

**MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE  
OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF AMERICA**

**And It's Auxiliary Organizations  
The Woman's Missionary Society  
Wesleyan Youth**

**Held at Belvidere, Illinois  
July 30 through August 1, 1964**

**Reverend Arthur L. Bray, President  
Reverend Meredith J. Bailie, Secretary**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

Conference Fiscal Year closes July 15, 1965. Local Church Fiscal Year closes June 30. All budgets should be paid monthly or in advance. Final remittances to the Conference treasurers must be post-marked not later than July 5, 1965.

### Where to send funds:

General and Conference budgets, Sunday School and Camp Meeting pledges to Rev. John C. Friske, 2310 S. 11th Ave., Broadview, Illinois.

W.M.S. Funds to  
Mrs. Barbara Crail, 546 Landmeier Rd, Elk Grove Village, Ill.

Y.M.W.B. Funds to  
Mrs. Jean Mould, 153 N. Cuyler, Oak Park, Illinois.

Wesleyan Youth Funds to  
Rev. Leigh Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Illinois.

### Conference and Camp Meeting Dates for 1965.

Annual Conference and W.M.S. Conference convene at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, July 29, 1965. W.Y. Conference convenes 9:30 p.m., Friday, August 6, 1965. Camp Meeting begins Sunday, August 1 and continues through Sunday, August 8, 1965.

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Dr. B. H. Phaup, our area General Superintendent.

1964-1965 Organization of the Illinois Conference  
of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America

OFFICERS

President: Rev. A. L. Bray, 5231 W. Ferdinand St., Chicago 44, Ill.  
Vice President: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, 920 E. Dawes Ave., Wheaton, Ill.  
Secretary: Rev. M. J. Baillie, 875 N. Farnham St., Galesburg, Ill.  
Treasurer: Rev. J. C. Friske, 2310 S. 11th Ave., Broadview, Ill.  
Assistant Treasurer: Rev. R. E. Crawford, 500 N. Laramie, Chicago, Ill.  
Illinois Trustee of Marion College: Rev. A. L. Bray  
Lay Trustee: Mr. Richard T. Mould, 153 N. Cuyler, Oak Park, Ill.  
Educational Secretary: Rev. L. Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.  
Sunday School Secretary: Rev. R. L. Zuhl, 9101 S. Menard, Oak Lawn, Ill.  
Director of C.Y.C.: Mr. J. Wells, 221 N. Long, Chicago 44, Ill.  
Tithing Secretary: Rev. D. Castro, 820 B Cresent, Apt.#5, Wheaton, Ill.  
Statistical Secretary: Rev. D. D. Crail, 546 Landmeier Road,  
Elk Grove Village, Ill.  
Editor, The Illinois Tidings: Rev. A. L. Bray

STANDING COMMITTEES

Conference Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension)

Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President; Rev. Stanley Hill, Rev. Robert Klatt, Mr. W. F. Tice, Mr. Richard Mould, Trustees; Rev. Forrest Gearhart, Rev. Roy Crawford, Mr. Lloyd Wallace, Dr. Frank Crans.

Conference Trustees

Rev. A. L. Bray (1966), Rev. R. Klatt (1965), Mr. W. F. Tice (1966), Rev. S. A. Hill (1967), Mr. R. Mould (1967).

Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location

The Conference Board of Managers

Committee on Itineracy and Orders

Rev. R. M. Gibbs (1967), Chairman; Rev. A. L. Bray (1965), Rev. R. E. Crawford (1966), Rev. S. A. Hill (1968).

Judiciary Committee

Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. A. P. Mimnaugh, Rev. T. Baillie, Rev. O. L. Johnson.

Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid

Mr. Sam Paine (1967), Rev. C. E. Olander (1966), Rev. V. Swanson (1965).

Conference Education Committee

Rev. L. Nygard, Educational Secretary; Rev. G. Hood, Conference Wesleyan Youth President; Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President and Marion College Trustee; Mrs. Rachel Bray, Conference W.M.S. President; Mrs. Jean Mould, Conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent.

Sunday School Board

Rev. R. L. Zuhl, Conference Sunday School Secretary; Mr. John Wells, Conference C.Y.C. Director; Rev. A. Jones (1965), Rev. O. L. Johnson (1966), Mr. Gwyn Jones (1965), Mr. Orville Senger (1966).

Nominations (of Conference Session Committees)

Committee on the Orders of the Day and two lay delegates chosen in the alphabetical order of the churches (Oak Park, Peoria-First).

Committee on Vacancies

Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Chairman; Rev. R. M. Gibbs, Rev. R.E. Crawford,  
Mr. W. Tice, Mr. G. Jones.

Committee on Credentials

Annual Conference Secretary

Camp Meeting Committee

Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President, Chairman; Mrs. Rachel Bray,  
Conference W.M.S. President; Rev. G. W. Hood, Conference Youth Pres-  
ident; Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. R. M. Gibbs, Mr. John  
Wells, Mr. Lloyd Wallace, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Camp Manager.

Committee on Orders of the Day

The President, Vice President and Secretary of the Illinois Conference.

Statistical Committee

Rev. D. D. Crail, Statistical Secretary, Chairman; Rev. D. L. Castro,  
Mr. J. Larakers, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Rev. S. A. Hill.

President's Advisory Board

Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Mr. W. F. Tice.

ROLL OF MEMBERSHIP

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Rev. David D. Crail, 546 Landmeier Rd. Elk Grove Village, Ill. 312-437-0974  
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Rev. John C. Friske, 2310 S. 11th Ave., Broadview, Ill. 312-345-2392  
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Rev. Orland L. Johnson, 1406 School St., Rockford, Ill. 815-963-0616  
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Rev. Robert Klatt, 1105 S. Sixth Ave., Maywood Ill. 312-344-9684  
Rev. Cletus D. Kramer, 118 Broadhurst, Wilmore, Kentucky  
Rev. Arthur P. Minnaugh, 526 E. Thompson St. Hoopeston, Ill. HO-1524  
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Rev. Carl Olander, 1213 Degener Ave., Elmhurst, Ill. 312-449-6299  
Rev. Irwin W. Reist, 309 W. Walnut St., St. Charles, Ill. 312-584-2154  
Rev. Vernon W. Swanson, Box 62, Wyandot, Ill. 815-548-2552  
Rev. Robert Zuhl, 9101 S. Menard Ave., Oak Lawn, Ill. 312-424-2228

Conference Preachers

Rev. Herbert Apel, 310 E. Union, Wheaton, Ill. 312-653-4678  
Rev. Robert Browne, 2108 W. Iowa St. Chicago 22, Ill. 312-278-4232  
Rev. David L. Castro, 820 B. Crescent Ave., Apt. #5, Wheaton, Ill.  
Rev. Philip Crail, 1672 Poplar Ave., Hanover Park, Ill.  
Rev. R. P. Johnson Jr., 249 Taylor, Glen Ellyn, Ill. 312-469-1138  
Rev. Clarence C. McCarty, Box 475, Sheffield, Ill. Sh-3731  
Rev. Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, Box 475, Sheffield, Ill. Sh-3731  
Rev. Roger Kent Reed, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.  
Rev. Edward W. Wheeler, 1221 Daly Rd., Wheaton, Ill. 312-668-4337

Unstationed Elder

Rev. Samuel T. Long, 285 E. Third, Tustin, California 92680

Superannuated Elders

Rev. Thomas Bailie, 10615 S. Wabash, Chicago 28, Ill. 312-264-6486  
Rev. Mrs. Thomas Bailie, 10615 S. Wabash, Chicago 28, Ill. 312-264-6486

STANDING RULES OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST  
CHURCH OF AMERICA

I. Conference President. Resolved, 1) that the Conference President be required, authorized and appointed to travel the Conference as President, having general supervision of the spiritual interests and benevolences thereof, holding at least one service at each church during the year under such date as he may announce in advance;

2) That he shall raise funds to meet the demands of the Conference work, assisted by the pastors, and he shall receive contributions for church extension, education and Superannuated Ministers, where there are no pastors;

3) That he shall have general supervision of the church property, and shall inquire into the titles of the same to see that no property is loosely held, and shall look after the rental of Conference property, and see that the rent is turned into the treasury, and he shall investigate the possibility and feasibility of the sale of property not in use, and report his findings to the Board of Trustees and to the next annual conference;

4) That he shall be authorized to grant letters to disbanded classes;

5) That he shall be required to write non-resident members of Conference asking them, in case they cannot attend, to write the conference a letter of greeting and state the condition of their religious experience;

6) That he shall devote as much time as possible and as occasion may afford in evangelistic and other meetings in the Conference;

7) That he may engage such help from time to time as may be available, and as he may consider properly qualified to assist in holding evangelistic and quarterly meetings, such help to be remunerated from the Conference Church Extension Fund;

8) That he shall represent the Conference at the annual conventions of the National Holiness Association and the National Association of Evangelicals, or appoint an alternate;

9) That his name shall be placed in nomination for the office of first ministerial delegate to General Conference and for Illinois nominee to the Local Board of Trustees of Marion College.

II. Trustees. 1) Authorization. Resolved, that the duly-elected and qualified Trustees of the Illinois Conference are hereby authorized and directed to sign for the purchase, sale, mortgaging and conveyance of real estate recommended by the Annual Conference, or, during the interim between the sessions of Annual Conference, by the Conference Board of Church Extension, which is the Board of Managers of the Illinois Conference. All such action or actions of the Trustees in compliance with the recommendations of the Conference Board of Church Extension shall be deemed to be legal and binding upon the Illinois Conference, and of as full force and effect as they would have been if such actions on the part of the Trustees had been specially authorized by the Annual Conference.

2) Organization. The Conference President, by virtue of his office and supervisory duties, shall be a member of this Board and its president.

3) Annual Report. Resolved, that the Trustees present to Conference an annual report of official acts and of assets and liabilities of the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, an Illinois corporation.

III. Board of Managers (Conference Board of Church Extension). 1) Membership. Resolved, (a) that the Illinois Conference Board of Church Extension be composed of nine members, five of which shall be ministers and four laymen; that in said number the Conference Trustees shall be included as members ex-officio; (b) that the Conference President shall be the chairman of this board.

2) Duties. Resolved, (a) That the Conference Board of Church Extension shall be the Board of Managers of the Illinois Conference; (b) That the Conference Board of Church Extension is hereby authorized to pay out all monies from the Conference Church Extension Fund, and during the interim between Conference sessions to act as a Committee on Finance; (c) That the Conference Board of Church Extension act as the Conference Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location.

IV. Annual Conference. 1) Date. Resolved, that the annual conference session begin on the first Thursday after July 27, at 1:30 p.m., and close the following Saturday night; that Camp Meeting begin on the following Sunday and continue for eight days, including two Sundays.

2) Fiscal Year. Resolved that the Conference Fiscal Year close July 15th; that each local church fiscal year close June 30th.

3) Budget Items. Resolved, that all Treasurers shall mark receipts "Budget" or "Not Budget."

4) Committee on Statistics. Resolved, that a Standing Committee on Statistics be elected, consisting of the Conference Statistical Secretary, the Conference Treasurer, two other ministerial and one lay member; that two lay members be elected at the opening of annual conference.

5) Statistical Report. Resolved, that no remittances postmarked later than July 5th shall apply on the church statistical report; that by July 15th each pastor shall submit to the chairman of the Statistical Committee his budget check sheet with receipts covering same, and his statistical blank completed except for the budget section; that the Committee fill in on the statistical blanks the budget items, both assigned and raised; that other items which are obviously incorrect be checked with the pastor.

6) Audit. Resolved, that a competent auditor shall be appointed each year by the Committee on Finance to audit the books of the Conference.

7) Sunday Schools. Resolved, that each additional Sunday School under the pastoral oversight of a Wesleyan Methodist pastor shall be reported on a separate annual statistical report blank, provided each Sunday School has been recognized by the Conference Board of Church Extension.

8) Board of Superannuate Ministers' Aid. Resolved, that the Board of Superannuate Ministers' Aid be composed of three members, each elected by the Conference for a three year term of office, the terms to expire in successive years.

9) Orders of the Day Committee. Resolved, that the President, Vice President and Secretary of the Conference shall constitute the Orders of the Day Committee.

10) Leave. Resolved, that no member shall leave Conference session without permission of the President; that no ministerial member shall without special permission leave Camp after the annual meetings until all responsibilities of the Conference are discharged, including camp clean-up.

11) Place of Meeting. Resolved, that the Camp Meeting Committee shall determine the place of meeting of each Conference session.

12) Conference Officers. Resolved, that the officers be installed during annual conference at a public service announced in advance; office to take effect at the rise of conference.

13) Minutes. Resolved, (a) That the Conference President and Secretary constitute a committee to edit and publish the Annual Conference minutes in accordance with General Conference regulations, any deviation from same to be with the consent of the Conference Board of Managers; (b) That the cost of printing the Annual Conference minutes be paid out of the Conference Fund; (c) That the total number of minutes to be printed be ascertained on the basis of family units among the membership and active constituency, who shall each be mailed a copy.

14) M. H. A. and N. A. E. Resolved, that the Illinois Conference maintain a membership in the National Holiness Association and the National Association of Evangelicals.

15) Committee on Credentials. Resolved, that the Secretary of Annual Conference be the Committee on delegate credentials. Delegate's credentials shall be certified to the Committee by the presiding officer of the quarterly conference making the election.

16) Method of Voting. Resolved, that in the election of Conference officers and committees not required to be elected by ballot it be our method, when more than one nomination is made from the floor, to vote affirmatively on each successive name by show of hands, each vote to be tallied by the Secretary, election to be effected by a majority of total votes cast.

17) Conference Sunday School Committee. Resolved, that the Conference C.Y.C. Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Conference Sunday School Committee.

18) Committee on Itineracy and Orders. Resolved, that the Committee on Itineracy and Orders appoint the preacher and alternate preacher to deliver the Conference Sermon each year.

19) Unfinished Business. Resolved, that any unfinished business of an annual Conference Session be left in the hands of the Board of Managers with power to act.

V. Camp Meeting. 1) Authorization. Resolved, that there be held an annual Camp Meeting and that it be under the direction of a Camp Meeting Committee. The Committee shall include the Conference President, as chairman, the Conference W. Y. President, the Conference W.M.S. President, and five other members elected by the Illinois Conference in session. The Camp Manager, as appointed by the Camp Meeting Committee, shall be a member of the Committee ex-officio.

2) Committee Duties. Resolved, (a) That camp grounds and buildings be under the care of the Camp Meeting Committee; (b) That the Camp Meeting Committee have charge of the Camp Meeting Fund and appoint a treasurer to receive all monies and make all authorized disbursements from the same; (c) The the Camp Meeting Committee shall have power to engage workers beyond the present year.

3) Camp Meeting Fund. Resolved, (a) That all pledges and cash received during the sessions of Conference and Camp Meeting be placed in the Camp Meeting Fund unless otherwise designated; (b) That the incidental expenses of the Annual Conference while in session be paid from the Camp Meeting Fund.

4) VI. Ministers. 1) Pastoral Service Report. Resolved, that each pastor of the Illinois Conference shall report to his quarterly conference each quarter the total of his home calls, hospital calls, pastoral conferences and church business calls, and that the total of these items be reported to Annual Conference and be included in the annual statistics.

2) Pastors' Support During Conference. Resolved, that it be our plan that all pastors remain on their charges for one Sunday after Annual Conference and Camp Meeting and that the church's financial obligation to the pastor, whether he be leaving the field or not, be extended through that Sunday.

3) Moving Pastors. Resolved, that each charge make provisions for the moving expenses of the incoming pastor immediately after the Annual Conference adjourns.

4) Illness or Death. Resolved, that the Conference President be notified by the local church clerk in case of critical illness or death in a minister's home, and that the President shall send cards at once to the other ministers.

5) Minister's Vacation. Resolved, that the Conference President and all pastors be given a two-weeks vacation with pay, including two Sundays.

6) Ministerial Convention. Resolved, that there be held a Ministerial Convention from the third Tuesday evening to the following Thursday afternoon of February each year. Resolved further that the place of meeting and the program presented be left in the hands of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

7) Minister's Retirement Provision. Resolved, that it shall be the duty of each pastor to maintain membership in Federal Old Age Benefit (Social Security) or some other equivalent retirement income plan.

VII. Miscellaneous. 1) Conference Paper. Resolved, that the Conference publish a monthly paper called "The Illinois Tidings"; that the Conference President shall be designated Editor-in-Chief, and that the heads of the Conference auxiliary organizations be designated contributing editors.

2) Conference Prayer Interests. Resolved, that the information concerning coming revival meetings and other special prayer needs be published in the conference paper.

3) Expenses of Conference Officers. Resolved, that all incidental expenses of all Conference Officers, Committees, Official Boards and helpers shall be paid by the Conference Treasurer when approved by the President.

Fifteenth Annual Session  
of the Illinois Conference

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Voting Members Seated:

Austin (Chicago):

Rev. Arthur L. Bray (1-8)\*  
Rev. Roy E. Crawford (1-8)  
Mr. John Wells (1-8)  
221 N. Long, Chicago 44, Ill.  
Mr. Richard Mould (1-8)  
153 N. Cuyler, Oak Park, Ill.

Broadview:

Rev. Robert Klatt (1-8)  
Rev. John Friske (1-8)  
Mr. Gwyn Jones (1-8)  
2317 S. 11th Broadview, Ill.  
Marlene Eytcheson (1,2,3-8)  
363 Pine St. Courtland, Ill.

Creve Coeur:

Rev. Arlyn Jones (3,4)  
Mrs. Margaret Ogle (3,4)  
209 Vicie Ave., Peoria, Ill.

Elk Grove Village:

Rev. David D. Craill (1-8)  
Mr. Henry Cook (1-5)  
951 E. Higgins Road  
Elk Grove Village, Ill.

Galesburg:

Rev. Meredith J. Bailie (1-8)  
Rev. Carl Olander (1-8)  
Mr. William Swanson (\*\*) (1-8)

Harrison Ave.:

Rev. Leigh Nygard (1-8)  
Mr. Fred Winterberg (1-8)  
2132 Reynolds Ave., Rockford, Ill.

Hoopeston:

Rev. Arthur P. Mimnaugh (1-8)  
Mary Rives (1-8)  
507 E. McCracken Ave. Hoopeston,  
Ill.

Hoyle Ave.:

Rev. George W. Hood (1-8)  
Mr. Joseph Larakers (1-8)  
941 W. Gunnison, Chicago, Ill.

Oak Lawn:

Rev. Robert Zuhl (1-8)  
Mr. Robert Jacobs (1-8)  
8549 S. Latrobe, Oak Lawn, Ill

Oak Park:

Rev. Stanley Hill (1-8)  
Mr. Richard Priest (1-8)  
1032 Superior, Oak Park, Ill.  
Mr. Orville Senger (2-8)  
528 N. Marion, Oak Park, Ill.  
Mr. Frank Geniuk (3-8)  
2946 72nd Crt, Elmwood Park, Ill.

Peoria:

Rev. Clarence McCarty (4-8)  
Mrs. Alice Woodhouse (5-8)  
1610 N. Madison, Peoria, Ill.

Princeton:

Rev. Daren C. Durey (1-8)  
Mr. Charles Krager (1-8)  
Rt. #1, Tiskilwa, Ill.

Rockford First:

Rev. Orland L. Johnson (1-8)  
Mr. Kenneth Zellner (1-8)  
427 Monroe St. Rockford, Ill.

Roseland (Chicago):

Rev. Thomas Bailie (1-8)  
Rev. Mrs. Thomas Bailie (1-8)  
Mr. Robert Brown (3-8)  
10615 S. Wabash, Chicago, Ill.

Wheaton:

Rev. Forrest Gearhart (1-8)  
Marilyn Hamlett (1-8)  
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Wheaton, Ill.

Wyanet:

Rev. Vernon Swanson (1-8)  
Rev. Roy M. Gibbs (1-8)  
Mr. Lloyd Wallace (1-8)

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Members, Board of Managers  
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Rockford, Ill.

Dr. Frank Crane  
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Glen Ellyn, Ill.

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Galesburg, Illinois

\*Meetings attended are indicated  
between parentheses.



JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGSFirst Meeting, 1:30 P.M., Thursday, July 30, 1964.

1. Opening. The fifteenth annual session of the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America was convened in the main tabernacle at Epworth Park Camp Ground (Free Methodist), near Belvidere, Illinois, at 1:30 p.m., CDT, July 30, 1964, by Rev. Arthur L. Bray, President of the Conference. Members of the Annual Conference and the W.M.S. Conference who joined us for the opening devotional period, sang the old traditional Methodist conference hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive, and See Each Others Face?". Prayer was offered by Rev. Thomas Bailie, superannuated Elder, supplying the Chicago Roseland Church.
2. Communion Service. Rev. Bray offered opening meditations, and was assisted in the Communion Service by Pastors Forrest J. Gearhart and Roy E. Crawford. The theme of the communion service was the bond of our spiritual equality before God. In harmony with this emphasis, ministers and laymen joined together about the Lord's Table commemorating Christ's sacrifice.
3. Conference Sermon. The Conference sermon was brought by Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, pastor of the Galesburg Church, who based his sermon on the narrative about Stephen in Acts 6 and 7. The essence of the message was that a vision of Christ convicts men of sin, gives a right concept of sin and gives purpose to our life and ministry.
4. Opening of the Business Session. After a brief recess, the Conference President, Rev. A. L. Bray, called the meeting to order for business.
5. Roll Call of Elders. Seventeen Elders were present to answer the first roll call. (See Record of Attendance).
6. Bar of Conference. The first eight rows in the center section of the tabernacle were declared the bar of conference, and the Elders were seated within the bar.
7. Partial Report of Official Acts of Conference President. Conference President Bray reported transferring Elder W. D. Craker to Virginia Conference and receiving Elder Orland L. Johnson from the Dakota Conference. By vote this was approved. (See Presidents Report No. 4).
8. Conference Preachers Eligible to Vote. A partial report of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders was approved, which declared that the following Conference Preachers were eligible to vote: Rev. George Hood and Rev. Clarence C. McCarty. (See Report No. 1)
9. Report Concerning Lay Delegates Eligible to Vote. The Secretary as the Committee on Credentials read the list of lay delegates eligible to vote, who were then seated within the bar of conference by prevailing motion. (See Record of Attendance.)
10. Courtesy Committee. Rev. George W. Hood and Rev. Robert L. Zuhl were elected to the Courtesy Committee.
11. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented the following members to the Conference: Rev. Orland L. Johnson, recently received Elder, Pastor of the Rockford First Church; delegates Kenneth Zellner, Robert Jacobs, Henry Cook, William Swanson, Marilyn Hamlett, and Joseph Larakers. Conference Preacher, Rev. David L. Castro, assistant pastor, Chicago-Hoyne Avenue Church was seated by vote as an honorary member.
12. Report of the Orders of the Day Committee. Copies of the report of the Orders of the Day were distributed and the Vice President read the report, which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 2)

13. Report of the Nominating Committee. The Secretary of the Nominating Committee presented the report of the Nominating Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 3)

14. Seating of Honorary Member. Motion prevailed that layman William F. Tice, secretary of the Conference Board of Trustees, be seated within the bar of conference as an honorary member.

15. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Rev. Orland L. Johnson offered prayer.

Second Meeting, 7:00 P.M., July 30, 1964

1. Opening. The meeting was called to order by President Bray.

2. Devotions. Rev. Robert Klatt led the conference in singing, "Stand Up For Jesus". Former Air Force Chaplain John C. Friske presented a devotional message based on David's victory over Goliath.

3. Report of the Conference President. The Conference President, Rev. Arthur L. Bray, presented his annual report. This report, telling of the struggles and progress of the past years which lead to the present level of achievement, a level indicated by the dedication of five new church buildings within five months in the year just concluded, was adopted with a rising vote of thanks for the dedicated leadership provided by our Conference President. (See Report No. 4)

4. Committee on Recognition. The secretary was requested to assume the chair as Vice President Gearhart presented a motion asking the Conference to honor our Conference President and his wife on the occasion of their 25th Wedding anniversary, December 12, 1964, by receiving an offering in all our churches in November and by holding a conference-wide anniversary celebration in the Chicago-Austin church early in December with Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart, Rev. Roy E. Crawford and Rev. Roy M. Gibbs and three laymen to be the sponsoring committee. The motion prevailed and Richard Mould, Mrs. Fred Winterberg and William Tice were elected lay members of the committee.

5. Report of the Conference Trustees. Mr. W. F. Tice, secretary, presented a partial report of the Conference Trustees listing official actions taken during the past year, which was adopted by vote. A statement of assets and liabilities is to be appended when the statistical report can be analyzed. (See Report No. 5)

6. Report of the Statistical Committee. Rev. D. D. Crail, chairman, and Rev. D. L. Castro presented the report of the Statistical Committee, which was adopted by vote with an expression of appreciation for the diligent labors of the committee in compiling this report prior to the opening of Conference. (See Report No. 6 on center pages.)

7. Report of the Educational Committee and Educational Secretary. The Educational Secretary presented a report of his activities in behalf of the Educational Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 7)

8. Report of the Conference Treasurer. Rev. Roy E. Crawford presented the report of the Conference Treasurer, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 8)

9. Report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders. A further partial report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was made. Rev. George W. Hood was recommended and elected to Elder's Orders, subject to passage of an examination on the Wesleyan Methodist Discipline by August 8, 1964, in time for ordination on August 9, 1964.

10. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, pastor of Oak Lawn offered prayer.

Third Meeting, Friday, July 31, 9:30 A.M.

1. Opening. Vice President Gearhart called the meeting to order in the absence of the President who was detained by other Conference business.
2. Devotions. Rev. Orland L. Johnson, pastor of the Rockford First Church, opened the devotional period with the hymn, "More Love to Thee". His devotional message was based on the theme, "Understanding the Will of God", taken from Ephesians five.
3. Roll Call. The Secretary called the roll with Eighteen Ministers and Eighteen lay delegates answering to their names. (See Report of Attendance.)
4. Courtesy Committee. The committee presented delegates Robert Brown from the Chicago Roseland Church and Margaret Ogle from the Creve Coeur Church. Rev. Eugene Cockrell, former General Evangelist, Pastor of Lakeview Wesleyan Methodist Church, Marion, Indiana, and Song leader at last year's Camp was also presented to the conference. Rev. Cockrell appeared in behalf of the denominational Church Extension Department. He explained the function of the Wesleyan Investment Foundation as a secure venture for investors, and as a tool in Church Extension. Motion prevailed that Rev. Cockrell be seated as an honorary member of the conference.
5. Reading of the Minutes. The Secretary read the minutes of the first and second meetings, which were approved by vote.
6. Committee on Recognition. Mr. William F. Tice, a lay member of the committee formed for the purpose of honoring President Bray and his wife on their twentyfifth wedding anniversary, submitted his resignation in order to provide a more geographically balanced representation. His resignation was accepted, and Dr. Frank Crane of the Wheaton church was elected to fill the vacancy.
7. C.Y.C. Director. Mr. John Wells presented his report emphasizing the necessity of youth activities to further the future of the church, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 9)
8. Tithing Secretary. Rev. David Castro presented his report as Tithing Secretary, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 10)
9. Official Acts of the Conference President. President Bray presented his Official Acts as Conference President, which were adopted by vote. (See Conference President's Report No. 4)
10. Report of the Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension). President Bray presented the report of the Board of Managers, which was adopted by vote. Rev. Roy E. Crawford presented an analysis of the Church Extension Fund, which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 11)
11. Report of the Camp Meeting Committee. President Bray, chairman of the Camp Meeting Committee brought the report of the Camp Meeting Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 12) Rev. A.L. Bray presented a motion that the Camp Meeting Committee and the Board of Managers be given power to act in regard to the matter of financing and erecting motel type buildings on the camp grounds to meet the housing need which is becoming acute. The motion prevailed by vote. This action was in accord with authorization adopted in 1963 by the Free Methodist Conference, owners of the camp ground.
12. Sunday School Board and Sunday School Secretary. Motion prevailed to allow the committee on editing the minutes to include the reports of the Sunday School Board and Sunday School Secretary when received. (See Report No. 24) These reports were not available because Secretary W. D. Craker had moved the previous week to the Washington D. C. area to pioneer a new church there. A long-distance call from him informed the Conference that these were being airmailed to the President.

13. Committee on Itinerary and Orders. A partial report on Itinerary and Orders was presented by chairman Rev. R. M. Gibbs, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 1)

14. Additional Conference Preacher. Pastor G. W. Hood presented a recommendation from the Chicago-Hoyne Avenue Church to receive Robert Browne to study and travel under the direction of the Conference. This was adopted by vote.

15. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Rev. Vernon Swanson offered prayer.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, July 31, 1964, 1:30 P.M.

1. Opening. President Bray called the meeting to order.

2. Devotions. Rev. Arlyn Jones, Pastor of the Creve Coeur Church, lead the group in a devotional exercise based on Hebrews eleven emphasizing our committal to and dependance upon God.

3. Courtesy Committee. The committee presented Dr. B. H. Phaup, General Superintendent and Denominational Representative to our conference session. The President welcomed him on behalf of the Conference and expressed our love and loyalty.

4. Report of the Committee on the Passage of Character. Mr. Richard Priest presented the report of the Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 13)

5. Election of Officers. At the request of the Conference, Dr. B. H. Phaup, our Denominational Representative, took the chair for the business of electing the main conference officers, trustees and additional members of the Board of Managers. Those elected were as follows: President, Rev. A. L. Bray; Vice President, Rev. F. J. Gearhart; Secretary, Rev. M. J. Bailie. Rev. R. E. Crawford, who has served so efficiently as Conference Treasurer for the past 7 years asked to be relieved of this responsibility due to the pressures of a large pastorate. He nominated Rev. John C. Friske who was elected. Elected to the Board of Managers: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Mr. Lloyd Wallace and Dr. Frank Crane; Ministerial Trustee, Rev. S. A. Hill; Lay Trustee, Mr. Richard Mould. The meeting was recessed for a brief time, after which President Bray called the meeting to order for the remainder of the election. Motion prevailed that the balance of offices be voted on by acclamation. Other officers elected were: Educational Secretary, Rev. L. F. Nygard; Sunday School Secretary, Rev. R. L. Zuhl; Director of C.Y.C., Mr. John Wells; Tithing Secretary, Rev. D. L. Castro; Statistical Secretary, Rev. D. D. Crail; Committee on Itinerary and Orders, Rev. S. A. Hill (Term expires 1968); Judiciary Committee, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. A. P. Minnaugh, Rev. T. Bailie, Rev. O. L. Johnson; Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid, Mr. Sam Paine (Term expires 1967), Rev. V. W. Swanson (Term expires 1965); Sunday School Board, Rev. A. Jones (Term expires 1965), Rev. O. L. Johnson (Term expires 1966), Mr. Orville Senger (Term expires 1966); Committee on Vacancies, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Chairman, Rev. R. M. Gibbs, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Mr. W. Tice, Mr. Gwyn Jones; Camp Meeting Committee, in addition to members ex officio: Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. R. M. Gibbs, Mr. John Wells, Mr. Lloyd Wallace; Statistical Committee: Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman, Rev. D. L. Castro, Mr. Joseph Larakers, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Rev. S. A. Hill; President's Advisory Board: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Mr. W. F. Tice.

6. Amendment of the Orders of the Day. A motion prevailed to amend the orders of the Day to hear the report of the Creve Coeur Pastor and Delegate, since they had to leave at the close of the meeting, and to defer the vote on amendments to the Discipline until the morning session, Saturday, August 1, 1964.

7. Pastor's Report. Rev. Arlyn Jones, pastor of the Creve Coeur Church,

reported a summary of statistics and the general conditions of his charge. Mrs. Margaret Ogle, delegate, gave words of greeting.

8. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by Orders of the Day. Dr. Phaup offered the closing prayer.

#### Fifth Meeting, Friday, July 31, 1964, 7:00 P.M.

1. Opening. Vice President F. J. Gearhart called the meeting to order, since the President was detained in committee work.

2. Devotions. Rev. D. C. Durey, pastor of the Princeton Church, opened the devotional period by reading the hymn, "I Know I Love Thee Better Lord". The theme of his message was, "Unhindered Faith".

3. Report of the Sunday School Committee. Chairman Richard Mould presented the report of the Sunday School Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 14)

4. Amendment of the Orders of the Day. Motion prevailed to amend the Orders of the Day to permit the meeting to extend until 10:00 p.m. in order to hear additional Pastor's reports.

5. Pastor's Reports. Pastor's from the churches of Chicago-Austin, Chicago-Roseland, Chicago-Hoyne Ave., Broadview (Chicagoland), Elk Grove Village (Chicagoland), Oak Lawn (Chicagoland), Oak Park (First Church, Chicagoland), Wheaton (Chicagoland), Galesburg, and Hoopeston reported a summary of statistics and general picture of the conditions of their charges. The reports reflected a time of reassessment after the hard-gained victories of the past and an evaluation in preparation for the advances of the future. It was a time of great blessing interspersed with choruses sung as tears of rejoicing flowed.

6. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Mr. Frank Geniuk, delegate from Oak Park, offered prayer.

#### Sixth Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 1964 9:30 A.M.

1. Opening. Vice President F. J. Gearhart called the meeting to order in the absence of the Conference President, who was involved in committee work.

2. Devotions. Rev. Carl E. Olander, Conference Institutional Chaplain, presented a devotional meditation based on the events narrated in Matt. 15, exhorting us to move out from our times of retreat to an encounter with the needs of the world around us.

3. Courtesy Committee. The committee presented Rev. Philip Crail, Assistant Pastor at the Elk Grove Village Church, who reported briefly.

4. Roll Call. The Secretary called the roll, with nineteen ministers and eighteen lay delegates answering to their names. (See Record of Attendance).

5. Reading of the Minutes. The Secretary read the minutes of the third, fourth and fifth meetings, which were approved by vote.

6. Sunday School Board. President Bray assumed the chair. A motion prevailed that the director of C.Y.C. be a member ex officio of the Sunday School Board. By unanimous vote this was made a Standing Rule and referred to the Standing Rules Committee for proper phrasing. (See Report No. 21) Since the Discipline required another elected member, Mr. Gwyn Jones was elected to the Sunday School Board (Term expires 1965). By prevailing motion the expiration of the terms of office of the several newly-elected members of the Board was established.

7. Report of the Trustees of Marion College. Dr. B. H. Phaup assumed the chair while President Bray presented his report as Trustee of Marion College, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 15)

8. Camp Meeting Committee. Motion was made by President Bray, Chairman of Camp Meeting Committee, that the contract with the Illinois Conference of the Free Methodist Church for the use of the facilities of Epworth Park Camp Grounds be renewed on the basis indicated in the report of the Camp Meeting Committee. (See Report No. 12)

9. Report of the Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid. The report of the Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid was given by chairman Rev. Carl E. Olander, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 16) A motion prevailed that the secretary be directed to write a letter of appreciation to Mr. S. Hugh Paine for his contribution to eliminate the deficit in the Pension Fund and for his many years of service in this area. (See Report No. 26)

10. Report of the Committee on the Growth of the Church. Rev. R. E. Crawford presented the report of the Committee on the Growth of the Church. Motion prevailed "that our churches be encouraged to consider the possibilities of ministry in the public institutions of their area". This report was adopted by vote as amended. (See Report No. 17)

11. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Committee presented Rev. C. Schumaker, Superintendent of the Free Methodist Olive Branch Mission, located on Chicago's near west side. Rev. Schumaker presented the needs of the mission and a description of its ministry. The secretary was directed to provide a list of pastors for the Mission's mailing list.

12. Report of the Finance Committee. Secretary W. F. Tice presented the report of the Finance Committee. Dr. B. H. Phaup took the chair to allow the Committee Chairman President Bray to participate in the discussion. After several amendments were presented final action on this report was deferred until the afternoon meeting due to limitation of time.

13. Adjournment. Motion prevailed to adjourn.

Seventh Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 1964, 1:30 P.M.

1. Opening. President Bray called the meeting to order.

2. Devotions. Rev. Irwin Reist, an Illinois Conference elder, brought a devotional message emphasizing our unity in Christ in the midst of diversity of opinion, based on Acts 15:6-11.

3. Elder's Report. Rev. Irwin Reist, supply pastor of the St. Charles Free Methodist Church presented a report of his activities during the past year and informed the Conference that he had signed a contract to teach next year (1965-66) in the Department of Religion, Houghton College, Houghton, New York.

4. Report of the Social Action Committee. The report of the Social Action Committee was presented by chairman Rev. Leigh Nygard. Motion prevailed to amend item III, c, to change the word "extremism" to "extreme effort" in view of the present political connotation of the word. The report was adopted by vote as amended, with the direction that the secretary was to send a copy to the Editor of the Wesleyan Methodist. (See Report No. 19)

5. Report of the Committee on Thanks. Rev. R. M. Gibbs presented the report of the Committee on Thanks. Motion prevailed to amend the report to express our appreciation to our General Superintendent Dr. B. H. Phaup. The report was then adopted by vote as amended. (See Report No. 20)

6. Report of the Committee on Standing Rules. William F. Tice, Secre-

tary, presented the report of the Committee on Standing Rules, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 21)

7. Committee on Finance. Dr. B. H. Phaup took the chair as discussion was resumed on the report of the Finance Committee. An amendment to the section on the President's Support and Expense was presented with the intent of finding a satisfactory and equitable formula for distributing the degree of financial responsibility each church was to assume. By prevailing motion, Paragraph IV, Item A, was adopted as an amendment. (See page 38.) The report was then adopted by vote as amended.

8. Clarification of Statistical Report. Motion prevailed that Item III., line 16, Number of Seekers, be defined: all adults and children who made a decision to receive Christ as Saviour or to receive the Spirit's cleansing in heart purity through the ministry of any of the local church services or people.

9. Recess. The meeting was recessed for ten minutes by vote.

10. Recessed Meeting. President Bray recalled the assembly for further business.

11. Report of Institutional Chaplain. Rev. Carl E. Olander, an Elder of the Conference assigned to the work of Institutional Chaplain, brought a report of his activities during the past year as Chaplain at the Tinley Park State Mental Hospital in Suburban Chicago, and as Student at Bethany Seminary.

12. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Committee presented Ronald and Phyllis Murphy. Ronald is serving as volunteer assistant to the pastor at the First Wesleyan Methodist Church of Chicagoland in Oak Park.

13. Amendments to the Discipline. Dr. B. H. Phaup, General Superintendent, took the chair as the conference voted on the amendments to the Discipline of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America as passed by the General Conference of 1963. The amendments were approved as follows: Proposal A, positive 27, negative 0; Proposal B, positive 27, negative 0; Proposal C, positive 27, negative 0. (See Report No. 22)

14. Reports of Pastors. Pastors from the churches of Peoria-First, Princeton, and Rockford-First reported a summary of statistics and general picture of the conditions of their charges. A statement and testimony from the several church delegates were also made.

15. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Committee presented missionaries from Columbia, Rev. Robert and Norva Crosby. Conference President Bray welcomed the Crosbys not alone as missionary representatives to our Conference but as fellow laborers in the cause of Christ.

16. Reports of Pastors. Pastors from the churches of Rockford-Harrison Avenue and Wyandot reported a summary of statistics and general picture of the condition of their charges. A statement and testimony from the church delegates were also made.

17. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Committee presented Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp who are engaged to be our Camp Song Evangelists. Rev. and Mrs. Knapp brought brief words of greeting to the Conference.

18. Report of Elder. Rev. John C. Friske, Elder of the Conference, and newly-elected Conference Treasurer, brought a report of his activities for the past year. Brother Friske was compelled to retire as Air Force Chaplain several years ago because of a severe attack of polio. In spite of his wheel-chair limitations he is looking forward to his new Conference responsibility.

19. Report of Moline-Heritage Pioneer Project. Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, pastor of the pioneer project in the Heritage subdivision of Moline, told

the Conference of the increasing burden he had felt for the Moline area, and how the Lord had presented an open door of opportunity in the Heritage development. The testimony of Pastor Gibbs, and his wife Dora, brought the conference to a new level of inspiration and dedication as we launch forward in our effort to "Mobilize for Moline".

20. Report of Greetings. President Bray reported a letter of greetings had been received from Rev. Samuel T. Long, an elder of the Conference who recently moved to the Los Angeles area. He seeks to serve Christ and the church under the auspices of the California Conference. A letter of greeting was also received from Rev. Cletus D. Kramer, an elder of the Conference, who reported he expected to graduate from Asbury Seminary in the spring of 1965.

21. Conference Sermon. Motion prevailed unanimously to make the following resolution a Standing Rule (IV, 18): Resolved, that the Committee on Itineracy and Orders appoint the preacher and alternate preacher to deliver the Conference Sermon each year.

22. Unfinished Business. Motion prevailed unanimously to make the following resolution a Standing Rule (IV, 19): Resolved, that any unfinished business of an annual Conference Session be left in the hands of the Board of Managers with power to act.

23. Received to Study. A recommendation was presented from the Chicago-Austin Church to receive Lester Nelson to study under the direction of the Conference. This was adopted by vote.

24. Report of the Pastoral Relations Committee. Mr. John Wells presented the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee. The report was amended to include Rev. Robert Browne as Assistant to the Pastor at the Chicago-Hoyne Avenue Church and to recognize Missionary Mary Holcomb, now serving in Sierra Leone, West Africa. The report was adopted by vote as amended. (See Report No. 23)

25. Adjournment. Motion prevailed to adjourn.

Eighth Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 1964, 7:00 p.m.

1. Installation of Conference Officers. Dr. B. H. Phaup, General Superintendent, installed the four main officers of the Conference in a special ceremony adding words of appreciation for the work of the Conference.

2. Installation of Pastors. President Arthur L. Bray installed the pastors of the Conference for the new year, and presented them to the congregation.

3. Denominational Address. General Superintendent, Dr. B. H. Phaup, presented the Denominational Address based on Matthew 16:18. After emphasizing the centrality of Christ to the entire function and purpose of the church, Dr. Phaup presented a summary of the present activities taking place at our World Headquarters.

4. Adjournment. By prevailing motion, the Conference was adjourned sine die.



Special Services.

1. Conference Educational Service Saturday, August 8, 1964, 1:30 P.M.  
The Saturday afternoon service was designated by Conference action as Conference Educational Service, with Rev. Leigh F. Nygard, Conference Educational Secretary presiding. Marion College, our area school, was represented by Dr. Woodrow I. Goodman, President of Marion College who presented its prospects and its pressing needs. The Marion College Male Quartet accompanied him and stayed to minister in music over the weekend.

2. Conference Sunday School Service Sunday, August 11, 1964, 9:00 A.M.  
The Sunday School hour of the Conference was designated to be the Sunday School service during Camp Meeting. Conference Sunday School Secretary Rev. R. L. Zuhl presented the Sunday School interests including awards for achievement. The College Quartet enlivened the hour with their singing and Sunday School enthusiasm rose to a new high. A love offering was received for retiring Sunday School Secretary Rev. W. D. Craker, for his nine years of faithful service. He has moved to the Washington D.C. area to pioneer a new church there.

3. Conference Ordination Service Sunday, August 9, 1964, 10:30 A.M.  
The Conference elected Conference Preacher George W. Hood as an elder of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America. At the last Sunday morning service of Camp Meeting he was ordained by the laying on of hands of the elders. Conference President A. L. Bray brought the ordination message, speaking from Romans 1:1 "The Pauline Pattern". It was a great inspiration to the Camp Meeting throng to see this choice young man present his life anew to Christ and the church for the work of spreading the Gospel.

4. Camp Meeting, August 2-9, 1964  
Dr. B. H. Phaup, General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, was our evangelist. Rev. Kenneth and Lillian Knapp of Marion, Indiana, veteran song evangelist of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, lead in the ministry of music. Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, past President of Illinois Wesleyan Youth, and Pastor of the Oak Lawn Community Wesleyan Methodist Church, Oak Lawn, Illinois, was our Youth Evangelist. Our missionary speaker was Rev. and Mrs. Robert Crosby of Columbia. The Lord's blessing was evident throughout this week of inspiration and instruction.

Respectfully submitted,  
Committee on Editing and Publishing the Minutes,  
Rev. Arthur L. Bray, President,  
Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, Secretary,  
Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan  
Methodist Church of America

R E P O R T SReport No. 1.Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

- A. Conference Preachers eligible to vote in this session: Rev. Clarence C. McCarty, Rev. George W. Hood.
- B. We recommend that George Hood, having completed work at Marion College for the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Religion, be elected to Elder's Orders subject to passage of an examination in the Wesleyan Methodist Discipline by August 8, 1964. (Editor's note: Exams passed August 6.)
- C. Report of the status of the following in the Course of Study:
  1. C. C. McCarty--third year in the Course of Study.
  2. Ivanelle McCarty--third year.

3. Herbert Apel--pursuing graduate study at Wheaton College and teaching there.
  4. Philip Crail--first year.
  5. Donald Bray--graduated from Marion College with a Bachelor of Arts degree, Religion major and pursuing graduate studies for a Master of Theology degree at Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois.
  6. William Tice Jr.--graduated from Marion College with a Bachelor of Arts degree, Religion major and transferred to the Iowa Conference.
  7. Paul Halverson--pursuing course of study; planning to attend Marion College Theological Department next year.
  8. David Trosper--pursuing course of study; planning to attend Marion College Theological Department next year.
  9. Carl Unger--pursuing undergraduate studies at night school.
  10. Everett Vining--first year--Bible School and Wheaton College transcripts to be evaluated.
  11. David Castro--pursuing graduate theological studies at Wheaton College. Third year in the Course of Study.
  12. Robert Browne--graduated from Marion College.
  13. Edward W. Wheeler--graduated from Houghton College and Gordon Theological Seminary.
  14. Richard Parker (Jay) Johnson, Jr.--attending Wheaton College.
  15. Lester Nelson--attending Marion College Theological Department.
  16. Roger Kent Reed--pursuing graduate study at Ball State U.
- D. We report that pursuant to the direction of Annual Conference, we held a Ministerial Convention at our Creve Coeur Church last February 18-20, 1964 with Rev. Orville S. Walters, M.D., Director of Medical Services at the University of Illinois, and a ordained Free Methodist Elder, as our speaker. Several of our pastors presented papers of particular interest to our work as Pastors.
- E. We recommend that our next Ministerial Convention be held at the new Oak Lawn Church, February 16-18, 1965.

Respectfully submitted,  
Committee on Itineracy and Orders  
Rev. Roy Gibbs, Chairman  
Rev. A. L. Bray  
Rev. S. A. Hill  
Rev. R. E. Crawford

## Report No. 2

### Orders of the Day Committee.

Standing Nominating Committee meets 12:30 p.m., Thursday, July 30, 1964.

First Meeting, Thursday, July 30, 1:30 p.m. Conference convenes..... Communion Service and Conference Sermon by Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, pastor, Galesburg....Organization of Conference...Roll Call of Elders present...Establishing Bar of Conference (first eight rows of center section) and seating Elders...Partial Report of Committee on Itineracy and Orders concerning Conference Preachers eligible to vote and seating such preachers...Report of Credentials Committee (Conference Secretary) concerning accredited delegates and seating of such delegates...Election of Courtesy Committee and report of same concerning new members and official guests...Election of Honorary Members and seating of same...Report of the Orders of the Day Committee...Report of Standing Nominating Committee...Adjournment...ALL STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES BE READY TO REPORT AT NEXT MEETING. C. I. O. meets now.

Second Meeting, Thursday, July 30, 7:00 p.m. Devotions...7:15 p.m. Business resumes...Report of Conference President...Reports of Standing Boards and Committees: Board of Managers (Church Extension)--A. L. Bray, Chairman...Camp Meeting Committee--F. J. Gearhart, Secretary...Conference Trustees--W. F. Tice, Secretary...Sunday School Board--W. D. Craker, Chairman...Board of Superannuate Ministers Aid--C. E. Olander, Chairman...Educational Committee and Secretary--L. F. Nygard, Chairman...Statistical Committee--D. D. Crail, Chairman...Conference Treasurer--R. E. Crawford...

Pension Plan Treasurer--S. H. Paine...Report of Committee on Itinerary and Orders recommending preachers for Ordination; election of same.... Adjournment for committee work.

(Friday, July 31, 9:00-9:25 a.m.--COMMITTEE WORK)

Third Meeting, Friday, July 31, 9:30 a.m. Devotions...Roll Call and reading of yesterday's Minutes....Reports of other Conference Leaders: Trustee of Marion College--A. L. Bray....Sunday School Secretary--W. D. Craker....C.Y.C. Director--John Wells....Tithing Secretary--David Castro....Misc. business....Adjourn 11:45.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, July 31, 1:30 p.m. Devotions....Report of the Auditing Committee....Report of Committee on Passage of Character.... Election of Illinois Conference Officers, Trustees and additional members of the Board of Managers (by ballot) with Dr. B. H. Phaup in the chair....RECESS FOR TEN MINUTES....Election of Conference Boards and Standing Committees--the Conference President presiding....Vote on amendments to the Discipline....Reports of Committees....Adjournment.

Fifth Meeting, Friday, July 31, 7:00 p.m. Devotions. Business resumes, 7:15 p.m....Reports of Conference Committees....Reports of pastors and delegates....Miscellaneous business....Adjournment for committee work, 9:30 p.m.

Sixth Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 1964, 9:30 a.m. Devotions. 9:45 a.m. Roll Call and reading of yesterday's Minutes....Reports of Conference committees....Reports of pastors, continued....Miscellaneous business... Adjourn: committee work.

Seventh Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 1964, 1:30 p.m. Devotions. 1:45--Business resumes....Reading of correspondence....Action concerning Conference Sermon and Unfinished Business....Miscel. business....Pastoral Relations Committee report. Adjourn.

Eighth Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 7:00 p.m. Installation of Conference Officers by Dr. Phaup....Installation of pastors by Conference President....Denominational Address by General Superintendent Phaup.... Minutes of Seventh and Eighth meetings considered read and given to President and Secretary for editing. ADJOURN SINE DIE.

Special Conference Services: Sunday School, Sunday, August 2, 9:00 a.m. ....Educational, Saturday, August 7, 1:30 p.m. President Goodman, speaker; Ordination (if ordered), Sunday, August 9, 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Orders of the Day Committee,  
A. L. Bray, Chairman  
F. J. Gearhart  
M. J. Baile

### Report No. 3

#### Nominating Committee

We recommend the following Conference session appointments:

Pastoral Relations: Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman, ex officio; Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. R. L. Zuhl, Rev. D. D. Crail, John Wells, Gwyn Jones, Kenneth Zellner.

Passage of Character: Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman, ex officio; Rev. J. Friske, Richard Priest.

Statistical Committee: Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. D. L. Castro, Mr. S. Paine, Mr. J. Larakers, Marilyn Hamlett.

Growth of the Church: Rev. R. E. Crawford, Chairman, Rev. A. Jones, Rev. A. P. Minnaugh, Rev. V. Swanson, Rev. I. Riest, Henry Cook, Fred Winterberg, Mary Rives, Charles Krager, Joe Larakers.

Committee on Thanks: Rev. Roy Gibbs, Rev. Stanley Hill, Rev. Clarence McCarty, Margaret Ogle, Frank Geniuk.

Sunday School: Richard Mould, Chairman, Orville Senger, Rev. Carl Olander, Rev. George Hood, Rev. D. C. Durey, Rev. Orland Johnson, Robert Jacobs, Robert Browne, Lloyd Wallace.

Social Action Committee: Rev. L. Nygard, Chairman, Wm. Swanson, Marlene Eytcheson, Frank Geniuk, Marilyn Hamlett.

Devotional: Conference Secretary.

Finance: Board of Managers, Conference Treasurer, Pension Fund Treasurer.

Standing Rules: Trustees.

Postmaster: Conference Treasurer to appoint.

Reporter to the Wesleyan Methodist: General Superintendent B.H. Phaup.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman  
Rev. F. J. Gearhart  
Rev. M. J. Baillie  
Joseph Larakers  
Robert Jacobs

#### Report No. 4

#### Conference President

Beloved Brethren: When John Wesley and his preachers met for annual conference they sang: "And are we yet alive and see each other's face? Glory and praise to Jesus give, for His redeeming grace. What troubles have we seen, what conflicts have we passed, fightings without and fears within since we assembled last. But out of all, the Lord hath brought us by His love. And still He doth His help afford and hides our life above." For years we have opened Conference with this fitting hymn of Charles Wesley. Never have we sung it more fervently than at opening of this our Fifteenth Conference Session in the heartland of America.

State of the Conference. This year marked the dedication of five church buildings in five months--Galesburg, Creve Coeur, Broadview, Oak Lawn, Elk Grove Village--culminating in three of them long periods of physical labor and in the other two strenuous financial appeals. The price of pioneering with severely limited resources in people and finance is high, but it must be done. God has given us a brave band of pastors, parsonage ladies and sacrificial laymen who are steadily moving forward in the face of Satanic opposition to our message of heart holiness and separation from the evil of the world.

Statistics: Our statistical report indicates that we have made slight gains in church and Sunday School memberships: Full members from 527 to 539, total membership from 760 to 768, total Sunday School roll from 1955 to 1968, main School from 1816 to 1844, average attendance from 1274 to 1334. Considering the constant drain from members moving, in an urban culture, these statistics are encouraging. However, more of our constituency need to accept the price and privilege of full membership with its implications of spiritual commitment.

Property Holdings: With the completion of the five new sanctuary buildings mentioned above we have passed the million dollar mark in holdings! From \$144,100 just 15 years ago we now own \$1,136,500 in church and parsonage properties, a gain of \$199,000 over last year. Debt increase of \$195,613 to a total of \$461,749 reflects largely the cost of the large Oak Lawn and Broadview church buildings. This almost doubling of indebtedness in one year would be serious were it not underwritten by financially strong congregations led by pastors with proven records for financial leadership. In addition, Oak Lawn's \$110,000 mortgage is backstopped with a reserve fund of \$10,000 invested with Wesleyan Investment Foundation. The debt level stands at 41% of our holdings. We had to have these new buildings--now we must face the task of paying for them with faithful and sacrificial giving.

Finances: Proof of our readiness to meet the above demands is our total of \$266,673 raised this year, \$61,392 more than last year. Thus our debt is less than two-year's income. Our per capita giving is \$495.00, double the Denominational rate. Debt reduction was \$21,505 which with \$17,610 paid on interest totals \$39,115 in payments made, not including Conference and Denominational payments made on indebtedness.

Personal Service: Travel on behalf of the Conference totalled 13,517 miles (including travel to supply the Princeton church for five months) of which only 8,914 was charged to the Conference. Denominational and

evangelistic labors travel was 10,240 (about 8,000 by airplane or train). Total travel, 23,757 miles...Letters written 432... 900 calls, Office and telephone counselling times...ILLINOIS TIDINGS issued in August, October. May and July totalling 1960 separate pieces of mail.

34 Quarterly Meetings were held...four Board of Managers meetings, three Camp Committee meetings, two Youth Council meetings attended... two revival meetings and two week-end meetings, including a five service youth convention for our Reformed Baptist brethren in New Brunswick...one Hephzibah Orphanage board meeting, three Marion College board meetings and two Development Committee meetings. I served on the Chicago Bible Society board, the N. A. E. Chicago convention hotel committee. Much time has been spent in successfully securing tax exemption for our new church and parsonage properties, effecting a savings of hundreds of dollars of the Lord's money. Special thanks is given the Chicago-Austin church for providing one-half the Conference President's housing and also for Denominational aid given.

In spite of the constant burden of pioneer church problems it has been a high honor and privilege to serve Christ, the Denominations and the Conference for the 13th year on the administrative level. God's grace and your love and patience have sufficed for every circumstance.

#### Official Acts.

- 1) As chairman of the Conference Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension) and as President of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, an Illinois corporation, I helped promote our pioneer and established church building projects by counsel and by taking title in the name of the Conference. I have sought and obtained necessary loans, executing the legal documents necessary to such loans, along with Mr. William F. Tice, Secretary of the Conference Board of Trustees. (See Conference Trustees' Report No. 5 for the full record.)
- 2) As President of the Illinois Conference I certified our theological students and draft age assistant pastors to their several draft boards as legally qualifying for proper exemption.
- 3) Throughout the year I have ordered payment of all bills owed by the Conference using a requisition form to the Conference Treasurer in each instance.
- 4) I sought and obtained tax exemption for the new Broadview church property, the Elk Grove Village parsonage, two parcels of the Oak Lawn church property and the new Princeton parsonage. A change in the Illinois law effective this year requires that the President register the tax exemption status of each parcel of land owned by the Conference every year in order to maintain exemption. This will mean 35 or more forms filed each year from now on. More exemptions must be filed for properties newly acquired, with six documents being filed for each appeal.
- 5) August 5, 1963. Received as Conference Preacher and appointed P. Douglas Kindschi as assistant pastor at Oak Lawn. Later in the fall he resigned this position feeling he must devote more time to his graduate studies at the University of Chicago.
- 6) August 10, 1963. Approved Plan of Work and the slate of officers elected by the 1963 Wesleyan Youth Conference which meets annually the week after our Annual Conference session adjourns.
- 7) August 10, 1963. As directed by the last Annual Conference session, I edited the Minutes of the Seventh and Eighth Meetings of the 1963 Annual Conference session in conjunction with the new Conference Secretary, Rev. M. J. Bailie, and approved them for publishing.
- 8) November 20, 1963. Appointed Roger Kent Reed assistant pastor at Chicago-Hoyne Avenue in charge of youth. In June, released him to further graduate study at Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana, preparatory to returning to inner city evangelism. He desires evangelistic relations from this Conference.
- 9) January 5, 1964. Appointed Rev. D. C. Durey, an elder of this Conference, pastor of the Princeton charge which had been left in the hands of the President by action of last Conference.
- 10) January 17, 1964. Notified Rev. Daniel Sanstead of the Chicago area Chaplain's Committee, that Rev. Carl E. Olander was appointed as Institutional Chaplain by last Conference.
- 11) March 16, 1964. Appointed Richard Parker Johnson Jr. and Edward W. Wheeler as assistant pastors of the Wheaton church by request of the church.

- 12) March 24, 1964. Appointed Rev. David D. Crail, member of the Statistical Committee to serve as chairman to replace Rev. John Friske who resigned as chairman for physical reasons.
  - 13) May 28, 1964. Filed annual Conference corporation report and Pentecost bands of the World corporation report with Secretary of State.
  - 14) April 1-3, 1964. Represented the Conference and Denomination as an official delegate at the National Holiness Convention at Minneapolis, Minnesota.
  - 15) April 7-9, 1964. Represented the Conference as an official delegate at the National Association of Evangelicals in Chicago.
  - 16) April 20-22, 1964. Represented the Conference and Marion College as trustee at the National Council on Higher Education at the Pick-Congress Hotel in Chicago.
  - 17) Effective July 6, 1964, I released Rev. R. M. Gibbs from the Wyandot pastorate and appointed him at his request to be pioneer pastor of the new Heritage church, Moline, Illinois, which had been approved by the Board of Managers on May 2, 1964.
  - 18) Effective July 20, 1964, I appointed Rev. Verne W. Swanson, an elder of this Conference, to be pastor of the Wyandot church, at their request.
  - 19) Effective July 20, 1964, I released Rev. W. D. Craker, from the pastorate of the Rockford First Church and transferred him at his request to the Virginia Conference to pioneer a new church in the Washington D. C. area.
  - 20) Effective July 21, 1964, I received Rev. Orland L. Johnson, former pastor of the Brookings, South Dakota Church, by transfer from the Dakota Conference and appointed him to be pastor of the Rockford First Church.
- All of the above official acts which required prior approval were taken in consultation and with the unanimous approval of the President's Advisory Board.

Analysis of Conference Work Fund by R. E. Crawford, Conference Treasurer  
From July 16, 1963 to July 15, 1964.

I. Receipts:

A. Church Budgets	\$1,720.20	
B. Miscellaneous:		
1. From A.L. Bray-personal and subsidized phone tolls and extension costs	\$256.17	
2. Princeton-phone tolls	22.44	
3. Austin-mailing permit cost	15.00	
4. Oak Lawn-tax payment refund	115.06	
	<u>408.67</u>	
	Total receipts	\$2,128.87
Balance July 16, 1963		<u>5.21</u>
	Total credits	2,134.08

II. Disbursements

A. Conference President-- <u>Official</u>		
1. Travel, meals, postage, etc.	846.25	
2. Conference parsonage, office phones and tolls	467.85	
3. Reimbursed telephone expense (see receipts above)	278.61	
4. Utilities	240.00	
5. Office Supplies & Printing	77.68	
6. President's final pension payment	104.40	
7. Hospitalization insurance	163.50	
		\$2,178.29
B. Tax payments:		
1. Oak Lawn (re-imbursed)	115.06	
2. Broadview (to be re-imbursed)	164.21	
3. Camp supplies storage cottage	17.25	296.52
C. Treasurer's Office		
1. Postage	29.15	
2. Budget receipt books	30.00	
3. Miscellaneous	6.01	
4. Auditing books	25.00	
		90.16

<b>D. Conference Minutes</b>		
1. Typing 1963 Minutes	\$ 68.00	
2. Printing	325.00	
		393.00
<b>E. Legal services and documents;</b>		
box rental		56.70
<b>F. Tidings supplies, mailing permit</b>		
		105.50
<b>G. Course of Study books</b>		
		46.24
<b>H. Miscellaneous: Board meals, blanks,</b>		
bulletins, etc.		<u>41.44</u>
<b>Total Disbursed</b>		<b><u>\$3,207.85</u></b>
<b>Deficit 7/15/64</b>		<b>-1,073.77</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Arthur L. Bray  
Conference President

#### Report No. 5

#### Conference Trustees

The Board of Trusees took the following actions during the year 1963-1964:

- 1) August 31, 1963. In behalf of Princeton, purchased the house next door south of the church for \$12,300.
- 2) September 9, 1963. In behalf of Princeton, resolved (a) to borrow for sixty (60) days, \$2,500, at 6% simple interest from First National Bank of Wyanet, to finance down payment; (b) to borrow from Wesleyan Investment Foundation \$10,000, for 120 days at 6% interest, and to execute WIF promissory note No. 223 to cover same; (c) to sell the former parsonage at 303 South Pleasant Street for \$12,500., or more, to cover repayment of the above obligations; and (d) to borrow \$10,961.14 from Dorothy Powers Mercer, Harold L. Powers, Mary J. Powers, and Edward Mercer to pay off a loan of identical amount now owing same persons; new loan to be secured by a trust deed on the new parsonage, with a promissory note bearing interest at 5% payable October 9 and April 9 of each year and due in full, unless renewed, October 9, 1968, and with principal payments in units of \$100.00 or more, on each interest date.
- 3) November 2, 1963. In behalf of Broadview, approved action of Broadview church in borrowing \$1,000, from Mr. C. J. Ewing of Maywood, and issued conference note (No. 69) dated September 6, 1963. Granted another \$500.00 loan from Conference Loan Fund, (Ewing money) Note No. 75. Funds to cover incidental building costs.
- 4) November 2, 1963. In behalf of Oak Lawn, authorized interim loan of \$10,000. with interest at 5% per annum, secured by trust deed on first mortgage on the "old" church, with the understanding that this will be paid off in full upon sale of the church. (This loan was not consummated due to the sale of the church which provided needed funds.)
- 5) November 2, 1963. On behalf of Rockford First, approved their project PLEAD (Planned, Long-range Expansion And Development). Locally financed, this project covers the purchase, by annual installments due each January 1, of a two-acre tract of ground for future church and parsonage use, at the NW corner of Central Avenue and Riverside Blvd. Cost \$7,000., plus interest at 5½% on unpaid balance.
- 6) December 8, 1963. In behalf of Galesburg, renewed promissory note to Kenneth Nelson, in the amount of \$3,500., due December 8, 1964, and carrying interest at 6% per annum (Conference note No. 73).
- 7) February 1, 1964. In behalf of Princeton, approved the renewal of WIF temporary note (No. 223) for \$10,000., until July 6, 1964, with interest at 6%. Repayment anticipated from sale of former parsonage.
- 8) February 1, 1964. In behalf of Princeton, approved the renewal of principal note for \$2,500. in favor of First National Bank of Wyanet with terms of 5%, and maturity date June 3, 1964. (See Item 13.)

9) February 1, 1964. In behalf of Broadview, authorized a temporary deferral of a plan to require a mortgage reserve fund. (See previous resolution of May 4, 1963.)

10) February 1, 1964. Directed Oak Lawn to deposit \$10,000. mortgage reserve with Wesleyan Investment Foundation, rather than with a commercial, federally insured institution. (See previous action May 4, 1963.)

11) February 17, 1964. On behalf of Oak Lawn, sold their "old" church to the United Pentecostal church for \$33,000., of which \$27,000, was cash and \$6,000, the later sales price of a tract of vacant ground (see Item 15).

12) May 2, 1964. Approved the launching of a new pioneer project in the Heritage subdivision (Moline, Illinois), under the direction of Rev. & Mrs. Roy Gibbs, and authorized the president to seek financing from the department of Church Extension & Evangelism, to cover down payment on a parsonage home for the Gibbs, and a 1.5 acre church tract.

13) May 2, 1964. Authorized loan to Princeton in the amount of \$2,500. at 5% per annum, from conference loan funds, in order for them to retire note due First National Bank of Wyanet (see Item 8).

14) June 1, 1964. In behalf of Moline project, executed one year promissory note, No. 236, with WIF for \$2,000, to provide for Item 12.

15. June 24, 1964. In behalf of Oak Lawn, sold vacant lot acquired in the sale of the "old" church to Garden School Benefactors, a corporation in the Village of Oak Lawn, for \$6,000.

16. July 6, 1964. In behalf of Princeton, renewed WIF note No. 223 (see Item 7). New expiration date January 6, 1965.

Statement of Conference Assets and Liabilities, July 15, 1964:

Assets:

Value of local church buildings	\$765,500	
Value of local church parsonages	291,600	
Loans receivable		
Conference Parsonage Fund		
A. L. Bray	\$5,100	
Old Superannuate Minister's Fund		
Galesburg church loan	<u>500</u>	5,600
Cash and other values. Balances in churches and Conference funds	<u>35,881</u>	
Total assets		\$1,097,981.00

Liabilities:

Loans payable on		
Local church buildings	313,914	
Local church parsonages	<u>146,647</u>	
Total liabilities		<u>460,561.00</u>
Net worth:		\$637,420.00

Respectfully submitted,  
William F. Tice, Secretary, Conference Board of Trustees

Report No. 6

Statistical Committee

Local church statistics and Conference totals are tabulated on the center pages.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman  
Rev. D. L. Castro  
Rev. R. E. Crawford  
Rev. S. A. Hill  
Mr. J. Larakers  
Mr. S. Paine  
Marilyn Hamlett



Report No. 7Educational Committee

This is the combined report of the Educational Committee and of the Educational Secretary who carries on the duties of the committee during the course of the year. The Illinois Conference has given continued loyal support to Marion College, our area school, and to Asbury Theological Seminary, our denominationally approved seminary.

Seventeen students from the Illinois Conference attended Marion College this year. Each of our sixteen churches had representatives from the college. This was made possible by a weekend "invasion" of Marion College faculty and staff members in which fourteen churches participated. This was very successful and the same is being planned for next year. Your Educational Secretary also arranged the college choir tour of our conference. The male quartet sang in a number of our churches.

Your Educational Secretary made one trip to Marion to attend the College Development Committee meeting, and to present the Illinois challenge to graduating seniors. He also wrote two letters to all the pastors in the interest of education, and submitted to the college the names of all the local educational secretaries.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Leigh F. Nygard  
Educational Secretary

Report No. 8Conference Treasurer

Cash receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year which ended July 15, 1964:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/63</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Credits</u>	<u>Disburse-</u> <u>ments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/64</u>
General Conference Budget:					
World Missions	\$ -0-	\$ 344.06	\$ 344.06	\$ 344.06	\$ -0-
Australia	-0-	74.50	74.50	74.50	-0-
Brainerd	-0-	91.25	91.25	91.25	-0-
Church Extension & Evan.	-0-	581.35	581.35	581.35	-0-
Administrative	-0-	784.26	784.26	784.26	-0-
Travel & Entertainment	-0-	222.90	222.90	222.90	-0-
Board Meeting Expense	-0-	69.32	69.32	69.32	-0-
Orphanage	-0-	77.90	77.90	77.90	-0-
Education	-0-	1,565.41	1,565.41	1,565.41	-0-
Sunday School	-0-	331.48	331.48	331.48	-0-
Seminary Foundation	-0-	136.44	136.44	136.44	-0-
Superannuate Pension	-0-	1,583.85	1,583.85	1,583.85	-0-
Total General Budget	-0-	5,862.72	5,862.72	5,862.72	-0-

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/63</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Credits</u>	<u>Disburse-</u> <u>ments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/64</u>
Illinois Conference Budget:					
Administrative	\$ 399.48	\$5,101.83	\$5,501.31	\$4,766.96	\$ 734.35
Conference Work	5.21	2,128.87	2,134.08	3,207.85	(-1073.77
Conference Church Exten.	1,444.53	13,199.08	14,643.61	13,683.27	960.34
Pastors' Insurance	(-121.12	3,293.49	3,172.37	3,388.33	(-215.96
Conference Sunday School	1.57	499.71	501.28	549.29	(-48.01
Total Illinois Budget	1,729.67	24,222.98	25,952.65	25,595.70	356.95

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/64</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Credits</u>	<u>Disburse-</u> <u>ments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/64</u>
Illinois Conf. Non-Budget:					
Camp Meeting	\$ 994.30	\$ 4,940.91	\$5,935.21	\$4,883.79	\$ 1,051.42
Loan Fund	937.05	19,580.00	20,517.05	16,700.00	3,817.05
Escrow Fund	-0-	32,000.00	32,000.00	26,500.00	5,500.00
Miscellaneous	39.57	1,946.42	1,986.09	1,936.44	49.65
Total Illinois Non-Budget:	1,971.02	58,467.33	60,438.35	50,020.23	10,418.12
Total all Funds:	\$3,700.69	\$82,690.31	\$86,391.00	\$75,615.93	\$10,775.07

The books of the Conference Treasurer have been audited by Certified Public Accountant Norman J. Kautt. The findings of said auditor are attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. Crawford,  
Conference Treasurer

#### Report No. 9

##### Director of Christian Youth Crusade

Mr. President, Honored guests, and fellow delegates;  
This has been an interesting and informative year for your C.Y.C. Director.

To become better acquainted with each of you, your parish and your youth work, I sent each of the pastors a note with a few questions. In reply, I received, early and late, an over 50% response. Some I was well acquainted with, others I knew nothing of your problems and plans regarding boys and girls club work. It was a great assist in praying with you for your youngsters needs.

There are two essential needs of a church to stimulate and sustain a vital growth. One is a strong missionary program and the other is a vigorous youth program. Without the former our young people would have no firm, positive goal for life (whether at home or abroad). Without the young people, we have no future church. It is a pleasure and a challenge to be a member of a Conference where these ideals are carried out successfully.

In our 16 churches, we have two C.Y.C. programs consisting of one or more of the three groups in C.Y.C.. There are three Christian Service Brigade programs, including both Stockade and Battalion, and five Pioneer Girls programs including one or more of the three groups available, in each program.

Your director has been in contact by letter and personally, with Mr. Don Kinde, our General Director of C.Y.C.

On November 23, 1963 I attended the C.Y.C. workshop being held in conjunction with the Sunday School Convention at our new Broadview Church.

I trust God will continue to lift our vision to the vital need of our Conference for dynamic young people who will continue to build our churches in the years to come.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Lord with you this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. John R. Wells  
C.Y.C. Director

Report No. 10Tithing Secretary

This year our conference has continued to prosper as the result of blessings from the Lord. One important factor is that the constituency of the conference promote and practice scriptural stewardship and tithing.

During the year of the 539 full members recorded in our conference churches, 431 members are listed as tithers. This represents 80% of our full membership. Our per capita giving was \$494.76 during the twelve month period. This compares with an 82% enrollment tithing and a \$414.00 per capita giving over the same period a year ago.

Due to the financial drought in the conference treasury it was suggested that each church supply their own tithing posters and promotional materials during the year. This information was passed on to the conference pastors by letter as well as a list of names and addresses from which tithing and stewardship materials could be secured.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. David L. Castro  
Tithing Secretary

Report No. 11Conference Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension)

We, the members of the Board of Managers which is also the Board of Church Extension, composed of the Conference Board of Trustees and two other ministers and two other laymen, report as follows:

As the Board of Managers of the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, we met officially on August 10, and November 2, 1963 and February 1 and May 2, 1964, to consider the state of all the churches and to plan for the extension of the Illinois Conference. Out of the full record of decision made, the Minutes of which are open for your full inspection (see Mr. William F. Tice, Secretary) we report the following summary of actions as they effect our extension efforts:

WHEATON. Denominational aid in the amount of \$100 a month on the \$450 a month obligations was sought and granted. The Wheaton folk under the inspiring leadership of Pastor F. J. Gearhart have met all their other obligations in addition to the full-time support of their pastor and have paid off \$5,005 worth of indebtedness besides. This was greatly aided by a dedicated and anonymous layman who gave \$3,000 for debt reduction. Gearharts with their family of six continue to live in one end of their parsonage and hold church in the balance of the building. This condition and increasing attendance makes it imperative that a sanctuary be built. Pray that this will be the year of breakthrough in this area.

ROCKFORD-HARRISON AVENUE. Our beloved pioneers, Pastor and Mrs. Nygard and their faithful laymen are laying strong foundations for an effective community ministry. In the Pauline tradition the Nygards are largely supporting themselves-she by teaching last year and he by teaching the coming year, in order that the approximately \$240 a month payments of the church site and parsonage-chapel may be met. Some aid has been granted by the Board to meet specific needs. A sanctuary is envisioned within the next two years. Your prayers are solicited for the consummation of this desired goal.

ELK GROVE VILLAGE. The completed Kimbel-Wildwood contemporary design sanctuary was dedicated April 21, 1964 with great rejoicing over the culmination of a long, hard "do-it-yourself" building project. Pastor David Crail continues to teach school in order that the church income may meet the approximately \$550 a month property payments. \$50 a month denominational aid was sought by the Board and granted. Fervent prayer is requested that strength in members and finances may increase in order that the pastor may be supported by the church and give himself to its development.

CREVE COEUR. Pastor Arlyn Jones and his people dedicated their brick colonial sanctuary on November 3, 1963 culminating a long struggle of volunteer labor in which the pastor gave several thousand hours of labor. \$100 a month denominational aid was sought and granted to help meet the approximately \$300 a month property and furniture payments. A discouraging loss of key members and finance has forced the pastor to obtain a teaching position for this coming year in order to see that property payments are made. Your fervent prayer support is solicited that God will give victory in this strategic place.

GALESBURG. Pastor Meredith J. Baillie and his people dedicated their Kimbel-Wildwood contemporary sanctuary on November 10, 1963 with great rejoicing. The church is moving forward under Pastor Baillie's leadership. The church is supporting him full-time and is meeting the mortgage payments on the church and parsonage without outside help. They thus pass from the oversight of the Board of Church Extension. Congratulations!

OAK LAWN under the leadership of Pastor Robert L. Zuhl dedicated their new \$160,000 sanctuary on January 12, 1964. BROADVIEW led by Pastor Robert Klatt dedicated their \$125,000 colonial sanctuary on December 1, 1963. These are both strong self supporting churches, but we include them in this report because of these outstanding building advancements. As mentioned in the President's report, their indebtedness almost doubles the Conference debt load. We are trusting God that this additional load will be quickly liquidated by sacrificial giving.

HERITAGE, MOLINE is our new pioneer project for the coming year, launched in recent months by Rev. Roy M. Gibbs and his dedicated family. As pastor of Wyandot, Brother Gibbs became burdened for the 330,000 Quadcity area of Davenport (Iowa), Rock Island, Moline and East Moline, Illinois. The large colonial development, Heritage, on the south side of Moline on the north bank of the Rock River claimed his attention. After surveying the area he appealed to the Board of Managers on May 2 for permission to launch the work. Permission was granted. A loan of \$2,000 was secured from Wesleyan Investment Foundation. A house in the development at 4409 51st Street, Moline, Ill., has been purchased and the Gibbs have moved there. Pastor and Mrs. Gibbs have secured teaching positions next year and the basement of their house has been tiled and placed in readiness for prayer and Bible study groups. Permission has also been secured from the developers to hold Sunday morning services in the community building. Several fine families have expressed interest in attending services when they begin September 20-the date that envisions completion of the community building. A one and one-half acre site in the development has been promised for purchase at a cost of approximately \$12,000. This money is not in sight nor are funds available to build the first unit building. We will probably have to borrow again and trust God for a people to be raised up to meet the financial needs of this outreach. Thank God for dedicated servants of the Cross who count not their lives dear unto themselves that the gospel might be proclaimed in a dark age!

CHICAGO-HOYNE AVENUE, our inner city church has been aided \$75 a month by our paying their property mortgage. Shifting population has made necessary this aid. However, this is not church extension and we must seek another way of meeting this need.

PRINCETON. Several hundred dollars in interest on an interim loan on the old parsonage to finance the purchase of a new one next door to the church, has been granted to Princeton. When the old parsonage is sold this interim loan will largely be retired. However, it has remained unsold for 11 months. Pray that this problem will be solved.

INCIDENTAL AID. Aid has been granted on an incidental level to meet areas of need of our churches. See financial breakdown attached. Rockford First was granted \$300 aid to help in moving their new pastor and to give him interim support between the Dakota Conference session and our session.

A BREAKDOWN of Conference Church Extension Funds is appended.

Analysis of Conference Church Extension Fund  
From July 15, 1963 - ending July 15, 1964

## I. Receipts:

A. Conference Budgets		\$2,578.82
B. Wheaton-debt reduction		
1. Shatford Interest	\$ 200.00	
2. Parsonage-chapel payments	642.00	
3. Powers' note, Int. & Prin.	<u>200.00</u>	1,042.00
C. Elk Grove (D. D. Crail)		
1. House payments	1,596.00	
2. Tax payment	<u>98.00</u>	1,694.00
D. Department of Church Ext.		3,600.00
E. Wm. F. Tice - gifts		1,075.00
F. President's home payments		
1. A. L. Bray	688.56	
2. Austin Church - aid	<u>550.00</u>	1,238.56
G. Miscellaneous:		
1. Hoyne Ave. Aid:		
1) Broadview	\$110.00	
2) Oak Park	50.00	
3) Oak Lawn	<u>20.00</u>	180.00
2. W.M.S., Ill. Conf.	437.55	
3. Dept. of Church Ext.		
Conf. Pres.' office aid	500.00	
4. Oak Lawn - chairs	519.75	
5. Princeton pro-rata real estate	189.79	
6. Hoopeson tax refund	10.71	
7. Fred Schmitt - gift	10.00	
8. Stocks	41.90	
9. Chicago-land Wesleyan Men	6.00	
10. Re-entry void Ewing ck.	25.00	
11. Re-entry void Ck. #2007	50.00	
		1,970.70
	Total Receipts	\$13,199.06
	Balance 7/15/63	<u>1,444.53</u>
	Total Credits	14,643.61

## II. Disbursements:

A. Wheaton:		
1. Parsonage-chapel payments	856.92	
2. Dept. of Church Extension	1200.00	
3. Transfer of loan reduction funds to Loan Fund	825.00	
4. Powers' loan payments	<u>397.50</u>	3,279.42
B. Elk Grove Village:		
1. Parsonage payments	1596.00	
2. Church payment subsidy	650.00	
3. Tax payment	<u>98.00</u>	2,344.00
C. Creve Coeur:		
1. Denominational Aid		1,200.00
D. Hoyne Avenue:		
1. Church loan payments to Superannuate Pension Dept.	1200.00	
2. Gift from Broadview S.S.	<u>40.00</u>	1,240.00
E. Sheffield:		
1. Upkeep of church grounds	25.50	
2. Building insurance	<u>27.00</u>	52.50

F. Galesburg:		
1. Aid to complete building		\$ 200.00
G. Rockford First:		
1. Downpayment on land	1,000.00	
2. Johnson - interim salary and moving	300.00	
		1,300.00
H. Oak Lawn:		
1. Chairs		519.75
I. Princeton:		
1. Legal work	25.00	
2. Durey moving	75.00	
3. First Nat'l Bank loan Int.	125.00	
4. Interest on Denominational term loan	500.00	
		725.00
J. Harrison Ave. - Insurance pay.		99.60
K. Hoopeston:		
1. Insurance payment	100.51	
2. Tax payment	21.93	
		122.44
L. Interest payments:		
1. Mary & Nathan Blood	200.00	
2. C. J. Ewing	50.00	
3. Emily Dohrmann	50.00	
4. Jesse W. Shatford	200.00	
5. Basil Boyd Interest	315.00	
		815.00
M. Conference office rental provision		500.00
N. President's home: loan payments		1,285.56
Total Disbursements		\$13,683.27
Balance 7/15/64		\$ 960.34

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Managers,  
Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Chairman

### Report No. 12

#### Camp Meeting Committee

Camp Arrangements. We your Camp Meeting Committee, managed the 1963 Camp Meeting following the close of last Annual Conference session. Under the ministry of Rev. N. E. Trafton of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, of the Reformed Baptist (Arminian-Wesleyan) Church of Canada, and Rev. Eugene Cockrell of Marion, Indiana, song evangelist, God gave revival blessings.

Two meetings of your committee were held during Camp last year to give consideration to financial arrangements and to plan for the present camp meeting. Final arrangements were made at a meeting held in Creve Coeur, Illinois, February 19, 1964.

We report that Dr. B. H. Phaup, General Superintendent of our denomination and Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp, all of Marion, Indiana, are the evangelist and song evangelists, respectively. Our own Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, pastor of Oak Lawn and for ten years Conference W. Y. President, is our engaged Youth Evangelist. A full schedule of youth classes and activities is set up under the direction of W. Y. President, Rev. George Hood, pastor of Chicago-Hoyne Ave..

A group of dedicated ladies of our Conference are conducting children's classes and activities. Rev. Carl E. Olander is director of Junior Youth.

Camp Manager Forrest J. Gearhart, Camp Buyer Robert W. Klatt, Dining

Hall Manager Stanley A. Hill and Refreshment Stand Manager Roy M. Gibbs have everything in readiness for Camp. We thank them and all our volunteer workers for their laborers. Our efficient cooks are Mrs. Laura Zehner, the Free Methodist camp cook and our own Mrs. Kay Dyer.

We report that the raising of our camp fee to \$12.00 for 8 days last year did not cut down our attendance as was feared. Instead, attendance was at an all time high.

Our present five-year Camp Ground rental-contract expires this year. Our Free Methodist brethren have offered us an identical one for another five year period at a rental of \$610.00 a year, with an additional charge of \$90 when the new Missionary tabernacle-office-conference room building is completed; hopefully in time for next Conference session. It will be located just east of this building. It appears to be wise for us to renew it because our financial ability to acquire our own grounds is limited.

The Free Methodists have granted us permission to erect motel type buildings on the grounds but have denied our petition to build separate cottages. It would be wise to give your committee power to act in regard to the matter of financing and erecting motel-type buildings because our housing shortage is becoming acute. If we should move to another camp grounds the building would be sold to the Free Methodists.

#### Analysis of Camp Meeting Fund

From July 15, 1963 - ending July 15, 1964

#### I. Receipts:

A. Pledges	\$ 1,145.00	
B. Registrations	2,431.00	
C. Camp Meals	225.48	
D. Camp Offerings	854.93	
E. Phone Tolls	22.50	
F. Surplus food sales	52.45	
G. Beginning cash re-entry	30.00	
H. W.M.S.-camp equipment	80.95	
I. Refund-soft drink overpayment	98.60	
	<u>Total Receipts</u>	\$ 4,940.91
	Balance 7/15/63	<u>994.30</u>
	<u>Total Credits</u>	5,935.21

#### II. Disbursements:

A. Beginning cash		30.00
B. Rentals		
1. Buyer's trailer	\$ 10.00	
2. Public address system	100.00	
3. Youth tabernacle	35.00	
4. Grounds	587.50	
5. Piano and organ	35.00	
6. Cottages	<u>697.00</u>	
		1,464.50
C. Supplies:		
1. Groceries	1,649.38	
2. Laundry	30.00	
3. Kitchen equipment	<u>80.95</u>	
		1,760.33
D. Wesleyan Youth Camp Expenditures:		
1. Equipment & swimming	48.14	
2. Hayride expense	16.93	
3. Films	<u>36.82</u>	
		101.89
E. Camp workers:		
1. Evangelists:		
1) Rev. N. E. Trafton	350.00	
2) Rev. Eugene Cook-		
rell	<u>200.00</u>	
		550.00
2. Joe Pierce		35.00
3. Camp cooks		
1) Mrs. Erma Brunner	115.00	
2) Mrs. Kay Dyer	115.00	
3) Miss Jean Gibbs	<u>50.00</u>	
		280.00
		865.00

F. Official travel		\$ 59.76	
G. Utilities:			
1. Cooking gas	\$ 48.00		
2. Electricity	107.50		
3. Phone	45.79		
4. Hymnals	<u>10.00</u>		
		211.29	
H. Insurance:			
1. Brotherhood Mutual premium	184.04		
2. Bray Cottage--Camp storage	<u>46.49</u>		
		230.53	
I. Handcraft supplies		20.53	
J. Miscellaneous:			
1. Camp advertising	20.00		
2. Swanson registration refund	21.00		
3. M. J. Bailie regist. refund	6.00		
4. Repairs	19.39		
5. Camp manager's expense	10.07		
6. Bray cottage - paint	26.54		
7. Caretaker's honorarium	10.00		
8. Cox Transit-food ship-			
ment charges	7.29		
9. Official meals	15.00		
10. Publishing house	1.65		
11. Office expense	<u>3.02</u>		
		<u>139.96</u>	
Total Disbursements		\$ 4,883.79	
Balance 7/15/64		1,051.42	

Respectfully submitted,

Camp Meeting Committee  
Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Chairman

#### Report No. 13

##### Passage of Character Committee

The ministerial reports of all pastors except the pastor of Peoria Church were examined, and the budget sections of all the local church reports were received. The Peoria pastor was absent due to work. The Chairman states Brother McCarty has fulfilled all his obligations. The record of general support of the denominational work and the conference work is excellent with few irregularities, except for budget shortages in Princeton, Wyanet and Creve Coeur churches. However, Creve Coeur has voted to make up their deficiency in full from receipts from the sale of their old church within two weeks.

After due consideration the committee recommends the passage of the character of each of the ministers of our conference, with recommendation to the ministers whose churches budgets were in arrears to give monthly attention to budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, chairman  
Chaplain John C. Friske  
Mr. Richard Priest, Secretary

#### Report No. 14

##### Sunday School Committee

We the Sunday School Committee Recommend:

1) That the General Conference Assessment be twenty-five cents per member based on the total in the main school reported in the 1964



Conference Minutes, and that said monies be sent to the Conference Treasurer.

2) That the Conference Assessment be fifteen cents per member, and sent to the Conference Treasurer as above in item one.

3) That the Sunday Schools send Special Denominational Offerings to the Denominational Office, and a report of such offerings to the Conference Sunday School Secretary.

4) That a continued emphasis be made on promotional workshops on the district or local levels.

5) That a conference Sunday School contest be held in the period between Easter and Pentecost; with a plaque for the winning school to be awarded at the Conference Sunday School Service.

6) That the Sunday School Superintendents report quarterly to the Conference Sunday School Secretary on blanks made available to them. That these reports be due on the 15th of October, January, April, and July, and that an annual report, signed by the Pastor, also be due on the 15th of July.

7) That the expenses of the Conference Sunday School Secretary to the Greater Chicago Sunday School Convention be paid from the Conference Sunday School Fund. Each local Church is urged to take advantage of local Sunday School Conventions in their areas.

8) That the promotional expenses of the Conference C.Y.C. Director be paid from the Conference Sunday School Fund.

9) That the Conference C.Y.C. Director also serve in promoting such alternative programs as Christian Service Brigade and Pioneer Girls where these programs seem better adapted to local conditions.

10) That recognizing the rapid strides made by the Department of Sunday Schools in improving the quality and content of our literature, we urge each Sunday School to give renewed consideration to our Wesleyan Literature on every age level.

11) That a "Sunday School for the Year" plaque be awarded at the annual camp Sunday School Service based on the Denominational Standard of Achievement as reported by the June Meeting of the local Sunday School staff.

12) That the Conference Sunday School Secretary plan and implement a general Sunday School Workshop to be held at 11:00 o'clock on Thursday morning of Camp Week, for all Pastors and interested Sunday School Workers.

13) That the offerings taken during the Sunday School Hour at Camp Meeting be designated for Rev. Wendel Craker as a Love Offering to show our appreciation for nine years of faithful service as the Conference Sunday School Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. R. T. Mould, Chairman  
Rev. D. Durey  
Rev. G. Hood  
Rev. O. Johnson  
Rev. C. Olander  
Mr. R. Brown  
Mr. R. Jacobs  
Mr. O. Senger  
Mr. L. Wallace

#### Report No. 15

#### Member Local Board of Trustees of Marion College

As your representative on the Local Board of Trustees of Marion College, Marion, Indiana, our denomination area college, I attended Trustees meetings on October , 1963 and January 14, 15 and June 1, 1964. At these meetings the finances of the college were reviewed, budgets were set up for the new year, staff and faculty were employed and the advancement program implemented.

At the January meeting, Rev. Woodrow I. Goodman was elected President of Marion College for his second four year term. The Board took this action noting the outstanding advancements the college has made under

his administration the past four years.

I also attended Development Council meetings last September and on April 25, 1964 where members of the faculty, representatives of the student body, college trustees, the President and chief administrators sat down to confer together with representatives of the community as to the best methods of promoting the college. Out of these deliberations and trustees' action a half million advancement program was formulated asking the community for \$250,000 and the church constituency for \$250,000 over the next five years for the building of a new \$250,000 library building and further campus development. Already the community campaign has gone over the \$125,000 mark. When Dr. Goodman speaks on Saturday, August 8, at the 1:30 p.m., Conference Educational Service he will give us the latest report on the cash and pledges received.

A block of homes across from the Administration building is being purchased; the houses will be wrecked or moved depending on their condition. The new library will be erected in this new area which will connect the northern and southern portions of the campus. Your representative is a member of the library building committee and attended a preliminary planning session on June 11. Basic decisions were approved indicating the library will be a two story building with a basement elevated four feet out of the ground and fully finished for visual aid viewing and other needed areas. An elevator with outside ground level entrance will make possible serving handicapped students and community people. It will also be adjacent to the dock area for carrying book shipments to the upper floors.

Student enrollment was approximately 475 this year, a modest gain over a year ago. However this is encouraging because entrance requirements are being strengthened. We are still admitting Wesleyan students on probation for one semester whose High School grades do not meet entrance requirements, in order to continue to serve our constituency which includes those drawn from disadvantaged elements of our national social structure.

Attendance at summer school was 144 in the first session and 107 in the second. The total is above the summer of 1963.

Business Manager Russell Baldwin continues to manage to operate in the black although with stringent economies. Additional income is greatly needed to repay borrowings at Marion banks caused by using operating monies in previous years for capital improvements. We trust the Advancement Program will meet some of this need.

President Umbeck of Knox College of Galesburg is the North Central advisor for our accreditation program. He invited President Goodman, Dean Burns and Business Manager Baldwin to attend a seminar at Knox College this spring to acquire information and skills to forward our advance to full accreditation. The self study and application brochure is being prepared for presentation to North Central this coming spring of 1965. We are hoping for a favorable response to our application.

Your continued financial, student recruitment and prayer support is solicited on behalf of our fine area college--the school that "puts first things first".

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Arthur L. Bray  
Marion College Trustee

#### Report No. 16

#### Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid

Your Pension Committee reports that Mr. S. Hugh Paine of Houghton, New York, has received during the year the balance of assessments due under the former operation of the Pension Plan from most of the churches. Those who did not pay their assessments created a deficit in excess of one hundred dollars which Mr. Paine has paid personally. He has closed out the account with all former budget and pastors' assessments paid in

full to denominational headquarters, thus safeguarding the service credit of each minister to the cut-off date of last Conference time, as legislated by the 1963 General Conference. Mr. Paine requests that delinquent payments still be made, not to him, but to the Conference Fund of this Conference, as a gift from him to our Conference Fund. It should be remitted to Rev. John Friske, Conference Treasurer, 2310 S. 11th Avenue, Broadview, Illinois.

We also report that all the ministers of our Conference have complied with Standing Rule VI, item 7, requiring each minister to maintain membership in Federal Old Age Benefit (Social Security) or some other equivalent retirement income plan, except....for four brethren (who have agreed to meet these requirements as soon as possible.)

We report that Oak Lawn, Oak Park, Wheaton, Rockford First have complied with the recommendation of last Conference to pay one-half of the Pastors Social Security costs and recommend that all our churches plan by setting aside a weekly amount to meet this need next April. (See Finance Committee Report, page 38, V, item E, 1963 Minutes.)

We report that our churches have paid in full the \$3.50 Pension Budget assessment this year, except for four churches. One has promised to make up this deficit. We recommend that the pastors of the other churches receive a special offering for this need after Conference, pointing out to their people that our beloved pensioners, Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Bailie, will have their pension allotment cut this coming year because of this shortage, unless it is paid in full by the Conference.

Some distress has been expressed because the Pension Plan will pay forty cents on the dollar to those who wish to withdraw their ministerial assessments from the Plan. May we point out that there is no need to withdraw and suffer this loss. If the money is left in it will pay the highest dividends of any financial investment anywhere. Even though the amount is small the payments on retirement will be many times the amount invested. Furthermore, most of our Illinois pastors' assessments were paid by the churches as part of the budget and the pastors have made no personal contribution and have nothing to lose by leaving the money in the plan.

According to last Conference action this committee continues to exist to handle withdrawals (if insisted upon), retirements and certifications of the same which will be required by the denomination. (See Report No. 26 for final report of S. H. Paine, Pension Treasurer.)

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Superannuate Ministers' Aid  
Rev. Carl E. Olander, Chairman

#### Report No. 17

#### Committee on the Growth of the Church

We, the Committee on the Growth of the Church, recognize the Holy Spirit as the "Church Builder" -- "But you shall receive power -- ability, efficiency and might -- when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses in Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria and to the ends -- the very bounds -- of the earth" (Acts 1:8 Amplified New Testament). "And they were all filled -- diffused throughout their souls -- with the Holy Spirit..." (Acts 2:4 Amplified N.T.). "...and the Lord kept adding (to their number) daily those who were being saved (from spiritual death)" (Acts 2:47b Amplified N.T.). Therefore, we acknowledge the utter necessity for those of "The Way" of the Spirit-filled life maintained by a consistent prayer life and intensive study of the Holy Scriptures. Herein is the basis of growth in the Church -- spiritually, numerically and financially. In addition, we recommend:

- 1) That a greater emphasis be given to the ministry of the laity in the area of evangelism. The Committee feels this ministry is, as it has always intended to be, one of the main avenues for reaching the lost and building the Church. A vigorous program of cultivating interest in others, getting well acquainted with newcomers in the church

and a house-to-house visitation program be put into effect.

2) That on the part of our pastors, there be a re-evaluation of the pulpit ministry as to the responsibility for instructing lay members in the methods and techniques of personal evangelism. The Committee feels there are many fine published materials available on the subject. We further strongly recommend the ministry of Mr. Nate Krupp, Director of Lay Evangelism, Inc., Wheaton, Illinois, in the churches of the Conference.

We are challenged by such statistics as set forth by Dr. Roland Q. Leavell; in round percentages he presents the status of the christian church:

20 percent	never pray
25 percent	never read their Bible
30 percent	never attend church
40 percent	never give to any cause
50 percent	never go to Sunday School
60 percent	never attend evening services
70 percent	never give to missions
80 percent	never go to prayer meeting
90 percent	never have family worship
95 percent	never win a soul to Christ

3) That a study be undertaken by each congregation regarding its attitudes and policies toward people of other races in the light of the Scriptures.

4) That the membership of the church be made aware of their responsibility in the area of financial stewardship.

5) That the pastors give more attention to the receiving of qualified persons into the membership of the church.

6) That interest in foreign missions be promoted by one or more missionary conventions conducted in the local church or in co-operation with other local churches of the Conference each year.

7) That every opportunity for Church Extension be vigorously pursued in our Conference.

8) That our churches be encouraged to consider the possibilities of ministry in the public institutions of their area.

We feel the above recommendations are essential in order to strengthen our present advances in church growth under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Roy E. Crawford, Chairman  
Mr. Henry Cook, Secretary  
Rev. Vernon Swanson  
Rev. Arthur Minnaugh  
Rev. Arlyn Jones  
Rev. Irwin Reist  
Mrs. Mary Rives  
Mr. Charles Krager  
Mr. Fred Winterberg  
Mr. Joseph Larakers

#### Report No. 18

#### Finance Committee

We recommend the following budgets for the fiscal year 1964-1965:

I. The General Assessments shall be apportioned as follows, in accordance with the General Conference regulations:

World Missions	\$ 2.00 per full member
Australia	.25
Brainerd Indian School	.25
Church Extension and Evangelism	1.50
Superannuate Pension Plan	3.50
Church Administrative Budget	1.70
Gen. Conf. Travel & Entertainment	.50
Board Meeting Expense	.15
Hephzibah Orphanage	.35

Education	\$ 4.00 per full member
Wesleyan Seminary Foundation	<u>.30</u>
Total General, except for Sunday School	4.50 per full member

II. The Illinois Conference Budget Assessment shall be:

- A. On a per member basis:  
Conference Work Fund (including Tidings) 4.50 per full member  
Conference Church Extension 6.00 per full member
- B. On a per Church basis:  
Conference Admin. Fund: 3% of church Gross Receipts (less Building and Benevolence items.) See Item IV below.  
Pastor's Group Insurance Plan: \$167.00 per year.

III. Miscellaneous Assessments shall be:

- General Sunday School Dues: \$.25 per member in main school
- Conference Sunday School Dues: .15 per member in main school

IV. President's Support and Expense.

- A. Three per cent of the gross income of each church, less expenditures for building and benevolence (as indicated in the statistical report of that church for the previous year) shall be paid into the Conference Administrative Fund. (In case a church does not remit the above monthly, the pastor of that church is authorized to send in the tithe of his cash church salary, to the Conference Treasurer for Conference Administrative Support. In addition, he may prayerfully consider remitting one-half of the tithe from any secular income.)
- B. The Conference President's salary shall be \$100.00 per week to be paid out of the Conference Administrative Fund.
- C. The Conference President's incidental expenses, and auto travel allowance at the rate of seven cents per mile shall be paid from the Conference Fund.
- D. One half the Social Security and the full hospitalization assessments for the Conference President, as well as \$30.00 per month for parsonage fuel and utilities, shall be paid from the Conference Fund.
- E. The Conference President has undertaken to provide his own housing by taking over the contract and payments on the Ferdinand Street property in Chicago, under an agreement which preserves to the Conference its present equities and provides that in the case the President should require help in meeting payments, the monies advanced by the Conference for this purpose shall increase the Conference equity by the amount of the principal reduction which results.

V. Miscellaneous Recommendations.

- A. We nominate Rev. Roy E. Crawford as Assistant Conference Treasurer, to serve as registrar and treasurer during Conference and camp meeting, and to represent the treasurer with the work of the statistical committee.
- B. In case of the failure of the local church to completely pay the pastor's hospitalization assessment, by the end of each quarter, the pastor will be responsible to make up the arrears so as to retain current status in this plan; however, such arrears shall be considered a continuing obligation of the church to be refunded when funds are available to do so.
- C. We recommend that all budgets be assessed on a ten-month basis, with payments due only in the months of September through June.
- D. We request that each church pay one-half of the Pastor's Social Security costs.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman  
Mr. W. F. Tice, Secretary

Report No. 19

Social Action Committee

I. Moral Issues.

A. Self Control

1. Abstinence--Believing the use of beverage alcohol, tobacco, and narcotics is harmful to the body and leads to social decadence, and believing that the Scriptures demand physical and moral purity, we maintain the view of total abstinence.
2. Moderation--In all legitimate areas such as labor, leisure, and diet, we affirm the Scriptural standard of moderation. In dress we call for attractive modesty.

B. Marriage

We call upon our people to hold in reverence the marriage bond and for all to respect the home as a God-given institution basic to our society.

C. Public communications

Realizing that our means of communication greatly influence public opinion and social actions, we call for high morality in literature, television, movies, radio, and advertising. We stand for stronger legislation and better enforcement through individual vocal protests and for conscientious Christian discernment regarding participation.

D. Integration

We go on record as recognizing the rights of all men to equality of citizenship. While agreeing that there have been gross injustices, we see the solution in Christian love and in enforced lawfulness rather than through violence.

E. Activities

Believing that the Christian's obligation is to glorify God in every aspect of life, we call for higher moral living among our people. We must take every opportunity of nurturing this Christian goal of life through positive attitudes and activities. As to the use of the Lord's Day, we recognize increased laxity and call for renewed reverence: family attendance of all worship services, family fellowship, individual devotional practices, and prohibition of unnecessary business transactions and irreverent (although at other times legitimate) recreational activities. Participation in activities that never glorify God must be banned: acts of crime, gambling, sexual immorality, dancing, etc.

II. Economic Issues

A. Poverty

Even though Christ said, "Ye have the poor always with you" (Matt. 26:11), it is the duty of Christians to minister to the physical needs as well as to the spiritual needs. However, it is the duty of man to labor for his own needs, in as far as possible. Moreover, honest labor must be given for fair wages.

B. Population

The population explosion is a matter of concern for the church. Our main burden must be to evangelize the growing multitudes for Christ. We decry the unnecessary infringement of government upon the lives of any people.

III. Political Issues

A. Government

We recognize that governments are instituted by God and that the Scriptures command us to support and obey them. Therefore in all areas of government Christians ought to be engaged in active participation: understanding of issues, voting, office holding, financial support, and all other areas which demand the patriotism upon which the freedom of our nation rests. We believe in separation of church and state but not in the separation of God and state. We must vigorously protest the encroachment of atheistic and other forces which seek to undermine our religious heritage.

**B. Peace**

The Bible tells us to strive to live peaceably with all men. However, we believe in the defense of our freedoms and the rights of all nations. Furthermore, we do not believe that righteousness and evil can be permitted to co-exist without hindering the purpose of God. Knowing that ultimately righteousness will conquer all evil, we now call for all people to strive for victory over evil forces whether the war be hot or cold.

**C. Extremism**

We believe in the individual's inalienable right to freedom of thought, speech, and action. No person should be forced to conform at the expense of his conscientious convictions. Extreme effort in the defense of liberty is not wrong. However, we abhor the actions and attitudes of extremist groups who seek the overthrow of our government. We call upon our people to be aware of the serious threat posed upon them by communism which is both anti-American and anti-Christian. Let us realize the urgency of a possible Communist take-over due to the strength of their internal infiltration and their present world strength. We must work diligently and pray earnestly for God's intervention.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Leigh Nygard, Chairman  
Mr. William Swanson  
Mrs. Marilyn Hamlett  
Mr. Frank Geniuk  
Mrs. Marlene Eytcheson

**Report No. 20****Thanks Committee**

"In everything give thank: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus, concerning you." I Thessalonians 5:18. This is one of the many exhortations of the Word of God directing us to the virtue of thanksgiving as a vital part of our Christian lives.

We express thankfulness altogether too seldom. It is, therefore, the purpose of this committee to present "roses without thorns", figuratively speaking, to those who serve us throughout the year and during this session of conference and camp.

1) We humbly acknowledge the providence of God in bringing us to this hour and direct our thanks to Him for continued blessing throughout the present session of Conference.

2) We render our thanks to God for our General Superintendent, Dr. B. H. Phaup, whose presence and counsel at all times is so valued. We especially express our appreciation for his oversight at this session of Conference and for his coming ministry as our Camp evangelist.

3) We are greatly indebted to our Lord for the official family of the Illinois Conference, who have served long and faithfully in their respective areas of responsibility: Our beloved Conference President and other Conference officers; the Missionary departments, the Sunday School Department, the Wesleyan Youth, and the Director of C.Y.C.

4) No report involving thanks would be complete which did not include recognition of the inestimable contribution of the Pastor's Partner who reigns as the Queen of the Parsonage.

5) To our own distinguished and beloved missionaries: the Charles Paines in India, the Thomas Murrays in Old Mexico, the Frank Davis family in Japan, Mary Holcomb in Sierra Leone, ministering so sacrificially and so effectively to peoples of other lands, we express our deepest and sincere appreciation, and pledge to continue our prayer and financial support for the ensuing conference year.

6) We express gratitude to our Free Methodist brethren for making available to us the facilities of Camp Epworth.

CHURCH	Item. I Pastor's Labors								Item. II				Periodicals
	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Appointments	No. of Organized Church Societies	Time Employed	No. of Stationed Elders	No. of Elders on Reserve List	No. of Unstationed Elders	No. of Superannuated Elders	No. of Conference Preachers	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Wesleyan Missionaries taken	Wesleyan Youths taken	Devotional Quarterly
CHICAGO													
Austin	2	1	1	12	2	-	-	-	-	73	28	8	x
Hoynes Ave.	2	1	1	12	-	-	-	-	2	8	9	8	-
Roseland	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	2	-	8	12	1	-
CHICAGOLAND													
Broadview	4	1	1	12	3	-	-	-	1	30	25	6	x
Elk Grove Village	1	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	1	9	7	-	x
Oak Lawn	4	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	1	29	36	12	x
Oak Park	-	1	1	12	3	-	-	-	-	18	21	-	x
Wheaton	2	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	48	28	15	-
GALESBURG	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	34	12	2	x
HOOPESTON	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	4	13	2	-
PEORIA													
Creve Coeur	1	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	13	11	7	x
First	-	1	1	12	-	-	-	-	2	10	12	5	x
PRINCETON	1	1	1	6	1	-	-	-	-	39	31	3	x
ROCKFORD													
First	-	1	1	12	2	-	-	-	-	42	24	13	x
Harrison Ave.	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	30	7	12	x
WYANET	1	1	1	12	2	-	-	-	-	13	19	3	x
	21	16	16	186	21	-	-	2	7	48	298	97	12

Item II. Continued												
CHURCH	Adult & Teacher	Senior Youth & Teacher	Junior Youth & Teacher	Junior & Teacher	Primaries & Teacher	Aldersgate	Kindergarten	Aldersgate	Nursery	Aldersgate Adult	Sunday School	Children's Friend
CHICAGO												
Austin	x	x	x	-	-	x	-	-	-	x	-	-
Hoynes Ave.	x	x	x	x	x	-	-	-	-	x	x	x
Roseland	x	x	-	x	x	-	-	-	-	x	x	x
CHICAGO LAND												
Broadview	x	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-
Elk Grove Village	-	-	x	x	x	x	x	x	-	-	-	x
Oak Lawn	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	-	x	x	x
Oak Park	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	-	-	x	-
Wheaton	-	x	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	x	-
GALESBURG	x	x	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	x	-
ROCHESTER	x	x	-	x	x	x	x	-	-	x	x	-
PEORIA												
Creve Coeur	x	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-
First	x	x	x	x	x	-	-	-	-	x	-	x
PRINCETON	x	x	x	x	x	x	-	-	-	x	-	x
ROCKFORD												
First	x	x	x	x	-	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Harrison Ave.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
WYANET	x	x	-	x	x	-	-	-	x	x	-	x
TOTALS	14	14	11	11	10	9	7	6	13	9	10	9



Item III. Membership										
CHURCH	Full Membership Reported last year	Full Members Re- ceived this year	Sum of lines 1 and 2	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted letters	Members lost	Present Full Membership	Associate Members
CHICAGO										
Austin	80	10	90	-	-	1	1	2	88	17
Hoynes Ave.	25	3	28	-	1	-	5	6	22	4
Roseland	19	-	19	-	-	-	2	2	17	4
CHICAGO-LAND										
Broadview	52	4	56	-	4	-	-	4	52	17
Elk Grove Village	12	3	15	-	-	-	-	-	15	7
Oak Lawn	55	3	58	-	-	-	1	1	67	45
Oak Park	35	2	37	-	2	-	-	2	35	2
Wheaton	27	10	37	-	-	-	2	2	35	3
GALESBURG	29	4	33	-	-	-	-	-	33	3
HOOPERSTON	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	8	1
PEORIA										
Creve Coeur	26	2	28	-	3	1	2	6	22	2
First	8	2	10	-	-	-	3	3	7	2
PRINCETON	42	4	46	-	3	1	2	6	40	3
ROCKFORD										
First	42	4	46	-	-	1	4	5	41	-
Harrison Ave.	15	5	20	-	2	-	3	5	15	3
WYANET	42	-	42	-	-	-	-	-	42	-
Totals	527	56	583	-	15	4	25	44	539	113

Item III. Continued												
CHURCH	Junior Members	Total Present Membership	Total Membership Reported last year	Gain in Members or the year (or)	Loss in Members for the year	Baptized	Infants Dedicated	Number of Family Altars	Membership Tithing	Card Call Subscribers	Seekers	
CHICAGO												
Austin	16	121	113	8	-	1	7	38	57	24	22	
Hoynes Ave.	-	26	30	-	4	1	-	3	13	2	-	
Roseland	-	21	23	-	2	-	-	4	8	1	-	
CHICAGO-LAND												
Broadview	3	72	71	1	-	15	8	20	40	15	25	
Elk Grove Village	11	33	31	2	-	3	5	10	20	4	-	
Oak Lawn	22	134	131	3	-	7	8	25	76	3	50	
Oak Park	8	45	45	-	-	-	-	18	24	-	7	
Wheaton	7	45	38	7	-	1	4	18	35	4	10	
GALESBURG	16	52	47	5	-	24	1	10	29	1	15	
HOOPERSTON	-	9	9	-	-	-	-	4	8	-	5	
PEORIA												
Creve Coeur	3	27	38	-	11	-	4	12	12	5	-	
First	4	13	10	3	-	-	-	6	7	1	9	
PRINCETON	12	55	57	-	2	-	-	23	32	10	5	
ROCKFORD												
First	6	47	48	-	1	5	-	15	30	8	12	
Harrison Ave.	8	26	27	-	1	2	5	10	15	7	12	
WYANET	-	42	42	-	-	-	4	20	25	16	-	
Totals	116	768	760	8	-	59	46	236	431	101	172	

## Item IV. Sunday Schools

Item V.  
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CHURCH	No. in Sunday School	No. of Officers and teachers	Pupils enrolled	No. in main school	No. in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	Standard	Achievement Score	No. of Scholars Joining Church	Baptisms	Teachers Training Units	CYC Chapters	Total CYC Members	Enrollment Vacation Bible School	Average Attendance Vacation Bible Sch.	No. of Wesleyan Youth Societies	Membership of Societies-Active	Associate
CHICAGO																				
Austin	1	24	153	177	2	5	184	125	61	7	50	4	-	-	130	100	1	26	-	
Hayne Ave.	1	11	60	71	-	2	73	65	64	-	0	4	-	-	108	68	1	15	17	
Roseland	1	5	37	42	-	5	47	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	28	-	-	-	
CHICAGOLAND																				
Broadview	1	21	139	153	3	9	165	132	55	6	4	4	-	-	139	114	1	16	12	
Elk Grove	1	8	66	74	-	-	74	55	45	3	-	-	-	-	84	65	-	-	-	
Oak Lawn	1	27	307	334	-	14	348	214	65	10	-	14	-	-	345	326	1	17	6	
Oak Park	1	11	51	62	-	3	65	59	65	2	2	2	-	-	75	64	-	-	-	
Wheaton	1	13	104	117	-	-	117	80	59	10	-	1	9	-	82	72	1	8	-	
GALESBURG	1	18	113	122	15	12	154	91	-	2	-	1	2	-	118	76	1	7	2	
ROCKFORD	1	9	85	93	-	5	98	52	56	-	1	2	-	-	112	73	-	-	-	
PEORIA																				
Creve Coeur	1	11	91	102	1	-	103	88	-	2	-	-	2	17	112	107	-	-	-	
First	1	7	40	47	-	4	51	39	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
PRINCETON	1	19	104	123	6	12	141	81	-	2	-	-	-	-	99	89	1	10	4	
ROCKFORD																				
First	1	13	107	120	-	4	124	89	50	4	-	-	-	-	75	68	1	12	2	
Harrison Ave.	1	9	62	71	-	7	78	48	74	5	5	1	-	-	79	65	1	15	-	
WYANET	1	24	107	131	5	10	146	88	63	-	-	2	-	-	140	124	1	8	4	
Totals	16	226	1625	1844	32	92	1968	1344	657	53	81	33	3	26	1728	1439	10	134	47	

## Item VI. Church Property

CHURCH	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance
CHICAGO									
Austin	1	60,000	1,188	40,000	5,000	1	20,000	-	15,000
Hayne Ave.	1	65,000	1,645	35,000	800	1	15,000	1,645	10,000
Roseland	1	17,500	2,462	12,000	-	1	16,500	6,904	14,000
CHICAGOLAND									
Broadview	1	125,000	85,660	90,000	1,500	1	20,000	11,312	17,500
Elk Grove	1	75,000	42,500	67,000	-	1	20,000	18,950	18,000
Oak Lawn	1	175,000	108,066	126,000	10,000	1	14,000	8,500	12,000
Oak Park	1	90,000	1,312	42,000	-	1	30,000	-	20,000
Wheaton	-	-	-	-	15,000	1	50,000	35,000	30,000
GALESBURG	1	35,000	18,113	30,000	-	1	20,000	-	15,000
ROCKFORD	1	15,000	696	15,000	-	2	12,000	1,500	12,000
PEORIA									
Creve Coeur	1	75,500	33,355	55,500	150	1	11,500	9,705	7,000
First	1	12,000	-	12,000	500	1	-	-	-
PRINCETON	1	25,000	4,000	25,000	-	2	24,000	23,488	25,000
ROCKFORD									
First	1	45,000	16,105	32,000	2,290	1	16,000	6,093	12,500
Harrison Ave.	-	-	-	-	500	1	30,000	20,800	24,000
WYANET	1	10,500	-	9,500	141	1	12,000	2,750	6,500
Totals	14	825,500	315,102	591,000	35,881	17	311,000	146,647	238,500

## Item VII. Disbursed for Pastor

CHURCH	Salary	Parsonage Rent and Utilities	Gifts	Donations	Travel and/or Car Expense Rec.	Pastor's Gross Receipts	Car Expense Spent	Total Pastor's Receipts
CHICAGO								
Austin	4,500	1,700	170.00	55.00	-	6,425	-	6,425
Moyn Ave.	3,640	3,120	160.00	30.00	-	6,950	1,330	5,620
Roseland	1,131	1,087	-	40.00	-	2,258	255	2,003
CHICAGOLAND								
Broadview	4,750	1,500	-	550.00	-	6,800	1,080	5,720
Elk Grove Village	-	580	10.00	-	-	590	-	590
Oak Lawn	5,200	1,917	1450.00	250.00	312.00	9,129	1,100	8,029
Oak Park	4,293	1,200	155.00	-	-	5,648	750	4,898
Wheaton	4,555	1,800	230.00	-	240.00	6,825	1,354	5,471
GALESBURG	3,000	1,200	40.00	25.00	300.00	4,565	300	4,265
HOPESTON	3,020	1,000	202.00	-	-	4,222	100	4,122
PEORIA								
Greve Coeur	3,640	1,455	-	45.00	-	5,140	1,750	3,390
First	1,125	-	-	30.00	58.00	1,213	558	655
PRINCETON	2,883	1,275	-	202.00	-	4,360	-	4,360
ROCKFORD								
First	3,640	1,350	260.00	75.00	1040.00	6,365	1,040	5,325
Harrison Ave.	1,101	700	27.00	80.00	-	1,908	900	1,008
WYANET	3,180	600	100.00	105.00	65.00	4,050	1,065	2,985
Totals	49,658	20,484	2,804.00	1487.00	2015.00	76,448	11,582	64,866

## Item VIII. Disbursed for Church

CHURCH	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Promotional Expense	Repairs	Amount paid on Indebtedness	Amount paid on Expense of Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Car Expense Spent	Total for Church
CHICAGO										
Austin	490	1204	-	-	4856	312	29	6861	302	14,054
Moyn Ave.	45	15	224	20	-	-	-	1920	1330	3,554
Roseland	5	134	-	-	110	1151	502	407	255	2,564
CHICAGOLAND										
Broadview	135	769	5962	252	10	3203	4270	3842	1080	19,523
Elk Grove	32	379	609	30	36	3211	1976	1966	-	8,239
Oak Lawn	987	980	41854	822	157	1702	3650	10342	1100	61,594
Oak Park	225	506	-	-	438	713	-	2484	750	5,116
Wheaton	235	403	-	192	430	5005	1506	2728	1354	11,813
GALESBURG	140	253	-	-	523	904	777	1762	300	4,669
HOPESTON	177	458	-	-	70	-	-	-	100	805
PEORIA										
Greve Coeur	110	234	-	53	61	1242	2096	1231	1250	6,777
First	151	195	-	61	28	350	13	689	558	2,095
PRINCETON	80	487	-	27	420	628	753	1264	-	3,699
ROCKFORD										
First	466	442	-	-	-	1360	676	4492	1040	8,476
Harrison Ave.	232	355	-	-	746	1240	1242	1561	900	6,276
WYANET	120	531	272	196	76	434	130	974	1065	3,798
Totals	3630	7345	48,921	1613	8021	21,505	17,610	42,523	11,884	163,054

CHURCH	Item IX. Disbursed for General Budget							
	Seminary Foundation Assigned	Seminary Foundation Raised	World Missions Assigned	World Missions Raised	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Brainerd Indian School Assigned	Brainerd Indian School Raised
CHICAGO								
Austin	24.00	24.00	160.00	415.42	20.00	20.00	20.00	30.00
Hoyle Ave.	7.50	7.50	50.00	72.92	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25
Roseland	5.70	5.70	38.00	112.40	4.75	9.75	4.75	4.75
CHICAGO-LAND								
Broadview	15.60	15.60	104.00	145.40	13.00	13.00	13.00	23.00
Elk Grove Village	3.60	3.60	24.00	24.18	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Oak Lawn	19.50	19.50	130.00	212.12	16.25	16.25	16.25	16.25
Oak Park	10.50	10.50	70.00	76.24	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75
Wheaton	8.10	10.00	54.00	160.07	6.75	8.00	6.75	8.00
GALESBURG	8.70	8.70	58.00	58.00	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25
HOOPESTON	2.40	2.40	16.00	17.76	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
PEORIA								
Greve Coeur	7.80	-	52.00	29.16	6.50	-	6.50	-
First	2.40	2.40	16.00	28.38	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
PRINCETON	12.60	4.40	84.00	64.21	10.50	10.50	10.50	30.15
ROCKFORD								
First	12.60	12.60	84.00	84.28	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Harrison Ave.	4.50	4.50	30.00	85.97	3.25	4.00	3.25	5.00
WYANET	12.60	5.04	84.00	93.32	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Totals	158.10	136.44	1054.00	1679.83	131.75	131.75	131.75	162.40

CHURCH	Item IX. Disbursed for General Budget Continued.							
	General Church Ex- tension and Evang- elism assigned	General Church Ex- tension and Evang- elism raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Pension Plan Assigned	Pension Plan Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised
CHICAGO								
Austin	120.00	130.00	320.00	320.00	280.00	280.00	136.00	136.00
Hoyle Ave.	37.50	37.50	100.00	100.00	87.50	87.50	42.50	42.50
Roseland	28.50	33.50	76.00	81.00	66.50	66.50	32.30	32.30
CHICAGO-LAND								
Broadview	78.00	78.00	208.00	228.00	182.00	182.00	88.40	88.40
Elk Grove	18.00	18.00	48.00	48.00	42.00	-	20.40	20.40
Oak Lawn	97.50	52.50	260.00	270.41	227.50	227.50	110.50	110.50
Oak Park	52.50	52.50	140.00	140.00	122.50	122.50	59.50	59.50
Wheaton	40.50	46.00	108.00	126.34	94.50	95.00	45.90	47.00
GALESBURG	43.50	43.50	116.00	116.00	101.50	101.50	49.30	49.30
HOOPESTON	12.00	12.00	32.00	32.00	28.00	28.00	13.60	13.60
PEORIA								
Greve Coeur	39.00	1.00	104.00	15	91.00	-	44.20	-
First	12.00	12.00	32.00	34.50	28.00	28.00	13.60	13.60
PRINCETON	63.00	47.50	168.00	57.00	147.00	71.75	71.40	45.70
ROCKFORD								
First	63.00	68.47	168.00	172.15	147.00	147.00	71.40	71.40
Harrison Ave.	22.50	22.50	60.00	60.00	52.50	52.50	25.50	25.50
WYANET	63.00	35.20	168.00	100.80	147.00	94.10	71.40	40.56
Totals	790.50	690.37	2108.00	1886.35	1844.50	1583.85	895.50	804.26

## Item IX. Disbursed for General Budget-Continued

CHURCH	Board Meeting Expense Assigned	Board Meeting Expense Raised	General Conference Expense & Enter- tainment Assigned	General Conference Expense & Enter- tainment Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	General Sunday School Work Assigned	General Sunday School Work Raised	Total General Budget Assigned	Total General Budget Raised
CHICAGO										
Austin	12.00	12.00	40.00	40.00	28.00	28.00	25.60	25.60	1185.60	1461.02
Hoynes Ave.	3.75	3.75	12.50	12.50	8.75	8.75	17.80	17.80	380.30	403.22
Roseland	2.85	2.85	9.50	9.50	6.65	11.65	6.00	6.00	281.50	375.90
CHICAGO-LAND										
Broadview	7.80	7.80	26.00	26.00	18.20	23.20	30.80	30.80	784.80	861.20
Elk Grove	1.80	1.80	6.00	6.00	4.20	5.00	14.60	14.60	188.60	147.58
Oak Lawn	9.75	9.75	32.50	32.50	22.75	22.75	72.60	72.60	1015.10	1062.63
Oak Park	5.25	5.25	17.50	17.50	12.25	17.08	14.60	14.60	522.10	533.17
Wheaton	4.05	6.00	13.50	14.50	9.45	15.00	18.40	19.00	409.90	554.91
GALESBURG	4.35	4.35	14.50	14.50	10.15	15.15	22.80	22.80	443.30	448.30
HOOPESTON	1.20	1.20	4.00	4.00	2.80	7.80	16.00	16.00	132.00	138.76
PEORIA										
Creve Coeur	3.90	-	13.00	-	9.10	5.00	18.20	-	395.20	35.31
First	1.20	1.20	4.00	4.00	2.80	5.00	11.00	11.00	127.00	144.08
PRINCETON	6.30	2.30	21.00	5.00	14.70	5.00	30.60	30.60	639.60	374.11
ROCKFORD										
First	6.30	6.30	21.00	21.00	14.70	15.00	23.40	23.40	632.40	642.60
Harrison Ave.	2.25	2.25	7.50	7.50	5.25	7.05	14.60	14.60	232.10	291.37
WYANET	6.30	2.32	21.00	8.40	14.70	14.70	26.20	10.48	635.20	434.32
Totals	79.05	69.32	263.50	222.90	184.45	206.13	363.20	329.88	8004.70	7908.28

## Item IX. Disbursed for Conference Budget

CHURCH	President's Salary Assigned	President's Salary Raised	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised	Conference Church Extension & Ev- angelism Assigned	Conference Church Extension & Ev- angelism Raised
CHICAGO						
Austin	450.00	888.36	280.00	280.00	480.00	490.00
Hoynes Ave.	364.00	312.00	87.50	87.50	150.00	150.00
Roseland	113.00	139.10	66.50	66.50	114.00	123.25
CHICAGO-LAND						
Broadview	475.00	468.00	182.00	182.00	312.00	312.00
Elk Grove	-	-	42.00	42.00	72.00	80.25
Oak Lawn	520.00	520.00	227.50	227.50	390.00	435.65
Oak Park	429.30	477.00	122.50	122.50	210.00	210.00
Wheaton	455.50	455.50	94.50	105.00	162.00	169.00
GALESBURG	300.00	300.00	101.50	101.50	174.00	176.00
HOOPESTON	302.00	306.50	28.00	28.00	48.00	56.69
PEORIA						
Creve Coeur	364.00	-	91.00	-	156.00	.50
First	112.50	65.40	28.00	28.00	48.00	48.00
PRINCETON	288.30	173.00	147.00	156.50	252.00	209.62
ROCKFORD						
First	364.00	364.00	147.00	147.00	252.00	254.40
Harrison Ave.	110.00	110.00	52.50	52.50	90.00	90.00
WYANET	318.00	264.00	147.00	93.70	252.00	191.70
Totals	4965.60	4842.86	1844.50	1720.20	3162.00	3777.06

Item IX. Disbursed for Conference Budget-Cont.

CHURCH	Conference Sunday School Work Assigned	Conference Sunday School Work Raised	Pastor's Group Insurance Assigned	Pastor's Group Insurance Raised	Pastor's Pension Assigned
CHICAGO					
Austin	19.20	19.20	163.50	163.50	24.73
Hoynes Ave.	13.35	13.35	163.50	163.50	-
Roseland	4.50	4.50	163.50	163.50	-
CHICAGOGLAND					
Broadview	23.10	23.10	163.50	163.70	15.58
Elk Grove	10.95	10.95	163.50	195.50	84.61
Oak Lawn	54.45	54.45	163.50	165.50	45.62
Oak Park	10.95	10.95	163.50	160.00	17.67
Wheaton	13.80	14.80	163.50	126.00	13.59
GALESBURG	17.10	17.10	163.50	163.50	-
HOPESTON	12.00	12.00	163.50	163.00	14.34
PEORIA					
Creve Coeur	13.65	-	163.50	-	-
First	8.25	8.25	163.50	168.50	-
PRINCETON	22.95	22.95	81.75	83.00	10.18
ROCKFORD					
First	17.55	17.55	163.50	163.50	17.28
Harrison Ave.	10.95	10.95	163.50	160.00	-
WYANET	19.65	7.86	163.50	238.00	-
	272.40	247.96	2534.25	2492.20	243.60

Item IX. Disbursed for Conference Budget-Cont.

CHURCH	Pastor's Pension Raised	Total Conference Budget Assigned	Total Conference Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
CHICAGO					
Austin	-	1417.43	1841.06	2603.03	3302.08
Hoynes Ave.	-	726.36	726.35	1106.65	1129.57
Roseland	-	461.50	498.35	743.00	874.25
CHICAGOGLAND					
Broadview	-	1171.18	1148.80	1955.98	2010.00
Elk Grove	84.61	373.06	413.31	561.66	560.89
Oak Lawn	45.62	1401.07	1428.72	2416.17	2491.35
Oak Park	17.67	553.92	598.12	1476.02	1531.29
Wheaton	13.59	902.89	933.89	1312.79	1488.80
GALESBURG	-	756.16	758.10	1199.40	1206.40
HOPESTON	14.34	567.84	580.53	699.84	719.29
PEORIA					
Creve Coeur	-	788.15	50	1183.35	35.81
First	-	360.25	318.15	487.25	462.23
PRINCETON	-	802.18	645.07	1441.78	1019.18
ROCKFORD					
First	-	961.33	946.45	1593.73	1589.05
Harrison Ave.	-	426.95	423.45	659.05	714.82
WYANET	-	900.15	795.26	1535.35	1229.38
Totals	172.83	12970.39	12456.11	20975.05	20364.39

Item X. Disbursed for Benevolences									
CHURCH	World Missions	Brainerd Indian School	Church Extension & Evangelism	Education	Orphanage	Sanitary Foundation	Conference Work	W.Y.	Total for Benevolences
CHICAGO									
Austin	2571	-	-	582	-	-	550	686	4917
Hoyne Ave.	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	35	329
Roseland	140	-	100	569	-	-	61	-	1175
CHICAGOLAND									
Broadview	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	87	1454
Elk Grove	698	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	720
Oak Lawn	975	16	239	90	10	-	94	6	2410
Oak Park	1065	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	2356
Wheaton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55	826
GALESBURG	92	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	149
HOOPESTON	203	-	1	4	-	-	11	-	264
PEORIA									
Creve Coeur	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	926
First	101	2	-	-	-	-	3	29	249
PRINCETON	116	-	8	-	15	-	64	95	548
ROCKFORD									
First	1000	-	-	-	-	25	150	175	1550
Harrison Ave.	117	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142
WYANET	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	372
Totals	7115	78	352	1245	25	25	943	1168	18392

Item XI. Disbursed Totals					
CHURCH	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for all Purposes
CHICAGO					
Austin	6,425	14,054	3,302	4,917	28,698
Hoyne Ave.	5,620	3,554	1,130	329	10,633
Roseland	2,003	2,564	874	1,175	6,616
CHICAGOLAND					
Broadview	5,720	19,523	2,010	1,454	28,707
Elk Grove	590	8,239	561	720	10,110
Oak Lawn	8,029	61,594	2,491	2,410	74,524
Oak Park	4,898	5,116	1,531	2,356	13,901
Wheaton	5,471	11,813	1,489	826	19,599
GALESBURG	4,265	4,669	1,206	149	10,289
HOOPESTON	4,122	805	719	264	5,910
PEORIA					
Creve Coeur	3,390	6,777	36	931	11,134
First	655	2,095	462	249	3,461
PRINCETON	4,360	3,699	1,019	548	9,626
ROCKFORD					
First	5,325	8,476	1,589	1,550	16,940
Harrison Ave.	1,008	6,276	715	142	8,141
WYANET	2,985	3,298	1,229	372	8,384
Totals	64,866	163,052	20,363	18,392	266,673

7) To our Camp Manager, our Camp Buyer, the cooks, and any or all whose combined efforts make our days at Camp Epworth so enjoyable... we say Thank You...

8) Since it is relatively impossible to include everyone who may have been involved in any way in this area of ministry, we submit this report assuring any who may have been omitted, that this omission was inadvertent.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, Chairman  
Mrs. Margaret Ogle  
Mr. Frank Geniuk  
Rev. Stanley A. Hill  
Rev. Clarence C. McCarty

#### Report No. 21

##### Standing Rules Committee

In accordance with Action of earlier session of conference, we recommend that Standing Rules be amended to add the following paragraph:  
A. Section IV, Article 17. Resolved, the conference C.Y.C. Director shall be an ex officio member of the Conference Sunday School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. W. F. Tice, Secretary

#### Report No. 22

##### Amendments to the Discipline

Herewith are presented amendments to the Discipline adopted by the 1963 General Conference with explanatory notes by Rev. Carl Beaver, Secretary of the General Conference summarized:

##### PROPOSAL A

The following statement, if approved, will become a new Article of Religion and will be placed in the Discipline as Article XIX, preceding the present XIX entitled "Rites and Ceremonies of the Church."

##### THE CHURCH

"The Christian Church is the entire body of believers in Jesus Christ. The Founder and only Head of the Church is Christ."

"A local church is a body of believers formally organized on gospel principles, meeting regularly for purposes of worship, edification, and evangelism."

"The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America is a denomination consisting of those members within annual conferences and local churches who hold the faith set forth in these Articles and acknowledge the ecclesiastical authority of its governing bodies."

NOTE: The purpose of this proposal is to give a clearer definition of the church and specifically to denote that the term "church" refers to more than a local organization, as seems to be indicated in Paragraph 41 of the Discipline.

##### PROPOSAL B

The proposed change would cause paragraph 60 (1), line 2 to read as follows:

Par. 60. The constitutional rights of each annual conference shall include the following:

(1) The right to take charge of all the ministers and churches within its bounds (as modified by VIII 5 below) except such of the general officers...(The remainder is unchanged.)



PROPOSAL C

It is proposed that the second paragraph in Par. 30 of the Discipline be deleted, because the words "every particular church" is thought by some to mean every "local church" which obviously does not have the right to abolish rites set up by our denomination.

Par. 30. "It is not necessary that rites and ceremonies should in all places be the same or exactly alike, for they have always been different and may be changed according to the diversities of countries, times, and men's manners, so that nothing be ordained against God's Word."

"Every particular church may ordain, change, or abolish rites and ceremonies, so that all things may be done to edification."

The proposal is to delete the last short paragraph.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President

Report No. 23Pastoral Relations Committee

Conference President.....Rev. Arthur L. Bray

CHICAGO

Austin.....Rev. Roy E. Crawford  
Hoyne Ave.....In the hands of the Pres  
President.

Roseland.....Assistant..Rev. Robert Browne,  
Supply..Rev. Thomas Bailie  
Supply..Rev. Mrs. Lillian Bailie

CHICAGOLAND

Broadview.....Rev. Robert W. Klatt  
Elk Grove Village.....Rev. David D. Crail  
Assistant..Rev. Phillip S. Crail  
Oak Lawn.....Rev. Robert L. Zuhl  
Assistant..Rev. George W. Hood  
Oak Park.....Rev. Stanley A. Hill  
Wheaton.....Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart  
Assistant..Rev. David L. Castro  
Assistant..Rev. Edward W. Wheeler  
Assistant..Rev. R. P. Johnson Jr.

GALESBURG.....Rev. Meredith J. Bailie

HOOPESTON.....Rev. Arthur P. Mimnaugh

MOLINE-HERITAGE.....Rev. Roy M. Gibbs

PEORIA

Creve Coeur.....Rev. Arlyn P. Jones  
First.....Rev. Clarence C. McCarty  
Rev. Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty  
Rev. Daren C. Durey

PRINCETONROCKFORD

First.....Rev. Orland L. Johnson  
Harrison Ave.....Rev. Leigh F. Nygard

WYANET

Institutional Chaplain, Tinley Park Hospital  
and attending Bethany Seminary.....Rev. Carl E. Olander  
Attending Asbury Seminary.....Rev. Cletus D. Kramer  
Supplying St. Charles, Illinois  
Free Methodist Church.....Rev. Irwin W. Reist  
Teaching at Wheaton College and  
pursuing graduate study.....Rev. Herbert Apel  
Pursuing graduate study for inner city  
Ministry at Ball State University,  
Muncie, Indiana.....Rev. Roger Reed

Evangelistic Journalism.....Chaplain John C. Friske  
USAF (Medical Retired)  
Missionary to Japan serving  
under the Oriental Missionary Society.....Rev. Francis A. Davis  
Superannuated Elders.....Rev. Thomas Bailie  
Rev. Mrs. Lillian Bailie  
Unstationed Elder.....Rev. Samuel T. Long

#### RECOGNITION OF LAY MISSIONARIES

Medical Missionaries to India  
at Raj-Nandgaon.....Dr. & Mrs. Charles S. Paine  
(of Chicago-Roseland)  
Missionaries to Mexico serving  
under Wycliffe Bible Translators.....Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Murray  
(of Rockford-First)  
Missionary to Sierra Leone, West Africa.....Miss Mary Jane Holcomb  
(of Chicago-Austin)

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Chairman  
Mr. J. R. Wells, Secretary  
Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart  
Rev. David D. Crail  
Rev. Robert L. Zuhl  
Mr. Gwyn Jones  
Mr. Kenneth Zellner

#### Report No. 24

##### Conference Sunday School Secretary

As Conference Sunday School Secretary we presided over the Sunday School services of the last annual Camp Meeting. Pa Bai Bangura, President of the West Africa Conference was our special guest. Attendance the first Sunday was 196, with an attendance of 240 the second Sunday. Offerings were \$21.28 and \$24.98 for a total of \$46.26.

In co-operation with Dr. Paul Kindschi and the staff of the Department of Sunday Schools, a Share Convention was held at Broadview on November 23, 1963. An excellent representation from the Conference was present, and an outstanding day of inspiration was enjoyed.

The Share Thanksgiving Offering was promoted, and a vari-typer for conference promotional use was secured.

A detailed list of ideas for the "Living Word Campaign" was printed and distributed to the churches. The campaign itself was promoted with reports sent each week. Austin was first with a score of 176, Wheaton second with 144, and Hoopeston third with 143.

Arrangements for the Spring District Rallies could not be completed as planned. Reports for the Standard of Achievement ratings are incomplete at this writing so no listing can be made.

This is our last report as you Conference Sunday School Secretary. It has been a privilege to serve in this capacity through these past years. May the Lord abundantly bless the schools of the conference with consistent growth and a harvest of souls.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. D. Craker  
Sunday School Secretary

#### Report No. 25

##### Conference Sunday School Board

The Conference Sunday School Board held three quarterly meetings at

the Austin Y.M.C.A.

The first meeting on September 24, 1963 was devoted to consideration of the Thanksgiving Offering and "Project Share." It was agreed upon proper motion to designate the Conference share of the Thanksgiving Offering for the purchase of a Vari-Typer at a cost of \$280.00. Arrangements were completed for the "Share Convention" to be held by the Department of Sunday Schools in November.

A second meeting was held on January 7, 1964. Plans for the Easter to Pentecost campaign were discussed, utilizing the theme, "The Living Word." The Conference Sunday School Secretary was instructed to work out an idea list augmenting the theme, and to make this information available to the churches. Authorization was granted for the purchase of a series of Bible Survey filmstrips.

The third meeting was held on April 20, 1964. Discussion centered around plans for a pair of Spring District Rallies. Details of the program were left in the hands of the Sunday School Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. D. Craker, Chairman

#### Report No. 26

#### Superannuate Pension Treasurer

Balance on Hand July 15, 1963

\$ 9.41

#### Received

	<u>Assessments</u>		<u>General</u>
	(Balance Due)	Paid	
Chicago Austin	(\$24.73 )	\$24.73	
Chicago Land			
Elk Grove Village	( 84.61 )	96.54	\$12.00
Maywood-Broadview	( 15.58 )	---	
Oak Lawn	( 45.62 )	45.62	
Oak Park	( 17.67 )	17.67	
Wheaton	( 13.59 )	13.59	
Hoopeston	( 14.34 )	14.34	
Princeton	( 10.18 )	---	
Rockford-First	( 17.28 )	17.28	
Rev. C.D.Kramer	( .85 )	7.45	
Conf. Fund (Conf. President)	( 88.21 )	88.21	16.19
Miscellaneous			
gifts		36.34	69.60
Totals		\$361.77	\$97.79

Total receipts

459.56

Total credits.

\$468.97

#### Disbursements

Refunds of overpayments		
Creve Coeur	\$ 69.00	
Elk Grove Village	11.93	
Wyanet	45.73	
Peoria	16.50	
Rev. C. D. Kramer	<u>6.60</u>	
Total Refunds		149.76
Remitted to Headquarters		<u>319.21</u>
Total Disbursements		<u>468.97</u>

Balance on Hand, Aug. 4, 1964

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Accounts have been verified with the Pension Department at Marion, Indiana, and all accounts are settled in full.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. S. Hugh Paine  
Superannuate Pension Fund Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF

THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Held at Belvidere, Illinois, July 30 - August 1, 1964

President: Mrs. Rachel Bray, 5231 W. Ferdinand, Chicago 44, Ill.  
Vice President: Mrs. Ann Gearhart, 920 E. Dawes Ave., Wheaton, Ill.  
Secretary: Mrs. Linda Castro, 820 B Crescent Ave., Wheaton, Ill.  
Treasurer: Mrs. Barbara Crail, 546 Landmeier Rd, Elk Grove Village, Ill.  
Y.M.W.B. Superintendent: Mrs. Jean Mould, 153 N. Cuyler, Oak Park, Ill.  
Literature Secretary: Mrs. Lillian Bailie, 10615 S. Wabash, Chicago, Ill.  
Mission Study Secretary: Mrs. Eunice Friske, 2310 S. 11th Ave.,  
Broadview, Ill.  
Magazine Solicitor: Mrs. Mary Priest, 604 Belleforte, Oak Park, Ill.  
Statistical Chairman: Mrs. Judy Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.  
Women's World Fellowship Secretary: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford, 501 N.  
Leamington, Chicago, Ill.

REGISTER OF SOCIETIES AND PRESIDENTS FOR 1964-65

CHURCH      KEY CODE

CHICAGO		
Austin	1	Mrs. Marilyn Ankeorn, 5138 W. Huron Ave. Chicago, Ill.
Hoyne Ave.	5	
Roseland	12	Mrs. Lillian Bailie, 10615 S. Wabash, Chicago, Ill.
CHICAGOLAND		
Broadview	6	Mrs. Wilma Hurst, 426 Kingston Dr. Lockport, Ill.
Elk Grove	17	Mrs. Madelyn Crail, 1672 Poplar, Hanover Park, Ill.
Oak Lawn	7	Mrs. Margery Zuhl, 9101 S. Menard, Oak Lawn, Ill.
Oak Park	8	Mrs. Bernice Senger, 528 N. Marion, Oak Park, Ill.
Wheaton	16	Mrs. Mildred Romer, 520 E. Willow, Wheaton, Ill.
GALESBURG	3	Mrs. May Bailie, 875 N. Farnham, Galesburg, Ill.
HOOPESTON	4	Mrs. Evelyn Minnaugh, 526 E. Thompson Ave. Hoopeston, Ill.
PEORIA		
Creve Coeur	2	Mrs. Mona Devall, 244 Thorncrest, Creve Coeur, Ill.
First	9	Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, Box 643, Sheffield, Ill.
PRINCETON	10	Mrs. Esther Linn, 204 N. Church St. Princeton, Ill.
ROCKFORD		
First	11	Mrs. Esther Hallmark, 2112 Paradise Blvd, Rockford, Ill.
Harrison Ave.	15	Mrs. Opal Bradley, 3724 Tennessee Dr. Rockford, Ill.
WYANET	14	Mrs. Kay Dyer, R.R.#1, Princeton, Ill.

1964 CONFERENCE DELEGATES

CHICAGO	
Austin	Mrs. Jean Mould
Hoyne Ave.	Mrs. Linda Castro
Roseland	Mrs. Ann Jellema
CHICAGOLAND	
Broadview	Mrs. Carol Jones
Elk Grove	Mrs. Elsie Cook
Oak Lawn	Mrs. Gert Coulter
Oak Park	Mrs. Antonia Kodl
Wheaton	Mrs. June Willett
GALESBURG	Mrs. Grace Swanson
HOOPESTON	Mrs. Lillie McBride
PEORIA	
Creve Coeur	Mrs. Geneva Jones
First	Miss Nancy Parsons

PRINCETON	Mrs. Florence Shoffner
ROCKFORD	
First	Mrs. June Tice
Harrison Ave.	Mrs. Tiena Winterberg
WYANET	Mrs. Mildred Wallace

STANDING RULES:

I. Resolved: 1) That the Executive Committee shall constitute the Orders of the Day Committee. 2) That the Executive Committee shall be a nominating committee to nominate conference session committees before each annual session.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGSFirst Meeting, 2:45 p.m., Thursday, July 30, 1964

1. Opening. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Illinois Conference held the first meeting of its Fifteenth Annual Session in the Redfield Chapel at Camp Epworth, near Belvidere, Illinois, with the President Mrs. Rachel Bray, presiding. Mrs. Margery Zuhl led in prayer.
2. Bar of Conference. The first three rows of seats were designated as the bar of conference.
3. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the local presidents and delegates answered and were seated within the bar.
4. Orders of the Day. The report of the Committee on the Orders of the Day was presented and adopted. (See Report No. 1)
5. President's Report. Mrs. Ann Gearhart, vice-president, assumed the chair while Mrs. Rachel Bray read the report of the W.M.S. Conference President. The report was approved with a vote of appreciation for her labors. (See Report No. 2)
6. Special Seating Action. Marian Hood, past president of Hoyne Avenue, and Linda Castro were seated within the bar representing president and delegate respectively from Hoyne Avenue.
7. Literature Secretary. The report of the Literature Secretary, Mrs. Lillian Bailie, was read and approved. (See Report No. 3)
8. World Fellowship Secretary. The report of the Woman's World Fellowship Secretary, Mrs. Joaquin Crawford, was read and approved. (See Report No. 4)
9. Vocal Duet. A vocal duet was presented by Elsie Cook and Madelyn Crail.
10. Committees. The report of the Executive Committee nominating the members of the various committees was read and adopted: Nominating Committee: Evelyn Mimnaugh, chairman, Mildred Wallace, Antonia Kodl, and Kay Dyer. Plan of Work: Ida Craker, Chairman, Madelyn Crail, May Bailie, Mona Devall, Mildred Romer, Wilma Hurst, and Florence Shoffner. Music: Bernice Senger, Chairman, Elsie Cook. Post Office: Gertrude Coulter, chairman, Jean Mould, and June Willett. Communications: June Tice, chairman, Ivanelle McCarty, and Nancy Parsons. Courtesy: Carol Jones and Opal Bradley. Entertainment: Ann Gearhart and Barbara Crail. Posters: Marian Hood, chairman, Lillie McBride, Tiena Winterberg, and Ann Jellema. Reporter: Linda Castro. Work Assignment: Margery Zuhl and Joaquin Crawford. Counting Tellers: Grace Swanson and Gladys Rowley. Distributing Tellers: Esther Hallmark and Jean Jones. Devotions: Lillian Bailie.
11. Executive Committee. The report of the Executive Committee was read and approved. (See Report No. 5)
12. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee present Mrs. Irma Jean Johnson, new pastor's wife at Rockford. She brought words of greeting.
13. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned following an inspirational time of testimonies. Mrs. Johnson dismissed in prayer.

Second Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Friday, July 31, 1964

1. Opening. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Elsie Cook led in the singing of "Everybody Ought to Know". Mrs. Lillian Bailie conducted an inspirational devotional period from

Psalms 45 emphasizing that we are the King's Daughters All Glorious.

2. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the delegates were seated within the bar.

3. Minutes. The minutes of the first meeting was read and approved.

4. Magazine Solicitor. The report of the Magazine Solicitor, Mrs. Mary Priest, was read and approved. (See Report No. 6)

5. Ladies Trio. A ladies trio was presented by Mary Priest, Antonia Kodl and Judy Nygard.

6. Plan of Work. The Plan of Work was discussed and adopted as amended. (See Report No. 7)

7. Post Office Committee. A partial report of the post office was read.

8. Statistical Chairman. The report of the Statistical Chairman, Mrs. Judy Nygard, was read and approved. (See Report No. 8)

9. Appreciation. Mrs. Bray expressed our thanks to the Rockford churches for helping to open camp and to Miss Velma Moore, Princeton, for the floral centerpieces for the dining hall tables. Words of appreciation were expressed to Mrs. Norman Jean Craker and Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty for their work as Y.M.W.B. Superintendent and Mission Study Secretary.

10. Adjournment. We adjourned by vote.

#### Third Meeting, 1:30 p.m., July 31, 1964

1. Opening. The meeting was opened by our president, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Elsie Cook led us in singing "Come Thou Almighty King." Mrs. Lillian Bailie continued her devotional theme from Psalm 45 likening us to king's daughters.

2. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the delegates were seated within the bar.

3. Minutes. The minutes of the second meeting were read and approved.

4. Nominating Committee. The report of the Nominating Committee was read and received. (See Report No. 9)

5. Election of Officers. The following were elected by individual ballot as Conference Officers for 1964-65: President: Mrs. Rachel Bray, Vice President: Mrs. Ann Gearhart, Secretary: Mrs. Linda Castro, Treasurer: Mrs. Barbara Crail, Y.M.W.B. Superintendent: Mrs. Jean Mould, Literature Secretary: Mrs. Lillian Bailie, Mission Study Secretary: Mrs. Eunice Friske, Magazine Solicitor: Mrs. Mary Priest, Statistical Chairman: Mrs. Judy Nygard, Woman's World Fellowship Secretary: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford.

6. Quartet. A ladies quartet presented a number in song. Members of the quartet were Mrs. Margery Zuhl, Mrs. Peggy Swanson, Mrs. Vera Klatt, and Mrs. Joaquin Crawford.

7. Treasurer's Report. The Conference received with referral to the auditor Mrs. Barbara Crail's treasurer's report with a rising vote of appreciation. (See Report No. 10)

8. Mission Study Secretary. Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty gave the Mission Study Secretary's report. It was read and accepted. (See Report No. 11)

9. Financial Goals. Each local society made its total financial goal for the year and handed it in.

10. Adjournment. We adjourned by prevailing motion. Mrs. Bray closed in prayer.

#### Friday, 8:00 pm., July 31, 1964

We had a showing of the film, "Thy Word Giveth Life".

#### Fifth Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Saturday, August 1, 1964

1. Opening. The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Bernice Senger led us in singing "I Walk with the King."

2. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Phaup, camp evangelist, and Mrs. Golden Young, mother-in-law of our song evangelist. They each gave their testimonies.

3. Devotions. Dr. B. H. Phaup led in devotions from Romans 1:16. Mrs. Vera Klatt led in prayer.

4. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the delegates were seated with-in the bar.
5. Minutes. The minutes of the third meeting were read approved.
6. Post Office Committee. The Post Office Committee completed their report and it was accepted as corrected. (See register of Conference and Officers and Presidents.)
7. Communications Committee. The report of the Communications Committee was read and approved. (See Report No. 12)
8. Poster Committee. The Poster Committee presented posters from the Oak Park, Creve Coeur, Princeton, Elk Grove, and Roseland Societies.
9. Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work. The Plan of Work for the Y.M.W.B. was presented and accepted as read.
10. Auditor's Report. A partial report of the auditor was given. (See Report No. 14)
11. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Eunice Friske, our new Mission Study Secretary. She brought words of greeting.
12. Problem Clinic. A Problem Clinic was held with officers participating.
13. Gift of Appreciation. The Conference body presented Mrs. Rachel Bray, our beloved President, with a fish bowl of money in appreciation to her for her untiring labors of love. Mrs. Bray expressed her appreciation to us.
14. Unfinished Business. A motion prevailed that the minutes and other unfinished business be left in the hands of the Executive Council.
15. News Items. Special news items from the Mission Fields were presented by Mrs. Joaquin Crawford.
16. Adjournment. By prevailing motion we adjourned sine die. Mrs. Rachel Bray offered the closing prayer.

#### W. M. S. REPORTS

##### Report No. 1

##### Orders of the Day.

Thursday, July 30, 1:30 p.m. 1964. Communion Service and Conference Sermon in Joint Session with Annual Conference; First Meeting in Red-field Chapel, 2:45 p.m.; Report of Committee on Conference Committees; Roll Call; Report of Orders of the Day Committee; Report of the Conference W. M. W. President; Report of the Mission Study Secretary; Report of the Magazine Solicitor; Report of the Literature Secretary; Report of the Woman's World Fellowship Secretary; Special in Song; Auditor's Report; Executive Committee Report; Report of the Y.M.W.B. Superintendent; Adjournment.

Thursday evening: Committees convene for work.

Second Meeting, Friday, July 31, 9:30 a.m. Devotions arranged by Mrs. Lillian Bailie, Chairman; Report of the Plan of Work Committee; Special in Song; Report of the Nominating Committee; Election of Conference Officers; Reports of Conference Committees; Report of Statistical Committee; Adjournment.

Third Meeting, Friday, July 31, 1:30 p.m. Devotions arranged by Mrs. Lillian Bailie, Chairman; Report of the Conference W.M.S. Treasurer; Reports of Local W.M.S. Financial Goals; Miscellaneous Business; Adjournment.

Friday, July 31, 8:00 p.m. Showing of film "Thy Word Giveth Life".

Fourth Meeting, Saturday, August 1, 9:30 a.m. "Problem Clinic" with Conference Officers sharing counsel. Ann Gearhart, moderator. Followed by a time of sharing successful ideas for the promotion of the W.M.S. work.

PUBLIC MISSIONARY SERVICE, Sunday, August 2, 2:30 p.m. Missionary message from the Rev. Robert L. Crosby, Superintendent of the Wesleyan mission in Columbia, South America.

Public Young Missionary Workers Band Service, Friday, August 7, 7:30 pm., during the opening part of the evening Camp Meeting service. The children at Camp will be featured in a presentation of their Y.M.W.B. activities.

Respectfully submitted,  
The W.M.S. Executive Committee

Report No. 2

President of the W.M.S.

At the close of our 15th year as an organized Conference Woman's Missionary Society it is with great joy that we share with you some of the blessings of the Lord.

Visitations: It greatly encouraged my heart to feel the warmth and love of the dear folk of the conference as I visited many of your societies this year. Because of conflicts we regret that only fourteen of the sixteen societies were visited.

Missionary Tours: In the fall Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Swanson toured our Conference representing the missionary work in Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Rev. Glen Barnett, returned missionary to Haiti was with us in March and April and challenged us with the need of supporting Evangelists and Pastors in their needy field.

Communications: A letter was sent to each President and Pastor's wife five times this conference year. A total of approximately 150 letters were sent from my desk in the promotional work of the conference. Numerous telephone calls were made as well.

Conference Project: Our conference project of Outfitting the Swansons on their return from the field, was very ably directed by Mrs. Mary Priest. Our personal thanks are extended to her.

Camp Board: I met with the Camp Board two times making plans for our Annual Camp and Conference.

Statistical: Membership: Active 1964, 269; Honorary 93.

Membership: Active 1963, 263; Honorary 73.

Magazine: 1964, 295; 1963, 267.

Total Receipts: 1964, \$8,103.26; 1963, \$6,487.66.

We rejoice together over the gains this conference year but pray that these gains will encourage us to continue to work even harder to "Prepare the Kings Highway". Thank you for your prayers and loyal support this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Rachel Bray  
W.M.S. President

Report No. 3

Literature Secretary

As Literature Sales Lady I submit the following report:

Receipts from Sales of:

Youth Consignment	\$ 33.85
W.M.S. Literature	53.31
General Unclassified	28.90
Nelson's Consignment	<u>82.76</u>

Total Receipts: \$ 200.82

Disbursements:

Wesley Press (Youth)	\$ 28.53
Wesley Press (WMS)	53.31
Nelson's Bookstore	69.52
Retained to Open Stand '64	<u>5.00</u>

Total Disbursements: 156.51

Net profit disbursed to Conference Treasurer \$ 44.31

Inventory on hand 8/10/63 valued at \$2.26

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Lillian Bailie,  
Literature Secretary



Report No. 4Report of Women's World Fellowship Secretary.

Greetings in the Name of our Risen Lord!

We thank the Lord for the wonderful ways in which He has helped each of our local secretaries and for the gains in our conference this year. I want to thank you for your splendid work of the past year. Certainly your task has been challenging and rewarding. The one part of our W.W.F. Covenant has caught a new vision in my own life this past year and that is the Fellowship of the Witness. What joy there is in using every opportunity to tell what the Lord has done for me just that day. Try it your self and see what a blessing you will receive.

Number of Prayer Circles	18
Number of Prayer Partners	298
Number of World Missionaries Chosen	403
Number of YHWF Prayer partners	202
Number of those signing the WWF Covenant	91
Number of societies observing prayer and fast	12
Number of societies reporting	100%

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joaquin L. Crawford  
Conference WWF Secretary

Report No. 5Executive Committee.

We, the Executive Committee recommend:

- 1) That the cash offering taken at the public missionary rally be used for a project suggested by Rev. Robert Crosby and for his travel expenses.
- 2) That each society present its total financial goal for the year at the Conference session.
- 3) That the pledges made in the public missionary rally go to the project presented by the Missionary speaker or to the World Mission budget.
- 4) That our Conference project for 1964 be the promotion of the new work in Moline, Illinois, and that the Rev. Roy Gibbs, pastor, tour the Conference presenting the needs of the work, and that a liberal offering be given.
- 5) That all conference officers be elected by individual ballot.
- 6) That honor roll societies be given a banner annually in recognition of their achievement.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Rachel Bray, Chairman  
Mrs. Ann Gearhart  
Mrs. Linda Castro  
Mrs. Barbara Crail

Report No. 6Magazine Solicitor.

It is with Thanksgiving and Praise to our Lord that this report is submitted to you. One hundred five letters were sent from my desk throughout the year as well as expiration notices as they were received monthly from Miss Marie Lind, Editor of the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY.

The Illinois Conference has 295 subscribers to the Wesleyan Missionary Magazine, an increase of 28 over last year! To God be the glory! A word of most sincere appreciation is expressed to those local solicitors who were so faithful in reporting quarterly.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mary Priest

Report No. 7

Plan of Work Committee.

It is recommended that the LOCAL W.M.S.-

1. INFORMATION

A. Wesleyan Missionary

1. Observe Wesleyan Missionary Subscription Campaign month 3
2. Solicitor shall
  - a. Strive to secure all renewals 2
  - b. Achieve a net gain of at least 2 subscriptions 2
  - c. Use assigned Conference-church key when remitting subscriptions to Wesley Press. (See Reports) 2
3. Have equivalent of 75% of active membership (and including all executive officers) as subscribers 4

B. Literature

1. Provide a missionary library adding at least the reading course books each year. 2
2. Reading course Secretary shall promote the Reading Course and circulate books. (See Reports) 3
3. Have at least the equivalent of 10% of active member read all Reading Course Books annually. 2
4. Subscribe to and use "The Guide" as program source material. 2

C. Conventions

1. Sponsor a local annual convention or participate in conference sponsored deputational tour. 5

D. Posters

1. Participate in conference sponsored poster display in accordance with details in Handbook. 3

II. Devotion

A. Women's World Fellowship

1. WWF Secretary
  - a. Promote the General WWF program namely, prayer circles, Bible study and witnessing. 3
  - b. Encourage each member (active) and (honorary) to choose a missionary and earnestly support him as a prayer partner throughout the conference year. 3
  - c. Encourage every member to use the Prayer Calendar Page 2
2. Observe a minimum of ten monthly prayer and fast days. 1

III. Service

A. Community Missions (under the supervision of the V. President)

1. Observe March as Focus Month for community Missions, conducting aggressive soul winning crusade. (See February Wesleyan Missionary for helpful suggestions. 2
2. Engage in Community relief work, visitation and/or witnessing. 2

B. Extended Outreach (under the supervision of the Work Director.)

1. Hephzibah
  - a. Inquire into needs at Hephzibah and send supplies and/or coupons. (Refer to Handbook for further instruction) 2
2. World Missions Supplies
  - a. Make bandages and/or other supplies according to work sheet available from Dept. of World Missions and ship as directed by them. 2
3. Christian Outreach and World Relief
  - a. Gather reusable discards of clothing and household items and send to Christian Outreach depot as directed in Handbook.
  - or b. Support World Relief Commission of the NAE as listed in Handbook. 2

IV. FINANCE

A. Operations (See Handbook for instructions regarding funds raised.)

1. Raise and remit to conference WMS Treasurer before conference fiscal date line:

Dues <u>per member</u>	\$1	2
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Conference Working Fund	as assessed	2
General Church Extension (budget credit)	\$5 or more	2
Hephzibah (Budget credit)	\$5	2
Medical Missions	\$3	2
Self Denial Offering		2
White Gift Christmas Offering		2
Mission Equipment (foot of dimes stripes)		2
American Bible Society Offering		2
2. Encourage Card Call participation		2
3. Promote Honorary Enrollment		2
4. Adopt an approved World Missions or Church Extension or conference project, set a reasonable goal for the con-year and attain same.		2
5. Provide for president (vice-president), delegate and YWMB Superintendent to attend annual conference.		2
<b>V. ORGANIZATION</b>		
<b>A. Meetings</b>		
1. Have a minimum of 10 meetings during the year at which time prayer requests are presented and business transacted.		2
2. Have at least one public meeting		2
3. Arrange with pastor for one missionary prayer meeting for entire church each month. (Minimum of 10)		2
<b>B. Membership</b>		
1. Show a gain in membership.		2
<b>C. Reports</b>		
1. Send annual statistical report to conference statistician or designated person before date line set by conference.		2
2. Wesleyan Missionary solicitor submit report to conference (or district) solicitor at close of each quarter using report card provided.		2
3. Reading Course Secretary report to Conference Reading Course Secretary by January 15.		2
4. WWF Secretary report to Conference WWF Secretary at close of conference year.		2
<b>D. Representation</b>		
1. Elect delegate who shall attend annual conference.		2
2. Have newly elected president (vice president) attend annual conference.		2
3. Have Y.M.W.B. Superintendent attend annual conference.		2
Total		100
Honor Roll		85

## We further recommend that:

- A. Organizational recommendation:
  1. The young people be encouraged to attend missionary meetings and participate when possible.
  2. That each society formulate a Poster Committee to promote more interest and participation in Conference sponsored poster display, and that, the instructions in the Handbook be followed carefully.
  3. That honor roll societies be given a banner annually in recognition of their achievement.
- B. Finances
  1. Personal pledges may be made for the specified project or World Missions payable through the local W.M.S. Treasurer. The local W.M.S. Treasurer must include the names of the persons paying the pledges with remittance to the Conference Treasurer.
  2. \$5.00 be paid by each society for the travel expenses of the Missionary tours.
  3. Budget
    - a. An offering be taken for Church Extension and Evangelism General.
    - b. Price of a meal from monthly W.W.F. "Prayer and Fast" day for Conference Extension.
    - c. Penny-a-Meal Offerings for World Missions.

4. Non-Budget
  - a. \$.60 per active member Conference Administrative assessment.
  - b. \$.65 per active member for Camp Equipment.
- C. Conference President Visitation  
Scheduled visit by the Conference President be made to each society and transportation costs be provided if possible.
- D. Projects
  1. That our Conference project for 1964 be the promotion of the new work in Moline, Illinois and that the Rev. Roy Gibbs, pastor, tour the Conference presenting the needs of the work.
  2. And that a liberal offering be given.
- E. Preparation for Annual Conference.
  1. Two annual Statistical Report blanks and an instruction sheet which will be sent to each local society by the Conference Statistical Chairman in June shall be carefully filled out. One completed blank with Conference Treasurer's receipts attached should be sent to the Statistical chairman, Mrs. Judy Nygard, 7605 E. Harrison, Rockford, Ill., by July 15, 1965. Only monies and vouchers credited on the Conference Treasurers receipts will be accepted for statistical credit.
  2. That each society contribute canned fruits or fruit juices or monetary donations for camp.
  3. Societies wishing to do so may contribute bath towels, hand towels and wash cloths to camp.
  4. Delegate to bring a list of all officers and their addresses to conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ida Craker, Chairman  
Mrs. Florence Shoffner  
Mrs. Mildred Romer  
Mrs. May Bailie  
Mrs. Madelyn Crail

#### Report No. 8

##### Statistical Committee

(See tabulations on the following page.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Judy Nygard, Statistician

#### Report No. 9

##### Nominating Committee

After prayerful consideration the nominating committee presents the following names for conference officers: President, Mrs. Rachel Bray; Vice-President, Mrs. Ann Gearhart; Secretary, Mrs. Linda Castro; Treasurer, Mrs. Barbara Crail; Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Mrs. Jean Mould; Literature Secretary, Mrs. Lillian Bailie; Mission Study Secretary, Mrs. Eunice Friske; Magazine Solicitor, Mrs. Mary Priest; W.W.F. Secretary, Mrs. Joaquin Crawford; Statistical Chairman, Mrs. Judy Nygard.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Evelyn Mimnaugh, Chairman  
Mrs. Mildred Wallace  
Mrs. Kay Dyer  
Mrs. Antonia Kodl

Report No. 8 W.M.S. Statistical Report																
CHURCH	Membership				Miscellaneous Totals							Receipts				
	Active	Honorary	Gain	Loss	Total Meetings held	Subscriptions (Wesleyan Miss.)	Efficiency Standard Rating	Missionaries Supported	No. of Boxes	No. Pounds	Membership Dues	Offerings	Memorials	Voucher Receipts	Total Receipts for the year	Old Balance from last year
Austin	25	12	1	0	56	28	90%	-	12	-	37.00	782.73	-	-	819.73	-
Broadview	29	12	3	0	25	25	88%	-	6	-	41.00	1062.80	-	8.25	1112.05	44.25
Crava Coeur	11	2	0	6	20	11	21%	-	3	2	13.00	175.06	-	194.23	382.29	33.63
Elk Grove	15	0	15	0	11	7	60%	-	-	-	15.00	218.74	-	-	233.74	-
Galesburg	16	2	0	0	-	12	85%	-	1	-	18.00	253.03	-	8.00	279.03	5.61
Harrison Ave.	10	5	0	1	26	7	87%	-	-	-	15.00	133.83	-	129.16	277.99	9.52
Hoopeston	9	5	1	0	23	13	78%	-	-	-	14.00	161.72	-	148.90	324.62	10.00
Hoynes Ave.	12	3	0	0	15	9	90%	-	1	-	15.00	289.05	-	-	304.05	18.37
Oak Lawn	17	3	0	1	16	36	97%	-	70	-	20.00	887.96	-	44.60	952.56	11.61
Oak Park	24	15	19	0	30	21	85%	-	5	7	39.00	633.67	-	44.80	717.47	11.15
Peoria First	5	2	0	1	23	12	85%	-	-	-	7.00	194.26	-	10.00	211.26	31.13
Princeton	32	8	16	0	28	31	100%	-	8	20	40.00	352.98	-	68.55	461.53	15.24
Rockford 1st	18	7	8	0	16	24	86%	-	-	-	25.00	578.27	-	143.61	746.88	4.26
Roseland	9	3	0	2	18	12	98%	-	5	13	12.00	141.97	-	118.23	272.20	2.18
Wheaton	14	0	1	0	32	28	79%	-	3	-	14.00	250.31	-	-	264.31	16.01
Wyanet	23	14	4	0	35	19	70%	-	11	-	37.00	359.29	-	-	396.29	9.93
Totals	269	93	68	16	374	295	-	-	114	-	362.00	6475.67	-	918.33	7756.00	222.89
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Report No. 8 W.M.S. Statistical Report, Cont.

CHURCH	World Missions General	American Ind- ians (Brethren)	Australia	Jewish Evang.	Medical Missions	Mission Equipment	White Christ- mas Offering	Church Exten- sion Evang. (card call, Ala)	Self Denial Offering	Hephzibah	Education Budget & Gifts
Austin	340.67	10.00			5.00	5.10	22.00	20.00	35.00	30.00	10.00
Broadview	412.33				3.00	1.70	18.92	5.00	15.79	5.00	104.00
Creve Coeur	99.97	38.05			3.00		18.80	10.00	8.11	5.00	
Elk Grove	125.67				8.00		10.00	5.00		5.00	5.00
Galesburg	60.85				3.00	16.00	9.75	17.40	8.10	5.00	
Harrison Ave.	109.65	5.00	4.00		3.00	9.30	8.00	5.00		5.00	
Hoopeston	118.15				3.00	10.20		5.00	25.65	55.00	
Hoynes Ave.	38.42	6.25	6.25				3.00			8.75	
Oak Lawn	259.36	15.60			3.00	23.10	12.70	44.78	36.40	10.00	10.41
Oak Park	309.31	8.75	8.75		3.00	15.00	22.34	15.00	13.00	12.25	70.00
Peoria 1st	110.63	2.00	2.00				3.00	12.00	2.00	5.00	15.00
Princeton	47.73	23.15	10.50		3.00	19.95	22.00	8.00	14.11	23.00	
Rockford 1st	372.10	10.50	10.50		3.00	22.00	50.00	21.00		15.00	30.00
Roseland	103.12		5.00		3.00	4.00	24.50	11.00	19.50	5.00	5.00
Wheaton	120.16				3.00			5.00		5.00	
Wyanet	171.00	10.50	10.50		5.00	15.00	12.15	15.00	12.45	14.70	
Totals	2799.12	129.80	57.50		51.00	141.35	237.16	199.18	190.11	208.70	249.41

Report No. 8 W.M.S. Statistical Report Cont.

CHURCH	Honorary Enrollment	General Dues	Conference Working Fund	Conference Extension	Community Missions	Local Church Work	Other Objects	Total Disbursements	New Balance	GRAND TOTAL
Austin	20.00	37.00	15.00	14.00			252.00	815.77	3.96	819.73
Broadview		41.00	17.40	156.00		153.65	211.96	1145.75	10.55	1156.30
Creve Coeur		13.00	11.40	.50		33.00	153.54	394.37	21.55	415.92
Elk Grove		15.00		8.25			41.77	223.69	10.05	233.74
Galesburg		18.00	10.20	42.00		54.07	39.05	283.42	1.22	284.64
Harrison Ave.		15.00	4.80			39.00	28.36	286.11	1.40	287.51
Hoopeston	11.44	14.00	11.25	8.69			77.24	332.62	2.00	334.62
Hoynes Ave.		15.00		2.00	4.00		237.89	321.56	.86	322.42
Oak Lawn		20.00	10.20	15.65			457.85	919.05	45.12	964.17
Oak Park		39.00	15.00	20.00	15.00		111.30	727.70	.92	728.62
Peoria 1st		7.00	3.00	5.00			71.23	237.86	4.53	242.39
Princeton	8.00	40.00		24.00	67.05	5.00	119.47	434.96	41.81	476.77
Rockford 1st		25.00	9.00	27.40			154.36	749.86	1.28	751.14
Roseland		12.00	5.40	9.25	28.37		38.04	273.18	1.20	274.38
Wheaton		14.00	7.80				83.69	238.65	41.67	280.32
Wyanet		37.00	13.80	10.50			68.67	396.27	9.95	406.22
Totals	32.44	362.00	134.25	393.24	114.42	284.72	2196.42	7780.82	198.07	7978.89

Report No. 10Conference W.M.S. Treasurer

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/16/63</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disburse-</u> <u>ments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/16/64</u>	<u>Vouchers</u>
World Missions, General	-0-	621.09	621.09	-0-	-0-
Africa	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	157.01
Woolsey Project	-0-	90.50	90.50	-0-	-0-
Swanson Project	-0-	377.24	377.24	-0-	23.50
Swanson Gifts	-0-	23.50	23.50	-0-	343.23
Betty Freeborn gift	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	150.00
Mary Holcomb gift	-0-	8.00	8.00	-0-	29.10
South America					
Crosby gift	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	38.60
Japan					
Johnson project	-0-	287.20	287.20	-0-	-0-
Haiti	-0-	68.00	68.00	-0-	-0-
City Churches	-0-	10.00	10.00	-0-	-0-
Helping Hand Fund	-0-	157.56	157.56	-0-	-0-
Nat'l. Workers Fund	-0-	548.05	548.05	-0-	-0-
Philippines	-0-	10.00	10.00	-0-	-0-
New Guinea					
Books and Literature	-0-	25.00	25.00	-0-	-0-
World Literature Crusade	-0-	28.74	28.74	-0-	-0-
Wesleyan Literature	-0-	20.00	20.00	-0-	-0-
Brainerd Indian School	-0-	53.00	53.00	-0-	76.80
Australia	-0-	57.50	57.50	-0-	-0-
Medical Missions	-0-	52.70	52.70	-0-	-0-
Mission Equipment	-0-	139.65	139.65	-0-	-0-
White Christmas Offering	-0-	237.16	237.16	-0-	23.42
Church Ext. & Evangelism	-0-	94.40	94.40	-0-	-0-
Card Call	-0-	52.00	52.00	-0-	13.00
Alaska	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	39.78
Self-Denial Offering	-0-	190.11	190.11	-0-	-0-
Hephzibah Orphanage	-0-	120.70	120.70	-0-	88.00
Education	-0-	249.41	249.41	-0-	-0-
Honorary Enrollment	-0-	32.44	32.44	-0-	-0-
General Dues	-0-	362.00	362.00	-0-	-0-
Conference Working Fund	129.66	163.30	125.54	167.42	-0-
Conference Extension	-0-	437.55	437.55	-0-	-0-
Community Missions	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	95.37
Local Church Work	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	263.28
Other Objects	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1922.26
Servicemen's Commission	-0-	3.00	3.00	-0-	-0-
American Bible Society	-0-	113.65	113.65	-0-	24.55
Camp Equipment Fund	129.23	139.75	93.31	175.67	4.47
Camp Foods	10.00	34.00	-0-	44.00	3.69
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 268.89</b>	<b>4807.20</b>	<b>4689.00</b>	<b>387.09</b>	<b>3296.06</b>
Total Cash Receipts	\$4807.20				
Total Voucher Receipts	3296.06				
GRAND TOTAL	\$8103.26				

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Barbara Crail,  
Treasurer

Report No. 11

Mission Study Secretary

Our first report for the new Quadrenniam is as follows:

Number reading 6 books	42
Number reading 4 books	25
Number reading 1 to 3 books	108
Total number readers participating	175
Total number of societies participating	16

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty  
Mission Study Secretary

Report No. 12

Communications Committee.

The Communications Committee have sent words of appreciation to Mrs. Helen Stark, and Mrs. Mildred Scott. Newsy letters were sent to Dr. and Mrs. Charles Paine, Miss Mary Holcomb, and Mrs. Tom Murray. Greetings were extended to Mrs. Esther Lind and Mrs. Marilyn Ankcorn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. June Tice, Chairman  
Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty

Report No. 13

Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work

- 1) Each local W.M.S. shall elect a Y.M.W.B. Superintendent in June. Her duties shall begin at the rise of annual W.M.S. Conference.
- 2) Finances:
  - a. Send all money raised by the Y.M.W.B. to the Conference Superintendent, Mrs. Jean Mould, 153 N. Cuyler, Oak Park, Ill. 60302
  - b. Each band is assessed three cents per member for Conference Superintendent's desk expense. Membership is based on the 1964 annual report.
  - c. The November offering is for church extension; the May offering for education.
  - d. The Conference project is the support of Deborah Ruth Paine, India, which will be \$150.00 per year. Each band is to raise as much as possible.
- 3) Return quarterly reports and offerings received during the quarter to the Conference Superintendent on the following dates: First Quarter (July-September) October 15, 1964. Second Quarter (October-December) January 15, 1965. Third Quarter (January-March) April 15, 1965. Fourth Quarter (April-June), postmarked by July 1, 1965.
- 4) Each local superintendent should encourage the use of the reading courses and promote a prayer partner circle.
- 5) All Bands making a grade of 100% in the Efficiency Standard shall be on the honor roll.
- 6) The offering taken in the Y.M.W.B. service during Camp be designated for the purchase of new children's chairs of the new Moline Church.

DENOMINATIONAL Y.M.W.B. STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

1. Twelve Band services in which prayer, God's Word, missions and personal service were stressed. 10%



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| 2. One public service during the year.   | 5%  |
| 3. Bands funds remitted quarterly.   | 10% |
| 4. Use of mite boxes, envelopes, membership cards or some other systematic method for gathering in dues and offerings. | 10% |
| 5. Band Superintendent read the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY and use YOUNG MISSIONARY.  | 5%  |
| 6. Increase in membership.   | 10% |
| 7. Increase in funds raised.   | 10% |
| 8. An offering for Church Extension.   | 10% |
| 9. An offering for education.  | 10% |
| 10. Three cents per active and honorary member sent to Conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent as Desk Fund.                | 10% |
| 11. Annual report sent in on time (Time Conference Superintendent designates).   | 10% |

100% for Honor

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Committee.

Report No. 14Auditors' Report

I have reviewed the financial statements of the Women's Missionary Society for the year 1963-64 and insofar as possible find them to be correct. This is a partial audit due to the fact that the last monthly statement has not yet been received from the bank. The audit will be completed upon receipt of this final statement.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. R. B. Priest,  
AuditorReport No. 15Y.M.W.B. Superintendent.

(See following page.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Norma Jean Craker,  
Y.M.W.B. Superintendent

Report No. 15 Y.M.W.B. Statistical Report																	
BAND NAME	Active Members		Emergency Members		Total Membership	Meetings	Efficiency Rating	World Missions	Church Extension	Education	Hephzibah	World Literature	Special Projects World Missions	Special Projects Church Extension	Total (Band Credit)	Non-Credit	GRAND TOTAL
Austin	18	56	74	12	100%	200.87	-	5.12	-	-	-	-	26.80	5.40	238.19	2.22	240.41
Broadview	20	17	37	13	100%	49.64	-	5.00	-	-	-	-	16.49	1.15	72.28	.60	72.88
Creve Coeur	9	1	10	12	65%	26.68	1.00	.15	-	-	-	-	3.06	-	30.89	.30	31.19
Galesburg	12	6	18	13	70%	9.24	-	-	-	-	-	2.11	1.45	.81	14.31	-	14.31
Harrison Ave.	7	9	16	12	100%	47.02	-	-	-	1.05	-	-	5.57	1.15	54.79	.21	55.00
Hoopston	14	17	31	12	70%	19.12	2.00	-	-	1.41	-	-	3.55	1.06	27.14	.93	28.07
Hoynes Ave.	6	2	8	12	60%	17.82	1.35	-	1.35	-	-	-	1.35	-	23.22	.70	23.92
Oak Lawn	19	10	29	12	60%	74.18	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.18	1.00	79.36	.84	80.20
Oak Park	18	12	30	15	80%	28.48	2.35	2.75	2.08	-	-	-	1.56	-	37.22	.90	38.12
Peoria	24	9	33	12	70%	17.38	5.00	3.50	-	-	-	-	2.28	1.57	29.73	.75	30.48
Princeton	16	19	35	14	50%	48.06	1.00	.89	-	-	-	-	2.14	-	52.09	.20	52.29
Rockford 1st	22	17	39	13	100%	63.16	3.07	4.15	-	-	-	-	10.21	3.09	83.59	1.17	84.76
Roseland	25	-	25	24	85%	34.35	4.00	18.27	6.65	-	-	-	4.25	-	67.52	1.00	68.52
Wheaton	14	27	41	12	80%	31.18	-	18.34	-	-	-	2.56	21.12	3.92	76.22	1.23	77.45
Wyanet	12	19	31	11	55%	47.52	1.83	-	-	-	-	7.92	6.51	3.74	67.52	1.00	68.52
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MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE WESLEYAN YOUTHHeld at Epworth Park, Belvidere, Illinois  
August 7 and 8, 1964

President: Rev. George W. Hood, 7937 S. Neenah, Oak Lawn, Ill.  
 Vice President: Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, 9101 S. Menard, Oak Lawn, Ill.  
 Secretary: Miss Pam Olander, 1213 Degener Ave., Elmhurst, Ill.  
 Treasurer: Rev. Leigh Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave, Rockford, Ill.  
 Eastern Dist. Chmn: Rev. Robert Browne, 2108 W. Iowa, Chicago, Ill.  
 Western Dist. Chmn: Rev. Meredith Bailie, 875 N. Farnham, Galesburg, Ill.

LOCAL WESLEYAN YOUTH OFFICERSCHICAGOLAND

Austin Pres. Lee A. Dominguez, 5323 W. Ohio, Chicago 44, Ill.  
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 Sec'y. Leslie Moore, 713 N. 7th Ave., Maywood, Ill.  
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 Hoynes Ave. Pres. Nancy Mazeikis, 846 N. Hoynes Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
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HOOPESTON

(No organization)

PEORIA

Creve Coeur (Unorganized)  
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Austin Lee Dominguez, Phyllis Panico, Les Nelson  
 Broadview Herman Delawter, Paul Halverson, Leslie Moore  
 Elk Grove Cecelia Wenger  
 Hoynes Ave. (None)  
 Oak Lawn Judy Coulter, Jenny Hemphill, Bob Vankiuken  
 Oak Park (None)  
 Wheaton Dixie Merriman, Margie Gearhart  
 GALESBURG Jim Jacobs, Marg Trone  
 HOOPESTON Woodrow McBride Jr.

PEORIA

Creve Coeur (None)

First Bob Mills

PRINCETON

Lucretia Glover

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First Gloria Zellner, Debbie Tice, Diana Conkling  
 Harrison Vicki Trylong, Carol Hamilton, Vernon Purdue  
 WYANET Faith Gibbs, Howard Huffman, Joy Gibbs

### STANDING RULES

- 1) Resolved, that the Conference W.Y. Secretary send out by June 30, the annual W.Y. Statistical Blanks, Delegate Credential Blanks, and Local Directory Blanks, asking for the names and addresses of all local officers and members, to each local W.Y. president who shall be assisted by the pastor and W.Y. treasurer in completing and comparing it with the Church Statistical Report for accuracy.
- 2) Resolved, that the local treasurer's books close June 30 and that all remittances be postmarked not later than July 5; and that a fine of \$1.00 upon the pastor and the local president be paid to our W.Y. Conference Treasurer if the statistical blank and local directory blank do not reach the hands of our Conference Secretary by July 15.
- 3) Resolved, that the Executive Youth Council act as the Orders of the Day Committee.
- 4) Resolved, that the Conference Wesleyan Youth President be the editor of Youth Notes, our Conference youth publicity medium, which shall be published as needed, either in conjunction with the Illinois Tidings or as a separate publication.
- 5) Resolved, that the President shall appoint custodians of W.Y. athletic equipment.
- 6) Resolved, that the Conference W.Y. Secretary be the statistical chairman.
- 7) Resolved, that the Secretary maintain a complete membership list.
- 8) Resolved, that the local officers be elected during the month of June to take office at the rise of the Illinois Wesleyan Youth Conference annual session.
- 9) Resolved, that the Annual Wesleyan Youth Convention be held on the second Friday of Camp Meeting following the evening service, and continue on Saturday until the completion of official business.
- 10) Resolved, that the President, the Secretary, and the Annual Conference President be the Standing Committee to prepare the nominations for Conference committees before the first meeting of our Annual Convention.
- 11) Resolved, that the Secretary shall serve as the official Credentials Committee, and that all credentials are to be mailed to her not later than July 15.

### PROCEEDINGS

#### First Meeting, 9:40 p.m., Friday, August 7, 1964

1. Opening. The Fifteenth Annual Session of the Illinois Conference Wesleyan Youth was convened at Camp Epworth, Belvidere, Illinois, at 9:40 p.m., Friday, August 7, 1964, by the Conference Wesleyan Youth President, Rev. George Hood. Rev. Meredith Bailie prayed that we might have wisdom concerning the business of the conference.
2. Roll Call. The roll call of Conference officers and local presidents was given by Pam Olander, W.Y. Secretary.
3. Credentials Committee. Miss Pamela Olander, W.Y. Secretary, read her report as Credentials Committee, and delegates responded to their names. By prevailing motion they were seated within the bar of conference. (See list of delegates.)
4. Report of the Orders of the Day Committee. Secretary, Pam Olander read this report which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 1)
5. Report of the Conference W. Y. President. This report was accepted with thanks to Rev. George Hood for his work the past year as W. Y. President. (See Report No. 2)
6. Report of the Executive Council. Pam Olander, W.Y. Secretary, read the report of the Executive Council which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 3)
7. District Chairmen's Reports. Rev. Robert Zuhl, Eastern District Chairman, and Rev. Leigh Nygard, Western District Chairman, read their reports which were approved by vote of the delegates. (See Robert Zuhl Report No. 4, and Leigh Nygard Report No. 5)
8. Treasurer's Report. Mrs. Judy Nygard read her report which was received and referred to the Auditing Committee. (See Report No. 6)

9) Report of the Committee on Conference Committees. The report of the Committee on Conference (Convention) Committees was read by the Secretary and adopted by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 7)

10) Adjournment. By prevailing motion the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Second Meeting, 8:45 a.m., Saturday, August 8, 1964.

1. Opening. Rev. George Hood opened the meeting with comments on Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prayer was offered following his remarks.

2. Roll Call. The roll call of Conference Officers, local presidents, and delegates was given by the Secretary.

3. Adjournment. By prevailing motion the meeting was adjourned for committee work.

Third Meeting, 11:10 a.m., August 8, 1964.

1. Opening. The meeting was called to order by President George Hood who also offered prayer.

2. Report of the Committee on Resolutions. Jim Jacobs, secretary of the Committee on Resolutions, read the report which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 8)

3. Report of the Committee on Thanks. Mrs. Judy Nygard, Chairman, of the Committee on Thanks read the report. An amendment prevailed that thanks be expressed to Rev. John Friske who served as editor of the Breadfast News, the camp news sheet. The report was adopted by vote as amended. (See Report No. 9)

4. Adjournment. By prevailing motion the meeting was adjourned for the completion of committee work.

Fourth Meeting, 12:55 p.m., August 8, 1964.

1. Opening. President George Hood called the meeting to order and began with prayer.

2. Auditing Committee Report. The report of the Auditing Committee read by Rev. Meredith Baillie was the first act of business when the fourth meeting reconvened at 12:55 p.m.. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 10)

3. Report of the Plan of Work Committee. President George Hood presented the report of the Plan of Work Committee and explained the goals envisioned. After the report was read, the change in Conference dues to \$1.00 was discussed and, a motion made that the Conference dues be changed back to the former \$1.50. The report was adopted by vote as amended. (See Report No. 11)

4. Report of the Statistical Committee. The Statistical Report was referred to the Conference Secretary for completion. (See Report No. 13)

5. Report of the Nominating and Standing Rules Committee. The Committee first presented the names of the following Conference Officers and District Leaders as their nominees. President: Rev. George Hood of Oak Lawn, Vice President: Rev. Robert Zuhl of Oak Lawn, Secretary: Miss Pamela Olander of Elmhurst, Treasurer: Rev. Leigh Nygard of Rockford Harrison Ave., Eastern District Leader: Rev. Robert Browne of Hoynes Ave, Western District Leader: Rev. Meredith Baillie of Galesburg. Rev. Robert Zuhl also read the Committee on Standing Rules Report and moved the adoption of the entire report. After explanation about the nominations made with the report, the report was approved by vote. (See Report No. 12)

6. Nominating Ballot. The Nominating Committee requested the members of the body to each prepare a Nominating Ballot for the office of President. President George Hood received the majority of nominations. The motion prevailed that the Nomination Ballot be accepted as the voting ballot; thus, Rev. George Hood was elected as President for 1964-65.

7. Election of remaining Officers and Leaders. The remaining officers

and leaders were elected separately by show of hands. The results were the same as those nominations made by the Nominating Committee.

8. Unfinished Business. By prevailing motion the body approved the recommendation of Rev. Zuhl that any unfinished business left after adjournment be placed in the hands of the Youth Council with power to act.

9. Adjournment. After remarks by President George Hood, the 1964 session was by prevailing motion adjourned sine die, with prayer.

## REPORTS

### Report No. 1

#### Orders of the Day Committee.

Friday, August 7, 1964. Opening, 9:00 p.m. in the Youth Tabernacle at Epworth Park; Roll Call of Conference W.Y. Officers, Annual Conference President, and Local Presidents; Report of the Credentials Committee (Conference W.Y. Secretary); Seating of the delegates; Report of the Orders of the Day Committee; Report of the W.Y. President; Report of the Executive Council; Reports of the Conference W.Y. District Chairmen; Report of the Conference W.Y. Treasurer; Report of the Committee on Conference Committees; Adjournment. Meeting of the Nominating Committee.

Saturday, August 8, 1964. Second Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Roll Call; Adjournment for Committee Work. Third Meeting, Saturday, 11:05 a.m., Committee Reports; Recess at noon. Fourth Meeting, Saturday, 12:45 p.m. Election of Conference Officers; Adjournment sine die at 1:30 p.m.

### Report No. 2

#### Illinois Wesleyan Youth President.

Indeed this has been a busy but thrilling year for your President as he assumed the duties and privileges that go with this office. The joy has been mine to work closely with a team of fellow officers who are dedicated to your best interests in Christ Jesus. We are indeed co-laborers together with God.

This past year began with a fruitful Youth Camp under the direction of former president, Rev. Robert L. Zuhl. A total of 92 were enrolled in the Youth Camp program. That was a time of spiritual gains as many were brought to a knowledge of Christ as Savior and many others went on to have the Holy Spirit cleanse their heart from all unrighteousness.

The fourth annual Leader's Retreat was held at Lake Bloomington. This time of inspiration was under the direction of former President Zuhl as he had done most of the preliminary work prior to Conference and, it was felt by the Conference that this would be a good way to gradually introduce the new president to his task. There were 61 who registered for the retreat. Furnishing a room in Shatford Hall, the new girls' dormitory at Marion College, was adopted as the Conference project. A total of \$645.00 was pledged by the locals for this project. A Conference wide attendance and promotion contest was formulated using the theme of football. Weekly reports giving each Sunday's scores were sent to all the Pastors and Presidents. The Chicago-Hoyne Avenue Wesleyan Youth won the contest. Dixie Merriman from Wheaton was the individual winner. Awards were given at a Rally held in Wheaton on November 16th. At the rally a skit was presented by the youth of the Chicago Area, a film, "Born to Witness" was shown, and all went to see a Wheaton College football game. Approximately 120 attended the rally.

Youth Week was held from January 26 to February 2 with promotion from the general and conference officers. This was followed by our Conference Spring-O-Rama at Camp Rude. There were approximately 130 that attended this retreat. The Marion College Varsity Quartet was there. This time together was especially blessed of the Lord in making a spiritual impact upon young lives.

I conducted three Executive Council meetings and attended the Area Youth Council in Marion, Indiana. I took several weeks at the beginning of the year to organize material and prepare myself to best serve the Illinois Wesleyan Youth. As your President, I visited the following youth groups: Hoynes Avenue, Austin, Broadview, Oak Lawn, Oak Park, Wheaton, Galesburg, Creve Coeur, Rockford First, Harrison Avenue, and Wyandot. I published three issues of the Youth Notes mailing 337 copies each time. I wrote 17 personal letters. I promoted the Wesleyan Youth magazine by personal notes to local Business Managers. I met with Illinois students of Marion College in the fall.

Illinois now has ten organized locals. There are four W.Y. fellowships now meeting regularly. Our total membership presently is 181. Our total subscriptions to the Wesleyan Youth add up to 97.

This year has been one of the most challenging years of my life. I have found the teens in Illinois Wesleyan Youth are among the best in the nation. I want to extend to you Illinois Wesleyan Youth my thanks for being allowed to serve you as President this past year. For all the good that has been done, we give God the glory and praise the name of Jesus our King.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. George W. Hood  
W.Y. President

#### Report No. 3

##### Executive Council

We, your Executive Council, composed of the Conference Wesleyan Youth Officers and the Annual Conference President, report that we have served as the Orders of the Day Committee as provided by the Standing Rules.

We report that in the past year we planned for and held the Spring-O-Rama at Camp Rude. At this retreat we received many blessings as we heard Pilgrim's Progress by Jim Huffman and also the Marion College Varsity Quartet. We have a standing invitation and reservation for the Quartet for Camp Rude in succeeding years.

In planning for Youth Camp, the schedule was set up so that two 45 minute classes could be held in the morning. An adjustment was made in the presentation of awards so that the campers make nominations and the camp staff decide the ones to receive the awards.

Concerning general business, each church was assessed for \$2.00 for Paul Dekker and the African project which needed \$1,000. It was also agreed that an honorary banner be purchased.

We have tried to do His will in all business transacted.

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Council

#### Report No. 4

##### Eastern District Chairman

It has been a continuing privilege to remain with the Conference program of Wesleyan Youth and serve as your Eastern District Chairman. It has been deeply satisfying to see the youth program grow under the able leadership of President George Hood.

As your District Chairman I have attended the meetings of the Conference Youth Council, directed the Leaders Retreat in September at Lake Bloomington, and taught a class at a District Rally at our Chicago-Hoynes Avenue Church. This rally ran all day Saturday, November 30, under the direction of the Hoynes Avenue W.Y.. There were approximately 60 in attendance. I sent letters to each Pastor offering a team service for their Youth Week program. In response to this I spoke at the joint

Youth Week observance of the Rockford First and Harrison Avenue churches.

I trust that the coming year will be one of outreach as opportunities are redeemed in teens reaching teens. May the Lord keep us faithful in the fight of faith.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Robert L. Zuhl  
Eastern District Chairman

Report No. 5

Western District Chairman

As Western District Chairman I attended all but one of the meetings of the Conference Wesleyan Youth Council.

I wrote letters to each of the churches in the district admonishing them to each hold some type of youth week service. According to council direction, I stated my willingness to assist in such a service. The Peoria First Church asked me to assist in a youth banquet with our Conference Wesleyan Youth Vice President which I did.

As Conference Quizmaster I promoted quizzing throughout the district and conference, and can report a growing enthusiasm for Bible study through this means. As Conference Educational Secretary I promoted interest in Christian education and especially in Marion College.

Because of the great distances between churches and due to full schedules no district youth rally was held this year. The Lord is working throughout the youth of our district, whereof we can be glad.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Leigh Nygard  
Western District Chairman

Report No. 6

Conference Wesleyan Youth Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Conference Dues and Funds		\$1579.81
Camp Recreational Fees	16.40	
Transfer of Checking Acct.	646.97	
W.Y. Leaders Retreat	235.00	
Books sold at W.Y. Retreat	45.55	
Fall Rally Reg.	58.15	
Broadview W.Y. (Reg. for Quiz)	6.00	
Hoyne Ave. W.Y. (Conf. Ext.)	5.00	
Rev. Robert McIntyre Trip	8.00	
Spring Rally	378.00	
Conference Dues	180.76	
	\$ 1579.81	

General Dues	244.13
World Missions	33.99
General Church Extension	9.49
Education	17.00
Youth Week Offering	110.42
Shatford Hall Project	518.61
Camp Devel. Project (Late Pledges)	26.00

\$ 2539.45

Balance Brought Forward (July 15, 1963)	682.95
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Total Receipts

\$3222.40



DISBURSEMENTS

Conference Dues and Funds		\$1664.03
Rizzo Brothers (Trophies)	\$ 31.96	
Postage	20.81	
First Aid Supplies	6.17	
Vivian Sams (Contest Winner)	10.00	
Transfer of Checking Acct.	646.97	
Charge for Printed Checks	5.00	
W.Y. Leaders' Retreat	305.00	
W.Y. Assessment	16.00	
Rev. Roy Gibbs (Camp Ref. Exp.)	2.50	
Free Methodist Youth (Miniature Golf)	100.00	
Travel Expense	12.80	
Stationery	14.28	
Fall Rally	77.20	
Wesleyan Methodist Pub. Co.	58.38	
Hoyne Ave. (Broadview Reg.)	6.00	
Rev. A.L. Bray (Councils' Lunch)	3.61	
Phone Calls	2.31	
Broadview W.Y. (Trans. to Special Project)	3.00	
Receipt Book	.80	
Spring Rally	318.83	
Quiz Jump Chairs	14.41	
Rev. Robert McIntyre's Trip	8.00	
	<u>\$1664.03</u>	
General Dues		244.13
World Missions		33.99
General Church Extension		9.49
Education		17.00
Youth Week Offering		110.42
Camp Development Project (Trans. to Savings Acct.)		<u>470.92</u>
Total Disbursements		<u>2549.98</u>
Balance in Conference Dues and Funds	153.81	
Balance in Shatford Hall Project Fund	<u>518.61</u>	
Balance on Hand (July 15, 1964)		\$ 672.42
Respectfully Submitted,		
Mrs. Judy Nygard,		
Conference W.Y. Treasurer		

Report No. 7Committee on Conference Committees

Nominating and Standing Rules: Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, Chairman, Herman DeLawter, Bob Mills, Lee Dominguez, Vicki Trylong, Joy Gibbs.

Plan of Work: Rev. George Hood, Chairman, Phyllis Panico, Cecilia Wenger, Dixie Merriman, Mike Castro, Steve Hill, Paul Halverson, Woodrow McBride Jr., Howard Huffman, Diane Conkling, Nancy Parsons, Vernon Purdue, Jennie Hemphill, D. G. Durey, Faith Gibbs.

Thanks: Mrs. Judy Nygard, Chairman, Judy Coulter, Margie Gearhart, Debbie Tice, Leslie Moore.

Resolutions: Rev. Leigh Nygard, Chairman, Bob VanKiucken, Les Nelson, Jim Jacobs, Gloria Zellner, Carol Hamilton.

Statistical: Pam Olander, Chairman, Marg Trone.

Auditing Committee: Rev. Meredith Bailie, Chairman, Lucretia Glover.

Report No. 8

Resolutions Committee

We, the Resolutions Committee, because of our loyalty to Christ, do bring the following resolutions for the spiritual advancement of Wesleyan Youth of Illinois.

We resolve:

1) That: In order to "Study to show ourselves approved unto God," (II Tim. 2:15), prayer and daily Bible reading are vital in our Christian lives. Time spent every day in God's Word and in talking to Him enables us to live better for Him.

2) That: Whereas Christ's love for us is portrayed in John 3:16,-- "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," -- we shall demonstrate our love toward Him by being faithful to the House of the Lord.

3) That: We emphasize Romans 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek," as a challenge for witnessing.

4) That: As Christian youth, in accordance with Romans 12:1 which says: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service," we practice sacrificial stewardship of our resources to support the expenses of Wesleyan Youth, its projects, and fulfilling our general and conference dues. This means not only our money, but also our time and talents. Christ has commanded us to give unto Him what is due Him. If we belong to Him, we should give Him as much as we possible can.

5) That: Each Wesleyan Youth member keep a full commitment to Christ foremost in mind, taking as our pattern I Cor. 15:58, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

6) That: We stand together upholding the doctrines of our church--being firm in the faith--emphasizing the following:

A. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, as the only regeneration of the human race.

B. We believe in the Spirit-filled life where Christ is first and Lord of all.

C. We believe in the Bible as God's Holy Word.

D. We believe in God--the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

E. We believe in a personal relationship with the living God.

7) That: We pray "For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty" (I Tim. 2:2). Wesleyan Youth should be actively involved in the current issues of our day, and should take a Christian stand on such issues as Communism, intergration, patriotism, lawlessness, home life, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Leigh Nygard, Chairman  
Jim Jacobs, Secretary  
Bob Van Kuiken  
Leslie Nelson  
Gloria Zellner  
Carol Hamilton

Report No. 9

Thanks Committee

The Thanks Committee for 1964 would first give thanks to Almighty God our Father who has blessed us and given us many spiritual benefits throughout this past year. To the following people we express deepest

gratitude for their prayers, work, and spiritual influence which have helped to make this past year so successful.

- 1) To Rev. George Hood who has so ably served as our new president.
- 2) To Rev. B. H. Phaup, our Youth Camp Evangelist, and Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp, our song evangelists, for spiritual guidance in word and song.
- 3) To Rev. Robert Zuhl for the inspirational messages given to us during the afternoon services.
- 4) To Rev. and Mrs. Robert Crosby, our missionaries from Columbia, who awakened our thoughts to the needs of foreign missions.
- 5) To Rev. Meredith Bailie for serving as Vice-President of the Wesleyan Youth of Illinois.
- 6) To Mrs. Judith Nygard for her faithful service as Wesleyan Youth Treasurer.
- 7) To Rev. Leigh Nygard, Conference Quiz Master, for his work in preparing the quizzes.
- 8) To Miss Pamela Olander for actively serving as Wesleyan Youth Secretary.
- 9) To Rev. A. L. Bray, our Conference President, for his prayers and spiritual encouragement this past year.
- 10) To the teachers of the Wesleyan Youth classes, Rev. Robert Zuhl, Rev. David Castro, Rev. Leigh Nygard, Rev. David Crail, Rev. Roy Gibbs, and Rev. A. L. Bray, for presenting helpful and interesting classes.
- 11) To the cooks, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Zehner and Mrs. Ray Dyer, and to the kitchen staff who have faithfully prepared the meals at camp and conference.
- 12) To the camp manager, Rev. Forrest Gearhart, for making provisions for each of us.
- 13) To the Free Methodist Church who has so graciously rented us the use of their camp grounds again this year.
- 14) To the Youth Workers and Counsellors who have faithfully instructed and helped us in our spiritual lives.
- 15) To all of the officers of Wesleyan Youth who have helped in serving their local youth groups.
- 16) To John Friske, who has faithfully served as editor of Breakfast news this year.
- 17) And finally, to each individual who has helped to make this camp of 1964 a spiritual success.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Judith Nygard, Chairman  
Judy Coulter  
Leslie Moore  
Marge Gearhart

#### Report No. 10

##### Auditing Committee

We, the auditing committee have examined the books of the Conference Wesleyan Youth Treasurer and found them to be well kept and in proper order.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, Chairman  
Lucretia Glover

#### Report No. 11

##### Plan of Work

We, the Plan of Work Committee recommend the following:

- 1) That two new Wesleyan Youth locals be organized this year and that this goal be met with the cooperation and assistance of previously

organized locals. We would like organized locals to plan and present meetings and social events for prospective Wesleyan Youth groups in their area. Visit them, and show them enthusiasm and Christian love.

Let each local consider it their own responsibility to see the organization of neighboring locals.

2) That a goal for Wesleyan Youth subscriptions be set for each local to be equal to their membership and that the conference youth secretary act as the promotional director.

3) That the Conference dues be \$1.50 per member and that this be paid by the conclusion of Youth Week also this is to be the responsibility of each member to pay his dues.

4) General dues are \$2.00 per member. This money should be given by the local treasurer to the Conference Treasurer at the close of each quarter.

5) That the editor of the Youth Notes receive from each Wesleyan Youth president each quarter a report of the average youth attendance and efficiency rating; and that an honor roll of those receiving A rating be posted at camp.

6) That a Leaders' Conference be held Sept. 18 and 19 at Lake Bloomington to train local officers and representatives of each church.

7) That the Conference President visit all the locals during the year.

8) That we hold a conference - wide rally in the fall or winter with the time and place to be arranged by the Youth Council.

9) That we hold a Conference - wide over-night retreat at Camp Rude.

10) That each local strive to obtain an A rating in the general efficiency standard.

11) That each local have a youth "kick-off" program before October 31, and the youth average attendance be reported to the Conference President by November 5. That the President communicate this recommendation to the local president as soon after camp as possible.

12) That the Conference President ask for contest ideas from the locals. That a conference wide contest be held with proper awards to be given at the fall or winter rally.

13) That every Wesleyan Youth member be issued a membership card.

14) That the Conference hold a quiz over Romans, and that the finals be held at the Spring-O-Rama.

15) That our missionary project be to aid in the pioneer project Moline. The final decision as to the type of aid be determined at Lake Bloomington.

16) That we encourage every church to strive to participate in the denominational Youth Week Program.

17) That the District Chairman hold three rallies per year, and that he promote the following: quizzing, Wesleyan Youth subscriptions, athletic events, singspirations and that he correlate activities between the locals.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. George Hood, W.Y. President  
Phyllis Panico, Secretary

#### Report No. 12

#### Nominating and Standing Rules Committee

We, your committee on nominations and standing rules, recommend the following persons for officers for the Illinois Conference Wesleyan Youth for the coming year: President, Rev. George Hood; Vice President, Rev. Robert L. Zuhl; Secretary, Pamela Olander; Treasurer, Rev. Leigh Nygard; Eastern District Chairman, Rev. Robert Browns; Western District Chairman, Rev. Meredith J. Baillie.

We do not recommend any changes in the Standing Rules. We do recommend their observance!

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, Chairman  
Lee Dominguez  
Bob Mills  
Herman DeLawter  
Joy Gibbs  
Vicki Trylong

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Wesleyan Youth Statistical Report

Locals	Active Members	Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth Subscriptions	No. Readers' Club Members	EFFICIENCY STANDARD				General Dues	Conference Dues	Conference Ext.	Education	World Missions	General Church Extension and Evangelism	1964 Wesleyan Youth Week Offering	Local Work	Other Items	Conference Project	Total Receipts plus Balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
					AA Rating	Gold Seal	BB Rating	Silver Seal													
Austin	26		8	4	X				50.00	37.50		5.00	14.90		65.55	402.53		130.00	727.15	705.48	21.67
Broadview	16	12	6						28.00	21.00						34.39		25.00	117.43	108.39	9.04
Crave Cedar																					
Elk Grove																					
Galashburg	7	2	2						14.00	10.50						22.15	2.00	45.00	95.02	93.65	1.37
Harrison Ave.	15		12					X	24.00	18.00					8.00	5.39	2.00	15.00	133.61	112.57	21.04
Keosauqua																					
Koyah Ave.	15	17	8					X	20.00	15.00		12.00	6.00	2.00	17.50	663.33		140.00	885.91	885.83	.08
Oak Lawn	17	6	12					X	25.00	17.00		37.00			18.59	36.98			199.92	199.92	
Oak Park																					
Peoria First			5																		
Princeton	10	4	3					X	20.00	15.00			5.92		2.60	9.00	12.75	30.00	98.96	95.96	3.69
Rockford First	12	2	13					X	22.00	16.50			7.17		20.65	77.26	12.75		213.72	213.72	
Roseland			1																		
Wheaton	8		15					X	16.00	12.00					8.10		20.00		56.35	56.10	.25
Wyanet	8	4	3							17.53						4.20	21.45	25.00	68.18	68.18	
Totals	134	47	97	4	1	1	5		219.00	180.00		54.00	33.99	9.00	140.00	1255.23	50.95	430.00	2596.25	2539.80	57.14

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