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# Our Monored Dead

REV. J. A. S. ANDERSON
REV. RICHARD G. RAMSEY
REV. R. A. FRENCH

In memory of those who have deceased during the past year

J. D. AVERY
MRS. SARAH BARNETT
MRS. W. F. BUNNELL
MRS. BESSIE MEDDERS

#### SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE

(Date, Place, President, Vice-President, Secretary, Members) Organized—July 30, 1910, Friendship, E. Teter, P. C. Ramsey, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 238

- Nov. 3, 1910, Ada Chapel, E. Teter, P. C. Ramsey, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 242.
- 2 Nov. 2, 1911, West Blocton, E. Teter, P. C. Ramsey, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 244.
- 3 Nov. 7, 1912, Ada Chapel, E. Teter, P. C. Ramsey, E. R. Tubb, 256.
- 4 Nov. 6, 1913, Mt. Ivah, E. Teter, P. C. Ramsey, E. R. Tubb, 286.
- Nov. 19, 1914, Friendship, E. Teter, J. A. Wood, E. R. Tubb, 356.
- 6 Nov. 4, 1915, West Blocton, E. Teter, J. A. Wood, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 585.
- 7 Nov. 2, 1916, Pell City, E. Teter, J. A. Wood, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 592.
- 8 Nov. 8, 1917, Tuscaloosa, E. Teter, R. A. French, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 575.
- Nov. 6, 1918, West Blocton, J. A. Wood, R. A. French, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 538.
- 10 Nov. 6, 1919, Pell City, R. A. French, J. A. S. Anderson, W. E. Hobson, Jr.
- 11 Nov. 2, 1920, Mentone, W. R. French, R. E. Snipes, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 494.
- 12 Oct. 26, 1921, Tuscaloosa, W. R. French, R. E. Snipes, W. E. Hobson, Jr. 485.
- 13 Nov. 1, 1922, Talladega, W. R. French, R. E. Snipes, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 553.
- 14 Oct. 30, 1923, Friendship, R. E. Snipes, E. M. Thompson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 614.
- 15 Oct. 29, 1924, Birmingham, R. E. Snipes, H. R. French, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 592.
- 16 Oct. 28, 1925, Mentone, R. E. Snipes, E. L. Henderson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 568.
- 17 Nov. 10, 1926, Tuscaloosa, R. E. Snipes, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 627.
- 18 Nov. 1, 1927, Bessemer, R. E. Snipes, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 596.
- 19 Nov. 6, 1928, Pell City, R. E. Snipes, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 767.
- Oct. 16, 1929, Talladega, R. E. Snipes, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 767.
- 21 Oct. 21, 1930, Tuscaloosa, R. E. Snipes, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 909.
- 22 Oct. 21, 1931, Talladega, R. E. Snipes, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 962.

- 23 Oct. 18, 1932, Tuscaloosa, R. E. Snipes, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 979.
- 24 Oct. 18, 1933, Mentone, R. E. Snipes, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1039.
- 25 Oct. 17, 1934, Tarrant, R. E. Snipes, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1079.
- 26 Oct. 5, 1935, Tuscaloosa, R. E. Snipes, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1104.
- 27 Oct. 20, 1936, Birmingham, E. L. Shigley, J. L. Averett, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1095.
- 28 Oct. 19, 1937, Birmingham, E. L. Shigley, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1045.
- 29 Oct. 18, 1938, Brent, E. L. Shigley, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1027.
- 30 Oct. 18, 1939, Tuscaloosa, E. L. Shigley, H. A. Johnson, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1107.
- 31 Oct. 16, 1940, Talladega, E. L. Shigley, Paul E. Allred, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1122.
- 32 July 22, 1941, Camp Eden, E. L. Shigley, Paul E. Allred, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1163.
- 33 July 21, 1942, Camp Eden, Paul E. Allred, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1028.
- 34 July 27, 1943, Camp Eden, Paul E. Allred, E. L. Shigley, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1032.
- 35 Oct. 25, 1944, Brent, E. L. Shigley, H. F. Pair, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1133.
- 36 Oct. 24, 1945, Pell City, E. L. Shigley, J. A. Treese, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1100.
- 37 August 28, 1946, Camp Eden, E. L. Shigley, J. A. Treese, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1119.
- 38 August 13, 1947, Camp Eden, E. L. Shigley, J. A. Treese, W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1137.

# MINUTES ALABAMA CONFERENCE

- President-Rev. Ernest L. Shigley, Tel. 9330, P. O. Box 101, Pell City, Ala.
- Vice-President—Rev. J. A. Treese, Tel. 1967-J, 2714 Water Ave., Selma, Ala.
- Secretary-W. E. Hobson, Jr., Tel. 2942, 1429 23rd Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.
- Treasurer—Arthur L. Deason, Tel. 2-5318, 344 Mountain Ave., Birmingham, Ala.
- President's Advisory Board-J. A. Treese, Arthur L. Deason.
- Trustees— Richmond E. Snipes, term expires 1948; Ernest L. Shigley, term expires 1948; H. Frank Pair, term expires 1949; William E. Hobson, Jr., term expires 1949; Preston E. Spruiell, term expires 1950.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

- Judiciary-S. D. Herron, E. T. Meacham, J. A. Treese, H. F. Pair.
- Itinerancy and Orders—C. R. Tegen, 4 years; E. L. Shigley, 3 years; J. A. Treese, 2 years; S. D. Herron, 1 year.
- Auditing-Fred T. Brazier, Verlon O. Agan, M. Wardner Medders.
- Vacancies—E. L. Shigley, R. E. Snipes, Fred T. Brazier, J. L. Nabors, A. L. Deason.
- Conventions—E. L. Shigley, Mrs. E. T. Meacham, Mrs. Frances Allred, Mrs. Louise Rich.
- Memorials-Frank W. Warren, L. A. Bamburg, B. B. Elam.
- Sunday School Secretary-S. D. Herron.
- Sunday School Board-S. D. Herron, A. L. Deason, Frank W. Warren.
- Tithing Secretary-George B. Vernon.
- Missionary Board—E. L. Shigley, Fred T. Brazier, J. A. Treese, R. E. Snipes, Mrs. E. T. Meacham.
- Camp-Meeting—President, J. A. Treese; Vice-President, Fred T. Brazier; Secretary-Treasurer, George B. Vernon; E. L. Shigley, J. L. Davis.

#### CONFERENCE ROLL

#### Elders

Averett, J. L., Tel. 1, P. O. Box 43	Stanton, Ala.
Bamburg, L. A., Route 1	Akron, Ala.
Brazier, Fred T., 219 Spring St.	Talladega, Ala.
Clark, Harry D., Route 1, Box 281	Talladega, Ala.
Frederick, Grover C.	West Blocton, Ala.
French, H. Robb, Gen. Del.	Marion, Ind.
Herron, Steve D., 115 North E. St.	Marion, Ind.
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Medders, M. Wardner, Tel. 3-6101, 833 Wash'ton Ave.	Montgomery, Ala.
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Warren, Frank W., 312 North 23rd St	Birmingham, Ala.
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#### LICENTIATES

A W I O D I O :	Horton, Ala.
Agan, Verlon O., Route 2.	
Allred, Mrs. Frances Ray, Wesleyan Methodist College.	Central, S. C.
Armour, Marshall, Wesleyan Methodist College	Central, S. C.
Armour, Mrs. Marshall, Wesleyan Methodist College	Central, S. C.
Averett, Claude T.	Maplesville, Ala.
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Hill, Willie B., Route 1	Heiberger, Ala.
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King, G. P., Tel. 7934, Route 1	Cottondale, Ala.
Shigley, E. Harold	Duont Alo
Watson, Mrs. Hallie, Route 1, Box 45	Prattville, Ala.
Wood, O. C., Tel. 1111M4, Route 3	Jasper, Ala.

#### LAY DELEGATES

W. B. Adams, J. C. Arnold, W. C. Averett, H. P. Bailey, J. R. Bailey, Mrs. Oscar L. Bynum, Mrs. Vera Cash, J. B. Davis, A. L. Deason, Mrs. M. A. Deese, B. B. Elam, J. B. Heath, Erline Lindsey, Sidney Loggins, O. A. Marchant, Mrs. Charles Meehan, A. L. Moman, J. L. Nabors, Mrs. Emma Phillips, Jackson Rinehart, Mrs. Tinie Segrest, Charles Stewart, Richard Smith, Julia Thomas, Mrs. Ida Walker, J. H. Winter.

#### DAILY PROCEEDINGS

The Alabama Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church convened for its thirty-eighth annual session at Camp Eden, Ala., August 13, 1947, at 10:00 A.M. with song services conducted by Oscar Bynum, Jr., followed by Devotions conducted by Chaplain Frank W. Warren.

The session was called to order for business by the President and the roll was called, with a quorum present. The Nominating Committee made a partial report. The Committee on Credentials gave a partial report and fourteen lay delegates were enrolled.

The Conference Bar was fixed to include all seats in front of the second row of posts in the auditorium.

The Committee on Nominations read its final report. The name of Mrs. Vera Cash was substituted for that of Mrs. J. H. Lawson on the Committee on Thanks.

Rev. H. K. Sheets, Connectional Representative, was introduced to the body, and was asked by the President to preside as chairman of the Conference business meetings.

The time of meetings was fixed to meet at 8:45 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. and adjourn by motion.

The President read his annual report, which was approved and adopted as read.

A report was read from the President and Advisory Board fixing Orders of the Day as follows: Conference Sermon, Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.; Election of Officials, Thursday, 9:00 A.M.; Connectional Address, Thursday, 11:15 A.M.; Educational Address, Thursday, 3:30 P.M.; Memorial Services, Friday, 1:30 P.M.

A resolution was adopted reducing the reading of Pastor's reports to total items only.

Adjourned for Committee work.

#### WEDNESDAY-AFTERNOON MEETING

Devotions were conducted by S. D. Herron.

The roll was called, and five additional lay delegates were enrolled.

Minutes were read and approved.

It was moved and carried to include under item six of the pastors' reports the total amount of pastor's receipt.

The following ministers read their reports: J. L. Averett, L. A. Bamburg, Fred T. Brazier, Harry D. Clark, S. D. Herron, H. F. Pair, A. D. Preston, E. L. Shigley, R. E. Snipes, Mrs. Maggie Jean Speer, C. R. Tegen, J. A. Treese, G. B. Vernon, F. W. Warren, W. W. Crews, C. W. Crowe, G. P. King, D. L. Howard, Verlon O. Agan. All reports were adopted by vote.

A recommendation was read from the Stanton Church, recommending Claud T. Averett as a suitable person to study and travel under the direction of the Conference. The recommendation was referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

A request was made to the Conference body for special prayer for Mrs. Verona Merrymon, who was seriously ill in the hospital.

On motion adjourned.

#### THURSDAY—MORNING MEETING

Devotions were conducted by Fred T. Brazier.

Roll called, and six additional lay delegates enrolled.

Minutes were read and approved.

Committee on Courtesies presented to the body, Prof. J. B. Hilson, President of Wesleyan Methodist College, Central, S. C.

The Order of the Day was called for and the body proceeded with the election of Conference officers. G. B. Vernon, F. M. Crowe, C. R. Tegen and Wardner Medders, acting as tellers, resulting as follows: President, E. L. Shigley; Vice-President, J. A. Treese; Secretary, W. E. Hobson, Jr.; Trustee for a term of three years, Preston S. Spruiell; Member of the Local Board of Managers of Central College, E. L. Shigley, Sr., with S. D. Herron, Alternate.

It was moved and carried to elect all other officials by acclamation.

Arthur L. Deason was nominated and elected Treasurer.

Judiciary Committee, S. D. Herron, E. T. Meacham, J. A. Treese, H. F. Pair.

Itinerancy and Orders for four-year term, C. R. Tegen.

Auditing Committee, Fred T. Brazier, V. I. Agan, M. W. Medders.

E. L. Shigley, Jr., of the South Carolina Conference, was introduced to the body.

Vacancy Committee, E. L. Shigley, R. E. Snipes, Fred T. Brazier, J. L. Nabors, A. L. Deason.

Conventions, E. L. Shigley, President, W.M.S.; President, W.Y.P.S. and Superintendent Y.M.W.B.

Memorials, F. W. Warren, L. A. Bamburg, B. B. Elam.

Sunday School Secretary, S. D. Herron.

Tithing Secretary, G. B. Vernon.

Missionary Board, E. L. Shigley, Fred T. Brazier, J. A. Treese, Mrs. E. T. Meacham, R. E. Snipes. A motion prevailed to close the Board with five members.

A motion prevailed requesting the Sunday School Secretary to nominate the Sunday School Board.

The President nominated as his Advisory Board, J. A. Treese and Arthur L. Deason. By motion and vote they were elected.

A recommendation was read from the Mentone Church recommending E. Harold Shigley as a suitable person to study and travel under the direction of the Conference. The recommendation was referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

E. T. Meacham, Wardner Medders and F. M. Crowe read their reports as pastors.

On motion adjourned to 11:00 A.M. for the Order of the Day.

The Order of the Day was called at 11:00 A.M. and Rev. H. K. Sheets, Connectional Representative, brought the Connectional Address, which contained some very challenging and impressive remarks.

Adjourned by limitation.

#### THURSDAY—AFTERNOON MEETING

Devotions were conducted by Harry D. Clark.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

Mrs. Hallie Watson was introduced to the body by the Committee on Courtesies.

The Finance Committee recommended the election of a committee to study and present to the body definite recommendations regarding the Superannuated Ministers Pension plan. The committee was elected as follows: Fred T. Brazier, J. A. Treese, H. F. Pair and A. L. Deason.

The following pastors read their annual reports: G. C. Frederick, H. R. French, J. L. Davis, D. M. Downey, F. E. Crowe, W. B. Hill. All were approved.

Adjourned by motion until 3:30 P.M. for Committee work.

The Order of the Day was called at 3:30 P.M. and Prof. J. B. Hilson presented the work and needs of the Wesleyan Methodist College, Central, S. C.

#### FRIDAY-MORNING MEETING

Devotions were conducted by J. L. Averett.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

Pastoral reports were read by M. A. Medders, O. C. Wood and N. C. Hoggle. Reports were approved.

George B. Vernon, Tithing Secretary, read his annual report.

Committee on Pastoral Relations gave its first reading.

J. A. Treese read his pastoral report of the Active church.

The Committee on Pension Plan and Superannuated Ministers Funds

gave the following report:

We, your Committee on Superannuated Ministers Fund, submit the following report: Since this Committee was created at such a late date with the task of weighing all matters concerned, the need of looking into the General Conference Plan, adopted, the successful working of other Conference Plans to be considered, we recommend this committee be made a standing committee authorized to bring in a plan for adoption next year or reason why we should accept the General Conference Plan, and that all assignments to the Superannuated Ministers list be referred to this committee with the authority to handle the Superannuated Ministers Fund. The above recommendation was by motion and vote approved.

Committee on Moral Reform reported. Adopted as read. Camp-Meeting Treasurer reported. Report adopted.

Adjourned by motion for committee work.

#### FRIDAY-AFTERNOON MEETING

Devotional services were conducted by R. E. Snipes in connection with the Memorial services in which the names of Mrs. Bessie Medders, Mrs. Sarah Barnett, Mrs. W. F. Bunnell and J. D. Avery were read as having passed to their eternal reward during the past year. Remarks were made by several persons relative to the lives and activities of the deceased.

The body was called to order for business.

Roll was called and minutes read and approved.

By vote, one additional lay delegate was seated.

The Committee on Resolutions reported. It was moved that the part of the report containing the resolutions be adopted item by item.

A motion was offered by Wardner Medders to make the item referring to the termination of pastors appointments become effective with the 1948 Conference session. This motion prevailed. A motion was offered by Fred T. Brazier to strike out the termination item entirely. The motion lost. An amendment offered by S. D. Herron prevailed. The Standing Rules were adopted as amended. The Resolutions were read and adopted item by item.

A motion was offered by Fred T. Brazier and carried that all pastors' labors terminate with the last Sunday of camp-meeting this year.

By motion and vote the name of C. R. Tegen was added to the Committee on Thanks.

It was moved and carried that only the items of statistical report as read by pastors be read by the Committee on Statistics.

S. D. Herron was elected as Secretary of Evangelism.

Committee on Finance reported. Report adopted as read.

Committee on Statistics read the Statistical Report.

A motion was presented by J. A. Treese asking that complete address and telephone of pastors by included in the list in the minutes. The motion was adopted.

Auditing Committee reported. Adopted.
Treasurer's report was read and adopted.
Conference Reporter Treasurer reported. Report was adopted.
Committee on Pastoral Relations gave its second reading.
Adjourned by limitation for Orders of the Day.

#### SATURDAY-MORNING MEETING

Devotions were conducted by E. T. Meacham.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

The Conference President gave his annual Financial Report, which was adopted as read.

A motion was offered to reconsider the resolution adopted relative to the termination of pastors' appointments or labors. The motion lost by vote.

A motion was offered by Fred T. Brazier asking that the termination of pastors' labors close this year with the rise of this Conference session. This motion prevailed.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations gave its third and last reading which was adopted as read.

Committee on Thanks reported. Report adopted by vote.

Report of the Sunday School Secretary was adopted.

A letter of communication was read from the Missionary Society requesting the publication of the Conference Reporter be continued.

A motion was offered by E. T. Meacham asking the continuation of the publication of the Conference Reporter. The motion was adopted by a vote.

By motion and vote the publication of the Conference Reporter was delegated to the Committee on Conventions with power to act.

Missionary Board reported. Report adopted.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported. Report adopted as read with a proviso to include any name omitted.

A recommendation was presented from the Pell City church recommending Douglas Eugene Smith as a suitable person to study and travel under the direction of the Conference. The recommendation was referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders, with recommendations for Claud W. Hodge and Dozier Gibbs.

On motion adjourned to 2:30 P.M.

#### SATURDAY—AFTERNOON MEETING

Devotions were conducted by E. L. Shigley.

A recommendation from the Jasper church was offered recommending Erline Lindsey as a suitable person to study and travel under the direction of the Conference. Referred by vote to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

An expense allowance of \$25.00 was voted to the Secretary.

A transfer was granted Charles W. Crowe to the North Georgia Conference.

It was moved and carried that the Conference pay the telephone, light and water bill of the Conference President each month.

The repairs necessary to the President's home was referred to the Board of Conference Trustees for their attention.

The W.Y.P.S. officers elected for the next year were by vote approved by the Conference body.

Time and place of next annual session of Conference, August 11, 1948, at Camp Eden, with camp meeting to begin August 13 and close August 20, 1948.

Rev. Fred T. Brazier was elected to preach the Conference Sermon next year at 11:00 A.M., August 11, 1948.

The Sunday School Secretary nominated A. L. Deason and Frank W. Warren as members of the Sunday School Board. By motion and vote they were elected.

A motion prevailed requesting the Conference President to ask for a ruling relative to placing members on the associate membership list when dropped from the regular membership roll.

Secretary was instructed to respond to letters from absent members of the body.

A motion prevailed requesting the Conference calendar be printed in the minutes.

It was moved that all matters overlooked or any unfinished business by referred to the President and his advisory board.

A rising vote of thanks was given H. K. Sheets for his service as chairman.

Minutes were read and adopted as read from time to time during the session.

On motion adjourned.

E. L. SHIGLEY, President W. E. HOBSON, JR., Secretary

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As I come to you with this my tenth official report, in this the thirty-eighth session of our Annual Conference, it is with a deep sense of gratitude to God for His manifold blessings and mercies and to the brethren of the Conference for their loyal co-operation and kind indulgence.

To have succeeded in office one whose love and sacrificial service had meant so much to the Alabama Conference as that of Rev. R. E. Snipes has been an honor and privilege of which we have felt very unworthy. We have often been conscious of the splendid foundation work which he did, and have felt more keenly the responsibility enjoined upon us.

The past year has been one of definite progress materially as well as spiritually.

God has blessed a number of the churches with the greatest revivals witnessed in many years. Let us thank God and take courage.

The Mt. Zion Church which showed an indebtedness of \$728.00 on their parsonage last year, paid that off in full in December. The cement block parsonage at Nixon Chapel which was begun last summer has been finished up free of debt and the Church is going forward. The new Church at Prattmont has been finished and is one of the best buildings in the Conference. The East Lake Church has taken a definite step forward by purchasing a much more desirable location where they plan to build in the near future. The Sylacauga Church has voted unanimously authorizing the Conference trustees to sell the church property there and purchase a more desirable location in town. The Anniston Church has definite plans for building a new parsonage in the near future. The Tuscaloosa Church is pushing a program for remodeling and enlarging their place of worship. The Mentone parsonage has been remodeled and the appearance of the property greatly improved. Others have made commendable progress, mention of which time and space forbids.

The improvements on the camp grounds have required much of the President's time and labor for the past five months and we wish to express our deep appreciation to all those who have helped with this work.

There are many open fields in Alabama where there should be Wesleyan Churches and I hope plans can be made for entering some of these

at once. One of the greatest problems at present is that of securing pastors for the established churches as well as for new work.

Brethren, let us lay stress upon the spiritual side in our ministry that it may truthfully be said that "God is with us."

My official acts of the year are as follows:

Nov. 6th I appointed J. L. Averett pastor of the Pletcher Church.

Dec. 11th, I received the resignation of C. H. Pickel as pastor of the Jasper Church. I arranged with M. A. Medders to supply the Jasper Church until a pastor could be secured.

Dec. 15th, I appointed F. E. Crowe pastor of Mt. Zion Charge.

Feb. 27, 1947, I granted C. H. Pickel a letter of transfer to the South Carolina Conference.

March 31, I received the resignation of M. L. McDonald as pastor of the Sylacauga Church.

May 1, I appointed O. C. Wood pastor of the Jasper Church.

May 17, I appointed Fred T. Brazier supply pastor for Sylacauga.

May 19, I received by transfer from the Methodist Church, Rev. Verlon

May 19, I received by transfer from the Methodist Church, Rev. Verlon O. Agan, a Conference Preacher, and on the same date appointed him pastor of Nixon Chapel.

May 29, I received D. L. Howard from the Methodist Church, a local

preacher, and appointed him supply pastor for Bessemer Church.

July 15, I appointed the chairman of the various session committees of the Conference.

Aug. 1, I appointed the members of the Committee on Nominations as per Conference Resolution, and called that Committee to meet Aug. 12.

I have held 84 Quarterly Conferences during the year, in connection with which I have held 17 Week-end Revivals and one nine-day revival. In this work I have preached 239 times.

Financial Receipts: Salary, \$1600.00; Evangelistic receipts and gifts, \$190.71; Traveling expense, \$500.00; Parsonage rent, \$270.00; Total Receipts, \$2,560.71.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. SHIGLEY, Conference President.

#### AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your Auditing Committee have examined the Conference Treasurer's book and find it correctly and very neatly kept.

We have examined the book of the Conference Reporter and find it correct, also the report of the Camp Meeting Treasurer is found to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

WARDNER MEDDERS C. R. TEGN, Committee.

#### CONFERENCE REPORTER TREASURER

Amount in treasury at beginning of year Receipts	
Total	\$191.18
Disbursed  Balance in treasury	\$ 46.43

#### CAMP MEETING TREASURER

#### RECEIPTS

Camp dues and gifts, etc Rooms Loan Missionary Society Balance from last year		845.00 400.00 206.00
Total		\$2,496.72
DISBURSEMENTS	3	
Building materials Lumber Labor Travel expenses Paid old debt Meals Grading work Well digging Postage Balance in treasury		848.58 259.56 76.25 200.00 49.13 50.00 167.75 1.92 6.01
Total		\$2,496,72
	J. A. TREE	SE, Treasurer.
CONFERENCE TREAS	URER	
Cash on hand at beginning of year Receipts during the year		\$1,318.26 4,113.58
Total Receipts		\$5,431.84 3,870.79
Cash balance in Treasury		\$1,561.05
Itemized Account of Budg		
	Receipts	Disbursements
Home Missions	\$ 355.85	\$ 355.65
Foreign Missions	449.70	449.70
Conference Missions	1.664.23	1,040.00
Education	831.59	831.59
Orphanage		138.29
President's Salary	215.40	215.40
Conference Minutes	101.47	101.47
Superannuated Ministers' Fund	1,155.77	500.00
General Conference Travel	76.96	150.00
Conference S. S. Work		2.00
Sunday School Promotion	6.45	
Conference Work Fund	349.45	73.82
Miscellaneous		19.00

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

.....\$5,431.84

Balance in Treasury

\$3,870.79 \$1,561.05

A. L. DEASON, Treasurer.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following report: We recommend that the President be paid \$1,750.00 and an additional \$500.00 for traveling expense, and the item of travel expense be

paid \$140.00 from the assessed amount and \$360.00 from Conference Fund, and salary be paid monthly.

We recommend that the Conference and Connectional assessments

be assigned on the basis per member, as follows:

Foreign Missions, \$2.00; Home Missions, \$1.00; Orphanage, 25 cents; Education, \$2.00; Connectional Sunday School, 5 cents; General Conference Executive, 25 cents; General Conference Fund, 20 cents; Conference Missions, \$1.00; Superannuated Ministers, 50 cents; Conference Fund, 50 cents; Minute Fund, 7 cents. Total \$7.82 per member.

Assessment for President's Salary—Active, \$48.00; Ada Chapel, \$64.00; Akron, \$32.00; Anniston, \$80.00; Bessemer, \$36.00; Birmingham, \$140.00; Brent, \$88.00; East Lake, \$60.00; Fairview, \$64.00; Friendship, \$20.00; Golden Grove, \$12.00; Jasper, \$64.00; Mentone, \$84.00; Montgomery, \$40.00; Mt. Vernon, \$12.00; Mt. Carmel, \$40.00; Mt. Zion, \$40.00; Nixon Chapel, \$60.00; Pell City, \$140.00; Pletcher, \$20.00; Prattmont, \$24.00; Selma, \$70.00; Springdale, \$80.00; Stanton, \$68.00; Sylacauga, \$24.00; Talladega First, \$92.00; Talladega North, \$88.00; Tuscaloosa, \$140.00; Waycross Charge, \$88.00; West Blocton, \$72.00. Total \$1,890.00.

FRED T. BRAZIER
W. B. HILL
A. L. DEASON, Committee

#### MORAL REFORM

We, your Committee on Moral Reform, wish to submit the following report:

Standing amid the perils of these days let us as a Church upholding the principles of righteousness and moral decency, give the more earnest heed to the Bible standards of Christian living lest at any time we let them slip.

In order that we as a Wesleyan Methodist Conference may measure up to the name of a reform church, we recommend the following:

1—Not only should our pastors faithfully denounce from our pulpits the modern popular evils of indecent and immodest dress, movies, popular amusements, Sabbath desecration, use of tobacco and alcoholic beverages, and the use of the Church as a mere humanitarian institution, but we should also dissiminate good holiness papers, books, tracts, and literature on these evils, and also furnish literature encouraging tithing and faithful church attendance among our people.

2—We further recommend that our pastors set the example for deep spiritual living, and that they diligently give attention to the matter of forming family altars among our people. The importance of spiritual liv-

ing in family life cannot be over-emphasized.

3—We also recommend that insofar as it is practicable, we have district conventions under the direction of capable, qualified leaders for our young people for the purpose of Bible study and indoctrination and instruction against the popular teachings of evolution and other false theories of so-called science, that tend to undermine faith in the Bible as the inspired Word of God.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. TEGEN M. A. MEDDERS, Committee

#### COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee, submit the following Standing Rules:

Resolved, that the Conference Secretary be notified by telephone in the event of death or critical illness in the home of a minister, and that he send card notices at once to each pastor, and in event of death in the home each pastor will send two dollars, and each Church will send two dollars to the home of the deceased. Be it further Resolved, that Churches make ample provisions for the support of their pastors during Conference and Camp Meeting session.

Be it further Resolved, that each Church make provisions for the mov-

ing, or the moving expense of the incoming pastor.

Be it further Resolved, that the Conference Treasurer shall notify each pastor or church within thirty days the amount of budget assessed to the particular church.

#### CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

We consider the home the safeguard of moral character. Holy Ghost preaching must be assisted by real home training and example.

Therefore, Be it Resolved: That we do urge the careful training of Bible standards regarding divorce, the sanctity of marriage and the sacredness of the home.

That our people discourage All-Day Sunday Singings.

That we renew our attack on the movie, the cheap radio program, parties and certain types of music and literature which are detrimental to deep spirituality.

That where there is a rapid destruction of the Lord's Day, we stress the need of keeping the Sabbath in harmony with the Word of God.

That this Conference raise its voice of protest regarding the "isms" of our day in religion and State.

Whereas the full time supervision of the Church by the Conference President which has proven very beneficial, greatly limits his time for Church Extension.

We recommend that the Conference elect a Secretary of Evangelism whose duty it shall be to plan, supervise and where possible promote church extension in the Conference, subject to the approval and directions of the Missionary Board. He shall sit in and have the privilege of speaking in the meetings of the Missionary Board, and shall have the privilege of suggesting a meeting of the Missionary Board to consider Conference extension plans. He shall be paid for his expenses incurred in supervising extension work and when investing full time he shall be paid a salary as stipulated by the Missionary Board.

J. A. TREESE
J. L. AVERETT
V. O. AGAN, Committee

#### ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

We, your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders, present the following report:

We recommend that E. Harold Shigley and Claude T. Averett having been duly recommended by their Quarterly Conferences, be received as suitable persons to travel under the direction of the Conference.

The following persons are those pursuing the Course of Study with the year in which they are listed: 4th year, D. M. Downey, Mrs. Marshall Armour; 3rd year, Marshall Armour, W. W. Crews, F. M. Crowe, J. L. Davis, W. B. Hill; 2nd year, G. P. King; 1st year, Oscar Bynum, Jr., Frances R. Allred, C. T. Tverett, C. W. Hodge, Erline Lindsey, Douglas Smith.

We recommend the following as having met the disciplinary requirements for authorization to administer Baptism, the Lord's Supper and perform marriage ceremonies: G. P. King, J. L. Davis, D. M. Downey, F. M. Crowe.

E. L. SHIGLEY S. D. HERRON N. C. HOGGLE J. A. TREESE, Committee

#### MISSIONARY BOARD

We have during the year authorized aiding needy churches as follows:
Montgomery, pastor's support, \$540.00; Mt. Vernon, pastor's travel,
\$60.00; Mt. Zion, parsonage, \$200.00; Jasper, moving pastor, \$50.00;
Nixon Chapel, parsonage, \$100.00. Total, \$950.00. The amount of \$500.00
of this amount was paid from the General Home Missionary Department.

E. L. SHIGLEY
N. C. HOGGLE
F. W. WARREN
J. L. DAVIS, Committee

#### THANKS

We, your Committee on Thanks, desire to submit the following report:

We praise our God for the notable victories throughout the past Conference year and for the spirit of optimism and far-sighted vision that has pervaded the Conference session.

We wish to express our appreciation to Rev. H. K. Sheets, our General Church Representative, for his inspiring and instructional labor among us.

Our deep gratitude is due our beloved Conference President, Rev. E. L. Shigley, for his unstinted sacrificial labor during the past year, especially in leading the building program for the camp ground. Our appreciation is due him and his helpers for laboring untiringly to complete the new dormitory and dining hall.

We recognize with heartfelt thanks the labor of the capable crew of ladies in providing meals throughout the Conference session.

MRS. VERA CASH, Committee C. R. TEGEN MRS. O. L. BYNUM

#### COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS

We, your Committee on Pastoral Relations, submit the following report and recommendations for the supply of the work.

Active-E. Harold Shigley. Ada Chapel—George B. Vernon. Akron—Woodrow W. Crews. Anniston-Finn M. Crowe. Bessemer-D. L. Howard. Birmingham-Frank W. Warren. Brent-E. Harold Shigley. East Lake-Charles R. Tegen. Fairview—G. P. King. Friendship—G. P. King. Jasper—O. C. Wood Mentone—Daniel M. Downey.
Montgomery—M. Wardner Medders.
Mt. Vernon—In hands of the President.
Mt. Zion—Marion A. Medders. Mt. Carmel-Marion A. Medders. Nixon Chapel-Verlon O. Agan. Pell City—John L. Davis. Pletcher—Claude T. Averett. Prattmont Mission—Mrs. Hallie Watson. Selma—J. A. Treese. Springdale—Nathan C. Hoggle. Stanton-James L. Averett Sylacauga—In hands of the President. Talladega First-Fred T. Brazier.

Talladega North St.—Harry D. Clark. Tuscaloosa—Elwyn T. Meacham. Waycross-Mt. Iva-William B. Hill West Blocton-Grover C. Frederick. Conference President-Ernest L. Shigley.

General Evangelists-H. Robb French, Nathan C. Hoggle, Steve D.

Evangelistic Work—D. M. Downey, Mrs. R. A. Speer, H. Frank Pair, Arthur D. Preston, Frances Ray Allred, Marshall Armour, Mrs. Marshall Armour.

Deaconess—Mrs. H. Robb French.
Chaplain U. S. Army—Frank W. Warren.
Evangelistic Work and Attending School—Oscar Bynum, Jr.
Referred back to Quarterly Conference—Maurice Burns.
Superannuated—Richmond E. Snipes, Loren A. Bamburg.
Evangelistic Singer and Children's Worker—Mrs. Helen Brown Shigley.

E. L. SHIGLEY, Chairman S. D. HERRON, Secretary

H. F. PAIR J. A. TREESE

O. A. MARCHANT H. P. BAILEY B. B. ELAM, Committee

## MINUTES WESLEYAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S ANNUAL CONVENTION

#### OFFICERS

President-Mrs. Frances Ray Allred, Route 2, Central, S. C. Vice-President-Oscar Bynum, Jr., Wesleyan Methodist College, Central, S. C.

Secretary-Miss Hardie Davis, Box 54, Pell City, Ala. Treasurer-Mrs. Ruby Agan, Route 2, Horton, Ala.

#### Local Societies and Presidents

Anniston—Mrs. F. M. Crowe, 2028 Gurnee Ave., Anniston, Ala. Birmingham—Mr. A. L. Deason, 344 Mountain Ave., Birmingham, Ala. Birmingham—Mr. A. L. Deason, 344 Mountain Ave., Birmingham, Ala.
Brent—(President not given on report)
East Lake—Miss Julia Thomas, 8116 6th Ave., N., Birmingham, Ala.
Fairview—Arthur Greathouse, Route 4, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Jasper—Miss Elizabeth Lindsey, Route 3, Box 307, Jasper, Ala.
Mentone—Mrs. Paul Stallings, Route 1, Mentone, Ala.
Mt. Ivah—Mrs. Amos Mitchell, Route 1, Heiberger, Ala.
Pell City—Miss Hardie Davis, Box 54, Pell City, Ala.
Springdale—Miss Joyce Abercrombie, Route 11, Box 13, Irondale Branch,
Rirmingham 10, Ala. Birmingham 10, Ala.

Selma—Mrs. Clarence Johnson, 28 Lavender St., Selma, Ala. Stanton—Miss Gladys Faye Rush, Stanton, Ala.

Talladega First-(No report) Talladega North St.—Mrs. Gladys Clark, Rte. 1, Box 281, Talladega, Ala. Tuscaloosa—Mrs. Faith Hobson, 1928 Greensboro Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

#### Delegates

Sadie Rose Burroughs, Oscar Bynum, Jr., Earline Davis, Meriel Doss, Claudia Mae Drum, Mildred East, Ponder Frederick, Frances Hammett, Cynthia Hobson, Mary Frances Hobson, Richard E. King, Rosemary Lane, Edward Lawson, Earline Lindsey, Sidney Loggins, Frankie Rainwater, Jewel Rich, John Roach, Brownie Shigley, Dorothy Tant, Doris Tillman, Clifton Wood.

#### ANNUAL CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

The Annual Convention of the Alabama Conference Wesleyan Young People's Society convened at Camp Eden, Alabama, Friday, August 15, 1947, at 3:45 P.M. The first business meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. George B. Vernon, Jr.

The bar was fixed to include the auditorium seats in the center aisle of the tabernacle.

The Committee on Credentials was elected as follows: Oscar Bynum, Richard King and Earlene Davis.

Committee on Credentials read a partial report and ten delegates were seated in the body.

The following committees were elected:

Statistical Committee-Rev. Verlon Agan, Miss Elizabeth Lindsey, Mrs. Finn Crowe.

Committee on Courtesy-Clifton Wood, Sidney Loggins.

Motion made and carried that Nominating Committee of three members be elected and following members were elected: Miss Dorothy Tant, Mrs. Dorothy Medders and Miss Earlene Davis.

Motion made and supported that a Planning Committee of three members be elected and which were elected as follows: Rev. Verlon Agan, Rev. Wardner Medders, Oscar Bynum, Jr.

Suggestion made by W.Y.P.S. General Secretary that the Planning Committee could incorporate the work of the Ways and Means, Missionary, and Goals and Methods Committees.

On motion adjourned.

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 16-2:00 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. George B. Vernon, Jr., after which the roll was called.

Committee on Credentials gave a supplemental report, seating eight delegates.

Conference bar was fixed to include the first three rows and seats in front of the Chapel.

The Committee on Courtesies introduced to the body Mr. Curtis Lackey, evangelistic singer, and Mr. George Nalley, both of the South Carolina Conference. Rev. H. K. Sheets, General Secretary of W.Y.P.S. and Mrs. E. Harold Shigley of North Carolina Conference. The President then invited Rev. Sheets to the Chair to preside as chairman of the session.

Minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Nominations made a report which was accepted and the election proceeded which resulted as follows: President—Rev. E. Harold Shigley; Vice-President—Oscar Bynum, Jr.; Secretary—Miss Hardie Davis; Treasurer—Mrs. Verlon Agan.

Rising vote of thanks and appreciation was voted to the President for his faithful services.

Motion made and supported that Chairman of Planning Committee, Rev. Verlon Agan, be the Conference Wesleyan Youth Solicitor.

The President read his annual report, which was adopted as read. (See Report.)

Report of Planning Committee was read and adopted with the provision that it may be amended or changed later if seen necessary.

On motion adjourned.

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 19-2:00 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by General Secretary. Roll called, minutes read and approved.

By motion and vote Rosemary Lane and Claudia Mae Drum of Anniston, Ala., Ponder Frederick of West Blocton, Ala., and Earline Lindsey of Jasper, Ala., were seated due to the absence of the delegates.

Resignation of Rev. E. Harold Shigley, President, was read by Secretary and accepted. Mrs. Frances Allred was elected to fill this office.

Ratification by annual conference of previous election of officers was reported.

By motion and vote, the Secretary was authorized to notify Mrs. Frances Allred the result of the election.

Motion made and carried that Literature Committee be had with Miss Mae Bell Davis as Chairman.

Report of Planning Committee was read and motion offered and prevailed to refer the report back to the committee.

Adjourned at call of the chair.

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

Meeting was called to order by General Secretary. Roll call was omitted. Minutes were read and approved.

The report of Mrs. Frances Allred's acceptance of presidency was given by the Secretary.

Planning Committee Report was given with an amendment and

adopted. (See Report.)

The Literature Committee Report was given on the distribution of the Constitution and By-laws. Motion made and carried that the Secretary be responsible for the further distribution of the By-laws.

The Treasurer's Report was given and adopted. (See Report.)

Motion made and carried that the Executive Committee name the Chairmen for each of the five districts.

Motion made and carried for adjournment.

GEORGE B. VERNON, JR., President. MRS. DOROTHY MEDDERS, Secretary

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We praise the Lord for His blessing upon the Alabama W.Y.P.S. throughout the conference year.

Due to my work in connection with the local work, I have been hindered from giving the supervision that the youth needed. I also spent many days at the campground working on the improvements which were needed there.

As President of the Alabama W.Y.P.S., I have spoken before the societies at Brent, Ada Chapel, Fairview, Tuscaloosa, Mentone, Jamestown, Anniston, Talladega North St., Pell City, and Springdale, and have also taken an active part in the promotion of the Birmingham Holiness Youth Crusade of which I was Vice-President.

It was also a blessed privilege of the Alabama W.Y.P.S. President to visit the National Holiness Association Convention which met at Asbury College in April, and I was also permitted to attend the General Conference of the W.Y.P.S. which met at Houghton College in June.

Under the blessings of God and the close co-operation of each member of every local society, we are expecting greater things to be accomplished by our W.Y.P.S. in the bringing of America back to God.

GEORGE B. VERNON, JR., President.

#### REPORT OF PLANNING COMMITTEE

#### Spiritual Side of the Goals and Means

We, your Planning Committee, wich to submit the following report: Resolved: That we will hold at least one pioneer meeting during the year in cooperation with the Conference Missionary Board, using Convention Young People whenever and wherever possible.

Resolved: That during the summer months, a Gospel Team be organized under the leadership of our Executive Committee and, as far as possible and seems feasible, shall visit each society in interest of the young people.

Resolved: That the President and the Executive Committee plan and execute one state-wide Youth Convention to be held Thanksgiving Week.

We recommend that each society that has not already done so, take a special offering for the Australian work aside from the regular monthly mission offering.

Manual Work

We recommend that the W.Y.P.S. sponsor the painting of the Tabernacle.

If and when the Camp installs pump in the well, we, the W.Y.P.S., install showers.

We recommend that each active member be assessed \$1.25, divided \$.50 General Convention dues, \$.50 Pioneer Evangelism, and \$.25 State Convention Work.

We further recommend that all Convention money be sent to the State Convention Treasurer, and that an effort be made to send the money in at least quarterly.

We recommend that each local society cooperate fully with the observance of Wesleyan Youth Week.

We recommend that the Plan of Work be placed in the hands of each president of the local societies.

We recommend that each society push the matter of Foreign Missions as specified in the New Constitution with an offering and program for Foreign Missions each month.

We recommend that the Treasurer's books be closed ten (10) days before the Annual Convention and that each local society send in their reports to the Convention Treasurer for approval and signature at least five (5) days before the Annual Convention;

And, that all money sent after that time be included in the next year's report,

And, that the Treasurer keep all copies of the reports, except the copies designated for the Local Society, and have them in readiness for the Statistical Committee before their first meeting of the Annual Convention.

We recommend that each society push their Journal subscriptions in cooperation with the plans adopted by the Annual and General Convention Solicitors.

We further recommend that the problem of having a Youth Camp in the near future be taken in consideration by the Executive Committee.

#### AMENDMENT:

We recommend that each statistical report sent in to the Treasurer, be approved by the pastor of each local organization.

Respectfully submitted,

VERLON AGAN, Chairman WARDNER MEDDERS OSCAR BYNUM, JR.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

	Receipts	Disbursements
Connectional Dues	\$120.50	\$119.00
Conference Missions		165.65
Conference W.Y.P.S. Work		86.80
Education	. 66.72	
Austraila Work	. 59.37	
Superannuated Ministers' Fund from Pell City		
Convention Expense	. 144.63	144.63
TOTALS	.\$754.38	\$516.08
Balance in Treasury		\$238.30

MRS. RUBY AGAN, Treasurer.

## W.Y.P.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

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NAME OF SOCIETY	Organized	Active Members	Associate Member	Wesleyan Youth	Total Receipts for the Year	Church Extension	Education	Local Work	Conference Dues	General Dues (Connectional)	Other Items	Central Building Fund	Offering to Rev. Ridgway	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
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## MINUTES WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

#### **OFFICERS**

President-Mrs. Vergene Meacham, 2409 20th St., Tuscaloosa, Ala. Vice-President-Mrs. Catherine Crowe, 2028 Gurnee Ave., Anniston, Ala. Recording Secretary-Mrs. Dorothy Medders, 833 Washington Ave.,

Montgomery, Ala.

Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. Kathleen Tegen, 226 86th Place South, Birmingham, Ala.

Treasurer-Mrs. Tinie Segrest, 2309 Wesley Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

Y.M.W.B. Superintendent-Mrs. Louise Rich, Wesleyan Methodist College, Central, South Carolina.

Conference Work Committee-Mrs. Faith Hobson, Chairman, 1928 Greensboro Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Mrs. O. C. Wood, Route 3, Box 316A, Jasper, Ala.; Mrs. E. L. Shigley, Box 101, Pell City, Ala.

Organizers-Mrs. Vergene Meacham, Mrs. Louise Rich.

Magazine Solicitor-Mrs. Gladys Clark, Route 1, Box 281, Talladega, Ala. District Chairmen: Birmingham-Mrs. N. C. Hoggle; Mentone-Mrs. J. L. Shigley; Montgomery—Mrs. J. A. Treese; Pell City—Mrs. Catherine Crowe; Tuscaloosa—Mrs. Faith Hobson.

#### Local Societies and Presidents

Local Societies and Presidents

Active—Mrs. Ralph Burnette, Lawley, Ala.
Ada Chapel—Mrs. Elizabeth Medders, Route 1, West Blocton, Ala.
Akron—Mrs. Tommy Aultman, Route 1, Akron, Ala.
Anniston—Mrs. Finn Crowe, 2028 Gurnee Ave., Anniston, Ala.
Bessemer—Mrs. A. Crowder, 1621 14th Ave., Bessemer, Ala.
Birmingham—Mrs. O. L. Bynum, 1135 Ford Ave., Tarrant, Ala.
Brent—Mrs. J. T. McMillon, Route 1, Centerville, Ala.
East Lake—Mrs. R. C. Harvey, Box 187, Route 5, Birmingham, Ala.
Fairview—Mrs. A. L. Busby, Cottondale, Ala.
Jasper—Mrs. O. C. Wood, Route 3, Box 316A, Jasper, Ala.
Mentone—Mrs. W. W. Warren, Mentone, Ala.
Montgomery—Mrs. H. C. Pair, 204 North Ryan St., Montgomery, Ala.
Mt. Ivah—Bertha Hobson, Route 2, Brent, Ala.
Nixon Chapel—Mrs. Macey Martin, Route 2, Horton, Ala.
PellCity—Mrs. C. D. Robertson, Eden, Ala. PellCity—Mrs. C. D. Robertson, Eden, Ala. Selma—Mrs. Eddie Davis, 210 Lamar Court, Selma, Ala. Springdale-Mrs. C. O. Hughins, Sr., Route 11, Box 23A, Birmingham 10, Ala.

Ala.
Stanton—Mrs. W. D. Rush, Stanton, Ala.
Talladega First—Mrs. Audrey Wright, 419 Williams Ave., Talladega, Ala.
Talladega North St.—Mrs. Hazel Heath, 813 North St., Talladega, Ala.
Tuscaloosa—Mrs. E. T. Meacham, 2409 20th St., Talladega, Ala.
West Blocton—Mrs. Arthur Finnen, West Blocton, Ala.

### Delegates

Mrs. Nannie Cash Mrs. E. L. Cook Mrs. A. L. Deason Lois Harris Mittie Head

Mrs. Faith Hobson Hulda Mae Hubbard Mrs. Lois Kidd Elizabeth Lindsey Mrs. Esther McInnish Mrs. Onie Parsons

Mrs. Clara Rainwater Mrs. E. L. Shigley Mrs. Mae Shigley Mrs. C. R. Tegen Mrs. George Vernon

## JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13-10:30 A.M.

The Alabama Conference Woman's Missionary Society convened for its Thirtieth Annual Session in the Missionary Chapel at Camp Eden, Alabama, August 13, 1947, at 10:30 A.M. Mrs. Vergene Meacham, President, called the meeting to order. The Chair announced Mrs. Kathleen Tegen as chorister and Mrs. Finn Crowe as pianist for the conference session. President conducted the devotions, using for the subject, "Perfect Obedience." Each member of the societies present was urged to take new territory for the cause of missions in the coming year. Prayer by Mrs. Tinie Segrest. Bar was fixed. Report of Executive Committee read and accepted. (See Minutes of Executive Committee.)

Committee on Credentials read a partial report and eight delegates

were seated, after which the roll was called.

"In Memorium" cards were presented by the president, after which motion was offered and carried that conference adopt same for use in the local societies. "Paths of Poetry" was also presented.

Reports were read from following societies: Active, Bessemer, Birmingham, East Lake, Talladega First, Talladega North St., Tuscaloosa.

By motion agreed that the missionary society pay for equipment purchased for the kitchen.

On motion adjourned.

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13-1:45 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the president. Mrs. Finn Crowe was in charge of devotions, reading third chapter of Ephesians, and stressing importance of twentieth verse, that He "is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." Prayer by Mrs. M. F. Dean.

Committee on Credentials reported two additional names. Mrs. Faith Hobson was appointed Conference Reporter.

By motion, Mrs. Verlon Agan, Mrs. G. P. King, and Mrs. Frances Stewart were seated in the conference due to absence of delegates from their societies.

Minutes read and approved.

Another reading of the report of the Executive Committee was given for the benefit of new delegates who had arrived.

President announced Memorial Service to be Friday.

Birthday Calendar of Missionaries was presented by the president, who urged local societies to organize Prayer Bands immediately after conference. Hephzibah Orphanage Folders were presented; also, new Efficiency Standard adopted by General Conference with president explaining each item to the body.

Reports were read from Brent, Fairview, Montgomery, and Mt. Ivah.

President's report was read and adopted. (See Report.)

President asked for questions to be written out and handed in for discussion Thursday afternoon. Societies were asked to have work day for India and make sock shirts and dresses for same.

Ada Chapel report read.

By motion, agreed that minutes be printed with regular Conference minutes and that ten dollars be taken from treasury for this purpose.

After discussing the furnishing of beds by the Woman's Missionary Society for the campground, Mrs. Finn Crowe, Mrs. A. L. Deason and Mrs. Faith Hobson were appointed as a committee to investigate and report to the Conference concerning same.

President reported the change made at General Conference of name, Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society," to new name, "Woman's Missionary Society."

Report read from West Blocton.

By motion adjourned.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14-9:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by the president. Mrs. Kathleen Tegen had charge of devotions, reading Acts 8:26-31, emphasizing verse 31 and Philip's successful points; also inspiring each heart with remarks on portion of Deuteronomy 2:31, "For I have begun to live, let us begin to possess."

Prayer was offered by Mrs. O. C. Wood. Several testimonies of praise and thanksgiving for past blessings during the year rang over the chapel.

Special prayer was made for Mrs. Verona Merryman of Prattmont, Ala., who was seriously ill, and secretary was instructed to send greetings from the conference.

Minutes were read and approved.

Committee on Credentials reported five additional names.

Roll was called with delegates answering with number of magazine subscriptions in their local societies they represented.

Report of Committee on Orders of the Day was read and adopted as corrected. (See Report.)

Y.M.W.B. report was read and adopted with a rising vote of thanks given the superintendent for work done during past year. (See Report.)

Reports were read from Mentone, Selma, and Stanton.

Mrs. Fred Brazier and Mrs. Gladys Clark were appointed Committee on Thanks.

President brought attention to new program calendars and urged use of the missionary study book. New missionary songbook, "Songs of Missionary Conquest," which General Conference adopted for use, was presented and encouraged to be used in local societies.

By motion adjourned.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14-1:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by the president. Minutes were read and approved. The Committee on Courtesy introduced Rev. H. K. Sheets, the Connectional Representative and General Secretary of the W.Y.P.S., to the body. Rev. Sheets spoke concerning the objective and importance of the Y.M.W.B. and W.Y.P.S. Committee on Courtesy also introduced Mrs. Lois Kidd, Anniston, Ala.

Committee on Credentials reported one additional name.

Roll was called with delegates answering with the number of members of the society they represented.

Mrs. O. C. Wood and Mrs. H. F. Pair were seated in the conference, due to absence of delegates from their societies.

The Order of the Day was called and the body proceeded with the election of conference officials. (Given in Directory.)

Report from Magazine Solicitor was read and adopted with rising vote of thanks. (See Report.)

No discussion due to lack of response to request for questions.

On motion adjourned.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 15-9:00 A.M.

Meeting was called to order by the president. Several sentence prayers were offered. Minutes read and approved. Roll called with delegates answering with name of missionary and representing field.

Committee on Courtesy introduced Rev. E. L. Shigley, Conference President, who spoke about importance of local church evangelism. A rising vote of thanks and appreciation was given him for work done.

President urged societies to arouse and be more diligent concerning attendance of regular missionary meetings and asked each to pray that

the Lord will call someone as missionary from Alabama Conference during the coming year.

Following reports were read: Anniston, Jasper, Pell City, and Springdale.

Report of Auditing Committee was read and adopted. (See Report.) Report of Plan of Work Committee read, each item discussed and adopted separately.

Suggestion made that thirty-five cents (\$.35) be charged for each quilt that is let out during camp meeting to pay for laundering and that a

mouse-proof closet be made for storage of quilts.

Adjourned by motion to go to tabernacle to hear Rev. Sheets discuss new W.Y.P.S. Constitution and to return as soon as service was over.

Reconvened and report of Committee on Resolutions was read. Motion made that the item concerning District Convention during the year be stricken out as it was included in the Plan of Work Report, after which the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Following reports were read and adopted: Committee on Thanks (See Report, Committee on Statistics (See Report), Treasurer's Report (See Report.)

Announcement made of Memorial Service to be at 1:30 P.M. at Tabernacle.

Before session convened, District groups met for the purpose of electing their respective District Chairmen. Report of election was announced from each district. (Given in Directory.)

President explained membership dues' item on report blank and asked for an invitation from societies to entertain state convention.

News about the work in Japan was mentioned. Rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Maggie Jean Spear for the planting of flowers on the camp-ground.

On motion adjourned.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 15-2:30 P.M.

After meeting with the Annual Conference body for special Memorial Service, the meeting was called to order by the president. Mrs. Maggie Jean Spear had charge of devotions with challenging remarks on the many possibilities for the coming year, to do more for the Master.

Minutes read and approved.

Mrs. N. C. Hoggle read the Quadrennial Report of General Conference Session which was written by Mrs. Dorothy Herron, delegate to General Conference.

Rising vote of thanks was given for the untiring efforts of our capable president during the past conference year. Secretary was given rising vote of thanks.

Y.M.W.B. Superintendent asked societies to take home Y.M.W.B. material.

Treasurer was given rising vote of thanks for her faithful service. Report of Executive Committee Sessions read by secretary and adopt-

ed. (See Report.) Report of Public Missionary Service read by secretary and adopted.

(See Report.) Minutes of this session read and approved.

On motion adjourned.

MRS. VERGENE MEACHAM, President MRS. DOROTHY MEDDERS, Secretary

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Sisters:

Again the day is far spent. I believe we are facing the greatest day for Christian Missions that the world has ever known. Opportunity stands knocking at our door, calling for us to come forth and seize it. There is much work that remains to be finished and even more that remains to be begun. The opportunities are unlimited—the laborers few. God moves—He leads—He calls—We must go forward.

In the fall of '46, it was my privilege to attend the Pell City District Convention at Anniston. In November, I visited five churches in company with Miss Grave Davis. In December, we were happy to have Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Reisdorph as guest speakers in a Tuscaloosa District Missionary Convention. In May, I attended the State Missionary Convention at Tuscaloosa. In June, I attended General Conference. These were all times of special blessing and inspiration.

We are happy to report the organization of two new societies at Akron and Nixon Chapel. Through the year, I have contacted each society three times by letter, have sent each president a plan of work and efficiency standard and have boosted the Wesleyan Missionary. I have written a number of cards and letters in planning the state missionary convention; also several columns for the Conference Reporter.

I wish to thank the executive committee for their splendid work and cooperation and to commend the presidents and their societies for every service rendered.

Someone has said, "We need never be afraid to recognize our own incompetence and have no need to minimize or hide from ourselves the magnitude of the difficulties that best our path." Exulting faith will go in the strength of the Lord, singing: "If God be for us, who can be against us?" Let us go forth conquering and to conquer.

Respectfully submitted,

VERGENE MEACHAM

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDERS OF THE DAY

We, the Committee on Orders of the Day, wish to submit the following report: Election of officers—Thursday, 2:00 P.M.; Public Missionary Service—Thursday, 7:00 P.M.; Memorial Service in connection with the Conference—Friday, 1:30 P.M.

MRS. O. C. WOOD MRS. C. O. HUGHINS

#### REPORT OF MAGAZINE SOLICITOR

At the beginning of the Conference year, I wrote for a list of subscribers and there were 201 subscribers. This year there were 193 reported.

During this year, I have written three letters and 135 cards concerning subscriptions or in the interest of the Magazine.

MRS. GLADYS CLARK

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the Treasurer's books and found it to be correct.

MRS. FINN CROWE MRS. ESTER McINNISH

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLAN OF WORK

We recommend and urge each local society to respond to the Card Call Plan and thus assist in the extension program of the church.

We urge the holding of at least one district convention during the year.

We recommend that each society cooperate and support with our means in whatever improvements that are undertaken to improve the

We recommend that each society make a quilt for the Campground, and each society be given \$7.50 credit on their reports for making these quilts.

We recommend that each society supply the Campground with service for eight (8) stainless steel silver (with solid handles).

We recommend that each society have a work day and make clothing for India.

MRS. FAITH HOBSON MRS. E. L. SHIGLEY, SR. MRS. LOUISE RICH

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

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

Be it resolved that the Woman's Missionary Society of the Alabama Conference express to our President, Rev. E. L. Shigley, and his coworkers our heart-felt gratitude for making the ladies' Chapel possible.

Be it resolved that realizing the need among our people the real heart purity and sound holiness teaching, especially for our young people.

Be it resolved that special emphasis be placed on the doctrine and experience of perfect love.

Be it resolved that we not allow ourselves to become satisfied with the gains that have been made, but that we strive to make greater gains for the Master.

Be it resolved to recognize the fact that juvenile delinquency, more properly called parental delinquency, as sweeping our land; also recognizing the power of example as shown by Paul's words to Timothy, "Be thou an example of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

Be it resolved that all our women set before our youth the godly example of a consistent christian life, evidenced by deep spirituality, a passion for the lost, prevailing prayer, modest in dress and action.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. D. ROBERTSON MRS. M. F. DEAN

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THANKS

We, your Committee on Thanks, wish to submit the following report:
We wish to express our gratitude to God for all His rich benefits to
us for the past year and for the privilege of assembling ourselves in the
Thirtieth Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society.

We wish to express our appreciation for each and everyone who have made the new dormitory possible. Especially do we appreciate the labor of Brother Shigley and others who labored so faithfully that we might have this new building ready for this conference.

We also appreciate greatly the room and furnishing for the missionary room.

Also, we wish to thank our President for her faithfulness to the societies the past year.

MRS. FRED BRAZIER MRS. HARRY CLARK

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Ada Chapel\$	18.56	Prattmont	5.00
Akron	18.58	Selma	15.80
Anniston	8.35	Springdale	37.00
Birmingham	17.00	Stanton	35.68
Brent	20.75	Talladega First Church	28.58
East Lake	24.86	Talladega North Street	8.65
Fairview	49.44	Tuscaloosa	99.50
Mentone	9.76	Waycross	2.62
Mt. Ivah	42.95	West Blocton	24.50
Pell City	84.15		
		Total\$	551.73
		LOUISE RICH, Superintend	lent.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand at beginning of the year.  Receipts during the year	198.27 ,950.86
Total receipts	,149.13 ,959.73
Cash balance in treasury	\$ 189.40

Itemized Account	t James States	
	Receipts	Disbursements
Home Missions	\$ 667.66	\$ 667.66
Australia		32.19
Foreign Missions	. 1,105.55	1,105.55
Special Offering for Brother Gibbs	16.25	16.25
Orphanage	5.00	5.00
Education	236.25	236.25
Conventions		246.25
Conference Missions		15.00
Delegates' Expense to General Conference		91.00
Missionary Center at Marion, Indiana	. 10.00	10.00
Camp Eden	253.00	252.00
General Funds	. 140.67	140.67
Conference Funds		131.91
Conference Minutes		10.00
Totals	\$2,950.86	\$2,959.73
Balance		

MRS. TINIE SEGREST, Treasurer.

#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SESSIONS

The Executive Committee met Wednesday, August 13, 1947, at 9:00 A.M., nominating the following committees: Courtesy—Mrs. A. L. Deason; Credentials—Mrs. Mittie Head, Mrs. E. L. Cook; Orders of the Day—Mrs. O. C. Wood, Mrs. C. O. Hughins; Plan of Work—Mrs. Faith Hobson, Mrs. Louise Rich, Mrs. E. L. Shigley, Sr.; Resolutions—Mrs. M. F. Dean, Mrs. C. D. Robertson; Auditing Committee—Mrs. Finn Crowe, Mrs. Ester McInnish; Statistical—Mrs. Kathleen Tegen, Mrs. Tinie Segrest; Magazine Solicitor—Mrs. Audrey Wright; Memorials—Mrs. Ruby Agan. The meeting then adjourned.

The Executive Committee met Thursday, August 14, 1947, at 11:15 A.M., to discuss points to be considered in the awarding of the banner.

Points decided were: membership dues, money for missions, efficiency standard, meetings held during the year and magazine subscriptions.

Tuscaloosa Society was decided as the receiver of the banner.

Meeting then adjourned.

MRS. DOROTHY MEDDERS, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF PUBLIC MISSIONARY SERVICE

The public missionary service was held in the tabernacle on camp-ground. Service was attended by a large appreciative audience, with Mrs. Vergene Meacham as chairman. After an enthusiastic song service conducted by Miss Mae Belle Davis, prayer was offered by Rev. H. F. Pair. The awarding of the banner was presented by Mrs. Tinie Segrest, who emphasized the following points considered by the Executive Committee in decision of the winning society: membership dues, money for missions, In decision of the winning society: membership dues, money for missions, efficiency standard rating, meetings held during the year and magazine subscriptions. When Tuscaloosa Society was announced as the recipient of the banner, Mrs. Faith Hobson, delegate, came forth to receive and proudly carry it back to the society with the final statement, "If you don't watch out, we'll take it back again next year!" A special song, "Anywhere with Jesus" was rendered by the Davis Trio, after which the presentation of "The Missionary Clinic" was ably given by the young people of the Pell City Church and enjoyed immensely by those present.

Rev. H. K. Sheets, Connectional Representative and General Secretary of the W.Y.P.S., brought the missionary address, using for his text, Matthew 28:19-20. Hearts were stirred by the power of God and the forceful vividness of our task as it loomed before our eyes in the message brought by Brother Sheets. Stressed firmly was the terrific need of Wesleyan Methodists entering wholeheartedly into the field of missions and pushing it as never before. He also emphasized that God honored faithful civing and working for missions.

giving and working for missions.

An offering was taken in pledges amounting to \$3,100.00 and a cash offering of \$25.76. Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

MRS. DOROTHY MEDDERS, Secretary.

## W..M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT—RECEIPTS)

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NAME OF SOCIETY	Active Members	Honorary Members	Members Gained	Members Loss	Regular Meetings Held	Special Meetings Held	Do you use Missionary Program?	No. of "Wesleyan Missionary" taken	Rank Under Efficiency Standard	Cash on Hand From Last Year	Membership Dues	Offerings	Labor	Clothing and Other Gifts to Home Work	TOTAL.	
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#### Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT

NAME OF SOCIETY	Number of Members	Number Meetings Held	Foreign Missions			Home Missions			Education			Missionary Home			TOTAL	
Ada Chapel		10	8	35												35
Akron	36	4		56										\$	18	
Anniston				58											18	58
Birmingham			17	00											17	00
Brent	25	20	10	39	\$		18	137	-	18					20	75
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Fairview	8	52	49	000											49	
Mentone	13	1	9	76											9	76
Mt. Ivah,	24	7	42													95
Pell City	30	12		91		42	29		4	95						15
Prattmont				00											5	00
Selma	17	30	15	-											15	80
Springdale				00						00					37	00
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Tuscaloosa	50	40		00		2	50	100	10	00		25	00	-	99	50
Waycross				62											2	62
West Blocton		22	24													50
TOTALS	310	253	\$ 429	24	\$	65	08	\$	32	29	\$	25	00	\$	551	73

## BUDGET-1947-48

NAME OF CHURCH	Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Education	General Sunday School Work	General Conference Executive	General Conference Fund	Conference Missions	Superannuated Ministers	Conference Fund	Minute Fund	President's Salary	TOTAL
Active	25 \$	50 00 \$		6 25		1 75 \$				12 50 \$	12 50 \$	1 75 \$	48 00 5	
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Akron	14	28 00	14 00	3 50	28 00	70	3 50	2 80	14 00	7 00	7 00	98	32 00	141 48 322 42
Anniston	31	62 00	31 00	7 75	62 00	1 55	7 75	6 20	31 00	15 50	15 50	2 17	80 00	67 28
Bessemer	4	8 00	4 00	1 00	8 00	20	1 00	80	4 00	2 00	2 00	8 12	36 00 140 00	1 047 12
Birmingham	116	232 00	116 00	29 00	232 00	5 80	29 00	23 20	116 00	58 00 28 50	58 00 28 50	3 99	88 00	533 74
Brent	57	114 00	57 00	14 25	114 00	2 85	14 25	11 40	57 00 23 00		11 50	1 61	60 00	239 86
East Lake	23	46 00	23 00	5 75	46 00	1 15	5 75	4 60		11 50 19 50	19 50	2 73	64 00	368 98
Fairview.	39	78 00	39 00	9 75	78 00	1 95	9 75	7 80	39 00	12 50	12 50	1 75	20 00	215 50
Friendship	25	50 00	25 00	6 25	50 00	1 25	6 25	5 00	25 00 4 00	2 00	2 00	28	12 00	43 28
Golden Grove	4	8 00	4 00	1 00	8 00	20	1 00	7 80	39 00	19 50	19 50	1 75	64 00	368 98
Jasper	39	78 00	39 00	9 75	78 00	1 95	9 75	8 00	40 00	20 00	20 00	2 80	84 00	396 80
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Mt. Carmel-Mt. Zion	62	60 00	30 00	7 50	60 00	1 50	7 50	6 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	2 10	60 00	294 60
Nixon Chapel	107	214 00	107 00	26 75	214 00	5 35	26 75	21 40	107 00	53 50	53 50	7 49	140 00	976 74
Pell City		14 00	7 00	1 75	14 00	35	1 75	1 40	7 00	3 50	3 50	49	20 00	74 74
Prattmont Mission		14 00	, 00	1 /3	14 00	33	1,3	1 40	, 00	0 00	0 00		24 00	24 00
Selma	50	100 00	50 00	12 50	100 00	2 50	12 50	10 00	50 00	25 00	25 00	3 50	70 00	461 00
Springdale		50 00	25 00	6 25	50 00	1 25	6 25	5 00	25 00	12 50	12 50	1 75	80 00	275 50
Stanton		80 00	40 00	10 00	80 00	2 00	10 00	8 00	40 00	20 00	20 00	2 80	68 00	380 80
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## STATISTICAL REPORT

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NAME OF CHURCH	Time Employed Months	Appointments	Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Wesleyan Missionaries Taken	Y.P. Journals Taken	Sunday School Banners	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher Quarterly	Senior Scholars Quarterly	Intermediate Scholars Quarterly	Junior Scholars Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Department Quarterly	Lesson Leaflets	Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Charts	Pupil Lesson Stories
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Mentone	12	1	1	18		14	30		16	5	36		16	20	3	5	15		
Montgomery	12	1	1	7	3	1	10	10		4	10	12	12			15	15		
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West Blocton	. 12	1	1	23	15		20			6	25	10	20	20		10	10		
TOTALS	336	31	30	282	2 222	175	363	3 114	107	146	903	300	418	282	20	283	280	12	18

NAME OF CHURCH	Bible Lesson	Received	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Membership Lost	Number Last Year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Number Under 14 Years of Age	Associate Members	Baptized	Local Preacher .	Family Altars	Membership Tithing	No. Sunday Schools	Officers	Teachers	Scholars in Main School	Total in Main School
Active		2	*******				23	25		2		1	2		4	6	1	1	3	22	26
Ada Chapel		9	3		3	6	50	53		3	2		5	2	5	17	1	1 2	5	85	92
Akron		6	5			5	13	14		1			1		4	5	1	3	4	33	40
Anniston		1			2	2	32	31	1		3			1	4	11	1	2	6	85	93
Bessemer			7		2	9	14	5	9						1	3	1		1	8	
Birmingham		27					89	116		27				4	24	54	1	7	9	150	166
Brent		4			1	1	54	57		3			7		13	33	1	2	7	61	70
East Lake		3					20	23		3	. 2	-1		1	5	10	1	4	6	47	57
Fairview		5	5		1	6	40	39	1				1		8	26	1	2	5	49	56
Friendship		2					23	25		2	1		2		1		1	2	2	13	17
Golden Grove							4	4													*******
Jasper	1	2	2		3	4	41	39	2		11			2	6	10	1	2	6	53	61
Mentone		1	4		1	5	44	40	4					1	7	25	1	4	5	56	65
Montgomery		5	3	1	2	6	18	17	• 1						2	5	1	1	5	40	46
Mt. Vernon			4			4	17	13	4						2	1					
Mt, Zion		*******					62	62						1	8	7	2	4	8	68	80
Nixon Chapel		2					28	30		2	2	*******		1	8	15	1	1	7	43	51
Pell City			******				107	107			2			3		50	1	5	7	123	135
Pletcher		******					7	7							4	4	1	2	4	35	41
Prattmont																					
Selma		1.5					35	50		15	5		4	1	10	25	1	2	6	103	111
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Stanton		4			6		42	40	2		3			2	9	15	1	4	5	54	63
Sylacauga							28	28												******	
Talladega First	20	15	7		2	9	66	72		6			8	1	5	34	1	2	7	143	152
Talladega North St.		3	21		4	25	38	16	22			9		2	5	14	1	3	7	85	95
Tuscaloosa		5	4	1	6	11	107	101	6		6		6	1	10	38	. 1	2	9	180	191
Way Cross		11	1	1	1	3	59	67		8		*** ****			15	16	2	4	8	80	92
West Blocton		6					32	38		6	1		4		10	20	1	4	6	55	65
TOTALS	21	129	74	3	33	104	1125	1144	59	78	38	16	45	24	176	458	28	68	145	1741	1945

NAME OF CHURCH	He	No. in Sunday School	Avg. Attendance	Scholars Converted	Scholars Joining Church	Departmental Superintendents	Organized Classes	Books in Library	Vacation Bible School	Avg. Attendance Vac. Bible School	W.Y.P.S. Societies	W.Y.P.S. Members	Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	Insurance	Parsonage	Value	Indebtedness	Insurance	Cash or Values On Hand
Active			18	. 6	2								1								\$ 74 00
Ada Chapel	6	100	73	10	7	1					1	20	1							***************************************	160 00 210 00
Akron		40	25		6		4	12			1	40	1	9 000 00	\$ 128 00					***************************************	210 00
Anniston	7	100	78	5	1	*******							1		\$ 128 00		*******				47 08
Birmingham	20	193	90	10	20	4	6			*******	1	22	1			9 000 00			1		,, 00
Brent	21	91	68	10			0	32	56	51	1	30	1		)			1 500 00		1 000 00	1 329 59
East Lake	10		48		3		3	02			1		1		•						3 317 33
Fairview	10	56	54		1			66			1	17	1		)		1	2 000 00			200 00
Frien Iship		17	13		2								1	1 200 00			1	. 300 00			
Golden Grove					*******																
Jasper	8	69	32	2				11			1		1		)		1	2 500 00		1 000 00	150 00
Mentone	4	71	42	4		2	5	6			1	14	1		)						500 00
Montgomery	26	72	26	1		1							1	8 000 00							200 00
Mt. Vernoh													1		)						10 00 400 00
Mt, Zion	9	0.	75										2		)		1	3 000 00			1 106 85
Nixon Chapel		51	38				5	25				30	1				1 1			1 000 00	2 050 00
Pell City Pletcher	35	183	59			3		25			1	30	1	600 00		2 000 00	1		1	1 000 00	150 00
Prattmont		41	20		*******								1	000 00	A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH	The state of the s					100 00
Selma	13	124	79	8	13	1	6	81			1	25	1		)		1	5 000 00	1 180 83	2 500 00	450 00
Springdale	10		57		1				35	25	1	20	1		)	The second second	1			1 500 00	1 500 00
Stanton	10	1	51	5				5			1	30	1	2 000 00			1	2 000 00			350 00
Sylacauga			*******																		
Talladega First	30	182	107	20	12	1		85			1	34	1		)					3 000 00	750 00
Talladega North St					1000	1					1	25			0		1	4 500 00			188 83
Tuscaloosa								1			1	55			0		1				3 061 50
Way Cross			84	25			8	100			2	20	1 22		0	The second secon	1				250 00
West Blocton	*******	65	55					40	1				1		0		-1				300 00
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NAME OF CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage, Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts	Evangelistic Helps	Sunday School Expenses	Building	Repairs	Paid on Indebtedness	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
Active	\$ 296 81			\$ 100 00	\$ 396 81	\$ 96 05	\$ 27 00		\$ 118 55		\$ 35 25	\$ 276 85	\$ 41 00	\$ 19 00
Ada Chapel	1 122 27	\$ 120 00 .		233 93	1 476 20	172 27	27 00				93 00	701 67	102 30	50 00
Akron	360 50			99 86	460 40	73 04	18 61		58 33		. 18 73	168 61	39 23	2 80
Anniston	492 00			40 00	532 00	255 00	80 00	717 79		\$ 72 00	589 00	1 713 79	64 00	39 75
Bessemer	85 17												52 75	50 75
Birmingham	2 600 00			60 0.0	2 660 00	418 39	455 42		26 00		478 34	1 378 15	178 00	89 00
Brent	1 592 75	180 00 .		225 00	1 997 75	420 54	95 86	100 50	37 62		185 80	840 32	110 80	58 10
East Lake	1 000 00	300 00 .			1 300 00	281 05	79 01	1 305 60	19 50		149 56	1 834 72	50 05	24 95
Fairview	960 00	120 00 .		208 47	1 288 47	329 58	100 67	482 19			11 20	1 023 64	80 00	40 75
Friendship	86 80			27 00	113 80	59 16	3 39				39 75	102 30		
Golden Grove									**************					
Jasper	361 50	30 00 .		37 00	428 50	60 00	70 50		120 00	400 00	28 00	678 50	5 65	8 50
Menfone	900 00	100 00	5 00	31 00	1 036 00	125 00	139 50		350 45		109 87	724 82	95 76	46 75
Montgomery	470 00	200 00	35 00	20 00	725 00		127 96		60 00	450 00	539 40	1 177 36	10 25	15 25
Mt. Vernon	65 00			125 00	190 00							2 00	6 00	6 00
Mt. Zion	162 00				162 00	18 05	95, 50		A744844444444444	729 00	49 70	892 25		
Nixon Chapel	480 00	240 00].		300 00	1 020 00	104_00	33 69	858 00	10 00	***************************************	57 07	1 062 76	56 00	17 95
Pell City	2 500 00	300 00	25 00	75 00	2 900 00	310 62	108 35			814 09	312 48	1 830 54	196 96	179 01
l'letcher	141 78			49 00	190 78		41 72	25 89			24 00	91 61	14 00	7 49
Prattmont														
Selma	1 795 60	350 00	25 00	150 00	2 320 60	248 88	215 00		27 00	266 52	281 14	1 038 54	55 80	35 00
Springdale	1 325 00	300 00	10 00	253 00	1.888 00	158 50	98 28	****************	11 20		196 11	464 09	75 16	33 09
Stanton	920 00	120 00	10 00	65 00	1 155 00	169 50	103 95		35 00		66 14	374 59	66 00	34 00
Sylacauga														
Talladega First	1 800 00	360 00	50 00	25 00	2 235 00	551 72	349 12		290 40		468 13	1 659 37	133 75	67 88
Talladega North St	2 000 00	420 00	12 00	233 15	2 665 15	396 04	76 61	81 34		300 00	127 26	981 25	76 89	38 46
Tuscaloosa	2 080 00	400 00	71 00	156 92	2 707 92	475 00	296 55	125 00	177 50	*************	364 37	1 438 42	214 00	117 50
Way Cross	1 076 50	75 00	10 00	300 00	1 461 50	281 00	57 23		172 50		60 00	570 73	60 45	. 26 44
West Blocton	520 00	20 00 .			540 00	280 00	51 27		70 40		260 80	667 47	74 42	72 63
TOTALS	\$25 593 68	\$3 635 00	\$ 253 00	\$2 814 33	\$31 936 05	\$5 283 39	\$2 910 88	\$ 955 31	\$1 634 57	\$3 031 61	\$4 545 10	\$21 689 35	\$1 859 22	\$1 081 05

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NAME OF CHURCH	Education	Orphanage	Conn. S.S. Work	Total Budget	President's Salary	Conference Missions	Sup. Min. Fund	Conference Work	Monf. Minutes	Gen. Conf. Travel	Conf. S.S. Work	Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Active	33 001	\$ 5 50	\$ 1 25 \$	194 80	\$ 47 50	\$ 22 00	\$ 11 00	\$ 11 00 \$	1 55 \$	2 00		\$ 18 00	
Ada Chapel	75 00	12 50	4 90	403 75	48 00	50 00	25 00	25 00	3 50	2 65		129 18	2 710 80
Akron		3 25		66 12	19 64					\$	1 20	38 00	732 13
Anniston	48 00	9 00	6 65	299 35	72 50	32 00	16 00		2 24	1 60	1 60	40 00	2 587 38
Bessemer	5 00			156 00	37 50	5 00	5 00						241 17
Birmingham	133 50	22 25	8 30	756 48	127 50	89 00	44 50	44 50	6 23	4 45	9 25	1 282 50	6 077 23
Brent	81 00	17 00	4 00	467 68	82 50	54 00	27 00	27 00	3 28	3 00		268 51	3 574 26
East Lake	30 00	5 00	3 20	205 95	57 50	20 00	10 00	10 00	1 42	1 08	2 75	129 16	3 469 83
Fairview	60 00	10 00	2 00	320 55	42 50	40 50	20 00	20 00	2 80	2 00		370 80	3 003 46
Friendship			1 00	33 42	31 77						65		249 52
Golden Grove													
Jasper	6 25	7 79	2 75	117 09	62 50	7 50	2 50	7 75 .		2 50	3 40		1 252 09
Mentone	63 00	10 00	3 25	375 40	82 50	46 00	21 00		2 95	2 10	2 10	181 73	2 317 95
Montgomery			1 30	59 10	31 00						1 30		1 961 46
Mt. Vernon	6 00	2 00		30 00		6 00	2 00		2 00				222 00
Mt. Zion				150 00	85 00	45 00	20 00					164 50	1 368 82
Nixon Chapel			2 00	130 45	52 50				2 00				2 233 21
Pell City	113 02	25 00	5 00	740 24	127 50	25 00	25 00	35 00			8 75	575 88	6 046 66
Pletcher	10 50	2 65	35	67 23	17 70	8 04	4 50				2 00	1 47	351 09
Prattmont				***************************************									
Selma	52 50	14 34	5 20	308 79	62 50	38 00	17 50	17 50	2 45	1 75	6 25	131 95	3 799.88
Springdale	52 00	8 00	3 75	304 59	82 50	26 00	16 00		2 24	1 60	4 25	436 25	3 092 93
Stanton	50 00	20 66	3 00	317 20	64 00	34 00	21 00	13 10	2 94	5 00	3 50	46 65	1 893 44
Sylacauga													
Talladega First	101 40	16 50	7 60	568 15	82 00	77 00	33 00	33 00	4 62	3 30	7 60	298 63	4 761 15
Talladega North St	57 00	10 60		356 46	82 50	38 00	19 00	19 00	2 66	1 90	3 80	115 20	4 115 61
Tuscaloosa	160 50	26 75		890 19		107 00	53 50	53 50	7 49	5 35	8 60	605 13	5 641 66
Way Cross	5 00	15 16		213 90				55 00	3 00	2 95	5 00	55 00	2 301 13
West Blocton	48 95	8 00		128 75			16 00	16 00	2 25	1 60	1 60	153 93	1 697 45
TOTALS	\$1 191 62	\$ 251 75	\$ 88 25	\$7 661 64	\$1 669 11	\$ 807 04	\$ 412 90	\$ 337 35	\$ 55 62  \$	44 83 \$	73 60	\$5 042 47	\$66 570 77