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THE
CANADA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist
Church



MINUTES
OF THE
48th Annual Conference
HELD AT
Winchester, Ont.
April 25th - April 29th, 1945

PRESIDENT
REV. S. W. BLANCHARD

SECRETARY
REV. R. L. LEROY

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President	Rev. S. W. Blanchard
Vice-President	Rev. E. W. Tokley
Secretary	Rev. R. L. LeRoy
Treasurer	Rev. J. H. Weaver
Sunday School Secretary	Rev. J. S. A. Spearman
Tithing Secretary	Rev. H. Kielty

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ELDERS

Rev. S. W. Blanchard	58 Grosvenor Ave., Ottawa, Ont.
Rev. E. W. Tokley	58 Grosvenor Ave., Ottawa, Ont.
Rev. J. A. Bain	228 Second St. W., Cornwall, Ont.
Rev. D. W. Summers	Winchester, Ont.
Rev. R. L. LeRoy	54 Old Park Ave., Toronto, Ont.
Rev. W. J. Major	Inkerman, Ont.
Rev. J. A. Bennett	Castleton, Ont.
Rev. L. M. McCorriston	Powassan, Ont.
Rev. J. H. Weaver	Newington, Ont.
Rev. J. S. A. Spearman	13 Green St., Belleville, Ont.
Rev. H. Kielty	Shawville, Que.
Rev. M. E. Summers	Kemptville, Ont.
Rev. C. B. Mills	Waltham, Que.
Rev. J. A. Lynch	Westboro, Ont.
Rev. E. A. Stephens	Otter Lake, Que.
Rev. H. V. Higginson	640 D'L'Epee Ave., Outremont, Que.
Rev. F. W. Higginson	640 D'L'Epee Ave., Outremont, Que.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CONFERENCE PREACHERS

Stanley Lyle Summers	43 Worthington St. W., North Bay, Ont.
Deaconess—Miss A. Dorman	136 Wolverleigh Blvd., Toronto, Ont.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DELEGATES

Hibbert Vipond	R. R. No. 1, Hull, Que.
Burland Elliott	Inkerman, Ont.
Miss Myrtle Anderson	Powassan, Ont.
Charles Fricker	145 McLeod St., North Bay, Ont.
Ward Summers	Winchester, Ont.
Mrs. Robert Coles	Belleville, Ont.
Floyd Dunbar	Newington, Ont.
Herbert Wilson	Shawville, Que.
Mrs. L. Readmond	Toronto, Ont.
Edward Wilson	220 Second St., Cornwall, Ont.
Lloyd Robinson	Waltham, Que.
Mrs. H. Kielty	Shawville, Que.
Wilbur Spearman	Inkerman, Ont.

Standing Committees

- Advisory Board—Rev. E. W. Tokley and Mr. H. I. Vipond.
 Audit Committee—H. Kielty, J. S. A. Spearman, D. W. Summers.
 Judiciary Committee—J. A. Bain, E. W. Tokley, J. H. Weaver, D. W. Summers.
 Committee on Vacancy—J. A. Bain, E. W. Tokley, R. L. LeRoy, Hibbert Vipond and Edward Wilson.
 Tithing Secretary—Rev. H. Kielty.
 Conference Board of Trustees and Board on Church and Parsonage Buildings and location—Edward William Tokley, (5 years); Jacob Hamilton Weaver, (4 years); James Alexander Bain, (3 years); Edward Evans Wilson, (2 years); George Ward Summers, (1 year).
 Missionary Board—S. W. Blanchard, J. H. Weaver, J. A. Bain, E. W. Tokley, Herbert Wilson, Edward Wilson and the President of the W. H. and F.M.S.
 Committee on Itinerary and Orders—J. A. Bain (4 years); H. Kielty (3 years); E. W. Tokley (2 years); S. W. Blanchard (1 year).
 Sunday School Board—J. S. A. Spearman (Secretary); H. Kielty, R. L. LeRoy.
 Fraternal Delegate to the Pilgrim Holiness Conference—J. H. Weaver, Alternate—J. S. A. Spearman.
 Fraternal Delegate to the Free Methodist Conference—D. W. Summers, Alternate—H. Kielty.
 Record Clerk—J. H. Weaver.
 Conference Delegates of the Canadian Holiness Federation—S. W. Blanchard, J. A. Bain.
 Educational Secretary—J. A. Bain.

Standing Resolutions

- First—The Committee on Audit shall be a standing Committee.
 Second—The Conference Treasurer shall have full right to refuse any pastor's statistical report which is not completely filled out.
 Third—An offering shall be taken each night to defray the entertaining expenses of the Conference, and if there is a balance, it is to be applied on the printing of the Conference Minutes. Also a Table offering shall be taken on Sunday morning for the pastor on whose charge the Conference is held.
 Fourth—The Conference President and the pastor on whose charge the Conference is held shall be a committee on Religious Services.
 Fifth—That finances of the Conference be reported in even dollars.
 Sixth—That all local Conference books be closed on the last day of March. Also that all monies and receipts be in the hands of the Conference Treasurer not later than the 10th of April.
 Seventh—That each pastor present one copy of his statistical report to the Statistical Committee not later than the first day of Conference.
 Eighth—That the ministers of the Conference pay one per cent of their salary to the Superannuation Minister's Fund each year. Also that they forward it to the Conference Treasurer specifying the same.

Daily Proceedings

The Canada Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America in Canada convened for its forty-eighth annual session in the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Winchester, Ontario, Wednesday, April 25th, 1945 at 8:45 P.M.

Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. H. Kielty.

Rev. J. R. Swauger, our Connection Representative, brought a very helpful and inspiring address from 1 Tim. 4:16. His Theme was, "Ten Perils of the Preacher." The following divisions of his subjects were ably presented.

Prayerlessness, Carelessness and Laziness.

After the message Conference came to order for business.

Roll Call.

Carried on motion that the first four seats on each side of the church constitute the Conference Bar.

Committee on Temporary Organizations read report which was adopted. (See Report No. 10).

Committee on Religious services read a partial report which was adopted.

Rev. J. R. Swauger was introduced to Conference and brought words of greeting.

Committee on Credentials made a partial report which was adopted.

Rev. J. R. Swauger was asked to preside during Conference by vote of Conference.

Committee on Credentials read a further report which was adopted.

The President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard, read his official report which was adopted to the point of recommendations. (See Report No. 1).

Committee on Credentials read an additional report which was adopted.

Carried on motion that the first item of the President's report be laid on the table.

Carried on motion that the item re. a Ministerial Institute be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Carried on motion that the item of pastors exchanging pulpits be adopted.

Carried on motion that the matter of the President's travelling expenses be referred to the Committee on Budget.

Carried on motion that the President's financial statement be referred to the Audit Committee.

Carried on motion that the first item of the President's report be taken from the table.

Carried on motion that the building of churches at North Bay and Belleville be referred to the Missionary Board with power to act.

Carried on motion that the matter of the President's travelling the Conference be laid on the table until Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m.

Carried on motion that the matter of financial aid from the Home Mission Fund be made a standing resolution.

Carried on motion that the matter, in the President's report, of opening a new field each year be considered.

Carried on motion that the matter of Home Mission campaigns be referred to the Missionary Board.

Carried on motion that the study and selection of prospective towns in which to open work be referred to the Committee on Church and Parsonage Location with power to act.

Conference Board of Trustee's report was read by the secretary, Rev. J. A. Bain, and adopted. (See Report No. 14).

Committee on Credentials read an additional report which was adopted.

A Communication from Dr. Paine of Houghton College was read and a motion was made and carried that the Secretary reply to him.

Carried on motion that the election of Conference officers be Thursday morning following devotions.

Meeting adjourned for committee work by vote of Conference.

Afternoon Meeting, Wednesday, April 25th.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard. Devotionals conducted by Rev. J. H. Weaver.

Roll Call.

Minutes read and approved.

Carried on motion that the time of the afternoon meeting be 2 P.M. and adjourn by motion.

The Committee on Audit made a partial report which was accepted. (See Report No. 7).

The Committee on Ministerial Character read a partial report which was accepted. (See Report No. 11).

The following names were called and Statistical report were read and adopted. E. W. Tokley, J. H. Weaver, J. A. Bain, R. L. LeRoy, D. W. Summers, W. J. Major.

The Committee on Religious Services made an additional report which was adopted.

Meeting adjourned by vote.

Morning Meeting, Thursday, April 26th.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard.

Devotionals conducted by Rev. M. E. Summers.

Rev. J. R. Swauger gave his morning talk.

He continued with the subject of Wednesday, "Ten Perils of the preacher."

He emphasized the following dangers to the preacher: The danger of successfulness, The danger of Forwardness. The danger of Talkativeness. The message was very practical and necessary.

Business was resumed.

Roll Call.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. Alton E. Liddick, Connectional Representative, was introduced to Conference and brought words of greeting.

Rev. H. W. Hobbs, Fraternal Delegate from the Pilgrim Holiness Church was introduced to Conference and brought words of greeting.

Committee on Credentials brought an additional report which was accepted.

Time having arrived the election of officers was held and resulted as follows:

President—Rev. S. W. Blanchard.
Vice-President—Rev. E. W. Tokley.
Secretary—Rev. R. L. LeRoy.
Treasurer—Rev. J. H. Weaver.
Sunday School Secretary—Rev. J. S. A. Spearman.
Tithing Secretary—Rev. H. Kielty.

Conference Board of Trustees—Edward William Tokley, (5 years); Jacob Hamilton Weaver, (4 years); James Alexander Bain, (3 years); Edward Evans Wilson, (2 years); George Ward Summers, (1 year).

Sunday School Board—J. S. A. Spearman (Secretary); H. Kielty, R. L. LeRoy.

Advisory Board—Rev. E. W. Tokley and Mr. H. I. Vipond.

Audit Committee—H. Kielty, J. S. A. Spearman, D. W. Summers.

Judiciary Committee—J. A. Bain, E. W. Tokley, J. H. Weaver, D. W. Summers.

Committee on Vacancy—Rev. J. A. Bain, Rev. E. W. Tokley, Rev. R. L. LeRoy, Hibbert I. Vipond and Edward E. Wilson.

Missionary Board—S. W. Blanchard, J. H. Weaver, J. A. Bain, E. W. Tokley, Herbert Wilson, Edward Wilson and the President of the W.H. and F.M.S.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders—J. A. Bain, (4 years); H. Kielty, (3 years); E. W. Tokley, (2 years); S. W. Blanchard, (1 year).

Moved and carried that the Conference Trustee Board be the Board on Parsonage Buildings and Location.

Fraternal Delegate to the Pilgrim Holiness Conference—J. H. Weaver. Alternate—J. S. A. Spearman.

Fraternal Delegate to the Free Methodist Conference—D. W. Summers. Alternate—H. Kielty.

Record Clerk—J. H. Weaver.

Conference Delegates to the Canadian Holiness Federation—S. W. Blanchard, J. A. Bain.

Educational Secretary—J. A. Bain.

An offering was taken for the Conference Secretary amounting to \$20.91 for which he expressed grateful thanks.

Rev. W. H. Gregory, Fraternal Delegate from the East Ontario Conference of the Free Methodist Church was introduced to Conference and brought words of greeting.

Committee on Religious Services made a change in the services so that the Fraternal Delegates from the Free Methodist Church and the Pilgrim Holiness Church could bring their Fraternal addresses Thursday afternoon. The change was accepted by vote of Conference.

Meeting was adjourned by vote of Conference,

Afternoon Meeting, Thursday, April 26th.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard. Devotional exercises conducted by Edward E. Wilson. He called the ministry around the altar and special prayer was made that their hands might be strengthened for the word of the Lord.

Roll Call.

Minutes read and approved.

The Fraternal Delegate of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, Rev. H. W. Hobbs brought his fraternal address. He based his remarks on 1 Tim. 1:8-19.

He spoke of Paul having a wonderful conception of his privilege in preaching the Gospel of Christ.

He instructed Timothy in the rugged way over which he had come.

He gave a charge to Timothy to war a good warfare and hold faith and a good conscience.

The message was enjoyed by all.

The Fraternal Delegate of the Free Methodist Church, Rev. W. H. Gregory brought his Fraternal address.

He said we were fellow-workers in the greatest vineyard in the world and had the greatest Gospel in the world.

Our attention was drawn to several things concerning Methodism.

Methodism has stood for that which is honorable and clean.

Methodism saved England from the fate of France and has saved the world from modernism.

Methodism stands for the destruction of Carnality and the illumination of the Holy Spirit.

His address was challenging.

Carried on motion that the Fraternal Delegates and Rev. E. A. Liddick be given honorary seats within the Conference Bar with the privilege of speaking on all questions.

Carried on motion that we take from the table the matter of a full time Conference President.

The meeting was thrown open for discussion after which there was a season of prayer concerning the matter of a travelling President.

Carried on motion that we have a travelling President.

Carried on motion that the matter of President's salary be referred to the Budget Committee.

Moved and carried that Mr. Charles Fricker be a member of the Budget Committee.

Adjourned by vote.

Morning Meeting, Friday, April 27th.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard. Devotions conducted by Rev. C. B. Mills.

Rev. J. R. Swauger continued with the subject of Wednesday and Thursday, from 1 Tim. 1:16.

The dangers of Fretfulness, Harshness, Restlessness and worry were considered.

The talk was wonderfully instructive, inspiring and helpful.

Roll Call.

Minutes read and approved.

Committee on Ministerial Character made an additional report which was accepted. (See Report No. 11).

Committee on Statistics read their report which was accepted. (See Report No. 17).

Motion was made and carried that the Secretary mail the pastors their Statistical Reports after the printing of the Minutes.

Committee on Audit made a report which was accepted by vote. (See Report No. 16).

A rising vote of thanks was given the Treasurer.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders read report. Items No. 1 and No. 2 were adopted by vote and the report accepted. (See Report No. 2).

The Sunday School Secretary read the report of the Sunday School Board which was adopted to the point of recommendations. (See Report No. 6).

Carried on motion that recommendation No. 1 of the Sunday School Board be adopted.

Carried on motion that recommendation No. 2 of the Sunday School Board be adopted.

Carried on motion that the Treasurer's report of the Sunday School Board be adopted. (See Report No. 6).

Communications from Rev. J. A. Bennett, J. A. Lynch, E. A. Stephens, H. V. Higginson and F. W. Higginson were read by the Secretary. The Secretary was instructed to reply to these communications.

Conference Board of Trustees read an additional report which was adopted. (See Report No. 14).

The following name was called and report read and adopted. S. W. Blanchard.

Carried on motion that Hibbert Vipond be permitted to leave Conference after the afternoon meeting and Rev. D. W. Summers be granted absence for the afternoon meeting.

Adjourned by vote.

Afternoon Meeting, Friday, April 27th.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard.

Devotional conducted by Rev. L. M. McCorriston.

Roll Call.

Minutes read and approved.

The Connectional Representative, Rev. J. R. Swauger brought his Connectional address at this time.

He based his remarks on Joshua 14:12, and introduced his subject by saying the speaker was Caleb, the mountain Horeb and the people worthy of note.

He stated that there was a challenge for us in the bold assertion of Caleb and God's power can take any mountain.

The address was divided under four heads as follows:

The Publishing Interests. Foreign Missions. The Department of the Sunday School. Home Missions.

After the address business was resumed.

Carried on motion the Trustee Board be the Committee on Boundaries.

Committee on Budget read report which was adopted. (See Report No. 4).

The Committee on Pastoral Relations gave second reading to its report. (See Report No. 3)

The following names were called and reports read and adopted. Mervyn E. Summers, J. S. A. Spearman, H. Kielty, L. M. McCorriston.

The Missionary Board made its report which was adopted item by item. (See Report No. 5)

Carried on motion that the President be allowed to hold meetings outside the Conference with the understanding that all monies received from such meeting will not apply on salary and all monies received in the Conference be sent to the Conference Treasurer.

Carried on motion to adjourn.

Morning Meeting, Saturday, April 28th.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. S. W. Blanchard.

Devotionals conducted by Rev. J. A. Bain.

Rev. J. R. Swauger gave his morning talk.

He used for his text Psalm 42:1, and had the unusual topic, "The technique for Dog-Fighting."

A wonderful picture was given of David's fine spirit under the pressure upon him. The figure of the text is, every Christian has a pack of hounds on his trail, ministers especially.

He said a deer can turn on a dog but the real refuge of the deer is flight or safety in the water or lake.

David did not fight with his circumstances but encouraged himself in the Lord and that's what we will have to do when hard pressed by the enemy.

Business resumed.

Roll Call.

Minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Boundaries made a report which was adopted by vote.

Carried on motion that any church engaging the President for special occasion pay his travelling expense at least.

An invitation was extended from the Cornwall Church to entertain Conference in 1946 and was accepted.

The Committee on Resolutions made report which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 8).

The Conference Record Clerk made his report which was accepted by vote. (See Report No. 12).

Carried on motion that the Conference endorse the use of the pastor's monthly report blank.

Carried on motion that each pastor keep an historical record of events on his charge during his ministry which will become the property of the church.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations gave final reading to its report and the report was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 3).

Rev. Earl Bull of the Free Methodist Church, Pictou, Ont., was introduced to Conference and brought words of greeting.

Carried on motion that Rev. Bull be given an honorary seat within the Conference Bar.

The Educational Secretary gave his report which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 15).

The Committee on Religious Services gave its final report which was adopted by vote.

Carried on motion that three hundred copies of the Minutes be printed, two hundred for Conference, fifty for the W.H. and F.M.S. and fifty for W.Y.P.S.

Carried on motion that we discuss the matter of broadcasting the Wesleyan Hour from a Station in Ontario.

Carried on motion that the matter of broadcasting the Wesleyan Hour be referred to the President and his Advisory Board with authority to act.

The Secretary of the W.Y.P.S. read a report of their work which was very encouraging.

Carried on motion that Mrs. Robert Coles be permitted to leave Conference after the morning meeting.

The Committee on Thanks read report which was accepted by vote with the understanding it be read in the morning service on Sunday, (See Report No. 13).

The Tithing Secretary's report was read by the Secretary of Conference and adopted. (See Report No. 9).

The Secretary of the W.H. and F.M.S. read a very gratifying report.

Carried on motion that the matter of the time of the next annual session be left in the hands of the President and his Advisory Board.

Minutes read and approved.

Carried on motion that we adjourn at the call of the chair.

Religious Services

Rev. S. W. Blanchard, our Conference President, preached the opening sermon of Conference, Tuesday evening, April 24th, from 1 Tim. 3:15. His Topic was, "The Church of the Living God." He stressed the following:

The Church of God is a live Church. It is a Life-giving Church. A church that has the nature and characteristics of Christ. A Church that produces the fruits of the Spirit in abundance. The Church of Christ is a unit and a burden-bearing church.

Wednesday, April 25th, 7:30 p.m. The message was delivered by the Rev. J. R. Swauger, Our Connectional Representative, from 2 Chron. 7:14. His topic was, "God's Formula for Revival." He stated, if you want a revival here is the formula. Emphasize was placed on the fact God is speaking and the miracle working Jehovah of the Old Testa-

ment is the miracle working Jesus of the New Testament. Four things we must do to have revival were portrayed clearly. We must humble ourselves, pray, seek the face of God and turn from our wicked ways. New light and help was received from this able presentation of the truth.

Thursday, April 26th, 7:30 p.m. The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. R. Swauger from Psalm 37:1. The words stressed were, "Fret Not." The message was heart-searching and he outlined it as follows: Fret not because of what God does or allows. Fret not because of what the preacher does. Fret not because of what your neighbours do.

Friday, April 27th, 7:30 p.m. This was a Missionary service under the auspices of the W.H. and F.M.S.

Saturday, April 28th, 7:30 p.m. The Saturday afternoon and evening services were under the auspices of the W.Y.P.S.

Sunday morning, April 20th, 10:30 a.m. The Sabbath morning service was an Ordination Service. There was great interest in the service at which C. B. Mills and M. E. Summers were ordained after the impressive and solemn manner of our Discipline. The Ordination Sermon was preached by our Connectional Representative, the Rev. J. R. Swauger from Matt. 5:13. The message was unusual in enlightenment and its masterly presentation will not soon be forgotten.

Sunday afternoon, April 29th, 2 p.m. This was a missionary meeting under the auspices of the W.H. and F.M.S.

Sunday evening April 29th, 7:30 p.m. Rev. E. W. Tokley brought the message from Luke 13:7. He used the following outline: God's desire. God's disappointment. God's decision. The message was very effective and a number came forward for prayer.

We thank God for His presence and help throughout the entire Conference Session and we go forward in that great hope that He will be with us unto the end.

R. L. LeRoy, Secretary.

NO. 1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

April 24th, 1945.

Members of the Canada Annual Conference

Now in session,
Brethren and Sisters in Christ,—

The good providence of God has spared us to come together again in a session of our Annual Conference. Down through the years of prosperity and through years of depression, through years of peace, and years of war, through sunshine and rain, the hand of our God has safely led us to this present hour. With gratitude and praise we acknowledge the goodness of the Lord in preventing the grim reaper invading the ranks of our ministry. Some of our good laity have gone to the better land and their labors are ended. We need new recruits to fill these gaps. Recruits upon whom may fall the mantles of those who have stood by the old land marks and were fathers and mothers in Israel.

We are here to make plans and seek the mind of the Lord for the carrying on of the work of our beloved Zion. Together with and beyond the regular routine conference business, however, this should be

a time of great spiritual refreshing, a veritable Pentecost. And if in this we are not disappointed, we shall witness a real epoch in the history of our conference and mark the beginning of a great forward movement.

This is a day of formality and deadness on the one hand and on the other a day of big programs in which the emphasis is on streamline advertising, entertaining and musical services, with a premium on display of eloquence and ability. God says, a form of godliness but denying the power thereof, from such turn away. And what shall we do? Shall we settle down into a stereotyped form or shall we lean in the direction of the so-called modern approach to religion with its ragtime swing; or shall we adhere to the line of primitive, sound, scriptural teaching of Bible truths and experiences of grace consistent with the teaching of the Word of God? May God grant we shall pursue the latter course.

This has in many respects been a good year. Never in the history of our conference, have we paid as much on our properties. Four mortgages have been burned. Also a new property was purchased at Hallville and dedicated free of any encumbrances. Sites for two new church buildings have been purchased, the deeds of which we hold, clear of any indebtedness. Opportunities are challenging us on every side and a growing conference is ours if we venture in His name.

Immediately following the last session of our Conference our Incorporation bill granting us a charter was passed by the Dominion Government. A certified copy of this bill was placed with the Record Clerk and is kept with other valuable documents in a safety box, available when required.

Official Acts

May 11th—Went to Belleville with the Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location to select a suitable site for a church.

May 23rd—Appeared before the Private Bills Committee of the House of Commons in connection with our Incorporation Act, which after their asking various questions, they passed unanimously.

May 31st—Went to North Bay in connection with the purchase of a lot upon which we purpose building a church.

June 18th—Attended the opening of the Hallville church and dedicated the same.

July 31st—Conferred with lawyers re legal titles for our properties under our Incorporation Act.

September 3rd—Attended the Canadian Holiness Federation Convention in Toronto as a delegated representative of our denomination.

September 10th—Conducted induction services of Rev. M. E. Summers as pastor of the Inkerman charge.

September 16th—Held a meeting of the Conference Board of Trustees in Ottawa relative to the matter of proceeding with plans to build a basement church in North Bay.

September 15th—held a Ministerial Institute in Ottawa to which we invited ministers of sister holiness denominations. This proved a time of blessing and fellowship worthy of repetition.

September 18th—In connection with our Anniversary services we

burned the mortgage on the Ottawa Church and rededicated it free of indebtedness.

October 8th—Attended the Anniversary Services of the Newington Church at which we burned the mortgage and rededicated this church free of debt.

November 2nd—Went to Belleville with the Board on Church & Parsonage Building and Location to reconsider the matter of a church site. A site was purchased consisting of two lots in what was considered by the Board, a good location.

January 18th—Placed Kemptville church under the care of Rev. M. E. Summers.

February 13th—Called all Conference Elders and Preachers to a council meeting in Ottawa to consult with them relative to plans specifications and procedure in building basement churches at North Bay and Belleville. Also to consider our Home Mission work and recommendations in connection with this important arm of our work. (See Report of this meeting).

The following morning was spent in prayer and praise and was an unusual time of blessing and inspiration.

March 14th—Attended a business meeting of the Toronto Church relative to the calling of a pastor.

March 16th—Appointed Rev. D. W. Summers, Rev. J. S. A. Spearman and W. H. Wilson as a nominating committee on Temporary Organization.

March 16th—Had an interview with Mr. McKenzie, Dominion Building Controller, regarding building restrictions on churches, etc.

March 17th—Went to Belleville for week-end services and consulting contractors relative to tenders of a church building.

April 4th—Went to North Bay and Powassan in connection with changes of pastors at these places and consulted a contractor in North Bay re a tender on a church building.

April 7th—Went to Toronto for the burning of the mortgage and dedication of our church there.

April 22nd—Went to Inkerman for the burning of the mortgage and dedication of our church at this place.

Recommendations

1. We recommend that the recommendations made to and adopted by the Preachers meeting in Ottawa be given careful consideration.

2. We recommend that a Ministerial Institute be arranged again to meet this fall at a convenient date for all concerned.

3. We recommend that an exchange of pulpits among our pastors be arranged at frequent intervals.

4. We recommend that an appropriation be included in the budget to provide for travelling expenses of the President with which he will be enabled to visit the weaker charges more frequently; thus encouraging the pastor and people without a financial burden for such visits.

Financial Statement

Expenditures

Postage	\$ 7.21	
Travel	64.15	
Miscellaneous	5.00	
Telephone and Telegrams	9.77	
		\$ 86.13

Receipts

Conference Treasurer	\$ 13.00	
Churches	47.00	
		\$ 60.00
Deficit		\$ 26.13

REPORT NO. 2

Report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders beg leave to submit the following report:

We recommend that Mervyn Summers having completed the course of study and fulfilled the necessary requirements be ordained at this conference.

We recommend that C. B. Mills having completed his course of study and fulfilled the requirements that he receive Ordination.

We recommend that Lylal Summers being recommended to this conference by his Quarterly Conference at Winchester be received to Travel and study under the direction of Conference.

We recommend that the following be examiners on the course of Study. First year, Rev. Kielty; Second year, S. W. Blanchard; Third year, J. A. Bain; Fourth year, Rev. E. W. Tokley.

Signed Committee—S. W. Blanchard, E. W. Tokley, Rev. Kielty, Jas. A. Bain, Hibbert Vipond, B. E. Elliott.

REPORT NO. 3.

Report of Committee on Pastoral Relations

The Committee on Pastoral Relations submit the following report:

1. How many Elders on the Conference Roll? Seventeen.
2. How many Conference Preachers? One.
3. How many Deaconesses One.
4. Who are the Elders on the Stationed List? S. W. Blanchard, J. A. Bain, D. W. Summers, J. H. Weaver, J. S. A. Spearman. R. L. LeRoy, E. W. Tokley, H. Kielty, M. E. Summers, C. B. Mills.
5. Who are the Conference Preachers on the Stationed List? S. L. Summers.

Who is the Deaconess? Miss A. Dorman.

7. How is the work supplied? Conference President—S. W. Blanchard; Ottawa, Ont.—E. W. Tokley; Cornwall, Ont.—J. A. Bain; Winchester, Ont.—D. W. Summers; Inkerman, Ont.—W. J. Major; Toronto, Ont.—R. L. LeRoy; Belleville, Ont.—J. S. A. Spearman; Newington, Ont.—J. H. Weaver; North Bay, Ont.—S. L. Summers;

Powassan, Ont.—L. M. McCorriston; Hallville and Kemptville, Ont.—M. E. Summers; Shawville, Que.—H. Kielty; Waltham, Que.—C. B. Mills; Thorne Mission, Que.—Care of Shawville, Que.; Supernumery—H. V. Higginson, F. W. Higginson, E. A. Stephens; Unstationed—J. A. Lynch, J. A. Bennett.

Committee—S. W. Blanchard, D. W. Summers, J. H. Weaver, E. W. Tokley, H. Wilson, L. Robinson.

REPORT NO. 4

Report of the Committee on Budget

	Memb.	H.M.	F.M.	Ed.	Super.	Con. Sal.
Cornwall	\$ 64.00	\$128.00	\$128.00	\$ 64.00	\$ 32.00	\$128.00
Ottawa	81.00	162.00	162.00	81.00	41.00	162.00
Winchester	107.00	214.00	214.00	107.00	54.00	214.00
Newington	31.00	62.00	62.00	31.00	16.00	62.00
Kemptville and Hallville	10.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	5.00	20.0
Inkerman	25.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	13.00	50.00
Shawville	62.00	124.00	124.00	62.00	31.00	124.00
Waltham	25.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	13.00	50.00
Belleville	23.00	46.00	46.00	23.00	12.00	46.00
Powassan	22.00	44.00	44.00	22.00	11.00	44.00
North Bay	16.00	32.00	32.00	16.00	8.00	32.00
Toronto	62.00	124.00	124.00	62.00	31.00	124.00

Committee—Rev. S. W. Blanchard, Rev. J. Weaver, Rev. D. W. Summers, Bro. C. H. Ricker, Bro. H. Vipond.

REPORT NO. 5

Report of The Missionary Board

We the members of the Missionary Board submit the following report:

1. We recommend that the matter of building the new churches at North Bay and Belleville be referred to the Trustee Board with power to act.

2. We recommend that the deficit of the Conference President's expenses for the past year be paid at once from the Conference treasury.

3. We recommend that the balance on hand of the funds collected for the expense of Incorporation be transferred to the Home Mission Fund.

4. We recommend that North Bay receive \$25.00 per month. We recommend that Belleville receive \$25.00 per month. We recommend that Kemptville and Hallville receive \$25.00 per month. We recommend that Powassan receive \$25.00 per month.

5. We recommend that the President's Salary be \$2000.00 per year.

Committee—S. W. Blanchard, J. A. Bain, E. W. Tokley, J. H. Weaver, E. E. Wilson.

REPORT NO. 6

Report of Sunday School Secretary

It is with a sense of grateful praise to the Triune God that we report a constantly increasing interest in the Sunday Schools of our Conference. I believe that our pastors, departmental Sunday School Superintendents and officers are beginning to realize as never before

the importance of the Sunday School. There is no branch of our Church activities that is more deserving of the earnest heartfelt interest of every pastor and Christian worker than the Sunday School. When we consider that this one institution furnishes 82% of the Church people of the nation and 97% of its ministry, and that thirty-seven and a half millions of followers and two and a half million teachers are enrolled therein, you will agree with me, I am sure, that we cannot over-emphasize the importance of the Sunday School as well as the inestimable value of Sunday School work. To keep pace in the moral and religious life with the progress of material advancement will necessitate the united efforts of pastor and Sunday School Superintendents, Officers and Teachers, yea, every member of both Church and Sunday School. With a combined all-out effort, we can, and will, put our Canadian Wesleyan Methodist Sunday Schools on the map for time and eternity.

Throughout the year we have sought to keep promotional literature and suggestive circular letters in the hands of all our Superintendents. We have also kept each superintendent supplied with Sunday School Statistical report blanks.

At both Ottawa and Winchester a Class was organized to pursue the Teachers Training Course.

August 18, 19, 20, we held a joint Sunday School and Young People's Convention at Winchester. This Convention was indeed an incentive to all Christian workers.

On the day of November 13th, 1944, the Sunday School Board met in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Ottawa, to formulate plans for a separate Sunday School Convention, resulting in a Convention being planned for June 1, 2, 3, at Ottawa, Ont., with our Connectional Sunday School Secretary and Editor, Rev. O. G. Wilson as speaker; Mrs. F. G. Huson, Scene-O-Felt Artist, and the Home Sweet Home Girls' Trio, special singers.

We are calling upon all pastors, departmental Superintendents and teachers to make this new venture a time of blessing. Our objective is to make our Sunday Schools more alive, more progressive, more wide awake to meet the present day demands of our boys and girls.

Recommendations

1. We recommend, that a special Sunday School offering on the Sunday previous to Easter Sunday be given the Conference Sunday School Secretary to be used for the promotion of Conference Sunday School work.

2. We recommend that each pastor send his annual Sunday School report to the Conference Sunday School Secretary not later than the fifteenth day of April.

Financial Report

Special Offering received at Aug. Sunday School Convention	\$ 13.13
Enrollment for Teacher Training Course	8.50
Special Offering to be use for printing of June Conven. Bills	37.44
Total Receipts	\$ 59.07
Expenditures —Postage, Money Orders, Sunday School promotional literature, etc.	\$ 10.20
Bank Balance	\$ 48.87

At our contemplated Convention and throughout the Conference year, we anticipate your prayers and fullest co-operation.

Conference Sunday School Board—J. S. A. Spearman, Secretary-Treasurer; H. Kielty.

REPORT NO. 7

Report of Committee on Audit

We, the Committee of Audit, beg leave to submit the following partial report. We have audited the:—

1. President's financial statement, and recommend that the deficit be referred to the Missionary Board.
2. The Conference Sunday School Treasurer's book, and have found them correct.
3. Have audited the Conference Treasurer's books and found them correct.

Committee—H. Kielty, C. B. Mills, J. S. A. Spearman.

REPORT NO. 8

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

We beg leave to submit the following resolutions:—

1. That a ministerial institute be held this fall at a place to be designated by the President and his Advisory Board.
2. That the officers of the Churches, Missionary Societies and Sunday Schools of the Quarterly Conference be urged to use more care and precision in keeping their record of finances.

Committee—C. B. Mills, L. M. McCorriston.

REPORT NO. 9

Tithing Secretary's Report.

The number of members tithing on each charge is:—

Belleville 20; Cornwall 30; Inkerman 13; Kemptville 0; Newington 18; North Bay 8; Ottawa 0; Powassan 13; Shawville 39; Toronto 40; Waltham 5; Winchester 38. Total 224.

E. A. Stephens, Secretary.

REPORT NO. 10

Report of Committee on Temporary Organizations

Committee on Courtesy—M. E. Summers, Mrs. Readman.

Committee on Credentials—C. B. Mills, J. S. A. Spearman.

Committee on Ministerial Character—J. A. Bain, W. J. Major, D. H. Wilson.

Committee on Thanks—H. Kielty.

Committee on Budget—S. W. Blanchard, J. H. Weaver, D. W. Summers, H. Vipond.

Committee on Resolutions—C. B. Mills, L. M. McCorriston.

Committee on Pastoral Relations—S. W. Blanchard, E. W. Tokley, J. H. Weaver, D. W. Summers, L. Robinson, D. H. Wilson, B. E. Elliott.

Committee on Statistics—H. Kielty, J. S. A. Spearman

Conference Reporter—Mrs. W. J. Major.

Committee—D. W. Summers, D. H. Wilson, J. S. A. Spearman.

REPORT NO. 11

Report of the Committee on Ministerial Character

We, the Character Committee, met and have examined the following character blanks and find them in proper form and recommend the passage of their ministerial character.

Report No. 1 of Committee—J. A. Bain, D. W. Summers, E. W. Tokley, J. H. Weaver, R. L. LeRoy, C. B. Mills, M. E. Summers, W. J. Major.

Report No. 2 of Committee—S. W. Blanchard, J. S. A. Spearman, H. Kiely, L. M. McCorriston.

Committee—J. A. Bain, C. B. Mills, W. J. Major

REPORT NO. 12

Report of Conference Record Clerk

1. Dominion Incorporation Bill.
2. Quebec Incorporation Bill.
3. Deed of the North Bay Church.
4. Deed of the North Bay lots.
5. Deed of the Newington Church.
6. Deed of Belleville lots.

J. H. Weaver.

REPORT NO. 13

We, the Canada Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, in this our forty-eighth session, have been caused to humbly kneel before our God in wonder, love, and praise, at the gracious manifestations of His presence, for the unusual way in which He has unravelled our problems, and the uniting of all our hearts to pursue His plan for needy souls with a greater zeal.

As we have sought His help together and watched His Hand working out His purpose, our hearts have often repeated the words of the hymn writer:—

"How good is the God we adore,
Our faithful unchangeable Friend,
Whose love is great as His power,
And neither knows measure nor end.
'Tis Jesus, the first and the last,
Whose spirit shall guide us safe home,
We praise Him for all that is past,
And trust Him for all that's to come."

To the Rev. J. R. Swauger, our Home Missions Secretary, and Connectional Representative, is due hearty thanks, for his unique chairmanship, his endearing personality, his logical foresight, his liberal spirit, and his instructive Bible message. Also, to the Rev. A. Liddick our missionary to India for his enlightening words on India's needs. Our prayers follow him as he leaves for his adopted land. His work and labors shall have a greater interest in our hearts.

To our Fraternal Delegates, the Rev. H. W. Hobbs, of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, and the Rev. W. H. Gregory, of the Free Methodist Church for their Christian fellowship, and cordial greetings of good-will.

To our Conference President, the Rev. S. W. Blanchard, whose labors, advice, encouragement, and devotion to his tasks have been an inspiration to us all. We pledge him our fullest support, and our fervent prayers, that grace, wisdom, and health may be richly bestowed

upon him in his new work which has been so unexpectedly thrust upon him.

We feel a very hearty and sincere appreciation is due to the Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Summers, who so freely and willingly undertook to entertain our Conference again this year. Also to the members and friends of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, at Winchester, Ont., who have cared in such a magnificent way for our physical and temporal needs.

As we, the men and women of God, go to take our stations, from this, which we believe is, an historic Conference, we feel a depth of gratitude to God, and to all who have helped to make it such; but we go forth with clarified vision, renewed spirits, a deeper appreciation of each other, to push the standards of Wesleyanism into new territories.

Committee on Thanks—H. Kielty.

REPORT NO. 14

Report of the Conference Board of Trustees

In the month of September a lot was purchased in North Bay on Fraser St. for the building of a church for the price of \$800.00.

November 9th, Two Lots were purchased in the city of Belleville on Everett Street for the price of \$400.00 for the building of a church.

We recommend that the Shawville Church be authorized to sell 25 ft. of the back end of their church lot to Mr. W. A. Hodgins.

We recommend that all church properties be properly deeded in our Incorporated name (The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America in Canada) and this be done immediately. We further recommend that all deeds be placed in the Safety Box with the Record Clerk.

We recommend that the Kemptville and Hallville appointments constitute the Kemptville charge.

Signed—E. W. Tokey, Jacob Weaver, James A. Bain, Edward E. Wilson, George W. Summers.

REPORT NO. 15

Report of the Educational Secretary.

At the last session of Conference we were appointed Educational Secretary and Conference representative on the Local Board of Managers for Houghton College.

In the month of January we attended the meeting of the Local Board of Managers at Houghton, N.Y. We are glad to report that in spite of war conditions, and the cutting down of our enrollment on account of so many of our young men being called for the army, yet our school year closed with a small gain in place of a loss. I am glad that our Conference is taking a deeper interest in raising their Educational Budget. There has been more Educational Money raised than any previous year. \$444.00 has been raised.

We would recommend that we have the privilege of holding an Educational meeting on each charge during this conference year.

Jas. A. Bain, Secretary.

REPORT NO. 16
CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Disbursements

To Winchester, Conf. Entertainment, 1944	\$ 44.26
To Rev. Mills, Trip to Prescott	2.00
To Rev. J. Mills, Trip to Prescott	2.00
Phone call to Castleton, Ont. ....	.98
W. J. Brownlee, Conf. loan and Int.	107.50
C. Robinson, Conf. loan	155.00
Belleville, Church lots	400.00
Belleville, Oil tax	8.00
Comm. on Church & Parsonage bldg. & loc. Ex	32.43
Balance on Dominion Incorporation	432.50
Flowers	5.00
North Bay Church lots	800.00
Rev. F. R. Eddy, Gen. Conf. Pres. Salary	5.08
Rev. LeRoy, Ex. to Free Meth. Conf.	10.00
Rev. Kielty, Ex. to Pilgrim Holiness Conf.	16.90
Conference Seal Stamp	4.32
T. A. Robinson, Insurance on Kempville Church	4.65
Rev. A. Spearman, Conf. S. S. Sec. Ex. (N.B.)	3.00
Mrs. E. Wilson, Conf. W.Y.P.S. Pres., Ex. (N.B.)	10.00
Incidental expenses	7.13
North Bay Church	300.00
Belleville Church	300.00
Newington Church	120.00
Conf. Pres. deficit of last year, 1944	25.00
CSonf. Pres. Trip to North Bay	13.00
Conf. Secretary's expense	11.73
Foreign Missions	2020.56
Education	310.60
Conn. S. S. Work	18.69
Conf. Minutes	79.76
Mrs. Helen Stuckey, quarter dues	84.08
Rev. Wendell Campbell, for Help Orph.	15.00
Total	5349.17
Cash on hand	4070.79

\$9419.96

Receipts

For Conference Entertainment	\$ 25.25
Home Missions	2416.79
Foreign Missions	3370.14
Education	578.74
New Projects	1045.13
Superannuation	805.31
Dominion Incorporation	945.01
Orphanage	55.00
Half Dues	131.82
Conn. S. S. Work	58.35
Conference Loan	155.00
Conference Minutes	27.10
Miscellaneous	6.31
Total	\$9419.96

J. H. Weaver, Treasurer.

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Item 1 Pastor's Labors.

Item 2—Periodicals

	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Wesleyan Missionaries taken	Young People's Journal taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior Scholar's Quarterly	Inter. Scholar's Quarterly	Junior Scholar's Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart	Pupil's Lesson Stories with Hand Work	Bible Lesson Stories, with Hand Work	Flannel Art
Toronto	12	1	1	48	35	12	50	45	20	14	35	35	40	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Winchester	9	1	1	35	26	34	125	25	—	8	80	25	—	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ottawa	12	1	1	36	24	22	60	24	12	10	55	12	20	17	10	—	12	1	—	—	—
Cornwall	12	2	1	13	13	19	50	15	15	7	25	14	15	15	—	—	15	1	—	—	—
Shawville	12	3	2	17	10	10	32	32	14	6	26	21	3	11	4	—	12	—	—	—	—
Inkerman	11	3	2	14	8	1	15	—	8	6	18	—	—	1	—	—	8	—	8	—	—
Newington	12	1	1	6	9	13	25	15	6	6	6	—	15	8	8	5	—	—	—	—	—
Waltham	12	1	1	4	4	4	10	10	12	4	9	6	7	12	—	—	12	—	—	—	—
North Bay	12	1	1	5	7	2	28	14	10	7	8	13	8	8	—	—	—	—	10	—	—
Belleville	12	1	1	23	7	8	6	5	5	3	6	5	4	5	—	—	5	—	—	—	—
Kemptville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Powassan	12	1	1	3	2	1	6	—	6	3	8	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	128	16	13	204	145	126	407	185	108	74	276	126	126	107	37	5	64	2	8	10	5

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Item 3

Membership.

	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Total Membership Lost	Number Reported Last Year	Present Number	Loss (or)	Gain	Number Members Under 14 Years of Age	Baptized	Unstated Elders	Local Preachers	Number of Family Altars	Membership Tithing
Toronto	2	1	2	4	—	7	67	62	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	40
Winchester	3	—	—	8	—	8	112	107	5	—	—	—	—	—	32	38
Ottawa	6	—	—	2	—	2	77	81	—	4	2	7	—	—	—	—
Cornwall	—	—	—	—	—	—	64	64	—	—	3	6	—	—	10	30
Shawville	2	—	—	—	—	—	60	62	—	2	—	—	—	1	20	49
Inkerman	—	—	—	—	1	1	49	48	1	—	—	4	1	—	12	13
Newington	—	—	5	—	—	5	36	31	5	—	—	—	—	—	11	18
Waltham	4	—	—	—	—	—	21	25	—	4	1	—	—	—	5	5
North Bay	1	—	—	—	—	—	15	16	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	8
Belleville	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	23	—	—	—	1	—	—	11	20
Powassan	1	—	2	—	1	3	24	22	2	—	—	—	—	—	6	13
Totals	19	1	9	14	2	26	548	541	18	11	6	23	2	1	107	224

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Item 4.

Sunday Schools.

	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. of Officers	Whole No. of Teachers	Whole No. of Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	No. of Scholars Converted	No. of Scholars Joining Church.	No. of Departmental Supts.	No. in Teacher's Training Course.	No. of Organized Classes	No. of Books in Library	Enrollment Vacation Bible School	Average Attendance Vacation Bible School.	No. Wesleyan Young People's Societies	Total Membership of Societies.
Toronto	1	3	14	120	137	103	—	8	145	—	—	1	—	—	—	54	36	—	—
Winchester	1	5	9	107	121	106	20	17	158	1	—	4	9	9	80	—	—	1	27
Ottawa	1	3	9	95	107	66	10	13	130	—	—	3	14	—	175	—	—	1	39
Cornwall	2	3	5	75	83	50	—	10	93	—	—	4	—	2	35	—	—	1	25
Shawville	2	5	7	56	68	39	4	13	85	10	2	4	—	—	150	—	—	1	13
Inkerman	2	6	5	30	41	34	—	9	50	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	15
Newington	1	2	5	40	53	30	2	6	61	1	—	2	—	—	70	—	—	1	17
Waltham	1	5	4	28	37	23	—	1	38	—	3	—	—	4	—	—	—	1	11
North Bay	1	3	5	36	44	35	—	—	44	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—
Belleville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	14
Powassan	1	5	3	26	34	18	—	—	34	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	13	46	66	613	725	504	36	77	838	13	5	19	23	20	510	54	36	8	166

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Item 5.

Church Property.

	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Toronto	1	15000	—	15000	1	5000	4500	3000	—
Winchester	2	8000	—	5700	1	2500	—	2700	—
Ottawa	1	8000	—	4000	1	6000	3100	5000	—
Cornwall	2	10000	700	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shawville	3	4300	—	2000	1	2000	—	2000	326
Inkerman	3	9800	—	3900	—	—	—	—	—
Newington	1	3500	—	2500	—	—	—	—	50
Waltham	1	2100	—	1000	1	1200	—	1000	123
North Bay	1	1000	—	500	1	1000	—	500	300
Belleville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Powassan	1	1100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	16	62800	700	34600	6	17700	7610	14200	799

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Item 6.

Contributed for Pastor

	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Toronto	1656	360	5	—	2021
Winchester	1315	180	15	690	2200
Ottawa	1820	—	15	70	1905
Cornwall	1595	—	43	112	1750
Shawville	1428	150	5	167	1750
Inkerman	595	23	—	76	694
Newington	1100	—	9	71	1180
Waltham	464	96	—	30	590
North Bay	780	300	2	85	1167
Belleville	842	—	—	182	1024
Powassan	315	—	16	127	458
Totals	11910	1109	110	1610	14739

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Item 7.

Contributed for Church.

	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Toronto	455	389	—	—	1901	1048	3883
Winchester	480	359	—	1601	—	300	2740
Ottawa	210	316	—	408	2035	1276	4245
Cornwall	204	225	—	16	400	567	1412
Shawville	299	134	—	90	—	320	843
Inkerman	115	96	—	362	585	107	1265
Newington	—	97	4	146	275	160	682
Waltham	54	30	—	—	62	62	208
North Bay	150	82	—	50	145	350	777
Belleville	130	—	—	—	—	398	528
Powassan	—	48	92	20	—	—	160
Totals	2097	1776	96	2693	5493	4588	16743

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Item 8.

Contributed for Connectional Budget.

	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised
Toronto	134	731	101	101	67	67
Winchester	224	334	168	186	112	119
Ottawa	154	185	118	147	77	77
Cornwall	116	121	67	71	58	60
Shawville	120	128	90	102	60	60
Inkerman	82	54	62	39	41	25
Newington	72	53	54	63	36	7
Waltham	42	51	32	35	21	
North Bay	30	38	23	34	15	15
Belleville	46	29	35	35	23	
Powassan	48	42	36	38	24	14
Totals	1068	1246	786	851	584	444

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Contributed to Connectional Budget (cont.)

	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Connectional S. S. Work Assigned	Connectional S. S. Work Raised	Total Connectional Budget Assigned	Total Connectional Budget Raised
Toronto	5	5	6	6	313	910
Winchester	5	5	8	11	517	655
Ottawa	5	5	7	6	361	420
Cornwall	5	5	4	4	250	261
Shawville	5	5	4	4	279	299
Inkerman	5	5	2	2	191	120
Newington	5	5	3	3	170	131
Waltham	5	5	2	2	102	93
North Bay	5	5	2	2	75	87
Belleville	5	5	2	2	109	69
Powassan	5	5	2	2	110	76
Totals	50	40	40	40	2478	3121

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Item 8.

Contributed for Conference Budget Conference Work Raised

Cornwall	6
Waltham	5
North Bay	3
Totals	14

Item 8.

Contributed for Conference Budget (cont.)

	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Assigned	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Raised	W.H. & F.M.S. Half Dues	New Projects	Conf. Entertainment	Total Conf. Budget Assigned	Total Conf. Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Toronto	34	54	20	—	—	34	74	347	984
Winchester	56	66	—	60	—	56	126	573	781
Ottawa	39	54	18	298	—	39	370	400	790
Cornwall	32	44	9	59	7	32	125	282	386
Shawville	30	44	4	20	8	30	76	308	375
Inkerman	21	13	6	44	—	21	63	213	183
Newington	18	14	7	59	5	18	85	188	216
Waltham	12	10	—	25	5	12	45	114	138
North Bay	8	8	—	24	—	8	35	83	122
Belleville	12	22	8	5	—	12	35	121	104
Powassan	12	10	6	—	—	12	16	122	92
Totals	274	339	78	594	25	274	1050	2752	4271

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Item 9.

Contributed for Benevolences

	Home Missions	Conference Work	W.Y.P.S.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Toronto	—	—	9	64	73
Winchester	—	3	—	150	153
Ottawa	—	—	126	191	317
Cornwall	—	—	—	86	86
Shawville	—	—	—	—	15
Inkerman	15	19	11	—	30
Newington	5	—	20	—	25
Waltham	—	—	20	3	23
North Bay	—	—	9	30	39
Belleville	—	—	22	90	112
Powassan	—	—	4	18	22
Totals	20	22	221	632	895

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Item 10.

Contributed Totals.

	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Toronto	2021	3883	984	73	6961
Winchester	2200	2740	781	153	5874
Ottawa	1905	4245	790	317	7257
Cornwall	1750	1412	386	86	3634
Shawville	1750	843	375	15	2983
Inkerman	694	1265	183	30	2172
Newington	1180	682	216	25	2103
Waltham	590	208	138	23	959
North Bay	1167	777	122	39	2105
Belleville	1024	528	104	112	1768
Powassan	458	160	92	22	732
Totals	14739	16743	4271	895	36548

Ottawa, Ont., February 13th, 1945.

Conference Members,
Canada Annual Conference,
Dear Fellow-ministers,—

We are now met together as ministers of our beloved Zion, for the purpose of studying, among other things, our Home Mission program. The importance of Home Missions, Versus Foreign Missions has frequently formed the topic of interesting and instructive debates. No one will question the importance of Foreign Missions, and yet the most casual observer can readily see that without Home Missions, we could not support Foreign Missions. We are hopeful that this study of our Home Mission problems will increase our appreciation of our conference becoming more Home Missionary minded.

A survey of our conference will show the financial status of our churches as being very encouraging. Most of our properties are clear of any indebtedness and the balance will be greatly reduced this year. Our laity, for which we should be thankful, are loyal and faithful to their responsibility. Nevertheless as we take a retrospective view of the growth of the church, we are convinced that it has been indeed rather slow. This spring we hold our 48th Annual session of Conference Forty eight years and only 11 charges with 15 churches. We should have ten times that many. We do not state this to spread gloom or create an atmosphere of pessimism, but merely to emphasize the need of definite concentrated action. Merely to drift from year to year; from conference session to conference session, with no definite goal in view, is not characteristic of an aggressive church. We believe we have a good church, second to none; orthodox in doctrine; and spiritual. Our church polity is practical and workable. The name of our church is self explanatory, speaking of that for which we stand and we are proud of our name. Then why not move out and on, extending our borders and planting our flag in new fields.

Merely as suggestive aids to our discussion of this vital arm of our work we humbly offer the following recommendations,—

1. We recommend that at the earliest possible date, we put the conference president into the field with a view to being a greater help to the weaker fields, opening new fields and a more efficient oversight of the work in general.

2. We recommend that we set a time limit on all mission charges receiving financial aid from the Home Mission Fund. And that after the expiration of the time limit, if the charge is still not self-supporting, a careful and rigid survey be made in an effort to ascertain why and if possible remedy or correct the defect.

3. We recommend that we consider the opening of at least one new field each year for the next five years.

4. We recommend that a vigorous Home Mission Campaign be made and the matter kept continually before our people. If possible a group of singers together with a speaker travel the conference in the interests of Home Missions.

5. We recommend that we study maps and select prospective towns or cities in which we might open work, such places to be further investigated and a complete report be made to conference.

Yours for the Extension of our Church,

S. W. Blanchard.

MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY
SOCIETY OF THE CANADA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
HELD AT WINCHESTER, ONTARIO,
APRIL 25th, 1945

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Canada Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church convened for its twenty-fifth annual session at Winchester, Ontario, April 25th, 1945.

Devotions were conducted by the President, Mrs. E. E. Wilson. Hymn, "The Mercy Seat." Prayer by Mrs. Gordon.

Owing to the absence of Mrs. R. L. LeRoy, Conference Secretary, it was carried on motion that Mrs. W. J. Major act as Secretary for the Conference session.

Carried on motion that the first four seats constitute the Conference Bar.

Carried on motion that Mrs. E. Spearman be Committee on Credentials.

Roll Call was answered by fifteen present. Offering \$2.70.

Carried on motion that Miss N. Dunbar be Committee on Courtesy.

A nominating committee was elected consisting of: Mrs. E. E. Wilson, Mrs. D. W. Summers, Mrs. A. Freeman, Mrs. H. Kielty and Mrs. W. J. Major.

Carried on motion that the President of the W. H. and F. M. Society, and the President of the Society on whose charge the Conference is being held be a Committee on Religious Services.

Carried on motion that Mrs. A. Freeman be our Reporter.

Carried on motion that Mrs. D. W. Summers and Mrs. E. Spearman be the Committee on Resolutions.

Carried on motion that Sister Kielty be our Committee on Thanks.

The statistical reports from Inkerman, Waltham, Toronto, North Bay, Newington, Cornwall, Winchester, Belleville, Shawville, Powassan and Ottawa were read and adopted.

It was carried on motion that we have our election of officers on Thursday afternoon following the Treasurer's report.

A special song by Mrs. Thom, "Jesus I my Cross Have Taken" was very much enjoyed.

We had a missionary demonstration with the Flannel Board, by our President which was very interesting.

Meeting was adjourned on motion. Mrs. T. Robinson dismissed us by prayer.

Meeting, April 26th.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Devotions were conducted by Mrs. D. W. Summers. Hymn, "Look and Live." Scripture Phillipians, chapter 4. Roll call and minutes read and adopted. Offering \$4.03.

The Treasurer's Report read by Mrs. A. Freeman was adopted.

The report of the nominating committee was read.

The Tellers appointed for election of officers were: Miss N. Dunbar and Miss M. Anderson.

The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. E. E. Wilson.

Vice-President—Mrs. S. W. Blanchard.

Secretary—Mrs. W. J. Major.

Treasurer—Miss F. Flegg.

Organizer—Mrs. D. W. Summers.

Y.M.W.B. Supt.—Mrs. H. E. Hamilton.

Carried on motion that our minutes be printed as last year, with the Conference minutes.

Rev. J. R. Swauger was introduced to the Conference and brought us an interesting message on Home Missions and the Card Call Plan. We enjoyed his talk and feel we should pray more for these needy Home fields.

The meeting closed in prayer by Mrs. Munnings.

Meeting, April 27th.

Meeting called to Order by the President. Devotions by Mrs. E. Spearman, hymn "Ready." Prayer by Sister A. Freeman. The scripture was read. Roll call, and minutes read and approved. Offering \$3.70.

Rev. A. Liddick was introduced to Conference and gave us an interesting talk on the advantages the missionaries have in working in India and also the hindrances. He told of the three stages of the work there. He also asked us to pray for C. M. Justin, our new Indian Conference President.

Mrs. Thom gave us a demonstration with the Flannel Board of the hymn: "Jesus Saves" and also the story of Mrs. Bell (book "Adrift").

Committee on Thanks by Mrs. Kielty, was read and adopted.

Committee on Resolutions, by Mrs. D. W. Summers, was read and adopted.

Mrs. Wilson again reminded us about getting our reports in as soon after March the 31st as possible and to also make out our reports in round figures.

Mrs. Wilson, our President, read and explained a part of the "Plan of Work." Also that one each of our receipts be attached to the statistical report when sent to Miss Flegg.

It was carried on motion that the President, Mrs. Wilson go to any charge to which she may be called for a special missionary service.

It was decided to take five dollars of our funds and send flowers and a book to Mrs. S. W. Blanchard, our Vice-President, while in hospital. To also send a card and greetings to Mrs. E. W. Tokley, and letters to Mrs. R. L. LeRoy and Miss F. Flegg.

Meeting closed by singing, "Blest be the tie."

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1944-1945.

Receipts

Cash on hand	\$ 74.48
Offering at Conference	8.45
Offering at Conference—Home	14.41
Offering at Conference—Foreign	19.40
Interest .....	.88
Received for Home Missions	199.50
Received Foreign Missions	485.26
Received for Education	15.00
Received for Orphanage	40.00
Received for Half Dues	95.50
Card Call Plan	5.00
General Fund	6.00
Exchange45
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	\$ 964.33

Disbursements

To Home Missions	\$ 213.91
To Foreign Missions	474.66
To Minutes	13.55
To Orphanage	40.00
To Education	15.00
To Half Dues (to Mrs. Stuckey	47.75
To Exchange .....	.61
To Flowers	6.00
To Credentials .....	.50
Phone Calls	2.10
Stamps	1.00
Rev. Alton Shea	12.50
Receipt Book and Encl.92
Balance	1358.83
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	\$ 964.33

Annual Conference Directory

Name of Conference Society—Canada.

Name and Address of President—Mrs. E. E. Wilson, 220 Second St.,
W., Cornwall, Ont.

Name and Address of Secretary—Mrs. W. J. Major, Inkerman, Ontario.

Name and Address of Treasurer—Miss F. Flegg, 373 Waverley St.,
Ottawa, Ont.

Number of Local Societies—11.

Total Membership—174. Active—162. Honorary—12.

Number of "Wesleyan Missionary" taken—122.

Treasurer's report of cash and receipts—\$964.33.

Names of Local Societies with the Names and Addresses of their
Presidents—

Inkerman—Mrs. W. J. Major, Inkerman, Ont.

Waltham—Miss M. Fletcher, Waltham, Que.

Newington—Mrs. W. Monck, Newington, Ont.

Ottawa—Mrs. S. W. Blanchard, 58 Grosvenor Ave., Ottawa.

Powassan—Mrs. L. M. McCorriston, Powassan, Ont.

Winchester—Mrs. D. W. Summers, Winchester, Ont.

North Bay—Mrs. I. Kingdon, 203 Whitney Ave., Ferris, Ont.
Cornwall—Mrs. E. E. Wilson, 220 Second St. W., Cornwall, Ont.
Shawville—Mrs. H. Kielty, Shawville, Quebec.
Belleville—Mrs. J. S. A. Spearman, 13 Green St., Belleville, Ont.
Toronto—Mrs. R. L. LeRoy, 54 Oak Park Ave., Toronto, Ont.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

We the Committee on Resolutions submit the following report:—

It is with thankfulness to God that we are permitted to attend the twenty-fifth annual session of the W.H. & F.M.S.

Resolved—That we render to God our humble gratitude for His manifest Presence in the Conference, and for His gracious help in the year that has passed, together with His wonderful provision for our future success with Him.

That we gratefully acknowledge the services of our President and executive officers during the past year. As well as the co-operation of the Conference and Connectional officials who have done much to promote our work.

That we express to Rev. J. R. Swauger and Rev. A. Liddick our Connectional and missionary representatives, our sincere appreciation for their presence at our Conference.

That we thank God for our spiritual missionaries on all our fields both Home and Foreign, and pledge ourselves to earnest daily and intercessory prayer as the most important phase of our missionary work, not forgetting to uphold our suffering sisters throughout the world at this time of distress and war.

We should urge upon our local societies the necessity of a more practical application of vital Christian living. We refer this Canada Conference of the W.H. & F.M.S. to the resolutions of the General Conference Committee in the August 1943 issue of the Wesleyan Missionary stressing item three. That these resolutions shall be read to each society at their next meeting and possibly again during the year.

We also would urge that every secretary see that the Statistical Reports are properly filled out and sent in as soon as possible after the last day of March so that our treasurer (Miss Florabel Flegg) receives it not later than April 15th, and please report all monies in round figures.

Prayerfully submitted,

Committee—Mrs. L. M. Summers, Eleanor Spearman,

Report of Thanks

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father, that we, the members of the W.H. & F.M.S. of the Canada Conference are met in this our twenty-fifth Annual Session. His Divine hand has guided us through the year with a measure of success in our labors for Him to Whom we render our heartfelt praise.

To our Host and Hostess, the Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Summers, the kind and generous courtesies of the Winchester people who have made our Conference Session so congenial and uplifting.

To the Rev. J. R. Swauger, our Home Missions Secretary, and Rev. A. Liddick, Missionary to India, for their enlightening and encouraging messages.

To our President, Mrs. E. E. Wilson, whose untiring labors have meant so much to our Sessions, and to all who have had a part in making this Missionary Conference so successful, we say, 'Thank You.'

Committee on Thanks—Sue Kielty.

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Receipts													Total
	Active Members	Honorary Members				Regular Meetings	Special Meetings	Missionary Meetings			Offering	Other Source	
			Gain	Loss					Cash	Dues			
Inkerman	11	1	2	0	7	—	8	.02	12.00	57.66	20.00	—	89.68
Waltham	10	1	—	—	10	1	2	2.46	9.00	32.14	—	—	43.60
Newington	13	—	—	—	9	—	6	1.87	13.00	72.06	—	—	86.93
Ottawa	36	1	2	—	10	—	24	12.27	36.00	84.61	40.00	19.00	191.88
Powassan	12	—	—	—	12	—	2	2.31	12.00	37.13	—	—	51.44
Winchester	16	—	—	6	11	—	26	2.42	16.00	62.22	—	—	80.64
North Bay	11	—	—	—	12	1	—	43.89	11.00	42.46	—	—	97.35
Cornwall	16	2	—	1	—	—	12	6.55	18.00	53.89	—	2.00	80.44
Shawville	8	—	—	2	10	—	10	5.54	8.00	43.30	—	—	56.84
Belleville	9	7	5	—	12	2	7	.28	16.00	45.60	17.95	—	79.83
Toronto	20	—	—	5	11	—	25	3.55	20.00	241.76	.46	—	265.77
Total	162	120	9	14	104	4	122	81.16	171.00	772.76	78.41	21.00	1124.40

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Disbursements	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Half Dues	Other Objects	Orphanage	Clothing	General Treasurer	Education	Cash	Total
Inkerman	19.00	44.00	6.00	20.00	—	—	—	—	.68	89.68
Waltham	12.50	18.00	4.50	3.60	5.00	—	—	—	—	43.60
Newington	40.00	29.50	6.50	1.92	5.00	—	—	—	4.01	86.93
Ottawa	25.00	37.00	18.00	33.21	5.00	40.00	—	19.00	14.67	191.88
Powassan	6.00	12.00	6.00	21.00	—	—	—	6.00	.44	51.44
Winchester	11.00	2.00	8.00	36.95	5.00	—	6.00	5.00	6.69	80.64
North Bay	26.00	24.60	5.50	10.60	—	—	—	—	30.65	97.35
Cornwall .....	.50	43.66	9.00	14.92	5.00	—	—	2.00	5.36	80.44
Shawville	15.50	24.50	4.00	4.72	5.00	—	—	2.00	1.12	56.84
Belleville	35.00	17.00	8.00	14.53	5.00	—	—	—	.30	79.83
Toronto	10.00	240.00	10.00	.30	5.00	—	—	—	.47	265.77
Total	200.50	492.76	85.50	161.75	45.00	40.00	6.00	34.00	64.19	1124.40

Annual Report of the W.H. & F.M.S. of Canada Conference

Name of Society—Canada.

Name and Address of President—Mrs. E. E. Wilson, 220 Second St. W., Cornwall, Ont.

Name and Address of Secretary—Mrs. R. L. LeRoy, 43 Worthington St. W., North Bay, Ont.

Number of Members (1) Active—162. (2) Honorary—12. Loss—5.

Number of Meetings Held (a) Regular—104. (b) Special—4.

Do you use Missionary Programs?—Yes.

Number of "Wesleyan Missionary" taken—122.

Receipts

Cash on hand from last year	\$ 81.16
Membership Dues	171.00
Offerings	772.76
Clothing and other gifts to Home Work	78.41
Education	21.00
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	\$1124.40

Disbursements

Home—Cash	\$ 200.50
Home—Clothing and other gifts	40.00
Hephzibah Orphanage—Cash	45.00
Foreign—Cash	492.76
Education—Cash	34.00
Membership Dues	85.50
Other Objects	161.75
General Treasury	6.00
Cash on hand	64.19

Y.M.W.B. Report

Name of Band—Canada.

Name and Address of Superintendent—Mrs. H. E. Hamilton, Shawville, Quebec.

Number of Members—151.

Number of Meetings held—46.

Foreign Missions \$ 430.85 |Home Missions 21.00 |Education 14.00 |

\$ 465.85

Religious Services

Friday evening, April 27th. The service was under the auspices of the W.H. & F.M.S. with the President presiding. A quartette composed of Rev'ds Blanchard and Mills and Messrs. E. E. Wilson and R. Deeks gave us two messages in song.

Rev. A. Liddick brought us a very inspiring address on the work of the Wesleyan Methodist Church among a part of the 400,000,000 people in India. An offering was taken which amounted to sixty dollars. Rev. Liddick was given his fare which amounted to \$15.00.

Sunday afternoon, April 29th. The service was under the auspices of the W.H. & F.M. Society. This service was well attended. The ladies quartette from Ottawa sang. As Rev. A. Liddick was called away to prepare immediately for India, Rev. J. R. Swauger brought the message. He spoke of sacrificial giving for the support of foreign missions. Pledges were taken for Home and Foreign Missions.

We thank God for His presence with us during our Conference, and pray this year may be a year of victory through His name.

MINUTES OF THE W.Y.P.S. CONFERENCE AT WINCHESTER, ONT.
APRIL 28th, 1945.

Conference Officers

Honorary President—Rev. S. W. Blanchard.
President—Edward E. Wilson.
Vice-President—Rev. J. S. A. Spearman.
Secretary—Nellie E. Dunbar.
Treasurer—Mrs. Kenneth Smith.
Wesleyan Youth Solicitor—Mrs. L. J. McGuff.

Names and Addresses of Officers, Presidents, Delegates

E. E. Wilson, Cornwall; Rev. J. S. A. Spearman, Belleville; Nellie E. Dungan, Newington; Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Ottawa; Marion Fletcher, Waltham; Rev. H. Kielty, Shawville; Raymond Summers, Winchester; Mrs. L. J. McGuff, Inkerman; Lyle Summers, Ottawa; Leita Prindle, Belleville; Delegates—Gladys Coughlar, Cornwall; Alice Markel, Cornwall; Barclay Smith, Ottawa; Gladys Blanchard, Ottawa Beulah Summers, Winchester; Earl Gallagher, Winchester; Dolly Monck, Newington; Mildred Monck, Newington; Lloyd Spearman, Inkerman; Stella Spearman, Inkerman; Mrs. Iva Dale, Shawville; Margaret Horner, Shawville; Marie Wessels, Belleville; Dorothy Vandrey, Waltham.

Daily Proceedings

The Young People's Society of the Canada Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, convened for its Ninth Annual Session at Winchester, Ont., April 28th, 1945.

Devotionals were conducted by Rev. Mervyn Summers, the opening hymn being "Heavenly Sunlight". The Scripture lesson was found in Ephesians 2:1-10. We were led in prayer by Rev. J. S. A. Spearman and Raymond Summers.

Conference was called to order by our President, E. E. Wilson.

Carried on motion that the first four seats constitute the conference bar. The two delegates and Presidents from each society took their places within the bar.

The committee on Credentials, Alice Markell, read report. The Roll was called with 23 responding.

The Committee on Courtesy, Lyle Summers, introduced to Conference Rev. Earl Bull, President of the Eastern Ontario Y.P.M.S. of the Free Methodist Church, who brought greetings from their Society.

Carried on motion that Rev. Bull be given an honorary seat within the Conference bar, and be allowed to speak on all questions.

The President, E. E. Wilson, gave a splendid report of his work during the past year, which was adopted by vote.

The President's Recommendation concerning a Y.P.S. News Bulletin was considered and discussed. Rev. Bull explained the method of printing the News Bulletin of the Free Methodist Y.P.M.S.

Carried on motion that we have a News Bulletin, printed at least once a quarter, in the interests of Y.P.S. work.

Carried on motion that Rev. H. Kielty be the Editor of the paper. The Auditing Committee gave their report which was adopted by vote.

The Treasurer read her report which was adopted by vote.

The Statistical report was read by the Secretary, and adopted by vote.

The delagate from the Cornwall Society read report, which was adopted by vote.

Carried on motion that we adopt the remainder of the report at one time.

The delegates from the following Societies read reports, Ottawa, Winchester, Inkerman, Waltham, Newington, Belleville, Shawville; the above reports were adopted by vote.

Carried on motion that the Secretary prepare a Statistical report for next Conference.

Rev. J. S. A. Spearman, the delegate to the Free Methodist Y.P.M.S. Convention, held at Toronto in April, brought a most interesting report, and spoke of the wonderful spirit of Christian fellowship among the Free Methodist people. The report was adopted by vote.

Margaret Horner, Marie Wessels and Stella Spearman were appointed tellers for the Election of Officers.

The Nominating Committee read report which was received by vote.

The Elections of Officers was as follows:—

Honorary President—Rev. S. W. Blanchard.

President—Edward E. Wilson.

Vice-President—Rev. J. S. A. Spearman. - *Ryle Summers*

Secretary—Nellie E. Dunbar.

Treasurer—Mrs. Kenneth Smith. - *Mervin Summers*

Wesleyan Youth Solicitor—Mrs. L. J. McGuff. *Roscoe Seeks*

Carried on motion that Gladys Blanchard be the Committee on Thanks. *Audrey Summers*

Carried on motion that Alice Mankell and Rev. J. S. A. Spearman, be the Auditing Committee. *Arthur Summers*

Carried on motion that Rev. S. W. Blanchard, Rev. J. R. Swauger, Rev. D. W. Summers be the Committee for judging and awarding the Y.P.S. Banner. *Rev. Rees*
Rev Mack

Carried on motion that Margaret Horner be our Conference Reporter. *Willa Bartley*

Carried on motion that the Y.P.S. pay their share of printing 50 copies of the Conference Minutes.

Raymond Summers, on behalf of the Winchester Society, extended a cordial invitation to the Conference, to hold our Annual Convention on the Winchester Campgrounds, August 17, 18, 19, which was graciously accepted.

Carried on motion that we have a one-day fall Convention.

Margaret Horner, on behalf of the Shawville Society, extended a cordial invitation to the Conference to hold our fall Rally at Shawville, Quebec.

Carried on motion that we accept this gracious invitation.

Carried on motion that Rev. J. S. A. Spearman be our delegate to the Free Methodist Conference.

Carried on motion that Rev. H. Kielty be the Alternate delegate to the Free Methodist Conference.

Carried on motion that we have a Conference Y.P.S. Assessment, of \$1.00 per member, to include the 50c for Connectional Dues and also 50c for Conference work.

Carried on motion that we ask each pastor to take an offering

in their Church, for the purpose of promoting the work with the Armed Services.

Rev. Earl Bull, spoke briefly concerning their young people's work. We do appreciate the fellowship of the young people of our sister church.

A rising vote of thanks was given Rev. Bull.

An offering was taken amounting to \$6.79.

A motion to adjourn was made.

The minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

The motion to adjourn was carried.

The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. Earl Bull.

The Saturday evening service of the Annual Conference, was in charge of the Young People's Society, with our President E. E. Wilson in charge.

The song service was conducted by Bro. Wilson, and Rev. S. W. Blanchard led in prayer.

The Committee on Thanks read their report.

It was our privilege to have with us Rev. Earl Bull (President of Eastern Ontario Y.P.M.S.) of the Free Methodist Church, who gave his testimony, telling of God's faithfulness in meeting the needs of his heart while very young; he also expressed his keen interest in young people's work.

Miss Edna Loveless of Ottawa sang "Lead on O King Eternal."

The Banner Awarding Committee gave their report. All the Societies were recommended for their good reports, and the Ottawa Society having the highest number of points received the Banner.

An offering was taken amounting to \$21.36.

Rev. S. W. Blanchard presented the need of finances for the promotion of the work with the Armed Services, and urged each pastor to take up a Special Offering as soon as possible, for this work of the Y.P.S.

Miss Wilda Barclay of Winchester sang "When Mine Eyes Beheld the King."

We were privileged to have as our Guest Speaker, Rev. J. R. Swauger, our Home Missionary Secretary, He read as his Scripture lesson Deuteronomy 8:7-9. The congregation sang prayerfully "Let the Beauty of Jesus be seen in me", and Bro. Swauger led in prayer. He brought a challenging message from Deuteronomy 8: 7a, 9, "For the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land", "A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack anything in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass."

He stated that "Canaan is a type of the sanctified." "Every Christian needs the iron that is to be obtained from the stones in Canaan". If we hold steady God will reveal Himself to a dying world". A challenge was given our young people to get sanctified. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. A. Bain, and three young people knelt at the altar for prayer.

Nellie Dunbar, Secretary.

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	Members	Meetings	Offering	Education	Home	Total
Inkerman	5	—	7.00	—	—	7.00
Waltham	10	12	13.00	—	—	13.00
Newington	12	—	13.15	2.00	2.00	17.15
Ottawa	41	6	42.15	9.00	—	51.15
Powassan	—	—	—	—	—	—
Winchester	50	11	272.00	3.00	—	275.00
North Bay	8	12	4.00	—	—	4.00
Cornwall	25	5	31.00	—	19.00	50.00
Shawville	—	—	36.55	—	—	36.55
Belleville	—	—	12.00	—	—	12.00
Toronto	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	151	46	430.85	14.00	21.00	465.85

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	Active Members	Associate Members	No. of Active Men.	Tithing No. of Wesl. Youth taken	Education	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Local Work	Armed Services	Pioneer Fund	Conference Minutes	Connectional Dues	Connectional Offerings	Other Objects	Cash on hand	Totals
Cornwall	25	7	13	19	3.00	9.00	9.00	22.39	8.98	58.75	3.75	14.50	13.00	—	11.74	154.11
Ottawa	39	—	39	25	35.18	—	96.00	42.83	28.38	137.50	4.95	18.32	15.00	—	29.62	407.78
Winchester	16	11	15	34	10.50	—	20.00	23.16	14.76	77.00	2.25	7.50	—	28.85	55.55	239.57
Inkerman	10	4	5	1	5.00	—	—	17.25	5.00	—	1.10	5.55	—	—	5.75	40.06
Waltham	7	4	3	4	—	—	—	8.00	.75	20.00	—	4.50	8.70	—	.04	41.99
Newington	10	7	9	13	3.00	3.00	7.25	8.07	12.80	68.50	1.20	5.00	7.25	—	2.*9	118.76
Belleville	11	3	11	8	—	—	12.00	85.40	2.50	6.00	1.80	6.00	10.00	—	—	170.00
Shawville	18	—	13	10	—	—	5.00	5.87	6.00	20.00	2.70	9.00	13.50	46.30	.44	62.51
Toronto	—	—	—	15	—	—	—	3.50	7.50	5.00	—	—	—	—	4.52	20.52
North Bay	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	9.00	23.50	—	—	—	—	—	32.50
Totals	136	6	108	121	56.68	12.00	149.25	216.47	95.67	416.25	18.15	70.37	67.45	75.15	110.36	1287.80
Number of Wesleyan youth taken for Armed Services	20															
Number of Wesleyan youth taken by those outside our Societies	14															
Total Wesleyan youth in Conference	165															
Number of boys and girls in the Armed Services	101															
Total Money raised by the Societies	\$1287.80															
Money received during our two Y.P.S. Conventions	278.58															
Balance from last year and Offering at last Conference	63.08															
Money paid direct to Conference Treasurer for Armed Services	47.71															
Total money raised by W.Y.P.S.	\$1677.17															

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Receipts

Balance on hand, 1943 & 44	\$ 47.78	
Offering from Conference last year	15.30	
Received for Connectional Dues	68.92	
Received for Publishing Minutes	18.15	
Received for Armed Service Work	143.38	
Received for New Projects	374.30	
Received for W.Y.P.S. & S.S. Convention	238.20	
Received at Inkerman Rally	40.38	
Received for Home & Foreign Missions	124.25	
Received for Education	46.18	
Interest on Money in Bank .....	.70	
		<u>\$1117.54</u>

Disbursements

President's Expenses—		
Stationery for writing boys in the Services	\$ 65.46	
Stenographer and Typewriter Expenses	51.63	
Stamps for mailing	29.87	
Travelling Expenses for President	41.10	
Printing	4.50	
Miscellaneous	1.63	194.19
Paid Expenses for W.Y.P.S. and S.S. Convention:—		
Rev. Sheets Special Speaker	94.35	
Major Thompson	10.00	
Advertising and Food, etc.	81.46	185.81
Paid for Inkerman Rally:—		
Special Speaker Rev. Cooper	28.00	
Paid for food, etc.	11.00	39.00
Paid Rev. J. H. Weaver Conference Treasurer:—		
Educational Dues	46.18	
Home Missions	12.00	
Foreign Missions	112.25	
Pioneer Project	374.30	
Exchange on cheques .....	.55	545.28
Paid Flora Printers for Printing		4.59
Paid for Sunday School Committee		19.00
Paid Dr. F. R. Eddy for Connectional Dues (132 Members)		73.93
Paid Dr. F. R. Eddy for Youth Subscription for boys in the Services		9.09
Paid Rev. A. Spearman Expenses to Free M. Conv.		5.90
Secretary and Treasurer's Expenses		10.82
Paid Rev. Shea Expenses to Conference		7.76
Paid Rev. Bence share of Expense to Houghton Con.		5.58
Paid for Publishing Minutes		13.58
		<u>\$1114.53</u>