

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

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

**Held at Belvidere, Illinois
August 1 through August 3, 1963**

**Reverend Arthur L. Bray, President
Reverend Samuel T. Long, Secretary**

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Conference Fiscal Year closes July 15, 1964. Local Church Fiscal Year closes June 30. All budgets should be paid monthly or in advance. Final remittances to the Conference treasurers must be postmarked not later than July 5, 1964.

Where to send funds:

General and Conference budgets, Sunday School and Camp Meeting pledges to Rev. Roy E. Crawford, Conference Treasurer,
500 N. Laramie Ave., Chicago 44, Illinois

W.M.S. Funds to

Mrs. Barbara Crail, 546 Landmeier Road, Elk Grove Village, Ill.

Y.M.W.B. Funds to

Mrs. Norma Jean Craker, 1406 School Street, Rockford, Ill.

Wesleyan Youth funds to

Mrs. Judy Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.

Conference and Camp Meeting Dates for 1964:

Annual Conference and W. M. S. Conference convene at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, July 30, 1964. W. Y. Conference convenes 9:30 p. m., Friday, August 7, 1964. Camp Meeting begins Sunday, August 2 and continues through Sunday, August 9, 1964.

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Box 2000, Marion, Indiana. Telephone: Area 317 ORleans 4-3301
Dr. B. H. Phaup, our area General Superintendent.

1963-1964 Organization of the Illinois Conference
of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America

OFFICERS

President: Rev. A. L. Bray, 5231 W. Ferdinand St., Chicago 44, Ill.
Vice President: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, 920E. Dawes Ave., Wheaton, Ill.
Secretary: Rev. M. J. Bailie, 875 N. Farnham St., Galesburg, Ill.
Treasurer: Rev. R. E. Crawford, 500 N. Laramie Ave., Chicago 44, Ill.
Treasurer of Pension Plan Fund: Mr. S. H. Paine, Houghton College,
Houghton, New York
Illinois Trustee of Marion College: Rev. A. L. Bray
Lay Trustee: Richard T. Mould
Educational Secretary: Rev. L. Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.
Sunday School Secretary: Rev. W.D. Craker, 1406 School St., Rockford, Ill.
Director of C.Y.C.: Mr. J. Wells, 221 N. Long, Chicago 44, Ill.
Tithing Secretary: Rev. D. Castro, 2108 W. Iowa St., Chicago 22, Ill.
Statistical Secretary: Rev. J.C. Friske, 2310 S. 11th Ave.,
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Editor, The Illinois Tidings: Rev. A. L. Bray

STANDING COMMITTEES

Conference Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension)

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

Conference Trustees

Rev. A. L. Bray (1966), Rev. S. A. Hill (1964), Mr. R. Mould (1964),
Rev. R. Klatt (1965), Mr. W. F. Tice (1966).

Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location

The Conference Board of Managers

Committee on Itineracy and Orders

Rev. R. M. Gibbs (1967), Chairman; Rev. S. A. Hill (1964), Rev. A. L. Bray (1965), Rev. R. E. Crawford (1966).

Judiciary Committee

Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. T. Bailie, Rev. R. Crawford.

Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid

Mr. S. H. Paine (1964), Rev. W. D. Craker (1965),
Rev. C. E. Olander (1966).

Conference Education Committee

Rev. L. Nygard, Educational Secretary; Rev. G. Hood, Conference Wesleyan Youth President; Rev. A. L. Bray, Conference President and Marion College Trustee; Mrs. Rachel Bray, Conference W.M.S. President; Mrs. Norma J. Craker, Superintendent of the Illinois Conference Young Missionary Worker's Band.

Sunday School Board

Rev. W. D. Craker, Conference Sunday School Secretary; Mr. John Wells, Conference C.Y.C. Director; Rev. S. A. Hill (1964), Mr. Orville Senger, (1964), Rev. R. L. Zuhl (1966).

Nominations (of Conference Session Committees)

Committee on the Orders of the Day and two lay delegates chosen in the alphabetical order of the Churches (Chicago-Hoyne Ave., Oak Lawn.)

Committee on Vacancies

Rev. R. W. Klatt, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. C. E. Olander,
Mr. W. F. Tice, Mr. Richard Priest.

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. George W. Hood, Conference Youth
President; Rev. R. M. Gibbs, Rev. R. W. Klatt, Rev. S. A. Hill,
Mr. Samuel Paine, Mr. Nathan Blood, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Camp Manager.

Committee on Orders of the Day

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

Statistical Committee

Rev. John Friske, Statistical Secretary, Chairman; Rev. R. E. Crawford,
Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. S. A. Hill, Rev. D. L. Castro, Mr. S. Paine.

President's Advisory Board

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

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Rev. Irwin W. Reist, 309 W. Walnut, St. Charles, Ill. Ju 4-2154
Rev. Vernon W. Swanson, Houghton, New York
Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, 9101 S. Menard Ave., Oak Lawn, Ill. Ga 4-0995
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Rev. David L. Castro, 2108 W. Iowa St., Chicago 22, Ill. Br 8-4232
Rev. Philip Crail, 1672 Poplar Ave., Hanover Park, Ill.
Rev. George W. Hood, 2108 W. Iowa St., Chicago 22, Ill. Br 8-4232
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Rev. Clarence C. McCarty, Box 475, Sheffield, Ill. Sh-3731
Rev. Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, Box 475, Sheffield, Ill. Sh-3731

Unstationed Elder

Rev. D. C. Durey

Superannuated Elders

Rev. Thomas Baillie, 10615 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 28, Ill. Co 4-6486
Rev. Mrs. Thomas Baillie, 10615 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 28, Ill.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2) Duties. Resolved, (a) That the Conference Board of Church Extension shall be the Board of Managers of the Illinois Conference;

(b) That the Conference Board of Church Extension is hereby authorized to pay out all monies from the Conference Church Extension Fund, and during the interim between Conference sessions to act as a Committee on Finance;

(c) That the Conference Board of Church Extension act as the Conference Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Thirteenth Annual Session
of the Illinois Conference

R E C O R D O F A T T E N D A N C E

Voting Members Seated:

Austin (Chicago):

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

Creve Coeur:

Rev. Arlyn Jones (1-7)
Mrs. Mona Devall (1-7)
244 Thorncrest, Creve Coeur, Ill.

Elk Grove Village:

Rev. David D. Craill (1-8)
Mr. Samuel Paine (1-8)
521 Forest View
Elk Grove Village, Ill.

Galesburg:

Rev. Meredith Bailie (1-8)
Rev. Carl Olander (3)
Mr. William Swanson (1-8)
1157 N. West St., Galesburg, Ill.

Harrison Avenue (Rockford):

Rev. Leigh Nygard (1-8)
Rev. Samuel T. Long (1-8)
Mr. Percy Hamilton (1-8)
419 Barnum Road, Rockford, Ill.
Mr. Martin Winterberg (2-8)
3033 Grant Blvd, Rockford, Ill.

Hoopeston:

Rev. Arthur Minnaugh (1-3,6)
Mr. Woodrow W. McBride (5-8)
813 E. Wyman, Hoopeston, Ill.

Hoynes Avenue (Chicago):

Rev. George Hood (1-8)
Mr. David Warner (1-8)
622 N. St. Louis, Chicago 22, Ill.

Maywood:

Rev. Robert Klatt (1-8)
Rev. John C. Friske (1-8)
Mrs. Marlene Bytcheson (1-8)
363 Pine St., Courtland, Ill.
Mr. Lars Nordskog (1-8)

Oak Lawn:

Rev. Robert Zuhl (1-8)
Mr. Richard Johnson (1-8)
5917 88th Place, Oak Lawn, Ill.

Oak Park:

Rev. Stanley Hill (1-8)
Mr. Richard Priest (2-8)
1032 Superior, Oak Park, Ill.
Mr. Orville R. Senger (3-8)
528 N. Marion, Oak Park, Ill.

Peoria:

Rev. Clarence McCarthy (1-8)
Mrs. Alice Woodhouse (1-8)
1610 N. Madison, Peoria, Ill.

Princeton:

Miss Velma Moore (1-8)
504 N. Vernon, Princeton, Ill.

Rockford First:

Rev. Wendel Craker (1-8)
Mr. Nathan Blood (2-8)
219 Alliance, Rockford, Ill.

Roseland (Chicago):

Rev. Thomas Bailie (1-8)
Rev. Mrs. Thomas Bailie (1-8)
Rev. Vernon Swanson (1-8)
Mr. S. Hugh Paine (2-8)
Houghton, New York

Wheaton:

Rev. Forrest Gearhart (1-8)
Mr. James Ocheltree (1-8)
311 E. Seminary, Wheaton, Ill.

Wyanet:

Rev. Roy Gibbs (1-8)
Rev. Cletus Kramer (1,2)
Mr. Lloyd Wallace (2-8)
118 S. Arch St., Wyanet, Ill.

Additional Official Addresses:

Members, Board of Managers
Mr. William F. Tice
2614 City View Drive,
Rockford, Ill.

Dr. Frank Crane
249 Taylor, Glen Ellyn, Ill.

*Meetings attended are indicated
between parentheses.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGSFirst Meeting, 1:30 P.M., Thursday, August 1, 1963

1. Opening. The fourteenth 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 1, 1963, by Reverend Arthur L. Bray, President of the Conference. Members of the conference sang the old traditional Methodist Conference hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive, and See Each Other's Face?". Prayer was offered by Dr. Rufus Reisdorph, recently retired General Superintendant of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America.

2. Communion Service. Rev. Bray read appropriate scripture, and was assisted in the Communion Service by Dr. Rufus Reisdorph, Pastor Thomas Bailie, Missionary Warren Woolsey of Sierra Leone, West Africa, and Rev. Bai Bangura, President of our West African Conference. The theme of the service, as presented by Rev. Bray, was that partaking of communion should be a time of rejoicing, even as the Hebrews rejoiced before celebrating the Feast of the Passover. Ministers and laymen partook of the Holy Sacrament in an attitude of peace and spiritual refreshment.

3. Conference Sermon. The keynote address of the Conference was presented by Rev. Forrest Gearhart, pioneer pastor of our Wheaton Church, who spoke on the subject, "Spiritual Values in Administration." Just as Jesus selected workers and guided them to fruition, so we can organize our efforts in order to serve Christ effectively, Rev. Gearhart emphasized.

4. Opening of the Business Session. After a brief recess, the Conference President, Rev. Arthur L. Bray, called the meeting to order for business.

5. Roll Call of Elders. Eighteen elders were present to answer to the first roll call. (See Record of Attendance.)

6. Bar of Conference. The first eight rows in the center section of the tabernacle were declared the bar of conference, and the Elders were seated within the bar.

7. Conference Preachers Eligible to vote. A partial report of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders was approved, which declared that the following Conference Preachers were eligible to vote: Rev. Leigh Nygard, Rev. George Hood, and Rev. C. C. McCarty. (See Report No. 1)

8. Report Concerning Lay Delegates Eligible to Vote. The Secretary as the Committee on Credentials read the list of lay delegates eligible to vote, who were then seated within the bar of conference by prevailing motion. (See Record of Attendance.)

9. Courtesy Committee. Rev. Robert Zuhl and Rev. D. D. Crail were elected the Courtesy Committee.

10. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented the following people to the Conference: Dr. Rufus D. Reisdorph, who was seated within the bar by vote as an honorary member, delegates, Mrs. Marlene Eytcheson, David Warner, James Ocheltree, John Wells, William Swanson, Richard Johnson, Rev. Leigh Nygard; Douglas Kindschi and Rev. David Castro, who were seated by vote as honorary members.

11. Report of the Orders of the Day Committee. Copies of the report of the Orders of the Day were distributed and the Secretary read the report, which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 2)

12. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The committee presented Rev. Irwin Reist, now supplying the Free Methodist Church in St. Charles, Illinois, who made his Conference Preacher's report to the body.

Motion prevailed to approve the report and to recommend his continued relationship with the Conference. Also presented to the body was Rev. Bai Bangura, President of our West African Conference, who brought official greetings from his Conference to ours. Motion prevailed to seat Rev. Bangura as an honorary member of the Conference.

13. Recess. Motion prevailed to recess the meeting to enable the Nominating Committee to prepare their report.

14. Recessed Meeting. Chairman Bray called the meeting to order.

15. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Warren Woolsey, return-missionary from Sierra Leone, West Africa, to the Conference, who was seated by vote as an honorary member.

16. Report of the Nominating Committee. The Secretary of the Nominating Committee presented its report. Rev. George Hood was elected Postmaster by prevailing amendment and the report was adopted as amended. (See Report No. 3)

17. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Rev. Meredith Bailie offered prayer.

Second Meeting, 7:00 P.M., August 1, 1963

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

2. Devotions. Furloughed missionary Warren Woolsey conducted a devotional period, basing his remarks on Colosians, chapter one.

3. Roll Call of Additional Delegates. The secretary called the roll of delegates who had just arrived at the Conference (See Record of Attendance). Conference Trustee, Mr. William Tice was presented to the body and made an honorary member by vote.

4. Report of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders. Motion prevailed to amend the Orders of the Day in order to hear a further partial report of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders. Rev. Irwin Reist was recommended and elected to Elder's Orders, to be ordained in the Ordination session of this Conference. (See Report No. 1)

5. Report of the Conference President. The Conference President, Rev. Arthur L. Bray, presented his annual report, which was adopted with a rising vote of thanks. This glowing and heart-warming report of the advances of the Kingdom of God here at the crossroads of America was especially significant in the light of the fact that our dear brother was hospitalized and unable to travel for two months last spring. The rising vote of thanks was but a small token of the esteem with which our brother is held by all the brothers and sisters of the Conference. (See Report No. 4)

6. Official Acts of the President. President Bray presented his official acts as Conference President, which were adopted by vote. (See Report No. 4)

7. Report of the Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension) President Bray presented the report of the Board of Managers, which was adopted by vote. Rev. Crawford presented an analysis of the Church Extension Fund, which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 5)

8. Report of the Camp Meeting Committee. The Secretary of the Camp Meeting Committee presented the report of the Camp Meeting Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 6)

9. Report of the Conference Trustees. Mr. Tice requested that the report of the Conference Trustees be deferred until a later session, which was approved by vote.

10. Report of the Sunday School Board. Rev. Craker presented the report of the Sunday School Board, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 7)

11. Report of the Educational Committee. The Secretary of the Educational Committee presented the report of the Educational Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 8)

12. Report of the Statistical Committee. Rev. D. D. Crail and Mr. Samuel Paine presented the report of the Statistical Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 9 on center pages.) Motion prevailed that any deficits in General Budgets be paid out of the Conference Work Fund, or respective funds as directed.

13. Report of the Conference Treasurer. Rev. R. E. Crawford presented the report of the Conference Treasurer, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 10)

14. Report of the Pension Plan Treasurer. Motion prevailed that the report of the Pension Plan Treasurer be deferred until a later session.

15. Report of the Courtesy Committee. President Bray, acting on behalf of the Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Cletus D. Kramer to the body. Our beloved brother, Elder of the Conference and successful former pastor of this Conference is now taking graduate studies at Asbury Theological Seminary. His character was declared passed.

16. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by Orders of the Day. Mr. S. H. Paine offered prayer.

Third Meeting, Friday, August 2, 9:30 A.M.

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

2. Devotions. Rev. Bai Bangura, our beloved West African brought a devotional message based on 2 Corinthians five.

3. Roll Call. The Secretary called the roll with twenty one ministers and nineteen lay delegates answering to their names. (See Report of Attendance.)

4. Partial Report of the Conference Trustees. Mr. William Tice presented a partial report of the Conference Trustees listing official actions taken during the year, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 11)

5. Report of Illinois Trustee of Marion College. Dr. Reisdorph took the chair while President Bray presented the report of the Illinois Trustee of Marion College, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 12)

6. Report of the Educational Secretary. Rev. Meredith Bailie presented the report of the Educational Secretary, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 13)

7. Report of the Sunday School Secretary. Rev. Wendel Craker presented the Sunday School Secretary's report. An amendment prevailed that the cost of last spring's "Grow" campaign be absorbed by the Sunday School Funds of the Conference. The report was adopted as amended. (See Report No. 14)

8. Report of the Tithing Secretary. In the absence of the Tithing Secretary, the delegate from Princeton brought the report, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 15)

9. Elder's Report. Rev. Carl E. Olander, Elder of the Conference and former pioneer pastor several times over, brought a report of his activities during the past year as chaplain at the Tinley Park State Mental Hospital in suburban Chicago, and student at Bethany seminary.

10. Partial Report of the Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid. Rev. C. E. Olander presented the report of the Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid. An amendment prevailed that the item concerning the

recommendation that all ministers join the Federal Social Security Plan be referred to the Standing Rules Committee for consideration. Motion prevailed that the report be adopted as amended. (See Report No. 16)

11. W. M. S. Literature Display. There was a motion that the W.M.S. Literature Secretary be responsible for the display of literature at Camp Meeting, and that the auxiliary organizations of the Conference order their supplies and periodicals through this agent whenever possible. Motion prevailed that the profit from such an enterprise go toward Conference Church Extension. Motion prevailed to adopt the motion as amended.

12. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by the Orders of the Day. Rev. George Hood offered Prayer.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, August 2, 1963, 1:30 P.M.

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

2. Report of the Committee on the Passage of Character. Mr. S. H. Paine presented the report of the Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 17)

3. Election of Officers. Dr. Rufus D. Reisdorph, our Denominational Representative, took the chair for the business of electing the main conference officers. Those elected were as follows: President, Rev. A. L. Bray; Vice President, Rev. F. J. Gearhart; Secretary, Rev. M. J. Bailie; Treasurer, Rev. R. E. Crawford; Ministerial Trustee, Rev. A. L. Bray; Lay Trustee, Mr. W. F. Tice; Elected to the Board of Managers: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Mr. Lloyd Wallace; Dr. Frank Crane.

The meeting was recessed for a brief time, after which President Bray called the meeting to order for the remainder of the election. Vice President Gearhart assumed the chair while Rev. Bray proposed the following Standing Rule to cover the request of a previous Conference concerning methods of voting by acclamation: "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." The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote. Motion prevailed that the Committee on Finance be empowered to appoint the Treasurer of the Pension Fund for the new year. Other officers elected were: Educational Secretary, Rev. Leigh Nygard; Sunday School Secretary, Rev. Wendel Craker; Director of C. Y. C., Mr. John Wells; Motion prevailed that the Director of C.Y.C. be made an ex officio member of the Sunday School Board, replacing Mr. Dwight Haisley, whose term has expired. Tithing Secretary, Rev. David Castro; Statistical Secretary, Chaplain John Friske; Committee on Itineracy and Orders: Rev. R. M. Gibbs (Term expires 1967); Judiciary Committee: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. Thomas Bailie, Rev. R.E. Crawford; Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid: Rev. C. E. Olander (term expires 1966); Sunday School Board: Rev. Robert Zuhl (term expires 1966); Committee on Vacancies: Rev. Robert W. Klatt, Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Rev. C. E. Olander, Mr. W. F. Tice, Mr. Richard Priest; Camp Meeting Committee, in addition to members ex officio: Rev. R. M. Gibbs, Rev. R. W. Klatt, Rev. S. A. Hill, Mr. Samuel Paine, Mr. Nathan Blood; Statistical Committee: Rev. John Friske, Chairman, Rev. R. E. Crawford, Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. David Castro, Mr. Samuel Paine; President's Advisory Board: Rev. F. J. Gearhart, Mr. W. F. Tice, Marion College Trustee, R. T. Mould.* Motion prevailed to refer the matter of additional ex-officio members of the Camp Meeting Board to the Standing Rules Committee. (*Unfinished business--appointed by Board of Managers.)

4. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Eugene Ramsey, President of the South Ohio Conference, who brought us greetings from his field of labor. Rev. Ramsey has been graciously used of God in working among his people, the American Negroes, in Ohio and Indiana. Motion prevailed to seat our brother as an honorary member of the Conference.

5. Report of the C.Y.C. Director. Motion prevailed that Mrs. Evelyn Minnaugh, the Director of the C.Y.C. be permitted more time to compile her report, and to include her report in the Minutes without presenting it to the body. (See Report No. 27)

6. Amendment of the Orders of the Day. Motion prevailed to amend the Orders of the Day to permit adjournment for committee work.

Fifth Meeting, Friday, August 2, 1963, 7:00 P.M.

1. Address. At a joint meeting of the W.M.S. and Annual Conferences, Rev. Eugene Ramsey, President of the South Ohio Conference and recently appointed denominational Director of Negro evangelism, brought a stirring message on the importance of evangelizing the American Negro. His personal knowledge of some of the racial issues that confront our society brought new insight as to how we in our conference can better meet these issues as Christians.

2. Opening of the Business Session. President Bray called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. for the business of the Fifth Meeting.

3. Pastor's Reports. Pastors from the churches of Chicago-Austin, Chicago-Hoyne Avenue, Chicago-Roseland, Chicagoland-Elk Grove Village, Chicagoland-Oak Lawn, Chicagoland-Oak Park, and Chicagoland-Wheaton reported a summary of statistics and a general picture of the conditions of their charges. They reported overwhelming obstacles overcome by the power of our all-conquering Christ! Prayer was requested for specific needs. These were followed by a statement and a testimony from the respective delegates.

4. Revision of the Orders of the Day. Motion prevailed that the Orders of the Day be revised changing the time of the remaining pastor's reports from the sixth to the seventh session, thus permitting delegates from the W.M.S. Convention to hear these reports.

5. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by Orders of the Day. Mrs. Rachel Bray, President of the W.M.S. offered prayer.

Sixth Meeting, Saturday, August 3, 1963, 9:00 A.M.

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

2. Devotions. Rev. Vernon Swanson, furloughed missionary from Sierra Leone, West Africa, presented a devotional message in which he revealed some of the many problems a missionary faces on the field of labor.

3. Roll Call. The Secretary called the roll, with twenty Minister's and sixteen lay delegates answering to their names. (See Record of Attendance.)

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

5. Presentation of Conference Preacher. Conference Preacher Rev. Philip Crail was presented to the body for a report of his activities. He was seated as an honorary member of the body by vote.

6. Report of the Committee on Thanks. Rev. S. A. Hill presented the report of the Thanks Committee. Motion prevailed that the names of missionaries Mary Holcomb of Sierra Leone, and Hazel Evans of Kenya, both affiliated with our Chicago-Austin Church, be included in the report as the recipients of thanks. Motion prevailed to adopt the report as amended. (See Report No. 18)

7. Addition to the Standing Rules Committee. Motion prevailed to make Mr. S. H. Paine a member of the Standing Rules Committee, due to his previous experience in giving assistance to this committee.

8. Report of the Sunday School Committee. Rev. Wendel Craker presented the report of the Sunday School Committee, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 19)

9. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented "Uncle Joe" Pierce, an ex-gangster from Chicago who has been actively winning teen-agers to Christ since his conversion many years ago. "Uncle Joe" gave a glowing testimony and a report of his work. Dr. Rufus D. Reisdorph, our denominational representative, gave his personal testimony, and revealed some of his plans for the future now that he is retired from the General Superintendency of the Denomination. This Conference is the last one Dr. Reisdorph expects to attend in official capacity, due to his retirement. President Bray expressed the deep appreciation of the Conference for Dr. Reisdorph's many years of service as pastor, Dakota Conference President, Denominational Sunday School Secretary, Army Chaplain, President of Miltonvale Wesleyan College and General Superintendent.

10. Amendment of the Orders of the Day. Motion prevailed that the Orders of the Day be amended in order to hear reports from the Illinois Conference Delegates to the recent General Conference in Fairmount, Indiana. Reports were given by the Ministerial Delegate, Rev. A.L. Bray, the Lay Delegate, Mr. S. H. Paine, and the Lay Delegate-At-Large, Mr. W. F. Tice. The reports were both oral and written, and motion prevailed that these reports be compiled and included in the Minutes. (See Report No. 20)

11. Amendment of the Orders of the Day. Motion prevailed that the Orders of the Day be amended in order to adjourn for committee work. Rev. C. C. McCarty offered the closing prayer.

Seventh Meeting, Saturday, August 3, 1:30 P.M.

1. Opening. At the direction of President Bray who was involved in committee work, Vice-President Gearhart opened the meeting.

2. Devotions. Rev. John Friske brought a devotional message from the book of Job.

3. Report of the Growth of the Church Committee. Rev. Friske presented the report of the Growth of the Church Committee. Motion prevailed that the word "new" in part two be changed to the word "greater", and the word "renewed" in part four be changed to read "continued". Motion prevailed that the report be adopted as amended. (See Report No. 21)

4. Reports of Pastors. Pastors from the churches of Rockford-First, Galesburg, Hoopeston, Peoria-Creve Coeur, Peoria-First, Princeton, Rockford-Harrison Avenue, Wyand, and Maywood reported a summary of statistics and a general picture of the conditions of their charges. Prior to the report of Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, pastor of Wyand, the Courtesy Committee presented him to the body, since he was attending his first annual Conference here. A statement and testimony from the several church delegates were also made.

5. Recess. The meeting was recessed for fifteen minutes by vote.

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

7. Report of the Auditing Committee. The Auditing Committee presented its report stating that the books of the Pension Fund Treasurer had been audited and were in order. Motion prevailed to adopt this report. (See Report. No.22)

8. Report of the Pension Plan Treasurer. Mr. S. H. Paine presented the report of the Pension Fund Treasurer, which was adopted by vote. (See Report. 23)

9. Report of the Finance Committee. Mr. S. H. Paine presented the report of the Finance Committee. Motion prevailed that the phrasing of the item referring to the matter of itemization and reporting of pastor's auto expense be referred back to the Finance Committee, with power to act. (See Report No. 24)

10. Report of the Standing Rules Committee. Mr. S. H. Paine presented the report of the Standing Rules Committee. Additions and deletions in the Standing Rules were voted on in seriatim, and the report as a whole was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 25)

11. Report of the Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Rev. N. E. Trafton from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, a Reformed (Wesleyan-Arminian) Baptist clergyman, professor at Bethany Bible College, and engaged to be the camp meeting evangelist. Evangelist Trafton brought brief greetings, after which he was seated by vote as an honorary member.

12. Report of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders. Rev. Roy Crawford presented the final report of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders, which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 1)

13. Report of the Pastoral Relations Committee. Rev. Gearhart presented the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee. Motion prevailed to change the name of the Maywood Church in the report to "Broadview", since the congregation will be worshipping in a new location in their new church this coming year. Motion prevailed to adopt the report as amended. (See Report. No. 26)

14. Elder's Report. Rev. Samuel Long presented a brief testimony and report of his activities in evangelism during the Conference year.

15. Correspondence. Rev. Bray read a letter from Rev. Francis A. Davis, serving as missionary to Japan, and an Elder in the conference.

16. Conference Sermon. Motion prevailed that the Conference sermon be left in the hands of the Committee on Itinerary and Orders.

17. Unfinished Business. Motion prevailed that unfinished business be left with the Board of Managers.

18. Wesleyan Men's Fellowship. Motion prevailed that action concerning Wesleyan Men's Fellowship be left with the Board of Managers with power to act.

19. Adjournment. Motion prevailed to adjourn. Rev. Gearhart offered prayer.

Eighth Meeting Saturday, August 3, 1963, 7:00 P.M.

1. Installation of Conference Officers. Retiring General Superintendent Rufus D. Reisdorph installed the officers of the Conference in a special ceremony.

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

3. Denominational Address. Retiring General Superintendent Rufus D. Reisdorph presented the denominational address. The theme of the address was, "Evangelize Now", emphasizing the aspects of power, prospect, process, and purpose in evangelism. The Illinois Conference was challenged to progress under the quadrennial theme, "Evangelize Now".

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

Special Services.

1. Conference Educational Service Saturday, August 10, 1963, 1:30 P.M.
The Saturday afternoon service was designated by Conference action as Conference Educational Service. Marion College, our area school, was represented by Dr. Woodrow I. Goodman, President of Marion College. He was interviewed by three Wesleyan Youth in a panel discussion of the college, its prospects and its pressing needs. The Marion College Male Quartet accompanied him and stayed to minister in music over the weekend.

2. Conference Sunday School Service Sunday, August 11, 1963, 9:00 A.M.
The Sunday School hour of the Conference was designated to be the Sunday School service during Camp Meeting. Conference Sunday School Secretary Wendel D. Craker presented the Sunday School interests including awards for achievement. The College Quartet enlivened the hour with their singing and Sunday School enthusiasm rose to a new high.

3. Conference Ordination Service Sunday, August 11, 1963, 10:30 A.M.
The Conference elected Conference Preachers Irwin Walter Reist and Leigh Franklin Nygard as elders of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America. At the last Sunday morning service of Camp Meeting they were ordained by the laying on of hands of the elders. Conference President A. L. Bray brought the ordination message, speaking from I Thess. 2:4, "Trustees of Heaven." It was a great inspiration to the Camp Meeting throng to see these choice young men present their lives anew to Christ and the church for the work of spreading the Gospel.

4. Camp Meeting, August 4-11, 1963
Rev. N. E. Trafton, professor of Theology at Bethany Bible College, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada, was our evangelist. Rev. Eugene Cockrell, pastor of the Lakeview Wesleyan Methodist Church, Marion, Indiana, was our song evangelist. Youth Evangelists were pastors Rev. D. D. Crail, Rev. David Castro, Rev. Roy Gibbs, Rev. Arlyn Jones, Rev. Leigh Nygard. The Lord blessed the efforts of these dedicated servants, and through their ministry brought us inspiration and instruction.

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

R E P O R T S

Report No. 1.

Committee on Itinerary and Orders.

- A. Conference Preachers eligible to vote in this session: Rev. Leigh Nygard, Rev. Clarence C. McCarty, Rev. George Hood.
- B. We recommend that Irwin Reist and Leigh Nygard be elected to Elder's Orders.
- C. Report of the status of the following in the Course of Study:
 1. C. C. McCarty --third year in the Course of Study.
 2. Ivanelle McCarty --Third year.
 3. George Hood --pursuing graduate study under the direction of Marion College at Trinity College in Chicago.
 4. Herbert Apel --pursuing graduate study at Wheaton College and teaching there.
 5. Philip Crail --first year.
 6. Donald Bray --attending Marion College theological department.
 7. William Tice, Jr. --attending Marion College theological department.
 8. Paul Halverson --attending Marion College theological department.
 9. David Trosper --attending Marion College theological department.

10. Carl Unger --pursuing undergraduate studies at night school.
 11. Everett Vining -- first year.
 12. David Castro --attending Wheaton College graduate school.
- D. We report that pursuant to the direction of Annual Conference, we held a joint Michigan-Illinois Ministerial Convention at our Elk Grove Village Church last February 19-21 with the Reverend Stanley Mooneyham as speaker.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Itinerary and Orders
Rev. Wendel D. Craker, Chairman
Rev. Roy E. Crawford, Secretary
Rev. Arthur L. Bray
Rev. Stanley A. Hill

Report No. 2.

Orders of the Day Committee.

Standing Nominating Committee, 12:30 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 1963.

First Meeting, Thursday, August 1, 1:30 p.m. Conference convenes. Communion Service; Conference Sermon by Rev. F. J. Gearhart, pastor, Wheaton; Organization of Conference; Roll call of Elders present; Establishing Bar of Conference and seating of Elders; Partial Report of Committee on Itinerary and Orders concerning Conference Preachers eligible to vote and seating of such preachers; Report of Conference Secretary concerning accredited delegates; Seating of delegates; Election of Courtesy Committee; Partial report of Courtesy Committee, new members introduced; seating of Honorary Members; Report of Orders of the Day Committee; Report of the Nominating Committee; Adjournment, all standing boards and committees be ready to report at next meeting.

Second Meeting, Thursday, August 1, 7:00 p.m. Devotions; 7:15 p.m., Business resumes; Report of Conference President; Reports of Standing Committees and Boards: Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension), A. L. Bray, Chairman; Camp Meeting Committee, F. J. Gearhart, Secretary; Conference Trustees, William F. Tice, Secretary; Sunday School Board, W. D. Craker, Chairman; Board of Superannuate Ministers' Aid, C. E. Olander, Chairman; Educational Committee, M. J. Bailie, Chairman; Statistical Committee, D. D. Crail, Chairman; Conference Treasurer, R. E. Crawford; Pension Plan Treasurer, S. H. Paine; Report of Committee on Itinerary and Orders recommending preachers for ordination; election of same; Adjournment for Committee work.

Third Meeting, Friday, August 2, 9:30 a.m. Devotions; Roll Call and reading of yesterday's Minutes; Reports of other Conference leaders: Trustee of Marion College, A. L. Bray; Educational Secretary, Meredith Bailie; Sunday School Secretary, W. D. Craker; C.Y.C. Director, Evelyn Mimmaugh; Tithing Secretary, Dean Kring; Miscellaneous business; Adjournment, 11:45 a.m.

Fourth Meeting, Friday, August 2, 1:30 p.m. Devotions; Report of the Auditing Committee; Report of Committee on Passage of Ministerial Character; Election of Illinois Conference Officers, Trustees and other members of the Board of Managers (by ballot) with Dr. R. D. Reisdorph presiding; Recess for ten minutes; Election of Conference Board and Standing Committees, the Conference President presiding; Reports of Pastors; Miscellaneous business; Adjournment.

Fifth Meeting, Friday, August 2, 1963, 7:00 p.m. Address by Rev. Eugene Ramsey, President of the South Ohio Conference; 8:00 p.m., Reports of Conference Committees; Reports of Pastors continued; Miscellaneous business; Adjournment for Committee work, 9:30 p.m.

Sixth Meeting, Saturday, August 3, 9:00 a.m. Devotions; Roll Call and reading of yesterday's minutes; Reports of Conference Committees, continued; Reports of pastors, continued; Miscellaneous business; Adjournment for committee work.

Seventh Meeting, Saturday, August 3, 1:30 p.m. Devotions; Report of General Conference delegates; Miscellaneous business; Report of Pastoral Relations Committee; Adjournment.

Eighth Meeting, Saturday, August 3, 7:00 p.m. Installation of Conference Officers by Denominational Representative; Installation of pastors by the Conference President; Denominational Address by former

General Superintendent Dr. Rufus D. Reisdorph; Minutes of Seventh and Eighth Meetings considered as read and given to Conference President and Secretary for editing; Adjournment sine die.

Special Conference Services: Conference Sunday School Service, Sunday, August 4, 9:00 a.m.; Educational Service, Saturday, August 10, 1:30 p.m., President Goodman speaking; Ordination Service, Sunday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Orders of the Day Committee
Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Conference President
Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart, Vice President
Rev. Samuel T. Long, Secretary

Report No. 3.

Nominating Committee

We recommend the following Conference session appointments:

Pastoral Relations: Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman, ex officio; Rev. F. J. Gearhart; Rev. R. W. Klatt; Rev. R. E. Crawford; Mr. R. T. Mould; Mr. Percy Hamilton; Mr. Richard Priest.

Passage of Character: Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman, ex officio; Rev. Thomas Bailie; Mr. S. Hugh Paine.

Statistical Committee: Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman, ex officio; Rev. R. E. Crawford; Rev. R. W. Klatt; Rev. G. W. Hood; Rev. S. A. Hill. Mr. Samuel Paine; Mrs. Mona Devall; Mrs. Marlene Eytcheson;

Growth of the Church: Rev. Roy Gibbs; Rev. John Friske; Rev. Arlyn Jones; Mr. David Warner; Rev. Arthur Minnaugh, Mr. Lars Nordskog; Miss Velma Moore.

Thanks: Rev. S. A. Hill; Mrs. Alice Woodhouse; Mr. William Swanson; Mr. W. W. McBride.

Sunday School: Rev. W. D. Craker, Chairman, ex officio; Mr. Orville Senger; Mr. Lloyd Wallace; Mr. James Ocheltree; Mr. Nathan Blood; Mr. Fred Winterberg; Mr. Richard Johnson; Mr. John Wells.

Devotional: The Conference President.

Auditing: Statistical Committee.

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

Standing Rules: Trustees of the Conference.

Postmaster: Rev. George W. Hood.

Reporter: Rev. Leigh F. Nygard

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman
Rev. F. J. Gearhart
Rev. S. T. Long
Mr. W. W. McBride
Mr. Percy Hamilton
Mr. Martin Winterberg

Report No. 4.

Conference President

Beloved Brethren, greetings in our Savior's all-conquering Name! On every hand national and religious leaders are rightly lamenting that the "times are out of joint" filling men's hearts with foreboding. In such an hour as this we take courage from our supernatural resources--the grace and power of an Omnipotent God. The problems facing the Christian church have always been overwhelming, but God has always been sufficient and the church has moved forward by His power.

State of the Conference: This fourteenth year of our Conference life has found our pastors and laymen faithfully presenting the witness of full salvation to this northern Illinois harvest field. It is not an easy field because secularism, Romanism and modernism have captured the religious-minded masses. In the midst of all this we have made steady progress in enlisting men to follow the banner of holiness with its demands for sacrifice, surrender and service.

Statistics: In the face of losses in some places we are pleased that our final statistics reveal a gain in full members from 504 to 527 and total membership from 712 to 761 or 7% gain. Our average Sunday School attendance rose from 1217 to 1274; main school from 1741 to 1816 and total enrollment from 1892 to 1955. Our full membership compared to our total Sunday School roll gives a glimpse of our evangelistic potential as well as assurance that we have not lowered the standards of membership for the "sake of numbers." Our numbers are still small but encouraging when we recall that just a few years ago we had no Conference organization at all in this heartland of America. We praise God for everyone who walks the way of holiness!

Property Holdings: Outstanding this year has been the pressures of growth upon our Peoria-Creve Coeur, Oak Lawn and Maywood churches which have demanded new buildings. Creve Coeur's beautiful colonial sanctuary is virtually completed. Maywood is relocating in the adjacent suburb of Broadview, where their 88' by 52' colonial sanctuary is moving toward completion. Oak Lawn's 111' by 42', with 34' by 34' wing, contemporary sanctuary is also under construction. The first with seating for 200, the other seating 500 each make ample provision for more souls to hear the Gospel and in hearing find Jesus Christ, the Savior.

Our property values increased from \$870,200 to \$944,500, a gain of \$74,300 with a debt increase of only \$28,923--from \$240,213 to \$269,136. \$23,439 was paid on debt principal. Debt ratio to property value stands at 28%. Excluding cash balances on hand our net worth in churches and parsonages stands at \$675,364.

Finances: We praise God also that through the sacrificial giving of our people the Conference and General total budget askings of \$19,685 were overpaid for a total of \$20,569. Total giving for all purposes was \$205,281.00 a gain of almost \$28,000 over last year. Per capita giving rose from \$351 to \$390, a high in our denomination. Oak Lawn raised \$13,000 (total, \$40,000 for the year!) on building which is not yet disbursed due to delays in building. It would have raised the total to \$218,000 actually raised this year or almost \$414 per capita. Praise the Lord!

Personal Service: Official travel of 10,923 miles was half of last year due to residing in Chicagoland where half our churches are located. Revival travel brings the total travel to 13,423. Also, travel was less due to the doctor's restrictions for two months following my illness in March. Thank God for His healing hand and renewed strength for His service. It is a joy to work for Him!

Other data: Letters written--360; 750 calls, office conferences and telephone consultations; ILLINOIS TIDINGS issued in August, December, February, June and July totalled 2600 three to four page pieces mimeographed, separately addressed, stamped, sorted and mailed. 35 Quarterly Meetings were held; four Board of Managers meetings; three Camp Committee meetings, four revival meetings; one Hephzibah Board Meeting, Marion Area Ministerial Convention, Asbury Seminary visitation, Marion College Development Committee meeting; two Marion College Board meetings. I served on the Chicago Bible Society Board, N. A. E. Commission on Church Extension, N. H. A. Chicago Convention planning sessions and as your ministerial delegate to General Conference. (Full report on that later this Session.) It has been another full and blessed year of labor for Christ and the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Official Acts

- 1) As chairman of the Conference Board of Managers 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 building projects by assisting in designing and planning buildings, counselling concerning church sites and taking title to same. I have sought and obtained necessary loans, executing the legal documents necessary to such loans, along with William F. Tice, Secretary of the Board of Trustees. (See Trustees' Report for full report.)
- 2) As President of the Illinois Conference I certify our theological students and draft-age pastors to their several draft boards as legally qualifying for proper exemption.
- 3) Throughout the year I have ordered payment of all bills owed by the Conference using a requisition form to the Conference Treasurer in each instance.

- 4) August 11, 1962. Approved election of W. Y. Officers with the consent of my Advisory Board.
- 5) August 19, 1962. Installed Roy M. Gibbs, pastor at Wyanet.
- 6) September 5, 1962. Represented the Conference at McCormick Place at the official reception for General Kitching, London, England, commanding officer of the Salvation Army.
- 7) September 23, 1962. Installed Meredith Bailie, pastor at Galesburg.
- 8) October 5, 1962. Compiled W.Y. Minutes from notes furnished, in my capacity as co-editor of the Journal.
- 9) October 5, 1962. Declared Elder Ronald E. Mullen withdrawn from the Conference on the basis of Paragraph 160 of the Discipline.
- 10) March 3, 1963. Gave Proviso Baptist Church of Maywood title to our Maywood Church for \$21,500.
- 11) April 18, 1963. Filed annual corporation report with Secretary of State.
- 12) April 18, 1963. Filed annual Pentecostal Bands of the World corporate report with Secretary of State, as Illinois Legal Agent for the denomination.
- 13) July 29, 1963. Transferred Rev. Dean Kring as an elder in good standing to the Georgia, Conference.
- 14) July 31, 1963. Prepared and filed tax exemption certificates with Cook County authorities for Broadview church, two Oak Lawn parcels (Lot 5 and frontage lots) and Elk Grove Village parsonage.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Conference President

Report No. 5.

Conference Board of Managers (Board of Church Extension)

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

As the Board of Managers of the Illinois Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, we met officially on August 11 and November 3, 1962, February 2 and May 4, 1963 to consider the state of all the churches and to plan for the extension of the Illinois Conference. Out of the full record of decisions made, the Minutes of which are open for your full inspection (Mr. William F. Tice is Secretary) we report the following summary of actions taken:

WHEATON. We have continued to make provision for the full payment of mortgage obligations quarterly. However, our Wheaton folk have, with denominational aid, been able to carry their full load this year so that our Church Extension funds could be used for other purposes. This is the first time that this is so--we congratulate Pastor Gearhart and his people. It is expected that denominational aid will be lowered or withdrawn this coming year and we may need to continue some help. The pressing need is a new church building or for the pastor's family to vacate the present parsonage chapel temporarily to give more room for congregational use.

ROCKFORD-HARRISON AVENUE. Pastor and Mrs. Nygard and their people have had a good year with growth in attendance and finances. Some financial aid was given in catching up on past obligations. Plans have been approved by the congregation to build a two-car garage addition to the parsonage-chapel in which to hold four more Sunday School classes. Here also, we must plan on building a sanctuary as soon as possible.

ELK GROVE VILLAGE. Pastor and Mrs. David Crail and their people have virtually completed the building of the new sanctuary. It was used first in February to entertain the joint Michigan-Illinois Ministerial Convention. Denominational aid has lifted part of the heavy load this year, but Pastor Crail continues to teach school to support his family that the mortgage payments on church and parsonage may be met out of church income. Such sacrificial giving is being rewarded by our Heavenly Father!

GALESBURG under the direction of Pastor Meredith Bailie has completed its building program this year with the installation of ceiling tile in the basement with funds furnished by the Oak Lawn Church. Our thanks to the brethren of both churches!

CREVE COEUR moved out of their little cement block tabernacle on February 17 to the basement of their new colonial brick sanctuary. Now, Pastor Jones, contractor Cliff Farrell and their volunteer crew of laymen have brought the sanctuary to the place where it is ready for the installation of new pews. It has been a year of hard physical toil that has paid off in a delightful new church building. The financial load has been lifted by \$100 a month from the denomination and \$100 a month from Brother and Sister Nathan Blood of Rockford who felt led to help during this year of building. To them and to Brother William Tice who has been giving monthly for several years toward our pioneer program goes our warmest appreciation in the Name of Christ!

LARGE, NEW CHURCH BUILDINGS are going up in Oak Lawn and Broadview, suburbs of Chicago, relocations of our Oak Lawn and Maywood congregations due to crowded conditions. We have assumed large indebtednesses due to these projects, but they are underwritten by large, consistent giving by the respective congregations, and led by outstanding pastors, thus we have reason to believe the projects safe financially. They are great steps forward!

FUTURE PLANS envision new property on Rockford's northwest Side, study of outreach in a suburb of Aurora, and earnest prayer for more funds and workers for the harvestfield.

A BREAKDOWN of Conference Church Extension Funds is appended below:

Analysis of Conference Church Extension Fund

From July 15, 1962 - July 15, 1963

I. Receipts:

A. Conference Budgets		\$ 3,039.50
B. Wheaton - Debt Reduction:		
1. Ewing loan:		
* 1) Principal	\$500.00	
2) Interest	<u>12.50</u>	
	\$	512.50
2. Glen Ellyn mortgage		1,525.00
3. Shatford loan Interest		100.00
* 4. Boyd loan Principal		<u>325.00</u>
		2,462.50
C. Elk Grove - parsonage payments by Crail.		1,729.00
D. Dept. of Church Extension - monthly aid.		3,900.00
E. Monthly gifts:		
1. Wm. F. Tice	300.00	
2. Nathan & Mary Blood - Creve Coeur	<u>900.00</u>	
		1,200.00
F. President's home payments		
1. A. L. Bray	1,112.56	
2. Austin Church - aid	<u>300.00</u>	
		1,412.56
G. Miscellaneous:		
1. Stocks	41.30	
2. Dept. of World Missions - Hoyne Aid	25.00	
3. Dick Smith - gift	50.00	
4. Ill. Conf. W.M.S.	<u>232.29</u>	
		348.59
	Total Receipts	\$ 14,092.15
Balance on Hand 7/15/62		531.46
	Total Credits	\$ 14,623.61

II. Disbursements:

A. Wheaton:

1. Parsonage-chapel payments (Glen Ellyn)	\$ 2,570.76
2. Dept. of Church Exten.	1,200.00
3. Powers loan payment	407.50
4. Shatford Int. payment	200.00
5. Ewing Int. payment	25.00
6. Boyd Int. payment	<u>315.00</u>
	\$ 4,718.26

B. Elk Grove Village:		
1. Parsonage payments	\$ 1,596.00	
2. Church payment subsidy	800.00	
3. Interest on Susan Cowls loan	<u>150.00</u>	
		\$ 2,546.00
C. President's home:		
1. Loan Payments	1,252.56	
2. Austin Church	<u>75.00</u>	
		1,327.56
D. Creve Coeur:		
1. Denominational aid	1,000.00	
2. Nathan & Mary Blood-gift	900.00	
3. Conference aid - Church plans etc.	<u>362.60</u>	
		2,262.60
E. A. L. Bray:		
1. Official travel expense	64.60	
2. Phone	17.05	
3. Parsonage fuel-utilities	<u>150.00</u>	
		231.65
F. Harrison Avenue:		
1. Dept. of Church Extension; loan payment	200.00	
2. Advertising	30.00	
3. Winterberg loan Int.	122.10	
4. Sunday School partitions	264.01	
5. Pastor's moving expense	<u>75.00</u>	
		691.11
G. Galesburg:		
1. Nelson note Interest		210.00
H. Hoyne Avenue:		
1. Emergency aid - utilities and fuel	200.00	
2. Three months Denominational loan payments	225.00	
3. 1961 - '62 arrears Pension ass't.	31.00	
4. Fuel subsidy	<u>25.00</u>	
		481.00
I. Roseland:		
1. Pastor's moving expense		78.68
J. Wyandot:		
1. Aid on parsonage stove payment	200.00	
2. Pastor's moving expense	<u>92.66</u>	
		292.66
K. Miscellaneous:		
1. Payment of Ill. Conf. Parsonage Fund 1961-'62 deficit	200.36	
2. Title costs	10.00	
3. Austin-re-imbursement of house payment remittance	75.00	
4. Sheffield - expense of mowing vacant lot	3.00	
Ch. bldg. insurance	<u>51.20</u>	
	<u>54.20</u>	<u>339.56</u>

Total Disbursements

\$ 13,179.08

Balance on Hand 7/15/63

1,444.53

*Loan principal payments should have been credited to Loan Fund. Transferred after closing of books...

825.00

Corrected Balance

619.53

Respectfully submitted,

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

Report No. 6.Camp Meeting Committee

Camp Arrangements. We your Camp Meeting Committee, managed the 1962 Camp Meeting following the close of last Annual Conference session. Under the ministry of Dr. George Ford, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals, God gave revival blessings.

Two meetings of your committee were held during camp last year to give consideration to financial arrangements and to plan for the present camp meeting. Final arrangements were made at a joint meeting of the Conference Board of Managers and the Camp Meeting Committee in Chicago on May 5, 1963.

We report that Rev. N. E. Trafton, Professor of Theology at Bethany Bible College, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada, is our evangelist this year. Rev. Eugene Cockrell, pastor of the Lakeview Wesleyan Methodist Church, Marion, Indiana, is song evangelist. Our pastors will be speaking in the afternoon youth services. The children's work is being directed by the ladies of the Conference with a full schedule of classes. Youth Camp is under the direction of Conference Wesleyan Youth President, Robert L. Zuhl.

Camp Manager Forrest J. Gearhart and Camp Buyer Robert W. Klatt and Dining Hall Manager Stanley A. Hill, have all arrangements in good order. We thank them for their labors.

Because of the burden of raising a subsidy of nearly 50% of the per person cost the Committee raised the Camp fee to \$1.50 a day for board and room, with half price for those under six and a family rate of \$45.00 limit regardless of family size. We have heard no complaints. The fee is still only 75% of our per person cost so pledges and offerings will need to be generous. We report they were almost double last year and thank God for them.

We are grateful for the cordial relationship which exists between our Committee and the Free Methodist brethren. Superintendent Kirkpatrick has been most gracious.

We are continuing to study the matter of our own Camp grounds. The illness of the chairman this spring interrupted study and investigation that was planned. It will continue. However, we have no recommendation to bring to this session other than a request that we be granted another year to make further study and prepare recommendations. Our lease with the Free Methodist brethren still has some time to run.

Analysis of Camp Meeting Fund

From July 15, 1962 - July 15, 1963

I. Receipts:

A. Pledges	\$ 1,774.00	
B. Registrations	1,900.75	
C. Camp Meals	230.19	
D. Camp Offerings	992.23	
E. Honorarium - Paul Dekker (W.M.S.)	40.00	
F. Phone tolls	16.07	
G. Surplus food sales	79.84	
H. Beginning cash - re-entry	30.00	
I. Camp insurance benefits (Nichols)	326.70	
J. W.M.S. for kitchen equipment, etc.	204.32	
K. Denominational Headquarters camp aid	150.00	
L. Ledger entry correction	.50	
Total Receipts		\$ 5,744.60
Balance 7/15/62		433.40
Total Credits		\$ 6,178.00

II. Disbursements:

A. Beginning cash	\$ 30.00	
B. Rentals		
1. Cottages	\$ 610.50	
2. P. A. system	100.00	
3. Youth tabernacle	35.00	
4. Grounds	877.50	
5. Piano & organ	35.00	
		\$ 1,658.00

C. Supplies:			
1. Groceries	1,505.32		
2. Laundry	34.83		
3. Dishes	122.32		
4. Offering envelopes	<u>21.60</u>		
		1,684.07	
D. Camp workers:			
1. Camp missionary	40.00		
2. Evangelists:			
1) Rev. C. Nichols	\$ 75.00		
2) Dr. G. Ford	200.00		
3) Rev. J. Cole	<u>200.00</u>		
	475.00		
3. Joe Pierce	25.00		
4. Cooks:			
1) Judy Sommers	100.00		
2) Erma Brunner	<u>115.00</u>		
	215.00		
		755.00	
E. W. Y. Expenditures:			
1. Swimming charges	6.90		
2. Recreational equipment	29.82		
3. Hayride expense	5.65		
4. Recreation fee balance to W.Y. treas.	<u>83.63</u>		
		126.00	
F. Official travel		13.65	
G. Utilities:			
1. Electricity	\$ 100.00		
2. Cooking gas	32.00		
3. Telephone	<u>48.90</u>		
		\$ 180.90	
H. Insurance:			
1. Brotherhood Mutual premium	170.01		
2. Nichols - benefit payments	<u>326.70</u>		
		496.71	
I. Handcraft supplies		27.26	
J. Camp advertisement		39.13	
K. Miscellaneous:			
1. Repairs	29.40		
2. Gearhart expense	23.89		
3. Registration refunds:			
1) Milmaugh	5.00		
2) Tolbert	8.00		
3) Hood	<u>16.00</u>		
	29.00		
4. Forms - statistical	1.66		
5. Christian Conf. & Camp Ass'n	15.00		
6. Bray cottage - tax	17.25		
7. Ledger entry correction	<u>56.78</u>		
		172.98	
Total Disbursements		\$ 5,183.70	
Balance 7/15/63		\$ 994.30	

Respectfully submitted,

Camp Meeting Committee
Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Chairman.

Report No. 7.Sunday School Board

The Sunday School Board, in consideration of the needs of the Conference Sunday School program took the following actions:

- 1) Authorized the conducting of the Conference GROW campaign.
- 2) Instructed the Sunday School Secretary to secure and distribute the materials to be used.
- 3) Authorized the securing of a plaque to be awarded to the winner of the Easter to Pentecost campaign.
- 4) Authorized the securing of a plaque to be awarded to the winner of The Sunday School of the Year, based on the Standard of Achievement Ratings.
- 5) Laid plans for District Rallies at Princeton and Oak Park.
- 6) Approved a program of Promotional Evangelism as the Conference share of the 1963 Thanksgiving Offering.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. D. Craker, Chairman
Rev. S. A. Hill
Rev. R. L. Zuhl
Mr. Orville Senger

Report No. 8.Educational Committee

There were no meetings of the Educational Committee during the past year. All necessary functions have been carried out through the office of the Educational Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Meredith Bailie, Chairman

Report No. 9.Statistical Committee

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman,
Rev. R. E. Crawford
Rev. R. W. Klatt
Rev. G. W. Hood
Rev. S. A. Hill
Mr. Samuel Paine
Mrs. Mona Devall
Mrs. Marlene Eytcheson

Report No. 10.

Conference Treasurer.

Cash receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year which ended
July 15, 1963:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/16/62</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Credits</u>	<u>Disburse-</u> <u>ments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/63</u>
General Conference Budget:					
World Missions	\$ -0-	\$ 427.13	\$ 427.13	\$ 427.13	-0-
Australia	-0-	79.65	79.65	79.65	-0-
Brainerd	-0-	116.67	116.67	116.67	-0-
Church Extension & Evan.	-0-	646.25	646.25	646.25	-0-
Administrative	-0-	487.00	487.00	487.00	-0-
Travel & Entertainment	-0-	242.30	242.30	242.30	-0-
Board Meeting Expense	-0-	122.15	122.15	122.15	-0-
Orphanage	-0-	90.14	90.14	90.14	-0-
Education	-0-	1,262.33	1,262.33	1,262.33	-0-
Sunday School	-0-	365.84	365.84	365.84	-0-
Total General Budget	\$ -0-	\$ 3,839.46	\$ 3,839.46	\$ 3,839.46	\$ -0-
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<u>FUND</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/16/62</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Credits</u>	<u>Disburse-</u> <u>ments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/15/63</u>
Illinois Conference Budget:					
Administrative	\$ 170.09	\$ 5,943.87	\$ 6,113.96	\$ 5,714.48	\$ 399.48
Conference Work	613.86	2,207.48	2,821.34	2,816.13	5.21
Conference Church Exten.	531.46	14,092.15	14,623.61	13,179.08	1,444.53
Pastors' Insurance	(-125.49)	2,958.46	2,832.97	2,954.09	(-121.12)
Conference Sunday School	158.56	311.15	469.71	468.14	1.57
Total Illinois Budget	\$ 1,348.48	\$ 25,513.11	\$ 26,861.59	\$ 25,131.92	\$ 1,729.67
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Illinois Conf. Non-Budget:					
Conference Parsonage	\$ (-200.36)	\$ 200.36*	\$ 200.36*	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Camp Meeting	433.40	5,744.60	6,178.00	5,183.70	994.30
Loan Fund	1,337.41	32,268.44	33,605.85	32,668.80	937.05
Miscellaneous	(-1.55)	346.19	344.64	304.97	39.67
Total Illinois Non-Budget	\$ 1,568.90	\$ 38,559.59	\$ 40,328.85	\$ 38,157.47	\$ 1,971.02
Total all Funds:	\$ 2,917.38	\$ 67,912.16	\$ 71,029.90	\$ 67,128.85	\$ 3,700.69

*Represents payment of Conference Parsonage Fund deficit of 1961 - '62 and closing of account.

The books of the Conference Treasurer have been audited by Certified Public Accountant Norman J. Kautt. The findings of said auditor are attached to this report. You will note that his report is identical with my report above.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Roy E. Crawford, Conference Treasurer

Report No. 11.Conference Trustees

The Board of Trustees took the following actions during the year 1962-1963:

- 1) August 12, 1962. Authorized Wyanet to increase its previous loan of \$3,000.00 to \$3,700.00 to cover parsonage remodelling.
- 2) September 28, 1962. In behalf of Rockford-Harrison Avenue, resolved to combine two previous notes of smaller amounts, drawn in favor of Fred and Tiena Winterberg, into one note for \$2,442.00, dated June 1, 1962, to mature June 1, 1964, with interest payable annually at the rate of 5%.
- 3) September 28, 1962. In behalf of Hoopeston, authorized purchase of the house and lot on the corner adjacent and south of, our church property at a price of \$1,500.00; to be financed by a loan in like amount either from a local (Hoopeston) financial institution, or from the conference loan fund.
- 4) November 3, 1962. Authorized Maywood to sell its chapel and specified interior furnishings for \$21,500.00 to the Proviso Baptist Church of Maywood, and to seek supplemental financing for the new Broadview church of approximately \$60,000.00. (Later raised to \$70,000)
- 5) December 8, 1962. In behalf of Galesburg, executed promissory note (No. 66) in the amount of \$3,500.00 in favor of Kenneth Nelson, of Galesburg; the note matures December 8, 1963, and bears interest of 6% per annum. This supersedes previous note of similar amount and terms, that fell due December 8, 1962.
- 6) February 2, 1963. Authorized Maywood to negotiate the release of the chapel from the present combined (church and chapel) mortgage held by Prospect Federal Savings & Loan Association. The result will be to encumber only the parsonage, located at 1105 S. Sixth Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.
- 7) April 29, 1963. In behalf of Maywood, borrowed \$70,000.00 from Prospect Federal Savings & Loan Association of Chicago, as a construction loan to erect a sanctuary at 3318 S. 18th Avenue, Broadview, Illinois. The installment note provides for monthly payments of \$502.00, to start September 1, 1963. *The note bears interest of 6% per annum on unpaid balance. (Later, postponed to Jan. 1, 1964.)
- 8) May 4, 1963. In behalf of Maywood (Broadview) resolved to borrow \$10,000.00 from Wesleyan Investment Foundation with provision for interest at 6% per annum, and repayment in equal monthly installments of \$100.00 starting July 1, 1963 (reference: W.I.F. note No. 216).
- 9) May 4, 1963. Resolved to require the Maywood (Broadview) church to provide a means to build up an emergency reserve fund to be on deposit in a federally insured savings bank in an amount not less than one year's payments on mortgage and other encumbrances.
- 10) May 4, 1963. In behalf of Oak Lawn, resolved to borrow \$110,000.00 from Oak Lawn Trust & Savings Bank as a construction loan at 5% per annum with provision for repayment in equal monthly installments, to build a new sanctuary at the NW corner of Austin Avenue and 89th St., Oak Lawn, Illinois; and to secure said loan to execute a trust deed and installment note. (Note: These encumbrances were executed July 9, 1963, and provide for monthly payments of \$700.00, starting January 1, 1964.)
- 11) May 4, 1963. Resolved to require Oak Lawn to deposit a minimum of one year's payments on indebtedness in a federally insured savings bank. This fund to be used only as an emergency reserve fund, and the conference president is to be immediately notified in event a withdrawal is proposed.
- 12) May 4, 1963. In behalf of Creve Coeur, adopted a resolution of April 27, 1963, to borrow \$10,000.00 from Peoria Savings & Loan Association, at 6% interest, and with monthly installments of \$72.00, starting May, 1963; and to secure said loan to encumber the parsonage with a first mortgage. (Note: This action to refinance the parsonage yielded approximately \$3,000.00 cash with which to buy pews for their new church. The mortgage and note to consummate this action were dated April 29, 1963.)
- 13) June 1, 1963. Authorized Oak Lawn to exchange lot 4 and its frontage (in F. H. Bartlett's 87th Street acres) for lot 6 (on the NW corner

of 89th Street and Austin Avenue). (Note: This action was fulfilled by the execution of a warranty deed from us to the previous owner of lot 6, June 25, 1963. Reciprocal action for us to acquire lot 6, same day.)

Statement of Conference Assets and Liabilities, July 15, 1963:

Assets:

Value of local church buildings	\$581,500	
Value of local church parsonages	276,000	
Loans receivable		
Conference Parsonage Fund		
A. L. Bray	\$5,100	
Old Superannuate Minister's Fund		
Galesburg church loan	<u>500</u>	
		5,600
Cash and other values balances in churches and Conference funds	<u>70,967</u>	
Total assets		\$934,067

Liabilities:

Loans payable on		
Local church buildings	133,388	
Local church parsonages	<u>132,748</u>	
Total liabilities		266,136
Net worth:		\$ 667,931

Respectfully submitted,

William F. Tice, Secretary, Conference Board of Trustees

Report No. 12

Member Local Board of Trustees of Marion College.

As your representative on the Local Board of Trustees of Marion College, Marion, Indiana, I attended Board meetings on October 12, 1962 and January 15, 1963. At these meetings reports were heard from the administration concerning finances and college operations. I also attended a Development Council meeting on September 29, 1962, where representatives of the community, the alumni, the faculty, student body, college administration and the Board of Trustees endeavored to find ways to promote the advancement of the college.

One of the outstanding advances of the year, the building of the new 104 student girl's dorm, Shatford Hall, was brought to a peremptory halt with the collapse of several floors on the west end during construction. Since it happened during lunch hour no-one was hurt for which we thank God. The damage has all been restored and the building should be ready for occupancy by September first. This building and Teter Hall provide room for 180 girls. Dorm space for men provides for 120, a total of 300 on campus. Classroom facilities take care of another 200 community or married students. However student enrollment averaged about 100 less than that this past year. We earnestly ask our constituency to send their youth to our area college. As a father who has two children attending I can testify that contact with godly teachers has done wonders in the lives of my young folk. It costs a lot for a small denomination to maintain an area college but the end result is worth the effort.

In academic matters Marion finally completed 40 self studies this year, the last of a three year study period. Out of these come an evaluation and improvements which will make possible an approach to North Central for regional accreditation.

The college is going on the semester plan this fall, following the majority of institutions and making transfers into our school easier for prospective students. It also makes possible easier scheduling of fall and spring revival meetings which are vital to the spiritual life of a holiness school.

In harmony with the self studies and the change to the semester plan there has been extensive curriculum revision this year, eliminating offerings which were not in sufficient demand to make them self-sustaining, and offering other fields which are more current. Marion's new catalogue is a delightful production. Dr. Goodman, President of the college and the Male Quartet will be here the last Saturday of the Camp Meeting and will have some catalogues for you as well as a full story of the progress being made.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Trustee,
Local Board of Trustees of Marion College

Report No. 13.

Educational Secretary

The Illinois Conference has given continued loyal support to our church schools during the past year in the areas of students in attendance, participation in college functions, and presentation of our schools to the local churches.

This year there have been sixteen students from Illinois enrolled at Marion College and one at Houghton College. Preliminary figures indicate there will be fifteen Illinois students enrolled at Marion College next year, and two at Houghton College.

A majority of the churches have had special activities presenting and supporting Marion College. Seven churches had large representations at Marion College high school days April 26, and 27th.

Your Educational Secretary attended the Marion College Development Committee meeting April 27th, 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Meredith J. Baillie, Educational Secretary

Report No. 14.

Conference Sunday School Secretary.

It has been a privilege to represent the interests of the Conference Sunday Schools, and to have some measure of participation in the growth with which God has honored our schools.

In official capacity we have served in the followings ways:

1) Represented the Conference at the Wesleyan Sunday School Convention in Denver, and participated in sessions of the N.S.S.A. convention that followed.

2) Promoted the Easter to Pentecost Campaign. This included the ordering and distributing of materials to each of the churches, and the maintaining of weekly reports. The theme this year was "GROW". Harrison Avenue placed first, Elk Grove Village was second, and Galesburg was third.

3) Promoted District Rallies in Princeton and Oak Park, centering in the theme; "What is the Teacher's Task?" Conference personnel served as panel members.

4) Arranged for the Camp Sunday School Services at the 1962 Camp Meeting.

5) Represented the Conference at a special session for Conference Sunday School Secretaries at General Conference.

6) Issued one copy of "Sunday School Smoke Signals" for the Sunday School staff in each of our churches.

In considering the Conference Sunday School Concerns, we find there are two primary areas of need. One lies in the area of motivation to adequate leadership. The other lies in the area of adequate records to stimulate visitation and follow-up.

Illinois went unmentioned on Sunday School night at General Conference, for not one church reported meeting the goal of 20% of its membership completing a WETT unit. Only seven certificates were granted by the Department of Sunday Schools to the Illinois Conference. These seven

went to teachers at Rockford First Church. It is my understanding that other churches had WETT programs, but the results were unreported.

In a workshop at the N.S.S.A. convention, Rev. Nelson made the point that responsibility demands accountability. Too often our records have been simply a matter of counting coins, and counting heads. We would call your attention to the "Strive for 5" record system as a means of stimulating vision and outreach!

Standard of Achievement scores are reported by Austin, Hoyne Ave., Elk Grove Village, Oak Lawn, Oak Park, Galesburg, Hoopeston, Peoria, and Rockford First. Reports without Standard of Achievement scores are included from Roseland and Wyanet. Oak Lawn is the winner of the Sunday School of the Year award with a score of 64.

A downward trend in the use of Wesleyan Literature is reflected in this years statistics. Some of this may be accounted for by new materials not listed on the statistical black, and thus not reflecting the complete totals. But still we need to be concerned. Brethren, we are Wesleyans. Our publishing house has provided us with some of the finest materials on the market. There is no such thing as a "perfect" curriculum...neither from our publishing house - or any other. Wesleyan literature in the hands of properly motivated teachers will as effectively present Bible truth as any other. The responsibility rest upon the shoulders of leadership to give an honest effort to meet the difficulties, real or imagined, that have served to limit the use of our materials in some areas of the church!

Analysis of the Conference Sunday School Fund:

Balance on Hand July 15, 1962		\$158.56
Receipts:		
Camp Sunday School Offering	\$ 58.52	
Budgets	<u>252.63</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>311.15</u>
Total Credits		\$469.71
Disbursements:		
General Budget Deficit	34.60	
National Sunday School Conv. Exp.	70.00	
Projector Bulbs	9.60	
Grow Campaign Material	326.73	
Postage	14.66	
Records Samples	4.75	
Rally Expense	<u>7.80</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>468.14</u>
Balance on Hand July 15, 1963		\$ 1.57
Outstanding expenses		63.14
Net Balance		\$ (61.57)

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Wendel D. Craker, Conference Sunday School Secretary

Report No. 15.

Tithing Secretary

In this past year the Tithing Secretary has sent out different materials to local tithing secretaries, and an almost complete list of tithing helps and aids that could be purchased from the Wesleyan Press.

This year has been a good year for tithing in the Illinois Conference. As Tithing Secretary of the Conference I sat on the tithing panel at General Conference this past June. It was reported that Illinois Conference leads in tithing in the denomination. Over 82% of our members are listed as tithers. Our per capita giving was \$414.00 this past year. May God continue to bless as we give for this advancement of His kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Dean Kring, Tithing Secretary

Report No. 16.Board of Superannuate Minister's Aid.

Your Pension Committee reports that all eligible ministers of the Conference, except one whose application is pending, are members of the denominational Superannuate Pension Plan, in accordance with our Conference Standing Rule.

We also report that all pension assessments to the local churches for the year 1962-1963 have been met in full, with two exceptions.

At its quadrennial session this June our denomination acted to freeze all service credit in the Superannuate Pension Plan as of the rise of our present Annual Conference session, and to terminate the ministerial assessments. Cost of continuing the denominational obligations to pensioners both present and future, until they are discharged in full is to be met by a straight pension budget assessment of \$3.50 per full church member. This action necessitates rethinking the matter of retirement income for ministers of our Conference, and to change our Standing Rules accordingly. Various other procedural changes are also indicated, and your committee has the following recommendations to make:

1) Inasmuch as Rev. Roy M. Gibbs who joined our Conference last year, is a member of Social Security, and does not desire to carry a single year of service credit in the Superannuate Pension Plan, we recommend that he be excused from complying with the pension membership requirement of our standing rules.

2) We recommend that in the future the \$3.50 general budget assessment be paid through the Conference Treasurer, to be remitted by him to headquarters in the same way that all other general budgets are handled.

3) We recommend that the conference pension committee be continued, to deal in matters of referral from the Superannuate Pension Plan operation, mainly the handling of withdrawals, retirements and certifications which may be required. The committee would also be entrusted with operation of any Conference ministerial assistance plans formulated.

4) We recommend that a pension treasurer be appointed for the coming year only, to handle the clearing of all current member reports, to clear the financial status of the present operation of the Plan, to establish all service credits for a matter of permanent record, and to report finally to the 1964 Annual Conference session.

5) We recommend that all ministers accepting work in The Illinois Conference be required to establish membership in Federal Old Age Benefit (Social Security). We recommend that the local churches be requested to consider assisting their ministers in the payment of Social Security assessments.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Carl E. Olander, Chairman
Rev. Wendel D. Craker
Mr. S. Hugh Paine, Secretary

Report No. 17.Passage of Character Committee.

The ministerial reports of all pastors except the pastor of Princeton * Church were examined, and the budget sections of all the local church reports were received. The record of general support of the denominational work is excellent, with few irregularities, and we feel that the ministers of the Conference are to be highly commended for this. Irregularities in payment of Conference Budgets were carefully considered. Some deficits have been covered by late payment, and in general the record indicates that there is a sense of responsibility to the Conference needs.

We recommend that deficits in payment of pastors hospitalization be considered as a continuing obligation of each church.

* Transferred to the Georgia Conference prior to our Conference session.

We recommend that the ministerial character of each of the ministers under continuing appointment in the Illinois Conference be declared passed by Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman
Rev. Thomas Bailie
Mr. S. Hugh Paine, Secretary

Report No. 18.

Thanks Committee

The Scriptures are replete with examples of, and exhortations to, thankfulness. One such instance is recorded for us in I Thessalonians 5:18, "In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus, concerning you."

However, because the Christian grace of thankfulness is often overlooked or at least inadequately expressed in everyday life, it is then obvious why this committee exists, and is in turn called upon annually to submit a report of this nature.

Since it is, "far better to spread a little taffy HERE, and less epitaphy HEREAFTER," we will NOW attempt to do the same through the following report.

1. Thanks and gratitude to our God are in order for His having providentially brought us to this hour, and for His continued blessing upon the present session of conference.

2. We also humbly submit our thanks to God for having preserved to us our beloved Conference President, and for having brought him through another period of extended illness without any serious or permanent physical impairment.

3. Likewise, we are greatly indebted to our Lord for the official family of the Illinois Conference, who have served long and faithfully in their respective areas of responsibility: the W.M.S., the W.Y., the Y.M.W.B., the Sunday School, the department of Child Evangelism, the Conference Treasurer and the Conference Secretary.

4. Then too, this report would be incomplete without our duly recognizing the incalculable support lovingly shared in the work of the ministry by the Pastor's Partner - the Parsonage Queen.

5. To our own distinguished and beloved missionaries, the Vernon Swansons in Sierra Leone, West Africa, the Charles Paines in India, the Thomas Murrays in Old Mexico, the Frank Davis' in Japan, Mary Holcomb in Sierra Leone, West Africa, and Miss Hazel Evans in Kenya Colony, East Africa, ministering so sacrificially and so effectively to peoples of other lands, we express our deepest and sincere appreciation, and pledge to continue our prayer and financial support for the ensuing conference year.

6. We would again direct a special expression of gratitude to our Free Methodist brethren through whose consideration these commodious ground facilities have been made available to us.

7. Having been well-housed and well-fed, we would enthusiastically commend our Camp Manager, our Camp Buyer, the cooks, and any or all, who combined in the effort to make our days here at Camp Epworth as comfortable and pleasureable as possible.

8. Finally, knowing the extreme difficulty of our task as a committee to include all who in any way have been involved in this area of Christian grace, we humbly submit this report assuring that whatever persons or services rendered are omitted, they are omitted as such inadvertently.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. S. A. Hill, Chairman
Mr. William Swanson
Mr. W. W. McBride
Mrs. Alice Woodhouse

Report No. 19Sunday School Committee

We the Sunday School committee recommend:

- 1) That the General Conference Assessment be twenty cents per member based on the total in the main school reported in the 1963 Conference Minutes, and that said monies be sent to the Conference Treasurer.
- 2) That the conference assessment be fifteen cents per member, and be sent to the Conference Treasurer on the same basis as above.
- 3) That the Sunday Schools send special denominational offerings to the Denominational office, and a report of such offerings to the Conference Sunday School Secretary.
- 4) That a continued emphasis be made on promotional workshops on the district or local levels.
- 5) That a conference Sunday School contest be held in the period between Easter and Pentecost; with a plaque for the winning school to be awarded at the Conference Sunday School Service.
- 6) That the Sunday School Superintendents report quarterly to the Conference Sunday School Secretary on blanks made available to them. That these reports be due on the 15th of October, January, April, and July, and that an annual report, signed by the pastor, also be due on the 15th of July.
- 7) That the expenses of the Conference Sunday School Secretary to the NSSA convention be paid from the Conference Sunday School Fund, and that a report of the convention be made available to the teachers.
- 8) That the promotional expenses of the Conference C.Y.C. director be paid from the Conference Sunday School Fund.
- 9) That the conference C.Y.C. director is also to serve in promoting such alternative programs as Christian Service Brigade and Pioneer Girls where these programs seem better adapted to existing conditions.
- 10) That recognizing the rapid strides made by the department of Sunday Schools in improving the quality and content of our Literature, we urge each Sunday School to give renewed consideration to our Wesleyan Literature on every age level.
- 11) That a "Sunday School of the Year" plaque be awarded at the annual camp Sunday School service based on the Denominational Standard of Achievement as reported by the local staff at the June meeting.
- 12) That a general Sunday School workshop be held at 11:00 o'clock on Thursday morning of Camp week, for all pastors and interested Sunday School workers.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. D. Craker, Chairman
Mr. Orville Senger
Mr. John Wells
Mr. Richard Johnson
Mr. Nathan Blood
Mr. James Ocheltree

Report No. 20.General Conference Delegates'

It was indeed a high honor and an outstanding spiritual privilege to be your official representatives at the 1963 session of the General Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, which met at Fairmount, Indiana, June 25 to July 3, 1963. We report that we attended all the meetings and fulfilled our assignments on the several committees. Ministerial Delegate Arthur L. Bray served as chairman of the Marion Area Caucus which nominated Marion Area members of the Board of Administration, set the number of Marion College board members as one board member for each 700 full members, with provision that each Conference be entitled to at least one ministerial and one lay trustee, and set the college budget at \$4.00 per full member for our area. The Board of Administration members from the Marion Area nominated

by the Caucus and elected by the General Conference are Rev. Donald Fisher, President of the Ohio Conference, Rev. Kenneth Dunn, President of the Indiana Conference, Mr. Byron Tippey, Teacher at Marion College and Mr. William F. Tice, layman from our Conference.

Lay Delegate S. Hugh Paine, a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Administration until the rise of General Conference, had done months of research into the problems of the Pension Plan and presented the report of the Pension Plan Committee. The ultimate action of General Conference was to freeze the service credit of all ministers now in the plan, eliminate the 1½% assessment on ministerial members, close the plan to additional members, and raise the Pension Budget from \$2.00 to \$3.50 to cover loss of the 1½% assessment and to continue to meet pension obligations until paid in full.

Lay Delegate at Large William F. Tice served on the Committee on Conference Records as its secretary. Substantial revision in the requirements for Annual Conference minutes were recommended and later adopted by General Conference. As a member of the Board of Administration he now serves on the Commission on Christian Education.

We report that the Committee on Church Union of the General Board of Administration reported to General Conference that 23 out of 28 Annual Conferences had voted in favor of pursuing the possibility of merger with "the Pilgrim Holiness Church and other sister holiness churches of like precious faith." Twentyone out of the twenty-eight had voted by a two-thirds or more vote in favor of merger. General Conference approved by more than a two-thirds vote the recommendation of the Committee that the Board of Administration elect a committee "on Church Union which shall be authorized to cultivate and negotiate, if possible, with a like committee of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, and, through the Board of Administration be prepared to present to the next session of the General Conference any action or recommendations arising out of these negotiations which may be deemed proper."

The reports of Denominational officials to General Conference were most encouraging. We have launched one new church every 14 days during the Quadrennium and organized one new Wesleyan Youth society every 11 days. The 101 year old world missions outreach reported six times as many members received as in any previous quadrennium. Overseas giving was up 500% and 133 new Sunday Schools have been organized. Presidents Daniel Ferdinand of the Haiti Conference, Bai Bangura of West Africa and Aubrey Carnell of Australia were seated as official delegates.

Denominational officials were re-elected except General Superintendent Reisdorph who retired, Virgil A. Mitchell succeeded him. Wesley Lovin then was elected to fill Brother Mitchell's place in the Department of Church Extension.

Respectfully submitted,

General Conference Delegates
Rev. Arthur L. Bray
Mr. S. Hugh Paine
Mr. William F. Tice

Report No. 21.

Committee on the Growth of the Church.

The Committee on the Growth of the Church wishes to submit the following report for your consideration in view of the tremendous and unique challenges of our day:

Recognizing the existence of necessary negatives, we do, however, present what we feel to be positive issues in line with the advance of the Church of Jesus Christ as a Conquering Church serving under a Conquering Christ. We recommend:

- 1) That a greater emphasis be placed upon the importance of prayer by teaching and example in the total life of the church and the home.
- 2) That we give a greater emphasis to the importance of a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures by our people by way of intensive study of the same. That they in turn accept their responsibility in making the Christ of the Scriptures known in their respective places of service daily.

Also, that systematic training courses be provided in every church to teach methods and techniques in soul winning and how to witness for Christ most effectively.

3) That a greater carefulness be exercised in the conservation of the fruits of evangelism by way of:

(a) A conscientious and compassionate nurturing of new converts.

(b) A recognition of the process of growth after a person becomes a Christian and the differences in growth rate of individuals.

(c) An increased attention to the values of membership, and subsequent leadership responsibility development.

4) That on the part of our pastors, there be a re-evaluation of the pulpit ministry with a view to providing a more Biblical, well balanced spiritual diet for the development of well rounded, Christian personalities. This certainly would call for continued attention to the Biblical position of sanctification so long established as a cardinal doctrine of our church. Exalt Christ, set a better spiritual table, portray the glory and blessedness of the redeemed life of the Christian; recognizing that as people "hunger and thirst after righteousness" our Lord will meet their needs.

5) That in view of the fact that legislation has failed to produce answers to the problem of the segregation-integration issue, we as a conference go on record as recognizing the rights of all men to equality of opportunity as citizens and that the Gospel of Jesus Christ in its' practical outworking has the answer to men's needs in this regard.

Further, recognizing that since 1950 the negro population of Chicago has increased by 65%, while during the same time the white population has decreased, we recommend enlisting, sponsoring and training of negro leadership for the work of negro evangelism in our conference.

6) That we recognize that our life-line is in our outreach as a people and that our responsibility to the peoples of Northern Illinois in the great population centers can only issue in an ongoing of our pioneer efforts in such areas as Aurora, new sections of Peoria, the Quad-cities of Moline, East Moline, Rock Island and Davenport.

7) That lay leadership responsibilities as implied in Acts 8:1 and other portions of the New Testament be brought to the attention of our people in order that all may take their place as "workers together with Christ".

We feel that the growth of the Church spiritually and numerically will be realized when we, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, allow our beings ransomed powers to be released and engaged in an aggressive offensive against Satan and his hosts.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Roy M. Gibbs, Chairman
Rev. John Friske, Secretary
Rev. Arthur Minnaugh
Rev. Arlyn Jones
Miss Velma Moore
Mr. David Warner
Mr. Lars Nordskog

Report No. 22.

Auditing Committee.

The auditing committee has examined the report to Annual Conference and the financial records of the Superannuate Pension Fund Treasurer and finds the record and report correct within the limits of the bank statements, receipts and other substantiating evidences presented.

The Conference Treasurer's books were audited by a Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Norman J. Kautt, and found to be in order.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. D. D. Crail, Chairman
Rev. R. E. Crawford
Rev. R. W. Klatt
Rev. G. W. Hood
Rev. S. A. Hill
Mr. Samuel Paine
Mrs. Mona Devall
Mrs. Marlene Eytcheson

Report No. 23.

Superannuate Pension Plan Treasurer.

Balance on Hand July 15, 1962

\$ 329.53

Receipts

- 1) Entrance Fees- \$ 45.00
G.W. Hood
A.P. Jones,
L.F. Nygard
- 2) Miscellaneous Gifts 9.72
- 3) Personal assessment 16.58
G.W. Hood
- 4) Conference Fund
For Hoyne Ave. 1962 Budget 31.00
For Conference President 39.06
- 5) Budget and Assessments (1962-1963)

\$141.36

Church	General Budget		Pastor's Assesment	
	asked	raised	asked	raised
Chicago				
Austin	\$ 158.00	158.00	\$ 52.45	52.45
Hoyne Ave.	70.00	70.00	66.30	176.85
Roseland	34.00	34.00	22.02	45.44
Chicagoland				
Elk Grove Village	24.00	12.00	100.48	50.50
Maywood	102.00	102.00	103.35	103.92
Oak Lawn	118.00	118.00	117.88	108.00
Oak Park	62.00	62.00	84.66	86.00
Wheaton	54.00	54.00	87.49	96.00
Galesburg	46.00	46.00	94.40	94.40
Hoopeston	16.00	16.00	73.56	74.00
Peoria				
Creve Coeur	46.00	84.00	61.20	69.00
First	16.00	1.00	-	-
Princeton	68.00	68.00	58.13	58.00
Rockford				
First	76.00	76.00	95.32	96.00
Harrison Ave.	26.00	26.00	69.76	70.00
Wyanet	92.00	92.00	46.67	48.00
	\$ 1,008.00	1019.00	1133.67	1228.56

2247.56

Total Receipts

2388.92

Total Credits

\$2718.45

Disbursements:

- 1) Entrance fees \$ 45.00
- 2) Budgets (1962,1963) 1370.00
- 3) Assessment and Int. 1294.04

Total Disbursements

2709.04

Balance on Hand July 15, 1963

\$ 9.41

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. S. Hugh Paine, Pension Treasurer.

Report No. 24.

Finance Committee.

We recommend the following budgets for the fiscal year 1963-1964:
I. The General Assessments shall be apportioned as follows, in accordance with the General Conference regulations:

World Missions	\$ 2.00 per full member
Australia	.25
Brainerd Indian School	.25
Church Extension and Evangelism	1.50
Superannuate Pension Plan	3.50

Church Administrative Budget	\$ 1.70	per full member
Gen. Conf. Travel & Entertainment	.50	
Board Meeting Expense	.15	
Hephzibah Orphanage	.35	
Education	4.00	
Wesleyan Seminary Foundation	.30	
Total General, except for Sunday School	\$ 14.50	per full member

II. The Illinois Conference Budget Assessment shall be:

- A. On a per member basis:
 - Conference Work Fund (including Tidings) \$ 3.50 per full member
 - Conference Church Extension 6.00 per full member
- B. On a per Church basis:
 - Conference Administrative Fund: One tenth of pastor's cash church salary. (See Item IV below for details.)
 - Pastor's Group Insurance Plan: \$ 160.00 per year.

III. Miscellaneous Assessments shall be:

General Sunday School Dues: \$.20 per member in main school
 Conference Sunday School Dues: .15 per member in main school

IV. President's Support and Expense.

A. The tithe from the cash church salary of each pastor (excluding assistant pastors) shall be paid through the local church treasurer monthly into the Conference Administrative Fund. It is requested that pastors working at secular labors prayerfully consider giving one-half of their tithe from this source in addition to tithe of the church salary.

B. The Conference President's salary shall be \$100.00 per week to be paid out of the Conference Administrative Fund.

C. The Conference President's incidental expenses, and auto travel allowance at the rate of 7 cents per mile shall be paid from the Conference Fund.

D. One half the Social Security and the full hospitalization assessments for the Conference President, as well as \$30.00 per month for parsonage fuel and utilities, shall be paid from the Conference Fund.

E. The Conference President has undertaken to provide his own housing by taking over the contract and payments on the Ferdinand Street property in Chicago, under an agreement which preserves to the Conference its present equities and provides that in the case the President should require help in meeting payments, the monies advanced by the Conference for this purpose shall increase the Conference equity by the amount of the principal reduction which results.

V. Miscellaneous Recommendations.

A. We nominate Mr. Richard T. Mould as Assistant Conference Treasurer and Mr. S. Hugh Paine as Conference Pension Fund Treasurer.

B. In case of the failure of the local church to completely pay the pastor's hospitalization assessment, by the end of each quarter, the pastor will be responsible to make up the arrears so as to retain current status in this plan; however, such arrears shall be considered a continuing obligation of the church to be refunded when funds are available to do so.

C. Payment of pastor's insurance assessment budget by the local church shall be required only for that time during which the church is served by a pastor.

D. We recommend that all budgets be assessed on a ten-months basis, with payments due only in the months of September through June.

E. We request that each church pay one-half of the Pastor's Social Security costs, as the church is no longer assessed the 1 1/2% item formerly required in support of the Superannuate Pension Plan.

F. We refer to the Standing Finance Committee with power to act, the matter of the proper listing of pastors car and professional expense in the annual Statistical blank of each church.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman
 Mr. S. Hugh Paine, Secretary

CHURCH	Item I. Pastor's Labors										Item II. Periodicals				
	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Appointments	No. of Organized Church Societies	Time Employed	No. of Stationed Pastors	No. of Riders on Pastors' List	No. of Unstationed Pastors	No. of Super- annuated Riders	No. of Conference Preachers	Wesleyan Methodist taken	Wesleyan Mission- ary taken	Wesleyan youths taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Journals	Children's Friend
CHICAGO															
Anstin	2	1	1	12	2	-	-	-	-	75	25	15	35	-	-
Hoynes Avenue	-	1	1	12	-	-	-	-	2	8	10	12	18	8	10
Roseland	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	2	-	9	11	3	23	-	-
CHICAGO-LAND															
Elk Grove Village	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	1	9	10	-	-	-	-
Maywood	3	1	1	12	2	-	-	-	-	30	27	6	30	-	-
Oak Lawn	2	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	36	21	30	43	-	-
Oak Park	-	1	1	12	2	-	-	-	-	17	14	-	-	-	-
Wheaton	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	52	22	15	-	-	-
GALESBURG	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	13	14	4	25	-	-
ROCKFORD	-	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	8	10	2	20	12	-
PRORIA															
Greve Coeur	2	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	13	14	7	30	-	-
First	-	1	1	12	-	-	-	-	2	10	11	-	12	12	6
PRINCETON	1	1	1	12	-	-	-	-	-	40	24	12	35	14	15
ROCKFORD															
First	1	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	49	19	13	35	16	17
Harrison Ave.	-	1	1	12	-	-	1	-	1	11	9	10	30	5	5
WYANET	1	1	1	12	1	-	-	-	-	10	25	3	40	14	14
TOTALS	12	16	16	192	14	-	1	2	6	390	266	152	380	81	67

CHURCH	Item II. Continued														
	Teacher's Quarterly for Adults	Teacher's Quarterly for Junior Youth	Teacher's Quarterly for Jr. and Pre- Adolescents	Adult Quarterly	Junior Youth Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Devotional Quarterly	Lesson Leaflets	Aldersgate Nursery Teacher	Aldersgate Class Activities	Aldersgate Kinder- garten Teacher	Aldersgate Kinder- garten Leaflets	Aldersgate Kinder- garten Handbook	
CHICAGO															
Austin	6	-	-	45	-	-	-	45	15	2	27	2	27	27	
Boynes Avenue	3	2	2	17	12	8	10	-	10	1	6	1	9	9	
Roseland	1	-	2	15	-	6	6	1	-	-	-	-	7	8	
CHICAGO-LAND															
Elk Grove Village	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Maywood	2	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Oak Lawn	6	-	-	60	-	-	-	-	10	2	-	-	-	-	
Oak Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Wheaton	-	2	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
GALESBURG	18	1	-	15	12	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	
ROCKFORD	6	-	4	2	-	12	10	-	-	1	5	1	1	5	
PRORIA															
Greve Coeur	10	2	-	15	1	14	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	
First	4	1	4	18	12	14	8	3	-	-	-	1	6	6	
PRINCETON	4	2	4	35	12	15	15	6	-	2	8	2	8	8	
ROCKFORD															
First	4	1	2	30	16	18	-	12	-	1	9	1	8	8	
Harrison Avenue	3	2	2	25	20	5	5	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	
WYANET	2	2	4	52	4	20	15	-	-	1	6	1	8	-	
TOTALS	69	15	24	359	96	113	69	77	35	10	65	11	73	69	

Item III. Membership									
CHURCH	Full Membership Reported Last Year	Full Members Received This Year	Sum of lines 1 and 2	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Members lost	Present Full Membership Associate Members
CHICAGO									
Austin	79	3	82	-	-	-	2	2	80 17
Boysie Avenue	35	4	39	-	10	-	4	14	25 5
Roseland	17	4	21	-	-	-	2	2	19 4
CHICAGOLAND									
Elk Grove Village	12	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	12 8
Maywood	51	2	53	-	1	-	-	1	52 16
Oak Lawn	59	13	72	-	7	-	-	7	65 15
Oak Park	31	6	37	-	-	-	2	2	35 2
Wheaton	27	4	31	-	2	-	2	4	27 2
GALESBURG	23	6	29	-	-	-	-	-	29 2
HOOPESTON	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	8 1
PEORIA									
Greve Coeur	23	3	26	-	-	-	-	-	26 3
First	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	8 1
PRINCETON	34	8	42	-	-	-	-	-	42 3
ROCKFORD									
First	38	13	51	-	3	2	4	9	42 -
Harrison Ave.	13	2	15	-	-	-	-	-	15 -
WYANET	46	-	46	-	-	-	4	4	42 -
TOTALS	504	68	572	-	23	2	20	45	527 109

Item III. Continued									
CHURCH	Juniors Members	Total Present Membership	Total Membership Reported Last Year	Gain in Members for the Year (or) Loss in Members for the Year	Baptized	Infants Dedicated	Number of Family Altars	Membership Fithings	Card Call Subscribers
CHICAGO									
Austin	16	113	109	4	-	10	3	35	42 24
Boysie Avenue	-	30	36	-	6	-	-	3	13 2
Roseland	-	23	21	2	-	-	1	4	9 1
CHICAGOLAND									
Elk Grove Village	11	31	32	-	1	3	-	8	20 4
Maywood	3	71	67	4	-	2	17	37	15
Oak Lawn	21	131	115	16	-	16	13	18	90 2
Oak Park	8	45	43	2	-	1	4	18	18 23
Wheaton	9	38	45	-	7	2	-	15	38 2
GALESBURG	16	47	32	15	-	-	-	2	20 1
HOOPESTON	-	9	9	-	-	-	-	5	8 -
PEORIA									
Greve Coeur	9	38	33	5	-	5	1	13	25 5
First	2	11	11	-	-	-	-	4	10 3
PRINCETON	12	57	43	14	-	1	-	20	26 10
ROCKFORD									
First	6	48	45	3	-	-	3	14	35 10
Harrison Avenue	12	27	25	2	-	-	4	9	15 8
WYANET	-	42	46	-	4	-	2	20	30 16
TOTALS	125	761	712	67	18	39	33	203	436 126

Item IV. Sunday Schools																		
CHURCH	No. of Sunday Sch.	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars in Main School	No. in Main School	No. in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars Leaving Church	No. of Department-als. Baptized	No. of Department-als. Re-baptized	No. of Organized Classes	No. of Books in Library	Enrollment Vacation Bible School	Av. Attendance Vacation Bible School	No. Wesleyan Youth Societies	Total Membership of Societies
CHICAGO																		
Austin	1	22	106	128	2	2	132	117	11	5	4	12	4	200	124	90	1	25
Boys Ave.	1	9	80	89	-	-	89	64	12	-	2	2	8	60	88	55	1	10
Roseland	1	5	25	30	-	3	33	27	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CHICAGO-LAND																		
Elk Grove	1	10	63	73	-	-	73	56	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	63	-	-
Maywood	1	15	139	154	-	6	160	120	10	-	-	3	12	-	108	95	1	12
Oak Lawn	1	33	330	363	-	25	388	209	40	15	6	-	3	12	200	167	1	25
Oak Park	1	16	57	73	-	-	73	58	-	7	4	4	1	100	49	43	-	-
Wheaton	1	12	80	92	-	-	92	68	-	5	2	-	3	50	96	66	1	8
GALESBURG	1	14	100	114	8	6	126	86	2	13	2	12	-	-	111	80	1	7
HOPKINSTON	1	10	70	80	-	15	95	53	3	-	2	-	6	-	71	60	-	-
PRORIA																		
Crove Coeur	1	11	80	91	2	23	116	78	2	8	1	-	-	95	96	93	1	16
First	1	7	48	55	-	9	64	40	-	-	1	-	3	-	31	28	-	-
PRINCETON	1	24	129	153	-	23	173	81	4	20	2	-	8	23	110	99	1	10
ROCKFORD																		
First	1	12	105	117	-	9	120	80	2	10	2	10	-	20	115	82	1	11
Harrison Ave	1	9	64	73	-	6	79	49	5	-	2	-	1	12	63	43	1	12
WYANET	1	24	107	131	5	6	142	98	-	-	2	-	2	180	176	166	1	13
TOTALS	16	238	1583	1816	17	133	1955	1274	93	85	32	43	51	752	1518	1228	11	149

Item VI. Church Property									
CHURCH	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or other Values on Hand	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance
CHICAGO									
Austin	1	60,000	-	40,000	5,500	1	20,000	-	15,000
Boys Ave.	1	65,000	2,134	35,000	800	1	15,000	2,134	10,000
Roseland	1	17,500	2,898	12,000	261	1	16,500	7,583	14,000
CHICAGO-LAND									
Elk Grove	1	75,000	45,000	60,000	-	1	20,000	18,950	18,000
Maywood	1	46,000	10,000	90,000	2,500	1	20,000	12,674	20,000
Oak Lawn	1	70,000	-	48,000	80,000	1	15,000	9,500	12,000
Oak Park	1	90,000	-	42,000	-	1	30,000	700	20,000
Wheaton	-	-	-	-	14,000	1	50,000	28,500	30,000
GALESBURG	1	35,000	17,000	30,000	110	1	20,000	2,500	15,000
HOPESTON	1	15,000	696	15,000	-	1	10,000	-	10,000
PRORIA									
Crove Coeur	2	75,500	34,325	55,500	500	1	11,500	9,978	7,000
First	1	12,000	350	12,000	300	-	-	-	-
PRINCETON	1	25,000	4,000	25,000	516	1	11,000	10,900	10,000
ROCKFORD									
First	1	45,000	16,985	32,000	2,280	1	16,000	6,573	12,500
Harrison Ave	-	-	-	-	500	1	30,000	19,656	24,000
WYANET	1	10,500	-	9,500	-	1	12,000	3,200	4,500
TOTALS 15 641,500 133,388 506,000 67,267 15 296,000 132,748 222,000									

Item VII. Disbursed for Pastor						
CHURCH	Salary	Parsonage Rent and Utilities	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Travel and/or Car Expense	Total Pastor's Receipts
CHICAGO						
Anetin	4200	1650	145	156		6151
Hoynes Avenue	3640	1200	35	210		5085
Roseland	1225	1281	-	30		2536
CHICAGO-LAND						
Elk Grove Village	-	605	-	-		605
Maywood	4770	1220	157	413		6560
Oak Lawn	5011	1657	100	500		7268
Oak Park	4200	1200	35	102		5537
Wheaton	4350	1800	-	450		6600
GALESBURG	3012	1200	10	270		4492
ROCKFORD	2760	880	25	294		3959
PEORIA						
Grave Coeur	3640	1329	10	180		5159
First	332	40	-	100		472
PRINCETON	2862	480	100	110		3552
ROCKFORD						
First	4400	1364	50	75		5889
Harrison Avenue	1040	700	-	146		1886
WYANET	3120	480	70	110		3780
TOTALS	48,562	17,086	737	3,146		69,531

Item VIII. Disbursed for Church								
CHURCH	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Amount Paid on Expense of Indebtedness	Church Incident- al Expense	Total for Church
CHICAGO								
Anatin	189	1145	-	1329	823	18	6720	10,224
Hoynes Avenue	213	514	-	188	488	187	2367	3,957
Roseland	-	129	105	100	326	214	469	1,343
CHICAGO-LAND								
Elk Grove Village	127	398	1776	60	2855	2077	1928	9,221
Maywood	30	902	450	122	2530	993	2416	12,643
Oak Lawn	451	917	6000	295	3642	590	5030	14,925
Oak Park	202	428	-	393	801	57	3115	4,996
Wheaton	223	351	-	327	2350	112	2830	6,195
GALESBURG	75	344	468	91	728	1008	1875	4,589
ROCKFORD	85	335	-	205	100	-	-	725
PEORIA								
Grave Coeur	280	345	1645	24	675	1175	1416	5,560
First	85	151	-	103	488	40	844	1,701
PRINCETON	114	762	-	62	400	760	2789	4,887
ROCKFORD								
First	140	619	-	2201	1732	735	2799	8,226
Harrison Avenue	177	275	-	336	1689	1090	1214	4,781
WYANET	40	404	-	-	812	230	1285	2,771
TOTALS	2,483	8,009	10,644	5,836	23,439	9,286	37,097	96,744

Item IX. Disbursed for General Budget								
CHURCH	World Missions Assigned	World Missions Raised	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Brainered Indian School Assigned	Brainered Indian School Raised	General Church Extension and Evangelism Assigned	General Church Extension and Evangelism Raised
CHICAGO								
Austin	158.00	407.82	19.75	19.75	19.75	19.75	118.50	126.65
Boys Avenue	70.00	70.00	8.75	3.75	8.75	17.74	52.50	52.50
Roseland	34.00	81.60	4.25	5.00	4.25	-	25.50	5.00
CHICAGO-LAND								
Elk Grove Village	24.00	59.44	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	18.00	18.00
Maywood	102.00	128.13	12.75	12.75	12.75	45.00	76.50	76.50
Oak Lawn	118.00	259.59	14.75	16.43	14.75	16.22	88.50	97.35
Oak Park	62.00	63.03	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	46.50	46.50
Wheaton	54.00	132.97	6.75	7.90	6.75	7.90	40.50	50.00
GALVESTON	46.00	46.00	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	34.50	34.50
HOUSTON	16.00	49.28	2.00	4.59	2.00	3.80	12.00	20.80
PEORIA								
Greys Court	46.00	62.04	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75	34.50	34.50
First	16.00	48.56	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	12.00	20.35
PRINCETON	68.00	53.46	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	51.00	25.00
ROCKFORD								
First	76.00	197.32	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.00	57.00	87.55
Harrison Avenue	26.00	46.89	3.25	3.75	3.25	3.75	19.50	19.50
WYANET	92.00	92.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	69.00	69.00
TOTALS	1,008.00	1798.13	126.00	127.47	126.00	168.41	756.00	783.70

Item IX. Continued								
CHURCH	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Pension Plan Assigned	Pension Plan Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised	Board Meeting Expense Assigned	Board Meeting Expense Raised
CHICAGO								
Austin	237.00	238.51	158.00	158.00	79.00	79.00	19.75	19.75
Boys Avenue	105.00	105.00	70.00	70.00	35.00	35.00	8.75	8.75
Roseland	51.00	13.00	34.00	34.00	17.00	-	4.25	-
CHICAGO-LAND								
Elk Grove Village	36.00	36.00	24.00	24.00	12.00	12.00	3.00	3.00
Maywood	153.00	153.00	102.00	102.00	51.00	51.00	12.75	12.75
Oak Lawn	177.00	219.70	118.00	118.00	59.00	64.90	14.75	16.23
Oak Park	91.00	91.00	62.00	62.00	31.00	31.00	7.75	7.75
Wheaton	61.00	88.26	54.00	54.00	27.00	30.00	6.75	7.90
GALVESTON	69.00	69.00	46.00	46.00	23.00	23.00	5.75	5.75
HOUSTON	24.00	28.60	16.00	16.00	8.00	7.20	2.00	1.80
PEORIA								
Greys Court	69.00	69.00	46.00	46.00	23.00	23.00	5.75	5.75
First	24.00	29.00	16.00	16.00	8.00	7.60	2.00	1.80
PRINCETON	102.00	50.00	68.00	68.00	34.00	20.00	8.50	5.00
ROCKFORD								
First	114.00	141.52	76.00	76.00	38.00	38.00	9.50	9.50
Harrison Avenue	39.00	32.30	26.00	26.00	13.00	13.00	3.25	3.25
WYANET	138.00	138.00	92.00	92.00	46.00	46.00	11.50	11.50
TOTALS	1512.00	1503.89	1008.00	992.00	504.00	480.70	126.00	120.48

Item VI. Continued							
CHURCH	General Conference and Entertainment Assigned	General Conference Expense and Entertain- ment Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	General Sunday School Work Assigned	General Sunday School Work Raised	Total General Budget Assigned
CHICAGO							
Austin	39.50	39.50	27.65	44.84	29.40	29.40	906.30
Hayne Avenue	17.50	17.50	12.75	7.75	19.80	19.80	408.80
Roseland	8.50	-	5.95	10.20	6.20	6.20	194.90
CHICAGO-LAND							
Elk Grove Village	6.00	6.00	4.20	4.20	12.20	12.20	145.40
Maywood	25.00	25.00	17.85	17.85	30.00	30.00	595.60
Oak Lawn	29.50	32.45	20.65	27.71	55.20	60.72	710.10
Oak Park	15.50	15.50	10.85	10.85	17.20	17.20	361.30
Wheaton	13.50	16.00	9.45	15.00	17.40	18.00	317.10
GALESBURG	11.50	11.50	8.05	19.92	20.20	20.20	275.40
ROCKFORD	4.00	3.60	2.80	7.52	16.00	14.40	104.80
PEORIA							
Creve Coeur	11.00	11.50	8.05	8.05	22.40	22.40	277.20
First	4.00	3.80	2.80	5.00	7.00	7.00	95.80
PRINCETON	17.00	5.00	11.90	11.90	28.00	15.00	405.40
ROCKFORD							
First	19.00	19.00	13.30	14.00	26.80	26.80	448.60
Harrison Avenue	6.50	6.50	4.55	5.00	10.00	10.00	154.30
WYANET	23.00	23.00	16.10	16.10	30.40	30.40	541.00
TOTALS	251.00	236.35	176.90	225.89	348.20	339.72	5942.10

Item X. Disbursed for Conference Budget						
CHURCH	President's Salary Assigned	President's Salary Raised	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised	Conference Church Extension and Evangelism Assigned	Conference Church Extension and Evangelism Assigned
ACHICAGO						
Austin	420.00	854.49	276.50	276.50	474.00	474.00
Hayne Avenue	318.00	319.00	122.50	122.80	210.00	210.00
Roseland	122.50	106.00	59.50	-	102.00	67.00
CHICAGO-LAND						
Elk Grove Village	-	240.00	42.00	42.00	72.00	72.00
Maywood	477.00	477.00	178.50	178.50	306.00	306.00
Oak Lawn	501.00	461.10	206.50	227.15	354.00	428.65
Oak Park	420.00	435.00	108.50	110.50	186.00	196.00
Wheaton	435.00	424.50	94.50	100.00	162.00	166.00
GALESBURG	301.20	321.25	80.50	80.50	138.00	138.00
ROCKFORD	276.00	279.50	28.00	28.00	48.00	57.58
PEORIA						
Creve Coeur	364.00	364.00	80.40	80.40	138.00	138.00
First	33.20	43.50	28.00	28.00	48.00	48.00
PRINCETON	286.20	185.00	119.00	119.00	204.00	214.00
ROCKFORD						
First	440.00	440.00	133.00	133.00	228.00	255.48
Harrison Avenue	104.00	-	45.50	50.50	78.00	78.00
WYANET	312.00	265.00	161.10	85.95	276.00	208.93
TOTALS	4810.10	5216.34	1764.00	1662.90	3024.00	3057.64

Item X. Continued						
CHURCH	Conference Sunday School Work Assigned	Conference Sunday School Work Raised	Pastor's Insurance Assigned	Pastor's Insurance Raised	Pastor's Pension Assigned	Pastor's Pension Raised
CHICAGO						
Austin	22.05	22.05	160.00	160.00	52.00	52.45
Hoynes Avenue	14.85	14.85	160.00	160.00	191.00	208.33
Reedland	4.65	4.65	160.00	118.00	45.42	47.09
CHICAGOLAND						
Elk Grove Village	9.15	9.15	160.00	160.00	100.48	38.50
Maywood	22.50	22.50	160.00	160.00	103.00	103.92
Oak Lawn	41.40	44.54	160.00	176.00	118.00	108.00
Oak Park	12.90	12.90	160.00	160.00	86.00	86.00
Wheaton	13.05	17.05	160.00	160.00	88.00	96.00
GALESBURG	15.15	15.15	160.00	160.00	94.00	94.40
HOOPSTON	12.00	12.00	160.00	192.00	74.00	51.50
PERIA						
Greys Ocur	16.80	16.80	160.00	13.00	99.00	107.00
First	5.25	5.25	160.00	160.00	1.00	1.00
PRINCETON	21.00	21.00	160.00	160.00	58.00	58.00
ROCKFORD						
First	20.10	20.10	160.00	160.00	96.00	96.00
Harrison Avenue	7.50	7.50	160.00	160.00	70.00	70.00
VYANET	22.80	2.00	160.00	82.00	48.00	48.00
TOTALS	261.15	248.49	2560.00	2341.00	1323.90	1266.19

Item X. Continued				
CHURCH	Total Conference Budget Assigned	Total Conference Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
CHICAGO				
Austin	1404.55	1839.49	2310.85	3022.46
Hoynes Avenue	1016.35	1034.98	1425.15	1442.77
Reedland	494.07	342.74	688.97	497.74
CHICAGOLAND				
Elk Grove Village	383.63	561.65	529.03	742.49
Maywood	1287.00	1287.92	1842.60	1902.40
Oak Lawn	1380.90	1446.44	2091.00	2375.54
Oak Park	973.40	1000.40	1334.70	1362.73
Wheaton	952.55	964.55	1269.65	1392.48
GALESBURG	788.85	809.30	1054.35	1096.67
HOOPSTON	598.00	620.58	702.80	778.17
PERIA				
Greys Ocur	858.30	719.30	1135.50	1013.04
First	275.45	285.75	371.25	412.86
PRINCETON	848.20	757.00	1253.60	1027.36
ROCKFORD				
First	1077.10	1104.58	1525.70	1733.77
Harrison Avenue	465.00	366.00	619.30	535.94
VYANET	979.80	691.88	1520.80	1232.88
TOTALS	13,743.15	13,792.56	19,685.25	20,569.30

Item XI. Disbursed for Benevolences									
CHURCH	World Missions	Australia	Brainerd Indian School	Church Extension and Evangelism	Mission	Orphanage	Conference Work	W. I.	Other Objects Total for Benevolences
CHICAGO									
Anakin	3911	-	10	415	718	-	-	463	309 5826
Hoynes Avenue	82	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	61 215
Roseland	220	-	7	25	715	-	7	-	233 1197
CHICAGO-LAND									
Elk Grove Village	278	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	77 357
Maywood	748	-	30	-	90	-	65	36	955 1924
Oak Lawn	1585	-	-	480	50	-	502	48	612 3277
Oak Park	705	120	60	-	35	-	-	-	43 963
Wheaton	122	-	-	-	-	-	91	120	466 799
GALESBURG	35	-	-	-	-	-	25	5	67 132
HOOPESTON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PEORIA									
Grave Coeur	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50 50
First	50	-	-	8	-	-	3	15	124 200
PRINCETON	55	-	-	-	-	5	5	72	88 225
ROCKFORD									
First	915	-	90	1200	45	-	50	234	230 2764
Harrison Ave.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WYANET	88	-	132	-	-	-	31	-	257 508
TOTALS	8794	120	329	2130	1653	5	779	1065	3562 18,437

Item XII. Disbursed Totals					
CHURCH	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for all Purposes
CHICAGO					
Anakin	6151	10,224	3022	5826	25,223
Hoynes Avenue	5085	3,957	1443	215	10,700
Roseland	2536	1,343	498	1197	5,574
CHICAGO-LAND					
Elk Grove Village	605	9,221	742	357	10,925
Maywood	6560	12,643	1902	1924	29,029
Oak Lawn	7268	14,925	2376	3277	27,846
Oak Park	5537	4,996	1363	963	12,859
Wheaton	6600	6,195	1392	799	14,986
GALESBURG	4492	4,589	1097	132	10,310
HOOPESTON	3959	725	778	-	5,462
PEORIA					
Grave Coeur	5159	5,560	1013	50	11,782
First	472	1,701	413	200	2,786
PRINCETON	3552	4,887	1027	225	9,691
ROCKFORD					
First	5889	8,226	1734	2764	18,613
Harrison Avenue	1886	4,781	536	-	7,203
WYANET	3780	2,771	1233	508	8,292
TOTALS	69,531	96,744	20,569	18,437	205,281

Report No. 25.

Standing Rules Committee.

We recommend the following changes in our Standing Rules:

A. Section IV, Article 5. Delete the phrase concerning Pension Fund Treasurer, found in the last three lines of page 6, 1962 minutes.

B. Section IV, Article 13. Make item a) read as follows: "(a) That the Conference President and Secretary constitute a committee to edit and publish the Annual Conference minutes in accordance with General Conference regulations, any deviation from same to be with the consent of the Conference Board of Managers."

C. Section IV, Article 15. Include new article, as follows: "Committee on Credentials." Resolved, that the Secretary of Annual Conference be the Committee on delegate credentials. Delegate's credentials shall be certified to the Committee by the presiding officer of the quarterly conference making the election."

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

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

F. Section VI, Article 7. Replace present article by the following: "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."

G. Section VI, Article 8. Delete the article.

Respectfully submitted,

Standing Rules Committee,
Rev. A. L. Bray, Chairman
Mr. S. Hugh Paine, Secretary

Report No. 26.

Pastoral Relations Committee.

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

CHICAGO

Austin.....Rev. Roy E. Crawford
Hoyle Avenue.....Rev. George W. Hood
Assistant, Rev. David L. Castro
Roseland.....Supply, Rev. Thomas Bailie,
Supply, Rev. Mrs. Lillian Bailie

CHICAGOLAND

Broadview (formerly Maywood).....Rev. Robert W. Klatt
Elk Grove Village.....Rev. David D. Craill
Assistant, Rev. Phillip S. Craill
Oak Lawn.....Rev. Robert L. Zuhl
Oak Park.....Rev. Stanley A. Hill
Wheaton.....Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart

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

HOPESTON.....Rev. Arthur P. Minnaugh

PEORIA

Grave Coeur.....Rev. Arlyn P. Jones
First.....Rev. Clarence C. McCarty
Rev. Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty

PRINCETON.....In the hands of the
President

ROCKFORD

First.....Rev. Wendel D. Craker
Harrison Avenue.....Rev. Leigh F. Nygard

WYANET.....Rev. Roy M. Gibbs

Chaplain, Tinley Park Hospital and
attending Bethany Seminary.....Rev. Carl E. Olander

Conference Evangelist.....Rev. Samuel T. Long

Attending Asbury Seminary.....Rev. Cletus D. Kramer

Supplying St. Charles Free Methodist
Church.....Rev. Irwin W. Reist

Teaching at Wheaton College and pursuing
graduate study.....Rev. Herbert Apel

Evangelistic Journalism.....Chaplain John C. Friske,
USAF (Med. Ret.)

Missionary to Japan serving under the
Oriental Missionary Society.....Rev. Francis A. Davis

Missionary to Sierra Leone, West Africa,
On furlough.....Rev. Vernon W. Swanson

Superannuated Elders.....Rev. Thomas Bailie
Rev. Mrs. Lillian Bailie

Unstationed Elder.....Rev. Daren C. Durey

Returned back to Quarterly Conference.....Rev. Willard Nuckols

RECOGNITION OF LAY-MISSIONARIES

Medical Missionaries to India at
Raj-Nandgaon.....Dr. and Mrs. Charles S. Paine
(of CHICAGO-Roseland)

Missionary on furlough to
Sierra Leone, West Africa.....Mrs. Vernon W. Swanson
(of CHICAGO-Roseland)

Missionaries to Mexico serving under
the Wycliffe Translators.....Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murray
(of ROCKFORD-First)

Missionary on furlough to Africa serving
under World Gospel Missions at Kenya,
West Africa.....Miss Hazel Evans
(of CHICAGO-Austin)

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Arthur L. Bray, Chairman
Rev. Forrest J. Gearhart
Rev. Robert W. Klatt
Rev. Roy E. Crawford
Mr. Richard T. Mould
Mr. Percy Hamilton
Mr. Richard Priest

Report No. 27.

Director of Christian Youth Crusade

Statistics furnished by the churches are so incomplete, no meaningful report can be given. However, an extensive week-day program of C. Y. C., Pioneer Girls, Christian Service Brigade and Bible Clubs is being carried on in the Conference with great diligence.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Evelyn Mimnaugh, Director of C. Y. C.

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF

THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Held at Belvidere, Illinois, August 1-3, 1963.

President: Mrs. Rachel Bray, 5231 W. Ferdinand, Chicago 44, Ill.
Vice-President: Mrs. Ann Gearhart, 920 E. Dawes Ave., Wheaton, Ill.
Secretary: Mrs. Linda Castro, 2108 W. Iowa, Chicago 22, Ill.
Treasurer: Mrs. Barbara Crail, 546 Landmeier Road, Elk Grove Village, Ill.
Y.M.W.B. Superintendent: Mrs. Norma Jean Craker, 1406 School St.,
Rockford, Ill.
Literature Secretary: Mrs. Lillian Bailie, 10615 S. Wabash Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.
Mission Study Secretary: Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, 251 N. Adams,
Sheffield, Ill.
Magazine Solicitor: Mrs. Mary Priest, 1032 Superior, Oak Park, Ill.
Statistical Chairman: Mrs. Judy Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.
Woman's World Fellowship Secretary: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford,
501 N. Leamington, Chicago 44, Ill.

REGISTER OF SOCIETIES AND PRESIDENTS FOR 1963-1964.

CHURCH

CHICAGO

Austin Mrs. Ida Craker, 419 N. Lockwood, Chicago, Ill.
Hoyne Ave. Mrs. Marian Hood, 2108 W. Iowa, Chicago 22, Ill.
Roseland Mrs. Lillian Bailie, 10615 S. Wabash, Chicago 28, Ill.

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Maywood Mrs. Wilma Hurst, 426 Kingston Drive, Lockport, Ill.
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Oak Park Mrs. Mary Priest, 1032 Superior St., Oak Park, Ill.
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HOOPESTON Mrs. Evelyn Minnaugh, 526 E. Thompson Ave.,
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PEORIA

Creve Coeur Mrs. Margaret Ogle, 209 Vicie Ave., Peoria, Ill.
First Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, 251 N. Adams, Sheffield, Ill.
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ROCKFORD

First Mrs. Esther Hallmark, 2112 Paradise Blvd. Rockford, Ill.
Harrison Ave. Mrs. Opal Bradley, 3724 Tennessee Dr. Rockford, Ill.
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1963 CONFERENCE DELEGATES

CHICAGO

Austin Mrs. Ethel Page
Hoyne Ave. Mrs. Linda Castro
Roseland Mrs. Peggy Swanson

CHICAGOLAND

Elk Grove Village Mrs. Madelyn Crail
Maywood Mrs. Natalie Muer
Oak Lawn Mrs. Shirley Johnson
Oak Park Mrs. Antonia Kodl
Wheaton Mrs. Mildred Romer
GALESBURG Mrs. Geneva Benedict
HOOPESTON Mrs. Elsie Sweet

PEORIA

Creve Coeur Mrs. Lucille Elmore
First Miss Nancy Parsons
PRINCETON Mrs. Maymie Langstrom

ROCKFORD

First Mrs. June Tice
Harrison Ave. Mrs. Tiena Winterberg
WYANET Mrs. Dora Gibbs

STANDING RULES:

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

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

First Meeting, 3:30 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 1963.

1. Opening. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Illinois Conference held the first meeting of its Fourteenth Annual Session in the Redfield Chapel at Camp Epworth, near Belvidere, Illinois, with the President, Mrs. Rachel Bray, presiding. Mrs. Peggy Swanson led in the singing of "O Zion Haste." She then led in prayer.

2. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Linda Castro, assistant pastor's wife at Hoyne Avenue; Rev. Bai Bangura, Conference President from West Africa and Rev. Warren Woolsey, Missionary to Sierra Leone, West Africa, to the Conference. They gave words of testimony.

3. Committees. The report of the Executive Committee nominating the members of the various committees was read and adopted: Plan of Work: Ann Gearhart, chairman, Antonia Kodl, Dora Gibbs, Marian Hood, Ida Craker, Geneva Benedict and Maymie Langstrom. Nominating Committee: Barbara Crail, chairman, June Tice and Tiena Winterberg. Music: Peggy Swanson, Post Office: May Bailie, Ethel Page and Linda Castro. Distributing Tellers: Lucille Elmore and Shirley Johnson. Counting Tellers: Ivanelle McCarty and Natalie Muer. Communications: Evelyn Minnaugh. Reporter: Margery Zuhl. Poster: Madelyn Crail, Nancy Parsons and Elsie Sweet. Courtesy: Mary Priest. Entertainment Committee: Edna Hill. Work Assignments: Joaquin Crawford and Margery Zuhl.

4. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the local president and delegate answered and were seated within the bar.

5. Orders of the Day. The report of the Committee on the Orders of the Day was presented and adopted. (Report No. 1)

6. President's Report. Mrs. Ann Gearhart, vice-president, assumed the chair while Mrs. Rachel Bray read the report of the W.M.S. Conference President. The report was approved with a vote of appreciation for her labors. (Report No. 2)

7. Mission Study Secretary. Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty gave the Mission Study Secretary report. It was read and accepted. (Report No. 3)

8. Magazine Solicitor. The report of the Magazine Solicitor, Mrs. May Bailie, was read and approved. (Report No. 4)

9. World Fellowship Secretary. The report of the Woman's World Fellowship Secretary, Mrs. Joaquin Crawford, was read and approved. (Report No. 5)

10. Y.M.W.B. Superintendent. A partial report of the Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Mrs. Norman Jean Craker, was read and received. (Report No. 6)

11. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by prevailing motion for committee work. Mrs. Evelyn Minnaugh dismissed in prayer.

Second Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Friday, August 2, 1963.

1. Opening. The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Peggy Swanson led in the singing of "Heralds of Christ", the theme song for the quadrennium. Mrs. Betty Paine led us in prayer.

2. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Peggy Swanson, Illinois missionary to Africa, to the Conference.

3. Devotions. Mrs. Peggy Swanson brought devotional thoughts from Psalms 106. She reminded us that we can receive power for our selves and our problems simply by asking the Lord for it. She then offered prayer.

4. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Dora Gibbs, pastor's wife from Wyandot, to us. She gave her testimony.

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

6. Executive Committee. The report of the Executive Committee was read and approved. (Report No. 7)

7. Minutes. The minutes of the first meeting were read and approved.
8. Plan of Work. The report of the Plan of Work Committee was read. (Report No. 8)
9. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Dr. R. D. Reisdorph, past General Superintendent, to our Conference. He brought greetings from his wife and gave us words of commendation for the work of the Missionary Society at large.
10. Appointment. By common consent, Mrs. Evelyn Mimnaugh, was asked to be on the Communications Committee.
11. Plan of Work. The Plan of Work was discussed and adopted as read. (Report No. 8)
12. Nonnominating Committee. The Nominating Committee was read and received. (Report No. 9)
13. Appointment. Mrs. Lucille Elmore was appointed as Distributing Teller.
14. Election of Officers. The following were elected by individual ballot as Conference Officers for 1963-1964: President: Mrs. Rachel Bray. Vice-President: Mrs. Ann Gearhart. Secretary: Mrs. Linda Castro. Treasurer: Mrs. Barbara Crail. Y.M.W.B. Superintendent: Mrs. Norma Jean Craker. Literature Secretary: Mrs. Lillian Bailie. Mission Study Secretary: Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty. Magazine Solicitor: Mrs. Mary Priest. Statistical Chairman: Mrs. Judy Nygard. Woman's World Fellowship Secretary: Mrs. Joaquin Crawford.
15. Statistical Chairman. The report of the Statistical Chairman, Mrs. Barbara Crail, was read and approved. (Report No. 10)
16. Appreciation. Mrs. Rachel Bray expressed our thanks to the Rockford churches for helping to open camp, Creve Coeur was thanked for the lovely quilt presented and Peoria was thanked for the aprons made for the waiters and waitresses.
17. Adjournment. We adjourned by vote. Mrs. Dora Gibbs offered prayer.

Third Meeting, Friday, 1:30 p.m., August 2, 1963.

1. Opening. The meeting was opened by our President, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Peggy Swanson led us in singing "Heralds of Christ".
2. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Vernon Swanson, missionary from Sierra Leone, West Africa, to the Conference. He brought devotions from Isaiah 55:10-13. He likened the rain that follows a dry season to the Word of God. He then led in prayer.
3. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the delegates seated within the bar.
4. Minutes. The minutes of the second meeting were read and approved.
5. Literature Secretary. The report of the Literature Secretary, Mrs. Mildred Wallace, was read and approved. (Report No. 11)
6. Auditor's Report. The report of the auditors' were accepted as read. (Report No. 12)
7. Treasurer's Report. The Conference received Mrs. Edna Hill's treasurer's report with a rising vote of appreciation. (Report No. 13)
8. Financial Goal. Each local society made its total financial goal for the year and handed it in.
9. Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work. Mrs. Norma Jean Craker completed her statistical report and presented the Plan of Work which was accepted as read. (Report No. 14)
10. Post Office Committee. The report of the Post Office Committee was read and accepted as corrected. (See register of Conference Officers and Presidents)
11. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Mrs. Judy Nygard, Pastor's wife at Harrison Avenue, to the Conference. She gave her testimony.
12. Poster Committee. The Poster Committee presented posters from the Galesburg, Creve Coeur, Austin, Princeton and Roseland Societies.
13. Adjourned. We adjourned by prevailing motion. Mrs. Rachel Bray closed in prayer.

Friday, August 3, 1963, 7:00 p.m.

We had a joint meeting with Annual Conference to hear Rev. Eugene Ramsey, President of the South Ohio Conference and Director of our Negro work, speak on the urgent need of negro evangelism.

Fifth Meeting, 9:00 a.m., Saturday, August 3, 1963.

1. Opening. The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Rachel Bray. Mrs. Norma Jean Craker led us in the singing of a new Y.M.W.B. chorus, "His Name is Wonderful".
2. Devotions. Rev. Warren Woolsey, missionary soon to return to Africa, brought devotions from Luke 11:5-10. He reminded us of the importance of intercessory prayer. He then offered prayer. Rev. Woolsey introduced Rev. Bai Bangura, West Africa Conference President, to our Conference. Rev. Bangura gave his testimony and told us many interesting things about his life. He sang for us and then followed a question and answer period.
3. Courtesy Committee. The Courtesy Committee presented Rev. Harold Johnson, missionary from Japan, to the Conference. He gave words of testimony.
4. Roll Call. The roll was taken and the delegates seated within the bar.
5. Minutes. The minutes of the third meeting were read and approved.
6. Delegate's Report. Mrs. Ann Gearhart, delegate to General Conference, gave an interesting report of the highlights from the W.M.S. sessions.
7. General Conference Business. Mrs. Rachel Bray shared with us the information concerning the business transacted during the sessions at General Conference.
8. Y.M.W.B. General Conference. Mrs. Norma Jean Craker, Y.M.W.B. delegate to General Conference, gave a very interesting and informative report.
9. Unfinished Business. A motion prevailed that any unfinished business be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.
10. Minutes. The minutes of the fifth meeting were approved as read.
11. Communications Committee. The report of the Communications Committee was read and approved. (Report No. 15)
12. Gift of Appreciation. The Conference body presented Mrs. Rachel Bray, our beloved President, with five sets of out glass snack sets in appreciation to her for her untiring labors of love. Mrs. Bray expressed her appreciation to us.
13. Adjournment. By prevailing motion we adjourned sine die. Mrs. Rachel Bray offered the closing prayer.

W. M. S. REPORTSReport No. 1.Order of the Day Committee.

Thursday, August 1, 1:30 p.m., 1962. Communion Service with Annual Conference; First Meeting in Redfield Chapel, 2:45 p.m.; Report of Committee on Conference Committees; Roll Call; Report of Orders of the Day Committee; Report of the Conference W. M. 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; Auditor's Report; Executive Committee Report; Report of the Y. M. W. B. Superintendent; Adjournment.

Second Meeting, Friday, August 2, 8:30 a.m. Devotions by Mrs. Peggy Swanson, missionary from Sierra Leone, West Africa; Report of the Plan of Work Committee; Report of the Nominating Committee; Election of Conference Officers; Report of Conference Committees; Report of Statistical Committee; Adjournment.

Third Meeting, Friday, August 2, 1:30 p.m. Devotions by Rev. Vernon Swanson, missionary from Sierra Leone, West Africa; Report of the Conference W. M. S. Treasurer; Miscellaneous Business; Adjournment.

Friday, August 2, 7:00 p.m. Joint Meeting with Annual Conference, Rev. Eugene Ramsey, President of the South Ohio Conference, Director of our Negro Work, will speak.

Fifth Meeting, Saturday, August 3, 8:30 p.m. Devotions by Rev. Warren Woolsey, Missionary to Sierra Leone, West Africa; W. M. S. General Convention report by delegates, Mrs. Rachel Bray, President; Mrs. Ann Gearhart, Vice-President; and Mrs. Norma Jean Craker, Y.M.W.B. Superintendent. Adjournment Sine Die.

Public Missionary Service, Sunday, August 4, 2:30 p.m. Missionary Address by Rev. Harold Johnson, Tokyo, Japan. President Bai Bangura of

our West Africa Conference; Rev. Warren Woolsey, Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Swanson and children, all from Sierra Leone, West Africa, will be presented. Missionary pledges will be received.

Public Y.M.W.B. Service, Friday, August 9, 7:30 p.m. To be held in the opening of the Camp Meeting service. The children at Camp will be featured in a presentation of their Y.M.W.B. activities.

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Committee.

Report No. 2.

President of the W.M.S.

We humbly thank the Lord for keeping His hand on the Conference and its activities this past year. It has been wonderful to see Him working in so many different ways.

Missionary Tours: Dr. Marilyn Birch, Sierra Leone, West Africa, was used of the Lord as she toured our Conference last October. It was a joy to accompany her to a few of the churches.

Three distinct efforts were made to secure a missionary for a spring tour but to no avail. One missionary's time of service on the field was extended, the second planned speaker entered other work, and the third planned tour was cancelled because of illness of the speaker.

Arrangements have been made for the Rev. Harold Johnson, our beloved missionary to Japan, to be our speaker for our annual missionary day at Conference.

General Conference: It was a distinct privilege to represent the Illinois Conference at the General Woman's Missionary Society Convention at Fairmount, Indiana, June 25-July 2, 1963. The Lord's presence was graciously felt in each session and some advanced steps were taken in promoting the missionary cause in our beloved Zion. A full report will be given Saturday morning by your delegates.

Communications: A letter was sent each society president and pastor's wife six times this conference year. A total of approximately two-hundred letters were sent from the president's desk.

Visitation: Because of illness in the family we were unable to visit each of the local societies this past year. However, we were encouraged as we visited the following societies and found them to be diligently working for the Lord: Hoopston, Chicago-Austin, Oak Park, Oak Lawn, Wheaton, Chicago-Hoyne Ave., Creve Coeur and Peoria at Creve Coeur.

Official Acts: On May 28 I organized a Woman's Missionary Society at the Elk Grove Village Church. There were thirteen ladies present. The newly elected officers were installed. We are confident that the Lord has great things in store for this faithful group. The Illinois Conference welcomes you, Elk Grove Village!

Mary Holcomb Project: Again the Lord has chosen one of our faithful young people for missionary service in Sierra Leone, West Africa. Mary Holcomb has attended our Chicago-Austin church for several years but is a member of the Wisconsin Conference. It was our joy to help in getting her ready to go, especially since time was severely limited due to urgent needs on the field. In behalf of Mary, who is now working twelve hours a day, six days a week, we take this opportunity to thank our W.M.S. ladies and other church folk who so wonderfully provided cash and gifts totalling \$1100.00.

Camp Board: As an ex officio member of the camp board we met three times this year.

Statistical: Membership: Active: 236, Honorary 73, total: 309, Magazine: 267, Total Receipts: \$6487.66.

Without your prayers and cooperation it would have been impossible to have accomplished what has been done. To you we express our gratitude, and to God we give all praise.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Rachel C. Bray, President

Report No. 3.Mission Study Secretary.

I received the name and address of the study secretary of each organized Local W.M.S.. Thirty-two pieces of mail were sent out. The annual and quadrennial report follows:

<u>ANNUAL</u>		<u>QUADRENNIAL</u>	
Number reading 6 books	41	Number reading 24 books	40
Number reading 4 books	35	Number reading 16 books	30
Number reading 1 or more books	106	Number reading 4 or more books	104
Number people reading	182	Number reading (total)	174

Princeton and Oak Park tied for 1st place with seven Gold seal Certificates. However, Princeton had one more blue seal certificate than Oak Park. In 2nd place was a tie between Austin, Roseland, and Oak Lawn for Gold seals. Austin, 5 gold seals, 4 blue seals; Roseland, 5 gold seals, 1 blue seal; Oak Lawn, 5 gold seals, 0 blue seals.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ivanelle McCarty, Mission Study Secretary

Report No. 4.Magazine Solicitor.

It is with Thanksgiving unto our God for every evidence of advancement made that my report is submitted to you. Letters were sent out to each local solicitor at the close of Second, Third and Fourth quarters of this Conference year. Expiration notices, which were received from Mrs. Grace Banker, were also sent out each month.

The Illinois Conference has 267 subscribers to the Wesleyan Missionary Magazine. Fourth quarter was especially encouraging for the reason that every solicitor submitted a report to me. This conference year has seen an increase of 11 subscriptions. Although this year has seen an increase of new subscriptions, yet there has been a loss of renewals.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. May Baillie, Magazine Solicitor

Report No. 5.Women's World Fellowship Secretary.

Greetings in the Name of our Risen Lord! We thank the Lord for the wonderful ways in which He has helped each of our local secretaries, and for the gains in our conference this year. I want to thank you for your splendid work of the past year. Certainly your task has been challenging and rewarding.

Number of Prayer Circles	17
Number of Prayer Partners	314
Number of World Missionaries Chosen	386
Number of Y.M.W.B. Prayer Partners	110
Number of those signing W.W.F. Covenant	152
Number of societies observing Prayer and Fast	13

There have been some changes for this quadrium:

- 1) we do not save postage stamps
- 2) the pastor's wives are encouraged to have a prayer fellowship at 6:00 a.m. every Tuesday to share one another's burdens as pastors wives.
- 3) for the course of study: use "A Bible Survey by Alice McMillian," or an Aldersgate series.
- 4) local W.W.F. report will be sent to conference W.W.F. Secretary at the close of conference instead of sixty days after the rise of conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joaquin Crawford, W.W.F. Secretary

Report No. 6.

Y.M.W.B. Superintendent.

(See following page.)

Respectfully submitted,

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

Report No. 7.

Executive Committee.

We, the Executive Committee recommend:

1) That the cash offering taken at the public missionary rally be used for the project suggested by Rev. Harold Johnson and for his travel expenses.

2) That each society present its total financial goal for the year at the Conference session.

3) That the pledges made in the public missionary rally go to the project presented by the missionary speaker or to the World Mission budget.

4) That our Conference project for 1963 be the providing of miscellaneous needs for the Vernon Swanson family who are returning as missionaries to Sierra Leone, West Africa. Mrs. Mary Priest, 1032 Superior, Oak Park, Illinois, is to direct this project.

5) That all conference officers be elected by individual ballot.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Rachel Bray, Chairman
Mrs. Ann Gearhart
Mrs. Margery Zuhl
Mrs. Edna Hill
Mrs. Norma Jean Craker

Report No. 8.

Plan of Work Committee.

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

1. INFORMATION

A. Wesleyan Missionary

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

B. Literature

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

C. Conventions

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| 1. Sponsor a local annual convention or participate in conference sponsored deputation tour. | <u>5</u> |
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D. Posters

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| 1. Participate in conference sponsored poster display in accordance with details in Handbook. | <u>3</u> |
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Report No. 6. Y.M.W.B. Statistical Report													
BAND NAME	Active Members	Honorary Members	Total Membership	Meetings	Efficiency Rating	World Missions	Church Extension	Education	Haphsibah	Special Projects	Total (Band Credit)	Non-credit	Grand Total
Austin	20	42	62	12	100	186.82	-	4.00		33.18	224.00	1.17	225.17
Creve Coeur	20	2	22	13	90	40.54	2.30	2.00	1.66	11.17	58.27	-	58.27
Mlk Grove	17	1	18	11	55	23.16	-	-	-	10.30	33.46	.54	34.00
Galesburg	23	5	28	13	100	32.05	-	1.00	-	6.00	39.05	4.19	43.24
Harrison Ave	5	0	5	10	60	5.68	-	-	-	18.97	24.65	.15	24.80
Hoopston	22	6	28	10	70	23.90	2.79	2.00	-	3.41	34.10	.56	34.66
Hoynes Ave.	6	-	6	10	55	3.12	-	-	-	2.00	5.12	-	5.12
Maywood	19	14	33	12	100	41.14	-	4.56	-	8.99	54.69	.57	55.26
Oak Lawn	15	1	16	12	25	8.48	-	-	-	3.65	12.13	.05	12.18
Oak Park	20	31	51	18	70	36.52	-	-	-	2.51	48.33	1.02	49.35
Peoria	16	14	30	12	90	43.91	3.35	2.00	-	2.00	51.21	.60	51.86
Princeton	14	7	21	13	70	33.99	-	-	-	3.04	37.03	-	37.03
Rockford	22	9	31	11	90	42.05	3.65	4.22	-	20.37	70.29	5.85	76.14
Roseland	24	-	24	11	55	41.25	5.00	8.00	5.20	13.30	72.75	1.00	73.75
Wheaton	15	11	26	12	95	76.52	-	2.66	-	7.01	86.19	2.52	88.71
Wyandot	4	10	14	12	65	30.37	-	2.78	-	11.50	44.65	1.00	45.65
Conference Offering						31.00					31.00		31.00
Totals	262	153	415	192	1190	700.50	17.09	30.44	6.86	158.00	926.97	19.22	946.19

11. Devotion

A. Women's World Fellowship

1. WWF Secretary

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

2. Observe a minimum of ten monthly prayer and fast days. 1

111. Service

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

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

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

1. Hephzibah

- a. Inquire into needs at Hephzibah and send supplies and/or coupons. (Refer to Handbook for further instruction.) 2

2. World Missions Supplies

- a. Make bandages and/or other supplies according to work sheet available from Dept. of World Missions and ship as directed by them. 2

3. Christian Outreach and World Relief

- a. Gather reusable discards of clothing and household items and send to Christian Outreach depot as directed in Handbook.

- or b. support World Relief Commission of the NAE as listed in Handbook. 2

1V. FINANCE

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

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

Dues per member	\$1	
Conference Working Fund	as assessed	<u>2</u>
General Church Extension (budget credit)	\$5 or more	<u>2</u>
Hephzibah (budget credit)	\$5	<u>2</u>
Medical Missions	\$3	<u>1</u>
Self Denial Offering		<u>2</u>
White Gift Christmas Offering		<u>2</u>
Mission Equipment (foot of dimes strips)		<u>2</u>
American Bible Society Offering		<u>2</u>

2. Encourage Card Call participation 2
3. Promote Honorary Enrollment 2
4. Adopt an approved World Missions or Church Extension or conference project, set a reasonable goal for the conference year and attain same. 2
5. Provide for president (or vice-president), delegate and YMWB Superintendent to attend annual conference. 2

V. ORGANIZATION

A. Meetings

1. Have a minimum of 10 meetings during the year at which time prayer requests are presented and business transacted. 5
2. Have at least one public meeting 2
3. Arrange with pastor for one missionary prayer meeting for entire church each month. (Minimum of 10). 2

B. Membership

1. Show a gain in membership. 2

C. Reports

1. Send annual statistical report to conference statistician or designated person before date line set by conference. 2
2. Wesleyan Missionary solicitor submit report to conference (or district) solicitor at close of each quarter using report card provided. 2
3. Reading Course Secretary report to conference Reading Course Secretary by January 15. 2
4. WWF Secretary report to conference WWF Secretary at close of conference year. 2

D. Representation

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| 1. Elect delegate who shall attend annual conference. | <u>2</u> |
| 2. Have newly elected president (or vice-president) attend annual conference. | <u>2</u> |
| 3. Have YMWB superintendent attend annual conference. | <u>2</u> |
| Total | 100 |
| Honor Roll | 85 |

We further recommend that:

A. Organizational recommendation:

1. The young people be encouraged to attend missionary meetings and participate when possible.

B. Finances

1. Personal pledges may be made for the specified project or World Missions payable through the local W.M.S. Treasurer. The local W.M.S. Treasurer must include the names of the persons paying the pledges with remittance to the Conference Treasurer.
2. \$5.00 be paid by each society for the travel expenses of the Missionary tours.
3. Budget:
 - a. An offering be taken for Church Extension and Evangelism General.
 - b. An offering be taken for Conference Extension.
 - c. Offering from monthly W.W.F. "Prayer and Fast" day for Conference Extension.
 - d. Penny-a-Meal offerings for World Missions.
4. Non-Budget
 - a. \$.60 per active member Conference administrative assessment.
 - b. \$.65 per active member for Camp equipment.

C. Conference President Visitation

1. Scheduled visit by the Conference President be made to each society and transportation costs be provided if possible.

D. Projects

1. That our conference project for 1963 be the providing of miscellaneous needs for the Vernon Swanson family who are returning to Sierra Leone for their second term.
2. Provide bed linens for the Mission Hospital at Kamakwie, Sierra Leone. Sheets, 72" by 108" are needed, and pillow cases. A heavy grade of white muslin (not porcale) is most practical. Unbleached muslin is preferred if available.

E. Preparation for Annual Conference

1. Two annual Statistical Report blanks and an instruction sheet which will be sent to each local society by the Conference Statistical Chairman in June shall be carefully filled out. One completed blank with Conference Treasurer's receipts attached should be sent to the Statistical chairman, Mrs. Judy Nygard, 7605 E. Harrison, Rockford, Ill. by July 15, 1964. Only monies and vouchers credited on the Conference Treasurer's receipts will be accepted for statistical credit.
2. That each society contribute canned fruits or fruit juices or monetary donations for camp.
3. Societies wishing to do so may contribute quilts or blankets to camp.
4. Delegate to bring a list of all officers and their addresses to conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ann Gearhart, Chairman
Mrs. Antonia Kodl,
Mrs. Dora Gibbs
Mrs. Marian Hood
Mrs. Ida Craker
Mrs. Geneva Benedict
Mrs. Maymie Langstrom

Report No. 9.

Nominating Committee.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Barbara Crail, Chairman
Mrs. June Tice
Mrs. Teina Winterberg

Report No. 10.

Statistical Committee.

(See tabulations on the following page).

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Barbara Crail, Statistician

Report No. 11.

Literature Secretary.

Report of Camp Epworth Book Stand activities for 1962 camp:

Receipts from sale of:	
W.M.S. Literature Dept. items	\$14.55
Conference W.M.S. inventory on hand	4.05
Wesley Press items	12.12
Princeton Book Store	48.88
Books sold for Mr. Cully Parsons (profit)	<u>3.50</u>
Total Receipts	\$ 83.10

Disbursements:	
W.M.S. Literature Dept. (for literature)	14.55
Wesleyan Press for items	9.70
Princeton Book Store materials	36.49
Postage	<u>.71</u>
Total Disbursements	61.45
Net profit disbursed to Conference Treasurer	\$ 21.65

Inventory of Conference W.M.S. Literature on hand:	
Net inventory on hand 8/14/61	\$ 8.00
Materials added from items of 1962 W.M.S.	
Literature Department	<u>2.95</u>
Total	\$ 10.95
Sold at 1962 camp meeting	<u>4.05</u>
Net inventory on hand 8/12/62	\$ 6.90

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mildred Wallace, Literature Secretary

Report No. 10. W.M.S. Statistical Report																	
CHURCH	Membership				Miscellaneous Totals					Receipts							
	Active	Honorary	Gain	Loss	Total Meetings Held	Subscriptions (Wesleyan Missionary Efficiency Standard Rating (%)	Missionaries Supported	No. Boxes	No. Pounds	Membership Dues	Offerings	Memorials	Voucher Receipts	Total Receipts for the year	Old Balance From Last Year	Grand Total	
CHICAGO																	
Austin	24	12	-	2	24	25	90	-	2	-	36.00	517.80	-	221.18	774.98	81	775.79
Boys Avenue	12	3	-	3	14	10	90	-	-	-	15.00	249.90	-	33.25	298.15	14.51	312.66
Roseland	12	7	5	0	17	11	95	-	7	13	19.00	209.64	10.50	-	239.14	1.32	240.46
CHICAGO-LAND																	
Elk Grove Village					6	10											
Maywood	28	10	6	-	26	27	95	-	-	-	38.00	1094.16	-	-	1132.16	-	1132.16
Oak Lawn	16	5	-	10	12	21	60	-	-	-	21.00	477.85	-	15.00	513.85	53.98	567.83
Oak Park	16	4	-	-	20	16	85	-	4	7	20.00	449.92	-	-	469.92	3.96	473.88
Wheaton	13	-	13	-	11	22	80	-	2	2 bxs	13.00	196.23	-	-	209.23	9.95	219.18
GALESBURG	17	1	1	-	11	14	100	-	-	-	18.00	173.30	-	35.25	226.55	10.24	236.79
HOPESTON	9	4	-	1	21	10	85	-	-	*	13.00	218.00	-	-	231.00	6.00	237.00
PEORIA																	
Creve Coeur	18	-	3	-	21	13	80	-	2	-	18.00	198.49	-	99.82	316.31	13.66	329.97
First	5	3	-	3	20	11	80	-	1	-	8.00	149.62	-	1.00	158.62	4.00	162.62
PRINCETON	20	4	3	-	14	24	75	-	7	60	24.00	117.15	-	-	141.15	29.97	171.12
ROCKFORD																	
First	15	2	-	3	17	19	75	-	-	-	17.00	560.04	-	447.03	1024.07	42.37	1066.44
Harrison Ave.	8	8	6	-	23	9	80	-	-	-	16.00	130.02	-	81.78	227.80	-	227.80
WYANET	23	10	-	3	32	25	80	-	1	10	33.00	476.23	-	15.50	524.73	2.41	527.14
TOTALS	236	73	37	25	289	267	-	-	26	904	309.00	5218.35	10.50	949.81	6487.66	193.18	6680.84

*Garments for Swanson children.

Report No. 10 W.M.S. Statistical Report, Continued											
CHURCH	World Missions General	American Indians (Brethren)	Australia	German Evangelical	Medical Missions	Mission Equip- ment Fund	White Christ- ian Offering	Church Extension Evangelical (Cont. Coll., Chicago)	Self Denial Offering	Hephzibah	Mission Budget and Gifts
CHICAGO											
Austin	404.50	-	-	-	5.00	13.60	17.38	35.00	15.00	20.00	11.00
Hoynes Ave.	34.50	12.74	-	-	3.00	1.70	5.00	1.00	-	5.00	-
Roseland	68.19	-	5.00	-	3.00	1.50	21.83	4.00	23.65	5.00	5.00
CHICAGOLAND											
Maywood	205.76	-	12.75	-	3.00	1.70	41.21	4.00	12.02	17.85	100.00
Oak Lawn	205.91	3.50	-	-	3.00	-	11.25	5.00	24.35	29.36	25.00
Oak Park	137.20	7.75	7.75	-	-	10.00	8.60	58.50	20.00	10.85	18.00
Wharton	110.17	-	-	-	3.00	-	-	-	-	5.00	-
GALESBURG	30.40	5.75	5.75	-	3.00	11.90	4.04	-	13.00	25.92	-
HOOPERSTON	30.83	15.00	-	4.28	6.00	8.80	5.00	10.00	8.00	24.09	5.00
PRORIA											
Creve Coeur	44.91	-	-	-	2.05	4.90	5.77	10.00	9.13	94.82	-
First	41.65	2.00	2.00	-	-	-	4.50	9.00	8.65	5.00	17.00
PRINCETON	23.54	9.92	-	-	3.00	-	12.92	4.00	9.35	5.00	-
ROCKFORD											
First	284.78	99.72	9.50	-	3.00	15.40	80.14	47.00	30.70	14.00	57.50
Harrison Ave.	30.35	23.75	3.75	-	4.00	3.40	10.00	5.00	-	5.00	39.00
WYANET	88.40	132.03	-	-	10.00	-	18.00	6.00	5.10	10.00	40.00
Totals	1741.09	312.16	46.50	4.28	51.05	72.90	245.64	194.50	178.95	276.89	317.50

Disbursements										
CHURCH	Honorary Enrollment	General Dues	Conference Working Fund	Conference Extension	Community Missions	Local Church Work	Other Objects	Total Disbursements	New Balance on Hand	Grand Total
CHICAGO										
Austin		36.00	14.40	36.88	-	5.75	161.28	775.79	-	775.79
Hoynes Ave.		15.00	9.00	2.50	-	-	194.43	283.87	28.79	312.66
Roseland		19.00	6.00	17.85	-	-	58.26	238.28	2.18	240.46
CHICAGOLAND										
Maywood		38.00	2.80	-	-	-	648.88	1087.91	44.25	1132.16
Oak Lawn		21.00	6.60	39.25	-	25.00	157.00	556.22	11.61	567.83
Oak Park		20.00	10.40	10.00	-	-	147.68	462.73	11.15	473.88
Wheaton		13.00	15.00	-	-	-	57.00	203.17	16.01	219.18
GALESBURG	2	19.00	9.00	-	-	12.69	85.14	227.59	9.20	236.79
HOOPERSTON	4	13.00	11.25	14.38	-	-	67.37	227.00	10.00	237.00
PRORIA										
Creve Coeur		19.00	7.80	.75	-	13.31	83.90	236.34	33.63	329.97
First		8.00	3.00	4.80	-	-	25.85	131.49	31.13	162.62
PRINCETON		24.00	-	10.00	-	-	54.15	155.88	15.24	171.12
ROCKFORD										
First		17.00	10.20	95.88	-	30.00	267.36	1062.18	4.26	1066.44
Harrison Ave.		16.00	5.40	-	-	-	72.63	218.28	9.52	227.80
WYANET		33.00	15.00	-	15.50	25.00	119.18	517.21	9.93	527.14
TOTALS	6	311.00	125.85	232.29	15.50	111.75	2200.09	6443.94	236.90	6680.84

Report No. 12.Auditors' Report.

To Whom It May Concern: We have examined and audited the treasurer's records of the W.M.S. Treasurer and the Y.M.W.B. Treasurer and found them to be in proper order.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Richard B. Priest
Mr. Howard Thrall

Report No. 13.Conference W.M.S. Treasurer's Report.

FUND	Balance 7/16/62	Receipts	Disburse- ments	Balance 7/16/63	Vouchers
World Missions, General	-0-	655.83	655.83	-0-	-0-
Africa	-0-	6.25	6.25	-0-	470.56
Dekker project	-0-	223.46	223.46	-0-	-0-
Doctor's residence, Kamakwie	-0-	338.48	338.48	-0-	-0-
Memorial to Swansons	-0-	5.00	5.00	-0-	-0-
Haiti	-0-	10.00	10.00	-0-	24.05
India	-0-	4.40	4.40	-0-	6.00
Leprosy Hospital	-0-	23.54	23.54	-0-	-0-
Dor. & Mrs. Chas. Paine	-0-	8.24	8.24	-0-	-0-
New Guinea	-0-	60.00	60.00	-0-	7.24
Puerto Rico	-0-	36.48	36.48	-0-	-0-
Britinerd	-0-	29.25	29.25	-0-	282.91
Australia	-0-	46.50	46.50	-0-	-0-
Jewish Evangelism	-0-	4.28	4.28	-0-	-0-
Medical Missions	-0-	49.55	49.55	-0-	-0-
Mission Equipment Fund	-0-	74.40	74.40	-0-	-0-
White Christmas Offering	-0-	245.64	245.64	-0-	-0-
Church Ext. & Evang., Gen'l.	-0-	133.50	133.50	-0-	-0-
Card Call	-0-	47.00	47.00	-0-	15.00
Self-Denial Offering	-0-	178.95	178.95	-0-	-0-
Hephzibah Budget	-0-	137.62	137.62	-0-	133.27
Coupons	-0-	6.00	6.00	-0-	-0-
Education Budget	-0-	317.50	317.50	-0-	-0-
Honorary Enrollment	-0-	6.00	6.00	-0-	-0-
General Dues	-0-	311.00	311.00	-0-	-0-
Conference Wrkg. Fund	34.83	160.33	65.50	129.66	-0-
Conference Extension	-0-	232.29	232.29	-0-	-0-
Community Missions	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	15.50
Local Church Work	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	111.75
Other Objects	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1863.45
Tom Murray Family	-0-	31.00	31.00	-0-	-0-
American Bible Society	-0-	76.85	76.85	-0-	-0-
Camp Equipment Fund	134.30	167.25	172.32	129.23	13.54
Camp Foods	-0-	42.00	32.00	10.00	3.00
Camp Meeting Pledge	-0-	50.00	50.00	-0-	-0-
Totals	169.13	3718.59	3618.83	268.89	2946.27
Total Cash Receipts	\$3718.59				
Total Voucher Credit	<u>2946.27</u>				
GRAND TOTAL	\$6664.86				

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Edna Hill, Treasurer

Report No. 14.

Y.M.W.B. Plan of Work.

- 1) Each local W.M.S. shall elect a Y.M.W.B. Superintendent in June. Her duties shall begin at the rise of annual W.M.S. Conference.
- 2) Finances:
 - a. Send all money raised by the Y.M.W.B. to the Conference Superintendent, Mrs. Norma Jean Craker, 1406 School St. Rockford, Ill.
 - b. Each band is assessed three cents per member for Conference Superintendent's desk expense. Membership is based on the 1963 annual report.
 - c. The November offering is for church extension; the May offering for education.
 - d. The Conference project is the support of Deborah Ruth Paine, India, and Priscilla Lillian Swanson, Africa, which will be \$150.00 each, per year. Each band is to raise as much as possible.
- 3) Return quarterly reports and offerings received during the quarter to the Conference Superintendent on the following dates: First Quarter (July-September) October 15, 1963. Second Quarter (October-December), January 15, 1964. Third Quarter (January-March) April 15, 1964. Fourth Quarter (April-June), postmarked by July 1, 1964.
- 4) Each local superintendent should encourage the use of the reading courses and promote a prayer partner circle.
- 5) All Bands making a grade of 100% in the Efficiency Standard shall be on the honor roll.
- 6) The offering taken in the Y.M.W.B. service during Camp is designated for the Rev. Vernon Swanson family, Africa, in appreciation of their services during the annual conference sessions.

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

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| 1. Twelve Band services in which prayer, God's Word, missions and personal service were stressed. | 10% |
| 2. One public service during the year. | 5% |
| 3. Band funds remitted quarterly. | 10% |
| 4. Use of mite boxes, envelopes, membership cards or some other systematic method for gathering in dues and offerings. | 10% |
| 5. Band Superintendent read the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY and use YOUNG MISSIONARY. | 5% |
| 6. Increase in membership. | 10% |
| 7. Increase in funds raised. | 10% |
| 8. An offering for Church Extension. | 10% |
| 9. An offering for education. | 10% |
| 10. Three cents per active and honorary member sent to conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent as Desk fund. | 10% |
| 11. Annual report sent in on time (Time conference superintendent designates) | 10% |
| | 100% for Honor |

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Committee

Report No. 15.

Communications Committee.

The Communications Committee have sent greetings to the following: Mrs. Helen Stark, Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Paine, Rev. and Mrs. Tom Murray, Mrs. Esther Hallmark, Mrs. Margaret Ogle, Mrs. Esther Lind and Mrs. Barbara Peacock.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Evelyn Mimnaugh,

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE WESLEYAN YOUTHHeld at Epworth Park, Belvidere, Illinois,
August 9 and 10, 1963.OFFICERS FOR 1963-1964

President	Rev. G. W. Hood, 2108 W. Iowa St., Chicago 22, Ill.
Vice President	Rev. M. J. Baillie, 875 N. Farnham, Galesburg, Ill.
Secretary	Miss Pamela Olander, 1213 Degener Ave., Elmhurst, Ill.
Treasurer	Mrs. Leigh Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.
Eastern Dist. Chmn.	Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, 9101 S. Menard, Oak Lawn, Ill.
Western Dist. Chmn.	Rev. Leigh Nygard, 7605 Harrison Ave., Rockford, Ill.

LOCAL WESLEYAN YOUTH OFFICERSCHICAGOLAND

Austin	Pres. Lee Dominguez, 5323 W. Ohio, Chicago 44, Ill.
	Sec'y. Phyllis Panico, 1019 N. 8th Ave., Maywood, Ill.
Hoyne Avenue	Pres. Nancy Mazeikis, 856 N. Hoyne Ave., Chicago 22, Ill.
	Sec'y. Tillman Hatcher, 3069 N. Central Pk. Chicago 18,
Roseland	(No organization)
Elk Grove	(No organization)
Maywood	Pres. Herman DeLawter, 3503 Wilcox, Bellwood, Ill.
	Sec'y. Pam Olander, 1213 Degener Ave., Elmhurst, Ill.
Oak Lawn	Pres. Judy Coulter, 9547 S. 89th Ave., Palos Hills, Ill.
	Sec'y. Linda Hind, 5706 W. 91st St., Oak Lawn, Ill.
Oak Park	(No organization)
Wheaton	Pres. Jerry Ford, 608 E. Parkway, Wheaton, Ill.
	Sec'y. Dixie Merriman, 612 Webster, Wheaton, Ill.
GALSBURG	Pres. Jim Jacobs, 952 Arnold St., Galesburg, Ill.
	Sec'y. Susan Jacobs, 952 Arnold St., Galesburg, Ill.
HOOPESTON	(No organization)

PEORIA

Creve Coeur	Pres. Steve Ogle, 209 Vicie St., East Peoria, Ill.
	Sec'y. DeWayne Smith, 600 Block Carola St., Creve Coeur,
First	Pres. Nancy Parsons, 1214 West Lake St., Peoria, Ill.
	Sec'y. Joy Nelson, 1518 East Paris Ave., Peoria, Ill.

PRINCETON

	Pres. Elaine Elmore, 505 W. Putnam St., Princeton, Ill.
	Sec'y. Lucretia Glover, RR. 5, Princeton, Ill.

ROCKFORD

First	Pres. Gloria Zellner, 427 Monroe, Rockford, Ill.
	Sec'y. Diane Conkling, 1314 Garrison, Rockford, Ill.
Harrison	Pres. Vicki Trylong, Box 57, Fitzgerald Rd., Rockford,
	Sec'y. Sandra Winterberg, 3033 Grant Blvd., Rockford, Ill.
WYANET	Pres. Paulette McCorkle, Wyanet, Ill.
	Sec'y. Brenda Allen, Buda, Ill.

1963 CONFERENCE DELEGATES

CHICAGO Austin	Jim Dominguez, Phyllis Panico, Lee Dominguez
Hoyne Avenue	Nancy Mazeikis, Tillman Hatcher, Marg McGeorge
Elk Grove	Cacelia Wenger
Maywood	Herman DeLawter, Pamela Olander, Ruth Halverson
Oak Lawn	Judy Coulter, Linda Hind, John Marrs
Oak Park	Steve Hill
Wheaton	Damen Jackson, Margie Gearhart
GALSBURG	Jim Jacobs, Marg Trone, Danny Olson
HOOPESTON	Rev. Arthur Minnaugh, Woodrow McBride
PEORIA First	Nancy Parsons, Joy Nelson
Creve Coeur	Steve Ogle, Lowell Jones
PRINCETON	Sally Christenson, Elaine Elmore
ROCKFORD First	Pam Tice, Gloria Zellner, Carol Blood
Harrison	Vicki Trylong, Sandra Winterberg
WYANET	Faith Gibbs, Brenda Allen, Terry Dyer

STANDING RULES

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

P R O C E E D I N G S

First Meeting, 9:20 P.M., Friday, August 9, 1963.

1. Opening. The Fourteenth Annual Session of the Illinois Conference Wesleyan Youth was convened at Camp Epworth, Belvidere, Illinois, at 9:20 P.M., Friday, August 9, 1963, by the Conference Wesleyan Youth President, Rev. Robert L. Zuhl. President Zuhl based devotional remarks on Romans 8.
2. Roll Call. The roll call of Conference officers and local presidents was given by President Zuhl, pending the arrival of the secretary.
3. Credentials Committee. Miss Pamela Tice, W.Y. Secretary, read her report as Credentials Committee, and delegates responded to their names. By prevailing motion they were seated within the bar. (See list of delegates.)
4. Report of the Orders of the Day Committee. Secretary, Pam Tice, read this report which was adopted by vote. (See Report No. 1)

5. Report of the Conference W.Y. President. After reading his report, President Zuhl received a rising vote of gratitude for his ten years of faithful service. (See Report No. 2)

6. Report of the Executive Council. Rev. George Hood, Eastern District Chairman, read the report of the Executive Council which was approved by vote. (See Report No. 3)

7. District Chairmen's Reports. Rev. George Hood, Eastern District Chairman, and Rev. Meredith Baillie, Western District Chairman, read their reports which were approved by vote of the delegates. (See George Hood Report No. 4, and Meredith Baillie Report No. 5)

8. Treasurer's Report. The report of Mrs. Ida Craker, Conference W.Y. Treasurer, was read in her absence by the Secretary. It was received and referred to the Auditing Committee. (See Report No. 6)

9. Treasurer's Resignation. Ida Craker's note of resignation was read in her absence by the Secretary. It was accepted by vote of the body. (See Report No. 7)

10. Report of the Committee on Conference Committees. The report of the Committee on Conference (Convention) Committees was read by the Secretary and adopted by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 8)

11. Nominating Ballot. The Nominating Committee requested the members of the body to each prepare a Nominating Ballot of Conference Officers and District Leaders to assist the Committee in preparing the slate committed to their charge. This was done.

12. Meeting of the Nominating and Standing Rules Committee was called for August 9, 1963, at 10:15 P.M. at the request of the Conference President, Chairman of the committee.

13. Adjournment. By prevailing motion the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

Second Meeting, 9:00 A.M., Saturday, August 10, 1963.

1. Opening. Rev. George Hood opened the meeting with comments on I Cor. 10:13, "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." Prayer was offered following his remarks.

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

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

Third Meeting, 11:05 A.M., August 10, 1963.

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

2. Dismissal. After a short discussion the meeting was dismissed at 11:15 A.M., by President Zuhl for the completion of committee work.

3. Auditing Committee Report. The report of the Auditing Committee read by Rev. Meredith Baillie was the first act of business when the third meeting reconvened at 11:35 A.M. The report was adopted. (See Report No. 9)

4. Report of the Plan of Work Committee. President Zuhl presented the report of the Plan of Work Committee and explained the goals envisioned. By prevailing motion it was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted. The President made particular note of the change in dues from \$3.00 to \$3.50 due to the raise in General Dues from \$1.50 to \$2.00. (See Report No. 10)

5. Report of the Committee on Resolutions. Sally Christenson, secretary of the Committee on Resolutions, read the report which was adopted by vote of the body. The Conference President requested that this report be included in the next issue of Youth Notes so all Illinois Wesleyan Youth might read it. (See Report No. 11)

6. Report of the Committee on Thanks. Nancy Parsons read the report of the Thanks Committee which was adopted by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 12)

7. Report of the Statistical Committee. The Statistical Report was referred to the Conference Secretary for completion. (See Report No. 14)

8. Report of the Nominating and Standing Rules Committee. The committee first presented the names of the following Conference officers and District Leaders as their nominees. President: Rev. George Hood of Hoyne Avenue; Vice President: Rev. Meredith Baillie of Galesburg, Secretary: Miss Pamela Olander of Maywood, Treasurer: Mrs. Judy Nygard of Rockford-Harrison Ave., Eastern District Leader: Rev. Robert Zuhl of Oak Lawn, Western District Leader: Rev. Leigh Nygard of Rockford-Harrison Ave. The President elected by vote was Rev. George Hood. Pastor Bray moved the election of the remainder of the slate and it was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Standing Rules Report was read by Rev. Bray and approved by prevailing motion. (See Report No. 13)

9. Token of Appreciation. Rev. Bray recommended that the new President secure a plaque for the former President with appropriate inscription as a token of our appreciation for his many years of faithful service. This recommendation was enthusiastically approved.

10. New President Received. After expressing his appreciation, Rev. Zuhl presented the gavel won by our Illinois Wesleyan Youth at Louisville to the new President, Rev. George W. Hood.

11. Reading of a portion of the Executive Secretary's Report. Rev. Zuhl read a portion of Rev. Robert McIntyre's report to the Quadrennial Convention held at Fairmount, Indiana, this past June and commented briefly on it.

12. Letter of Appreciation. Rev. Bray recommended that the retiring President, Rev. Robert Zuhl, send a letter of appreciation to our Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Craker for her many years of faithful service. The recommendation was approved by unanimous vote.

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

14. Adjournment. After appropriate remarks by retiring President Zuhl, the 1963 session was by prevailing motion adjourned sine die, with prayer.

REPORTS

Report No. 1.

Orders of the Day Committee.

Friday, August 9, 1963. Opening, 9:00 P.M., in the Youth Tabernacle at Epworth Park; Roll Call of Conference W.Y. Officers, Annual Conference President, and Local Presidents; Report of the Credentials Committee (Conference W.Y. Secretary); Seating of the delegates; Report of the Orders of the Day Committee; Report of the W.Y. President; Report of the Executive Council; Reports of the Conference W.Y. District Chairmen; Report of the Conference W.Y. Treasurer; Report of the Committee on Conference Committees; Nominating Ballot; Adjournment. Meeting of the Nominating Committee.

Saturday, August 10, 1963. Second Meeting, 9:00 A.M., Roll Call; Adjournment for Committee Work. Third Meeting, Saturday, 11:05 A.M., Committee Reports; Recess at noon. Fourth Meeting, Saturday, 10 P.M., Election of Conference Officers; Adjournment sine die at 1:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
The Executive Council

Report No. 2.

President's Wesleyan Youth Report.

Greetings to the Wesleyan Youth of Illinois. You represent a great resource of strength and service to Christ and the Wesleyan Methodist Church. The plans and purposes of the Church seek to more and more use your energy and enthusiasm. The Church is counting on you and, in turn, may you always be able to count on the Church. May you always triumph in temptation and fight the good fight of faith. Press on with a singleness of heart to a high calling in Christ Jesus.

This past year began with a fruitful Youth Camp where many found spiritual help. A total of 81 were enrolled in the youth program. This was followed by two work days at Camp Epworth for the building of a miniature golf course. There were about 22 and 14 respectively that shared in this co-operative effort with the Free Methodist Youth.

The third annual Leader's Retreat was held September 21-22 at Lake Bloomington. There were approximately 50 leaders that attended with eleven churches represented. A Conference wide attendance and promotion contest was formulated using the theme of bowling. The contest was held from October 7, to November 11. Weekly reports giving each Sunday's scores were sent to all the churches. The Austin-Chicago Wesleyan Youth won the contest. Vivian Sams from Peoria was the individual winner. The awards were given at a Conference Youth Rally held at Princeton, November 24. Rev. Robert W. McIntyre, our General Executive Secretary, was the main speaker. Approximately 115 attended the rally. While the youth were having an afternoon of recreation, I conducted a workshop with the Pastors regarding the total church youth program.

Youth Week was reported in most of our churches with a total of \$185.00 raised for Target Washington. This was followed by our Conference Spring-O-Rama overnight retreat at Camp Rude. There were approximately 100 that attended the retreat. This was especially blessed of the Lord in making a spiritual impact upon young lives.

Maywood Wesleyan Youth represented Illinois in the Area quiz play-off at Marion, Indiana. I served as Area Quiz Master for the finals. I have represented Illinois at the two meetings of the Area Council. I conducted three Conference Council meetings and gave greetings from Illinois to the Wisconsin Wesleyan Youth where I served as their Youth Camp evangelist. I have written 45 personal letters and published five issues of our Conference newsletter called the Youth Notes where 250 copies were mailed each time. I have served as Conference reporter to the Wesleyan Youth magazine. I served with Rev. George Hood as your representative to the Annual W.Y. Quadrennial Convention at Fairmount, Indiana, in July.

Illinois now has 11 organized Locals compared with 12 last year. There are two W.Y. Fellowships now meeting. Our total membership dropped from 160 last year to 149 this year. There was a gain in subscriptions to the Wesleyan Youth from 115 last year to 129 this year.

I believe the Wesleyan Youth of Illinois are some of the top teens of our day. I trust there will always be a pursuit of excellence. Continuing emphasis must be placed on commitment and consecration. Our opportunities must be redeemed for the Master. It has been a high honor and personal joy to serve as your President for the past ten years. I feel led of the Spirit, however, to decline any possible consideration as President for the coming year. I will always be concerned for the youth of Illinois, but I am confident that there are others who will build and increase that which has been done in the past. May God's blessings be on each of us as we continue to be "workers together" for Him.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, W.Y. President

Report No. 3.

The Executive Council.

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

We further report that during the year we planned for and held the annual fall Leaders' Retreat at Lake Bloomington last September and a spring Youth Overnight at Camp Rude in May, with many spiritual blessings.

We recommend that out of the proceeds of last year's special project we give the sum of \$100.00 to the Free Methodist Youth to help defray the cost of their Miniature Golf Course here at Epworth Park.

We recommend that next year Illinois Conference pastors and wives be considered available for Youth Camp staff without honoraria, and that Camp cost rebates be granted only to other counsellors engaged by the Youth Camp Director.

We recommend that our Conference-wide Wesleyan Youth Project for 1963-1964 be the furnishing of a room in Shatford Hall, the new Girls' Dorm at Marion College. Any excess to this project will be placed in the Camp Development Fund.

We recommend that a fall Leaders' Retreat be held at Lake Bloomington September 20 and 21 and that Rev. Robert L. Zuhl be charged with planning and promoting the program.

Respectfully submitted,

The Executive Council

Report No. 4.

Report of the Eastern District Chairman.

This indeed has been a rich and rewarding year for me in Wesleyan Youth. The association with President Zuhl and the other members of the Youth Council has in itself been an inspiration and blessing to me personally.

As your Eastern District Chairman, I performed the following official acts:

1. I served faithfully on the Youth Council, missing one meeting due to illness.
2. I began holding 5th Sunday Singspirations. Two were held--one at Austin and one at Maywood.
3. I held one district rally at the Austin Church featuring the Marion College Quartet.
4. I organized a softball league--each participating church playing one game with each team. The top two teams played a final championship game.
5. I served as your official delegate to the past Quadrennial Convention in Fairmount, Indiana.
6. I served as the Conference Quizmaster. In this office I contacted each church and sent practice questions to each team. I held the play-off quiz at the Austin Church.

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Hood

Report No. 5.

Report of the Western District Chairman.

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

A Western District Rally was held March 23, 1963, at the Peoria Christian Center, Peoria, Illinois. The morning session consisted of a variety of special music from the Churches represented. Rev. Robert Whitehead, a former U. S. Air Force Pilot and now director of Youth for Christ in Plymouth, Indiana, was our speaker. The afternoon was spent in the recreational area of the building bowling, and taking part in various other activities. All churches in the District were represented. There were approximately 70 in attendance.

As District Chariman, we have promoted the Wesleyan Youth magazine and other youth functions on the district level.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith J. Bailie

Report No. 6.

Conference W.Y. Treasurer.

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	
Conference Dues & Funds	\$855.33
Conference Dues	\$226.75
W.Y. Leaders Conf.	219.00
W.Y. Overnight	292.50
Fall Rally	33.45
Recreational Fee	83.63
General Dues	242.25
World Missions	29.27
Church Extension	7.31
Education	89.88
Youth Week Offerings	185.10
Camp Development Project	<u>444.92</u>
Total Receipts	\$1854.06
Balance (7-15-62)	<u>123.31</u>
Total Credits	<u>\$1977.37</u>
Total Disbursements	\$1294.42
Bal. in Conf. Dues & Funds	
	\$238.03
Bal. in Camp Development Project	
	\$444.92
Balance (7-15-63)	<u>\$682.95</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Ida Craker, Treasurer.

Report No. 7.

I appreciate the confidence the Wesleyan Youth have placed in me as I served as your treasurer these past 8 years. I have been happy to serve you thus. I do request, however, that my name shall not be considered in the election of this office for next year.

Thank you,

Mrs. Ida Craker

Report No. 8.

Report of the Committee on Conference Committees.

Nominating and Standing Rules: Rev. A. L. Bray, Chm., Linda Hind, Jim Jacobs, Ruth Halverson, Carol Blood, Branda Allen, Jim Dominguez

<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	
Conference Dues and Funds	\$740.61
Film Rentals	\$29.95
Marion Area Dues	12.90
W.Y. Leaders Conf.	250.50
W.Y. Overnight	300.20
President's Office	
Supplies & Y. Notes	28.59
Phone Calls	12.70
Travel Expense	12.00
Rec. Equipment	2.60
Trophies	23.57
Charge for	
Printed Checks	1.60
Cindy Barnes	
(Contest Winner)	10.00
Honorariums	45.00
Quiz Team	11.00
General Dues	242.25
World Missions	29.27
Church Extension	7.31
Education	89.88
Youth Week Offerings	<u>185.10</u>
Total Disbursements	\$1294.42

Plan of work: Rev. Robert L. Zuhl, Chm., Judy Coulter, Marg Trone, Caccella Wenger, Herman DeLawter, Nancy Mazeikis, Joy Nelson, Steve Ogle, Gloria Zellner, Vicki Trylong, Faith Gibbs, Damen Jackson, Elaine Elmore, Woodrow McBride

Thanks: Lee Dominguez, Chm., Tilman Hatcher, Sandy Winterberg, John Marrs, Steve Hill, Terry Dyer, Nancy Parsons

Resolutions: Rev. George Hood, Chm., Danny Olson, Pamela Olander, Lowell Jones, Phyllis Panico, Sally Christenson

Statistical: Pam Tice, Chm., Margie Gearhart

Auditing Committee: Rev. Meredith Bailie, Chm., Marg McGeorge

Respectfully submitted, Committee on Committees

Report No. 9.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

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

We found that the item listed as "Elk Grove Project" in the Treasurer's Annual Report should be removed from both the record of receipts and disbursements since it was reported in the 1961-1962 report.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith J. Bailie, Chm.
Marg McGeorge

Report No. 10.

Plan Of Work Committee Report.

We, the Plan of Work Committee recommend the following:

1. That one new Local be organized during the coming year.
2. That a goal of two hundred (200) Wesleyan Youth subscriptions be set for this year, and that the Conference Youth Secretary act as the promotional director.
3. That the conference dues be \$1.50 per member.
4. That the conference dues be the personal responsibility of the local members and that this money be sent by the local treasurer to the Conference Treasurer at the close of each quarter. This includes the general dues of \$2.00 per member.
5. That the editor of the Youth Notes receive from each Wesleyan Youth president each quarter a report of the average youth attendance and efficiency rating; and that an honor roll of those receiving an A rating be posted at camp.
6. That a Leaders' Conference be held September 20-21 at Lake Bloomington to train local officers and representatives of each church.
7. That the Conference President visit as many locals during the year as possible.
8. That we hold a conference-wide rally in the fall or winter with the time and place to be arranged by the Youth Council.
9. That we hold a conference-wide over-night retreat May 16-17 at Camp Rude.
10. That each local strive to obtain an (A) rating in the general efficiency standard.

11. That each local have a youth "kick-off" program before October 31, and the youth average attendance be reported to the Conference President by November 5.
12. That a conference-wide contest be held with proper awards to be given at the fall or winter rally.
13. That every Wesleyan Youth member be issued a membership card.
14. That the Conference hold a quiz over I and II Peter, and I, II, and III John, and that the finals be held at the Spring-O-Rama.
15. That our missionary project be to supply a room in Shatford Hall, the new girls' dorm at Marion. Any additional funds raised will be placed in the Camp Development Fund.
16. That we encourage every church to strive to participate in the denominational Youth Week Program.

Respectfully submitted,

Report No. 11.

Plan of Work Committee

Resolutions Committee.

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

We resolve:

1. That: In order to "study to show ourselves approved unto God," prayer and daily Bible reading are vital in our Christian lives. Time spent every day in God's Word and in talking to Him enables us to live better for Him.
2. That: Whereas Christ's love for us is portrayed in John 3:16,--"For God so loved the world; that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life,"--we shall demonstrate our love toward Him by being faithful to the House of the Lord.
3. That: We emphasize Romans 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek," as a challenge for witnessing.
4. That: As Christian youth, we practice sacrificial stewardship of our resources to support the expenses of Wesleyan Youth, its projects, and fulfilling our general and conference dues. This means not only our money, but also our time and talents. Christ has commanded us to give unto Him what is due Him. If we belong to Him, we should give Him as much as we possibly can.
5. That: Each Wesleyan Youth member keep a full commitment to Christ foremost in mind, taking as our pattern I Cor. 15:58, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."
6. That: We stand together upholding the doctrines of our church--being firm in the faith--emphasizing the following:
 - A. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, as the only regeneration of the human race.
 - B. We believe in the Spirit-filled life where Christ is first and Lord of all.
 - C. We believe in the Bible as God's Holy Word.
 - D. We believe in God--the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
 - E. We believe in a personal relationship with the living God.
7. That: This report be submitted to the editor of the Youth Notes for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Hood, Chm.
Sally Christenson
Danny Olson
Lowell Jones
Pamela Olander
Phyllis Panico

Report No. 12.

Thanks Committee.

The Thanks Committee for 1963 would first give thanks to Almighty God our Father who has blessed us and has given us many Spiritual victories during this past year. We would also like to express our deep appreciation for the work, prayers, and spiritual influence which the following people have put forth to make this past year one of our best years.

1. To Rev. Bob Zuhl who has served as President for the past ten years and, with the Lord's help, has actually made the Wesleyan Youth of Illinois what it is now.
2. To Rev. N. E. Trafton and Rev. Eugene Cockrell for their spiritual help in word and song.
3. To Rev. Bai Bangura, President of the West African Conference, for presenting the need of Sierra Leone and also for his ministry.
4. To Rev. Harold Johnson, missionary from Japan, for presenting their need.
5. To Rev. and Mrs. Vern Swanson, our missionaries to Africa, for being with us and giving their testimonies.
6. To Rev. Dean Kring for serving as Vice President of the Wesleyan Youth of Illinois.
7. To Mrs. Ida Oraker for faithful service as Wesleyan Youth Treasurer.
8. To Rev. A. L. Bray, our Conference President, for his prayers and spiritual support this past year.
9. To Miss Pam Tice for serving as Wesleyan Youth Secretary.
10. To the teachers of our Wesleyan Youth Camp Classes -- Rev. Eugene Cockrell, Rev. George Hood, and Rev. Meredith Bailie, for presenting helpful and interesting classes.
11. To Mrs. Ray Dyer, Mrs. Erma Bruner, and Miss Jean Gibbs, who have faithfully prepared the meals at Camp and Conference.
12. To the Free Methodist Church who have so graciously rented us the use of their camp grounds again this year.
13. To the youth workers and counsellors who have faithfully instructed and helped us in our spiritual lives.
14. To all of the officers of Wesleyan Youth who have helped in serving their local youth groups.
15. And finally, to each individual who has helped to make this camp of 1963 a spiritual success.

Respectfully submitted.

Lee Dominguez, Chm.
Nancy Parsons
Terry Dyer
Sandy Winterberg

John Maars
Tillman Hatcher
Steve Hill

Report No. 13.

Nominating and Standing Rules Committee.

We, your committee on nominations and standing rules, recommend the following persons for officers for the Illinois Conference Wesleyan Youth for the coming year:

President:	George W. Hood
Vice President:	Meredith J. Baillie
Secretary:	Pamela Olander
Treasurer:	Judy Nygard
Eastern District Chairman:	Robert L. Zuhl
Western District Chariman:	Leigh F. Nygard

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. A. L. Bray, Chm.
James Dominguez
James Jacobs
Linda Hind
Brenda Allen
Ruth Halverson
Carol Blood

LOCALS	ACTIVE MEMBERS	ASSOC. MEMBERS	WESLEYAN YOUTH SUBSCRIPTIONS	NO. READER'S CLUB MEMBERS	Efficiency Standard			GENERAL DUES	CONFERENCE DUES	CONFERENCE EXT.	EDUCATION	WORLD MISSIONS	GENERAL CHURCH EXTENSION	1963 WESLEYAN YOUTH WEEK OFF.	LOCAL WORK	OTHER ITEMS	CAMP IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS BALANCE	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	CASH ON HAND
					"A" RATING	"B" RATING	"C" RATING													
Austin	25		15		X			36.00	36.00		1.51	14.62		20.00	222.81	147.92		491.44	478.86	12.58
Crane Court	16		7				X													
Elk Grove Village																				
Galesburg	7		4					7.50	7.50					5.00	16.25		40.00	76.25	76.25	
Hoynes Avenue	10	2	12				X	15.00	15.00					12.00	3.00		30.00	75.00	75.00	
Harrison Avenue	12		10					18.00	18.00	6.00				17.54	42.61			103.97	102.15	1.82
Honpeaton																				
Maywood	12		6					18.00	18.00					10.00	59.67			136.30	105.67	30.63
Oak Lawn	25	15	30			X		44.00	44.00		10.00	8.25		40.00	132.17		106.00	384.44	384.42	.02
Oak Park																				
Peoria First															21.80	49.56	15.00	86.36	86.36	
Princeton	10		12				X	24.50	24.50	7.34				2.60	180.61	24.00	45.00	327.05	308.55	18.50
Rockford First	11		13			X		21.00	21.00	7.31	1.85	7.31	70.65	43.85	11.42		50.00	242.15	234.39	7.76
Roseland			3																	
Wheaton	8		15			X		12.00	12.00					19.00	66.00		11.00	120.50	120.00	.50
Wyandot	13	5	3					19.50	19.50					5.00	2.25	34.00		81.60	80.25	1.35
TOTALS	149	22	132		1	3	3	215.50	215.50	20.65	13.36	30.18	70.65	174.99	758.59	255.48	297.00	2125.06	2051.90	73.16