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Standing Rules

- No. 1 Date of Conference: The Annual session of the Lockport Annual Conference, Inc., shall convene the Tuesday evening following the first Sunday of June on Houghton Campgrounds.
- No. 2 Board of Trustees Report for Final Action: Resolved, That all matters involving the expenditures of money to be appropriated from the Conference Treasurer, be referred to the Board of Trustees for their consideration and to be reported back by them to the Conference for final action.
- No. 3 General Conference Delegate: Resolved, That it is the sense of the Lockport Conference that no person should accept the position as delegate to the General Conference unless he expects to be present during the entire session. The President is reguired to communicate this resolution to the delegates three weeks before the General Conference begins.
- No. 4 Pastor's Moving Expenses: The church calling a pastor to serve them shall pay his moving expenses to the charge. The same not to apply on his salary.
- No. 5 Statistical Report: April 30th shall be considered the close of the Conference year for statistical purposes. The pastor shall send to the Conference Treasurer all monies and receipts with both copies of their report made out (except the Budget Item, which the Treasurer will fill in and sign) by May 8. The Conference Treasurer in turn shall pass the reports to the Auditor of Statistical reports by May 15. The Auditor shall correct the reports and shall pass one copy to the Statistican and one copy back to the pastor by May 22. He shall also send the Budget Chairman the membership of the churches, Sunday schools, and the W.Y. The Statistician and Auditor shall give pastors opportunity to explain apparent errors till the time that Conference convenes.
- No. 6 Temperance, Sabbath Observance, and Public Morals: Resolved, 1. That we are definitely committed to the prohibition of the liquor traffic rather than its regulation. We consider that the legalizing of the liquor traffic is sin. We urge our people to do all within their power to elect men to public office who will outlaw the liquor traffic. 2. That we hereby affirm our belief and conviction that the Christian Sabbath was appointed as a day of rest and worship and should be so observed with resolute consistency. 3. That we believe that the highest and noblest conception of public morals is to be achieved through the regeneration of individuals rather than through the collective reformation of society. 4. That for the successful maintenance of the positions above indicated we are fully committed to the support of every valid effort for the preservation

of our denominational rights of free speech, a free press, and free religion against all encroachments of dictatorial regimentation of thought and action whether in State or Church.

- No. 7 Pastor's Vacation: Each charge shall grant to its pastor each year a two week's vacation with pay at a time he shall elect.
- No. 8 Passage of Ministerial Character: Character blanks are to be filled out in duplicate, one to be returned to the ministers, and the other to be given to the Pastoral Relations Committee. The pastor shall read Item 3 of his statistical report. The Statistician shall place his copy of the pastor's statistical report in a convenient place at conference where they may be examined by persons who are interested. When the pastor's name is called, he shall state that he has, or has not, passed in the examination of his character, and briefly state his religious experience, and report on his religious work. The delegate shall also be given the same opportunity.
- No. 9 Adjustment of Pastor's Salary: Resolved, That churches which enter into a financial agreement with the pastor shall when needful, make adjustment of this obligation at each quarterly meeting. A full settlement of the pastor's salary shall be made before the time of the Annual Conference. That the churches of the Conference be urged to pay mileage for the use of the pastor's car in church work at the rate established by the Conference trustees for conference work. Any financial agreement on salary entered into by a Church and pastor shall not be of force after the end of the Conference year for which it is made, unless it is renewed by the contracting parties. The financial obligation of each church to its pastor shall be in force throughout the Conference and Camp Meeting period, the Conference period to include the Sunday within or immediately following the Conference session. He shall receive his salary the same as if he were on the charge conducting services. The third Sunday of June shall be the first Sunday of the new Conference year.
- No. 10 Delegates' Credentials: It shall be the duty of the pastors to forward to the Conference Secretary not later than one week before the Annual Conference convenes the church (not missionary) delegates' credentials from his charge.
- No. 11 Budget Apportionment: The Budget Committee shall base their appointment of the budget for Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Education, and Hephizibah Orphanage on the rate per member recommended by the Board of Administration. The Sunday school budget shall be determined by the number of persons in the Main School, at the rate of fifteen cents a person for Denominational and three cents a person for Conference Sunday school work, the same to be listed as separate budget

items. The Conference budget shall be the sum recommended by the Board of Trustees, the same to be disbursed upon their recommendation and approval of Conference. The Conference Entertainment Budget shall be the amount recommended by the Board of Trustees, the same to be disbursed upon their recommendation and approval of Conference. The W. Y. budget shall be determined on the rate per active member of the W. Y. according to the Discipline; the Conference W. Y. Budget shall be determined on the rate set by the Conference W. Y. The Budget for the Conference President's salary shall be the amount recommended by the Board of Trustees, the same to be approved by the Conference.

- No. 12 Budget Credit: Nothing but cash shall count on the Sunday school, Conference, or Conference Entertainment budgets. Money paid on L.S.U. pledges, or interests paid on Educational Notes and all money paid for current expenses of Houghton College shall count on the Educational budget. Cash and receipts acceptable to the Missionary Boards shall count on Orphanage, Home and Foreign Missionary budgets.
- No. 13 Date for Taking Pastoral Vote: The pastoral vote shall be taken throughout the Conference the first Sunday following March 15.
- No. 14 Communion Service: The Conference Annual Communion Service will be observed on Tuesday evening following the preaching service, the communion table to be prepared by the stewards of the Houghton Church.
- No. 15 The Conference Missionary Board and Conference Board of Church Extension: 1. The annual Conference shall elect by ballot an Extension Secretary. This is to be a non-salaried office, receiving remunerations only for travel expenses and time spent away from regular duties in the interest of the church extension work.
- 2. The Annual Conference Missionary Board shall also serve as a Conference Board of Church Extension. Membership will include the President of the Conference, the President of the Conference Women's Missionary Society, the Conference Extension Secretary, and the President of the W. Y., these four ex-officio and two lay members elected by the Annual Conference. Whenever the offices of Conference President and Conference Extension Secretary are filled by the same person the sixthmember shall be an elder elected from the Conference floor.
 - 3. The duties of the Extension Secretary shall be:
 - A. To act as Chairman of the Conference Board of Church Extension, when this committee meets as such.
 - B. To have supervision, with the Conference Board of Church Extension, of the Conference Extension work.
 - C. To act also as Conference Secretary of Evangelism.
 - 4. The duties of the Conference Board of Church Extension shall be:

A. To survey the Lockport Conference territory to determine the most suitable location for extension projects.

B. To give general counseling as to the development of pioneer work in co-operation with the Conference President.

C. To allocate such funds as are received for the proposed designated projects.

D. To publicize throughout the local churches the work of the de-

E. To render to the Annual Conference a detailed report of the

work of the past year.

5. The treasurer of the Conference Board of Church Extension shall be elected by the Board from their number and be authorized to receive funds for this extension program, and that all funds be sent directly to the treasurer of the Conference Board of Church Extension.

6. That Pioneer Envelope plan shall be used as a means of raising funds for this program. All offerings and contributions received in extension service shall go into this fund.

- 7. All pioneer works and those organized works certified to the Board by the President and his Advisory Board shall be considered as eligible for assistance from the Conference Board of Church Extension. In general, it shall be policy not to give financial assistance to any work for a longer period than three years.
- No. 16 Fire and Extended Coverage Insurance on Owned Church Property: That it be required that each charge furnish the Chairman of the Board of Trustees (1) a copy of the deed of all church and parsonage properties, (2) a certificate of insurance on all church and parsonage properties and that this be brought up-to-date at each insurance renewal. Further, the Conference highly recommends that each charge obtain Fire and Extended Coverage Insurance on all owned church properties to cover at least 80% of the current appraisal value and it shall be the duty of each pastor to bring this recommendation before the local Board of Trustees.
- No. 17 The officers of the local church shall be elected in the month of April and their term of office shall be from May 1 to May 1.
- No. 18 All ministers receiving full time service credit shall belong to the Superannuate Pension Plan. The Federal Social Security shall be recognized as a substitute plan where such is to the advantage of the individual. They shall comply with the above within two years from the time they become eligible. It is recommended that the local church assist the pastors in belonging to the Federal Social Security who also belong to the Superannuate Pension Plan.

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Our Honored Dead

"How blest the righteous when he dies!

When sinks a weary soul to rest,

How mildly beams the closing eyes,

How gently heaves the expiring breast!"

Name and Date of Decease

J. Locke1867	P. H. Humphrey	1903
Southworth Phinney1867	George W. Steel	
George Riley1869	Ruben Dutcher	
Henry Norton1869	Alonzo B. Chamberlain	
J. Beadle1870	Edgar Fuller	
E. Bishop1870	George W. Cooper	
H. Bacon1871	Robert C. McConnell	
Jonathan Sibley1872	Nathan E. Heald	
J. M. Thorp1873	John L. Benton	
A. Jones1875	N. F. Robb	
E. Biglow1876	W. A. Hazlett	
David R. Douglas1881	George W. Clarke	
J. R. Jones1881	J. H. Woodhouse	
Z. T. Petty	B. S. Laughlin	
Emory Jones1886	J. R. Babcock	
Daniel W. Ball1886	W. A. Backus	
Thomas Osgood1890	George E. Bathurst	
J. D. Townsend1890	Jesse W. Steves	
James Ireland1894	Francis B. Markell	
Willard J. Houghton1896	Edward L. Elliot	.1940
Anna Perrine Clarke1896	Lynford J. Sicard	
W. R. Mearus1897	Charles H. Dow	
Jennie Groves1897	Noah R. Shaffer	1946
George F. Porter1898	D. W. Summers	
E. J. Poe1899	Gertrude Clocksin	
J. A. Thomas	Charles Sicard	
Willard C. Boardman1902	Ira W. George	

"Life's labor done, as sinks the clay,
Light from its load the spirit, flies,
When heaven and earth combine to say,
How blest the righteous when he dies."

The Lockport Annual Conference Incorporated

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President	Rev. Everett E. Elliott
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Northern District:

Chairman-Rev. Price P. Stark

Secretary-Treasurer-Rev. Nelson D. Crowell

Third Member-Clarence Blackwell

Charges—Ashwood, Batavia, Big Tree, Blossom, Buffalo, East Aurora, Ellicott, Hess Road, Lockport. Cleveland Drive and North Pembroke (Pioneer Points)

East Central:

Chairman-Rev. Milton Putnam

Secretary-Treasurer-Mrs. Adrian Everts

Third Member-Pastor of Host Church

(Charges-Belleville, Cadwells, Cuba, Fillmore, Higgins, Houghton, Machias, Oakland

West Central:

Chairman-Rev. Howard F. Parks

Secretary-Treasurer-Mrs. Robert Lewis

Third Member-Denton Mosher

Charges—Cattaraugus, East Leon, Forestville, Leon, Levant, Silver Creek

Southern District:

Chairman-Rev. George F. Kilpatrick

Secretary-Treasurer-Donnabelle Pagett

Charges—Bradford, Castle Garden, McRae Brook, Medix Run, Olean, Rich Valley, Wellsville

OFFICIAL BOARDS

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First Year Studies Edward D. Angell Term Expires 19. Second Year Studies Roy M. Gibbs Term Expires 19.	57 50			
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Fourth Year StudiesGeorge N. Osgood Term Expires 19:	59			
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James Ross Redstone, Treasurer and Contact Man Term Expires 195	59,			
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Conference Extension Secretary, Rev. R. Burnett Thompson, ((Chain man)	r–			
President of W. Y. Rev. Nelson D. Crowell, ex-officio (Treasurer	ď			
Conference Lay Member, Lawrence F. Olson	7			
Conference Lay Member, Dr. Robert R. Luckey				

STANDING COMMITTEES

- Advisory-J. R. Pitt, Robert R. Luckey

Judiciary Committee—Everett E. Elliott, Price P. Stark, Lloyd R. Mack, Roy M. Gibbs, George N. Osgood

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.Auditor Statistical Reports-Theodore R. Pagett

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Budget Apportionment-Theodore R. Pagett

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•Conference Entertainment—Wilbur Beers, David Shannon, Charles Wheeler

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Director of Child Evangelism-Milton Putnam

Opening Sermon-Paul F. Markell, Alternate-Milton Putnam

Committee on Evangelism—(Chairman) Gordon Wolfe, Adrian R. Everts, Charles Wheeler

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Ashwood:

Church-Platten Rd., Lyndonville, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. Eldyn B. Simons, Lyndonville, New York, Telephone Lyndonville 5554

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.—Mrs. Gertrude Verbridge, R. D., Medina, N. Y.

Church Treas.—Walter Eckler, Platten Road, Lyndonville, N. Y.

Lay Delegate-Mrs. Gertrude Verbridge, R. D., Medina, N. Y.

Batavia:

Church—315 W. Main St., Batavia, N. Y.

.Pastor—Rev. A. Gordon Wolfe, 317 W. Main St., Batavia, N. Y. Telephone 2271

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.—Charles Titus, Lewiston Road, Batavia, N. Y.

Church Treas.—Lawrence Ross, Genesee Road, Corfu, N. Y.

Lay Delegate—Mrs. Jennie Cade, R. D. 2, Batavia, N. Y.

.Belleville:

Church—Caneadea, N. Y., R. D. 2

Pastor-In Hands of President

Prayer Meeting-Thursday Evening

S. S. Supt.-Millard Luce, Caneadea, N. Y.

Church Treas.-Clair Baker, Caneadea, N. Y.

Lay Delegate-Millard Luce, Caneadea, N. Y.

Big Tree:

Church-West Fairview Pkwy., Buffalo 19, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. Clair A. Day, 32 W. Fairview Pkwy., Buffalo 19, N. Y. Telephone WO-4555

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.-Mrs. Marie Meek, Greenfield Pkwy., Buffalo 19, N. Y.

Church Treas.-Mrs. Vera Krecker, Highland Ave., Buffalo 19, N. Y.

Lay Delegate-Mrs. Vera Krecker, Highland Ave., Buffalo 19, N. Y. 7

Blossom:

Church-Blossom Road, Lancaster, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. Richard H. Weber, 1762 Como Park Blvd., Depew, N. Y.. Telephone REgent-5838

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.—Harvey Hughes, Transit Road, West Seneca, N. Y.

Church Treas.-Mrs. Marie Haess, 16 Vita Ave., Buffalo 25, N. Y.

Lay Delegate—Mrs. Pearl Croyel, 11 Wildwood, Buffalo, N. Y.

Bradford:

Church—Bishop and Boylston Sts., Bradford, Pa.

Pastor—Rev. I.loyd R. Mack, 51 Hobson Place, Bradford, Pa.. Telephone 7654

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.—Rudolph C. Nelson, 28 S. Kendall Ave., Bradford, Pa.

Church Treas.—Millard E. Cornelius, 111 William St., Bradford, Pa.

Lay Delegate—Mrs. Flora Wills, 182 Rutherford Run Road, Bradford, Pa. 3

Rudolph C. Nelson, 28 S. Kendall Ave., Bradford, Pa.

Buffalo:

Church-414 Glenwood Ave., Buffalo 8, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. James R. Redstone, 414 Glenwood Ave., Buffalo 8, N. Y. Telephone Grant 2019

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.-Mrs. Helen Redstone, 414 Glenwood Ave., Buffalo 8, N. Y.

Lay Delegate-Clare Brice, 369 Woodlawn Ave., Buffalo 8, N. Y.

Cadwells Corners:

Church—Cadwells Corners, Bliss, N. Y., R. D.

Pastor—In Hands of the President Frayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening S. S. Supt.—David Buck, Houghton, N. Y. Church Treas.—Jasper Buck, Bliss, N. Y. FLay Delegate—Jasper Buck, Bliss, N. Y.	l
Castle Garden: Church—Driftwood, Pa. on Route No. 555 Pastor—Rev. Theo. R. Pagett, Driftwood, Pa., R. D., Tel. 661	
Prayer Meeting—Thursday Evening S. S. Supt.—Miss Grace Jordan, Driftwood, Pa. Church Treas.—Miss Grace Jordan, Driftwood, Pa.	‡ -
Cattaraugus:	
Church—45 South Street, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. Robert B. Lewis, 43 South St., Cattaraugus, N. Y. Telephone Cattaraugus 7211	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening 'S. S. Supt.—Robert Passet, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Willard Houghton, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	
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℃uba:	
Church—13 North Park Street, Cuba, N. Y. Pastor—Rev. Adrian R. Everts, 11 North Park St., Cuba, N. Y. Tel. 291-J	
Prayer Meeting—Thursday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Mrs. Mariorie Waite, 6 Orchard St., Cuba, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Mrs. Vivian Dadd, R. D., Cuba, N. Y.	
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Harold Waite, 6 Orchard St., Cuba, N. Y.	1
East Aurora:	
Church—Main Street and Maple Road, East Aurora, N. Y. Pastor—Rev. Price P. Stark, Rev. Helen D. Stark, 27 Maple Road East Aurora, N. Y. Telephone 725-R	i,
Prayer Me eting—Thursday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Thomas Langendorfer, Cook Rd., East Aurora, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Russell Smith, Ostrander Rd., East Aurora, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Mrs. Ruth Hudson, 278 S. Grove St., East Aurora N. Y.	1, 2
East Leon: Church—Mosher Hollow Road, Cattaraugus, N. Y., R. D. 2	

Pastor—Rev. Howard F. Parks, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	
Telephone 7206 Cattaraugus	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Denton Mosher, R. D. 3, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Olin Harmon, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	5
Lay Delegate—Mrs. Mabel Moore, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	5
Ellicott:	
Church-1634 Ellicott Road, Orchard Park, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. Paul F. Markell, 1634 Ellicott Road, Orchard Park, N Telephone Idlewood 5792	Ι. Υ.
S. S. Supt.—Carl Nieman, West Falls, N. Y.	
Church TreasNewton Cullen, Orchard Park, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Clarence Blackwell, Hamburg, N. Y.	2
Fillmore:	
Church—Main St., Fillmore, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. David Shannon, Fillmore, N. Y., Telephone 73-X	
Prayer Meeting—Thursday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Carl Aylor, Fillmore, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Miss Mildred Gillette, Houghton, New York	4
Lay Delegate—Mrs. Clarissa Sciera, Fillmore, N. Y.	4
Won Crandall, Fillmore, N. Y.	_
Mrs. Bessie Akers, Fillmore, N. Y.	•
Forestville:	
Church—Prospect Road, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y.	
Telephone, South Dayton 3619	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Lawrence F. Olson, South Dayton, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Miles Wolfe, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate-Mrs. Merlin Jones, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y.	6
Mrs. Mary Wolfe, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y.	-
Hess Road:	
Church—Hess Road, Appleton, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. Nelson D. Crowell, Appleton, N. Y.,	
Telephone, Lockport, SPring 89145	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Gordon Strong, Appleton, N. Y.	•
Church Treas.—Miss Martha Parker, Appleton, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Robert George, R. D., Newfane, N. Y.	
Higgins:	
Church—Centerville Road, Higgins, N. Y.	22
Pastor-Rev. Milton Putnam, R. D., Freedom, Tel. Fillmore 70F	44

Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Harmon Miller, R. D. 2, Fillmore, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Mrs. Ellen Cooley, R. D., Freedom, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Mrs. Verna Everson, Hume, N. Y.	5
Mrs. Betty Crowell, R. D., Freedom, N. Y.	4
Houghton:	
Church—South River Road, Houghton, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. Edward D. Angell, Houghton, N. Y.,	
Telephone: Residence, Fillmore 111-F-11; Church 50-F-14	
Prayer Meeting—Thursday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—James Hurd, Houghton, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Howard Eyler, Houghton, N. Y.	
Lay Delegates—Mrs. Bertha Eyler, Houghton, N. Y.	5
Dr. Robert R. Luckey, Houghton, N. Y.	7
Stephen W. Paine, Houghton, N. Y.	4
Wilfreda Paine, Houghton, N. Y.	7
Josephine Rickard, Houghton, N. Y.	7
Mildred Woolsey, Houghton, N. Y.	7
Inez Young, Houghton, N. Y.	7
Leon:	·
Church—Leon, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. Mrs. Geneva M. Pritchard, Leon, N. Y.	
Telephone, 4:01 Cherry Creek	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Mrs. Geneva M. Pritchard, Leon, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Floyd Harmon, Leon, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Clarence Pritchard, Leon, N. Y.	3
Levant:	
Church—Falconer, N. Y., Route 17	
Pastor-Rev. Daniel A. Heinz, Falconer, N. Y., R. D.	
Telephone, Jamestown 52-190	
Prayer Meeting—Thursday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Archie R. Crapo, Falconer, N. Y., R. D.	
Church Treas.—Miss E. Roach, 136 E. Elmwood, Falconer, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Archie R. Crapo, R. D., Falconer, N. Y.	7
Lockport:	
Church—Chestnut Ridge Road, Lockport, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. A. J. Taylor, Lockport, N. Y., R. D. 4,	
Telephone, Lockport 3-8569	
Prayer Meeting—Thursday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Raymond Aker, Stone Road, Lockport, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—John Jesson, Washburn St., Lockport, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—W. F. Barnett, R. D. 4, Lockport, N. Y.	2

Machias:	
Church—School Street, Machias, N. Y.	
Pastor-Miss Nancy White Supply, Machias, N. Y.	
Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Margaret Cornwall, Machias, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Charles Orr, Machias, N. Y.	
Lay Delegates-Edward Mitchell, Machias, N. Y.	6
Mrs. C. J. White, Houghton, N. Y.	5
Medix Run:	
Church—Medix Run Road	
Pastor-Rev. Theodore R. Pagett, Driftwood, Pa., Tel. 661	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Mrs. Zola Huff, Weedville, Pa.	
Church Treas.—Mrs. Blanche Turley, Weedville, Pa.	
Lay Delegate-Miss Donnabelle Pagett, Driftwood, Pa.	7
McRae Brook:	
Church—McRae Brook Road, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa.	
Pastor—Rev. Ray Strawser, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa., Tel. 235R12	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Jerry Crocker, Eldred, Pa.	
Church Treas.—Mrs. Jessie Bell, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa.	
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Lay Delegates—Mrs. Leva Crocker, Mechanic St., Eldred, Pa.	5 7
Mrs. Carrie McDowell, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa.	/
Oakland:	
Church—Nunda, N. Y., Portage Road	
Pastor—Rev. George N. Osgood, Nunda, N. Y., R. D. 1,	
Telephone Nunda 1451	
Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Mrs. Olive Cox, Dalton, N. Y., R. D.	
Church TreasMelvin Hulin, Nunda, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate-Mrs. Ethel Simpson, Dalton, N. Y.	1
Olean:	
Church—415 School St., Olean, N. Y.	
Pastor—Rev. George F. Kilpatrick, 401 Fourth Ave., Olean, N. Y	•
Telephone, 5677	
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday Evening	
S. S. Supt.—Alfred McKuhn, 409 Madison Ave., Olean, N. Y.	
Church Treas.—Richard George, 612 King St., Olean, N. Y.	
Lay Delegate—Mrs. Zada Huff, R. D., Indiana Ave., Olean, N. Y.	5
Rich Valley:	
Church-Four Miles from Emporium on Rich Valley Road	
Pastor-Rev. Wilbur Beers, R. D. 1, Emporium, Pa., Tel. 22-696	

Prayer Meeting-Tuesday Evening

S. S. Supt.-Mrs. Mary Beers, Rich Valley Road, Emporium, Pa.

Church Treas.—Mrs. Inez Ruberto, Portage St., Emporium, Pa.

Lay Delegate—Mrs. Inez Ruberto, Portage St., Emporium, Pa.

Silver Creek:

Church-56 Buffalo St., Silver Creek, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. R. Burnett Thompson, 43 Adams St., Silver Creek, N. Y. Telephone, 619

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Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.—Evans Mitchell, Irving, N. Y.

Church Treas.—Evans Mitchell, Irving, N. Y.

Lay Delegate-Mildred Foster, Hanover Road, Silver Creek, N. Y. 1

Wellsville:

Church-211 W. State St., Wellsville, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. Alton J. Shea-211 W. State St., Wellsville, N. Y. Telephone, 1266-W

Prayer Meeting-Thursday Evening

S. S. Supt.-Miss Lillian Simons, Allentown, N. Y.

Church Treas.-Vernon Atkins, Scott St., Wellsville, N. Y.

Lay Delegate-Mrs. William Barker, Alfred, N. Y.

Cleveland Drive Pioneer Work:

Church-1259 Cleveland Drive, Cheektowaga 25, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. Carl Schultz. 33 Matthew Lane, Cheektowaga 25, N. Y. Telephone SPring 6142

Prayer Meeting-Wednesday Evening

S. S. Supt.—Harvey Compo, 3613 Harlem Road, Cheektowaga 25, N. Y. Church Treas.—Robert DeNearing, 41 Montfort Dr., Cheektowaga 25,

N. Y.

Hamburg Pioneer Work:

Location-Hamburg, N. Y.

Pastor—Rev. Paul F. Markell, 1634 Ellicott Road, Orchard Park, N. Y. Telephone, Idlewood 5792

North Pembroke Pioneer Work:

Location-North Pembroke, N. Y.

Pastor-Calvin Alt, R. D., North Pembroke, Batavia, N. Y.

Conference Roll

(Listed Alphabetically)

Elders Serving Pastoral Appointments

1.	Rev. Edward D. Angell, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. Residence, Fill-	
_	more 111-F-11; Church Office, 50-F-14	3
2.	Rev. Wilbur E. Beers, Rich Valley Road, R. D. 1, Emporium, Pa.	
	Tel. 22-696	5
3.	Rev. Nelson D. Crowell, Hess Road, R. D., Appleton, N. Y., Tel.	
	Lockport, SPring 89145	6
4.	Rev. Clair A. Day, 32 W. Fairview Pkwy, Buffalo 19, N. Y., Tel.	
	WO-4555	6
5.	Rev. Adrian R. Everts, 11 North Park St., Cuba, N. Y., Tel.	
	291-J	7
6.	Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y., Tel. South Day-	
	ton, 3619	6
7.	Rev. Daniel A. Heinz, Levant Road, Falconer, N. Y., Tel. James-	
	town 52-190	7
8.	Rev. George F. Kilpatrick, 401 Fourth Avenue, Olean, N. Y., Tel.	
	5677	6
9.	Rev. Robert B. Lewis, 43 South St., Cattaraugus, N. Y., Tel. 7211	6
10.	Rev. Lloyd R. Mack, 51 Hobson Place, Bradford, Pa., Tel. 7654	7
11.	Rev. Paul F. Markell, 1634 Ellicott Road, Orchard Park, N. Y.,	
	Tel. Idlewood 5792	4
12.	Rev. George N. Osgood, R. D., Nunda, N. Y., Tel. Nunda 4451	7
13.	Rev. Theodore R. Pagett, Driftwood, Pa., R. D., Tel. 661	4
14.	Rev. Howard F. Parks, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y., Tel. Catta-	
	raugus 7206	5
l 5.	Rev. Mrs. Geneva M. Pritchard, Leon, N. Y., Tel. Cherry Creek,	
	4401	4
16.	Rev. Milton Putnam, R. D., Freedom, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 70-F-22	6
17.	Rev. James Ross Redstone, 414 Glenwood Ave., Buffalo 8, N. Y.,	
	Tel. Grant 2019	7
18.	Rev. Carl Schultz, 33 Matthew Lane, Cheektowaga 25, N. Y.,	
	Tel. SPring 6142	4
19.	Rev. David Shannon, Main St., Fillmore, N. Y., Tel. 73-X	6
20.	Rev. Alton J. Shea, 211 W. State St., Wellsville, N. Y., Tel.	_
	1266W	5
21.	Rev. Eldyn B. Simons, R. D., Lyndonville, N. Y., Tel. Lyndon-	_
	ville 5554	1
22.	Rev. Price P. Stark, 27 Maple Road, East Aurora, N. Y., Tel 725-R	5
23.	Rev. Mrs. Helen D. Stark, 27 Maple Road, East Aurora, N. Y.,	

	Tel. 725-R	3
24.	Rev. Ray A. Strawser, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa., Tel. 235-R-12	7
25.	Rev. Arthur J. Taylor, R. D. 4, Lockport, N. Y., Tel. Lockport	
	3-8569	4
26.	Rev. R. Burnett Thompson, 43 Adams St., Silver Creek, N. Y.,	
	Tel. 619	4
27.	Rev. Richard H. Weber, 1762 Como Pk. Blvd., Depew, N. Y.,	
20	Tel. Regent 5838	2
28.	Rev. A. Gordon Wolfe, 317 W. Mam St., Datavia, N. 1., 1el 22/1	_
	Elders Serving Other Appointments	
1.	Dr. C. I. Armstrong, Houghton, N. Y.	4
2.	Rev. Glenn W. Barnett, Port Margot, Haiti, W. I	
3.	Rev. Miss Mary E. Bennett, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 104-F-3	7
4.	Rev. Marion Birch, Bendembu, via Makeni, Sierra Leone, W.	•
٦.	Africa	
5.	Rev. Everett E. Elliott, Houghton, N. Y., Fillmore 111-F-32	
•	(President of Conference)	7
6.	Rev. Robert Knowlton, % Asbury Seminary, Wilmore, Ky	5
7.	Rev. Robert N. Lytle, Apartado 233 (regular mail) or Apartado	
	94 (air mail) Medellin, Colombia, S. A	
8.	Rev. Ernest Nichols, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 148-F-11	3
9.	Rev. Warren Woolsey, Bendembu, via Makeni, Sierra Leone,	
	W. Africa	
10.	Rev. Charles Wheeler, R. D. 1, Wellsville, N. Y., Tel. 4259-W-4	O
	Elders on Superannuate List	
1.	Rev. Harry J. Bullock, Emporium, Pa., R. D.	
2.	Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 84-F-24	4
3.	Rev. A. A. Hickok, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 33-F-23	2
4.	Rev. Mrs. Zelia Johnson, Caneadea, N. Y., R. D	
5.	Rev. William N. Osgood, 611/2 Montcalm St., Glen Falls, N. Y	5
6.	Rev. J. R. Pitt, Houghton, N. Y.	4
7.	Rev. William Readett, % Mrs. Ruth Whittaker, 1839 Barry Ave.,	
•	Los Angeles 25, Calif.	-
8.	Rev. Mrs. Mae K. Shaffer, Fillmore, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 19-F-2 Rev. Frank C. Taylor, Rushford, N. Y.	6
9. 10.	Rev. C. J. White, Machias, N. Y.	3
10.	1007. C. J. Wille, Machies, 11. 1.	•
	Elders on Reserve List	
1.	Rev. Clarence Barnett, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. Fillmore 86-F-4	7

Elders on Unstationed List

1.	Rev. H. C. Burchel, Munday, West Virginia	5
2.	Rev. Miss Anna L. Fillmore, 8394 Melody Lane, Rt. 2, Northfield,	
3.	Ohio	
4.	Rev. Peter D. Miller, Aligandi, San Blas, Rep. de Panama	
5.	Rev. Howard McKenzie, 511 Church St., Athens, Pa	4
6.	Rev. Cecil Russell, Houghton, N. Y., Tel. 32-F-5	2
7.	Rev. Gordon L. Thurber, Middleport, N. Y., R. D.	
	Annual Conference Preacher	
1.	Ralph Betters, Angelica, N. Y.	
	Deaconness	
1.	Mrs. Clara Stoddard, 18 Franklin St., Cattaraugus, N. Y	
	Occupational and Lay Missionaries	
1.	Mrs. Glenn Barnett, Port Margot, Haiti, W. I.	
2.	Mrs. Marion Birch, Bendembu, via Makeni, Sierra Leone, W. Africa	
3.	Miss Pearl Crapo, Port Margot, Haiti, W. I.	
4.	Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Knowlton, Kamabai, via Makeni, Sierra Leor	ıe,
	W. Africa	•
5.	Mrs. Robert N. Lytle, Apartado 233 (regular mail) Apartado 9	64
	(air mail), Medellin, Colombia, S. A.	
6.	Mrs. Warren Woolsey, Bendembu, via Makeni, Sierra Leone, W.	
	Africa	
7.	Mrs. Hazel Orvel Yontz, Barra-BO-Corda, Merenhao, Brazil, S. A.	

(Listed in Chronological Order)

Elders on Stationed List

1.	Arthur J. Taylor	11.	Daniel A. Heinz
2.	C. I. Armstrong	12.	Marion Birch
3.	George N. Osgood	13.	Ernest Nichols
4.	Adrian R. Everts	14.	Paul F. Markell
5.	Everett E. Elliottt	15.	Price P. Stark
6.	Mary E. Bennett	16.	Helen D. Stark
7.	Robert N. Lytle	17.	Geneva M. Pritchard
8.	A. Gordon Wolfe	18.	Warren Woolsey
9.	Roy M. Gibbs	19.	Theodore R. Pagett
10.	Eldyn B. Simons	20.	James Ross Redstone

21.	Lloyd R. Mack	30.	Howard F. Parks
22.	George F. Kilpatrick	31.	David Shannon
23.	R. Burnett Thompson	32.	Milton Putnam
24.	Glenn W. Barnett	33.	Wilbur Beers
	Edward D. Angell	34.	Carl Schultz
	Nelson D. Crowell	35.	Robert B. Lewis
	Richard E. Weber	36.	Robert Knowlton
	Clair A. Day	37.	Ray Strawser
	Alton I. Shea	38.	Charles Wheeler

Elders on Reserve List

1. Clarence Barnett

Elders on Superannuated List

1.	Walter Readett	6.	Maurice A. Gibbs
2.	Zelia Johnson	7.	Mae K. Shaffer
3.	William N. Osgood	8.	Clarence J. White
4.	J. R. Pitt	9.	A. A. Hickok
5.	Harry I. Bullock	10.	Frank C. Taylor

Elders on Unstationed List

1.	Howard McKenzie	5.	Peter D. Miller
2.	Vernon D. Hoffman	6.	H. C. Burchel
3.	Anna L. Fillmore	7.	Gordon L. Thurber
4.	Cecil Russell		

Annual Conference Preacher

1. Ralph Betters

Deaconness

1. Mrs. Clara Stoddard

Journal of Daily Proceedings

The Lockport Annual Conference, Inc., of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America convened for its 95th Session on Houghton Campgrounds at Houghton, N. Y., on June 5, 1956 at 7 p. m. E.D.T.

Opening—The President, the Rev. E. E. Elliott, called the Conference to order, and led the singing. The Rev. Clair Day led in prayer.

Roll Call—The roll of ministers was called. Twenty-nine were marked present.

Committee on Credentials—The Committee on Credentials made its report which was accepted.

Roll Call—The roll of delegates was called and 14 marked present.

Bar of Conference—The bar of Conference was fixed as follows: The first eight rows of seats in the second and third sections of the auditorium.

Committee on Temporary Organization—The Committee on Temporary Organization made its report, which was adopted with substitutions. (See Report No. 1)

Committee on Religious Services—The Committee on Religious Services made its report, which was adopted. (See Report No. 2)

Time of Meeting—The time for the opening and closing of the Conference was fixed as follows: The morning meeting opening at 8:30 a.m., adjourning at 11:00 a.m. for committee work; the afternoon meeting opening at 1:30 p.m. and closing by vote of the Conference.

Rescinded Action—Motion prevailed that the action of last conference designating Roy Gibbs as Chairman of the Budget Committee be rescinded.

Committee on Courtesies—The Committee on Courtesy presented Dr. F. R. Birch, Secretary of the Foreign Missions Department.

Orders of the Day—The election of Conference Officials was made an Order of the Day for Thursday morning following devotional service.

Communications—Communications from Warren Woolsey, Robert N. Lytle, Myrtle B. Squire, and Marion Birch were read. The Secretary was instructed to send greetings to all from whom communications are received during this session.

Ruling, Character Blank—The President ruled that pastors of churches sign the character blank on line designated, "delegate", as printed under section VI, Statistics.

Adjournment—Adjournment by motion. The Rev. Clarence Barnett led in prayer.

Wednesday Morning Meeting, June 6, 1956

Opening—The meeting was called to order by the President, the Rev. E. E. Elliott. The Rev. Clarence Barnett led devotions with the President leading the singing.

Roll Call—The roll call was called and the Minutes approved with correction.

President's Report—The Rev. Geo. N. Osgood, Treasurer, was called to the chair and the President read his report which was adopted with rising vote of appreciation. (See Report No. 3)

Motion prevailed that appreciation be also expressed to the President for the letter of May 29 mailed to all pastors.

The President submitted the following recommendations which were adopted: (1) That we elect from the floor, in this Wednesday morning meeting, a Committee on Standing Rules, the same to bring in a report atoday stating and clarifying the position of the Conference relative to the Pension Plan, and a rule declaring the time of the election of local church officers and their period of service in accordance with paragraph 165 of the 1955 Discipline. (2) That our goals for membership increase be a 5% increase in the area of full membership, and a 10% increase in associate and junior memberships and that these goals be apportioned to the local churches. (3) That we recognize the New York State Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism as our agency in the field of alcohol education and that we urge our pastors to support this program through local church channels.

Centennial Committee—The President returned to the chair and motion prevailed that a Centennial Committee be elected during this Conference session to consider centennial program, report covering plans and procedures to be made at next session of conference.

Committee on Courtesies—The Committee on Courtesy presented Mrs. F. R. Birch, former missionary to Africa, also Prof. Robert Terrey, faculty member of Houghton College.

Committee on Post Office Addresses—Motion prevailed that the name of Donnabelle Pagett be added to the Committee on Post Office Addresses.

Temporary Organization—Motion prevailed that nominations for Committee on Standing Rules be referred to the Committee on Temporary Organization.

Budget Committee Chairman—Motion prevailed that Robert B. Lewis be made chairman of the Budget Committee.

Excused—Alton J. Shea and J. R. Pitt were excused to attend the funeral for the Rev. David Anderson.

N. H. A. Report—The Vice-President was called to the chair and the President gave his report as delegate to the National Holiness Association. The report was adopted.

Centennial Committee—Motion prevailed that a Committee of five be elected to serve on the Centennial Committee with the Rev. Everett E. Elliott, chairman. Motion prevailed that the following serve on the committee: Mary E. Bennett, second member, Archie R. Crapo, third member, Dr. Robert R. Luckey, fourth member, and Dr. Josephine Rickard, fifth

member.

Treasurer Blue Cross—The President returned to the chair and the Treasurer of the Blue Cross Plan gave his report which was adopted, subject to the approval of the Auditing Committee. (See Report No. 4)

Treasurer Pension Board—Treasurer of the Pension Board made his report which was adopted. (See Report No. 5)

Recess and Adjournment—It was voted that the Conference recess for committee work and by common consent declared to be adjourned at 11 a.m. The Rev. George F. Kilpatrick led in prayer.

Wednesday Afternoon Meeting, June 6, 1956

Opening—The meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, the Rev. Price P. Stark. The Rev. Frank C. Taylor led devotions.

Roll Call—The President returned to the chair and the roll was called—Substitution—The names of Mrs. Mabel Moore and Robert George were substituted for the names of Olin Harmon and Gordon Strong on the roll of delegates.

Temporary Organization—The Committee on Temporary Organization reported nominations for the Committee on Standing Rules. This was adopted, committee to be as follows: Price P. Stark, David Shannon, Theodore R. Pagett, James Ross Redstone, and Milton Putnam.

Statistical Report—The Statistician made his report which was adopted. (See Report No. 6)

Itinerator—The Business Manager of the Itinerator read his report which was adopted. (See Report No. 7)

Treasurer Board of Trustees—The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees gave his report which was adopted. (See Report No. 8)

Names Called—The name of Robert B. Lewis was called and his character passed. Jasper Buck reported for the Cadwells charge. The names of Arthur J. Taylor and C. I. Armstrong were called and their characters passed.

Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. Roger E. Bohall, Field Secretary of the New York State Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism. Motion prevailed that an Order of the Day be made to hear Mr. Bohall report his work at 3:30 p.:n.

Names Called—The name of George N. Osgood was called and his; character passed.

Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented Chaplain Beverly Barnett of the United States Air Force.

Names Called—The names of Richard E. Weber, Frank C. Taylor, Adrian R. Everts, Carl Schultz, Edward D. Angell, and Daniel Heinz were called and their characters passed.

Names Called—The Vice-President was called to the chair and the names of Ernest Nichols, George F. Kilpatrick, and Lloyd R. Mack were

called and their characters passed.

Orders of Day—The President returned to the chair. The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the Rev. Roger E. Bohall presented his work.

Committee on Standing Rules—The Committee on Standing Rules reported as follows: (1) We recommend that Standing Rule No. 17 be as follows: The officers of the local church shall be elected in the month of April and that their term of office be from May 1 to May 1. This recommendation was adopted. (2) We recommend that Standing Rule No. 18 be as follows: That all ministers receiving full time service credit shall belong to the superannuate Pension Plan. The Federal Social Security shall be recognized as a substitute plan where such is to the advantage of the individual. They shall comply with the above within two years from the time they become eligible.

It is recommended that the local church assist the pastors in belonging to the Federal Social Security who also belong to the superannuate Pension Plan. This recommendation was adopted.

Names Called—The names of Clair Day, David Shannon, Price P. Stark, Ray Strawser, Theodore R. Pagett, and Howard F. Parks were called and their characters passed.

Committee on Temporary Organization—Motion prevailed that the nomination to cover election of member to the Houghton College Local Board of Trustees be referred to the Committee on Temporary Organization.

Adjournment-Adjourned by motion. Robert B. Lewis led in prayer.

Thursday Morning Meeting, June 7, 1956

Opening—The meeting was called to order by the President. The Rev. James Ross Redstone conducted the Tithing Service.

Roll Call—The roll was called and the Minutes approved as corrected.

Substitution—The name of Mrs. Maud Bovey was substituted for Mrs.

Ella Schoonover.

Order of the Day—The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the Conference proceeded to the election of Conference officials. The chair appointed as tellers: Milton Putnam, Robert Knowlton, Charles Wheeler, Robert R. Luckey, Donnabelle Pagett, Secretary and assistant Secretary.

Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented Harold Vorge, assistant to the President of Houghton College.

Temporary Organization—The Committee on Temporary Organization nominated Everett E. Flliott, to serve as ministerial member on the Houghton College Board of Trustees for term of two years. Edward D. Angell, alternate for term of two years. Elmer V. Hudson, lay member for term of four years and Dr. Homer J. Fero, alternate, term of four years. Motion prevailed that the report be received.

Temporary Organization—The name of Mrs. Mabel Moore was substituted for the name of Olin Harmon on the Committee on Boundaries.

By ballot the Conference elected the following officers:

_	Votes Cast	Votes: Rec'd.
President Everett E. Elliott	61	57
Vice President Price P. Stark	61	45·
Secretary Mary E. Bennett	61	601
TreasurerGeorge N. Osgood	59	55;
Sunday School Secretary Paul F. Markell	59	52:
Conf. Ext. SecretaryR. Burnett Thompson	56	52:
Committee on Itineracy and		
OrdersDaniel A. Heinz	54	46
(Term Expires 1960)		
Board of Trustees Everett E. Elliott	53	46
(Term Expires 1959)		
Board of TrusteesArchie R. Crapo	51	36
(Term Expires 1959)		
Board of TrusteesRudolph C. Nelson	54	38
(Term Expires 1959)		
Houghton College local Board		
of TrusteesEverett E. Elliott	48	45
(Term Expires 1958)		
Houghton College local Board		
of TrusteesEdward D. Angell, alternate	51	4 7
(Term Expires 1958)		
Houghton College local Board		
of TrusteesElmer V. Hudson	48	33
(Term Expires 1960)		
Houghton College local Board		
of TrusteesDr. Homer J. Fero, alternate	50	39
(Term Expires 1960)		
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Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. A. L. Bray, President of Illinois Conference.

Motion prevailed that voting be continued by acclamation and the following were elected: Lay Member Conference Missionary Board and Board of Church Extension, Lawrence F. Olson; first lay member, Robert R. Luckey; second lay member, Ministerial member Pension Board, James Ross Redstone; Tithing Secretary, James Ross Redstone; Statistician, Ray Strawser; Educational Secretary, Charles Wheeler; Secretary Wesleyan Men's League, Adrian R. Everts; Card Call Secretary, Milton Putnam; Treasurer Blue Cross, George F. Kilpatrick; Delegate to National Association of Evangelicals Convention, 1957, Lloyd R. Mack; alternate, Price P. Stark, 1957, Roy M. Gibbs; alternate, A. J. Taylor.

Motion prevailed that nominations for Standing Committee be re-

ferred to the Committee on Temporary Organization.

Advisory Board—The President nominated the Rev. J. R. Pitt and Dr. Robert R. Luckey to serve on his Advisory Board for the ensuing year. This was approved by vote of Conference.

Assistant Secretary—The Secretary nominated Ray Strawser as assistant secretary and by vote of the Conference he was declared elected.

Director of Child Evangelism—The Director of Child Evangelism made his report which was accepted. (See Report No. 9)

Card Call—The Card Call Secretary reported 384 card call subscribers, an increase of 125% over last year's record of 171. This report was adopted.

Bell for Tabernacle—Motion prevailed that the Conference pay 50% toward purchase of new bell for the tabernacle building, amount to be kept within reasonable limit.

Names Called—The names of Roy M. Gibbs, James Ross Redstone, Nelson D. Crowell, Mrs. Geneva M. Pritchard and Clarence Barnett were called and their characters passed.

Adjournment—Adjourned by limitation of time. The Rev. Richard Weber led in prayer.

Thursday Afternoon Meeting, June 7, 1956

Opening—After attendance at the burial service of the Rev. David Anderson, former pastor of the Lockport Conference, Conference assembled at the call of the chair. In accordance with further Orders of the Day, Dr. F. R. Birch, Secretary of Foreign Missions Department, brought a fine denominational address.

Roll Call-The roll was called.

Treasurer's Report—The Conference Treasurer made his report which was adopted. (See Report No. 10)

Standing Rules—Motion prevailed that the question concerning time of moving from one pastoral appointment to another, and the formulation of a uniform system of reporting pastoral receipts covering cost of utilities, telephone rental, car mileage and ancilliary where paid by the church be referred to the Committee on Standing Rules.

Conference Minutes—Motion prevailed that page two of the printed Annual Conference Minutes carry table of contents or index.

Motion Referred to Secretary—Motion prevailed that motion relating to the replacing of the Conference Roll now listed in the printed Minutes in chronological order with a listing in alphabetical order, according to classification, be referred to the Secretary for clarification before further discussion by the body.

Wesleyan Youth Officers—The officers designated by the annual W.Y. Convention were approved.

Names Called-The names of Wilbur Beers, Eldyn B. Simons, Alton

J. Shea, H. C. Burchel, and A. Gordon Wolfe were called and their characters passed.

Adjournment-Adjourned by motion.

Friday Morning Meeting, June 3, 1956

Opening—The Conference was called to order by the President, the Rev. E. E. Elliott. Robert Lewis led in prayer. The President introduced the Rev. J. Walden Tysinger, President of Houghton Academy who presented the work of the Academy.

Roll Call—The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.'

Delegate Seated—Mildred Foster, delegate from Silver Creek, was:
seated.

Standing Rules—The Committee on Standing Rules brought in its report. Motion prevailed that the report be considered in three parts. (1) That for the time being the pastor's parsonage utilities, when such is received, be reported under parsonage rent, and that travel expense be included under church incidentals. This was adopted by vote of the Conference. (2) That we recommend to the next session of the General Conference the following: Under Paragraph 177, No. 12, Item VI, "Disbursed for Pastor" that a line be added and labeled "Utilities and Traveling Expense." Motion covering the third section of the report dealing with the question concerning time of moving from one pastoral appointment to another was lost by vote of Conference.

Referred Motion—The Secretary presented motion referred to her for clarification, as follows: That the Conference Roll now listed in the printed Minutes in chronological order be replaced with a listing in alphabetical order, according to classification, and that a classified chronological listing without addresses be added to the Annual Conference Minutes. By vote-of Conference the motion was passed.

Report on Boundaries—The Committee on Boundaries recommended that the name of the Cheektowaga work be changed to the Cleveland Drive-Church. By a vote of Conference this was approved.

Names Called—The names of Helen D. Stark, Paul F. Markell, Milton Putnam, Howard McKenzie, Charles Wheeler, and R. Burnett Thompson were called and their characters passed.

Budget Apportionment—Motion prevailed that the report of the-Budget Apportionment Committee be adopted, subject to posting. (See Report No. 11)

Report of Church Missionary Board and Board of Church Extension— The Extension Secretary read the report of the Church Missionary Board and Board of Church Extension which was adopted. (See Report No. 12). A rising vote of thanks was tendered in recognition of the ardent labors: expended by the Rev. R. Burnett Thompson.

Organization—The Pension Board reported its organization.

Adjournment—Adjourned by limitation of time. The Rev. Frank C. Taylor led in prayer.

Friday Afternoon Meeting, June 8, 1956

Opening—The President called the Conference to order. The Rev. Edward D. Angell led in prayer. Dr. Stephen W. Paine brought a fine educational address.

Roll Call-The roll was called.

Leader's Conference—The Vice-President was called to the chair and the President gave his report of the Leader's Conference held at Central, South Carolina, April 16-19. The report was adopted. His character was passed.

Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. Edward Burton of the Department of Public Relations, Houghton College; also, Miss Nancy White, assistant to Batavia pastor.

Committee on Evangelism—Chairman of the Committee on Evangelism reported for the committee. The report was adopted.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders—The Secretary of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders read its report. Section one recommending ordination of elders was adopted by vote of elders only. Section two was adopted by vote of the Conference. (See Report No. 13)

Standing Committees—The Committee on Temporary Organization reported nomination for Standing Committees. Motion prevailed that the report be adopted. (See Front of Minutes)

Sunday School Secretary's Report—The Sunday School Secretary made his report which was adopted with a rising vote of thanks. (See Report No. 14)

Appreciation—The Secretary was instructed to send notes of appreciation or sympathy as indicated to the following: Dr. R. D. Reisdorph, Mrs. David Anderson, Mrs. Flora Peck, Miss Mildred Gillette, Walter Readett, Rev. and Mrs. Harry J. Bullock.

Names Called—The characters of Robert N. Lytle, Marion Birch, Warren Woolsey, Glenn Barnett, and Mrs. Myrtle B. Squire were passed.

Names Called—The characters of Vernon D. Hoffman, and Peter D. Miller were passed by vote of the Conference.

Communications—Communications from Gordon L. Thurber and Anna L. Fillmore were read and their characters passed.

Names Called—The names of Robert Knowlton, Cecil Russell, Mary E. Bennett, Clarence J. White, J. R. Pitt, Maurice A. Gibbs were called and their characters passed.

W. M. S. Report—Mrs. Sarah Osgood, President of the Woman's Missionary Society reported for that Society. Motion prevailed that the report be adopted. (See Report No. 15)

Names Called-The names of William N. Osgood, Mae K. Shaffer

and A. A. Hickok were called and their characters passed.

Names Called—The names of Walter Readett, Harry J. Bullock, Ralph Betters and Zelia Johnson were called and their characters passed by vote of the Conference.

N.A.E. Report—The Rev. Alton J. Shea, delegate to the 1956 convention session of N.A.E. gave a fine report.

Report of Board of Trustees—The President returned to the chair and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees read its report which was adopted. (See Report No. 16)

Standing Rule—Motion prevailed that after words "annual conference" in second sentence of Standing Rule No. 9 the following be added: "That the churches of the Conference be urged to pay mileage for the use of the pastor's car in church work at the rate established by the Conference trustees for Conference work."

Pastoral Relations—The first reading of the Pastoral Relations Report was made.

Blue Cross—Motion prevailed that the Treasurer of the Blue Cross Plan call a meeting of members of the Blue Cross Plan to lay plans for the coming year.

Resignation—Ray Strawser, assistant secretary, tendered his resignation which was accepted.

Assistant Secretary—The Secretary nominated Nancy White as assistant secretary and by vote of Conference she was declared elected.

District Organization—The Districts reported their organizations (See Front of Minutes)

Pastoral Relations—Final reading of the Report from the Pastoral Relations Committee was made and the report adopted. (See Report No. 17)

Post Office Addresses—The Committee on Post Office Addresses made its report which was adopted, subject to posting.

Unfinished Business—Motion prevailed that the President and his Advisory Board be authorized to complete any unfinished business of the Conference.

Minutes-The Minutes were read and approved.

Director of Child Evangelism—Motion prevailed that by common consent the Secretary incorporate the name of the Director of Child Evangelism after ratification with the President and his Advisory Board.

Adjournment—Adjourned sine die. The conference gathered about the altar for the closing prayer.

Reports of Committees

Report No. 1

TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

Committee on Ministerial Character—Everett E. Elliott, ex-officio; Price P. Stark, Gertrude Verbridge, Bertha Eyler.

Committee on Boundaries-Eldyn B. Simons, Mrs. Mabel Moore.

Committee on Pastoral Relations—Everett E. Elliott, ex-officio; George N. Osgood, Daniel A. Heinz, George F. Kilpatrick, Robert R. Luckey, Archie R. Crapo, Carol Studley, Jennie Cade.

Auditing Committee—Richard Weber, Theodore R. Pagett, Donnabelle Pagett, Verna Everson, Robert Knowlton.

Budget Committee—Robert B. Lewis, Chairman; Gordon L. Thurber, Carl Schultz, Clair Day, Milton Putnam, Ruth Hudson, Mable Jones.

Committee on Post Office Addresses—Mary Wolfe, Ethel Simpson, Donnabelle Pagett.

Committee on Courtesies-Alton J. Shea, Lloyd R. Mack.

Signed: Lloyd R. Mack, Arthur J. Taylor, Adrian R. Everts.

Report No. 2

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Tuesday:	8:00 p.m.—Conference	Night-Message,	Alton J.	Shea
	Communion	Service-Edward	l D. Ang	ell

Wednesday:	8:3) a.m.–	–Devo	tions-	-Clarenc	e Barnett

1: 30 p.m.—Devotions—Frank C. Taylor 7: 30 p.m.—Church Extension Night—R. Burnett Thomp-

son, Chairman.

Guest Speaker—Rev. A. L. Bray Thursday: 8: 30 a.m.—Tithing Service—J. R. Redstone

> 1:30 p.m.—Burial Service for Rev. David Anderson. 2:30 p.m.—Denominational Hour—Dr. F. R. Birch

7:30 p.m.—Missionary Rally—President of the W.M.S., Chairman.

Friday: 8: 30 a.m.—Academy Hour—President Tysinger

1: 30 p.m.—Houghton College Hour—President Stephen W. Paine.

7:30 p.m.—Sunday School Hour—Paul F. Markell, Chairman.

Daily: 6: 45 a.m.—Morning Watch—Roy M. Gibbs

Report No. 3

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Greetings in the name of our glorious Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, to the members of the 95th session of the Lockport Annual Conference, convened at Houghton on June 6, 1956.

"O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endureth forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy," Ps. 107:1, 2. We would pause to give thanks and praise unto the Lord for His continued mercies during the course of the past year. We have been conscious of the presence and the blessing of the Lord during the course of this year. Personally, we can report the consciousness of His saving grace and His sanctifying power in our hearts and lives through the power of His precious blood. His presence has been with us. We would praise Him for renewed strength and grace from day to day. There have been times when we have especially needed renewed strength and He has granted it, to the praise of His name. We do thank Him and you for the privilege of serving the interests of His kingdom in the Lockport Conference this past year.

In presenting the President's Report this year, we would like to present the activities of the year under three headings: First, the activities of the President; second, the activities of the Conference; and third, the activities of the local churches. In reporting the activities of the President for this year, we can say that we have sought to carry out the instructions of the Conference as they pertain to our work. In visiting the churches, we preached 98 times. Eight days were spent in the work on Cleveland Drive, seeking to declare the Word of the Lord. In the realm of Quarterly Business Meetings, we have met 36 times with the local churches. In addition, there have been not less than 8 special church meetings and a manifold number of consultations with pulpit supply committees and other local committees. As we have visited the local churches, we have found a spirit of cooperation and an eagerness to learn concerning the work of the Lord in the other churches of our Conference. I believe the Lord is banding us together with a real Conference interest and concern for His cause and kingdom throughout our area. May the Lord continue to help us in this realm.

It has also been my privilege as President of the Conference to work with several committees in connection with the work of our Conference, as well as in connection with the work of our school here at Houghton. In the interests of our Conference, we have met with the following committees: The Conference Board of Church Extension—5 times; The Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders—2 times; The Executive Committee of Wesleyan Youth—4 times; The Rushford Lake Development

Committee—2 times; The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees— 3 times: The President's Advisory Committee-4 times; The Committee on Vacancies-1 time. In all of these committee meetings we have found an eagerness on the part of those who participated to see the work of the Lord go forward, whether it be in relation to the problem of property development or the advancement of youth, or the general spiritual interests of the Conference. We praise the Lord for those who have given their time to these committee endeavors. In the interests of our school here in Houghton, we have met with the Local Board of Trustees 3 times, and the Executive Committee of the same Board of Trustees 3 times. It has also been our privilege to meet with the Building Committee of Houghton College 4 times, and the College Development Committee 2 times during the course of the year. One very busy activity has been our relationship to the Houghton Academy Committee, which has met 9 times throughout the year. There have been numerous other Executive Committee meetings and consultation periods in the behalf of the Academy. It is our prayer and desire to see the work of the College and the Academy go forward as the Lord's blessing rests upon it.

It was our privilege to be your representative at three National meetings. First of all, we were your delegate at the General Conference, held June 22-29. This experience was a real challenge and a blessing to our own hearts, and we trust was profitable to the future progress of our Church under the Lord's direction. Also, it was our privilege to be your delegate at the National Holiness Association, held in Cleveland April 3-6; to represent you as your President at the Wesleyan Leaders' Conference, held at Central, South Carolina April 17-19. Along with 18 other members of the Lockport Conference, we attended the National Sunday School Association meeting at Providence, Rhode Island, October 26-28. This was a very challenging period as it related to the work of the Sunday school. In the realm of district activities, it was our privilege to teach in the Disciplinary Course of Study held here at Houghton, and to attend the Refresher Course March 5-9. In the same month, March 21, 22, the seven Conference Presidents from this area met here at Houghton. It was a profitable get-together with faculty and student group meetings. We have appreciated the privilege that was ours in attending and fellowshiping in each of these meetings.

In reporting to you concerning the Conference activities of a general character, we feel that there are four outstanding ones. The Bible Crusader Camp, held in the month of July, was a real blessing to the 78 boys and girls registered for those days together. We do praise the Lord for this privilege of ministry to them. We would commend Pastor Milton Putnam, who served as their director. Houghton Camp Meeting, held August 11-21, was also a time of real spiritual uplift, and many of our young folks found real victory in the Lord, for which we praise Him.

The Conference Sunday School Convention, held on March 9, and the Wesleyan Youth Rally, held April 6 and 7, were also profitable times spent together in hearing the challenge of His Word and His work. Several very profitable Ministerial Fellowships were held during the course of the year. Especially would we take note of those fellowships held during the month of December, when four of our brethren from the Canada Conference were with us. In this fellowship there was emphasized the problem of stewardship, pastoral calling, and the physical and spiritual well-being of the pastor. We believe these fellowships have been a time of real inspiration and challenge to the ministers of our Conference, who have faithfully and loyally supported them. It was also our privilege, as the ministers of the Conference, to meet together here in Houghton on January 4 for a day of prayer in behalf of the many needs of our Conference. Our Conference Committee on Evangelism led us in this particular activity. We trust that it may be our privilege in the Lord to have many more such days. Through the cooperation of Wesleyan Youth, a work camp was held on Rushford Lake last July for one week. The twelve of us who participated in this camp had a profitable week together in launching the work of the Rushford Lake camp site.

As would be expected, a great amount of activity has taken place on the local church level. It is with great joy that we have observed the activity on the part of both pastor and congregation in seeking to see the work of the Lord go forward. In most of our churches this has been marked by definite spiritual advancement, and we praise the Lord for this. The Adult Evangelism Crusade, September Crusade, and special revival efforts in several of our local churches have furthered the cause of His kingdom. Very favorable reports came to us of fruitful revival efforts held in MaRae Brook, Rich Valley, Wellsville, Bradford and Forestville. We still believe that God blesses the efforts made to evangelism. We must realize that every activity of the church should have for its goal the evangelism of those whom God has called us to reach through the preaching of the Gospel.

Some very interesting developments have taken place in the building programs of our local churches. The Bradford Church completed and dedicated a new Sunday school unit. The church at Hess Road has just completed and dedicated also a new Sunday school addition to the present church building. Both of these Sunday school additions are very lovely structures, and we believe will prove fruitful in the teaching of His Word. Last July the McRae Brook people dedicated their new church building. The auditorium and entrance are complete. Some of the details concerning the building will be completed in the future.

The Day family at Big Tree has been busily working at the completion of their new parsonage project. The Lord has been helping them. At the present time the new unit is practically complete. For this we praise the Lord. Over at Cattaraugus a most excellent Sunday School unit has been added to the present church facilities. This unit is now in use. We trust the Lord may abundantly bless the sacrificial efforts of the pastor and people in this effort of faith to see His work go forward. The building program at Machias and Forestville are still in the process of completion.

During the year, building programs have been launched at Silver Creek—a parsonage; at Medix Run—the renovation and relocation of their chapel; and at Leon, the complete renovation of their building. We praise the Lord for the progress that has been made at each of these places. An extensive building program is now pending at our Lockport Church.

In addition, we would like to mention that major improvement projects have been carried out at our church at Ashwood, which has just celebrated its centennial; also at Rich Valley and East Aurora. We believe that God is giving to our people a forward vision in the matter of improved buildings and facilities for the teaching and proclaiming of His Word.

Logically the question is raised, "What are the results?" The first area of interest is the problem of church membership. At the outset of our last Conference year, we set a goal of 100 increase in membership during the course of the year. The report shows a total gain in membership of 84. 39 were gained in the area of full membership and 45 were gained in the area of associate or junior members. This did not meet our goals, but we praise the Lord for the help that He has given to us, and we believe that the trend is in the right direction. This means that at the present there are 1,124 full members and 1,292 total members in the Conference. Sixteen of our churches showed a gain while 9 churches showed a loss and six of the churches came out just even in the area of full membership. The question is, shall we set a goal again for next year? Of this I am certain, if we continue an intensified evangelistic program, God will give to us souls and members for our churches.

The second area of progress in our Conference has been the matter of increased prayer on the part of our constituency. With the permission of the Conference, a prayer fellowship was formed during the course of the year. Approximately 150 names were on this list and to them there were sent two prayer letters. This is just the beginning of what we trust may be a greater participation on the part of our Conference in sharing united prayer needs. Let us encourage our people to join this prayer fellowship that the Lord might grant to us revival, both on the local and Conference levels.

Another area of progress is our pioneer program, under the direction of our Church Extension Secretary, the Rev. R. Burnett Thompson. We praise the Lord for the progress that has been made. It should be noted

that the work in Bolivar was closed because the Evangelical Methodist Church was working in the area. After consultation with them it was felt that both could not carry on an aggressive pioneer program, so upon mutual agreement with them, we withdrew from the field. However, in our other pioneer efforts, we feel that definite progress was made. Especially would we note the work on Cleveland Drive in Cheektowaga. God has abundantly blessed there, giving to us a very active Sunday school which has averaged approximately 65 for the entire year. The morning congregation has been very commendable. Also there has been evidenced very definite financial strength on the part of the people there. We would very highly commend Brother and Sister Schultz, who have labored so faithfully in this area.

In the work at Wellsville, we would not forget the sacrificial labors of Brother and Sister Klatt, who plan to return to the Indiana Conference this year. The work has shown a very definite upward trend and an optimistic outlook on the part of the people. We are expecting the Lord to continue the outpouring of the Spirit upon this pioneer effort in Wellsville.

The work in North Pembroke has shown its greatest increase in the area of Sunday school participation. We are expecting the Lord to give us increased strength in that area and in the other departments of the church's interest during the course of the coming year. We will leave further details in regard to the pioneer program to the Church Extension Secretary to report to you, but we do believe that God has for us an enlarged Church Extension program for the coming year and we are counting on every one of you to help in launching new churches for His glory and for the advancement of His cause.

There are several other matters of interest that we might report to you, but we do not want to weary you. However, we would like to say that we do appreciate, and would like to express our thanks, for our helpers on the Itinerator staff. We believe they are faithful workers and we are believing that the Intinerator can be made an even better paper for the promotion of the interest of the Conference. Thank you each one. Also, we would like to express a word of appreciation to those district officers, both on the youth level and on the holiness district level, who have faithfully promoted fellowship and inspiration in the four districts of our Conference. We believe that the services have been challenging and inspirational and profitable to the members of our various districts. To each one who has helped us in the promotion of the Lord's work this year, we do say thank you. We praise the Lord for His help and for His continued blessing.

What of the future? The Word says, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" We are on the Lord's side. The Lord's side will conquer. In Him there is victory. God would give to us a people filled with

His spirit. God would give to us a people with a passionate witness. God would give to us a people with an intecessory prayer life. God would give to us a people with a united love. As we thus let God work in our lives, in our midst, there will be victory and progress. To Him be all the glory.

What of the future for the President? The answer is, I do not know. I am God's man. It is my heart's desire to be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

Official Acts and Appointments

June 13, 1955—signed the bond and mortgage for the loan of \$5,000 to the Big Tree Church from the Bank of Blasdell at an interest rate of 5%.

June 20—issued a letter of transfer to the Allegheny Conference for H. Erwin Enty.

July 20—executed the deed for the sale of the Ransomville Church property to Charles and Doris Denny.

July 26—appointed David Kemp as supply pastor at North Pembroke with the permission of my advisory board.

August 13—signed a note for \$500 at 4% interest to re-finance obligations at the Cuba Church.

August 19—recognized the action of the Committee on Vacancies in the election of Elmer Hudson as the lay member of the Local Board of Trustees of Houghton College and Academy for the remainder of the conference year.

October 3—Authorized the travel of Lloyd Mack to the New York Temperance Civic League Board of Directors' meeting held in Utica in order to acquaint the conference with the work of this organization.

October 22—received a signed note from the Silver Creek Church trustees to cover the loan of \$3000 to them for the building of a parsonage. The note bears no interest for three years and 4% interest thereafter. This note was written July 15, 1955.

November 3-received Ian Lennox to study and travel under the direction of the conference.

November 25—received a signed note from the Silver Creek Church trustees to cover the additional loan of \$1000 at 4% interest to the church for the building of a parsonage.

May 10, 1956—granted a letter of transfer to Carroll Brentlinger to the Canada Conference.

May 10—granted a letter of transfer to Robert Klatt to the Indiana conference.

May 17—appointed Adrian Everts, Arthur Taylor, and Lloyd Mack as the Committee on Temporary Organization for the session of the annual conference to meet on June 5. June 4—appointed Millard Luce, Rudolph Nelson and Clarence Black-well as the lay members of the Committee of Itineracy and Elders Orders.

Financial Statement

Expenses: Miles traveled, 10,422 at 7¢ per mile, \$729.54; Telephone, \$39.60; Tolls, \$44.90; Postage, \$42.16; Miscellaneous Supplies, \$52.45; Secretarial help, \$31.20; Total expenses. \$939.85.

Receipts: Salary, \$3120; Rent, \$540; Travel, postage, phone, etc.,

\$939.85; Gifts and fees, \$140; Total receipts, \$4739.85.

Signed: Everett E. Elliott, President

Approved: Auditing Committee

Report No. 4

LOCKPORT CONFERENCE BLUE CROSS HOSPITALIZATION PLAN

Receipts

Balance in Bank, June 1, 1955	\$18.94 1045.20	
Total Receipts		\$1064.14
Disbursements		
Total disbursed for office expense and monthly premiums to Blue Cross Insurance Co		\$1053.74
Balance on hand, June 1, 1956	Stark, Tr	\$10.40: easurer

Report No. 5

REPORT OF THE SUPERANNUATE PENSION PLAN OF THE: LOCKPORT CONFERENCE

This year two have joined the plan. This makes 24 active members. Twelve are on the Superannuated list. This does not include any who are participating under their mission board or the college. Our members received in pensions this last year \$5,677.31. The active members paid as follows:

Receipts

Balance on hand in the Office Fund, May 1, 1955 .. \$10.00

Received for assessments and membership fees	954.31	
Total Cash Receipts		\$964.31
Disbursements		
To the General Pension Office	\$954.31	
For Office Expense	8.92	•
Total Disbursed		\$963.23
Balance on Hand in Office Fund, June 1, 1956 Signed: James R. Re	edstone, Tr	\$1.08 easurer
Approved: Auditing Committee		

Report No. 6
STATISTICAL REPORT

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^{*} Church-Parsonage Combinations.

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Forestville 3,13 Hess Road 2,47 Higgins 2,47 Houghton* *6,77 Leon 95 Levant 2,86 Lockport 3,14 Machias 1,40 McRae Brook 1,89 Medix Run 51	0.00 300 0.00 100 0.00 600 5.00 720 0.00 600 4.00 540 4.00 540 4.00 420 0.00 480 4.00 480 8.00 360 4.00 696 6.00 480 8.00 360 4.00 696 6.00 480 9.57 360 0.00 480 9.57 360 0.00 420 0.00 420 0.00 420 0.00 420 0.00 420 0.00 420 0.00 540 4.00 540 4.00 540 4.00 540 6.00 540 6.00	17 45 5 127 720 40 65 23 35 57 15 40 57 125 200 70 70 	\$120 800 295 500 677 457 600 296 95, 147 125; 3200 750 150 163 600 350 350 350 366 756 756	\$2,516.80 3,800.00 1,452.60 2,825.00 3,160.60 4,174.00 1,539.00 2,420.00 2,923.00 2,923.00 2,923.00 2,923.4.84 2,853.00 4,165.00 3,245.00 3,245.00 3,245.00 3,245.00 1,945.00 3,670.00 1,446.00 573.00 991.45 2,954.29 4,2780.00 1,896.20 2,780.00 1,896.20 2,780.00 1,896.20 2,991.00

^{*} For Pastor and Assistant Pastor

STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued

		Item	VII. Disi	bursed for	Church			
Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Amount Paid on Expense of Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Gadwells Corners Castle Garden Cattarangus Cheektowaga Cula East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Levant Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run North Pembroke Oakland Olean Olean Creek Wellsville	75.00 250.00 15.00 	50.25 47.26 138.94 649.02 182.24 140.00 303.87 377.80 448.00 553.83 317.33 258.45 334.00 1.186.98 193.26 579.00 224.40 225.00	4,500.00 252.32 304.00 443.00 425.72 2,042.65 30.00 1,564.74 113.00 65.80 263.00 800.00	46.35 7.65 17.50 182.50 12.56 226.89 361.19 	\$1,200.00 1,573.06 395.77 488.00 100.00 1,200.00 400.00 1,750.00 235.00 178.33 625.00 500.00 150.00 366.01 540.00	\$578.00 136.67 410.87 609.00 117.67 	\$2,951.75 79.30 578.42 1,316.13 1,789.00 14.50 150.35 2,093.87 490.64 360.00 846.39 500.26 1,887.00 11,184.20 290.00 570.26 350.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 570.26 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 11,184.20 1,048.00 1,048	\$2,405.00 5,228.73 173.53 8,586.76 3,106.13 18,975.00 4,507.92 74,43 516.18 7,639.08 2,155.20 2,390.00 2,950.6 878.06 4,937.00 1,550.91 1,643.98 4,405.95 1,715.00

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	Item V	VIII. I	Disbursed	for General	Budget			
Name of Charge	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Rais.d	Education Assigned	Education Raised
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwalls Corners Castle Garden Cattaraugus	\$7.00 15.50 4.00 3.00 5.00 26.00 2.50 4.00 10.00	\$7.00 4.00 5.00 5.00 36.00 2.00 2.50 4.00 10.00	124.00 32.00 22.00 38.00 208.00 18.00 20.00 30.00	\$194.38 146.36 76.03 185.95 100.00 958.45 35.67 20.00 82.61 75.19	\$36.00 77.50 20.00 14.00 24.00 130.00 11.00 12.50 19.00 51.00		\$72.50 155.00 40.00 27.50 47.50 260.00 22.50 25.00 37.50 102.50	\$109.62 30.00 40.00 28.50 47.50 235.50 18.50 25.00 39.21 102.55
Cheektowaga Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Leon	8.00 6.00 7.00 7.50 11.00 11.00 7.50 9.50 61.50 2.50	7.00 25.00 11.00 11.00 8.00 9.50 61.50 2.50 60.00	48.00 58.00 60.00 88.00 86.00 76.00 492.00 20.00	77.93 977.59 583.19 663.08 353.67 150.37 7,087.00 76.86 536.96	12.50 70.00	54.00 64.29 47.50 307.50 24.10 117.70	80.00 60.00 72.50 75.00 110.00 107.50 75.00 95.00 615.00 25.00	108.50 75.00 76.00 1,320.99 30.25 158.83
Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run North Pembroke Oakland Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek Wellsville Totals	6.00 4.00 4.00 1.50 1.2.00 5.50 7.50 3.50	5.74 4.00 3.00 4.00 13.00 5.50 7.50 3.50	34.00 32.00 12.00 30.00 98.00 44.00 56.00 28.00	93.58 56.26 14.00 57.11 132.54 72.32 584.58	27.50 35.00 17.50	20.00 7.50 19.00 61.00 37.00 45.00 24.97	37.50 122.50 55.00 70.00 35.00	122.50 68.00 91.00 39.21

Item VIII.	Disburs	d for Gen	eral Bu	dget—Co	ntinued			
Name of Charge	Pension Plan Assigned	Pension Plan Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Admin.s.rative Budget Ra.s.d	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Assigned	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Raised
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwells Corners Castle Garden Cattaraugus	\$46.00 99.00 26.00 18.00 30.00 166.00 15.00 16.00 24.00 66.00	\$46.00 99.00 26.00 18.00 30.00 166.00 15.00 16.00 24.00 66.00	\$7.00 15.50 4.00 3.00 5.00 26.00 2.00 2.50 4.00 10.00	\$15.00 10.00 8.00 8.00 5.00 18.00 2.00 2.50 8.00 72.26	\$14.50 31.00 8.00 5.50 9.50 52.00 4.50 5.00 7.50 20.50	i l	\$4.00 9.00 2.00 2.00 3.00 16.00 1.50 2.00 6.00	\$4.00 2.00 3.00 16.00 1.50 2.00 6.00
Cheektowaga Cuba Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Leon Levant Lockport Machias	52.00 33.00 46.00 48.00 70.00 69.00 48.00 61.00 394.00 39.00 37.00 28.00	52.00 38.00 46.00 43.00 70.00 69.00 43.00 61.00 394.00 16.00 90.00 37.00 28.00	8.00 6.00 7.50 11.00 11.00 7.50 9.50 61.50 2.50 14.00 4.00	8.00 8.00 58.00 11.00 11.00 8.00 9.50 61.50 25.00 14.00	16.00 12.00 14.50 15.00 22.00 21.50 15.00 19.00 123.00 5.00 28.00 28.00	16.00 12.00 14.50 15.00 22.00 21.50 15.00 123.00 5.00 28.00 11.50 8.50	5.00 4.00 4.50 7.00 6.00 4.50 4.50 40.00 1.50 8.00 3.00	5.00 4.00 4.50 7.00 6.00 4.50 6.00 1.50 8.00 3.00
McRae Brook Medix Run North Pembroke Oakland Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek Wellsville	26.00 10.00 24.00 79.00 35.00 45.00 23.00	26.00 10.00 24.00 79.00 35.00 45.00 23.00 \$1.745.00	4.00 1.50 4.00 12.00 5.50 7.00 3.50	8.00 1.50 4.00 12.00 5.50 15.00 3.50	8.00 3.00 7.50 24.50 11.00 14.00 7.00	8.00 3.00 7.50 24.50 11.00 14.00 7.00	2.00 1.00 2.00 7.00 3.00 4.00 2.00	2.00 1.00 2.00 7.00 3.00 4.00 2.00

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Item VIII. Disbursed for	General	Budget	—Contin	ued		
Name of Charge	General Sunday School Work Assigned	General Sunday School Work Raised	General Wesleyan Youth Assigned	General Wesleyan Youth Raised	Total General Budget Assigned	Total General Budget Raised
Ashwood Batavia Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwells Corners Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cheektowaga Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Leon Leon Leon Leon Leon Leon Le	\$8.85 24.75 4.50 12.45 16.05 33.30 3.15 2.25 8.55 18.00 4.35 7.95 12.75 19.20 15.15 19.20 25.60 2.50 2	\$8.85 16.50 12.45 16.05 33.30 3.15 2.25 8.55 18.00 4.35 7.95 12.75 25.00 15.15 19.80 12.75 62.55 62.55 12.00 25.63 9.90 9.91 2.25		16.50 27.00 15.00 24.00 24.00 25.50 24.00 22.50 22.50 22.50	\$276.35 590.25 140.50 107.45 190.05 190.05 36.25 36.25 36.55 36.00 4.35 297.45 241.65 284.75 274.20 404.15 409.80 336.25 2,224.55 97.00 516.65 126.30 177.40 161.65 53.75 134.15	\$505.90 384.86 188.53 301.05 246.05 1,710.57 94.87 87.25 236.10 419.50 4.35 297.47 236.15 355.68 1,368.15 901.63 987.88 620.26 387.62 9,525.54 178.71 1,065.75 260.54 189.91
Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek Wellsville Totals	14.10 6.15 24.45 11.25	14.10 6.15 24.45 11.25	18.00	15.00 12.00	445.10 207.65 262.45 148.75	480.6 258.4 830.0 159.7

Item VIII. Disbur	sed for C	onference	Budget			
	Salary Assigned	Salary Raised	Entertainment	Entertainment	Work Assigned	Work Raised
Name of Charge	President's	President's	Conference Assigned	Conference Raised	Conference	Conference
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwells Corners Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cheektowaga	\$87.00 186.00 48.00 33.00 57.00 312.00 27.00 30.00 45.00	\$87.00 186.00 48.00 33.00 57.00 312.00 27.00 30.00 45.00	31.00 8.00 5.50 9.50 52.00 4.50 7.50 20.50	10.00 3.00 5.50 9.50 52.00 4.50 5.00 7.50 20.50	\$65.00 139.50 36.00 25.00 43.00 234.00 20.00 22.50 34.00 92.00	\$65.00 105.00 36.00 25.00 43.00 20.00 22.50 34.00 92.00
Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton	96.00 72.00 87.00 90.00 132.00 129.00 90.00 114.00 738.09 30.63	96.00 72.00 87.00 90.00 132.00 129.00 90.00 114.00 738.00 30.00	16.00 12.00 14.50 15.00 22.00 21.50 15.00 19.00 123.00	16.00 12.00 14.50 15.00 22.00 21.50 15.00 19.00 123.00 5.00	72.00 54.00 65.00 67.50 99.00 97.00 67.50 85.50 553.50	72.00 54.22 65.00 67.50 99.00 97.00 85.50 555.00
Levant Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run North Pembroke Oakland Olean Rich Valley	168.00 69.00 51.00 48.00 18.00 45.00 147.00 66.00	168.00 69.00 51.00 48.00 18.00 45.00	28.00 11.50 8.50 8.00 3.00 7.50 24.50	28.00 11.50 8.50 8.00 3.00 7.50 24.50	126.00 52.00 38.00 36.00 13.50 34.00 110.00	126.00 52.00 38.00 36.00 13.50
Silver Creek Wellsvill- Totals	84.00 42.00	66.00 84.00 42.00 \$3.264.00	11.00 14.00 7.00	11.00 14.00 7.00	49.50 63.00 31.50	49.50 63.00 31.50

Name of Charge Volume of Charge Name of Charge Name of Charge	Conference Sunday School	Conierence W. Y. Assigned	Conference W. Y. Raised	Total Conference Budget Assigned	Total Conference Budget	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Name of Charge Name of Charge Ashwood	Conference Sunday	Conierence W. Y.	Conference W. Y.	Total Conference Assigned	Total Conference Raised	Total Budget	Tgtal Budget
	5 4.95	\$7.50	\$7.50	I \$175.77	\$175.77	¢459 19	\$681.67
Batavia 4.5 Belleville 2.4 Belleville 2.4 Big Tree 2.4 Blossom 3.2 Bradford 6.6 Buffalo 6 Cadwells Corners 3.2 Castle Garden 1.7 Cattaraugus 3.6 Cuba 1.5 East Aurora 3.3 East Leon 2.5 Ellicott 3.6 Forestville 3.0 Hess Road 3.9 Higgins 2.2 Houghton 12.5 Levant 5.1 Lockport 1.5 McRae Brook 1.8 Medix Run 4 North Pembroke 0 Oakland 1.2 Oakland 1.2 Rich Valley 1.2	9 2.499 1.321 3.211 3.211 3.211 3.303 3.03 3.03 3.03 3.33	4.00 6.00 	5.50 9.00 5.00 9.50 8.00 23.49	374.45 92.90 65.99 116.71	318.95 92.90 65.99 118.71 610.66 52.13 57.80 88.21 239.10 .66 191.09 141.55 178.05 176.34 261.03	964.70 233.40 173.44 306.76 1,545.96 131.28 145.05 224.76 605.10 488.54 389.26 450.54 462.80 450.54 462.80 450.54 665.18 669.86 483.26 483.26 483.26 284.38 260.28 3674.06	703.81 281.43 367.04 364.76 2,321.23 147.00 145.05 324.31 658.60 5.01 488.56 377.70 533.73 1,544.49 804.72 608.72 10,977.54 11,62.23 11,397.27 522.31 1,397.27

Item IX. Disbursed for Benevolences											
Natite of Charge	Conference Pioneer Offering	Rally Day Offering	Thanksgiving Offering	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Conference Work	W. Y.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big: Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwells Cor. Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cheektowaga Cuta East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Leon Leon Leon Leon Leon Leon Le	67.27 184.85 5.27 14.94 300.00 314.00 250.00 63.00 63.00 224.01 20.00 180.00 96.00 180.00 46.00 87.35 50.00	\$7.72 8.84 10.00 	10.00 2.00 13.21 25.61 10.00 36.27 50.00 37.05 23.32 25.16 45.00 156.00 20.00 6.00 10.00 3.85 	37, 42 124, 39 50,00 25, 37 260,00 40,89 59,00 50,33 1,230,32 321,10 66,00 9,977,20 47,74 801,00 80,00 27,18	239.38 	39.60 17.00 10.00 120.00 120.00 120.00 120.77 250.00 6.35 6.35	18	13.15 60.00	12.00 38.91 96.00	481.88 4.00 20.00 525.00 	371.14 507.68 1,296.00 772.66 1,905.45 871.06 807.00 12,427.93 782.54 2,747.65 2,219.00 118.03 50.00 49.23 163.78 260.12

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	Total for Pastor	Church	Budget	Benevolences	Total for All Purpos:s		
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Name of Charge	Total	Total	Total for	Total	Total		
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwells Corners Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cheektowaga Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Levant Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run North Pembroke Oakland Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek	\$2,516.00 3,800.00 1,452.00 2,825.00 3,160.00 4,174.00 1,539.00 2,420.00 3,771.00 2,612.00 2,612.00 4,165.00 2,734.84 2,853.00 4,165.00 3,706.57 3,219.00 3,621.00 3,621.00 3,621.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00 2,466.00 1,445.00 2,466.00	\$2,405.00 5,228.73 173.53 8,586.76 3,106.13 6,507.92 74.34 516.18 7,639.08 2,155.20 2,390.00 2,950.56 878.06 4,937.00 14,505.91 1,643.98 4,405.20 1,715.00 14,193.51 1,034.50 1,262.13 1,551.00 1,262.13 1,551.00 1,034.50	\$681.67 703.81 281.43 367.04 364.76 2,321.23 147.00 145.05 324.31 658.60 5.01 488.56 377.70 533.73 1,544.49 804.79 11,62.66 1,247.94 804.37 10,977.54 238.61 1,397.27 522.31 367.52 289.24 92.20 995.92	50.00 49.23 163.78 260.12 750.70 58.25	\$5,939.82 11,001.03 2,042.93 11,908.26 7,120.33 26,767.23 6,447.00 12,433.92 5,340.56 5,813.58 6,343.24 4,772.47 11,942.49 6,731.23 8,503.40 4,762.47 10,364.13 7,197.31 3,192.68 1,362.67 9,025.66 9,025.66 9,025.66 9,025.66		

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Circulation:	•	
No. of copies mailed quarterly		835
No. of single copies mailed		61
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works and extra copies as provided by printer	:)	52
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Balance on hand beginning of Conf. year	\$0.00	•
Receipts from subscriptions & gifts	183.69	
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Cost of printing	*101.05	
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Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955	\$1616.01 100.00	USTEES
Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955 Received from Conference Treasurer Payment of Loan at Big Tree	\$1616.01 100.00 1400.00	USTEES
Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955 Received from Conference Treasurer Payment of Loan at Big Tree Bible Crusader Camp	\$1616.01 100.00 1400.00 25.00	USTEES
Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955 Received from Conference Treasurer Payment of Loan at Big Tree Bible Crusader Camp Sale of Ransomville Property	\$1616.01 100.00 1400.00	USTEES
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Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955 Received from Conference Treasurer Payment of Loan at Big Tree Bible Crusader Camp Sale of Ransomville Property On Principal and Interest from Cheektowaga S. S. Rally Day Offerings	\$1616.01 100.00 1400.00 25.00 3800.00 1190.00	USTEES
Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955 Received from Conference Treasurer Payment of Loan at Big Tree Bible Crusader Camp Sale of Ransomville Property On Principal and Interest from Cheektowaga	\$1616.01 100.00 1400.00 25.00 3800.00 1190.00	*USTEES .
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Report No. 8 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOAR June 4, 1955 to June 4, 1956 Receipts Cash on Hand June 4, 1955 Received from Conference Treasurer Payment of Loan at Big Tree Bible Crusader Camp Sale of Ransomville Property On Principal and Interest from Cheektowaga S. S. Rally Day Offerings	\$1616.01 100.00 1400.00 25.00 3800.00 1190.00	

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To Conference Treasurer for Conf. Parsonage 2000.00 Interest on Notes 190.50 Loans including \$500 gift to Silver Creek 4500.00 Expenses on Rushford Lake Camp Site 95.04 Expenses on Wesley Chapel at Cheektowaga 33.35 Attorneys Fees in Connection with Transfer of Ransomville Property 51.40 Insurance and Expenses on Buffalo Church 123.75 Insurance on Trailer at N. Pembroke 7.51 Rally Day Offerings to Leon Charge 424.62	
Total Disbursements	\$7,534.57
Balance on hand June 4, 1956	\$1,021.06 reasurer
Approved: Auditing Committee	
Report No. 9	
REPORT OF CHILD EVANGELISM ACTIVITIES	es
Financial Report of Bible Crusader Camp, July 1955:	
Receipts	
Registration receipts	
Total Receipts	
1 otal Receipts	\$796.89
Disbursements	\$796.89
Disbursements	
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Disbursements Staff of 20 workers \$251.00	•
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Balance on hand

College, Tokyo, Japan

Missionary Offering to Immanuel Bible

Report of Junior Churches and Released-time Classes:	
No. of churches having junior church	12
Approximate weekly attendance	380
No. of churches holding released-time classes	13
Approximate weekly attendance	490
Signed: Milton Putnam,	
Director of Child Evangelism	

Report No. 10

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1955-1956								
Budget Items	Balance on Hand at Beginning of Year	Cash Receipts	Total Cash Credits	Disbursements	Balance on Hand			
Foreign Missions Home Missions Education Orphanage Australia General Sunday School Administrative Gen. Conf. Entertainment & Travel. Superannuate Conference Work Conference President's Salary Conference Sunday School Conference Entertainment Totals Approved by Auditing Committee	\$59.53 387.31 64.95 95.53 850.67 \$1,457.99	99 77		561.88 893.86 88.50 126.50 442.65 508.50 155.00 1,627.50 4,526.80 3,120.00	\$177.03 611.73 208.95 117.63 865.41 \$1,980.75			

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

Report No. 11

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Charge	Foreign Missions, \$2.00	Home Missions, \$1.25	Education, \$2.50	Orphanage, \$.25	General Sunday School, \$.15	General W. Y., \$1.50	Superannuated, \$1.60	Administrative, \$.50	General Conference Expense \$.15	Australia, 8.25	Conference President's Salary, \$3.00	Conference Work, \$2.25	Conference Entertaniment, \$.50	Conference Sunday School, \$.03	Conference W. Y., \$.50	Totals
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom Bradford Buffalo Cadwells Cor. Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cleveland Drive Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Levant Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run N. Pembroke Oakland Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek Wellsville	\$58.00 116.00 26.00 28.00 48.00 12.00 18.00 32.00 98.00 48.00 58.00 76.00 84.00 82.00 76.00 48.00 124.00 124.00 124.00 124.00 38.00 14.00 38.00 38.00 38.00 96.00 38.00 38.00	\$36.50 72.50 16.50 17.50 30.00 126.50 7.50 20.00 61.50 30.00 36.50 47.50 47.50 311.50 77.50 311.50 24.00 24.00 24.00 24.00 24.00 24.00	17.50 37.50 120.00 47.50 85.00	9.50 10.50 9.00 9.50 62.50 15.50 5.00 5.00 2.00 12.00	6.90 9.15 7.80 1.20 7.05 9.90 13.20 6.15 24.00	18.00 18.00 16.50 13.50 15.00 24.00 21.00 37.50 7.50 7.50 7.50 15.00 15.00 37.50 7	\$46.50 93.00 22.50 38.50 161.50 9.50 14.50 25.50 78.50 61.00 67.00 65.50 57.50 61.00 398.50 16.00 398.50 11.00 30.50 54.50 24.00 30.50 54.50 29.00	9.50 9.50 3.50 7.50 24.00 9.50 17.00	3.00 1.00 2.50 7.00 3.00 5.00	5.00 2.00 4.00 12.00 5.00 8.50 4.50	\$87,00 174,00 39,00 42,00 72,00 18,00 18,00 147,00 72,00 87,00 114,00 114,00 114,00 72,00 114,00 123,00 114,00 72,00 144,00 125,00 114,00	\$65.50 130.50 29.50 31.50 54.00 227.50 13.50 13.50 36.05 36.05 54.00 65.50 81.00 85.50 94.50 94.50 92.50 36.05 56.50 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00	29.00 6.50 7.00 12.00 50.50 8.00 4.50 12.00 12.00 12.00 20.50 18.00 19.00 19.00 19.00 112.00 19.00 112.00 9.50 12.00 9.50 12.00 9.50 12.00 9.50	2.70 3.00 6.70 .40 1.80 3.80 3.90 2.20 5.00 2.55 2.50 2.55 1.40 2.60 2.60 2.60 2.60 2.60 2.70 2.80 2	5.50 4.50 5.00 8.00 7.00 12.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 7.50 2.50 4.00	\$459.30 925.80 192.60 215.70 360.00 1,504.15 88.00 131.50 238.65 722.35 18.00 504.85 727.35 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 571.55 636.70 631.95 639.30 293.00 303.35 101.95 8.45 226.90 699.85 3311.40 543.30 288.311

⁻Robert B. Lewis, Chairman; Milton Putman, Clair A. Day, Carl Schultz, Ruth Hudson

Report No. 12

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSIONARY BOARD AND BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

God continues to work in the area of church extension. The most enrecouraging sign this year is the increasing interest on the part of several of the pastors. If extension work becomes everyone's job, there are no limits to what God can do in our Conference.

We feel that the Conference owes a special vote of thanks to Brother and Sister Robert Klatt for their faithfulness in Wellesville. God has blessed their labors to the end that financial assistance is no longer necessary. Plans are under way to relocate the church and an enthusiastic group are on hand to do the job. Brother Klatt has felt that God would have him return to his home Conference, but the fruits of his labors remain with us.

Because another evangelical group have moved in to Bolivar, and because they could not be prevailed upon to wait until the results of our work there were evaluated, it seemed expedient for the cause of Christ that we withdraw from that community. We appreciate the work of Brother Strawser in Bolivar.

North Pembroke has shown some decided gains this year, particularly in the area of the Sunday School. David Kemp has been well received, and God has granted fruit for his labors.

Cheektowaga continues to be a problem. The Sunday School outgrew its facilities at the age of about six months. The need for a new and larger building is almost critical. Local finances are good, with the church paying almost the entire support of its pastor this next year.

Paul Markell has held a weekly Bible study in Hamburg. A fine group of interested folks have been attending the Ellicott Church on Sunday and taking an increasing interest in the possibility of starting a church there. Plans are under way to secure property. Much prayer is needed that we might be able to secure proper facilities for the work. God is able.

Our latest survey is in the Bell Aircraft area of Niagara Falls. This shows promise. Other areas: Lakewood, Little Valley, Lewiston, need immediate attention. May God give us the burden and the ability to meet these needs.

Following is the financial report of the Conference Board of Church Extension:

May 1, 1955-May 4, 1956

| Receipts | Salance brought forward | \$48.86 | Cash Receipts: | Ashwood | \$53.15 |

Total Receipts plus Balance	-	\$145.00
Silver Creek	40.00	
Cheektowaga		
Voucher Receipts:		,
Total Cash Receipts		\$3126.04
Wesleyan Youth Societies	27.00	
Offering at Conference	72.75	
Wellsville		
Silver Creek	100.00	
Rich Valley	50.00	
Olean	120.35	
Oakland	46.00	
Medix Run	5.35	
McRae Brook	30.00	
Machias		
Lockport	91.41	:
Levant	180.00	
Leon	20.00	
Houghton	224.01	
Higgins	63.32	
Hess Road	94.00	
Forestville	153.29	
Fillmore	225.00	
Ellicott	350.10	
East Leon	300.00	
East Aurora	36.94	
Cuba	5.27	. :
Chektowaga	79.85	
Cataraugus	48.27	
Castle Garden	59.50	
Cadwells	5.00	
Bradford Buffalo	289.48	
	70.00	
Big Tree	8.00	
Belleville		
	318.00	

Wellsville Trailer for N. Pembroke Bolivar Mileage and Meals Printing and Office Expense	528.00 425.00 67.97 127.80 70.00	
Total Cash Disbursements Voucher Disbursements: Cheektowaga Mileage and Meals	\$105.00 40.00	\$3118.77
Total Voucher Disbursements		\$145.00
Total Disbursements	•	\$3263.77
Balance on hand, May 4, 1956	•	\$56.13
Receipts from Wesleyan S. S. Dept. for Lockport Conference Thanksgiving Offering, 1955 Cash on hand, May 4, 1956		\$758.84 \$758.84
Signed: R. Burnett Th Nelson D. Cro	ompson, S	-
Approved: Auditing Committee	. *	

Report No. 13

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ELDERS ORDERS

Your Committee respectfully recommends the following:

1. That Wilbur Beers, Robert Knowlton, Robert Lewis, Howard Parks, Milton Putnam, David Shannon, Carl Schultz, Ray Strawser, and Charles Wheeler be ordained August 12, 1956 at the morning service of Camp meeting.

2. That Mrs. Myrtle Squire and Mrs. Ottlie Jackson be returned to

their Quarterly conferences.

3. That Calla Babcock be returned to her Quarterly conference at her own request.

4. That Ralph Betters be continued to travel and study under the direction of Conference and that he be granted authorization papers.

5. That Calvin Alt, Eva Burchel, Allyn Foster, Robert George, Denton Mosher be continued to study preparatory to travel.

6. That Ian Lennox be received to study preparatory to travel.

7. That all those now studying under the Conference be acquainted

with the intention of the committee to follow the Disciplinary regulations regarding the Course of Study and the Reading course.

8. That all Conference preachers report each year in writing to this committee in regard to pastoral or evangelistic services engaged in, and that they pass two books in the Course of Study and read two books in the Reading course.

Committee: Daniel A. Heinz, Chairman;
Roy M. Gibbs, Secretary;
George N. Osgood,
Edward D. Angell,
Rudolph C. Nelson,
Millard Luce.

Report No. 14

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY

This last year the Lockport Conference has gained 86 in average attendance in the Sunday Schools. Fifteen schools have showed a gain, with 5 gaining at least 20%. It is noteworthy that our work at Cleveland Drive has been responsible for 40 of the 86—or 46% of the total increase. It is also interesting—and somewhat disappointing—that 73 of the 86, or 84% of the total gain has come from only two churches.

We feel that this condition leaves much to be desired in the work of our local Sunday Schools. Inasmuch as the teaching staff is largely responsible for the growth of the Sunday School, I would sincerely make the following recommendations to our pastors for the coming year:

- 1. That each school endeavor to hold monthly staff prayer meetings.
- 2. That on one Sunday during the year the pastor preach especially to the teachers concerning their privileges and perils, closing with a dedication service.
- 3. That each school endeavor to develop some kind of a Teacher Training Program.

In addition to our endeavor to strengthen the teaching staff I would also challenge each Sunday School to aim at attaining a 10% increase during the year in average attendance.

Our Conference Convention was held in Houghton on March 9, 1955. In spite of bad weather conditions, we had the best attended convention that has been held. The Rev. Norman Townsend from Providence, Rhode Island, was the principal speaker and was a great inspiration to all who attended.

This year Cleveland Drive has been chosen as the outstanding Sunday School of the year. We wish to congratulate them on their achievements.

Financial report of the convention

Receipts		
Registration fees	\$88.00	
Offerings	80.50	
Meal tickets	40.85	
Total Receipts		\$209.35
Disbursements		
Meals	\$50.35	
Speakers	157.00	
Books	2.00	
Total Disbursements		\$209.35
Financial Report Sunday School Fund	ls	
Receipts		
Cash receipts Disbursements		\$66.67
Travel N.S.S.A.	\$35.00	
Engraving	3.04	
Printing	13.95	
Supplies, telephone	14.68	
Total Disbursements		\$66.67
Respectfully submitted,		

Approved: Auditing Committee.

Report No. 15

Paul F. Markell

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society brings the following report to the Annual Conference:

Several societies received a White Gift offering for Haiti at Christmas time as well as remembering our Home Missionaries with the White Gift plan. Four District Missionary Rallies and Workshops were held.

It was not our privilege to have a missionary travel our conference during the past year but we are looking forward to the Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Saunders to travel this fall.

Our totals for the year are as follows: 605 Active members, 112 Honorary members, 547 Wesleyan Missionarys taken; total receipts \$15,870.30.

The disbursements: Home \$755.83; Foreign \$5495.60; Medical student's fund \$85.50; Hephzibah \$218.00; Education \$749.76; Local Church work \$924.52; Membership dues \$358.00; other objects \$6860.77; Administrative fund \$159.00; Australia \$215.24; total disbursements \$15,825.22; new balance \$294.27; Grand total \$16,119.49.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Osgood, President

Report No. 16

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Lockport Annual Conference meeting in regular session at Houghton, N. Y., June 5, 1956 respectfully present to the Conference now in session the following recommendations:

- 1. That the President of the Conference and the Committee on Entertainment pay the workers in accordance with the usual custom as they shall see fit, and all financial accounts incident to the present session of Annual Conference.
- 2. The payment to the Annual Conference Secretary and to the Annual Conference Treasurer the sum of \$75.00 each, plus office expenses for the year ending June 1957. Also, that the Secretary of the Conference Board of Church Extension receive a suitable honorarium.
- 3. That the budget for Conference Work be at the rate of \$2.25 per member.
- 4. That the budget for Conference Entertainment be at the rate of 50 cents per member.
- 5. That the Budget for the Conference President's Salary be at the rate of \$60.00 per week with 7 cents per mile for traveling expenses, plus house, office expenses and all utilities.
- 6. That \$125.00 be allotted for special repairs on the Conference parsonage, and, that further expenditures during this year, up to \$100.00 may be made on the Conference parsonage by the President without special authorization.
- 7. That two payments be made on the Conference parsonage as follows: (1) In August 1956, a payment on the principal of not less than \$100.00 and interest. (2) In February 1957 a payment on principal of not less than \$100.00 and interest.
- 8. That we continue the Itinerator on the subscription basis and authorize any deficit to be paid out of the Conference Work Budget with the limitation that no quarterly issue cost more than \$60.00.
- 9. That the Conference Secretary be authorized to distribute suitable stationery as shall be approved by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. Also, six hundred copies (600) of the Minutes of this session of Conference be distributed to the several charges.

- 10. That the Secretary of the Board of Trustees and, (or) the Conference Secretary be authorized to use the Conference seal on all legal papers.
- 11. That the Woman's Missionary Society and the Wesleyan Youth Society be requested to contribute to the cost of printing the Conference Minutes at the rate of \$4.00 per page for materials submitted by them.
- 12. That the Rally Day offering be allocated to a project designated by the Pioneer Board.
- 13. That as an organization we seek to support the National Association of Evangelicals and the National Holiness Association to the extent of \$25.00 each.
- 14. That the \$1000.00 received from Cleveland Drive Church as payment on the principal of notes secured for the purchase of their property be paid on said outstanding notes, and, that the unpaid balance of Cleveland Drive obligations to the Conference be paid on the basis of a 4% flat rate of interest.
- 15. That we use up to \$40.00 from the Conference Entertainment Fund to help defray the travel expense of the Rev. A. L. Bray in coming to this session of Conference in the interests of church extension.
- 16. That the Board of Trustees elect a committee composed of two youth leaders, two members of the Camp Meeting Board, two members of the Board of Trustees and the Conference President to act as a planning committee for Camp development, and, that this committee report to the Board of Trustees at the time of Camp meeting. Also, that the recommendations of the Youth Committee presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration be referred to this planning committee.
- 17. That the planning committee for Camp development be as follows: Everett E. Elliott, Price P. Stark, Robert R. Luckey, Stephen S. Paine, A. J. Taylor, Robert Lewis and Merwin Luderman.
- 18. That the Rev. Everett E. Elliott be Chairman of the Board of Trustees: that the Rev. George N. Osgood be Secretary: that Rudolph C. Nelson be Treasurer; that the Executive Committee be composed of the officers of the Board.

Signed: Everett E. Elliott,
Rudolph C. Nelson,
George N. Osgood,
Price P. Stark,
Stephen W. Paine,
Robert R. Luckey,
Roy M. Gibbs,
Arthur J. Taylor,
Archie R. Crapo.

Report No. 17

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

- 1. How many Elders on the Conference Roll? 56.
- 2. Who are the Elders on the Stationed List? Arthur J. Taylor, C. I. Armstrong, George N. Osgood, Adrian R. Everts, Everett E. Elliott, Mary E. Bennett, Robert N. Lytle, A. Gordon Wolfe, Roy M. Gibbs, Eldyn B. Simons, Daniel A. Heinz, Marion Birch, Ernest Nichols, Paul F. Markell. Price P. Stark, Helen D. Stark, Geneva M. Pritchard, Warren Woolsey, Theodore R. Pagett, James Ross Redstone, Lloyd R. Mack, George F. Kilpatrick, R. Burnett Thompson, Glen W. Barnett, Edward D. Angell, Nelson D. Crowell, Richard E. Weber, Clair A. Day, Alton J. Shea, Howard F. Parks, David Shannon, Milton Putnam, Wilbur Beers, Carl Schultz, Robert B. Lewis, Robert Knowlton, Ray Strawser, Charles Wheeler.
- 3. Who of the Annual Conference Preachers are on the Stationed List? Ralph Betters.
 - 4. Who of the Elders are on the Reserve List? Clarence Barnett.
- 5. Who of the Elders are on the Unstationed List? Peter D. Miller, H. C. Burchel, Gordon L. Thurber, Howard McKenzie, Vernon D. Hoffman, Anna L. Fillmore, Cecil Russell.
- 6. Who of the Elders are on the Superannuated List? Walter Readett, Zelia Johnson, William N. Osgood, J. R. Pitt, Harry J. Bullock, Maurice A. Gibbs, Mae K. Shaffer, Clarence J. White, A. A. Hickok, Frank C. Taylor.
 - 7. Who of the Elders have been deposed this year? None.
 - 8. Who of the Elders have withdrawn this year?
- (1) By Letter of Transfer: Carroll Brentlinger, H. Erwin Enty, Robert Klatt.
 - (2) By Letter of Standing: None.
 - 9. Who have joined the Conference this year?
- (1) By Ordination: Howard F. Parks, David Shannon, Milton Putnam, Wifbur Beers, Carl Shultz, Robert B. Lewis, Robert Knowlton, Ray Strawser, Charles Wheeler.
 - (2) By transfer: None.
 - 10. Who of the Elders have died during the year? None.
- 11. Who of the Conference Preachers have died during the year? None.
 - 12. Who of the Conference Preachers have withdrawn this year?
 - (1) By Letter of Standing
 - (2) Returned to Quarterly Conference: Mrs. Myrtle B. Squire.
- 13. How is the work supplied? Ashwood, Eldyn B. Simons: Batavia, A. Gordon Wolfe; Belleville, In hands of President; Big Tree, Clair Day; Blossom, Richard Weber; Bradford, Lloyd R. Mack; Buffalo,

James Ross Redstone; Caldwells Corners, In hands of President; Castle Garden, Theodore R. Pagett; Cattaraugus, Robert B. Lewis; Cuba, Adrian P. Everts; East Aurora, Price P. Stark; Helen D. Stark; East Leon, Howard F. Parks; Ellicott, Paul F. Markell; Fillmore, David Shannon; Forestville, Roy M. Gibbs; Hess Road, Nelson D. Crowell; Higgins, Milton Putnam; Houghton, Edward D. Angell; Leon, Mrs. Geneva M. Pritchard; Levant, Daniel Á. Heinz; Lockport, Arthur J. Taylor; Machias, Miss Nancy White, supply; Medix Run, Theodore R. Pagett; McRae Brook, Ray A. Strawser; Oakland, George N. Osgood; Olean, George F. Kilpatrick; Rich Valley, Wilbur Beers; Silver Creek, R. Burnett Thompson; Wellsville, Alton J. Shea; Cleveland Drive pioneer work, Carl Shultz; Bolivar Mission, Discontinued; North Pembroke, Calvin Alt; Hamburg pioneer work, Paul F. Markell.

President of the Conference—Everett E. Elliott
Missionary to Africa—Marion Birch
Missionary to Africa—Warren Woolsey
Missionary to Haiti—Glenn W. Barnett
Missionary to Colombia, S. A.—Robert N. Lytle
Field Representative for the World Gospel Missions—C. I. Armstrong:
Director of Christian Education of the Sunday School Department:
and General Superintendent, Y.M.W.B.—Miss Mary E. Bennett
Serving Hallsport Christian Church—Charles Wheeler

Supplying Marshall Community Chapel—Ralph Betters.
Student at Asbury Theological Seminary—Robert Knowlton
Extension Group Pastor for Houghton College—Ernest Nichols

Signed: Everett E. Eliott,
George N. Osgood,
Daniel A. Heinz,
George F. Kilpatrick,,
Robert R. Luckey,
Archie R. Crapo,
Carol Studley,
Jennie Cade.

MEMORIAL TO GENERAL CONFERENCE 1959

We recommend to the next session of General Conference the following: Under paragraph 177, No. 12, Item VI, "Disbursed for Pastor" that a line be added and labeled "Utilities and Traveling Expense."

LOCKPORT CONFERENCE

Minutes

of the

Twenty-fourth Annual Convention

of the

Wesleyan Youth

of the

Lockport Conference

held at

The Wesleyan Methodist Church

Appleton, New York

April 6-7, 1956

Standing Rules

- 1. Conference Dues—Each local society shall pay into the Conference W.Y. treasury the sum of fifty cents per active member. Such money shall be used to carry on the work of the Executive Council.
- 2. Date of the Annual Convention—The date of the Annual W.Y. Convention of the Lockport Conference shall be left in the hands of the Executive Council.
- 3. Closing Treasurer's Books—The Conference W.Y. treasurer is hereby authorized to close all books March 31. Therefore, all monies and receipts should be in her hands by that time if credit is desired on Statistical Reports.
- 4. Delegates' Credentials—The secretary of each local society shall forward to the Conference W.Y. secretary, not later than one week before the Annual W.Y. Convention, delegate credentials from the society.
 - 5. Youth Camps:
 - 1. President of youth camps-W.Y. President
 - 2. Director of Youth Camp-W.Y. Vice President
 - 3. Director of Young Adult Camp—Appointed by Executive Council.
- 6. Nominating Committee—The Executive Board shall be the Nominating Committee for the District Chairmen and all Conference officers except the President.
- 7. Pastors—All pastors shall be entitled to a vote and a seat within the bar of conference at the Annual W.Y. Convention.
- 8. Pioneer Secretary—All organized W.Y. should elect a local pioneer secretary to promote the support of the Conference church extension program.
- 9. Executive Council—The District Chairmen shall be included in the Executive Council.
- 10. District Organization—Following his election, the District Chairman shall call his district into official session at the Convention, to elect the remaining members of his committee, and the committee shall meet and plan the year's activities before the Annual Conference at which time these plans shall be submitted to the Executive Council for approval.

W. Y. BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

	Membership	General Dues (\$1.50)	Conference Dues (\$.50)
Ashwood	17	\$25.50	\$8.50
Batavia	33 .	49.50	16.50
Bradford	12	18.00	6.00
Cuba	11	16.50	5.50
East Aurora	9	13.50	4.50
East Leon	10	15.00	5.00
Fillmore	10	15.00	5.00
Forestville	16	24.00	8.00
Hess Road	14	21.00	7.00
Higgins	10	15.00	5.00
Houghton	25	37.50	12.50
Levant	10	15.00	5.00
Lockport	15	22.50	7.50
McRae Brook	11	16.50	5.50
Machias	5	7.50	2.50
Rich Valley	16	24.00	8.00
Silver Creek	15	22.50	7.50
Wellsville	8	12.00	4.00

Directory of the W.Y.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President—Rev. Nelson D. Crowell, Appleton, N. Y.

Vice President—Rev. R. Burnett Thompson, 56 Buffalo St., Silver Creek, N. Y.

Secretary-Miss Clarice Strong, Appleton, N. Y.

Treasurer-Miss Nancy White, Machias, N. Y.

DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Northern District:

Chairman—David Day, 32 W. Fairview Pkwy., Buffalo 19, N. Y. Secretary—Treasurer—Marjorie Boshart, 5 Hewitt Pl., Batavia, N. Y. Third Member—Irene Body, Appleton, N. Y.

Societies:

Ashwood-Jean Ames, Waterport, N. Y.

Virginia Ames, Waterport, N. Y.

Batavia-Larry Green, R. D. 2, Elba, N. Y.

Marjorie Boshart, 5 Hewitt Pl., Batavia, N. Y.

East Aurora—Russell Smith, Ostrander Rd., East Aurora, N. Y. Mildred Pikett, Ouaker Rd., Orchard Park, N. Y.

Hess Road-Mrs. Carol B. Strong, Appleton, N. Y.

Irene Body, Appleton, N. Y.

Lockport—Helen Bergeman, 111 Church Street, Lockport, N. Y. Karen Day, Lincoln Ave., Lockport, N. Y.

East Central District:

Chairman-Martha Wolsey, Houghton, N. Y.

Secretary-Treasurer-Carolyn Paine, Houghton, N. Y.

Third Member-Robert Fiegl, Houghton, N. Y.

Societies:

Cuba-Bethel Feucther, Elm St., Cuba, N. Y.

Ida Bova, East Cuba Road, Cuba, N. Y.

Fillmore-James Vincent, R. D. 1, Fillmore, N. Y.

Effie Fairbank, Main St., Fillmore, N. Y.

Higgins-Patricia Evans, R. D. 1, Freedom, N. Y.

Valorie Hotchkiss, R. D. 1, Freedom, N. Y.

Houghton-Paul Earl, Houghton College, Houghton, N. Y.

Laura Belle Hyde, Houghton College, Houghton, N. Y.

West Central District:

Chairman—Rev. Robert Lewis, 43 South St., Cattaraugus, N. Y.

Secretary-Treasurer-Gwendolyn Neal, Cattaraugus, N. Y.

Third Member-Norman Parks, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y.

Societies:

East Leon-Edward Blakely, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y.

Elaine Howard, R. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y.

Forestville-Melvin Conklin, R. D., South Dayton, N. Y.

Mrs. Corinna Haskins, R. D. 3, Forestville, N. Y.

Levant-Betty Roach, 136 E. Elmwood St., Falconer, N. Y.

Mrs. Geraldine Heinz, Falconer, N. Y.

Silver Creek—Raymond Glasgow. 44 Lake Ave. Silver Creek, N. Y. Gail March. 5 Hanover St., Silver Creek, N. Y.

Southern District:

Chairman-Rev. Raymond A. Strawser, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa.

Secretary-Treasurer-Richard George, 612 King St., Olean, N. Y.

Third Member-Mrs. Richard George, 612 King St., Olean, N. Y.

Societies:

Bradford-Ruth Goetz, 24 Willard Ave., Bradford, Pa.

Dorothy Wills, 182 Rutherford Run, Bradford, Pa.

McRae Brook-Mrs. Marie Palmer. R. D. 2, Eldred, Pa.

Barbara Bradt, R. D. 1, Eldred, Pa.

Rich Valley-Mrs. Mary E. Beers, R. D. 1, Emporium, Pa.

Patti Russell, R. D. 1, Emporium, Pa.

Wellsville-Arvilla Griswold, R. D., Bolivar, N. Y.

(The first name is President; second, Secretary)

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Ashwood-Virginia Ames, Larry Manning

Batavia-Marjoric Boshart, Fred Cross, Wesley Mack

Blossom-Patti Stevens

Bradford-Kay Buchanan, Ruth Goetz

Cuba-Dorothy Roeske, Ronald Waite

East Aurora—

East Leon-Norman Parks, Beverly Waite

Fillmore—Beverly Garrison, James Vincent

Forestville-Fern Carpenter, Corinna Haskins

Hess Road-Gordon Strong, James Strong

Higgins-Patricia Evans

Houghton-

Levant-

Lockport-Karen Day, LuLu Merchant

Machias-Mary Horick, Fred Weise

McRae Brook-Fred Palmer, Marie Palmer

·Olean-

Rich Valley-Joy Bates, Alla Bush

Silver Creek-Herbert Cook, Connie Kolbe

Wellsville-

Minutes of the Convention

The twenty-fourth annual convention of the Lockport Conference Wesleyan Youth convened April 6, 7, 1956 at the Hess Road Wesleyan Methodist Church, Appleton, N. Y.

Opening—The Convention was opened with singing "Battle Hymn of the Republic" led by Rev. Paul Markell. Miss Patti Stevens rendered a solo, "The Song of My Soul." After prayer by Rev. Lloyd Mack, Miss Clarice Strong, Hess Road W.Y. President, welcomed the group and Rev. R. Burnett Thompson, Conference Vice President, gave the response.

Roll Call—The roll of delegates was called and twenty-three were marked present. The bar of conference was fixed.

President's Report—The Vice President was called to the chair and the President read his report, which was accepted. (See Report No. 1)

Treasurer's Report—The Treasurer's report was read and adopted by the Convention. (See Report No. 2)

Executive Council's Report—The Secretary read the Executive Council's report. This was accepted. (See Report No. 3)

Recommendations—The following recommendations by the Executive Council were presented to the Convention: (1) That the District Chairmen be included in the Executive Council. The recommendation was adopted by vote of the Convention. (2) That Standing Rule No. 6 be changed to read, "Nominating Committee—The Executive Board shall be the Nominating Committee for the District Chairmen and all Conference officers except the President." This recommendation was adopted. (3) That following his election, the District Chairman shall call his district into official session at the Convention, and that the committee meet and plan the year's activities before the Annual Conference at which time these plans shall be submitted to the Executive Council for approval. This recommendation was adopted.

Committee on Rushford Lake Development—The Committee on Rushford Lake Development made its report, which was adopted. (See Report No. 4)

Election of Officers—The nominations for Conference W.Y. officerswere read and the following were elected:

President—Rev. Nelson D. Crowell Vice President—Rev. Carl Schultz Secretary—Miss Clarice Strong Treasurer—Miss Nancy White

Report of General Conference Delegate—The delegate to General Conference, Miss Clarice Strong, gave an oral report. This was accepted by the Convention.

Report of District Chairmen—Reports were given by the district chairmen on the activity of each district for the past year.

The motion prevailed that the third recommendation adopted by the Convention, take effect in June of this year. (See Report No. 3)

District Organization—Each district group met for organization. The following chairmen were nominated by the districts and elected by the Convention:

Northern—Mr. David Day Southern—Rev. Ray A. Strawser East Central—Miss Martha Woolsey West Central—Rev. Robert Lewis

Invitation for Convention—The motion prevailed that the choice of place for the convention next year be left with the Executive Council. A tentative invitation was then extended by the Silver Creek Church, followed by a second invitation from the Forestville Church.

Adjournment-The motion to adjourn prevailed.

Friday Afternoon Meeting, April 6, 1956

Opening—The afternoon service was opened with singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," after which Rev. Robert Lewis led in prayer. A special number, "Back of the Clouds," was rendered by Mrs. Ray A. Strawser and Mrs. Fred Palmer. Mr. Norman Parks sang "The Name of Jesus."

Message—Our speaker for the Convention was Rev. William Allen, Christian Missionary Alliance pastor from Rochester, N. Y. The message, "Soldiers or Sissies," taken from Ephesians 6: 10-18 presented a soul-stirring challenge to every heart.

Friday Evening Meeting, April 6, 1956

At 6:45 p.m. Youth Camp pictures were shown and at 7 p.m. a preliminary Bible quiz was led by David Shannon, featuring district competition.

Opening—Evening worship was opened with singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" followed with prayer by Rev. Adrian Everts. A men's quartet composed of four pastors of the Conference, sang "Glory to His Name." A solo, "Search Me O God," was given by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Palmer.

Banner Award—The Conference W.Y. Banner was presented to the Hess Road and Levant societies having tied for the honor. Each society will keep the Banner for six months.

Message—Many young people found victory in the Lord as a result of Rev. Allen's message, "Three Roads to a Living Death."

Saturday Morning Meeting, April 7, 1956

Saturday morning at 9:00 a. m. the pastors met in the church for

prayer. At 9:30 the final round of the Bible Quiz was conducted by David Shannon. The West Central District was the winner.

Opening—At the 10 a. m. missionary service Rev. Paul Markell led the congregation in singing "Jesus Saves" followed by choruses. Three of the young people led in prayer. Mrs. David Shannon rendered a solo, "Trust in the Lord."

Message—Rev. Karl Goldberg, Superintendent of the Buffalo Hebrew Christian Mission, brought a devotional message. He spoke concerning the customs of a Jewish marriage, by which he illustrated many spiritual truths.

Saturday Afternoon Meeting, April 7, 1956

Opening—On Saturday afternoon the closing service began with congregational singing, followed by a boys' choir, singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." A mixed quartet of young people sang "Now I Belong to Jesus."

An opportunity for testimonies was given, and the wonderful response by the young people, telling of victories won through Christ, thrilled the hearts of all who heard.

After prayer by Rev. Adrian Everts, an expression of appreciation by Rev. Nelson Crowell, President, was made to the Hess Road Church for their splendid hospitality, and praise to the Lord for His presence in the midst.

A solo, "How Great Thou Art," was given by Carol Henderson.

Message—In his final message, "The Atom Bomb and the End of the World," Rev. Allen forcefully presented to us a challenge to live for Christ as never before in the light of His near return.

Adjournment—The Convention closed with prayer, and each group left having received a new vision and new strength, conscious that these had been two days in which they had met with God.

Respectfully submitted, Signed: Miss Clarice Strong, Secretary

Reports

Report No. 1

WESLEYAN YOUTH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings to the members of the Lockport Conference Wesleyan Youth. When we were elected to the office of Conference Youth President at the last Annual Convention, we felt very inadequate and green in taking up the responsibilities of this office, but God has given wisdom and strength and blessing as we have endeavored to lead the youth work this past year.

The former executive council met following the Annual Convention last year and elected Rev. R. Burnett Thompson as vice president to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Rev. Daniel A. Heinz. A Rushford Lake development committee was also elected: Rev. E. E. Elliott, chm., Rev. Nelson D. Crowell, Rev. Robert Lewis, and Mr. Richard George. This committee met twice during the year.

This has been an active year for the conference officers and the district chairmen. The Executive Council met three times during the year and the chairmen of each district were invited to attend also. We appreciate the fine cooperation that we have received from the Executive Council, including our Annual Conference President who has given graciously of his time and thought to aid in the youth work.

We were privileged to attend the General Conference at Fairmount, Indiana in June, 1955, along with other Wesleyan Youth Presidents and delegates. We have worked on the Conference Board of Church Extension and have acted as its treasurer. We have also represented the Wesleyan Youth on the Houghton Camp Meeting Board and assisted with the 1955 Youth Camp. We have worked with the Houghton Area W. Y. Council and had charge of the registration and housing at the Area Convention held at Houghton last September.

We feel that the youth work throughout the conference has been very encouraging on a local and district basis. Most of the churches participated in Youth Week and we received four reports of definite victories won in the lives of our youth. Our district leaders have done a commendable job in promoting the youth work in their areas. District rallies and other activities have been held in each district of the conference throughout the year. A local society is being organized at Big Tree and Silver Creek and we believe there are other churches that will be able to organize a youth society in the near future.

We are grateful to the Hess Road church for the careful planning and fine preparation for this convention and to the other churches who are helping in the entertainment. We are expecting God to meet us in a gracious way during these two days. And as we look forward to the future may we each determine to prove what God can do through youth that are emptied of sin and self and filled with His Spirit.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Nelson D. Crowell, President

Report No. 2

W. Y. TREASURER'S REPORT, 1955-56

Receipts		
Balance Brought Forward		\$126.50
Conference Dues	\$95.91	
Connectional Dues	256.84	
Home Missions	8.06	
Foreign Missions	214.46	
Education	10.80	
Convention Fund Balance	4.68	
Pioneer Fund	27.00	
Youth Week Offerings	62.55	
Rushford Lake Project	18.20	
Total	\$698.50	698.50
Plus Voucher Receipts:	φονοιου	0,0.00
Youth Week Offering	8.15	
W. Y. Subscriptions	6.25	
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Total Receipts	\$712.90	
Total Receipts Plus Balance	Ψ. 12.70	\$825.00
Disbursements		
Conference Overhead Expense	\$137.09	
Connectional Dues	256.84	
Home Missions	8.06	
Foreign Missions	214.46	,
Education	100.80	•
Pioneer Work	27.00	
Youth Week Offerings	62.55	
Rushford Lake Project	55.69	
Total Disbursements	\$772.49	772.49
Plus Voucher Receipts:		
Youth Week Offerings	8.15	•

W. Y. Subscriptions	6.25	
Total Disbursements	\$786.89	
Balance on Hand in Conference Fund		\$52.51
Respectfully submitted,		
Signed: Elva Jean St	rawser, Tre	asurer
Approved: Auditing Committee		

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Report No. 3 WESLEYAN YOUTH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL'S REPORT

The Executive Council of the Lockport Conference Wesleyan Youth met at the cottage of Mr. Deland Hall at Cattaraugus, N. Y. on Monday, February 27, 1956, for an afternoon of business and recreation.

Plans were completed for the annual convention to be held at the Hess Road Wesleyan Methodist Church at Appleton, N. Y. on April 6 and 7. Officer candidates were nominated for the coming year.

The following recommendations were made:

- 1. That the District Chairmen be included in the Executive Council.
- 2. That Standing Rule No. 6 be changed to read, "Nominating Committee—The Executive Board shall be the Nominating Committee for the District Chairmen and all Conference officers except the President.
- 3. That following his election, the District Chairman shall call his District into official session at the Convention to elect the memaining members of his committee, and that the committee meet and plan the year's activities before the Annual Conference at which time these plans shall be submitted to the Executive Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Nelson Crowell,
R. Burnett Thompson,
Everett E. Elliott,
Elva Jean Strawser,
Clarice Strong.

Report No. 4

REPORT OF THE RUSHFORD LAKE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A committee was appointed by the action of the last Annual Convention to study the part of the Wesleyan Youth in the development of the conference property on Rushford Lake. This committee made a general

survey of the property and submit the following recommendations to this Annual Convention to approve and to pass on to the Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference:

- 1. That there be a complete survey made of the Rushford Lake property.
- 2. That an attempt be made to secure an option on the adjoining property owned by Mr. Davies.
- 3. That the State Department of Health be contacted to aid in plans pertaining to water supply and sewage.
- 4. That the Board of Trustees elect a Planning and Development Committee at this session of the Annual Conference, this committee to consist of seven members, at least two of which shall represent the Wesleyan Youth.
- 5. That this Planning and Development Committee be authorized to draw up layout plans and designate the order of priority by which these plans should be carried out.
- 6. That this committee designate a project in which the Wesleyan Youth can participate immediately.
- 7. That this committee work toward the goal of having a children's and youth camp on this site by 1958.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Everett E. Elliott, Chm.; Nelson D. Crowell.

Robert B. Lewis, Richard George.

Report No. 5

	W. Y. STATISTICAL REPORT														
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Name of Local	Active Members	Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth Subs.	Efficiency Standard Rating	General Dues	Conference Dues	Church Extension	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Local Work	Other Items	Total Receipts Plus Balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
Ashwood Batavia Bradford Cui a East Aurora East Aurora Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Houghton Levant Lockport McRae Brook Machias Rich Valley Wellsville Totals	. 10 . 15 . 10 . 6	150	6 9 17 46 10 12 4	B	\$15.00 39.00 18.00 16.51 15.00 28.50 24.00 45.00 15.00 22.50 16.50 22.50	6.00 5.69 15.00 9.50 8.00 22.50 7.50 5.50 5.50	5.00 4.45 8.15 153.00 85.00 170.00 32.41 2.00	5.10 5.35 5.00 1.95 2.00	7,452.68 7.87 27.50 2.00	25.00 1,297.45 5.00	52.44 3.60 	\$50.000 32.74 	\$79.76 569.17 132.26 41.08 36.50 39.72 256.48 354.98 9,014.66 239.15 108.95 81.76 68.01 42.92 \$	\$78.27 \$20.58 122.06 41.08 	\$1.49 48.59 10.20 21.50 11.57 1,561.98 14.15 16.83 20.76 1.81 12.47

Minutes

of the

Sixty-fourth Annual Session

of the

Woman's Missionary Society

of the

Lockport Conference

held at

Houghton Campgrounds

Houghton, New York

June 6-9, 1956

Standing Rules

- 1. Temporary Organization—The Committee on Temporary Organization shall consist of the President, Vice President and Secretary of the Conference Society. They shall include a Committee on the Standing Rules.
- 2. Election of Officers—The election of Conference Society officials shall be held on Thursday afternoon.
- 3. Missionary Funds—All money raised by the Societies shall be used for missionary work, and no money shall be paid out without the vote of the local society. All missionary monies shall be remitted quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, through the local Treasurer. The quarters shall close July 1; Oct. 1; Jan. 1; April 1. Remittances shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer before the 10th of the month to count in the previous quarter.
- 4. Membership Dues—The dues of \$1.00 per member shall be remitted to the Conference Treasurer. The local society shall decide by vote, and the local Treasurer shall instruct the Conference Treasurer, where half of the dues shall be applied, either Home or Foreign Missions Budget. In addition to the dues there shall be sent 25 cents per active member for General Administrative Fund.
- 5. Benevolent Credits—All benevolent receipts shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer, if they are to be included in the Annual Report. Benevolence include: Card Call stubs, receipts for new clothing, offerings for individuals and projects, for whom appeals have been made through the society. Also all receipts for Radio work, floral funds, postage, freight, gift subscriptions, new materials, white gifts, etc. To obtain credit where no receipt is available, a statement shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer, of the items and the amount, signed by the local President and Secretary.
- 6. Closing Books and Annual Reports—Each local Treasurer's books shall close April 1. All monies and voucher receipts shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer by April 10. Both copies of the Annual Report shall be completely filled in, balanced, and sent to the Checker, by April 20th. The Conference Treasurer shall close her books April 12th, and have her books ready for the checker by April 22nd. The Checker shall check the reports with the Conference Treasurer's books. One copy shall be returned to the local society to be read by the delegate at the Annual Conference, and at the first meeting of the society following conference. The other copy shall be sent to the Statistician by May 5th.
 - 7. Y.M.W.B.—All Y.M.W.B. money shall be sent to Rev. Miss Mary

- E. Bennett, Houghton, N. Y. through the conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, by the local Superintendents. One cent per member shall be sent to the Conference Superintendent as Desk Fund. Each local Y.M.W.B. shall close their books by April 1st, and shall send all money raised to the Conference Superintendent, who shall close her books April 12th.
- 8. Appointments—The Executive Board shall appoint an auditor, or auditors, to audit the books of the Treasurer and the Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, and the matron of the McConnell Hall before Conference. They shall also appoint a Checker and a Statistician.
- 9. Credentials—It shall be the duty of the incoming local President to attend conference. The name of the new President and the Delegate's credentials shall be sent to the Conference Secretary at least one week prior to Conference.
- 10. Reading Reports—All Delegate's reports shall be preceded by their testimony. In reading the report they shall only read; Name of Society, Number of Members, Magazines taken, Efficiency Standard, Total Receipts, all of the Disbursements. They shall also speak of Items of Interest.
- 11. Fasting and Prayer—The Friday before conference shall be observed as a day of fasting and prayer.
- 12. Conference Body—The voting body of the Annual Conference Society shall consist of the Conference Officers, Presidents and Delegates from each local society. Lay pastors, pastor's wives, Y.M.W.B. superintendents and missionaries shall be granted honorary seats, and shall have the privilege to speak.
- 13. Memorials—Memorials shall include the dues paid in memory of someone.

Helen Redstone, Irma A. Mills, Marian A. McKinley.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Pauline Jones, Ashwood, New York
Mrs. Catherine Ellis, Ashwood, New York
Mrs. Edna Haynes, Belleville, New York
Mrs. Alda Caskey, Buffalo, New York
Mrs. Belle Strait, Cuba, New York
Mrs. Jennie Mosher, Cattaraugus, New York
Mrs. Maude Houghton, Cattaraugus, New York
Mrs. Frances Neare, Forestville, New York
Mrs. Agnes Delp, Forestville, New York

Miss Lena Stohert, Hess Road, New York Miss Anna L. Mee, Levant, New York

Honorary Members

Mr. Archie Wolfe, Forestville, New York

Directory of the Woman's Missionary Society

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Recording Secretary—Mrs. Gertrude Roeske, 20 Prospect St., Cuba, N. Tel. 229W	Y.
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Y.M.W.B. Supt.—Mrs. Betty Crowell, Appleton, N. Y., R. D. Tel Newfane 5273	
Matron of McConnell Hall-Mrs. Grace Everts, 11 North Park St., Cu N. Y. Tel. 291J	ba,
Mission Study Secretary-Mrs. Audrey Olson, South Dayton, N. Y.	
Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Olive Day, 32 W. Fairview Pkwy., Buffalo 19, N. Y. Tel. Wo4555	
Magazine Solicitor—Miss Edna Easterly, Nurses Home, 127 North Batavia, N. Y. Tel. 3030	St.,
LOCAL SOCIETIES	
L1 Ashwood—Mrs. Claudia Young, N. Gravel Rd., Medina, N. Y. R. D. 2	0
L2 Batavia—Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, Corfu, N. Y., R. D	6
L3 Belleville—Mrs. Rhetta Luce, Caneadea, N. Y	
L4 Big Tree-Marie Meek, Greenfield Pkwy., Blasdell 19, N. Y Mrs. Elizabeth Caudill	
I.5. Blossom—Mrs. Mande Gitchel. 320 Bennett Rd. Buffalo 25. N. V.	1

L6 Bradford-Mrs. Flora Wills, Rutherford Run, Bradford, Pa.

Buffalo-Mrs. Helen Redstone, 414 Glenwood Ave., Buffalo 8,

Eva Cornelius

	WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH	83
	New York	6 2
1.8	Castle Garden—Marian Pagett, Driftwood, Pa	3 0
L9	Cattaraugus—Mrs. Eva L. Dietrich, 42 South St., Cattaraugus, N. Y. Helen F. Miller	6 6
L10	Cleveland Drive—Annalee Schultz, 33 Matthews Lane, Cheektowaga, New York	3 0
L11	Cuba—Mrs. Marjorie Waite, 6 Orchard St., Cuba, N. Y Mrs. Gertrude Roeske	0 6
L12	East Aurora—Mrs. Helen D. Stark, 27 Maple St., East Aurora, New York Mrs. Mildred Pickett	6 2
L13	East Leon—Mrs. Irene Hull, Gowanda, N. Y., R. D. 2	0 6
L14	Ellicott—Mrs. May Gutekunst, Sheriff Rd., Orchard Park, N. Y. Mrs. Emily S. Bowers	2 5
L15	Fillmore—Miss Mildred Gillette, Houghton, N. Y	0 5
L16	Forestville—Mrs. Sadie Phillips, South Dayton, N. Y	0 6
L17	Higgins—Mrs. Irma Mills, Houghton, N. Y	3 3
L19	Hess Road—Mrs. Millicent George, Charlotteeville Rd., Newfane, New York	6 2
L18	Houghton-Mrs. Mary Green, Houghton, N. Y	0 6
L20	Leon—Mrs. Clara Harmon, Cattaraugus, N. Y., R. D. 2	4 2
L21	Levant—Mrs. Carola Crapo, Falconer, N. Y., R. D. 1	6 4
L22	Lockport—Mrs. Mabel Taylor, Lockport, N. Y., R. D. 4 Mrs. Arveda Painter	4 6
L23	Machias—Mrs. Carrie Cornwall, Machias, N. Y	0 5
L24	McRae Brook-Mrs. Susan Burroughs, Portville, N. Y., Box 112	0

	Mrs. Margaret Palmer	1
L25	Medix Run—Mrs. Marian Pagett, Driftwood, Pa	
L27	Oakland—Mrs. Sarah Osgood, Nunda, N. Y., R. D	
L28	Olean—Mrs. Thelma McKuhn, 409 Madison Ave., Olean, N. Y Mrs. Leah Littlejohn	
L29	Rich Valley—Mrs. Inez Ruberto, 485 Portage St., Emporim, Pa Mrs. Mary Beers	
L30	Silver Creek—Mrs. Vaylle Mitchell, West Irving, N. Y	
L31	Wellsville-Mrs. Eleanor Samuelson, Alfred, N. Y., Box 743 Mrs. Vera Klatt	
	(First name is the President, Second, the delegate)	

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

June 3, 1956

The Executive Board met at 11:15 a. m. It was moved to pay the following bills: President's expenses \$12.00; Treasurer's salary \$25.00; Secretaries expenses \$2.23; Rev. F. R. Birch \$25.00; Bill for oil for McConnell Hall \$1.00; President for services at McConnell Hall prior and during conference \$10.00. It was decided for the President, Treasurer, Secretary and Y.M.W.B. Supt. and magazine solicitor to attend Workshop at Charles City, Iowa, August 28-31, 1956.

Signed: Gertrude Roeske, Secretary

Daily Proceedings

Wednesday Morning, June 6, 1956

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church convened for the sixty-fourth session in the Childrens' Auditorium on the Houghton Campground, June 6, 1956.

The President, Sarah Osgood, presided. Elsie Taylor led the Society in singing "Satan's weapons shall not prosper," and Helen Stark led devotions reading the following Scriptures, Heb. 12: 1-8, 12: 15-18, Heb. 5: 8, 9, and I Cor. 14: 33, and made helpful comments. Prayer was offered by Mabel Taylor.

The Bar of Conference was fixed as the first 5 long and the first 4 short seats in the Auditorium.

Roll Call was taken, 4 Officers, 12 Presidents and 17 Delegates were present.

The Committee on Temporary Organization made its report and it was adopted.

The Vice President, Helen Stark took the chair and the President read her report. It was adopted.

Statistical reports were read from the following societies: Ashwood, Batavia, Belleville, Big Tree, Buffalo, Cattaraugus, Castle Garden, Cheektowaga, Cuba, East Aurora, East Leon, Fillmore, Forestville, Higgins, Hess Road, Houghton, Leon, Levant, Lockport, Machias, McRae Brook, Medix Run, Olean, were read.

It was moved and adopted that the election of officers be scheduled for Thursday a.m.

Adjourned by motion, closing prayer by Marian McKinley.

Wednesday Afternoon, June 6, 1956

The afternoon session opened at 1:30 with Dorothy Angell leading in singing, "Wonderful Message of Love." Alice Boyd conducted devotions using I John 2:1, 2; I Tim. 2:5, Heb. 9:24, Heb. 17:5, and Psalm 37:5 to base her remarks on. She closed with prayer.

Roll Call was taken, 4 officers, 14 Presidents and 22 Delegates responded.

The minutes of the morning meeting were read and approved.

Statistical reports were read from, Oakland, Ellicott and Bradford.

Helen Kilpatrick displayed and explained a poster which she had made, showing the need of funds to send more workers to the Fields.

A communication was read from Louise Lytle.

It was moved to have the secretary answer all communications and send greetings to those whom we deem wise.

The Courtesy Committee presented our General President, Ruby Reisdorph. Her talk, as usual was very inspirational.

The Courtesy Committee presented Grace Birch who brought greetings to the society and made some specific prayer requests.

Adjourned on motion.

Closing prayer by Annalee Schultz.

Thursday Forenoon, June 7, 1956

The morning meeting opened with Elsie Taylor leading the society in singing, "Pray On! Oh, Friends of Jesus." Carola Crapo read 1 Cor. 13 and prayer was offered by Belle Parks.

Roll call was taken, 4 Officers, 13 Presidents and 17 Delegates were present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Time for Orders of the Day having arrived, the Nominating Committee read their report and the society proceeded with the election of Officers. (See Directory) Barbara Wheeler and Virginia Waldon were appointed as tellers.

It was moved to have Elizabeth Caudill and Arveda Painter act on the Committee on Resolutions.

A letter concerning the Houghton Academy appeal for funds was read by Sarah Osgood.

It was moved and supported that this appeal be met and that from \$2 to \$10 be sent from each society and that this be sent into the Treasurer with the first remittance.

The District Chairmen reported on the Conventions held and each reported much benefit derived from these meetings.

The society adjourned for ten minutes so each District could appoint their Chairman and Magazine Solicitor for the coming year, the following Chairmen were appointed: Northern, Helen Stark; Southern, Helen Kilpatrick; E. Central, Elsie Taylor; W. Central, Belle Parks. The Magazine Solicitors as follows: Northern, Annalee Schultz; Southern, Marian Pagett; E. Central, Sarabel Elliott; W. Central, Dora Gibbs.

The Statistical report was read and accepted.

The Standing Rules report was read and accepted. This motion was then recinded to allow time to secure further information concerning this report.

It was moved that a Committee be appointed to look into the History of McConnell Hall with the idea of possibly turning it over to the Camp Meeting Association. Helen Stark and Dorothy Angell were appointed.

A discussion period followed.

The Courtesy Committee presented June Wolfe, our missionary recently returned from Japan, to the society. She extended greetings.

Adjourned on motion. Closing prayer by Flora Wills.

Thursday Afternoon, June 7, 1956

The afternoon session opened with prayer by Aileen Shea, following the Connectional Address by F. R. Birch.

Roll call was taken; 4 Officers, 10 Presidents, and 15 Delegates responded.

The Minutes of the morning meeting were read and approved.

The Statistical report of Rich Valley was read.

The Standing Rule report was adopted.

The Prayer Partner report was read and accepted.

Leah Littlejohn was appointed to act on the Magazine Committee.

The Efficiency Standard reported 75%. This was accepted.

June Wolfe brought a soul stirring message, using Isaiah 43 on which to base her remarks. She also presented many needy prayer requests. Helen Stark offered prayer.

Adjourned on motion. Closing prayer by Eva Cornelius.

Thursday Evening Public Meeting, June 7, 1956

The Public Missionary Meeting was held in the Tabernacle at 7:30 with Sarah Osgood presiding. Dorothy Angell led the congregation in singing "Jesus Calls Us" and "All For Jesus." Sister Grace Birch offered prayer.

Rev. Gordon Wolfe greeted the Congregation and gave a brief description of conditions now in Japan, and told of the changes that have been felt there in the last five years. He asked for prayers for the Missionaries there and also the native pastors.

Rev. F. R. Birch gave the main address and brought a very challenging message. He used Matthew 24: 3, 4 as his text and placed before us the many countless needs for funds which come to his office. He told of God's working in meeting many of these needs, but said the task is so great ahead of us. Much is accomplished on Faith.

Helen Stark made a plea for funds for the support of Louise Lytle whose salary this next year will be approximately \$1100.00. An offering was taken and the following was received: Paid Pledges, \$244.25; Unpaid pledges, \$1191.00: \$25.68 in cash, for Foreign and \$125.00 in unpaid Pledges and \$5.50 in Cash for Home Missions.

Rev. C. I. Armstrong made the closing prayer.

Friday Morning, June 8, 1956

We started our meeting at 9:00 with Elsie Taylor leading in the singing of "Go Forth Ye Christians."

The Committee on Courtesy presented our General Vice President, Alice McMillan who conducted devotions. She gave a very helpful talk and used the Scripture in the book of Jonah.

Roll Call was taken and 4 Officers, 11 Presidents and 18 Delegates were present.

The minutes of the Thursday afternoon meeting and the Evening public meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Plan of Work report was read and accepted. (Report No. 5)

The Committee on Resolutions report was read and accepted. (Report No. 4)

The Committee on Memorials report was read and accepted.

A letter from Esther Smeenge, Missionary nurse, returning to Africa, was read.

The Committee on Courtesy presented Rev. Walden Tysinger, President of Houghton Academy. He explained more fully the plan for setting up a Homemaking Department so a Homemaking course can be taught in the Academy.

The Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Mary Bennett, who brought greetings and later gave a real "pep" talk on the Y.M.W.B. work.

Norma Putnam, Conference Magazine Solicitor, gave a few instructions to the local magazine solicitors.

The Statistical report from Silver Creek was read. Adjourned on motion, prayer by Geneva Pritchard.

Friday Afternoon, June 8, 1956

The afternoon meeting came to order following the Educational Address by Dr. Paine in the Tabernacle. Dorothy Angell led in singing, "Make Me An Intercessor." Marian McKinley led devotions, reading Philippians 4:4 and I Peter 1:3-9 and emphasizing the Joy in the Lord. Dorothy Angell offered prayer.

Roll Call was taken, 6 Officers, 10 Presidents and 16 Delegates were present.

The Minutes of the morning meeting were read and accepted.

The Executive Board Meeting report was read.

The Treasurers report was read and accepted. (Report No. 3)

The Y.M.W.B. Treasurers report was read and accepted.

Honorary Awards were given to 6 Y.M.W.B. Bands. Machias, Higgins, Forestville, Big Tree and Belleville.

McConnell Hall reported total receipts of \$65.65; Disbursed for meal tickets, \$6.00 and balance to Conference W.M.S. Treasurer of \$59.65.

The Committee on Magazines reported 1 new and 2 renewals.

The Committee on Addresses report was read and accepted.

The Committee on Literature reported sales of \$92.93.

Helen Stark spoke a few minutes concerning the Work-Shop to be held in Charles City Iowa. A motion was made and carried that as a Conference Society, we asses 10 cents per member and this amount be sent to the Conference Treasurer by August 1st.

The Minutes of the afternoon were read and approved.

Adjourned on motion, closing prayer by Dorothy Angell.

Reports

COMMITTEE ON TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

Committee on Resolutions—Mabel Taylor, Arveda Painter, Elizabeth Caudill

Committee on Plan of Work—Carola Crapo, Annalee Schultz, Eva Cornelius

Committee on Courtesies-Marian Shannon

Committee on Magazines-Elizabeth Haskins, Leah Littlejohn

Committee on Standing Rules-Helen Redstone, Marian McKinley, Irma Mills

Committee on Efficiency-Marian Pagett, Helen Newcomb

Committee on Memoriam-Eva Dietrich, Mary Eckler

Committee on Literature-Jessie Taylor

Committee on Nominations-Edna Easterly, Mabel Mosher, Flora Wills

Committee on Addresses-Helen Miller, Thelma McKuhn

Report No. 2

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus to the members of the sixty-fourth session of the Lockport Annual Conference Woman's Missionary Society.

Another year of history has been written. We trust all have enjoyed the work of the society and much progress has been made.

June 21 to 28 we attended the thirteenth quadrennial session of the General Conference. It was a privilege to fellowship once more with so many who love the Lord. The daily devotions conducted by Mrs. Hazel Banker, returned Missionary to India and Miss Anna McGhic, veteran Missionary, world traveler, author of "Miracle Hand Around the World," were inspirational and helpful. Thoughts from each will be found in the General Conference Minutes.

Our special speakers during Camp meeting were Rev. and Mrs. Robert Crosby and Brother Nate Scharff.

Two new societies have been organized this year. Congratulations Blossom and Cheektowaga.

Mrs. Olive Day was appointed checker; Mrs. Norma Putnam auditor and Miss Erma Stoekel statistician. We appreciate the willingness of these sisters to do this extra work.

We are sorry no missionary was available to travel our conference

this year. However, several churches were privileged to have Vera Clocksen visit them for services. Brother Liddick has informed us that Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Saunders will be available to travel our conference this fall. Therefore, an itinerary is being arranged for the latter part of October and part of November.

Since the Matron of McConnell Hall will be unable to attend conference I have cared for the reservations for conference. We expect each Missionary delegate to do their share of work in the hall during this session. Thank you!

Your temporary organization committee, Helen Stark, Gertrude Roeske

and myself met in Cuba Thursday May 24.

In conclusion I would report that this has been a busy year meeting several times with the Conference Board of Church Extension, organization meetings with local Societies, and correspondence with members of the executive committee, local presidents and local treasurers. However, God has made this another year of progress and blessing for which we give Him the Glory.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Osgood, President

Sarah Osgood, Presider

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Item				Balance on Hand Beginning of Year	Total Receipts	Total Dis ursements	Cash Balance on Hand
General Dues Conference Dues Administrative Fund McConnell Hall Local Church Other Objects Card Calls				58.68	\$755.83 190.24 231.67 904.60 310.04 457.00 23.72 1,075.61 2,724.63 749.76 88.50 179.00 203.82 159.00 924.52 5,180.13 698.03 744.48 219.29	231 . 67 904 . 60 310 . 04 457 . 00 23 . 72 1,075 . 6T 2,724 . 63 749 . 76 88 . 50 179 . 00 264 . 38 159 . 00 108 . 32 924 . 52 5,180 . 13 698 . 20 774 . 48 219 . 29	\$103.80 34.83

Approved: Auditing Committee

Helen Redstone, Conference Treasurer

Report No. 4

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Resolved:

- 1. That we are members of the W.M.S. covenant to faithfully remember before the throne of Grace the men and women in the armed forces of our country, serving God and home in foreign lands.
- 2. That we earnestly pray for revival in our churches and throughout our land.
- 3. That we continue to pray for our President of the U.S.A. and all those in authority in our government.
- 4. We suggest that the plan of work be read in our societies at least twice a year.
- 5. That we appreciate the work of those who prepared the dining room and excellent meals. The dormitories of the campground, efficiently caring for the needs of the present conference.

Respectflly submitted,

Mabel Taylor, Arveda Painter, Elizabeth Caudill.

Report No. 5

PLAN OF WORK

The Committee on Plan of work submit the following recommendations:

- 1. That we continue the present Prayer Partner Plan; that we write to our prayer partners on the field; that the local societies continue the practice of praying by name for our Missionaries and native workers on the field.
- 2. That each local society follow the reading course as outlined by the Mission Study Secretary and use the program calendar.
- 3. That we continue the support of Mrs. Louise Lytle in South America: Also \$500.00 to aid students in Yoetmal Biblical Seminary.
- 4. That each local society promote the Penny-a-meal Plan and that funds thus collected be turned in on the general fund for Foreign Missions.
- 5. That one meeting be given to the study of the spiritual needs of the Jews and to praying especially for them.
- 6. That each society contribute \$3.00 annually and as much more as possible to the Medical Fund.
- 7. That we continue the support of Home Missions in its various needs by cash contributions and personal gifts for the missionaries, and that each society communicate with the various home mission stations regarding their needs before sending out boxes.

- 8. That we observe World Day of Prayer in February, Self Denial in April, Educational Day in October, and White Gift Christmas for Home Missionaries.
- 9. That the Efficiency Standard be read in the society the first monthly meeting after Conference; that arrangements be made with the pastor for one missionary prayer meeting each month; and that the Standing Rules and Plan of Work be read at least once a year.
- 10. That each society contribute \$8.00 or more for the support of Hephzibah Orphanage and at least \$10.00 for Home Missions.
- 11. That each society respond to the Card Call Plan, and that a Card Call Secretary be chosen whose duty shall be to promote this work and collect receipts from individual contributors, Card Call contributions not to be counted toward Home Missions budget.
- 12. That we secure every woman in the church as a member of the society, or achieve a ten per cent gain in total membership.
- 13. That each society appoint a Temperance Secretary to bring in Temperance information and prayer items.
- 14. That we as a society, in case of death of a member or other persons in the community, encourage setting aside or collecting money for some missionary project, rather than buying flowers and that a memorial card be sent to the family.
- 15. That each society instruct its delegate as to its choice of one kind of fruit (20 qts) or vegetables (24 qts) to be furnished by the society for use at the dining hall during camp meeting.
- 16. That each society promote the Honorary Enrollment Plan to aid Houghton College and the use of Foot of dimes strips to provide funds for equipment and transportation on the fields.

Respectfully submitted, Carola Crapo Eva Cornelius Annalee Schultz

Report No. 6

PRAYER PARTNERS REPORT

21 Societies reporting.
Number of Prayer Partners—285
Home—271
Y.M.W.B.—19

Mary Wolfe, Prayer Partner Secretary

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Band	Active Members	Honorary Members	Meetings	Efficiency Standard %	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Special Projects (Credit)	Total (Band Credit)	Non-Credit Total	Grand Total .
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W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

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Name of Society	Active Members	Honorary Members	Memlers Gained	Members Lost	Total No. Meetings Held	Wesleyan Missionarys Taken	Efficiency Standard Rank %	No. Missionaries Supported	Membership Dues	Offerings	From Labor
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom* Bradford Buffalo Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cleveland Drive* Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Porestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Levant Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run Oakland Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek Wellsville Miscellaneous	15 23 18 14 11 15 22 21 13 14 14 17 20 5 8 34 14 17 20 11 13 11 13 11 13 11 13 14 14 14 15 16 17 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	1 22 33 3	2	34 2 1 3 3 3	132 134 146 153 133 138 155 152 167 1112 224 144 153 130 200 201 338 1388 1398 1398 1498 1598 1598 1598 1598 1598 1598 1598 15	131 101 1025 8 9 25 111 105 25 27 105 210 105 210 105 210 105 210 105 210 210 210 210 210 210 210 210 210 210	75 75 80 85 80 70 80 80 90	1½ 1½ ½	\$16.00 25.00 17.00 30.00 18.00 41.00 28.00 33.00 20.00 34.00 21.00 16.00 19.00 17.00 8.00 19.00 8.00 11.00 13.00 13.00	\$191.75 131.86 113.19 87.88 26.00 617.53 190.85 130.78 50.70 101.64 187.49 230.77 602.86 419.67 300.49 225.69 340.53 707.62 337.35 106.56 38.94 57.11 265.98 8.09	\$22.00 30.62 12.00 2.75 61.09

^{*} New Societies

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Receipts—Continued												
Name of Society	"Memorials"	Voucher Receipts	Administrative Fund	Other Sources	Total Receipts for Year	Old Balance Last Year	Grand Total					
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree Blossom * Bradford Buffalo Castle Garden Cattaraugus Cleveland Drive * Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton Leon Levant Lockport Machias McRae Brook Medix Run Oakland Olean Rich Valley Silver Creek Wellsville	26.00	\$100.00 5.00 37.00 3.75 	\$5.25 2.75 3.75 5.25 4.50 7.50 8.50 7.53 3.25 4.75 10.25 1.75 2.75 8.75	\$188.00 164.42 30.02 	\$495.75 341.28 176.44 138.65 26.00 1,585.32 319.95 170.74 300.02 50.00 259.29 644.16 290.19 1,025.81 1780.76 2,270.15 528.79 189.69 1,464.60 781.81 1,036.46 387.85 110.73 205.59 140.76 583.86 992.46	6.54 2.45 33.61 18.11 	\$499.25 397.74 136.44 138.65 26.00 1,591.86 322.40 204.35 318.13 50.00 259.29 656.16 781.36 2,270.25 559.18 200.40 1,467.01 781.81 1,037.25 416.20 17.73 217.79 59.05 151.71 583.58 237.65 992.46 36.30					

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W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued

Disbursements													
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Name of Society	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Medical Student,	Hephzibah	Australia	Education							
Ashwood Batavia Belleville Big Tree	\$94.05 20.00 16.50 23.00	\$176.00 77.50 34.00 39.00	\$3.00 3.00 3.00 6.00	\$8.00 10.00 8.00 8.00		\$48.62 20.00 11.40 12.00							
Blössom * Bradford Buffalo Castle Garden Cattaraugus	35.00 13.00 52.16 15.00	25.00 606.21 26.00 53.60 70.00	3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00	18.00 2.00 8.00 8.00	2.00 4.00	8.35							
Cleveland Drive * Cuba East Aurora East Leon Ellicott	11.15 45.00 10.00 12.00	50.00 49.62 56.75 42.70 309.11	5.00 3.00 3.00	8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00	6.00	17.90 17.75							
Fillmore Forestville Hess Road Higgins Houghton	30.00 44.07 19.00 10.00 24.75	566.93 619.93 166.00 50.44 787.00	3.00 3.00 5.00 3.00 3.00	8.00 11.00 8.00 8.00 8.00	11.00 8.00	20.00 50.50 32.00 39.00 49.76							
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Medix Run Oakland Olean Rich Valley	7.50 19.00 61.00 35.00	14.00 57.11 65.00 64.00	3.00 8.50	1.50 4.00 12.00 5.50	1.50 13.00 5.50	6.00 37.75 36.25 24.00							
Silver Creek Wellsville Miscellaneous Totals	10.00 \$755.83	596.44 13.53 125.75 \$5,495.60	3.00 \$88.50	8.00 \$218.00	5.00 :::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	21.00 14.21 \$749.76							

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Name of Society	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Administrative Fund	Other Objects	Total Disbursements	New Balance on Hand	Grand Total
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