

a w s

OHIO CONFERENCE
OF THE
**Wesleyan Methodist Connection
or Church of America**



Fargo, Ohio
August 26 - 30, 1919

MINUTES
OF THE
TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
OHIO CONFERENCE

OF THE
Wesleyan Methodist Connection,
or Church, of America

HELD AT
FARGO, OHIO, AUGUST 26-30, 1919

REV. A. W. SMITH, President.
L. A. SMOTHERS, Secretary.

Lay.
Lizzie Buckingham
J. O. Jones
Howard McGuffey
Thomas Shreve
F. M.
W. B. Ballinger
Harry Wiley
Mrs. R. B. Baker

The Ohio Conference

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

The Twelfth Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Ohio convened at Fargo, Ohio, August 26, 1919, in charge of Rev. A. W. Smith, President.

Election of Committee on Credentials: Elder, J. M. Williams; lay member, C. O. Bosworth.

Names of Delegates presented: Harry Osborne, Fargo; F. M. McClung, Marion Mission; C. O. Bosworth, Kenton; Homer Mallett, Curtis Ridge; Mrs. Emma Slough, Findlay; Miss Monna Rogers, Africa; Miss Edith Williams, Africa; Mrs. J. O. Jones, Dunkirk; Mrs. Alice Wiley, Zanesville; Worthy Spring, Greer; L. L. Richey, Harrison; Mrs. Edna M. Holdren, Bellefontaine.

Bar of Conference was fixed as first three seats and corner pews.

Committee on Courtesy, Rev. H. R. Smith, introduced to the Conference the following persons: Rev. J. S. Luckey, Rev. T. P. Baker, Rev. S. M. VanBlaricom, A. D. Devore, Brother Boggs, Brother Wood, Brother Ballinger, Mrs. Edith F. Lee. These were made honorary members of the Conference

Committee on Examination of Character: Rev. Chas. Hill and C. O. Bosworth.

Committee on Pastoral Relations: Rev. Chas. Hill, Rev. H. R. Smith, Rev. W. H. Mayle, Homer Mallett, C. O. Bosworth, Monna Rogers.

Committee on Statistical Report: J. Omerod, H. P. Osborne, Worthy Spring.

Time of services, 9 A. M., 2 P. M.

Rev. A. W. Smith, President of Conference, read the following report for the year:

President's Report—Year 1918-1919.

Under the blessing of the Lord it has been the pleasure of your President to perform the few duties falling to him during the year past.

October 15, 1918, organized the Oak Grove Wesleyan Methodist

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

Church, near Nelsonville, Ohio. This Church is the outgrowth of the evangelistic work of Rev. Chas. Hill, and gives considerable promise. Its charter members are men and women of character, grace, and intelligence. They have been under the pastoral charge of Rev. E. W. Cole.

In May, Rev. Geo. Dudgeon was relieved of the pastorate at Findlay, and this point separated from Dunkirk, with which it had been associated under his pastoral care so far this year.

J. W. Boggs, a licentiate of Zanesville, was appointed pastor at Findlay.

August 18, 1919, granted a transfer to Rev. O. G. McKinley from the Ohio Annual Conference to the Indiana Conference.

At such time as this body may see fit to set, I desire to make certain recommendations which appear to be vital to our work in spreading holiness and vital piety throughout our borders.

Your co-worker and servant,

A. W. Smith, President.

The President also presented the following recommendations:

As your President and after an exhaustive study of the needs of this Conference, it seems good to make the following recommendations:

I. That this Conference take steps to arrange for Holiness Conventions according to the Discipline, Paragraph 246. This is vital because of much false teaching and some prejudice which arises from a harsh and fault-finding exposition of Perfect Love as the fruit of a holy life. Our territory has been invaded in places with a so-called brand of holiness so bitter as not to measure up to Bible regeneration. Again, biblical regeneration has been minimized that sanctification might be exalted. This should not be, for both are essential and neither in itself complete. Let us take the Word and abide with its along these lines.

A committee of pastors and laymen to act on lines suggested in Paragraph 246 of the Discipline seems good to me.

II. Inasmuch as there is in some quarters an insistent demand for a traveling President or a Conference Evangelist to cover our territory, I recommend that public discussion of this matter and the financial phase of the question precede the annual election of officers, and that the whole matter receive the careful and prayerful

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

attention it ought to receive, either in a Committee whose finding shall be reported to this body, or by the body itself.

III. Pastoral Support.—Recent investigation shows that living costs have in six years past advanced eighty-three and one-sixth per cent. There has been some advance in pastoral support, but it is not adequate, and many of our pastors are seriously handicapped by this lack. Our people must rise to the necessity if our work prosper. It is suggested that this Conference elect a Committee to present for consideration a working plan to meet this need.

Again, all our benevolences suffer by reason of the diminished purchasing power of money. This ought to be considered.

IV. Our Budget: The Most Vital of Our Needs.—The sinews of the Church are supplied through this channel, and we can not extend our borders at home or abroad without the funds coming through the Budget.

There are many fields we may enter on this fall, and soon see churches built, as a result of our labors, if the needed finances be secured. The coal fields of Ohio are a field white for harvest. Towns of 300 and 1,000 people have no form of religious service or Sunday School. God will not hold us guiltless if we withhold from them His Word.

Our denomination is broadening its work. New missions and extension of the old call for our utmost sacrifice.

—The time is short. Jesus is coming. Shall we be ready?

Every Pastor and every Delegate must extend himself to the utmost if we raise our Budget in 1919-1920. It can be done.

Resolved that the recommendations be adopted.

Rev. J. M. Williams, George Dudgeon, and Rev. W. H. Mayle were elected as a Nominating Committee for the purpose of selecting four Committees to act on the recommendations of the President.

Adjourned.

A. W. Smith, President.

L. A. Smothers, Secretary Pro Tem.

Conference called to order at 3 P. M. by the President.

Nominative Committee's report adopted:

Holiness Committee—Rev. R. A. Hoffman, John Omerod, Homer Mallett.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

Traveling President Committee—Rev. A. W. Smith, George Dudgeon, Rev. Chas. Hill.

Committee on Pastoral Support—Rev. J. M. Williams, Mrs. J. O. Jones, Rev. H. W. Thompson.

Conference Budget—Rev. H. R. Smith, Rev. L. A. Smothers, Rev. W. B. Whitehead.

Rev. O. F. Liggett and Brother Curtis Knight were introduced to the Conference.

Time for the annual election of officers set for 3 P. M., Thursday.

Auditing Committee, Monna Rogers, empowered to select an associate.

Adjourned to 9 A. M. Thursday.

A. W. Smith, President.

L. A. Smothers, Secretary Pro Tem.

Thursday, August 27, 1919.

Conference convened at 9 A. M.

Devotion led by Rev. Devore. 1 John, 3rd chapter.

The name of Mrs. Edna Holdren, Delegate from Bellefontaine, was added to the roll.

Correction to Minutes.—H. P. Osborne's and Worthy Spring's names were placed on the Statistical Committee.

Greetings from Brother H. Livingstone received by the Conference, and a motion carried that the greetings be returned.

Rev. M. A. Gibbs introduced to the Conference.

A motion prevailed to the effect that a Church Extension Society be formed, it being a privilege of this Society to give one dollar per member to build new churches.

George Dudgeon, Rev. J. M. Williams, C. O. Bosworth were appointed a Committee to formulate and present a plan to the Conference.

Recess at the call of the Chair.

Conference called to order by the President, 3 P. M.

Committee on Traveling President presented the following:

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

We favor the supervision of our Church by Conference officials, and recommend that the President, Vice-President and Conference Evangelist-elect be required to travel as much as may be practicable, and that this Conference fix the compensation according to work done, as we are unable to formulate a workable financial plan.

Signed,

A. W. Smith,
George Dudgeon,
Chas. Hill,
Committee.

L. H. McMillen was made an honorary member of the Conference, he being a member of the Book Committee.

Officers elected are as follows:

President—Rev. A. W. Smith.

Vice-President—Rev. Chas. Hill.

Secretary—Rev. L. A. Smothers.

Treasurer—H. P. Osborne.

Conference Trustees—Rev. A. W. Smith, Rev. H. R. Smith, Rev. Chas. Hill. Lay Members: C. O. Bosworth, L. H. McMillen.

Conference Evangelist—Rev. R. A. Hoffman.

Committee on Presidency—Rev. W. H. Mayle, Rev. W. B. Whitehead, Rev. H. R. Smith. Lay Members: Homer Mallett, Halley Burns.

Sunday School Board—Edwin Kaylor, Worthy Spring, Mrs. Belle McMillen.

A motion prevailed that a Committee be elected to work out a plan of work for the President, Vice-President and Evangelist for this Conference year.

Committee elected—Geo. Dudgeon, Luther Richey, John Omerod and J. O. Jones.

Adjourned.

A. W. Smith, President.
L. A. Smothers, Secretary Pro Tem.

Friday, August 28, 1919.

Conference opened at 9 A. M.

Devotion led by Brother H. S. Denbow. Romans 8.

How in

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

Rev. A. W. Smith, in a short address, told of the pressing need we are facing of filling the vacancies in our Conference, and asked that a day each year be set aside that prayer be offered and a special effort be put forth to interest the young of our Church in its work. A motion prevailed to the effect that the President be empowered to appoint a day when such a service should be held. October 1st was the day set apart for this occasion.

Committee on examination of character presented the following names: J. O. Omerod, W. B. Whitehead, Chas. Hill, L. A. Smothers, George Dudgeon, S. C. Wycoff, R. A. Hoffman, J. W. Boggs, H. R. Smith. Passed.

Committee on Budget presented the following report:

We recommend:

First. That the total Budget for Connectional and all Conference work shall be \$3,085. Of this forty-five per cent shall be for Home and Foreign Missions; twenty-eight per cent for Education; twenty-three per cent for Conference work; two and one-half per cent for General Conference work, and one and one-half per cent for Connectional Sunday School work.

The various needs of the Conference shall be taken from this Conference fund.

Second. That all that is contributed for the current expenses of Houghton Seminary and of Wesleyan Methodist Home and Foreign Missions, for the General Conference and the Connectional Sunday School, and of the Wesleyan Methodist Church and for the work of the Ohio Conference shall count toward this Budget.

Third. That the Conference recommends that the pastors shall raise as much as possible for specific interests by the various methods that have originated for these purposes, such as the W. H. & F. M. Society, the Y. M. W. B., the L. S. U., etc.; but that, in addition to this, each pastor shall obtain, if possible, a pledge or a cash contribution from each person of his congregation, for the Budget as a whole, and the fund so obtained shall be known as the Undivided Budget.

Fourth. That the Conference recommends that the pastors shall not divide the Undivided Budget, but shall remit it at least quarterly to the Conference Treasurer. He shall retain the Undivided Budget until it is evident where it is needed to maintain a balance among the various interests, and shall then divide it in such a way as to maintain this balance.

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

Fifth. That the apportionment shall be as follows:

Africa	\$420.00
Bellefontaine	35.00
Curtis Ridge	185.00
Cutler	15.00
Dunkirk	150.00
Fargo	740.00
Findlay	35.00
Greer	450.00
Harrison Chapel	370.00
Kenton	450.00
— Marion Mission	15.00
Paulding	15.00
Senecaville	15.00
West View	140.00
White's Chapel	15.00
Zanesville	35.00
Total	<u>\$3085.00</u>

H. R. Smith,
W. B. Whitehead,
L. A. Smothers.

Report adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the name of Irid Reublin, Delegate.

Committee on Traveling President, Vice-President, and Conference Evangelist submits the following report:

First. We recommend that each Evangelist be required to visit each charge and hold a quarterly meeting this conference year, and also hold at least two ten-day meetings on the weaker charges during the year.

Second. We recommend that these Evangelists get together and make out their own slate.

Third. We recommend that the President shall be made the Conference Educational Secretary, and shall represent the Educational interests on each charge.

Fourth. And that the Conference Evangelist shall represent the Missionary phase of the work on each charge.

Fifth. We recommend that these Evangelists hold meetings in

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

needy and open fields, organize churches, and raise funds to employ, if need be, others to assist in their labors.

Sixth. We further recommend that each charge shall elect a Steward to raise their salary.

Seventh. We recommend that their salary shall be fixed at two hundred and fifty dollars; that they raise as much as possible on each charge visited, and that any deficit shall be paid out of the Conference Fund, or any surplus paid into the Conference Fund.

G. E. Dudgeon,
L. L. Richey,
Mrs. J. O. Jones,
C. O. Bosworth,
John C. Omerod.

Above report amended, making the Vice-President Church Extension Secretary.

Adjourned to meet at 1 P. M.

Called to order at 12:45.

Prayer by Brother Gibbs.

Monna M. Rogers, Secretary pro tem.

Report of Church Extension Society Committee.

Following report adopted:

The Committee on Church Extension submit the following report:

First. That the Conference shall elect a Church Extension Secretary, who shall have the oversight of this work.

Second. That all pastors shall be his agents to solicit membership.

Third. That all members shall pledge one dollar or more for each new church or parsonage built or bought.

Fourth. That all moneys received shall be turned into the Conference Treasury Church Extension Fund.

Fifth. The Church Extension Secretary shall keep a record of all names thus pledged.

Sixth. No money to be given away, but to be loaned without interest.

Seventh. No money shall be used out of this treasury except as above mentioned.

Eighth. The Trustees of the Ohio Conference shall be the governing body.

G. E. Dudgeon,
C. O. Bosworth,
J. M. Williams.

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

Report of Committee on Holiness Convention moved an amendment to report, that the Chairman for each district be Conference Evangelist of that District, to call pastors for election of officers during Conference. Carried.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Holiness Conventions submits to the Conference the following report:

First. That the Conference be divided into three districts, known and consisting of the following charges:

I. Eastern—Africa, Greer and Shadley Valley, West View, Harrison, Fargo, and Oxford.

II. Western—Findlay, Dunkirk, Kenton, Bellefontaine, Marion and Paulding.

III. Southern—White's Chapel, Zanesville, Cutler, Senecaville, and Curtis Ridge.

Second. We recommend that the Conference at this time elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer for each District. Hereafter each District to elect its own officers.

Third. That each District hold its meetings at least semi-annually.

Fourth. That each District cover its expenses by a free-will offering.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Hoffman, Chairman.

Partial report of Committee on Character: W. H. Mayle, E. T. Benton, A. W. Smith, J. M. Williams.

Committee on Pastor's Salary.

Report adopted.

Committee on Pastor's Salary wishes to make the following recommendations:

Inasmuch as all living expenses have so increased, making it difficult and almost impossible for our pastors to live on salaries received heretofore; we, therefore recommend the following plans to bring up their salaries to proper basis:

First. That stewards increase their efforts, by visiting or writing every member of their Church, both young and old, urging them to assume their responsibility to the Lord's cause by giving as He has prospered them, remembering His servants are worthy of their hire.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

Second. That all be requested to pledge and contribute weekly, if possible, remembering pastors have weekly expenses as well as laymen.

We recommend the "Envelope System," and that every member be presented with envelopes.

The old plan of giving once or twice a year is a poor one, and has caused much financial embarrassment and actual suffering.

J. M. Williams,
Mrs. J. O. Jones,
R. H. Taylor.

Committee.

Invitation from Kenton charge for the Conference in 1920, through Pastor R. A. Hoffman.

Motion carried that the invitation be accepted.

Motion carried that the time be on or near the third Wednesday in August, subject to change by the Executive Committee.

Recommendations of J. W. Boggs, H. S. Denbow, Harry Wiley, and Alice Wiley to be received to travel under the direction of Conference. Moved that the recommendations be referred to Committee on Elder's Orders.

Adjourned to 9 A. M., Saturday, August 29th.

A. W. Smith, President.
L. A. Smothers, Secretary.

Friday afternoon President Luckey, of Houghton Seminary, ably presented the Educational interest. He spoke of the necessity of educating our young people in our own schools, that they may not only be the foundation of our Church as laity, but also Christian leaders.

He mentioned the fact that no partiality is shown among the students; all are shown the same interest regardless of their respective callings.

He spoke of the danger our young people are facing when they enter some of the colleges that are doing away with the high principles of the Gospel of Christ; some even denying the inspiration of the Scriptures.

He pleaded that all parents send their children to our own schools.

He spoke of the "Forward Movement" as the hope of obtaining a charter for Houghton. He hoped that as the people were catch-

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

ing the vision, and the harvest was ripe, the people at Conference would take some action in regard to the matter.

A motion prevailed to express our appreciation to President Luckey for the splendid address, and to place ourselves on record as being heartily in accord with the "Forward Movement," and pledging ourselves to assist in the raising of desired sum.

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

Rev. W. A. Markee, having charge of the evening service, preached a warm, spiritual sermon, at the close of which eight earnest seekers found their way to the altar.

Saturday, August 30, A. M.

Conference called to order by the Chair, and recessed until 1:30 P. M.

Saturday, August 30, 1:30 P. M.

Report of Committee on Itineracy and Orders given in full and adopted.

Report is as follows:

First. We approve the action of Zanesville Quarterly Conference in recommending H. S. Denbow, Alice Wiley and J. W. Boggs to the Ohio Conference to be received to travel and pursue the Conference Course of Study under its direction.

Second. We recommend that Everett Cole, Maud White, George Dudgeon, R. A. Hoffman, and S. C. Wycoff be continued; each to continue the part of the Course of Study that the Discipline requires be completed during the year.

Third. That R. B. Coughill furnish the Committee information as to studies in Theology he may have had that will count on his Course of Study; and,

Fourth. That the Secretary of the Committee write Brother Coughill in regard to the matter.

Fifth. That John C. Omerod be continued in his second year of travel, and that he complete the three books necessary to his ordination.

Sixth. That H. L. Wiley be continued under the direction of the Conference.

Seventh. That E. T. Benton be continued, to make up the

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

studies needed to make the Course of Study taken equivalent to the Wesleyan Methodist Course of Study.

Eighth. That Daniel Wykoff be returned to his Quarterly Conference.

Ninth. That the Committee expects each licentiate to take the two books required in the first year course.

Signed,

A. W. Smith,
H. R. Smith,
W. H. Mayle,
H. P. Osborne,
W. A. Spring.

Committee on Pastoral Relations report and report adopted.

Your Committee on Pastoral Relations submits the following report:

Africa—S. M. VanBlaricom. (Subject to transfer from the Indiana Conference.)

Bellefontaine—In hands of President and Advisory Board.

Big Prairie—In hands of Board of Trustees.

Cambridge City Rescue Home and Mission—Rev. Charles Hill, Superintendent; Mrs. Charles Hill, Matron.

Curtis Ridge—In hands of President.

Cutler—Under supervision of W. H. Mayle.

Dunkirk—George E. Dudgeon.

Fargo and Oxford—A. W. Smith.

Findlay—In hands of President and Advisory Board.

Greer and Shadley Valley—L. A. Smothers.

Harrison Chapel—In hands of President.

Kenton—R. A. Hoffman.

Marion Mission Church—H. R. Smith.

Marion Toledo Avenue Mission—H. Livingstone.

Oak Grove—E. W. Cole.

Paulding—Willie Roberts. (Subject to arrangements of President, church, and Brother Roberts.)

West View and North Olmsted—John C. Omerod.

White Chapel—In hands of President.

Zanesville—W. H. Mayle.

Recommended that the name of H. W. Thompson be temporarily placed on the Superannuated list that he may be granted aid from said fund.

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

Recommended that \$60.00 from said fund be sent to H. W. Thompson, and that further aid be sent to him at the discretion of the President and Advisory Board.

Recommended that B. M. Gillen be sent \$10.00 from the afore-said fund.

Inasmuch as the name of H. Livingstone has disappeared from the records of this Conference in an irregular fashion, we recommend that his name be restored to the record as a member in full and regular standing as an Elder.

Supernumerary List.—Elders: A. D. Osborne, Della Osborne, J. M. Williams, Francene A. McMillen, G. W. Calhoon. Licentiates: H. S. Wiley, Alice Wiley, H. Denbow, J. W. Boggs, B. B. Cowgill.

Superannuated List.—B. M. Gillen and H. W. Thompson.

Elders W. B. Whitehead and E. T. Benton to choose their own fields of labor.

H. R. Smith,
W. H. Mayle,
Chas. Hill,
Homer Mallett,
C. O. Bosworth,
Monna M. Rogers,
Committee.

Statistical report read and adopted. (See report tables.)

Report of Committee on Audit.

Your Committee on Audit submit the following report:

We have examined the Treasurer's book and find it incorrect in several entries and balances.

Monna M. Rogers,
W. B. Whitehead.

Auditing Committee reports a discrepancy in the Treasurer's report, due to error, and place same in the hands of a Committee for adjustment and correction. E. R. McMillen, head of Committee, empowered to select his own assistants.

Ordered that Treasurer H. P. Osborne be given clean sheet.

Following Committees elected:

President's Advisory Board—J. M. Williams, H. P. Osborne.

Judiciary Committee—H. R. Smith, Chas. Hill, W. H. Mayle,
L. A. Smothers.

Sunday School Secretary—J. C. Omerod.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

Missionary Board—R. A. Hoffman, George Dudgeon.

Tithing Secretary—L. A. Smothers.

Itineracy and Orders—L. A. Smothers.

Following statistical reports made: A. W. Smith, W. H. Mayle, L. A. Smothers, H. R. Smith, W. B. Whitehead, John C. Omerod.

The Secretary was authorized to communicate with Rev. H. W. Thompson, Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Osborne, and Miss Maud White, to express regret at their inability to attend Conference.

Inasmuch as the name of H. Livingstone has disappeared from the Conference records in an irregular fashion, we recommend that his name be restored to the record as a minister in full and regular standing.

Character of J. M. Williams passed.

Motion prevailed that Conference officers be elected in 1920 at 10 A. M., Saturday.

Report of Sunday School Secretary read and adopted.

Statistical Report of the Conference Sunday School Secretary for the year ending August 26, 1919: Number of Sunday Schools, 18; Number of officers, not teachers or scholars, 20; number of teachers, 66; number of scholars in Home Department, 48; number of scholars in Cradle Roll, 100; number of scholars in main school, 850; total number in Sunday Schools, 972; average attendance, 432; number of scholars converted, 38; number of scholars joining church, 28; number of departmental superintendents, 8; number in Teacher's Training Course, 8; number of scholars in Adult Bible Classes, 81; number of books in library, 560; Efficiency Standard: Number of Loyal Schools, 4. Wesleyan Lesson Helps taken: Sunday School Banner, 331; Primary Class Paper, 179; Teacher's Quarterly, 150; Scholar's Quarterly, 447; Junior Quarterly, 78; Our Little Folks Cards, 162. Amounts Contributed—Total collected by School, \$527.00; collected for Missions, \$65.41; for supplies and other expenses, \$425.08; for other Benevolences, \$29.02; cash in local treasuries, \$98.44.

As retiring Conference Sunday School Secretary, I wish to thank the people of the Ohio Conference for their loyal support during the past two years. What I have accomplished has been as a result of their prayers and co-operation and Divine grace. For them and the incoming Secretary, I beseech God's guiding power and His richest blessings on this great work. I wish to express my heartfelt appreciation for the confidence you have placed in me and realize a lasting obligation to you. I assure you that as I

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

go forth into the new work into which God has called me I shall ever have a warm feeling in my heart for the people of Ohio, and shall continue to be interested in the work here and shall continue to pray for you.

In order that our Sunday Schools may become better acquainted with the various needs of the work and support them accordingly, I recommend that the Conference Sunday School Secretary and the Sunday School Board shall designate certain days which shall be known as Mission Day, Temperance Day, Conference Day, and Connectional Day, and that the regular Educational Day shall be observed in all the schools.

Second. That the collection for that day shall be given to that arm of the work.

Third. That the pastors of the various charges shall co-operate with the Secretary and Board in arranging and carrying out this program.

Fourth. That Pastors and Superintendents shall co-operate with the Secretary and Board in bringing the schools up to the Efficiency Standards.

Monna M. Rogers, Conf. S. S. Secretary.

A vote of thanks was given Monna M. Rogers, Sunday School Secretary, for zeal in the work, and she was bidden God-speed in her new work at Miltonvale College.

A vote of thanks was extended Miss Gertrude B. Thurston for so ably directing the music throughout all sessions.

The minutes of the Conference were ordered published at an early date, together with the W. H. & F. M. Society minutes, and that money for publication of same be taken from the Conference treasury.

It was ordered that stationery for Conference officials be provided for transacting Conference business, and that the names of officials be used in heading of same. The cost of printing to be deducted from Conference treasury.

A vote of thanks was extended to the people of Fargo, Oxford and surrounding community for the splendid way in which they entertained the Conference.

Adjourned, subject to call of the Chair.

A. W. Smith, President.

L. A. Smothers, Secretary.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

REPORT OF STATISTICAL COMMITTEE.

	Pastors' Labors.			Periodicals.						
	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	No. Wesleyans Taken	S. S. Banners Taken	Teacher's Quarterlies	Scholar's Quarterlies	Junior Quarterlies	Primary Class Papers	Little Folks Cards
Africa	O. G. McKinley	12	2	1	18	36	6	100	15	15
Bellefontaine	E. T. Benton	12	1	1		21	2	13	14	19
Curtis Ridge	W. B. Whitehead	12	4	2	10	25	4	35		15
Cutler	W. H. Mayle	12	1	1	1	10		24		12
Dunkirk	George Dudgeon	12	1	1	5	30	7	20		10
Findlay	Geo. Dudgeon and J. W. Boggs	*12	1	1	2	20	7	20	15	15
Fargo and Oxford	A. W. Smith	12	2	2	25	40	9	150		30
Greer and Shadley Valley, L. A. Smothers		11	2	2	27	55	13	100	20	22
Marion	H. R. Smith	12	1	1	3	12	4	10	10	5
Harrison Chapel	Wesley Markee	12	1	1	13	37	65	50	15	20
Kenton	R. A. Hoffman	12	1	1	5	50	6	50		25
Senecaville	S. C. Wycoff	12	1	1	2					16
West View and N. Olmsted		12	2	2	9	45	4	50	12	37
Zanesville	W. H. Mayle	12	1	1	2		24	24		24
Total		167	21	18	122	381	151	646	86	214
										182

* Geo. Dudgeon, 8½ months; J. W. Boggs, 3½ months.

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Membership.														
	Members Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Numbers	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Licentiates	Members Tithing.
Africa	3		11	1	5	99	99	85	14			9	2		20
Bellefontaine	17		8	2	1	18	20	26		8		9			2
Curtis Ridge	2		1	1		47	47	48		1		8			8
Cutler	5			1		8	8	12		4					
Dunkirk	4					12	12	16		4	7	6			
Findlay	12	2	2	1	7	28	28	26	2						3
Fargo	9			2	5	148	148	150		2		4			
Greer	7			1	2	70	70	74		4	6	6			53
Marion	2					8	8	10		2				1	
Harrison Chapel					1	92	92	91	1						6
Kenton	33		9	1	8	101	101	114		13				2	35
Senecaaville								12		1					
West View		3	1	2	39	39	37	2							6
Zanesville	12		31	2	1	52	52	25	27			2		8	4
Total	106	2	64	13	32	730	804	726	46	39	13	45	2	11	137

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Sabbath School.																											
	No. of Sabbath Schools		Officers not Teachers or Scholars		No. of Teachers		Scholars in Home Dept.		Scholars in Cradle Roll		Scholars in Main School		Total No. in Sunday Schl.		Average Attendance		No. Scholars Converted		No. Schol. Joining Church		No. Departmental Supt.		No. in Teach. Train. Class		Adult Bible Class		No. Books in Library	
Africa	1	10	6			10	87	97	44	2	1																	
Bellefontaine	1	1	4				65	70	33	17	13																	
Curtis Ridge	2		6				49	55	43	2	2																	
Cutler	1	1	3				35	39	35	4	1																	
Dunkirk	1	2	3				35	40	22	3	3																	
Findlay	1	2	5			4	30	41	25	8										1								
Fargo	2		13	6	32	202	257	115	8	9	4											8		40		60		
Greer	2	4	8				110	122	84	3	7													40				
Marion	1	2	3				20	23	15																			
Harrison Chapel	1	3	6	25	16	84	135	50	1		4																	
Kenton	1	4	6			50	65	61	10	10																		
Senecaville (No School)																												
West View	2		7				85	92	52	3	1																500	
Zanesville	1	4	4				50	58	30																			
Total	17	33	74	31	62	902	1096	608	62	46	10	8	80	560														

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Church Property.						
	No. of Church Buildings	Value of	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values On Hand
Africa	1	\$2000.00		1	\$1500.00		\$300.00
Bellefontaine	1	900.00					61.60
Curtis Ridge	2	1400.00					10.00
Cutler	1	900.00					
Dunkirk	1	2500.00					
Findlay	1	1500.00	\$150.00				
Fargo	2	6000.00		1	2000.00		15.39
Greer	2	4500.00		1	1000.00		
Marion	1	1200.00					8.28
Harrison Chapel ..	1	2500.00		1	1500.00		200.00
Kenton	1	3000.00					70.00
Senecaville	1	1800.00					18.00
West View	2	1800.00		1	1000.00		400.00
Zanesville	1	4000.00					10.00
Total	18	\$34000.00	\$150.00	5	\$7000.00		\$1093.27

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Contributed for Pastor.				
	Salary	Parsonage Rents	Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Africa	\$523.53	\$84.00	\$7.00	\$100.00	\$714.53
Bellefontaine	80.97		21.00		101.97
Curtis Ridge	662.84		7.00	308.85	978.69
Cutler	52.65				52.65
Dunkirk	427.48		5.00	101.63	534.11
Findlay	331.70	18.00	15.00	99.85	464.55
Fargo	728.15	125.00	43.00	100.00	996.15
Greer	595.85	78.00	14.55	106.39	794.79
Marion	50.00				50.00
Harrison Chapel	643.75	100.00	2.00	29.00	774.75
Kenton	818.57		22.75	323.75	1165.07
Senecaville	70.00			30.00	100.00
West View	409.21	75.00	15.00	61.60	560.81
Zanesville	66.93				66.93
Total	\$5461.63	\$480.00	\$152.30	\$1261.07	\$7355.00

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Contributed for Church.				
	Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Africa	\$155.06	\$50.56	\$8.00	\$127.09	\$340.71
Bellefontaine	3.58	45.99	485.10	40.50	575.17
Curtis Ridge	11.00	54.75	*	25.00	90.75
Cutler	20.92			5.61	26.53
Dunkirk	29.00	40.00	32.20	44.00	145.20
Findlay	89.59	65.32	5.00	73.22	233.13
Fargo	56.55	207.90	264.73	133.60	662.78
Greer	8.50	101.60	69.00	85.00	264.10
Marion	15.36	8.52	28.60	28.60	81.08
Harrison Chapel	41.50	66.57	158.55	100.00	366.62
Kenton	309.46	76.42	453.95	129.75	969.58
Senecaville	20.61	°		16.00	36.61
West View	65.10	72.64	136.51	79.95	354.20
Zanesville		23.73	835.00	23.35	882.08
Total	\$826.23	\$814.01	\$2476.64	\$911.67	\$5028.54

* No report.

° No school.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Contributed for Benevolences.						Total for Benevolences
	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannated Min. Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	
Africa		\$167.11	\$61.82	\$15.00		\$27.50	\$271.43
Bellefontaine		15.54				29.22	44.76
Curtis Ridge		266.97	49.00	12.25	\$4.90	215.00	548.12
Cutler	\$4.80						4.80
Dunkirk		35.00	16.00	2.40	1.60	1.60	56.60
Findlay		11.38	10.30	53	2.99		25.20
Fargo		258.16	201.25	37.00	14.80	250.00	761.21
Greer		515.00	53.60	6.00	13.60	1000.00	1588.20
Marion		14.15	8.00		50	27.10	49.75
Harrison Chapel		311.54	159.70	15.50	1.75	200.00	688.49
Kenton	181.63	98.44	53.13				333.20
Senecaville	10.00		2.00				12.00
West View		99.87	39.00	9.75	3.90	11.03	163.55
Zanesville	21.10	10.70	6.80		1.25	45.80	85.65
Total	\$217.53	\$1803.86	\$660.60	\$98.43	\$45.29	\$1807.25	\$4632.96

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Totals.			
	Total for Pastors	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences.	Totals for All Purposes
Africa	\$714.53	\$340.71	\$271.43	\$1326.67
Bellefontaine	101.97	575.17	44.76	721.90
Curtis Ridge	978.69	90.75	548.12	1617.56
Cutler	52.65	26.53	4.80	83.98
Dunkirk	534.11	145.20	55.60	734.91
Findlay	464.55	233.13	25.20	722.88
Fargo	996.15	662.78	761.21	2420.14
Greer	794.79	264.10	1588.20	2647.09
Marion	50.00	81.08	49.75	180.83
Harrison Chapel	774.75	366.62	688.49	1829.86
Kenton	1165.07	969.58	333.20	2467.85
Senecaville	100.00	36.61	12.00	148.61
West View	560.81	354.20	163.55	1078.56
Zanesville	66.93	882.08	85.65	1034.66
Total	\$7355.00	\$5028.54	\$4631.96	\$17015.50

White's Chapel and Oak Grove reported no statistics.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Budget Assigned			
	Missions	Education	Conference	Total
Africa	\$99.00	\$99.00	\$34.65	\$232.65
Bellefontaine	19.00	19.00	6.55	44.55
Curtis Ridge	37.00	37.00	12.95	86.95
Cutler	7.00	7.00	2.45	16.45
Dunkirk				
Findlay	31.00	31.00	10.85	72.85
Fargo	145.00	145.00	50.75	340.75
Greer	71.00	71.00	24.85	166.85
Marion	8.00	8.00	2.80	18.80
Harrison Chapel	92.00	92.00	31.20	215.20
Kenton	101.00	101.00	35.35	237.35
Senecaville				
West View	39.00	39.00	13.65	91.65
Zanesville	50.00	50.00	17.50	117.50
White's Chapel	18.00	18.00	6.30	42.30
Total	\$717.00	\$717.00	\$249.85	\$1683.85

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Budget				
	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference	Total
Africa		\$167.11	\$61.82	\$15.00	\$243.93
Bellefontaine		15.54			15.54
Curtis Ridge		266.97	49.00	12.25	328.22
Cutler	\$4.80				4.80
Dunkirk		35.00			35.00
Findlay		11.38	10.30	3.52	25.20
Fargo		258.16	201.25	51.80	511.21
Greer		515.00	53.60	19.60	588.20
Marion		14.15	8.00		22.15
Harrison Chapel		311.54	159.70	17.25	488.49
Kenton	181.63	98.44	53.13		333.20
Senecaville	10.00		2.00		12.00
West View		99.87	39.00	13.65	152.52
Zanesville	21.10	10.70	6.80	1.25	39.85
Total	\$217.53	\$1803.86	\$644.60	\$134.32	\$2800.31

**MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S HOME
AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY
SOCIETY OF THE
OHIO CONFERENCE,
YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1919**

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

ROLL OF MEMBERS

Mrs. May Markee,
Mrs. Mary Williams,
Mrs. Hazel Smothers,
Mrs. George Dudgeon,
Mrs. W. B. Whitehead,
Mrs. Ella Taylor,
Miss Florence Kean,
Mrs. A. W. Smith,

Mrs. Dudley,
Mrs. M. Osborn,
Mrs. Etta Osborn,
Mrs. Belle McMillan,
Miss Mable McMillan,
Mrs. McQuig,
Miss Blanche Thurston,
Mrs. Jones,

Mrs. Slough.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

August 28, 1919—Thursday Morning.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Ohio Conference convened in its sixteenth session at Fargo, Ohio, Thursday, August 28, 1919.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Edith F. Lee.

Mrs. Hazel Smothers was elected Committee on Credentials.

The credentials of Mrs. Ella Taylor and Mrs. Mary Williams were read.

Moved and carried that these credentials be accepted.

Committee on awarding banner and pennant resulted as follows: Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. Edith Lee, with Miss Monna Rogers to assist them.

The Committee on Statistics resulted with the election of Florence Kean, she being left to choose her own help.

Time set for the election of officers at 3 o'clock, Friday P. M.
Reports called for.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

Reports from Kenton, West View, and Africa were read.

Moved and carried that these reports be accepted.

Mrs. Edith Lee presented the Study Book to be used in connection with our monthly meetings. She also presented our new magazine, "The Wesleyan Missionary." Subscriptions were taken for the Study Book.

Adjourned.

Mrs. May Markee, President.

Miss Florence Kean, Secretary.

Thursday Afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

The hour was given over to Mrs. Edith Lee, who discussed Standard Efficiency for the Local Societies of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Adjourned.

Mrs. May Markee, President.

Mrs. Florence Kean, Secretary.

Friday Afternoon.

Meeting opened with prayer by the President, Mrs. May Markee. Reports called for.

Reports from Harrison and Fargo read and adopted.

Election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Hazel Smothers.

Vice-President—Mrs. A. W. Smith.

Secretary—Miss Florence Kean.

Treasurer—Miss Mable McMillan.

Organizer—Miss Blanche Thurston.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Mrs. Belle McMillan.

Reports of Y. M. W. B. from Findlay read and adopted.

Treasurer's report given and adopted.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Mrs. May Markee, President.

Mrs. Mary Williams Secretary Pro Tem.

Saturday Afternoon.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

The statistical report was read and adopted.

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

The Committee on Awarding pennant and banner reported that Greer had won the pennant, having the highest gain in money, and Shadley Valley had won the banner, having the highest per cent of gain in membership.

Mrs. Markee read a letter written to Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke in regard to the silk quilt presented to her by the Ohio Conference.

Blanche Thurston and Florence Kean were appointed to send out the quilt and letter.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Edith Lee.

Mrs. Hazel Smothers, President.

Miss Florence Kean, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Receipts from Africa W. H. & F. M. Society	\$59.10
Receipts from Africa Y. M. W. B.	94.14
Receipts from Fargo W. H. & F. M. Society	5.00
Receipts from Fargo charge	30.00
Receipts from Harrison W. H. & F. M. Society	40.00
Cash from Harrison W. H. & F. M. Society	25.00
Cash from Harrison Y. M. W. B.	13.15
From Shadley Valley Charge	62.65
From Shadley Valley W. H. & F. M. Society	9.00
Total ..	\$338.04
Balance from last year	4.34
	\$333.70

Disbursements.

By receipts to T. P. Baker:

Home Missions	\$10.00
Foreign Missions	5.00
Africa (Medical)	15.00
To J. S. Luckey (Educational)	10.00
Cash to Mrs. Edith Lee	25.00
Total ..	\$65.00
Balance	\$268.70

Mable McMillian, Treasurer.

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

31

Name of Place.	Name and Address of President.	Date of Organization	Number of Active Members.	Number of Honorary Members.	Number of Meetings.	Amount of Money Raised during Year.	Amount disbursed during interim.	Amount sent to Conference Society.
Africa	Mrs. Myrtia Taylor	Sept. 28, 1895	34		9	\$81.95	\$34.28	\$54.10
Harrison	Mrs. Ella Taylor, Alexandria, O.	Oct. 26, 1902	22	2	13	110.00	105.00	65.00
Fargo	Mrs. F. S. Dudley, Marengo, O.	Oct., 1904	13		10	143.05	99.21	
Curtis Ridge		1919						
Greer	Mrs. J. Walton, Danville, O.	May 4, 1919	12		1	9.00		
Shadley Valley								
Oxford								
Marion								
Findlay						6.00		
West View								
Kenton	Mrs. Grace Grimes, Kenton, O.	April, 1919	13		10	24.58		
		Total	94	2	43	\$374.58	\$238.49	\$119.10

Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT.

Name of Band.	Name and Address of Superintendent.	Number of Members.	Number of meetings held during year.	Amount of dues.	Amount of Free-will Offerings.	Total Offerings and Dues.
Africa	Mrs. Myrtle Aller, Galena, O.	70	1	\$37.86	\$66.28	\$104.14
Harrison	Mrs. Edith Thomas, Pataskala, O.	96		74.02	46.07	120.09
Fargo	Mrs. Belle McMillan, Marengo, O.	65	12	54.52	145.48	200.00
Curtis Ridge	Lizzie Buckingham, Summerfield, O.	50	2	50.00	206.10	256.00
Greer	Edith Shinnabarker, Greer, O.	18	4	23.60	276.01	299.61
Shadley Valley	Mrs. L. A. Smothers, Greer, O.	23		11.96	142.69	154.65
Oxford						
Marion						
Findlay	Emma Slough, Findlay, O.	20			4.35	4.35
West View	Minnie Petrie, Columbia Station, O.	64		35.12	41.17	76.29
Kenton	Miss Alice Miller, Kenton, O.		50		24.59	24.59
Total		406	69	\$287.08	\$952.74	\$1239.82

THE OHIO CONFERENCE