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OF THE

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

INDIANA CONFERENCE

OF THE

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HELD AT

FAIRMOUNT, INDIANA

AUGUST 14-18, 1917

The Indiana Conference

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

President: Thomas P. Baker, Sheridan, Indiana.

Vice-President: Walter L. Thompson, New Castle, Indiana.

Secretary: Francis R. Eddy, Plymouth, Indiana.

Assistant Secretary: Sewell E. Baker, Fairmount, Indiana.

Treasurer: J. E. Smiley, Fairmount, Indiana.

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T. P. Baker, Conference President and Evangelist.
Walter L. Thompson, Church Extension Secretary and Evangelist.
Charles S. Smith, Missionary Secretary and Evangelist.
Sewell E. Baker, Conference Sunday School Secretary.

EDUCATIONAL FACULTY.

- J. O. Baker, Bible School President, Fairmount, Indiana.
- J. E. Smiley, Teacher in Indiana Bible Training School, Fairmount, Indiana.
- T. P. Baker, E. J. Pitts, J. O. Baker, W. L. Thompson, Committee on Itineracy and Elders' Orders.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Ministerial: Thomas P. Baker, 2 years; Aaron Worth, 2 years; Jacob Hester, 1 year; Schuyler C. Kinnison, 3 years; Francis R. Eddy, 3 years.

Laymen: Jasper Hester, 2 years; John L. Rigsbee, 1 year; George W. Felton, 1 year; Frank M. Foulke, 3 years.

DIRECTORS OF THE CAMP MEETING ASSOCIATION.

S. C. Kinnison, President and Treasurer.

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C. A. Billheimer, F. R. Eddy, George W. Rager, John L. Rigsbee, George W. Felton.

ADVISORY BOARD.

W. L. Thompson, John L. Rigsbee.

INDIANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

W. L. Thompson, President.

C. E. Zike, Vice-President.

N. E. Smith, Secretary.

J. E. Smiley, Treasurer.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Judicial Committee: J. O. Baker, C. S. Smith, H. T. Hawkins, W. L. Thompson.

Committee on Vacancies: L. H. Carter, C. A. Billheimer, T. J. Pierce, Charles Kimes, D. L. Shideler.

Itineracy and Elders' Orders: T. P. Baker, 1 year; E. J. Pitts, 2 years; J. O. Baker, 3 years; W. L. Thompson, 4 years.

Camp Meeting Committee: S. C. Kinnison, W. D. Baker, C. A. Billheimer. (Members elected by Camp Meeting Directors) H. T. Hawkins, George W. Felton.

Statistical Committee: E. J. Pitts, F. O. Spitlar.

Auditing Committee: D. C. Dooley, C. E. Zike.

Conference Registrar: Charles G. Payne.

Sunday School Board: Sewell E. Baker, H. T. Hawkins, H. T. Arnold, T. M. Bodenhorn.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

Akright, H. Akright, Josephine Arnold, H. T.

Baker, J. O. Baker, T. P. Baker, S. E.

Baker, W. D. Bailey, W. M.

Barts, Nancy A. Blake, A. L.

Bodenhorn, T. M. Bodenhorn, A. L.

Brown, H. C. Brown, J. W.

Burns, Lewis Billheimer, C. A. Carter, L. H.

Caldwell, Setta Couch, B. L. Cory, E. E. DeWeerd, Fred DeWeerd, Lelia

Dooley, D. C. Eddy, F. R. Eddy, Dollie R.

Enyeart, C. L. Fooshee, A. P. Fisher, R. L.

Gilliland, Newton

Greene, Mary Hawkins, H. T. Hawkins, S. D. Hester, J.

Hopkins, W. H.

Jennings, Walter Jennings, Miriam Kinnison, S. C.

Linville, Anna

Mitchell, L. R.

Lapaz, Ind. Lapaz, Ind.

Sheridan, Ind., R. R. 22.

Fairmount, Ind.

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Fairmount, Ind. Marion, Ind.

New Castle, Ind., 719 W. Broad.

Plymouth, Ind. Ekalaka, Mont.

Bloomington, Ind., R. R. 1. Bloomington, Ind., R. R. 1.

Fairmount, Ind. Rayburn, Texas.

Kokomo, Ind., 714 E. Vale Ave. Elwood, Ind., 2706 N. C St.

Fairmount, Ind. Cicero, Ind. Fowler, Ind. Payne, Ohio. Olivet, Ill. Olivet, Ill. Fowler, Ind. Plymouth, Ind.

Kunso, Sierra Leone, W. Africa.

New Castle, Ind. Bryant, Ind. Fountain City, Ind.

Peru, Ind., 364 W. 13th St.

Pardi, India. Carthage, Ind. Lewis Creek, Ind. Arlington, Ind.

Kokomo, Ind., 1034 S. Armstrong St.

Mt. Etna, Ind. Mt. Etna, Ind. Fairmount, Ind.

Peru, Ind., 63 E. 8th St.

Westfield, Ind.

Mow, S. A. Murphy, A. U. Murphy, Lydia Morris, Walter Morris, Vura Moore, M. M. McClure, Belle McMichael, W. W. Noggle, W. W. Northam, W. L. Pierce, T. J. Payne, C. G. Payne, Glen Presnall, J. F. Pitts, E. J. Roberts, Willie C. Reber, George Smith, C. S. Smith, N. E. Sears, M. V. Shatford, L. Spitlar, F. O. Smith, Lucinda Teter, Eber Thompson, W. L.

Wabash, Ind., 1558 Webster St. Huntington, Ind. Huntington, Ind. Portland, Oregon. Portland, Oregon. New Castle, Ind. Elwood, Ind., 2701 E. Main St. Warren, Ind. Andrews, Ind., R. R. 3. Sheridan, Ind. Fairmount, Ind. Lewis Creek, Ind. Fairmount, Ind. Fairmount, Ind.

Centerville, Alabama.
Chicago, Ill., 7612 Yates Ave.
Fairmount, Ind.
Albion, Ind.
Fairmount, Ind.
Plymouth, Ind.

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Amboy, Ind.

Larwill, Ind.
Kirklin, Ind., R. R. 2.
Sheridan, Ind.
New Castle, Ind.
Sheridan, Ind.
Kirklin, Ind.
Fountain City, Ind.
Fairmount, Ind.
Fairmount, Ind.

UNSTATIONED LIST.

Carter, R. A.

Vickery, L. O.

Worth, Aaron

Zike, G. W.

Zike, C. E.

Van Blaricom. S. M.

Montpelier, Ind.

LICENTIATES ON THE STATIONED LIST.

Berkebile, Francis Billheimer, Paul Carey, Isaac Drake, W. H.

Anderson, Ind. Elwood, Ind., 2706 N. C St. Greensboro, Ind. Elwood, Ind.

Drake, Ruth Elwood, Ind. Drake, J. W. Lewis Creek, Ind. Eddy, B. I. Kunso, Sierra Leone, W. Africa. Hamma, Henry Bluffton, Ind. Rochester, Ind. Hunter, Eugene Johnson, Robert Lapel, Ind. Peru, Ind., R. R. 10. Kercheval, Harry Pratt, Lewis Hamlet, Ind. Smiley, J. E. Fairmount, Ind.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE.

Elders.

	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Akright, H	2	2	2	2	2
Akright, Josephine	2	2	2	2	2
Arnold, H. T	2	2	2	2	. 2
Baker, J. O	2	2	2	2	2
Baker, T. P	2	2	2	2	2
Baker, S. E	2	2	2	2	2
Baker, W. D	1	2	2	2	2
Bailey, W. M	2	2	2	2	2
Blake, A. L					
Bodenhorn, T. M	2	2	1	2	2
Bodenhorn, A. L	2 ·	2	2	2	2
Brown, H. C.	2	2	2	2	2
Burns, Lewis	2	1	2	2	
Billheimer, C. A	2	2	2	2	2
Brown, J. W					
Barts, Nancy A	1	2	2	1	2
Carter, L. H	2	2	2	2	2
Caldwell, Setta	2	2	2	1	2
Couch, B. L.	2	2	1	1	2
Cory, E. E	1	2	2	2	2
Dooley, D. C	2	2	2	2	
DeWeerd, Fred				2	2
DeWeerd, Lelia				2	2
Eddy, F. R	2	2	2	2	2
Eddy, Dollie R					

	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Enyeart, C. L.	1	1	2		
Fooshee, A. P	2	2	2	2	1
Fisher, R. L.	1	2	2	1	-
Gilliland, Newton	2	2	2	1	2
Greene, Mary	land.		-	•	-
Hawkins, H. T.	2	2	2	2	1
Hawkins, S. D.			-		
Hester, J.					
Hopkins, W. H.	2	2	2	2	2
Jennings, Walter	2	2	2	2	2
Jennings, Miriam	2	2	2	2	2
Kinnison, S. C.	2	2	2	2	2
Linville; Anna	2	2	2	2	2
Mow, S. A	2	2	2	2	2
Murphy, A. U.	-	2	2	2	4
Murphy, Lydia		2			
Morris, Walter		-			
Morris, Vura	1	2	2	1	1
McClure, Belle	2	2	2	2	2
McMichael, W. W.	1	2	2	2	2
Noggle, W. W.	1	-	2	2	-
Pierce, T. J.	2	2	2	2	2
Payne, C. G.	2	2	2	2	2
Payne, Glen	2	2	2	2	1
Presnall, J. F.	1	2	2	2	2
Pitt, E. J.	2	2	2	2	2
Mitchell, L. R.	1	2	1	1	. 4
Northam, W. L.		-	1	1	
Roberts, Willie C.			1		
Reber, George					
Smith, C. S.	2	2	2	1	2
Smith, N. E.	2	2	2	2	2
Sears, M. V.	2	2	2	2	2
Shatford, L.	-	2	-		4
Spitlar, F. O.	2	2	2	2	2
Smith, Lucinda	2	1	2	2	2
Teter, Eber	1	1	2	1	1
Thompson, W. L.	2	2	2	2	1
Vickery, L. O	4	2	2	-	
VanBlaricom, S. M.	2	2	2	2	2
vanibiaricolli, D. M	2	2	-	-	-

	Т.	W.	T.	F.	S.
W. d. A					
Worth, Aaron	2	2	2	2	2
Whitecotton, Jesse	2	1 2	1 2	2 2	2
	2	2	2	2	2
Zike, C. E	2	2	4 5	2	2
Supernumerary.					
	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Moore, M. M.	1	1	2	1	1
Unstationed.					
	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Carter, R. A					
Licentiates on the Stationed	List.				
	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Prown, H. G	2	2 .	2	2	2
Billheimer, Paul	2	2	2	2	2
Carey, Isaac	2	2	2	2	2
Drake, J. W	2	2	2	2	
Eddy, B. I					
Hamma, Henry	2		2	2	2
Hunter, Eugene					
Johnson, Robert	1	2	2	2	1
Pratt, Lewis	2	2	2	2	2
Payne, Emma	2	2	2	2	2
Smiley, J. E	2	2	2	2	2
Delegates.					
	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Ennis Kitterman	2	2	2	1	2
Sina Thomas	2	2	2	1	1
Alice Dutton	2	2	2	1	2
J L. Rigsbee	2	2	2	2	2
Nellie McClintock	2	1	2	2	2
Bessie Baker	2	2	2	2	2
Vina Jones	2	2	2	2	2
Nathan Baldwin	2	1			

	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
Herman Baker	2	- 2	2	1	2
Brittie Rector	2	2	2	2	2
Minnie Stewart	-2		2		
Daniel Shideler	2	2	2	2	2
Maggie Whybrew	2	-	-	1	2
Walter R. Morris	2	2	2	2	2
	2	2	2	2	2
Conrad Fields	2	1	2	2	2.
Jane Crowell	2	2	1	1	-
P. H. Piatt	2	2	2	2	2
J. F. Bloom	2	2	2	1	2
Gerald Bailey		2	2	2	2
Lael Whelchel	2		2	2	2
Edna Baker	2	2			
Mary Ebert	2	2	2	2	2
Dessie Kimball	2	2	2	2	1
George Mount	2	2	2	2	2
Edgar Priest	2				-
Martha Lemon	2	2	2	2	. 1
George Rager	2	2	2	2	2
Loren VanMatre	2	2	2	2	2
Charles Kimes	2	2	2	2	2
Absalom Miller	1	2	2		
Ora Slater	1	2	2	2	2
Emma Shultz	1	2	2		
Raymond Biggs	1	1	1		
Oris Sader	1	1	2		
Mary Dean	1	2	2	2	1
Bessie Pyle	1	2	2	2	2
H. M. Coulter	1		1		1
William Pearcy		2	2		
Libbie Teter		2	2	2	
George Felton		2	1		
Lydia Worth		1	2	2	2
Omie Fisher	1	2	2	2	
Ellen Davidson	2	2	1	1	
William Penick		1	2	. 1	1
William Hann		2	2		
Frankie Billheimer		2	2	2	2
Dora Compton		2	2	2	2
		2	2	1	2
Lizzie Pence		-	-	1	

	T.	W.	T.	F.	S.
"	1	2	2	2	2
Ida Pierce		1	1		
Lucetta Gilliam		1	2		
Amos Zook		1	2		
Frank Bradford		1			0
Rose Jolly		1	1		2
Auvie Northam		1	2	1	
			2	2	
William Dobson			2	2	1
W. F. Ridgeway			2	. 4	1
Gernie Swain			2	1	4
T TI11			2	1	2
James Howell			2	. 2	2
Leotta Noggle			2	2	2
P. H. Rindfusz			4	2	2
William Christoph					. 2
Myrtle Lyster					2

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Fairmount, Indiana, August 14, 1917.

The Sixty-ninth Annual Session of the Indiana Conference assembled in the auditorium on the camp ground at 8:30 A. M. The opening sermon was preached Monday evening by Rev. S. E. Baker. The devotions were conducted by Elders W. L. Thompson, H. T. Arnold and C. S. Smith.

The roll was called and forty elders and nine licentiates answered to their names. Delegates then presented proper credentials and were enrolled as follows: Ennis Kitterman, Sina Thomas, Alice Dutton, J. L. Rigsbee, Nellie McClintock, Bessie Baker, Vina Jones, Nathan Baldwin, Herman Baker, Brittie Rector, Minnie Stewart, Daniel Shideler, Maggie Whybrew, Walter R. Morris, Conrad Fields, Jane Crowell, P. H. Piatt, J. F. Bloom, Gerald Bailey, Lael Whelchel, Edna Baker, Mary Ebert, Dessie Kimball, George Mount, Edgar Priest, Martha Lemon, George Rager, Loren Van Matre.

The President read his annual address. The Vice-President was then called to the chair and the President read the report of his official acts during the interim of Conference. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 1.)

Upon motion Elder W. D. Baker and Elder Fred DeWeerd and Elder Lelia DeWeerd were received into full membership; a portion of a year's work being received as a full year of labor. Charles Kimes and Ida Pierce were seated as delegates for these elders.

The Conference fixed the bar as the first four seats in front, at the sides, and including the rostrum.

Rév. S. C. Kinnison and Rev. H. T. Hawkins were elected a Committee on Courtesy.

Upon motion it was ordered the Conference convene at 8:30 A. M. and 2 P. M., and adjourn at 12 M. and by motion in the evening.

The Committee on Memorials, with A. Worth as Chairman, was filled with the addition of W. W. McMichael and Charles Kimes.

The Committee on Finance, with C. S. Smith as Chairman, was

filled with the addition of Elders C. A. Billheimer, S. A. Mow and N. E. Smith, and Laymen D. L. Shideler, J. L. Rigsbee and George Mount.

The Committee on Ministerial Character, with T. P. Baker as Chairman ex-officio, was filled with the election of Glen Payne, W. H. Hopkins, Edna Baker and H. C. Brown.

The Chair ruled that where more members are found than were formerly reported, they shall be reported as received.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations was then elected as follows: T. P. Baker, Chairman ex-officio; C. S. Smith, W. L. Thompson, W. M. Bailey; Laymen Ennis Kitterman, Mary Ebert, Lael Whelchel.

The Committee on Vacancies was elected as follows: Elders L. H. Carter, C. A. Billheimer and T. J. Pierce, and Laymen Charles Kimes and D. L. Shideler.

W. L. Thompson, whose term on the Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders now expires, was re-elected to the committee.

Elder W. D. Baker and Robert Johnson, recently of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, were introduced to the Conference.

- H. T. Arnold tendered his resignation from the Auditing Committee for this year. The resignation was accepted. W. D. Baker was elected to fill the vacancy.
- E. J. Pitts tendered his resignation from the Auditing Committee for this year. The resignation was accepted. Miriam Jennings was elected to fill the vacancy.
- D. C. Dooley and C. E. Zike were elected Auditing Committee for next year.
- H. T. Hawkins was elected Conference and Camp Meeting Reporter.
- E. J. Pitts and F. O. Spitlar were elected a Statistical Committee for next year.

The Judicial Committee was elected as follows: J. O. Baker, C. S. Smith, H. T. Hawkins and W. L. Thompson.

The following persons were elected Conference Sunday School Board: H. T. Hawkins, T. M. Bodenhorn, and H. T. Arnold.

The officers of the Library Association were elected as follows: President, W. L. Thompson; Vice-President, C. E. Zike; Secretary, N. E. Smith; Treasurer, J. E. Smiley.

Elders S. C. Kinnison, W. D. Baker, and C. A. Billheimer were elected as Camp Meeting Committee for next year.

Upon motion it was made special order for T. M. Bodenhorn

to read a paper immediately after the opening of Conference for business this afternoon.

A motion to adjourn was carried. Benediction by Isaac Carey.

Second Meeting, Tuesday, 2 P. M.

The devotions were conducted by E. J. Pitts and T. J. Pierce. The roll was called. The Minutes were read and approved.

The following persons presented proper credentials and were enrolled as delegates: H. M. Coulter, Bessie Pyle, Mary Dean, Oris Sader, Raymond Biggs, Emma Shultz, Ora Slater, Absalom Miller.

Recommendations for John W. Croy and Conrad Fields to be received to study preparatory to travel were received, and by motion these, with all similar papers, were passed to the Committee on Elder's Orders.

A communication was received from Elder George Reber, and upon motion the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the same and convey the greetings of this body to the brother.

Brother C. B. and Sister F. G. Harvey, returned missionaries from India, were introduced to the Conference and made appropriate remarks. Upon motion they were granted honorary seats within the bar.

Sister Nancy Barts was introduced and spoke appropriately.

Elder W. D. Baker tendered his resignation from the Auditing Committee for this year. The resignation was accepted. Elder E. E. Cory was elected to fill the vacancy.

The special order was called and Rev. T. M. Bodenhorn read a paper upon "The Pastorate." Upon motion the brother was requested to send the paper to the Wesleyan Methodist for publication.

The report of the Missionary Evangelist was adopted. (See Report No. 2.)

In the regular order the names of T. P. Baker, W. L. Thompson, F. R. Eddy, J. Hester, A. Worth, C. S. Smith, S. E. Baker, J. O. Baker, W. M. Bailey, A. L. Blake, T. M. Bodenhorn, A. L. Bodenhorn, H. C. Brown, C. A. Billheimer, Paul Billheimer, Setta Caldwell, B. L. Couch, B. I. Eddy, Dollie R. Eddy, A. P. Fooshee, R. L. Fisher, Lewis Burns, Newton Gilliland, Mary Greene, H. T. Hawkins, S. D. Hawkins, S. C. Kinnison, Anna Linville, S. A. Mow,

A. U. Murphy and Lydia Murphy were called and their characters were passed.

Upon motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by C. A. Billheimer.

Third Meeting, Wednesday, 8:30 A. M.

The devotions were conducted by Isaac Carey and J. F. Presnall. The Roll was called and the Minutes read and approved.

The following persons presented proper credentials and were enrolled as delegates: William Pearcy, Libbie Teter, George W. Felton, Lydia Worth, Omie Fisher, Ellen Davidson, William Penick, William Hann, Frankie Billheimer, Dora Compton, and Lizzie Pence.

Recommendations to be received to study preparatory to travel were received for Ora Simmons, Herbert Drake, Ruth Drake, Rolland Pickett, Robert Johnson and A. B. Grubbs, and in harmony with a former motion were passed to the Committee on Elder's Orders.

The Secretary of the Conference submitted his report. Upon motion the report was adopted. (See Report No. 3.)

The Committee to install a new book-keeping system for the Conference submitted their report. Upon motion the work of the

Committee was approved. (See Report No. 4.)

The Finance Committee offered a partial report. A motion prevailed that the report be adopted item by item. Items one and two concerning the Bible School were read together and discussed. It was moved that the item be amended so that the subjects which the Superintendent cannot teach should be taken under the Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders. Upon motion the consideration of the two items was postponed until an itemized statement of the school finances should be submitted. Item three was read. The item was passed. Item four was read. This item was passed. Item five was read, and was also passed. Upon motion the items passed were adopted. (See Report No. 5.)

The order of the day was called and Brother Teter introduced Brother and Sister Harvey, returned missionaries from India, who brought to us the mission plea from India. At the close of their address a free will offering was laid upon the table amounting

to \$30.89.

Conference stood adjourned by limitation.

Fourth Meeting, Wednesday, 2:00 P. M.

The devotions were conducted by Elders Belle McClure and Anna Linville.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The following persons presented proper credentials and were enrolled as delegates: Lucetta Gilliam, Amos Zook, Frank Bradford, Rose Jolly and Auvie Northam.

Communications were read from Elders J. Hester and Willie C. Roberts, and upon motion the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the same and convey to the brethren the greetings of the Conference.

The order of the day was called and the Conference proceeded to the election of officers. Glen Payne, W. D. Baker, W. H. Hopkins, E. E. Cory, N. E. Smith and C. L. Enyeart were appointed tellers.

T. P. Baker was nominated for President. The Conference then proceeded to ballot, which resulted in T. P. Baker receiving 98 out of 104 ballots and was declared elected.

W. L. Thompson and F. R. Eddy were placed in nomination for Vice-President. Upon ballot W. L. Thompson received 89 out of 106 votes and was declared elected.

The Conference then proceeded to ballot for Secretary, which resulted in F. R. Eddy receiving 101 out of 106 votes and he was declared elected.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for S. E. Baker for Assistant Secretary. This was done and S. E. Baker was declared elected.

Upon motion the Secretary was empowered to cast the ballot of the Conference for J. E. Smiley for Treasurer. This was done and J. E. Smiley was declared elected.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference for Schuyler C. Kinnison for Ministerial Trustee to succeed himself for a term of three years. This was done and Schuyler C. Kinnison was declared elected.

The Assistant Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference for Francis R. Eddy for Ministerial Trustee to succeed himself for a term of three years. This was done and Francis R. Eddy was declared elected.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Confer-

ence for Frank M. Foulke for Lay Trustee to succeed Josiah Shane, whose term now expires. This was done and Frank M. Foulke was declared elected Lay Trustee for the term of three years.

W. L. Thompson, F. R. Eddy and C. S Smith were placed in nomination for Second Evangelist. The first ballot resulted in no election. Upon the second ballot W. L. Thompson received a majority of all the ballots cast and was declared elected.

C. S. Smith and F. R. Eddy were placed in nomination for the Third Evangelist. The ballot resulted in the election of C. S. Smith as Third Evangelist.

The Conference then proceeded to ballot for Sunday School Secretary. S. E. Baker received a majority of all votes cast and was declared elected,

Upon motion that item of the Finance Committee referring to the holding of conventions was reconsidered. Item four was amended so as to read: "We recommend that the Sunday School apportionment be made high enough to pay the Sunday School Secretary a minimum salary of \$400. The Secretary, together with the Sunday School Board shall arrange to hold a convention on each charge during the year, at which time the Sunday School assessment shall be paid.

During the canvassing of the various ballets the following named persons were called and their characters passed: H. Akright, Josephine Akright, L. H. Carter, H. T. Arnold, W. D. Baker, E. E. Cory, D. C. Dooley, Walter Jennings, Miriam Jennings, W. H. Hopkins, E. J. Pitts, F. O. Spitlar, C. L. Enyeart, Walter Morris, Vura Morris, Belle McClure, W. W. McMichael, L. R. Mitchell, W. W. Noggle, T. J. Pierce, C. G. Payne, J. W. Drake.

Upon motion Conference stood adjourned.

Benediction by N. E. Smith.

The special order was called at 7:30 P. M. The Superintendent of the Bible School took charge of the Educational program. Upon an appeal being made \$444.00 was given in pledges and cash for the support of the Bible School. Benediction by Rev. Riggins.

Fifth Meeting, Thursday, 8:30 A. M.

The devotions were conducted by C. L. Enyeart and F. R. Eddy. The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The following persons presented proper credentials and were

enrolled as delegates: William Dobson, W. F. Ridgeway, Gernie Swain, James P. Howell, Leotta Noggle, P. H. Rindfusz.

Dr. J. S. Willett, Connectional Agent, was introduced to the Conference and upon motion was made an honorary member and granted a seat within the bar.

A recommendation to be received to study preparatory to travel was presented for Warren Younts, and as per order was passed to the Committee on Elder's Orders.

In the regular order Glen Payne, J. F. Presnall, Willie C. Roberts, George Reber, M. V. Sears, L. Shatford, Lucinda Smith, Eber Teter, and N. E. Smith were called and their characters passed.

Rev. E. C. Rhodes, pastor of the Holiness Christian Church at Logansport, Indiana, was introduced to the Conference and upon motion was made an honorary member and granted a seat within the bar.

In the continuation of the regular order, L. O. Vickery was called and his character was passed. Inasmuch as this is the day on which the brother receives his degree from the Valpariso College in his preparation as Medical Missionary, it was ordered that the Secretary send to him a telegram of congratulations from this body.

S. M. VanBlaricom, G. W. Zike, and M. M. Moore were called and passed.

The name of Richard S. Eggleston was called. Inasmuch as the brother was received on probation, has never been present and has never reported, it was moved and carried that the probation be discontinued and the name dropped from the roll.

R. A. Carter and J. W. Brown were called and their characters were passed. Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to communicate to Brother Brown the greetings and good wishes of the Conference. Upon motion the name of J. W. Brown was placed upon the Stationed List and he was elected to the work of General Evangelist.

W. L. Northam was called and his character was passed. Upon motion the name of W. L. Northam was placed upon the stationed list and he was elected to the work of General Evangelist.

Nancy Barts, Henry Hamma, Eugene Hunter and Isaac Carey were called and their characters were passed. Upon the Conference being informed that the brother in his difficult field of labor had been very faithful and diligent a free-will offering of \$50.75 was laid

upon the table to liquidate a debt incurred during the year for living expenses.

Lewis Pratt, Emma Payne, and Jesse Whitecotton were called

and their characters were passed.

The Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders submitted a partial report. The partial report was adopted. (See Report No. 6.)

Upon motion Jesse Whitecotton was elected to Elder's Orders upon the condition that he pursue the remainder of the Course of Study as he shall have opportunity.

Upon motion the time immediately following the opening of Conference for business this afternoon was made a special order

to hear Dr. J. S. Willett, Connectional Representative.

J. E. Smiley, C. E. Zike, Robert Johnson, H. G. Brown, Fred DeWeerd and Lelia DeWeerd were called and their characters were passed.

The President nominated and the Conference elected Elder W. L. Thompson and Layman J. L. Rigsbee as Advisory Board for the

ensuing year.

Upon motion the Conference stood adjourned. Benediction by R. L. Fisher.

Sixth Meeting, Thursday, 2:00 P. M.

The devotions were conducted by Elders D. C. Dooley and A. P. Fooshee.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

A greeting to the Conference from Sister Mary Greene was read by J. O. Baker.

The Committee on Resolutions presented their report The

report was adopted. (See Report No. 7.)

The Committee on Finance offered a first reading of their report.

Tomorrow morning was made a special order for the Memorial

and Ordination service.

Rev. Edward Schoeff, Fraternal Delegate from the Holiness Christian Church of Indiana, was introduced to the Conference. Upon motion it was made a special order to hear the Fraternal Delegate immediately following the address of the Connectional Representative.

The Order of the Day was called and Dr. J. S. Willett brought

to us the Connectional message. In view of the splendid message and the clear explanation of the business of the Church it was moved and unanimously carried by a standing vote to give to our Agent a vote of appreciation and entire confidence.

The order of the day was called and Rev. Edward Schoeff delivered the Fraternal Message from the Indiana Conference of the Holiness Christian Church. The President, Rev. T. P. Baker, replied in appropriate remarks. Elder W. L. Thompson was elected to bear the fraternal greetings from this body to the Indiana Conference of the Holiness Christian Church next to be held at Frankfort on the third day of September next.

Upon motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. E. C. Rhodes.

Special Order.

The Special Order was called at 7:30 P. M.

Elder C. G. Payne led the devotions.

The Conference Sunday School Board submitted their report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 8.)

The Conference Sunday School Secretary offered his official report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 9.)

Rev. H. T. Hawkins, member of the Sunday School Board, presented the subject of Standards in an eloquent manner.

Dr. J. S. Willett then addressed the Conference most appropriately and eloquently upon the general work of the Sunday Schools.

Rev. and Mrs. Fred DeWeerd, of Olivet, Illinois, were introduced to the Conference and spoke appropriately concerning the work of Sunday Schools in general and the work among the children of this Conference and Camp in particular.

Upon an appeal being made for funds to start the Sunday School work in the Conference for the year a free-will offering was laid upon the table amounting to \$22.85.

Upon motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. Fred DeWeerd.

Seventh Meeting, Friday, 8:30 A. M.

The devotional song service merged into an altar service, wherein one was sanctified and two were saved. Father P. H. Piatt,

a pilgrim nearing his 94th birthday, repeated from memory the 3rd chapter of Matthew, and then sang one of the hymns of the early church. A free-will offering was laid upon the table amounting to \$30.26 for the assistance of this dear man of God, who has followed Jesus 78 years.

The Roll was called.

The reading of the Minutes was postponed until the afternoon meeting, and the Conference proceeded at once to the special order. Elder Aaron Worth conducted a memorial service in honor of Sister H. T. Hawkins and Brother H. M. Crilley and a number of others of the honored dead of the Conference.

Elder E. Teter preached an excellent and appropriate sermon, after which Jesse Whitecotton was ordained an Elder in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

A motion prevailed that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at the call of the chair.

Sister Hattie Crosby, a returned missionary from Africa, was introduced to the Conference, and upon motion she was made an honorary member and accorded a seat within the bar.

Upon motion Fred DeWeerd, Lelia DeWeerd, Jesse White-cotton and T. J. Pierce were elected to general evangelistic work.

Upon motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Jesse Whitecotton.

Eighth Meeting, Friday, 4:30 P. M.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes of the two previous meetings were read and

approved.

William Christoph presented proper credentials and was enrolled as a delegate. The Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders submitted its report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 6.)

A motion prevailed to elect Nancy Barts to Elder's Oders.

Upon motion the time of ordaining Sister Barts was set for the opening of the Missionary Meeting tonight.

The Finance Committee submitted the second reading of its

report.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations submitted a first reading of their report.

A motion prevailed that it be made an order of this Conference

that all pastors be relieved from circuit duties the Sabbath and week of the Theological Institute and Ministerial Association for the purpose of attending the same.

The Auditing Committee submitted their report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 10.)

The Treasurer of the Conference submitted his report.

The report of the Treasurer was adopted (See Report No. 11.)
The Conference Sunday School Treasurer offered his report.
The report was adopted. (See Report No. 12.)

Upon motion Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Eber Teter.

Special Order.

The special order was called at 7:30 P. M.

The Conference was declared open for business and the Committee on Elder's Orders submitted a further partial report. The report was adopted by motion. (See Report No. 6.)

A motion prevailed that C. E. Zike be elected to Elder's Orders upon the usual conditions.

C. E. Zike and Nancy Barts were then ordained Elders in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

At the close of this impressive service Sister Auvie Northam presided over the meeting of the W. H. and F. M. Society. Together with other parts of an interesting program Sister Hattie B. Crosby delivered an eloquent appeal for the evangelization of Africa. An appeal being made for \$330.00 to support Sister Barts a year on the field, subscriptions and offerings were given to the amount of \$565.28.

The meeting was dismissed by Eber Teter.

Ninth Meeting, Saturday, 9 A. M.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Myrtle Lyster presented proper credentials and was enrolled as a delegate.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations submitted the second reading of its report.

Rev. Daniel Whybrew, general evangelist of the Friends Church,

was introduced to the Conference and upon motion was accorded

honorary privileges and a seat within the bar.

The Finance Committee submitted the third reading of its report. Upon motion the report was referred back to the committee to be so adjusted as to provide for the full salary of the evangelists

Rev. E. Teter made a plea for an offering to help Brother Willie Roberts, who is in need, and in response the sum of \$45.25 was

placed upon the table.

Upon motion the time for considering that part of the Finance Committee's report referring to the Bible School was deferred until the reading of the report of the Conference Trustees this afternoon.

Rev. J. W. Huddleston was introduced to the Conference, and

upon motion was accorded an honorary seat within the bar.

Upon motion Conference stood adjourned.

Benediction by C. S. Smith.

Tenth Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 P. M.

The roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Finance submitted its report. The report

was adopted. (See Report No. 5.)

The Committee on Pastoral Relations submitted the third reading of its report. Upon motion the report was adopted. (See Re-

port No. 13.)

The Conference Board of Trustees gave the report of their official actions in the interim of Conference. A motion prevailed to consider the report item by item. Each of the thirty-five items were passed, and upon motion the actions of the Board of Trustees as revealed in the reading of the minutes were approved. (See Report No. 14.)

Upon motion the Board of Trustees was constituted a committee to develop plans to carry out the action of the Conference concern-

ing a Central College to be located in Indiana.

Upon motion that part of the Finance Committee's report recommending that the Bible School Superintendent be elected Financial Agent for the school was adopted. (See Report No. 5.)

Upon motion that part of the minutes of the Board of Trustees referring to the election of teachers for the Bible School for the coming year was reconsidered. A motion to eliminate the Music

Department from the school and the music teacher from the faculty carried 33 to 11.

The Committee on Statistics submitted its report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 15.)

A motion prevailed that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at the call of the Chair.

Upon motion the Treasurer was ordered to pay the sum of \$15.00 to each of the Statistical Secretaries, this to be a standing rule until revoked by order of the Conference.

Elder E. J. Pitts was elected to preach the opening sermon of the next Annual Conference.

A motion prevailed that the date for the next Annual Conference be set, subject to the approval of the Connectional Officials, for the Tuesday nearest the middle of August.

The Minutes were read and approved. The Conference adjourned by motion.

After singing "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Fred DeWeerd.

RESOLUTIONS AND LAWS OF THE INDIANA CONFERENCE

I.

The Evangelists shall be required to devote their time to the work and give a report of the first and third quarterly meetings, and the pastors shall report the second and fourth, in the Wesleyan Methodist, and in case of failure to do so, except for lawful reasons, they shall be subject to censure by this Conference.

II.

It is contrary to the spirit of our Discipline and our principles for our preachers to assist at any service with oath-bound societies.

III.

That any candidate for Elder's Orders, or to travel under the direction of the Conference, who fails to attend the institutes and examinations of the Conference, without sufficient cause, shall be deemed unworthy of the trust and care of souls, and refused a place among us as a minister of the Gospel, and when they shall fail to attend the institute or to report to the committee for two successive years they shall be dropped from the roll.

IV.

That it is the sense of this Conference that our houses of worship should not be opened to any evangelist or minister of any other church to hold a series of meetings or to maintain a regular appointment for another congregation; provided, however, that usual denominational courtesy be extended to other ministers in occasional appointments.

V.

Any waiving of the above resolution by contract or lease of buildings must be obtained through the Indiana Conference.

VI.

Whereas, The Discipline requires that the stewards meet the pastors and agree with them as to the amount necessary for their support, be it Resolved, That the circuits may at the same time enter into an agreement in writing with the pastor as to the service he is to render to the church. In case the pastor shall fail to render said services, unless providentially hindered or released by the circuit, said failure shall be considered a sufficient cause to make an adjustment of the amount originally agreed upon. Otherwise the contract shall be binding upon both parties the same as other financial obligations entered into by contracting parties.

VII.

Each pastor shall file a duplicate statistical report with the Committee before the close of the second day of Conference, said report to be kept on file one year.

VIII.

The membership, as far as possible, shall pay all their contributions for the Conference and Connectional interests to the pastors, who shall receipt them for the same and see that it is paid to the proper authorities. Where money is paid direct to the Conference Treasurer by the membership, he shall send a duplicate receipt to the pastor of the charge where such persons are members.

IX.

All charges with a membership of twenty-five or more, shall, in addition to the regular stipulated salary, assume the responsibility of providing a suitable home in which the pastor may live.

X.

We recommend that all charges and stations to which the pastor moves pay the moving and transportation expenses of said pastor, the same to be done in addition to the salary; provided that this shall not interfere with previous arrangements between pastors and charges.

XI.

All unaccounted for numbers appearing in the statistics in the membership list shall be transferred to the discontinued list. The roll of all the classes upon the charges shall be put into the hands of the pastors and they shall have charge of the same and make all entries therein.

XII.

The Committee on Elder's Orders are hereby empowered to transfer all persons to the study list who may have been recommended to travel and have not been given work.

XIII.

It shall be a standing rule of Conference until revoked by vote that the President shall receive \$35.00, the Secretary \$50.00, the Treasurer \$25.00, the Assistant Secretary \$15.00, and each member of the Statistical Committee \$15.00, the same to be apportioned prorata among the various funds of the Conference.

XIV

The official character of no pastor shall be passed until he shall have submitted a satisfactory report, including statistics.

XV.

The Ordination services shall be held in connection with the Memorial services of the Conference.

XVI.

Pastors shall pass their statistical reports to the Committee on Ministerial Character, who shall pass upon their regularity or irregularity. Hereafter these reports shall not be read in open Conference.

XVII.

The Board of Conference Trustees shall formulate plans to govern the Educational Secretary and Church Extension Secretary in their work, this to be a standing rule of Conference until revoked by vote of this body.

XVIII.

It shall be a standing rule until revoked by this body that the President shall nominate his Advisory Board and the Conference shall elect his nominations.

XIX.

It shall be a standing rule of this Conference that in the examination of character the Conference officials and General Evangelists shall be called first.

XX.

In the membership report all members who are found on the circuits in excess of the number reported shall be reported received.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Brethren of the Conference-Greeting in the Lord:

The present gathering marks the sixty-ninth session of the Indiana Conference. The labors of another year are past; the battles of another year have been fought. Some victories have been won as the reward of the consecrated effort of our people.

In the midst of the discouraging conditions that confront the Church today, we have made some progress along spiritual lines. A number of our churches have been favored with the presence of the Lord, in special refreshings, and many souls have found the "Pearl of Great Price," while some of our churches have made a reasonable degree of progress only in the face of the mighty odds against them. Then there are a few of our churches the forces of which have been depleted by death, removals, and in some cases indifference and carelessness of the membership, until their discontinuance seems justifiable, especially where the membership can be transferred to other Wesleyan churches.

The quarterly meetings have been unusually spiritual, characterized by much unction of the Spirit, resulting in the salvation of a goodly number of souls during the year. This is as it should be.

Our people have grasped a broader vision of the school interests of both the Conference and Connection, and being encouraged by the Connectional Educational Board, have hope of enlarged facilities for the care and education of the young men and young women of the Church. May their hopes be realized, and the work be brought to a satisfactory culmination.

It is also encouraging to note the increased interest in the Sunday School work among our people. We are more and more getting a broader vision of the importance of the Sunday School in its relation to the Church, and the proper indoctrination of those in the Sunday School who are to be the material for the perpetuity of the Church.

In no year of the past has more money been appropriated in building and repairs than in the last year. New churches have been erected at Fairmount, Bakers Corner, South Bend, and South Salem on the Warren charge. Portland, Peru, Fishersburg, and Gunkle Zion churches have been reconstructed. In all about \$40,000 has

been appropriated to this arm of the work, and every dollar has been provided to meet all indebtedness.

In my judgment there is need of some adjustment of the work in the Conference. The Conference is bigger than any delegates or circuit, and should exercise proper jurisdiction over the circuit. This is no time to have one's way unless that way is for the best good of the work. The inspired writer tell us that "the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." If we possess this wisdom, we will view things from the proper angle, and consent to an arrangement of the work for the accomplishment of the greatest amount of good, and the bestowal of the blessing on the greatest number of people.

If our churches are to be influential in the accomplishing of their mission, they must live, not exist. This will necessitate the maintenance of a live ministry. Our pastors must be supported, in order that their time may be given to the development of the work, that the best results may be realized. It is astonishing at the amount of money appropriated by our people for so-called religious movements and otherwise, and the little if any results that are realized. This money properly appropriated would greatly replenish the depleted treasuries of our churches, making it possible to advance the work along every line.

If the following were adopted as our method and practice, we would have a righteous solution for the financial problem: 1. The adoption of God's financial plan for the support of His cause. 2. Proper conservation of our finances. 3. A distribution of our finances to the needs of the work, as is necessary to carry the work forward successfully.

A while ago we were plunged in the world war. Our great nation has plighted its resources with the nations across the sea that have been forced to take up arms against a foe whose atrocities, when recorded, will make the darkest page in history. From this hour, whether right or wrong, just or unjust, the battle is ours, and as a nation will continue to be until the alarm of war be exchanged for the shout of victory and triumph.

Every true American citizen will prove himself loyal in this most trying time, by standing by the men who sacrifice home and loved ones for the maintenance of the rights of a free people.

The Constitution of our great government guarantees to every

man the right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. What a bulwark for our holy religion! What a defense of our rights! What a guarantee of the rights to propagate the doctrines of our holy religion untrammeled and unmolested! May that right be our perpetual heritage.

This hour, as the battle cloud is gathering over the nation, is no time for the Church to become indifferent and inactive. To the men who march to the front under the Stars and Stripes we are indebted. If not already, it may be your boy, before autocracy is overthrown and Germany is forced to accept the peace terms dictated by a world democracy. Our duty is plain. Every boy that goes from us to the battlefield should go armed with the Word of God and the prayers of the Church, and whatever may be the conflict or trial, they should be made to feel the presence of the Church with them in the Spirit. "Whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap." This truth is applicable to nations as well. The storm cloud is becoming darker and darker. It is moving with a terrific momentum, and will sooner or later burst on Prussian absolutism with the fury of an awful retribution.

Let us be much in prayer for a speedy and righteous culmination of this awful conflict, and the inauguration of a world peace.

Let me urge, in concluding, that this Conference and Camp Meeting now in session, in the fervency of the Spirit, offer prayer to God for the present gathering, that it may be the best in the history of the Conference.

Thomas P. Baker, President.

REPORTS

Report No. 1.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

- Accepted the resignation of W. H. Hopkins, pastor of the Roseburg charge.
 - 2. Appointed Jonas Fuller pastor of the Roseburg charge.
 - 3. Appointed Vera Morris pastor of the Seybert Mission.
 - 4. Granted O. E. Oxley a letter of standing.
- 5. Accepted the resignation of F. R. Eddy as a member of the Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders, and reported said resignation to the Committee on Vacancies.
- 6. Accepted the resignation of W. J. Seekins as Vice-President of the Conference; as Conference Sunday School Secretary; as member of the Conference Sunday School Board; as a member of the Camp Meeting Committee; and as trustee of the Conference Board of Trustees and reported said resignations to the Committee on Vacancies.
- 7. Accepted the resignation of W. J. Seekins as Conference Evangelist and appointed Aaron Worth to fill the vacancy, the Advisory Board consenting.
 - 8. Granted W. J. Seekins a letter of standing.
- 9. The Committee on Vacancies made the following report to me, with reference to the vacancies reported to it:

November 13, 1916.

The Committee on Vacancies met at Fairmount, Indiana, on the above date at 3 o'clock P. M., to consider the vacancies reported to its Chairman, by the President of the Conference, with L. H. Carter in the chair. The committee selected the following persons to fill the vacancies: Vice-President, W. L. Thompson; Conference Sunday School Secretary and Conference Sunday School Board, Sewell E. Baker; Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders, E. J. Pitts; Camp Meeting Committee, C. A. Billheimer.

L. H. Carter, Chairman. Frank Noggle, Secretary.

Report accepted.

- 10. Received Robert Johnson, to pursue the Course of Study, preparatory to taking work at the hands of the Conference.
- 11. On January 1, 1917, appointed Robert Johnson to evangelistic work, within the bounds of the Conference.
- 12. Received W. D. Baker, by letter from the Pentecostal Nazarene Church, according to Disciplinary provision, and appointed him to general evangelistic work.
- 13. Received Fred DeWeerd and Mrs. Fred DeWeerd, on parchments from the Apostolic Holiness Church, and appointed them to general evangelistic work.
- 14. Received a church, organized by H. C. Brown at Hickory Grove, in Monroe County, and attached it to the White Hall charge.
- 15. Accepted the resignation of C. A. Stultz, pastor of the Marion charge.
 - 16. Appointed L. R. Mitchell pastor of the Marion charge.
- Appointed Walter Jennings pastor of the Sheridan charge on November 27, 1916.
 - 18. Granted Esther L. Dickey a letter of standing.
- Accepted the resignation of Jonas Fuller, pastor of the Roseburg charge.
 - 20. Appointed T. J. Pierce pastor of the Roseburg charge.
- 21. The vacancy in the Board of Trustees was filled by the clection by the Board of F. R. Eddy.
- 22. I recommend that the laws and resolution of the Indiana Conference be published in the Conference Minutes.
- 23. I recommend that the names of the Camp Meeting Board be published in the Minutes, designating officials of Board, with name and address of Superintendent of Grounds.
- 24. The Ministerial Association and Institute, in its last session by vote, requested the President of the Conference to recommend that the paper written by Rev. T. M. Bodenhorn, and read before that body, be read before the Conference now in session. I so recommend that the paper be read.
- 25. As in the past, I have arranged a calendar of business. I have also arranged for a number of the Special Orders.
- 26. Appointed chairmen of the Committees as follows: Resolutions and Memorials, Aaron Worth; Apportionment of Finances, Emory Pitts.
- 27. There being a vacancy in the Committee on Statistics, I recommend that Emory Pitts be elected to fill that place.
 - 28. At the last Annual Conference, L. R. Mitchell was received

on probation. During the year he has proven himself worthy, therefore I recommend that he be received as an elder in full standing.

Calendar of Business.

- 1. Roll call.
- 2. Reading of Minutes of previous meeting.
- 3. Presenting Credentials of Delegates.
- 4. Unfinished business.
- 5. Motions, Recommendations, Resolutions, Reports of Committees, reading of papers, etc.
 - 6. Special Orders.
 - 7. General order of business.

Special Orders.

- 1. Wednesday, August 15th, 10:30 A. M., returned Missionary from India.
- 2. Wednesday, August 15th, 2:00 P. M., election of Conference Officers.
- 3. Wednesday, August 15th, 7:30 P. M., Representative of the Indiana Conference Bible School.
- 5. Thursday, August 16th, 7:30 P. M., Annual Sunday School Convention, addressed by Dr. J. S. Willett.
- 6. Friday, August 17th, 2:00 P. M., meeting of the Camp Meeting Association and election of officers.
- 7. Friday, August 17th, 7:30 P. M., Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Indiana Conference, addressed by returned Missionary from Africa.

Thomas P. Baker, President.

Report No. 2.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY EVANGELIST.

Number of services held	199
Number of days employed	153
Number of churches organized	1
Number converted	21
Number sanctified	5
Number uniting with the church	8
Amount of money raised\$7	6.61
Incidental expenses	9.00
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Respectfully submitted.

H. C. Brown.

Report No. 3.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE SECRETARY.

According to the instructions of the last Annual Conference, I arranged for the printing of the Conference Minutes with the Publishing House at Syracuse, N. Y. The work was issued in a very reasonable time and, in our estimation, in good condition. During the year it became necessary to reprint the Statistical Blanks on account of a regrouping of the Conference Budget. Also the supply of Delegates' Credential Blanks was exhausted and it was necessary to secure a new supply.

The Census of Religious Bodies which was taken by the United States Census Department and the neglect of a number of our pastors to promptly reply to the requests for information from the Department made necessary considerable correspondence in securing

a complete report of our work.

The orders and communications of this body were carefully carried out and such other work as has devolved upon the Secretary.

The finances incident to the transaction of this business are as follows:

Printing 900 copies of the Minutes \$108.00	
Sunday School Information Table 8.10	
Postage on same 12.00	
Mailing special copies and blanks 1.25	
Mailing 1.50	
Total amount expended	\$130.85
Received from J. E. Smiley, Treasurer \$129.60	
Received from sale of Minutes25	
Total received	\$130.85
Balance on hand, nothing.	

F. R. Eddy, Conference Secretary.

Report No. 4.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INSTALL NEW BOOKKEEPING SYSTEM.

We, your Committee to Install New Book-keeping System, beg leave to submit the following report:

We held our first meeting immediately after the close of the Conference session and drafted a plan of work which we believe would eliminate much of the confusion that has harassed the work This was submitted to certain Indianapolis printers, with the result that on September 17th, 1916, we ordered the William Burford Printing Company of Indianapolis to print books of Duplicate Remittance Blanks and an equal number of Duplicate Receipt Blanks with identical itemization of the Conference funds. These blanks were so arranged that the same items appeared in both the remittance to the Treasurer and the receipt to the Pastor. They contained all the Conference Funds and blank lines were left for the possible addition of new funds to the list while these Blanks should last. They were so arranged that no matter how the funds are grouped for raising the money they are remitted and receipted separately. Instructions were then mailed to all the pastors, together with the Remittance Books that all Conference Funds were to be remitted to the Treasurer by the use of the Itemized Blanks, thus leaving no division of the funds to the Treasurer.

A multiple column book was purchased and a double entry system of keeping books was installed. The Committee met October 4, 1916, at Fairmount, with the Treasurer and assisted him in posting the first month's work in the new book. This book was so arranged that the same items that appear on the remittances and receipts also appear upon the book and in the same order. If the plan is adhered to we believe that a large part of the confusion both to the pastors and the Treasurer will be eliminated.

L. H. Macy, Chairman, F. R. Eddy, Secretary, W. J. Seekins, Committee.

Report No. 5.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report:

- 1. We recommend that the Superintendent of the Bible School be Financial Agent for the School.
 - 2. Motion lost.
 - 3. We recommend that there be three Conference Evangelists

for the coming year, and that the one-point charges be limited to two visitations by the Conference Evangelists.

4. We recommend that the Sunday School apportionment be made high enough to pay the Sunday School Secretary a minimum salary of \$400. The Sunday School Secretary will be expected to arrange with the Sunday School Board to hold a convention on each charge during the year, at which time the Sunday School assessment shall be paid.

5. We recommend that the Conference President be relieved of the burden of being a Secretary, and that one of the Evangelists be Church Extension Secretary, the other to be Missionary Secretary.

6. We recommend that the missionary work of the Conference be in charge of the Conference Board of Trustees and that persons employed by the Board be paid for service rendered only. We further recommend that the Board be instructed to appropriate means to weak churches in supplying them with preaching as there may be means so to do and as the Board may deem wise.

7. We recommend that the Conference President receive a salary of \$200 in addition to the regular quarterly meeting apportionment and that this amount be raised by apportionment to the circuits.

8. We recommend that the Quarterly Meeting Evangelists receive \$800 salary each.

9. We recommend the funds be apportioned as follows:

Circuits.	Evange-	Bud-	S. S.	Pres.	Min-
	list.	get.	Secy.	Salary	utes.
Albion	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$3.50
Amboy	70.00	50.00	10.00	5.00	2.50
Anderson	45.00	20.00	12.00	6.00	1.75
Blue River	90.00	80.00	12.00	6.00	.3.00
Boxley	100.00	150.00	20.00	10.00	3.50
Bryant	80.00	80.00	15.00	7.50	3.00
Cicero	24.00	16.00	8.00	4.00	2.00
Elwood	48.00	35.00	6.00	3.00	1.50
Fairmount	100.00	150.00	12.00	6.00	5.00
Fowler	60.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Fowlerton	40.00	25.00	8.00	4.00	1.20
Fountain City	30.00	20.00	6.00	3.00	1.40
Fishersburg	70.00	80.00	12.00	6.00	1.50
Greensboro	36.00	10.00	5.00	2.50	2.00
Huntington	50.00	20.00	5.00	2.50	2.00
Hamlet	50.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	2.50
Hartford City	30.00	15.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
Hartiord City		37			

Circuits.	Evange-	Bud-	S. S.	Pres.	Min-
	list.	get.	Secy.	Salary.	utes.
Kirklin	\$56.00	\$35.00	\$15.00	\$6.00	\$2.00
Kokomo	20.00	10.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
Larwill	72.00	50.00	6.00	4.00	3.00
Laketon	30.00	20.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
Lewis Creek	90.00	100.00	15.00	2.50	3.00
Miami	35.00	20.00	8.00	4.00	1.00
Mt. Etna	100.00	140.00	15.00	7.50	3.50
Marion, South	48.00	40.00	8:00	4.00	2.00
Marion, Nelson St	50.00	50.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Marion, West 8th St	30.00	10.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
Mt. Zion	40.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
North Liberty	64.00	40.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
New Castle	80.00	80.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Payne	80.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	2.50
Peru	60.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Plymouth	90.00	75.00	15.00	7.50	2.50
Tippecanoe	50.00	20.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Sante Fe	80.00	80.00	10.00	5.00	3.00
Seybert	20.00	5.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
Sheridan	36.00	30.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
South Bend	30.00	20.00	5.00	2.50	1.00
Whitehall	40.00	40.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Thorntown	25.00	20.00	5.00	2.50	1.50
Wabash	. 70.00	40.00	6.00	3.00	2.50
Warren	80.00	80.00	15.00	6.00	3.50
Westfield	72.00	50.00	15.00	7.50	3.00
Waveland	24.00	10.00	5.00	2.50	1.00

C. S. Smith, Chairman, N. E. Smith, Secretary.

Report No. 6.

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ELDER'S ORDERS.

We, your Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders, beg leave to submit the following report:

We recommend the case of Jesse Whitecotton be referred to the Conference for action, he having completed three years of the Course of Study and labored two years as a pastor.

We recommend the case of Nancy A. Barts for Conference action, owing to the needs of the work to which she is going.

We refer the case of C. E. Zike to Conference action, he having completed three years of the Course of Study and served five years as pastor.

We recommend the following named persons to pursue the Course of Study: Mollie Pratt, Carmen Decker, Clara Buntain, Saddie Betz, Jonas Fuller, Verna Jackson, Eddie Smithie, Melissa Tibbs, Hazel Conover, Earl L. Glover E. E. Martindale, John R. Wood, Belle Shelly, Eva Cook, Charles Buntain, Elwood Logan, John Simmons, Charles Whicker, Allen Tague, O. G. McKinley, Ora Erwin, W. F. Ridgeway, A. B. Grubbs, Rolland Pickett, Ora Simmons, Warren Yountz, Conrad Fields, J. W. Croy, Emmer Crim, Edna Baker.

We recommend the following named persons to travel under the direction of Conference: Eugene Hunter, H. G. Brown, B. I. Eddy, J. E. Smiley, Emma Payne, Isaac Carey, J. W. Drake, Lewis Pratt, Paul Billheimer, Henry Hamma, Robert Johnson, Herbert Drake, Ruth Drake.

W. L. Thompson, J. O. Baker,

E. J. Pitts,

T. P. Baker.

Report No. 7.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We record with satisfaction the fact that our ministerial ranks have not been thinned by death during the past year. Our Father's hand has graciously kept us, and we still enjoy His providential care.

We stand aghast at the fact that the world has become one vast slaughter house and millions of young men who are our hope for the future are dying on battlefields and in the trenches to satisfy the vain ambitions of godless kings and emperors. We earnestly pray that the final end of this cruel strife may be the end of all kings and the establishment of governments by the people and for the people, and that universal peace shall be guaranteed to all the nations of the world.

There are only three institutions that are divinely ordained—the Home, the Church and the State. We believe the marriage relation to be the foundation of the home, and we deprecate the rapid

spread of divorce in this country, and in order to counteract this evil we believe that men should be held by the same rigid law of morals to which we hold women. We believe if this were done the white slave traffic would rapidly disappear.

We believe the Church is the only institution which can evangelize the world. Its ministry is ordained of God and should be sustained so thoroughly that the Gospel can be preached to all the nations of the earth. We believe that the ministers who dedicate their lives to the preaching of the Gospel until old age overtakes them should be pensioned by the Church, so that their closing days might be bright and happy through the Church's generous care.

We rejoice at the rapid strides that the temperance movement is making in all parts of the world. The Czar of the Russias took the pencil of the northern star and wrote prohibition over his entire realm. England and France are rapidly following in the footsteps of Russia and are already largely emancipated from the domination of the brewers. The temperance movement is also making mighty strides toward universal victory in our own land.

We view with alarm the encroachments of Mormonism in this country. Not only their unchristian faith, but their growing political power is cause for serious alarm. They control the electoral vote of six of the Western States and own all the agricultural land between the Rocky Mountains and the Sierra Nevadas occupying over three hundred and fifty thousand square miles.

We enter our emphatic protest against the hand of Rome filching millions of dollars from the public treasuries of the nation in violation of our constitution, which forbids such appropriations for sectarian schools. Her determination to gain political control of this country must be met by our own American citizens standing shoulder to shoulder against the aggressions of this unscrupulous foe of American liberty and freedom of speech and press.

We believe in the enfranchisement of women as legal voters in this country and found this contention upon the principle that the ballot is a moral right, not a civil privilege which a state at its pleasure can withhold or grant as it pleases. We believe that there can be no distinction between the moral rights of men and women in this country or any country on the face of the globe.

> Aaron Worth, W. W. McMichael, C. N. Kimes.

Report No. 8.

CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

I.

Organization.

The Sunday School is the Church at work winning souls for Christ. The work to reach the highest success should have some form of organization. Organization cannot take the place of spiritual life, but it is necessary to direct this energy and unify the work.

The principles of organization under which our Sunday School work is to be carried on are as follows:

- 1. Locally, under the supervision of the Church through the Sunday School Board.
- The work of the various departments under the direction of efficient superintendents chosen by the Church through the Sunday School Board.
- 3. The Sunday School graded according to age and development and taught by godly teachers.
- 4. The organization of the Conference and Connection according to the Discipline for the most effectual service

II.

Enrollment.

- Permanent records for the use of the Sunday School and Church should be kept of the entire enrollment of the school.
- 2. The teacher or class secretary should keep an enrollment of the membership of the class.
- 3. The Superintendents of the Cradle Roll, Home and Temperance departments should keep an accurate enrollment of the membership of the several departments, with the date of entrance, promotion or death.
- 4. A permanent record should be kept by each local school of all young men who have registered for the army. This record should contain the date of registration, mustering into service, mustering out of service and all historical data. Record blanks are

to be secured from the Conference Sunday School Secretary together with a New Testament which contains a certificate of his membership in the Sunday School.

III.

Literature

The Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School Literature cannot be successfully superseded by any other for our schools. This is one of our very best means of indoctrinating our people with the fundamentals of Bible instruction. We urge all our Sunday Schools to encourage the use of our own literature in accordance with the Discipline.

IV.

Standards

Our Sunday School Standards have proven to be a great stimulus and as a result we have reached a much higher degree of efficiency in the work for the Lord than formerly. Our Connectional Sunday School Board has incorporated the standards of this Conference and enlarged them into what is called "Efficiency Standards for Wesleyan Methodist Sunday Schools." We recommend that this conference adopt these standards. In these standards the per cent is given for each of the nineteen points required under the standard for Loyal Sunday Schools, and also for each of the thirteen requirements of the Front Line Sunday Schools. Thus each school may receive proper credit for all work performed.

The schools at Warsaw and Larwill are the only 100 per cent schools in both Front Line and Loyal Standards.

V.

Constitution and By-Laws of Organized Classes.

Constitution.

Article I.

This class	shall be k	cnown a	s		of
the Wesleyan	Methodist	Sunday	School	of the	
	church	of the	Indiana	Conference.	

Article II.

The object of this class shall be Bible study, soul winning, the extension of Christ's kingdom and mutual helpfulness among its members.

Article III.

The officers shall consist of a Teacher, President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot, except the Teacher who is elected by the church, but the class may make a request for its choice. The officers shall continue for one year or until their successors are elected.

Article IV.

The standing committees shall be appointed or elected as follows: (1) Executive; (2) Devotional and Missionary; (3) Membership; (4) Program; (5) Memorial. Other committees may be created as needed. The Executive Committee shall consist of all the class officials, the chairman of each of the standing committees, the pastor and superintendent of the Sunday School.

Article V.

The class shall meet every Sabbath for Bible study in connection with the Sunday School. The business meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday evening of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time by the president, teacher, or any five members of the class, by giving notice to the class on the Sabbath previous to the proposed meeting. One fourth of the enrolled membership shall constitute a quorum. The class shall meet quarterly as follows:

The first Monday evening of March, June, September, and No-

The subject for the March meeting shall be "Studies in the Life of Christ."

The June meeting, a home coming. with an address on Sunday School work.

The September meeting shall be a missionary meeting.

The theme for the November meeting shall be temperance reforms, or patriotic in nature.

Article VI.

In view of the evils that may arise from social features there shall be no refreshments served by the class for a financial consideration nor shall games be indulged in in any meetings of the class.

Article VII.

Duties of Officers and Committees.

Section I. The teacher shall have charge of the lesson and shall be ex-officio member of all committees. The teacher must be consulted by the officers and committees relative to all subjects pertaining to class work and committee appointments.

Section II. The President shall preside at al! meetings of the class, except lesson period, and shall be the general executive officer. He shall be chairman of the Executive Committee and exofficio member of all committees.

Section III. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence, and shall render such other assistance as may be required by the President.

Section IV. The secretary shall have charge of all records of the class, record the minutes of all business meetings and shall make all announcements. Also make a record of the attendance of the members each Sunday and report the same to the class or the Secretary of the Sunday School as required.

Section V. The Treasurer shall have charge of all monies and pay it out as directed by the class in harmony with the rules of the Sunday School. Also report to the class as often as required and to the Treasurer of the Sunday School each Sunday.

Section VI. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of all the class work.

Section VII. The Membership Committee shall be responsible for securing new members, encouraging absentees and visiting sick. Also for devising plans and methods for increasing the class attendance and may call upon any member of the class for assistance, and for greeting, welcoming and introducing new members of the class and visitors.

Section VIII. The Devotional and Missionary Committee shall be responsible for the development of the religious life of the class through special class prayer meetings, securing the presence of all

members at the regular church services, interesting them in Bible study, and enlisting every member in the regular work of the church, Sunday School, and other form of missionary and benevolent Christian service.

Section IX. The program commmittee shall be responsible for arranging the programs for the class meetings.

Article VIII.

The constitution may be amended at any regular business meeting of the class by a two-thirds vote of the class enrollment. Any motion to amend must lay on the table at least one month before the final action is taken.

Article IX.

All the work on entertainment of the class shall be conducted in harmony with the rules and discipline of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of which we are a part. By-laws may be adopted as the needs of the class may indicate.

By-Laws.

No. 1. The Committee shall be composed of as many members as the needs may require. The Committee work may also be organized to the best advantage to accomplish the greatest results.

No. 2. The class President shall have power to divide the class into four sections for the quarterly meeting occasions. These sections shall have charge in rotation of serving refreshments. Not more than two articles shall be served as refreshments at any one meeting.

VI.

Departments.

We consider our Sunday School Departmental work as providential opportunities of performing successful service for Jesus. They offer the Church an opportunity to take hold of the child as soon as it enters this world and to continue this relation throughout life. They also afford the most excellent means of building up the depleted Sunday Schools.

VII

Redistricting.

We recommend the merging of the Eastern District into the Northern, North Central and Southern Districts. Payne and Bethel schools shall be added to the Northern District. Bryant, Pleasant Grove, Portland, Bluffton and Hartford City shall be added to the North Central District. Fountain City shall be added to the Southern District.

We nominate the following superintendents of the various districts: Northern, F. O. Spitlar; North Central, W. W. McMichael; South Central, H. T. Arnold; Southern, H. T. Hawkins; Western, E. J. Pitts.

We further recommend that the high watermarks for the district work for the coming year be the same as last year:

25 per cent increase in the Cradle Roll Department.

25 per cent increase in the Home Department.

15 per cent in the total membership of our schools.

40 per cent increase in the number signing temperance pledge,

25 per cent increase in the Teacher's Training Course.

VIII.

Reorganization, Statistics and Statistical Information.

1. We recommend that all schools in the Indiana Conference reorganize between the 1st and 15th of July of each year.

2. We require all local departmental superintendents to report full statistics of work to circuit conventions and to district departmental superintendent, who in turn shall report to the district conventions and to the superintendent of the district. The superintendent of the district shall report to the Conference Sunday School Secretary and to the Annual Conference Convention. The Conference Sunday School Secretary shall compile his annual report from these reports.

IX.

Circuit and District Conventions.

1. We recommend that the work of the circuit and district conventions be carried out on a general plan similar to that adopted in the spring district conventions this year.

2. The district superintendent and the district departmental superintendents should be present at each circuit convention in the district.

Each circuit convention shall conduct a Workers' Conference, at which the district departmental superintendents shall present the work of their different departments and receive reports from local superintendents.

3. The work of the district convention shall be under the supervision of the district superintendent and the conference secretary.

X.

Finances.

- 1. We recommend that the conference apportionment be five cents per member enrolled in the main school.
- 2. We further recommend that the minimum salary of the Conference Sunday School Secretary shall be \$400 and expenses, and that this amount be raised by offerings taken at the circuit conventions.

S. E. Baker, H. T. Hawkins, H. T. Arnold, T. M. Bodenhorn.

Report No. 9.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY.

To the Indiana Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church:

The following is a summary of the work for the year 1916-1917 under the care of Rev. W. J. Seekins and myself.

1. In the capacity of Quarterly Meeting Evangelist, Rev. W. J. Seekins faithfully conducted his work until the time of his resigna-

tion, previous to which he held five of the six fall district conventions.

- 2. My work began with the holding of the last fall district convention in the Northern District.
- 3. I have attended the six spring district conventions, and given addresses at each of the same. Under the direction of the Conference Sunday School Board a Sunday School Workers' Conference was conducted at each of them, which proved to be a forward movement in the Sunday School work.
- 4. I also delivered addresses at one township convention, under the auspices of the State Sunday School Association work, in which the school at Miami, Indiana, was an integral part, and circuit conventions at Back Creek and Thorntown.
- 5. I am free to say that the Sunday Schools of the Conference are representing a greater degree of efficiency in each of the various departments. This is due to the conformity of those who have the work in charge in the different districts and schools to the disciplinary plan of organization and the direction of the Conference Board.

Respectfully submitted, S. E. Baker, I Conference Sunday School Secretary.

Report No. 10.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your Auditing Committee, have carefully examined the books of the Conference Treasurer and find them as follows:

The amount of cash in bank is \$2,541.48.

The cash balances of the different funds agree with the bank.

We also find the amount of \$5.00 for which we cannot account. We recommend that the Conference adopt the Treasurer's report and order the unaccounted for \$5.00 placed in the School Fund.

We find the new system of book-keeping quite an improvement over that of last year.

We have examined the books of the Conference Sunday School Treasurer and find that his cash and bank accounts agree with his journal.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Cory, Miriam Jennings.

Report No. 11.

INDIANA CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Superannuated Fund.	
Cash on hand from last year	\$233.57 685.31
Total cash	918.88 457.30
Cash on hand	461.58 2386.00
Total assets	\$2847.58
Bible School.	
Cash on hand from last year	\$289.15 2121.20
Total cash	2410.35 2067.73
Cash on hand	\$342.62
Assets.	
Permanent endowment notes Ten year payment notes	\$5355.00 2026.00
Total assets	\$7381.00
Conference Missions.	
Cash on hand from last year	\$292.77 1201.24
Total cash	1494.01 781.31
Cash on hand	\$712.70

Home Missions.

Cash on hand from last year	\$162.90
Received from all other sources	128.25
Total cash	291.15
Disbursed	162.90
Cash on hand	128.25
Foreign Missions.	
Cash on hand from last year	\$184.26
Received from all sources	337.03
Total cash	521.29
Disbursed	189.26
Cash on hand	332.03
Church Extension.	
Cash on hand from last year	\$532.62
Received from all other sources	613.33
Total cash	1145.95
Disbursed	739.45
Cash on hand	406.50
Notes for loans	240.00
Minute Fund.	
Cash on hand from last year	\$75.77
Received from all sources	81.39
Total cash	157.16
Disbursed	75.77
Cash on hand	81.39

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Report No. 13.

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

We, your Committee on Pastoral Relations, respectfully submit the following report:

- 1. We recommend that Mt. Zion be detached from Elwood charge and be made a station.
 - 2. We recommend that Andrews church be discontinued.
- 3. We recommend that a circuit be constituted of Tiptown, Rochester, and Center, to be known as Tippecanoe circuit.
 - 4. We recommend that Mt. Olive be made a station.
 - 5. We recommend that Sylvania be attached to Whitehall.
 - 6. We recommend that South Marion church be made a station.
- 7. We recommend that Fowler and Gunkle Zion constitute a charge.
- 8. We recommend that a station be made out of Marion West Eighth Church.
- 9. The Church at Fairview, Indiana, desiring to be disbanded, we recommend that it be disbanded and the property sold. The laws of Indiana provide that the property goes to the highest body, which is this Conference, and that when the property is sold the money must be held in trust for the original body for five years, in ease they rebuild during that time. If they do not revive the organization and rebuild within that time, the Conference can then appropriate the money to build other churches. We recommend that the Trustees of the Indiana Conference be instructed to sell said property and execute a proper deed for it when sold.
 - 10. We recommend that the work be supplied as follows:

Albion: Albion, Green Chapel, Laotto-N. E. Smith.

Amboy: Amboy, Plevna-E. J. Pitts.

Anderson: Anderson, Middletown, Hamilton—W. H. and Ruth Drake; Francis Berkebile to supply Hamilton.

Blue River: Blue River, Carthage-H. T. Hawkins.

Boxley: Boxley, Liberty, Roberts Chapel, Deming-H. T. Arnold.

Bryant: Bryant, Portland, Pleasant Grove-A. P. Fooshee.

Cicero: Cicero, Atlanta-In hands of the President.

Cuba: Cuba—In hands of the President. Elwood: Elwood—C. A. Billheimer.

Fairmount: Fairmount, Back Creek-S. C. Kinnison.

Fowler: Fowler, Gunkle Zion-D. C. Dooley. Fowlerton: Fowlerton, Summitville-G. W. Zike. Fountain City: Fountain City-S. E. Baker.

Fishersburg: Fishersburg, Victory Chapel-Robert F. Johnson. Greensboro: Greensboro, Grant City, Kennard-Isaac Carey.

Huntington: Huntington, Bluffton-Henry Hamma. Hartford City: Hartford City-Paul Billheimer.

Hamlet: Hamlet, Davis-Lewis Pratt.

Kirklin: Kirklin, Frankfort, Greenwood-S. M. VanBlaricom.

Kokomo: Kokomo-Left in the hands of the President.

Larwill: Larwill, Warsaw-F. O. Spitlar, with W. J. Riggins, supply, to preach at Warsaw.

Laketon: Laketon, Summit-Left in the hands of the President. Lewis Creek: Lewis Creek, Hope, Wesley Chapel—C. G. Payne and J. W. Drake, the latter to preach for Hope.

Mt. Etna: Mt. Etna, Lancaster, Monument City-Walter and Miriam Jennings.

Mt. Olive: Mt. Olive-Lewis Burns. Mt. Zion: Mt. Zion-H. C. Brown. Marion: South Marion-W. D. Baker.

Marion, West Marion-Frank Birch.

Marion, Nelson Street-C. E. Zike.

North Liberty: Beaver Creek, Star, Pleasant Grove, Lapaz-H. and Josephine Akright.

Miami: Miami-Belle McClure.

New Castle: New Castle, Mt. Zion-C. L. Enyeart.

Payne: Smiley, Bethel-E. E. Cory.

Peru: East Washington Street, West Thirteenth Street-Newton Gilliland.

Plymouth: Plymouth, Fairmount, Sligo, Shilo.

Roseburg: Roseburg-Left in the hands of the President. Sante Fe: Sante Fe, Pleasant Grove-Harry Kercheval. Seybert: Seybert-Left in the hands of the President.

Sheridan: Sheridan-Aaron Worth. South Bend: South Bend-F. O. Spitlar.

Tippecanoe: Tiptown, Rochester, Center-Eugene Hunter.

Thorntown: Thorntown-Anna Linville. Wabash: Wabash, Mill Creek-S. A. Mow.

Warren: Warren, Plumbers Chapel, South Salem-W. W. Mc-Michael with Henry Hamma to preach at South Salem.

Westfield: Westfield, Carmel, Forest Grove-L. R. Mitchell.

Waveland: Antioch--Lucinda F. Smith.

Whitehall: Whitehall, Sylvania, Hickory Grove-T. M. and A. L. Bodenhorn.

Connectional Missionary Secretary-E. Teter.

Conference President and Evangelist-T. P. Baker.

Church Extension Secretary and Evangelist-W. L. Thompson.

Missionary and Tithing Secretary and Evangelist-C. S. Smith.

Conference Sunday School Secretary-S. F., Baker.

Superintendent and Financial Agent of Indiana Conference Bible School—J. O. Baker.

Instructor in Bible School-J. E. Smiley.

Elder in College Work-L. O. Vickery.

General Evangelists—Fred DeWeerd, Lelia DeWeerd, Jesse Whitecotton, W. L. Northam, Aaron Worth, George Reber, J. Hester, J. F. Presnall, W. W. Noggle, L. Shatford, W. M. Bailey, M. V. Sears, R. L. Fisher, S. D. Hawkins, M. M. Moore, A. U. Murphy, Lydia Murphy, T. J. Pierce, L. H. Carter, J. W. Brown, B. L. Couch, Vera Morris, Walter Morris, W. H. Hopkins, Glen Payne, Setta Caldwell.

Missionaries to Africa-B. I. and Dollie R. Eddy.

Missionary to India-Mary Greene.

Returned Missionary from Africa-Nancy A. Barts.

11. Whereas, during the year, stations and charges may desire to sell property that now is held in trust for them by the Conference and buy other properties; and whereas, it is possible that some churches may disband, and it become desirable to sell property that formerly belonged to them, but which becomes Conference property by said disbanding; therefore be it Resolved, that the Indiana Annual Conference now in session hereby authorize the trustees of said Conference to look after all such properties, and to sell the same, and make proper deeds for the same. We hereby instruct the Secretary when recording this order to leave a space for recording the names of the properties sold following the words "The Indiana Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America has ordered the following properties sold."

T. P. Baker, Chairman, Lael Whelchel, Secretary.

Report No. 14.

CONFERENCE ACTION ON CENTRAL COLLEGE PROPOSITION.

The following is a statement of the Central College proposition as received and acted upon:

Rev. T. P. Baker, President of the Indiana Conference Board of Trustees, and Rev. W. L. Thompson, Chairman of the Indiana Conference School Commission, were elected by the Indiana Conference Board of Trustees to confer with the Connectional Educational Board at their June Meeting with regard to connectionalizing the Indiana Conference Bible School. The following is the report of the sub-committee of the Educational Board, sent to the Indiana Conference Board of Trustees, referred by the Indiana Conference Board of Trustees to the Indiana Conference School Commission and adopted by the Commission as their report to the Conference Board of Trustees. The Trustees of the Indiana Conference adopted the report of the Indiana Conference School Commission and referred the same to the Indiana Conference in session August 18, 1917, at which time it was adopted:

We favor building a school of college grade, to be located in the State of Indiana under the following conditions:

- 1. That the Indiana Conference secure not less than \$100,000 in productive, interest bearing endowment, the average interest of which shall not be less than 5 per cent.
- 2. That a building for such college work, with a suitable campus, shall be provided by the Indiana Conference, but the plans for such a building shall be submitted to the Wesleyan Educational Society for their approval.
- 3. That the selection for the location of such a college shall be left to a joint commission appointed by the Educational Society and the Indiana Conference.
- 4. The curriculum shall be of such a standard as to warrant the granting of the usual degrees from such an institution.
- 5. The management of said college shall be left entirely to the Educational Society.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Hartford City		Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	No. Wesleyans Taken	Sunday School Banners	Teacher's Quarterlies	Scholar's Quarterlies
	Amboy E. J. Pitts Anderson Jesse Whitecotton and Emma Payne Bule River H. T. Hawkins Boxley H. T. Arnold Bryant T. M. and A. L. Bodenhorn Cicco Setta Caldwell Elwood C. A. and Paul Billheimer Fairmount S. C. Kinnison Fowler B. L. Couch Fowler H. G. Brown Fishersburg Jesse Whitecotton Gewind H. G. Brown H. G. Brown H. G. Brown Hund H. G. Brown Hundring Henry Hamma Latter S. M. VanBlaricon Kirklin Lewis Pratt Kokomo Lewis	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 1	23243222122123122323232114222242121112212331	2324322212123122322233221142224212111222233	111 422 233 200 644 410 644 447 720 99 1166 99 33 122 11 166 99 33 122 11 166 164 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	455 655 400 688 2755 200 30 20 188 155 445 225 444 700 200 125 368 800 955 99 1166 1122 200 1155 1120 1120 1120 1120 1120	9 40 20 25 20 25 20 25 20 25 20 25 20 21 21 33 8 66 15 66 11 11 4 10 10 11 11 5 8 8 8 14 12 25 8 8 14 4 17 4 4 25 5 8 8 14 11 17 14 4 25 5 8 8 14 14 17 15 8 8 18 16 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	65 45 255 275 100 100 100 900 900 900 135 555 82 555 82 121 135 600 135 135 135 140 135 140 135 140 140 140 140 140 140 140 140 140 140

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Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Larwill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion Marion, Nelson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Santa Fe Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	4	100 3 3 4 4 300 4 4 2 1 9 9 1 1 6 6 3 3 1 5 5 5 1 5 5 5 1 5 5 5 1 5 5 8 8 2 2 8 8 3 0 9 9 1 6 8 8 1 0 0 3 3 3 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	66 4 4 166 6 2 6 133 3 3 5 5 8 8 6 8 8 8 1 1 100 2 2 8 18 18 200 4 4 4 8 8 8 4 4	1	2 2 2 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 2 8 8 8 1 1 3 3 2 2 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 5 5 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	155 277 44 300 5 300 400 11 7 7 7 111 8 8 33 3200 140 144 62 2 100 6 6 12 2 5 5 15 5 4 4 6 6 2 2 5 5 0 9 9 7 7 5 5 4 4	2 1 1 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 2 2 3 3 3 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 2 2	8 8 2 2 14 4 2 2 4 6 6 3 3 8 8 5 1 1 3 2 2 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 3 3 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 3 3 1 1 2 2	133 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 8	7 522 5 5 244 222 25
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Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Larwill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion Marion, Melson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Santa Fe Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield Waveland Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	144 133 200 226 199 588 377 200 5 5 188 300 303 303 442 500 353 488 166 322 161 333 306 6	1233 85 1200 90 287 1900 36 1255 287 20 11355 411 255 1000 655 90 121 225 1000 1500 241 225 400 221 400 221 400 221 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 40	1600 1081 1666 4277 2422 93 3255 3611 355 2022 93 3611 1788 7127 1175 1151 1103 2699 2112 2864 411 800 593 357 1185 1185 1185 1185 1185 1185 1185 11	777 666 900 555 191 1322 200 20 900 444 866 300 355 599 200 1200 1755 455 1455 345 111 1455 3111 1452 3111 1452 3111 1452 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 3111 1453 311 1453 311 1453 311 1453 311 1453 311 1453 311 1453 311 311 311 311 311 311 311 311 311 3	4	1 1 3 3 3 2 2 100 1144 1133 6 6 16 16 16 16 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	55 7 28 8 20 111 7 8 8 8 4 4 8 1 1 8 6 6 10 10 3 3 3 9 15 6 6 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	10 24 111 6 3 2 7 20 10 8	433 227 755 700 228 122 166 322 222 222 222 222 222 222 222 222 2	27
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	No. of Church Buildings	Value of	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of	Amount of Indebtedness
Albion Amboy Anderson	3 2 3	\$3000.00 2800.00 3300.00	\$14.00	1	\$900.00 1200.00	
Blue River Boxley Bryant	2 4 3	2700.00 15000.00 7000.00	7500.00 975.00	1 1	1000.00 800.00	
Cicero Clwood Cairmount	2 2 2	3075.00 1800.00 16000.00	58.57 4900.00	1 1	800.00 1600.00	\$475.00
Cowler Cowlerton Countain City Cishersburg	1 2 1 2	1200.00 3700.00 1200.00 2500.00	21.03	1 1 1	1200.00 1000.00 600.00	
Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington	2	2000.00	200.00	1	250.00	
Iartford City Iamlet Girklin	1 2 3 2	1000.00 1800.00 1900.00		1 1	850.00 1000.00	
Kokomo .arwill .aketon .ewis Creek	2 1 3	2000.00 2800.00 2000.00 4700.00		1 1 1	700.00 1100.00 1500.00	
Mt. Etna Marion Marion, Nelson St.	2 2 1	5000.00 2000.00 3875.00	80.00 455.00	1 1	800.00	
Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne	1 4 2	2000.00 4100.00 3500.00				
Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg	2 3 2	2000.00 3600.00 3200.00 2000.00	750.00	1 1 1 1	1000.00 1500.00 1400.00 550.00	13.2
Rochester	2	4500.00		1	1700.00	
Sheridan South Bend Sylvania	1 1 1	5000.00 2400.00 500.00	265.00 730.00			
Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren	1 2 3	2500.00 900.00 5000.00 9500.00	700.00	1 1	1200.00 800.00	
Vestfield Vaveland Vhitehall and Hickory Grove	3 1 1	4000.00 3000.00 1500.00	27.50	1	1000.00	

	Cash or Other Values on Hand	Pastors' Salary	Parsonage Rent	Fees, Marriage and Funeral	Gifts
Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Lawill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion, Nelson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Soxley Roseles Ro	\$100.00 700.00 20.50 160.00 15.45 6.00 40.00 227.00 72.34 900.00 47.00 40.00	\$486.25 401.36 160.00 505.00 700.00 950.00 600.00 292.00 152.85 400.00 136.35 263.755 227.31 84.43 338.90 707.00 602.00 603.00 603.00 604.00 605.00 605.00 605.00 605.00 605.00 605.00 606.00 606.00 607.20 607.20 608.20 608.20 609.2	\$72.00 100.00 100.00 100.00 84.00 96.00 120.00 100.00 60.00 96.00 84.00 72.00 60.00 72.00 60.00 72.00 72.00 72.00 100.00 84.00	\$10.00 2.00 10.00 7.00 29.00 6.00 30.00 2.50 15.00 4.50 15.00 14.00 10.00 27.50 24.00 3.00 2.50	\$94.41 155.23 45.00 41.00 125.00 73.00 900 50.00 24.00 027.67 100.00 47.81 90.58 9.28 8.80 56.33 29.00 86.93 65.00 130.30 163.88 2.20 73.22 99.76 55.10 65.00
Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	17.17 56.00 55.00	30.00 160.00 353.44 54.60 75.07 178.00 670.00 692.75 400.00 132.00 61.75	33.25 114.00 100.00 60.00 80.00	5.00 30.00 7.00 10.00	45.50 20.00 2.50 3.90 200.00 60.89 185.00 4.05

	Total Pastors' Receipts	Conference Evangelists	Other Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expense	Building and Repairs
Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Larwill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion, Nelson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Santa Fe Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield Waveland Warlen Westfield Warena Westfield Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	\$662.66 658.59 205.00 656.00 932.00 687.73 134.00 1130.00 800.00 180.52 575.00 246.16 359.33 241.09 93.23 506.25 418.48 740.93 842.00 449.72 854.66 721.00 740.30 741.88 157.00 1481.85 904.76 798.45 715.02 752.25 63.222 757.84 30.00 243.755 487.44 54.60 77.57 186.90 1000.00 820.64 675.00 136.05 61.75	\$80.00 60.00 40.75 80.00 90.00 74.00 36.00 46.00 90.00 36.00 48.50 36.00 62.00 52.76 16.00 52.76 16.00 52.00 50.00 72.00 30.00 60.00 80.00 60.00 80.00 80.00 90.00 10.00 80.00 80.00 90.00 10.00 80.00 80.00 90.00 80.00 90.00	\$74.35 27.84 75.00 170.00 169.00 8.50 169.00 410.000 86.96 51.67 100.00 156.65 12.55 10.00 52.78 23.00 28.00 44.87 140.90 22.00 75.00 8.00 6.00 303.51 196.51 48.00 40.21 75.00 8.00 31.55 8.00 71.00 8.00 115.68	\$107.70 59.22 53.50 50.00 50.00 157.50 87.00 326.00 15.20 98.34 30.50 45.00 19.80 67.46 59.16 51.00 105.00 297.55 45.37 40.26 78.39 41.46 82.50 66.00 27.19	\$294.86 200.00 100.00 4000.00 875.00 125.00 8134.00 125.00 47.00 1100.00 124.00 246.79 140.00 786.20 31.00 28.50 50.00 50.00 6.655 16.35 12.00 148.00 2377.29 2.45 115.000 2000.00 58.000 63.50

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	Incidental Expense	Total for Church	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Larwill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion Marion, Nelson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Santa Fe Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield	\$203.13 104.66 152.00 200.00 153.26 102.00 49.50 105.00 310.00 54.66 30.98 45.00 180.00 39.73 65.00 90.20 120.00 100.00 53.84 25.00 00.25 40.00 177.00 213.56 58.15 58.15 58.15 58.15 58.15 68.00 20.20 40.00 213.56 61.00 25.00 61.00 25.00 61.00 20.20 20.	\$465.18 546.58 521.25 600.00 4450.76 61138.81 132.50 9270.00 150.36 596.73 214.17 1489.00 249.53 271.44 42.39 266.46 500.93 244.00 245.00 181.26 145.56 1454.58 472.00 260.00 908.15	\$30.38 70.31 42.25 71.00 137.26 50.60 8.64 139.79 210.49 3.00 23.45 5.00 .52 12.31 23.68 28.00 58.65 12.74 266.81 17.72 156.80 97.4 206.85 69.76 31.77 77.70 1.00 66.42 63.28 17.97 6.00 3.00 89.00 96.68	\$10.00 6.00 8.00 15.00 74.88 8.70 1.00 6.61 5.85 2.00 1.00 14.70 7.00 5.00 10.00 .50 17.00 35.06 10.95 1.50 15.00 23.50 15.00 23.50 16.00
Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	25.00 24.00	157.41 149.93 \$36056.05	2.00	\$385.04

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Albion	\$8.50	\$1.50		and partition
Amboy	16.50 14.60	8.50 6.00		
Blue River	56.00	24.00		
Boxley	79.56	34.11	44.20	
Bryant Cicero	44.16	18.99		
Elwood	.50 28.30	12.1	5.00	
Fairmount	69.00	28.00	74.50	\$1.00
FowlerFowlerton	3.00	1.00		
Fountain City	9.63 11.20	4.12		
Fishersburg		7.0	12.01	
Greensboro	7.00	3.0	8.91	
Gunkle Zion	13.65	15.8	25.00 16.00	
Hartford City	13.03	2.0		
Hamlet	21.00	9.0	19.62	The latest
Kirklin Kokomo	12.10	5.2		
Larwill	13.00 35.95	5.6 14.5		
Laketon			50.74	
Lewis Creek	70.00			
Mt. Etna	45.50	19.5	0 138.00 40.00	
Marion, Nelson St	28.00	12.0	0 48.00	
Miami	14.00	6.0	0	The same of
North Liberty	30.63			
New Castle	58.80 21.00			
Peru	20.95			
Plymouth	26.20	17.6	0 33.95	
Roseburg Rochester	3.50	1.5	0 10.00	
Santa Fe	18.90	8.1	0 56.10	
Seybert			00.20	
Sheridan	11.90			
South Bend Sylvania	14.00 3.50			
Thorntown	4.90			
Tippecanoe	160 00		20.95	
Wabash Warren	160.00 77.35			
Westfield	2.00	2.0	0 47.00)
Waveland	10.50	4.5	0 12.00	
Whitehall and Hickory Grove	8.40	3.6	3.00	
	\$1074.38	\$446.6	\$1557.83	\$1.00

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	Minute Fund	Conf. S. S. Apportionment	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolences
Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Larwill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion Marion, Nelson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Santa Fe Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	4.50 1.50 1.00	1.90 1.50 6.00 10.00 1.75 3.05	3,00 900 2,25 1,38 9,48 2,00 2,70 2,80 29,25 4,75 7,05 1,80 2,00 17,80 2,00 3,60 0,00 8,72 4,00 1,00 8,72 4,00 1,00 8,72 4,00 1,00 8,72 4,00 1,00 1,00 1,00 1,00 1,00 1,00 1,00	10.00 22.00 6.00 41.84 203.45 75.00	\$155.75 187.28 160.21 400.00 599.97 260.68 26.14 379.61 712.74 24.90 150.29 35.80 32.57 19.18 61.30 31.30 31.30 31.30 31.30 31.30 40.20 26.85 27.40 26.85 20.38 20 286.10 26.85 21.11 374.08 253.56 177.95 25.85 2.60 229.54 148.39 511.92 22.00 43.45 532.95 430.84 540.94 540.84
Latino Marine Control	\$81.39	\$161.44	\$220.28	\$2138.83	\$8456.17

	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes	Conference Missions Assigned
Albion Amboy Anderson Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowler Fowlerton Fountain City Fishersburg Greensboro Gunkle Zion Huntington Hartford City Hamlet Kirklin Kokomo Larwill Laketon Lewis Creek Mt. Etna Marion, Nelson St. Miami North Liberty New Castle Payne Peru Plymouth Roseburg Rochester Santa Fe Seybert Sheridan South Bend Sylvania Thorntown Tippecanoe Wabash Warren Westfield Waveland Whitehall and Hickory Grove	\$662.66 658.59 205.00 656.00 932.00 687.73 134.00 1130.00 800.00 1130.52 575.00 246.16 359.33 241.09 93.23 506.25 418.48 740.93 842.00 449.72 854.66 721.00 740.30 680.46 757.57 186.90 243.75 487.44 54.60 77.57 186.90 1000.00 820.64 675.00 136.05 61.75	\$465.18 546.58 521.255 600.00 4450.76 1138.81 232.50 530.00 9270.00 150.36 596.73 214.17 1489.00 249.53 271.44 196.04 42.39 266.46 500.93 244.00 260.00 098.15 202.87 433.26 63.81 1156.50 213.65 80.85 512.00 2513.65 80.85 112.00 395.40 153.65 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54 644.00 2513.56 2592.69 71.80 77.75 78.54	\$155.75 187.28 160.21 400.00 598.97 260.68 26.14 379.61 712.74 24.90 150.29 35.80 32.57 19.18 79.25 73.29 7.45 61.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 26.30 27 19.18 374.06 255.42 203.80 286.10 26.85 116.99 512.11 374.08 253.56 107.95 25.85 25.85 22.95 448.39 51.92 22.00 43.45 32.95 430.84 540.91 3315.25 45.22 44.50	\$1283.59 1392.45 886.466 1656.00 5981.73 2087.22 292.64 2039.61 10762.74 593.76 940.62 430.49 980.70 1011.23 143.07 710.02 510.42 143.07 1011.23 1082.10 1283.30 1448.00 1203.10 12142.33 1836.34 2125.38 169.92 114.60 1382.78 30.00 545.79 3132.05 148.40 228.39 2274.84 3875.11 1280.05 138.68 256.18	\$42.00 35.00 114.00 56.00 105.00 105.00 105.00 105.00 105.00 10.56.00 105.00 10.56.00 105.00 10.56.00 105.00 10.56.00 105.00 10.56.00 105.00 1

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Albion	\$8.50	\$18.00	\$1.50	\$60.00	\$10.00
Amboy	16.50	15.00	8.50	50.00	25.00
Anderson	14.60	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.60
Blue River	56.00	24.00	24.00	80.00	80.00
Boxley	79.56		34.11	150.00	113.67
Bryant Cicero	44.16	24.00 4.80	18.99	80.00 16.00	63.15
Elwood	28.30		12.15	40.00	40.45
Fairmount	69.00	45.00	28.00	150.00	97.00
Fowler	3.00		1.00	10.00	4.00
Fowlerton	9.63		4.12	15.00	14.75
Fountain City	11.09	6.00	4.91	20.00	16.00
Fishersburg	11.07	24.00		80.00	
Greensboro	.70		.30	10.00	1.00
Gunkle Zion	7.00		3.00	10.00	10.00
Huntington	13.65		15.85	30.00	29.50
Hartford City		4.50	2.00	15.00	2.00
Hamlet	21.00		9.00	30.00	30.00
Kirklin	12.10	11.50	5.20	35.00	17.30
Kokemo	13.00	9.00	5.60	30.00	18.60
Larwill	35.95		14.55	65.00	50.50
Laketon		12.00	40 40	40.00	100 50
Lewis Creek	70.00		30.50	100.00	100.50
Mt. Etna	45.50	42.00	19.50	140.00 40.00	65.00
Marion	28.00	12.00	12.00	40.00	40.00
Marion, Nelson St	14.00		6.00	20.00	20.00
Miami	30.63		13.12	60.00	43.75
New Castle	58.80		25.20	80.00	84.00
Payne	21.00		9.00	30.00	30.00
Peru	20.95		7.55	30.00	28.50
Plymouth	26.20		17.60	75.00	43.80
Roseburg	3.50		1.50	20.00	5.00
Rochester	0.00				
Santa Fe	18.90	27.00	8.10	90.00	27.00
Seybert	100000000				Marie 1
Sheridan	11.90	6.00		20.00	17.00
South Bend	14.00			20.00	20.00
Sylvania	3.60	6.00		20.00	5.00
Thorntown	4.90			10.00	7.00
Tippecanoe		6.00		20.00	
Wabash	160.00			50.00	
Warren	77.35	30.00		100.00	
Westfield	2.00			50.00 15.00	
Waveland Crown	10.50 8.40				
Whitehall and Hickory Grove	0.40	0.00	3.60	20.00	12.00
	\$1074.37	\$633.30	\$446.80	\$2086.00	\$1523.07

E. J. Pitts, F. O. Spitlar, Committee.

TABLE OF SOURCES AND DISTRIBUTION

	Sabbath Schools	Y. M. W. B.	W. H. & F. M. S.	Other Sources	Total
Foreign Missions Home Missions Specially for Africa Specially for India Conference Missions Church Extension Bible School Connectional Education Minute Fund Conference S. S. Apportionment Superannuated Ministers' Fund	32.20 4.00 3.80 38.45 7.58 66.00 1.00	10.00 20.00 18.50	191.03 61.35 185.30	154.81 45.55	120.90 228.77 1074.38 446.69 1557.83 1.00 81.39 161.44
Other Benevolent Objects	68.36		404.03 \$1200.94	1660.04	2138.83

E. J. Pitts, F. Ö. Spitlar.

LIST OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

FIRST QUARTER.

		TIME COMMI		
	T. P. Baker	C. S. Smith	W. L. Thompson	Pastor
Sept. 8-9 Sept. 15-16 Sept. 22-23 Sept. 29-30 Oct. 6-7 Oct. 13-14 Oct. 20-21 Oct. 27-28 Nov. 3-4 Nov. 10-11 Nov. 17-18 Nov. 24-25	Seybert Albion Boxley Sante Fe Warren Lewis Creek Plymouth North Liberty Thorntown Whitehall Fishersburg Tippecanoe	Huntington Larwill Elwood Amboy Bryant New Castle Wabash Peru Greensboro Fowlerton Fowler Fairmount	Kokomo Westfield Mt. Etna Payne Blue River Mt. Zion Laketon Kirklin Hamlet Anderson Miami Marion-Nelson St	South Bend Cicero South Marion Fountain City Hartford City Sheridan West Marion Waveland
		SECOND QUAR	TER.	
	T. P. Baker	C. S. Smith	W. L. Thompson	Pastor
Dec. 1-2	Cicero	South Bend	Huntington	Seybert
Dec. 8-9 Dec. 15-16	Westfield Mt. Etna	Albion Boxley	Larwill South Marion	Elwood
Dec. 22-23 Dec. 29-30	Payne Blue River	Santa Fe Warren	Amboy Bryant	Mt. Zion
Jan. 5-6	New Castle	Lewis Creek	Sheridan	Laketon
Jan. 12-13 Jan. 19-20	Wabash Kirklin	Fountain City North Liberty	Plymouth Peru	Thorntown
Jan. 26-27	Hamlet	Waveland	Greensboro	
Feb. 2-3	Anderson W. Marion &	Whitehall	Fowlerton	Miami
Feb. 9-10	Roseburg	Fishersburg	Fowler	
Feb. 16-17	Hartford City	Tippecanoe	Fairmount	Marion-Nelson St.
		THIRD QUART	TER.	
	T. P. Baker	C. S. Smith	W. L. Thompson	Pastor
Feb. 23-24	Huntington	Seybert .	Elwood	South Bend
Mar. 2-3	Larwill	Westfield	Albion	Cicero
Mar. 9-10 Mar. 16-17	Mt. Zion Amboy	Mt. Etna Payne	Boxley Santa Fe	South Marion
Mar. 23-24	Bryant	Blue River	Warren	
Mar. 30-31	Laketon	New Castle Plymouth	Lewis Creek Wabash	Fountain City
Apr. 6-7 Apr. 13-14	Miami Peru	Kirklin	North Liberty	Hartford City
Apr. 20-21	Marion-Nelson St.		Greensboro	Sheridan
Apr. 27-28 May 4-5	Fowlerton Fowler	Anderson Kokomo	Whitehall Fishersburg	West Marion Waveland
May 11-12	Fairmount	Thorntown	Tippecanoe	., arciana
		FOURTH QUAR	TER.	
	T. P. Baker	C. S. Smith	W. L. Thompson	Pastor
May 18-19	INSTITUTE			
May 25-26	South Bend	Huntington	Cicero	Seybert
Tune 1-2	Larwill	Westfield	Albion	Elwood

		FOURTH QUA	RTER.	
	T. P. Baker	C. S. Smith	W. L. Thompson	Pastor
May 18-19 May 25-26	INSTITUTE South Bend	Huntington	Cicero	Seybert
June 1-2	Larwill	Westfield	Albion	Elwood
June 8-9	South Marion	Mt. Etna	Boxley	
June 15-16	Santa Fe	Amboy	Payne	Mt. Zion
June 22-23	Warren	Bryant	Blue River	
June 29-30	Lewis Creek	Hartford City	· New Castle	Laketon
	Wabash	West Marion	Plymouth	Thorntown
July 6-7 July 13-14	North Liberty	Peru	Kirklin	Miami
July 20-21	Greensboro	Sheridan	Hamlet	Marion-Nelson St.
July 27-28	Waveland	Fowlerton	Anderson	
Aug. 3-4	Whitehall	Fowler	Fountain City	
Aug. 10-11	Fishersburg	Fairmount	Tippecanoe	

MINUTES

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Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

President: Auvie Northam, Sheridan, Ind.

Vice-President: Belle Kimes, Summitville, Ind.

Secretary: Esta Smith, Albion, Ind. Treasurer: Bessie Baker, Sheridan, Ind.

Y. M. W. B. Organizer and Treasurer: Nettie Carter, Fair-

mount, Ind.

Statistical Secretaries: Ida Payne, Lewis Creek, Ind.; Lulu Van

Matre, New Castle, Ind.

SOCIETY ROLL.

Society	President	Address
Anderson	Mrs. Maud Garrett	Anderson, Ind., R. R. 6.
Amboy	Mrs. Della Butler	Amboy, Ind.
Bryant	Mrs. Elnora Fooshee	Bryant, Ind.
Blue River	Mrs. Abbie Hardin	Arlington, Ind.
Bakers Corner	Mrs. Cora Foulke	Sheridan, Ind.
Boxley	Miss Nellie Chamberlain	Sheridan, Ind., R. R.
Cicero	Miss Setta Caldwell	Cicero, Ind.
Elwood	Mrs. Della Billheimer	Elwood, Ind.
Fowlerton	Mrs. Lenna Dickerson	Fowlerton, Ind., R. R.
Fishersburg	Mrs. Clara Garrison	Lapel, Ind.
Fairmount	Mrs. Phoebe Kitterman	Fairmount, Ind.
Grant City	Mrs. Emma Edwards	Shirley, Ind.
Huntington	Mrs. Lydia Murphy	Huntington, Ind.
Kirklin	Miss Lucinda Smith	Kirklin, Ind.
Laotto	Miss Mabel Rich	Laotto, Ind.
Larwill	Mrs. Edna Cowfelt	Larwill, Ind., R. R.
Lewis Creek	Mrs. Susie Drake	Edinburg, Ind.
South Marion	Mrs. W. J. Straughn	Marion, Ind., 3713 S. Race St.
Nelson St., Marion	Mrs. Etta Peters	Marion, Ind., 906 Spencer Ave

Mt. Etna Mrs. L. J. Marshall Mt. Etna. Ind. Mt. Zion Mrs. Belle Forte New Castle, Ind., R. R. New Castle Mrs. Blanche Thompson New Castle, Ind. Pavne Mrs. E. E. Corv Payne, Ohio. Plumbers Chapel Mrs. Della Caldwell Warren, Ind., R. R. 1. Plymouth Mrs. E. L. Enveart Plymouth, Ind. Roberts Chapel Mrs. Minnie Gilliam Atlanta, Ind. South Bend Mrs. Rose Jolly South Bend, Ind., 942 S. 7th St. Sheridan Mrs. Dora Norman Sheridan, Ind. Wabash Mrs. Anna M. Joy Wabash, Ind., 955 Gillim Ave. Warren Mrs. Effie McMichael Warren, Ind. Warsaw Mrs. Sarah Longfellow Warsaw, Ind. Westfield Mrs. Bertha Gurley Westfield, Ind.

DELEGATES.

Delegates Societies Arnold, Minnie Boxley Barts, Nancy Plymouth Bailey, Sarah New Castle Cook, Eva Anderson Ebert, Mary Elwood Edwards, Emma Grant City Gilliam, Lucetta Roberts Chapel Iones, Vina Bakers Corner Jennings, Miriam Sheridan Kimball, Dessie Cicero Laudig, Susie Westfield Lemon, Martha Amboy Lee, Elizabeth Marion, Nelson St. McMichael, Effie Warren Mow, Clara Wabash Payne, Ida Lewis Creek Pratt, Mollie Kirklin Roberts, Maggie Plumbers Chapel Swain, Mossaline Blue River Smith, Mary Fairmount Smith, Esta Laotto Spitlar, Mary Larwill Thatcher, Sadie South Marion Van Matre, Lulu Mt. Zion Wilson, Leona Bryant Younts, Della Payne

RECORD OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING.

The Executive Board of the W. H. & F. M. Society met at the Fairmount Camp Ground July 11, 1917, calling to their assistance Miss Nettie Carter, who has the oversight and arranging of the rooms. In canvassing the work we found it necessary to purchase a number of articles. This we did, and the amount expended appears in the Treasurer's Report. The expenses of this meeting amount to \$3.25.

Auvie Northam, President. Bessie Baker, Assistant Treasurer.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

First Meeting, August 15, 1917.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Indiana Conference assembled in the school building on the Camp Ground at Fairmount, Indiana, Wednesday afternoon at 4:30, with President Auvie Northam in the chair.

The devotions were conducted by Nancy A. Barts.

The Roll of Societies was called and twenty-one responded. Credentials for eighteen delegates were presented and their names entered upon the roll.

The following Committees were elected:

Committee on Post Office Addresses—Clara Mow, Lucinda Smith. Committee on Memorials—Blanche Thompson, Aurie Bodenhorn. Committee on Courtesies—Etta Peters.

Committee on Resolutions-Mary Smith, Ida Hopkins, Clara Mow.

Auditing Committee: Effie McMichael, Esta Smith.

Ida Hopkins offered her resignation as member of the Committee on Resolutions, and her resignation was accepted. Libbie Teter was elected to fill the vacancy.

Mary Spitlar's term of office on the Statistical Committee expiring this year, Lulu Van Matre was elected to fill the vacancy.

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet at 8 A. M. Thursday.

Second Meeting, Thursday, 8 A. M.

For devotions the twenty-third Psalm was repeated, after which prayer was offered by Miriam Jennings.

Twenty-seven answered roll call.

The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Credentials were presented by five delegates and their names were entered upon the roll.

Upon motion Miriam Jennings was elected to take the place

of Libbie Teter on the Committee on Resolutions.

The President then read her annual address and gave her report for the year. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 1.)

The Societies then proceeded with the election of officers for

the coming year.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for Auvie Northam for President. This was done and she was declared elected.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for Belle Kimes for Vice-President. This was done and she was declared elected.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for Bessie Baker for Treasurer. This was done and she was declared elected.

The Society gave Bessie Baker a vote of thanks for her long

and faithful service in this capacity.

Upon motion the Vice-President was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for Esta Smith for Secretary. This was done and she was declared elected.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for Nettie Carter for Superintendent and Treasurer of the Y. M. W. B. This was done and she was declared elected.

Upon motion Bessie Baker was given the privilege of choosing an assistant. She chose Mary Smith.

A motion prevailed to eliminate from the minutes of our meetings (not from our roll) the titles Miss and Mrs.

Meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

Third Meeting, Thursday Afternoon.

The Society convened in the tabernacle.

Following the devotions fifteen members answered the roll call.

The minutes were read and approved.

It was proposed by the President and approved by the Society to donate a sum of money such as might be secured to be known

as an Educational Fund, to Sherwood Eddy, the young son of B. I. and Dollie R. Eddy, our esteemed missionaries to Africa.

The Chair appointed Ida Hopkins Chairman of the Soliciting

Committee and each member of the Society as an assistant.

Upon motion the incoming Secretary was instructed to write letters of greeting to B. I. and Dollie R. Eddy and Mary Greene.

A committee of three, consisting of Mossaline Swain, Miriam Jennings and Della Younts, was appointed to make out a program for the public meeting to be held Friday night.

Upon motion the Society adjourned to meet Friday, 8 A. M.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, 8:00 A. M.

Devotions were conducted by Aurie Bodenhorn.

Hattie Crosby was introduced to the meeting and made a few encouraging remarks concerning conditions on the African field in spite of adverse conditions. She urged that we take the old paths and spend much time in prevailing prayer and in the study of missions.

It was moved and carried that persons leaving things in rooms other than the ordinary furnishings must either clean the rooms or pay twenty-five cents extra.

Nettie Carter gave a partial report as Superintendent of Rooms.

The Treasurer then gave a partial report.

The Auditing Committee then gave its report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 2.)

Upon motion a vote of thanks was tendered Lee Macy for services rendered in assisting our Treasurer.

The Program Committee read their report.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

Fifth Meeting, Friday, 8:00 P. M.

The Society met in the Auditorium on the Camp Ground in a public service. The audience was favored with a song by the Nelson Street Quartette.

The devotions were conducted by Nancy Barts and Hattie Crosby, returned missionaries from Africa.

Bessie Baker, our Treasurer, and Nettie Carter, our Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and Treasurer, gave full reports of the work done by the W. H. & F. M. Society and Y. M. W. B. respectively. Little

Geraldine Arnold, a representative of the Y. M. W. B., pleased the audience with a recitation.

A song composed by Mary Greene while crossing the Indian Ocean en route to India was sung by a quartette.

Walter and Miriam Jennings, missionaries to Africa in waiting, were then introduced to the audience.

Ida Hopkins made an appeal to the children for a contribution to be added to that already collected for the Educational Fund for Sherwood Eddy. The contribution amounted to \$13.00.

Hattie Crosby made a very impressive address, closing with an appeal for prayers and for workers for the needy field which she represents.

J. S. Willett made a stirring appeal for funds, and \$560.27 in cash and pledges was contributed.

Benediction by E. Teter.

Sixth Meeting, Saturday, 7 P. M.

For the devotions the President read a part of the twenty-fifth chapter of Matthew and offered prayer.

It was moved and carried to adopt as a whole the report of our Treasurer as read in the public meeting Friday night. (See Report No. 3.)

A motion prevailed to adopt as a whole the report of our Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and Treasurer as read in the public meeting Friday night. (See Report No. 4.)

The Committee on Memorials offered their report. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 5.)

The Committee on Resolutions reported. Upon motion the report was adopted. (See Report No. 6.)

The Statistical Committee reported. Their report was adopted. (See Statistics.)

The Superintendent of Rooms then gave her report. Upon motion the report was adopted. (See Report No. 8.)

By motion Nettie Carter was continued as Superintendent of the Rooms. For her services she is to receive 25 cents for the preparation of each room prior to Conference and 10 cents for the straightening up of the same after the close of camp. For all other labor she is to receive 15 cents per hour.

All business having been concluded at this time, Hattie Crosby delivered an address to women only concerning the work in Africa.

The meeting was adjourned by benediction by Amanda Northam.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Sisters of the Indiana Conference and Members of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, greetings in the name of Him who said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, and lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

Last year in our address we referred to the fact that war clouds threatened us and of the dark outlook for our loved ones; and today while we are here to worship God and bring the fruit of our labor to Him thousands of our noble sons are kissing father, mother and loved ones good-bye.

In more ways than one these are strenuous and trying times. Because of the same, some are tempted to grow slack in God's work, if not to stop altogether. But this text has been ringing in our ears for weeks: "Occupy till I come." This, Christ, through His Word, has commanded us to do, and until He comes again and takes His bride-to-be with Him we have no right and should have no disposition to lose our zeal or withhold our means from the great work of soul saving.

When critical times come to us in the home, do we as wives and mothers sit down with folded hands and not exerting any extra strength allow things to go to pieces? Not if we are a true helpmeet and mother; but we deny ourselves, rise early and sit up late; we plan and work and scheme to make ends meet whatever emergency is upon us. So in God's work, the weeks and months and perhaps years that follow may try our nerves and our brains and pierce our hearts, but by the grace of God we will stay in the battle, do our part bravely and willingly till the smoke clears away and His voice shall say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

The same needy fields await us, and calls for help come from the ends of the earth. God's commission is just as needful and binding on us twentieth century Christians as it was on the early church. The moment we cease to be missionary Christians the love of Christ will have departed from our souls and we will live in name only.

Then let us not look upon the missionary work merely as a duty, although it is a duty, but a blessed privilege that our Christ has permitted us to be co-workers with Him in the salvation of the lost world.

Let us not for a moment complain of the sacrifice of time, strength and money we may have made to bring these reports to Conference this year, but with loving hearts and consecrated spirits lay our offerings at the feet of our loving Savior and crown Him Lord of all.

Auvie Northam.

Report No. 1.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL REPORT.

The following is the report of my work during the year:

I have sent a number of items to the church paper; have attended to the usual correspondence, and attended the meeting of the Board in Fairmount in July to arrange for the rooms on the Camp Ground.

I mailed certificates to the President of each Society for her

I arranged with Sister Hattie Crosby, returned missionary from Africa, to be with us Friday night, August 17, 1917, and deliver an address.

Total cash received	 \$1.15
Total cash expended	
Balance on hand	 .15

Mrs. Auvie Northam, President.

Report No. 2.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report: Having examined the Treasurer's book we find it to be correct.

> Effie McMichael, Esta Smith,

> > Committee.

Report No. 3.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer of the W. H. & F. M. Society begs leave to submit the following report:

Received for—	
Foreign Missions, Undivided	\$178.00
Africa	138.84
India	171.87
Medical	30.67
Home	164.09
General Fund	123.63
Rents	60.00
Cash over	.75
Total cash and bank	. 867.83
Receipts sent in and accounted—	
Foreign Missions, Undivided	\$7.00
Africa	7.00
India	35.68
Home	55.40
General Fund	25.50
Bible School	3.00
Local Church Work	696.39
Total receipts accounted	\$834.98
Total cash	867.83
Total cash and receipts	\$1702.71

Respectfully submitted,

Bessie Baker, Treasurer. Mary Smith, Assistant.

Report No. 4.

ORGANIZER AND TREASURER OF THE Y. M. W. B.

The following is the report of the Organizer and Treasurer of the Y. M. W. B.:

Anderson	\$32.65	Mt. Etna	\$19.37
	11.31		61.00
Amboy		New Castle	52.76
Blue River (Senior)	14.30	Payne	
Blue River (Junior)	15.70	Plevna	16.59
Boxley	76.38	Pleasant Grove (Bryant)	21.79
Bryant	12.42	Pleasant G've (Sante Fe)	20.11
Back Creek	60.21	Plymouth	8.43
Carmel	35.00	Peru	10.00
Chapel	30.52	Plumbers Chapel	22.32
Davis	10.00	Portland	1.79
Deming	10.96	Roberts Chapel	9.04
Elwood	30.62	Sante Fe	5.20
Fairview	5.97	South Bend	5.97
Fountain City	12.61	South Marion	41.38
Fowlerton	6.00	Sheridan	30.00
Fairmount	46.88	Star	21.89
Forest Grove	9.00	Summitville	12.14
Greensboro	. 52	Westfield	88.90
Hamlet	14.20	Wabash	59.00
Huntington	9.31	Warren	15.38
Larwill	23.89	Warsaw	3.26
Lewis Creek		Offering for Sherwood	
Laotto		Eddy	15.24
Liberty	25.52		manufacture (manufacture)
Laketon	11.74	Total contributed\$	1388.35
Mt. Zion		Total contributed in the	
Mt. Zion (New Castle)	1000	Number of members in	
Monument City		Band, 1,464.	
		Nettie Car	ter.
Marion, Nelson St		Organizer and Tre	The state of the s
Middletown	0.00	Organizer and are	

Report No. 5.

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

We, your Committee on Memorials, beg leave to submit the following report:

Some of our members are gathering home, reminding us who remain "to work while it is called today." None who have passed this year will be more missed than our Superintendent of the

Y. M. W. B., Sister Elizabeth Hartson. While not of our Conference, each Band and each member feel keenly the loss of this saint who so unstintingly poured out the last of her strength for the missionary cause.

Mrs. Grace Williamson, daughter of Rev. Eber Teter, passed from labor to reward November 25, 1916, aged 34 years. She was a faithful member of the Sheridan W. H. & F. M. Society for many years and that organization feels its loss keenly.

The Amboy W. H. & F. M. Society sustained a great loss in the death of Sister Sarah Graff. She was faithful in all lines of the work. We cherish her memory dearly and look forward to a glad reunion above.

The Band has lost an interested member in the death of Amba Hodson, of Wabash. She was a great sufferer, but a loving, gentle Christian child.

Mrs. H. T. Hawkins passed to her reward in January, 1917. God's cause was ever near her heart. She was a member of the Mt. Etna W. H. & F. M. Society.

The Mt. Etna Society lost another valuable member in the death of Mrs. H. M. Coulter, the beloved mother of our Sister Miriam Jennings, missionary-elect to Africa.

May the Lord help us to double our diligence and "Be . . also ready."

Blanche Thompson, Aurie Bodenhorn.

Report No. 6.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to submit the following report:

1. We recommend that the following appropriations be made from the Home Fund:

\$25.00 for a church in North Carolina.

\$10.00 for Houghton Seminary.

\$50.00 for the Alabama School.

\$79.09 to be forwarded to the general Treasurer.

2. We recommend the following to be appropriated from the General Fund:

\$25.00 to be paid to Nancy A. Barts.

\$10.00 for the Bible School.

\$5.00 to F. R. Eddy for work on the minutes.

\$15.00 to Sister Vura Morris.

We recommend that we cancel the \$45.00 note due the Society from Willie C. Roberts, and that his mother be remembered with a gift of \$25.00.

- 3. We recommend that the Foreign money be paid out as follows:
- \$12.00 from the India Fund to be given Mary Greene as designated.

\$50.00 to the native workers which formerly were supported by Elizabeth Lee and are now taken up by the Senior Y. M. W. B. of Elwood.

\$109.87 to be forwarded to our Missionary Secretary.

- 4. We recommend that the African money be forwarded to the Missionary Secretary, \$138.84.
- 5. We recommend that the Undivided Foreign Money be divided as follows:

For Medical work, \$60.67.

To the Missionary Secretary, \$148.00.

- 6. We recommend that \$1.75 be added to the Sherwood Eddy Educational Fund of \$13.25, said Fund to be placed on interest and the deposit check to be sent with a letter of greeting and congratulation to Brother and Sister Eddy, our missionaries in Africa.
- 7. We recommend that the members of the W. H. & F. M. Society of Indiana pray especially for Rev. and Mrs. Walter Jennings and Miss Nancy A. Barts, who are ready to go to Africa as soon as conditions on the sea will permit.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Smith, Miriam Jennings, Clara Mow

Report No. 7.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

	Foreign Missions Undivided	Africa	India	Medical	Home	General Fund
Amboy Anderson Bakers Corner Blue River	\$4.00 5.00 10.00 10.00			\$6.29	\$5.50 10.00	\$4.00 6.35
Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount	5.13	\$3.41 2.00 6.00	\$3.42 3.10 2.00 50.00	2.00 2.00 1.06	6.82 5.00 1.00 6.00	13.86
Fowlerton Fishersburg Grant City Huntington	5.46 5.00 2.50	3.00	16.00	5.00	3.00	
Kirklin LaOtta Larwill Lewis Creek	2.75	5.00 2.00 5.00 17.25	3.00 2.00 2.00 17.25	1.00	2.00 2.00 3.00	4.60 1.29
Marion, South Marion, Nelson St. Mt. Etna Mt. Zion New Castle	11.22	19.00	25.60		11.00	
Plymouth	12.34	8.75 5.00	8.75 5.00	1.00	12.34 6.00 17.50 2.50	10.97
Koberts Chapel Sheridan South Bend Warren Wabash	1.00	7.00		7.00	6.00	23.75
Warsaw Westfield	1.65	6.00		2.00	7.00	

STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued

	Membership Dues	Total Cash Inclosed	Foreign Missions Undivided	Africa	India	Home	General Fund
Amboy Anderson Bakers Corner Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowlerton Fishersburg Grant City Huntington Kirklin LaOtta	\$8.00 11.35 15.50 26.29 13.65 10.10 6.00 19.00 25.00 5.00 2.50 6.00 8.00 8.50	11.35 15.50 26.29 27.51 15.13 7.00 63.06 72.43 5.46 5.00 2.50 6.00 11.00	\$5.00	\$2.00		\$2.00 4.50 15.00 5.00	\$15.50
Larwill Lewis Creek Marion, South Marion, Nelson St. Mt. Etna Mt. Zion New Castle Payne Plummers Chapel Plymouth Roberts Chapel Sheridan South Bend Warren Wabash Warsaw Westfield	14.60 34.50 15.50 38.00 22.22 8.00 12.00 17.10 17.00 9.05 12.00 12.00 20.00	14.60 33.15 44.60 22.22 8.45 24.68 23.97		7.00	\$35.68	5.00 12.50 35.06 10.00	10.00
	\$464.86	\$636.87	\$5.00	\$9.00	\$35.68	\$97.76	\$25.50

STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued

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	Anderson Bakers Corner Bakers Corner Blue River Boxley Bryant Cicero Elwood Fairmount Fowlerton Fishersburg Grant City Huntington Kirklin LaOtta Larwill Lewis Creek Marion, South Marion, Nelson St. Mt. Zion New Castle Payne Plummers Chapel Plymouth Roberts Chapel Sheridan South Bend Warren Wabash Warsaw	\$3.00	119.58 28.49 12.50 19.36 12.80 40.00 112.51 18.83 12.00 15.25 22.00 8.00 27.03 15.00 36.00 26.98 41.85	28. 39 124. 08 28. 49 32. 50 18. 50 19. 36 17. 80 8. 70 20. 83 12. 00 50. 93 55. 15 81. 23 8. 00 27. 03 5. 00 25. 00 33. 06 36. 00 33. 98 51. 85	39, 74 139, 58 60, 01 33, 63 7, 00 82, 42 90, 23 45, 46 117, 51 5, 00 14, 70 31, 83 8, 75 26, 60 91, 72 8, 45 32, 68 50, 60 40, 00 40, 67 36, 55 65, 81 48, 90 89, 71 81, 85	15 15 16 10 10 10 6 19 25 5 19 10 6 6 7 7 8 8 14 25 20 22 20 22 8 8 18 18 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	9 9 3 3 1 6 3 18

Ida Payne, Lulu Van Matre.

Report No. 8.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ROOMS.

The Superintendent of Rooms begs leave to submit the following report:

Work Expense Items—	
Roofing	\$.50
Drayage	3.50
Filling ticks	2.80
Emptying ticks	.75
Washing ticks	1.70
Patching ticks	1.50
Thirty (30) rooms at 40 cents	12.00.
Forty-seven (47) rooms at 25 cents	11.75
Total work expense	\$34.50
Material Purchased—	
Straw	\$1.95
Bed-ticking	.79
Muslin curtains	.80
Five (5) gallons oil	.60
Paper	.10
Jars, lamps and pitchers	7.50
Total material purchased	\$11.74
Total labor expense	34.50
Total expense	\$46.24

Nettie Carter.