

MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty-Sixth Session

OF THE

OKLAHOMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection,

or Church, of America

HELD AT

ENID, OKLAHOMA

August 15—22, 1939

P. H. HODGE, President;

JOHN E. MCGRAW, Secretary.

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Tithing Secretary—G. C. Cockrell, Ames, Okla.

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W. J. Kuntz, 1940; K. R. Meade, 1941; John E. McGraw, 1942;
W. F. Lee, 1943; C. Hanson, 1942

COMMITTEES

Itineracy and Orders—P. H. Hodge, 1940; W. J. Kuntz, 1941; H. K. Sheets, 1942; K. R. Meade, 1943.
Camp Meeting—K. R. Meade, 1940; John E. McGraw, 1941; P. H. Hodge, 1942; Earl Ritchey, 1940; Howard Lee, 1941.
Judiciary—M. S. Litell, H. K. Sheets, P. H. Hodge, I. L. Conley.
Vacancies—K. R. Meade, Glenn Cockrell, M. F. Bess, William Bugg, S. L. Taylor.
Mid-Year Convention—H. K. Sheets, I. L. Conley, Mrs. Olive Hodge.

BOARDS

President's Advisory—John E. McGraw, F. R. Arnold.
Sunday school—H. K. Sheets, Fred Groves, M. F. Bess.
Missionary—P. H. Hodge, H. K. Sheets, I. L. Conley, Howard Lee, Earl Ritchey.

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CONFERENCE ROLL CALL

ELDERS

	T	W	Th	Th	F	S	M	T
			a.m.	p.m.				
A. B. Bissey, Albany, Texas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J. M. Batman, Ringwood, Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glenn I. Boardman, Ringwood, Okla.	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
I. L. Conley, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Iva E. Crofford Hyde, Star R. 8, Alva, Okla. ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G. L. Gurtler, Denver, Colo.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P. H. Hodge, 411 W. Highland Ave., Ponca City, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Olive Hodge, 411 W. Highland Ave., Ponca City, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
M. S. Litell, Ringwood, Okla.	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
W. J. Kuntz, 1011 E. Main St., Enid, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John E. McGraw, Ringwood, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
K. R. Meade, 203 Lincoln Ave., Blackwell, Okla.	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H. K. Sheets, 906 E. Cherokee St., Enid, Okla...	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PREACHERS

	T	W	Th	Th	F	S	M	T
			a.m.	p.m.				
Mrs. Faye Baker, 1114 W. 5th St., Marion, Ind...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paul Batman, Ringwood, Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
M. F. Bess, Hardtner, Kansas	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G. C. Cockrell, Ames, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fred Groves, Waukomis, Okla.	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
Grace Groves, Waukomis, Okla.	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
Glenn McMurphy, Tarry, Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W. A. Mills, 6917 Abilene St., Houston, Texas..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Flora Jean Mills, 6917 Abilene St., Houston, Tex.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ruth Nichols, Ocean Side, Calif.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
R. J. Rogers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Effie Ross, Geary, Okla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Layle Prudot, Covington, Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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DELEGATES AND CHURCHES

	T	W	Th	Th	F	S	M	T
			a.m.	p.m.				
F. B. Reed, Carwile	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
William Fish, Cedar Grove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Madalyn Johnson, Ponca City	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
C. Hanson, Enid	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
Mrs. Wilson Poulter, Ponca City	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Mrs. J. W. Butts, Enid	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. L. Bess, Enid	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L. S. Taylor, New Hope	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Earl Ritchey, Alva	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Dollie Gum, Alva	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Anna Rawlings, Blackwell	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Wilbur Bugg, Wesleyan Chapel	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
W. F. Lee, Wesleyan Chapel	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Opening—The thirty-sixth session of the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America convened at the tabernacle located in the 900 block, East Main Street, Enid, Oklahoma, 9:00 a. m., Tuesday, August 15, 1939, with the President and Secretary present.

The song service was in charge of G. C. Cockrell. Earl Ritchey led in prayer. John E. McGraw read with comment the second chapter of Galatians.

Conference was called to order by the President, P. H. Hodge. The roll was called and the following answered to their names: Elders—Glenn I. Boardman, I. L. Conley, P. H. Hodge, Olive Hodge, M. S. Litell, W. J. Kuntz, John E. McGraw, H. K. Sheets. Annual Conference Preachers—M. F. Bess, G. C. Cockrell, Mrs. Effie Ross.

M. F. Bess and Glenn I. Boardman were elected Committee on Credentials.

I. L. Conley and Olive Hodge were elected Committee on Courtesy.

Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, Home Missionary Secretary and Connectional Representative, was introduced to the Conference. He spoke a few words of greetings. At the invitation of the Conference, Rev. Roy S. Nicholson took the Chair to preside throughout the session.

Committee on Credentials reported the following as duly elected Delegates: F. B. Reed, William Fish, Madalyn Johnson, Mrs. Wilson Poulter, Mrs. J. W. Butts, Mrs. L. Bess, S. L. Taylor, Earl Ritchey, Dollie Gum, Mrs. Anna Rawlings. On motion these Delegates together with all others who should later present proper credentials were seated.

Conference Bar—The first four rows of seats and the platform were fixed as the Conference Bar.

Miss Ruth Nichols, worker in the Carlsbad Mexican Mission, was introduced to the Conference. She expressed pleasure in being present in the Conference Session.

Session Committees—The following Session Committees were elected:

Pastoral Relations—P. H. Hodge, Chairman ex-officio; I. L. Conley, H. K. Sheets, John E. McGraw, L. S. Taylor, C. Hanson, Earl Ritchey.

Ministerial Character—P. H. Hodge, Chairman ex-officio; M. S. Litell, William Fish.

Finance—John E. McGraw, I. L. Conley, Earl Ritchey.

Resolutions—G. C. Cockrell, Mrs. J. W. Butts.

Thanks—Mrs. Effie Ross, Madalyn Johnson.

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Religious Services and Special Orders—P. H. Hodge, H. K. Sheets, C. Hanson.

Auditing—C. Hanson, John E. McGraw, Mrs. L. Bess.

Statistics—K. R. Meade, Glenn Cockrell.

Lay Members to Committee on Itineracy and Orders for Conference session—Mrs. Wilson Poulter, F. B. Reed, Dollie Gum.

Reporter—Olive Hodge.

Hours of Conference were fixed as follows: To convene at 9:00 a. m., and adjourn at 11:30 a. m.; and in the afternoon to meet at the call of the Chair and adjourn on motion.

Special Orders—Wednesday, 10:00 a. m., was made Special Order for the election of officers, and also to vote on the proposed amendment to the Article of Faith of the Discipline.

Adjourned on motion.

Wednesday—Morning Meeting

Opening—M. F. Bess led in singing, "Send the Light." Mrs. Fred Money led in prayer, after which Olive Hodge read with comment the 4th chapter of Philipians.

Conference came to order.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Committee on Credentials read the names of Wilbur Bugg, W. F. Lee, C. Hanson, Delegates.

At his request, K. R. Meade was relieved of his duties on the Statistical Committee. Fred Groves was elected to this Committee.

President's Report—Conference President, P. H. Hodge, read his official report. His official acts were adopted, and the financial report was referred to the Finance Committee. See Report No. 1.

Communications were read from W. A. and Flora Jean Mills, and report was made of communication from A. B. Bissey. The Secretary was instructed to send greetings from the Conference to these brethren.

Committee on Special Orders gave partial report.

Election of Officers—The hour having arrived, the Conference proceeded to the election of permanent officers. According to proper Parliamentary and Disciplinary procedure the following officers were elected:

President—P. H. Hodge.

Vice-President—I. L. Conley.

Secretary—John E. McGraw.

Treasurer—K. R. Meade.

Trustee, for term of three years—C. Hanson.

Sunday-school Board—H. K. Sheets, Chairman; Fred Groves, M. F. Bess.

Tithing Secretary—G. C. Cockrell.

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To Itinerary and Orders—K. R. Meade.

To Camp Meeting Committee—For three years, P. H. Hodge; for two years, Howard Lee.

Judiciary Committee—M. S. Litell, H. K. Sheets, P. H. Hodge, I. L. Conley.

Vacancies—K. R. Meade, Glenn Cockrell, M. F. Bess, Wilbur Bugg, L. S. Taylor.

Missionary Board—By vote of the Conference the membership of the Missionary Board was increased to five, to be composed of three elders and two laymen.—P. H. Hodge, Chairman ex-officio; H. K. Sheets, I. L. Conley, Howard Lee, Earl Ritchey.

It was made a permanent resolution that the Board of Trustees be the Board of Church and Parsonage Location.

Nominee to Board of Managers of Miltonvale College for four years—H. K. Sheets.

President's Advisory Board—John E. McGraw, F. R. Arnold.

The Secretary was instructed to purchase a copy of the General Conference Minutes, the same to be kept with the permanent records of the Conference.

The vote on the proposed amendment to the Articles of Faith of the Discipline was as given below:

Yea	27
Nay	0

The last Sunday in September was designated as the time for the local churches to vote on this proposed amendment.

Adjourned.

Thursday—Morning Meeting

Opening—Devotional services were in charge of G. C. Cockrell. Fred Groves led the singing. Miss Alberta Klatt offered earnest prayer for God's blessing upon the meeting. Brother Cockrell read the 98th Psalm with comments.

Conference came to order.

Minutes were read and, after being corrected, were approved.

Committee on Courtesy introduced to the Conference Rev. and Mrs. Paul Batman. After speaking a few words of testimony they brought a special message in song.

A recess was taken.

Conference came to order.

Committee on Finance read report. This report was referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

It was voted to advance the time of adjournment.

The name of Glenn I. Boardman was called. His report was read

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and by vote was adopted, together with all others who should likewise read reports. His character was passed.

Adjourned.

Thursday—Afternoon Meeting

Opening—Conference assembled at the call of the Chair.

Roll was called.

K. R. Meade led in prayer. Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Bess brought a special message in song.

Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, our Home Missionary Secretary gave a splendid Connectional Address on the subject—"Our Church, Her Message and Mission."

The report of the Finance Committee was read and adopted. See Report No. 4.

Pastoral Relations Committee gave their first reading of their report. Adjourned for committee work.

Friday—Morning Meeting

Opening—Mrs. Frank Mackey led in singing, "Constantly Abiding." M. F. Bess read for a scripture lesson 1 Kings 18: 41-46 with appropriate comments and led in prayer.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Reports of Committees—Committee on Resolutions read report which was adopted. See Report No. 5.

Committee on Thanks read report which was adopted and voted to be read at the Sunday night service. See Report No. 6.

Examination of Character was taken up. The following names were called and characters passed: A. B. Bissey, J. M. Batman, Iva E. Crofford Hyde, G. L. Gurtler.

W. D. Correll—Committee on Courtesy introduced to the Conference. Rev. W. D. Correll of Spartanburg, S. C., our Camp Meeting evangelist. Brother Correll spoke a few words of greetings.

Committee on Credentials read recommendations from the local churches that the following named persons be received preparatory to traveling under the direction of the Conference. Paul Batman, of the New Hope Church; Miss Ruth Nichols, of the Enid Church; George Prudot and Layle Prudot, of the Carwile Church. This report was referred to the Committee on Itinerary and Orders. See Report No. 2.

Examination of Character was resumed. The following characters were passed: I. L. Conlev, P. H. Hodge, Olive Hodge, W. J. Kuntz, M. S. Litell, K. R. Meade, H. K. Sheets, M. F. Bess, G. C. Cockrell, Mrs. Effie Ross, R. J. Rogers, Glenn McMurphy, Mrs. Fay Baker.

It was voted to elect a committee of five members to make investigation and report on the advisability of holding a mid-year convention. The

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Committee elected was, H. K. Sheets, I. L. Conley, Mrs. Olive Hodge, G. C. Cockrell, K. R. Meade.

Invitation was received from the Wesleyan Chapel Charge to hold the next Conference and Camp Meeting there. This was referred to the Camp Meeting Committee.

Announcements were made.

Adjourned on motion.

Saturday—Morning Meeting

Opening—I. L. Conley had charge of devotions. M. S. Litell read the 24th Psalm. M. F. Bess led in prayer.

Conference came to order.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Report of Committees—The report of the Statistical Committee was read and adopted. See Report No. 10.

Committee on Pastoral Relations gave second reading of report.

Conference Treasurer read report. This report was referred to the Auditing Committee. See Reports Nos. 7 and 8.

It was voted to cancel the note of John E. McGraw.

The matter of providing uniform quarterly Conference report blanks was referred to the Finance Committee.

After considering the advisability of providing a permanent Camp Meeting ground, it was voted to refer this matter to a special committee composed of the Conference Trustees, Missionary Board, and Camp Meeting Committee.

A recess was taken.

Adjourned by limitation of time.

Saturday—Afternoon Meeting

Opening—Conference came to order at the call of the Chair.

Report of Committees—Pastoral Relations Committee gave third reading of report. This report was adopted. See Report No. 3.

Committee on Itinerary and Orders read report. This report was adopted. See Report No. 2.

Committee on Mid-Year Convention recommended that a permanent committee of three members consisting of one Elder and the President of the W. H. & F. M. Society, and the President of the W. Y. P. Society, be elected to arrange for a mid-year convention. H. K. Sheets was elected Chairman of this Committee. The other members by virtue of their offices are, Mrs. Olive Hodge, I. L. Conley.

Adjourned on motion.

Monday—Morning Meeting

Opening—President, P. H. Hodge called the Conference to order.

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Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

The Camp Meeting Ground Committee gave partial report. See Report No. 9.

The names of John E. McGraw, Fred Groves and Grace Groves, were passed.

Adjourned on motion.

Tuesday—Afternoon Meeting

Conference was called to order by the Chair.

Roll was called.

Committee on Courtesy introduced to the Conference the Miltonvale Wesleyan College Male Quartet, composed of Gordon Goodsell, Kenneth Knapp, Orville Butcher, Myron Holloway. Under the direction of Gordon Goodsell, the Quartet gave an educational program in which the interests of Miltonvale College was ably presented.

It was moved that the Conference adjourn and any further items of business be taken care of by the President and his Advisory Board.

Minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned sine die.

P. H. HODGE, President;
JOHN E. MCGRAW, Secretary.

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

1. All Trustees of the Oklahoma Conference shall reside within the bounds of the Conference.
2. When a pastor provides his own place of residence, all rent from the regular parsonage shall be paid to said pastor.
3. The Conference Treasurer shall close his books one week before the opening day of Conference.
4. The Conference Trustees shall be the Committee on Church and Parsonage Location.

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REPORTS

Report No. 1

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

Aside from the holding of twenty-one Quarterly Meetings my yearly work has been largely confined to the Pioneer field.

August 30. Drove to Ponca City and Tonkawa to investigate field.

September 2. Made trip to El Reno to look over field for Pioneer work.

September 6. Moved to Ponca City and rented a hall in the north-west part of town.

September 25. We started a pioneer meeting which lasted eight weeks. The Lord blessed and a number of souls sought and received definite help.

October 5. Appointed J. E. McGraw pastor of the Springdale Church.

March 3. The Hennessey Church having been ordered for sale by the Conference Trustees, the deal was consummated and the money ordered returned to the Conference Mission Fund.

May 3. Called Trustees to Ponca City for the purpose of purchasing church and parsonage for the sum of \$2,500. \$500 down payment and \$25 per month. The same was deeded to the Conference Trustees.

August 10. Organized the Ponca City Church with 28 members.

Financial Report

Mileage in Quarterly Meeting	2515
Conference business trips	2606
Total miles	5121
Car expense	\$204.84
Long distance calls and wires	8.84
Stationery and postage	4.55
Total expense	\$218.23
Received in Quarterly Meeting	\$133.71
Traveling expense from Treasurer	35.00

Expense in Ponca City

Window glass, plumbing, lumber for seats	\$ 24.60
Advertisement	32.00
Water deposits	25.00

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Piano and tuning	21.00
Stove for hall	24.75
Utilities	132.05
Telephone	28.48
Rent on church and parsonage	350.00

Total expense	\$637.88
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Paid on Property

Raised in Ponca City	\$250.00
Advanced by Rev. Thompson until date of extension appeal	250.00

	\$500.00
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Expense on Property

Building and repair since purchase	\$111.00
Insurance	11.35
Payments on loan	50.00
Examination of abstract	15.00
Recording of deed	1.25

Total	\$188.60
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Miscellaneous Expense

Radio broadcast	\$155.00
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Evangelistic help:

Rev. Harold Baker	\$21.85
Rev. H. A. Harris	26.50
Miltonvale Quartet	15.00

Total	63.35
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Sunday-school supplies	28.50
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Total	\$246.85
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Received from All Sources

On rent from Treasurer	\$180.00
To be applied on salary from Treasurer	639.08
On traveling expense	35.00
For stove for hall	24.75
For deposits	23.00

Total from Treasurer	\$901.83
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Received from Ponca City	
In church and Sunday-school offerings	\$375.82
For payment on place	250.00
Building and repair	102.00
Evangelism	63.35
Radio work	73.50
Received in Quarterly Meetings for traveling expense	\$133.72
Received from Brother Thompson	250.00
Total receipts	\$2150.22
Total paid out	1915.31
Amount over expense	\$ 234.91
P. H. HODGE, President.	

Report No. 2

ITINERACY AND ORDERS

We recommend:

That R. J. Rogers and W. A. Mills be continued in the first year of the Course of Study, and that Flora Jean Mills be placed in the third year of the Course.

That Glenn McMurphy be placed in the third year of the Course of Study, and that M. F. Bess, Glenn Cockrell and Mrs. Effie Ross be continued in the second year.

That Fred and Grace Groves and Mrs. Faye Baker finish reading course and that Mrs. Faye Baker and Ruth Nichols pass the remaining books in the Course of Study preparatory to ordination.

That Paul Batman be received by the Conference to travel under its direction and that he be placed in the third year of the Course of Study.

That Gorge Prudot labor under the direction of his Quarterly Conference.

That Layle Prudot be received by the Conference. That she pass an examination on Church History by Rev. I. F. McLeister and finish her reading course preparatory to ordination.

That Charles Croft be returned to his Quarterly Conference.

That a two day Ministerial Institute be held in connection with the mid-year convention in April.

P. H. HODGE, Chairman;

K. R. MEADE, Secretary.

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Report No. 3

PASTORAL RELATIONS

Alva—I. L. Conley.
Blackwell—K. R. Meade.
Carwile—Paul Batman.
Cedar Grove—M. F. Bess.
Enid—H. K. Sheets.
Etna—Mrs. Effie Ross.
New Hope—John E. McGraw.
Ponca City—P. H. and Olive Hodge.
Springdale—In hands of President and Missionary Board.
Wesleyan Chapel—G. C. Cockrell.
North Adams Street Mission, Enid.—W. J. Kuntz.
To labor in Texas—R. J. Rogers, W. A. Mills, Flora Jean Mills.
Evangelistic Work—Glenn I. Boardman, M. S. Litell, Mrs. Faye Baker, Fred Groves, Grace Groves, Glenn McMurphy, Layle Prudot.
To labor in Mexican Mission, Carlsbad, California—Miss Ruth Nichols.
Supernumerary—A. B. Bissey, Mrs. Iva E. Crofford Hyde.
We recommend that George Prudot labor under the direction of his Quarterly Conference.

That the President hold two quarterly meetings on each charge during the year—one the first half, the other the second half of the year.

P. H. HODGE, Chairman;
H. K. SHEETS,
I. L. CONLEY.

Report No. 4

FINANCE

We recommend that Mrs. A. B. Marlow and Grace Routh be paid \$10.00 each for cooking during Conference.

That John E. McGraw be paid \$5.00 for Secretary work and expense.

That the budget be \$7.00 per member to be divided thus:

Foreign Missions	\$2.00
Education	1.50
Home Missions	.50
Superannuate	.10
Orphanage	.25
Conference Fund—	
Minutes	.10
General Conference Delegate	.05
Camp Meeting	.10

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Incidentals85

Total 1.10

Conference Extension Fund 1.00

Conference President's Salary to be the sum of \$250.00 divided among the churches proportionate to the pastor's salary, as follows:

Enid \$68.00

Alva 41.00

Cedar Grove 28.00

Wesleyan Chapel 28.00

Blackwell 28.00

Carwile 15.00

New Hope 10.00

Ponca City 12.00

Etna 10.00

Springdale 10.00

One half of this amount to be paid at each Quarterly Conference.

This sum is equal to \$.55 per member making a total budget item of \$7.00.

We also recommend that the Conference President be paid \$100.00 traveling expense.

That the Conference approve the request of the Missionary Board to elect a Treasurer from among their membership to care for the Extension Fund.

Signed: JOHN E. McGRAW,
I. L. CONLEY,
EARL RITCHEY.

Report No. 5

RESOLUTIONS

1. We resolve as Wesleyan Methodists of the Oklahoma Conference in this thirty-sixth annual session to hold up the standard of the Church, to exalt the blood of Christ, and to preach the doctrine of entire sanctification to the end that the lost might be brought to Christ.

2. Realizing the trend of the times and the growing laxity toward the fundamentals of the Church, we urge that our people be properly informed concerning the disciplinary standards to the intent that all may realize their financial obligations and their duty regarding dress, the usages of tobacco, alcoholic drinks, cards, the attendance to such places as the theater, dance, public swimming pools, and other hurtful forms of amusements.

3. We further resolve that our young people be encouraged to attend

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our church schools where wholesome instruction free from modernistic and erroneous teachings will be received.

4. We further urge that our people be subscribers to our Church periodicals so as to have a wider vision of our Home and Foreign interests, and Conference work.

5. That our Conference go forward in a church extension program entering new fields as the Missionary Board considers best.

G. C. COCKRELL,

MRS. J. W. BUTTS.

Report No. 6

THANKS

We thank and praise our God for His manifold blessings to the Oklahoma Conference the past year, who in His good providence has permitted us to again assemble ourselves in another session. We are grateful for the good measure of His presence in our midst and the sweet fellowship of His people. We are glad for the advances He has enabled us to make along all lines, especially for the newly organized church in Ponca City, under the competent leadership of our good Conference President and his faithful companion, Revs. P. H. and Olive Hodge.

We deeply appreciate the inspirational and instructive messages of our Connectional Representative, Rev. Roy S. Nicholson. His ministry has been very helpful to us.

The Spirit-anointed messages of our evangelist, Rev. W. D. Correll have been gratefully received by all.

We wish to express our gratitude to the good people of Enid for their hospitality and cordial welcome to us. Also to the Camp Meeting Committee who have worked so faithfully to make this Conference session a success.

The provisions brought in by the various W. H. & F. M. Societies have done much in reducing expenses of our annual meeting. Their contributions are appreciated.

We also desire to express our thanks to our Conference Treasurer, Rev. K. R. Meade and Conference Secretary, John E. McGraw who have labored so faithfully without a material remuneration during the past year as well as throughout this session.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EFFIE ROSS, Chairman;

MADALYN JOHNSON, Secretary.

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Report No. 7

CONFERENCE TREASURER

As of August 18, 1939

Cash on hand at beginning of the year	\$ 47.87
Overdraft in Conference Missions at beginning	236.15
Received from all sources through the year	2242.09

Disbursement and Disposition of All Money Received

Additional loan to Glenn McMurphy	\$ 6.00
General Conference Delegate Expense	50.00
Rent on tent and freight one way	64.51
To Rev. Thompson on Church Extension Cards	15.00
Fraikes Abstract Co. (Kingfisher)	6.50
Letterhead paper	3.50
Conference Minutes for 1937	50.00
General Conference President's salary	5.00
Foreign Missions	51.52
Blackwell Church	40.00
Miltonvale Wesleyan College	92.01
Depleted Conference Funds (From sale of Hennesey)	205.43
(Other \$94.57 placed in Conference Missionary Fund)	
President's Traveling expense	35.00
Conference Secretary's expense, 1938	5.00
Conference President's salary	639.08
Ponca City work	266.75
Miscellaneous expense	25.08
Charged in and out through receipts	643.19
Balance	38.52

Total disbursement and disposition

\$2242.09

Conference Missions

Received through the year	\$1195.00	
Disbursed		\$1188.28
Balance on hand		6.72
Totals	\$1195.00	\$1195.00

Home Missions

Received through the year	\$ 358.71	
Disbursed		\$ 358.71

Education

Received through the year	\$ 237.66	
Disbursed		\$ 237.66

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Superannuated Minister's Fund

Balance August 19, 1938	\$ 104.16	
Interest received (Enid)	18.00	
From churches	10.75	
Used by Conference Mission Fund		\$ 25.00
Balance on hand		107.91
Totals	\$ 132.91	\$ 132.91

Orphanage

Received through the year	\$ 44.57	
Disbursed through the year		\$ 44.57

Student Loan Fund

Balance first of the year	\$ 108.54	
Interest on Glenn McMurphy's note	4.86	
Additional Loan to Glenn McMurphy		\$ 6.00
Balance on hand		107.40
Totals	\$ 113.40	\$ 113.40

Foreign Missions

Received through the year	\$ 407.47	
Disbursed		\$ 407.47
Total balance on hand, August 18, 1939	\$ 222.03	

Notes Receivable

Note at 6%, 3 years—Enid Church	\$ 300.00
Note at 6%, Glenn McMurphy	56.00

K. R. MEADE, Treasurer.

Report No. 8

AUDITING

We, the Auditing Committee, find that the Treasurer's Books balance correctly.

C. HANSON,
MRS. L. BESS,
JOHN E. McGRAW.

THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Report No. 9

CAMP MEETING

We secured the use of the vacant lots in the 900 block, East Main St., Enid, for pitching our tabernacle. Rented tabernacle from the Topeka Tent and Awning Company, and pitched same on lots.

Rev. W. D. Correll was our evangelist. His messages were much blessed of the Lord to the good of souls. The Miltonvale College Male Quartet was with us one week and rendered very much appreciated help in the camp.

A registration fee of one dollar was charged for those who boarded at the dining hall. Generous donations were brought in from the various charges. Public offerings were taken for the expense of the meeting.

Financial Statement

Received

Registrations	\$ 67.32
W. Y. P. S. Convention	8.00
W. H. & F. M. Society for dishwashing	9.00
Sale of song books	8.60
Public offerings	353.60
Total	\$ 446.52

Paid Out

Cooking and dishwashing	\$ 30.00
Groceries	73.18
Rent on tent	50.00
Transportation on tent	27.60
Evangelist	125.00
Miltonvale Quartet	60.00
Song Books	20.00
Incidentals	34.52
Returned to Conference Treasurer	26.22
Total	\$ 446.52

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Name of Charge	Membership	Conference Work	Minutes	General Conf. Delegate	Camp Meeting	Conference Extension	Conf. President's Salary	Superannuate	Total Conference Budget
Alva	58	\$.85	\$.10	\$.05	\$.10	\$1.00		\$.10	\$168.60
Blackwell	26	\$49.30	\$5.80	\$2.90	\$5.80	\$58.00	\$41.00	\$5.80	\$85.20
Carwile	21	22.10	2.60	1.30	2.60	25.00	28.00	2.60	61.20
Cedar Grove	51	17.85	2.10	1.05	2.10	21.00	15.00	2.10	140.20
Enid	134	43.35	5.10	2.55	5.10	51.00	28.00	5.10	362.80
Etna	28	113.90	13.40	6.70	13.40	134.00	68.00	13.40	71.60
New Hope	37	23.84	2.80	1.40	2.80	28.00	10.00	2.80	91.40
Ponca City	27	31.45	3.70	1.85	3.70	37.00	10.00	3.70	71.40
Springdale	11	22.95	2.70	1.35	2.70	27.00	12.00	2.70	34.20
Wesleyan Chapel	45	9.35	1.10	.55	1.10	11.00	10.00	1.10	127.00
Belmont	27	38.25	4.50	2.25	4.50	45.00	28.00	4.50	81.40
Totals	65	\$395.25	\$46.50	\$23.25	\$46.50	\$465.00	\$272.00	\$46.50	\$1295.00

CONNECTIONAL BUDGET

Name of Charge	Membership	Foreign Missions	Education	Home Missions	Orphanage	Total Connectional Budget	Grand Total Budget Assigned
Alva	58	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$.50	\$.25	\$246.50	\$415.10
Blackwell	26	\$116.00	\$87.00	\$29.00	\$14.50	\$110.50	\$195.70
Carwile	21	52.00	38.00	13.00	6.30	89.25	150.45
Cedar Grove	51	42.00	31.50	10.50	5.25	216.75	356.95
Enid	134	102.00	76.50	25.50	12.75	569.50	932.30
Etna	28	268.00	210.00	67.00	33.50	119.00	190.60
New Hope	37	56.00	42.00	14.00	7.00	157.25	248.65
Ponca City	27	74.00	55.50	18.50	9.25	114.75	186.15
Springdale	11	54.00	41.00	13.50	6.75	46.75	80.95
Wesleyan Chapel	45	22.00	16.50	5.50	2.75	191.25	318.25
Belmont	27	90.00	67.50	22.50	11.25	114.75	196.15
Totals	465	\$930.00	\$697.50	\$232.50	\$116.25	\$1976.25	\$3271.25

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Report No. 10

STATISTICAL REPORT

Item I. Pastor's Labors. Item II. Periodicals

Name of Charge	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Teachers' Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Lesson Leaflets	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart	Wesleyan Missionaries	Young People's Journals	Children's Friend
Alva	12	1	1	14	35	25	8	60	15	20	...	20	20	2	6	...	10
Blackwell	12	1	1	7	20	...	6	24	12	8	...	16	12	1	8	...	10
Carwile	12	1	1	6	13	8	4	18	15	3	1	...	8	...	1	...	5
Cedar Grove	12	1	1	6	18	10	6	30	5	...	...	...	10	...	1	10	10
Enid	12	1	1	28	75	30	15	100	24	24	...	36	30	2	20	25	30
Etna	12	1	1	4	15	...	4	10	...	15	...	8	15	...	1	...	8
New Hope	12	1	1	5	20	6	7	28	8	...	8	4	...	1	...	...	...
Ponca City	12	1	1	4	15	10	5	25	10	6	6	...	10	...	...	...	...
Springdale	12	1	1	1	8	6	4	20	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...
Wesleyan Chapel	12	1	1	5	18	12	5	24	...	12	1	...	12	1	10	2	...
Belmont, Houston, Texas	12	1	2	1	15	10	8	20	10	8	8	...	10	1	3	...	10
Totals	132	11	12	79	252	117	72	359	99	110	32	91	134	8	57	43	83

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item III. Membership

Name of Charge	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. Beginning of Year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Local Preachers	Membership Tithing
Alva	7	...	1	1	4	57	57	58	...	1	2	2	31
Blackwell	5	...	4	1	1	27	27	26	...	...	5	...	7
Carwile	6	...	...	...	3	18	18	21	...	3	...	4	9
Cedar Grove	18	...	2	1	2	39	39	51	...	12	...	1	16
Enid	19	...	30	4	4	153	153	134	19	...	24	3	30
Etna	...	...	...	...	1	29	29	28	1	...	...	...	2
New Hope	3	...	...	...	2	36	36	37	...	1	...	...	14
Ponca City	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	27	1	...	...
Springdale	3	...	...	...	...	11	11	11	...	...	...	...	3
Wesleyan Chapel	3	...	...	...	...	42	42	45	...	3	...	2	17
Belmont (Not in last year's minutes) ..	13	...	2	1	...	...	16	27	...	11	2	4	8
Totals	102	...	39	8	17	412	428	465	21	58	36	16	137

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item IV. Sunday Schools

Name of Charge	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. of Officers	Whole No. of Teachers	No. Officers, Teachers and Scholars in Main School	No. Schol. in Home Dept.	No on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Schol. Joining Church	No. Departmental Supts.	No. Organized Classes	No. Books in Library	W. V. P. Societies
Alva	1	13	9	140	...	19	159	70	8	7	3	7	131	1
Blackwell	1	1	1	62	...	...	67	48	...	...	1	...	...	1
Carwile	1	1	1	38	...	...	49	26	...	3	...	...	18	1
Cedar Grove	1	1	1	79	...	12	91	54	22	18	1	...	...	1
Enid	1	9	12	269	...	5	274	150	30	43	4	...	12	1
Etna	1	3	4	40	...	...	48	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
New Hope	1	8	8	60	...	22	82	48	5	...	1	...	5	1
Ponca City	1	8	5	60	...	...	60	50	25	23	...	...	...	...
Springdale	1	5	4	30	...	...	30	18	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wesleyan Chapel	1	5	5	77	...	10	87	52	...	3	1	5	28	1
Belmont	1	9	9	60	...	...	60	53	3	2	1	6	...	...
Totals	11	75	71	915	...	72	1007	569	97	99	13	18	194	8

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item V. Church Property

Name of Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Alva	1	\$4000.00	...	1	\$1500.00	\$100.00	...
Blackwell	1	1200.00	\$400.00	...	...	...	\$115.00
Carwile	1	600.00	...	1	200.00	...	7.01
Cedar Grove	1	2000.00	...	...	...	...	...
Enid	1	5000.00	300.00	1	1500.00	300.00	705.00
Etna	1	500.00	...	1	300.00	...	...
New Hope	1	800.00	...	1	225.00	...	...
Ponca City	1	2500.00	1000.00	1	1000.00	985.00	...
Springdale	1	500.00	...	...	...	...	...
Wesleyan Chapel	1	800.00	...	1	650.00	...	...
Belmont	2	6500.00	1473.00	...	...	...	...
Totals	12	\$24400.00	\$3173.00	7	\$5375.00	\$1385.00	\$827.01

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Item VI. Amount Contributed for Pastor

Name of Charge	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Alva	\$735.00	\$180.00	\$10.00	\$117.85	\$1042.85
Blackwell	378.45	96.00	1.00	145.03	620.48
Carwile	136.63	36.00		143.59	316.22
Cedar Grove	520.77	30.00	8.00	92.15	650.92
Enid	1020.00	180.00	35.00	94.70	1329.70
Etna	168.44	60.00			228.44
New Hope	245.81	30.00	5.00	80.72	361.53
Ponca City *					
Springdale	226.00			26.50	252.50
Wesleyan Chapel	469.48	75.00		158.48	702.96
Belmont	807.30		12.00	15.30	834.60
Totals	\$4707.88	\$687.00	\$71.00	\$874.32	\$6340.20

*See President's Report No. 1.

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item VII. Amount Contributed for Church

Name of Charge	Conference President's Salary	Conference Evangelist's Salary	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Alva		\$10.57	\$90.61	\$85.71	\$185.69	\$102.56	\$475.14
Blackwell	\$3.56		61.27	55.74	183.01	80.23	383.81
Carwile	19.75	11.45	24.45	24.48	16.50	17.83	114.46
Cedar Grove	14.71		130.52	34.33	34.18	23.39	237.17
Enid	190.00		132.50	175.35	475.37	180.00	1153.22
Etna	4.00		25.00	20.00		2.00	51.00
New Hope			30.89	38.16	43.70	15.76	128.51
Ponca City			63.35	28.50	261.00		352.85
Springdale				16.16	1.75		17.91
Wesleyan Chapel	83.40		65.00	52.00	42.92	17.65	260.97
Belmont			96.36	40.00	84.65	23.34	244.35
Totals	\$315.42	\$22.02	\$719.95	\$570.43	\$1328.77	\$462.67	\$3419.26

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Item VIII. Amount Contributed for Benevolences

Name of Charge	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Connecional Sunday School Work	Other Benevolent Objects	Orphanage	Total for Benevolences
Alva	\$58.15	\$73.70	\$92.40	\$189.59	\$2.90	.....	\$89.31	.....	\$506.05
Blackwell	15.99	9.00	.....	12.50	1.94	\$3.00	.....	.....	42.43
Carwile	28.00	19.62	6.00	6.25	1.00	1.00	4.25	\$6.00	72.12
Cedar Grove	33.03	23.54	18.61	85.47	1.00	3.84	6.25	5.00	176.74
Enid	130.71	214.43	97.52	214.10	5.00	7.50	57.81	5.50	732.57
Etna .....	.....	15.39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.39
New Hope	10.92	16.21	3.25	65.08	.63	4.41	27.73	2.00	130.23
Ponca City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springdale .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wesleyan Chapel	36.68	32.08	8.50	42.27	2.10	3.75	20.90	6.25	152.53
Belmont	131.59	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.18	149.77
Totals	\$445.07	\$403.97	\$231.28	\$615.36	\$14.57	\$23.40	\$206.25	\$37.93	\$1977.83

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item IX. Totals

Name of Charge	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total For All Purposes
Alva	\$1042.85	\$475.14	\$520.95	\$2038.94
Blackwell	620.48	383.80	40.43	1044.71
Carwile	316.22	114.46	78.12	508.80
Cedar Grove	650.92	237.17	178.50	1066.55
Enid	1329.70	1153.22	732.69	3921.52
Etna	228.44	51.00	15.39	294.83
New Hope	361.53	128.51	130.23	620.27
Ponca City .....	.....	352.85	.....	352.85
Springdale	252.50	17.91	.....	269.41
Wesleyan Chapel	702.96	260.97	152.53	1116.36
Belmont	807.30	244.35	149.77	1201.42
Totals	\$6340.20	\$3419.26	\$1977.83	\$11737.29

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Item X. Budget								
Name of Charge	Home and Foreign Missions Assigned	Home and Foreign Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Conference Assigned	Conference Raised	Total Assigned	Total Raised
Alva	\$142.50	\$131.85	\$85.50	\$29.40	\$85.50	\$189.57	\$313.50	\$350.82
Blackwell	67.50	28.99	40.50	.....	40.50	12.50	148.50	41.49
Carwile	45.00	47.62	27.00	6.00	27.00	6.25	99.00	59.87
Cedar Grove	97.50	56.75	58.50	18.61	58.50	85.47	214.50	160.83
Enid	382.50	345.13	229.50	97.52	229.50	214.10	841.50	656.65
Etna	72.50	15.39	48.50	.....	48.50	.....	169.50	15.39
New Hope	90.00	27.13	54.00	3.25	54.00	65.08	198.00	95.46
Ponca City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springdale	27.50	.....	16.50	.....	16.50	.....	60.50	.....
Wesleyan Chapel	105.00	68.76	63.00	8.50	63.00	42.27	231.00	119.53
Belmont	40.00	131.59	24.00	5.00	24.00	.....	88.00	136.59
Totals	\$1080.00	\$853.21	\$647.00	\$168.28	\$647.00	\$615.24	\$2374.00	\$1646.63

Minutes of the Annual W. Y. P. S. Convention Held at Enid, Oklahoma, August 19 - 20, 1939

Meeting was called to order by Rev. I. L. Conley. Minutes of the Mid-year Conference Rally held at Enid, were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report by Dwight Little was read and approved, and the Statistical Report was to be confirmed before it was accepted.

Rev. H. K. Sheets, our new Area President gave a very inspiring message concerning our W. Y. P. S. work.

Meeting adjourned for the evening meal.

Meeting called to order after supper by Rev. K. R. Meade, Vice-President. Rev. I. L. Conley, our Y. P. Delegate to the General Conference W. Y. P. S. Convention, gave a very interesting and inspiring report of that gathering.

The confirmed Statistical Report was given by our Treasurer, Mr. Dwight Little.

A motion was made and seconded that we put a complete Statistical Report, together with the minutes, also a list of the W. Y. P. S. officers into our Conference Minutes. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the amount of \$8.00 be paid the management of the dining hall for meals; \$3.30 of this amount to be paid from the treasury; the balance of \$4.70 coming from the registration fee.

Mrs. Paul Batman was elected as reporter to the Young People's Journal.

The amount of \$10.00 from the treasury together with half the membership dues was appropriated to the work of Church Extension in the Conference.

The names of the Conference W. Y. P. S. officials are as follows:

President—Rev. I. L. Conley, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla.

Vice-President—Rev. K. R. Meade, 203 West Lincoln, Blackwell, Okla.

Secretary—Florine Bourne, Ames Okla.

Treasurer—Dwight Little, Alva, Okla., Star. 9.

Meeting adjourned.

FLORINE BOURNE, Secretary.

THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

EFFICIENCY STANDARD

for

THE WESLEYAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

of

THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

I. Literature—

A. Bible:

Old Testament—50 points.

New Testament—30 points.

Both Old and New Testaments—160 points.

B. Books approved by pastor:

100 pages—3 points.

200 pages—8 points.

300 pages—15 points.

10 points for each additional hundred pages.

(Count to nearest hundred and name all books read.)

C. Periodicals:

Young People's Journal—20 points.

Wesleyan Methodist, 1 year—15 points.

Wesleyan Missionary, 1 year—10 points.

(Allow points for each society member in homes where the papers are taken.)

II. Finance—

A. Each member tithing—25 points.

B. Dues paid in full, each member—10 points.

C. Pledges made and paid to any department of the work. (Individual or Society pledges may be counted):

\$2.50—6 points.

\$5.00—20 points.

\$10.00—50 points.

50 points for each additional \$5.00.

D. Each member paying the full Conference budget of—\$7.00—50 points.

III. Local Projects—

A. Educational Program—Summer Quarter.

For the program—25 points.

For raising one half of budget—50 points.

For raising all of budget—100 points.

B. District Rally, each Society taking active part—25 points.

We recommend the societies combine for district rallies according to the following plan:

Enid and Wesleyan Chapel, Blackwell and Ponca City, New Hope and Carwile, Alva and Cedar Grove. (Any new society organized will be given credit for rally or rallies.)

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We further recommend that there be a fall and spring district rally.

C. Mid-year General Convention.

For each Society taking active part—50 points.

For each registered representative—10 points.

(The entertaining Society shall receive as many points as received by the Society earning the most points).

D. Prayer meetings, one per month conducted by young people—5 points per month.

E. Other local projects:

Money spent—2 points per whole dollar.

Time spent—1 point per hour.

(A project to be credited to the Society must be adopted by the majority vote.)

IV. Loyalty to Local Society—

A. Attendance:

Each member attending 70% of time all through the year—75 points.

Each member attending 50% of time—25 points.

(Attendance below 50% not credited).

B. Promptness:

On time 50% of times attended through year—25 points.

On time 75% of times attended through year—60 points.

In time 90% of times attended through year—100 points.

C. Membership:

Each member gained above report of previous year—100 points.

V. Loyalty to Conference Organization—

A. Two reports to President—20 points.

(Those reporting within ten days after receiving blanks—10 points extra.)

B. Complete Efficiency Standard Report to President within the first two days of Conference—50 points.

C. Representatives to Annual Conference Rally—10 points each.

Divide the number who have paid dues in full, and who have been present 70% of time by the total number of active members to find the per cent. Then find this per cent of the total number of points and add same to the total. Divide the grand total by the total number of active members in the society.

Example: 6 members paid in full and attended 70% of meetings.
12 total number of active members.

$6.00 \div 12 = .50$ 50%.

Total number of points earned during year, 6000. 50% of this total 3000 to be added: $6000 + 3000 = 9000$. Divide 9000 by the total number of members 12. $9000 \div 12 = 750$.

The grade for the above example would be 750.

THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

W. Y. P. S. STATISTICAL REPORT

President—Rev. I. L. Conley, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla.	
Secretary—Miss Florine Bourne, Ames, Okla.	
Active members	122
Associate members	76
Number of members lost .....23; gained	55
Number of W. Y. P. S. Journals taken	58
Number of Fast and Prayer League members	60
Amount on hand at beginning of year	\$ 4.76
Amount raised by offering during the year	119.02
Amount raised from other sources	137.75
Total receipts	\$ 261.53
Amount paid for General W. Y. P. S. work	\$ 15.60
Amount paid for Conference W. Y. P. S. work	8.08
Amount paid for Local W. Y. P. S. work	78.55
Amount paid for Foreign Missions	26.14
Amount paid for Home Missions	12.17
Amount paid for Other Objects	109.25
Total disbursements	\$ 249.80
Balance in the Treasury at present time	\$ 10.73

Minutes of the Sixteenth Session of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission- ary Society of the Oklahoma Conference

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE SOCIETY

President—Mrs. Olive Hodge, 411 Highland, Ponca City, Okla.
Vice-President—Mrs. Irene Bess, Alva, Okla.
Secretary—Mrs. I. L. Conley, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla.
Treasurer—Mrs. Raymond Tolle, 218 Flynn St., Alva, Okla.
Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and Treasurer—Ruth Croft, 1302 E.
Maple, Enid, Okla.

PRESIDENTS OF LOCAL SOCIETIES

Alva—Mrs. I. L. Conley, 612 Third, Alva, Okla.
Blackwell—Mrs. K. R. Meade, 203 West Lincoln, Blackwell, Okla.
Carwile—Mrs. May Ent, Ringwood, Okla.
Cedar Grove—Mrs. Irene Bess, Alva, Okla.
Enid—Mrs. Bess Mackey, 624 N. 10th St., Enid, Okla.
New Hope—Mrs. Mattie Fisher, Ringwood, Okla.
Wesleyan Chapel—Mrs. Daisy Cockrell, Ames, Okla.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

First Meeting

Opening—The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Oklahoma Conference convened for its sixteenth annual session at Enid, Okla., Tuesday, August 15, 1939 at 1:00 p. m. with the President, Mrs. Olive Hodge, presiding. Mrs. Bess Mackey led the group in singing Missionary Choruses. Mrs. Effie Ross had charge of devotions, reading and commenting on Acts 4. Mrs. Daisy Cockrell led in prayer.

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Roll Call—Conference Officials, Local Presidents and Delegates.

Mrs. Hodge	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Groves		1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Conley	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. R. Tolle	1	1	1	1	1	
Miss Croft				1	1	
Mrs. L. Tolle	1	1				
Mrs. Cockrell	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Cation						
Mrs. Hada	1	1	1	1		1
Mrs. Butts	1	1	1	1		1
Mrs. Conoway			1	1	1	1
Mrs. Harley						
Mrs. Ritchey	1	1	1	1	1	
Mrs. Fish	1		1		1	1
Mrs. Reese	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Maddux		1	1	1	1	
Mrs. Anthony	1	1	1	1	1	
Mrs. Taylor		1		1		1
Mrs. Register			1	1	1	

Official Proceedings—Mrs. Effie Ross and Mrs. Raymond Tolle were elected Committee on Credentials. This committee reported the names of the following Delegates-elect: Mrs. Earl Ritchey, Mrs. Flora Fish, Mrs. Velma Reese, Mrs. Mary Maddux, Mrs. Naomi Anthony, Mrs. Margaret Taylor, Mrs. C. F. Register.

Conference Bar—The first three rows of seats across the tabernacle were fixed as the Conference Bar.

Committees—By vote the following committees were elected:

Nominating—Mrs. I. L. Conley, Mrs. Daisy Cockrell, Mrs. Flora Fish.

Courtesy—Mrs. Iva Butts.

Auditing—Mrs. Naomi Anthony, Mrs. H. K. Sheets.

Plan of Work—It was voted that this committee be as previously. The Conference President acting as Chairman and Local Presidents and Delegates as members.

Magazine—Mrs. Iva Butts who was instructed to prepare a literature demonstration.

Statistical—Mrs. Daisy Cockrell, Mrs. Raymond Tolle.

Reporter—Mrs. Earl Ritchey.

Apportionment—Mrs. Clema Hada, Mrs. Irene Bess, Mary Maddux.

Memorial—Mrs. Effie Ross, Mrs. H. K. Sheets.

Special Order—Wednesday, 100 p. m. was made special order for the election of officers.

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The Committee on Courtesy presented Miss Ruth Nichols of Ocean Side, California.

Adjourned by motion.

Second Meeting

Opening—The meeting opened with singing Missionary Choruses.

Devotions were in charge of Mrs. Poulter who read Heb. 13:8 and gave her testimony. Mrs. Grace Groves led in prayer.

Roll was called. Minutes were read and approved. Special order was called. The Nominating Committee reported.

Election of Officers—The following officers were elected by ballot:

President—Mrs. Olive Hodge.

Vice-President—Mrs. Irene Bess.

Secretary—Mrs. I. L. Conley.

Treasurer—Mrs. Raymond Tolle.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and Treasurer—Ruth Croft.

The Committee on Courtesy introduced Miss Long who has been in mission work among the Spanish speaking people the past two years.

Reports of Local Societies—The following societies read statistical reports: Alva, Carwile, Enid, Wesleyan Chapel.

Adjourned by motion. Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Sheets.

Third Meeting

Opening—Song "The Cleansing Wave." Devotions were led by Mrs. Grace Groves who read Psalm 23 and sang very effectively "Peace in My Heart." Prayer by Mrs. Irene Bess.

Roll was called and minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Committee on Courtesy introduced Mrs. Paul Batman and Mrs. George Prudot.

Memorial Committee—The report of this committee was read and adopted. See Report No. 5.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Reports of Local Societies—Statistical reports of the following societies were given: New Hope, Cedar Grove, Blackwell.

Adjourned by motion.

Fourth Meeting

Opening—Song "More Love to Thee." Mrs. Daisy Cockrell read from Ephesians 5 and Mrs. H. K. Sheets led in prayer.

Roll was called. Minutes were read and approved.

Plan of Work—This committee gave a partial report.

Adjourned by motion to meet at 4:00 p. m. following the Public Meeting.

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Public Meeting, Friday 2:30 p. m.

A large group gathered for the public meeting which opened with singing "Send the Light," followed by prayer. The literature demonstration arranged by Mrs. Iva Butts was given as the Society joined in singing "The Army of Subscribers." A special song "Somebody Else Needs Him Too," was sung by Mrs. Paul Batman. Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, our Connectional Representative brought a very inspiring and challenging missionary message. An offering was taken for Miss Ruth Nichols, our worker in California.

Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Klatt.

Fifth Meeting

Opening—Song, "Feasting." Dollie Gum led in prayer. Roll was called and minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Y. M. W. B. Report—This report was read and adopted. See Report No. 2. Miss Croft stated she would be glad to visit the Bands if asked to do so, paying her own expenses.

Statistical Committee—This report was read and adopted. See Report No. 10.

Auditing Committee—The report of this committee was read and adopted. See Report No. 4.

Apportionment Committee—The report of this committee was read and adopted. See Report No. 9.

A Communication from our Organizer, Mrs. Jennie Emerson was read to the body. The Secretary was instructed to answer this communication and all others of like nature.

A partial report of the Efficiency Standard was read. The Conference Treasurer, Mrs. Raymond Tolle gave instructions that all monies be sent to her except that which goes to local church work.

Adjourned by motion to meet Saturday at 1:00 p. m.

Sixth Meeting

Opening—Prayer by Mrs. Williams. Roll was called and minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

President's Report—This report was read and adopted. See Report No. 1.

Plan of Work Committee—The report of this committee including the Efficiency Standard was read item by item and adopted. See Report Nos. 7 and 8.

The motion prevailed that the Treasurer pay the expenses of the President in traveling the Conference during the coming year.

Motion prevailed that the Treasurer pay the balance due Miss Ruth Nichols.

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Magazine Report—The report was read and adopted. See Report No. 6.

Minutes were read and approved.

Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Effie Ross.

Public Meeting, Saturday, 1:30 p. m.

This service began with singing "Take the Name of Jesus With You," led by Mrs. Grace Groves. Prayer was offered by Miss Long. A special song "Redeemed" was sung by Miss Nichols and Miss Long. The song was sung in Spanish. Miss Ruth Nichols, our missionary to California, gave an interesting review of her work among the Mexican people. Mrs. I. L. Conley, the Delegate to General Conference, gave a report of the W. H. & F. M. S. Conference. Miss Long spoke concerning her work among the Spanish speaking people. The meeting closed with singing, "I Love to Tell the Story" and was dismissed with prayer by Wilbur Bugg.

REPORTS

Report No. 1

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Beloved Sisters of the Oklahoma Conference: Again we praise God for His kind providence in permitting us to assemble as a Conference body. We quote 1 Samuel 7:12 "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Through poverty, through sickness, through health; at home, abroad, on land, on sea, in perplexity, in joy, trial, triumph, prayer, and in temptation—"hitherto hath the Lord helped." Praise His name.

We thank God for the increase of vision, and increase of concern for souls of the past year and for the souls that have been added to our list of Wesleyan Methodists and we pray that He shall keep us on the move for our God in the salvation of precious souls.

On September the 15th we began a pioneer meeting in Ponca City, which we carried on for eight weeks and have of recent date organized a church there.

We engaged the labor of Rev. Charles Carter, returned missionary from Africa, who traveled the Conference in behalf of the missionary work. We appreciated the work of Brother Carter among us and shall not soon forget the climax of his work in the wonderful Conference Convention; the Lord blessed, and so graciously poured out His Spirit upon all and souls found God.

On June the 26th we left Ponca City to attend the General Conference of the W. H. & F. M. S. On arrival we found a wonderful welcome

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and a most touching spirit of prayer which prevailed throughout the sessions.

The burden and prayer of all present, both Home and Foreign Missionaries, Ministers, Delegates and our General Officials was for the lost, and the need of lifting up the Bible truths, in voice, and to hold high the standards of religion in face of moral decay, sin and degradation.

The word "Hitherto" points forward, we are not as yet to the end. We in our Conference still have distances to be traversed. More trials, more joys, more temptations, more triumphs, more prayers, more answers, more toils, more strength, more fights, more victories.

Then there is more yet, when we shall all be awakened in Jesus' likeness, thrones, harps, songs, white raiment, the face of Jesus, the society of saints, the glory of God, the fullness of eternity, and then the joy of having a few sheaves to lay at the Master's feet. Knowing that in our feeble efforts we have helped to win some one to God. Be of good courage women and with grateful confidence lift thy voice, for

"He who hath helped thee hitherto
Will help thee all thy journey through."

MRS. OLIVE HODGE, President.

Report No. 2

Y. M. W. B. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Alva—Dues and Offering	\$ 7.40
Alva—Education	22.66
Alva—Orphanage	3.25
Blackwell—Dues and Offering	3.00
Carwile—Dues and Offering	2.47
Carwile—Education	.50
Cedar Grove—Dues and Offering	7.19
Cedar Grove—Education	5.86
Enid—Dues and Offering	57.28
Enid—Education	21.00
New Hope—Dues and Offering	5.41
Ponca City—Dues and Offering	1.78
Wesleyan Chapel—Dues and Offering	17.81
Total	\$155.61

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Disbursements

M. L. Clarke—Receipt	\$ 78.81	
C. F. Hester—Receipt	50.05	
K. R. Meade—Receipt	18.22	
D. L. Jones—Receipt	3.25	
On hand	5.28	
Total		\$155.61

RUTH CROFT, Conference Superintendent of Y. M. W. B.

Report No. 3

W. H. & F. M. S. CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Conference Year 1938-'39

Foreign Missions:

	Received	Disbursed
Kendi Paine	\$ 54.00	\$ 59.50
Undivided	200.28	202.03
Medical Missions	12.80	12.80

Home Missions:

Ruth Nichols	\$ 52.50	\$ 112.85
Bethshan Home	4.00	4.00
Undivided	27.55	31.55
Orphanage	\$ 41.42	\$ 41.42
Education	\$ 54.10	\$ 63.00

General Conference Delegate Fund:

On hand beginning of year	\$ 63.75
Received during year	9.25

\$ 73.00 \$ 63.75

Extension:

Oklahoma Conference	\$ 28.50	\$ 43.50
National Church	4.00	4.00
General Conference General Fund (¼ of dues)		\$ 22.20
Conference Dishwasher	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00
Society Dues	\$ 88.80	

Distributed as follows:

Foreign Missions (Undivided)	\$ 1.75
Home Missions (Undivided)	4.00
Kendi Paine	5.50
Ruth Nichols	24.25
Education	8.90

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General Conference Fund	22.20		
Oklahoma Conference General Fund..	22.20		22.20
	<u>\$ 88.80</u>		
Superannuated Ministers' Fund	\$ 1.90	\$	1.90
General Expense		\$	3.41
Oklahoma Conference General Fund:			
Cash on hand beginning of year	\$ 55.50		
Received from dues (1/4)	22.20		
Total		\$	77.70
Disbursed as above to:			
Ruth Nichols	\$ 36.10		
Oklahoma Conference Extension	15.00		
General Expense	3.41		
Total	\$ 54.51		
		<u>\$</u>	<u>726.55</u>
Totals		<u>\$</u>	<u>694.11</u>
Cash:			
On Hand	None		
In Bank	\$ 32.44		\$ 32.44
		<u>\$</u>	<u>726.55</u>
Grand Totals		<u>\$</u>	<u>726.55</u>
Summary of Reserves:			
Oklahoma Conference General Fund..	\$ 23.19		
General Conference Delegate Fund ..	9.25		
	<u>\$ 32.44</u>		

Signed: MRS. RAYMOND TOLLE, Treasurer.

Report No. 4

AUDITING REPORT

We, the Auditing Committee, find the Treasurer's book to be correct. We wish to commend the Treasurer for her splendid service during the past year.

Signed: NAOMI ANTHONY,
MRS. H. K. SHEETS.

Report No. 5

MEMORIAL REPORT

God in His all wise providence during the past year has been pleased to remove to their Heavenly home, Brothers A. D. Robins, as honorary

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member of the W. H. & F. M. S. and Carl Jones of Enid, M. L. Louthan of Alva, and little Doris Jean Groves of Wesleyan Chapel.

We, the members of the W. H. & F. M. Society extend our heartfelt sympathy and pray that the comforting influence of the Blessed Holy Spirit may rest upon the bereaved ones.

Signed: MRS. EFFIE ROSS,
MRS. H. K. SHEETS.

Report No. 6

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

As the magazine promoter, I have done my best to increase the subscription list for the Wesleyan Missionary and report seven subscriptions, making a total of sixty-four magazines in the Conference.

Signed: MRS. IVA BUTTS.

Report No. 7

PLAN OF WORK

The Committee on Plan of Work submits the following Plan of Work:

1. That the Conference Society continue the support of its native African worker.
2. That the Conference Society be divided into three districts: District No. 1 composing Alva and Cedar Grove; District No. 2, New Hope, Carwile, Etna and Wesleyan Chapel; District No. 3, Blackwell, Enid, and Ponca City. One person to be chosen from each district to be responsible for arranging for a rally. One convntion in the Conference during the year, to be held jointly with the Ministerial and W. Y. P. S. Convention.
3. Arrange with the pastor for one missionary prayer service the last week in each month, the same to be preceded by fasting.
4. That we contribute at least six dollars for Home Missions, the same to be sent to our Conference Treasurer, Mr. Raymond Tolle.
5. Twelve meetings during the year in which prayer service is held and business transacted.
6. Red Letter Days.
 - (a) Harvest Day—Educational Work.
 - (b) Easter—Programs, gifts and offering for Home Missions.
 - (c) World Day of Prayer—That we coöperation in observing the World Day of Prayer.
7. Use the Study Book.
8. Read the Plan of Work and Efficiency Standard once each quarter.

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9. Go definitely against tobacco advertisements in the papers, and its uses, also alcoholic drinks.
10. Pay twenty-five cents per member for General Conference Delegate expense. (Permanent unless otherwise voted.)
11. Contribute at least five dollars to Hephzibah Orphanage, the same to be sent to our Conference Treasurer, also fill a gift box after learning the needs.
12. One public meeting in which each local society renders an annual program. A special offering be taken for the support of Medical Missions.
13. That each local society have one public meeting at which time an offering be taken and sent to Bethshan Home. (This is not applied on budget.)
14. That we continue the support of Ruth Nichols at Ocean Side, California unless conditions require a change. If a change is made the money used thus is to be applied on Church Extension in Oklahoma.

Report No. 8

EFFICIENCY STANDARD

1. Arrange with the Pastor for one missionary prayer service the last week of each month at which service a missionary offering is taken.
2. Ten meetings held during the year in which prayer service is held and business transacted.
3. Red Letter Days:
 - (a) Harvest Day—Educational Work.
 - (b) Easter—Programs, gifts and offering for Home Missions.
 - (c) World Day of Prayer—That we coöperate in observing the World Day of Prayer.
 - (d) May Day—Gift Day. Bandages and such gifts as can be sent with outgoing missionaries or used in our Home field.
 - (e) Self-denial Month—April.
4. One public meeting.
5. Correspond with missionaries through Corresponding Secretary of each society.
6. The President a subscriber to the Wesleyan Methodist and Missionary, also Secretary and Treasurer and 50% of the members taking the Missionary Magazine; also a magazine solicitor elected for each local society.
7. Report blanks properly filled out on time.
8. The local society instruct the Delegate the amount to pledge for the Society at Conference for Camp Meeting expense.
9. A Superintendent and fully organized Y. M. W. B.
10. A ten per cent gain in membership.

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11. The Conference Treasurer's books to be closed at least seven days before Conference at which time all money must be sent in and the purpose designated.

12. Ten points to be given for raising the missionary budget.

13. Ten points to be given for reaching the money goal.

14. Each society pay one dallor to take care of dishwashing during Conference; also pay registration fee for local President and Delegate, fee for Conference officials to be paid out of General fund.

Each point counts ten, making a possible score of 140.

Report No. 9

BUDGET

Name of Society	Members	Gain	Ruth Nichols	Kendi Payne	Home Missions	Orphanage	Church Extension	Total Missionary Budget	Goal
Enid	30	7	\$33.15	\$33.15	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$8.55	\$85.85	\$262.65
Alva	16	4	18.36	18.36	6.00	5.00	4.57	52.27	261.00
Cedar Grove	7	2	8.12	8.12	6.00	5.00	1.97	29.21	84.18
Wesleyan Chapel	9	3	10.40	10.40	6.00	5.00	2.55	34.35	67.55
Carwife	7	2	8.12	8.12	6.00	5.00	1.96	29.21	96.95
New Hope	11	3	12.55	12.55	6.00	5.00	3.15	39.25	40.51
Blackwell	8	2	9.30	9.30	6.00	5.00	2.25	31.85	51.63
Totals	88	23	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$42.00	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$301.99	\$864.47

MRS. CLEMA HADA,
MRS. IRENE BESS,
MRS. MARY MADDUX.

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W. H. & F. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Receipts

Name of Society	Active Members	Honorary Members	Members Gained	Members Lost	Regular Meetings Held	Special Meetings Held	Do You Use Missionary Programs?	Wesleyan Missionary Taken	Cash on Hand From Last Year
Alva	16	...	...	8	21	8	Partly	7	...
Blackwell	8	...	...	...	34	...	Yes	8	...
Carwile	7	...	2	...	26	...	Partly	1	...
Cedar Grove	7	...	...	7	12	15	Yes	11	5.25
Enid	29	1	1	...	12	12	No	21	5.25
New Hope	11	...	6	...	12	...	No	1	...
Wesleyan Chapel	9	...	...	6	14	3	No	8	...
Ponca City	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	87	1	9	21	131	43	...	57	\$5.50

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Receipts

Name of Society	Membership Dues	Offerings	Labor	Clothing and Other Gifts to Home Work	Bandages and Other Gifts to Foreign Work	Miscellaneous	Total
Alva	\$16.50	\$121.58	\$72.66	\$13.50	\$5.35	\$15.33	\$243.92
Blackwell	8.00	15.20	21.56	...	...	3.50	48.26
Carwile	7.30	6.13	48.74	...	...	28.44	90.61
Cedar Grove	7.00	51.23	12.25	8.20	...	...	78.93
Enid	30.00	100.00	3.00	26.15	...	80.14	244.54
New Hope	11.00	20.65	5.00	6.21	...	...	42.86
Wesleyan Chapel	9.00	2.17	27.45	3.00	...	21.52	63.14
Ponca City	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	\$88.80	\$315.96	\$190.66	\$57.06	\$5.35	\$148.93	\$812.26

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Disbursements

Name of Society	Home, Cash	Home, Clothing and Other Gifts	Hephzibah, Cash	Hephzibah, Provisions	Bethshan, Cash	Bethshan, Provisions	Foreign, Cash	Foreign, Bandages and Other Gifts	Medical Students
Alva	\$33.68	\$5.50	\$9.00	\$5.00	.....	\$3.00	\$54.25	\$5.35	\$3.80
Blackwell	7.87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....
Carwile	11.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	16.15	.....	.....
Cedar Grove	19.00	.....	5.00	10.20	.....	.....	16.35	.....	.....
Enid	26.00	15.15	5.00	.....	\$3.00	.....	100.72	.....	8.00
New Hope .....	.....	5.00	2.00	.....	1.00	.....	16.21	.....	.....
Wesleyan Chapel	10.75	3.00	5.00				12.27		1.00
Ponca City									
Totals	\$108.30	\$28.65	\$31.00	\$15.20	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$219.95	\$5.35	\$12.80

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Disbursements

Name of Society	Education, Cash	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Oklahoma Conference Work	General Conference Delegate Fund	Cash on Hand	Total	Rank Under Efficiency Standard in Per Cent
Alva	\$29.63	\$43.78	\$8.25	\$30.68	\$8.00	\$4.00	.....	\$243.92	120
Blackwell .....	.....	25.89	4.00	3.50	3.00	.....	.....	48.26	.....
Carwile	1.00	32.74	3.65	.....	2.25	.....	18.82	90.61	100
Cedar Grove	3.37	10.26	3.50	4.25	5.25	1.75	.....	78.93	128
Enid	27.00	30.67	15.00	.....	10.00	3.00	1.00	244.54	50
New Hope .....	.....	6.11	5.50	6.04	1.00	.....	.....	42.86	.....
Wesleyan Chapel	2.00	13.75	4.50	3.06	7.00	.50	.31	63.14	
Ponca City									
Totals	\$63.00	\$163.20	\$44.40	\$47.53	\$36.50	\$9.25	\$20.13	\$812.26	

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Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Band	No. of Members	No. of Meetings Held	Dues	Offerings	Education	Total
Alva	14	20	\$7.40	\$3.25	\$22.66	\$33.31
Blackwell	10	9	2.08	.92	.....	3.00
Carwile	12	12	2.47	.....	.50	2.97
Cedar Grove	14	36	7.19	.....	5.86	13.05
Enid	23	50	39.06	18.22	21.00	78.28
New Hope	13	30	2.69	1.24	1.48	5.41
Wesleyan Chapel			12.30	5.51		17.81
Ponca City				1.78		1.78
Totals	86	157	\$73.19	\$30.92	\$50.02	\$155.61

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