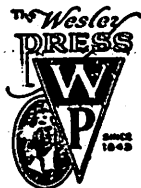


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OFFICIAL BOARDS

Committee on Itinerary and Orders

C. M. Payne Term expires 1955
E. C. Hord Term expires 1956
W. M. Phillippe, Jr. Term expires 1957
H. R. Gunby Term expires 1958

Member of Board of Managers of Central College

C. M. Payne Term expires 1955
Reserve Member—H. R. Gunby Term expires 1955

Board of Trustees

C. M. Payne Term expires 1955
Frank H. Harris, Sr. Term expires 1955
Nathan Poppell Term expires 1956
William W. Wigglesworth Term expires 1957
James M. Roberson Term expires 1957

Standing Committees

- Advisory Committee—F. H. Harris, Sr., Nathan Poppell
Judiciary Committee—C. M. Payne, J. M. Merrell, E. C. Hord, Neal Palmer
Vacancies—C. M. Payne, Nathan Poppell, J. M. Merrell, W. L. Snellgrove,
Okay Highsmith
Sunday School Board—C. M. Payne, W. M. Phillippe, Okay Highsmith
Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee—C. M. Payne, Chairman; W. T. Brinson,
Vice Chairman; other members, E. C. Moon, E. C. Hord,
G. E. Akridge
Missionary Board—W. T. Brinson, Mrs. J. D. Day, C. M. Payne, Nathan
Poppell, W. M. Phillippe, Jr.
Nominating Committee—W. M. Phillippe, Jr., F. H. Harris, Sr., Neal
Palmer, Okay Highsmith

CONFERENCE ROLL**Stated Elders**

- W. W. Wigglesworth, 814 L. St., Waycross, Ga.
C. M. Payne, 310 Gordon St., Ashburn, Ga.
E. C. Hord, 509 3rd St. N., Cordele, Ga.
L. C. Douthit, 446 Price St., Savannah, Ga.
W. T. Brinson, 911 Howard St., Savannah, Ga.
E. C. Moon, R. D. 4, Alma, Ga.
F. L. Elrod, General Delivery, Jesup, Ga.
Webster Williams, Intercession City, Fla.
Miss Lala Sports, Odum, Ga.
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Neal Palmer, 143 B. Garden Homes, Savannah, Ga.
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F. H. Harris Jr., Odum, Ga.

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- Mrs. G. H. Doty, 117 9th St., Tifton, Ga.
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SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

J. M. Merrell, Intercession City, Fla.

F. H. Harris, Odum, Ga.

Unstationed Elders

J. A. Cowart, R. D. 1, Milan, Ga.

Annual Conference Preachers

W. H. Morris, 410 Q. St., Brunswick, Ga.

Lay Delegates

G. E. Akridge, 405 McClendon St., Ashburn, Ga.

M. T. Scott, R. R. 1, Hortense, Ga.

Dave Rowell, Hortense, Ga.

A. D. Brown, Cordele, Ga.

H. F. Williams, Rt. 1, Helena, Ga.

Nathan Poppell, R. F. D. 1, Odum, Ga.

Ralph Moore, 3701 Brantley Ave., Brunswick, Ga.

Okay Highsmith, 2204 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.

Mrs. Annie Mae Davis, 117 W. Charleston St., Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. Laura Horne, Thunderbolt, Ga.

Miss Dorothy Spell, 261 S. E. Broad St., Jesup, Ga.

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Mrs. F. H. Harris, Jr., Odum, Ga.

Mrs. Nathan Poppell, R. F. D. 1, Odum, Ga.

Mrs. W. D. Oliver, Ashburn, Ga.

Mrs. John Young, R. R. 2, Adel, Ga.

Mrs. Walter Gibbs, R. R. 2, Adel, Ga.

Mrs. J. M. Merrell, Intercession City, Fla.

Mrs. E. C. Strickland, Brunswick, Ga.

Standing Rules

No. 1 The Conference Treasurer is authorized to close his books two weeks before the opening date of Conference, therefore all receipts and monies should be in his hand by that time if credit on the Statistical Report is desired.

No. 2 The President, after his fourth round of Quarterly Conferences, shall mail the delegates credentials to the Conference Secretary who shall be the Committee on Credentials. It shall be his duty to prepare the roll before conference begins.

No. 3 All persons introduced to the Conference shall be given honorary seats with the right to speak on all questions, but not to vote.

No. 4 The office expense of the President and the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be paid by the Conference. Also all Conference supplies shall be purchased by the Conference.

No. 5 The Secretary and the Treasurer shall be paid twenty-five dollars per year for their services.

No. 6 The Conference Treasurer shall be bonded each year.

No. 7 An abbreviated form of the Pastor's Statistical Report shall be used for conference reading.

No. 8 The Annual Conference shall elect a Nominating Committee of three to meet prior to the next Annual Conference and nominate the working committees for the session.

No. 9 The Conference President and the Board of Trustees shall constitute a Committee for the Building and Location of Churches and Parsonages.

No. 10 Each pastor shall be allowed time out from his duties as pastor to hold two revivals each year if he so desires. The church he serves as pastor shall not withhold his salary while he is absent on such authorized revivals. In case any extra expense is involved in filling the pulpit while the pastor is engaged in such said revival such extra expense shall be paid by the church whose pastor is absent holding the revival.

No. 11 All church records shall close the last day of the month preceding the opening date of Conference.

Journal of Daily Proceedings

Monday Night, July 12

The fifty-ninth annual session of the South Georgia Conference convened at Ashburn, Ga., July 12, 1954 at eight o'clock. The president, W. T. Brinson, presided. W. M. Phillippe, Jr. led in the singing. Mr. Parker E. Buck of the Hephzibah Home spoke of the children there, and how they needed our personal interest. Dr. Rufus D. Reisdorph brought the message from John 9:4, "I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work." He stressed the need of working today, while we have the opportunities which tomorrow never brings.

Tuesday Morning, July 13

After the song service led by F. L. Elrod, the Lord's Supper was observed.

The business meeting was called to order by the president, W. T. Brinson.

The roll of elders and conference preachers was called.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was given and adopted.

The Conference bar was set to include the first four seats in three aisles.

The roll of lay delegates was called.

Mrs. John Young and Mrs. Walter Gibbs were seated as alternate delegates from Tifton.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was given and adopted. (See Report)

Okay Highsmith was elected on the Statistical Committee.

Rev. H. R. Gunby was elected to the Committee on Moral Reform.

A motion was carried that F. H. Harris be given the privilege of choosing a helper on the Committee on Memorials. He appointed J. M. Merrell.

The Committee on courtesy reported and Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Reisdorph and Rev. R. C. Mullinax were introduced and gave words of testimony. Brother Mullinax was asked to convey greetings to the S. C., Tenn., and Ala. Conferences.

A motion prevailed that Brother Reisdorph, our general representative, be asked to preside, which he did.

The time for the election of officers was set as the first item of business in the afternoon meeting.

A motion prevailed that the Educational Address be given by Rev. R. C. Mullinax of Central College at 10:30.

The following hours of conference were adopted—to convene at 9 a.m., to adjourn at 12 for lunch, to reconvene at 2 p.m. and adjourn by motion.

The report of the Conference President was given and adopted. (See Report)

Prof. R. C. Mullinax brought the educational address, with a request that the educational budget be increased from \$2.00 to \$2.50 per member. A motion prevailed that this request be granted.

A motion, that the Committee on Public Worship arrange the Orders of the Day, was carried.

A letter from W. W. Wigglesworth was read by the secretary.

The report of the Sunday School Secretary, W. W. Wigglesworth, was read by the secretary and adopted. (See Reports)

Adjourned by limitation of time. Dismissed by F. H. Harris.

Tuesday Afternoon, July 13

The song service was conducted by W. L. Snellgrove. The Devotions were led by J. M. Merrell.

The roll was called, and Mrs. J. M. Merrell was seated as alternate delegate from Waycross.

The minutes were read and approved.

M. T. Scott, G. C. Gilliard, and Okay Highsmith were appointed as tellers. The following officers were elected:

President—W. T. Brinson

Vice President—W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

Secretary—Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Trustee—(three year term) W. W. Wigglesworth

Lay trustee—(three year term)—James M. Roberson

Trustee to fill unexpired term of Mack Thompson, expiring in 1955
C. M. Payne

Delegates to General Conference—Elders, W. T. Brinson; Layman, Nathan Poppell. Alternate Delegates—Elders, Neal Palmer; Layman, M. T. Scott.

Recessed for five minutes.

The Chairman called the conference to order.

The following were elected by acclamation:

Committee on Itineracy and Orders—(four year term) H. R. Gunby
Judiciary Committee; C. M. Payne, Neal Palmer, J. M. Merrell, E. C. Hord.

Vacancies—W. L. Snellgrove, Okay Highsmith, Nathan Poppell, C. M. Payne, J. M. Merrell

Sunday School Board members—W. M. Phillippe, Jr., Okay Highsmith
Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee—Chairman, C. M. Payne, Vice Chairman, W. T. Brinson—E. C. Moon, G. E. Akridge, E. C. Hord

Missionary Board Members—C. M. Payne, Nathan Poppell, W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

Nominating Committee—W. M. Phillippe, Jr., F. H. Harris, Neal

Palmer

Sunday School Secretary—C. M. Payne

Educational Secretary—C. M. Payne

Librarian—W. W. Wigglesworth

Secretary of Child Evangelism—Mrs. Mollie Brogden

Pension Plan Secretary and Treasurer—C. M. Payne

Wesleyan Men's Fellowship Secretary—W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

A motion prevailed that one lay member be elected to the nominating Committee. Okay Highsmith was elected.

Nominated as members of the Board of Managers of Central College—W. L. Snellgrove. Alternate Member—Dennis Carter

Advisory Committee—(nominated by president)—F. H. Harris, Nathan Poppell

Lay members on Board of Itinerary and Orders—(appointed by president)—Okay Highsmith, H. F. Williams, Nathan Poppell

Adjourned by motion

The President called the conference to order. Prayer by Brother Moon.

The Committee on Public Worship gave a partial report which was adopted as follows; that the general address be given at 8 o'clock by Rev. Rev. Rufus Reisdorph, and that Brother Nate Schraff speak at 11 a.m. Wednesday, also at the 8 o'clock public meeting of the W.M.S. Wednesday Night.

The report of the Conference Trustees was given and adopted. (See Reports).

A report of the Committee on the Greater S. Ga. Campaign was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Adjourned by motion. Prayer by W. T. Brinson.

Tuesday Night

The song service was led by Brother W. L. Snellgrove. Two special songs were sung by the Snellgroves.

The Committee on Public Worship gave an additional report that Brother George Hawthorne would speak at 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Rev. Rufus Reisdorph spoke on "The Wesleyan Advance", from Matthew 9: 36. He stressed an increased vision, more compassion, and a fervent prayer life, if Wesleyans are to make the advance God expects of us.

Dismissed by Sister G. H. Doty.

Wednesday Morning

The song service was led by F. H. Harris, Jr., who also sang a special song.

Devotions were conducted by F. H. Harris, Sr.

The roll was called. Mrs. E. C. Strickland was seated as alternate delegate from Jesup. The minutes were read and approved.

The Auditing Committee gave a partial report which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Memorials was given and adopted. (See Reports).

A motion prevailed that the Roll of Honored Dead be discontinued.

The report of the Conference Treasurer was given and adopted. (See Reports).

The tellers came forward and M. T. Scott was re-elected Conference treasurer.

A petition from the Tifton church was read requesting that the Tifton Church be removed from a charge and made a separate church. This request was referred to the committee on Pastoral Relations.

A partial report of the Pastoral Relations Committee was given.

A partial report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was given recommending that Frank F. Harris, Jr., be ordained at this session of Conference. This was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Church Records was given and adopted.

The following pastors reported; E. C. Moon, E. C. Hord, W. L. Snellgrove, W. H. Morris, Neal Palmer, Miss Lala Sports, Dennis Carter.

Reports were given by Webster Williams, H. R. Gunby, and Mrs. G. H. Doty.

A letter from R. C. Crossman was read by the secretary.

F. H. Harris gave a report.

C. M. Payne and W. M. Phillippe gave their reports of their churches.

The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was given and adopted. (See Reports)

A Partial report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was given, recommending that the Tifton Church be made a separate church, and that Crossroads and Sylvester be made a charge called Crossroads. This recommendation was adopted.

The secretary of Child Evangelism gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

An oral report of the Sunday School Committee was given by W. L. Snellgrove and adopted.

The Committee on Public Worship gave an additional report recommending that the Ordination Service be held at 4:30, and this was adopted.

F. H. Harris, Jr. gave his pastor's report.

The time for the Orders of the Day arrived and Mr. Nate Scharff of Dayton, Ohio, brought a stirring message on the debt Christians owe to others.

Adjourned by limitation of time.

Wednesday Afternoon

The song service was led by F. L. Elrod.

The devotions were conducted by E. C. Moon.

The roll was called and the minutes were read and approved.

L. C. Douthit gave an evangelistic report.

The committee on education gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

The report of the Apportionment Committee was given and adopted. (See Reports)

The Committee on Post Office addresses gave a report which was adopted.

The Committee on Courtesy reported and Brother George Hawthorne was introduced to the Conference.

The Committee on Thanks gave a report which was adopted, and asked to be read in the W.M.S. public service.

The report of the Committee on Secrecy was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Reports were given by F. L. Elrod, and J. M. Merrell.

Recessed until three o'clock.

The Chairman called the conference to order.

Brother George Hawthorne brought a stirring message on the Card Call Plan. An offering of \$16.52 was taken towards his expense.

Recessed for ten minutes.

An Ordination Service was held, and Frank H. Harris, Jr. was ordained, after the message by Rev. Reisdorph.

Recessed for supper.

The chairman called the conference to order.

A motion prevailed that a building fund of about \$33.00 for the Ashburn Camp be turned over to the Camp Meeting Committee for expenses.

G. C. Gilliard gave his report of the Tifton Charge.

The Auditing Committee gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports) A rising vote of appreciation was given to our treasurers, M. T. Scott and C. M. Payne.

The report of the Statistical Committee was given and adopted with minor corrections to be made. (See Reports)

The report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was given and adopted. (See Reports)

The Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

The treasurer of the Pension Plan gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

The treasurer of the Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

A motion prevailed that about three hundred copies of the minutes be printed.

The report of the New officers of the W.Y.P.S. was given and adopted.

A motion that all unfinished business be turned over to the Missionary Board prevailed.

The minutes were read and approved.

A motion prevailed to adjourn sine die, to be effective at the close of the Missionary service.

Wednesday Night

A public missionary service was held with the W.M.S. president, Mrs. J. D. Day, presiding. Brother George Hawthorne brought special numbers on his accordion. Mr. Nate Scharff spoke on his recent trip to the Holy Land, and of the Jews needing the gospel of Christ.

Mrs. Okay Highsmith, Secretary

Reports

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Chairman, members of the fifty-ninth annual session of the South Georgia Conference, greetings.

It has been a real pleasure for me to serve as your President. I am grateful for the confidence that you had in me when you placed me in this responsible position. I assure you that I have done my best to preserve that confidence, and to perpetuate the trust that you placed in me. First, by living a clean holy life, and then by faithfully laboring to advance the great cause of Bible Holiness in the conference. I have adhered strictly to our book of Discipline as well as the Bible in all my official acts. I have endeavored to be gentle and grave in all matters. The Lord has been real good to us as a conference and as local churches. He has given us a good increase in church membership, and has promoted us along many lines.

Brethren, let's pledge more loyalties to the General Conference and her noble staff of officers. We belong to one of the greatest bodies in the whole world. I believe that the doctrine of the Church, as well as her articles of faith, along with the rule of government is one hundred percent scriptural.

Let's stand by our various departments of our denomination: The Sunday School department with its very efficient staff of officers, and the Home Mission department and its staff who are doing a fine work in the Kingdom of God. Our foreign department has made great success in the last few years, our W.Y.P.S. in which lies the success of our church of tomorrow, our own Christian college of Central, our publishing agency, which we consider one of the best. Let's do all that we can to advance these arms of the work.

I want to thank all of our good pastors and laymen that have so wonderfully co-operated with the program of our conference. You are responsible for the meager bit of progress that has been made. May I state here that plans are layed for a more extensive effort of evangelism and church extension next year.

Official Acts

I have held two tent revivals and two meetings in churches of the conference. One tent meeting at Perry, Ga. was an effort to establish a church. I think that some good was done even though we did not organize a church. Another tent meeting was near Alapaha, in which much good was done.

I have held all of the four Quarterly Conferences, and enjoyed them very much.

On April 21, I purchased a new gospel tent for the conference. Brother Swauger gave \$450.00 on it. The people gave quite liberally to this cause. We have some money in the conference treasury which was left, which Brother Scott will report. We plan to use it to purchase folding chairs for the tent. Thanks to you and Dr. Swauger.

Feb. 2-4, I attended the Southern leaders meeting at Pell City, Alabama. I would consider that this was the best of all these meetings ever held.

On Feb. 6 I met with the conference trustees to consider business relating to the conference.

Feb. 23, I attended a meeting of the Committee to establish a home for the aged, at Central. Progress was made in this meeting.

A three way Convention, preachers, Missionary, and Sunday School was held in the Brunswick Church May 18-21. In many ways this was a success.

Sept. 12, 1953, I gave Rev. W. H. Morris an order to solemnize matrimony and to officiate in the Lord's Supper.

Oct. 16, 1953, I gave Rev. Mack Thompson a transfer to the South Carolina conference.

A week of fasting and prayer was proclaimed for Feb. 14-20, 1954.

Feb. 6, I received the resignation of Frank H. Harris, Jr., as Sunday School Secretary. The Committee on Vacancies elected the Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth to fill the remainder of the year.

April 20, I gave Rev. A. C. Legg a transfer to the South Carolina Conference.

On Jan. 23, I received a check from Rev. J. R. Swauger in the amount of \$203.80, for faithful reporting of our pastors. Thanks to Brother Swauger and the pastors. This money is in the treasury to be used for church extension.

Financial Report

Received for Salary	\$939.91	
Office Expense	30.00	
Gifts	58.00	
For travel expense	25.00	
Total received		\$1052.91
Travel Expense	\$600.00	
Office Expense	30.00	
Total expense		\$630.00
Net income	\$422.91	
Received in revival meetings	121.90	

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

Total \$544.81

Submitted in a spirit of perfect love,

W. T. Brinson

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Pastoral Relations Committee—C. M. Payne, W. M. Phillippe, L. C. Douthit, Nathan Poppell, H. F. Williams, M. T. Scott
 Public Worship—Rev. W. T. Brinson, C. M. Payne
 Moral Reform—Miss Lala Sports, H. R. Gunby
 Tithing—E. C. Hord, Dane Rowell
 Courtesy—W. H. Morris, G. E. Akridge
 Education—F. H. Harris, Jr., Miss Dorothy Spell
 Characters—Dennis Carter, Okay Highsmith
 Thanks—Annie Mae Davis, Mrs. Laura Horne
 Auditing—Mrs. Nathan Poppell, Mrs. Frank Harris, Jr.
 Statistics—G. C. Gilliard, Okay Highsmith
 Apportionment—Neal Palmer, Lucile Carter
 Sunday Schools—W. L. Snellgrove, Mrs. Valene Bennett
 Memorials—F. H. Harris, Sr., J. M. Merrell
 Committee to Inspect Quarterly Conference and Church Records—
 Mrs. W. D. Oliver, A. D. Brown
 P. O. Addresses—Ralph Moore, L. J. Griffin
 Secrecy—E. C. Moon, Ralph Moore

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board met on Feb. 6, 1954 in Jesup, Ga., at the request of the Conference President, Rev. W. T. Brinson, for the purpose of planning a church building for the Jesup class.

The present location was not in every way suitable, but the Board agreed it would be best to grant the class the right to go ahead and build. At the present time property is high and a better location would cost more than the class could pay.

The Board also requested that the County records be searched in regards to the present property, in order that there would not be any trouble in the future.

The Board also recommended that all indebtedness on the property be paid, and the deeds made to the South Georgia Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, in order that the church may make application for a Card Call through the Home Mission Department.

We, as a committee, also agreed to sign legal papers with the Jesup class to borrow money to build with, if they so desire.

In regards to our conference Campgrounds at Ashburn, Ga., we, as a committee, request that there be some action taken towards getting some cabins built in order to accommodate the conference and camp. Brother W. W. Wigglesworth, being in the building trade and also a member of the Board of Trustees, was appointed to draw up a uniform building plan, and also a car parking system. (See recommendations below).

F. H. Harris, Sr.

C. M. Payne,

Nathan Poppell,

J. M. Roberson.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR BUILDING COTTAGES ON THE CAMPGROUND AT ASHBURN, GA.

1. All cottages are to be built out of concrete blocks.
2. Single cottages shall not exceed in size 12' x 12'.
3. Double cottages shall not exceed in size 12' x 24'.
4. The camp meeting committees will be responsible for the location of all cottages.

5. The camp meeting committee shall hold in reserve on the campground a suitable location for a future home to be built for the president of the South Georgia Conference to live in if it becomes necessary to build here.

6. All who build single or double cottages, if they cannot attend each camp meeting shall report same to the camp meeting committee, so their cottage can be used by the camp meeting committee for the best interest of entertaining the visitors of the camp meeting.

7. All the cottages must have a straight roof and the shingles used must be number one composition shingles. All the single cottages at least two windows and one door. All double cottages must have at least four windows and two doors.

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS

We recommend that Mrs. Annie Mae Davis, Mrs. J. F. Skelton, Brother W. H. Morris continue the course of study.

We recommend that F. H. Harris, Jr. be ordained.

Teachers for the course of study are:

H. R. Gunby—first year

E. C. Hord—Second year

C. M. Payne—third year

W. M. Phillippe—fourth year

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

The ministerial credentials of Neal Palmer, at his own request, will be turned over to the Conference President.

C. M. Payne,
Okay Highsmith,
H. F. Williams,
Nathan Poppell,
H. R. Gunby,
W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

PASTORAL RELATIONS REPORT

Ashburn—C. M. Payne

Brunswick—W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

Cordele—E. C. Hord

Hortense Charge (Hortense, Philadelphia, Oak Grove)—W. L. Snell-grove

Laurens Charge (Browning, Little Rock)—W. H. Morris

Mt. Pleasant Charge (Mt. Pleasant, Coffee)—E. C. Moon

Savannah—L. C. Douthit

Waycross—Dennis Carter

Wayne Charge (Liberty, Bethlehem)—F. H. Harris, Jr.

Jesup—Miss Lala Sports

Tifton—G. C. Gilliard

Crossroads Charge (Crossroads, Sylvester)—In hands of President

Conference President—W. T. Brinson

Conference Evangelists—F. L. Elrod, Webster Williams, W. W. Wigglesworth

Superannuated—H. R. Gunby, Mrs. G. H. Doty, R. C. Crossman, J. M. Merrell, F. H. Harris, Sr

Unstationed List—J. A. Cowart

We recommend that the president hold four quarterly meetings.

We also petition the Home Missionary Department to supplement the salary of the president by \$600.00, and an offering be taken for traveling expenses.

W. T. Brinson,
W. M. Phillippe, Jr.
C. M. Payne,
L. C. Douthit,
H. F. Williams,
Nathan Poppell,
M. T. Scott.

GREATER SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

We, your Greater South Georgia Conference Committee, recommend that this committee be discontinued, and that the committee on Church

and Parsonage Building and Location handle this matter.

F. H. Harris,
G. C. Gilliard.

MEMORIALS

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. Mina Coleman, Mrs. M. A. Rustin, John Young, and Otis Aldridge, we recommend that a memorial service be held with the Camp Meeting, and their names be read in remembrance of them at this service.

F. H. Harris.

GENERAL EVANGELIST'S REPORT

Time employed—twelve months	
Number of meetings held—seven	
Number of homes prayed in—three hundred	
Offerings received in meetings	\$325.00
Gifts received	210.00
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Total received	\$535.00
Traveling expense	\$95.00

A goodly number were saved and sanctified during the year. We have endeavored to impress people with the doctrine of Bible holiness. We covet the prayers and sympathy of all of God's people.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. Douhit.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

There has been one Sunday School Convention held during this conference year. The convention was held in connection with the Institute, May 24, 1954. Some weeks before the convention each Sunday School was asked to mail us five dollars to help pay expenses of our workers. Ten of the Sunday Schools responded to this call.

Those that mailed us money follows: Savannah, \$5.00; Brunswick, \$5.00; Waycross, \$5.00; Cordele, \$5.00; Ashburn, \$5.00; Little Rock, \$5.00; Mt. Pleasant, \$5.00; Wayne, \$5.00; Hortense, \$5.00. Total received, \$50.00.

This amount was turned over to the workers. We wish to say thanks to each Sunday School.

W. W. Wigglesworth

SECRECY

We will on no account tolerate our ministers and members in joining

or holding fellowship with secret societies, as, in the judgment of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, it is inconsistent with our duties to God to hold such relations.

"Jesus answered him, I spake openly to the world: I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing," John 18:20

"Wherefore if they say unto you, Behold, He is in the desert; go not forth: behold He is in the secret chambers: believe it not." Matt. 24:26.

"But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any oath; but let your yea be yea, and your nay be nay, lest ye fall into condemnation." James 5:12.

E. C. Moon,

Ralph Moore.

SECRETARY OF CHILD EVANGELISM

As we look around us today and see the neglect of our children, we are made to fear what the future holds for our country. The place we find the most heart breaking neglect is in the home, therefore, we as Christian parents and Christian workers must reach out in love and sincere concern for those who suffer spiritual neglect, if we ever expect to see our children love and honor the Christ we love and serve. Our Bible is a book children will love if we help them become acquainted with it.

I have been in correspondence with Miss Bennett this year. She has tried to enlighten me concerning my duties and I have been ashamed of knowing so little of my duties. Through Miss Bennett's help we have given Mrs. Molly Brogdon one certificate for books read and we have two other reports graded.

Mrs. E. C. Strickland

EDUCATIONAL REPORT

Civilization has progressed to the extent that we can no longer confine our thinking and interest to just a small area of the globe or life.

Materialism and technical improvements have received the emphasis in the educational institutions neglecting the higher and most honorable areas, spirituality and culture.

As Christians, we are challenged in I Peter 3:15 to "be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear."

Several years ago, the leaders of our church recognized that many of our young people were being lost to the world during the educational period. An effort was made to establish institutions that have Godly standards and maintain a spiritual emphasis.

It is this committee's good pleasure to find that our schools, (Now 5 colleges), have been serving the Church well. They have enlarged facilities, consecrated and outstanding faculty members that are spiritual leaders and educators of high rank.

The nucleus of a spiritual advance is seen each year as graduates are accepting challenging fields of religious service. Pastors, missionaries, laymen that are leaders for God's cause are the results of a foundation laid by holy men with a vision.

In reviewing the Biblical leaders, we find each had a place of training with God. Perhaps it was in the wilderness, on an island, or following The Great Teacher Himself. Some may not have the opportunity of a formal education but the Apostle Paul, a great scholar, exhorted Timothy "to study to shew thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15.

Dr. James DeWeerd, an educator and evangelist said "An ignorant godlessness is to be pitied, but an educated godlessness is to be feared." May we as a Conference accept the challenge:

- (1) To support the educational movement.
- (2) Encourage the Embryo church of tomorrow to prepare for God's task.
- (3) To enrich the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ

Signed: Frank H. Harris, Jr.,
Dorothy Spell.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee have examined and approved the following reports of the conference treasurer, Ashburn Camp Meeting treasurer, and the conference Pension Plan treasurer. We recommend that a vote of thanks to the treasurers be extended by the Conference.

Mrs. Nathan Poppell,
Mrs. Frank Harris, Jr.

PENSION PLAN TREASURER'S REPORT

Amount paid for budget	\$635.09
Amount paid beneficiaries	\$2994.00

C. M. Payne, Secretary

ASHBURN CAMP TREASURER'S REPORT

Amount at first of year	\$36.69
Amount paid in during year	543.52
Total for year	\$580.21

Disbursed	\$346.09
Balance in Treasury	\$234.12
C. M. Payne, Treasurer	

ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Foreign Missions:

At first of year	\$9.20
Receipts	161.11
Cash Received	461.34
Cash Paid out	470.54

Home Missions:

At first of year	\$11.00
Receipts	70.20
Cash Received	404.48
Cash Paid out	415.48

Education:

At first of year	\$11.10
Cash Received	548.80
Cash Paid out	559.90

Superannuate Pension Plan:

At first of year	\$8.40
Cash Received	546.69
Cash Paid out	555.09

Orphanage:

At first of year	\$7.08
Cash Received	102.10
Cash Paid out	109.18

Administrative Budget:

At first of year	\$4.70
Cash Received	132.57
Cash Paid out	137.27

General Conference Travel Expense:

Cash Received	\$48.66
Cash Paid out	48.66

General Sunday School Work:

Cash Received	\$47.90
Cash Paid out	47.90

Australia:

Receipts	\$11.25
Cash Received	67.89

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Cash Paid out	67.89	
President's Salary:		
Receipts	\$695.05	
Cash Received	235.45	
Cash Paid out	235.45	
Conference Work:		
At first of year	\$8.10	
Cash Received	284.40	
Cash Paid out	159.45	
Balance on Hand		\$133.05
Minutes:		
At first of year	\$78.55	
Cash Received	183.00	
Cash Paid out	184.08	
Balance on hand		\$77.47
Conference Extension:		
At first of year	\$184.75	
Cash Received	281.80	
Balance on hand		\$466.55
Ashburn Campground Purchase:		
At first of year	\$33.75	
Balance on hand		\$33.75
Ashburn Campground Upkeep:		
Cash Received	\$308.50	
Cash Paid out	308.50	
Property Sales Fund:		
At first of year	\$35.00	
Balance on hand		\$35.00
Greater South Georgia Conference Campaign:		
At first of year	\$590.00	
Balance on hand		\$590.00
Conference Pastor and Delegate Entertainment:		
Cash Received	\$12.32	
Cash Paid out	12.32	
Rent on Cottage by B. H. Bankston:		
Cash Received	\$10.00	

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Cash Paid out	10.00	
Savannah Church Building Fund:		
Cash Received	\$130.00	
Balance on hand		\$130.00
To Purchase Tent:		
Receipts	\$8.56	
Cash Received	781.44	
Cash Paid out	543.23	
Balance on hand		238.21
Loan to South Georgia Conference for Jesup Church:		
Cash Received	400.00	
Cash Paid out	400.00	
Totals:		
Receipts	\$1,506.07	
Cash at first of year	981.63	
Cash received during the year	4,987.34	
Total Cash	5,968.97	
Total Paid out	4,264.94	
Total cash on hand	\$1,704.03	

M. T. Scott, Treasurer

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APPORTIONMENT REPORT

Name of Charge	Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Superannuate Pension Plan	Orphanage	Administrative Budget	General Conference Travel Expense	Work Genera Sunday School	Australia	President's Salary	Conference Work	Minutes	Conference Extension	Ashburn Camp	Totals
Ashburn	20	\$40.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$5.00	\$8.00	\$3.00	\$3.60	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$20.00	\$274.60
Brunswick	84	168.00	105.00	210.00	126.00	21.00	33.60	12.60	15.30	21.00	210.00	84.00	42.00	21.00	84.00	1,153.50
Cordele	17	34.00	21.25	42.50	25.50	4.25	6.80	2.55	3.00	4.25	42.50	17.00	8.50	4.25	17.00	233.35
Hortense	49	98.00	61.25	122.50	73.50	12.25	19.60	7.35	8.80	12.25	122.50	49.00	24.50	12.25	49.00	672.75
Jesup	17	34.00	21.25	42.50	25.50	4.25	6.80	2.55	3.00	4.25	42.50	17.00	8.50	4.25	17.00	233.35
Laurens	35	70.00	43.75	87.50	52.50	8.75	14.00	5.25	6.30	8.75	87.50	35.00	17.50	8.75	35.00	480.55
Mt. Pleasant	47	94.00	58.75	117.00	70.50	11.75	18.80	7.05	8.40	11.75	117.50	47.00	23.50	11.75	47.00	645.28
Savannah	35	70.00	43.75	87.50	52.50	8.75	14.00	5.25	6.30	8.75	87.50	35.00	17.50	8.75	35.00	480.55
Crossroads	19	38.00	23.75	47.50	28.50	4.75	7.60	2.85	3.40	4.75	47.50	19.00	9.50	4.75	19.00	260.85
Tifton	13	26.00	16.25	32.50	19.50	3.25	5.20	1.95	2.30	3.25	32.50	13.00	6.50	3.25	13.00	178.45
Waycross	25	50.00	31.25	62.50	37.50	6.25	10.00	3.75	4.50	6.25	62.50	25.00	12.50	6.25	25.00	343.25
Wayne	51	102.00	63.75	127.50	76.50	12.75	20.40	7.65	9.10	12.75	127.50	51.00	25.50	12.75	51.00	700.15
Totals	412	\$824.00	\$515.25	\$1,030.50	\$618.00	\$103.00	\$164.80	\$61.80	\$74.00	\$103.00	\$1,030.50	\$412.00	\$206.00	\$103.00	\$412.00	\$5,656.60

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STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Charge	Item I. Pastor's Labors.										Item II. Periodicals											
	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	Organized Ch.	Appointments	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Wesleyan Missionaries taken	Wesleyan Youths taken	Sun-day School	Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Flannel Art	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart	Pupil's Lesson Stories, Etc.	Bible Lesson Stories
Ashburn	10	1	1	9	5	2	1	8				3	10	9	8	4		4	4	1		
Brunswick	10	3	1	26	8	2			16			22	7	14	40	32	4	15	12	1		
Cordele	10	1	1	12	4							6	12	12	13	12		8	1	1		
Hortense	10	4	3	11	8	3						6	15	12	13	12		12	20	1	13	12
Jesup	10	1	1	4	2																	
Laurens	10	3	3	12	4		1	8		15		6	24	18		1	1					
Mt. Pleasant	10	2	2	12	9	2						6	42	25	24	14		16				15
Savannah	10	1	1	10	2	7	12					10	14	15	25	15		15	12	1		
Tifton	10	3	3	16	2	2		6				4	20	10	20		1				15	
Waycross	10	1	1	3	2	2						3	25	25	25		10	25				
Wayne	10	2	2	9	9	9						8	12	12	12	12						
Totals	110	20	19	124	60	53	104	16	15	76	181	152	167	90	6	74	81	5	28	27		

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Name of Charge	Item III. Membership																					
	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Total Membership	Lost	Number Reported Last Year	Present Number	Loss Membership for Year	Gain Membership for Year	Members Under 14 Years	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Local Preachers	Number of Family Altars	Membership Tithing	No. Card Call Subscribers			
Ashburn					3	3	23	20	3							1	11	12	3			
Brunswick	13			1	8	9	80	84									18	35	12			
Cordele					1	1	15	17									7	10	6			
Hortense	2		1		2	2	44	49									12	18	7			
Jesup	2				1	1	9	17														
Laurens	3			1	1	1	33	35									4	5	2			
Mt. Pleasant	7				1	1	40	47									9	7				
Savannah	10	13	2			15	40	35	5			6		5		3	12	11	8			
Tifton	5				4	4	31	32			1	1		1	1		5	11	3			
Waycross	4		1		4	4	25	25					1	1		1	4	9	2			
Wayne	2			1		1	50	51			1	2				10	8	8	4			
Totals	61	13	5	4	22	39	390	412	8	30	13	1	12	3	5	92	126	44				

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Item IV. Sunday Schools

Name of Charge	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. Officers-Teachers	Whole No. of Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	No. in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars Converted	No. Schol. Joining Church	No. of Departmental Supts.	Teacher's Training Course	No. of Organized Classes	No. of Books in Library	Enrollment V.B.S.	Average Attendance V.B.S.	No. W.Y.P. Societies	Total Membership of Soc.
Ashburn	1	6	19	25			25	21										
Brunswick	1	22	153	175		12	187	136	26	11	2		11		148	123	1	42
Cordele	1	5	38	43			43	30	1	1							1	
Hortense	1	9	70	79			79	50	4	3			5					
Jesup	1	3	37	40			40	30										
Laurens	2	13	58	71			71	26			2		6					
Mt. Pleasant	2	15	93	108			108	64	10		2		7					
Savannah	1	10	70	80		4	84	68	8	5			8				1	13
Tifton	3	11	50	61			61	29			3		4					
Waycross	1	4	85	89			89	40										
Wayne	2	8	40	48			48	40										
Totals	16	106	613	819		16	835	534	49	20	10	7	41		148	123	3	55

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item V. Church Property

Name of Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Ashburn	1	\$2,000			1	\$1,600			
Brunswick	1	12,000		\$3,000	1	3,000		\$2,000	\$62.19
Cordele	1	7,000			1	6,000			
Hortense	3	3,300			1	3,000			
Jesup	3	4,800							17.40
Laurens	2	7,000	\$450		1	2,500			
Mt. Pleasant	3	12,000		1,000	1	6,000		1,000	138.00
Savannah	1	3,000		2,000	1	1,000			68.30
Tifton	2	26,000	5,350						
Waycross									
Wayne									
Totals	17	\$72,300	\$5,800	\$6,000	7	\$23,100		\$3,000	\$777.89

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Item VI. Disbursed for Pastor							
Name of Charge	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Utilities	Car Expense	Total Pastor's Receipts
Ashburn	\$687.97	\$220.00	\$5.00	\$201.30	.....	.....	\$1,114.27
Brunswick	2,470.00	250.00	30.00	180.00	\$188.18	\$180.00	3,298.18
Cordele	733.14	340.00	.....	213.10	.....	.....	1,286.24
Hortense	1,764.95	240.00	14.00	247.55	.....	.....	2,266.50
Jesup	1,381.74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,381.74
Laurens	758.06	.....	.....	110.10	.....	.....	868.16
Mt. Pleasant	744.70	180.00	.....	507.42	.....	.....	1,432.12
Savannah	1,674.15	33.50	.....	168.00	.....	.....	1,875.65
Tifton	758.65	550.00	11.00	248.03	.....	.....	1,567.68
Waycross	798.33	.....	25.00	30.00	.....	.....	753.33
Wayne	1,460.62	10.00	65.00	1,535.62
Totals	\$13,232.31	\$1,813.50	\$95.00	\$2,020.50	\$188.18	\$180.00	\$17,379.49

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Item VII. Disbursed for Church						
Name of Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Church Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Ashburn	\$46.15	.....	.....	.....	\$28.81	\$74.96
Brunswick	\$390.00	1,044.21	.....	\$534.85	1,095.04	3,064.10
Cordele	131.20	60.60	.....	.....	12.00	398.89
Hortense	111.00	.....	\$201.00	197.33	102.34	611.67
Jesup	75.00	.....	1,445.00	.....	200.00	1,720.00
Laurens	25.00	65.62	.....	.....	.....	90.52
Mt. Pleasant	186.15	145.21	.....	.....	1,205.58	1,536.94
Savannah	111.92	178.05	.....	.....	385.12	674.09
Tifton	241.79	119.40	.....	35.00	57.95	454.14
Waycross	99.51	159.65	.....	62.52	24.52	346.20
Wayne	318.00	60.00	8,972.00	123.88	9,473.88
Totals	\$1,689.57	\$1,878.89	\$10,618.00	\$829.70	\$3,235.24	\$18,445.39

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget

Name of Charge	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised
Ashburn	\$46.00	\$46.52	\$28.75	\$46.28	\$46.00	\$46.00
Brunswick	160.00	160.00	100.00	100.00	160.00	160.00
Cordele	30.00	30.01	18.75	18.75	30.00	30.00
Hortense	88.00	92.00	55.00	63.75	88.00	88.00
Jesup	18.00	18.00	11.25	11.25	18.00	28.00
Laurens	66.00	27.00	41.00	24.00	66.00	15.00
Mt. Pleasant	80.00	53.27	50.00	35.95	80.00	17.77
Savannah	80.00	28.52	50.00	53.07	80.00	20.70
Tifton	62.00	62.00	38.75	39.00	62.00	62.00
Waycross	50.00	50.00	31.25	36.25	6.00	6.00
Wayne	100.00	55.13	62.00	46.38	100.00	31.33
Totals	\$780.00	\$622.45	\$486.75	\$476.68	\$736.00	\$504.80

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget—Continued

Name of Charge	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Assigned	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Assigned	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Raised
Ashburn	\$34.50	\$34.50	\$5.75	\$5.75	\$9.20	\$9.20	\$3.45	\$3.45
Brunswick	120.00	120.00	20.00	20.00	32.00	32.00	12.00	12.00
Cordele	22.50	24.44	3.75	3.75	7.00	7.00	2.25	2.30
Hortense	66.00	66.00	11.00	11.00	17.60	17.60	6.60	6.60
Jesup	13.50	13.50	2.25	2.25	3.60	3.60	1.35	1.35
Laurens	49.50	49.50	8.25	8.25	13.20	13.20	4.95	3.42
Mt. Pleasant	60.00	60.00	10.00	11.25	16.00	16.00	6.00	6.00
Savannah	60.00	19.00	10.00	13.35	16.00	6.90	6.00	2.50
Tifton	46.50	46.50	7.75	7.75	12.40	12.40	4.65	4.65
Waycross	37.50	37.50	6.25	6.25	10.00	10.00	3.75	3.75
Wayne	75.00	75.75	12.50	12.50	20.00	4.67	7.50	2.64
Totals	\$585.00	\$546.69	\$97.50	\$102.10	\$157.00	\$132.57	\$58.50	\$48.66

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget—Continued

Name of Charge	General Sunday School Work Assigned	General Sunday School Work Raised	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Total General Budget Assigned	Total General Budget Raised
Ashburn	\$3.20	\$3.20	\$5.75	\$5.75	\$182.60	\$265.00
Brunswick	10.70	10.70	20.00	20.00	634.70	634.70
Cordele	2.50	3.20	3.75	3.75	120.50	123.20
Hortense	6.50	6.50	11.00	11.00	349.70	362.45
Jesup	2.80	2.80	2.25	2.25	73.00	83.00
Laurens	3.90	2.80	8.25	3.75	261.05	146.92
Mt. Pleasant	11.40	.....	10.00	11.25	323.40	211.49
Savannah	7.00	3.10	10.00	4.35	319.00	151.49
Tifton	3.50	3.50	7.75	7.75	245.30	245.55
Waycross	8.50	8.50	6.25	6.25	203.50	208.50
Wayne	3.60	3.60	12.50	3.04	393.60	235.04
Totals	\$63.60	\$47.90	\$97.50	\$79.14	\$3,106.35	\$2,667.34

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget

Name of Charge	President's Salary Assigned	President's Salary Raised	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised	Minutes Assigned	Minutes Raised
Ashburn	\$57.50	\$62.00	\$23.00	\$23.00	\$11.50	\$11.50
Brunswick	200.00	200.00	80.00	80.00	40.00	40.00
Cordele	37.50	40.00	15.00	15.00	7.50	7.50
Hortense	110.00	110.00	44.00	4.00	22.00	22.00
Jesup	22.50	22.50	9.00	9.00	4.50	4.50
Laurens	82.50	82.50	33.00	8.50	16.50	16.50
Mt. Pleasant	100.00	100.00	40.00	5.00	20.00	20.00
Savannah	100.00	57.90	40.00	11.00	20.00	5.00
Tifton	77.50	77.50	31.00	31.00	15.50	15.50
Waycross	62.50	64.00	25.00	25.00	12.50	12.50
Wayne	125.00	125.00	50.00	24.10	25.00	25.00
Totals	\$975.00	\$941.40	\$390.00	\$235.60	\$195.00	\$179.00

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget—Continued

Name of Charge	Ashburn Camp Assigned	Ashburn Camp Raised	Conference Extension Assigned	Conference Extension Raised	Total Conference Budget Assigned	Total Conference Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Ashburn	\$23.00	\$23.00	\$5.75	\$5.75	\$120.75	\$125.25	\$303.35	\$325.90
Brunswick	80.00	80.00	20.00	20.00	420.00	420.00	1,054.70	1,054.70
Cordele	15.00	15.00	3.75	3.75	78.75	81.32	199.25	204.55
Hortense	44.00	44.00	11.00	11.00	231.00	231.00	580.70	593.45
Jesup	9.00	9.00	2.25	2.25	47.25	47.25	120.25	130.25
Laurens	33.00	16.50	8.25	3.75	175.25	127.55	432.30	274.47
Mt. Pleasant	40.00	5.00	10.00	.....	210.00	130.00	533.40	341.47
Savannah	40.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	210.00	91.90	529.00	243.39
Tifton	31.00	31.00	7.75	7.75	162.75	162.75	408.05	408.30
Waycross	25.00	25.00	6.25	6.25	131.25	132.75	334.75	341.25
Wayne	50.00	50.00	12.50	12.50	262.50	471.64	656.10	471.64
Totals	\$390.00	\$308.50	\$97.50	\$78.00	\$2,049.50	\$2,021.41	\$5,151.85	\$4,389.37

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Item IX. Disbursed for Benevolences

Name of Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	W.Y.P.S.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Ashburn	.....	\$5.60	.....	.....	.....	\$113.70	\$119.97
Brunswick	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$37.00	785.70	822.70
Cordele	.....	10.00	.....	\$14.00	.....	284.52	306.52
Hortense	.....	.....	\$231.87	.....	.....	243.93	475.80
Jesup	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Laurens	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.18	33.18
Mt. Pleasant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	124.00	124.00
Savannah	\$5.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	25.00	35.00
Tifton	5.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	126.00	133.00
Waycross	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54.00	54.00
Wayne	.....	61.20	82.16	.....	.....	.....	143.36
Totals	\$10.00	\$76.80	\$314.03	\$16.00	\$42.00	\$1,790.03	\$2,247.53

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item X. Disbursed Totals					
Name of Charge	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Ashburn	\$1,114.27	\$74.96	\$325.90	\$119.97	\$1,635.10
Brunswick	3,298.18	3,064.10	1,054.70	822.70	8,239.68
Cordele	1,286.24	398.89	204.55	306.52	2,196.20
Hortense	2,266.50	611.67	593.45	475.80	3,947.42
Jesup	1,381.74	1,700.00	130.25	.....	2,212.02
Laurens	868.16	90.52	274.47	33.18	1,266.33
Mt. Pleasant	1,432.12	1,536.94	341.49	124.00	3,434.55
Savannah	1,875.65	674.09	243.39	35.00	2,828.13
Tifton	1,567.68	454.14	408.30	133.00	2,563.12
Waycross	753.33	346.20	341.25	54.00	1,594.78
Wayne	1,535.62	9,473.88	466.64	143.36	11,624.50
Totals	\$17,379.49	\$18,425.39	\$4,384.39	\$2,247.53	\$41,541.83

The Woman's Missionary Society

of the

South Georgia Conference

OFFICERS

President—Mrs. J. D. Day, Rt. 2, Brunswick, Ga.

Vice President—Mrs. Neal Palmer, 143 B. Garden Homes, Savannah, Ga.

Secretary—Mrs. Pearl Sapp, 2811 Wolf St., Brunswick, Ga.

Treasurer—Mrs. Annie Mae Davis, 177 W. Charleston St., Savannah, Ga.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Mrs. W. T. Brinson, 911 Howard St., Savannah, Ga.

Mission Study Secretary—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe, 2309 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.

Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Gertie McGraw, 2907 Norwich St., Brunswick, Ga.

MINUTES OF THE 1954 ANNUAL SESSION OF THE W.M.S.

The W.M.S. of the South Georgia Annual Conference met for a business meeting with the president, Mrs. Nadine Palmer, presiding.

The meeting was called to order by the president. She then introduced our General Conference president, Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph, who accepted the chair to continue business.

Mrs. Annie Mae Davis was appointed secretary pro tem, in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Pearl Sapp.

The meeting began by quoting promises after which we were led in prayer by Mrs. Reisdorph.

There was a motion made and carried, that those present be seated as delegates in the absence of the delegates.

There was a motion made and carried, that the first four seats in the middle of the tabernacle be used as a conference bar.

The president gave a report of her work through the year. Her report was accepted.

It was announced by the president that we would meet at 1:15 for the election of officers.

The Committee on Nominations, who consisted of Mrs. Mary Purvis, Mrs. Laura Horn, and Mrs. Nadine Palmer, read their report. Those

nominated for committee work were as follows:

Education—Mrs. Phillippe, Mrs. McGraw

Auditing—Mrs. Day, Mrs. Gilliard

Public Worship—Mrs. Elrod, Mrs. Highsmith

Statistics—Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Shelton

Memorials—Mrs. Doty, Mrs. Carter

Mrs. Reisdorph announced to us the following projects, which are now being prepared for use; a mile of dimes for collecting dimes, to be used for foreign mission projects, above budget: an enrollment of honorary students at Central College, for helping to meet the current expenses.

The meeting adjourned by limitation of time.

The W.M.S. ladies met for another meeting at the appointed time. Mrs. Nadine Palmer called the meeting to order, with prayer by Mrs. J. D. Day. Mrs. Palmer read the scripture, Acts 3:1-6.

Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph, was asked to continue with the business. Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Miller were appointed as tellers. The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. J. D. Day

Vice President—Mrs. Nadine Palmer

Secretary—Mrs. Pearl Sapp

Treasurer—Mrs. Annie Mae Davis

Y.M.W.B. Superintendent—Mrs. W. T. Brinson

Delegate to General Conference—Mrs. W. T. Brinson

Alternate Delegate—Mrs. W. L. Snellgrove

Study Teacher—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe

Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. A. J. McGraw

Mrs. Reisdorph gave us a very inspiring talk, and prayed with us. The meeting adjourned.

The W.M.S. ladies met for the third meeting of business Wednesday p.m. The newly elected president, Mrs. J. D. Day, called the meeting to order.

Mrs. W. L. Snellgrove led in prayer.

The president encouraged us to work more in the coming year than we ever have. She read a portion of scripture from the Psalms. The minutes were read and approved.

The following societies read their reports: Cordele, Mt. Pleasant, Waycross, Liberty, Hortense, Sylvester, Tifton, Savannah, Ashburn, Brunswick. The Y.M.W.B. Superintendent read her report. The treasurer gave her report. These reports were all adopted.

The society extended a rising vote of thanks to the treasurer for her several years of faithful labor. The meeting adjourned. Mrs. Davis dismissed with prayer.

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Society	Membership and Receipts															
	Active Members	Honorary Members	Gain Members	Loss Members	Total No. Meetings Held	Wesleyan Missionarys taken	Membership Dues	Offerings	From Labor	"Memorials"	Voucher Receipts	Other Sources	Administrative Fund	Total Receipts for Year	Old Balance from Last Year	Grand Total
Hortense	16	12	11	...	11	6	\$24.00	\$41.93	\$22.26	\$5.00	.....	\$128.99	\$4.00	\$226.18	\$2.00	\$228.18
Mt. Pleasant	15	5	1	...	10	4	20.10	8.00	3.19	1.56	.....	18.30	.....	51.15	.....	51.15
Waycross	10	2	...	...	12	2	10.00	19.67	17.13	.....	.....	5.50	.....	52.30	24.42	76.72
Ashburn	14	3	3	...	10	5	17.00	4.00	20.00	.....	.....	33.12	.....	74.12	6.95	81.07
Cordele	8	4	...	6	11	4	12.80	10.00	116.68	.....	.....	.....	.....	139.48	.....	139.48
Tifton	4	4	...	1	11	5	8.00	9.30	5.95	.....	\$61.00	14.20	.....	98.45	.....	98.45
Brunswick	28	8	...	6	23	11	36.00	173.05	164.68	.....	.....	398.60	.....	772.33	31.46	803.79
Savannah	10	...	2	...	14	4	10.00	3.14	16.17	.....	30.57	15.35	.....	75.23	.....	75.23
Browning	8	7	1	...	11	5	15.00	8.00	.....	.....	.....	21.50	.....	44.50	.....	44.50
Sylvester	4	...	...	...	11	1	8.67	6.86	.....	.....	.....	24.00	.....	39.53	.....	39.53
Liberty	13	...	...	...	10	8	12.50	46.29	92.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	151.40	4.00	155.40
Little Rock	9	3	...	...	...	...	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	15.00	.....	15.00
Totals	135	48	18	13	134	53	\$186.07	\$330.24	\$458.67	\$6.56	\$91.57	\$662.56	\$4.00	\$1,739.67	\$68.83	\$1,808.50

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W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Name of Society	Disbursements											Grand Total	
	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Hephzibah, Cash	Hephzibah, Provisions	Education, Cash	Education, Provisions	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Administrative Fund	Total Disbursements		New Balance on Hand
Hortense	\$12.00	\$45.93			\$15.00	\$88.99		\$24.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$194.92	\$33.26	\$228.18
Mt. Pleasant			\$8.00		12.19			20.10	10.86		51.15		51.15
Waycross					12.24		\$20.88	10.00	12.50		55.62	21.10	76.72
Ashburn	2.00	2.00						17.00	53.12		74.12	6.95	81.07
Cordele	27.50	30.01					43.97	12.80	25.20		139.48		139.48
Tifton					5.00			8.00	83.20		96.20	2.25	98.45
Brunswick	3.47		15.00		54.60		660.70	36.00	20.00		789.77	14.02	803.79
Savannah	18.17	9.40	14.00				6.05	10.00	16.61		74.23	1.00	75.23
Browning	5.00	3.00	1.00					15.00	20.50		44.50		44.50
Sylvester								8.67	30.00		38.67	.86	39.53
Liberty	21.60	21.60	5.00		7.80		85.00	12.50			153.50	1.90	155.40
Little Rock								12.00	3.00		15.00		15.00
Totals	\$89.74	\$111.94	\$43.00		\$106.83	\$88.99	\$816.60	\$186.07	\$279.99	\$4.00	\$1,727.16	\$81.34	\$1,808.50

The Twelfth Annual Convention

of the

South Georgia W. Y. P. S.

was held

July 12, 1954

at

Ashburn, Georgia

OFFICERS

President—Rev. W. M. Phillippe, 2309 Ellis Street, Brunswick, Georgia

**Vice President—Mrs. Okay Highsmith, 2204 Ellis Street, Brunswick,
Georgia**

Secretary—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe, 2309 Ellis Street, Brunswick, Georgia

Treasurer—Mrs. Ruby Day, Route 2, Brunswick, Georgia

MINUTES OF THE 1954 SESSION OF THE W.Y.P.S.

The twelfth annual W.Y.P.S. Conference convened at our Ashburn campground July 12, 1954 at 4:30 p.m.

The session opened with the conference president, Rev. Neal Palmer, presiding. We were led in a season of prayer by Rev. W. T. Brinson. Brother Quayle Barden led in singing and Rev. W. M. Phillippe conducted our devotions.

The credentials were read and delegates were seated within the bar which consisted of the two front rows of seats in the center section.

Minutes of the last conference were read by the secretary and approved.

Treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Okay Highsmith in the absence of Miss Day and the report was adopted.

No report from the president

Local societies reports from Brunswick, Mt. Pleasant, and Savannah were given and adopted. No report from Waycross.

Sister Davis and Sister Day were appointed tellers and the following conference officers were elected:

President—Rev. W. M. Phillippe

Vice President—Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Secretary—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe

Treasurer—Miss Ruby Day

At this point the new president and secretary took their places.

There was no old business.

New business included election of delegates to General Conference. Mrs. Phillippe was elected as delegate and Mrs. Neal Palmer elected as alternate.

Brother Brinson made the suggestion of sponsoring one pioneer tent meeting a year as a project for our conference W.Y.P.S. and it was voted to adopt this. We have an invitation from Brother Hord to go to Perry, Ga.

The possibilities of a convention or rally were discussed and an invitation was given by Rev. E. C. Moon to have one at the Mt. Pleasant church.

Thoughts about a youth camp were given and it was decided to lay some definite plans later in the year.

The president urged each church to have some type of evangelistic campaign during youth week.

It was moved to adjourn and the dismissal prayer was given by Rev. E. C. Moon.

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

W.Y.P.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Society	Active Members	Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth	Conference Dues	General Dues	Church Extension	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Local Work	Other Items—Orphanage	Conference Missions (Tent)	W.Y.P.S. Building Fund	Total Receipts Plus Balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
Brunswick	37	5	18	.....	\$37.00	\$4.00	\$27.73	\$12.74	\$86.72	\$10.00	\$80.00	\$5.00	\$321.62	\$263.19	\$58.43
Mt. Pleasant	7	3	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.96	10.00	1.96
Savannah	13	6	.....	\$17.00	9.00	.....	.....	.....	30.23	.....	.....	.....	56.62	56.23	.39
*Waycross															
Totals	57	18	21	\$17.00	\$56.00	\$4.00	\$27.73	\$12.74	\$116.95	\$10.00	\$80.00	\$5.00	\$390.20	\$329.42	\$60.78

* No report.