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CHURCH OF AMERICA

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Rev. W. Dugger, 2 yrs;
Rev. Rita Lee, 1 yr; Rev. C. A. Pauley,
3 yrs; Rev. G. Harris, 1 yr.

LAYMEN: Herbert Gates and Albert Queen

ITINERARY AND ORDERS: J. M. Wilson, 3 yrs;
C. A. Pauley 1 yr; Eugene Ramsey, 1 yr;
A. M. Gilmer, 3 yrs; H. Sanders, 4 yrs.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENCY: Rev. C. Pauley,
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H. H. Sanders, E. Ramsey, A. M. Gilmer.

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY BOARD: Rev. Arthur
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TITHING SECRETARY: Sister Norma Curtis, 17
State Street Zanesville, Ohio

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STATIONED ELDERS & MINISTERS

Rev. Arthur M. Gilmer Parkersburg, W. Virginia
and Marietta, Ohio

Rev. Jerome W. Wilson, Dayton, Ohio

Rev. Eugene Ramsey - Zanesville, Ohio and
Cutler, Ohio

Rev. Rita H. Lee - Hillsboro, Ohio

Rev. C. A. Pauley - Assistant to Dayton Church

Rev. Anna M. Gilmer- Assistant to Marietta,
Ohio and Parkersburg, W. Virginia Churches.

Rev. H. H. Sanders-Thompson Memorial, Bethel
Springs, Tennessee

Rev. Gertrude Harris - Cutler, Ohio, & Conf.
Evangelist of Dist. 1.

Rev. Ralph Tate - Bartlett, Ohio

Rev. C. A. Pauley - Conference Evangelist Dist-
rict No. 2.

Rev. William Dugger - Evangelist-at-large.

121 South Summit Street Dayton, Ohio

Rev. J. A. Cassidy - Pleasant Hill, Tennessee

Rev. Clara M. Cooke - Superannuated
1007 Broadway Street Kokomo, Indiana

Rev. Nannie Erwin - Superannuated

LICENTITATES

Rev. Henry Sanders, Jr. Purdy, Tennessee

Rev. Hershel Williams 35 Alder St. Dayton, Ohio

Rev. Mary Howell-Student of God's Bible School

DEACONESS

Sister Theresa Clark-1701 Attucks Place,
Dayton, Ohio
Sister Elva Johnson-2020 Lakeview Avenue
Dayton, Ohio

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, Aug 27 6:00 PM: Supper served to all ministers and delegates present by the ladies of conference Aide Society and Wesleyan Youth groups.

7:30 PM: Wesleyan Young People in charge of program. Miss June Coatney, President, presiding. Songs by Junior Choir. Welcome Address - Miss Gloria Shoecraft - Response Rev. Henry Sanders Sr. Piano Solo - Miss Ellen Shoecraft - Request Song of Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Logan - My Faith Looks Up to Thee.- Request Solo Mrs. Maxine Logan, "I'd rather have Jesus". Remarks by: Rev. Wilson, Rev. Gilmer, Rev. Sanders and Rev. Cassidy. Homes assigned visitors. Refreshments were served. Dismissal by Rev. Pauley.

THURSDAY, Aug 28, 8:45 AM: The Sixty Fifth Annual Session of the South Ohio Conference convened at Dayton, Ohio. Opened with Devotions led by Sister Veloris Chandler and songs by Congregation. Prayer by Rev. Ralph Tate.

9:30 AM: Business opened with President Rev. Eugene Ramsey presiding, Minutes of the 64th session read and received, motions made by Jerome Wilson that President and Vice President appoint committees, after various appointments, 15 minutes recess given for committee work reports made and received from rules and

order, State of Country, Credentials, Religious Service, Memorials and Partial Report on Courtesy. Committee on Pastorial Relations appointed. Report and testimony by Rev. Ralph Tate for the Bartlett, Ohio Church received. Report of Committee on Charters approving all Pastorial Charters received.

Re v. Virgil Mitchell, Convention Representative from General Conference from Marion, Indiana bringing greetings from the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America. Rev. Mitchell explained the absence of Rev. Sheets who was also planning to attend the conference. He stated that Rev. Sheet's father was very ill and he remained with him sending his regrets and best wishes for a spiritual blessing, and God's Guidance in conducting all business. Report for Cutler Ohio Church by Rev. Gertrude Harris received with additions. Report by Rev. Jerome Wilson for the Dayton Church received after membership correction. Report for Marietta Ohio received as read. Testimonies were given by each Pastor before reading their reports giving God the Glory and Praise for every blessing bestowed.

Report for Pleasant Hill (Demasive Ville church) in Tennessee by Rev. J. A. Cassidy received with corrections. Rev. Gilmer reported the Parkersburg, W. Va. church's clerk and husband having had a serious auto accident and unable to give their report at this time. A partial financial report was given and accepted from Rev. Gilmer. Rev. Harris gave a verbal report on the church at Cedar Ridge stating Sister Dalton and she made house to house calls on the sick and shut-ins of that area, also a visitation was reported of Rev. and Mrs. Gilmer and Rev. Ramsey to these folk since they are without a pastor, and desirous of any spiritual help, prayers for this work is solicited. Report by Sister Vida Lindsey for the church at Purdy Tennessee in the absence of Rev. Henry H. Sanders, Jr. received with necessary corrections. Motion made to recess for lunch - carried. Mispah.

1:30 PM. THURSDAY: Session called to order by President-roll call and Minutes of last session read and received time then given to Rev. V. Mitchell. (He commented on the condition of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America as good and thanking God for able leadership throughout the conferences, also saying the South Ohio Conference is very much appreciated in the connection, however, in all churches, more can be expected.) The possibility of merging with the Pilgrim Holiness Church was mentioned - the vote for this merger in the Pilgrim Holiness Conference this year was 3 to 1 or 321 votes for merger and 100 votes against. The Wesleyan Methodist vote will be taken at the next general conference session in 1959. If the Wesleyan Methodist favor the merge, then all other bodies such as annual conferences, local churches, etc., will in turn vote on this very important issue in both groups. Rev. Mitchell also stressed the importance of each family subscribing for the Wesleyan Methodist Publications, displaying the Wesleyan Methodist magazine (weekly) Missionary magazine (monthly) and Youth also introducing the Devotional (a quarterly) to help with Sunday School study and daily readings helpful to Christian living, the Catechism and other literature were made available. Rev. Mitchell said his greatest burden was the building program of the New Wesleyan Methodist Headquarters and publishing house reminding us of the fire that destroyed the publications building, and that the high cost of materials and labor of today, the insurance far too inadequate to meet needs. The building now rented at a cost of

\$1,300 per year and facing a raise of \$3,000 a year more. The \$300,000 building campaign is \$100,000 short of goal. Mr. Mitchell said if every member would contribute \$10.00 to this program, it would be completed by 1959 in time for the General Conference.

3:30 SESSION: Appointment of laymen to Itinerary Committee. Report of Church at Bethel Springs, Tennessee by Mr. Walter L. Thompson was received with corrections. It was given by Rev. H. H. Sanders, Sr. Dismissed by Rev. Mary Howell.

FRIDAY 8:45 AM Devotions led by Sister Mary Howell and Sister Alice Spriggs. Prayer by Rev. Tate. Songs: What a Friend and Lead me to Calvary. Altar Call, where many prayers went upward, song: Only Believe. 9:30 AM;-- business opened with President Ramsey presiding-- roll call and Minutes of last session received as read. Election of officers for coming year and selection of delegates to General Conference to be held in Syracuse, New York, June, 1959. This election was presided over by Virgil Mitchell who declared all offices vacant. Results of election, see index. The subject of tithing was discussed. We were told that it is the duty of the Pastors and Stewarts to set up same as a store house unto the Lord. (Bring ye therefore your tithes and offerings that there may be meet in mine house). The President selected his advisory board as follows: Rev. Arthur M. Gilmer, Rev. Ralph Tate, Sister Norma Curtis, Sister Gertrude Holbert. The meeting was adjourned.

FRIDAY 7:30 PM Devotions led by Sister Elva Johnson and Brother Orville Davis. Songs: Since Jesus Came into my heart and Is my name written there. Scripture: 14 Chapter St. John.

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Prayer Sister Corrine Shewell. Solo:
Mrs. Nellie Robinson - Touch Me Lord.
Solo: Mrs. Eunice Williams - Make me a blessing. Songs by Choir- The Angels keep watching over me and Farther on up the road. These were led by Brother Herbert Gates. A very inspiring message from the book of Acts with scriptures from Acts 2 thru 28 chapters were given and preached on by Rev. Virgil Mitchell in his Missionary message. The Dayton Missionary Society presented Rev. Mary Howell with a check for \$100.00 to help her with her tuition as she studies to show herself approved of God, our prayers and best wishes go with this fine young woman who has given herself to the call of Christ.

AUGUST 30, 1959-2:00 PM: Roll Call - Minutes read and received. Report of Conference Treasure by Rev. C. A. Pauley received as read. Report for Sanesville church by Rev. E. Ramsey also verbal report on Presidential Activities received. Written one to be forwarded to Secretary later. Verbal report for Conference Aid by President Norma Curtis received. Reports for W. Y. S.-Conference Evangelist of District No. 1 and Superannuated Treasure read by Sister Gertrude Harris received. Report of Conference Evangelist for District No. 2 by Rev. C. A. Pauley received. Pastorial Relations report received as partial report. Verbal report from Sunday Secretary also report read for Hillsboro Ohio church by Rev. Rita Lee received - Pastorial report by appreciation by standing given Rev. William for the fine progress he is showing at the Alder Street Mission. Rev. Williams in his desire to be ordained was represented by Rev. Rita Lee. He was referred to the

Committee on Itinerary and Orders for examination. Report for Long, Ohio read by Secretary received. Recommendations from Financial Committee that the Conference give aid to the Parkersburg West Virginia Church of \$500.00 for roof and ceiling repairs. It was suggested that \$300.00 of this money come from South Ohio Conference treasure. \$100.00 each from Sunday School convention, Missionary Treasure and Wesleyan Women's Missionary Treasure all voted on and approved. The Financial committee also suggested that the Conference pay \$40.00 monthly to the President of the South Ohio Conference. This also was voted on and approved by the body.

SATURDAY 7:30 PM. Short Business session to hear final report of pastoral relation - Itinerary and Orders and Finance of Claims all received, as reported. 8:00 PM. Devotions. Songs: Jesus Keep me Near the Cross and I need Thee, Yield not to Temptation. Prayer by Rev. Wilson. A very timely and inspiring message by Rev. J. A. Cassidy of Purdy, Tennessee. Invitation to Altar Call. Adjournment at 9:30 PM.

Thanks was given by Rev. Gilmer for the help given to Parkersburg church. Reports from Deaconess Theresa Clark and Mrs. Elva Johnson read and received. The Conference Aide is to be responsible for all funds raised specifically for Ministerial Assistance in all churches. A word of Thanks given by the delegate elect to the General Conference and Conference President for the vote of confidence. Adjourned to meet in Long, Ohio August 1959.

9:30 AM AUG 31: Sunday School. Opened by Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Elva Johnson. Song: Stand Up for Jesus. Prayer by Rev. Rita H. Lee. Songs: Will there be any Stars in My crown and In my Heart, and There Rings a Melody, Lesson: Habakuk, the Prophet of Faith. Review of Lesson by Rev. Arthur M. Gilmer.
11:00 AM Morning Service. Songs: Pass me Not - I need Thee Every Hour and Prayer by Rev. E. Ramsey. Selection by Junior Choir - I want to go there. Responsive Reading led by Rev. Anna Gilmer. Songs by Choir- Tell Jesus and Take me to the Water. Solo "God Spoke to me one day" by Mr. Edward Thomas. Sermon: Rev. Mary Howell. Text: St John 3 and Matthew 11. Altar Call. Solo by Mrs. Nellie Robinson - Peace in the Valley. Holy Communion. Rev. Rita Lee and Rev. C. A. Pauley in charge of emblems. Song: There is a Fountain. Benediction Rev. J. W. Wilson.

SUNDAY Aug 31 2:30 PM: Devotions - Songs: Pass me Not and Holy, Holy, Holy, by Congregation. Solo by Miss Gibbs "Are you Able, Saith the Master" Prayer: Rev. Arthur Gilmer. Offering for South Ohio Conference. Solo by Rev. Rita H. Lee - How Great Thou Art. Message by Rev. Eugene Ramsey from Ezekiel - remarking God specializes in the impossible - The Valley of Dry bones and all things are possible with God. Fifteen pastoral appointments given and two deaconess licenses for year 1958-1959. Dismissed by President. Congregational Song: God be with you til we meet again.

DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

Rev. Eugene Ramsey	Ministerial
Rev. A. M. Gilmer	Delegate-at-large
Rev. Ralph Tate	First Alternate
Rev. Rita Lee	Second Alternate
Mrs. Elva Johnson	Layman Delegate
Miss Ophther Anderson	Alternate

DECEASED MINISTERS OF SOUTH OHIO CONFERENCE

REVERENDS:-

J. E. Lucas	Thomas Clinton
Rev. James H. Pauley	J. C. Honesty
A. E. Gulliford	A. D. Jackson
Peter Toliver	Nora Stepson
B. F. Gardner	Henry Mayle, Sr.
H. C. Pierce	B. B. Gufford
Sicconsos Grant	A. Oakv
D. E. Bass	S. M. Saines
A. P. Mayle	J. E. Bass
Charles Atwell	L. N. Gillam
A. C. Mayle	Grant Curtis
Hazel Turner	C. D. Higgins

In Memoriam, Dr. J. R. Swauger, Advisor from General Connection.

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REPORT NO. 1 - RULES AND ORDER

We, your committee on rules and orders, submit the following report: We recommend that breakfast be served at 8:00 A. M. Conference Session to open at 9:00 A. M. Adjournment at 12:00 PM noon. Convene at 1:30 for the afternoon session. Close at 4:00 PM. Evening sessions to begin at 7:30. We also recommend that the first six rows across the church constitute the conference bar.

REPORT NO. 1 (Continued)

Humbly submitted
Gertrude Holbert
Orville Davis

REPORT NO. 2 CREDENTIALS

We, your committee on Credentials
beg leave to submit the following report
and dues of \$1.00 each to the amount of
\$10.00 total.

Miss Mary Howell, Parkersburg, Ohio.
Stella Norris, Bartlett, Ohio, Herbert
R. Gates, Dayton, Ohio; Paul Smith, Dayton
Ohio; Mr. Frederick Curtis, Marietta, Ohio,
Miss Opther Anderson, W. L. Thompson
Church Bethel Springs, Tennessee. Mrs.
Valley Lindsey, Purdy Tennessee; Mrs. Norma
Curtis Zanesville, Ohio; Mrs. Nellie
M. Robinson, Hillsboro, Ohio; Mr. Orville
Davis Pleasant Hill Church Bethel Springs,
Tennessee; Helen McCowan Hillsboro, Ohio;
Mrs. Irma Cains, Long, Ohio; Mrs. Cora
Hudson, Hillsboro, Ohio; Mrs. A. Spriggs,
Parkersburg, Ohio, Rev. H. Williams.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rev. J. W. Wilson
Fredrick Curtis
Opther Anderson

REPORT NO. 3 RELIGIOUS SERVICE

We your committee on religious service wish to submit the following report:

We recommend that on Thursday 8:00 PM sermon by Rev. Virgil A. Mitchell, Friday evening in charge of Women's Missionary.

Saturday 11:00 AM Memorial Service presided over by Rev. A. M. Gilmer. Saturday 8:00 PM Rev. J. A. Cassady; Sunday 11:00 A. M. Mary Howell, Sunday 2:00 PM Rev. Eugene Ramsey.

Prayerfully Submitted:

Norma Curtis

J. A. Cassady

REPORT NO. 4 - STATE OF COUNTRY

We your committee on State of Country, submit the following report. In view of the fact we as a country find war is being waged in almost the entire European and Asiatic countries and God's name is almost obliterated, in these crisis, God is only one that can bring peace from war.

When we see the condition of our country on integration, we realize how necessary it is for us to Trust in God for He is the only one who is able to bring about a peaceful solution to this problem.

Jesus said - My peace I give unto you, not as this world giveth. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Rev. Ralph Tate

Brother Herbert Gates

Sister T. Anderson

REPORT NO. 5 MORAL REFORM

We your committee on Moral Reform feel that more men and women should be dedicated to the cause of Christ and true christianity. We feel that more money by our religious organization should be spent in building bigger and better colleges for christian education so that christians of tomorrow may be fitted for the masters service. Christ pointed to Himself as a man's deliverer when He said I am the way, the truth and the light, unless men accept Jesus Christ as their Savior, He will be shut out forever from God's presence.

Humbly Submitted
Estella Norris
Calvin Word
Vallie Lindsay

REPORT NO. 6 AUDITING

We the committee on auditing, find the bank books to be correct and in order.
Respectfully submitted
Anna M. Gilmer
Nellie M. Robinson

REPORT NO. 7 THANKS

We your committee on Thanks wish to submit the following report: We first are thankful for our wonderful Savior, for the South Ohio Conference, and the wonderful fellowship here in Dayton, Ohio. We wish to thank the people of Dayton for their wonderful hospitality shown. The faithfulness of the workers in the kitchen and the comfort of the homes in which we are staying will never be forgotten.

REPORT NO. 7 (Contd)

We are thankful also for our officials who are working together for Christ and making our conference a success. We are thankful to all who has contributed to our contributed to our conference in any way, but may the glory be completely the Lord's.

Prayerfully submitted
Stella Norris
Mary Howell

REPORT NO. 8 - TITHERS

As Tithing Secretary, I submit the following report of the Tithers of the South Ohio Conference. The Number of tithers - 70. We find in Malachi 3:10, Bring ye all the tithes in to the Storehouse. I pray our members will just try God and see how he will bless their giving - He said in his word, He would pour out a blessing, there shall not be room enough to receive it.

I covet your prayers
Carefully submitted
Norma Curtis

REPORT NO. 9 FINANCE AND CLAIMS

We the committee on finance and claims wish to submit the following report for services rendered. Paid to our President, Rev. Eugene Ramsey, \$95.00; to Vice President, Rev. H. H. Sanders Sr 32.00; to our Secretary Mrs. Elva Johnson, \$45.00; to our Assistant Secretary including mailing expenses, Mrs. V. Chandler \$20.00. Total paid out \$192.00

C. A. Pauley
Orville Davis

REPORT NO. 10 - PASTORIAL RELATION COMMITTEE

This committee wishes to submit the following report. The following churches were supplied with Pastors:

Bartlett Rev. Ralph Tate
Barnett Ridge In hands of President
Cutler - G. Harris
Cedar Ridge Rev. Anna Gilmer
Dayton Ohio Rev. J. A. Wilson
Rev. C. A. Pauley
Hillsboro Ohio Elder Rita Lee
Long Ohio in hands of President
Marietta Ohio Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Gilmer
Pleasant Hill Tenn Rev. J. A. Cassady
Purdy Tenn Rev. H. H. Sanders Jr.
Parkersburg W. Va. Rev. & Mrs. Gilmer
Thompson Memorial Bethel Tenn Rev. H. H. Sanders Sr.

Zanesville Ohio Mrs. Eugene Ramsey
Elder in Reserve - William Dugger
Rev. Hershl Willaims Pastor of an
Independent Mission
Rev. Nannie Erwin Superannuated
Elder Clara Cook Superannuated
Sister Mary Howell Ministerial Student in
College

Conference Evangelist Dis No. 1 G. Harris

Conference Evangelist Dis No. 2 C. A.

Pauley

Respectfully submitted:

Elder E. Ramsy A. M. Gilmer
H. Sanders J. H. Cassady
Miss Norma Curtis Ophtha Sanderson
Bro. Frederick G. Harris, Sec.
Curtis

REPORT NO. 11 PASTORIAL REPORT

To the South Ohio Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, it is with a sense of thanksgiving to God for His leadership and gracious assistance, in the work assigned to me by this Conference as well as a feeling of gratitude to the coworkers in both churches in which we have served. I began assisting Rev. A. M. Gilmer, Sunday following the close of the Conference and have continued throughout the conference year. We feel that God has blessed the work so we can report that the work has far exceeded our expectations in a material way. We are earnestly praying for an outpouring of God's spirit among men. I have endeavored to aide in the Sunday School and every department of the church, glad to report that we have a group of fine teachers in our Sunday School at Marietta who spare no pains in trying to train and reach our children.

The lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secure
He will my shield and potion be
As long as life endures.

Yours in His Service,

Anna M. Gilmer

REPORT NO. 12 CONF. EVANGELIST DIST NO. 1

To the Conference, Greetings in Jesus Name:
As conference Fvangelist of District No. 1
I wish to submit the following report:

I preached and served the Holy Communion at
the following churches on the following dates:

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EVANGELIST DIST No. 1 (Continued)

Zanesville, Ohio

Oct 13, 57

Jan 12, 58

Apr 13, 58

Jul 13 58

Offering \$63.00

Cutler, Ohio

Oct 20, 57

Jan 19 58

Apr 20, 58

Jul 20, 58

Offering \$100.00

Marietta Ohio

Oct 27, 57 11 AM

Jan 26, 58

Apr 27 58

Jul 27, 58

Offering \$39.00

Parkersburg, W. Va

Oct 27, 57 8 PM

Jan 26, 58

Apr 27, 58

Jul 27 58

Offering \$40.00

Cedar Ridge 2:30 PM

Apr 27, 58

Jul 27, 58

Offering \$13.00

Bethel - Bartlett

Nov 10, 57

Feb 9 58

May 18, 58

Aug 10, 58

Total Offering \$0.00

Total No. of Services

Twenty Two Total Offering \$335.00

Prayerfully submitted
G. Harris

REPORT NO. 13 - DEACONESS

To the South Ohio Annual Conference, Greetings in Jesus' name! I thank the Lord for the privilege of serving Him through His people, for Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." I have visited and prayed with the sick and shut-ins in their homes-at the hospitals, held devotional services for the aged ladies at the Mary Scott's Home. Gave clothing and provided food for some needy families;

counseled with others and God very graciously filled my hands to meet these needs. Also did household duties in home of sickness.

Humbly in His Service
Theresa M. Clark

REPORT NO. 14 DEACONESS REPORT

Christian greetings to the South Ohio Conference - 65th annual session. I humbly submit my report with the help and leadership of my heavenly Father I have tried to do His will. I have surrendered all to Jesus, and believe I speak the truth when saying there is nothing between my soul and my Saviour. I have visited the sick and shutins in homes and in hospitals; had prayer service with more than 50 people outside the church; have been a helping hand where ever possible; have read and studies the prescribed course for deaconess with the continued help of God and the prayers of God's people. I shall remain an humble servant in His vineyard. I thank God for the South Ohio Conference and what it has meant to me spiritually.

Yours in Christ,
Elva Johnson

REPORT NO. 15 - PASTORIAL REPORT

To the Southern Ohio Conferenc of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, the 65th session convening at the First Wesleyan Methodist Church, Dayton, Ohio, Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus.

The following report is of my Christian Ministry for the Conference Year, September 1957 to August, 1958:

Sermons Preached - 127. I served as assistant to the Chaplain at the Miami Valley and St. Elizabeth Hospitals, also as assistant to the Protestant Chaplain at the Veterans Administration Center. I am happy to report four conversions and 3 baptisms at the VAC. I have also made visits to the Good Samaritan Hospital, State Hospital and Rest Homes of our city, administering to the patients spiritual guidance. My wife and I continue the Mission work in our home known as the First Alder Street Chapel, 35 South Alder Street. The work is growing and we have enlarged the Chapel and the Sunday School enrollment to 26. We have 11:00 AM worship service following Sunday School. Wednesday, we have prayer service. There were 50 children in attendance at our daily Vacation Bible School this summer. God has wonderfully blessed us in this work for Him.

Prayerfully submitted:

Rev. Herschel F. Williams.

REPORT NO. 16

CONFERENCE AIDE REPORT

To the President and co-workers of the South Ohio Conference, I bring greetings from the Conference Aide Society. We held rally in December at Parkersburg. It was to help on the pews. Had a very profitable service. Rev. Ralph Tate, Pastor of the Bethel Church at Bartlett, Ohio brought the message. Our joint session, the Young People and the Conference Aide met the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday in May. I was unable to be present due to being in an automobile accident. Our President (Vice) Sister A. M. Gilmer presided. All reported

a fine convention both spiritually and financially. One rally has been held since our convention at Zanesville. Rev. A. M. Gilmer spoke. A delegation from Dayton was present and Brother Queen and his group from Parkersburg was there and presented good numbers. The church was wonderfully helped both spiritually and financially. The amount raised was \$55.00. I take this opportunity to thank one and all for their thoughtfulness to me during my injury and stay in the hospital. The many prayers, cards, and love offerings all through my "shut in" days were truly appreciated. How I do thank and praise my Heavenly Father for the many blessings he's bestowed upon me and mine. We ask for your prayers. The amount in the treasury - \$175.98. May God Bless one and all.

Carefully submitted
Norma Curtis

REPORT NO. 17 TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report of money received:

From the church at Bethel	126.45	
Cutler	103.55	
Dayton	427.75	
Hillsboro	24.00	
Long	162.40	
Marietta	132.85	
Parkersburg	73.70	
Bethel Springs, Tenn	54.00	
Purdy, Tenn.	37.20	
Zanesville	115.55	
TOTAL	\$	1257.45

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Report on money paid out

Oct 3, 1957 For report blanks	11.50
Oct 18, 1957 Travel Expense	25.00
Oct 31, 1957 Travel Expense	50.00
Nov 1, 1957 Dr. Nicholson	735.25
Nov 7, 1957 Travel Expense	33.52
Dec 12, 1957 Travel Expense	40.00
Feb 17, 1958 Conf. Minutes	100.00
Apr 9 Travel Expense	36.71
Apr 24 Travel Expense	40.76
Aug 15 Travel Expense	18.00
Total paid out	<u>\$1090.74</u>

Ministers Dues:

Rev. J. W. Wilson	1.00
Rev. C. A. Pauley	1.00
Rev. A. M. Gilmer	1.00
Rev. Ralph Tate	1.00
Rev. W. Dugger	1.00
Rev. H. H. Sanders Sr.	1.00
Rev. J. A. Cassady	1.00
Rev. G. Harris	1.00
Rev. H. H. Sanders Jr.	1.00
Rev. Anna Gilmer	1.00
Rev. Eugene Ramsy	1.00
Rev. Rita Lee	1.00
Rev. Herschel Williams	1.00
Rev. D. R. Holtz	1.00
Miss Theresa Clark	1.00
Total	<u>15.00</u>

Sunday Morning Offering	\$ 101.50
After Offering for Miss Mary Howell	46.00
Afternoon Offering	<u>23.00</u>
	170.50

Amount of money in Merchants National Bank at Dayton, Ohio at the end of the Conference Year August 15, 1958-\$1550.07

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REPORT NO. 18 SUPERANNUATED FUND

As treasurer of the Superannuated fund, I wish to submit the following report: Have on the Superannuated list: Elder Clara M. Cook, Rev. Nanie D. Irwin, Sister Elizabeth Canedy, Cutler, Ohio, Sister Grace Jones, Greenville, Ohio, Sister Edith Cottman, Hillsboro, Ohio Sister Della Luttrell, Adamsville, Tenn.

They all seem very grateful for the kind remembrances of the Conference and send a thank you and a God bless you for remembering. Brought forward from last year - \$145.14 Received from Missionary Treasury \$27.00 (Sept 6, 1957) Received from Rev. Pauley \$40.00 makes a total of \$212.14.

Disbursements: Paid to Sister Cook in Sept \$25.00 To Sister Cottman Sister Erwin, Sister Canedy, Sister Jones and Sister Luttrell \$20.00 each making a total of \$125.00 plus postage \$.30 total \$125.30 in Sept. Dec 58 paid each \$5.00 each. Total paid in Dec. including postage \$30.21 total paid out \$155.51 Balance in treasury \$56.63. Received from Convention in June \$34.00, making a total of \$90.63 in treasury to date.

Respectfully submitted,
Gertrude Harris
Superannuated Treasurer

REPORT NO. 19 ITINERARY AND ORDERS

Rev. Harris described character and purpose of the committee of Itinerary and Orders. Sister Mary Howell expressed desire to attend Marion College although finding it necessary to transfer to God's Bible School this year. It was necessary to call Sister Howell before committee of her transferring to God's Bible School. Rev. Sanders asked the question - would committee give Rev. Cassidy power to grade papers of Rev. Sanders Jr. necessary in his course of study to become an ordained minister. Motion was made and carried. Rev. Cassidy graded his papers. Rev. Harris suggested Rev. Saunders Jr send his degrees to the conference. Sister Elva Johnson, Deaconess in her efforts to become a Deaconess was questioned, concerning books read in line with course of study. She has read required books and will be given her first year examination next May.

Eugene Ramsey

J. W. Wilson

C. A. Pauley A. M. Gilmer

Orville Gertrude Harris

Davis

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY MINUTES

Dayton, Ohio
29 August 1958

The Thirty-Eighth session of the Women's Missionary Society of the South Ohio Conference convened on above date and place with the President, Mrs. Edith Cottman in the chair. Devotions by Mrs. Edith Cottman and Miss Mary Howell.

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Song; "Ready", Scripture St. John 14: 1-13 verse,- Miss Mary Howell. Remarks by Mrs. Edith Cottman. A praise service through testimonies were given. How wonderful is Christ and we should be "Laborers together with God." Altar call to prayer with Rev. Ralph Tate, leading.

BUSINESS 1:30 PM. Reading of minutes of last sessions read and adopted. Roll call of officers. Appointment of committees by the President and Vice President. Credentials and Membership: Irma Goens Zorah Cumberland. Rules and Orders: Louella Campbell, Helen Wilson. Courtesy: Rev. Anna Gilmer, Elva Johnson. Auditing: Stella Norris, Helen McCowan. Finance and Claims: Rev. Rita Lee, Norma Curtis. Thanks: Frances Tate, Alice Spriggs. Memorials: Rev. Anna Gilmer, Helen Wilson. Introduction of visitors by courtesy committee. Report of membership and credentials read and adopted with the following delegates.

Marietta Gladys Singer Dayton, Corrinne Sherrel. Hillsboro: Zorah Cumberland; Helen McCowan. Zanesville: Thelma Adams. Parkersburg: Laura Reynolds. Registration: Fees from delegates \$6.00. Report on rules and orders read and adopted. Report on auditing read and adopted. Report on Thanks read and adopted. Conference Membership roll all paid \$1.00. Rev. Gertrude Harris, Florence Clark, Rev. Anna Gilmer, Theresa Clark, Rev. C. M. Cooke, and Irma Goens Total \$6.00. Prayer partner secretary's report read and adopted. Treasurer's report read and adopted. Reading of Statistical reports from Hillsboro, Marietta, Dayton, Zanesville, and Parkersburg, W. Virginia read and adopted. Y. M. W. B. money turned in: \$19.00. Solo: Nellie Robinson, Remarks by Ophther Anderson. Benediction Rev. Lee.

The meeting was adjourned. 7:30 PM.
Devotions led by Elva Johnson and Orville Davis. Song: Since Jesus Came into My Heart. Prayer: Corrine Sherrell. Scripture: Orville Davis, St. John 14:23,31. Song: Is My Name Written There. Solo: Eunice Williams, Selections by the Choir. Sermon by the Connectional Representative, Rev. Virgil A. Mitchell. Scripture: Acts 16: 1, 5 - Acts 9: 31. Subject: Multiplying the Church. Thoughts from Sermon: By producing a spiritual growth in the church it will be able to multiply. If the church does not go deeper it can not go farther. Too many have a religion that makes them happy but not holy. We should assist and pray, not arrest and prey; show and give the fruit of the spirit, not persecute; build up, not tear down, and love, not criticize. When we meet the Christ of Calvary as Paul did, what a difference it makes. Not only in the outlook but also the uplook. It will make a big difference if we pull in the anchor,- Set our sails and fight the good fight of faith. Are we working for the crown of righteousness or for the applause of men? Let us get a good vision of the Old Rugged Cross. We also need to recognize the need of saving our children.
Rev. Mitchell spoke of a man who remarked: I don't practice but I preach. Let's go a little farther and say. We should practice what we preach if it concerns the salvation of souls. He also spoke of respecting church authority. If we go together work, together, love and suffer together, then we can serve Christ better. So let us watch our lives, labor and take up the great challenge that souls will be added to the church. Let us get a vision

of sin and have courage enough to ignore it. His message was very timely, and right to the point. Offering: \$31.00 Love offering to Mary Howell from Dayton WMS \$100.00. Announcements. Benediction: Rev. V. Mitchell. SATURDAY: Devotions by Rev. Anna Gilmer. Song: Ready. Prayer by Mary Howell. Scripture: Matthew 28, by Gertrude Holbert. Song: Send the Light. Reading of minutes of last session read and adopted. Roll call of officers and delegates. Song: Pass Me Not. Report of Magazine Solicitor read and adopted. Report of Financial Secretary read and adopted. Moved and adopted that W. M. take Mary Howell as their project for 1958-1959 to assist in her studies for the Ministry. Moved \$100.00 from each society to be send in quarterly payments. Report on Finance and Claims read and adopted. All membership dues and kitchen money to be sent to Conference with the delegates. Kitchen money set at \$5.00. Rev. Anna Gilmer and Rev. Gertrude Harris gave us talks on the discussion "Principles set Forth in the New Testament concerning Missions." May we accept the principles of the missions set before us.

OFFICERS

Election of Officers:

President-Edith Cottman 416 E. Walnut Street
Hillsboro, Ohio
Vice President-Volorus Chandler 864 Jackson St
Zanesville, Ohio
Secretary-Gertrude Holbert 1440 Walnut St
Zanesville, Ohio
Assistant Secretary-Mary Howell God's Bible
College, 1018 Young St. Cincinnati, Ohio
Prayer Partner Secretary-Elva Johnson
2020 Lakeview Avenue Dayton 8, Ohio

OFFICERS (Continued)

Y.M.W.B. Supt. Helen McCowan 183 Trenton
Street Hillsboro, Ohio
Treasurer-Gladys Singer P. O. Box 265,
Marietta, Ohio
Magazine Solicitor-Norma Curtis 17 State
Street Zanesville, Ohio
Program Committee- Presidents, Secretaries
and one from Hostess Church.
Delegates to General Conference-Houghton,
New York: Edith Cottman, Norma Curtis,
Alternate - Volorus Chandler.

Voted out \$2.00 to send cards of cheer.
Membership dues sent in by Hillsboro--\$7.00.

REPORTS

REPORT NO. 1 - Finance and Claims

We your committee on Finance and
Claims sincerely beg leave to submit the
following report:

Amount taken in this convention: \$455.00

Amount earmarked: 309.15

Missionary Conf. Expense:

Pres. Edith Cottman 25.00

V. Pres. Volorus Chandler 5.00

Secy. Gertrude Holbert 20.00

Assist. Secy. Mary Howell 5.00

Rita Lee for Printing Programs 1.50

Total Amount \$ 56.50

Kitchen Dayton 20.00

Hillsboro 5.00

Zanesville 5.00

Respectfully submitted,
Rita E. H. Lee, Norma Curtis

REPORT NO. 2 AUDITING

We, your committee on auditing beg to submit the following report:

We have examined the financial record of the WMS of the S. O. Conference in account with Citizens National Bank, Marietta, Ohio. We find the record in the best of form and accuracy.

Respectfully submitted,
Stella Norris, Helen McCowan

REPORT NO. 3 PRAYER PARTNER SECRETARY

My work as prayer partner this year has been of a personal visitation to homes of shut-ins, sick, and afflicted in hospitals. Wherever, whenever it was possible. Since I am unacquainted with the procedures of a prayer partners duties at large, I feel I have not fulfilled same as the conference expects. However, no week has passed this year without my having had prayer with others, The Lord has blessed mightily - All praise to His holy Name.

Yours in Christ,
Elva Johnson

REPORT NO. 4 CREDENTIALS AND MEMBERSHIPS

We your committee on Credentials and Membership beg leave to submit the following report: The following delegates' credentials given to us: Parkersburg, W. Va Laura Reynolds Zanesville, Ohio, Thelma Adams, Marietta, Ohio; Gladys Singer, Dayton, Ohio; Corrinne Sherrell, Hillsboro, Ohio; Helen McCowan and Zora Cumberland. No. of Delegates - 6. Registration fee - \$6.00.

Respectfully submitted
Irma Goens, Zora Cumberland

REPORT NO. 5 Rules and Orders

We, your committee on rules and order submit the following report: We recommend the same rules and orders for our missionary as previously given by conference bar. First five rows of seats across the church. Breakfast 8:00 Deotion 8:45 Business 9:00 Adjournment 12:00 Noon Re-Assemble 1:30 PM Evening Services 7:30.

Respectfully submitted
Helen Wilson, Louella Campbell

REPORT NO. 6 FINANCIAL SECRETARY

As Financial Secretary I leg to submit the following report:

Registration Fees	6.00
Public Offering	31.00
Conference Members Dues	13.00
Hillsboro (Specified)	31.00
Dayton .. M. Society	110.00
Kitchen Money	30.00
Money sent to Secretary	234.00
Total	<u>\$455.00</u>

Carefully submitted
Norma Curtis

REPORT NO. 7 - MEMORIALS

We your committee on memorials submit the following report. Whereas the Lord has seen fit to remove from our midst the following persons, we bow in humble submission to our Heavenly Father's will.

Cutler, Lucy Beltman; Bartlett, Minnie Hill; Zanesville, Anna Mayle; Hillsboro, George Williams, Raymond Williams, Anna Butler, Bertie Goens, and Mose Washington; Marietta, Ohio Elizabeth Jackson; Purdy, Tenn. Florence Luttrell, Bell Hurst and Martha Nell Sain.

Dayton, Ohio, William Hurley, Georgia Chenault,
Robert McGregor and Robert Parrott.

Program:

Solo Alice Spriggs

Prayer Frances Tate

Scripture Elva Johnson

Song: Just When I need Him Most

Euology: Rev. Eugene Ramsey and Rev. H.
Saunders.

Committee: Rev. Anna Gilmer
Helen Wilson

REPORT NO. 8 THANKS

We your committee on Thanks, wish to submit the following report of Thanks to everyone concerned. We are so thankful and blessed for this wonderful service and the presence of being in the house of the Lord and finding His presence here. Also to all who have so graciously opened their homes and the lovely way we have been served. Also the Jr. Department for the music rendered, and the Dayton Choir and all who served on the program. The kitchen for the food, service, cold water, hot meals and their efficient service. Also the helpers. We wish to thank those who served as pianists. Thanks and appreciation to Sister May Howell.

God commandeth His love toward us; in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. If God be for us, who can be against us? Romans 5:8 and 8:31.

Alice Spriggs
Frances Tate

STATISTICAL REPORTReceipts

Total from W. M. S.	\$268.65
Total from Churches	316.85
Interest	2.50
Total Receipts for Year	<u>\$588.00</u>
Old Balance from Last year	275.17
Grand Total	<u>\$863.17</u>

Disbursements

Home Missions	21.00
Jewish (Nate Scharff)	10.00
Card Calls	30.00
Hepzibah	11.00
Foreign Missions	68.15
Education (Marion)	10.00
Medical Student	14.00
Administrative Fund	9.00
Other Objects	297.38
Total Disbursements	<u>\$470.53</u>
New Balance on hand	392.64
Grand Total	<u>\$863.17</u>

Number of Societies 5
 Total Membership 67 Active 61 Honorary 6
 Number of Wesleyan Missionary Taken 28
 Total Receipts for year \$588.00
 Balance on Hand \$392.64

FINANCIAL REPORTS OF CHURCHES

Dayton, Ohio	Mary Howell	110.00
	Card Call	5.00
	Jewish Work (Nate Scharff)	10.00
Kitchen	20.00 Foreign Missions	25.00
	Medical Student	3.00
	Hepzibah	6.00
	Education	5.00
	Membership Dues	16.00
	Administrative Fund	4.00
	Superannuated fund	25.00

Zanesville, Ohio	Home Missions	10.00
	Foreign Missions	26.00
Card Call	30.00 Medical Student	3.00
	Hepzibah	5.00
	Mary Howell	10.00
	Membership Dues	21.00
	Administrative Fund	5.00
	Superannuated Fund	5.00
	Kitchen	5.00
Parkersburg, W. Va.	Home Missions	3.00
	Education (Marion)	5.00
	Membership Dues	14.00
Marietta, Ohio	Card Call	3.00
	Foreign	5.00
	Medical Student	5.00
	Conference WMS	
	Working Fund	15.00
Hillsboro, Ohio	Home Mission	5.00
	Green Case	1.00
	Foreign	12.15
S. O. Conf.	10.00 Mary Howell	5.00
	Membership Dues	3.00
	Conference Dues	6.00
	Kitchen	5.00
Conference W. M.	Roll	6.00
Friday Evening	Offering	31.00

WESLEYAN YOUTH MINUTES

May 3, 1958
Parkersburg, W. Virginia

Song Services - 8:40 AM; Opening songs: My Faith Looks Up to Thee, and Trust and Obey, and What a Friend. Led by Susie Dickerson.

The Sixtieth Annual Session of the Wesleyan Youth of the South Ohio Conference met at Parkersburg, West Virginia, May 3 & 4. Opening Song "Jesus Saves", Scripture Luke 2: read by Sister Harris. Song, Fairest Lord Jesus. Sentence prayers were closed by Rev. Ramsey. Song, Oh how I love Jesus.

Business: Reading of the minutes of the 1957 session minutes were approved. Committees were appointed. A motion was made that the President has the power to elect the committees: Credentials and Memberships, Sister Clark, Brenda Thomas, Miss Curtis. Rules and Orders, Sister Mary Harris, June Coatney, Susie Dickenson, Iris Jamison, Guy Smith. Courtesy, Patty Spriggs, Yvonne Ramsey, Dale Dent, Sister Gilmer, Tom Parson, Roger Smith and Sharon Tate. Thanks Catherine Tate, Sister Chandler, Barbara Stevens, Patty Lensey. Religious Service, Violet Stevens, Mary Carves, and Sister Harris. Moral Reform, Rev. Ramsey, Robert Smith, Mitchell Smith, Phil Smith, John Tate. Finance and Claims Rev. Pauley, Ellen Smith, Leonard Carves, Mary Tate. Auditing, Bertha Veney, Sue Johnson, Dorsey Oldham, Sherrie Smith. Report on Credentials and Membership read by Brenda Thomas. It was received as a partial report. Report on Rules and Orders read by Susie Dickenson. It was adopted.

The President called for old business. There was none. Report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Holbert. The report was adopted. The balance in the treasury is \$377.12. Remarks from the Conference President, Rev. Eugene Ramsey. Greetings from Rev. Ramsey was accepted. Oral report by sister Harris. It was received. The President said the yearly dues of \$1.50 per active member is due in December. As soon as the dues are collected, they should be sent in to the treasure. Sister Holbert. The age of the active members is from 13 to 40. Song, Whisper a Prayer. Recess - 10:40-11:50.

11:50-AM:

Song, Count your Blessings. Report from Courtesy Committee read by Yvonne Ramsey which was received. Report from the Auditing Committee the Moral Reform and Statistical Reports from Cutler Ohio read and adopted. Reports from Committee on Thanks and Finance and Claims was accepted as a partial report. Statistical report from Dayton was read and adopted. Statistical report from Hillsboro, Ohio read and adopted with the necessary explanation. Statistical report from Bartlett, Ohio was read and adopted. Statistical Report from Zanesville, Ohio was read and adopted.

Roll Call. Officers and ministers registration. Dismissed for lunch by Sister Tate.

1:15 PM. Devotions by Dayton Delegates. Songs: Have Thine Own Way. Prayer by Sister Tate. Song, My Faith Looks up to Thee. Scripture - Genesis 2 read by June Coatney. Cedar Ridge sent in an offering of \$4.50 because they were unable to send delegates. Roll Call. Minutes of morning session. Minutes approved as read. A motion was made and seconded that we give Miss Huguely an offering of \$5.00 for printing the programs. The President called for new business. Rev. Tate asked the President to explain to the Bartlett youth the payment of dues. She explained

that there are three dues to pay: General dues are \$1.50 yearly which should be paid in the fall. Local dues are to be paid monthly by all those on the roll at home. Convention Dues (.25) are paid by all the members in April just preceding convention. The Youth Week money should be sent to National Headquarters. Sister Holbert asked that checks be made out to her so she could cash them and make out a money order and send a lump sum into Headquarters.

The President said we had to pay yearly area dues of \$.10 a member. Statistical report from Parkersburg read and adopted with necessary corrections. The Secretary and Assistant Secretary were appointed as Mistresses of Ceremony. The President asked if the convention would be in favor of giving Rev. Ramsey a wedding gift. It was moved and seconded that the convention give him \$50.00. It was also moved and seconded that we give Mary Howell a love offering of \$25.00. Songs from the Bethel Choir - Since Jesus Came into my Heart. Mansion over the Hilltop. Remarks from Sister Mayle. Discussion on the book of Genesis. Dayton, The Creation and the Creator. Hillsboro, Adam. Zanesville, report on Abraham. Bartlett, report on Isaac and one report on Bethel. Report from Courtesy Committee. They introduced Mrs. Anderson, Adult Counselor in West Tennessee to the Convention. Cutler, report on Joseph. Barnett Ridge on "lot". Rev. Ramsey expressed his Thanks to the Convention for the Wedding Gift. Dismissed at 4:30 PM by Rev. Ramsey.

7:25 PM Opening Song, Praise Him! Praise Him! Prayer by Rev. Tate. Song, what a Friend. Roll Call. Statistical report from West Tennessee read by Miss Ophtha Anderson, District Supervisor of West Tenn. work.

The report was adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Secretary - Catherine Tates

Assistant Secretary - Jackie Willis

Treasurer - Gertrude Holbert

Program Committee - Ellen Smith - Rose Alice

Leverage - Bertha Veney.

The session was closed to meet in Zanesville, Ohio 1959 the Lord willing.

8:00 PM Evening Program. Cathy Tate and Jackie Willis, Mistresses of Ceremony. Opening Song, Wonderful Words of Life. Prayer by Sister Mary Harris. Scripture by Cathy Tate. Song from the Everyreadys. Report on Adam from Hillsboro. Duet by June Coatney and Patricia Lindsey. Songs from the Bethel Choir, and Frederick Curtis. Report on Ishmall from Marietta, read by June Coatney. Duet by Patty and Priscilla Spriggs. Selection from the Parkersburg Youth Choir. Selections from Bethel Choir. Report on Religious Services read and adopted. Report on Finance and Claims read and adopted. Offering and song from Bethel Choir, Kneel at the Cross - Offering - \$25.52. Song from Bethel Choir "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart. Remarks from Rev. Gilmer. He said he thinks we should have meetings like this more than once a year. That we should get together for spiritual purposes. Remarks from Rev. Tate. Dismissed by Rev. Pauley - 9:25 PM.

9:35 AM Sunday, May 4, 1958: Services were opened by Singing - "Bring Them In". Prayer by Rev. Pauley and the Lord's Prayer in unison. Song, Wonderful words of Life. Subject of the lesson: The Temple Completed and Dedicated. Memory verse: I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of the Lord. Psalm 122: 1.

Primary Class - Total Present - 6

Junior Class Total Present - 2

Senior Class - Total Present - 22

Adult Class - Total Present - 14

Teachers Total present - 4

Special prayer for those on the prayer list. Sunday School dismissed at 11:00 AM.

11:10 AM. Opening Song, Showers of Blessings. Scripture Psalm 98. Song, I must

tell Jesus. Prayer led by Sister Gilmer.

Remarks from Sister Gilmer. Song, He

Leadeth Me. Responsive Reading, Spiritual

Treasure, led by Rev. Tate. Prayer, by

Rev. Pauley. Song, Faith of our Fathers.

Scripture read by Rev. Gilmer. Song,

Give me Thy heart. Morning service was

based on Hebrew 8:13. Doors of the church

were opened. Song, Trust and Obey.

Offering - \$11.30. Kitchen Offering -

\$3.30. Dismissed 1:00 PM.

2:05 PM. Opening Song, Must Jesus Bear the

Cross Alone? Song, Since Jesus came into

my Heart. Song, what a Friend. The song

service was led by Sister Anderson, from

Tenn. Scripture by Sister Harris, Hebrew

12:1-11. Prayer Rev. Gilmer. Song, when

the Roll is Called up Yonder. Afternoon

sermon by Rev. Tate. Subject, Right

Method Hehemiah 1:4. Prayer at the Altar

led by Sister, Lee. Song, Count your

Blessings. Report from Committee on Thanks,

read by Catherine Tates. Offering \$41.42.

Song, In the Garden. Announcements. Re-

port from the secretary of the conference

Aid. Remarks from Sister Harris. Dis-

missed to meet in Zanesville next year,

Lord Willing. Dismissed at 3:55 PM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Credential and Membership:

We, the committee on Credentials and Membership submit the following report: Registering from: Dayton, Ohio June Coatney & Patricia

Lindsay

Hillsboro, Ohio-Jackie Willis, Brenda Williams and Dale Dent.

Bartlett, Ohio-Mary Tate Barbara Stevens Ellen Smith and Robert Smith

Zanesville, Ohio-Bertha Venoy and Sandra Curtis

Cutler, Ohio Susie Dickerson Catherine Tate

Parkersburg Joyce Mayle & Patricia Spriggs

Respectfully submitted
Sister Clark Brenda Thomas
Miss Curtis

FINANCE AND CLAIMS:

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>DUES</u>	<u>SPECIAL OFFERING</u>
Cutler	8.25	...
Dayton	13.00	2.62
Hillsboro		7.50
Bethel	10.80	5.00
Zanesville	9.50	2.90
Cedar Ridge		4.50
Parkersburg	2.00	

Registration	\$18.00
Officers Fees	10.00
Total	92.07

Paid Out:

For Services		<u>36.05</u>
President	10.00	
Postage	5.00	
Fare	6.05	
Secretary	5.00	
Ass't Secretary	5.00	
Programs	<u>5.00</u>	

Balance \$56.02

Finance and Claims report submitted by:

Rev. Pauley
Ellen Smith
Leonard Corsea
Mary Tate

MORAL REFORMS:

We your committee on Moral Reforms wish to submit the following correction in our present day society. Through our churches and other responsible social groups let us take a firm stand against alcoholic beverages, the use of narcotics, supporting any amusements which is associated with gambling, the use of profanity, the reading of obscene literature, the wearing of apparel which does not properly cloth the person and that all labor more fervently toward the up-building of the church and its various auxiliaries.

Respectfully submitted:
Rev. Eugene Ramsey Philip Smith
Junior Tate Mitchell Smith
Robert Smith

RELIGIOUS SERVICE

We your committee on Religious Service submit the following report: Sunday School - 9:30 A.M. Preaching 10:45. Sister Rita Lee in the morning service at 10:45. Rev. Ralph Tate afternoon service 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Rev. A. M. Gilmer Miss Mary Harris
Miss Mary Carnes Miss Violet Stevens

AUDITING:

We your committee on Auditing have examined the treasurer's book and find it to be in order - correct \$377.12.

Respectfully submitted:
Mrs. Oldham, Bertha Viney, Sue Johnson
Sherrie Smith

RULES AND ORDER:

The committee on Rules and Order submit the following report: We recommend that the Convention open at 8:40 AM--adjourn for lunch at 12:15. Open for afternoon sessions at 1:15 and adjourn at 4:30. Evening Services open at 7:30 PM. We recommend that the first six rows of seats across the church constitute the conference bar.

Respectfully submitted

June Coatney Mary Harris

Susie Dickerson Guy Smith Jr.

Iris Jameson

COURTESY COMMITTEE:

Visitors introduced to the Convention:

Francis Tate, Catherine Ramsey, Margaret M. Potts, Stella Norris, Olga Croston, Monzellma Dalton, Clarence Croston, Edward W. Harris, Helen Harris, Janie Dickson.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Spriggs, Yvonne Ramsey

Dale Dent, Mrs. Gilmer, Sharon Tate

Roger Smith Tom Parsons.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

As Treasurer of the W. Y. Convention I submit the following report:

Deposit, May 6, 1957	\$ 37.90
Deposit, June 20, 1957	7.50
Interest Received	<u>9.77</u>
Total Money & Interest	\$ 55.17
Balance Carried from last year	<u>359.65</u>

\$ 414.82

Received from Youth Weeks Offerings	103.62
General Dues	<u>43.50</u>

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DISBURSEMENTS:

Rev. Robert McIntyre -

Youth Week and General Dues \$147.12

Robert Fuhl - Area Youth Dues 6.70

Orvell Davis Expenses to Convention 30.00

Money Orders and Postage 1.00

Balance in Treasury \$377.12

Kindly submitted,
Gertrude HolbertROLLBARTLETT, OHIO:

Sue Johnson	Yvonne Ramsey	Mary Tate
Sherry Smith	Rachel Carnes	Guy Smith
Sharon Tate	Wanda Smith	Paul Tate
Judy Smith	Mary Carnes	Dwight Tate
Iris Jamison	Sherril Monesty	Mike Tate
John Tate Jr.	Larry Johnson	
Mitchell Smith	Bob Smith	
Leonard Carnes	Philip Smith	
Denzil Ramsey	Harry Thompson	
Malcolm Goins	Donna Hill	
Barbara Stevens	Ellen Smith	
Violet Stevens	Evelyn Robinson	
Bonnie Croston	Harmon Kennedy	
Billy Croston	Richard Piers	
Constance Smith	Roger Smith	

HONORARY MEMBERS:

Catherine Ramsey	Stella Norris	Rose Mayle
Ethel Croston	Max Croston	May Harris
Clarence Croston	Kenny Tate	Olga Croston
Rowena Tate	Eletha Croston	

TOTAL \$10.80

CUTLER, OHIO

Gertrude Harris	Elmer Harris	Fearl Tate
Virginia Norris	Donald Tate	Francis Tate
Helen Harris	Juanita Dickenson	
Susie Dickenson	Janie Dickenson	
Catherine Tate	Judy Tate	Kaye Cummings
Rita Tate	Tom Parsons	Gary Harris
Elizabeth Harris	Mattie Parsons	
Roy Parsons Sr.	Jenny Parsons	Jim Tate
Eleanor Croston	Melvin Minerda	
Esther Minerda	Hazel Singer	
Bruce Dickenson	Helen Bailey	Luc Mayle
Patty Bailey	Nathaniel Bailey	
Lydia Mayle	Henry Dickenson	
Myrtle Dickenson		
25¢ each - \$3.25		

HILLSBORO, OHIO:

Juanita Trimble	Jackie Willis
Dale Dent	Richard Dent
Rita E. H. Lee	Helen McCowan

PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA:

Lois Jones	Priss Spriggs
Pat Spriggs	Mrs. M. Spriggs
Mr. Queen	Mr. Reynolds
Shirley Mayle	Joyce Mayle
Total paid - \$2.00	

ZANESVILLE, OHIO:

Mrs. Thelma Adams	Mrs. George Adams
Mrs. Lucy Curles	Mrs. Norma Curtis
Mr. Lewis Tabler	Ruth Tabler
Mr. Odibert Mayle	Mrs. Gertrude Holbert
Harold Holbert	Edward Holbert
Rachel Holbert	Mrs. Cora Williams
Mr. Henry Williams	Mrs. Ruby Curtis
Sandra Curtis	David Curtis
Harleef Curtis Jr.	Jo Ellen Tabler
Mrs. Della Churchill	Loretha Chandler
Yvonne Chandler	Gayland Chandler
Gary Chandler	Jean Chandler
Karon Simpson	Martha Simpson

Connie Simpson
Hazel Craig
Larry Craig
Mary King
Carol Viney
Martha Simpson
Total paid \$8.75

Stanley Simpson
Ronald Craig
Thomas King
Mrs. Ida Allen
Karen Simpson
Rev. Ramsey

DAYTON, OHIO:

Samuel Coatney
Roscoe Coatney
June Coatney
Herbert Gates Jr.
Shirley Robinson
Carmen Oliver
Leroy Logan
Lucille Morrow
Donna Shoecraft
Gloria Shoecraft
Shirley Green
Rev. C. A. Pauley
Romania Palmer
Rosa Dugger
Mary Harris
Jessie Lester
Helen Wilson
Corrine Sherrill
Mose Chambers
Lucille Wilson
Ruth Wilson
Elva Johnson
Helena Wilson
Lillian Wilson
Rosetta Conway
Florence Clark
Total -

Paul Coatney
Florence Coatney
Joyce Gates
Herbert Gates, Sr.
Mary Stevens
Patricia Lindsey
Ruth Miller
George Pauley
William Shoecraft
Jerome Wilson, Jr.
Jimmy Green
Josephine Polk
Minnie Brent
Rev. Wm. Dugger
Nettie Henry
Lelia Logan
Rev. J. W. Wilson
Beulah Chambers
Flora Whiteside
Fannie White
Magnolia Craible
Robert Johnson
Judy Wilson
Madessa Conway
Theresa Clark

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ANNUAL W. YOUTH STATISTICAL REPORT

CUTLER, OHIO:

Active Members	7	General Dues	\$10.50
Assoc. Members	12	Church Extension	24.00
Wesleyan Youth	7	Local Work	2.00
Conference Dues	8.25	Evangelistic Help	50.00
Journals	6.00	Total Receipts	
		plus Balance	102.75

DAYTON, OHIO:

Active Members	12	Conference Dues	\$13.00
Assoc. Members	37	General Dues	---
Wesleyan Youth	18	Home Missions	2.62
Rating	A	Total Receipts	
		plus Balance	\$249.35

HILLSBORO, OHIO:

Active Members	6	Church Extension	15.00
Wesleyan Youth	5	Local work	---
Rating	C	Other Items	46.49
Conference Dues	\$7.50	Journals	7.50
General Dues	\$9.00	Total Receipts	
		plus Balance	\$88.27

LONG, OHIO:

Active Members	7	Conference Dues	4.25
Wesleyan Youth	1	Total Receipts	
		plus Balance	\$32.01

PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA:

Active Members	6	General Dues	6.00
Assoc. Members	11	Church Extension	5.00
Wesleyan Youth	6	Other Items	7.00
Conference Dues	2.00	Total Receipts	
		Plus balance	\$32.65

BARTLETT, OHIO:

Active Members	35	Conference Dues	\$10.80
Assoc. Members	11	Local Work	5.00
Total Receipts		plus balance	\$51.00

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ZANESVILLE, OHIO:

Active Members	21	Local Work	3.26
Assoc. Members	17	Other Items	2.90
Wesleyan Youth	5	Evangelistic	
Conference Dues	\$9.50	Help	42.00
Church Extension	\$8.17		
Total Receipts plus balance			\$65.83

PLEASANT HILL: No Report

Bethel Springs, Tenn: No Report.

Statistical Report for Conference Year
Ending August 15, 1958

- . Elders on Conference Roll 10
Elders on stationed list 7
- Elder J. W. Wilson
1634 Germantown Street, Dayton, Ohio
- Elder A. M. Gilmer
713 $\frac{1}{2}$ Second Street, Marietta, Ohio
- Elder Ralph Tate
932 Keen Street, Zanesville, Ohio
- Elder Rita E. H. Lee
Home Address 35 South Alder St. Dayton 17
Parsonage at Hillsboro, Ohio 235 N. East
and E. North Streets
- Elder Eugene Ramsey.
Wesleyan Methodist Parsonage - State Street
Zanesville, Ohio
- Elder H. H. Sanders, Massieville, W. Tenn.
- Elder Gertrude Harris
901 Clement Avenue Dayton 8, Ohio
- . Annual Conference Preachers on stationed
list 4
- Rev. Anna M. Gilmer
713 $\frac{1}{2}$ Second Street Parsonage, Marietta, O.
- Rev. Herschel F. Williams with the
assistance of his wife Eunice E. Williams
operates the first Alders Street Chapel
in our home. 35 South Alder St. Dayton 17,
Ohio. Work was set up by S. S. Secretary
Rita E. H. Lee.
- Rev. J. C. Cassady Pleasant Hill, W. Tenn.
- Rev. H. H. Sanders Jr. Purdy Church
West Tennessee.

4. Elders on the Reserve List None
5. Elders on the Unstationed List 2
 Elder William P. Dugger
 121 S. Summit Street Dayton 7, Ohio
 Elder Clarence A. Pauley
 255 Henry Street Dayton 3, Ohio
6. Elders on the Superannuated List 1
 Elder Clara M. Cooke
 1007 E. Broadway Kokomo, Indiana
7. Deposed Elders this year None
8. Elders withdrawn this year None
9. Joined the conference this year none
10. Elders who have died during year None
11. Conference Preachers who have
 died this year None
12. Statistics reported from churches
 as follows:

PASTOR'S LABORS ITEM I

Time employed (months)	131 months
Appointments	10
Organized Church appointments	12

PERIODICALS ITEM II

Wesleyan Methodists taken	40
Wesleyan Missionary taken	15
Wesleyan Youths taken	38
Wesleyan Lesson Helps taken:	
Sunday School Banner	20
Junior Class Paper	0
Children's Friend	5
Adult Teachers' quarterly	
68 and 3 Evan. Commentaries	
Intermediate Teacher's quarterly	0
Junior Primary Teacher's quarterly	5
Senior Scholar's quarterly	236
Intermediate Scholar's quarterly	57
Junior Scholar's quarterly	224
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Primary quarterly 130 Pict O Art	12
Home Department quarterly	23
Lesson Leaflet	10
Other Helps Taken:	
Little Friends of Jesus	64
Beginner & Jr. Teachers Guide	15

MEMBERSHIP ITEM III

Full membership reported last year	432
Full members received this year	27
Expelled	0
Discontinued	45
Died	15
Granted Letters	1
Total Membership Lost	61
Present Full Membership	322
Associate Members	20
Junior Members	19
Total Present Membership	361
Total Membership reported last year	453
Gain in Membership for year	None
Loss in Membership for year	92
Baptized	24
Infants Dedicated Christened	3
Local Preachers	3
Unstationed Elders	2
Number of Family Altars	55
Membership Tithing	63
Number of Card Call Subscribers	8

SUNDAY SCHOOLS ITEM IV

Number of Sunday Schools	12
Whole Number of Officers & Teachers	116
Whole Number of Scholars in Main School	522
Total Number in Main School	635
Number in Home Department	16
Number on Cradle Roll	76
Total Number in Sunday School	717
Average Attendance	368
Number of Scholars Converted	19

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Number of Scholars Joining Church	16
Number of Departmental Supt.	8
Number in Teachers Training Course	11
Number of Organized Classes	14
Number of Books in Library	135
Enrollment in Vacation Bible School	116
Average Attendance Vacation Bible School	100

WESLEYAN YOUTH LOCALS

Number of Locals	9
Total Membership of Locals	144

CHURCH PROPERTY ITEM V

Number of Church Buildings	12
Value of Buildings	\$97,500.00
Amount of Indebtedness	1,000.00
Amount of Insurance	56,900.00
Number of Parsonages	3
Value of Parsonages	10,500.00
Amount of Indebtedness	None
Cash or Other Values on Hand	5,383.52
Amount of Insurance (Parsonages)	5,200.00

DISBURSED FOR PASTOR ITEM VI

Salary	\$9,683.89
Parsonage Rent	240.00
Marriage and Funeral Fees	203.00
Gifts	657.97
Total Pastor's Receipts	\$10,784.86

DISBURSED FOR CHURCH ITEM VII

Other Evangelistic Help	\$ 1,110.93
Sunday School Expense	2,503.65
Building	15.48
Repairs	898.98
Amount Paid on Indebtedness	118.38
Church Incidental Expense	2,435.97
Total for Church	\$7,083.39

DISBURSED FOR BUDGET ITEM VIII

<u>GENERAL BUDGET:</u>	<u>ASSIGNED</u>	<u>RAISED</u>
Foreign Missions		229.60
Home Missions		161.90
Education		286.50
Superannuate Ministers		
We did not join Pension Fund		
Orphanage		36.15
Administrative Budget		72.80
Gen. Con. Travel & Entertainment		40.00
General S. S. Work		82.50
Australia		37.15
Our Conference Missionary		163.00
Total General Budget		\$1,109.60

<u>Conference Budget</u>	<u>Assigned</u>	<u>Raised</u>
President Salary		66.75
Conf. Evangelist's Salary		474.00
Conference Work		354.60
Conference Missions		71.50
Total Conference Budget		966.85
TOTAL BUDGET		\$2,076.45

DISBURSED FOR BENEVOLENCES ITEM IX

W. Y.	182.55
Other Objects	95.71
Daily V. Bible School	69.45
Memorials	127.54
Total for Benevolences	\$ 475.25

DISBURSED TOTALS ITEM X

Total for Pastor	\$10,784.86
Total for Church	7,083.39
Total for Budget	2,076.45
Total for Benevolences	475.25
TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES	\$20,419.95

13. How the work is supplied:--

- (A) Elder J. W. Wilson
First Wesleyan Methodist Church,
Dayton, Ohio
- (B) Elder A. M. Gilmer
Wesleyan Methodist Church
Marietta Ohio and Parkersburg W. Va.
- (C) Elder Ralph Tate
Wesleyan Methodist Church, Bartlett, O.
- (D) Elder Rita E. H. Lee
First Wesleyan Methodist Church
Hillsboro, Ohio
- (E) Elder Eugene Ramsey
State Street Wesleyan Methodist
Church Zanesville, Ohio
- (F) Elder William P. Dugger
Evangelist at large
- (G) Rev. Anna Gilmer, Assistant to husband
Marietta, Ohio and Parkersburg, W. Va.
- (H) Elder Gertrude Harris
Conference Evangelist District No. 1
- (I) Elder Clarence A. Pauley
Conference Evangelist No. 2 Dist.
- (J) Elder Gertrude Harris
Superannuated Treasurer of Love
Offering and Assists with W. Youth
work of Conference
- (K) Elder Rita E. H. Lee S. S. Secretary
and Conference Statistician and
Compiler of General Budget Finances.
- (L) Long - Greenville R. R. #3 In hands
of President
- (M) Barnett Ridge in hands of President
- (N) Rev. Herschel F. Williams
First Alder Street Chapel Dayton, O.
- (O) Elder H. H. Sanders Sr., Pastor
W. L. Thompson Memorial at Bethel
Springs West Tennessee District
- (P) Rev. J. A. Cassady Pleasant Hill
Church West Tennessee District

- (Q) Rev. H. Sanders Jr. Purdy Church
West Tennessee District of South Ohio
Conference
- (R) Sister Irvin Evangelist in West Tenn.
- (S) Sister Orpha Anderson Bible Teacher
and traveler in West Tennessee Dist.

15. Conference Officers:

President Elder Eugene Ramsey
Vice President Elder H. H. Sanders Sr.
Secretary Mrs. Elva Johnson, Dayton, Ohio
& S. Secretary Elder Rita E. H. Lee
Tithing Secretary Mrs. Norma Curtis
Treasurer Elder Clarence A. Pauley

Rita E. H. Lee,
Statistician

REPORT OF GENERAL BUDGET SENT TO
HEADQUARTERS OFFICE & ANNUAL CONFERENCE
MISSIONARY REPORT.

Foreign Missions	\$229.60 plus	\$68.00
Home Missions	161.90 plus	21.00
Education	286.50 plus	10.00
		(Marion College)
Administrative	72.80 plus	9.00
General Conference Travel Expense		40.00
Australia		37.15
Hephzibah	36.15 plus	11.00
Card Calls (Vouchers)		30.00
Medical Student		14.00
General S. S. Work sent to Dr. Rufus Reisdorph	82.50	
	<u>\$946.60 plus</u>	<u>\$163.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL BUDGET	<u>\$1,109.60</u>	

Missionary figures received through kindness of
conference Missionary Statistician Mrs. Gertrude
Holbert of Zanesville, Ohio.

Kindly submitted by Elder Rita E. H. Lee

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