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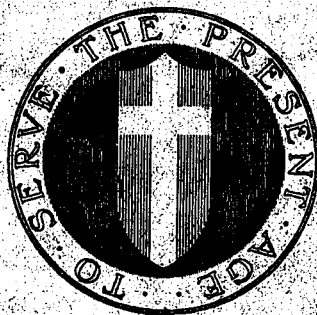
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July 10 - 12

MINUTES
OF THE
Seventeenth Annual Session
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TENNESSEE CONFERENCE
OF THE
Wesleyan Methodist Connection
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HELD AT
Tate Springs, Tennessee
July 10—12, 1946

REV. D. P. DENTON, President.
REV. R. R. PRICKETT, Secretary.

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ROLL OF HONORED DEAD

Rev. T. J. Cobb	1930
Rev. J. A. Johnson	1935
Rev. J. F. Yoder	1940

NOTICE—This page will be revised and other names added, as occasion demands.

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PAGE OF INFORMATION

1. Remit your Conference Budget money to the Conference Treasurer by the last day of each current month.

2. Your Conference Treasurer's address is Mr. O. A. Collins, 325 S. Leslie St., Knoxville 16, Tenn.

3. Your Connectional Budget may be sent to the various treasurers direct if you prefer, but a copy of the receipt **MUST BE MAILED** to the Conference Treasurer for credit on your Budget.

4. **PASTORS PLEASE NOTE:** If you desire to call help outside our Denomination you must **FIRST** consult the President and his Advisory Board as required by the Discipline paragraph 168 (b).

5. Send your Delegates Credentials to O. A. Collins, 325 S. Leslie St., Knoxville 16, Tenn. not later than July 5, 1947.

6. Money raised for Pioneer Evangelism is to be reported under Benevolences Item IX, under Conference Work.

7. The Conference Treasurer's Books close June 30.

8. The W. H. & F. M. Society's Treasurer is Mrs. Pearl Grow, Box 219, Bristol, Tenn.

9. Send one (1) copy of your Statistical Blank properly filled out not later than July 5, 1947, to Rev. W. A. Soward, 305 Trinity Lane, Nashville, Tenn.

10. Your W. Y. P. S. Treasurer is W. C. Shook, 1111 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville 16, Tenn.

11. Your Budget Apportionment per member is:

Foreign Missions	\$2.00
Connectional Home Missions	1.00
Connectional Education	1.50
Orphanage .....	.25
Connectional S. S. work (per member of S. S.) .....	.05
Conference President's Salary	3.00
Conference Work .....	.75
Conference Missions	1.00
Superannuated Ministers' Fund .....	.10

Total Budget\$9.65

12. Ten (10) cents for each of scholars in main school shall be raised in addition to the Budget for Pioneer Work within the Conference.

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OFFICIARY

President—Rev. D. P. Denton, 1111 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville 16, Tenn.
Vice-President—Rev. C. F. Smith, Rockwood, Tenn.
Secretary—Rev. R. R. Prickett, Route 2, Wabash, Ind.
Treasurer—Mr. O. A. Collins, 325 S. Leslie St., Knoxville 16, Tenn.
Sunday School Secretary—Rev. H. A. Harvey, Powell Station, Tenn.
Tithing Secretary—Rev. A. L. Lowrance, 4015 12th Ave., Chattanooga 7, Tenn.

ADVISORY BOARD

Ministerial—Rev. A. L. Lowrance; Layman—J. E. Comer.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ministerial—David P. Denton (1949); J. A. Cassady (1948); A. L. Lowrance (1947) to fill unexpired term F. D. Cross.
Laymen—M. Houser (1949); J. E. Comer (1948).

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

J. F. Biddle, J. A. Cassady, O. A. Collins

CAMP MEETING BOARD

D. P. Denton, President; G. E. Davis, Vice-President; H. A. Harvey, O. A. Collins.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Itineracy and Orders—C. F. Smith (1950); D. P. Denton (1949); J. A. Cassady (1948); A. L. Lowrance (1947).
Judicial—C. F. Smith, G. E. Davis, J. F. Biddle, A. L. Lowrance.

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Vacancies—Clyde Blazer, C. F. Smith, G. E. Davis, Hubert Lynn, J. E. Comer.

Missionary Board—D. P. Denton, H. A. Harvey, A. L. Lowrance, O. A. Collins, J. E. Comer.

Educational Secretary—Clyde Blazer.

Statistical—W. A. Soward, Edward Schade.

Sunday School Board—H. A. Harvey, D. P. Denton, Mrs. Pearl Grow.

Nominee to Central College Board of Managers—D. P. Denton.

General Conference Delegate—Ministerial: D. P. Denton; Alternate, G. E. Davis. Lay: J. E. Comer; Alternate, M. Houser; Lay Delegate at Large, O. A. Collins; Alternate, M. P. Jackson.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Knoxville:	First Church	2016 Woodbine Ave.
	Stair Ave.	114 Stair Ave.
	Tabernacle Wesleyan	500 Middlebrook Pike
	Hinton St. Mission	207 Hinton St.
	Byrd's Chapel	Byington, Tenn.
Bristol:		323 Columbia St.
Chattanooga:		4th Ave. and 36th St.
Corinth:		4th and Washington
Freedom Hill:		Ethridge, Tenn.
Harriman:		South Harriman
Johnson City:		801 Wilson Ave.
Elizabethton:		
Mascot:		Shipe Addition Road
Nashville:		825 N. 4th Ave.
Rockwood:		Eureach Road

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CONFERENCE ROLL

Elders on Stationed List

Name	Address
Biddle, J. F. (5)	Jonesboro, Tenn., Box 311, R. 3.
Blazer, Clyde (6)	Harriman, Tenn., Box 250½, R. 4.
Cassady, J. A. (4)	Corinth, Miss., 1720 Webster St.
Davis, G. E. (5)	Knoxville 15, Tenn., 1621 Woodbine Ave.
Denton, D. P. (6)	Knoxville 16, Tenn., 1111 Middlebrook Pike
Harvey, H. A. (4)	Powell Station, Tenn.
Harvey, Willa E. (5)	Powell Station, Tenn.
Hayes, M. R.	Nashville, Tenn., 906 19th Ave. So.
Lawrence, S. J.	Greenville, Ill., Greenville College
Lowrance, A. L. (6)	Chattanooga 7, Tenn., 4015 12th Ave.
McMahan, William (4)	% Conference President
Prickett, R. R. (6)	Wabash, Ind., R. 2
Rice, R. E. (6)	Bristol, Tenn., 323 Columbia St.
Scarborough, W. L. (3)	Harriman, Tenn., R. 1
Shook, Dortha (2)	Knoxville 15, Tenn., 2523 Washington Ave.
Soward, W. A. (6)	Nashville, Tenn., 305 Trinity Lane
Smith, C. F. (6)	Rockwood, Tenn.
Whitaker, Jennie F.	Knoxville 16, Tenn., 107 Keith Ave.

Conference Preachers on Stationed List

Name	Address
Arnold, M. L. (6)	Knoxville 16, Tenn., 1111 Middlebrook Pike
Akers, George (5)	Johnson City, Tenn., 801 Wilson Ave.
Cochran, P. C. (4)	Mascot, Tenn., R. 1
Crabb, O. H.	Concord, Tenn., R. 1
Goins, C. O.	Chattanooga, Tenn., 4104 14th Ave.
Hampton, Thomas (6)	Ethridge, Tenn., R. 1
Sellers, Henry (6)	Knoxville 17, Tenn., 211 Hinton St.
Sellers, Ida	Knoxville 17, Tenn., 211 Hinton St.
Schade, Edward (4)	Nashville, Tenn., 1308 Meridian St.

Delegates

Name	Address
Pearl Grow (6)	Bristol, Tenn.
Alma Lane (5)	Rockwood, Tenn.
Hubert Lynn (4)	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Mrs. C. H. Cummings (6)	Concord, Tenn.
Audrey Morton (3)	Harriman, Tenn.

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Name	Address
O. A. Collins (6)	Knoxville, Tenn.
Mrs. George Holt (6)	Knoxville, Tenn.
C. A. Farmer (5)	Knoxville, Tenn.
Mrs. J. P. Harwell (6)	Mascot, Tenn.
Ruby Jean Cassady (6)	Corinth, Tenn.
Mrs. W. C. Trivette (6)	Bristol, Tenn.
Mrs. J. A. Cassady (3)	Corinth, Miss.
David Rice (5)	Harriman, Tenn.
Mrs. O. H. Crabb (3)	Knoxville, Tenn.
Mrs. Mabel Bledsoe	Knoxville, Tenn.
M. P. Jackson (5)	Knoxville, Tenn.
Helen Hammett (6)	Ethridge, Tenn.
James Martin (5)	Johnson City, Tenn.
George Ryan (5)	Elizabethton, Tenn.
Mrs. W. A. Soward (5)	Nashville, Tenn.
Ruby Surratt (6)	Corinth, Miss.

(Figures after name indicates times answered Roll Call.)

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 10:00 a. m.

The Tennessee Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church convened for its seventeenth annual session at Tate Springs, Tenn. at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday, July 10, 1946. Vice-President, C. F. Smith opened the session by asking Rev. H. A. Harvey to lead in prayer.

The song service was conducted by the Rev. Clyde Blazer, pastor of Stair Ave. Church, the Conference body singing, "Draw Me Nearer." Devotions were conducted by Rev. George D. Miller, Augusta, Ga., reading from the fourth chapter of James. Prayer was offered by Rev. George Davis, pastor Knoxville First Church. Conference was then called to order by the Vice-President. A motion carried that the Rev. Roy S. Nicholson preside over this session of Conference. The roll of Elders and Conference Preachers was called with 11 Elders and 4 Conference Preachers answering to the calling of their names. A motion to seat delegates from Hinton Street Mission was lost. The amended report of the Committee on Credentials was then adopted with the following named delegates being seated: Pearl Grow, Alma Lane, Hubert Lynn, Mrs. C. H. Cummings, Audrey Morton, O. A. Collins, Mrs. George Holt, C. A. Farmer, Mrs. J. P. Harwell, Ruby Jean Cassady, Mrs. W. C. Trivette, Mrs. J. A. Cassady, David Rice, Mrs. O. H. Crabb, Mrs. Mabel Bledsoe, M. P. Jackson, Helen Hammett, James Martin, G. W. Ryan, Mrs. W. A. Soward, Ruby Surratt.

The Conference Bar was set to be the center section of seats and the platform. A motion then carried that the request of Rev. F. D. Cross and Clara Bowman Cross that their names be dropped from the Conference roll be granted.

The Nominating Committee gave the following report which was adopted. Sessions Committees as follows:

Reporter—D. P. Denton.

Courtesy—H. A. Harvey, Hubert Lynn.

Tellers—Clyde Blazer, C. A. Farmer, J. C. Cochran.

Post Office Addresses—Ruby Surratt.

Apportionment—D. P. Denton, H. A. Harvey, O. A. Collins.

Pastoral Relations—C. F. Smith, J. A. Cassady, A. L. Lowrance, W. A. Soward, O. A. Collins, Pearl Grow, Ruby Surratt.

Resolutions—R. R. Prickett, D. P. Denton, George E. Davis.

Religious Services—R. R. Prickett, C. F. Smith, Mrs. J. P. Harwell.

Memorial Services—Willa E. Harvey, Clyde Blazer.

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Thanks—M. P. Jackson, Alma Lane.

Auditing—W. A. Soward, D. P. Denton.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. SMITH,

J. A. CASSADY,

O. A. COLLINS,

Committee.

A motion then carried that the Vice-President set on all committees of which the President is Chairman ex-officio. A motion passed that Conference convene at 8:30 a. m., E. S. T., adjourn at 11:45 a. m., reconvene at 1:30 p. m., adjourn upon motion. The Courtesy Committee then introduced the Rev. A. E. Belk of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, Mrs. A. E. Belk of the North Carolina Conference, Rev. G. E. Davis, Knoxville First Church, Rev. George D. Miller, Augusta, Ga., and J. Ted Bartlett, singing evangelist of Bradford, Pa. A motion carried that the Camp Meeting Committee designate Thursday, July 11, 7:30 p. m. as Missionary Hour; Friday, July 12, 7:30 p. m. as W. Y. P. S. night. Special Orders for the election of Conference officials, Standing Committees, and General Conference Delegates was set for Thursday, July 11, at 2:00 p. m. E. S. T. The Connectional Address by the Rev. Roy S. Nicholson was set for Wednesday, July 10, 7:30 p. m. A motion carried that the report of the Committee on Camp Meeting Advertising be received. Adjourned for committee work. Benediction by Rev. A. E. Belk.

Wednesday, 1:30 a. m.

Conference opened with J. Ted Bartlett conducting the song service. Prayer was offered by A. L. Lowrance. Roll was called and minutes read and approved as corrected. A motion carried that W. A. Soward be placed on the Pastoral Relations Committee to fill the vacancy. The report of the President was read by C. F. Smith and adopted by vote of the Conference. Motion carried that the delegates from Hinton Street Mission be granted honorary privileges of sitting with the Conference body without the right of voting. Rev. Willa E. Harvey was excused to conduct the W. H. & F. M. S. The Auditing Committee's report was read and adopted. The Conference Treasurer then gave his report which was adopted. A motion passed to refer the following recommendations and all like communications to the Itinerary and Orders Committee: Charles Haire, Edward Schade, O. H. Crabb, George Bross. A motion carried to refer the communication of George D. Miller of the North Georgia Conference to the Itinerary and Orders Committee. A communication was read from Elder S. J. Lawrence and his character was passed. The Statistical Committee gave its report which was adopted. The Secretary was instructed to mark R. H. Gleason withdrawn by letter of standing.

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General Orders were called and following names called, reports read, and character passed: D. P. Denton, J. A. Cassady, R. E. Rice, C. F. Smith, Clyde Blazer, R. R. Prickett, W. A. Soward, George Akers, Henry Sellers. Motion carried that R. E. Rice be transferred to Roll of Elders. Adjournment for committee work. Benediction by Rev. J. F. Biddle.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

Song service was conducted by J. Ted Bartlett after which C. F. Smith led a testimony service. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Biddle. Rev. Roy S. Nicholson then brought a stirring Connectional address based upon the 116th division of the Psalms, verses 12-14. Services closed with prayer around the altar.

Thursday, 8:30 a. m.

Conference opened by singing, "The Solid Rock." Devotions were conducted by Rev. A. L. Lowrance using for a Scripture lesson Phil. 4:19, and speaking on "A Providing God."

Roll was called and minutes read and approved. The Committee on Courtesy introduced Dr. A. E. Wachtel, President of Kingswood School; Mrs. George Akers, Mrs. White, and James Martin of Johnson City; G. W. Ryan of Elizabethton; Rev. Oscar Nevins and Mr. Quigley of New Jersey; and Findley Davis of Indiana.

The Committee on Vacancies recommended that W. A. Soward fill the unexpired term of F. D. Cross on the Committee of Itineracy and Orders; and Alma Lane, Hubert Lynn and Mrs. C. H. Cummings were appointed lay members. General Orders were resumed and following names called, reports read, and characters passed: G. E. Davis, A. L. Lowrance, M. L. Arnold, J. C. Cochran, H. A. Harvey, Willa E. Harvey, J. F. Biddle, Jennie Whitaker, W. L. Scarborough, M. R. Hayes, William McHahan, Dortha Shook, Bernice Prickett, Thomas Hampton, Ida Sellers. Motion carried to grant Sallie Parker a transfer to the North Carolina Conference. The Pastoral Relations Committee gave a partial report. A motion then carried to adjourn for committee work. Benediction by Edward Schade.

Thursday, 1:30 p. m.

The song service was conducted by Clyde Blazer. Prayer was offered by Rev. D. P. Denton. Rev. J. F. Biddle conducted devotions basing his remarks on the 17th chapter of Jeremiah, the Spirit of God being manifest. The roll was called and the minutes read and approved. The Committee on Itineracy and Orders then gave their report which was adopted. The Committee on Courtesy introduced Rev. Charles Haire of Kingsport and Rev. Gerald Price of the Baptist Church in Johnson City. Special Orders were called with the following officials and Standing Committees elected:

Conference President—D. P. Denton.

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Vice-President—C. F. Smith.

Secretary—R. R. Prickett.

Treasurer—O. A. Collins.

A motion then carried that with the exception of those required to be elected by ballot all other committees be elected by acclamation.

Trustees—Ministerial: To fill the unexpired term of F. D. Cross, A. L. Lowrance (1947), D. P. Denton (1949). Layman: M. Houser (1949).

Nominee to Central College Board of Managers—D. P. Denton.

General Conference Delegates—Ministerial: D. P. Denton; Alternate, G. E. Davis. Lay Delegate: J. E. Comer, Alternate, M. Houser; Lay Delegate at Large, O. A. Collins; Alternate, M. P. Jackson.

Sunday School Secretary—H. A. Harvey.

Tithing Secretary—A. L. Lowrance.

Committee on Nominations—J. F. Biddle, J. A. Cassady, O. A. Collins. Itinerary and Orders—C. F. Smith (1950).

Judiciary—C. F. Smith, G. E. Davis, J. F. Biddle, A. L. Lowrance.

Vacancies—Clyde Blazer, C. F. Smith, G. E. Davis, Hubert Lynn, J. E. Comer.

Missionary Board—D. P. Denton, H. A. Harvey, A. L. Lowrance, O. A. Collins, J. E. Comer.

Educational Secretary—Clyde Blazer.

Statistical Committee—W. A. Soward, Edward Schade.

Sunday School Board—H. A. Harvey, D. P. Denton, Pearl Grow.

Motion carried to adjourn. Benediction by Rev. Oscar Nevins of Jersey City.

Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

This service was devoted to the missionary interests of the Church. The song service was conducted by Brother Bartlett, with prayer by the newly elected Conference President, D. P. Denton. Special numbers in song were given by Rev. R. E. Rice, Knoxville First Church Quartette, and Brother Bartlett. Rev. Roy S. Nicholson was used of God to bring a message on "Reaching the Regions Beyond" using for a Scripture 2 Cor. 10:14-18. An offering for missions amounting to \$150.00 was received. Brother J. E. Comer then sang, "The Model Church." Benediction by Rev. L. C. Douthit.

Friday, 8:30 a. m.

Conference opened with song service conducted by Rev. Clyde Blazer. Devotionals were conducted by Rev. Oscar Nevins of New Jersey, using the first division of the Psalms. Prayer was offered by Brother Quigley. Roll was called and the minutes were read and approved. Motion carried that the west side of the tent and the platform constitute the Conference bar. Motion carried that character of C. O. Goins be passed. Motion carried to ratify the President's recommendation that A. L. Lowrance and

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J. E. Comer constitute the President's Advisory Board. The Pastoral Relations Committee gave the second reading. The Committee on Apportionment gave their report which was adopted with Item 12 amended to read 10 cents per member of the Sunday School as reported to Annual Conference.

Adjourned by limitation of time for Memorial Services. See Report No. 8. Conference was called to order by the chairman. The Committee on Resolutions gave their report which was adopted after Item 25 was amended. The Missionary Board gave their report which was adopted. The Committee on Thanks gave their report which was adopted. Motion carried that Committee on Post Office Addresses be instructed to report to the Secretary. Motion carried to adjourn. Benediction by W. A. Soward.

Friday, 1:30 p. m.

The Conference opened with Clyde Blazer leading the song service. Devotionals were conducted by Conference President Rev. D. P. Denton reading from Hebrews 12th chapter. Prayer was offered by Rev. George Akers. The Committee on Itineracy and Elder's Orders gave a supplementary report which was adopted. See Report No. 3. The Committee on Courtesy introduced Rev. J. B. Hilson, the President of Central College. Motion carried that the matter relating to Educational Address be referred to the Committee on Religious Service and the President of the W. Y. P. S. Adjourned by limitation of time. The Ordination Sermon was then delivered by Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, basing his remarks on 2 Cor. 6, and using for a subject, "Maintaining a Blameless Ministry." William McMahan and Dortha Shook were ordained to the office of Elders.

Conference was called to order by the chairman. Pastoral Relations Committee was excused for committee work. President J. B. Hilson of Central College was invited to speak to the Conference body, using for a subject, "Central College Goes Forward." Committee on Pastoral Relations gave final report which was adopted. Motion carried that since W. A. Soward had lost his credentials, he be granted a duplicate set of credentials. Motion carried that the Conference be held at Chattanooga, Tennessee. Motion carried that the time preferably be July 8, 1947; the Book Committee consenting. Motion carried that any unfinished or overlooked business be referred to the President and Advisory Board. The minutes were read and approved. Motion carried to give Rev. Roy S. Nicholson a rising vote of thanks. Final adjournment to meet at the call of the chair. Benediction by Rev. Roy S. Nicholson.

RESOLUTIONS AND LAWS OF THE TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

We, the Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report: Be it resolved, that these resolutions shall become the standing rules and law of this Conference:

1. Before a local building committee proceeds with a building plan or program that they be required to have all plans approved by the President and his Advisory Board and the Missionary Board; and further that no financial obligations be assumed without the consent of the Conference Trustees.

2. That the Board of Conference Trustees be, and they are hereby, empowered to sign all papers necessary for the sale or transfer of Conference, Church or Parsonage property; providing the said sale or transfer is authorized by the President and his Advisory Board and shall not violate the spirit of paragraphs 386, 387, of our book of Discipline.

3. The Board of Conference Trustees are hereby authorized to execute papers to secure funds for the liquidation of Conference, Church or Parsonage indebtedness, providing that the Churches set forth in writing the amount and the purpose for which the loan is to be used; and that no funds so secured shall be used for any other purpose than that set forth in the notice to the trustees of the Conference.

4. When a deed for Conference, Church or Parsonage property is received and before it is recorded it shall be referred to the President and his Advisory Board who are hereby designated as a Deed Examining Committee whose duty shall be to examine the deed and see that there are such disciplinary clauses included as may be necessary to make the property secure to our Church. Said Committee shall have power to engage such legal advice as may be needed to insure the proper steps regarding the reception or transfer of the property. See paragraphs 338, 339 of present book of Discipline.

5. A. Any Elder of the Conference shall be eligible to be Conference President providing that he shall not go outside the bounds of the Conference for more than four meetings during any one Conference year. B. The president's salary shall be \$1,000.00 per year plus traveling expenses for Quarterly Meetings, said expenses to be paid out of the Conference Fund, and the Conference Treasurer is hereby empowered to remit the President's salary to him monthly on or before the last day of each current month.

6. We shall proclaim with voice and pen and holy living the gospel

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of full salvation, recognizing our dependence upon, and need of the indwelling power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

7. Because of the alarming increase in worldliness, immorality, drunkenness and Sabbath desecration, as well as the tendency to shallow living among the people professing holiness, we pledge ourselves to an uncompromising stand against such evils and implore God's presence by the maintenance of the family altar in our homes.

8. We urge all Conference Preachers and Elders to become members of the W. H. & F. M. S. and that the pastors attend each meeting and encourage the women, this being one of the strong arms of the Church.

9. Each church shall make a special effort in behalf of, and loyally support the Church Extension Card Plan.

10. Each pastor, or charge, shall have in the hands of the Statistical Secretary not less than five days before the Annual Conference one copy of his statistical report in full. This report shall be accompanied by a statement from the Conference Treasurer giving the amounts paid on budget under Item VIII in the pastor's statistical report, and the pastor's report must check with that of the Conference Treasurer.

11. The Conference Treasurer's books shall close on June 30 of each year and no credit shall be given on the Budget for that fiscal year for money received after this date.

12. The President's, Secretary's and Treasurer's correspondence expenses shall be paid from the Conference Fund by the Conference Treasurer.

13. The fourth Sunday in October shall be known as Educational Sunday and pastors shall emphasize and take offerings for the same.

14. Minutes of this Conference shall be published and delivered to the pastors as soon after Conference as possible and payment shall be made within thirty (30) days after the receipt of the same.

15. Preachers and Delegates shall remain throughout the entire Conference session unless providentially hindered or excused by the Conference.

16. All Elders received from other denominations shall be required to pass the questions on the Book of Discipline and Perfect Love as given in the Course of Study for the first year of trial.

17. Because of the growing tendency on the part of many Elders to pass over the Annual Conference lightly and rarely deem it necessary to attend, it shall hereafter be required that each Elder in the Conference be in attendance at least one day unless providentially hindered or excused by the Conference.

18. Copies of these resolutions together with the apportionments and the addresses of the President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be in the

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hands of each pastor within two weeks of the close of the Annual Conference.

19. Pastors shall mail all Delegate's credentials to the Conference Secretary not less than five (5) days before convening of Conference.

20. The Conference Budget shall be raised and remitted monthly to the Conference Treasurer.

21. All moneys which are reported through the Conference Treasurer shall be sent to him either as cash or receipts and he shall give a Conference Treasurer's receipt for each item, and no money shall be listed paid out by the Treasurer except by check, on order of the President, and he shall be required to present cancelled checks and vouchers for each bill paid.

22. Whereas the time has come when the Missionary Board desires the finances to promote a program of Pioneer Evangelism, we recommend (a) That the churches of the Conference shall support this program by raising a sum of not less than 10 cents per month for each scholar in main school of Sunday school as reported on Statistical blank, and this money shall be remitted monthly with the regular Budget to the Conference Treasurer, who shall hold in trust all such money thus designated; and shall pay out of this fund only at the time and in the amounts ordered by the Missionary Board. (b) This money shall be wisely and carefully used exclusively for Pioneer Work, and for those places and pastors where there is a definite prospect of establishing a prosperous Wesleyan Methodist Church. (c) The Missionary Board shall make a study of plans now being used by other conferences to promote pioneer work, with a view to determining the best policies and plans to be followed, and that this report shall be presented to the next regular session of this Annual Conference.

23. It shall be a standing rule of this Conference that all churches shall close their books each year as of June 30.

24. All preachers taking the Course of Study shall have the answers to their examinations of various books in hands of Itineracy and Orders Committee before June 30 for credit for that year.

25. In view of our disciplinary stand on the matter of jewelry and our interpretation of the Scriptures in regard to it, we not not think it consistent with our standards for a Wesleyan Methodist minister to use the ring ceremony in performing a wedding. Therefore, preachers of this Conference shall be asked to refrain from performing a ring ceremony involving a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

26. It shall be a standing rule that the Secretary shall be remunerated the sum of \$50.00 for each session of Conference.

27. Because of the necessity for living quarters for the president, and as agreement shall be made with the Tabernacle Wesleyan Church whereby the second floor of the parsonage at 1111 Middlebrook Pike shall

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be the Conference President's living quarters and Conference shall contribute to the church the amount of \$300.00 per year for these accommodations.

R. R. PRICKETT, Chairman;
G. E. DAVIS,
D. P. DENTON.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Report No. 1

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AND OFFICIAL ACTS

To the Members of the Tennessee Annual Conference, Tate Springs, Tennessee.

Beloved: Greetings in the name of our Christ.

Again we have come to the end of a Conference year; the ministers and delegates are gathered to make their report of progress, where progress has been made, and excuses where there has been no progress. I trust every one will have an honest report of progress. This has been a great year in many respects. It has been a year where it was easy to raise finances, preach the truth when it was preached in love and fervency. Yes, it has been a year of many successes.

As we have come and gone from church to church, we have found, as a whole, a hearty spirit of coöperation—a spirit of sacrifice among the greater number of our brethren. We have seen preachers with such small salaries that we wondered how they were ever able to meet the expenses for the necessary things of life; yet these brethren have never once complained and our hearts have been touched with such a spirit of love and devotion to the Church.

We believe there is an opportunity in the great state of Tennessee for the Wesleyan Methodist Church, that if grasped at once, will mean a strong conference in the years to come. However, it will take a united effort on the part of every preacher and layman in the Conference. There is no place in God's program for drones, all must be workers. Every one must find his place and fill it. Not only must there be a united effort for work, but a united effort for sweet fellowship; a love for each other that will cause us to love and pray one for another. God send such a spirit upon each member of the Conference.

While traveling over this great state, we find many houses of worship that have been abandoned, and the windows broken out, once these were thriving churches, but for some cause, have closed the doors and left the building to the bats and doings of wicked men. God forbid that any Wesleyan Methodist Church should ever be so abandoned. And as long as everyone keeps their eye upon the God of the Bible, and off the things of this world, this can never happen. I want to testify to being fully saved and sanctified by the precious blood of Christ. I can say I love every man in the world today and only wish the blessings of God upon everyone.

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I can look back over the past three years, and although there are so many things I would have desired to have seen accomplished, yet I thank God for every thing God has done for the Conference during that time. I shall not try to enumerate them for most everyone knows what they are.

My Labors

I have held 26 Quarterly Conferences.

I have traveled over 30,000 miles.

I have held one revival off the district and five on the district.

I have served several churches over the week ends.

There have been 118 souls either saved, reclaimed, or sanctified.

My Official Acts

Licensed Rev. Edward Schade to preach, Nashville Church, Sept 11, 1945.

Licensed Rev. G. H. Bross to preach, Knoxville First Church, July 3, 1946.

Licensed Rev. Troy Allen to exhort, Knoxville First Church, July 3, 1946.

Organized the Church at Elizabethton, Tennessee, April, 1946.

Licensed to preach Charles Haire, Bristol Church, July 6, 1946.

I have received for my services:

Salary	\$1000.00
For revivals	403.80
Gifts from friends	433.00
For expenses	214.60

Total \$2051.40

F. D. CROSS, President.

Report No. 2

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THANKS

We, the Committee on Thanks, submit the following report:

We give thanks to our God for every blessing we have enjoyed in these Conference sessions—beautiful, clement weather, pure, fresh air, health and happiness.

We heartily thank Dr. Wachtel, his son John, and wife Mary, the waitresses, and every member of the staff of Kingswood School for the sweet hospitality given us.

We thank our own Dr. Roy S. Nicholson for presiding at our sessions and for his inspiring messages.

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We thank Rev. R. R. Prickett, our Secretary, for his divinely-led decision to remain with our Conference another year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ALMA LANE,
M. P. JACKSON,
Committee.

Report No. 3

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS

We, the Committee on Itineracy and Orders, submit the following report:

Rev. M. L. Arnold of Byrds Chapel has passed four books in the Study Course.

Rev. George Akers of Johnson City Church has passed three books in the Study Course and eight books in the reading course.

Rev. Thomas Hampton of the Freedom Hill Church has passed five books in the Course of Study.

Rev. Henry Sellers and Ida Sellers with the above names are recommended to continue in the Course of Study.

Rev. J. C. Cochran of the Mascot Church is to continue the Course of Study.

C. O. Goins is to continue the Course of Study.

Bernice Prickett be continued in the first year Course of Study.

Grace Winebarger, having passed first year Bible and Discipline, we recommend that she be continued in the first year Course of Study.

We recommend that the following be given Conference license with liberty to travel under the direction of the Conference and to pursue the Course of Study: Rev. Edward Schade, Rev. E. B. Carnes, Rev. H. L. Rogers, Rev. George H. Bross, Rev. O. H. Crabb, and Rev. Charles Haire.

We recommend that Rev. McMahan and Rev. Dortha Shook, having passed the prescribed Course of Study, be elected to Elder's Orders.

In view of the fact that the recommendation presented by Brother George D. Miller was a statement of his standing in the Course of Study in the North Georgia Conference, and a recommendation for ordination, but was not accompanied by a proper letter of transfer, it is recommended that he be advised to return to the North Georgia Conference to complete the pastoral appointment at Augusta, Georgia, and receive ordination at the hands of that Conference. Then, if he wishes to transfer to this Con-

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ference, his transfer as an Elder will be considered in the prescribed manner.

J. A. CASSADY,
A. L. LOWRANCE,
W. A. SOWARD,
MRS. ALMA LANE,
MRS. C. H. CUMMINGS,
HUBERT LYNN,
C. F. SMITH, Secretary.

Report No. 4

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Audit, have examined the books of the Conference Treasurer, and find them to be in order.

W. A. SOWARD, Chairman;
D. P. DENTON.

Report No. 5

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS

We, the Committee on Pastoral Relations, submit the following report:
Conference Officers:

President—D. P. Denton.
Vice-President—C. F. Smith.
Secretary—R. R. Prickett.
Treasurer—O. A. Collins.
Sunday School Secretary—H. A. Harvey.
Tithing Secretary—A. L. Lowrance.

We recommend the circuits be supplied as follows:

- 1 Bristol—R. E. Rice. ✓
- 2 Byrd's Chapel—O. H. Crabb. ✓
- 3 Chattanooga—A. L. Lowrance. ✓
- 4 Corinth—J. A. Cassady. ✓
- 5 Elizabethton—In hands of President. B. J. Rice
- 6 Freedom Hill—Thomas Hampton. ✓
- 7 Harriman—George Akers. ✓
- 8 Happy Valley Mission—C. O. Goins.
- 9 Hinton Street Mission—Henry and Ida Sellers under President and Advisory Board and Pastor First Church.
- 10 Johnson City—William McMahan. ✓

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- 106 Knoxville First—G. E. Davis. ✓
10 Mascot—J. C. Cochran.
14 Nashville—Edward Schade. ✓
35 Rockwood—C. F. Smith. ✓
52 Tabernacle Wesleyan—M. L. Arnold. ✓
15 Stair Ave.—In hands of President.
General Evangelists—J. F. Biddle, H. A. Harvey, Willa E. Harvey,
Jennie F. Whitaker, R. R. Prickett.
Conference Evangelists—Clyde Blazer, W. A. Soward, M. R. Hayes,
S. J. Lawrence, W. L. Scarborough, Dortha Shook.
Withdrawn by Transfer—Sallie Parker.
Withdrawn by Letter of Standing—J. M. Johnson, R. H. Gleason.
D. P. DENTON, Chairman;
C. F. SMITH,
W. A. SOWARD,
J. A. CASSADY,
A. L. LOWRANCE,
PEARL GROW,
RUBY SURRATT,
O. A. COLLINS, Secretary.
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Report No. 6

COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS

We, the Committee on Apportionments, submit the following report:

We recommend the following appropriation:

Item 1. That the Budget Apportionment per member be as follows: Foreign Missions, \$2.00; Connectional Home Missions, \$1.00; Connectional Education, \$1.50; Orphanage, 25 cents; Conference President's Salary, \$3.00; Conference Missions, \$1.00; Conference Fund, \$.75; Superannuated Ministers' Fund, 10 cents; Pioneer Work, 10 cents per month for each scholar in main school as reported on Statistical blank; Connectional Sunday School Work, 5 cents per member of Sunday School.

Item 2. 1. It is recommended that all charges paying less than \$700 per year salary to their pastor shall seek earnestly to raise the salary to that amount as quickly as possible.

2. No money shall be paid out by the Treasurer for work in this Conference without the consent of the Missionary Board.

3. We recommend the Storehouse Tithing Plan as given in Mal. 3: 8-10 as the only financial plan God has given His children.

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4. It is requested that 1 cent per member be raised for General Conference President's Salary.

Respectfully submitted,

D. P. DENTON, Chairman;

H. A. HARVEY,

O. A. COLLINS.

Report No. 7

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand, July 1, 1946:

In General Fund	\$ 232.76
In Superannuated Ministers' Fund	66.02
Received—By cash and checks	3113.68
For Superannuated Minister	31.59
For Pioneer Work	564.15

 Total receipts

\$4008.20

Disbursed:

For Pioneer Work	\$ 358.70
For all other purposes	2789.46
Balance in Superannuated Ministers	97.61
Balance in Pioneer Fund	205.45
Balance in General Fund	556.98

 Total

\$4008.20

O. A. COLLINS, Treasurer.

Report No. 8

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS

We, the Committee on Memorials, submit the following report:

God in His all-wise Providence has seen fit to take from among our numbers four members the past year: Sister Bessie Cross, and Brother C. B. Pelkington of the Chattanooga Church; Sister Grace B. Rice of the Harriman Church; and Sister Lida Suddarth of Knoxville First Church.

Memorial services were held Friday, July 12, 1946, at 10:00 a. m. Devotionals were read by Rev. Clyde Blazer, after which prayer was offered by R. R. Prickett. Our Camp Meeting song leader, Brother J. Ted Bartlett rendered a solo after which Brothers A. L. Lowrance, D. P. Denton and J. E. Comer gave testimony concerning these our departed loved

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ones. Brother R. E. Rice also spoke concerning the labors of his faithful and loved companion. Brother G. E. Davis closed the services with prayer.

CLYDE BLAZER,
WILLA HARVEY,
Committee.

PRESIDENT'S QUARTERLY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

First Quarter

Corinth, Miss.	August 21
Freedom Hill	August 23
Nashville	August 25
Chattanooga	September 1
Rockwood	September 3
Harriman	September 5
Byrd's Chapel	September 6
Knoxville, First	September 7
Tabernacle Wesleyan	September 9
Stair Avenue	September 10
Hinton Street	September 11
Mascot	September 12
Johnson City	September 14
Elizabethton	September 13
Bristol	September 16

Fourth Quarter

Corinth, Miss.	June 15
Freedom Hill	June 16
Nashville	June 17
Chattanooga	June 18
Rockwood	June 19
Harriman	June 21
Byrd's Chapel	June 22
Knoxville, First	June 23
Tabernacle Wesleyan	June 24
Stair Avenue	June 25
Hinton Street	June 26
Mascot	June 28
Johnson City	June 29
Elizabethton	June 30
Bristol	July 1

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Report No. 9 STATISTICAL REPORT

Item I. Pastor's Labors Item II. Periodicals

Name of Charge	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Wesleyan Missionaries Taken	Wesleyan Youth Taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Department Quarterly	Lesson Leaflets	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart	Pupil's Lesson Stories	Bible Lesson Stories
Bristol	12	1	1	14	10	15	20	20	...	6	30	...	15	...	...	20	10	...	10	10
Byrd's Chapel	12	1	1	2	1	1	12	...	...	3	10	15	15	...	...	10	10	...	...	...
Chattanooga	12	1	1	2	3	12	...	...	...	2	...	30	25	...	...	40	36	2	...	...
Corinth and Liberty	12	2	1	4	1	...	10	...	10	2	10	10	8	...	...	10	...	...	...	...
Freedom Hill	12	1	1	2	...	7	8	6	...	5	12	12	8	5	...	6	10	...	...	...
Harriman	12	1	1	3	...	4	25	35	...	6	...	30	68	...	...	50	...	...	...	18
Hinton St. Mission	12	1	...	...	7	6	...	...	...	8	60	20	15	...	...	65	55	1	...	...
Johnson City	12	2	1	15	7	13	17	...	...	3	15	10	10	...	...	15	...	...	...	15
Elizabethton	12	1	1	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	25	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Knoxville, First	12	1	1	24	22	15	70	30	...	15	70	25	15	20	...	50	...	1	...	...
Mascot	12	1	1	3	1	...	20	...	...	4	15	15	...	...	...	10	20	...	...	...
Nashville	12	1	1	1	7	6	...	...	...	4	10	10	...	...	...	10	12	...	...	...
Rockwood	12	1	1	5	10	11	30	15	...	6	25	10	15	...	...	35	15	1	...	15
Stair Avenue	12	1	1	5	3	...	15	15	...	4	10	20	...	...	...	20	35	...	...	...
Tabernacle Wesleyan	12	1	1	5	4	14	40	30	...	8	30	30	30	...	1	20	20
Totals	180	17	14	87	70	105	267	151	10	82	297	237	186	25	...	371	203	6	30	78

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Item III. Membership

Name of Charge	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Total Membership Last Year	No. Reported	Present Number	Loss (or)	Gain	No. Under 14 Years	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Local Preachers	No. Family Altars	Membership Tithing
Bristol	7	...	...	...	4	4	21	24	...	3	5	3	...	1	2	13	15
Byrd's Chapel	2	...	4	...	2	6	7	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2
Chattanooga	6	...	...	2	3	5	40	41	...	1	2	20	...	...	3	10	16
Corinth and Liberty	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	27	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	3	8
Freedom Hill	...	...	4	...	2	6	33	27	6	...	7	...	...	...	...	5	10
Harriman	8	2	...	...	...	2	11	17	...	6	5	...	...	1	...	3	4
Hinton Street Mission	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Johnson City	1	...	...	...	2	2	19	18	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	12
Elizabethton	7	...	...	...	...	...	7	7	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	2	...
Knoxville, First	3	...	1	1	1	3	106	108	...	2	...	15	4	...	2	...	50
Mascot	3	...	...	...	2	2	9	10	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	5	10
Nashville	4	...	...	...	...	...	10	14	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Rockwood	2	...	17	...	...	17	50	35	15	...	6	...	...	...	...	4	22
Stair Avenue	2	...	2	...	...	2	15	15	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	3	5
Tabernacle Wesleyan	1	...	5	...	2	7	61	55	6	2	7	17
Totals	48	2	33	3	18	56	409	401	32	24	29	40	4	6	12	64	171

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Item IV. Sunday Schools

Name of Charge	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. of Officers	Whole No. of Teachers	Whole No. Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	Average Attendance	No. Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	No. Scholars Converted	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. Departmental Supt.	No. in Teacher's Training	No. Organized Classes	No. Books in Library	Enrollment Vacation B. S.	Average Attendance V. B. S.	No. W. Y. P. Societies	Total Membership Societies
Bristol	1	3	6	73	82	57	...	...	82	18	6	...	...	6	...	48	35	1	19
Byrd's Chapel	1	23	3	47	52	24	...	...	52	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Chattanooga	1	2	6	140	148	100	4	...	152	5	...	...	...	6	...	60	45	1	18
Corinth and Liberty	1	...	5	48	53	37	...	...	53	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	10
Freedom Hill	1	2	4	48	54	30	6	6	66	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	10
Harriman	1	4	6	80	90	76	...	11	101	5	5	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	3
Hinton Street Mission	1	...	9	266	275	168	...	...	275	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	1	60
Johnson City	1	3	3	40	46	28	2	2	50	...	...	1	...	3	5	...	...	...	...
Elizabethton	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Knoxville, First	1	4	10	128	142	104	...	...	142	...	2	1	...	3	...	60	53	1	46
Mascot	1	28	2	38	43	38	...	3	46	4	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Nashville	1	2	4	35	42	30	...	...	42	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Rockwood	1	6	5	59	70	61	...	...	70	6	2	...	...	5	...	35	29	1	21
Stair Avenue	1	4	4	42	50	58	...	25	75	...	...	1	...	4	1	...	...	1	12
Tabernacle Wesleyan	1	4	7	60	71	62	...	15	86	2	1	4	...	7	1	12
Totals	14	39	75	1104	1218	873	12	63	1293	42	16	9	...	66	6	203	152	10	212

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Item V. Church Property

Name of Charge	No. Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage	Amount of Indebted	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Bristol	1	\$12000.00	\$652.76	\$2500.00	1	\$1200.00			\$250.86
Byrd's Chapel	1	1700.00							682.16
Chattanooga	1	12000.00	2950.00	5000.00	1	4750.00	\$2800.00	\$1000.00	
Corinth and Liberty	2	5800.00			1	800.00		400.00	
Freedom Hill	1	1000.00		800.00	1	2800.00	198.00	1500.00	150.00
Harriman	1	3000.00		1000.00	1				1363.05
Hinton Street Mission	1	4000.00		1600.00	1	2500.00		1300.00	44.33
Johnson City	1	5000.00	2120.00	2500.00	1				150.00
Elizabethton	1	4000.00	900.00						
Knoxville, First	1	10000.00		3000.00	1	4000.00	1549.78	2000.00	
Mascot	1	4500.00	750.00	2000.00					
Nashville	1	2500.00	1408.00						
Rockwood	1	3000.00			1	2500.00			326.64
Stair Avenue	1	3000.00		2000.00					11.60
Tabernacle Wesleyan	1	\$250.00		2000.00	1	8500.00	3500.00	5500.00	50.00
Totals	16	\$92050.00	\$8128.00	\$22400.00	8	\$28050.00	\$8047.78	\$11700.00	\$3028.64

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Item VI. Contributed for Pastor

Name of Charge	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Bristol	\$1038.00	\$300.00	\$10.00	\$186.00	\$1534.00
Bryd's Chapel	324.10	240.00	5.00	.....	569.10
Chattanooga	2120.00	.....	41.00	200.00	2361.00
Corinth and Liberty	731.50	300.00	7.00	356.60	1395.10
Freedom Hill	520.00	120.00	4.00	62.75	706.75
Harriman	440.00	200.00	5.00	425.41	1070.41
Hinton Street Mission	1225.00	.....	.....	71.84	1301.84
Johnson City	812.00	300.00	15.00	208.00	1335.00
Elizabethton .....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	25.00
Knoxville, First	2728.55	360.00	40.00	63.76	3192.31
Mascot	411.00	120.00	.....	50.00	581.00
Nashville	324.00	240.00	.....	.....	564.00
Rockwood	1300.00	150.00	8.00	251.76	1709.76
Stair Avenue	1000.00	.....	.....	180.00	1180.00
Tabernacle Wesleyan	1805.00	360.00	92.50	2257.50
Totals	\$14879.15	\$2690.00	\$140.00	\$2173.62	\$19782.77

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Item VII. Contributed for Church							
Name of Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Bristol	\$350.00	\$76.00	\$1479.00	.....	\$61.92	\$277.00	\$2243.92
Byrd's Chapel	23.00	32.71	.....	200.00	.....	63.09	318.80
Chattanooga	133.02	321.61	3260.06	.....	50.00	72.62	3837.31
Corinth and Liberty ..	41.76	70.00	.....	496.25	275.00	35.15	918.16
Freedom Hill	132.65	31.67	.....	71.68	.....	31.77	267.77
Harriman	66.75	20.43	1500.00	57.00	.....	284.56	1928.74
Hinton Street Mission ..	624.44	184.61	.....	495.66	.....	381.69	1686.40
Johnson City	119.63	46.99	782.00	150.00	932.00	133.30	2168.92
Elizabethton	67.00	.....	1400.00	.....	.....	135.00	1602.00
Knoxville, First	471.15	123.90	329.08	516.09	67.77	1284.32	2792.31
Mascot	190.56	56.70	.....	5.40	436.78	93.33	782.77
Nashville	42.00	40.00	260.00	.....	.....	103.30	445.30
Rockwood	486.08	105.55	.....	388.67	.....	252.90	1233.20
Stair Avenue	437.00	190.30	116.00	417.36	.....	141.01	1301.67
Tabernacle Wesleyan ..	625.29	195.99	450.00	119.39	560.00	398.43	2349.10
Totals	\$3810.33	\$1496.46	\$9576.14	\$2917.50	\$2383.47	\$3692.47	\$23876.37

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Item VIII. Amount Contributed

Name of Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Connectional S. S. Work	Total Connectional Budget
Bristol	\$60.00	\$41.00	\$24.25	\$15.25	\$3.50	\$144.00
Byrd's Chapel	14.00	7.00	8.75	1.75	2.50	34.00
Chattanooga	80.00	40.00	50.00	10.00	2.00	182.00
Corinth and Liberty	17.50	5.50	.....	.....	.....	23.00
Freedom Hill	40.00	20.00	25.00	5.00	.....	90.00
Harriman	22.00	12.00	13.75	2.75	5.00	55.50
Hinton Street Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnson City	10.00	55.00	.....	.....	.....	65.00
Elizabethton .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knoxville, First	212.00	106.00	132.50	26.50	5.50	482.30
Mascot .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nashville	2.00	4.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00
Rockwood	100.89	66.79	252.50	28.89	7.00	456.07
Stair Avenue	30.00	15.00	22.50	8.90	6.35	82.75
Tabernacle Wesleyan	146.00	61.00	76.25	15.25	3.05	301.55
Totals	\$734.39	\$433.29	\$605.50	\$114.29	\$34.70	\$1922.17

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Item VIII. Amount Contributed						
Name of Charge	President's Salary	Conference Work	Conference Missions	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Total Conference Budget	Total Budget
Bristol	\$63.00	\$15.75	\$21.00	\$2.10	\$101.85	\$245.85
Ryrd's Chapel	21.00	5.25	7.00	.70	33.95	67.95
Chattanooga	120.00	30.00	40.00	4.00	194.00	376.00
Corinth and Liberty	3.00	2.00	2.00	.....	7.00	30.00
Freedom Hill	60.00	15.00	20.00	2.00	97.00	187.00
Harriman	33.00	8.25	.....	1.10	42.35	97.85
Hinton Street Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnson City	36.96	13.04	5.00	.....	55.00	120.00
Elizabethton .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knoxville, First	318.00	79.50	106.00	10.60	514.10	996.90
Mascot	7.41	.....	.....	.....	7.41	7.41
Nashville .....	.....	14.25	.....	1.00	15.25	21.25
Rockwood	162.00	37.50	53.15	5.00	257.65	713.72
Stair Avenue	45.00	11.25	15.00	1.50	72.75	155.50
Tabernacle Wesleyan	183.00	25.60	25.45	2.55	236.60	538.15
Totals	\$1052.37	\$257.39	\$294.60	\$30.55	\$1634.91	\$3557.08

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Item IX. Contributed for Benevolences

Name of Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Conference, Pioneer Work	W. Y. P. S.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Bristol	\$25.00	\$5.53	\$25.00	.....	\$81.10	\$60.00	\$181.00	\$377.63
Byrd's Chapel	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	\$10.00	.....	10.00	30.00
Chattanooga .....	.....	93.64	.....	.....	168.00	.....	.....	261.64
Corinth and Liberty .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	10.00
Freedom Hill .....	.....	7.00	10.00	.....	44.00	4.27	22.35	87.62
Harriman .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26.85	.....	12.72	39.57
Hinton Street Mission	40.98	.....	.....	27.00	60.00	.....	394.07	522.05
Johnson City	4.00	2.20	.....	.....	.....	11.00	130.23	147.43
Elizabethton .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knoxville, First .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	168.00	29.30	271.65	468.95
Mascot .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nashville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	35.00	42.00
Rockwood .....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	70.00	.....	67.82	152.82
Stair Avenue	11.00	.....	80.00	5.15	60.00	.....	60.00	216.15
Tabernacle Wesleyan	205.00	225.00	43.00	24.03	727.32	1224.35
Totals	\$85.98	\$333.37	\$340.00	\$32.15	\$737.95	\$128.60	\$1922.16	\$3580.21

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Item X. Contributed Totals

Name of Charge	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Bristol	\$1534.00	\$2243.92	\$245.85	\$377.63	\$4401.40
Byrd's Chapel	569.10	318.80	67.95	30.00	985.85
Chattanooga	2361.00	3837.31	376.00	261.64	6835.95
Corinth and Liberty	1395.10	918.16	30.00	10.00	2353.26
Freedom Hill	706.75	267.77	187.00	87.62	1249.14
Harriman	1070.41	1928.74	97.85	39.57	3136.57
Hinton Street Mission	1301.84	1686.40	.....	522.05	3511.29
Johnson City	1335.00	2168.92	120.00	147.43	3771.35
Elizabethton	25.00	1602.00	.....	.....	1627.00
Knoxville, First	3192.31	2792.31	996.40	468.95	7449.97
Mascot	581.00	782.77	7.41	.....	1371.18
Nashville	564.00	445.30	21.25	42.00	1072.55
Rockwood	1709.76	1233.20	713.72	152.82	3809.50
Stair Avenue	1180.00	1301.67	155.50	216.15	2853.32
Tabernacle Wesleyan	2257.50	2349.10	538.15	1224.35	6369.10
Totals	\$19782.77	\$23876.37	\$3557.08	\$3580.21	\$50796.43

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Item XI. Table of Information, Showing Sources and Distribution of Budget and Benevolences

Name of Charge	Sunday School	Y. M. W. B.	W. H. & F. M. S.	W. Y. P. S.	Other Sources	Totals
Bristol						
Byrd's Chapel	\$32.95		\$14.00		\$51.00	\$97.95
Chattanooga						
Corinth and Liberty						
Freedom Hill						
Harriman	5.00	\$9.00	34.00		98.42	146.42
Hinton Street Mission		67.98			369.57	437.55
Johnson City	28.00		150.99		89.44	268.43
Elizabethhton						
Knoxville, First	168.00			\$29.30	1268.05	1465.35
Mascot						
Nashville					50.50	50.50
Rockwood	95.14		257.68	73.46	486.81	913.09
Stair Avenue						
Tabernacle Wesleyan						
Totals	\$329.09	\$76.98	\$456.67	\$102.76	\$2413.79	\$3379.29

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

President—Mrs. Willa E. Harvey, Powell Station, Tennessee.

Vice-President—Miss Dortha Shook, 2523 Washington Ave., Knoxville 15, Tennessee.

Secretary—Mrs. Margaret Edmonds, 311 Clark St., Knoxville 16, Tennessee.

Treasurer—Mrs. Pearl Grow, P. O. Box 219, Bristol, Tennessee.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Miss Nema White, 820 Alabama Street, Bristol, Tennessee.

MINUTES OF THE W. H. & F. M. SOCIETY

Wednesday, July 10, 1946

The business session of the W. H. & F. M. Society of the Tennessee Annual Conference met in the Library of the Kingswood School at Tate Springs, July 10, 1946, for the first business meeting. The session opened with prayer by Mrs. David Denton. Mrs. H. A. Harvey, the President, was presiding. The session was well represented by delegates of most all local churches and missions. The following representatives were present: Tabernacle Wesleyan, Mrs. O. H. Collins; Chattanooga, Mrs. Lois Lynn; Bristol, Mrs. Pearl Grow; Freedom Hill, Mrs. J. L. Rushing; Nashville, Mrs. W. S. Soward; Knoxville First, Mrs. Margaret Edmonds; Johnson City, Mrs. Hobart White; Corinth, Mrs. J. A. Cassady; Rockwood, Mrs. C. B. Blackburn; Stair Ave., Knoxville, Mrs. O. H. Crabb; Hinton Street Mission, Mrs. Willie Reynolds.

After roll call, the committees were named. The Nominating Committee was composed of: Mrs. David Denton, Mrs. J. A. Cassady and Mrs. O. A. Collins. The Magazine Solicitor is Mrs. H. A. Harvey. The Statistical Committee is: Mrs. Margaret Edmonds and Mrs. Thomas Hampton.

A few brief talks were made in connection with the work for the following year. The meeting adjourned for committee work.

Thursday, 9:30 a. m.

The second business session was held with Mrs. H. A. Harvey in charge, who also conducted the devotionals. The minutes were read of the

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previous meeting by Mrs. Margaret Edmonds, Secretary, and stood as read, with the exception of a minor correction. The Treasurer's report was given and approved as read. This was followed by a report of committees.

The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. H. A. Harvey.

Vice-President—Dortha Shook.

Secretary—Mrs. Margaret Edmonds.

Treasurer—Mrs. Pearl Grow.

Superintendent Y. M. W. B.—Neima White.

Organizers—Mrs. Willa Harvey, Miss Dortha Shook.

Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

The W. H. & F. M. S. closed their business session with a rally on Thursday evening, July 11, 1946, in the open tent on the grounds of the Kingswood School, with Mrs. H. A. Harvey presiding. Brother J. E. Comer of Knoxville brought a soul-stirring message in song, "The Model Church." The Spirit of the Lord was manifested in a most unusual way as shouts of praise came from over the tent. An offering was taken, amounting to \$150.00, to be used in connection with this year's work.

Dr. Roy S. Nicholson, Editor and our Connectional Representative of Syracuse, New York, brought a very touching message, "Reaching Regions Beyond," and this message will linger long in hearts interested in mission work. Final adjournment.

MRS. MARGARET EDMONDS, Secretary.

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

Receipts

Name of Society	Active Members	Honorary Members	Members Gained	Regular Meetings Held	Special Meetings Held	Use Missionary Programs?	Wesleyan Missionarys Taken	Cash on Hand from Last Year	Membership Dues
Bristol	12	2	...	12	1	Yes	10	\$15.12	\$9.00
Byrd's Chapel	6	1	6	9	...	Yes	1	.....	7.00
Chattanooga	15	3	...	10	...	Yes	2	.....	12.20
Corinth	17	2	12	9	1	...	1	.....	9.85
Freedom Hill	8	...	...	12	...	Yes	...	5.00	9.20
Johnson City	20	2	9	20	1	Yes	9	4.30	20.00
Knoxville, First	34	3	20	19	...	Yes	20	11.46	19.00
Knoxville, Tabernacle	10	4	...	8	...	Yes	5	13.85	14.00
Rockwood	22	5	...	12	...	Yes	7	15.00
Stair Avenue	9	4	9	10	...	Yes	13	11.00
Totals	153	26	56	121	3	9	68	\$49.73	\$126.25

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

Receipts					
Name of Society	Offerings	Labor	Clothing and Other Gifts to Home Work	Other Sources	Total
Bristol	\$75.98	\$331.57	.....	\$147.10	\$578.87
Byrd's Chapel	18.25	.....	.....	.....	23.25
Corinth	67.79	31.50	.....	.....	109.14
Chattanooga	69.20	.....	.....	.....	81.10
Freedom Hill	4.71	12.50	.....	8.27	39.68
Johnson City	76.99	.....	\$55.00	.....	156.29
Knoxville, First .....	.....	.....	.....	244.50	274.96
Knoxville, Tabernacle	43.85	.....	.....	407.15	478.85
Rockwood	167.68	90.00	272.68
Stair Avenue	4.11	12.30	7.00	34.11
Totals	\$528.56	\$387.87	\$55.00	\$904.02	\$2051.43

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

Disbursements					
Name of Society	Home, Cash	Clothing and Gifts	Foreign, Cash	Hephzibah Orphanage	Education, Cash
Bristol	\$38.00	.....	\$30.00	.....	\$2.00
Byrd's Chapel .....	.....	.....	14.75	.....	.....
Chattanooga .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Freedom Hill	10.00	.....	12.50	\$5.00	.....
Johnson City	5.00	\$55.00	10.00	.....	.....
Knoxville, First .....	.....	116.50	94.50	4.90	.....
Knoxville, Tabernacle	27.62	.....	125.00	15.25	.....
Rockwood	66.79	100.89
Stair Avenue	10.00	11.16
Totals	\$157.41	\$171.50	\$398.80	\$25.15	\$2.00

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

Disbursements					
Name of Society	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Cash on Hand	Total for W. H. & F. M. S.
Bristol	\$241.00	\$14.00	\$235.56	\$18.21	\$578.77
Byrd's Chapel				10.50	25.25
Chattanooga			81.40		81.40
Corinth	103.14			6.00	109.14
Freedom Hill	7.00			5.18	39.68
Johnson City	18.79	5.00	58.20	4.30	156.29
Knoxville, First		9.00	25.00	25.06	274.96
Knoxville, Tabernacle	205.00		91.00	14.98	478.85
Rockwood		15.00	90.00		272.68
Stair Avenue		5.50	7.00	.75	34.41
Totals	\$574.93	\$48.50	\$588.16	\$84.98	\$2051.43

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Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Band	No. of Members	No. of Meetings Held	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Total
Bristol	30	52	\$37.12	.....	\$10.00	\$47.12
Knoxville, First	30	24	\$91.75	.....	.....	\$91.75
Knoxville, Tabernacle .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chattanooga .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnson City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth	20	25	\$10.00	\$3.50	.....	13.50
Freedom Hill .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Byrd's Chapel
Rockwood	21	26	\$7.21	7.21
Stair Avenue
Totals	101	127	\$146.08	\$3.50	\$10.00	\$159.58

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Tennessee Conference Wesleyan Young People's Society

W. Y. P. S. OFFICERS 1946-1947

President—Mr. Houston Houser, Neuberts, Tenn.

Vice-President—Mr. H. Kenneth Jackson.

Secretary—Miss Agnes G. Houser, Neuberts, Tenn.

Treasurer—Mr. William Clinton Shook, 1111 Middlebrook, Knoxville,
Tenn.

Report No. 1

W. Y. P. S. SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Balance brought forward	\$ 58.06
Johnson City	11.29
Bristol	47.10
Hinton Street Mission	5.75
Rockwood	9.96
Harriman	7.04
Stair Avenue	6.00
Chattanooga	7.50
Knoxville First Church	47.80
Tabernacle Wesleyan	5.50
Offering at Tate Springs	10.25
Total receipts	<hr/> \$216.25

Disbursements

Connectional dues	\$ 49.75
Advertising and printing	29.40
V. A. Mitchell, Area President's expense	12.60
H. K. Sheets, General Superintendent	50.00
Conference visitation expense	40.00
David Rice schooling	25.00
Total disbursements	<hr/> \$206.75

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Recapitulation

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 58.06
Receipts	158.19
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Total receipts	\$216.25
Disbursements	206.00
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Balance July 15, 1946	\$ 10.25

AGNES G. HOUSER, Secretary-Treasurer.

Report No. 2

W. Y. P. S. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

During the past Conference year we have seen more growth in the Youth Department than any other year. By hard work at times and good coöperation from each local society I have made contact and held services in every local in Conference during year. (This is from Bristol, Tennessee to Corinth, Mississippi, a distance of nearly 600 miles.) In all have traveled approximately 2,000 miles in Conference visitation.

We have a local in each church except 4 and 2 of these are to be organized in a few days. In the coming Conference year we are sure of a 100% local organization in the Conference.

We have had two state conventions during the past year. In April at the First Wesleyan Methodist Church at Knoxville, Tennessee we were very fortunate in having Rev. H. K. Sheets, General Superintendent, as speaker. July 12, 1946 (during Tennessee Annual Conference) we had the second convention with Rev. J. B. Hilson, President of Central College, who was at his best, speaking on the challenge to youth in this modern day.

We also attended the Southern Area Youth Convention at Central College along with a group of twenty-five or more delegates from Tennessee.

The youth of the Tennessee Conference pledged to pay the expenses to Central College of a seventeen year old high school graduate of our Conference. This new college student will major in music. The State W. Y. P. S. is also making a gift of \$100.00 to the new Childs' Memorial Dormitory for boys.

The Tennessee Youth is in position to make the greatest progress of its life.

(Signed) HOUSTON HOUSER,
President Tennessee Conference W. Y. P. S.

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W. Y. P. S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Society	Organized	Active Members			Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth	Total Receipts for the Year	Education (Budget)	Local Work	General Dues (Connectional)	Conf. Travel Expenses and Con. Representatives Exp.	Conference Budget	Sending Boy to Central	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
Bristol	Yes	14	5	15			\$70.79	.....	\$12.00	\$7.00	\$15.10	.....	\$25.00	\$59.10	\$1.69
Chattanooga	Yes	18	10	12			149.27	.....	123.66	7.50	.....	\$17.02	.....	148.18	1.09
Freedom Hill	No	37	5	7				.....						
Knoxville, First	Yes	7	7	15			98.50	.....	32.50	18.75	29.30	.....		80.55	17.95
Knoxville, Tabernacle		11		14			33.54	.....	22.06	5.50		.....		27.56	5.98
Rockwood	Yes	10	6	12			72.46	62.50	.....	5.00	4.96	.....		72.46	.....
Stair Avenue .....	...	12	1				7.93	.....	1.00	6.00		.....		7.00	.93