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THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

President—D. O. Dorr, Box 174, Alva, Oklahoma
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 Secretary—Ferd W. Groves, Waukomis, Oklahoma
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DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES

Sunday School Secretary—Glen McMurphy
 Tithing Secretary—Carroll Blomberg
 Educational Secretary—Joe C. Sawyer
 Evangelism Secretary—Marvin E. Jones
 Card Call Secretary—Walter Rowell
 Wesleyan Men's Fellowship—R. S. Hollen
 Temperance Secretary—A. D. Royalty
 Member of local Board of Miltonvale Wesleyan College (1955)
 W. C. Brannon
 Alternate member of Board of Miltonvale Wesleyan College (1955)
 D. O. Dorr
 Child Evangelism Secretary—Mrs. Glen McMurphy

COMMITTEES

Itineracy and Elders Orders—W. C. Brannon (1955), Joe C. Sawyer
 1956, D. O. Dorr (1957), Robert Hughes (1958)
 Campmeeting—W. C. Brannon (elder 1955), E. S. McHendry (layman
 1956) D. O. Dorr (elder 1956), LeVerne Tolle (layman
 1957), Robert Hughes (elder 1958)
 Judiciary—D. O. Dorr (elder), W. C. Brannon (elder), Joe C. Sawyer
 (elder), Glen McMurphy (elder)
 Nominating Committee—D. O. Dorr, chairman ex-officio, W. C.
 Brannon, Marvin E. Jones, Delegate-elect from Backwell
 and Wesleyan Chapel
 Spiritual Life Conference—D. O. Dorr, R. G. Hollen, Marvin E. Jones,
 President-elect of W. M. S., President-elect of W. Y. P. S.
 Publisher and Editor of the Oklahoma Beacon—W. C. Brannon
 Secretary-Treasurer of the Oklahoman Beacon—Robert Hughes

BOARDS

President's Advisory Board—Le Verne Tolle, Glen McMurphy
 Sunday School—Glen McMurphy, Joe C. Sawyer, Robert Hughes
 Missionary—D. O. Dorr, chairman ex-officio; President of W. M. S.,
 President of the W. Y. P. S., W. C. Brannon, Marvin E. Jones,
 Louise Dorr, Crozier Bush
 Superannuate Ministers Plan—Ted Jackson (1955), A. D. Royalty
 (1956), C. M. Yonally (1957)

TRUSTEES

W. C. Brannon (elder, 1955) C. L. Cummings (layman, 1955)
 Glen McMurphy (elder, 1956), A. D. Royalty (elder, 1956),
 E. LeVerne Tolle (layman, 1957)

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 Carroll Blomberg, Ringwood, Oklahoma
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John C. Friske, 1000 E. 6th St., Borger, Texas
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 Abe Schmidt, Ringwood, Oklahoma
 E. L. Smith,
 Mrs. Mable Yonally

DEACONESS

Mrs. Thelma Campbell, Box 3173, Tulsa, Oklahoma

ROLL—ELDERS

	T	W	Th	F	S
E. A. Anderson	1	11	11	1	1
Faye Baker	0	00	00	0	0
J. M. Batman			11	1	0
Paul Batman	0	00	00	0	0
A. B. Bissey	0	00	00	0	0
Carrol Blomberg	1	11	11	1	0
W. C. Brannon	1	11	11	1	1
Erma Brannon	1	11	11	1	1
D. O. Dorr	1	11	11	1	1
R. J. Eling	1	11	11	1	1
R. G. Hollen	1	11	11	1	1
Robert Hughes	1	11	11	1	1
John E. McGraw	0	00	00	0	0
Tom Pinkerton	1	11	11	1	0
Effie Ross	0	00	00	0	0
A. D. Royalty	1	11	11	1	1
Opal Royalty	1	11	11	1	1
Joe C. Sawyer	1	11	11	1	1
H. K. Sheets	0	11	11	1	1
S. M. Yonally	1	11	11	1	0
Glen McMurphy	1	11	11	1	1
Marvin E. Jones	1	11	11	1	1
Leon Jackson	1	11	11	1	1
Walter Rowell	1	11	11	1	1
Floyd Joslin	1	11	11	1	1
Mable Yonally	0	00	00	0	0
John C. Friske	1	11	11	1	1
Abe Schmidt	0	11	11	1	0

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DELEGATES AND CHURCHES

	T	W	Th	F	S
Iva Jane Richey, Alva	1	11	11	1	1
Rafael Marrujo, Alva	1	11	11	1	1
Robert Moore, Blackwell	1	00	00	9	0
Edna Strawn, Borger	1	11	11	1	1
H. L. Snowden, Enid	1	11	11	1	0
C. L. Cummings, Enid	1	11	11	1	1
Mrs. Fred Money, Enid	1	11	10	1	0
Jim Hane, Enid	1	11	11	1	1
Gladys Cowan, Etna	1	11	11	1	0
A. G. Cowan, Etna	1	11	11	1	0
S. L. Taylor, New Hope	1	11	11	1	0
Lulu Wright, New Hope	1	11	11	1	0
Daisy L. Johnson, Ponca City	1	11	11	1	1
Mrs. Leonard Stangeland, Ponca....	1	11	11	1	0
Virginia Frye, San Antonia	1	11	11	1	1
Minnie Maddox, Wseleyan Chapel..	1	11	11	1	0
Crozier Bush, Cedar Grove	0	11	00	0	0
Mrs. Bertha Sackett, Carwile	0	11	11	1	0
Ethel Brenton, Rogers	0	11	11	1	1
R. V. Hudson, Harrison	0	00	00	0	0
Thelma Campbell, Tulsa	0	11	11	1	1
Dwight Little, Cedar Grove (alternate)			11	1	0

STANDING RULES

1. All Trustees of the Oklahoma Conference shall the bounds of the conference.
2. When a pastor provides his own place of residence from the regular parsonage shall be paid to said pastor.
3. The Conference Treasurer shall close his books Tuesday of July and all money received after that time applied on next year's business.
4. The Conference Trustees shall be the Committee on Church and Parsonage Location.
5. The Committee on Religious Services shall consist of the Conference President; W. M. S. President; W. Y. P. S. President and Conference President's Advisory Board.
6. We recommend that the following order of business be observed in our annual conference sessions:
 - Tuesday, 3:00 P. M.—Conference Convenes
 - Tuesday evening—Conference sermon
 - Wednesday—Election of conference officers at 1:30 P. M.
 - Tuesday—Orders of the Day
 - Friday—Reports of Committees
 - Saturday—W. Y. P. S. business session
7. A Nominating Committee be elected composed of three elders, one of which shall be the President of the conference as chairman ex-officio; and the Delegate-elect from two churches designated by the annual conference. This committee shall first examine the credentials of all delegates to the annual Conference. Second, Nominate all sessions committees, not already provided for, and be prepared to report at first meeting of conference.
8. The conference fiscal year shall end the second Sunday of July and all statistical reports shall be based on monies received up to and including that date. Budget funds should then be sent immediately to the Conference Treasurer.
9. Two copies of each written report shall be given to the secretary of the conference. These shall be typewritten and double spaced. Size 8½ by 20.

10. The Conference Treasurer shall be a member of the Finance Board and an honorary member of the conference body with a right to speak but not to vote.

11. The annual conference shall elect a Spiritual Life Conference Committee composed of seven members. This committee shall plan for the coming together of Christian Workers of the Oklahoma Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. This committee includes the president of W. M. S. and president of W. Y. P. S.

Emphasis at this conference shall be given to spiritual quickening, edifying, and fellowship. This committee shall also plan for the coming together of the pastors and their wives, and all interested laymen for a time of prayer and fasting in the interest of the Oklahoma Conference.

12. Conference shall convene annually on the Tuesday following the first Monday of August .

13. In case of a change of pastors the out going pastor shall be paid a salary for the two Sundays of conference and camp.

14. Conference Treasurer and Conference Secretary are to be paid twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) annually for services.

15. That the President's of the W.M.S. and W.Y.P.S. serve as members of the Spiritual Life Committee and the Missionary Board, with five other members.

16. The treasurers of the various conference funds are to bring their account books, receipts, check book, cancelled checks, and the latest bank statement to conference, and place these books in the hands of the Auditing Committee on the first day of the conference session.

17. The conference body recommends that each pastor be given a two weeks vacation, exclusive of the conference session. This vacation is to include two Sundays with pay.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

OPENING—The fifty-first session of the Oklahoma Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America met in annual session in the Enid Wesleyan Methodist Church at 916 East Maine Street on Tuesday, August 3, 1954 at 3 P.M. with Rev. D. O. Dorr, Conference President, in the chair. Song service was led by Rev. Leon Jackson. Rev. Marvin E. Jones led in devotions.

ROLL—Fifteen of twenty-two elders and four of six conference preachers were present to answer roll call.

MOTION—That the first five rows of seats and the platform be the conference bar. Carried.

Glen McMurphy, Carroll Blomberg were elected credentials committee. Following names of delegates were read and by vote were seated together with all who should later present like credentials to this body; Iva Jane Richey, Alva; Rafael Marrijo, Alva; Robert Moore, Blackwell; Edna Strawn, Borger (Texas); H. L. Snowden, Enid; C. L. Cummings, Enid; Mrs. Fred Money, Enid; Jim Hane, Enid; Gladys Cowan, Etna; A. G. Cowan, Etna; A. L. Taylor, New Hope; Lulu Wright, New Hope; Daisy L. Johnson, Jones City; Mrs. Leonard Stangeland, Ponca City; Virginia Frye, San Antonio (Tex.) Minnie Maddox, Wesleyan Chapel.

REPORT—Nominating Committee gave a report which was adopted by vote of the body.

REPORT—Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Marvin E. Jones and Rev. John C. Friske to this Body. These men gave a word of testimony.

MOTION—To seat above men in conference body carried.

REPORT—The Conference President's annual report was by motion received and the financial portion referred to the Auditing Committee.

MOTION—That conference convene at 9 A. M. and 1:30 P. M. daily. It was carried on motion with its support.

MOTION—That recommendation of Alva Church as read by Rev. Yonally be referred to the committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders carried.

Motion to adjourn carried. Benediction, R. G. Hollen.

Wednesday Morning

OPENING—Song led by Walter Rowell. Devotions by Rev. R. G. Hollen.

Roll was called. Minutes were read and adopted on motion.

REPORT—Courtesy committee presented Rev. Abe Schmidt, Bro. W. J. Leyh, and Dr. H. K. Sheets. These men gave words of testimony.

MOTION—That Dr. H. K. Sheets, our Connectional Representative, take the chair to preside during the remainder of the conference session. Motion carried.

REPORT—Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders gave report. Ordination service at 1:30 Friday was approved by vote of the body.

REPORT—Conference treasurer gave report on motion with its support the report was received and referred to the auditing committee.

REPORT—Conference Beacon Secretary gave report. Upon motion it was received and referred to the auditing committee.

REPORT—Committee on Religious Services gave a report. Motion to accept this report was adopted by vote of the conference body.

REPORT—Sunday School Secretary gave report. On motion with its support the report was received and referred to the auditing committee.

REPORT—Campmeeting Treasurer's report was read by Rev. W. C. Brannon. On motion with its support the report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT Superannuate Ministers Pension Plan Treasurer gave a report. On motion with its support the report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

MOTION—To pay the deficit of \$56.11 of the Superannuate Budget out of the Superannuate Fund of the Conference. Motion carried.

REPORT—Missionary Board gave report. On motion with its support was adopted.

REPORT—Educational Secretary gave report; on motion with its support it was adopted.

MOTION—Election of officers (Orders of the Day) be immediately following the opening of the session Wednesday at 1:30 P.M. carried.

MOTION—Conference secretary secure necessary assistance to prepare minutes for publication by the end of conference session carried.

Motion to adjourn carried. Benediction by Marvin E. Jones.

Wednesday Afternoon

OPENING—Song led by Rev. Robert Hughes. Devotions by Rev. R. J. Eling.

Roll was called. Minutes were read and approved.

ORDERS OF THE DAY—Election of officers.

MOTION—That the chair appoint tellers carried. Tellers appointed were Walter Rowell, Jim Hane, Glen McMurphy, Joe Sawyer

By proper parliamentary and disciplinary procedures the elections of conference officials resulted as follows:

Conference President—D. O. Dorr

Vice-President—W. C. Brannon

Secretary—Fred Groves

Treasurer—Raymond A. Tolle

Sunday School Secretary—Glen McMurphy

Tithing Secretary—Carroll Blomberg

Educational Secretary—Joe C. Sawyer

Card Call Secretary—Walter Rowell

Wesleyan Men's Fellowship—R. G. Hollen

Temperance—A. D. Royalty

Child Evangelism Secretary—Mrs. Glen McMurphy

Committees

MOTION—To accept resignation of E. A. Anderson from the Committee of Itineracy and Elders Orders.

Itineracy and Elders Orders—W. C. Brannon (1955), Joe C. Sawyer (1956), D. O. Dorr (1957), *Robert Hughes (1958).

(*elected in 1954)

Campmeeting—W. C. Brannon (elder), 1955; E. S. McHendry (layman), 1956; LeVerne Tolle (layman), 1957; *Robert Hughes (elder), 1958; Joe C. Sawyer (elder), Glen McMurphy (elder).

Judiciary—D. O. Dorr (elder), W. C. Brannon (elder), Joe C. Sawyer (elder), Glenn McMurphy (elder).

Vacancies—W. C. Brannon, Leon Jackson, Marvin E. Jones, Jim Hane, C. L. Cummings.

Nominating—D. O. Dorr, Chairman ex-officio, W. C. Brannon, Marvin E. Jones, Delegates elect from Blackwell and Wesleyan Chapel.

MOTION—Supported that delegate-elect from Blackwell be member of the Nominating Committee carried.

MOTION—Supported that delegate-elect from Wesleyan Chapel be the fifth member of the Nominating Committee carried.

Spiritual Life Conference—D. O. Dorr, R. G. Hollen, Marvin E. Jones, President-elect of W.M.S., Mrs. Opal Royalty, President-elect of W. Y. P. S., (Robert Hughes).

MOTION—That the Presidents of the W.M.S. and W.Y.P.S. be members of the Spiritual Life Conference Committee carried.

Publisher and Editor of the Oklahoma Beacon—W. C. Brannon.

Secretary-Treasurer of the Oklahoma Beacon—Robert Hughes.

Boards

President's Advisory Board—LeVerne Tolle, Glen McMurphy.

Missionary—D. O. Dorr, chairman ex-officio; President of W.M.S. President of the W.Y.P.S., W. C. Brannon, Marvin E. Jones, Louise Dorr, Crozier Bush.

MOTION—That the Missionary Board be increased to seven members carried.

MOTION—That the President's of the W.M.S. and W.Y.P.S. serve as members of the Spiritual Life Committee and Missionary Board and that this be a Standing rule. Carried.

Superannuate Ministers Plan—Ted Jackson, 1955; A. D. Royalty, 1956; *S. M. Yonally, 1957.

Trustees—W. C. Brannon (elder, 1955), C. L. Cummings (layman, 1955), Glen McMurphy (elder, 1956), A. D. Royalty (elder, 1956), *E. LeVerne Tolle (layman, 1957).

MOTION—To adjourn carried. Benediction, John Friske.

Thursday Morning

OPENING—Song led by Marvin E. Jones. Devotion by Glen McMurphy. Prayer by Walter Rowell.

Roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

Motion—To rescind action of body concerning election of the ministerial delegates and lay delegates to General Conference of Wednesday, August 4, carried by unanimous vote of body.

ELECTION—Ministerial Delegate to General Conference (1955)—D. O. Dorr.

Alternate Ministerial Delegate to General Conference (1955)—W. C. Brannon.

Lay Delegate to General Conference (1955)—E. LeVerne Tolle.

Alternate Lay Delegate to General Conference (1955)—H. I. Snowden.

MOTION—That Marvin E. Jones bring the Conference sermon for the 1955 session of the Annual Conference carried.

MOTION—To refer recommendation of the Enid First Church concerning Gerald G. Brannon to the Itineracy and Elders Orders Committee carried.

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MOTION—To refer recommendation of the Enid First Church concerning Carl Jackson to the Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders carried.

MOTION—To refer the recommendation of the Ponca City Church concerning Don Dorr to the Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders carried.

REPORT—Committee on Resolutions gave report. By motion the conference body adopted the report.

REPORT—Committee on Examination of Character gave report. By motion report was accepted.

MOTION—Moved that the Conference Secretary be instructed to communicate with Paul Batman. Motion carried.

REPORT—Child Evangelism Secretary gave report. By motion with its support the report was adopted.

REPORT—Secretary of Men's Fellowship gave report. On motion with its support the report was adopted.

REPORT—Committee on Pastoral Relations gave first reading.

REPORT—Conference Board of Trustees gave report. On motion with its support the report was adopted.

REPORT—Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Martin Cox of Miltonvale Wesleyan College. Brother Cox gave greetings to the Conference.

MOTION—To add in standing rule six the words "at 1:30 P. M. following the words "Wednesday—Election of conference officers" making this portion of standing rule six to read "Wednesday—Election of conference officers at 1:30 P.M. Order of the Day". Motion carried.

MOTION—To adjourn for committee work carried. Benediction, Thelma Campbell.

Thursady Afternoon

OPENING—Song led by Virginia Frye. Devotions by Floyd Joslin. Prayer by R. J. King.

Roll was called. Minutes read and approved.

REPORT—Finance Committee gave report and was adopted on motion with its support.

MOTION—That the Conference minutes be printed by the printers of the Oklahoma Hornet, Waukomis, Oklahoma. Motion carried.

MOTION—Pastor's reports be presented in a summarized form. Motion carried.

The following names called and reports given: E. A. Anderson, Carroll Blomberg, W. C. Brannon, R. G. Hollen, A. D. Royalty, Joe C. Sawyer, D. O. Dorr, M. E. Jones, Glen McMurphy.

MOTION—To adjourn for committee work caried. Benediction by Dwight Little.

Friday Morning

OPENING—Song led by Leon Jackson. Devotion by E. A. Anderson. Prayer by Floyd Joslin.

Roll was called. Minutes were read and approved.

REPORT—Committee on Statistics gave report. On motion with its support this report was adopted as given by the committee.

REPORT—Auditing Committee's report was read and adopted on motion with its support.

REPORT—Committee on Pastoral Relations gave second reading.

REPORT—Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders gave final report. On motion with its support the report was adopted.

MOTION—To adjourn to the call of the chair for the Orders of the Day at 11:00 A. M. (Memorial Service). Motion carried.

Following Memorial Service we adjourned to the Orders of the Day at 1:30, "Ordination Service."

REPORT—Committee on Thanks gave report and on motion with its support was adopted.

REPORTS—The following names wer called and reports given: Leon Jackson, Robert Hughes, S. M. Yonally, Walter Rowell, Floyd Joslin, John Friske, Erma Brannon, R. J. Eling, Opal Royalty, H. K. Sheets, Mable Yonally.

MOTION—To adjourn. Benediction by Mrs. Erma Brannon.

Saturday Morning

OPENING—Song led by Jim Hane. Devotions by Glen McMurphy.

Roll was called. Minutes were read and approved.

REPORT—Final reading of Pastoral Relations Committee. On motion with its support the report was adopted.

MOTION—Presented and supported that the treasurers of the various conference funds be instructed to bring their account books, receipts, check book, cancelled checks, and the latest bank statement to conference, and that these books be placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee on the first day of the conference. This is to become a Standing Rule. Motion carried.

MOTION—This body recommends that each pastor be given a two-weeks vacation, exclusive of the conference session. Said vacation to include two Sundays with pay. This to become a Standing Rule.

MOTION—Made and supported that a pastor be permitted to hold not more than two revivals during a conference year.

MOTION—Made and supported to refer above motion to a committee of two members (one layman and one elder) to be elected by the body to bring in a report at the next annual session. The Conference President to serve with this committee, ex-officio and chairman.

Committee elected to study pastors holding revivals were; D. O. Dorr, ex-officio; Glen McMurphy (elder); C. L. Cummings (layman).

MOTION—That the Conference President be permitted to compile a brief form of the pastors statistical reports to be used for reports from the floor.

MOTION—That the Secretary be instructed to edit the minutes and delete unnecessary portions before publication. Motion carried.

MOTION—Made and supported that Robert Hughes and Jim Hane be the Publicity Committee for the 1955 session of the Annual Conference.

MOTION—Made and supported to leave all unfinished business in the hands of the Conference President and his advisory board. Motion carried.

Adjourned Sine Die. Benediction by Rev. R. G. Hollen.

Signed

D. O. Dorr, President

Fred W. Groves, Secretary

REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The Committee on Nominations submit the following report—

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS

D. O. Dorr, chairman; Alvin Royalty, Robert Hughes, Joe Sawyer, H. L. Snowden, Mrs. Leonard Stangeland, Mrs. Roy Maddox.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL CHARACTER

D. O. Dorr, Chairman; Carroll Blomberg, Thelma Campbell.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Glen MacMurphy, chairman; W. C. Brannon, Marvin Jones, Jim Hane, Iva Jane Richey.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Virginia Fry, chairman; Ethel Brenton, Mrs. Fred Money.

COMMITTEE ON THANKS

Thelma Campbell, chairman; Mrs. Edna Strawn, Bill Hudson.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Robert Hollen ,chairman; John Friske, Walter Rowell.

STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

S. M. Yonally, chairman; Leon Jackson, Floyd Joslin.

ITINERACY AND ELDERS ORDERS

Raephael Marrujo, Mrs. Miester, C. L. Cummings.

REPORTERS

Robert Hughes, Walter Rowell.

MEMORIALS

C. L. Cummings, chairman; S. L. Taylor, Mrs. Erma Brannon, Mrs. Wright.

COURTESY COMMITTEE

W. C. Brannon, R. J. Eling.

Committee—

D. O. Dorr

W. C. Brannon

Robert Hughes

Iva Jane Richey

Mrs. Leonard Stangeland

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Members and Friends of the Fifty-first Annual Session of the Oklahoma Conference, Greetings:

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we bring greetings on this annual occasion. Throughout this entire conference year, we have been conscious of His presence with us, and in answer to prayer, He has granted us wisdom, leadership, and glory.

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation to all members of the various Boards and Committees; our brethren in the ministry, and the faithful laymen, who have co-operated so wholeheartedly in carrying on the Lord's work in the Conference.

During the year, two new churches have been organized and received into the conference. They are the San Antonio church and the new church at Borger, Texas. Both of these churches are thriving and spiritual, and God has undertaken in a wonderful way in their behalf. New doors are constantly being opened to us throughout the conference area, and we solicit an interest in your prayers that God will supply the needs of these fields.

Two new churches have been dedicated, namely: Enid West Side and Blackwell. Both of these buildings are crowded to their capacity, and new facilities will be needed, especially in the Sunday School department. The new parsonage at Etna is well on its way to completion. Appreciable gains have been made over the conference as a whole, which is indicative of initiative and cooperation on the part of both pastor and people. As we face the new conference year, we can be assured of problems and many perplexing situations, but let us remember that we are serving an all conquering Christ, who has promised to be with us always, even unto the end. Praise His Name forever.

OFFICIAL ACTS

August 12—Granted letter of transfer to Rev. M. F. Bess to Kansas Conference.

August 16—Met with Missionary Board to determine duties and salary of Conference President.

August 17-18—Made trip to Arkansas to investigate Free Methodist property at Dublin.

August 18—Met with Board of Trustees at Enid and approved building of parsonage at Tulsa.

August 26—Met with Advisory Board concerning Conference appointments.

August 29—Made trip to Cushing to survey field.

September 6—Assisted in dedication of West Side Church at Enid.

September 15—Appointed Rev. R. G. Hollen to supply Wesleyan Chapel.

September 21—Made trip to Borger, Texas to survey field.

October 2—Met with Board of Trustees and Missionary Board at Enid.

October 6—Granted Rev. E. A. Anderson permission to use Rev. Griffiths for revival meeting.

October 19—Made trip to Oklahoma City to arrange for disposal of property.

October 27-29—Attended Ministerial Institute at Miltonvale, Kansas.

November 4—Granted Rev. Joe Sawyer permission to use the Raleigh Harris party in Crusade at San Antonio.

November 6—Met with W. Y. P. S. Executive Committee in Enid.

November 15—Participated in dedication of Blackwell church.

November 17—Met with Spiritual Life Committee to plan for convention.

November 27—Consulted with Conference attorney relative to San Antonio property.

December 16-17—Made trip to Borger, Texas to meet with interested people concerning church.

January 7—Met with Board of Trustees at Enid.

January 8—Met with Missionary Board at Enid.

January 11—Made trip to Oklahoma City to make investigation in regard to property.

January 12—Approved payment of note to Gethsemane American Lutheran Church, San Antonio, Texas.

January 13—Consulted with pastor and people of West Side church concerning matters pertaining to church.

February 9—Granted Rev. Floyd Joslin permission to use Rev. Conway as evangelist.

February 15—Made trip to Oklahoma City to investigate matters pertaining to property.

February 15—Met with Executive Committee of W.Y.P.S. at Enid.

February 25—Granted church letters to Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Bess and daughters Rosalie and Donna Lou from Oklahoma City church in absence of pastor.

March 8-9—Organized and received into conference the Wesleyan Methodist Church at San Antonio.

March 30—Made trip to Borger, Texas with Missionary Board and approved building for worship, and secured living quarters for pastor, and completed plans for opening service on April 18.

April 6-8—Attended Leaders Conference in Topeka, Kansas.

April 16—Made trip with Rev. and Mrs. John Friske to Borger, Texas and introduced them on the field. Appointed Rev. Friske as supply pastor on this new field.

April 19—Granted 10 foot easement from rear of lots 1, 2, 3, 22, 23, 24 Block 38, Cross Addition in Ponca City, to the city for alley purposes.

April 29—Made trip to Oklahoma City with Board of Trustees.

April 30—Received Certificate to Special Work as Song Evangelist for Miss Virginia Frye from Indiana Conference.

May 10—Sold Oklahoma City Mission to Wesleyan Youth Incorporated for \$1,500.00.

May 13—Met with Missionary Board at Enid.

May 15—Received letter of transfer for Rev. John C. Friske from Indiana Conference, as a Conference Preacher.

May 24—Met with Board of Trustees at Alva concerning Oklahoma City property.

June 7-9—Made trip to Borger for revival and investigated sites for church property.

June 10—Met with interested parties at Oklahoma City relative to sale of church property.

June 10—Granted letters of transfer to Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Ratcliffe from the Oklahoma City church to Cedar Grove church in absence of pastor.

June 14—Completed transaction on lot on East Cleveland in Enid by payment of note in full to Mr. and Mrs. Gildea.

July 6—Granted certificates of membership to Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Eling from Oklahoma City church.

July 17—Made trip to Oklahoma City to investigate property.

July 28—Organized and received into Conference the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Borger, Texas.

July 30—Received letter of transfer for Rev. Marvin E. Jones from Dakota Conference.

SERVICES RENDERED

Pieces of Mail Handled	512
Services conducted	33
Miles traveled in interest of Conference	11,951

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Received from Conference on President's expense	\$ 914.36
Received from Conference on President's Salary	554.67
Total	\$1,469.03

OFFICIAL EXPENSE

Miles traveled by year 9,271 @ 7ct per mile	\$648.97
Miles traveled by train and bus 2,680	55.80
Telephone and Telegraph	71.86
Postage and Supplies	23.15
Board and Lodging	97.03
Miscellaneous	17.55
Total	\$914.36

Respectfully Submitted,

Dudley O. Dorr

Conference President

COMMITTEE ON CHARACTER EXAMINATION

We the members of the Committee on The Examination of Character have passed on the following names:

Robert Hollen	Leon Jackson	H. K. Sheets
Walter Rowell	Tom Pinkerton	Glen McMurphy
D. O. Dorr	John C. Friske	Faye Baker
S. M. Yonally	Carol Blomberg	J. M. Batman
Robert Hughes	Mrs. S. M. Yonally	Paul Batman
Alvin D. Royalty	R. J. Eling	A. B. Bissey
Opal Royalty	Marvin E. Jones	Ffifie Ross
Erma Brannon	Floyd Joslin	John E. McGraw
W. C. Brannon	Abe A. Schmidt	
Joe C. Sawyer	E. A. Anderson	

Committee—

Thelma Campbell

D. O. Door

Carroll Blomberg

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS

Your Committee on Pastoral Relations submits the following reports Pastoral Appointments and churches:

Alva—D. O. Dorr
 Blackwell—Leon Jackson
 Borger—John Friske
 Carwile—Abe A. Schmidt
 Cedar Grove—Glen McMurphy
 Enid First Church—W. C. Brannon and Erma Brannon
 Enid West Side—Robert Hughes
 Etna—Alvin D. Royalty and Opal Royalty

Highland, Harrison, Arkansas—Floyd Joslin
 New Hope—Carroll Blomberg
 Oklahoma City—In hands of Conference President
 Ponca City—Marvin E. Jones
 Rogers—E. A. Anderson
 San Antonio—Joe C. Sawyer
 Tulsa—Walter Rowell
 Wesleyan Chapel—R. G. Hollen

OTHER CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

Conference President—D. O. Dorr
 Missionary Evangelist—Tom Pinkerton
 General Evangelist—Faye Baker
 General Secretary of the W.Y.P.S.—H. K. Sheets
 Employed at Publishing House—John McGraw
 Superannuate—R. J. Eling
 Unstationed Elder—A. B. Bissey
 Deaconess—Thelma Campbell
 Conference Evangelists—J. M. Batman, Paul Batman, Effie Ross
 and E. L. Smith
 Withdrawn—C. B. Mills
 Laura (Weatherholt) O'Brian at her own request is dropped
 from the Roll of Conference Elders
 Song Evangelist—Virginia Frye
 Pioneer Work, Kingsville, Texas—S. M. Yonally
 Supply to Uncas Free Methodist Church—Charles Steers
 Pioneer Work—Whittenburg, Mo.—Bob Robinson
 Conference Evangelists attending College—Gerald G. Brannon,
 Carl S. Jackson, and Donald D. Dorr.

COMMITTEE:

D. O. Dorr
 H. L. Snowden
 A. D. Royalty
 Bob Hughes
 Mrs. Leonard Stangeland
 Mrs. Minnie Maddox
 Joe Sawyer

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ELDERS ORDERS

We recommend that the records of all candidates pursuing the course of study be sent to the chairman of the committee on Itineracy on completion of each subject for the purpose of a permanent record.

We recommend that each elder on the committee be responsible for one year of the examinations of the course of study. Each candidate is required to pass two books during the year and may choose his books on which he desires to be examined.

Examiners for the course of study shall be as follows: Rev. W. C. Brannon, first year; Rev. Joe C. Sawyer, second year (chairman); Rev. D. O. Dorr, third year; Rev. Robert Hughes, fourth year.

We recommend that the Ordination Service be set for 1:30 P.M. Friday, August 6, 1954, and that Dr. H. K. Sheets bring the Ordination Sermon.

We recommend that Robert Burrows, Mabel Yonally, Bob Robinson, Floyd Joslin, and Abe Schmidt continue in the first year of the course of study.

We recommend that Mrs. Bess Mackey be referred back to her own quarterly conference.

We recommend that E. L. Smith pass into the second year of the course of study.

We recommend that Charles Steers pursue the second year of the course of study.

We recommend that Ella Valdivieso be received to study preparatory to travel and to pursue the second year of the course of study.

We recommend that Donald D. Dorr, Carl Jackson, and Gerald G. Brannon be received to study preparatory to travel.

We recommend that we receive Laura Weatherholt O'Brien's Elders Credentials at her request.

On July 26, 1953, the Rev. Clarence Mills asked to be given a letter of dismissal from his local church, and is declared withdrawn from the roll of Elders by reason of his request for his letter of dismissal from the local church.

We recommend that Leon Jackson and Walter Rowell be elected by the conference to Elders Orders and their names be placed immediately on the roll of Elders.

Committee—

W. C. Brannon, Chairman

Bob Hughes

C. L. Cummings

D. O. Dorr

Rafael Marrijo

Joe C. Sawyer, Sec.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee on Finance submits the following recommendations:

1—The total Budget be as follows:

A—General Budget:

Foreign Missions, \$2.00; Home Missions, \$1.25; Education \$2.50; Superannuate Minister's Pension Fund, \$1.50; Orphanage, .25c; Administrative Budget. .40c; General Conference Expense Fund, .15c; Australia, .25c; Total, \$8.30

B—General Sunday School Assessment, .10c (This item based on Total number in Main School as listed under Item IV of Statistical Report of 1954 Minutes).

C—Conference Budget: General Fund, \$3.00; Extension Fund \$7.20; Enlargement Fund, \$2.50; Conference Sunday School Assessment, 10c (This item based on total number in Main School as listed in Item IV of Statistical Report in 1954 Minutes.)

Total, \$12.80.

2—That the Conference President be authorized to secure secretarial assistance as he finds necessary.

3—That the Conference Tithing Secretary, and the Child Evangelism Secretary be paid \$15.00 each from the Conference Fund for promotional work; also that an offering be taken by each Church visited for their expense.

4—That the Conference President be paid \$25.00 per month in addition to 7c per mile for travel expense. This shall be a token salary. That each Church visited by the President, in relation to Conference Business, take an offering which shall be returned to the Conference treasury to apply on the President's salary.

Committee—

Glen McMurphy

W. C. Brannon

James Hane

Iva Jane Richey

Marvin E. Jones

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

The summary of the action of the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Conference is as follows:

August 9, 1953—A joint meeting with the Missionary Board. Directed the following persons to investigate the Tonkalon Church property at Scranton, Arkansas.

W. C. Brannon, LeVerne Tolle, Glen McMurphy, D. O. Dorr and Alvin D. Royalty.

August 13, 1953—By Motion Alvin D. Royalty was to serve as Secretary for the year.

Discussed the building of a Parsonage at Tulsa and examined the plans of the same.

August 18, 1953—Recommendation; That the Tulsa Church be granted permission to build the parsonage, the same to be subject to final approval of the plans and specifications by the Conference Board of Trustee's.

We further recommend that the Tulsa Church endeavor to assume responsibility for one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) the monthly payments on the Church as soon as possible.

October 2, 1953—Joint meeting with Missionary Board.

Motion: That we dispose of the Oklahoma City property and retain the funds in the Conference Treasury until the end of the Conference Year in lieu of another opening in the City.

Motion: That we dispose of the Oklahoma City Mission property for \$1,500.00 or more.

Motion: In confirmation of previous action that the Ponca City, Church Trustees be granted the right to sell the present site and apply the funds on the new Church.

October 30, 1953—By correspondence; Approved the listing of the Oklahoma City property for: Church building and lots, \$4,000 and the parsonage at \$4,750.

January 6, 1954—Gave permission to the Etna Church to begin building a new parsonage.

Motion: The interest on the Blomberg note be paid as is due to Rev. Blomberg.

Recommendation: Remove the Church property at Oklahoma City from the market, and list the parsonage there at \$4,500 net to the Conference and hold funds in trust, as decision of October 2.

April 19, 1954—By correspondence, unanimously authorized the Conference President to grant to the City of Ponca City, a ten foot easement off the rear of lots 1, 2, 3, 22, 23, 24, in block 38, Cross Addition, Ponca City, Okla., for the purpose of alley, to be without cost to the City.

April 29, 1954—Made the final transaction of the sale of the Oklahoma City Mission property, Described as:

Lots Thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14) Block four (4),

West Main Street Addition to Oklahoma City, Okla.,
To Wesleyan Youth Incorporated, as by action of the Board October 2, 1953, for the sum of \$1,500.

May 24, 1954—Meeting held at Alva. Discussed the purchasing of property at 13th and Utah, at Oklahoma City, Okla.. It was decided against.

Motion: The Conference President and Conference Secretary be authorized and empowered to list and sell the Church property at Oklahoma City for \$3,000 net above commission and to draw up the resolution and all legal instruments pertaining to the sale thereof, and to take such action as is necessary to secure a clear and merchantable title.

Motion: That the Conference President and Conference Secretary be authorized and empowered to sell the parsonage at Oklahoma City for \$4,500 and to draw up the resolution and all legal instruments pertaining to the sale thereof, and to take such action as is necessary to secure a clear and merchantable title.

Signed—

Alvin D. Royalty, Sec'y.
W. C. Brannon, Member
C. L. Cummings, Member
E. LeVerne Tolle, Member
Glen McMurphy, Member

MISSIONARY BOARD REPORT

The Missionary Board approved the following:

August 16, 1953—If Rev. D. O. Dorr was released from the Ponca City church, he was to choose his own field of labor. He was to be paid \$48.00 per week, supplanting on the field for full time spent on the field. His house rent was to be paid. Bro. Dorr was granted the privilege of holding two revivals in a year with remuneration for himself.

September 10, 1953—The amount of \$75.00 be paid to Rev. Holten for moving expense to Wesleyan Chapel.

Rev. Floyd Joslin to be paid mileage to Scranton, Arkansas to investigate the work. The mileage 250 miles @ seven cents a mile.

September 26, 1953— The sewer assessment be paid on the Oklahoma City church property, the amount of \$440.78.

October 30, 1953—The payment of up to \$600.00 be paid for material on the San Antonio Church.

January 12, 1954—The \$3,500 note on the San Antonio Church be paid to the Gethsemane American Lutheran Church at San Antonio, Texas.

The amount of \$85.00 be paid the Egan Plumbing & Heating Co for connecting the Oklahoma City parsonage to the sewer. This amount to be taken from the Oklahoma City Church fund.

March 30, 1954—The amount of \$150.00 be paid Rev. J. C. Friske for moving expense to Borger, Texas. \$35.00 be paid to the Federal Housing Authority of Borger, Texas, for the first month's rent for Brother Friske.

\$300.00 be paid Rev. Blain West for the revival to be held in Borger. The offerings to be applied on this.

May 13, 1954—

\$36.00 be paid for rent of Rev. Blain West for the Borger revival.

\$75.00 be paid for rent on the hall for the Borger, Texas revival.

\$39.00 for incidental fees, all unused money returned to the treasurer.

\$48.00 per week to be paid Rev. D. O. Dorr beginning June 20, through Conference. Rent for the same time be paid.

Loan payment on the \$850.00 due by the West Side church, if they were not able to carry the payment.

Committee—

D. O. Dorr

Opal Royalty

W. C. Brannon

E. L. Smith

Eldorado Moore

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THANKS

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. "Let all that have breath praise the Lord." This is our feeling in regard to the good things God has showered upon this week of Conference activities. God has been good to us and the fellowship with the Saints has been sweet.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our beloved Brother Sheets for his faithful inspiring leadership in presiding over the Conference.

Deep appreciation is felt for the untiring work of the Conference President, Brother Dorr, and for his Conference Sermon.

We wish to express appreciation to our Brother W. F. Lee for the beef and to all others who made contributions to the dining hall.

Gratitude is expressed to the Enid News and Eagle for advertising space granted. We wish to thank Jimmy Harris for making it possible for us to have the organ during Conference and Camp.

We want to thank the Isaacs Launderette for laundering all of the tea towels without charge.

We truly thank Sammy Fisher and Phyllis Tolle for thier faithfulness in conducting the nursery during the Conference.

To Lillian Hovey, Mrs. Opal Royalty, and the waitresses, we express our appreciation for all pleasant services rendered.

We wish to express sincere thanks to the Enid Church and its pastor and wife for the kind hospitality shown during the Conference and Camp.

We wish to express thanks to the Secretary and Treasurer for their faithful service throughout the past year.

Committee—

Thelma Campbell

Mrs. Edna Strawn

RESOLUTIONS REPORT

We, the committee on resolutions submit the following:

1. Be it resolved that we enlarge our vision and go forward in the Lord. We are reminded in Exodus 14:15 that the Lord told Moses, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

2. Be it resolved that we pray more earnestly that every Christian may be revived, with cups running over, that others may hunger and thirst after Salvation. In 2 Chron. 7:14 the Lord said, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

3. Be it resolved that while we contend for the faith and endeavor to uphold the standards of our Christ and the church, we do it with love and long suffering that a spirit of unity may prevail throughout our entire conference.

4. Be it resolved that we put God first in our homes and train our children to fear God because of the evil days. Due to the lack of Christian training and discipline in the home, let every Christian endeavor to reach other children who have not been so privileged. Let us contend for a family altar in every home. May we stress the reading of God's Word, our own periodicals, and other Christian literature. Let us only permit such radio and television programs in our homes which will edify our families and glorify God.

5. Be it further resolved that we pray earnestly for the President of our country and all who have authority over us. Also let us remember our boys in the service who are giving their lives that Communism may be defeated.

Prayerfully submitted—

Virginia Frye

Ethel Brenton

Mrs. Fred Money

REPORT OF THE RELIGIOUS SERVICE COMMITTEE

The Religious Service Committee submits the following report:

Tuesday, August 3, 7:45 P. M.—Conference sermon by Rev. D. O.

Dorr

Wednesday, August 4, 7:45 P. M.—Denominational Address by Rev. H. K. Sheets.

Thursday, August 5, 7:45 P. M.—Educational Service by Rev. Martin Cox

Friday, August 6, 11:00 A. M.—Memorials Service

1:30 P. M.—Ordination Service

7:45 P. M.—First Night of Camp

Saturday, August 7:45 P. M.—Youth Service

Sunday, August 8, 2:30 P. M.—Missionary Service, Nate Scharff, speaker

Committee—

D. O. Dorr

W. C. Brannon

Opal Royalty

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF WESLEYAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

November, 1953—Wrote to General Secretary of Wesleyan Men's Fellowship for material and suggestions in regard to organization of work.

December, 1953—Corresponded with each pastor in conference as to possibility and advisability of organizing a Fellowship on their charge.

January and February, 1954—Sent material and helps to four pastors who responded favorably as to possibility of organization. Also sent material to two pastors who desired it for future use.

Up to now there have been no new societies organized this year and none functioning at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

E. LeVerne Tolle, Secretary

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Letters were sent to all pastors of the Conference encouraging them to full cooperation in meeting their educational budget assignment.

We also endeavored to ascertain the progress being made during the year and all that reported back showed good records in monthly payments.

Our educational institutions are of the highest type, and of good spiritual standing producing splendid young people for the church and the ministry. Shall we give our whole-hearted support, our prayers and our finance.

W. C. Brannon, Secretary

REPORT OF SUPERANNUATE PENSION PLAN TREASURER

RECEIPTS

From former Treas. and last year's budget.....	\$ 316.97
Membership Fees	100.00
Back Assessments	162.28
Assessments from last year	181.01
Assessments this year	211.65
Conference Treasurer on Budget	237.50
Total receipts	\$1,209.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Budget for last year and this.....	\$ 554.47
Back assessments.....	162.28
Membership Fees	100.00
Assessments	392.66
Total	\$1,209.41

Alvin D. Royalty, Treas.

THE CAMP MEETING TREASURER REPORT

Bank Balance as of August 1953.....	\$1,280.06
Receipts by registration fees, Offerings and pledges	1,226.20
Bank balance plus receipts	\$2,506.26
Disbursements	
Evangelistic help	\$510.00
Dining room expense	565.42
Building of kitchen cabinets	267.07
Utilities	38.14
Janitor	40.00
Advertising	41.80
Pledge cards	3.50
Total Expense	\$1,466.03
Total receipts	\$2,506.26
Less total disbursements	1,466.03
August 1, 1954, leaves a bank balance of.....	\$1,040.23

E. S. McHendry, Treasurer
By W. C. Brannon

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Receipts	
From Conference	\$15.00
Offerings	12.35
	\$27.35

Disbursements	
Postage	2.06
Paper, Stencils, etc.	3.55
Telephone Calls	8.34
Travel Expense	13.40
	\$27.35

Glen McMurphy

CHILD EVANGELISM REPORT

I have contacted 11 churches and sent out 15 pieces of mail.

Remuneration from Conference	\$15.00
Disbursements-Material	3.00
Postage	.50
Total on hand	11.50

Director of Child Evangelism

Mrs. Louise Dorr

**REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE
CONFERENCE BEACON**

Balance on hand August 1953	\$ 8.59
Received from the churches	116.50
Total receipts	125.09
Paid for printing	68.25
Paid for Postage	12.87
Secretary expense	.42
Total disbursed	81.54
Balance	43.55
Printing due	22.75
Balance carried over	20.80

Signed, S. M. Yonally

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE
TREASURER — 1953-1954****RECEIPTS**

From Churches—	By Cash	By Receipt	Total
Alva	\$ 1,072.52	\$ 265.87	\$ 1,338.39
Blackwell	398.48	92.00	490.48
Carwile	176.00		176.00
Cedar Grove	268.79	132.62	399.41
Enid-First	2,578.48	1,107.67	3,686.15
Enid-West Side	1,820.00		1,820.00
Etna	339.44	60.13	399.57
Highland	60.00		60.00
New Hope	151.40	55.48	206.88
Ponca City	782.97	192.50	975.47
Rogers	90.00	11.12	101.12

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

San Antonio	27.39	65.78	93.17
Tulsa	358.03	74.98	433.01
Wesleyan Chapel	221.18	29.26	250.44
Sub-total	\$ 8,344.68	\$ 2,085.41	\$10,430.09

From Other Sources

Rent for President's Home	907.37		
Offerings for President's Salary	194.62		
Home Mission Department	4,442.35		
Conference Card Calls	375.00		
Balance in Oklahoma City Treas...	259.93		
In and Out (Enid Church)	759.36		
Oklahoma Conference W. M. S.	273.69		
Personal Contributions (Ratcliffe)..	150.00		
Real Estate Sales (Okla. City Mission)	1,500.00		
Miscellaneous Receipts	50.32		8,912.64
Total received this year	\$17,257.32	\$ 2,085.41	\$19,342.73
Bal. Br't forward from last yr.....	7,290.05		7,290.05
Total to account for	\$24,547.37	\$ 2,085.41	\$26,632.78

DISBURSEMENTS—

General Budget—	By Cash	By Receipt	Total
Foreign Missions	\$ 172.85	\$ 963.29	\$ 1,136.14
Home Missions	172.53	398.78	575.31
Education	600.27	402.75	1,003.02
Australia	84.56	1.00	85.56
Pension Plan	551.39		551.39
Orphanage	43.66	59.58	103.24
Administrative Budget	142.85		142.85
General Conference Expense	54.14		54.14
General Sunday School Work.....	61.78	23.00	84.78
Sub-Total	\$ 1,888.03	\$ 1,848.40	\$ 3,736.43

Conference Work:

Interest	2,247.59
Principal - Notes Payable	8,272.58
President's Salary	554.67
President's Expense	914.36
General Expense	56.47
Conference Officials & Secretaries .	65.00
Mileage - Official Boards	88.97
Moving Expense	225.05
Interest on Annuity Contracts	50.00
Apartment Rent - Conf. Pres.	75.00
Borger Revival Meeting Expense ..	402.00
Westside - Conf. Card Call Funds..	60.50

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Borger - Conf. Card Call Funds	181.00		
1953 Conf. Minutes	185.00		
San Antonio Parsonage	425.00		
Apartment Rent - Borger, Texas	35.00		
Oklahoma City Parsonage Sewer ..	85.00		
1953 Pension Plan Deficit	26.59		
Pension Plan Enrollment Fees	75.00		
J. M. Batman - from Superannuated Ministers Fund	200.00		
Westside Church - from Home Mission Department	438.79		
Etna Parsonage - from Home Mission Department	500.00		
Taxes and Insurance	823.17		
Legal Expense	74.56		
In and Out (Enid)	759.36		
Miscellaneous Expense	30.22		16,850.88
Total paid out this year	\$18,738.91	\$ 1,848.40	\$20,587.31
Duplicate credits, Extension Fd.		237.01	237.01
Balance, July 27, 1954	5,808.46		5,808.46
Total accounted for	\$24,547.37	\$ 2,085.41	\$26,632.78

BALANCES IN CONFERENCE FUNDS

Fixed Funds—			
Campground	\$	217.05	
Superannuated Ministers Fund		341.21	
Student Loan		296.00	
Oklahoma City Trust		150.00	
Endowment		351.36	
President's Home		260.62	
San Antonio		247.51	\$1,863.75
Working Funds—			
General Fund		158.87	
Extension		2,273.59	
Enlargement		1,512.25	3,944.71
Total in all Funds			\$5,808.46

NOTES & LOANS RECEIVABLE

Blackwell Church, Note at 2½%	\$ 1,200.00
(Campground Fund)	
Tulsa Church, Note at 2%	3,084.00
(Endowment Fund)	
Westside Church, Note at 2½%	2,000.00
(Extension Fund)	

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Westside Church, Loan	4,077.28
(Endowment Fund)	
Westside Church, Loan	2,500.00
(Extension Fund)	
Total	\$12,861.28

CONFERENCE LIABILITIES

As of July 15, 1954

Albright Title & Trust Co., Note at 6%	\$1,235.21
(President's Home)	
W. L. Eagleton, Trustee, Note at 6%	2,376.32
(Tulsa Church)	
Jackson & Jackson, Note at 6%	4,326.01
(San Antonio)	
Liberty Federal Saving & Loan Ass'n., Note at 6%	14,363.48
(Enid Westside Church)	
Mutual Savings & Loan Ass'n., Note at 6½%	704.71
(Oklahoma City Church)	
Foreign Mission Department, Note at 5½%	2,100.00
(Oklahoma City Parsonage)	
Caroll S. & Lillian Blomberg, Note at 5½%	2,300.00
(Enid Westside Church, \$2,000.00 Extension Fund, \$300.00)	
Home Mission Department, Note at 5%	2,000.00
(San Antonio Church)	
Home Mission Department, Note at 5%	4,000.00
(San Antonio Church)	
Home Mission Department, Note at 4%	500.00
(Etna Parsonage)	
American National Bank, Note at 6%	1,310.00
(Rogers Church)	
Arthur Stangelnad, Note, no interest	1,500.00
(Enid Westside Church)	
Orville Stevens, Note at 5%	1,000.00
(Enid Westside Church)	
Total Liabilities	\$37,715.73

Raymond Tolle, Conference Treasurer

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the auditing committee have audited the following reports: Conference Treasurer, Conference Beacon Treasurer, Camp Meeting Treasurers, and the Financial Report of the Conference President and find them to be correct.

R. G. Hollen, Chairman
Walter Rewell
John Friske

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH
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Charge	Item I. Pastor's Labors.										Item II. Periodicals											
	Time Employed (months)	Appointments	Organized Church	Appoint.	Wesleyan Methodist Taken	Wesleyan Miss. Taken	Wesleyan Youth Taken	Sunday School	Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior's Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Lesson Leaflets	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart	Pupils Lesson Stories, Etc.	Bible Lesson Stories, Etc.
Alva	12	1	1	15	24	26	50	24	15	8	65	9	11	16	15	8	11					
Blackwell	12	1	1	4	8	5	25	24		15	40	15	20			30			1			
Borger	9	1	1	3	2	5	15	10	5	3	20	10	5	5		25						
Carwife	12	1	1	9	1		15	15		6	46		1									
Cedar Grove	12	1	1	14	13	6	23	6	12	10	35	14	6	6		13						
Enid First	12	1	1	82	38	37	100	25		14	100	15	24	15	10	30						
Enid West	11	1								3	50					15						
Etna	12	1	1	13	7	2	12	2	6	5	20		10			6						
Highland	12	1	1	3	3		20	8	6	6	30	14			1	20						
New Hope	12	1	1	9	6		20	12	12	18	20		6	6		12						
Ponca City	12	1	1	27	27	9	37	13	13	6	30	12	1	13	5	30						
Rogers	12	1	1	9	5	6	12	12	8	4	10	10	4			6						10
San Antonio	12	1	1	64	4	21	25	20		6	30		10	10		20						
Tulsa	12	1	1	4	7	2	25		15	3	18	12							1	6		
Wesleyan Chapel	11	1	1	8	8	1	20	10		10	24											
Totals	169	15	14	258	153	120	399	176	92	117	538	111	98	67	30	203	35	2	6	10		

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Charge	Item III. Membership														
	Received	Transferred	Died	Granted Letters	Total Membership	Lost	Number reported last year	Present Number	Loss (or)	Gain	No. members under 14 yrs	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstated Elders	Local Preachers
Alva		1	2	2	5	61	56	5		4				22	82
Blackwell	4			2	2	20	22		2					8	6
Borger	10					10								3	10
Carwife	4					8	12		4		1			4	2
Cedar Grove	6			2	2	16	20		4	9				11	13
Enid First	9		4	2	6	152	155		3	12	2		1	3	60
Enid West															70
Etna						18	13							6	5
Highland		1			1	21	20	1		2				4	1
New Hope	1	7			7	21	15	6			1	1		9	19
Ponca City	3					40	43		3					5	29
Rogers						18	17							1	11
San Antonio	9					0	9		9					9	9
Tulsa					2	8	8							1	4
Wesleyan Chapel	6			2	2	11	15		4					2	17
Oklahoma City				9	9	15	6	9							158
Totals	52	9	6	19	34	409	427	21	39	23	18	1	1	18	250

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Item IV. Sunday School

Charge	Number Sunday Schools		No. Off. and Teach.		No. pupils in main school	Total No. in main school	No. pupils in home dept.	No. on Cradle roll	Total No. in Sunday school	Average Attendance	Number pupils converted	No. pupils joining church	No departmental. supt's.	No. in Teach. Train.	Number organized classes	Number books in library	Enroll.—Vac. Bible School	Av. Attend.—V.B.S.	No. W.Y.P. Societies	Tot. members of societies
Alva	1	9	101	110	20	17	147	90	3	3	1	2	144	42	36	1	17			
Blackwell	1	17	75	92	10	10	102	64	3	3	1	3	16	41	34	1	8			
Borger	1	6	19	25			25	19	2	10		4				1	7			
Carville	1	6	27	33			33	31	1	1	1									
Cedar Grove	1	22	70	92		6	98	75	2	9	1	6				1	11			
Enid First	1	15	190	205	10	30	245	163		5	10	10	70	102	85	2	22			
Enid West	1	10	142	152			90							101	86	1	14			
Etna	1	6	32	38		8	46	25		1	1	4		36	30					
Highland	1	9	50	59			59	46	2	1	1	5				1	8			
New Hope	1	6	41	47		3	50	43	10	1	1	5	53			1	14			
Ponca City	1	10	123	133	5	15	153	85		2	2	4	138	55	48	1	17			
Rogers	1	3	20	23		2	25	19	3	2	2	5								
San Antonio	1	7	83	90		13	103	54	8	9	1	6	25	55	42	1	13			
Tulsa	1	9	97	106		20	126	48	5	1	2	5		65	45					
Wesleyan Chapel	1	6	26	32		6	38	30	1	1	1	10				1	9			
Totals	15	141	1096	1237	35	130	1250	882	36	32	20	10	54	456	497	406	12	140		

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Item V. Church Property

Charge	No. Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or oth. values on hand
Alva	1	8,000		7,300	1	3,000		2,700.00	4.40
Blackwell	1	16,000	7,428.13	12,000	1	4,600		3,000.00	64.75
Borger									264.56
Carville	1	1,000			1	500			
Cedar Grove	1	2,500		1,500	1	5,000		1,500.00	
Enid First	1	50,000		22,000	1	10,000		4,000.00	550.00
Enid West	1	35,000	23,653.28	24,000					361.95
Etna	1	10,000			1	3,000			1,061.74
Highland	1	3,500		3,000					
New Hope	1	1,500		3,000	1	3,500		3,000.00	
Ponca City	1	4,000		3,000	1	7,000		3,000.00	5,588.57
Rogers	1	4,500		2,500	1	4,000	1,280.00	1,600.00	
San Antonio	1	12,000	6,000.00	6,500	1	6,000	4,326.01	3,500.00	
Tulsa	1	14,000	5,460.32	5,600					951.71
Wesleyan Chapel	1	1,000			1	2,000			
Oklahoma City	1	3,500	704.71	2,500	1	6,000	2,100.00	2,300.00	
Totals	15	\$166,500	\$ 43,246.44	\$ 92,900	12	\$54,600	\$7,706.01	\$24,600.00	\$8,847.68

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Item VI. Disbursed for Pastor

Charge	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and funeral fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Alva	2,600.00	300.00	44.00	211.00	3,155.00
Blackwell	2,086.00	480.00	20.00	560.37	3,146.37
Borger	455.00	105.00		213.00	773.00
Carwile	780.00				780.00
Cedar Grove	1,560.00	300.00	10.00	134.40	2,004.40
Enid First	3,120.00	480.00	40.00	125.00	3,765.00
Enid West	1,370.00			800.73	2,170.73
Etna	511.29	48.00	10.00	462.95	1,032.24
Highland	576.69			45.80	622.49
New Hope	1,300.00	180.00		159.65	1,639.65
Ponca City	2,630.75	480.00	37.00	355.26	3,503.11
Rogers	1,020.00	240.00		89.00	1,349.00
San Antonio	1,635.00	540.00	5.00	565.00	2,745.00
Tulsa	1,620.00	300.00	3.00	69.00	1,992.00
Wesleyan Chapel	1,196.00	220.00	20.00	170.04	1,606.04
Totals	\$22,460.73	\$3,673.00	\$ 189.00	\$3,961.30	\$30,284.03

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Item VII. Disbursed for Church

Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amt. Pd. on Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Total of Church
Alva	251.53	258.34	371.68	70.14		441.00	1,392.69
Blackwell	513.79	522.24	1,597.44	67.69	600.00	765.35	4,066.51
Borger	184.51		34.15			319.27	503.78
Carwile		81.00	105.73	3.10		65.70	183.95
Cedar Grove	140.00	148.86		139.20		385.63	919.42
Enid First	558.65	396.04	846.30	\$2,515.74		663.18	4,133.61
Enid West	155.00	768.55	484.71		1,523.17	1,369.68	4,657.70
Etna	42.78	82.92				24.00	634.41
Highland	199.27	167.80		30.00		82.38	479.45
New Hope	150.72	185.71		80.46		232.77	649.66
Ponca City	272.16	491.46		28.04		695.13	1,486.79
Rogers	178.30	82.50		10.00	360.00	91.86	722.66
San Antonio	97.64	961.95		889.40		925.21	2,874.20
Tulsa	150.00	203.65	1,135.02	71.30	200.00	747.64	2,507.61
Wesleyan Chapel		77.27		23.86		492.47	593.60
Totals	\$2,894.35	\$4,423.29	\$4,575.03	\$3,928.93	\$ 2,683.17	\$ 7,301.27	\$25,806.04

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget

Charge	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised
Alva	122.00	132.89	76.25	76.25	152.50	152.50
Blackwell	40.00	62.89	25.00	31.26	50.00	66.99
Borger						
Carville	16.00	16.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00
Cedar Grove	32.00	55.22	20.00	33.22	40.00	43.29
Enid First	304.00	616.68	190.00	249.17	380.00	383.11
Enid West						
Etna	36.00	36.00	22.50	22.50	45.00	48.75
Highland	42.00	4.00	26.25	2.00	52.50	5.00
New Hope	42.00	16.78	26.25	17.17	52.50	23.12
Ponca City	80.00	105.10	50.00	72.27	100.00	140.06
Rogers	36.00	3.06	22.50	3.00	45.00	62.00
San Antonio						
Tulsa		33.73		6.66		10.47
Wesleyan Chapel	16.00	26.05	10.00	35.56	20.00	20.23
Totals	22.00	28.24	13.75	16.25	27.50	27.50
		\$788.00	\$1,136.14	\$492.50	\$575.31	\$985.00
						\$1,003.02

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget—Continued

Charge	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Assigned	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised	General Con. Travel and Entertainment Fund Assigned	General Con. Travel and Entertainment Fund Raised
Alva	91.50	91.50	15.25	15.25	24.40	24.40	9.15	9.15
Blackwell	30.00	30.00	5.00	6.50	8.00	8.00	3.00	3.00
Borger								
Carville	12.00	12.00	2.00	2.00	3.20	3.20	1.20	1.20
Cedar Grove	24.00	26.00	4.00	5.92	6.40	6.48	2.40	2.40
Enid First	228.00	228.00	88.00	88.00				
Enid West								
Etna	27.00	27.00	4.50	4.50	60.80	60.80	22.80	22.80
Highland	31.50	23.00	5.25	1.00	7.20	7.20	2.70	2.70
New Hope	31.50	20.00	5.25	3.40	8.40	1.00	3.15	1.00
Ponca City	60.00	60.00	10.00	16.06	16.00	16.06	6.00	6.00
Rogers	27.00		4.50	3.06	7.20	7.20	2.70	2.70
San Antonio		5.39		2.25		.91		.34
Tulsa	12.00	12.00	2.00	2.05	3.20	3.20	1.20	1.20
Wesleyan Chapel	16.50	16.50	2.75	3.25	4.40	4.40	1.65	1.65
Oklahoma City								
Totals	\$591.00	\$551.39	\$ 98.50	\$103.24	\$157.60	\$142.85	\$ 59.10	\$ 54.14

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget—Continued

Charge	General Sunday School Work Assigned	General Sunday School Work Raised	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Total General Budget Assigned	Total General Budget Raised
Alva	9.90	9.90	15.25	15.25	516.20	527.09
Blackwell	8.00	8.00	5.00	5.00	174.00	221.14
Borger						
Carwile	3.20	3.20	2.00	2.00	69.60	69.60
Cedar Grove	9.70	9.88	4.00	4.00	142.50	186.41
Enid First	22.10	23.00	38.00	38.00	1,283.70	1,659.56
Enid West						
Etna	3.80	3.80	4.50	4.50	153.20	156.95
Highland	5.00	1.00	5.25	1.00	179.30	39.00
New Hope	4.40	4.40	5.25		178.70	84.87
Ponca City	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.06	341.00	434.61
Rogers	3.80		4.50		153.20	81.02
San Antonio	5.60	2.00		1.00	5.60	62.75
Tulsa	7.00	7.00	2.00	2.00	73.40	109.29
Wesleyan Chapel	3.00	3.60	2.75	2.75	94.30	104.14
Oklahoma City						
Totals	\$94.50	\$84.78	\$98.50	\$85.56	\$3,364.70	\$3,736.43

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget

Charge	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised	Conference Extension Assigned	Conference Extension Raised
Alva	183.00	183.00	475.80	475.80
Blackwell	60.00	60.00	156.00	159.34
Borger				
Carwile	24.00	24.00	62.40	62.40
Cedar Grove	48.00	48.00	124.80	125.00
Enid First	455.00	455.00	1,185.60	1,190.59
Enid West				
Etna	54.00	57.22	140.40	140.40
Highland	63.00	5.00	163.80	11.00
New Hope	63.00	17.00	163.80	65.01
Ponca City	120.00	120.00	312.00	320.78
Rogers	54.00		140.40	20.10
San Antonio		6.75		17.67
Tulsa	24.00	24.00	62.40	79.72
Wesleyan Chapel	33.00	33.00	85.80	85.80
Oklahoma City				
Totals	\$1,182.00	\$1,033.97	\$3,073.20	\$2,753.61

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget—Continued

Charge	Enlargement Fund Assigned	Enlargement Fund Raised	Total Conference Budget Assigned	Total Conference Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Alva	152.50	152.50	811.30	811.30	1,327.50	1,338.39
Blackwell	50.00	50.00	266.00	269.34	440.00	490.48
Borger						
Carville	20.00	20.00	106.40	106.40	176.00	176.00
Cedar Grove	40.00	40.00	212.80	213.00	355.30	399.41
Enid First	380.00	380.00	2,021.60	2,026.59	3,305.30	3,686.15
Enid West						
Etna	45.00	45.00	239.40	242.62	392.60	399.57
Highland	52.50	5.00	279.30	21.00	458.60	60.00
New Hope	52.50	40.00	279.30	122.01	458.00	206.88
Ponca City	100.00	100.08	532.00	540.86	878.00	975.47
Rogers	45.00		239.40	20.10	392.60	101.12
San Antonio		6.00		30.42	5.60	93.17
Tulsa	20.00	20.00	106.40	123.72	179.80	233.01
Wesleyan Chapel	27.50	27.50	146.30	146.30	240.60	250.44
Oklahoma City						
Totals	\$985.00	\$886.08	\$5,240.20	\$4,673.66	\$8,604.90	\$8,410.09

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Item IX. Disbursed For Benevolences

Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Conference Work	W. Y. P. S.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Alva	34.96	87.06	160.96	35.00	191.90	67.35	471.37	1,048.60
Blackwell	3.06	10.00			14.19	21.19	395.23	443.72
Borger								
Carville	10.65	10.00			9.10		61.60	91.35
Cedar Grove	72.67	58.53	20.88	21.85	21.56		181.98	377.47
Enid First			25.00			164.96	2,366.96	2,556.92
Enid West						16.00		16.00
Etna	54.51	25.00		3.00	30.25		49.78	162.54
Highland					13.50			13.50
New Hope	34.49	9.00	15.78		8.71	49.43	145.57	262.93
Ponca City	152.04	146.95	30.97		38.20	49.85	40.55	458.56
Rogers	108.50	33.00	16.59		23.00		16.15	192.24
San Antonio						5.00	87.74	92.74
Tulsa	18.47		9.67		23.60		227.91	279.65
Wesleyan Chapel	1.80	11.00	84.67		79.31	12.30	27.43	216.51
Oklahoma City								
Totals	\$486.15	\$390.54	\$364.47	\$ 59.85	\$453.32	\$386.08	\$4,072.32	\$6,212.73

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Item X. Disbursed Totals					
Charge	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Alva	3,155.00	1,392.69	1,338.39	1,048.60	6,934.68
Blackwell	3,146.37	4,066.51	490.48	443.72	8,147.08
Borger	773.00	503.78			1,276.78
Carwile	780.00	183.95	176.00	91.35	1,231.30
Cedar Grove	2,004.40	919.42	399.41	377.47	3,700.50
Enid First	3,765.00	4,133.61	3,686.15	2,556.92	14,141.68
Enid West	2,170.73	4,657.70		16.00	6,844.43
Etna	1,032.24	634.41	399.57	162.54	2,228.76
Highland	622.49	479.45	60.00	13.50	1,175.44
New Hope	1,639.65	649.66	206.88	262.93	2,759.12
Ponca City	3,503.11	1,486.79	975.47	458.56	6,423.93
Rogers	1,349.00	722.66	101.12	192.24	2,365.02
San Antonio	2,745.00	2,874.20	93.17	92.74	5,805.11
Tulsa	1,992.00	2,507.61	233.01	279.65	5,012.27
Wesleyan Chapel	1,606.04	593.60	250.44	216.51	2,666.50
Totals	\$30,284.03	\$25,806.04	\$ 8,410.09	\$ 6,212.73	\$70,712.89

**Minutes of the Thirtv-First
Annual Session
of the
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Oklahoma Conference**

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- President—Mrs. Opal Royalty, Geary, Okla.
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Okla.
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Presidents of Local Societies:

- Alva—Mrs. Ella Valdivieso, 917 Mill St. Alva, Okla.
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Borger—Mrs. H. O. Davis, 1915 Hazelwood, Borger, Texas.
Cedar Grove—Mrs. Mary Bush, Route 9, Alva, Okla.
Enid—Mrs. Geo. Weiss, 1206 N. 12th St., Enid, Okla.
Etna—Mrs. Opal Royalty, Route 1, Geary, Okla.
Highland—Mrs. Bill Hudson, Route 4, Harrison, Arkansas
New Hope—Mrs. Lavina Jackson, Ringwood, Okla.
Ponca City—Mrs. W. C. Elliott, 124 S. Osage, Ponca City, Okla.
Rogers—Miss Ethel Brenton, Rogers, Ark.
San Antonio—Mrs. Bethel Sawyer, 1107 W. Hildebrand, Ave.,
San Antonio 1, Tex.
Tulsa—Mrs. Almeda Smith, 2745 N. Maine, Tulsa, Okla.
Wesleyan Chapel—Mrs. Helen Hollen, Ames, Okla.

ROLL

	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Mrs. Opal Royalty	1	1	1
Mrs. Louise Dorr	1	1	1
Mrs. Rachel McMurphy	1	1	1
Mrs. Ava Tolle	1	1	1
Mrs. Ella Valdivieso	1	1	1
Mrs. Maxine Jackson	0	1	0
Mrs. H. O. Davis	0	0	0
Mrs. Mary Bush	1	0	0
Mrs. Geo. Weiss	1	1	1
Mrs. Lavina Jackson	0	0	0
Mrs. W. C. Elloit	0	0	0
Miss Ethel Brenton	1	1	1
Mrs. Bethel Sawyer	1	1	1
Mrs. Jerome Smith	0	0	0
Mrs. Bill Hudson	0	0	0
Mrs. Jessie Bush	1	1	1
Mrs. Emaline Steers	1	1	1
Mrs. Estella Mae Little	1	1	1
Mrs. C. J. Crooks	1	1	1
Mrs. Lissie Griffeth	1	1	1
Mrs. Mary Batman	0	0	1
Mrs. Gertrude Goodno	1	1	1
Mrs. Stella Ann Noe	1	1	1
Mrs. Grace Groves	1	1	1
Mrs. Ascha Eling	1	1	1
Mrs. Erma Brannon	1	1	1
Mrs. Friske	0	1	1
Mrs. Laverne Jones	1	1	1
Mrs. Beatrice Rowell	1	1	1
Mrs. Lillian Blomberg	1	0	1

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 3:00 P. M.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Oklahoma Conference convened for its Thirty-first Annual Session at Enid, Oklahoma, Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 P. M. of August 3, 1954.

Opening—Sister Sawyer had devotions using John 7:32, "If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink", as a basis for her remarks.

Helen Hollen was appointed Courtesy Committee and Achsa Eling was appointed the Credentials Committee.

Sister Hollen presented Mrs. Marvin Jones to the society.

Sister Eling presented a partial report of the credentials committee.

Motion was made that these credentials be accepted with all like credentials received later. The motion carried.

Motion was made that the first three seats be designated as the Conference Bar. The motion carried.

Motion was made that the pastors' wives be seated in the bar. The motion was adopted.

Nominating committee read their report of the selection of committees.

The Election of Committees resulted as follows:

Orders of the Day—Mrs. W. C. Elliott, Stella Ann Noe, Emaline Steers.

Auditing—Grace Groves, Gertrude Goodno.

Plan of Work—Conference President and Local Presidents.

Statistical—Conference Treasurer, Rachel McMurphy.

Apportionment—Louise Dorr, Laverne Jones, Ethel Brenton.

Memorial—Erma Brannon, Beatrice Rowell.

Magazine Solicitor—Ella Valdivieso.

Reporter—Grace Groves.

Nominating Committee—Mrs. Weiss, Bethel Sawyer, Achsa Eling. Motion to adjourn for committee work carried.

Wednesday, 8:00 A. M.

Opening—We sang "Take My Life and Let it Be" and "O Zion Haste" led by Sister Sawyer.

Sister Elva Conway spoke from I Cor. 3:9, "Laborers together with God" for devotions. The roll was called and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Courtesy Committee presented Sister Viola Leyh, West Central District Organizer.

Committee on Orders of the day read a partial report.

Nominating Committee presented their report.

The Election of Officers resulted as follows with Sister Leyh presiding:

President—Mrs. Opal Royalty.

Vice-President—Mrs. Louise Dorr.

Secretary—Mrs. Rachel McMurphy.

Treasurer—Mrs. Ava Tolle

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Mrs. Laverne Jones.

Delegate to General Conference—Mrs. Ava Tolle.

Alternate Delegate to General Conference—Mrs. Louise Dorr.

Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Jessie Bush.

Mission Study Secretary—Mrs. Bethel Sawyer.

Mrs. Ava Tolle read her Treasurer's report—The motion was made to refer her report to the auditing committee. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn for committee work carried.

Wednesday, 12:45 P. M.

Opening—We sang "Follow On" for our opening song.

Sister Viola Leyh read from John 17 and led out to the throne of Grace in prayer. She also brought us greetings from the West Central District and challenged us with the message that the presence of the Spirit will mean greater growth in our Missionary societies. She presented the honorary Registration plan to care for the needs of our colleges and the miles of dimes collectors.

The Courtesy Committee presented Sister Miriam Sheets.

Minutes were read and approved.

Sister Royalty read her president's report. The motion to adopt her report was made and the motion carried.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent read her report and it was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Motion to adjourn was carried.

Thursday, 8:00 A. M.

Opening—We sang "Praise Him, Praise Him" led by Lois Adams.

Sister Eling led devotions. Several gave promises that have been their strength through the past year. Sister Eling read from Psalm 27, "Commit thy way unto the Lord" and told us of the work at Tocalon. Sister Royalty led in prayer and Sister Eling requested that we place Tocalon on our prayer list.

Roll was called and the minutes were read and approved.

Arlene Hughes resigned from the position of reporter and the resignation was accepted. Mrs. Grace Groves was elected to serve in her place.

The Memorial Committee presented their report. Motion to adopt the report carried.

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The Mission Study Secretary gave her report. Motion to adopt the report carried.

Upon motion each of the following items were adopted for the apportionment report:

Foreign Missions.....	50c per member
Home Missions.....	50c per member
Orphanage	35c per member
Conference Church Extension.....	35c per member

The motion to change the Japanese Bible School fund to Jewish Work was adopted.

The motion was made that we have a desk fund of 10c per member. Such fund be used to pay postage used by different Oklahoma W. M. S. officials. The motion carried.

Motion was made that we divide the public offering four ways—Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Conference Church Extension and Jewish Work. The plate offering be used to pay the traveling expenses of our speaker and if this offering is not sufficient to cover such expenses the remaining amount be taken from the pledges. The motion carried.

We took a plate offering to finish paying the Miltonvale College Expansion Fund.

Motion to pay \$25 for conference minutes was adopted.

Motion that the resignation fee of our Treasurer and Vice-President be paid by the treasurer carried.

The motion was made that the delegates from Ponca City, Tulsa and Cedar Grove serve as a nominating committee for next year, the president serving with this committee ex-officio.

The motion was made that the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer be nominated from the floor and that the nominating committee set up session committees before next session.

The motion to ajourn carried.

Thursday, 12:45 P. M.

Opening—For opening song we sang "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations."

Sister Hollen read from Psalm 18 for devotions and Sister Valdivieso led in prayer.

The minutes were read and approved.

Each Society presented items of interest from their local societies. Courtesy Committee presented Sister Friske of Borger, Texas.

The Statistical Committee read their report and it was adopted.

The Auditing Committee read their report and it was adopted.

The motion was made that the Plan of Work committee and the Executive Board set up the standing rules. The motion was adopted.

We adjourned on motion.

Friday, 8:00 A. M.

Opening—We sang "Love Lifted Me" and Sister Batman read from Romans 8:10-19. We were led in prayer by Sister Yonally.

The roll was called and the minutes were read and approved.

The motion was made that Sammy Fisher and Phylis Tolle work as children's workers during the conference next year. The motion carried.

The motion was made that Sister Royalty be responsible for hiring a dishwasher for next year. The motion carried.

The motion was made that we give Sister Royalty \$10.00 as a love gift, the motion carried.

The motion was made that Ava Tolle be chairman of the committee to prepare memorials for General Conference and be allowed to choose her committee. The motion carried.

The motion was made to rescind the action taken on the dividing of the public offering and paying the travel expense of the speaker. The motion carried unanimously.

The motion was made that we divide the plate offering and pledges four ways—Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Conference Church Extension, and Jewish Work and that the speakers expense be taken from the plate offering. The motion carried.

The motion was made that the pledges made at the Public Missionary apply on the apportionment, the motion carried.

The Courtesy Committee presented Bro. Sheets who brought us greetings from General Headquarters and spoke of the needs of several of our fields.

The Apportionment Committee presented their report. It was adopted.

The Efficiency Standard and Plan of Work Committee read their report. Motion to adopt the same was carried.

The appointed committee read the standing rules as drawn up. On motion each standing rule was adopted by the body.

Motion was made that the election of the nominating committee remain as previously stated in the minutes.

Each Society chose a missionary group or church for their adopted family.

The motion to adopt the report of the Orders of the Day Committee was accepted.

The motion was made that "the Pastors' wives and elders be seated in the Conference Bar" be a standing rule. The motion carried.

The final reading of the minutes was made and adopted as approved.

We adjourned following song and prayer.

REPORTS

MISSIONARY PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined." Isa. 9:2.

It has been your prayers for the Mission fields and the giving of your finance that has made this scripture to be fulfilled on every field of labor both at home and abroad. When our pledges and budgets are in, it is one little cog in the machinery which makes the great wheel turn, that brings to pass the fulfilling of God's promise to the world. Black faces with clean hearts will thank you eternally for your faithfulness.

As I look backward, a great gratitude envelops me, gratitude for every rich favor of God which has been ours; gratitude for the loyal cooperation of the women of the Oklahoma Conference; your devotion to God and the cause which lies so close to His great Heart of love. It is to you we are indebted for every gain which the Conference has made this year: it has been your co-ordinated efforts.

It has been a pleasure to work with you this year. May God bless every effort put forth and may His blessings be upon every heart.

Letters written 189 and 92 cards.

Planned and prepared the itinerary of Miss Erma Steinacker to our Conference.

Made a trip to Borger, Texas with the Missionary Board in the interest of establishing a church there. I have attended all called Missionary Board meetings.

Attended Spiritual Life Conference and made arrangements for the Missionary service.

Two new Missionary Societies have been organized, San Antonio with 12 members; Borger, Texas, 5 members. We welcome them into our Missionary family.

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Opal Royalty

W. M. S. CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT CONFERENCE YEAR 1953 - 1954

RECEIPTS:

Alva	\$ 779.71
Blackwell	139.42
Cedar Grove	369.39
Enid	1,800.75
Etna	140.48
Harrison, Arkansas	10.00

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New Hope	101.49
Ponca City	340.47
Rogers, Arkansas	155.32
San Antonio, Texas	108.51
Tulsa	132.42
Wesleyan Chapel	74.81
Total Received from Societies	\$4,152.77

Miscellaneous Receipts:

1953 Public Missionary Service Offering.....	\$40.11	
Pledges received and not credited to any WMS....	45.00	85.11
Balance from Last Year		78.91
Total Receipts		\$4,316.79

DISBURSEMENTS:

Foreign Missions	\$1,280.96
Home Missions	619.52
Japanese Bible College	574.42
Medical Student	32.62
Education	279.38
M.W.C. Expansion Fund	91.86
Orphanage	167.43
Gen'l Conf. Gen'l Fund ($\frac{1}{4}$ Dues)	41.25
Gen'l W. M. S. Administrative Fund	34.00
Nicholson Field Tour	7.30
Wesleyan Commission for Service Men	41.36

Conference Work:

Conference Extension	\$248.69	
Conference Minutes	25.00	
Conference Dishwashing Fund	34.20	
Dining Hall Expense for Conf. Officials	8.00	
Conf. Dining Hall Donations	10.00	
Conference Treasurer Fund	20.80	
Cash gifts to Conference Work	92.00	438.69
Local Church Work		509.10
Official Expense (Postage)		3.00
Other Objects		120.64

Total Disbursements\$4,241.53

Cash on Hand	75.26
	\$4,316.79

Summary of Cash on Hand:

Oklahoma Conference W. M. S. Fund	\$48.66
Oklahoma Conference Dishwashing Fund	26.60
	\$75.26

Mrs. Ava Tolle, W. M. S. Conference Treasurer

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Tuesday, 3 p.m. Organization of conference. Report of nominating committee. Election of committees.

Wednesday, 8 a.m. Devotions. Treasurers report. Election of officers.

Wednesday, 12:45 p.m. Devotions. Report of district organizer (Mrs. W. J. Leyh). President's report.

Thursday, 8 a.m. Devotions. Prayer Partner. Mission study secretary's report. Magazine solicitor's report.

Thursday, 12:45 p.m. Local society reports. Statistical report. Auditing report.

Friday, 8 a.m. Devotions Greetings: Rev. H. K. Sheets. Report Plan of work. Efficiency Standard. Report Apportionment committee. Unfinished business.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Memorials, wish to submit the following names of our sisters in the Lord whom God has called to their eternal rewards within the past year. We acknowledge our keen loss, but bow in submission to God's will.

Mrs. Ethel Mosher.

Mrs. Bertha Pinkerton

Mrs. Martha Williams

Respectively Submitted,

Mrs. Erma Brannon

Mrs. Beatrice Rowell

MAGAZINE SOLICITOR

To the Missionary Society of the Oklahoma Conference

Sent out 55 pieces of mail.

Total disbursements for year \$6.74.

Number of Missionary magazines taken:

Alva	20	Cedar Grove	13
Enid	35	Tulsa	7
Blackwell	7	Rogers	4
New Hope	6	San Antonia	4
Etna	7	Highland	5
Wesleyan Chapel	7	Ponca City	27
Total			142

Daisy L. Johnson

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We have checked the financial records of the Treasurer of the W.M.S. and the W.Y.M.B. and found the records to be correct.

Committee,

Grace Groves

Gertrude Goodno

APPORTIONMENT REPORT

The following methods shall be used in determining the membership budget and goal (pledges made at Annual Missionary service to apply on apportionment).

1. MEMBERSHIP—That we retain our present membership and strive for a 15% gain.

2. MILTONVALE COLLEGE EXPANSION FUND — \$100.00 divided on the basis of Society Membership.

3. FOREIGN MISSIONS—50c per members.

4. HOME MISSIONS—50c per member.

5. ORPHANAGE—35c per member.

6. CONFERENCE CHURCH EXTENSION—35c per member.

7. EDUCATION — Apportioned to one-fourth of local church membership at \$2.50 per member.

8. CONFERENCE TREASURER'S FUND—15c per member.

9. W.M.S. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION FUND — 25c per member.

10. MEDICAL STUDENT FUND—20c per member.

11. DISHWASHING FUND—20c per member.

12. JEWISH WORK—30c per member.

13. WESLEYAN COMMISSION FOR MEN IN SERVICE — 30c per member.

14. DESK FUND—10c per member.

15. GOAL—25% gain over budget.

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Apportionment Report

Societies	Membership	Miltonvale College Expansion Fund	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Conference Church Extension	Education	Conference Treasurer Fund	W.M.S. General Administration Fund	Medical Student Fund	Dishwashing Fund	Jewish Work	Wesleyan Comm. for Men in Service	Desk Fund	Total
Blackwell	12	7.09	6.00	6.00	4.20	4.20	13.75	1.80	3.00	2.64	2.40	3.60	3.60	1.20	59.47
Cedar Grove	12	7.09	6.00	6.00	4.20	4.20	12.50	1.80	3.00	2.64	2.40	3.60	3.60	1.20	58.22
Alva	32	18.57	16.00	16.00	11.20	11.70	35.00	4.80	8.00	7.04	6.40	9.60	9.60	3.20	156.60
Enid	39	22.74	19.50	19.50	13.65	13.65	96.87	5.85	9.75	8.58	7.80	11.70	11.70	3.90	245.18
Etna	6	3.61	3.00	3.00	2.10	2.10	11.25	.90	1.50	1.32	1.20	1.80	1.80	.60	34.17
New Hope	14	8.24	7.00	7.00	4.90	4.90	9.37	2.10	3.50	3.08	2.80	4.20	4.20	1.40	62.68
Ponca City	17	9.98	8.50	8.50	5.95	5.95	26.88	2.55	4.25	3.74	3.40	5.10	5.10	1.70	91.59
Rogers	5	8.03	2.50	2.50	1.75	1.75	11.25	.75	1.25	1.10	1.00	1.50	1.50	.50	30.37
San Antonio	12	7.09	6.00	6.00	4.20	4.20	5.63	1.80	3.00	2.64	2.40	3.60	3.60	1.20	51.35
Tulsa	8	4.77	4.00	4.00	2.80	2.80	5.00	1.20	2.00	1.76	1.60	2.40	2.40	.80	35.52
Wesleyan Chapel	8	4.77	4.00	4.00	2.80	2.80	10.63	1.20	2.00	1.76	1.60	2.40	2.40	.80	41.15
Borger	5	3.02	2.50	2.50	1.75	1.75	6.25	.75	1.25	1.10	1.00	1.50	1.50	.50	25.37
Totals	170	100.00	85.00	85.00	59.50	59.50	244.38	25.50	42.50	37.40	34.00	51.00	51.00	17.00	891.78

MISSION REPORT STUDY SECRETARY

The Mission Study Secretary submits the following report:

	Blue Seal Readers	Gold Seal Readers	Readers of one to three books
Alva		4	5
Blackwell			5
Cedar Grove			12
Enid	3	3	140
Etna			2
Ponca City		4	5
Rogers	1		
San Antonio	1		3
Total	5	11	172
Total participating			188

Mrs. Bethel Sawyer, Secretary

PLAN OF WORK

We recommend:

1. That arrangements be made with the pastor for one missionary prayer service each month, the same to be preceded by fasting, and at which service an offering is taken.
2. That a missionary workshop be held one afternoon during the Spiritual Life Conference.
3. That we hold twelve meetings during the year in which prayer is given a prominent place, and business is transacted.
4. That we observe the following Six Red Letter Days:
 - a. Harvest Day - Educational Day
 - b. Thanksgiving - Program, gifts and offering for Home Missions
 - c. World Day of Prayer
 - d. April - Self Denial Month
 - e. May Day - Program and offerings for Foreign Missions—Gifts as can be sent with out-going missionaries
 - f. Wesleyan Missionary Day - with program to secure subscriptions for our official organ.
5. That we suggest the use of the Study Book.
6. That we read the Conference Plan of Work and Efficiency Standard at least twice each year, and read the Denominational plan of work once a year; referring often to the Standing Rules.

7. That we take a definite stand in relation to temperance, working through any church department or the local W.C.T.U.

8. That each society sponsor a public program at which time an offering is taken for missions.

9. That local societies INQUIRE INTO THE NEEDS OF THE HOME MISSION STATION AND ORPHANAGE BEFORE SENDING USED CLOTHING and that no monetary value be placed on same, that such boxes be reported merely as to the number sent, and that boxes of new merchandise be reported as to monetary value and that the sending society evaluate the same, the voucher of evaluation signed by the Missionary be forwarded to the Conference Woman's Society Treasurer for proper receipting.

10. That each society contribute posters or curios to the missionary exhibit to be displayed at the annual conference.

II. That each society plan during the year to bring provisions or cash offering to the annual conference.

12. That each society cooperate with the Home Missionary Secretary by subscribing to the Card Call Plan.

13. We recommend the formation of Prayer Bands in each society with a Prayer Partner Secretary.

14. That we continue the use of "Parliamentary Law at a Glance" by Utter as a text book in parliamentary usage, or "A Compendium and Question Book of Parliamentary Law" by Bethel, with at least one drill during the year.

15. That the Secretary of each local society inform the Conference Secretary of any death in their society and the Conference Secretary send words of sympathy to the bereaved.

16. That each Society elect a Mission Study Secretary and faithfully promote its interest.

17. That there be an organized Y. M. W. B., the Superintendent being elected by the local W. M. S.

18. That the Conference adopt as a project for the coming year the Home Missionaries and the new churches of the Conference with each society choosing the workers of one of the fields and correspond with same. Some of the articles to be reserved as samples for enthusiasm to be on display at the annual conference.

EFFICIENCY STANDARD

Ten per cent credit shall be given for each of the following items, unless otherwise stated, making a possible score of 100%. All societies making a grade of eighty per cent shall be placed on the Honor Roll:

1. Arrangements be made with the pastor for one missionary prayer meeting each month.

2. A minimum of ten meetings be held during the year in which prayer is given a prominent place, and business is transacted, and at least one public meeting (5% credit).

3. A prayer partner circle be formed in each society with a Prayer Partner Secretary elected. She shall send a report to the Conference Prayer Partner Secretary not later than sixty days after the sitting of the Annual Conference.

4. The President, Secretary, Treasurer, and seventy-five per cent of the active membership be subscribers to THE WESLEYAN MISSIONARY.

5. A Solicitor shall be elected for THE WESLEYAN MISSIONARY, gaining not less than two subscriptions a year.

6. A Delegate shall be elected to the Annual Conference Woman's Society, and she shall be instructed by the local society regarding the amount to be pledged by that society at the Annual Conference Session.

7. The dues, one dollar per member, shall be sent directly to the Conference Treasurer quarterly, and THE PURPOSE DESIGNATED AS TO WHERE ONE HALF WILL BE SENT, TO BE APPLIED ON HOME, OR FOREIGN MISSIONS, OR THE ORPHANAGE. The local treasurer's books shall be closed on June 30th, and all money and voucher receipts must be sent in and PURPOSE DESIGNATED not later than July 5, and the Annual Report blanks PROPERLY FILLED OUT and sent to the Conference Treasurer not later than July 12. (15% credit).

8. That we secure every woman in the Church as a member of the Society, or bring about a fifteen per cent gain in total membership.

9. Each local society pay annually an amount equal to twenty-five cents per member to be used as as General Administrative Fund, not to apply on the Church budget.

10. The Efficiency Standard be read in the society at least once a year, and the Plan of Work and Standing Rules be referred to often.

STANDING RULES

1. Send all money, voucher receipts for cash sent to places other than to the Conference Treasurer, voucher receipts for new clothing and other new merchandise, to the Conference Treasurer quarterly or more often.

2. All local treasurers shall close their books June 30th, and all money and receipts must be sent in and PURPOSE DESIGNATED not later than July 5, and the Annual Report blanks properly filled out and sent to the Conference Treasurer not later than July 12.

3. Conference shall convene annually on Tuesday following the first Monday of August at 3:00 p. m. The morning sessions shall convene at 9:00, and afternoon sessions at 1:00.

4. A Nominating Committee shall be elected composed of one local president and two delegates-elect from the three societies designated by the Annual Conference, with the Conference President as chairman ex-officio. This committee shall nominate session committees and all officers with the exception of those elected by ballot, and be prepared to report at the first session of the Annual Conference.

5. Three copies of each written report shall be given to the Secretary of the Conference. These shall be typewritten on typing paper size 8½x11, and double spaced.

6. The Conference Bar shall be composed of the Conference Officials, Delegates, newly elected Presidents, Elders, and Pastors' wives.

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

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Name of Band	Members	Honorary Members	Meetings	Efficiency Standard	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Special Projects (Credit)	TOTAL (Band Credit)	Non-Credit Items	Grand Total
Alva	18	11	45	90	68.78	2.39	38.92	3.90	113.99	7.41	121.40
Blackwell	26	10	45	95	18.72	4.96	16.96	---	40.64	18.12	58.76
Cedar Grove	16	2	44	85	23.89	21.79	23.93	---	69.61	2.90	72.51
Enid	27	6	12	80	27.17	20.22	18.73	4.20	70.32	6.65	76.97
New Hope	8	---	---	---	9.38	9.38	---	---	18.76	---	18.76
Ponca City	8	---	32	70	53.37	34.33	10.00	10.36	108.06	---	108.06
Tulsa	15	---	12	35	8.00	8.00	15.00	---	31.00	---	31.00
Wesleyan Chapel	7	5	46	80	6.24	2.50	2.50	---	11.24	.06	11.30
Totals	125	34	236	535	\$215.55	\$103.57	\$126.04	\$ 18.46	\$463.62	\$ 35.14	\$498.76

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

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Receipts										
Societies	Active Members	Honorary Members	Gain Members	Loss Members	Total No. Meetings Held	Wes'l'y'n Missionarys taken	Rank under Efficiency Standard %	No. Missionaries supported	Membership Dues	Offerings
Alva	32			1	23	20	90		32.00	359.39
Blackwell	12	2	5		23	7	90		14.00	123.34
Cedar Grove	12			1	15	13	85		12.00	142.36
Enid	39	6	8		23	35	95	1	45.00	598.01
Etna	6	1			18	7	58		7.00	133.48
New Hope	14		4		32	6			14.00	110.37
Ponca City	17			2	19	27	90		17.00	416.50
Rogers	5	1		8	11	4			6.00	55.59
San Antonio	12				1	4				99.90
Tulsa	8	2	1		14	7			10.00	122.42
Wesleyan Chapel	8				12	7			8.00	65.59
Totals	165	12	19	12	196	137		1	\$165.00	\$2,226.95

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W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

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Receipts							
Societies	From Labor	"Memorials"	Voucher Receipts	Other Sources	Total RECEIPTS for year	Old balance from last year	Grand Total
Alva	104.00	180.00	26.00	96.00	797.39	13.77	811.16
Blackwell				12.00	149.34		149.34
Cedar Grove	55.00			159.29	368.65	15.34	383.99
Enid			200.00	1,052.00	1,895.01	2.31	1,897.32
Etna					140.48		140.48
New Hope					124.37		124.37
Ponca City			48.35		481.85	6.58	488.43
Rogers			3.50	100.00	165.09	.17	165.26
San Antonio				20.00	119.90		119.90
Tulsa				31.07	163.49		163.49
Wesleyan Chapel				10.00	83.59	8.25	91.84
Totals	\$159.00	\$180.00	\$277.85	\$1,480.36	\$4,489.16	\$46.42	\$4,535.58

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

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Disbursements							
Societies	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Medical Student	Hephzibah, Cash	Hephzibah Provisions	Education, Cash and	Local Church Work
Alva	74.92	63.48	7.04	49.25	-----	76.44	342.25
Blackwell	29.94	30.14	1.98	3.56	-----	23.98	15.85
Cedar Grove	48.53	57.23	5.44	5.92	21.85	28.88	151.00
Enid	219.12	816.67	7.48	63.00	-----	116.47	-----
Etna	26.67	39.50	1.32	2.04	-----	15.92	-----
New Hope	7.79	41.89	2.20	3.40	-----	20.20	22.88
Ponca City	123.61	66.93	3.52	3.50	-----	50.67	-----
Rogers	14.00	24.26	1.00	3.06	-----	8.00	-----
San Antonio	20.22	53.47	-----	2.25	-----	4.47	-----
Tulsa	17.56	19.63	1.32	2.05	-----	14.67	-----
Wesleyan Chapel	25.50	17.65	1.32	2.55	-----	11.54	12.11
Totals	\$607.86	\$1,230.85	\$2.62	\$145.58	\$21.85	\$371.24	\$544.09

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued
For Oklahoma Conference

Societies	Disbursements						
	Membership Dues One Half	Other Objects	Japanese Bible College	Conference Work	Total Disbursements	New Balance on hand	Grand Total
Alva	16.00	92.41	19.16	38.76	779.71	31.45	811.16
Blackwell	7.00	4.95	15.33	6.69	139.42	9.92	149.34
Cedar Grove	6.00	24.98	10.00	9.56	369.39	14.60	383.99
Enid	22.50	99.74	329.20	207.61	1,881.79	15.53	1,897.32
Etna	3.50	4.80	23.46	23.77	140.48	-----	140.48
New Hope	7.00	5.50	5.00	8.51	124.37	-----	124.37
Ponca City	8.50	157.76	21.67	47.27	488.43	-----	488.43
Rogers	3.00	8.96	100.00	1.00	163.28	1.98	165.26
San Antonio	-----	7.15	8.67	23.67	119.90	-----	119.90
Tulsa	5.00	60.97	18.47	19.42	159.09	4.40	163.49
Wesleyan Chapel	4.00	9.22	1.80	6.15	91.84	-----	91.84
Totals.	\$ 82.50	\$475.94	\$552.76	\$392.41	\$4,457.70	\$ 77.88	\$4,535.58

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL W.Y.P.S. CONFERENCE OF OKLAHOMA

OFFICERS OF THE OKLAHOMA W. Y. P. S.

President—Rev. Robert Hughes, 1514 E. Maine, Enid, Oklahoma.

Vice-President—Rev. Leon Jackson, 511 So. 1st St., Blackwell, Oklahoma.

Secretary—Miss Winona Nelson, 5 Flynn St., Alva, Oklahoma.

Treasurer—Miss Leota Bess, 309 W. Cherokee, Enid, Oklahoma.

LOCAL W. Y. P. S. PRESIDENTS

Alva—Miss Winona Nelson, 5 Flynn St., Alva, Oklahoma.

Blackwell—Mrs. Leon Jackson, 511 So. 1st St., Blackwell, Oklahoma.

Borger, Texas—Mrs. John Friske, 1000 E. 6th St., Borger, Texas.

Enid No. 1—Miss Barbara Byfield, 623 W. Cherokee St., Enid, Oklahoma.

Enid No. 2—Mr. Russell Cockrell, 501 E. Chestnut St., Enid, Oklahoma.

New Hope—Mrs. Cletus Farnsworth, Ringwood, Oklahoma.

Ponca City—Miss Mavis Jones, 701 N. Elm St., Ponca City, Oklahoma.

San Antonio, Texas—Mrs. Dollie Binford, 2142 E. Houston St., San Antonio, Texas.

ANNUAL W. Y. P. S. BUSINESS SESSION

Enid, Oklahoma, August 7, 1954

The twenty-seventh annual session of the Oklahoma W. Y. P. S. assembled at Enid, Oklahoma, in the main auditorium at the First Wesleyan Methodist Church, 916 E. Main, Saturday at 10:30 a. m. on August 7, 1954.

Prayer by Rev. Robert Hughes.

Stanley Little and Lois Patzkowski were elected as Committee on Credentials. The names of the following were read and by vote were seated in the limits of the conference bar: Carl Jackson, Jim Hane, Sammie Fisher, Winona Nelson, Lois Patzkowski, Vivian Shaw, Elizabeth Brown, Glen Hollen, Joe C. Sawyer, Zuma Strawn, Cary Hada, Stanley Little, Barbara Hada, Bernice Strawn, Iva Jane Richey, Virginia Frye, Marvin E. Jones, John C. Friske, Mavis Jones, Mrs. Eunice Friske, Betty Stevens, Ivalene Taylor, Helen Hollen, Bob Hughes, Barbara Byfield, Leota Bess, Kathryn Strawn.

MOTION—that the first five seats and platform be designated as conference bar. Carried.

MOTION—we accept the pastors to sit in ranks of conference bar and have privilege of voting. Carried.

MOTION—that Dr. H. K. Shets, General Secretary of W. Y. P. S., take the chair to preside during the conference session. Carried.

MOTION—that Iva Jane Richey be seated as delegate from Alva in conference bar. Carried.

Nominating Committee was elected as follows: Rev. Leon Jackson, chairman, Iva Jane Richey, Stanley Little, Zuma Strawn, Jim Hane.

MOTION—that we seat the presidents of the new societies in the conference bar in the absence of the retiring president. Carried.

MOTION—that Ivaline Taylor, from New Hope, be seated in conference bar. Carried.

MOTION—that we seat Katheryn Strawn as an additional delegate from Borger Society. Carried.

MOTION—that order of the day be set for 1:30 P. M. Carried

Saturday, 1:30 P.M.

Bro. Edward Smith called the meeting to order after which Dr. H. K. Sheets took charge. Minutes were read and adopted on motion.

Auditing—Robert Hughes, Katheryn Strawn, Glen Hollen.

Committees:

Efficiency Standard—Carl Jackson, Mavis Jones, Joe Sawyer, Ivaline Taylor.

Stewardship—Rev. Leon Jackson, Rev. D. O. Dorr, Jim Hane, Leota Bess, Stanley Little, Zuma Strawn, Rev. Glen McMurphy.

Youth Solicitor—Barbara Hada, Lois Patzkowski, Bernice Straw, W. C. Brannon.

Goals and Methods—Mrs. Robert Hollen, Sammie Fisher, Rev. W. C. Brannon.

Thanks—Mrs. John Friske, Betty Stevens, Elizabeth Brown.

Statistical—Rev. Marvin Jones, Rev. Friske, Vivian Shaw, Gary Hada.

Courtesy Committee—Virginia Frye, Robert Hollen.

MOTION—nominating committee's report be adopted. Carried.

MOTION—chair appoint the tellers. Carried.

Ivaline Taylor and Lois Patzkowski were appointed as distributing tellers and Stanley Little and Mrs. Friske as reading tellers.

The following officers were elected by ballot for the coming year.

President—Rev. Robert Hughes.

Vice-President—Rev. Leon Jackson.

Secretary—Winona Nelson.

Treasurer—Leota Bess.

MOTION—we leave in hands of new Executive Committee the reorganization of the districts. Carried.

MOTION—that Iva Jane Richey be Wesleyan Youth Solicitor of conference. Carried.

Delegate to General Conference (1955)—Carl Jackson

Alternate delegate to General Conference (1955)—Rev. Leon Jackson.

MOTION—that Bro. Edward Smith be chairman of committee to sponsor social hour during the recess. Dwight Little as assistant. Carried.

MOTION—adjourn until 4:00. Carried.

OPENING—Dr. H. K. Sheets called meeting to order. Dr. Edward Smith, Conference Y.Y.P.S. President, gave his report which was read and adopted. (See Report No. 1).

Dr. Edward Smith, Conference W.Y.P.S. President, gave his report which was read and adopted. (See Report No. 1)

Report of W.Y.P.S. Treasurer was read and adopted. (See Report No. 2)

Auditing Committee report read and adopted. (See Report No. 3)

Report of Stewardship Committee read and adopted. (See Report No. 4)

Report of Efficiency Standard read and adopted. (See Report No. 5)

Report of Committee on Goals and Methods read and adopted. (See Report No. 6)

MOTION—that we adopt the General Youth Council recommendation as a part of our Goals and Methods report which states: Crusading Spirit . . . beamed to Local Societies for final year of Quadrennium. Revival . . . Deeper and Farther With Christ. Evangelism . . . With Christ After the Lost. Recruits . . . For Christ and the Church.

The Executive Council recommends that instead of using district plan of mid-year promotion we have conference wide gatherings to be planned by the Executive Council.

Recommendation of Executive Council was adopted. Carried.

MOTION—that the totals of Statistical report be read. Carried.
Totals of Statistical Report was read and adopted. (See Report No. 7)

Report of Committee on Thanks read and adopted. (See Report No. 8)

MOTION—that we leave in the hands of the Executive Committee the responsibility for Youth Day at Conference next year. Carried.

MOTION—that plans for Youth Camp next year be referred to the Executive Committee. Carried.

MOTION—we have an Oklahoma Youth Camp this coming Conference year. Carried.

MOTION—that Executive Council act as Youth Camp Committee with the authority to appoint additional members as they see necessary. Carried.

MOTION—that any business that arises after the close of conference be left in the hands of the Conference Executive Council. Carried.

On motion we adjourned and were dismissed in prayer by Carl Jackson.

REPORT NO. 1

To all members and friends of the Oklahoma Twenty-seventh Annual W. Y. P. S. Conference:

Christian Greetings in Jesus Holy Name!

Nov. 6, 1953: Met with Oklahoma W. Y. P. S. Executive Council at Westside Wesleyan Methodist Church, Enid, Oklahoma. Listed below are the subjects discussed.

1. State Youth Rally 1954
2. Youth Camp for 1954
3. District Rallies (East-West)

Nov. 9, 1953: Contacted Rev. Martin W. Cox with invitation to be speaker at our State Youth Rally, 1954. Also regarding work shops to then be held.

Nov. 9, 1953: Wrote Camp Director, Camp Horizon for tentative date for Youth Camp.

Nov. 10, 1953: Answered inquiry from Miss Joan Capehart, Harrison, Ark., regarding organization of W. Y. P. S. sending 6 booklets, (Constitution & By Laws for W. Y. P. S.)

Nov. 28, 1953: Letter to all W. Y. P. S. Presidents regarding State Youth Rally to be held at Ponca City Church.

Dec. 24, 1953: Letter to Fred Groves, District Chairman, West District regarding possibility of District Rally with Rev. Martin W. Cox at Alva, Oklahoma, Feb. 7, 1954.

Feb. 15, 1954: Met with Oklahoma W. Y. P. S. Executive Council at Westside Wesleyan Methodist Church, Enid, Oklahoma. Entire session concerned Youth Camp for 1954; The Speaker, location, advertising, Instructors, Camp Schedule.

Feb. 16, 1954: Letter to Rev. Martin W. Cox, extending invitation to be Youth Camp Evangelist.

Feb. 16, 1954: Letter to Camp Horizon confirming date for Youth Camp.

Feb. 16, 1954: Letter to Brotherhood Mutual Life Ins. Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind., for renewal policy for Youth Campers.

May 26, 1954: Letter to all local W. Y. P. S. Presidents and all Pastors regarding an honest inventory of accomplishments and a challenge to duty in this last year of the Quadrennium. Quadrennial Convention to meet in March, 1955.

June 28, to July 2: Attended three evening sessions of Youth Camp. Met with Rev. Cox; our Vice President, Leon Jackson, Rev. Dorr, our youth sponsor and Pastors laying plans for coming Youth Camps.

July 26, 1954: Answered letter of W. Y. P. S. President of San Antonio, Texas regarding organization.

A most sincere welcome to the three new societies joining our ranks this year. You will be a blessing to us. We shall endeavor so to be to you. (Harison, Arkansas; San Antonio, Texas; Borger, Texas.) Enid Westside Church, Cedar Grove, Oklahoma.

During the conference year, we traveled approximately 420 miles in the interests of the Oklahoma W. Y. P. S.

Respectfully submitted,
E. L. Smith, President

Youth Camp Budget	57.84
Camp Ground Fund	16.85

Miscellaneous—

Area Dues	\$ 7.90
Youth Camp Registration & Offerings	292.49
Youth Week Building Fund Offering	56.62
State Rally Ofering	19.40
Youth Day Offering at Conference	27.04
Offering for San Antonio Crusade	25.51 428.96
Total Receipts	\$812.24
Total cash on hand & receipts	\$943.07

PAID OUTS—

Foreign Missions	40.51
Home Missions	32.50
Education	57.58
Youth Worker '53	65.00
General Dues	76.00
Balance	\$271.59

Miscellaneous—

Area Dues	\$10.30
Youth Camp Evangelist	70.00
Youth Camp Registration fees & expense	286.39
Youth Week Building Fund	56.62
State Rally	19.40
San Antonio Crusade	25.51
Quartet Services Youth Day '53	47.00

Others - Telephone call, Meals at Banquet,

Bank charges	21.32 536.54
Total Paid Outs	\$808.13
Cash on Hand August 6, 1954	\$134.94

Leota Bess,

Conference W. Y. P. S. Treasurer

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

REPORT NO. 3

We have audited the treasurer's books and find them correct.

Committee—

Kathryn Strawn
Glen Holland
Robert Hughes

REPORT NO. 4

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

We Recommend:

1. That the W. Y. P. S. Budget be \$2.10 per active member as recorded in the 1954 Annual Conference Statistical Blank, to be divided as follows:

Youth Camp.....	\$1.00
Annual Camp Meeting Youth Worker	1.00
Miltonvale Area	.10

2. That the money for the camp ground fund be transferred to the Youth Camp Fund.

3 That the W. Y. P. S. dues be \$1.50 per member to be divided as follows:

\$1.00 per member for General W. Y. P. S.

.50 per member for Conference W. Y. P. S.

4. That each society be a subscriber to the Oklahoma Conference Church Extension Pledge.

5. That each society take one offering per month for missions. This may be designated as follows: $\frac{1}{2}$ Foreign, $\frac{1}{2}$ Home. If not designated, it will be designated by the Conference Treasurer.

6. That one-half of W. Y. P. S. budget and dues be paid by February 1, 1955.

7. That W. Y. P. S. president be paid 7c per mile for travel.

8. That each society take one offering a year to apply on General Conference Budget

Leon Jackson, Chairman

Stanley Little

James Hane

Zuma Strawn

Dudley O. Dorr

Leota Bess

Glen McMurphy

REPORT NO. 5

1. A. Each society hold a Certificate of organization from the General Secretary's Office 5
 B. W.Y.P.S. meetings held regularly. (At least 40 per year) 20
2. A monthly Missionary service with Missionary offering.....15
3. One Educational service with offering for education.....10
4. Membership gain—2 points for each 1% gained. Note: The goal is a 10% gain which would net.....20
5. A. Observance of Youth Week.....15
 B. Report of Observance of Youth Week.....10
6. The "Wesleyan Youth"
 A. Blue Ribbon Society (150% subscribing).....25
 B. Red Ribbon Society (125% subscribing).....20
 C. White Ribbon Society (100% subscribing).....20
7. Budget paid in full, based on last year's membership, with one-half paid by the 1st of February25
8. A. A systematic Bible Study and Scripture Memorization in operation15
 B. 75% of the members reading the Wesleyan Youth.....15
9. A. Statistical reports in the hands of the Conference W. Y. P. S. Secretary by July 1210
 B. Local treasurer books to close June 30, and all monies in the the hands of the Conferneec W. Y. P. S. Treasurer by July 6....10
10. Some special local project planned and executed.
 A. That the word project be interpreted as material improvement to the church premises. (For example: Cleaning, painting, etc.)10
 B. Some special services outside of regular youth services.....10
11. That each society have at least one subscription to the Oklahoma Conference Church Extension Pledge, and that it be paid.....25
12. Each society read and post the Efficiency Standard Committee, Stewardship Committee, and the Committee on Goals and Methods and refer to it as deemed best10

This gives a total of 250 points with a possibility of exceeding this in greater membership gain.

200 points or more necessary for a "A" Society.

170-200 points for a "B" Society.

140-170 points necessary for a "C" Society.

Carl Jackson, Chairman

Ivaline Taylor

Rev. Joe Sawyer

Mavis Jones

REPORT NO. 6

COMMITTEE ON GOALS AND MEETINGS

We recommend:

1. That each member of the W.Y.P.S. be a born-again Christian and heed the admonition in Romans 12:2, "Be not confirmed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect will of God." Also Ecclesiastes 12:1, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.

2. That each society endeavor to have 100% attendance at our annual Youth Camp.

3. That each society sponsor a weekly Youth Prayer Service, with one service each quarter set aside for the study of our church discipline, the Constitution and by-laws of the W.Y.P.S. and the Wesleyan Catechism.

4. That the local president of each society be responsible in promoting the following:

a. That each society through its Devotional and Program Committee endeavor this year to create greater enthusiasm by more activities such as membership drives and contests; and that we extend a sincere welcome to all visitors and friends.

b. That each member be a subscriber to "The Wesleyan Youth" and that we strive to attain the goal of 100 subscriptions. Also that each society circulate the Wesleyan Youth and church periodicals in public places.

5. That our young people take advantage of our Church schools in preference to other schools and that we make use of W. Y. P. S. Student Loan Fund, Loans to be recommended by the student's pastor and paid by the Conference W.Y.P.S. Treasurer after consultation with the Executive Committee.

Interest on the W.Y.P.S. Loan is 4%.

6. That each society give their wholehearted support to the rallies as planned by the executive committee.

Report No. 6

7. That the secretary be instructed to send copies of the reports of the committees of Stewardship, Goals and Methods and the Efficiency Standard to each local president at the beginning of the year, these reports to be read and studied in each society.

Mrs. Robert Hollen

Rev. W. C. Brannon

Miss Sammy Fisher

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

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W.Y.P.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

For Oklahoma Conference

Societies	Active Members		Associate Members		Wesleyan Youth		Effic. std. Rating B		Effic. std. Rating C		Conference Dues		General Dues		Church Extension		Education		Foreign Missions		Home Missions		Local Work	
Alva	17	2	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.00	33.60	10.00	23.94	9.88	12.91	128.87	20.66							
Blackwell	8	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Enid Builders	10	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.00	10.00	5.00	11.19	6.29	32.32	53.55								
Enid Crusaders	12	7	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.00	12.00	5.00	11.19	1.55	24.00	56.09								
Ponca City	14	3	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.00	16.00	11.85	44.30	19.88	12.25	99.31								
Totals	61	12	76	3	1					\$43.00	\$71.60	\$31.85	\$90.62	\$50.51	\$197.44	\$250.44								

REPORT NO. 8

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THANKS

"O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever."

We, the Wesleyan Young People's Society of Oklahoma, thank God for His presence and guidance through the past year and in this Annual Conference. Our Executive Committee and pastors are to be commended for their fine work in leadership this past year. We, thank you, Brother and Sister Brannon and your Church, for your kind hospitality. Thank you, Lillian Hovey, Brother and Sister Royalty, and your helpers for the preparation of our banquet, and to anyone else who has in any way had a part in making this 27th Annual Conference a success.

COMMITTEE:

Eunice Friske

Betty Stevens

Elizabeth Brown