MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF AMERICA

and Its Auxiliary Organizations
The Woman's Missionary Society
Wesleyan Youth

Held at Belvidere, Illinois
August 3 through August 5, 1967

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

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned officers, duly elected by the Illinois Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, an Illinois corporation, do hereby certify that in our opinion the printed copy of the Minutes of said Annual Conference held at Belvidere, Illinois, august 3 - 5, 1967, to which this statement is bound, is a true and correct copy of the minutes of said session.

In testimony of this certification witness our hands and the corporate seal this______day of ______, 19_____.

Arthur L. Bray, President Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America

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Meredith J. Baille, Secretary Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America

Illinois Conference

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Conference Fiscal Year closes July 15, 1968. Local Church Fiscal Year closes June 30. All budgets should be paid monthly or in advance. Final remittances to the Conference Treasurer must be postmarked not later than July 5, 1968.

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General and Conference budgets, Sunday School and Camp Meeting pledges to Mr. Theodore Riegling, 2309 S. 14th Ave. Broadview, Illinois, 60153

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Conference and Camp Meeting Dates for 1968

annual Conference and W.N.S. Conference convene at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 1968. W.Y. Conference convenes at 9:30 p.m., Friday, August 9, 1968. Camp Meeting begins Sunday, August 4, and continues through Sunday, August 11, 1968.

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of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America

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STANDING COMMITTEES

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Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President; Rev. Stanley Hill, Rev. Robert Klatt, Mr. William Tice, Mr. Richard Mould, Trustees; Rev. Forrest Gearhart, Rev. Roy Crawford, Dr. Frank Crane, Mr. Clinton Butcher.

Conference Trustees

Rev. A. L. Bray (1969), Rev. R. W. Klatt (1968), Mr. W. F. Tice (1969), Rev. S. A. Hill (1970), Mr. R. T. Mould (1970).

Committee on Social Action

Rev. David D. Crail, Chairman; Rev. L. F. Nygard, Mr. James Ocheltree, Mrs. Marilyn Hamlett, Rev. William Killian.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders

Rev. S. A. Hill (1968), Rev. A. L. Bray (1969), Rev. O. L. Johnson (1970), Rev. R. M. Gibbs (1971).

Judiciary Committee

Rev. R. W. Klatt, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. A. P. Jones.

Conference Retirement Plan Committee

Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President, Chairman; Rev. R. W. Klatt (1968), Rev. C. E. Olander (1969), Mr. Orville Senger (1970), Mr. V. Davis (1970).

Conference Education Committee

Rev. D. L. Castro, Educational Secretary; Rev. M. J. Bailie, 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. O. L. Johnson (1968), Mr. Irwin Halverson (1968), Rev. R. W. Klatt (1969), Mr. Stan Hahn (1969).

Nominations (of Conference Session Committees) Committee on the Orders of the Day

Committee on Vacancies

Hev. C. E. Olander, Chairman; nev. H. M. Gibbs, Rev. L. F. Nygard, Mr. R. T. Mould, Mr. Lloyd Wallace.

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. M. J. Bailie, Conference Wesleyan Youth President; Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. O. L. Johnson, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. D. L. Castro, Mr. James Medows, Mr. Lloyd Wallace.

Committee on Orders of the Day

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

Statistical Committee

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

- I. <u>Conference President</u>. 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 first ministerial nominee to the Board of Trustees of Marion College.
- II. <u>Trustees</u>. 1) <u>Authorization</u>. 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 Wethodist 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 the Board.
- 2) <u>Duties</u>. Resolved, (a) Fhat 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 the Committee on Finance; (c) That the Conference Board of Church Extension act as the Conference Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location.

- IV. <u>Annual Conference</u>. 1) <u>Date</u>. Resolved, that the annual conference session begin on the first Fhursday <u>after</u> 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) <u>sudget Items</u>. desolved, that all Freasurers shall mark receipts "Sudget" or "Not Budget."
- 4) <u>Committee on Statistics</u>. mesolved, that a Standing Committee on Statistics be elected, consisting of the Conference Statistical Secretary, the Conference Treasurer, or Assistant Treasurer, two other ministerial and one lay member.
- 5) Statistical Report desolved, 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 complete 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) <u>Audit</u>. Resolved, that a competent auditor shall be appointed each year by the Committee on Finance to audit the books of the Conference.
- 7) <u>Sunday Schools</u>. 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 Retirement Plan Committee. Resolved, that the Conference Retirement Plan Committee be composed of five 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) <u>Leave</u>. He solved, that no member shall leave Conference session without permission of the President; that no ministerial member shall without special persmission 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) <u>Conference Officers</u>. 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 rresident 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 consitituency, who shall each be mailed a copy.
- 14) N.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) <u>Committee on Credentials</u>. 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) <u>Method of Voting</u>. 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) <u>Conference Sermon</u>. Resolved, that the Committee on Itineracy and Orders appoint the preacher and alternate preacher to deliver the Conference Sermon each year.
- 19) <u>Unfinished Business</u>. Hesolved, that any unfinished business of an annual Conference Session be left in the hands of the Board of Managers with power to act.
- V. <u>Camp Meeting</u>. 1) <u>Authorization</u>. 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 Camp Meeting Committee shall have power to engage Morkers bound the

gage workers beyond the present year.

3) <u>Camp Meeting Fund</u>. 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.

- 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) <u>Pastors' Support During Conference</u>. 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. Hesolved, 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. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. 1) <u>Conference Paper</u>. 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.

Eighteenth Annual Session

of the Illinois Conference

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Voting	Members	Seated:
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Austin (Chicago):		Oak Lawn:	
nev. Roy E. Crawford Mr. John Wells 219 N. Long Chicago 44, Ill.	(1-8)* (1-8)	Rev. Robert L. Zuhl Mr. James Medows 7926 S. Neenah Oak Lawn, Ill.	(1-8) (1-8)
Broadview:		Oak Park:	
Rev. Robert W. Klatt Mr. Irv Halverson 314 N. Iroquois Rd. Hillside, Ill. Creve Coeur:	(1-8) (2-6)	dev. Stanley A. Hill dev. Irwin Heist dev. Francis Davis Mr. Orville Senger 528 N. Marion Oak Park, Ill.	(1-8) (6) (6) (1-8)
Rev. arlyn Jones	(6)	•	
Mr. Al Kinsman	(2-7)	Princeton:	
320 Velde Creve Coeur, Ill.		Rev. Carl E. Olander Mr. Charles Krager Wyanet, Ill.	(1-8) (1-6)
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Rev. David D. Crail Mr. Clinton Butcher 1931 Buffalo Grove Rd. Arlington Heights, Ill.	(1-8) (1-8)	Rev. Orland L. Johnson Mr. William Tice 2614 City View Dr. Rockford, Ill.	(1-8) (2-8)
Galesburg:		Rockford Faith:	
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dev. Arthur L. Bray dev. Joseph Larakers Mrs. Jean Browne 2103 W. Iowa Chicago, Ill.	(1-3,6-8) (2-8) (1-8)	311 E. Seminary Ave. Wheaton, Ill. Mr. Stan Hahn Box 925, Wheaton, Ill.	(1-8)
Moline:	•	Wyanet:	
Rev. Roy H. Gibbs	(1-8)	dev. Carl E. Olander	/1 0\
Rev. Arthur P. Mimnaugh	(2-8)	Mr. Lloyd Wallace 118 S. Arch St. Wyanet, Ill.	(1-8) (1-8)
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*Meetings attended are indicated between parentheses.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

First Meeting, 1:30 P.M., Thursday, August 3, 1967

- 1. Opening: The eighteenth 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, August 3, 1967, by Rev. Arthur L. Bray, President of the Conference. Members of the Annual Conference and the W.M.S. Conference, who joined in 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. Forrest J. Gearhart, pastor of the Wheaton Church and Vice President of the Conference.
- 2. <u>Communion Service</u>: President Bray was assisted in the communion ritual by Elders Robert W. Klatt, Roy M. Gibbs and Thomas Bailie. Elder Harry Johnson, pastor of our Milwaukee church (Wisconsin Conference), who was visiting, also assisted. The Holy Spirit put the seal of His presence on the service as both Elders and laymen gathered about the altar to partake of the Holy Sacrament.
- 3. Conference Sermon: The Conference sermon was brought by Rev. Leigh F. Nygard, pastor of the Rockford Faith Wesleyan Methodist Church. He spoke ably on the subject, "Ships of Grace."
- 4. Opening of the Conference 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: Sixteen Elders were present for the first meeting. (See Record of Attendance).
- 6. <u>Bar of Conference</u>: The first eight rows of the center section of the tabernacle were declared the bar of conference, and elders were seated within the bar.
- 7. Partial Report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders: A partial report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was given by Rev. R. M. Gibbs, chairman. The report declared that Rev. Joseph Larakers was eligible to be seated as a voting member of the conference. Other conference preachers were to be seated as honorary members with the right to speak but not to vote. The report was approved by prevailing motion. (See neport No. 1)
- 8. Committee on Creditials: The report listing accredited lay delegates to 1967 session of the Illinois Conference was given by the secretary. This was approved by motion. Twelve lay delegates were present and were seated within the bar of conference. (See Record of Attendance)
- 9. Report of the Orders of the Day: Copies of the report of the Orders of the Day were distributed and read. The report was approved by vote. (See Report No. 2) A motion prevailed to allow President to be excused from Conference for the fourth and fifth meetings on Friday afternoon and evening after the election of the first four conference officers in order to attend the Michigan Ordination service at Hastings, Michigan, in which his son, Donald, is to be ordained, and that the Orders of the Day be adjusted so that this might be accomplished.
- 10. Report of the Nominating Committee: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, read the report of the nominating committee on Conference session committees which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 3)
- 11. Partial Report of the Official Acts of the Conference President: Conference President Bray reported that he had taken the following official actions; 1) Received Elder Glen L. Dyer of the Nebraska Conference as an Elder in the Conference, 2) Issued a letter of transfer to the California Conference for Elder Samuel T. Long, 3) Received John Charles Mealy as a Conference Preacher to travel under the

- direction of the Conference and to assist at the Oak Lawn Church, 4) accepted withdrawal of George W. Hood as an Elder in the Conferenc. (See item number 62) 5) Issued a letter of good standing for Elder John Friske to the Church of the Nazarene. 6) Received Marion College Theological student Bonald Dickinson of Princeton to study under the direction of the Conference. These actions were individually approved by vote. (See Report No. 4)
- 12. <u>Honorary Delegates</u>: A motion prevailed that Mrs. Dora Gibbs, wife of the pastor of our pioneer church in Moline, be seated as an honorary delegate.
- 13. Conference Preachers: On behalf of the Wheaton Church, Rev. F. J. Gearhart recommended Randolph Williams to study and to travel under the direction of the Conference. This was approved by vote. On behalf of the Oak Lawn Church, Rev. R. L. Zuhl recommended Kenneth Stone to study under the direction of the conference. This was approved by vote.
- 14. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Closing prayer was offered by Dr. Frank Crane.

Second Meeting, Thursday, 7:00 p.m., August 3, 1967

- 15. Opening: The meeting was called to order by President Bray.
- 16. <u>Devotions</u>: The conference joined in singing, "A Charge to Keep I Have." Dr. Frank Crane, recently returned from a year of study in England, shared with the conference some of the highlights of his travels, particularly as they touched on the life and ministry of the Wesley family.
- 17. <u>Aeport of the Courtesy Committee</u>: The Courtesy Committee presented Dr. Harold K. Sheets, Denominational Representative, Rev. Claude O. Scott, General Evangelist, and Rev. Harry Johnson, pastor of our Milwaukee Church in the Wisconsin Conference.
- 18. Report of the Conference President: At the request of the Conference President, Dr. H. K. Sheets, General Superintendent, took the chair for the business of hearing reports. President Bray presented his annual report to the conference, indicating that there has been steady and substantical progress in our churches during the past year. The report was approved by a standing vote of thanks to our President for his strong and capable leadership. (See Report No. 4)
- 19. Official Acts of the President: President Bray presented his report of his official acts as Conference President, which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 4) A motion prevailed to approve a pledge of \$\pi 100.00\$ he had made on behalf of the conference to the National Holiness Association for the observance of their 100th anniversary year. (See Report No. 4, item 16)
- 20. Report of the Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension): Fresident Bray presented the report of the Board of Managers, which was adopted by vote. He also presented an analysis of the Church Extension Fund. A motion prevailed to approve the report and the manner of handling the Church Extension Fund. (See Report No. 5)
- 21. Report of the Camp Meeting Committee: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Secretary of the Camp Meeting Committee, presented its report, including an analysis of the Camp Meeting Fund. This report was approved by vote. (See Report No. 6)
- 22. Report of the Board of Trustees: Mr. William F. Tice, Secretary of the Board of Trustees presented a partial report. A statement of assets and liabilities will be appended. (See Report No. 7)
- 23. Report of the Sunday School Board: Rev. R. L. Zuhl, Chairman, presented the report of the Sunday School Board which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 8)

- 24. Board of Denominational Retirement Plan: The report of the Board of Denominational Retirement Plan was given by Rev. C. E. Olander, Chairman. The report was adopted by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 9)
- 25. Report of the Courtesy Committee: Conference President, A. L. Bray assumed the chair as the Courtesy Committee presented Rev. & Mrs. Edward Wheeler, Dean of the Moody School of Aviation. Rev. Wheeler gave a report of his activities as an Elder in the Conference.
- 26. Report of the Educational Committee and Secretary: The chair was returned to General Superintendent H. K. Sheets and Rev. D. L. Castro, Educational Secretary, presented the report of the Educational Committee and Secretary which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 10)
- 27. Report of the Statistical Committee: Rev. D. D. Crail and Rev. D. L. Castro presented the report of the Statistical Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 11)
- 28. Report of the Conference Treasurer: Assistant Treasurer, Rev. Roy E. Crawford, presented the report of the Conference Treasurer. A motion prevailed to receive this report. (See Report No. 12)
- 29. Report of the Auditors: Rev. A. L. Bray read the auditors report. Conference President Bray stated that the conference treasurer's report was identical to the report of the auditor. A motion prevailed to approve this report.
- 30. Appreciation: A motion was adopted expressing the deep appreciation of the Illinois Conference for the labors of retiring Conference Treasurer, John Friske.
- 31. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Mr. William F. Tice offered the closing prayer.

Third Meeting, Friday, 9:30 a.m., August 4, 1967

- 32. Opening: The meeting was called to order by General Superintendent H. K. Sheets in the absence of Rev. A. L. Bray who was involved in committee work.
- 33. <u>Devotions</u>: The conference joined in singing, "He Wills That I Should Holy Be." Rev. R. W. Klatt presented a devotional challenge from Acts 2:17 and 18.
- 34. Roll Call: The Secretary called the roll with 18 ministers and 14 lay delegates answering to their name. (See Record of Attendance.)
- 35. Reading of the Minutes: The Secretary read the minutes of the first and second meetings, which were approved by vote.
- 36. Report of the Sunday School Secretary: Rev. R. L. Zuhl, Conference Sunday School Secretary, presented his report which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 13)
- 37. Report of the Marion College Trustee: President A. L. Bray presented the report of the Trustees of the College which was approved by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 14) A motion prevailed that the Educational Secretary duplicate this report and that it be placed in the Wesleyan Youth Camp brochure and also distributed to the pastors in proportion to the number of high school students in their church.
- 38. Report of the CYC Director: Mr. John Wells presented his report giving a summary of the week day activity groups now functioning within the Conference. (See Report No. 15)
- 39. Report of the Tithing Secretary: Rev. L. F. Nygard presented his report as Tithing Secretary. A motion prevailed to approve the report

- with the provision that the date of Tithing Sunday be given further consideration by the Tithing Secretary. (See Report No. 16, and Item number 75.)
- 40. Amendment to the Orders of the Day: A motion prevailed to amend the Orders of the day to begin election of Conference officers at once.
- 41. Election of Officers: Dr. H. K. Sheets, our Denominational Representative presided for the business of the electing of the main conference officers. Those elected were as follows: President, Rev. A. L. Bray; Vice President, Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart; Secretary, Rev. Meredith J. Bailie; Treasurer, Mr. Pheodore J. Riegling. Elected as Ministerial member on the Conference Board of Trustees, Rev. Stanley Hill (1970); Lay Member, Mr. R. T. Mould (1970). Elected to the Conference Board of Managers, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Dr. Frank Crane and Mr. Clinton Butcher.
- 42. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by limitation of time. Closing prayer was offered by Rev. M. J. Bailie.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, 1:30 p.m., Lugust 4, 1967

- 43. Opening: The meeting was called to order by Vice Fresident Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart in the absence of President Bray who was excused from Conference session in order to attend the ordination of his son, Donald.
- 44. <u>Devotions</u>: The conference joined in singing, "Take My Life and Let It Be." hev. Orland Johnson, pastor of the Rockford First Church spoke on the subject, "The Working Power of God."
- 45. Election of Delegates to General Conference: Dr. H. K. Sheets was assigned the chair. Dr. Sheets explained the assignment of the delegates to the Wesleyan Methodist General Conference and to the merging General Conference which will merge the Wesleyan Methodist and Pilgrim Holiness denominations. Those elected were as follows: First Ministerial Delegate, Rev. A. L. Bray; First Lay Delegate, Mr. William F. Tice; Second Ministerial Delegate, Rev. F. J. Gearhart; Second Lay Delegate, Mr. Clinton Butcher; Third Ministerial Delegate, Rev. R. L. Zuhl; Third Lay Delegate, Dr. Frank Crane; Alternate Ministerial Delegate, Rev. R. E. Crawford; Alternate Lay Delegate, Mr. John Wells.
- 46. <u>Message of Congratulations</u>: A motion prevailed to send a message of congratulations to Donald L. Bray on the day of his ordination.
- 47. Election of Other Officers: Other officers were elected as follows: Assistant Treasurer, Rev. R. E. Crawford; Educational Secretary, Rev. D. L. Castro; Sunday School Secretary, Rev. R. L. Zuhl; Tithing Secretary, Rev. L. F. Nygard; Statistical Secretary, Rev. D. D. Crail.
- 48. Recess: The meeting was recessed for fifteen minutes.
- 49. Further Election of Officers: Election of other officers continued as follows: Committee on Social Action, Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman, Mev. L. F. Nygard, Mr. James Ocheltree, Mrs. Marilyn Hamlett; Committee on Itineracy and Orders, Rev. R. M. Gibbs, (term expires 1971); Judiciary Committee, Rev. A. P. Jones, Rev. R. W. Mlatt, Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. F. J. Gearhart; C.Y.C. Director, Mr. John Wells; Sunday School Board, Rev. R. W. Klatt (term expires 1969), Mr. Stan Hahn (term expires 1969); Committee on Vacancies, Mev. C. E. Clander, Chairman, Rev. A. M. Gibbs, Rev. L. F. Nygard, Mr. A. T. Mould, Mr. Lloyd Wallace; Camp Meeting Committee, in addition to members ex offico; Mev. S. A. Hill, Mev. D. L. Castro, Rev. C. L. Johnson, Mr. James Medows, Mr. Lloyd Wallace; Statistical Committee, Mev. D. D. Crail, Chairman, Mev. A. E. Crawford, Mev. D. L. Castro, Mev. J. E. Larakers, Mr. Theodore Miegling; Conference Metirement Plan Committee, President Bray, Chairman ex offico, Mr. Vernon Davis (term expires 1970). Mev. V. W. Swanson resigned his

- position on this committee because he will be absent from the Conference (attending Asbury Seminary) during the coming Jear. His resignation was accepted by vote. Hev. H. H. His was elected to a term expiring in 1968. Hr. Crville Senger was elected to a term expiring in 1970.
- 50. Report of the Committee on Ministerial Reports: Rev. L. F. Nygard presented the report of the Committee which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 17)
- 51. Report of the Courtesy Committee: Rev. Irwin Reist, associate Professor of Bible at Houghton College and assistant pastor of the Houghton wesleyan Methodist Church was presented to the Conference. Rev. Reist gave his report as an Elder in the Conference.
- 52. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. New. Irwin delst offered prayer.

Fifth Meeting, Friday, 7:00 p.m. August 4, 1967

- 53. Opening: The meeting was called to order by Vice President Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart.
- 54. <u>Devotions</u>: Rev. Francis A. Lavir, missionary to Japan under the Oriental Missionary Society, and an Elder in the Conference, shared with the conference the manner in which the Lord is doing great and wonderful things as they prepare to return to the field.
- 55. Reports of Pastors: The chair was assigned to Dr. H. n. Sheets as pastors from Wyanet, Rockford First, Rockford Faith, Princeton, Holine, Hoopeston, Galesburg, Wheaton, Cak Park, Cak Lawn and Broadview reported a summary of statistics and a general Meture of the condition of their charges. These were followed by a statement and testimony from the respective delegates.
- 56. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by motion. Hrs. Carol Johnson, wife of missionary Jay Johnson, offered closing prayer.

Sixth Meeting, Saturday, 9:30 a.m., August 5, 1967

- 57. Opening: The meeting was called to order by President Bray, who had returned by plane at 1:00 a.m., from the ordination of his son.
- 58. <u>Devotions</u>: General Superintendent, Dr. H. K. Sheets, presented a message on, "Christian Victory in the Evil Day," cased on Phillipians 6:13.
- 59. <u>Roll Call</u>: The Secretary called the roll with 21 ministers and 16 lay delegates answering to their names. (See Record of Attendance.)
- 60. Reading of the Minutes: The Secretary read the minutes of the Third, Fourth, and Fifth meetings, which were approved by vote.
- 61. Report of the Courtesy Committee: The Courtesy Committee presented to the Conference Mr. & Mrs. Jesse W. Shatford of our Indiana Conference, Rev. Charles Butcher, esteemed elder clergyman of the California Conference, and Mr. Wesley Talcott of Moline. (Mr. Shatford, noted Wesleyan layman, is donor of the Shatford angulty funds which helps underwrite our church extension program.) A lot lon prevailed that they be seated within the pair of Conference as according members.
- 62. Resignation of Elder: George w. Hood spoke to the dollarchee it regard to his request to be dropped from the Conference half of Elders. Brother Hood stated that he surrendered his credentials because he had the conviction that he had chosen the ministry rather than the Lord choosing him for the ministry. He testified that he still

- carried the same concern and would invest himself in the work of the Lord as a laymen. A motion prevailed that George W. Hood, former Contrance desisyan fouth President, be seated within the bar of Conference as a honorary member.
- 63. Report of Fastors: Pastors from the churches of Elk Grove Village, Hoyne Ave., Chicago-Austin, and Creve Coeur reported the summary of Statistics and a general picture of the condition of their charges. Statements and testimonies from the several church delegates were also made. Rev. D. L. Castro presented his report as pastor of the work which is being started in DeKalb.
- c4. <u>Communications</u>: The Secretary read a letter of greetings from Rev. Samuel T. Long, former elder of the Conference, and present assistant to Rev. Martin W. Cox, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in whittier, California. A motion prevailed that the Secretary send greetings to Rev. Long.
- 65. <u>Permission to Leave</u>: Conference Vice President, Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart was excused by conference vote to speak at the Michigan Conference Annual Youth service.
- 66. Social Action Committee: A motion prevailed that Rev. William Killian be added to the standing committee on Social Action.
- 67. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourn by prevailing motion. Mr. Jesse W. Shatford offered prayer.

Seventh Meeting, Saturday, 1:30 p.m., August 5, 1967

- 68. Opening: Dr. H. K. Sheets called the meeting to order on behalf of President Bray, who was engaged in committee work.
- 69. <u>Devotions</u>: The Conference joined in singing, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross". Rev. Claude O. Scott, General Evangelist in the Wesleyan Methodist Church brought a devotional message on the theme, "As the Father has sent his Son, So His Son has sent his followers."
- 70. Report of the Committee on Thanks: Rev. V. W. Swanson, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Thanks, which was adopted by motion. (See Report No. 19)
- 71. Report of the Committee on the Growth of the Church: der. S. K. Hill gave the report of the Committee on Growth of the Church, which was approved by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 18)
- 72. Report of Sunday School Committee: Rev. R. L. Zuhl presented the report of the Sunday School Committee which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 20)
- 73. Tithing Sunday: A motion prevailed that the Tithing Secretary's report be amended to designate January as Stewardship month, with the third Sunday as Tithing Sunday. The Fithing Secretary in cooperation with the Conference President is to arrange for a exchange of pastor's on that Sunday for the purpose of bringing a tithing message. (See Report No. 16, and item number 35)
- 74. Report of the W.M.S. President: Mrs. Rachel Bray, Illinois Conference Women's Missionary Society President, reported the election of W.M.S. officers and a summary of the W.M.S. activities. Her report was received by vote.
- 75. Report of the Pastoral Relations Committee: Dr. Frank Crane presented the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee which was approved by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 21)
- 76. Report of the Committee on Finance: Rev. R. E. Crawford presented the report of the Committee on Finance. A motion prevailed to amend item Iv D to read, "The Conference President's salary shall be 125.00

per week to be paid out of the Conference Administrative Fund. All expense of the Conference building shall be paid out of the Conference Church Extension Fund". A motion prevailed to amend item IV A, sentence two, to read, "in case a church cannot remit the above monthly, the pastor may remit one-half of his tithe from any secular income." The report was adopted by vote as amended. (See Report No. 22)

- 77. Recess: The meeting was recessed for thirty five minutes.
- 78. The Wesleyan Group Life Insurance Program: The meeting was called to order by President Bray who presented a summary of the Wesleyan Group Life Insurance Program for discussion. Plan I with the provision for dependents was adopted by a show a hands. Seventeen votes were cast in favor of the plan and none opposed. The local church Treasurer was to deduct the cost of the plan monthly from the pastor's salary. An amendment prevailed to make the provision for dependents optional. The plan was referred to the Board of Managers for implementation.
- 79. Conference Treasurer: A motion prevailed that any unresolved questions relating to the Conference Treasurer be placed in the hands of the Board of Managers.
- 80. Report of the Committee of Social Action: The report of the Committee of Social Action was presented by Rev. D. D. Crail, chairman, and adopted by motion. (See Report No. 23)
- 81. Report of Committee on Itineracy and Orders: Rev. R. M. Gibbs, chairman, gave the final report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders, which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 1)
- 82. <u>Statistical Blanks</u>: A motion prevailed that Rev. D. D. Crail, as chairman of the Statistical Committee be authorized to write the appropriate Denominational Officials concerning problems in the Statistical blanks.
- 83. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by prevailing motion. Rev. Carl E. Olander offered the closing prayer.

Eighth Meeting, Saturday, 7:00 p.m., August 5, 1967

- 84. <u>Installation of Officers:</u> General Superintendent Dr. H. K. Sheets installed the officers of the Conference in a special ceremony.
- 85. <u>Installation of Pastors</u>: President Arthur L. Bray installed the pastors of the conference for the new year and presented them to the congregation.
- 86. <u>Denominational Address</u>: Dr. H. K. Sheets, General Superintendent and Denominational Representative to the Conference, presented the Denominational Address based Habakkuk 3:2. He then shared with us three phases of the church: The Mission of the Church, The Merger of the Church and The Concerns of the Church.
- 87. Adjournment: By prevailing motion, the Conference was adjourned sine die.

Special Services:

1. Conference Educational Service Saturday. August 5, 1967 1:30 p.m. The Saturday afternoon service was designated by Conference action as Conference Educational Service, with Rev. D. L. Castro, Conference Educational Secretary, presiding. Marion College, our area school, was represented by Dr. Woodrow Goodman, President of the College, and the College Male Quartet. A panel composed of a representative group from the Conference presented questions concerning Marion College to Dr. Goodman, after which Rev. Leigh Nygard spoke briefly concerning Asbury Seminary. After Dr. Goodman presented the future plans of the

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college, Dr. Merne Harris of Vennard College closed the service with prayer.

- 2. Conference Sunday School Service. Sunday August 6. 1967 9:00 a.m. The Sunday School hour of the Conference was designated the Sunday School service during Camp Meeting. Awards for Achievement for the past year were presented to Moline Heritage Church and Bockford First Church Sunday Schools. An offering was received for our pioneer church in DeKalb.
- 3. Camp Neeting. August 6 thru August 13. 1967. Dr. Merne Harris, Vice President and Acting Administrator of Vennard College, was our evangelist. Rev. Mel Johnson of Arlington Heights, Ill., noted Christian soloist and youth speaker, was Song Leader and Youth Evangelist. Our Missionary rally speaker was Rev. Henry Ortlip from Haiti. The Camp was characterized by the deep moving of the Holy Spirit in the conversion of sinners and the sanctification of believers. An all time record in missionary giving was recorded in the missionary service.

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

REPORTS

Report No. 1

Committee on Itineracy and Orders

- We, your Committee on Itineracy and Orders report as follows:
- A. Conference Preachers eligible to vote in this session: Rev. Joseph E. Larakers.
- B. We recommend that Conference Preachers not eligible to vote be seated as honorary members with the right to speak but not to vote.
- C. We report the status of our Conference Preachers in respect to their theological studies:
 - I. Graduate Students:
 - 1. Herbert Apel- completed graduate study at Wheaton College.
 - Roger Reed-withdrawn from our jurisdiction by virtue of withdrawing from membership in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.
 - Robert Browne-completed one period of study at Trinity Seminary. Could complete educational requirements for ordination by taking the Course of Study, with credit for seminary studies.
 - 4. Charles Mealy-graduated from Marion College with major in music. Should complete the requirements of the Course of Study for ordination.
 - II. College Students
 - David Trosper-graduated from Marion College. Removed from our jurisdiction by virtue of deciding to be a teacher instead of a preacher.
 - Lester Nelson-attending Marion College theological department.
 - Vernon Perdue-attending Marion College theological department.
 - Steven Hill-attending Narion College theological department.
 - Kenneth Stone-to attend Miltonvale Wesleyan College theological department.
 - Ronald Dickinson-attending Marion College theological department.
 - Randolph williams-completed three years at wheaton College.
 On one year leave from Wheaton.
 - III. Course of Study (correspondence)
 - Philip Crail-second year (Has Master's degree in counselling.)
 - 2. Richard Johnson-third year.
 - 3. Joseph Larakers-first year.
 - IV. We report that pursuant to the direction of last Conference we held a Ministerial Convention at our Rockford Faith Church last February 22-23, with Rev. Leonard Ravenhill, noted British evangelist as speaker.
 - V. We report that our Michigan Conference brethren have asked us to share a joint-Ministerial Convention with them. We recommend that our Conference President be authorized to work out the details as to time and place subject to the approval of our committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Itineracy and Orders

- R. M. Gibbs, Chairman
- A. L. Bray
- S. A. H111
- O. L. Johnson

Report No. 2

Orders of the Day Committee

Standing Nominating Committee meets 12:30 p.m., Thursday, August 28,1967 First Meeting. Thursday. August 3. 1:30 p.m. Conference convenes. Communion Service and Conference Sermon by Rev. L. F. Nygard, pastor, Rockford Faith; 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.

Second Meeting, Thursday, August 3, 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, R. L. Zuhl, Chairman; Board of Retirement Flan Committee, C. E. Clander, Chairman; Educational Committee and Secretary, D. L. Castro, Chairman; Statistical Committee, D. D. Crail, Chairman; Conference Treasurer, J. C. Friske; Committee on Itineracy and Orders recommending preachers for Ordination (if any); Election of same; Adjournment for committee work.

(Friday, August 4, 9:00 - 9:25 a.m. - COMMITTEE WORK)

Third Meeting, Friday, August 4, 9:30 a.m. Devotions. Roll Call and reading of yesterday's Minutes; Reports of other Conference Leaders: Trustees of Marion College, A. L. Bray and R. T. Mould; Sunday School Secretary, R. L. Zuhl; C.Y.C. Director, John Wells; Tithing Secretary, L. F. Nygard; Miscellaneous business; Adjourn 11:45.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, August 4, 1:30 p.m. Devotions. Report of 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); Recess for ten minutes; Election of Conference Boards and Standing Committees; Reports of Committees; Adjourn.

Fifth Meeting, Friday, August 4, 7:00 p.m. Devotions. Business resumes, 7:15 p.m.. Reports of pastors and delegates; Adjournment for committee work, 9:30 p.m.

Sixth Meeting, Saturday, August 5, 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 5. 1:30 p.m. Devotions. 1:45 p.m., Business resumes; Reading of correspondence; Miscellaneous business; Pastoral Relations Committee report. Adjourn.

Eighth Meeting, Saturday, August 5, 7:00 p.m. Installation of Conference Officers by Denominational Representative, General Superintendent Harold K. Sheets; Installation of pastors by Conference President; Denominational Address by Dr. Sheets; 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 13, 9:00 a.m.; Educational, Saturday, August 12, 1:30 p.m., Ordination (if ordered), Sunday, August 13, 10:30 a.m..

Respectfully submitted, Orders of the Day Committee,

- A. L. Bray, Chairman
- F. J. Gearhart

M. J. Bailie

Report No. 3

Nominating Committee

We recommend the following Conference Session appointments: <u>Pastoral Relations</u>: Rev. A. L. Bray, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, Rev. C. E. Olander, Mr. Orville Senger, Mr. John Wallerich, Dr. Frank Crane.

Passage of Character: Rev. A. L. Bray, Rev. L. F. Nygard, Mr. Irv Halvorson.

Statistical Committee: Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Rev.

S. A. Hill, Rev. J. E. Larakers, Rev. M. J. Bailie.

Growth of the Church: Rev. R. W. Klatt, Chairman; Rev. I. W. Reist,
Rev. T. Bailie, Rev. Mrs. L. Bailie, Rev.F. A. Davis, Rev. S. A. Hill, Mr. Woodrow McBride, Mr. Al Kinsman, Mr. Charles Krager.

Social Action and Moral Reform: Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman; Rev. J. E. Larakers, Rev. D. L. Castro, Rev. A. P. Mimnaugh, Rev. E. Wheeler, Rev. W. Killian,.

Sunday School: Rev. R. L. Zuhl, Conference Sunday School Secretary, Chairman; Rev. O. L. Johnson, Rev. A. P. Jones, Mr. J. Wells, Mr. Stan Hahn. Mr. Vernon Davis.

Thanks: Rev. V. W. Swanson, Chairman; Mrs. Jean Browne.

Standing Rules: Board of Managers.

Calendar: (To compile dates of Conference events, tours, church events, revival meetings, etc. from Conference Leaders and pastors.) Rev. Roy E. Crawford.

Courtesy: Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. R. L. Zuhl.

Devotional: Rev. D. L. Castro

Finance: Board of Managers (William F. Tice, Sec'y., Lloyd Wallace,

member, Clinton Butcher, member), James Medows.
Security: Rev. A. P. Mimnaugh, Mr. James Medows, Constables.
Mail: Rev. R. W. Klatt

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Bray

F. J. Gearhart

M. J. Bailie

Report No. 4

Conference President

It is with a sense of the Throne rights of our Savior that I bring you this report at the end of the 18th year of our Conference life. His is the Kingdom, the power and the glory! We are highly favored to have some small part in His service.

This is my last report to you as a Wesleyan Methodist Conference. Next year, if Jesus tarries, we will meet as a District Conference of the merged Wesleyan Methodist and Pilgrim Holiness churches under the name THE WESLEYAN CHURCH. Many things will remain the same. Some things will be changed and we will adjust to the changes. Cur denomination has had a long and blessed history. May God make the coming year our best one.

State of the Conference. Cur pastors and laymen have faithfully ministered to their communities the message of full salvation. They report 327 seekers. Peoria First which reported only five members last Conference, finally closed. Their basement church building is sold on contract to the Evangelical Nazarene Church -- a new holiness group. contrast, our Wheaton church is growing rapidly. Rockford-First is crowded out. Oak Lawn's attendance of nearly 500 at Easter and 350 in D.V.B.S. necessitated adding another minister to their staff. In DeKalb, just south of the University campus we are constructing a new church and plan to begin services in the fall. Chicago-Austin has evinced faith in the future by spending over \$7,000 in remodelling. Elk Grove Village has gone from being subsidized to substantial balances. Our other churches are doing a heroic job of paying staggering building debts and are moving forward for God.

Statistics. In the face of losses due to the moving away of dedicated members, our full membership rose slightly from 537 to 542; total from 779 to 781. Sunday School roll rose from 2051 to 2057. Average attendance dropped from 1436 to 1424. This net loss of only 12 in the face of a loss of 15 at Chicago-Austin and 42 at Chicago-Hoyne, total 57 for Chicago-inner-city churches, indicates the effect of attendance gains in Rockord First and other churches. Wesleyan Methodist subscriptions exceed 100% of full membership; Wesleyan Missionary , 140% and Wesleyan Youth, 160%!

Property Values. Total worth of churches and parsonages is \$1,577,250-a gain of \$143,500, reflecting largely the new Moline church and land and the new DeKalb parsonage, two-acre building site and the partially constructed sanctuary. Total debt is \$651,375, an increase of \$72,122 over last year. However, net worth (total value minus debt) is \$949,688, up \$142,991. Debt stands at less than 42% of holdings.

Finances. Total disbursed for all purposes was \$347,832. However,

Finances. Total disbursed for all purposes was \$347,832. However, \$70,644 is known to be funds borrowed for building purposes. The net of \$277,188 is up \$7,071 over last year. Per capita giving is \$511-presumably the highest in our denomination! Our denominational representative, General Superintendent Sheets will rejoice with us that our gain of \$142,991 in net worth was accomplished with an investment of only \$4600 in denominational church extension funds! ALL OUR DENOMINATIONAL BUDGETS WERE PAID IN FULL OR OVERPAID! \$26,345 in budgets and \$28,768 in benevolences, a total of \$55,113 were paid out by our 15 churches for Conference, World Missions and other Denominational interests-over \$100 per capita! Thank God for sacrificial Wesleyans! Personal Service. Travel on behalf of the Conference totalled

15,282 miles. Travel in denominational interests (Marion College board and Hephzibah) was 8,105. In evangelistic labors, 4,881. Total 28,268. 32 Quarterly Meetings were held; 4 Board of Managers meetings; 2 Camp Committee meetings; 3 Wesleyan Youth Council meetings attended; 8
Marion College Board meetings; 2 trips to Macon, Georgia for Hephzibah
Children's Home. 4 Greater Chicago Sunday School Assn. board meetings
were attended; 3 Chicago Bible Society board meetings; 3 N.A.E. Church Extension Commission meetings; also attended the 25th Anniversary convention in Los Angeles, the N.H.A. convention in Cleveland, Denominational Leader's Conference in Marion, 8 Chicagoland pastors meetings, 2 eight-day revival meetings were held in Jackson, Michigan and Canisteo, New York, 3 five-day meetings in Grand Rapids, Mich., Union City, Mich., and Milwaukee, Wis.. Many precious souls were saved. I also represente I also represented the Conference at the 100th Anniversary of the Wisconsin Conference and challenged the Lockport Conference at Houghton in their Church Extension Rally on July 27. 755 personal letters were written and 8 issues of the Tidings were published in the Conference Office, totalling 4800 individual pieces mailed directly to the homes of our people. tion, daily counselling by letter, phone and in person, handling legal matters, tax exemptions, draft exemptions, office work, preparing drawings and bids for the new DeKalb project has filled the year to the full. The joy of serving God, building a pioneer Conference and winning souls has given strength for every task. You are a beloved band of dedicated soldiers of the Cross and I thank God for the privilege of working with you.

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. 7 for the full record.)

2. As President of the Illinois Conference I certified our theological students and draft-age assistant pastors and pastors to their several draft boards as legally qualifying for proper exemption from service in the Armed Forces. (See Report No. 1, Committee on Itineracy and Orders, for list of men.)

- 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. (See financial analysis attached to several reports for details.)
- 3a. August 5, 1966. Requested Rev. Herbert Apel to assist in the pioneer DeKalb work by holding prayer meetings and Sunday evening services during the Conference year.

4. August 6, 1966. Approved Plan of Work and the slate of officers elected by the 1966 Wesleyan Youth Convention which meets annually the

week after our Annual Conference session adjourns.

5. August 9, 1966. As directed by Standing Rule III, 13, a, I edited the Conference Minutes in conjunction with Meredith J. Bailie, the Conference Secretary. We approved the minutes of the 7th and 8th meetings and also approved the entire volume including W.M.S. and W.Y. minutes for publishing. I later had them published by Andrews Printing Company of Harvey, Ill., from copy typed by the Secretary and his wife.

6. September 7, 1966. Received Ronald Dickinson of Princeton to study

under the direction of the Conference at Marion College.

7. September 11, 1966. Installed Carl E. Olander as pastor of Prin-

ceton-Wyanet charge.

- 8. September 13, 1966. Deeded Conference Chaplain's Parsonage back to Carl and Irene Olander since Conference had appointed them to Princeton-Wyanet charge. (This was in accord with prior agreement when Olanders had deeded their house to the Conference as a parsonage when he was appointed chaplain of Tinley Park State Hospital.)
- 9. September 20, 1966. Directed Conference Treasurer, John C. Friske, to deposit \$20,000.00 of Conference Loan Fund monies and other fund balances in Cak Park Federal Savings and Loan Association, Oak Park, Illinois, due to the delay in pay out dates for Moline church street improvement costs and also the DeKalb church site purchase.

10. September 20, 1966. Purchased mimeograph for Conference Office for \$215.00, requisitioning the Conference Loan Fund. Same was repaid by

Conference Wesleyan Youth out of their 1966-67 project funds.

11. September 25, 1966. Installed Vernon Swanson pastor of Hoopeston.

12. October 2, 1966. Dedicated Rockford-Faith new sanctuary.

13. December 23, 1966. Purchased two acres of land in DeKalb as new church site, paying \$12,000 instead of \$13,500 because site had been surveyed to middle of the county road. Seller agreed to reduction in price.

14. January 16, 1967. Filed Annual corporation report with Secretary of State.

- 15. January 23, 1967. Filed annual tax exemption reports with Cook County Assessor regarding Cook County exempt properties. Reported Roseland parsonage rented and Chaplain's parsonage deeded to Olanders -both no longer tax exempt.
- Received Rev. Glenn R. Dyer, an elder, by trans-16. February 6, 1967. fer from the Nebraska Conference.
- 17. March 11, 1967. As legal agent for Illinois, I filed Pentecost Bands of the World (missionary organization that merged with our denomination) corporation report with Secretary of State via the denomination's World Missions office in Marion, Indiana, for signatures and notarizing.

 18. March 28-30, 1967. Represented the Conference at the annual con-
- vention of the National Holiness Association in Cleveland, Ohio. Pledged \$100.00 on behalf of the Conference for the expenses of the 100th Anni-
- versary year concluding April 16-18, 1968.
 19. April 4-6, 1967. Represented the Conference at the annual convention 19. April 4-6, 1967. Represented the Conference at the annual convent of the National Association of Evangelicals in Los Angeles, California. Paid for expenses of both N.H.A. and N.A.E. trips out of receipts from evangelistic meetings.
- Presented protest to Winnebago County Treasurer about 20. May 23, 1967. tax on Rockford-Faith sanctuary. Filed appeal to Board of Review for tax exemption. (Previous exemption excepted the west half of our property until church was built on it.)
- 21. June 6, 1967. Approved Hoopeston church calling Randolph Williams, Wheaton college student from our Wheaton church, as pastor for the coming year.

22. June 11, 1967. Rededicated Chicago-Austin.

23. June 16, 1967. Wrote all non-resident ministers as required by Standing Rule I, 5, and all ministers who are not pastors, asking them to report in writing in case they cannot attend Conference.

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our sister holiness denomination.

24. June 21, 1967. Issued letter of transfer to Elder Samuel T. Long to the California Conference where he assists Pastor Martin Cox at Whittier.

25. June 23, 1967. Took title to the Joseph Holloway home at 901 Dawn Court, Dekalo, Ill. as parsonage for our pioneer work there and executed "assumption of Indebtedness" document (with W. F. Tice) in the amount of \$12,590.61. (The balance of the \$18,000.00 purchase price was paid out of Wesleyan Investment Foundation loan funds.) 26. July 1, 1967. Received John Charles Mealy to travel under the direction of the Conference and appointed him assistant pastor of the Oak Lawn church at the request of the church. 27. July 9, 1967. Accepted withdrawal of Elder George W. Hood from the ordained ministry since he feels God wants him to be a teacher instead of a pastor. 28. August 1, 1967. Issued letter of good standing to the Church of the Nazarene for Elder John C. Friske, who has joined a local church in

In the above matters where the Discipline requires I sought and obtained the permission of the President's Advisory Board.

Analysis of the Conference Administrative Fund, prepared by Conference Treasurer, covering period from July 16, 1966 - July 15, 1967.

1.	A. Conference Budgets B. From A. L. Bray's evangelistic offeri		\$7015.52
	to cover travel and other expense of attending the N.A.E. and N.H.A. Conve	ntions. Receipts Balance 7/16/66 Tot. Credits	335.00 7350.52 958.80 \$8309.32
II.	Disbursements: A. Conference Presidents's salary B. Conference Travel C. President's Travel to N.A.E. and N.H.A. Conventions (reimbursed) D. One-half President's Soc. Security E. Secretarial help F. Misc. office expense Total disbursed Balance 7/15/67	\$6240.00 653.86 335.00 161.12 642.63 64.20	8096.81 \$212.51

Analysis of the Conference Work Fund, prepared by Conference Treasurer, covering period from July 16, 1966 through July 15, 1967.

ı.	Receipts: A. Budgets paid by Conference B. Other Income		\$2531.00	
	1. Olander donations	4.00		
	2. Bray tolls paid	230.74		
	 Transfer from Conf. Church Extension Fd to cover be- ginning deficit 	<u>590.96</u>	744.70	
	Total Receipts	3		3275.70
	Deficit 7/16/6			(590.96)
	Net Credits			\$2765.74
	Disbursements:			

224.75

A. Conference President's Expense 1. Official travel (partialbalance charged to Conf. Admin. Fund) 2. Office Supplies

89.37 3. Conference phones & tolls 724.03 4. Bray phones and tolls 230.74

\$ 290.64

	5. Conference mailing expense (postage)6. Conference Parsonage exp.	117.00 25.84	\$1411.7 3	
B.	Vice President's expense and		\$1411• <i>(</i>)	
C-	travel Tidings expense		30.47	
••	 Supplies (paper, stencils, ink, etc) Mailing permit Postage & addressograph plates 	158.02 30.00 83.98	070.00	
D.	Conference Journal (1966 Min)		272.00	
	1. Rent typewriter	17.50		
	2. Typing copy for printing May Bailie	84.00		
	3. Misc. supplies	2.40		
	4. Printing (Andrews Ptg)	<u>275.00</u>	222 22	
E.	Office of the Treasurer		378.90	
	1. New ledger	8.91		
	2. 1965 - 1966 audit 3. 2M receipts sets (Andrews	30.00		
	Printing)	45.00		
	4. Postage 5. Ass't. Treasurer office	29.00		
	supplies	3.60		
			116.51	
	NAE annual fee Preachers 1icense and		25.00	
G.	Ordination blanks		20.70	
н.	Leaders' Conference budget to			
т.	Headquarters Safety Deposit Box annual rent	:	66.74 22.00	
	Vennard College-20 Wesleyan Th		22.00	
v	logical Society Journals		20.00 14.20	
	Blueprints Binding Conference Minutes for	•	14.20	
	General Conference		12.00	
	Official meals Memorial gift (Mother Wallace))	12.48 15.00	
0.	Winterberg 50th Anniversary pl		10.00	
	Revenue StampsDeKalb deed Other miscel. items		13.20 34.17	
€.				Anton
	Total Disburse	ea		\$2475.10

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur L. Bray Conference President

Report No. 5

Conference Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension)

Balance 7/15/67

We, the members of the Board of Managers, which is also the Board of Church Extension, composed of the five members of the Conference Board of Trustees plus four other elected members, report as follows:

As the Board of Managers of the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, we met officially on July 30 and November 5, 1966 and February 11 and May 13, 1967, to consider the state of all the churches, grant assistance where needed and plan for the extension of the Conference. Out of the full record of decisions made, the

Minutes of which are open for your perusal, we report the following summary of actions as they effect our extension efforts:

WHEATON. Due to the nearly \$1000 a month payments on the new sanctuary, the pews and other expenses related to the building program, the Board sought from the Denomination and was given a grant of \$1000 for Wheaton early last fall. This concludes aid given to Wheaton. The substantial assistance given across the years has already been partially repaid through budgets paid and will be repaid many times over since Wheaton is now our fastest growing church. We thank God for Pastor and Mrs. Gearhart, Assistant Pastor and Mrs. Castro and their sacrificing membership and for every victory won.

their sacrificing membership and for every victory won.

ROCKFORD-FAITH (formerly Hockford-Harrison Avenue.) Pastor and Mrs.
Leigh Nygard and their faithful laymen finished decorating and preparing their new sanctuary for dedication early last fall. On October 2nd it was dedicated with Dr. Paul L. Kindschi the speaker. The Board sought and was granted \$100.00 a month aid from the Denomination.
Pastor Nygard sacrificially taught school in order to underwrite his family support. We will need to continue the \$100 a month aid this year because he and his people are taking a step of faith, trusting God for full time support from the church, since the pastor will not be teaching public school in order to devote himself to the work of the church.

Pastor Arlyn Jones has resigned after CREVE COEUR (suburban Peoria). rendering sacrificial service by teaching school another year, order that his salary could be used to make building payments. expects to continue teaching school. We will ever owe a debt of With his own hands he led his people gratitude to him for his labors. in the construction of the new 32' x 64' brick-veneer colonial sanc-It will stand as a monument to his vision, toil and sacrifice. Pastor Stanley Hill of Oak Park has accepted the challenge of the field. Brother Hill has offered to seek employment, but the Board felt that preoccupation with secular work had made it difficult for Pastor Jones to promote the work as he desired to. Therefore we have pledged to subsidize the pastor's salary up to \$100 a week up to six months. This is a step of faith for all concerned because we have funds available for only three months. Pray with us that God will help the church to reach new supporting families and encourage all to further sacrificial giving. Since Peoria First church has been closed and sold, Creve Coeur remains our only witness in this great metropolitan area. The \$50 a month aid on property payments that was given by the Denomination will need to be continued. The church paid its Denominational and Conference budgets in full in spite of limited finances.

MOLINE-HERITAGE. Last year we were looking forward the need of a 40,000 construction loan for a new building. In a time of dried-up funds in that area, God miraculously provided the money from a local bank on the first inquiry (an unheard of thing!), the sanctuary was constructed in record time and occupied first for the Christmas Pro-Pastor Roy Gibbs and his laymen spent long months painting, decorating and tiling the basement floor. Mrs. Gibbs continued to teach However, she and Evelyn Mimnaugh, wife of the for family support. Assistant pastor, will operate a Pre-School at the church this year, trusting the Lord for adequate finances. The growth of attendance and finances is encouraging, but we will need to continue the \$150 Denominational subsidy another year. It is hoped that organization can be effected this fall. Dedication is set for September 17 at 3:00 p.m..

DEKALB. A year ago almost everything was tentative. Now God has given us dedicated pioneers who moved into the newly purchased parsonage at 901 Dawn Court the latter part of June. God provided a loan last fall to purchase two acres of land just south of the Northern Illinois University. We took title December 23. Wesleyan Investment Foundation has loaned us \$60,000 with which to build the 36' x 64' brick-veneer colonial "Pioneer" (a duplicate of Moline's building) and Christian contractor John Mosby has the frame snell completed. We hope to begin services September. A dedicated layman has pledged \$100 a week pastoral support for the first year so that David and Linda Castro can devote their full time to the work. Cak Lawn is loaning us their \$3000 church extension fund to help on the \$5,000 annual payments on loans, land, sanctuary (interest only at 6½) and parsonage. We will need auditional support and your fervent prayers. The faithful Eytchesons of our Broadview church, the Apels from Wheaton and the Holloways from

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Indiana were our base of support. Now the Holloways have moved back to Indiana. We will need to call for volunteers to help in the painting and decorating in September. The Wesleyan Youth of Illinois could well consider DeKalb as their project for the coming year.

MISCELLANEOUS. OAK LAWN dedicated their new \$30,000 parsonage last October. A friend of the church provided air conditioning. Kitchen cabinets, dining room suite and other gifts encouraged Pastor and Mrs. Zuhl, our devoted leaders in Oak Lawn.

The Conference has continued to make payments on the President's apartment and office in the old frame flat building in Chicago. Some sentiment has been expressed about buying or building something more fitting, where our financial investment will be preserved. Lack of finances, especially in the face of our pioneer outreach commitments, is the hindering factor at the present.

Analysis of Conference Church Extension Fund - July 16, 1966 - July 15, 1967.

Receipts: A. Conference Budgets 1. Austin 2. Hoyne Ave. 3. Broadview 4. Elk Grove 5. Cak Lawn 6. Cak Park 7. Wheaton 8. Galesburg 9. Hoopeston 10. Moline 11. Creve Coeur 12. Peoria First 13. Princeton 14. Rockford First 15. Faith 16. Wyanet		\$ 294.00 132.00 180.00 114.00 456.00 186.00 252.00 19.20 60.00 205.00 18.00 222.00 324.00 114.00 207.50	\$2783.70
B. Other Income			φε(0). (U
 Conference building a. Apt. rent 	1020.00		
b. Fred C. Schmidt			
donation	10.00	1020 00	
*2. Dept. of Ch. Ext		1030.00	
monthly aid 3. For Conference Miss.		3700.00	
a. III. Conf. WMS b. Austin S. S.	410.52		
b. Austin S. S.	90.00		
4. For Hoyne Ave. via		500.52	
Oak Park		100.00	
For Molinea. Ill. Conf. WMS	10.00		
b. Card Call	100.00		
6. For DeKalb from Ill.		110.00	
Conf. WMS		61.31	
 Roseland Property rent 	1474.06		
b. Close out checking	·		
account c. van Der Meer don.	62.09 5.00		
d. S.H.Paine-Werhollio	ck		
Insurance	56.62	4500 00	
8. Rev. Olander parsonage	•	1597•77 333•00	
9. Dohrmann interest tran	ns.		
10. Peoria Church rent		50.00 _100.00	
			7582.60

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*Plus @1000 gift for Wheaton processed through Escrow Fd.

II.		soursements:			
	Α.	Conference building 1. Mortgage payments	1288.56		
		2. Austin-contract	900.00		
		3. Electricity 4. Gas	98.97		
		5. Water	351.05 11.71		
		6. Repair supplies	61.19		
	_			2711.48	
	B.	Conference President-off. exp. Hoyne Aveaid from Oak Park		166.43	
	D.	Elk Grove Village-Denom. aid		100.00	•
	E.	Wheaton-Denom. aid		200.00	
		Creve Coeur-Denom. aid		700.00	
	u.	Noline 1. Denom. aid	1500.00		
		2. Card Call (bal. of Call	1,000.00		
		Funds)	100.00		
		3. III. Conf. WMS	10.00	1610.00	
	н.	Faith Rockford		1010.00	
		1. Denom. aid	1200.00		
		2. Aid on insurance	122.00	1000 00	
	ı.	Roseland property		1322.00	
		1. Mortgage payments	1200.00		
		2. Electricity	120.06		
		3. Heating service	8,50	1328.56	
	J.	DeKa1b		1,20.50	
		1. 25 chairs	87.50		
		2. Building permit	94.72	100.00	
	к.	Transfer to Loan Fund-		182.22	
	_	Galesburg organ bal.		100.00	
	L.	Interest on Dohrmann loan Rev. Olander-parsonage		50.00	
	110	1. Mortgage payments	222.00		
		2. Payment deposit returned	222.00		
		to Rev. Clander	111.00	-	
	N.	W. Tice-Bd of Mgrs. expense		333.00 24.41	
	0.	Transfer to Conf. Work Fd.		509.96	
	Ρ.	HqBalance of '65-'66 budget		32.16	
	જ•	Hoopeston 1. Extra house tax	00.00		
		2. Pastoral candidate exp.	28.38 41.10		
			-7.010	69.48	
		Total Dis	bursed		\$2532.70
		Balance 7			\$1356.10
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Respectfully submitted,

Board of Kanagers a. L. Bray, Chairman

Report No. 6

Camp Neeting Committee

Camp Meeting, 1966. We, your Committee, managed the 1966 Camp Meeting following the close of last Annual Conference session. Rev. Garl Beaver, pastor of our Lafayette, Indiana, church, and Secretary of the General Conference of our Denomination, was our evangelist. Song and Youth Evangelist was Rev. Raymond Powers of Lynchburg, Virginia. It was a time of great spiritual power and blessing to everyone.

Camp Arrangements. Two meetings were held during Camp last year to give consideration to financial arrangements and to plan for the 1967 Camp. Final arrangements were made at a meeting held February 22, 1967 at the Rockford-Faith church. We report that Rev. Merne Harris, Vice President and Dean of Vennard College, University Park, Iowa, is the engaged evangelist. Because of a recent heart seizure, his doctor is limiting him to speaking only once a day and twice on Sunday. So we have been compelled to make arrangements for his Morning Bible Class. Our chairman has asked Rev. Charles Butcher of Whittier, California, to take the class, since he will be visiting us.

Rev. Mel Johnson of DesPlaines, Ill., noted gospel singer, is our Youth and Song evangelist. Youth Camp is under the direction of Rev. Meredith Bailie and Rev. David Castro. Rev. Carl Clander again has the Junior-Hi Program. The ladies of the Conference teach the child dren's classes.

Camp Manager is F. J. Gearhart. C. L. Johnson is Buyer, getting the food supplies his mother, the chief cook, Florence Johnson, requires! We welcome Mrs. Johnson, wife of Pastor Harry Johnson of the Milwaukee church, to our staff. She is assisted by Edna Moeller, wife of Pastor Harry Moeller of Eastman, Wisconsin, and pioneer pastor of Chicago-Hoyne Avenue, and by Mrs. Marilyn Browne of Cak Lawn and Mrs. Ruth (Chickie) Panico Jordon. Dining Hall Manager is Stanley Hill, assisted by Joaquin Crawford and Marge Zuhl. Roy and Dora Gibbs will operate the refreshment stand as usual. All are assisted by our assignment program for all campers.

We are trying cafeteria style of serving for Conference and for Camp. The lack of adequate dishwashing space and equipment is our problem. In time an answer may be found for this.

We are in the third year of our third-five-year contract with the Free Methodists for the use of Epworth Park. We are still waiting to see what they are planning to do in the matter of more housing facilities now that they have merged with their Wisconsin Conference. They had nearly 1,000 here on Sunday during their Camp.

We appreciate your support in offerings and pledges which reached an all-time high last year. This year we raised the rate from \$12 to \$16 per person for our 8-day Camp and from \$45 to \$60 per family (when its size would exceed \$60 on a per person rate). Everyone has had an understanding attitude about the raise. In hardship cases our chairman has made adjustments for some who needed modification in order to come to Camp. This has always been our policy.

Analysis of Camp Meeting Fund from July 16, 1966 - July 15, 1967.

I. Receipts:

	cipus.		
Α.	Pledges		
	1. Individual	\$991.00	
	2. Church	420.00	
	2. Charch	720.00	41144 00
			1411.00
в.	Conf. & Camp Reg.		2984.80
C.	Camp Offerings		1558.42
	Camp meals		279.22
	III. Conf. WMS		-,,
E •		1.0.00	
	1. Camp food	47.00	
	2. Dishes	87.45	
	3. Coffee urn	25.11	
	4. Offering envelopes	27.00	
	4. Ollering enveropes	47.00	10/ 1/
			186.56
F.	Rockford WMS-Camp food		25.00
G.	Conf. & Camp phone tolls		21.30
	Insurance payments		57.60
⊥•	Beginning cash returned		25.00

т.	Miscella neous	_234.99	
0.	Total Receipts	_~	\$6783.89
	Balance 7/16/66		1134.91
	Total Credits		\$7918.80
LATOT	PLEDGES FOR YEAR		
2. Ch	11vidual \$1627.00 urch <u>480.00</u> tal \$2107.00	,	
	sbursements: Camp rents		
A.	1. Grounds rent	700.00	
	2. Cottage rentals	875.00	
	3. Sound system 4. Piano & organ	150.00 35.00	
	5. Storage building	JJ.00	
	a. Insurance 99.0		
	b. Tax <u>17.2</u>	<u> 116.25</u>	
			1876.25
В.	Camp Workers (1966)	201 22	
	1. Rev. Garl Beaver 2. Rev. & Mrs. Ray Powers	225.00 300.00	
	3. Joe Pierce	50.00	
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	575.00
C.	Dining Hall 1. Food	2280.61	
	2. Cooks-Mr & Mrs Hickox and	2200.01	
	Kay Dyer	405.00	
	3. Cooking gas 4. Laundry	62.40 35.00	
	5. New equipment	57.06	
	6. Rent grill	5.00	- 41
D.	Utilities		2845.07
	1. Electricity	100.00	
	2. Phones & tolls	43.76	
E.	Official expense		143.76
	1. Rev. Gearhart-Mgr's exp.	15.40	
	2. Rev. Johnson-Buyer's travel	73.15	
	3. Rev. Klatt-Postmaster trave	1 <u>5.60</u>	مار م
F.	Insurance-Brotherhood Mutual		94.15 263.18
G.	Wesleyan Youth		20,000
•	1. Rec. Equipment, Swiming, Hayr 2. Study material & films	1de 48.20 76.03	
	3. Trophies & engraving	43.95	
ш	Office manual trans		168.18
	Office supplies Beginning cash		37.52 25.00
J.	Repairs		14.25
K.	Printing-advertising & envelor	es	101.50
М.	Snack shop Rev. Swanson-anonymous gift		55.96
Ν.	Ordination service bulletins		50.00 6.50
0. P.	Medical payments for the injur Registration refunds	ed	57.60
હિં•	Statistical Committee expense		48.00 17.94
£.	Dinner for closing group worke	rs	24.39
٥.	Walkie-Talkies Total Disburse	ad.	147.44
	Balance 7/15/6		# <u>6551.69</u> 1367.11
despec	tfully submitted,		
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despectfully submitted, arthur L. Fray, Chairman Forrest J. Gearhart, Secretary

Report No. 7

Conference Trustees

The Board of Trustees took the following official actions during the year 1966 - 1967:

- 1. August 3, 1966. On behalf of Moline-Heritage, executed amendment to purchase agreement of September 1, 1965 between Heritage Corp and Illinois Conference. (The amendment substitutes a tract of ground on 53rd Street south of 44th Avenue for the previous tract and in-
- creases the price from \$15,000 to \$16,000, including improvements.)

 2. August 8, 1966. On behalf of Moline-Heritage, executed Real Estate Mortgage with Southeast National Bank of Moline, secured by note for
- \$40,000 with interest @ 6%, and retired with monthly payments of \$337.00, starting April 15, 1967.

 3. November 5, 1966. In behalf of Noline-Heritage, signed an easement agreement (dated July 19, 1965) between Moline John B. Strieter, Inc. and Illinois Conference which grants us the perpetual right to install and use a five foot strip of land across adjacent lots 8 and

9 for sewer, water, gas, or other utilities.
4. August 15, 1966. In behalf of DeKalb, executed installment note with M. A. Apel and Anna H. Apel, his wife, for \$13,500 (or more, as provided), for purchase of two acre church site.)

5. September 16, 1966. In respect to Olander residence, deeded the home at 1213 Degener Street, Elmhurst, Illinois, back to the Rev. and Mrs. Carl E. Clander for them to dispose of, in view of the fact that it is no longer needed as a conference chaplain's home.

6. June 15, 1966. In behalf of Conference loan funds, (needed for DeKalb), executed life loan agreement with Susan Cowls; \$5,000 prin-

ciple amount, 6% annuity.
7. December 23, 1966. In behalf of DeKalb, took title to 1 3/4 acres of land (net) on Taylor Street for a price of \$12,000.
8. In behalf of DeKalb, executed subdivider's bond guaranteeing the

city of DeKalb that we will install a sidewalk along the front of our property at a price of \$572.00.

9. January 30, 1967. In behalf of Peoria, executed rental agreement with Evangelical Nazarene Church, Inc., to rent the Peoria property at \$100 per month with option to purchase by February 1, 1969 for \$11,000, or by May 1, 1967 for \$10,000, with partial allowance on price, for rent monies paid. (This was later changed to contract for

deed: \$100 a month at 6%.)

10. May 13, 1967. Granted permission to Austin trustees to perform \$6,000 in remodelling of church; required funds to be borrowed by the local trustees.

11. May 13, 1967. Authorized President Bray and Rev. Roy Crawford to arrange for repair work required at Hoyne Avenue, by a loan (not to exceed \$2,000) from Conference loan funds.

12. May 15, 1967. In behalf of DeKalb, purchased Joseph Holloway's house for \$18,000, to be used as parsonage. As part of the consideration for the purchase, the Conference assumed the obligation to pay note No. 3497 of the DeKalb Building and Loan Association, on which, as of June 23, 1967, there is an unpaid balance of \$12,570.61.

13. July 11, 1967. In behalf of DeKalb, received \$20,000 from Wesleyan Investment Foundation, and executed interim (60-day) Promissory Note (No. 290), with interest at 62% per annum.

Statement of Conference Assets and Liabilities, July 15, 1967.

Assets:

Value of local church buildings \$1,126,000.00 Value of local church parsonages 348,450.00 Value of Conference parsonage build. 21,300.00 Loans receivable Galesburg church loan Auxiliary building (Hoopeston) 500.00 1,500.00 Cash and other values -- balances in churches and Conference funds 23.813.00 Liabilities:

Loans payable on Local church buildings Local church parsonages Conference parsonage building Auxiliary building (Hoopeston)

520,981.00 111,813.00 8,882.00 1.269.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES

642.945.00

NET WORTH

\$ 878,618.00

Respectfully submitted,

William F. Tice, Secretary Conference Board of Trustees

Report No. 8

Sunday School Board

Cards were sent to the Board members suggesting alternate dates for a meeting. Because of conflicts in dates and a failure to pursue it further there was no meeting held of the Board. The members individually gave counsel and helpful suggestions for the conference work of the Sunday School, which was greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, Robert L. Zuhl. Chairman

Report No. 9

Wesleyan Retirement Plan Committee

The Wesleyan Retirement Plan Committee continued to function in a caretaker capacity during the initiation of the new denominational pension program.

The budget for full members of the Illinois Conference has been

paid in full this conference year.

Our conference has cooperated with the denomination in a successful Ministers' Week under the able direction of the Rev. Orval Butcher. The content of the present program is as follows:

1. Budget per full member \$7.00.

- 2. To work with the denomination in certifying the work of clergymen on the roles of the Illinois Conference.
- 3. The cost of ministerial retirement will be carried by the churches.

We wish to commend the churches of the Illinois Conference for having met their responsibility of paying the pension budget in full.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl E. Olander, Chairman

Report No. 10

Educational Secretary and Educational Committee

This year the Educational Secretaries of the local churches, the local pastors, and the conference education secretary met with Dr. Naurice Burns, Dean of Marion College, for the purpose of discussing how the local churches might more efficiently represent Marion College and recruit students to its campus. A variety of recommendations were made by the conference to the college. The local educational secretaries were presented with a job description sheet which included their basic duties and suggested activities.

In October the conference educational secretary attended a "THINK"

session at Marion College held for all local and conference educational secretaries in the Marion College area. Dr. Goodman and Howard Noggle gave a briefing of recent campus developments and also a preview of the church's responsibilities in a "Ten Year Program of Progress." Various suggestions were made by those in attendance. Two other local secretaries from the Illinois Conference were present at this meeting.

The Conference Educational Committee met this year with Dr. Burns and discussed: better methods of promoting Marion College in the various departments of the church (WMS, YMWB, and WY), methods of how the college could effectively promote Marion College to our youth, and projects for the new library. Activities such as Student Day and special instructional sessions whereby the college would invite youth on the campus for limited periods of time were also talked over.

All the churches raised their educational budget, enabling the conference to raise \$2,225.63 which was greater than the assessed amount. This year Marion College, by means of quartet, choir, gospel team, and staff speakers, was represented in 60 per cent of our churches. Rev. Howard Noggle represented the college at our annual ministerial conference in February.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Castro, Secretary

Report No. 11

Statistical Committee

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

Respectfully submitted,

David D. Crail, Chairman

Report No. 12

Conference Treasurer

GENERAL CONFEHENCE FUNDS World Missions Australia Brainard Church Ext. & Evang. Pension Administrative General Conference Orphanage Education Wesleyan Seminary Fd. Sunday School	Balance 7/16/66 \$ -0000000000-	Receipts \$ 450.45 91.15 79.65 699.70 3,750.41 1,151.00 267.00 162.80 1,775.00 160.90 487.95	D1s- bursements \$ 450.45 91.15 79.65 699.70 3,751.41 1,151.00 267.00 162.80 1,775.00 160.90 487.95	Balance 7/15/67 \$ -0000000000-
ILLINOIS CONFERENCE FUNDS Administrative Work Fund Church Extension Sunday School Pastor's Insurance Camp Meeting Loan Fund Escrow Miscellaneous Totals	958.80 (509.96) 529.50 284.86 337.64 1,134.91 14,392.40 -0- (30.35) \$17,097.80	7,350.52 3,275.70 10,366.30 352.27 3,552.92 6,783.89 21,784.28 24,951.30 1,212.55	8,096.81 2,475.10 9,539.70 139.17 3,287.49 6,551.69 31,922.98 11,552.14 1,127.14	212.51 290.64 1,356.10 497.96 603.07 1,367.11 13,399.16 55.06

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*The totals include the transfer of funds which were approved by the Conference Board of Managers.

The books of the Conference Treasurer have been audited by Accountant, Ronald C. Hanzelin. The findings of said auditor are identical with my report.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Friske, Treasurer

Report No. 13

Conference Sunday School Secretary

As Conference Sunday School Secretary, it has been a privilege to serve in the tradition and conviction of John Wesley, that a properly instructed mind resulted in an inspired heart. The results of the Wesleyan Revival were conserved and people were commissioned through Bible-Study groups. Christian education is evangelism. Our Sunday Schools are front-line contacts with the enemy, but also great opportunities for penetrating the homes of a skeptical and shifting society. My duties began with the organizing of the Sunday School services

My duties began with the organizing of the Sunday School services of the last Annual Camp Meeting. The enrollment for the two Sundays was 251 and 244. Chicago Austin had a total attendance at these services that was 50% of their Sunday School enrollment. Creve Coeur was

second with 46%.

Letters and promotional material were sent to Pastors and Superintendents in cooperation with the Denominational "Good News" Fall enlargement campaign. During the year, I visited Creve Coeur, Galesburg, and Wheaton, and spoke at their staff meetings to stimulate renewed sacrifice in serving our generation. I have promoted the use of our Conference Visual Aids and five churches used our filmstrips.

Letters and weekly reports were sent to the Pastors and the Superintendents during the Conference "Easter to Pentecost" Campaign. I met with the Pastors at the Ministerial and they agreed to a competition in the 5 point system advocated by our Denomination. Bockford First won in a close race. A questionaire was returned evaluating the contest and favorable reports of gains and growth were reported.

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The Standard of Achievement award will go to our new Moline-Heritage Church with a high rating of 88 out of a possible 100. The Standard of Achievement for the Conference is 620. Our great need is for more teacher training. There were only three units taught this past year. Our average attendance this year for the Conference was 1424. This is down 12 from last year. Our total enrollment is 2057 which is up 6 from last year.

I attended the Greater Chicago Sunday School Convention where I was surprised and honored to be chosen the "Pastor of the Year" in support of the ministry of the Sunday School. I was recently elected to serve on the GCSSA Board for the coming year.

I do hope the Conference Sunday School Secretary can give more assistance in the coming year in creating a Conference Teacher Team effort that genders enthusiasm and involvement for reaching a lost world through the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Zuhl, Conference Sunday School Secretary

Report No. 14

Trustees of Marion College

We, the Trustees of Marion College from the Illinois Conference report that Marion College is moving ahead rapidly on all fronts. The effect of full North Central accreditation has been evident in in-

creased student enrollment, which has necessitated more buildings and an enlarged faculty. Our esteemed President, Dr. Woodrow I. Goodman, will be here for the Conference Education Service, 1:15 p.m., Saturday, August 12, during Camp Meeting. He will bring a report of developments in enrollment figures and plans for the future.

However, we can report that the student enrollment has risen from 477 in 1963 to 664 at the beginning of last school year. It should go well over the 700 mark this fall because we are experiencing more than 10% growth each year. With present confirmed enrollment, our buildings are all full and the Board authorized the Business Manager to find additional housing in the community. The effect of the coming merger with the Pilgrims is beginning to be felt as their students take advantage of Marion's accredited status.

Marion College has the advantage of having a student body composed of a majority of students from Wesleyan Methodist Churches and other holiness denominations. Also your Board has been careful to employ faculty members who believe in and profess the experience of heart holiness. While we expect an enrollment of 1000 by 1970-71 school year and perhaps an eventual enrollment of 2000 students, it is our committed position to serve the holiness constituency with our own church youth served primarily. We do not intend to make the mistake that some other Wesleyan-Arminian Colleges have made, namely, to be so interested in growth and prestige as an educational institution that the per centage enrollment of denominational students steadily declines. Students are affected by fellow students as well as by faculty. determined that Wesleyan students will never be a minority group in

our college. To this end we admit on probation and grant special financial assistance to denominational students who may need such consider-We intend that our school shall continue to serve all our youth regardless of their financial resources. The United States government officials look with appreciation on our position. In the light of assistance received last year we anti-

cipate grants of \$100,000 in Work Study funds, \$100,000 in Economic Opportunity funds, and \$85,000 in National Defense Students loans, a total of \$285,000. All our Marion Area Educational Budget goes to total of \$285,000. All our Marion Area Educational Budget goes to Wesleyan Methodist student aid. In addition we anticipate assisting our students in obtaining \$60,000 in bank loan funds. Thus our total student aid funds available for 1967-68 are \$375,000. This can give any worthy student applying a year in advance of entrance into Marion College an opportunity to come.

The question of receiving federal funds still trouble many. Others feel, that as a denomination has a right to assign budget demands to its membership for aid to Missions and Christian Education, so our duly elected representatives in Congress have a right to tax our citizens to assist their more needy fellow Americans to get an education they could not otherwise afford. However, the question of ultimate national government control of our institution is one that must be closely watched.

Our rapidly growing student body has necessitated rapid expansion of facilities. In one Board meeting this year we gave final approval of a \$750,000 Science building with 9 labs, 8 classrooms and 15 faculty offices, plus approval of a \$500,000 new Girls Dorm to be built just We will soon need to build a new Boys Dorm and east of Shatford Hall. a new Food Center in the center of the block where the new dorms are. Financing for the Science building includes a \$250,000 government grant, a \$300,000 loan from an Indianapolis bank and the balance in community campaign and personal gift funds. The new dorm is being financed and built by the C.I.T. Corporation, that specializes in this field.

Respectfully submitted,

Illinois Trustees of Marion College Arthur L. Bray Richard T. Mould

Report No. 15

Director of Christian Youth Crusade

There follows as complete a compilation of average weekly attendance of our week day Club programs as I am able to ascertain from registrations and quarterly reports available to me.

Austin:	Pioneer Girls Battalion (CSB)	39 <u>14</u>	53
Broadview:	Jet Cadets Pioneer Girls Stockade (CSB) Battalion (CSB)	14 20 16 <u>14</u>	64
Elk Grove:	Pioneer Girls Stockade (CSB) Battalion (CSB)	18 14 _5	37
Galesburg:	C.Y.C.	28	51
•			28
Hoyne Ave:	Pioneer Girls	13	13
Oak Lawn:	Pioneer Girls Stockade (CSB) Battalion (CSB)	65 60 <u>12</u>	137
Rockford First:	Jet Cadets Whirley Birds	11 17	
Rockford Faith:	Pioneer Girls C.Y.C.	15 11	28
Wheaton:	Pioneer Girls Stockade Battalion	34 5 11	20
<u>.</u>	Total		50 436

You have noted with me the introduction of two groups called "Whirley Birds" and "Jet Cadets". These are based on materials prepared by Christian Workers Service Bureau, Redondo Beach, California. Involved are youngsters from grades 1 through 6. It has been found to be a good basis for working the youngsters into Wesleyan Youth. It is being utilized by our Rockford First and Broadview with marvelous results in souls saved. We rejoice in this and commend this work to your examination. It is an economical work to implement, and a great deal of the imaginative leadership work is provided.

If you show no concern for your young people, my brethren, you show no concern for the future of your church, even the future witness of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Wells, Director

Report No. 16

Tithing Secretary

Your Conference Tithing Secretary sent a letter of Tithing information and literature to each church. February was Conference Stewardship month, closing on February 26 with our first conference wide tithing Sunday and exchange of pastors. Visiting pastors emphasized total stewardship, storehouse tithing, and complete dedication of life to Christ. Thanks to the pastors for their cooperation, and to Rev. Bray for his help

in setting up the schedule. Let our people be thanked for their faithful support of the church.

Your secretary recommends the same next year: That January be Stewardship month and that January 21 be Tithing Sunday with an exchange of pastors to be arranged by the conference secretary and President.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh F. Nygard, Secretary

Report No. 17

Committee on Ministerial Reports

The Ministerial reports of all pastors were examined, and the budget sections of all local church reports were reviewed and found to be paid in full except for \$100 shortage in conference budgets on the part of the Galesburg church and \$120 in General Budget on the part of Broadview. Broadview's budget has since been paid in full.

After due consideration the committee recommends the acceptance of the reports of each of the ministers of our conference with thanks for faithful service rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Bray

L. F. Nygard I. A. Halverson

Report No. 18

Growth of the Church

The program of the Holy Spirit for church growth as outlined in the book of the Acts is every man filled with the Holy Spirit, and every man a witness. The coming of the Holy Spirit makes such a witness possible.

We believe that the greatest need today is for the whole man to be so touched by God that the whole man witnesses with his life -- whether

it be by lip or by conduct.

Stephen Olford points out to us that if 5,000 Christians in Chicago went out to win 3 souls during the course of one year, 15,000 souls would be won for Christ and the Church. With this rate of increase in vogue only 9 years would then be required to catch up with our world's population.

Applying this principle to ourselves. If 500 Illinois Wesleyans were to go out and in a 12 month period subsequently win 1500 souls, within nine years Illinois would be taken for God.

We verily believe that the books of Acts outlines the only truly

successful pattern for church growth.

We believe: (1) That every man can be filled with the Holy Spirit, (2) That every man who is Spirit filled will witness, (3) That every Spirit filled man will make witnessing the most important business of his life.

We believe that the reason the world is lost today is because the church has not taken seriously the Great Commission of our Lord, and that we will never really grow until we, like the early church, return to "every member evangelism".

Witnessing is the whole work of the whole church for the whole age. We believe that within the course of witnessing occurs conversions, of course not all before whom witness is borne will be converted. is not to save, only God can do this. Ours is to witness.

"Be thou faithful unto death", says our Lord, "and I will give thee a crown of life."

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Robert Klatt, Chairman

Rev. Thomas Bailie

Rev. Stanley Hill Mr. Charles Krager

Mr. Al Kinsman

Mr. Woodrow McBride

Committee on Thanks

In I Thessalonians 5:18 the apostle Paul reminds us "in everything give thanks." While the unconverted man and woman may not feel the impulse to give thanks to the Lord, we are instructed as Christians that the giving of thanks is to be a natural part of every day Christian living. Certainly we of the Illinois Conference have much to be thankful for as we look back over the past year. The following are suggested items for the giving of thanks by all people of the conference.

- We give thanks for our Conference President and his wife for their 1. untiring and dedicated labors for the Lord during this past year.
- We thank our denominational representative, Dr. Harold Sheets for his inspiring and informative ministry among us at our annual conference this year.

We thank God in advance for the dedicated ministry of our camp evangelists; the Rev. Mern Harris, the Rev. Charles Butcher and Rev. Mel Johnson who will minister to us in word and song. We are thankful for the ministry of those who represent our Confer-

ence on the foreign field, having taken the gospel of full salvation to those in other lands; The Francis Davises, the Tom Murrays, the Henry Cooks, Mary Holcomb and Rosa Bishop.

We are thankful for the privilege of using the facilities of Camp Epworth once again this year, and particularly we extend our sincerest thanks to our Free Methodist brethern who have so graciously permitted our camp and conference to meet here.

We wish to thank our Camp Manager, the Rev. Forrest Gearhart and his committee for their hard work in planning and bringing to reality our wonderful conference and camp that we have enjoyed this year. We also thank each pastor and layman who so willingly cooperated in performing the tasks assigned to them, many times it not being the task he or she would have selected, but nevertheless done willingly as unto the Lord, there by helping to make our meeting a success.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon W. Swanson Jean Browne

Report No. 20

Conference Sunday School Committee

We the Sunday School Committee recommend:

- 1. That we continue to pay in full the General Conference Assessment twenty-five cents per member based on the total in the main school reported in the 1967 Conference Minutes, and that said monies be sent to the Conference Treasurer.
- 2. That the Conference Assessment be fifteen cents per member, sent to the Conference Treasurer as above in item one.
- 3. That the Sunday School send Special Denominational Offerings to the Denominational Office, and a report of such offerings to the Conference Sunday School Secretary.
- 4. That these reports and other news items be included in a Promotional Sunday School Conference paper.
- 5. That a continued effort be made to promote workshops on the District and local levels.
- 6. That a Conference S.S. contest be held beginning with the first Sunday following Easter and close with Fentecost Sunday. A plaque and gift of \$25 will be awarded the winning school during the Conference Sunday School service.
- 7. That an annual report, signed by the Pastor be sent to the Conference Sunday School Secretary by the 15th of July. S. That the expenses of the Conference S.S. Secretary to the Greater
- Chicago Sunday School Convention and the M.S.S.A. Convention in

- Minneapolis, along with helpful periodicals be paid from the Conference S. S. Fund. Each local church is urged to take advantage of local Sunday School Conventions in their area.
- 9. That the Conference C.Y.C.Director also serve in promoting such alternate programs as Christian Service Brigade and Pioneer Girls where these programs seem better adapted to local conditions and that his promotional expenses be paid from the Conference S. S. Fund. These and other related youth programs, except Y.M.W.B. and Wesleyan Youth, should be reported to the C.Y.C. Director.

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 of 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 Board.

12. That the Standard of Achievement be reviewed in each local church by the Staff at their first fall meeting.

13. That the Conference Sunday School Secretary plan and implement general Sunday School Workshop to be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday morning of camp week, for all Fastors and Sunday School workers.

14. That Sunday, November 5 be set aside as Library Sunday in our

churches with proper promotion for organizing and expanding a local Church Library.

15. That each church participate in our Denominational Fall Advance and Spring Loyalty campaigns.

16. That the Sunday School offerings for the two Sundays of the 1967 camp be designated for our new Pioneer Work in DeKalb.

17. That a banner be awarded the church with the highest percentage of pupils present at the Conference Sunday School Camp Service as compared with the Average Attendance of last year.

18. That the final Sunday of Camp be designated as Sunday School Day

and presenting of awards be held at this time.

19. That a "Superintendent of the Year" and a "Teacher of the Year" be chosen by the Conference Sunday School Board on the basis of a returned questionaire prepared by the Conference Secretary.

20. That Alice Davis, returned missionary teacher from Columbia be given the responsibility of speaking to a combined youth and adult Department during the Conference Sunday School hour, August 6.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, Chairman Rev. Orland L. Johnson Rev. Arlyn Jones Mr. Stan Hahn Mr. Vernon Davis Mr. John Wells

Report No. 21

Pastoral Relations Committee

Conference President...... Bray CHICAGO Austin.....Roy E. Crawford Hoyne Ave.....Joseph E. Larakers Assistant....Robert E. Browne

CHICAGOLAND Broadview......... W. Klatt Elk Grove Village......David D. Crail Assistant....Philip S. Crail Assistant.... Charles Mealey

Wheaton.....Forrest J. Gearhart

^{*}Edit. note: Fred Henschen appointed October 10, 1967.

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PECRIA Creve Coeur
CTHER APPOINTMENTS Completing the Masters program at Wheaton College and helping at DeKalb
Lillian Bailie of Galesburg
oriental Missionary SocietyFrancis A. Davis of Cak Park
Withdrawn from the Denomination by uniting with the Church of the NazereneJohn C. Friske of Broadview
Withdrawn from the ministry to serve as a layman at the Oak Lawn church
Wheaton Chaplain-Intern at Elgin State HospitalWilliam L. Killian of Austin
Transferred to the California ConferenceSamuel T. Long Associate Professor of Bible at Houghton College and Assistant Pastor of Houghton
Wesleyan Methodist Church
Unstationed Elder
Wheaton
3 ECOGNITION OF LAY MISSIONARIES
Under Appointment to JAARS for service in New Guinea
Missionary to Sierra Leone, West AfricaMary Jane Holcomb of Austin
Missionary to Spain under Greater Europe MissionCarol Crane Johnson of Wheaton
Missionaries to Mexico under Wycliffe Bible Translators
of Rockford First

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur L. Bray, Chairman Frank A. Crane, Forrest J. Gearhart Roy M. Gibbs Carl E. Olander Orville Senjer John Wallerich

Finance Committee

We recommend the following budgets for the fiscal year 1967-1968:

The General Assessments shall be apportioned as follows, in accordance with General Conference action:

World Missions	\$2.00	per	full	member
Australia	.25	•		
Brainerd Indian School	.25			
Church Extension & Evangelism	1.50			
Church Retirement Plan	7.00			
Church Administrative	2.15			
Gen. Conf. Travel and Ent.	1.00			
Hephzibah Orphanage	• 50			
Education	4.00			
Wesleyan Seminary Foundation	30			
Total General, (except for Sunday				
School & Wesleyan Youth)	\$18.95			

II. The Illinois Conference Budget Assessment shall be:

A. On a per full member basis: Conference Church Extension \$ 6.00

B. On a per Church basis: Conference Administrative Fund: 5% of Church Gross receipts (less building, benevolence and parsonage rental value items). See Item IV below.

Pastor's Group Life, Health and Accident Plan: \$182.00 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. Wesleyan Youth Dues: \$2.00 per active member (to be raised by local W.Y.).

IV. Illinois Conference Administrative Expense:

- A. Five per cent of the gross income of each church, less expenditures for building, benevolence and parsonage rental value (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 can not remit the above monthly, the pastor may remit one-half of the tithe from any secular income.)
- B. The Conference President's salary shall be \$125.00 per week to be paid out of the Conference Administrative Fund. All expense of the Conference building shall be paid out of the Conference Church Extension Fund.
- C. The Conference President's incidental expenses and Conference Officials' auto travel allowance at the rate of seven cents per mile shall be paid from the Conference Administrative Fund.
- D. The Social Security and the Life, Health and Accident Assessments for the Conference President shall be paid from the Conference Administrative Fund.
 - E. The Conference President shall be allowed \$100.00 per month for Secretarial assistance to be paid out of the Conference Administrative Fund.

٧. Miscellaneous Recommendations:

A. In case of the failure of the local church to completely pay the Pastor's Group Life, Health and Accident 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.
- We recommend that all budgets be assessed on a ten-month
- basis, with payments due September 5 through June 5. We request that each church pay at least one-half of the Pastor's Social Security costs.
- We recommend the payment of any General Budget arrears out of the Conference Church Extension Fund.
- We recommend that over payments in General Budgets, other Ē. than World Missions, be placed in an undivided General Budget Reserve Fund.

despectfully submitted,

A. L. Bray, Chairman R. E. Crawford, Secretary

Report No. 23

Social Action Committee

Whereas Christian Americans share with the rest of American society problems of ever increasing complexity in the areas of human relationships and moral responsibilities, and:

Whereas it is our prophetic responsibility to declare our understanding of the Christian message in its application to specfic issues

immediate in the society in which we live and labor:
Therefore be it resolved that we, the pastors and lay delegates to the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America meeting in the 18th Annual Session at Camp Epworth, Illinois, August 3, 1967, hereby declare that the following statements represent our position with respect to these vital areas of social concern:

I. Society

A. Government

1) Law and Order

We recognize that "government" is ordained by God and that the Scriptures command us to support and obey "every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake." We believe in obedience to the laws of the land and to law enforcing bodies and officers. We cannot condone violence or other unlawful acts as a means of expressing dissatisfaction with society. We also believe government and its officers must act within legal restrictions. We object to unlawful invasion of privacy by government or private interests.

2) Personal Involvement In all areas of government and community life Christians ought to be actively involved seeking understanding of issues, voting, running for public office, paying taxes, actively joining in community affairs and organizations, and taking part in other areas which demand the patriotic

3) Church and State

We believe in separation of church and state but not in the separation of God from state. We recognize that we live in a pluralistic society. However we most vigorously protest the encroachment of atheistic forces which seek to undermine and destroy our national religious heritage. we support the continued use of "under God" in the pledge to our Nation's flag, retention of the phrase "In God we trust" on our coins, and a re-emphasis on use of those verses in our patriotic songs which reflect our religious heritage.

participation upon which the freedom of our nation rests.

4) Public Schools In accord with the Supreme Court decision concerning the use of the Bible in public schools, we strongly encourage the teaching of the content of the Bible in public schools as an important part of literature. Although we recognize

Item II													
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CHURCH (Pastor's Names listed on Page 2)	No. of Appointments	No. of Organized Church Societies	No. of Local Preachers	No of Stationed	No. of Elders on Reserve List	No. of Unstationed Elders	No. of Super- annuated Elders	No. of Conference Preachers	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Wesleyan Mıssionarys Taken	Wesleyan Youths Taken	Devotional Quarterly	Adult and Teacher
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	1 1	1	1	2		1 1	-	2	67 16	30 22	33 3	x -	x x
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	1 1 2 1 2	1 1 1 3 3	1111	11111	11111	- 1 1 - 3	66 15 104 19 66	31 15 42 25 48	20 5 43 6 20	- x - x	x - x x
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	1 1 1 1	1 1 -	1	1 1 2 1	1111	1111	1211	1111	32 4 15	16 13 15	9 5 1 5	- x	- x x -
PRINCETON ROCKFORD	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	29	23	5	X X	x
First Faith WYANET	1 1 1	1 1 1	- 1 1	1 1	-	-	-	-		33 17 18	13 10	x x	x x x
Totals	15	14	16	20	-	-	2	7	557	363	181	9	12

Item	II	Cor	atin	uec								
CHURCH	Aldersgate Joctrinal Series	Aldersgate Biblical Series	Senior Youth and Teacher	Junior Youth and Teacher	Junior and Teacher	Primary and Teacher	Aldersgate Kindergarten	Aldersgate Nursery	Sunday School Banner	High School Signal	Junior Journeys	Children's Friend
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	×	-	x -	x x	-	-	x -	-	x x	-	-	-
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton		- - - x	- x	- x	- x -	- x	- x	- x -	х - х	- x -	- x x	- x x
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA	1111	- - x	- x x	- x -	- x	- x -	- x	- x -	x x x	- x -	- x x	- x -
Creve Coeur PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	x x x	x x x	x x x	x x x x	- x x	- x x	x x x x	- x x	x x x	x x x
Totals	1	2	8	9	7	6	6	_	12	5	9	7

	Item	III	Men	bersl	nip					
CHURCH	Full Members Re- ported last year	Full Members Re- ceived this year	ansfer	Total Full Mem- bers received this year	ines 1 and 2	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Members Lost
CHICAGO										
Austin Hoyne Ave.	64 22	-	1 4	1 4	65 26	-	- 6	1	3	4
CHICAGOLAND	122	-	+	1 4	20	<u> </u>	- ° -	 	-	7
Broadview	60	3	-	3 2	63	_	4	1	7	12
Elk Grove	19	-	2 5	2	21	-	-	-	-	-
Oak Lawn	76	19	5	24	100	-	13	l -	3	16
Oak Park	31 42	3		3	34	-	2	1	-	3
Wheaton	42	2	21	23	65	-	3	-	1	4
DEKALB GALESBURG	32	-	-	-	50	-	_	-	-	- 1
HOOPESTON	10	-	-	-	32 10	-	2	-	1 2	1 4
MOLINE	1 10	-	-	<u>-</u>	10	-	~	-	~	4
PEORIA	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	_	-	-
Creve Coeur	30	2	_	2	32	_		_	1	1
First	5	-	-	-	_	- 1	-	-	5	5
PRINCETON	37	4	3	7	44	-	5	_	_	5
ROCKFORD		l i	-				-			-
First	54 19	-	-	-	54 27	-]	-	-	4 2	4
Faith	19	3	<i>5</i>	8	27	-	3	-	2	459
WYANET	36	_	!	3	39	-	9	-	L	9
Totals	537	36	44	80	612	1	47	4	24	75

Item III Continued												
снивсн	Present full Membership	Associate Members	Junior Members	Į Ņ	Total Member- ship reported last vear	No. of Seekers	Persons Baptized	Children Dedicated	No. of Family Altars	Membership Tithing	Card Call Subscribers	
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	61 19	11	13 -	85 19	89 26	25 1	7	3 1	40 14	40 1	24 18	
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	51 21 84 31	10 10 57 3	3 ? 16 ?	64 38 157 41 83	73 34 156 41 57	20 75 12 40	1 6 21 - 2	41834	15 14 25 12 35	50 22 35 16 61	154 14	
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA	31 6 -	- 2 -	15 - -	- 48 6 -	47 10	40 2 5	1111	3	15 5 8	30 6 -	- 3 1	
Creve Coeur First	31 -	- ,	14	45 -	44 8	6	3	3	9	9	3	
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First	39 50	1 -	9	49 55	52	2 59	-	1 -	20 19	20 37	8 13	
Faith WYANET	50 22 30	16 -	17 1	55 55 31	59 46 37	40	7	1 -	18 8	26 10	8 10	
Totals	537	121	118	776	779	327	48	32	257	363	101	

	Item IV Sunday Schools														1	tem	V	
CHURCH	No. of Sunday Schools	1 മ	Enrollment	Cradle Roll Depart.	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Officers and Teacher	Standard of Achlevement	Taught	WETT Cards Earned	No. of CYC Chapters	Total CYC Members	VBS Enrollment	VBS Average Attendance	No. of Sudents Joining Church	No. of Locals	ctive Members	Associate Members
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	1	99 50		2	-	136 66	26 10	54 69	<u>-</u>	- -	1 1	-	163 84	135 54	- 4	1	13 -	6 1
CHICAGOLAND Broadview E1k Grove Oak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	1 1 1 1	131 61 289 51 107	194 72 424 69 170	-	2	202 72 444 73 177	14 14 43 18 24	- 69 60 64	- 1 1	- 20 6 2		1111	162 80 360 118 100	124 68 327 65 58	4 4 32 3 23	1 1 1 -	8 7 28 - 12	13 2 2
GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PECRIA Creve Coeur	1 1 1	110 41 56 69	1	3	8 - - 2	160 44 85 134		41 88	- 1		3	27	123 98 -	92 - 77 99	- - 2	1 - 1	7 - 8	· 1 - 1 - 3
PRINCETON ROCKPORD First Faith WYANET	1 1 1	75 148 80 57	80 196 77 80		4 2 - 2	99 204 79 82	19 22 10 9	38 70 67 -		- - -	- 1 -	- 13 -	67 132 81 118	50 114 61 117	- 20 -	1 1 1	17 10	- - 4 -
Totals	15	1424	1963	74	20	2057	249	620	3	28	4	+0	1686	1441	92	10	110	29

		I	tem VI.	Church	Pro	perty			
	No. of Sanctuaries	Value of Sanctuaries	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Bullding Fund & Other Property Equities
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave. Roseland	1 1 1	60,000 65,000 17,500	8,430 476 2,462	40,000 35,000 12,000	1 1 1	20,000 15,000 12,000	475 3,597	15,000 10,000 14,000	9,227 908 -
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park wheaton	1 1 1	120,000	70,432 44,747 103,818 3,000 104,065	90,000 67,000 159,000 42,000 80,000	1 1 2 1	30,000 40,000	6,205 18,250 6,636 -	17,500 18,000 17,000 20,000 30,000	2,036 5,434
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur First	1 1 1 1	18,000 35,000 15,000 91,000 75,500 13,500	18,000 15,850 56,747 29,902	18,000 30,000 16,000 75,000 55,500 10,500	1 1 1	18,000 20,000 11,000 20,000	18,000 - - 15,375 3,783	18,000 15,000 10,000 16,000 7,000	- 179 530
PAINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	1 1 1 1	25,000 45,000 100,000 10,500	2,000 9,110 60,372	25,000 32,000 50,000 9,500	1 1 1 1	14,000 16,000 40,000 12,000	12,100 3,501 12,133 1,350	10,000 12,500 24,000 8,500	4,95 4,945 140 508
Totals	17	1,186,000	547,411		1 ∂		111,410	262,500	

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	Item		isbursed		astor		Ite	VIII
СНПЧСН	Salaries	Parsonage Rent and Utilities	Other Minist- erial Remunerations	Allowances Re- ceived for Travel	Other Allowances	Total Pastoral Income	Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	4800 -	2000 800	279 -	469 73	167 167	7715 1040	780 10	1034 455
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	5200 5100 5200 4567 5720	1800 660 2352 1200 1800	542 40 400 120 401	- 1000 260	167 167 573 270 168	7709 5967 9525 6157 8349	353 35 777 250 300	1380 342 1827 369 440
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PECRIA Creve Coeur	3640 835 - 275	1200 880 1550	100 89 195	1111	167 167 167 270	5107 1971 1912	145 280 10 10	706 244 496
PRINCETON RCCKFORD	3020	1730	70	144	84	5048	138	720
First Faith WYANET	4420 1200 2290	1465 1800	112 60 15	675 - 67	519 197 83	7191 3257 2455	595 1040 275	763 690 465
Totals	46,267	20,337		2,688	3,333	75,048		10,134

Item VIII. Disbursed for Church Continued												
СНИВСН	WMS Expense	XMX asuecxe	Suldings	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Amount Paid on BEXP. of Indebtedness	Church Incidental	Total Church Expense				
CHICAGC Austin Hoyne Ave.	_ 21	674 -	7483 1480	1423 289	1450 956	30 94	6916 3346	19,790 6,651				
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	- 11 - - 25	97 11 616 - -	- 241 24,000 700 1500	681 390 - - 592	4860 1675 5000 845 5113	4452 3562 8856 45 5885	3953 2963 10097 3054 3121	15,776 9,230 51,173 5,263 16,976				
DEKALE GALESSURG HCOPESTON MCLINE PECRIA Creve Coeur First	170 - - 58	290 - - 136	- 192 300 40,060	366 224	676 415 1517	795 1264 2371	457 1973 - 1497 2269	5,448 778 43,794 7,105				
PAINCETON ACCEFORD First Faith WYANET	- 230 50	5 100	- - 88 6000	206 720 191	200 3403 3377 475	615 752 4195 76	416 1997 2898 1856 1365	4,278 8,705 16,208 2,897				
Totals	565	1929	82 ,0 44	5410			48,178	217,090				

Item IX. Disbursed for General Budget												
CHURCH	World Missions Assigned	world Missions Baised	Australla Assi <u>6</u> ned	nustralla Raised	Brainerd Indian School	Brainerd Indian School Raised	Church Ext. & Evange. Assigned	Church Ext & Evange. Gaised				
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	128.00 44.00		16.00 5.50	16.00 10.50	16.00 5.50	16.00	96.00 33.00	101.00 38.00				
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	120.00 38.00 152.00 62.00 84.00		4.75	9.80 19.00 8.00 10.50	15.00 4.75 19.00 7.75 10.50	4.80	90.00 28.50 114.00 46.50 63.00	33.50 123.60 46.50 70.20				
DEKALB CALESCURG HOOPESTON MCLINE PECRIA Creve Coeur	64.00 20.00	73.32	8.00 2.50	8.00 2.50 - 7.50	8.00 2.50 -	-	48.00 15.00 - 45.00	48.00 15.00 5.00 45.00				
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	74.00 108.00 38.00 72.00	403.23 164.52 81.08	9.25 13.50 4.75 9.00	9.25 13.50 8.50 9.00	9.25 13.50 4.75 9.00	34.25	55.50	60.50 131.00 28.50 54.00				
Totals *Conference Paym. Remitted to Denom.	1064.00	4132.48	133.00	132.05 133.00	133.00		798.00	799.80				

^{*}This deficit paid in full by Conference remittance.

	Item IX	Disb	ursed f	or Gene	eral Bu	dget		
СНОВСН	Pension Plan Assigned	Pension Pian naised	Church Administration Assigned	Church Administration Raised	General Conf. Expense Assigned	General Conf. Expense Raised	Hephzibah Assigned	Hephzibah Raised
CHURCH Austin Hoyne Ave.	448.00 154.00	453.00	137.60 47.30		32.00 11.00	32.00 11.00	32.00 11.00	42.00 16.00
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	420.00 133.00 532.00 217.00 294.00	133.00 532.00 217.00	129.00 40.85 163.40 66.65 90.30	40.90 163.40 66.65	9.50 38.00 15.50	30.00 9.50 38.00 15.50 21.00	30.00 9.50 38.00 15.50 21.00	30.00 14.50 43.00 15.50 26.00
DEKALB GALESBURG HCCPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	224.00 70.00 -	224.00 70.00 -	68.80 21.50 -	21.50		16.00 5.00 -	16.00 5.00 -	16.00 5.00 5.00
PRINCETON RCCKFORD First Faith	259.00 378.00 133.00	259.00 373.00 133.00	79.55 116.10 40.85	79.55 116.10 40.85	18.50 27.00 9.50	18.50 27.00 9.50	18.50 27.00 9.50 16.00	23.50 20.50 9.50 18.00
WYANET Totals	3724.00	252.00 3729.41		1144.55	266.00	266.00		04.50

Item IX. Disbursed for General Budget Continued								
сния сн	Education Assi _e ned	Education Aaised	Wesleyan Seminary Assigned	wesleyun Seminary Raised	General Sunday School	General Sunday School Raised	Total General Budjet Assigned	Total General Budget Raised
CHURCH Austin Hoyne Ave.	256.00 88.00	270.09 93.80			30.75			1889.19
CHICAGOLAND Braodview £1k Grove Oak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	76.00 304.00 124.00	245.50 79.00 308.39 124.00 186.51	5.70 22.80 9.30	22.80	17.75 91.50 16.75	16.75	368.30 1493.70 588.70	26 35. 96 506.09
DENALS GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	40.00	129.00 41.40 5.00	9.60 3.00	9.60 3.00	39.50 19.75 13.25	39.50 19.75 13.30	629.90 204.25 13.25	640.22 241.72 90.66
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	148.00 216.00 144:88	150.00	11.10	11.10 16.20 15:80	25.50 43.25 22.50 21.00	25.50 43.30 22.50 21.00	708.15 1039.55 373.05 685.20	792.60 1426.33 509.77 696.51
Totals	2128.00	2225.63	159.60	160.00	181.25	481.45	10,296.65	13,730,42*

^{*}Because Peoria First Church was disbanded no statistical report was made. However, budget assigned was paid in full. \$175.00 payment added in this total.

	Item IX Disl	oursed for Con	ference Budge	t
сниясн	President's Salary Assigned	President's Salary Halsed	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	629.49 264.03	629.49 264.10	320.00 110.00	320.00 110.00
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	807.69 460.95 1377.30 587.61 729.54	807.77 461.00 1377.30 387.81 730.00	300.00 95.00 380.00 155.00 210.00	300.00 95.00 380.00 155.00 210.00
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MCLINE PECKIA Creve Coeur	355.29 137.46 134.13	325.29 137.75 134.20 313.10	160.00 50.00 -	- 16.00 50.00 -
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WX.NET	319.89 529.26 318.45 207.09	319.89 529.30 318.45 207.09	185.00 270.00 95.00 180.00	185.00 270.00 95.00 180.00
Totals	6971.40	6942.54	2660.00	2516.00

Item IX. Di	sbursed f	or Confer	ence Bud	et Cont.
CHURCH	Conference Church Ext. Assigned	Conference Church Ext. Raised	Conference Sunday School Assi_ned	Conference Sunday School Naised
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	384.00 132.00	386.70 132.00	18.45 17.10	18.45 17.10
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Cak Park Wheaton	360.00 114.00 456.00 186.00 252.00	360.00 114.60 470.37 186.00 252.00	31.50 10.65 54.90 10.05 21.30	31.50 10.70 54.90 10.05
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	192.00 60.00 -	24.20 60.00 -	23.70 11.85 7.95	11.85 8.00
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	324.00 114.00 216.00	346.00 114.00 216.00	15.30 25.95 13.50 12.60	15.30 26.00 13.50 12.60
Totals	3192.00	3065.87	238.75	265.95

Item IX Disbursed for Conference Endget Cont.								
снивсн	Total Conference Expense Ass16ned	Total Conference Expense Raised	Grand Total General & Con- ference Budgets Assigned	General & Conference Budgets Raised				
CHICAGO				and a Co				
Austin	1351.94	1354.64	2563.49					
Hoyne Ave	523.13	523.90	957 • 53	1093.99				
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park	1499.19 680.60 2268.20 738.86 1212.84	1499.27 681.30 2282.57 738.86 1214.00	2658.69 1048.90 3761.90 1327.56	1224.10 4918.53 1344.95				
Wheaton DEKALB	_	-	-	=				
GALESBURG	730.99	365.49	1360.84					
HOOPESTON	259.31	259.60						
MOLINE	142.08	142.20	155.33	232.86				
PEORIA	£ 5 6 07	567 10	1223 22	1452.24				
Creve Coeur PRINCETON	656.97 742.19	657.10 744.19	1450.34	1536.79				
ROCKFORD	172017	1 11112	1 - 1,500,5	-				
First	1149.21	1171.30	2188.76	2597.63				
Faith	540.95	540.95		1050.72				
WYANET	615.69	615.69						
Totals	13,112.15	12,790.36	23,408.80	26,520.78*				

^{*}Includes \$175.00 General Budget remitted from disbanded Peoria First Church not reported in Statistical reports.

	I	tem X	D1	shur	sed f	or 3	cnour	lence		
сниасн	World Missions	Austra118	Brainerd Indian School	Wesleyan Indian Mission	Church Exten- sion and Evang.	Hephz1bah	Education	Conference Work	Other Objects	Total for Senevolences
Austin Hoyne Ave.	4244 90	- 50	- 5	14	50 50	74	120 100	76 221	976 440	5466 1044
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	100 2422 200 1892		1111	37	- 935 -	11111	- 1066 -	10 259	2087 364 3003 117 4384	2187 2796 5500 2009 4384
DEKALB GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	55 82 56 37	1111	11111	11111	13 5 23	11111	- 16 - 2	15 72 30	25 43 25 254 403	95 210 97 326 472
PRINCETON BOCKFORD First Faith WYANET	20 375 202 323		1 - -	1 1 1	26 26 26 7	- 10	-	-	391 2509 420 190	412 2965 652 556
Tota1s	10,133	50	6	51	1135	84	1304	777	15,631	29,171

	Item XI	Disb	ursed Tot	als	
СНИЕСН	Pastoral Income	Church Expense	Budget	Benevolences	Total for all Purposes
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	7715 1040	19,790 6,651	3244 1094	5466 1044	36,215 9,829
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Cak Lawn Oak Fark Wheaton	7709 5967 9525 6157 8349	15,776 9,230 51,173 5,263 16,976	2674 1224 4919 1345 2157	2187 2796 5500 2009 4384	28,346 19,217 71,117 14,774 31,866
DEKALS GALESBURG HOLINE FEORIA Creve Coeur First	5107 1971 1912 1645	602 5,448 778 43,794 7,105 416	1006 501 233 1452 175	95 210 97 326 472	697 11,771 3,347 46,265 10,674 591
FRINCETON BCCKFCRD First Faith WYANET	5048 7191 3257 2455	4,278 8,705 18,208 2,897	1537 2598 1051 1312	412 2965 652 556	11,275 21,459 23,168 7,220
Tota1s	75,048	21,709	26,522		347,831

that in the public schools, devotional exercises should not be imposed on those who do not wish to participate, we feel that there should be freedom to pray in appropriate situations by those who wish to do so. Freedom should work both ways.

B. Extremism

We believe in the individual's inalienable right to freedom of thought, speech, and action in so far as it does not harm others. Extreme effort in the defense of liberty is to be commended. But we abhor the actions and attitudes of extremist groups who seek the overthrow of our government or who circumvent the orderly process of law to gain their ends. We call upon our people to be aware of the serious threat posed to them by any extremist group. Aggressive authoritarianism, as evidenced in the Communist Party and the American Nazi Party; and destructive hatred, evidenced in the Ku Klux Klan and the Black Power movement are not in keeping with the Christian message nor the democratic process. Let all of our political efforts be based on the application of Christ's Gospel to the problems of man and the structures of society.

C. Peace

The Bible tells us to strive to live peaceably with all However, we also believe that the Bible indicates that Christians bear a responsibility to assist in the defense of our nation. Though we oppose wars of aggression, we concede the need for military defense and assistance to weak nations when they are attacked by others. We do not accept the philosophy of "Peace at any cost." We believe in the morality of using force to maintain law and order and in the defence of liberty. Furthermore we believe that it is the duty of all Christians to seek earnestly the defeat of all expressions of evil until the Second Coming of Christ. We concede that not all Christians agree on the morality of participation in the mili-We support the right of those who are tary service. conscientious objectors to follow their conscience in legal alternatives.

D. Economics

1) Poverty

Even though Christ said, "Ye have the poor always with you", it is the duty of Christians to minister to the physical needs of men as well as to their spiritual needs. We believe it is the duty of man to labor honestly to provide for the needs of his family and himself in so far as possible. Deliberate non-employment by those able to work should not be rewarded by public subsistance.

2) Labor

We believe that the labourer is worthy of his hire and should be paid fairly for the value of his labor. We uphold the right of the labourer to strike in obtaining better wages and working conditions. However, we call upon unionized labor and public service employees to consider society as a whole before striking, to avoid economic inflation and undue disruption of vital services.

E. Population Growth

The population explosion is a matter of serious concern for the church. Our main burden must be to evangelize the growing multitudes for Christ. We do believe that information on family planning should be made available for all who need it, but that the decision to use it must be a matter for individual conscience.

F. Race Relations

Let it be recorded that we believe in the rights of all Americans to equal citizenship regardless of race, color, or social status. We also believe that the right of equality of opportunity implies equality of responsibility and demands equal participation in fulfilling the duties

of full citizenship. we defend the right of every citizen to choose where he shall live. We also defend the right of a citizen to lawfully dispose of his property as he chooses. We frankly admit that the very real differences in cultural background between the races present a deep challenge to our Christian love and understanding. Only a determined effort gendered by a spirit of true Christian love can overcome the divisive and hate producing factors incumbent in these differences. We decry and vehemently oppose the use of violence and civil disobedience as methods of overcoming racial and social inequities. We applaud the efforts of those seeking to resolve these problems by due process of law or by other lawful and constructive means. It is also our position that people of all races who meet the requirements of the Discipline shall be accepted into the fellowship of our churches.

II.

Morality A. Self Control

1) Moderation

In all legitimate areas of activity such as labor, leisure, and diet, we affirm the scriptural standard of moderation. We object to the current trend toward ever greater exposure of the body which seems to reflect the immoral permissiveness of our day. In dress we call for attractive modesty.

2) Abstinence

Since the use of beverage alcohol, tobacco, narcotics, and psychedelic drugs is harmful to the body or mind and leads to social decadence, and believing that the Scriptures demand physical and moral purity, we maintain our traditional position of total abstinence from these habits and feel that all advertising of these products should be curtailed.

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. We hold that the marriage vows are a pledge before God intended to be binding for life. However, we also recognize that divorce is a growing phenomenon in our society. We oppose divorce as a method of solving marital problems, and urge those whose marriages are troubled to seek guidance from qualified marriage counselors. We also believe that in cases where divorce and remarriage has occurred, that those whom God forgives, we also ought to forgive. We affirm the right of married Christian couples to determine the size of their families by any means consistent with their conscience.

Public Communications

Realizing that the communications media have tremendous influence upon public opinion and social action, we urge those engaged in the production and promotion of these media to regard their responsibilities and opportunities in this field as a sacred trust, not simply as a means to profit or easy popularity. In newspapers, magazines, books, radio, television, and films we decry the growing trend to-ward glorification of violence and illicit sex. We call upon responsible citizens within the field of communications and those who are readers or viewers to exert all reasonable influence to raise the level of morality expressed through these media. We urge Christians not only to oppose the public sale of corrupt literature, but to purchase and read the good magazines and books available. We call for conscientious Christian discernment regarding the degree of use of the various audio-visual media. <u>Activities</u>

Since the Christian's obligation is to glorify God in every facet of life, we call for commitment to Biblical standards of Christian living. We must take every opportunity of nurturing this Christian way of life through positive

attitudes and activities. We must always avoid those activities or practices condemned by Scripture as evil. As to the use of the Lord's Day, we recognize increased laxity on the part of Christians and call for renewed reverence. Let this day be used by each family for worship and appropriate family activities, avoiding unnecessary business transactions and irreverent (although at other times legitimate) recreational activities.

III. Motivation

We urge that the curricula in our church Christian Education programs, and that used in the training of our ministers be geared toward self-understanding and continuing Christian commitment. We concede that human aspiration and effort alone is inadequate to enable any one to fulfill all of these obligations. Only the grace of God operative in the heart of a surrendered soul can provide adequacy in the face of these perplexing issues.

Respectfully submitted,

David D. Crail, Chairman Bill Killian Joseph Larakers Leigh Nygard James Ocheltree Marilyn Hamlett 1967 Minutes of the Illinois Conference W.H.S.

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THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

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REGISTER OF SOCIETIES AND PRESIDENTS FOR 1967-1968

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61108

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1967 CONFERENCE DELEGATES

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ROCKFORD

Austin Mrs. Joaquin Crawford Hoyne Ave. Mrs. Patricia Larakers

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Broadview Mrs. Carole Jones Mrs. Barbara Butcher Elk Grove Mrs. Margery Zuhl Mrs. Bernice Senger Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton Mrs. Carol Johnson GALESBURG Mrs. Janice Wallerich HOOPESTON Mrs. Peggy Swanson

PEORIA

Creve Coeur Mrs. Edith Kinsman PRINCETON Mrs. Florence Shofner ROCKFORD

First Mrs. Erma Jean Johnson Faith Mrs. Ada Coleman WYANET Mrs. Mildred Wallace

STANDING RULES:

- Orders of the Day Committees: Resolved: That the Executive Committee shall constitute the Orders of the Day Committee.
 Nominating Committee. Resolved: That the Executive Committee shall
- 2. <u>Nominating Committee</u>. Resolved: That the Executive Committee shall be a nominating committee to nominate conference session committees before each annual session.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

First Meeting, 3:00 p.m., Thursday, August 3, 1967

- 1. Opening: The Woman's Missionary Society of the Illinois Conference held the first meeting of its Eighteenth Annual Session in Wesley Hall at Camp Epworth, near Belvidere, Illinois, with the President, Mrs. Rachel Bray, presiding. Mrs. Judy Nygard led in singing "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling" and "Now". Mrs. Bernice Senger led in opening prayer.
- 2. Bar of Conference: The first five 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 accepted. (See Report No. 1)
- 5. <u>President's Report</u>: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford, 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 rising vote of appreciation for her work. (See Report No. 2)
- 6. Reading Course Secretary: In the absence of Eunice Friske, the Secretary read the report of the Reading Course Secretary. It was accepted. (See Report No. 3)
- 7. Magazine Solicitor: The report of the Magazine Solicitor, Mrs. Lillian Bailie, was read and received. (See Report No. 4)
- 8. <u>Women's World Fellowship Secretary</u>: The report of the Women's World Fellowship Secretary, Mrs. Vera Klatt, was read and approved. (See Report No. 5)
- 9. Special Musical Number: Mrs. Jan Sandahl presented a special number in song.
- 10. Auditor's Report: The reports of the auditors were read and accepted. (See Reports No. 6 and 7)
- 11. Executive Committee: The report of the Executive Committee was read and approved. (See Report No. 8)
- 12. <u>Y.N.W.B.</u> Superintendent: The report of the Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Mrs. Jean Mould, was read and received. (See Report No. 9)
- 13. Committees: The report of the Executive Committee nominating the members of the various committees was read and adopted: Nominating Committee: May Bailie, Chairman, Marion Hood, Erma Jean Johnson, Mildred Wallace; Plan of Work Committee, Peggy Swanson, Chairman, Melba Nixon, Sara Blaire, Ethlyn Elkins, Bernice Senger; Post Office, Vera Klatt, Chairman, Janice Wallerich, Patricia Larakers; Communications, Carol Johnson, Chairman, Florence Shofner; Music, Mary Lou Scamihorn, Judy Nygard; Hospitality, Linda Castro, Jean Mould; Poster, Judges, David Crail, David Castro, Martha Davis; Reporter, Betsy Talcott; Work Assignments, Margery Zuhl; Counting Tellers, Carole Jones, Helen Conkling; Distributing Tellers, Lillie McBride, Ada Coleman; Courtesy, Kay Dyer, Evelyn Mimnaugh; Reception Chairman, Helen Conkling.

- 14. <u>Prayer Item</u>: Mrs. Vera Klatt presented a special prayer request from Haiti concerning the recent drowning of Marilyn Barnett. Mrs. Barbara Crail led in prayer.
- 15. <u>Gift of Appreciation</u>: The Conference body presented Mrs. Rachel Bray a friendship quilt made by the Rockford Faith church. Mrs. Bray expressed her appreciation.
- 16. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned by prevailing motion.
- 17. Reception: Rockford First W.M.S. was hostess to a reception for all ladies in the fireplace room.

Second Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Friday, August 4, 1967

- 18. Opening: The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Bernice Senger led in singing "Now".
- 19. <u>Courtesy Committee</u>: The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Mildred Scott, General W.M.S. President. She brought words of greetings from headquarters and led in devotions from Galatians 5.
- 20. <u>Prayer Request</u>: Mrs. Vera Klatt presented special prayer requests concerning our boys in the armed forces and chaplains in Viet Nam. Several ladies led in prayer.
- 21. <u>Gratitude</u>: A rising vote of thanks was expressed to Rockford First and Faith Churches for their labors in preparation of the camp grounds as well as serving a lovely reception following the first business session.
- 22. Roll Call: The roll was taken and the delegates were seated within the bar.
- 23. Minutes: The minutes of the first meeting were read and approved.
- 24. <u>Literature Secretary</u>: The report of the <u>Literature Secretary</u> was read by the secretary. It was accepted. (See Report No. 10)
- 25. Nominating Committee: The report of the Nominating Committee was read and accepted. (See Report No. 11)
- 26. Election of Officers: Mrs. Mildred Scott presided over the election by individual ballot of the following Conference Officers for 1967-68: President, Mrs. Bachel Bray; Vice President, Mrs. Joaquin Crawford; Secretary, Mrs. Linda Castro; Treasurer, Mrs. Barbara Crail; Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Mrs. Jean Mould; Literature Secretary, Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty; Reading Course Secretary, Mrs. Barbara Butcher; Magazine Solicitor, Mrs. Lillian Bailie; Statistical Chairman, Mrs. Judy Nygard.
- 27. <u>Plan of Work</u>: The Plan of Work Committee report was read and accepted. Following discussion a motion prevailed that this committee with the Treasurer re-evaluate the non-budget financial assessments. (See Report No. 12)
- 28. Special Music: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford presented a special number in song.
- 29. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: The Conference received the Treasurer's report of Mrs. Barbara Crail with a rising vote of thanks. (See Report No. 13)
- 30. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by vote.

Third Meeting, 1:30 p.m., Friday, August 4, 1967

31. Opening: The meeting was opened by the Vice President, Mrs. Joaquin

- Crawford. Mrs. Bernice Senger led in singing. Devotions were given by Mrs. Mildred Scott. Mrs. Vera Klatt presented special prayer requests of Wycliffe Translators, Tom Murray Family and Henry Cook family. Several ladies led in prayer.
- 32. Roll Call: The roll was taken and the delegates were seated within the bar.
- 33. Minutes: The minutes of the second meeting were read and approved.
- 34. Statistical Chairman: The report of the Statistical Chairman, Mrs. Judy Nygard, was read and approved. (See Report No. 14)
- 35. General Conference Delegates: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford was elected delegate to General Conference. Mrs. Barbara Crail was elected alternate delegate.
- 36. Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work: The Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work was read and approved. (See Report No. 15)
- 37. Special Music: Miss Ruth Olander, Mrs. Bernice Senger, and Mrs. Margery Zuhl presented a ladies tric.
- 38. <u>Courtesy Committee:</u> A partial report of the Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Carol Johnson, from the Wheaton Church, who is leaving for missionary service in Spain. She gave words of testimony.
- 39. Post Office Committee: The report of the Post Office Committee was read and accepted.
- 40. <u>Communications Committee</u>: The Communications Committee report was read and accepted. (See Report No. 16)
- 41. Goals of the Societies: A motion prevailed that the goal of the society is to be an over-all financial goal. If the local W.M.S. prefers to break this down into separate goals they have the choice to do so.
- 42. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned by prevailing motion.

Fourth Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Friday, August 4, 1967

This meeting was a showing of film strips "Parables from Nature."

Fifth Meeting. 9:00 a.m., Saturday, August 5, 1967

- 43. Opening: The meeting was called to order by the President. Mrs. Bernice Senger led in singing. Mrs. Rachel Bray led in prayer.
- 44. Roll Call: The roll was taken and delegates were seated within the bar.
- 45. Minutes: The minutes of the third meeting were read and approved.
- 46. <u>Poster Committee:</u> The report of the Poster Committee was read and accepted. (See Report No. 17)
- 47. <u>Prayer Requests</u>: Mrs. Vera Klatt presented special prayer requests from Japan. Mrs. Margery Zuhl led in prayer.
- 48. Honor Societies: The honor banners were presented to the following societies: Broadview, Elk Grove, Wheaton, Galesburg, Creve Coeur, Rockford First, Rockford Faith, and Wyanet.
- 49. <u>Courtesy Committee</u>: The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Jean Browne, Assistant Pastor's wife from Hoyne Avenue, Mrs. Martha Davis,

- OMS Missionary returning to Japan, Rev. Claude Scott, General Evangelist, and Dr. H. K. Sheets, General Superintendent. They brought words of testimony.
- 50. <u>Guideposts of 1967 and 1968</u>: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford moderated "Guideposts of 1967 and 1968." Several local societies presented key ideas from their local programs.
- 51. Missionary Magazine: Mrs. Lillian Bailie promoted the Missionary Magazine with a skit entitled "Miss Iona Ree Pages." (Missionary Pages) The achievement plaque was awarded to the W.M.S. of the Rockford First Church.
- 52. News Items: Communications from Rosa Bishop and the Henry Cook family were read. Mrs. Mildred Scott presented news items from the mission fields.
- 53. Adjournment: By prevailing motion the conference was adjourned sine die.

W. M. S. REPORTS

Report No. 1

Orders of the Day

Thursday. August 3. 1:30 p.m.. 1967 Communion Service and Conference Sermon in Joint Session with Annual Conference. First meeting in Missionary Chapel, 2:45 p.m.; Roll Call; Report of Orders of the Day Committee; Report of Conference W.M.S. 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; Report of the Committee on Conference Committees; Reception, Helen Conkling, Chairman.

Thursday Evening, Committees convene for work.

Second Meeting, Friday, August 4, 9:30 a.m. Devotions, Mrs. Mildred Scott, General W.M.S. President; Report of the Nominating Committee; Election of Conference Officers; Special in Song; Report of the Plan of Work Committee; Reports of Conference Committees; Report of the Conference W.M.S. Treasurer.

Third Meeting, Friday, August 4, 1:30 p.m. Devotions by Mrs. Mildred Scott; Report of Statistical Committee; Reports of Local W.M.S. Financial Goals; Miscellaneous Business; Adjournment.

Friday, August 4, 7:00 p.m. Showing of film strips "Parables from Nature"; Everyone not in Annual Conference is invited to attend this showing in Missionary Chapel. These will especially interest the children.

Fourth Meeting, Saturday, August 5. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. W.M.S. Conference, Annual Awards; 9:15 a.m. Devotions and News from the fields by Mrs. Mildred Scott; 10:00 a.m. Courtesy Committee; 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. Guideposts for 1967 and 1968; 1:30 p.m. Y.M.W.B. Superintendents Workshop.

Public Missionary Service, Sunday, August 6, 2:30 p.m. Missionary message from the Rev. Henry Ortlip, Haiti.

Public Young Missionary Workers Bank Service, Friday, August 11, 1967. 7:30 p.m. during the opening part of the evening Camp Meeting service. The children at camp will be featured in a presentation of their Y.N.W.B. activities.

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

Conference W.M.S President

To the members of the Eighteenth Annual Session of the Illinois Conference Woman's Missionary Society gathered here at Camp Epworth, we greet you in the name of the Lord.

The Lord has seen fit to bless the efforts of our loyal people in the local societies and we have seen a gain in most areas of our missionary enterprize.

Visitation: Fourteen of the fifteen local societies were visited this Conference year. It was a blessing to see how the Lord was working in each church, and to meet new people and renew acquaintances with many dear friends.

Promotion: We promoted the missionary visitation of Miss Mary Jane Holcomb, our missionary who has returned in July to Sierra Leone, West Africa for her second term of service. Mary visited each of the churches during the year she was home as well as working full time as a nurse at West Suburban Hospital in Oak Park.

Projects: Again we praise the Lord for the good response we had toward our conference projects this past year. Mrs. Joaquin Crawford efficently presented the needs to you for both the Henry Cook project and the project of outfitting Miss Mary Jane Holcomb as she prepared to return to Africa.

A total of \$459.91 in cash and merchandise was given the Henry Cook family to assist them in their preparation for Jungle Camp. They are serving under the Wycliffe Translators. Henry and Elsie Cook are members of our Elk Grove Village Church.

We also praise the Lord for the \$1104.67 in cash and merchandise that you raised to assist Mary Jane Holcomb in procuring her outfit and for overseas transportation back to Sierra Leone.

Activities: As a member of the Conference Camp Board I met twice

with the board to make plans for the 1967 Camp.

<u>Communications</u>: Many letters of communication were sent from the conference office this past year all pertaining to the work of the conference.

Statistics:		1967	1966
	Membership	256	263
•	Honorary	91	91
	Magazines Sub	363	369
	Total Rec.	\$12,221.67	\$11.398.80

New Society: It was my distinct privilege to organize a new missionary society at our pioneer church, Moline, Ill., on September 29, 1966. The society was organized with 15 active members.

We thank you for your continued prayers and your faithful co-operation this past year. Let us continue to pray one for another that His work might go forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Bray, W.M.S. President

Report No. 3

Reading Course Secretary

This year 1967 we have sent to each society cards and pockets in order that they may try the library system of circulating books. One society gratefully replied that they had been using this method success fully before. Several others were appreciative of the supplied and planned to use them.

Our report of the books read in 1966 is as follows:

Number reading six books.....45 Number reading one to five books.....122

Total number of readers participating...167 Total number of societies reporting.....15

You have continued to report 100% and you have gained four readers. Congratulations! Keep reading!

Respectfully submitted. Mrs. Eunice Friske, Heading Course Secretary

Conference Magazine Solicitor

Due to the resignation of Mrs. Mary Priest, I have acted as Conference Magazine Solicitor upon request of the Executive Board since the

closing of the 3rd quarter.

Most of the ground work for the year was well on the way to completion by that time. I want to thank all of you for making the work easy There was prompt response to the call for the 3rd and 4th quarter reports. There were several societies from whom I did not receive the report for the 3rd quarter, however there was a 100% return of reports for the last quarter. Five societies had a good gain in subscriptions, and one society had a very noticeable loss. In 1966 we reported 369 subscriptions for the year. This year we have 363

subscriptions with a loss of six.

The Conference Contest did not make any outstanding records and we

recommend a simpler approach for the coming year.

At the close of the 4th quarter I sent each society information from Magazine headquarters relative to the Target 2000 project. Illinois had a goal of 34 or equivalent of two NEW subscriptions per local society to be secured before August 31. Wheaton and Galesburg returned their blanks with two new subscriptions each, when they sent their quarterly report. We appreciate this quick response and trust each society will be able to take care of this right after Conference.

Be assured I deeply appreciate your cooperation, and trust a good year will unfold for each of you as you work in your locals to keep our excellent magazine in the hands of the women in your church and

community.

Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. Lillian Bailie Illinois Conference Magazine Solicitor

Report No. 5

Conference Women's World Fellowship Secretary

This past conference year has been a real thrill to me as we have studied The Word and shared answers to prayer as well as prayer requests. Praying together for the specific needs of our prayer partners, and our own personal needs too, gives us a better understanding of each other as well as strengthening our faith to believe for greater things ahead. I trust each of your local W.W.F. groups have experienced this excitement.

To each local secretary we say thank you for your labors in your church, and trust that the coming year we shall see more women taking prayer partners and joining a prayer circle and becoming a real witness for Christ.

The report is as follows: Number of World Missionaries chosen-----289 Number of Y.M.W.B. prayer partners-----158 Number signing W.W.F. Covenant-----128 Number participating in Bible Study------69

Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. Vera Klatt Conference W.W.F. Secretary

Auditor's Report

The Illinois Conference Women's Missionary Society Treasurers books have been examined by me and found in satisfactory condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Samuel H. Paine, Jr., Auditor

Report No. 7

Auditor's Report

I have audited the Y.M.W.B. books of the Illinois Conference and found them to be in order.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mona Devall

Report No. 8

Executive Committee

- We, the Executive Committee recommend:
 1. That the cash and pledges made in the public Missionary Bally go for the project presented by Rev. Henry Ortlip. The project is financial assistance in completing the Port-au-Prince Church in Haiti.
- 2. That the expenses, not to exceed \$25.00, of the Missionary, Rev. Henry Ortlip, be paid from the Administrative Fund.
- 3. That each society present its total financial goal for the year at the Conference session.
 - 4. Conference projects:
 - a. That substantial offerings be given for outfitting the Jay Johnson family, members of the Wheaton Church, in preparation for their missionary service in Spain. Items or money equivalent should be postmarked by October 20.
 - b. That an offering be taken for the new pioneer church in DeKalb.
 - 5. That all conference officers be elected by individual ballot.

6. That honor roll societies be recognized.

7. That in addition to the regular educational offering (See IV-A-1, Plan of Work), a special offering be taken to help furnish a room in the girls' new dormitory at Marion College.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Bray, Chairman Joaquin Crawford Linda Castro Barbara Crail Jean Mould

Report No. 9

Y.M.W.B. Statistical Report

(See following page for report.)

Respectfully submitted,

Hrs. Jean Mould I.H.W.B. Superintendent 1967 Minutes of the Illinois Conference W.M.S.

Y.M.W.B. STATISTICAL REPORT

CHURCH	Active Members	Honorary Members	Total Membership	Meetings	Efficiency Bating
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	16 20	63 23	79 43	13 12	80% 80%
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	12 15 25 5 30 24	41 15 14 6 40 22 19	53 30 39 11 70	14 12 13 10 12	80% 100% 90% 45% 100% 100%
GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	24 25 16 14	22 19 5	46 44 21 29	12 12 12 12	100% 95% 100%
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	16 37 19 10	12 33 20 27	28 70 39 37	12 13 12 12	80% 100% 100% 75%
Totals	284	355	639	183	88%

Totals

		D	isburse	ments			
CHURCH	World Missions	Educa t1on	Special Projects World Miss.	Special Pro- jects Chr. Extension	Total (Band Cred1t)	Non- Credit	GRAND TOTAL
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	146.92 50.74	9.09 6.50	21.54 24.99	55.67 17.25	233.22 99.48	3.02 .72	236.24 100.20
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	72.19 32.76 84.25 12.13 41.10	5.50 3.00 4.39 -	4.95 12.90 6.62 1.55 20.11	7.85 8.97 26.60 1.57 3.50	90.49 57.63 121.86 15.25 83.22	1.55 1.82 7.86	92.73 59.18 123.68 23.11 85.32
GALESBURG HOOPESTON MCLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	35.60 56.04 21.23 53.08	1.00 6.40 5.15	5.00 17.98 11.70	5.00 3.77 7.02	46.60 84.19 45.10	8.32 5.59 1.28	54.92 89.78 46.38
PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET Conf. Offering	29.20 108.13 34.89 38.44	2.00 10.00 2.25 1.23	10.60 32.00 42.73 4.59	11.70 33.66 9.75 12.00 75.00	53.50 183.79 89.62 56.26 75.00	1.24 2.75 1.17 1.11	54•74 186•54 90•79 57•37 75•00
Totals	816.70	78.02	235.57	298.45	1428.74	41.64	1470.38

Literature Secretary

Financial Report of Boo Inventory on hand	okstand for 1966:	i	. 58
RECEIPTS: Wesley Press Consign. Berean Bkst. Consign. Mrs. Bray Scripture Bkst. Total Receipts	\$ 103.76 206.00 4.50 28.35 \$ 342.61		
DISBURSEMENTS: Wesley Press Berean Bkst. Mrs. Bray Scripture Ekst. Loss on Sales Total Disbursements	\$ 65.26 133.87 4.50 28.35 6.98 \$ 231.98		
Profits to Conference Inventory on Hand Merchandise Returned	Extension	_	\$2.80 5.13 62.70
Grand Total		\$34	42.61

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty Conference Literature Secretary

Report No. 11

Nominating Committee

After prayerful consideration the nominating committee presents the following names for conference officers: President, Rachel Bray; Vice President, Joaquin Crawford; Secretary, Linda Castro; Treasurer, Barbara Crail; Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Jean Mould; Literature Secretary, Ivanelle McCarty; Reading Course Secretary, Barbara Butcher; Magazine Solicitor, Lillian Bailie; Women's World Fellowship Secretary, Vera Klatt; Statistical Chairman, Judy Nygard; Delegate to General Conference, Mrs. Joaquin Crawford; Alternate Delegate, Mrs. Barbara Crail.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. May Bailie, Chairman Mrs. Erma Jean Johnson Mrs. Mildred Wallace Mrs. Marion Hood

Report No. 12

Plan of Work Committee

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

I. <u>INFORMATION</u>

A. Wesleyan Missionary
1. Participate in Wesleyan Missionary subscription

campaign month.

2. Have the equivalent of at least 75% of active society nembership (and including all executive officers) as subscribers.

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Credit Pts.

	111		nutes of the s Conference	65
		3•	Solicitor achieve a net gain in subscriptions, striving to secure <u>all</u> renewals and using assigned conference church key and zip codes when remitting subscriptions to Wesley Fress. (See also Reports under Organization.)	5
	В.	Oth 1.	er <u>Literature</u> Frovide a missionary library adding at least the	5
		2.	reading course books each year. Have the equivalent of at least 10% of the active membership read all the reading course books annu-	2
		3.	ally. Subscribe to and use <u>The Guide</u> as program source material.	2
		4.	Reading course secretary promote the reading course and circulate books. (See also Reports under Organi-	2
	c.	Con	zation.) ventions	2
	••	1.	Sponsor a local annual missionary convention which may be the round-robin type, rotating a team of speakers among several cooperating churches. Or	
			participate in conference-sponsored deputational tour.	3
	D.	Pos	ters	,
		1.	Participate in Conference-sponsored poster display in accordance with specifications in W.M.S. Manual.	. 2
I.		VOTI	<u>ON</u>	
	A.	ras	t and Prayer Day. Observe a monthly day of fasting and prayer in the	
			interest of Wesleyan World Missions and Church Ex-	
	<u> </u>	Mon	tension. (Minimum of 10).	. 3
	₽•	1.	en's World Fellowship WWF Secretary promote the general WWF program,	
			namely, prayer circles and neighborhood or other	
			Bible studies (Preferably on Tuesdays), and witnessing.	_
		2.	WWF Secretary encourage each member (active and	3
			honorary) to choose a world missionary partner	
			and earnestly support him by prayer daily through- out the year.	3
		3.	WWF Secretary urge each member to use. in daily	,
			prayer, the monthly prayer calendar page and the listing of national workers in the July-August	
			Wesleyan Missionary.	3
ı.I.	SE	RVIC	<u>E</u> munity Missions	-
	•••	1.	Participate in Community Missions at least during March (Focus Month) conducting, under the supervision	
			of the Vice President, an aggressive soul-winning campaign, with tract and Scripture distribution.	2
		2.	Engage in community relief work, under the super-	-
			vision of the work director, (food or clothing), reporting same according to conference recommen-	
	_		dations.	1
	В.	Dir	<u>cended Outreach</u> (Also under supervision of the Work	
			Inquire into needs of Hephzibah Children's Home and	
			send supplies and/or coupons, and/or trading stamps. Assist Wesleyan Indian Missions or World Relief Com-	1
			mission of the NAE as suggested in WMS Manual with	
			reuseable clothing and/or cash send through regular	
		٠.	channels, or give clothing to other worthy outlets. Collect and send commemorative and foreign stamps to	1
17	рт		AMERICAN BIDLE SOCIETY As suggested in UMS Monusi	1
٠.	O.T.	fun	E (See WMS Manual, for instruction on approved methods d raising.)	
		Ope	rations	
		1.	Raise and remit to conference WMS Treasurer by con- ference fiscal date line:	
			Dues per member 51	
			Conference Working Fund As assessed	2

		General Church Extension	
		(Rudget Credit) S5 or more	2
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			2
		White Cift Christmus Offering	2
		Educational Offering	2
			2
		American Bible Society (through regular channels)	2 2
		 Encourage Carl Call participation Set reasonable amount to be raised during year for 	2
		World Missions general fund and/or Church Extension	
		and Evangelism general fund, attaining goal and re-	
		mitting same to conference WMS Treasurer.	5
		4. Adopt approved World Missions and/or Church Ex-	
		tension and/or Educational project(s), set and attain reasonable goal for year and remit same to conference	
		WMS treasurer. (This may be participation in a con-	
		ference project for the above departments.)	2
		5. Make financial provision for president, (or vice	
		president), delegate, and YNWB Superintendent to attend conference.	2
	R.	Gains	-
		1. Show an increase in cash receipts grant total.	3
٧.		GANIZATION	
	Α.	Meetings 1. Have a minimum of 10 meetings during the year at	
		which time the missionary challenge is presented	
		and business transacted.	2
		2. Arrange with pastor and hold one missionary prayer	2
		meeting for entire church each month. (minimum 10) 3. Officers hold an annual planning session, preferably	۲
		before the first meeting after conference, at which	
		they will decide methods and times for carrying out	
		the "local" section of the Plan of Work and the	2
	ъ.	Conference plan of work. Membership	~
	₽•	Show a gain in membership.	3
	C.	<u>Reports</u>	
		1. Send annual statistical report to conference sta-	2
		tistician before date-line set by conference. 2. Executive committee assess rating of local society	2
		by this Plan of Work and report same on annual	
		statistical blank. (All items are to be reckoned	
	٠	according to conference fiscal dates.)	2
		3. Wesleyan Missionary solicitor submit reports to conference (or district) solicitor at close of	
		each quarter using report cards provided.	2
		4. Reading course secretary report to conference read-	_
		ing course secretary by January 15.	2
		5. WWF secretary report to conference WWF secretary at end of fiscal year.	2
	D.	Representation	_
		1. Elect delegate who shall attend conference.	2
		2. Have newly elected president (or vice president if	2
		necessary) attend conference. 3. Have YMWB Superintendent attend Conference.	2
		Total	100
		Honor Roll	85

We further recommend that:

A. Organization

1. Each society seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in planning their program in involve each member of the local church in carrying out the purpose of the WMS as stated in the Manual. (See Manual - page 3.)

2. Honor Roll societies be given a banner annually in recogni-

 Honor Roll societies be given a banner annually in recognition of their achievement to be returned each year at conference.

 Bandages be made and sent to Mrs. Joaquin Crawford, 501 N. Leamington, Chicago, Ill. 60644 1967 Minutes of the Illinois Conference W.M.S.

- 4. Because of the addressograph at headquarters, the local magazine solicitor should keep a detailed record of all subscriptions and notify subscribers of their expiration date six weeks or more before hand.
- Records of new subscribers be sent at once to your conference magazine solicitor.
- 6. The conference have a promotional emphasis for the magazine during the regular January magazine campaign.
- 7. Honor credit be given to those societies meeting their TARGET 2000 quota by August 31, 1967.

B. Finances

- The remittances to the Conference Treasurer be postmarked by the 5th of October, January, April, and July.
- The cash and pledges made in the public missionary Rally go for the project presented by Rev. Henry Ortlip.
- Five dollars be paid by each society for the travel expense of the missionary tour.

4. Budget

- a. The price of a meal on the monthly WWF Prayer and Fast Day go for Conference Extension.
- b. The Penny-A-Meal offerings go for World Missions.
- Non-Budget Assessments per active member reported to last Conference.
 - a. \$1.00 for Conference Working Fund to include President's travel expenses.
 - b. \$.50 for camp equipment fund.
- C. Conference President's Visitation

The Conference WMS President make a scheduled visit to each society.

D. Projects

- 1. Substantial offerings be given for outfitting the Jay Johnson family, members of the Wheaton church, in preparation for missionary service in Spain. Items or money equivalent should be postmarked by October 20th.
- 2. An offering be taken for the new pioneer church in DeKalb.
- In addition to the regular Education offering, a special offering be taken to help furnish a room in the new girl's dorm at Marion College.

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 Harrison Ave., Bockford, Ill., by July 15th, 1968. Only monies and vouchers credited on the conference treasurer's receipts will be accepted for statistical credit.
- receipts will be accepted for statistical credit.

 2. Credentials of the delegate and the names and addresses of all local officers be sent to the Conference President immediately following Annual local election
- following Annual local election.

 3. That each society present its total financial goal for the year at the conference session.

Respectfully submitted,

Feggy Swanson, Chairman Melba Nixon Sara Blair Ethlyn Elkins Bernice Senger

Report No. 13
Conference W.M.S Treasurer

FUND	Balance 7/16/66	deceipts	Disburse- ments		Vouchers
World Missions, General	\$ -0-	\$ 464.41	\$ 464.41	₿ -0-	\$ -0-
Africa Ld'1 Sec. supplies	-0-	500.00	500 00	-0-	-0-
Grant Christian Council	-0-	1020.35	500.00 1020.35	-0-	-0-
Sunday Schools	-0-	81.00	81.00	-0-	-0-
Rosa Bishop Support	-0-	920.30	920.30	-0-	-0-
Mary Holcomb Outfit	-0-	341.13	341.13	-0-	473.41
Holcomb Field Trans.	-0-	290.13	290.13	-0-	-0-
Kamakwie Sheets	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	29.54
Edling Field Trans.	-0-	63.00		-0-	-0-
Jamaica Project	-0-	12.00	12.00	-0-	-0-
Indla	-0-	12.00	12.00	-0-	-0-
New Guinea Dispensary	-0-	172.97		-0-	-0-
Honduras	-0-	5.00	5.00	-0-	-0-
Puerto Rico	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	25.00
Charles Paine	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	8.00
Brainerd Indian School	-0-	96.65	96.65	-0-	-0-
Wesleyan Indian Mission	0-	64.90	64.90	-0-	308.78
Australia	-0-	46.65	46.65	-0-	-0-
Medical Mission	-0- -0-	45.00	45.00	-0-	-0-
Mission Equipment	-0-	135.96		-0- -0-	-0- -0-
White Christmas Offering Church Ext. & Evang.	-0-	304.89 104.60	304.89 104.60	-0-	-0-
Card Call	-0-	52.00	52.00	-0-	28.00
Self-Denial Offering	-0-	327.28		-0-	-0 -
Hephzibah Children's Home	-0-	157.35	157.35	-0-	199.27
Venetian Blinds	-0-	18.00		-0-	-0-
Christmas, Special Gift	-0-	49.35	49.35	-0-	-0-
Education	-0-	401.01	401.01	-0-	-0-
Honorary Enrollment	-0-	20.00	20.00	-0-	-0-
General Dues	-0-	347.00	347.00	-0-	-0-
Conference Working Fd.	248.24	240.50	266.66	222.08	-0-
Conference Extension	-0-	277.97		-0-	-0-
Conf. Missionary Conf.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	286.06
Community Missions	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	164.25
Local Church Work	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	190.73
Other Objects	-0-	10.00		-0-	3111.56
American Bible Soc.	-0-	91.36		-0-	10.00
Servicemen's Com.	-0-	3.00	3.00	-0-	_0_
NAE World Relief	-0-	1.75	1.75	-0-	30.00
Henry Cook Project Camp Equipment	-0- 335 . 96	459.91 150.75	459.91	-0-	-0-
Camp Food	0-	27.00		345•15 -0-	11.90 30.00
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	₩JU4.20	₩/315.17	#7332.14	\$567.23	\$4906.5C

Total Cash deceipts
Total Voucher Receipts
GRAND TOTAL

\$7315.17
4906.50
\$12221.67

Respectfully submitted, Nrs. Barbara Crail, Treasurer

Report No. 14

Statistical Secretary

(See tabulations on following page.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Judy Hygard, Statistician

W.H.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

idembershi	Miscellaneous Totals									
снивсн	Active	Honorary	Gain	Loss	Total Meetings Held	Subscriptions Wesleyan Miss.	Efficiency Standard Hating	Missionaries Supported	No. of Boxes	No. of Pounds
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	22 10	11 3	1 1	76	33 12	30 22	79% 78%	1 1	25	30 -
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	28 10 22 15 18	76 - 65 88	4 - 2 1	- 6 10 -	23 24 11 26 26	31 152 258 48	87% 91% 77% 69% 86%	1	15 20 - 6	21 6 - 15
GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA	17 9 15	-	? 1 15	1 - 4	15 15 15	16 13 15	85% 76% 76%		- 1 6	25 - -
Creve Coeur PRINCETON ROCKFORD First Faith WYANET	28 24 13 14	1 7 15 6 8	3 2 2 -	- - 4	31 32 13 25	15 23 33 17 18	91% 78% 92% 95% 86%	-	5 7 14	25 20
Tota1s	256	91	37	37	301	363	-	1	109	242

Receipts										
CHURCH	Membership Dues	Offerings	Memorials	Voucher Hece1pts	Total Recelpts for the year	Old Balance from last year	GRAND TOTAL			
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	33.00 13.00	1003.92 304.74	1 1	410.10 134.29	1447.02	10.39	1457.41 452.12			
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	35.00 16.00 22.00 21.00 23.00	764.76 434.85 2362.64 525.97 890.47	-	618.65 79.79 58.00 89.78	1418.41 530.64 2442.64 636.75 913.47	18.87 41.16 1.07	549.51 2483.80 637.82			
GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA Creve Coeur	25.00 17.00 15.00	305.47 321.73 199.76	-	1.00 29.70 134.02	331.47 368.43 348.78	42.86 18.37 -	374•33			
PRINCETON AOCKFOHD First Faith WYANET	35.00 39.00 19.00 22.00	310.78 832.42 267.00 551.32	-	60.95 354.43 116.27	406.73	1.23 26.99	489.75			
Totals	347.00	9283.20	-	2250.60	11,880.80	327.45	12,208.25			

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Dispursements										
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CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	انروز 100 212 ، 93	- 00	- 5 . 00	5.00 3.00	8.50 -	20.00 30.00	13.00 11.00	18.00 34.00	85.00 5.00	15.00 5.80
CHICAGOLAND Srcadview Llk Grove Cak Lawn Oak Park Wheaton	305.06 237.14 1099.64 155.05 378.75	16.40 41.28 15.00 5.00	5.00 8.00	3.00 3.00 3.00 5.00	5.10 9.40 21.21 - 6.70	50.61 19.77	6.00 14.60 -	10.00 27.00 35.23 10.41 19.50	5.00 5.00 5.00	24.00
GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PEORIA	62.52 89.67 98.90	6.40 10.00	6.40 - - 5.00	3.00 3.00 3.00	1.70 23.80 11.85	10.00	25.00 10.00	11.80 14.00 36.35	56.98	10.00 5.00
Creve Coeur PRINCETON BOCKFOAD First Faith WYANET	58.20 373.10 177.73 50.14	25.00 31.50 3.75 306.00	- 13.50 3.75 -	3.00 3.00 3.00 5.00	16.60 6.80 5.00	15.50 49.00 21.72 14.00	10.00 56.00 6.00 15.00	75.20 13.72 10.05	35.00 20.50 5.00 5.00	2.00 40.00 8.71 6.50
Totals	4457.53	470.33	46.65	45.00	135. 96	304.31	179.60	327.28	423.97	401.01

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сниа сн	Honorary Enrollment	General Dues	Conference Working Fund	nce	Community Missions	Other Objects	Total Disbursements	New Balance on Hand	Grand Total
CHICAGO Austin Hoyne Ave.	20.00	33.00	18.20 14.45		27.50		1427.84 439.92		1457.41
CHICAGOLAND Broadview Elk Grove Oak Lawn Oak Park	-	16.00 22.00 21.00	19.40 9.60 16.40 12.60 13.20	.60 14.37	- 55.00	196.35 1033.92 342.58	1419.19 548.99 2412.26 635.91 882.93		549.51 2483.80 637.82 919.51
Wheaton GALESBURG HOOPESTON MOLINE PECRIA Creve Coeur	-		13.60 7.65 22.50	5.00	10.00	176.12 109.70 59.13	359.74 386.80 331.38 368.46	14.59 17.40 14.40	374.33 386.80 348.78 402.86
PRINCETON CCCKFORD Pirst Faith	-	39.00 19.00 22.00	20.60 18.80 11.60 16.40	2.00 22.00 - 0 8.50	56.30	392.43 118.52 148.20	463.37 1206.93 399.31 611.79	20.15 29.95 17.74	5 1227.08 429.26 4 629.53
l'otals	20.00	347.00	22,1.45	5 20:	2.5	54101.31	11,914.8	2 293.43	312,208.25

Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work

- 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, 412 Crestlawn, Washington, III. 61571
 - b. Each band is assessed three cents per member for Conference Superintendent's desk expense.
 - c. The November offering is for church extension; the May offering for education.
 - d. The Conference World Mission Project is the support of Keith Davis, Honduras, which will be \$150.00
 - e. The Conference Home Missions Project is to assist the Letter DeKalb church.
- 3. Beturn quarterly reports and offerings received during the quarter to the Conference Superintendent on the following dates: <u>First Quarter</u> (July-September) October 15, 1967. <u>Second Quarter</u> (October-December) January 15, 1968. Third Quarter (January-March) April 15, 1968. Founth (Wenter (April June) protected by July 5, 1968.
- 15, 1968. Fourth Guarter (April-June) postmarked by July 5,1968.
 4. Each local superintendent should encourage the use of the reading course and promote a prayer partner circle.
- 5. All Eands making a 100% in the Efficiency Standard shall be on the Honor Roll.
- 6. The offering taken in the Y.M.W.B. service will be designated for the purchase of songbooks for the DeKalb church.

1. Twelve Bank services in which prayer, God's Word, missions

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

	and to bain bot 12000 in witch player; dod to nota; midblotte	
•	and personal service were stressed.	10%
2.	One public service during the year.	5%
	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.	5% 10%
7•	Increase in funds raised.	10%
8.	An offering for Church Extension.	10%
9.	An offering for Education.	مر10
10.	Three cents per active and honorary member sent to	-
	Conference Y.N.W.B. Superintendent as Desk Fund.	ىر10
11.	Annual report sent in on time. (Time Conference Superin-	
	tenlent designates.)	10½

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Committee

Report No. 17

Poster Committee

The following societies were given ribbons in honor of their achievement in the poster contest.

Promotion

1st Hoyne Avenue

2nd Austin

3rd Creve Coeur

Theme Galesburg Creve Coeur

Y.M.W.B Hoyne Avenue Rockford First Galesburg

Honorable Mention for Theme Princeton

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Butcher, Chairman Kay Dyer Barbara Crail

Communications Committee

We have written notes of greeting and encouragement to the following missionaries, assuring them of our prayer and interest;

Miss Rosa Bishop of Africa Miss Mary Holcomo of Africa Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hurray of Wycliff Translators in Mexico Mr. & Nrs. Henry Cook, Wycliff pilot Rev. & Mrs. Glenn Barnett, on furlough from Halti

words of greeting were also sent from the Illinois Conference W.M.S.

Mrs. Alice Woodhouse, widowed minister's wife from Peoria Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, president of Myanet W.M.S. who was unable to be present at Conference Mrs. Mona Devall, local W.M.S. president absent due to illness.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol G. Johnson, Chairman Florence Shofner

1967 Linutes of the Illinois Wesleyan Youth

LINUYES CY THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

CF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE WESLEYAN YOUTH

Held at Epworth Fark, Belvidere, Illinois August 12, 1967

President: Rev. Meredith J. Baille, 875 N. Farnham, Galesburg, Ill. Vice President: Nev. David L. Castro, 901 Dawn Court, DeKalb, Ill. Secretary: Mrs. Geraldine Wells, 219 N. Long, Chicago 44, Ill. Treasurer: Hev. Charles Mealey, 9101 S. Menard Ave., Oak Lawn, Ill. mastern Dist. Chmn: Mr. James Medows, 7926 S. Neenah, Cak Lawn, Ill. western Dist. Chmn: Mr. Richard Moula, 412 Crestlawn Drive,

washington, Ill. Eastern Dist. dep: Joel Gearhart, 920 E. Dawes, Wheaton, Ill. Western Dist. dep: Diane Conkling, 3895 Christopher Dr. Rockford, Ill. Sales Manager: Ruth Olander, 203 N. Pleasant, Princeton, Ill.

LOCAL WESLEYAN YOUTH OFFICERS

CHICAGO Austin Pres. John Bray, 5231 W. Ferdinand, Chicago, III. Sec'y. Nancy Phillips, 710 N. Laramie, Chicago, III. Hoyne are. (No Organization) CHICAGOLAND broadview Pres. Bernadine Wilhelm, 29 N. 9th Ave. Maywood, Ill.

Sec'y. Charmian Jones, 2317 S. 11th Ave. Broadview, Ill. Pres. Susan Wenger, 2031 Devon Ave., Bartlett, Ill. Sec'y. Jean Crooks, R.#1, Box 393, Lake Zurick, Ill. Pres. Bob Thyer, 9225 S. 86th Ct. Hickory Hills, Ill. Ind. Fres. Bob Thyer, 9225 S. 86th Ct. Hickory Hills, Ill. Elk Grove Cak Lawn Sec'y. Judy Blaha, 9321 S. 81st Ave. Hickory Hills, Ill.

Cak Park (No Organization) Wheaton Pres. Joel Gearhart, 920 E. Dawes Ave. Wheaton, Ill. Sec'y. Linda Hamlett, 318 E. Granklin, Wheaton, Ill.

DEKALB (No Organization) Pres. Dori Anderson, 1366 Russell, Galesburg, Ill. Sec'y. Pat Berg, 741 Lincoln, Galesburg, Ill. GALESBURG

HCCPESTON (No Organization) MOLINE (No Organization)

PEORIA Charles Thompson, 581 Carola St. Creve Coeur, Ill. Deborah Kinsman, 320 Velde St. Creve Coeur, Ill. Mary Roggy, 1014 N. Cherry, Princeton, Ill. Creve Coeur Pres. Sec'y.

PRINCETON Pres. Buth Olander, 203 N. Pleasant, Princeton, Ill. Sec'y.

HOCKFORD First Pres. Diane Conkling, 3895 Christopher Dr. Rockford, Ill. Sec'y.

Farcia Davis, 528 Furman St. Rockford, Ill. mathy Studer, 421 Farnum Rd. Rockford, Ill. Fa1th rres. Sec'y. Cindy Morgan, 2317 Cascade Dr. Hockford, Ill.

WYANET (No Crganization)

1967 CONFERENCE DELEGATES & CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES

CHICAGO

Austin John Bray, Cathy Langley, Paul Dominguez

Hoyhne (Representative-Glen Nadboralski) CHICAGOLAND

Broadview

dernadine Wilhelm, Elk Grove Susan Wenger, Steve Crail, Carolyn Crail

Cak Lawn Bob Thyer, Linda Tuttle, Bob Medows, Linda Coulter

wak Fark (No Aepresentative)

wheaton Joel Gearhart, Bill Moats, Diane Root GALESEURG Sue Jacobs, Dori Anderson, Pat Berg (depresentative-woodrow McBride) HOOPESTON

MCLINE (Representative-Joy Gibbs) PEORIA

Creve Coeur Charles Thompson, Rick Hould, rnINCcTON Mary Hoggy, Buth Clander

HOCKFOHD

Diane Conkling, Airby Johnson, Debbie Tice First. Faith nathy Studer, Dave Fattson, Mike Scaminorn (No Representative)

WYANET

STANDING MULES

1. Resolved, that the Conference W.Y. Secretary send out by June 30th, 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 Courch Statistical Report for accuracy.

2. nesolved, 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 15th. 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.

Resolved, that the Secretary maintain a complete membership list.
 Resolved, that the local officers be elected during the month

of June to take office at the beginning 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 Fresident be the Standing Committee to prepare the nominations for Conference committees before the first meeting of our Annual Conference.

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.

12. Resolved, that for all conference contests and awards there be a maximum age limit of 19 years of age and a minimum age limit of 13, including any 7th graders who are 12 years of age.

13. Resolved, that all unfinished business be left in the hands of the Conference Youth Council.

PROCEEDINGS

First Neeting, 8:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, 1967

- 1. Opening. The Eighteenth Annual Session of the Illinois Conference Wesleyan Youth was convened at Camp Epworth, Belvidere, Illinois, at 8:00 a.m., Saturday, August 12, 1967, by the Conference Wesleyan Youth President, Hev. Meredith J. Bailie. Linda Tuttle offered the opening prayer.
- 2. Roll Call. The roll call of Conference officers and local presidents was given by Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, Conference W.Y. Fresident in the absence of Geraldine Wells, W.Y. Secretary.
- Secretary Pro Tem. Conference w.Y. President, Rev. Meredith J. mailie suggested that, in the absence of Geraldine Wells, W.Y. Secretary, Mrs. Betsy Talcott be appointed to serve as Secretary Fro Tem. His suggestion was approved by vote, and Mrs. Talcott was seated as Secretary Pro Tem.

- 4. Sar of Conference. The Fireplace noom was declared as the bar of conference, and the officers and local presidents were seated.
- 5. <u>Credentials Committee</u>: Acting in behalf of W.Y. Secretary, Geraldine Wells, Conference W.Y. Fresident dev. Meredith J. Bailie read the report of the Credentials Committee, with delegates responding as their names were called. The motion was made, and carried by vote, to seat the delegates named. (See list of Delegates.)
- 6. Report of the Orders of the Day Committee: The report of the Orders of the Day Committee was read by Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, and adopted by vote. (See Report No. 1)
- 7. Report of the Conference Wesleyan Youth President: The Chair was turned over to Conference W.Y. Vice President David L. Castro, and Rev. Meredith J. Bailie read his report as Conference Wesleyan Youth President. This report was accepted by vote of the delegates, and the chair was turned back to Rev. Bailie. (See Report No. 2)
- 8. Report of the Executive Council: Vice President of the Wesleyan Youth, David Castro, read this report, and it was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 3)
- 9. Report of the Western District: This report was read by Richard Mould, and it was accepted by vote. (See Report No. 4)
- 10. deport of the eastern District Chairman: Jim Redows read this report, and it was accepted by vote. (See deport No. 5)
- 11. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: In the absence of Mrs. Judith Nygard, W.Y. Treasurer, this report was deferred until a later meeting.
- 12. Report of the Standing Rules and the Committee on Committees: Rev. Meredith Bailie read the names of the various committees and the names of those on each committee. The report was received for consideration by vote, and the motion to have this report constitute the election was seconded and carried by vote.
- 13. Nominating Ballots for W.Y. Officers: Kirby Johnson and Steve Crail were appointed by Rev. Bailie to serve as distributing and collecting tellers. Ballots were distributed, and Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Conference President, read the list of offices and names of present officers for balloting. Nominating ballots were cast for the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Eastern District Chairman, Western District Chairman, Eastern District Youth Representative, western District Representative, and Sales Manager. Thirty-five ballots were cast and turned over to the Chairman of the Committee on Nominations.
- 14. <u>Adjournment</u>: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m., for the meeting of the committees. Names of committees and members were read by Rev. Bailie, and they were excused as read to go to their respective meetings.

Second Neeting, 10:30 a.m., Saturday, August 12, 1967

- 15. Opening: The meeting was called to order by the w.Y. rresident, Rev. Weredith Bailie.
- 16. $\underline{\text{moll Call}}$: In the absence of the Secretary, Rev. Bailie read the roll.
- 17. Treasurer's Report: (Deferred from first meeting). Copies of the Treasurer's report were passed out among the delegates, and Mrs. Judith Nygard, W.Y. Treasurer read her report. It was accepted with a standing vote of thanks for Mrs. Nygard's four years of service in this office. (See Report No. ?)

18. adjournment: The session was adjourned at 11:00 a.m., to complete committee work.

Third Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 1967

- 19. Opening: The meeting was called to order by Youth President Meredith Bailie.
- 20. <u>moll Call</u>: w.Y. President Bailie read the roll, with 31 members responding.
- 21. meport of the mesolutions Committee: W. Y. Vice President David Castro read the previous report of the mesolutions Committee, noting changes made by the committee to bring the report up to date. The new report, complete with changes, was approved by vote. (See Report No. o)
- 22. <u>Report of the Thanks Committee</u>: Faith Gibbs of Moline, chairman of the Thanks Committee read her report, and it was adopted as amended Following her report, a motion prevailed to write a letter of thanks to Mr. Gary Turner for his part in the hayride. (See Report No. 9)
- 23. Report of the Plan of Work Committee: The chair having been turned over to nev. Arthur Bray, Conference President, the report of the Plan of Work Committee was read by Rev. Meredith Baille. Three amendments or motions were made: 1) To have some kind of follow-up course after camp, 2) to hold a day or over-night retreat between Christmas and New Years, and 3) to advise the executive committee to look into the feasibility of such an event at the time suggested. These amendments were carried by vote, and the Plan of Work Committee's report was approved as amended. The chair was turned back to W.Y. President nev. Baille. (See neport No. 10)
- 24. <u>neport of the Auditing Committee</u>: nichard Mould read his report stating that the Conference w.Y. books were found to be in order. The report was accepted by vote. (See heport No. 11)
- 25. Conference Project: dev. Arthur L. Bray, of the Conference Board of Nanagers was recognized. He presented a recommendation that the wesleyan Youth take the DeKalb Church as their project. He mentioned that the DeKalb Church would need Sunday School furniture (tables, chairs, etc), also pulpit and communion table. Discussion followed, and Hev. Bray also expressed appreciation for the cooperation of Wesleyan Youth in Church Extension work through their past projects. An amendment to this recommendation was suggested: that a plaque be purchased by W.Y. to be placed on a wall for recognition of this project. The amendment was accepted and carried by vote. A motion was made and seconded that the Conference project be the DeKalb Church, and that the amendment be part of this motion. The project, as amended, was carried by vote.
- 26. Report of the Statistical Committee: By prevailing motion, this report was referred to the Annual Conference Secretary. (See Last Page
- 27. Contest Committee: The motion was made to amend the Flan of work report that the Committee of two youth and one adult be appointed by the executive council at the annual convention of W.Y. for the purpose of planning the fall contest. This motion was carried by vote.
- 26. <u>pues Paid</u>: Judith Nygard, w.T. Treasurer, reported that all assessed dues were paid up and all pledges were paid in full from all locals.
- 29. <u>Teen Talent</u>: michard mould suggested that groups travel to various Church (3 or 4) on a week-end, presenting programs of Teen Talent. After discussion, a motion was made to this affect and carried by a show of hands.
- 00. Report of Nominating Committee: This report was read by muth clander and received by vote. The chair was turned over to nev. pray,

and ballots were passed out. When ballot results were called for, 35 ballots were presented, with 31 to 4 to accept the report of the nominating committee without change. Hev. Bray presented the new officers and closed the balloting with prayer for the new year. (See deport No. 12)

31. <u>Adjournment</u>: After closing remarks of challenge and thanks to all wesleyan Youth, Rev. Meredith Eailie adjourned the 1967 session sine die with a prayer "that others may be touched with the power of Christ as He dwells within us."

Rev. Bray handed out Marion College trustees reports.

REPORTS

Report No. 1

Orders of the Day Committee

Saturday, August 12, 1967. Opening, 8:00 a.m., in wesley Hall at apworth Park; Holl Call of Conference W.Y. Officers, Annual Conference President, and Local Presidents; Report of the Credentials Committee (Conference 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 Committees; Nominating Ballot for Annual W.Y. Officers. Adjournment. Second Recting, Saturday, 10:30 a.m., Roll Call; Adjournment for Committee work. Third Neeting, Saturday 12:00 p.m., Committee Reports; Election of Conference Officers; Adjournment sine die at 1:30 p.m..

Report No. 2

Illinois Wesleyan Youth President

I thank the Illinois Wesleyan Youth for giving me the opportunity of serving as their president this past year. I am grateful for the opportunities of contact with the Conference youth. I am grateful for the opportunity of serving with our executive council, who have not alone fulfilled with care the duties of their offices, but have given their minds to the task of planning with a vision for the future of Illinois Wesleyan Youth.

During the past year, I have attempted to follow the Plan of Work and the guidelines set up by the Youth executive Council. In the

implementation of these, we have done the following:

1) attended Marion area Wesleyan Youth Executive Council meetings in October, 1966. In addition to participating in the planning of area functions, we were honored to receive the area Flaque for the performance of Illinois Wesleyan Youth last year under the leadership of George Hood.

2) I promoted the Fall contest, putting out some 400 pieces of mail in the promotion of this contest. Creve Coeur was the winning local.

3) Two issues of the Illinois wesleyan Youth Notes were published. A new format and method of printing were adopted.

4) wesleyan Youth week was promoted. 100% of Illinois Churches re-

ported participation.

- 5) The wesleyan Youth subscription contest was promoted by mailing and personal contact. Because of the fine leadership by District and local leaders, Illinois was able to report about a 100% increase in subscriptions, and placed second in the subscription contest, based on the membership level.
- b) The Churches of alk Grove Village, proadview, Hoyne ave., Austin, Oak Lawn, Cak rark, Rockford First, Rockford Faith, Creve Coeur, and Princeton were visited.
- 7) A new local was organized at alk Grove Village, with a membership of nine.
- 8) In conjunction with the Illinois wesleyan Youth Executive Council,

I assisted in the planning for the Fall Leaders' Metreat, Fall Contest and Victory Rally, Spring-U-Rama, and the 1967 Youth Camp.

9) Membership stands at 110.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Meredith J. pailie Illinois 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 planned for and held the fall Youth Leader's Retreat at the Youth Center in Peoria, Illinois. Using the theme "Properly Prepared for Progress," the program included instructional classes, promotion pertaining to our conference project "3 P's for POP", and listening to the challenging words of keynote speaker, Hev. wes Bennet, President of the Illinois Free Methodist Youth.

We laid the groundwork and put into action the plans for the Fall Victory nally. This past year the rally was held at the Rockford Faith Church; dev. Ron Smeenge from Spring Lake, Michigan was the gues speaker of the day.

We stressed, through the efforts of the Conference Youth President, that each local church during Youth Week actively participate in some type of service emphasizing Wesleyan Youth and we also strongly urged each local to report their Youth week activities to Marion headquarter

We held Spring-O-Rama at Camp Rude on May 19 and 20. Using the theme "What's Cookin' on Your Radio?", guest speaker 'Sketch Erickson' presented challenging and stimulating discussions on teen "pop" music trends on both radio and records. The Marion College quartet added to the week-end activities.

We planned for youth camp again using a basic foremat of six 45 minute classes dealing with topics of interest to today's teens. Speci emphasis was placed on the youth counselling system. Afterglows, teen talent, and quizzing were all vital parts of the youth camp activities The activities were planned not only for fun and recreation but also in a manner which would help our youth grow spiritually.

The Youth Council met 5 times during the year. We have sought for the Lord's continued guidance and direction in the promotion of Wesleyan Youth in Illinois. We thank you, the youth of our conference, for the privilege of serving you this year.

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Council

Report No. 4

Western District Chairman

During the past year I was involved in the following:

- 1) hally...quiz...singspiration.. hike 2) Leaders' retreat
- 3) Spring-0-Rama
- 4) All meetings of the Executive Council
- Co-ordinated "Operation Teen Talent"
- 6) Visited several of the local w.Y.'s with the Conference Youth President

Goals in Growth: We have two Churches (wyanet and Moline) in the District that do not have organized wesleyan Youth locals. In addition we have the new Church at Denalb (we trust). I would like to see at least one new organized Wesleyan Youth from this group.

<u>Teen Talent</u>: The participation of the "Teens" has been terrific. It is anticipated that next year District competition will be necessary.

<u>wulzzing</u>: After a good start the spark fizzled out! The Louisville Convention is coming up in two years.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard T. Mould Western District Chairman

Report No. 5

Eastern District Chairman

This was a new and changing experience to be involved in District activity. As for last year, there were a lot of things that happened and a lot of things that could be changed.

I have tried to encourage the formation of quiz teams in the Conference. Contacts were made with pastors and the Western District Chairman to determine what action to take. I was disappointed that more teams were not formed. I feel that Pastors could promote this more in their own churches. I have tried to encourage Pastors and lay people to give the extra attention needed for the reaching and training of our youth. Young people want to know that their pastor thinks that the ministry to them is as important as other ministries.

The past year I have attended the leaders' retreat in Peoria in September...I attended three Conference Wesleyan Youth board meetings... attended two Conference rallies (one at Rockford Faith and one at Camp Rude). The president and I visited all of the Pastors in my District in May. I also visited Galesburg and Moline about quizzing. I also had two quiz-offs in my District, and one Conference quiz at Rockford Faith Church. As Conference Quizmaster, I was in charge of the Conference Quiz-off at Camp.

I have enjoyed being a District Chairman, and I am looking forward to next year. I always appreciate the opportunity to serve my Lord in any area that I can. I trust that the things that have not been perfect can be a source for improvement next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Medows Eastern District Chairman

Report No. 6

Committee on Conference Committees

Nominating and Standing Rules. Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Chairman; Cathy Langley, Steve Crail, Linda Coulter, Rick Mould, Ruth Clander.

<u>Plan of Work</u>. Rev. Meredith J. Bailie, Chairman; John Bray, Jim Medows, Bernadine Wilhelm, Bob Thyer, Susan Wenger, Joel Gearhart, Charles Thompson, Mary Roggy, Cathy Studer, Diane Conkling, Sue Jacobs, Glenn Nadboralski, Barbara Eytcheson, Joy Gibbs.

Thanks Committee. Faith Gibbs, Chairman; Debbie Tice, Mike Scamihorn, Dori Anderson, Diane Root, John Romer, Linda Tuttle, Carolyn Crail, Paul Dominguez.

Resolutions Committee. David Castro, Chairman; Kirby Johnson, Dave Mattson, Debbie Kinsman, Shyke McBride, Fat Bert, Bill Moats, Bob Medows, Roger Halverson.

Statistics and Auditing. Richard Mould.

despectfully submitted, Weredith J. Bailie Arthur L. Bray

Report No. 7

Conference wesleyan fouth Treasurer

Judith Nygard, Treasurer

deceIPTS: Conference Dues and Funds Oak Lawn (Late W.f. deport) Leader's Retreat desistration Fall dally desistration Spring-C-Rama desistration Conference W.Y. Dues World Missions General Church Extension Education Youth Week Offering W.Y. Conference Froject	254.50 40.38 7.55 8.00 57.28 811.00 2090.73	
Balance Brought Forward (7/15/66)	160.49	
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DISBURSEMENTS:		
Conference Dues and Funds Farion College wartet (Spring-C-Hama 1966) 25.00 George Hood (Appreciation Gift) 25.00 Sacred Film Library 10.65 John Friske W.Y. Pledge 64.00 Two Books of Checks 5.00 Fall Leader's Hetreat 182.37 Galesburg Church (phone Calls) 16.90 Wilkinson's Office Supply 2.42 M. J. Baille (postage & prtg.) 40.30 M. J. Baille (Area Assess.) 16.65 Faith Wesleyan (phone Calls) 1.30 Fall W.Y. Rally 110.50 Bennett's Unlimited (Plaque engraving) 2.20 Richard Hould (Radio Equip.) 90.00 A.L. Bray (Exec. Council Luncheon) 13.00 Austin W.Y. (Transfer of over-payment) 5.00 Spring Youth metreat 380.45	ÿ 990∙74	
General Dues World Missions General Church Extension Education Youth week Offering W.Y. Conference Project (Mimeograph)	254.50 40.38 7.55 8.00 57.28 215.00	
Total Disbursements		1573.45
Balance on Hand (7/15/67) Conference Funds \$81.77 W.Y. Conference project 596.00		_₩ 677•77
Savings Account 470.92 Interest 63.35 Total Savings #534.27		
nespectfully submitted,		

meport No. 8

Resolutions Committee

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

1. That: In order to "Study to show ourselves approved unto God," (II Tim. 2:15), prayer and daily bible reading be extremely vital in our Christian lives. Time spent every day in God's Word and in talking to Him through prayer and meditation 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 demonstrate our love toward Him be being faithful to the House of the Lord.

3. That: domans 1:16 be emphasized, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek," as a challenge for witnessing and that we present to all youth Christ as the solution to all their problems. We purpose to testify to the transforming power of Christ in our own lives through our actions, our attitudes, and our vocal witness.

4. That: As Christian youth, in accordance with I Peter 4:10 which says: "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God," 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 want to 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 Romans 12:1, "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 believe it is essential for each Christian young person to commit every area of his life unto the direction of the Holy Spirit.

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 Salvation
- of the human race. b. We believe in the Spirit-filled life where Christ is the only Lord.
- 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. As youth we should back our country by taking a Christian stand on such issues as government policy, Com-

munism, intergration, patriotism, lawlessness, home life, etc. 6. That: In view of God's great blessing in meeting our spiritual needs, Wesleyan Youth purpose to take on the whole armour of God in order to press the battle for Christ in their personal lives and the world in which they live. We also recognize that as Christian young people we shall be faced with increased opposition. This opposition, while acknowledged as real and powerful, must be overcome by being spiritually prepared in the manner as described in Ephesians 6:10-20.

9. That: In view of the fact young people need spiritual help in living consistent Christian lives, we recommend that each Christian young person attempt to instruct, encourage, and nurture each other in Christian fellowship. "Let the word of Christ awell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." (Col. 4:16)

sespectfully submitted,

nev. D. L. Castro, Chairman

Report No. 9

Thanks Committee

The Thanks Committee for 1967 gives thanks first to God for the continued blessings and answered prayers during camp and this past year.

Our thanks goes to:

- 1. Hev. Meredith Bailie who has served as our faithful and dedicated President.
- 2. Rev. Herne Harris, our Camp Evangelist, for his inspiring message 3. Rev. Mel Johnson, for his thought-provoking lessons, choir directing and messages in song.
- 4. Rev. Dave Castro, for serving as Vice President of Illinois Wesleyan Youth.
 - 5. Pastor Chuck Mealy, for leading and encouraging the Teen Chorale.
- 6. The Henry Ortlip family and Alice Davis, our missionaries who challenged us with the needs of foreign missions and personal evangelism.
- 7. Mrs. Judith Nygard, for her faithful service as Wesleyan Youth Treasurer for the past four years.
 - 8. Mrs. Geraldine wells, our secretary for services rendered.
- 9. Rev. A. L. Bray, our Annual Conference President for his dedication to young people and his spiritual guidance during the past year.
- 10. Teachers of the interesting and Spirit-led classes: nev. doy E. Crawford, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Pastor Chuck Mealy, Rev. L. F. Nygard, Rev. V. W. Swanson and Rev. D. D. Crail.
- 11. The cooks we sincerely appreciate all the work done preparing a variety of wonderful food.
- 12. Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Camp Manager, who has worked hard in managing the housing.
- 13. Youth Workers and counselors who have prayed and counseled with us for our spiritual lives.
- 14. The Free Methodists who were kind enough to let us rent their camp grounds.
- 15. Officers and Sponsors of each Wesleyan Youth local who have worke faithfully to make this a successful year.
- 16. Mr. James Nedows, our camp Marshall, who has courageously braved the wilds of the youth.
- 17. The Executive Council for prayerful planning of the past year's activities.
- 18. Editors of the Breakfast Newsletter, Wes and Betsy Talcott, who have worked long hours in preparing an interesting and well written paper.
- 19. dev. Dave Crail for his giving of time and effort to provide better recreational activities.
- 20. Rev. Robert Zuhl, for his lively after glows.
- 21. Rev. Hill, for managing the dining hall.
- 22. James Medows and Alchard Mould who have worked with their Districin planning activities.
- 23. And each individual who has helped to make this camp of 1967 a spiritual success.

nespectfully submitted,

Faith Gibbs, Chairman
Mike Scamihorn
Debbie Tice
Linda Tuttle
Don Anderson
Carolyn Crail
Diane Root
Paul Dominguez

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eport No. 10

lan of Work Committee

We, the Plan of Work Committee recommend the following:

1. That two new Wesleyan Youth locals be organized this year and hat this goal be met with the cooperation and assistance of previusly organized locals. Crganized locals should plan and present eetings and social events for prospective Wesleyan Youth groups in heir area, visit them and show them enthusiasm and Christian love. et each local consider it their own responsibility to see the organiation of neighboring locals.

2. That a goal for wesleyan Youth subscriptions be set for each

ocal to be double their membership.

3. That the conference dues be w1.50 per member and that this be aid quarterly. Also, it is to be the responsibility of each member o pay his dues.

4. General dues are \$2.00 per member. This money should be sent by the local treasurer to the conference youth treasurer at the close of

ach quarter. 5. That the editor of the Youth Notes receive from each local each

- warter a report of the average youth attendance along with a report or the best program during that quarter. o. That a Leader's Conference be held the third weekend in September it the Peoria Community Center to train local officers and represent-
- tives of each church, and that we invite potential officers as approved by the youth sponsor.
- 7. That the Conference W.Y. President visit all the locals during the year.
- b. 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 overnight retreat at Camp Rude in the spring.
- 10. That each local strive to obtain an a rating in the general officiency standard and that all locals with an A rating be listed in the last issue of the Breakfast News and be given special recognition it Awards Night at annual camp.

11. That each local have a youth "kick off" program before October 31, and a report of this be sent to the conference Fresident by Novmber 5.

- 12. That a committee composed of two youth and one adult be appointed by the Executive Council to develope a conference wide contest to be neld 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 John and that the final quiz
- De held at Youth Camp. 15. That we encourage every church to strive to participate in the lenominational Youth week Program.
- 16. That the District Chairmen hold two rallies per year and that they promote the following: a. wuizzing o. Wesleyan Youth Subscriptions . Athletic Events d. Singspirations. And that he correlate activities between the locals.
- 17. That each local president send to the Conference resident a correct mailing list of all officers and youth by the Fall Leaders ietreat.
- 18. That the Wesleyan Youth Convention minutes be duplicated, and listributed to each w.Y. Local at the Leader's hetreat. The conference W.Y. Secretary shall be responsible for this task.
- 19. That a camp followup course implemented to foster spiritual
- growth amone campers as they return to their homes.

 20. That the Executive Council investigate the feasibility of a retreat to be held between Christmas and New Years.

Respectfully submitted,

rlan of work Committee Meradith J. Bailie, Chairman

Report No. 11

Auditor's Report

The Conference Wesleyan Youth books have been audited and found to be in order.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard T. Mould, Chairman

Report No. 12

Nominating Committee

We, the nominating committee, present the following as nomination for 1967-68 officers of Illinois Conference Wesleyan Youth. President, Meredith J. Bailie; Vice President, David L. Castro; Secretary, Geraldine Wells; Treasurer, John Charles Mealy; Eastern District Leader, Jim Medows; Western District Leader, Dick Mould; Eastern District Representative, Joel Gearhart; Western District Representative, Diane Conkling; Sales Wanager, Buth Clander.

We further recommend that Wes and Betsy Talcott be Editors of the Youth Notes.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Bray, Chairman Ruth Olander Richard Mould Steve Crail Cathy Langley Linda Coulter

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Statistical Report

See following page.

Misc. Totals							Disbursements			
снивсн	Active Members	Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth Subscriptions	No. Readers' Club Members	STA	"B" rat- ing Sil- ver Seal BOS		General General Dues	Conference Dues	Education
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Totals	110	30	181	11	2	1	3	244.50	183.50	8.00

Disbursements								
CHURCH	World Missions	General Church Extension and Evangelism	1967 Wesleyan Youth Week Offering	Local Work	Conference W.Y. Project	Total Recelpts plus balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
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Totals	40.38	7-55	67.78	1888.72	786.79	3386.08	3230.55	155.53