in detail to the Board of Survey and Extension all plans their churches may have for new church buildings and parsonages, remodeling or extensive improvements, locations for buildings, etc., for advice and counsel, before giving their consent to or proceeding with the execution of their plans. This is done that churches may have advantage of the study and experience of the Conference in all such matters. Further, no church shall receive any appropriation from Conference funds until this Board of Survey and Extension shall have reviewed their plans and passed favorably upon the same.

10. All married pastors of the Conference shall be guaranteed a minimum salary of \$1,200, and parsonage, and where the charge either cannot or will not pay the said amount this Conference undertakes to pay out of Conference funds the difference between the amount the charge pays and \$1,200, except in cases where the pastors agree to serve for less than

the minimum salary to accommodate personal situations.

Further, that the minimum salary guarantee as outlined above shall be interpreted as meaning that the Annual Conference will appropriate to various charges on pastors' salaries from a maximum total of \$2,500, amounts which are deemed imperative and justifiable by the Board of Survey and Extension, and that no allowance will be made for any deficit that may occur in the salary promised by the church.

11. Pastors, in arranging for their regular Quarterly Conferences shall give the President of the Conference at least two (2) weeks advance notice of date of such meetings, so that the President may be aided in so arranging his itinerary as to meet the most Quarterly Conference sessions

possible during the year.

Regulation II. SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY

1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of eighteen years shall be entitled to vote in all cases. Provided, that only those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in the Constitution of the denomination, Article IV, Section 3, and in the Discipline under "Trustees," page 80, Section 9. (See 1932 Discipline). (These references having to do with property).

2. Every minister, preacher and lay member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-five years shall be eligible as

a representative in the General Conference.

3. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Treasurer, Steward, Class-leader, and Sunday School Superintendent, Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

4. Only those ministers who have faithfully exercised the office of Elder for two years in the Conference shall be eligible to the office of Pres-

ident of the Annual Conference.

5. The Conference records the fact that authority for the appointment of pastors to charges resides in the Annual Conference, but fully recognizes the right of the annual membership meeting or of a quarterly conference to give instructions to the delegate to the Annual Conference as to the return of a pastor, that it strongly disapproves the secret ballot for the return or removal of a pastor, that it condemns the complimentary vote that asks for a pastor's return in the public meeting and seeks his removal at the Annual Conference.

Regulation III. THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE

- 1. The President's Parsonage, owned by the Conference, is 3600 Copley Road, Baltimore, Md.
- 2. The Conference each year shall elect an Agent of the President's Parsonage, who shall out of monies placed in his hands for the purpose pay the water rent, insurance and maintain all needful repairs.
- 3. An assessment of \$4,500 shall be laid on the District for the President's salary, traveling expenses and for the expenses of the President's Parsonage, the assessment to be known as "President's Salary and Expenses." Nine-tenths (\$4,050) of this amount shall be paid the President for salary and traveling expenses; one-tenth (\$450) shall be paid to the Agent of the President's Parsonage for the purposes recorded in Section 2. The method of levying this assessment is recorded under Rule II, Section C, paragraph 4.

Regulation IV. RECORDS OF TRIAL CASES

In all cases of the trial of a minister, the Secretary of the Trial Committee shall make a correct record of the proceedings of the trial, and turn the same over to the Secretary of the Conference, together with a copy of the charges, and specification, a copy of the finding, or verdict, of the Committee—and all other documentary evidence used in the trial, to be kept by the Secretary among the records of the Conference.

Regulation V. MINISTERS AND SPECIAL RELATIONS

All requests to be left without an appointment for the ensuing year, or for a supernumerary relation, shall be referred by the Conference to the Committee on Official Relations for consideration and report thereon before such requests shall be granted.

Regulation VI. CHURCH SCHOOLS

- 1. As a preparation for more efficient study and teaching of the Word, teacher's meetings should be statedly held under the direction of the pastor or superintendent.
- 2. Pastors are directed to carry out the Discipline 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

- 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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