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P. A. MILLER, President
E. H. COOK, Secretary

The Kansas Conference

OFFICERS OF THE KANSAS CONFERENCE.

President.....P. A. Miller
Vice-President.....F. C. Hill
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Assistant Secretary.....F. E. Shivers
Treasurer.....Oliver G. Wilson
Assistant Treasurer.....Will A. Smith
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Trustees:—C. Edward Huscher, 1918; Silas
W. Bond, 1919; F. C. Hill, 1920; Henry B.
Parsons, 1918; Samuel B. Burgan, 1919.

COMMITTEES.

Itineracy and Orders: Fred Drake, 1918; F. E. Shivers, 1919;
F. C. Hill, 1920; Ernest A. Coates, 1921; Frank Dietrich, Imo Jones.

Judicial: S. F. Wilson, S. W. Bond, A. B. Hotchkiss, I. C.
Dunbar.

Vacancy of President: A. B. Hotchkiss, F. E. Shivers, J. A.
Stansbury, Alex. Ballard, J. W. Martin.

Camp Ground and Camp Meeting: President and his Advisory
Board, C. E. Huscher, Frank Dietrich, E. E. Jones.

BOARDS.

Superannuate: President, Chairman ex-officio; F. C. Hill, T. J.
Pomeroy, E. E. Jones, L. P. Rawlins.

Advisory: A. B. Hotchkiss, Alex. Ballard.

Missionary: President, Chairman ex-officio; A. B. Hotchkiss,
Will A. Smith, W. F. Whitney, Philip Beals, Alex. Ballard.

Sunday School: P. A. Miller, T. J. Pomeroy, L. S. Curry.

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CONFERENCE ROLL AND RECORD OF ATTENDANCE.

Elders.

	T	W	T	F	S
S. W. Bond, Miltonvale, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
V. C. Bowman, Jerome, Kans.	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1
Walter E. Carrington, Palmer, Neb.	0	0	1	1	1
Ernest A. Coates, Ames, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
E. H. Cook, Delphos, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
W. L. Carkuff, Formosa, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1
C. H. Dow, Miltonvale, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	0
J. M. Davis, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
Alfred Drake, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
I. C. Dunbar, Miltonvale, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Fannie Dunbar, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
I. L. DeWitt, Longford, Kans., R. F. D....	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
Walter D. Eastham, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
W. C. Elliott, Wilson, Kans.	0	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
F. E. Fitch, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
Lizzie Feltar, Norton, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
George Gurtler, Willis, Kans.	0	1	1	1	0
F. C. Hill, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	1	1	1	1
A. B. Hotchkiss, Miltonvale, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
C. Edward Huscher, Miltonvale, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
H. E. Macy, Longford, Kans.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
Wm. Millard, Maple Hill, Kans., R. F. D....	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
P. A. Miller, Miltonvale, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
H. W. McDowell, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	1
T. J. Pomeroy, Topeka, Kans., 505 E. 3rd St.	0	1	1	1	1
F. E. Shivers, Langley, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
J. A. Stansbury, Burr Oak, Kans., R. F. D.	0	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
Wm. A. Smith, Longford, Kans., R. F. D....	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
A. Trauger, Longford, Kans.	0	0	1	1	0
S. F. Wilson, Gaylord, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
Oliver G. Wilson, Concordia, Kans., R. F. D.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
H. H. Williams, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0

Superannuated.

G. B. Howard, Kansas City, Kans., 445 Virginia Ave.	0	0	0	0	0
E. H. Sewart, Concordia, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0

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Unstationed.

	T	W	T	F	S
L. S. Cooper, Delphos, Kans.	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
T. Ford, Oak Hill, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
J. R. Hibler, Clay Center, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
B. F. Hester, Burr Oak, Kans.	0	0	1	1	1

Licentiates.

L. S. Curry, Hollis, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1
T. F. Child, LeRoy, Kans.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Alice Child, LeRoy, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
Charlie Jenson, Clyde, Kans., R. F. D.	0	0	0	0	0
G. A. Jackson, Kansas City, Kansas, 445 Virginia Ave.	0	0	0	0	0
P. M. Martin, Portis, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
W. E. Odell, LeRoy, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
D. H. Rasmussen, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
J. L. Whitney, Coffeyville, Kans.	0	0	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Raymond Young, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	0	0	0	0
Irl E. Pettitt, Hollis, Kans.	0	0	0	1	1
E. H. Dunbar, Lyons, Kans.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Leona Dunbar, Lyons, Kans.	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
W. H. Burroughs, Miltonvale, Kans.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$

Delegates.

Name and Charge.

John Lake, Elm Row	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
Philip Beals, Elm Row	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
Bernard Plumley, New Hope	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
Imo Jones, Excelsior	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
Iva Bartley, Willis	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
Ray Campbell, Ames	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
Isaac Huscher, Ames	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Irl E. Pettitt, Hollis	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
Allie Burroughs, Elm Row	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
E. E. Jones, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0
L. P. Rawlins, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
W. F. Whitney, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

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Mrs. A. B. Hotchkiss, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	0
Mrs. Mary Henney, Miltonvale.....	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
Elizabeth Markey, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
Frank Dietrich, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
E. E. Palmer, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1
J. A. Burks, Langley	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1
C. P. Hovey, Miltonvale	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Martha J. Lowe, Topeka	0	1	1	1	1
Alex. Ballard, Miltonvale	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Elmer Anderson, Bethel Chapel	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
Mrs. D. D. Smith, Miltonvale	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
William Macy, Chapman Creek	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Henry B. Parsons, Oakland	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	1
J. W. Martin, Gaylord	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
Barbara Fringer, Keene	0	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
James Woodham, Clay Center	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
John Hensley, Jerome	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1
J. A. Reimer, Raymond	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1
Sister Murray, LeRoy	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Dwight Osborn, Hall	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

Journal of Daily Proceedings

The forty-seventh session of the Kansas Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church assembled in the Auditorium at Miltonvale, Kansas, at 2 P. M., Tuesday, August 21st, President P. A. Miller presiding. Opened by singing "Love Divine, All Love Excelling." Prayer by Brother C. E. Huscher. Brother Miller read and commented at length upon 1 Thess. 5, especially emphasizing the latter part of the chapter. He then led in earnest prayer.

Roll call answered by 8 Elders and 6 Licentiates.

On Motion Brother Oliver G. Wilson was elected a Committee on Credentials.

Committee on Credentials reported the following names as delegates from the various charges: John Lake, Elm Row; Philip Beals, Elm Row; Allie Burroughs, Elm Row; Bernard Plumley, New Hope; Imo Jones, Excelsior; Iva Bartley, Willis; Ray Campbell, Ames; Isaac Huscher, Ames; Irl Pettitt, Hollis; E. E. Jones, Miltonvale; L. P. Rawlins, Miltonvale; W. F. Whitney, Miltonvale; Mrs. A. B. Hotchkiss, Miltonvale; Mrs. Mary Henney, Miltonvale; Elizabeth Markey, Miltonvale; Frank Dietrich, Miltonvale; C. P. Hovey, Miltonvale; E. E. Palmer, Miltonvale; J. A. Burk, Langley.

On motion the delegates were seated.

On approved motion the first four rows of seats were made to constitute the Conference bar.

On approved motion the following committees were elected:

Religious Services—P. A. Miller, ~~S. W. Bond~~, A. B. Hotchkiss, ~~Isaac Huscher~~, ~~C. P. Hovey~~. *E. R. Dodd, C. E. Huscher*

Pastoral Relations—P. A. Miller, Chairman ex-officio; A. B. Hotchkiss, T. J. Pomeroy, S. F. Wilson, ~~J. A. Burk~~, Sister ~~W. H. Burroughs~~, ~~W. F. Whitney~~. *Anderson*

Examining Reports of Pastors—P. A. Miller, Chairman ex-officio; Ray Campbell, ~~Ed. Coates~~, ~~W. F. Whitney~~. *Anderson*

Statistics—~~S. W. Bond~~, ~~L. P. Rawlins~~. *Prof. W. E. Bond*

State of the Work—P. A. Miller, A. B. Hotchkiss, ~~W. E. Whitney~~. *Mrs. Dowell — Imo Jones.*

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Sabbath Schools—T. J. Pomeroy, ^{E. E. Jones; Currie} E. H. Cook, Elizabeth Markley.
 Boundaries—S. F. Wilson, I. C. Dunbar, Iva Bartley.
 Itineracy and Orders—^{Carkuff} Lay members appointed by the President) ^{F. P. Acton} Frank Dietrich, Imo Jones.
 Periodicals—^{S. P. Acton} I. C. Dunbar, F. C. Hill, J. A. Burks, Mary Henney.
 Finance—^{Doak} Ernest Coates, ^{W. L. Carkuff} W. L. Carkuff, ^{Dr. Dunbar} Dr. Dunbar.
 Moral Reform—^{a. B. Smith; C. P. Sage; F. Dietrich} L. S. Curry, Ray Campbell.
 Vote of Thanks—^{Churcher; Jackson} C. H. Dow, C. E. Huscher.
 Orders of the Day—^{John Lake; E. H. Cook; Jackson} Prof. C. F. Hill, ^{Shivers, Lake,} I. C. Pettitt, Imo Jones, John Lake.
 Apportionment—^{W. H. Burroughs; E. H. Dunbar Drake} E. E. Jones, E. E. Palmer, W. A. Smith.
 Courtesy—^{C. E. Churcher} W. H. Burroughs.
 Charity—W. L. Carkuff, Alex. Ballard, T. F. Childs.

Motion made that Conference convene at 8:30 A. M. and 1:30 P. M. and adjourn on motion.

Motion made and approved that we adjourn to the call of the Chair for organization of Committees.

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Hill.

Wednesday Morning.

Devotions led by Brother E. H. Cook, who offered prayer and read Psalm 32.

Reading of the Minutes and Roll Call.

Committee on Credentials reported the names of Sister Martha Lowe, alternate delegate from Topeka, and Brother Alex. Ballard, delegate from Miltonvale. On motion delegates seated.

Rev. J. S. Willett, Connectional Agent and Treasurer; Rev. E. S. Davidson, of New York State, who is here in the interest of the Jews; Sister Nancy Barts, returned Missionary from Africa, and Sister Anna Kirk Folger, General Conference Organizer for the W. H. & F. M. Society, were each introduced to the Conference. They all spoke a few appropriate words of greeting.

Motion made and approved that visiting members be granted an honorary seat in the Conference.

Motion made and supported that Rev. A. Trauger, who has been in charge of the work at Eskridge, and Rev. J. M. Davis, from the U. B. Church, be referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders for recommendation to the Annual Conference.

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On approved motion Brother E. A. Coates was added to the Committee on Credentials.

Since both the delegate and the alternate elected from the Bethel charge were unable to be present, a motion prevailed to seat Brother Elmer Anderson as a delegate to represent the Bethel class.

On motion adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Conference called to order by the President at 11:15 A. M.

Committee on Credentials reported the names of Sister D. D. Smith, delegate from Miltonvale, and William Macy from Chapman Creek. On motion delegates seated.

Committee on Credentials further reported, recommending the following to Elder's Orders: Rev. C. E. Huscher, Walter Eastham, and Wm. A. Smith of Miltonvale, and Rev. Oliver G. Wilson from New Hope and Rev. E. A. Coates from the Ames charge.

The Committee also read credentials recommending Brother Irl C. Pettit of Hollis to travel under the direction of the Annual Conference. On motion report accepted and credentials referred to the Committee on Itinerary and Orders.

The Committee on Itinerary and Orders reported recommending that Rev. A. Trauger and Rev. J. M. Davis be received as ordained ministers to travel under the direction of the Conference. On approved motion report accepted.

President P. A. Miller read his annual report to the Conference. On motion adopted. See report.

Motion made, approved and carried that an order be drawn by the Secretary on the Conference Treasurer to pay Brother Miller the deficiency of \$158.65 toward his yearly salary as President of the Conference.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by Rev. T. J. Pomeroy.

Wednesday Afternoon

Opened by singing "My Burdens Rolled Away." Devotions were led by Rev. T. F. Childs, who read for a Scripture lesson the 99th Psalm and led in prayer.

The Committee on Credentials reported the names of J. W. Martin as delegate from Gaylord and Henry B. Parson from Oakland. On motion the report was adopted and the delegates seated.

Rev. Wade, of the M. E. Church of this city, was introduced to the Conference. He was invited to an honorary seat in the Conference.

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Examinations of character was taken up. The following names were called: S. F. Wilson, F. E. Shivers, A. Trauger, T. F. Childs, and Ernest Coates. The pastors read their statistical reports and made statements with regard to their Christian experience.

The Finance Committee reported recommending that Brother E. S. Davidson be granted the privilege of taking an offering in behalf of evangelizing the Jews. The Committee also recommends that an order be drawn on the Conference Treasurer for \$5.00 to cover Brother Miller's expense for postage. On motion the report was adopted.

Order of the Day. Preaching by Rev. A. Trauger. The Lord blessed the message and a good praise service followed.

Examination of character resumed. The following ministers were called: George Gurtler, I. C. Dunbar, J. L. Whitney, W. L. Carkuff, L. S. Curry, S. W. Bond, F. C. Hill, A. B. Hotchkiss and W. H. Burrows. They made statements with regard to their work during the past year and related their Christian experience.

Committee on Orders of the Day reported recommending that Wednesday evening be given to Brother Davidson; Thursday, 2:00 P. M. for the election of permanent officers; Thursday 3:00 P. M., Educational interests; Friday 10:00 A. M., Sunday School work; Friday 3:00 P. M., given to Brother J. S. Willett to present the Connectional interests; Friday evening given to the W. H. & F. M. Society; Saturday 3:00 P. M., Memorial services.

President McDowell was introduced to the Conference. He spoke briefly of the Educational work.

On motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Brother J. S. Willett.

Thursday Morning.

The morning session was opened by devotions led by Rev. A. B. Hotchkiss, who read and commented upon the 141st Psalm and led in prayer. While singing "He is Coming Back Again," the Lord wonderfully manifested Himself by pouring His Holy Spirit upon the audience. Shouts of victory and triumph went up and during an old-time hand-shaking that followed an unusual melting spirit was upon us. Praise God!

Reading and approval of the Minutes. Roll Call.

Brother Wigfield, of the Nazarene Church, was introduced to the Conference. He spoke a few appropriate words of greeting.

Committee on Credentials reported the name of Barbara Fringer

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as a delegate from the Keene charge, and also read a recommendation from the Excelsior charge for Leona Dunbar to travel under the direction of the Conference. Motion made to seat the delegate and refer the other recommendation to the Committee on Itinerary and Orders.

A statement was made that Brother Woodham, who was present, had been duly elected as a delegate, but had left home and forgot his credentials. On approved motion Brother Woodham was seated as a delegate from the Chapman Creek charge.

Examination of character was resumed. The following ministers of the Conference were called: T. J. Pomeroy, E. H. Cook, Walter E. Carrington, W. C. Elliott, B. F. Hester. Each made statements with regard to their Christian character and their work during the past year.

The Secretary read a financial report from Evangelist H. H. Williams regarding his work for the past year. Held seven meetings. Received \$573.77. Expenses \$87.77.

The name of Rev. O. W. Cooper was called for examination. The President stated that he had received a personal letter from Brother Cooper requesting that his name be dropped. Motion made and supported that the request be granted. Carried.

The Secretary called the names of V. C. and H. Jennie Taliaferro for examination. Inasmuch as Brother and Sister Taliaferro are at present not members of any Wesleyan Methodist Class a motion was made and approved that their names be dropped from the Conference roll.

The Secretary was requested to write each of them a letter and kindly state the cause of the action taken.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals reported. A motion made and approved that the report be adopted.

The motion was amended that the statement in the report regarding the unqualified wrong of Chautauqua bills be made to read that we condemn as wrong "all the objectionable features of the Chautauqua." After much discussion by the various members of the Conference, a motion was made and supported to amend the amendment and drop the word "Chautauqua" entirely from the report. A standing vote was taken and the motion was adopted as last amended. See report.

Committee on Credentials read a transfer of the membership of Rev. Walter Eastham, of the Iowa Conference, to the Kansas Conference; also a recommendation to Elder's Orders of Rev. Wil-

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liam Millard from the Elm Row class. On approved motion both of the above recommendations were referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by Rev. McDowell.

Thursday Afternoon.

Devotions were led by Rev. Wigfield, who read the latter part of the 8th chapter of Romans and led in prayer.

Committee on Credentials reported the name of J. A. Reimer, of the Raymond charge, as a delegate to the Conference. On motion the delegate was seated.

The pastor of the LeRoy charge having failed to provide their delegate with proper credentials, a motion prevailed to give Sister Murray a seat in the Conference.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders rendered a partial report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

Committee on Credentials reported the name of Dwight Osborn as a delegate from the Hall charge. On motion the delegate was seated.

Orders of the Day. Election of permanent officers.

Ballot for President. Brother P. A. Miller having received a majority of all the votes cast on the first ballot was declared elected.

Ballot for Vice-President. Brother F. C. Hill having received a majority of all the votes cast in the first ballot was declared elected.

Ballot for Secretary. Brother E. H. Cook having received a majority of all the votes cast in the first ballot was declared elected.

Motion made and approved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for F. E. Shivers as Assistant Secretary.

Motion made and supported that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for Oliver G. Wilson as Treasurer.

Motion made and approved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for Brother W. A. Smith as Assistant Treasurer.

On approved motion Brother P. A. Miller was made one of the Quarterly Conference Evangelists.

Ballot for second Quarterly Conference Evangelist. Brother A. B. Hotchkiss having received a majority of all the votes cast in the first ballot was declared elected.

Ballot for one ministerial member on the Conference Board of Trustees to be elected for the term of three years. Brother Fred C. Hill was elected on the first ballot.

Brother C. H. Dow stated that he expects to leave the Con-

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ference and therefore tendered his resignation as a member of the Conference Board of Trustees. On motion his resignation was accepted.

Ballot for a ministerial member of the Board of Trustees to fill the vacancy made by Brother Dow's resignation. No election on the first, second or third ballot. On the fourth ballot Brother C. Edward Huscher having received 28 out of the 52 votes cast was declared elected.

Ballot for one lay member on the Conference Board of Trustees to be elected for a period of two years. Samuel B. Burgan was elected on the first ballot.

Orders of the Day. Educational services in charge of President McDowell. Brother McDowell spoke of the need of good religious schools for the training of our young men and women, and urged the support of the same by the entire Connection. Brother F. C. Hill and Brother J. S. Willett were also called upon to speak, and at the close of these very earnest appeals, pledges were taken for the Life Support Union amounting to \$207.00. Benediction by Brother F. E. Shivers.

Friday Morning.

Devotions were led by Rev. Ernest A. Coates, who read and commented upon the 46th Psalm and led in prayer.

Reading and approval of the Minutes. Roll Call.

On approved motion the following committees were elected:

Judicial—S. F. Wilson, S. W. Bond, A. B. Hotchkiss, and I. C. Dunbar.

Vacancy of President—A. B. Hotchkiss, F. E. Shivers, J. A. Stansbury, Alex. Ballard and J. W. Martin.

Camp Ground and Camp Meeting—The President and his Advisory Board, Rev. C. E. Huscher, Frank Dietrich and E. E. Jones.

The President nominated Brother A. B. Hotchkiss and Brother Alex. Ballard as members of the Advisory Board.

Motion made and approved that we elected the Advisory Board nominated by the President. Carried.

On approved motion Rev. Ernest A. Coates was elected for a term of four years on the Committee of Itineracy and Orders to fill the expired term of Brother T. J. Pomeroy.

On approved motion the following Boards were elected:

Superannuate Board—The President, Chairman ex-officio; F. C. Hill, T. J. Pomeroy, E. E. Jones and L. P. Rawlins added.

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Missionary—The President, Chairman ex-officio; A. B. Hotchkiss, Will A. Smith, W. F. Whitney, Philip Beals, and Alex. Ballard added.

Sunday School—P. A. Miller elected Chairman. T. J. Pomeroy and L. S. Curry added.

On motion Brother T. J. Pomeroy was elected Conference Sunday School Secretary.

Motion made and approved that the Annual Conference next year precede the Annual Conference Camp Meeting.

Motion made and supported that in arranging the time for the next Annual Conference the same be left with the Conference President, Camp Meeting Board and the Connectional Officials.

First reading of the report on Pastoral Relations.

The Committee on Credentials reported, reading the transfer of membership of Rev. H. W. McDowell from the Lockport Conference to the Kansas Conference.

On motion the same was referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The Finance Committee reported, recommending that the W. H. & F. M. Society be given the privilege of taking an offering in behalf of their work. On motion the report was adopted.

On motion Conference adjourned for committee work until the Orders of the Day are called for.

Conference called to order at 10:30 A. M.

Orders of the Day. Hour given to Sunday School work. Singing, "The Old Rugged Cross." Brother Miller introduced the subject, showing the great value of Sunday School work. Brother J. S. Willett spoke of what constitutes a "Loyal" and also a "Front Line" Sunday School. His talk was interesting, suggestive and helpful. Brother Pomeroy, the Conference Sunday School Secretary, spoke of the importance of the Sunday School and of the need of Sunday School Conventions. In connection with his address he read his annual report. On motion the report was adopted. See report. Brother L. S. Curry, editor of the "Standard," spoke of the paper he is publishing, and desired the co-operation of the entire Conference in making the paper a success. A number subscribed for the paper at the close of his remarks.

Examination of character resumed. Rev. C. H. Dow called. He read his report for the past year and stated that he still enjoys God's grace and favor upon his soul.

On motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Brother Dow.

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Friday Afternoon.

Opened by singing. Prayer by Sister Murray.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders reported, recommending that Rev. H. W. McDowell's transfer of membership be accepted and that he be received as an Elder of the Conference. On motion the report was adopted.

Examination of character was resumed. The following ministers were called: Rev. I. L. DeWitt, V. C. Bowman, William Millard, E. H. Dunbar, and J. A. Stansbury. Each of the pastors read their statistical report and made statements with regard to their Christian experience.

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported. On motion report was adopted. See report.

Reports from the Chairmen of Districts One and Two regarding holiness conventions. They stated that no holiness conventions were held on their districts.

Orders of the Day called for. Rev. J. S. Willett spoke especially of the Publishing and Missionary interests. The Publishing, Educational and Missionary interests are all in a prosperous condition. Brother Willett stated that at the time he took charge of the Publishing interests the total liabilities were about \$28,000.00, and that they have been reduced to a little over \$15,000.00 at the present time—a reduction of about \$13,000.00.

On approved motion a rising vote of thanks was given to Brother I. L. DeWitt for his years of faithful service as Conference Treasurer. Brother DeWitt expressed his appreciation for the fellowship of the Conference and desired our prayers.

A motion was made that we instruct the Secretary to write Father G. B. Howard a letter of sympathy and Christian greeting and include our greetings also to Sister Alice Lienard and Sister Howard for their faithful attention in caring for Brother Howard.

A motion was made and supported that we also write Brother E. H. Sewart a letter of greeting from the Conference.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Saturday Morning.

Devotions were led by Rev. T. J. Pomeroy, who read and commented upon Isaiah 41 and offered prayer.

Reading of the Minutes and Roll Call.

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Second reading of the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee.

Report of Holiness Conventions. Rev. Curry reported for District No. 3.

Motion made and approved that we have District Holiness Conventions for the coming year.

On motion Rev. T. J. Pomeroy was elected Chairman of the First District.

On approved motion Brother W. H. Burroughs was elected Chairman of the Second District.

On approved motions, Brother L. S. Curry was elected Chairman of District No. 3, and Brother Shivers Chairman of District No. 4.

Motion made and carried that the matter of districting the Holiness Conventions be referred to the Committee on Boundaries.

Motion made and carried that at least one service of each Holiness Convention be devoted to the interests of Sunday School work.

Motion made and approved that our Holiness Conventions be held for a period of three days and that the same precede the Quarterly Meeting.

Motion made and approved that each of the various Chairmen of the Holiness Conventions be instructed to have written programs for their Conventions.

A motion prevailed to have a Ministerial Institute for the coming year.

On approved motion the Committee on Itineracy and Orders together with the Conference President was made to constitute the Committee on Ministerial Institute.

Motion made and approved that \$25.00 be set aside from the Conference Fund to pay the car fare of the instructors to and from the Institute.

The Committee on the State of the Work rendered their report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

Motion made and approved that a salary of \$700.00 a year be given the President of the Conference.

The motion was amended to raise the salary to \$800.00 a year instead of \$700.00. Motion carried as amended.

Conference Tithing Secretary reported only five charges in the Conference as reporting to her the members tithing on their works.

Several members of the Conference discussed the subject of

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tithing, as to the proper manner of tithing and of the importance and blessing that follow tithing.

Motion made and supported that Sister Imo Jones act as Conference Tithing Secretary for the coming year, and that the local Tithing Secretaries be instructed to forward their reports to Sister Jones not later than July 1st.

Motion made and carried that the matter of taking an offering for the support of a Conference Missionary Evangelist be left with the Committee on Finance.

Motion was made and seconded that the matter of sending out one or more Missionary Evangelists be left with the Conference Missionary Board.

Motion amended that the Conference elect a Conference Missionary Evangelist and Organizer, who shall be under the direction of the Missionary Board. After considerable discussion a vote was taken on the amendment. Amendment lost. Vote on the original motion. Carried.

The President read a telegram received from Brother Sage of Oregon, a former member of the Conference. Brother Sage stated that he expects to be in Kansas in September and would be prepared to take work. No particular work was assigned him by the Conference.

Motion made and approved that the matter of renting the dining hall for the coming year be left with the Camp Ground and Camp Meeting Committee.

Motion amended that we leave the renting of the dining hall with the Conference Board of Trustees. Motion carried as amended.

Motion made and approved that we secure from the Publishing Association a receipt book similar to that used by the Connectional Agent and Treasurer, furnishing two extra duplicate copies, and that we recommend that all parties handling Conference money use only these receipt books.

Motion made and approved that the Kansas Conference send a written invitation to the General Conference Board, to hold the next General Conference at Miltonvale, Kansas. A rising unanimous vote was given in favor of this motion.

Brother Hotchkiss read a schedule for the first Quarterly Meetings for the East and West Districts.

The Committee on Statistics rendered a partial report.

On motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Brother J. S. Willett.

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Saturday Afternoon

Conference opened by singing "Deeper Yet." Prayer by Rev. L. S. Curry.

Reading of the Minutes and Roll Call.

The Committee on Boundaries reported. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders rendered a partial report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

A statement was made by the President that Rev. Wigfield, who is known by the members of the Conference, expects to join the Conference and take work, but is not at the present time a member of any Wesleyan Methodist class. A motion was made and approved that we refer Brother Wigfield's credentials to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The Committee on Charity reported. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

It was suggested that some of the brethren visit and pray with Brother Fitch instead of writing him a letter. On motion the president appointed Brothers Carkuff, Carrington, Elliott and Hester to visit and pray with him.

The Committee on Credentials rendered a partial report. Sister Vera Macy, of the Chapman Creek charge, and Sister Leona Hotle, of Miltonvale, were recommended as eminently suitable to serve as missionaries in our mission field in Africa. On motion the report was adopted and the credentials were referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The Committee on Finance reported, recommending that a free-will offering be taken in behalf of our Conference mission work. On motion the report was adopted.

Motion made and approved that the above offering be taken on Sunday morning.

A recess of twenty minutes was taken.

Orders of the Day. Memorial services, in charge of Rev. L. S. Cooper. Prayer by Brother B. F. Hester. Rev. Cooper preached from Zech. 5:6, "Your fathers, where are they?" He paid a high personal tribute to Rev. L. Wing, Rev. Porter Willis and Rev. J. L. Craven, who had all passed to their eternal reward during the past year. Reference was made to the noble Christian character of these

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brethren and to the fact that they died in the triumphs of a living faith.

The Committee on Statistics rendered their report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

The Conference Treasurer rendered his report. On motion the report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Committee on Itinerary and Orders rendered a partial report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

Conference took a recess of fifteen minutes.

Conference called to order by the Chair.

A report of the Superannuate Board was read, recommending that the sum of \$75.00 be sent to Rev. G. B. Howard at once, and other sums be sent later as may be needed. On motion the report was adopted.

A motion was made and approved that the Secretary be instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer for 90 cents in favor of E. H. Cook for postage and paper used in his work as Secretary, and an order of 60 cents for postage used by Brother Coates to be drawn in favor of Brother Coates.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations read their final report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

Motion made and approved that we adjourn until 7 P. M.

Benediction by Brother Hotchkiss.

Conference was called to order at 7:30 P. M.

The committee appointed to visit and pray with Brother Fitch reported a wonderful prayer meeting, in which God was gloriously present.

The Committee on Apportionment rendered their report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

The Conference Board of Trustees rendered their report. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

The Conference Board of Trustees, appointed as the Auditing Committee, reported that they have examined the Treasurer's books and find the amounts correct as given.

The Treasurer's report was again read, after having been audited. On motion adopted. See report.

The Committee on Thanks reported. On motion the report was adopted. See report.

On motion Conference adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Benediction by Brother Bond.

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REPORT OF THE PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

- Ames—Ernest Coates, Ames, Kans.
Bethel Chapel—W. L. Carkuff, Formosa, Kans.
Chapman Creek—W. A. Smith, Longford, Kans., R. F. D.
Coffeyville—J. L. Whitney, Coffeyville, Kans., R. F. D.
Easton—In hands of the President.
Excelsior—E. H. Dunbar, Lyons, Kans., R. F. D.
Eskridge—In hands of the President.
Gaylord—S. F. Wilson, Gaylord, Kans.
Hall—In hands of the President.
Hollis—L. S. Curry, Hollis, Kans.
Jerome—V. C. Bowman, Jerome, Kans.
Kansas City Mission—G. A. Jackson, 445 Virginia Ave., Kansas City, Kans.
Keene—In hands of the President.
Langley—F. E. Shivers, Langley, Kans.
Leroy—T. F. and Alice Childs, Leroy, Kans.
Miltonvale—E. R. Dodd, Miltonvale, Kans.
New Hope—Oliver G. Wilson, Concordia, Kans.
Norton—In hands of the President.
North Branch—J. A. Stansbury, Burr Oak, Kans.
South Oakland—E. H. Cook, Delphos, Kans.
Topeka—T. J. Pomeroy, Topeka, Kans., 505 S. 3rd St.
Wilson—W. C. Elliott, Wilson, Kans.
Willis—G. L. Gurtler, Willis, Kans.
Wesley Chapel—J. W. Lake, Raymond, Kans.
Elm Row—W. H. Burroughs, Miltonvale, Kans.
Union Valley—In hands of the President.
President of Miltonvale Wesleyan College—H. W. McDowell.
Theological Teacher in Wesleyan College—F. C. Hill.
Theological Teacher in Wesleyan College—Raymond Young.
Conference President—P. A. Miller, Miltonvale, Kans.
Conference Evangelists—A. B. Hotchkiss and the President of the Conference.
General Evangelistic Work—H. H. Williams, I. C. Dunbar, Fannie Dunbar, C. E. Huscher, Alfred Drake, William Millard.
Superannuated—G. B. Howard, E. H. Sewart.
Supernumerary—E. H. Macy, J. M. Davis, S. W. Bond, I. L. DeWitt.

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Unstationed Elders—L. S. Cooper, J. R. Hibler, T. Ford, B. E. Hester.

Returned Missionaries—Imo Jones.

Under Missionary Board—P. M. Martin.

In hands of the President—Walter Eastham, W. E. Carrington, Irl Pettit.

To choose their own field of labor—F. E. Fitch, Lizzie Feltar, Charles Jensen, W. E. Odell.

REPORT OF APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE.

	Missions.	Education	Conf. Fund.	Total.
Ames	\$58.00	\$72.50	\$34.80	\$165.30
Rethel	65.00	81.25	39.00	185.25
Chapman Creek	58.00	72.50	34.80	165.30
Coffeyville	61.00	75.25	36.60	172.85
Easton	15.00	18.75	9.00	42.75
Eskridge	21.00	26.25	12.60	59.85
Elm Row	31.00	38.75	18.60	88.35
Excelsior	22.00	27.50	13.20	57.70
Gaylord	38.00	47.50	22.80	108.30
Hall	20.00	25.00	12.00	57.00
Hollis	34.00	42.50	20.40	96.90
Keene	20.00	25.00	12.00	57.00
Langley	54.00	67.50	32.40	153.90
LeRoy	14.00	17.50	8.40	39.90
Miltonvale	175.00	218.75	105.00	498.75
Norton	16.00	20.00	9.60	45.60
New Hope	19.00	23.75	11.40	54.15
Raymond	23.00	28.75	13.80	65.55
South Oakland	3.00	3.75	1.80	8.55
Topeka	53.00	66.25	31.80	151.05
Willis	28.00	35.00	16.80	79.80
Wilson	9.00	11.25	5.40	25.65
Wesley Center	35.00	43.75	21.00	99.75
Jerome	12.00	15.00	7.20	34.20

E. E. Jones,
E. E. Palmer,
Will Smith,

Committee.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Educational.

Year's receipts	\$927.63
Disbursements	927.63

Missions.

Cash on hand August 25, 1916	\$436.90
Total receipts	1086.09
Total	\$1522.99
Disbursements	\$1522.99

Conference Fund.

Cash on hand August 25, 1916	\$204.74
Year's receipts	548.41
Total	\$753.15
Disbursements	\$573.05
Balance	180.10
Total	\$753.15

Superannuate Fund.

Cash on hand August 25, 1916	\$704.76
Interest	121.14
Year's receipts	139.28
Principal on Wing note	374.00
Total	\$1339.18
Loans to W. H. & F. M.	\$600.00
Time deposit	482.88
Disbursements	95.76
Balance	160.54
Total	\$1339.18

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Church Extension.

Cash on hand August 25, 1916.....	\$226.00
Loan to Langley Church	226.00
In hands of the Trustees on time deposit (from Clay Center Church)	\$395.25

Notes.

Dague	\$50 00
Brother Allen	500.00
W. H. & F. M. Society	613 76
W. H. & F. M. Society	600.00
Langley Church	226.00
Surplus unaccounted for	60.51
(Signed) Oliver G. Wilson, Treasurer.	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS.

Your Committee on Itineracy and Orders recommend that Revs. A. Trauger and J. N. Davis be received as ordained ministers to travel under the direction of the Conference.

We also recommend that Ernest Coates, William Smith, Oliver G. Wilson and Edward Huscher be elected to elder's orders.

We recommend that Irl Pettitt pursue the course of study and travel under the direction of the Conference.

We recommend that Leona Dunbar pursue the course of study, but be relieved of traveling.

We recommend that C. A. Hill and F. Tranter be referred back to their Quarterly Conferences.

We recommend that the following be continued in the course of study: T. F. Childs, L. S. Curry, E. H. Dunbar, W. H. Burroughs and J. L. Whitney.

We recommend that the transfer of Walter Eastham be accepted and that he be elected to elder's orders.

We recommend that Rev. H. W. McDowell's transfer from the Lockport Conference be received and that he become a member of the Kansas Conference.

We recommend that Wm. M. Millard be elected to elder's orders.

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We recommend that J. E. Dillman be referred back to his Quarterly Conference.

We recommend that G. A. Jackson, Charles Jenson, W. E. Odell and Raymond Young be continued in the course of study.

We also recommend that the following recommendation be adopted by the Annual Conference and that it be sent to the Connectional Missionary Board:

To the Missionary Board of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America: This is to certify that being acquainted with the gifts, graces and usefulness of our Sisters, Miss Vera Macy and Miss Leona Hotle, and believing they have received definite calls to the foreign missionary work, we, the Kansas Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, do hereby cordially and fully recommend them to the above named Board as eminently fitted persons to be so employed.

We also recommend that Rev. J. E. Wigfield be recommended to the pastors and churches of our Conference, since he expects to soon receive his papers of transfer from the Nazarene Church.

We further recommend that George Hudson, having received no call to pastoral labors, be referred back to his Quarterly Conference.

F. C. Hill,
Alfred Drake,
Ernest Coates,
Imo Jones,
F. E. Shivers,
Frank Dietrich,
Committee.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Members of the Kansas Annual Conference—Greetings in the Name of the Lord:

Again we assemble at our annual gathering. It brings a sense of joy and yet a sense of sadness; joy as we meet for a few days and enjoy each other's fellowship and the refreshing of the Lord upon us in the services. Also in the victories achieved during the past year, but most of all "because our names are written in

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Heaven." A sense of sadness comes as we note that as heretofore, some have answered to the summons on high and will not answer the roll call here. Yet our loss is their eternal gain, and we only buckle on the armor a little tighter and press forward to fill up the ranks in the army of the Lord. Again, a sense of sadness at not seeing more done in the name of our Lord. Many, many are still out in sin, drifting with the tide toward a yawning hell. But if we've done our best we can thank God and take courage with renewed determination to press the battle against sin till Jesus comes.

Official Acts.

September, 1916—Sanctioned W. E. Odell occupying the Leroy charge.

September, 1916—Sanctioned Rev. A. Trauger occupying Eskridge charge.

October, 1916—Received the letter of standing of Rev. V. C. Bowman from the Oklahoma Conference.

September, 1916—Received E. H. Dunbar's recommendation to travel and sanctioned his appointment to the Excelsior work.

January, 1917—Received a church organized by V. C. Bowman at Jerome in Gove County.

March, 1917—Located William Millard on the Keene work.

March, 1917—Received W. H. Burrough's recommendation to travel and sanctioned his appointment to the Elm Row charge.

August, 1917—Granted Irwin D. Clymer a letter of standing.

We have visited and held quarterly meetings on every circuit; missed two appointments on account of the Board Meeting at Syracuse, N. Y., and one when invited to hold a quarterly meeting in the West.

Have assisted in two meetings, besides holding 126 services, and several funerals.

Received in offerings \$541.35. Expended for postage, \$5.00.

Respectfully submitted.

P. A. Miller, President.

CONFERENCE EVANGELIST'S REPORT.

To the Kansas Conference—Greeting:

We have come to the close of another Conference year. We have had a year of victory, while we have had battles and some trials that have been good for our souls.

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The Lord has given us quite a number of souls on the field this year. I am determined by the grace of God to hold out to the end.

Following is a report of our work for the year:

Services held	223
Other services attended	70
Offerings on the field	\$575.97
Evangelistic services	106.90
Total	\$682.87
Funeral services	\$25.00
Donations	40.00
Car fare	90.00
Miles traveled	6507

A. B. Hotchkiss.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

The press is recognized not only by the people of God, but by the world also as a great factor in reaching definite ends. Good literature with its power to enlighten, uplift and edify the lives of those who are blessed with its enriching influence has also been the means of bringing light and salvation to multitudes.

Since "all Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works," therefore we recommend that the Bible be the book of our counsel in our homes, in our business and in every vocation of life; therefore be it

Resolved, 1st, That we as Wesleyan Methodists pledge ourselves to study, meditate upon and teach the Word of God more diligently.

2nd, That we believe the doctrines and principles of our Church are in harmony with the Word of God; therefore we recommend, first, that the books and periodicals put out by the Wesleyan Methodist Publishing House, Syracuse, N. Y., be received and read by all our people, both young and old; also that we recognize as far as in our power the publication and circulation among all classes of people of such literature as is uplifting in character and sound in doctrine.

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We deplore the fact that millions of vile, immoral, deceitful and soul-blighting books and periodicals have been allowed to sweep over our land like a flood until but few homes, if any, have escaped the influence of ungodly circus bills, picture show bills, Sunday newspapers, and literature put out by so-called Christian Scientists, Spiritualists, Mormons, Russellites, and lodges. We furthermore urge that our people be careful and watchful regarding the literature that comes into their homes.

J. A. Burks,
Mary E. Henney,
I. C. Dunbar,
F. C. Hill,
Committee.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

It is believed that for the best interest of the true Church of God, which is made up of true believers, that the Sunday School has been and is one of the greatest means of gathering the youth into the Church. It has been proven that in the Word of God there are found all principles that should govern life, for the best interest and welfare and edification of all whom it shall influence.

One of the saddest failures in Sunday School work is that which comes from teaching without the power of the Holy Spirit. No person is capable of teaching the Scriptures who has not first tasted the good Word of God, for no one can give that which he has not, or impart knowledge which he has not received.

First. We believe that the Bible should be the text book. Be it resolved, That no one is prepared to teach a lesson without so thorough a study that the lesson becomes a part of themselves. A lesson taught by the help of the Holy Ghost always brings results, for God is faithful and will carry the Word home to the heart of the child as well as the older ones. The Spirit seeks to arrest the attention of every one and cause them to think. It is a very important matter after the mind has been aroused to direct one's thought in the right line. One of the greatest principles of teaching is to hold one's attention upon right lines of thought by diverting their mind from all that is unlike the one that the teacher desires to convey to their scholars. If this principle be carried out successfully in the Sunday School classes it will edify both old

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and young. As a person is more easily influenced and their life in a large degree moulded in their youth, it is very desirable that the Word of God should find a lodgment in the heart at this time.

First, there is that in the Bible which will appeal to the interest of every one, if the Word is taught in such a way as to arrest the mind of the individual.

Second, it is very essential that the child become interested and that interest be constantly increasing. It is believed that this may be done by the teacher being interested in their class individually and collectively. It is very desirable that every member of the church be a member of the Sunday School, and highly recommended that the pastor be present and contribute his influence for the encouragement of all. It is also recommended that each Sunday School teacher be punctual and thus lend their influence for a faithful observance of the Sabbath, and a regular attendance of the preaching service, and a study of God's Word.

Great good has resulted from the Home Department and this arm of the work should not be underestimated.

The world today is calling for trained men in all departments, yet this is no more essential than trained teachers for our Sunday Schools. Each Sunday School should see that its members be provided with good reading, that the mind of the youth be cultured and a taste created for such books as will help them both intellectually and morally; that in the selection of these preference be given to publications carried by our own House.

T. J. Pomeroy,
E. H. Cook,
Elizabeth Markey,
Committee.

CHARITY.

We desire to call attention to the fact that war conditions have brought great sufferings upon the poorer classes. In order to relieve such conditions, it will be well for each circuit, as far as possible, to provide a fund for the special purpose of helping the poor of their own territory, and where they conveniently can to help the needy elsewhere. As we have been helping the Kansas City Mission in the past, and since there will probably be a greater call for help this

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year than ever before, and considering the unfortunate condition of our beloved Brother "Father" Howard, we recommend that this Conference remember them with our sympathy, prayers and pocket-books.

W. L. Carkuff,
T. F. Child,
Alex. Ballard.
Committee.

STATE OF THE WORK.

We, the Committee on State of the Work, beg leave to submit the following report:

First of all, we want to thank God for the spirit of unity and love that is prevailing in this 47th annual session of the Kansas Conference. "By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another."

We believe that the Wesleyan Methodist Church stands for the highest ideals in Christianity, and is in opposition to sin and formality and worldliness. We believe that the greater part of our people are determined to stand by the Wesleyan doctrine in these things.

Therefore in many places our members are few, yet loyal. In a number of our charges they have had gracious revivals and some accessions to the church. While there are some discouraging features, there are a great many encouraging features. We believe that in our revival work and altar work we should hold people to the Bible line and the line of our Discipline, otherwise we let down the bars, or fail in our efforts to secure them to the Church.

We believe that more earnest, prevailing prayer and sacrifice on the part of both pastors and laity is needed.

May God help us as evangelists, pastors and laity of the Kansas Conference to do our best to make this year the best year of our lives for God and the Church.

A. B. Hotchkiss,
P. A. Miller,
W. F. Whitney,
Committee.

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MORAL REFORM.

We, the members of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, believe as much as ever that secret orders are a rival to the Church of Jesus Christ, in their spirit and tendency to rob Jesus of His right and to rob men of their Christian spirit; therefore we as a Church or Connection take a stand against all secrecy.

We stand against the desecration of the Christian Sabbath, such as Sunday visiting, Sunday baseball, Sunday excursions, Sunday Chautauquas, and Sunday pleasure riding, and urge that the presence of each one be as much as possible at the house of God.

We stand against the liquor traffic and believe it to be a curse to individuals, and that it robs men of their self-respect. It is also a curse to our nation. Therefore we will do all in our power to down this present evil.

We stand against the use of tobacco by our ministers and lay members, and believe in living up to the Scripture where it says, "Cleanse yourselves from all filthiness of the flesh, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." Therefore we believe we should stand against its use in any form.

We stand against the use of opium, morphine, or narcotics in any form.

We stand against White Slavery and believe it to be one of the most shameful crimes ever committed in our nation's history. Therefore we will warn our young people against this monster, and will urge the parents to use every possible means to protect their daughters and sons against this evil.

We stand against the worldly fashions of today—low necks, short sleeves, peek-a-boo waists, and short skirts, and pray that God will help them to dress in a modest way as becometh saints of the Most High God. We stand against all worldliness, such as fairs, carnivals, shows, worldly picnics, parties, and everything that will not uplift and edify the Christ.

L. S. Curry,
Ray Campbell,
Committee.

BOUNDARIES.

We, your Committee on Boundaries, to whom was referred the matter of districting the Conference for Holiness Conventions, submit the following report:

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We recommend that the districts be as follows:

First—Leroy, Keene, Coffeyville, Eskridge, Easton, Topeka, and Wilis.

Second—Chapman Creek, Elm Row, Ames, Hall, Miltonvale and Oakland.

Third—Hollis, North Branch, New Hope, Bethel, and Gaylord.

Fourth—Langley, Raymond, Jerome, Excelsior, and Wilson.

S. F. Wilson,

I. C. Dunbar,

Ira Bartley,

Committee.

ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY.

For the Year Ending August 21, 1917.

No. of charges in Conference	23
No. of Sunday Schools in Conference.....	27
No. of Sunday Schools reporting	26
No. of Officers, not Teachers or Scholars...	16
No. of Teachers	119
No. of Scholars in Home Department	54
No. of Scholars in Cradle Roll	122
No. of Scholars in Main School	1342
Total No. in Sabbath School	1623
Average attendance	1022
No. of Scholars Converted	131
No. of Scholars Joining Church	103
No. of Departmental Superintendents	16
No. in Teacher's Training Course	55
No. of Scholars in Adult Bible Classes	309
No. of Books in Library	302
Wesleyan Lesson Helps Taken:	
Sunday School Banner	485
Primary Class Paper	281
Teacher's Quarterly	339
Scholar's Quarterly	684
Junior Quarterly	268
Our Little Folks Cards	301

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Amounts Contributed:

Total Collected by Schools	\$916.03
For Missions	110.34
For Supplies and Other Expenses	678.28
For Other Benevolences	39.11
Cash in Treasury	113.38

T. J. Pomeroy, Conf. S. S. Secy.,
503 E. 3rd St., Topeka, Kans.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Dr.

To sale of Clay Center Church	\$400.00
To sale of furniture	35.00
	\$435.00

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Expenses of O. W. Cooper ..	\$35.00
Expenses of F. Dietrich	2.00
Expenses of F. C. Hill	3.00
Cash on hand	395.00
	\$435.00

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

We, the members of the Kansas Annual Conference, hereby express our thanks and the appreciation of the hospitable entertainment provided for us by the people of Miltonvale and College Hill. We appreciate the good service provided at the dining hall, and hereby thank all those who labored so faithfully to supply our physical needs. We tender our thanks to Miss Leona Hotle for her splendid work as pianist and leader of sacred songs. Also to Prof. C. L. Williams for the service rendered, and to all others who contributed to make this Conference one of the very best in our history.

C. E. Huscher,
C. H. Dow,
Committee.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

STATISTICAL REPORT.

		Pastors' Labors			Periodicals						
		Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Societies	No. Wesleyans Taken	S. S. Banners Taken	Primary Class Papers	Teacher's Quarterlies	Scholars' Quarterlies	Junior Quarterlies	Little Folks Cards
Ames	N Ernest Coats	12	1	1	14	24	10	50	25	50	10
Bethel	F. E. Shivers	12	1	1	7	17	10	2	25	20	10
Chapman Creek	I. L. DeWitt	12	2	2		15		7	63	10	18
Coffeyville	J. L. Whitney	12	3	2	2	30	15	3	50	20	15
Easton	Paul Lawson	10	1	1	3		4	3	4		12
Eskridge	A. Trauger	11	1	1	4	50	11	6	25		15
Elm Row	W. H. Burroughs	12	1	1	2	12	18	5	36	8	10
Excelsior	E. H. Dunbar	12	1	1	4	21	12	5	35		12
Gaylord	L. S. Courrie	12	2	2	6	29		9	46	20	10
Hall	W. L. Carkuff	12	1	1	4						
Hollis	W. C. Elliott	12	2	2	9	20	6	9	26	8	16
Kansas City Mission...	Geo Jackson										
Keene	Wm. M. Millard	6	1	1	3	18		4	6	6	12
Langley	S. F. Wilson	12	1	2	14	28	35	11	60		37
LeRoy	W. E. Odell	11	1	1	3						
Miltonvale	C. H. Dow	12	1	1	48	75	50	75	75		50
Norton	E. H. Cook	4	1	1	3	8	10	3		15	10
New Hope	O. G. Wilson	12	1	1	4	18	12	12	12	12	18
Raymond	T. F. Child	12	3	2	7	16		12	42	12	16
South Oakland.....	W. L. Carkuff	12	1	1	3						
Topeka	T. J. Pomeroy	12	1	1	12	40	30	20	35	35	30
Willis	G. L. Gurtler										
Wilson	J. E. Dillman	12	1	1	6	36	12	6	40	15	2
Wesley Center	J. A. Stansbury	12	1	1	13	12	12	5	50	24	
Jerome	V. C. Bowman	12	2	1	2						
Totals		258	31	29	173	465	247	247	630	255	303

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Membership												
	Members Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Number	Gain	Loss	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders
Ames	23			1	4	58	58	58	11			13	1
Bethel	2	4				67	67	65		2		1	
Chapman Creek	13	8				73	73	58		15		8	1
Coffeyville	17		9		3	76	56	61				10	
Easton	1		1			18	18	15					1
Eskridge			5		9	35	35	21		14			1
Elm Row	10					23	21	31	10		5		2
Excelsior	11		1		3	15	15	22	7			8	3
Gaylord			1		4	43	43	38		5			2
Hall				1	5	25	25	20		5			1
Hollis	3					31	31	34	3				3
Kansas City Mission													
Keene		6	1	3	35	30	20		15				3
Langley	22		1		1	34	34	54	20			26	2
LeRoy								14					
Miltonvale	32		7	2	23	175	175	175			6	20	6
Norton	4	8			1	21	21	16		5	5		7
New Hope	4		8			26	24	19		5			
Raymond				4		24	27	23		4			3
South Oakland					2	5	5	3		2			
Topeka	18		5	1	4	48	52	59	7		2	1	30
Willis				1		29	29	28		1			9
Wilson													
Wesley Center				1	2	41	41	35		6	12		1
Jerome	13		1					12		1			24
Totals	161	85	12	65	889	869	881	58	83	30	74	5	22
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	Sabbath Schools													
	No. of Sabbath Schools	Officers not Teach. or Schol.	No. Teachers	No. Scholars in Home Dept.	No. Scholars in Cradle Roll	Schol. in Adult Bible Class	No. Schol. in Main School	Total No. in Sab. Schools	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars Converted	No. Schol. Joining Church	No. of Departmental Supts.	Teach. in Training Course	No. Books in Library
Ames	1	1	5	14	10	16	75	99	57	14	11	3		
Bethel	1	7	4				69	80	41	3	2			
Chapman Creek	2	4	10		29	130	144	74	16	13		1	25	
Coffeyville	1	2	4		14	59	60	44	5	4				
Easton	1	3	3				7		1	1				
Eskridge	1	9	4		11	18	25	18						
Elm Row	1		4		12	29	40	26	6	8				
Excelsior	1		4		7	12	40	47	22	9	11	1	13	27
Gaylord	2	1	6		13	24	75	55	6					30
Hall	1		4				40	44	38	1				
Hollis														
Kansas City Mission														
Keene	1		4	1	6		49	60	28	11				
Langley	2		7				110	117	95	17	22			
LeRoy														
Miltonvale	1	2	13		42	248	250	156	50	32	2			
Norton	1	4	2		10	20	36	15			1			
New Hope	1		4			41	45	38	4	4				
Raymond	2		7		7	14	56	70	38	4		2	2	50
South Oakland	1		3				40	30	4					
Topeka	1	5	10	13	36	17	103	152	75	13	14	3	17	195
Willis	1	6	5		17	14	40	62	35	3		1		
Wilson														
Wesley Center	1		5		8	29	71	113	45	21				
Jerome														
Totals	24	44	108	28	104	244	1253	1491	930	188	122	14	57	302

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	No. of Church Buildings	Church Property					
		Value of	Amt. of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of	Amt. of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Val. on Hand
Ames	1	1200		1	1000		\$2.00
Bethel	1	1450					
Chapman Creek	2	2000		1	1200		
Coffeyville	1	1100	\$50.00				
Easton	1	600		1	400		
Eskridge							10.00
Elm Row	1	1000		1	400		10.00
Excelsior	2	1500		1	1000		
Gaylord	1	1000		1	600		
Hall	2	2000		1	600		
Hollis							
Kansas City Mission	1	1200		1	1000		
Keene	1	1800	316.64	1	600		
Langley							
LeRoy							
Miltonvale	1	1000		1	3000	\$1375	
Norton	1	800		1	1000		
New Hope	1	950		1	1000		
Raymond	1			1	950		
South Oakland							
Topeka	1	1500		1	1500		
Willis	1	1500		1	1000		
Wilson							
Wesley Center	1	1500					
Jerome							
Totals	20	\$30650	\$366.64	15	\$15250	\$1375	\$22.00

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Pastor's Salary				
	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Fees, Marriage and Funerals	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
		<u>100.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	<u>131.55</u>	
Ames	\$455.00	\$100.00	\$2.50	\$99.00	\$656.50
Bethel	697.67	84.00		27.65	809.32
Chapman Creek	365.05	100.00		150.00	615.05
Coffeyville	572.30			388.20	960.50
Easton	41.46	48.22		4.00	93.68
Eskridge	280.00		5.00	5.00	290.00
Elm Row	261.03			52.61	313.61
Excelsior	401.61	60.00			461.61
Gaylord	602.41	120.00		80.00	802.41
Hall	284.10	50.00	11.00		345.10
Hollis	278.12	75.00		27.00	380.12
Kansas City Mission					
Keene	42.30	30.00		25.61	97.91
Langley	663.53				663.53
LeRoy	100.00				100.00
Miltonvale	700.00	216.00	13.00	18.00	947.00
Norton	99.14	16.00		58.42	173.56
New Hope	187.10	60.00			247.10
Raymond	264.80	50.00		81.90	396.70
South Oakland	74.00				74.00
Topeka	485.75	150.00	15.00	4.84	655.59
Willis	259.25	100.00		20.25	379.50
Wilson					
Wesley Center	379.00		25.00	99.00	503.00
Jerome	107.00				
Totals	\$7630.62	\$1259.22	\$71.50	\$1141.48	\$9965.82

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Church Expense					
	Conf. President's Salary	Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Ames	42.63	192.88	63.23	287.15	32.45	518.44
Bethel	\$30.29	\$116.05	\$54.07	\$103.41	\$29.00	\$332.82
Chapman Creek	79.26	136.00	52.43		47.90	315.59
Coffeyville	64.28	51.00	38.73	20.00	25.00	199.01
Easton		20.75	31.89		11.00	63.64
Eskridge	32.95		6.56	5.90	27.00	72.41
Elm Row	33.30		17.46		27.00	77.76
Excelsior	15.00	107.19	20.00		10.00	152.19
Gaylord		55.70	21.77	36.40	12.10	125.97
Hall	43.11	214.03	40.40	10.00	10.00	317.54
Hollis	32.00	18.00	18.00	50.00	15.00	133.00
Kansas City Mission	24.00	107.85	24.87		70.00	226.72
Keene		59.00	14.24		22.00	95.24
Langley	17.66	285.93	60.00	70.00	35.00	468.59
LeRoy						
Miltonvale	50.00	216.80	143.26	182.46	613.60	1206.12
Norton		54.79	4.25	20.00	12.00	91.04
New Hope	23.12	86.00	20.00	9.50	15.00	239.12
Raymond	24.47	45.34	14.34		10.77	94.92
South Oakland	24.00	20.00	15.22			
Topeka	27.19	78.19	106.55	5.50	95.05	311.48
Willis		120.80				
Wilson		41.86	31.65	50.25	133.80	378.36
Wesley Center		220.00	31.00	8.00	27.50	286.50
Jerome	9.00					
Totals	\$529.63	\$2055.28	\$766.69	\$571.42	\$1226.22	\$5147.02

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Benevolences					
	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Min. Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolence	Totals for All Purposes
Ames	\$107.00	\$27.00	\$15.50		\$339.64	
Bethel	63.41	40.20	8.84	31.47	210.92	
Chapman Creek	82.04	30.26	13.25	20.00	282.05	
Coffeyville	.90	1.00	6.00		9.90	
Easton			1.60		6.00	
Eskridge	29.00					
Elm Row	17.00	10.27	2.02	22.40	74.69	
Excelsior	37.00	10.40	4.75	97.00	260.46	
Gaylord	38.00	10.70	11.50		98.69	
Hall			3.00		28.20	
Hollis	51.00		2.22	9.00	93.52	
Kansas City Mission						
Kcne	10.77				15.17	
Langley	40.00	19.20	5.10	42.23	144.47	
LeRoy	10.00	1.50				
Miltonvale	433.30	105.00	50.00	360.72	1174.99	
Norton	16.25	7.80	2.00	5.00	44.05	
New Hope	23.00	7.00	4.00		55.00	
Raymond	35.00	16.00	3.06	13.82	108.36	
South Oakland						
Topeka	60.00	28.80	2.27	51.71	421.61	
Willis	37.50	18.00	4.15		72.77	
Wilson						
Wesley Center	47.00	16.00	1.50	25.00	123.00	
Jerome						
Totals	\$1138.17	\$349.13	\$140.76	\$678.35	\$3563.49	

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	Benevolences						
	Missions	Foreign Missions	For Africa	For India	Home Missions	Kansas City Missions	Dormitory
Ames	23.00	100.89	140.00	5.50			
Bethel	\$190.14	\$91.14	\$75.00	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	
Chapman Creek	67.00	19.30		47.70			\$20.00
Coffeyville	156.50						
Easton	2.00						
Eskridge	4.40						
Elm Row	23.00			17.00			
Excelsior	110.91	86.41			24.50		
Gaylord	38.49						
Hall							
Hollis	31.30						
Kansas City Mission							
Keene	2.40						
Langley	37.94						
LeRoy	12.05						
Miltonvale	225.97						
Norton	23.00	13.00					
New Hope	21.00						
Raymond	40.48						
South Oakland							
Topeka	278.83	61.58	6.80	12.25	189.50		
Willis	13.12						
Wilson							
Wesley Center	33.50						
Jerome							
Totals						\$10.00	\$20.00

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Budget					
	Missions Assigned	Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Conference Assigned	Conference Raised
				121.50		
Ames	58.00	266.39	72.50	121.50	34.80	35.00
Bethel	45.00	190.14	56.25	107.00	27.00	27.00
Chapman Creek	67.00	67.00	83.75	65.57	40.20	40.20
Coffeyville	73.00	156.50	91.25	82.04	43.80	30.26
Easton	76.00	6.00	94.00	.90	45.60	1.00
Eskridge	35.00	31.50	42.75	29.00	21.00	
Elm Row	23.00	23.00	28.75	48.00	13.00	10.27
Excelsior	18.00	110.91	22.50	37.00	10.80	10.80
Gaylord		38.49		38.00		10.70
Hall	24.00	10.00	30.00	15.00	14.40	3.20
Hollis	31.00	24.84	38.75	51.00	18.60	18.60
Kansas City Mission ..						
Keene	30.00	2.40	37.50	10.77	18.00	2.00
Langley	32.00	37.94	40.00	40.00	19.20	19.20
LeRoy		35.00				
Miltonvale	175.00	225.97	218.75	248.30	105.00	105.00
Norton	13.00	13.00	16.25	16.25	7.80	7.80
New Hope	26.00	21.00	32.50	23.00	15.60	7.00
Raymond	24.00	40.48	30.00	35.00	14.40	16.00
South Oakland	5.00	5.00	6.25	6.00	3.00	3.00
Toneka	48.00	74.60	60.00	60.00	28.80	28.80
Willis	30.00	13.12	37.50	37.50	18.00	18.00
Wilson						
Wesley Center						
Jerome						
Totals	\$775.00	\$1126.89	\$966.75	\$920.33	\$464.20	\$358.83

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Totals					
	Budget Assigned	Total Budget Received	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Ames	\$128.25	\$324.14	\$656.59	\$332.82	\$339.64	\$1328.96
Bethel	190.95	172.77	809.22	315.59	213.08	1335.65
Chapman Creek	208.05	268.80	615.05	199.01	302.05	1296.11
Coffeyville	215.60	15.90	960.50	63.64	9.90	1033.04
Easton			93.68	72.41	6.00	172.09
Eskridge	98.75	60.50	290.00	77.76	60.50	438.26
Elm Row	65.55	53.29	313.64	152.19	74.69	541.52
Excelsior	51.30	163.46	461.61	125.97	260.46	848.04
Gaylord		87.19	802.41	317.54	98.69	1218.69
Hall	68.40	28.20	345.10	133.00	31.20	509.30
Hollis	88.35	96.66	380.12	226.22	93.52	699.86
Kansas City Mission ..						
Keene	85.50	15.17	97.91	95.24	15.17	208.32
Langley	91.20	102.24	663.53	468.59	144.47	1276.59
LeRoy			100.00			
Miltonvale	498.75	579.27	947.00	1206.12	1174.99	3328.11
Norton	37.05	39.05	173.56	91.04	44.05	308.65
New Hope	63.60	55.00	247.10	239.12	55.00	541.22
Raymond	68.40	94.54	396.70	94.92	108.36	599.98
South Oakland	14.25	14.00	74.00	59.22	14.00	147.22
Topeka	136.80	165.67	655.59	311.48	421.61	1388.68
Willis	85.50	72.77	379.50	378.36	72.77	830.52
Wilson						
Wesley Center			503.00	286.50	123.00	912.50
Jerome			107.00	9.00		116.00
Totals	\$2196.25	\$2408.62	\$10072.72	\$5255.74	\$3665.15	\$19079.37

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QUARTERLY MEETING APPOINTMENTS.

West District.

First Quarter, 1917.

Hollis October 6-7
 Bethel Chapel ... October 13-14
 North Branch October 20-21
 Gaylord October 27-28
 Langley November 3-4
 Excelsior November 10-11
 Raymond November 17-18
 New Hope November 24-25
 Hall December 1-2
 South Oakland.... December 8-9
 Rev. A. B. Hotchkiss,
 Conference Evangelist,
 Miltonvale, Kans.

East District.

First Quarter, 1917.

Leroy October 6-7
 Coffeyville October 13-14
 Willis October 20-21
 Easton October 23-24
 K. C. Mission October 25-26
 Keene October 27-28
 Eskridge November 3-4
 Topeka November 10-11
 Chapman Cr'k .. November 17-18
 Ames November 24-25
 Miltonvale December 1-2
 Elm Row December 8-9
 Rev. P. A. Miller,
 Conference President,
 Miltonvale, Kans.

West District.

Second Quarter, 1917-18.

Hollis December 15-16
 Bethel Chapel .. December 22-23
 North Branch .. December 29-30
 Gaylord January 5-6
 Langley January 12-13
 Excelsior January 19-20
 Raymond January 26-27
 Jerome February 2-3
 New Hope February 9-10
 Hall February 16-17
 South Oakland .. February 23-24
 Rev. P. A. Miller,
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East District.

Second Quarter, 1917-18.

Leroy December 15-16
 Coffeyville December 22-23
 Willis December 29-30
 Easton January 1-2
 K. C. Mission January 3-4
 Keene January 5-6
 Eskridge January 12-13
 Topeka January 19-20
 Chapman Creek... January 26-27
 Ames February 2-3
 Miltonvale February 9-10
 Elm Row February 16-17
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West District.

Third Quarter, 1918.

Hollis	March 2-3
Bethel Chapel	March 9-10
North Branch	March 16-17
Gaylord	March 23-24
Langley	March 30-31
Excelsior	April 6-7
Raymond	April 13-14
Jerome	April 20-21
New Hope	April 27-28
Hall	May 4-5
South Oakland	May 11-12

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East District.

Third Quarter, 1918.

Leroy	March 2-3
Coffeyville	March 9-10
Willis	March 16-17
Easton	March 19-20
K. C. Mission	March 21-22
Keene	March 23-24
Eskridge	March 30-31
Topeka	April 6-7
Chapman Creek	April 13-14
Ames	April 20-21
Miltonvale	April 27-28
Elm Row	May 4-5

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West District.

Fourth Quarter.

Hollis	May 18-19
Bethel Chapel	May 25-26
North Branch	June 1-2
Gaylord	June 8-9
Langley	June 15-16
Excelsior	June 22-23
Raymond	June 29-30
New Hope	July 6-7
Hall	July 13-14
South Oakland	July 20-21

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Miltonvale, Kans.

East District.

Fourth Quarter.

Leroy	May 18-19
Coffeyville	May 25-26
Willis	June 1-2
Easton	June 4-5
K. C. Mission	June 6-7
Keene	June 8-9
Eskridge	June 15-16
Topeka	June 22-23
Chapman Creek	June 29-30
Ames	July 6-7
Miltonvale	July 13-14
Elm Row	July 20-21

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WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S HOME AND
FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE KANSAS CONFERENCE.

First Meeting—Wednesday, 1 P. M., August 22, 1917.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Conference met for its fourteenth session in the Ladies' Hall at Miltonvale August 22, 1917.

The President, Sister N. May Clark, opened the meeting with singing, followed by prayer by Sisters Elliott, Jones and Clark. Sister Folger read the Scripture lesson from Proverbs 31 and offered prayer.

After roll call Sister Leona Hotle was elected a Committee on Credentials.

Motion prevailed that Sister Leona Hotle be a member of the Committee to Collect Dues and Solicit New Members. On motion Sister Jensen was elected to act as the second member of this Committee. Motion carried that this Committee act throughout the year.

Committee on Credentials submitted a partial report, and Sister Regnier, Sister Charlotte Pomeroy and Sister Katherine Ward were voted to have seats as delegates.

On motion our President, Sister N. May Clark, was elected to act as Chairman of the Committee on Formulating Plans of Work for the coming year.

Motion prevailed that the Vice-President, Sister Elliott, be the second member. Motion carried that Sisters Crouch, Jones and Regnier be the remaining members of the Committee.

On approved motion Sisters Pomeroy, Essie Williams and Crouch were elected a Committee on Statistics.

Motion prevailed that Sister Bessie Campbell act as reporter of the Society.

Our visiting Sisters Barts and Folger were given honorary seats in our Society.

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Motion carried that the Program Committee arrange for Sister Barts and Sister Folger to speak.

Moved and carried that the stated time for regular meetings be from 1 to 2 P. M., and from 5:45 to 7:45 P. M.

Adjournment.

Second Meeting—Wednesday, August 22, 1917.

The meeting was called to order by the President. Devotions were conducted by Sister Nelson. The Roll was called, to which eleven responded with Scripture verses. Minutes read and approved.

On motion Sister Hotle was elected to take Sister Stansbury's place on the Finance Committee and that the same Committee audit the Treasurer's book.

Moved and carried that the election of officers take place at 7 P. M. Thursday.

Reports from Excelsior, Topeka, Chapman, Ames and Willis were read and given to the Committee on Statistics

Adjournment.

Third Meeting—Thursday, August 23, 1917, 1 P. M.

After devotional exercises the entire hour was given to our General Organizer, Sister Folger, who gave us an interesting talk about the Southern field, and especially about the mountain work, with which she was connected for many years.

She also gave us many good points and hints on proper organization of our Conference and Local work.

Adjournment.

Fourth Meeting—Thursday, August 23, 1917, 6:45 P. M.

Meeting called to order by the Chair. Devotional exercises. Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Motion made and carried that an order for ten dollars be drawn on the Treasurer and presented to our Secretary as a token of our appreciation of her work.

The Committee on Credentials submitted a partial report, and Sister Fanny Jensen was seated as delegate by vote.

The Committee on Membership submitted the following names:

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Sister Hampton, Sister Eva Coates, and Sister Leona Dunbar, who were received as new members by vote.

Next followed the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Sister N. May Clark, President; Sister Laura Elliott, Vice-President; Sister Dow, Secretary; Sister Essie Williams, Assistant Secretary; Sister Nelson, Treasurer; Sister Jones, Organizer.

Motion carried that Sister Jones be permitted to choose her assistant.

Moved and carried that Sister Jones also act as Organizer of the Y. M. W. B.

Moved and carried that the Finance Committee consist of the President, the Secretary, and the Organizer.

On approved motion the President was made the first member of the Program Committee. On approved motion Sister Campbell and Sister Essie Williams were made the second and third members.

On motion Sisters Pomeroy and Clark were continued on the Committee on Resolutions.

Motion prevailed that the Corresponding Secretary, Sister Crouch, be instructed to write letters of sympathy to Sisters Feltar and Gurtler.

Adjournment.

Fifth Meeting—Friday, 1 P. M.

Meeting called to order by the Chair. After singing, Sister Jones read the Scripture lesson, followed with prayer by Sister Folger.

The hour was given to Sister Barts, our returned missionary from Africa, who addressed a large company of ladies on the "Bunda" society in that country.

She graphically described to the roomful of ladies the initiatory rites of the "Bunda" society. She spoke with great pathos of the sufferings and degradation of heathen womanhood. The ladies were very deeply interested and moved to tears. We are sure they will take a deeper interest in their black sisters and support the work as never before.

Sixth Meeting—Saturday, 1 P. M.

Meeting opened with singing "I Love Him."

Devotional exercises conducted by Sister Eberhardt, returned

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missionary from India. She made some interesting remarks about the home life in India, and we were glad to have her with us.

The Committee on Membership offered the name of Vera Macy, who was accepted by vote.

The Committee on Statistics read their report, which was approved.

The Auditing Committee reported the books correct.

A letter of greeting was read from Sister Feltar.

The Dormitory Treasurer read her report, which was accepted.

Moved and carried that after further consideration the names of Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Thompson be added to the Finance Committee.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

The Committee on Plans for Work gave a partial report, which was accepted.

Motion carried that Sister Nelson, the Treasurer, be given ten dollars for her faithful services of fourteen years.

Adjournment.

Seventh Meeting—Saturday, 6:45 P. M.

Meeting opened with a song. Devotional exercises conducted by Sister Nelson.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Report from Gaylord charge by Sister P. N. Martin; paid \$1.00.

Report on Plan of Work read and approved.

Sister Folger gave us information as to what is needed in the line of clothing in the mountain district. She also gave a talk on Mission Study, and urged the sisters to take it up. For leaflets address Miss Eva McMichaels, Arlington, Ind.

Adjournment.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PRESIDENTS.

Miltonvale—Mrs. E. Sniffin, Miltonvale, Kansas.

Ames—Mrs. Jennie Crouch, Ames, Kansas.

Willis—Mrs. F. A. Robertson, Willis, Kansas.

Excelsior—Miss Imo Jones, Lyons, Kansas.

Hollis—Mrs. L. S. Curry, Hollis, Kansas.

Wilson—Mrs. W. S. Miller, Wilson, Kansas.

Topeka—Mrs. Martha Lowe, 1268 West St., Topeka, Kansas.

Chapman—Mrs. Della Mack, Longford, Kansas.

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IN MEMORY OF FATHER WING.

We, the members of the W. H. & F. M. Society of the Kansas Conference, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our late Father L. Wing, who was our honorary member of said Society.

May it be said first of all that his yearly visits (as the Conference years rolled around) meant more to us than his financial support could. So full of cheer, hopeful and uplifting was his attitude, at all times, that his smile and words of encouragement were like a benediction in his giving.

We are reminded of the widow's mite. Surely her example was followed in the life of Brother Wing. No gifts like these pass unnoticed by the Master, who sees; and he, being dead, yet speaketh.

N. May Clark,
Charlotte Pomeroy,
Committee.

PLAN OF WORK.

	Pillow Cases	Sheets	Mountain Boy's Support	Mountain Work Per Month	Barrels Clothing for South
Topeka	1 pair	1 pair		\$.50	1 bbl.
Hollis	1 pair	1 pair		.50	1 bbl.
Wesley Center..			\$5.00		
Miltonvale				.50	1 bbl.
Gaylord	1 pair	1 pair	7.00		
Chapman Creek.				.50	
Wilson				.50	
Bethel Chapel					
Excelsior	1 pair	1 pair	7.00	.50	
Easton				.50	
Ames	1 pair	1 pair		.50	

Barrels for Central to Ina Gaines, Greer, S. C.; those for Alabama to Willie Roberts, Bethel Springs, Tenn.

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DORMITORY REPORT.

Total receipts	\$1064.00
Cash in bank	101.80
Total disbursements	\$1077.53
On hand	\$88.27
Interest bearing notes	50.00
Paid on principal, 1915-16....	\$250.00
Paid on principal, 1916-17....	737.00
	\$987.00

Original liability	\$4850.00
Present liability on Dormitory	3863.00

Furniture.

Total receipts	\$196.15
Total disbursements	196.15

Incidental Fund

Receipts for rental	\$43.00
Cash on hand	4.45
Total	\$47.45
Total disbursements	\$44.34
On hand	\$3.11

E. H. Dow.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Money on hand from last year	\$37.40
Paid in by locals	210.00
Dues	28.50
Fruit for dormitory	4.68
	\$280.92

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Disbursements.

Home Missions	\$40.00
Foreign Missions	139.96
Medical work	7.50
Southern work	7.50
Tent for South	15.00
To be used where needed	26.76
Paid to Sister Dow as a token of appreciation	10.00
Fruit for dormitory	4.00
Dormitory	21.00
	\$261.72
Money on hand	19.20
Y. M. W. B.	300.00
Public collection for Home and Foreign work cash and pledges	356.50
Cash	54.26

Bertha Nelson, Treasurer.

**WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
STATISTICAL REPORT.**

	No. of Locals	No. of Active Members	No. of Honorary Members	Amount Raised During the Year	For Foreign Work	For Home Work	Local Church Work
Miltonvale	1	30	13	\$53.37	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$23.37
Topeka	1	30	4	261.50	52.00	150.00	4.50
Chapman Creek	1	15		116.25	76.25	4.00	3.00
Morgan Chapel	1	18	9	128.00	53.00		45.00
Willis	1	12		24.00	15.27		1.93
Excelsior	1	10		41.15	16.00	10.00	7.65
Hollis	1	12	4	47.27	6.00	6.00	8.00
Wilson	1	5		4.00			
Raymond							
Bethel							
Keene							
	8	132	30	\$675.54	\$228.52	\$180.00	\$103.45

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	Dormitory	Medical Work	Educational Work	No. of Y. M. W. B.	No. of Members	Amount Raised from Dues	Free-Will Offerings
Miltonvale	\$10.00			2	50	\$26.00	\$28.25
Topeka	43.00	\$5.00	\$7.00	2	52	26.00	10.20
Chapman Creek	33.00			1	92	50.03	10.32
Morgan Chapel	30.00			1	37	38.04	75.00
Willis	6.80			1	27	1.56	10.05
Excelsior	7.50			1	26	16.25	24.66
Hollis	20.00	7.27		1			4.00
Wilson				1	2	1.00	2.25
Raymond				1	16	11.66	
Bethel				1	3	1.56	
Keene				1	24	17.34	
	\$150.30	\$12.27	\$7.00	13	329	\$189.64	\$164.73