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GENERAL INFORMATION

CONFERENCE FISCAL YEAR for Local Churches, closes April 30, 1960; Conference Treasurers close their books on May 15, 1960. All Budgets due at least Quarterly, or payable in advance.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE 7½% FUND—Money for Conference Work shall be obtained by each Local Church paying an amount equal to 7½% of all money raised for all purposes; this is to include the Local Treasury, Sunday School, W. M. S., Wesleyan Men's Fellowship, W. Y. and Y. M. W. B., with

the exception of finance for building and repairs. This amount is to be sent to the Conference Treasurer EACH MONTH.

BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Church to raise an amount equal to the following	•
Church Administration Fund	
General Conf. Expense and Entertainment	50 per full member
Board Meeting Expense	
Hephzibah Orphanage	.35 per full member
Church Extension and Evangelism	1.50 per full member
Education	_ 4.00 per full member
Superannuate Pension Plan	2.00 per full member
Sunday School	
(based on total no. of members in main Sur	nday School)
World Missions	\$2.00 per full member
Australia	
Brainerd Indian School	.25 per full member
Conference Sunday School Budget	~ <u>~</u> 1
Conference Sunday School Budget	05 per member
Conference Sunday School Budget Pioneer Pastor's Fund Railroad Expense	05 per member 3.00 per member

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF VARIOUS TREASURERS

CONFERENCE TREASURER—Rev. S. J. McIntyre, 3925 - 4th Avenue South, Billings, Montana.

CAMP MEETING TREASURER-Mr. Melvin Gibson, 1001 Allen Avenue, Rapid City, South Dakota.

SUPERANNUATE PENSION PLAN TREASURER—Thomas Edwards, Houghton, South Dakota.

W. M. S. TREASURER-Mrs. Rena Veeder, 20 Burnham Ave., Deadwood, South Dakota.

W. Y. TREASURER-Harvey Teske, Mobridge, South Dakota.

MINISTERIAL BENEFIT FUND TREASURER—Rev. Robert Vermilyea, Watford City, North Dakota.

BLUE CROSS INSURANCE TREASURER-Rev. Robert Vermilyea, Watford City, North Dakota.

BURIAL ASSOCIATION TREASURER-Mr. Archie D. Minx, General Secretary, Box 567, 707 Pearl Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

CAMP MEETING AND CONFERENCE DATES (D.V.) 1960

CAMP MEETING begins JUNE 16, and continues through JUNE 26, 1960. CONFERENCE convenes on JUNE 21, and adjourns on JUNE 25, 1960. ADDRESS—Address all communications to, or in care of, Wesleyan Meth-

odist Camp Grounds, Red Dale Drive, Rapid City, South Dakota.

TELEPHONE-Fillmore 3 - 4394.

RECOMMENDATION WAS PASSED that books of all Conference Treasurers, be in the hands of the Auditing Committee, on the first day of assembly, either Camp Meeting or Conference, which ever comes first.

STANDING RULE No. 35—Pastor's Statistical Reports, are to be presented to the Conference Statistical Committee, the first day of Camp Meeting.

Dakota Conference

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President-Rev. John J. Hunter

Vice President-Rev. Gordon Goodsell

Secretary-Rev. A. L. Cretsinger

Treasurer-Rev. S. J. McIntyre

Educational Secretary-Rev. Gordon Cary

Sunday School Secretary-Rev. Glen Wessel

Tithing Secretary-Rev. Robert Vermilyea

Card Call Secretary-Rev. Robert McCoy

Conference Prayer Secretary-Rev. A. L. Cretsinger

°Promotional Secretary for Wesleyan Men's Fellowship-David E. Robertson Temperance Secretary-Rev. Beverly Wilson

**Treasurer Superannuate Pension Fund-Thomas Edwards

Secretary and Treasurer Ministerial Benefit Fund-Rev. Robert Vermilyea

Transportation Secretary-Rev. J. F. Simpson

Blue Cross Insurance Treasurer-Rev. Robert Vermilyea

Local Board of Trustees of Miltonvale Wesleyan College, Miltonvale, Kansas-

Rev. Gordon Cary, term expires 1960

Rev. John Hunter, term expires 1960

Rev. John Winterberg, term expires 1960, (Alternate)

Lay alternate, O. Theo. Beckman (subject to General Conference Action).

Trustees-Rev. H. W. Cretsinger, term expires 1960; Mr. Lee Wagner, term expires 1960; Rev. R. M. Kelly, term expires 1960; Mr. Dan Palmer, term expires 1961; Rev. J. E. Spry, term expires 1962.

*** Secretary of Child Evangelism—Miss Marie Brannon

Superintendent and/or President of the Dakota Conference Mission Work in the Philippines-Rev. J. F. Simpson

President of Brainerd Indian Training School-Rev. William Gale

General Conference Delegates—Rev. John Hunter, 1st Ministerial Delegate; Rev. J. F. Simpson, 2nd Ministerial Delegate; Rev. S. J. McIntyre, 3rd Ministerial Delegate; Rev. Gordon Goodsell, Alternate Ministerial Delegate; 1st Lay Delegate, J. E. Alexander; 2nd Lay Delegate, O. Theo. Beckman; 3rd Lay Delegate, Mr. Erwin Bailey; Alternate Lay Delegate, Mrs. Barbara Watson.

- ° 1320 Second Street, Brookings, South Dakota
- °° Houghton, South Dakota
- °°°Redfield, South Dakota

STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

CAMP MEETING BOARD: Conference President, ex-officio; Vice President, W.M.S. President, Camp Treasurer, Glen Wessel, Cyrus Pettigrew, O. Theo. Beckman, Rev. J. F. Simpson.

- AUDITING COMMITTEE: Rev. R. J. Sausoman, Rev. Glen Wessel, Rev. Earl Olson.
- CONFERENCE PROGRAM: Conference President, W.M.S. President, W.Y. President, Conference S. S. Secretary.
- CONFERENCE MISSIONARY BOARD: Conference President, Vice President, W.M.S. President, W.Y. President, Conference Treasurer, Rev. H. W. Cretsinger, Erwin Bailey, O. Theo. Beckman, H. H. Franklin, David E. Robertson.
- COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS: Rev. Robert Vermilyea, term expires 1960; Rev. H. J. VanVliet, term expires 1961; Rev. Dallas Wadsworth, term expires 1962; Rev. Gordon Cary, Chairman, term expires 1963.
- JUDICIARY COMMITTEE: Rev. Gordon Goodsell, Rev. W. J. Leyh, Rev. R. M. Kelly.
- SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD: Conference S. S. Secretary, Franklin Simpson, Conference President ex-officio.
- BOARD OF CHURCH AND PARSONAGE BUILDING AND LOCATION: Conference President, ex-officio, Vice President, H. W. Cretsinger, Rev. Wesley McIntyre, Rev. J. F. Simpson, J. E. Alexander.
- VACANCIES COMMITTEE: Rev. W. J. Leyh, Rev. Dallas Wadsworth, Rev. John Winterberg, Charles Reisdorph, Fred Nultimeier.
- COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM: Rev. S. J. McIntyre, chairman; Rev. John Hunter, Conference S. S. Secretary; W. Y. President, Rev. R. M. Kelly.
- COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATE MINISTER'S AID: Conference Treasurer, Conference Secretary, Treasurer of the Superannuate Pension Plan.
- STATISTICAL COMMITTEE: Rev. Paul Faulkenberry, chairman; Rev. Eugene Gisselbeck, Rev. Darrel Martin, Rev. Eugene Stanislaus.
- CHAIRMAN RAILROAD EXPENSE: Rev. Lee Goodell.
- CHAIRMAN RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: Rev. B. I. Griffin.
- NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. John J. Hunter, Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. G. W. Goodsell.
- CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE: Rev. Gordon Cary, Chairman; Rev. John Winterberg, Rev. John Hunter, Mrs. A. A. Becker, Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger, Rev. Darrell Wagner.

Committee: Rev. John J. Hunter Rev. J. F. Simpson Rev. B. H. Veeder O. Theo. Beckman J. E. Alexander

Conference Roll

(The numbers in the parentheses indicate the number of times the person named answered the roll-call. The dates are the date of ordination.)

ELDERS

Miss Alma Aldinger, 1950 (5) 212 So. Jackson St., Aberdeen, S. D. Romeo Baronia, (0) Bangued, Arba, Philippine Islands A. A. Becker, (5) 501 E. Kemp, Watertown, S. D. Lester Bennett, 1954 (4) Rt. 2, Box 367, Hamilton, Mont. Frederick Bingaman, (5) Avon, S. D. Mrs. Maxine Bingaman, (5) Avon, S. D. Miss Ruth Bixler, 1950 (0) Bendembu, via Makeni, Sierra Leone, West Africa Gordon H. Cary, (5) ph. 81J, 1509 University Ave., Hot Springs, S. D. Philip Glen Case, 1957 (0) 1125 Willise Ave., Rapid City, S. D. Elton Clyde, (1) Sand Point, Idaho Harold A. Cottrill, (4) Box 88A, R.F.D. No. 1, Rapid City, S. D. A. L. Cretsinger, (5) ph. Keene OR5-4432, Watford City, N. D. Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger, (5) ph. Keene OR5-4432, Watford City, N. D. H. Wayne Cretsinger, 1939 (0) ph. 574J, 1401 E. 1st St., Redfield, S. D. Paul F. Davidson, 1957 (0) Miltonvale, Kansas, % M. W. C. Paul D. Faulkenberry, 1955 (5) ph. CA-3-9008, 1214 13th St., Bismarck, N. D. Lester R. Fletcher, (4) Custer, S. D. Rolland Fletcher, 1951 (5) ph. CE2-0418, 1106 Milwaukee St., Miles City,
Mont. Fred B. Francis, (5) ph. MY2-4561, 423 8th St., Brookings, S. D. Richard H. Franklin (5) Ipswich, S. D. William Gale, (2) Brainerd Indian Training School, Star Route, Hot Springs, S. D. Donald Gerrietts, 1942 (0) Davis, California
Allen W. Gisselbeck, 1957 (2) Box 36, Colstrip, Mont. Eugene M. Gisselbeck, 1957 (5) ph. COngress 3-3220, Dover, Idaho Mrs. Evelyn Gisselbeck, 1957 (5) ph. COngress 3-3220, Dover, Idaho Lee Goodell, 1954 (5) ph. YOrktown 2-3509, 3-42nd St., Joliet, Mont. G. W. Goodsell, 1940 (5) ph. 852, 605 Day St., Belle Fourche, S. D. Mrs. Louise T. Goodsell, 1940 (5) ph. 852, 605 Day St., Belle Fourche, S. D. R. L. Gowan, (1) American Indian Mission, Inc., Custer, S. D. B. I. Griffin, 1930 (5) Houghton, S. D. Harold Griffin, 1955 (2) ph. 14-F-211, Box 286, Prairie City, S. D. L. D. Harris, 1920 (0) Villasis, Pangasianan, Wesleyan Methodist Bible School, Philippine Islands Alfred Hartman, (0) Petit Goave, Haiti, W. I. Ernest Hobbie, (5) Box 6, Tolstoy, S. D. Mrs. Grace Miller Hoien, (0) 2223 Gaither St., Selma, California Ralph S. Howard, 1957 (5) Rocky Point, Wyoming John J. Hunter, 1938 (5) ph. Filmore 3-5360, 1515 38th St., Rapid City, S. D.

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Miss Minnie Knecht, 1930 (0) Wimbledon, N. D.
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Mrs. Viola Leyh, 1929 (5) ph. 668, 112 E. 10th St., Redfield, S. D.
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Mrs. Laura Raymer, 1936 (0) Houghton, N. Y.
Chester L. Reed, (4) Mission, S. D.
Arthur Reisdorph, (0) 4623 So. Carey St., Marion, Ind.
Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph, 1930 (0) Houghton, N. Y.
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R. J. Sausoman, 1941 (5) 306 So. 32nd St., Billings, Mont.
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Mrs. Eunice Vreugdenhil, 1934 (4) ph. 2065, Brentford, S. D. H. Vreugdenhil, 1934 (4) ph. 2065, Brentford, S. D.
Triangularity 1001 (1)
Dallas Wadsworth, 1950 (5) ph. Aberdeen exchange BAldwin 5-7004.
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O. Dean Watson, 1954 (5)	ph. FI2-2850, 616 1st St., Rapid City, S. D. ph. CA4-7564, 334 N. Euclid Ave., Pierre, S. D.		
Glen Dale Wessel, 1957 (5)	ph. FI2-7655, 1916 Maple Ave., Rapid City, S. D.		
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A. M. Wiley, (0)	P. O. Box 706 Kingman Ariz		
Beverly Wilson, (4)	ph. 3730, 509 North Sanborn St., Mitchell, S. D.		
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Howard F. Boyle, (0)	Marion College, Marion Ind.		
A. J. Gerleman, (5)	Biddle Mont		
Darrell Gerleman, (0)	Redfield, S. D.		
David Gowan, (0)	Custer, S. D.		
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Kenneth Harris, (5)	Terry Mont		
Mrs. Helen Hartman, (0)	Oelrichs, S. D.		
Rudy Hauck, (0)	Tyndall, S. D.		
John Herman, (0)	Cavour, S. D.		
Earl Howard	Billings, Mont.		
Benjamin Joachim, (5)	Conner, Mont.		
Walter Kemp, (4)	ph. WY7-2157, Flandreau, S. D.		
Miss Isla F. Knight, (0)	Shanta Bhawan, Kathmandu, Nepal		
Harry Logan, (0)	27 Edmonds St., Rochester 7, N. Y.		
William Maynard, (0)	Aberdeen, S. D.		
Tillman Nelson, (0)	Aptd. 698-Santiago-de-Cuba		
C. Milton Newbold, (0)	Stanyard Creek, Andros, Bahamas, B. W. I.		
Leigh Nygard, (0)	Watford City, N. D.		
Miss Mae Palmer, (0)	Petit Goave, Haiti, W. I.		
Burnell Pudwill, (4)	Miltonvale, Kansas, % M. W. C.		
F. M. Schumacher, (0)	Mitchell, S. D.		
Ralph Vreugdenhil, (4)	Brentford, S. D.		
Wesley Wagner, (0)	Ipswich, S. D.		
SUPPLY PASTORS			
John W. Dillon. (4)	308 N. Lincoln St., Aberdeen, S. D.		
Mrs. Loreen Griffin (5)	Houghton, S. D.		
Burl Baty. (0)	Roker Mont		
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CONFERENCE PREACHERS ELECTED TO ELDERS ORDERS			
Leigh Nygard, (0)	Watford City, N. D.		
Miss Elvie Turner, (0)	Miltonvale, Kansas		
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Bennie D. Veeder, (5)	Loyalton S D
Marion Vreugdenhil, (4)	Brentford S D
DELEGATES	
Aberdeen	Fred Nultemeier (3)
Almont	Iniborg Trovik (0)
Artesian	Miss Isla M. Hamm (5)
	Talas Diass (E)
Avon	Gordon Johnson (3)
Baker	Mrs Cora Blaser (0)
Beckman Memorial (Prairie City)	O. Theo. Beckman (5)
Belle Fourche	unorganized
Biddle	Sam H. Row (5)
Billings	Ralph McInture (5)
Bismarck	Willard Stone (5)
Brentford	Francis Fey (0)
Brookings	E. David Robertson (4)
Buffalo	Chris Johnson (4)
Bushnell	Mrs. Laurence Vanderbush (2)
Conner	
Custer	
Deadwood	Mrs. Betty Munger (5)
Flandreau	
Forsyth	
Garden City	(0)
Hamilton	
Harlowton	Mrs. Marlin Foster (5)
Hot Springs	Conrad Delong (5)
Houghton	Thomas Edwards (5)
Huron	Miss Lottie Skow (0)
Ipswich	Mrs. Rose Wagner (3)
Johnson Corners	Lester Lillibridge (5)
Joliet	Robert Kraus (5)
Loyalton	Mrs. Ed Stern (3)
Medicine Rocks	David Enos (0)
Miles City	Mrs. Curtis Shreve (2)
	Herb Moore (0)
Mission	Mrs. Esther Langley (4)
Mitchell	Mrs. Opal Schumaker (5)
	Miss Francis Gooding (5)
Mount Vernon	Mrs. Amy Howard (0)
Mobridge	William Wagner (0)
Northville	
Pearl	Mrs. Lunelle Rhoads (2)
Pierre	
	Harry Hinesh (4)

Rapid City First	Vern Spohn (2)
	Mrs. Mae Mills (5)
	Mrs. Marion Johnson (5)
	Mrs. Alice Wills (5)
Redfield	Roy Jaquith (5)
Richland	Will Palmer (4)
Ridge and Rocky Point	Ernest Cadwell (5)
Robbinsdale	Archie Wessel (4)
	Mrs. Nello Johnson (2)
	Mrs. Glen Wessel (4)
Sand Point	unorganized
Sturgie	Mrs R. M. Kelly (5)
Terry	Mrs. Betty Harris (5)
Tolstoy	Mrs. Harlan Hettick (U)
	Mrs. Alford Skillingstad (U)
Watertown	J. E. Alexander (5)
Watford City	Henry Hystad (5)
	Harry Johnson (5)

Daily Proceedings

Minutes of the Seventy-Eighth Annual Session of the Dakota Conference, of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, held at Rapid City, South Dakota, June 9 - June 13, A.D. 1959.

First Meeting-8:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 9, 1959.

Opening of Conference—The Seventy-Eighth Session of the Dakota Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, met for their first meeting in the new Conference Tabernacle, and on the new Wesleyan Methodist Camp Grounds, (Red Dale Drive), Rapid City, South Dakota, on Tuesday, June 9, at 8:00 a.m.

Dakota Conference Camp Meeting—Thursday Evening, June 4th, preceding the 78th Annual Session of the Dakota Conference, marked the beginning of the Annual Dakota Camp Meeting, with Rev. Rufus Reisdorph, Sunday School Secretary and Editor, from Houghton, N. Y. and Rev. Robert McIntyre, General Secretary of the Wesleyan Youth, of Marion, Indiana, as Evangelists, with Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp of Marion, Indiana, as leaders in song.

The Holy Spirit honored the ministry of these efficient, God-called work-

men and leaders, and numbers found help of the Lord.

The Annual Educational Service—The Annual Educational Service was held on Saturday evening, June 6, at 7:45 p.m., in the tabernacle, with Rev. Glenn Wessel in charge, as Conference representative on the platform.

The Miltonvale Wesleyan College Varsity Male Quartet, and Rev. and Mrs. Robert Girard, provided music for the service. One of the Feature points of the hour and one-half, was a segment called "MWC REPORT"... reports were heard from Kenneth Dyer concerning 1959 Commencement at Miltonvale; from Rev. John Hunter, on the 1959 Board of Trustees Meeting; from Mrs. Audrey Girard, on projects suggested for 1959; from Charles Campbell, on the 1959-60 School year; and from Rev. Robert Girard on the May 30, Building Committee Meeting at Miltonvale.

The Educational Sermon was delivered by Rev. Robert Girard, who is the new Field Representative for the College. Rev. Girard's subject was "CHARTING YOUR COURSE . . . FOR CHRIST." Slides, shown as he spoke, helped to illustrate his message. Using a nautical theme, the speaker introduced the audience to MWC's "Pilot," Christ; Showed the school's "SHIP'S WHEEL," the Administration and Faculty; acquainted the audience with the "SHIPMATES," the students and their life on campus; and from an imaginary "Crow's nest" gave a glimpse into the future of Miltonvale Wesleyan College.

An offering received at the close of the service totaled \$143.00.

May every Wesleyan continue to support our Wesleyan Methodist Colleges and schools with their prayers, their gifts, and their students. May this branch of HIS KINGDOM grow and flourish and prosper.

Special Youth Day and Conference-Special Youth Day and Conference was observed by the Youth of the Dakota Conference on Saturday, June 6,

and on Monday, June 8, respectively, with Rev. Robert McIntyre, General Secretary of Wesleyan Youth, as evangelist, and Rev. Darrell Wagner as Conference W.Y. President, together with other Youth Leaders.

Call to Order-Rev. John Hunter, Dakota Conference President, called the conference to order.

Song—The members of the Conference joined in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," from songbook "Showers of Blessing" with Willard D. Stone leader in song.

Prayer—Prayer was offered by the Dakota Conference Vice-President, Rev. J. F. Simpson.

Devotions—Devotions were conducted by Rev. R. D. Reisdorph, Denominational Representative, and Evangelist. He read from Acts 15, emphasizing the importance of having the mind and leadership of the Holy Ghost in every decision and deliberation of the Conference. Rev. Reisdorph also offered prayer.

Roll Call—The Roll Call was taken and was answered by 49 Elders, 12 Conference Preachers, 3 Supply Pastors, 1 Evangelistic Singer. Also credentials were presented for 45 Delegates.

Conference Program—The Conference Programs were presented to the members of the Seventy-Eighth Annual Conference.

Conference Bar—By motion and vote the Bar of Conference was made the first ten seats in the center section, and the first five seats on both sides of the Tabernacle.

Amendment—An Amendment was made and passed, that the first seven seats in the center section, and the first seven seats in both wings of the Tabernacle become the Bar of Conference. The Motion as was amended was adopted.

Conference Program—The Conference Program created by the Program Committee was read, and by motion adopted.

Organization of Conference—A Partial report of the Nomination Committee was made. This Report was acted upon item by item, and the following Committees were elected:

Pastoral Relations Committee—Conference President, Rev. John J. Hunter, Chairman; Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. W. J. Leyh, Rev. R. J. Sausoman, David E. Robertson, J. E. Alexander, and Harry Johnson.

Passage of Character-Conference President, Rev. John J. Hunter, Chairman; Rev. Gordon Goodsell, Fred Nultimeier.

Railroad Expense Committee-Rev. Lee Goodsell, Chairman; Rev. Rolland Fletcher.

Committee on Appreciations—Rev. Mrs. W. J. Leyh, Chairman; Rev. Mrs. Louise Goodsell.

Committee on Resolutions-Rev. B. I. Griffin, Chairman; Rev. W. D. Shelor, Mrs. Lottie Skow.

Conference Camp Meeting Reporters—Rev. W. D. Shelor, Chairman; Rev. Darrell Wagner, Rev. Glen Wessel.

Committee on Courtesies-Rev. Robert Vermilyea, Chairman; Willard D. Stone.

Pages—Rev. Richard Franklin, Rev. Arnold LaRue, Rev. Robert McCoy. Letters of Christian Greeting—Letters of Christian greeting were received from the following members of the Dakota Conference and a resume of letters were reported: Rev. Miss Alma Aldinger, Rev. Miss Ruth Bixler, Rev. Philip Glen Case, Rev. H. W. Cretsinger, Rev. Paul F. Davidson, Rev. William Gale, Rev. Mrs. Grace Miller Hoien, Rev. Mrs. Grace Goodwin Kauffman, Rev. Miss Minnie Knecht, Rev. and Mrs. Daniel McCandless, R. Clyde McCone, Rev. Warren K. Pamp, Rev. Paul D. and Lois Steward, Rev. Henry Vanderbush, Rev. H. J. VanVliet, Rev. George E. Warinner, Rev. George J. Robbins, Jr., Rev. Miss Isla F. Knight, Rev. C. Milton Newbold, Rev. Leon C. Ordonez, Rev. Miss Mae Palmer, Rev. Miss Elvie Turner, Rev. Tillman Nelson, Rev. Howard Boyle.

Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented Rev. Glen Dyer, member of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, from Bloomington, Illinois, and Rev. Beverly Wilson, now Pastor of the Mitchell, South Dakota, Wesleyan Methodist Church, to the members of the Seventy-Eighth Conference. These men made fitting remarks.

Pastor Seated—A motion carried that Rev. Beverly Wilson, serving as Pastor of the Mitchell, South Dakota Church, be seated within the bar of Conference.

Miscellaneous business was discussed.

Appointment to Committee—The Itineracy and Orders Committee was made complete by the appointment of the following members: Miss Isla M. Hamm, Mrs. Gordon Wills, and William Greenburg.

Adjournment-On motion it was voted to adjourn.

Dismissal-Rev. John Mickley offered the prayer of dismissal.

Second Meeting-1:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, 1959

Opening Song—Conference joined in singing song No. 6 "Saved by the Blood" with Ralph McIntyre as leader in song.

Prayer-Prayer was offered by the Rev. Ellis Sollie.

Conference Roll—A motion was made and passed that the Conference Roll be called once a day.

Co-Chairman—A motion carried, making the Denominational Representative Co-Chairman with the President.

President's Report—The Conference President, Rev. John J. Hunter tendered his annual report which was accepted on motion. See Report.

President's Official Acts-The Conference President presented his official acts which became adopted by motion. See Report.

Auditing Committee—The Auditing Committee made a partial report which was on motion adopted. See Report.

Report of Treasurer of Ministerial Benefit Fund—Rev. B. H. Veeder, treasurer of the Ministerial Benefit Fund makes his annual report which was accepted by motion and vote. See Report.

Camp Meeting Treasurer's Report—The Camp Meeting Treasurer's Report was read and by Conference action accepted. See Report.

Special Church Extension Treasurer's Report—Rev. R. J. Sausoman, Special Church Extension Treasurer, presented his annual report which was adopted. See Report.

Transportation Secretary's Report—Rev. J. F. Simpson, Transportation Secretary made his annual Report, which was accepted on motion. See Report.

Partial Report of Philippine Missions—Rev. J. F. Simpson, Superintendent of Philippine Missions made his report which was adopted by the Conference. See Report.

Railroad Expense Committee—A report was made by Rev. Lee Goodell, Chairman of the Railroad Expense Committee. This report was adopted by Conference action. See Report.

A Recommendation to the Railroad Expense Committee—A recommendation to the Railroad Expense Committee report was read. After discussion, by Conference action, it was voted that the \$13.00 assessment be not per Church, but per Charge. See Report.

Adjournment—Conference was adjourned by limitation of time. Closing Prayer—Rev. Glen Wessel offered the closing prayer.

Third Meeting-8:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 10, 1959

Opening—Conference was opened by singing the great Holiness hymn, "The Cleansing Wave."

Devotions—Devotions were led by Rev. Benjamin Joachim, who read and commented from I Thessalonians 4: 7: "For God hath not called us unto uncleanness but unto Holiness," and offered prayer.

Call to Order—The President, Rev. John J. Hunter called the business session to order.

Roll Call—The Roll was called and 69 Ministers were counted present. Credentials were received for 50 Delegates and 5 Alternates.

Auditing Committee—A partial Report was made by the Auditing Committee which was on motion adopted.

President's Financial Report—The Conference President, Rev. John J. Hunter submitted his Financial Report which was accepted on motion. See Report.

Conference Treasurer's Report—Rev. S. J. McIntyre, Treasurer, presented his annual report. By motion and vote his report was accepted. See Report.

Itineracy and Order Member-A motion prevailed that the Conference President appoint a member to fill a vacancy on the Itineracy and Orders Committee. Rev. B. H. Veeder was appointed a member to this Committee.

Adjournment—Conference was adjourned for Committee work. Rev. R. D. Reisdorph offered the closing prayer.

Denominational Address and Service

On Wednesday, June 10, at 11:00 a.m., Conference was called to order

by the President. Rev. Kenneth Knapp led in singing the song entitled "Satisfied." Prayer was offered by General Evangelist, W. D. Shelor.

Rev. Rufus Reisdorph, Denominational Representative, gave an inspiring and convincing Denominational Address. His subject was "Wesleyan Emphasis."

The Speaker gave a resume of the life of Wesley, his conversion, his experience of Entire Sanctification, and his efforts to break through formalism and to restore religion to God's true grace and power.

The Speaker pointed out five major standards of Wesley's Ministry:

- 1. He preached the Word. He depended upon the Word of God to bring revivals.
- Praying without ceasing. Extemporaneous praying rather than reading from a prayer book. Motto hanging in his prayer room "I will meet God here the first hour, and the last hour of the day, and no excuse."
- 3. The witness of the Spirit-Justification by Faith.
- 4. Entire Sanctification—"Which I have known and taught for more than twenty years."
- World Service and Evangelism—"The World is my parish." He and his Ministers looked upon the work of winning souls to Christ as their one supreme task.
- (1). The speaker called attention to the fact there is no church anywhere in the world, having a better church polity or government.
- (2). That the Wesleyan Methodist Denomination has one of the finest and best organizational setups in the United States with her Auxiliary Organizations—the W.M.S., the W.Y., the Y.M.W.B., the Wesleyan Men's Fellowship, to serve and to missionarize a needy world. Every branch of the church is important such as Education, Missionary Departments, Publishing House, etc. There is need for men, the Speaker stated, who will put Missions into the Church. It is for us to proclaim, and promote the work of God in building the Church; to be alert, and to be progressive in advancing His cause, in the local church, within the Conference, and throughout the Denomination, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Rev. A. L. Cretsinger offered the closing prayer.

Fourth Meeting-1:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, 1959

Call to Order-The Vice-President, Rev. J. F. Simpson, called the Conference to order.

Opening Prayer and Devotions—Opening prayer and devotional remarks were made by Rev. Robert McIntyre, General W.Y. Secretary. Reading from Hebrews 9: 11-14, an interesting account was made of his visit to Rome. The speaker showed the insignificance of false religions in comparison to the efficacious Blood of Christ.

Reading of Minutes—The minutes of the first, second, and third meetings were read and approved.

Committee on Courtesy—The Committee on Courtesy presented and introduced the following to the members of the Dakota Conference.

Rev. and Mrs. Elton Clyde of Sand Point, Idaho; Rev. Robert McIntyre, General Wesleyan Youth Secretary from Marion, Indiana; Mr. Claude Bandy, Representative of Blue Cross Insurance, Miss Laura S. Emerson, Instructor at Marion College, Marion, Indiana; Miss Freda Farmer from Mt. Vernon, Ohio, a returned Missionary from Formosa; and Miss Delpha M. Van Winkle, Registrar at Marion College, of Marion, Indiana.

Adjournment—Conference was adjourned for committee work subject to the call of the chair.

Public Missionary Service, June 10, 1959, 7:45 p.m.

A Missionary service in charge of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society was held with Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger, Chairman. The songs, "Send the Light" and "Jesus Saves" were sung. Dr. Rufus D. Reisdorph, our Denominational Representative, offered prayer. Our Conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Mrs. Elizabeth Becker, gave a brief report of the Y.M.W.B. in our Conference. We now have 1215 members, gained three new bands and lost one, and raised over \$2,500.00 this past year. Miss Alma Aldinger sang "Let Me Burn Out For Thee," followed by a report of the Richland Church's project of supporting Mae Palmer. A musical medley was rendered by Kenneth and Lillian Knapp on the theme "Take Up Thy Cross." Miss Freda Farmer, Missionary to Taiwan, then brought a stirring message on the theme "God's Proving Ground," using Elijah's test on Mt. Carmel as the basis for her remarks. The need of proving God, both at home and abroad, against the powers of darkness and the false prophets that are increasing, was pointed out. Rev. Robert W. McIntyre led in prayer for the good offering that was received. The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. F. Simpson.

Fifth Meeting-8:00 a.m. Thursday, June 11, 1959

Opening Devotions—Opening devotions were conducted by Rev. Kenneth Harris. The song entitled "Majestic Sweetness" was sung. Prayer was offered and Scripture from I Corinthians 1:17-31 was read and comments were made on "The Preaching of the Cross."

Scriptural Comments also were made by the Conference President on John the 17th chapter—"The Glory which thou gavest me, I have given them" "That the love wherewith thou hast loved me, may be in them, and I in them."

Call to Order-Conference came to order at the call of the President.

Roll Call—The roll was called. 69 Ministers were present attending the Conference. Delegates credentials have been received for 60 Delegates and Alternates.

Passage of Character Committee—The Passage of Character Committee made a partial report which by vote was accepted. See Report. On a separate motion, it was voted to pass the characters of those Ministers who failed to report to their Annual Conference.

Election of Conference Officers—Orders of the Day called for the Election of Conference Officers.

Tellers-Rev. Bennie Veeder, Rev. Richard Franklin, Rev. Burnell Pudwell, and Rev. Benjamin Joachim were appointed tellers.

Motion—A motion was made and passed that the first ballot for Conference President be an elective one.

Voting Member-Rev. Beverly Wilson, by prevailing motion, was made a voting member of the Dakota Conference.

Conference Action—On motion it was voted that while ballots in the Conference election were being counted by the tellers, other conference business should be transacted by the Conference body.

Extra Tellers—Rev. Earl Olson and Rev. Robert McCoy were appointed as tellers to aid with the conference election.

Partial Report of the Missionary Board—A partial report of the Missionary Board was read by David E. Robertson. This report was considered item by item of the June 9, 1959 meeting.

Recommendation:

Item 1. Bushnell Project. On motion it was voted to adopt item number one. An Amendment was made giving the Bushnell Committee elected by the Missionary Board, the power to act, as to the distribution of funds in case the land is sold. The Motion as was amended was adopted.

Items 2, 3, 4, and 5 were adopted by motion.

Item 6. Strathaven Item. By Conference action this recommendation was returned to the committee for further study.

Items 7, 8, 9, and 10 were passed.

Item 11. On motion recommendation passed with the provision that a secretary to the President be paid \$10.00 per week or more if necessary.

Items 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 were passed.

Item 17. By a two thirds vote of Conference Standing Rule No. 12 was changed. See Standing Rules.

Items 18-25 were passed. After some changes were made by proper parliamentary action the partial report of the Missionary Board was adopted. See Report.

Conference Program Change—A motion carried to amend the Conference program by changing the Conference Sunday School Rally from 2:30 p.m. Thursday to 3:00 p.m. Saturday.

Conference Officers Elected:

Rev. John J. Hunter, President

Rev. Gordon Goodsell, Vice President.

Rev. A. L. Cretsinger, Secretary.

Rev. S. J. McIntyre, Treasurer.

For other officers elected, See Conference Officers, and Standing Committees.

Adjournment—Conference was adjourned by limitation of time. The closing prayer was offered by Rev. R. D. Reisdorph.

Memorial Service-Thursday, June 11, 1959, 1:00 p.m.

A Memorial Service was observed with Rev. J. F. Simpson as Chairman. Song No. 27 was sung entitled, "When We All Get To Heaven."

Prayer was offered by Rev. S. J. McIntyre.

Others taking part in the service were Rev. W. J. Leyh, Mr. Lester Lillibridge, and Rev. S. J. McIntyre. Tributes to the departed were given.

Those of our number who have gone to meet their Lord during the year which has passed are:

- 1. Mrs. J. E. Spry 2. Rev. Max Hansen
- 3. Bernard G. Bucklin
- 4. Ole B. Olson

- 5. Adolph Rosin
- 6. Mary Ann Dell
- 7. Ethel Enos
- 8. James Anderson

These will be missed from among our conference and from their brethren. May the good in their lives, and God's grace, be followed by their fellowmen. This service was closed by prayer offered by the Rev. J. F. Simpson.

Sixth Meeting-Thursday, June 11, 1959, 2:20 p.m.

Opening-Conference was opened by singing the song entitled "Redeemed" as led by Rev. Beverly Wilson.

Prayer-Rev. A. A. Becker offered prayer.

Reading of Minutes-The Report was read of the Denominational Address, and service, which was approved as read.

Auditing Committee-The Auditing Committee made a partial report, which was adopted.

Treasurer's Report of Superannuated Pension Plan-Rev. J. E. Spry, Treasurer of the Superannuated Pension Plan made his annual report. By motion this report was accepted. See Report.

Deficit-A motion was made that deficit in the report of the Superannuated Pension Plan be referred to the Conference President, that he might refer this report to the proper Committee to make up deficit.

Revolving Fund Treasurer's Report-Rev. S. J. McIntyre, Treasurer of the Revolving Fund of the Dakota Conference Wesleyan Methodist Church presented his annual report which was accepted on motion. See Report.

Card Call Secretary-Rev. Robert McCoy, Card Call Secretary tenders his annual report. By conference action this report was adopted. See Report.

Wesleyan Youth Officers Nominating Report-The Report of the Wesleyan Youth on Nominations was presented, and this report was ratified by conference action. See Report.

Beckman Board Treasurer-The Beckman Board Treasurer, Mr. O. Theo. Beckman submitted his annual report, which on motion was accepted and was given a rising vote of thanks. By this form of action the conference expressed their deep appreciation for the acceptance of this conference responsibility.

Committee on Courtesy-The Committee on Courtesy presented Rev. John Herman who gave his testimony, and told how he became a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, also made fitting remarks.

Adjournment-Conference was adjourned for orders of the day.

Seventh Meeting-Thursday, June 11, 1959, 5:45 p.m.

Call to Order-Conference came to order at the call of the chair.

Nominating Committee Report—The Report of the Nominating Committee was made by J. E. Alexander.

Rev. W. J. Leyh withdraws his name as Temperance Secretary—and the name of Rev. Beverly Wilson was on motion placed in his stead.

Mr. J. E. Spry withdrew his name as Treasurer of the Superannuated Pension Plan and Thomas Edwards was nominated for this position.

Secretary-Treasurer of the Ministerial Benefit Fund and Blue Cross Insurance—Rev. Robert Vermilyea was made the Secretary-Treasurer of the Ministerial Benefit Fund, and Blue Cross Insurance.

Adoption of Report—After some changes by conference action, a motion prevailed to adopt the report of the Nominating Committee. See Report.

Lay Delegate to the Board of Trustees of Miltonvale Wesleyan College—Conference members cast ballots to elect an Alternate Lay Delegate to Miltonvale Wesleyan College, subject to General Conference Action.

O. Theodore Beckman was elected as this trustee.

Standing Rule No. 3—By a two thirds vote of conference, the sentence "the pastor of the Aberdeen Church" was deleted in Standing Rule No. 3.

Communication—A communication was received from Rev. Howard F. Boyle, now attending Marion College.

Conference Trustee—Ballots were cast for the election of a Conference Trustee. Rev. J. E. Spry was made this Trustee, whose term expires in A. D. 1962.

Conference Board on Parsonage Building and Location—Report was given on Conference Board on Church and Parsonage Building and Location. By motion and vote this report was adopted. See Report.

Conference Journals Committee—A motion was made and passed that the President appoint a Committee on Conference Journals which would designate the number to be published, and the place where they are to be published.

Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. Darrell Wagner, and Rev. Gordon Goodsell were made this committee.

Adjournment—A motion prevailed to adjourn. Rev. John J. Hunter pronounced the benediction.

Eighth Meeting-8:00 a.m. Friday, June 12, 1959

Call to Order-Rev. Robert Vermilyea led in singing song No. 91, "O To Be Like Thee."

Devotions—Devotions were led by Rev. Bennie D. Veeder who read from Nehemiah 2: 11-20 and made comments on the same Scripture.

Prayer-Prayer was offered by Rev. R. D. Reisdorph.

Roll Call-The Roll was called.

Philippine Missions Service.

Orders of the day called for the Philippine Missions Service. Song No. 13 "Redeemed" was sung. Greetings were received from our Philippine workers. Prayer was made by Rev. John J. Hunter. Rev. J. F. Simpson spoke from the Holy Scriptures, "I being in the way, the Lord led me" and presented the needs of our Wesleyan Methodist work in the Philippine Islands in a stirring and an interesting address to the Conference.

Conference was recessed.

Conference resumed—At 10:15 a.m., Conference resumed her Eighth Meeting.

Missionary Board Partial Report—The Missionary Board made a partial report of their September the 5th, 1958 meeting. By Conference action the report of this meeting was adopted.

The Board also reported their January 30, 1959 meeting. On motion the minutes of this meeting were adopted; also their June 12, 1959 meeting.

Item on Standing Rule No. 34—Item on Standing Rule No. 34 was placed in Standing Rules by a unanimous vote.

Partial report of the Missionary Board was adopted. See Report.

Courtesy Committee—Rev. James LaRue of Geary, Oklahoma, father of Rev. Arnold LaRue of Garden City, South Dakota Church, was introduced to the Conference Body. Rev. LaRue brought greetings, and gave his personal testimony.

President's Advisory Board—According to paragraph 151 of the Discipline, a motion was made and passed to enlarge the President's Advisory Board. Those nominated were: Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. Gordon Goodsell, Rev. R. M. Kelly, O. Theodore Beckman, Cyrus Pettigrew, and J. E. Alexander.

A motion passed electing those who were thus nominated.

Auditing Committee—The Auditing Committee made a partial report which was adopted.

Statistical Committee Report—The Statistical Committee Chairman, Rev. Paul Faulkenberry, read the Annual Statistical Report which was accepted on motion. See Report.

Sunday School Board Recommendations—Recommendations were presented by the Sunday School Board which were adopted. See Report.

Resignation—Rev. W. G. McIntyre, newly elected Sunday School Secretary tenders his resignation. By motion the resignation was accepted.

Sunday School Secretary—By vote of Conference, Rev. Glen Wessel was made Sunday School Secretary.

1958 Sunday School Secretary's Report—The Sunday School Secretary, Rev. Clen Wessel made his annual report, with recommendations, which were adopted. See Report.

Resolutions Committee Report—Rev. B. I. Griffin, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee read the annual report. This report was adopted by conference action.

Recommendation—A recommendation was made that the Resolutions Committee Report be read one or more times in the local churches.

Bookstand Manager-Rev. O. Dean Watson was appointed by the Pres-

ident, as Manager of the Bookstand for 1960.

Committee on Appreciations Report—Rev. Mrs. Viola Leyh, Chairman, presented the report on Appreciations, which on motion was adopted. See Report.

Adjournment-Conference adjourned on motion. Rev. R. D. Reisdorph

offered the closing prayer.

Indian Missions Program, 1:00 p.m., June 12, 1959

The Conference Program called for a Religious Service given by the Brainerd Indian Training School of Hot Springs, South Dakota.

Congregational Song, "Saved to the Uttermost" was sung.

Rev. Wm. Gale, President of Brainerd Indian Training School, led in prayer.

A trio from Brainerd rendered a special number in song.

"Challenging Phases of Indian Work" was made the theme of the service. Speakers were Rev. Wm. Gale, Rev. Neil Phipps, Rev. John Mickley, and the Conference President.

The need for Prayer was major among all the other expressed needs of Indian Work.

The motto "CHRIST DIED FOR EVERY TRIBE" was expressive of Christ's Great Commission.

A retrospect was given, and a prospect was made for new Indian Chapels and Churches on Indian Reservations in our Homeland.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. John J. Hunter.

Ninth Meeting, 2:45 p.m., Friday, June 12, 1959

Call to Order—The Vice-President, Rev. Gordon Goodsell, called the Conference to order.

Camp Meeting Committee Recommendations—The Camp Meeting Committee presented recommendations to the Conference.

Motion—On motion it was voted that these recommendations be considered item by item. Recommendation No. 1 was adopted. Recommendation No. 2 was adopted. Recommendation No. 3 was referred back to the Camp Meeting Board. Recommendation No. 4, that Standing Rule No. 20 be adjusted in accordance to recommendation No. 3, was deferred by Conference action. See amended Report.

Adjournment-Conference was adjourned by limitation of time.

Tenth Meeting, 8:00 a.m., Saturday, June 13, 1959

Call to Order-The Chairman called the Conference to order.

Devotions—Rev. Richard Franklin read from Exodus 3: 1-10 and spoke on "The Peculiar Vicissitudes of Life" and offered prayer.

Reading of the Minutes-Conference Minutes of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth meetings were read, corrections made, and were approved.

Special Prayer-Special prayer was offered by Rev. W. J. Leyh for Conference members who were ill.

Telegram—The Conference Secretary was authorized to send Christian Greetings to Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Dufloth of Mitchell, South Dakota, who on account of illness were unable to attend, stating their presence was missed in the Conference, and that special prayer was made by the Conference in their behalf.

Educational Secretary's Report—Rev. Gordon Cary, Conference Educational Secretary, presented his report. This was adopted on motion. See Report.

M.W.C. Tentative Schedule—The Tentative Schedule for MWC visitation with Rev. Robert Girard was made.

Courtesies Committee Report—The Courtesy Committee presented the W.M.S. President, Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger, Miss Marie Brannon, Dakota Conference Child Evangelism Secretary, and Mrs. A. A. Becker, Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, to the Conference.

These made reports of their departments to the members of the Annual Conference, respectively.

A motion was carried to adopt these reports.

Report of the Camp Meeting Board—The Secretary of the Camp Meeting Board, Rev. Gordon Goodsell, presented the report of the Camp Meeting Board of April 3, 1958.

This report was adopted.

Camp Meeting and Conference Dates—A motion prevailed that the fixing of Camp Meeting and Conference Dates be left flexible in the hands of the Program Committee.

Missionary Board Report of June 9, 1959, Continued—Mr. David E. Robertson presented report. Items 39 through 48 were read. On motion, by Conference action, it was voted to adopt this report. See Report.

Rising Vote of Thanks-A rising vote of thanks was given to Rev. J. F. Simpson for the years of service rendered to the Dakota Conference.

Pastors Statistical Reports for 1960—On motion it was voted that pastors statistical reports be presented to the Statistical Committee on the first day of Camp Meeting.

Standing Rule—By vote of the Conference this was made Standing Rule No. 35.

General Conference Delegates—Conference cast ballots for General Conference Delegates. Mr. Erwin Bailey was elected as third Lay Delegate.

Rev. R. J. Sausoman withdrew his name as Alternate Ministerial Delegate to the General Conference.

Ministerial Delegate—Rev. S. J. McIntyre was elected third Ministerial Delegate to the 1959 General Conference.

Alternate Ministerial Delegate—Rev. Gordon Goodsell was elected as Alternate Ministerial Delegate to the 1959 General Conference.

Alternate Lay Delegate—Mrs. Barbara Watson was elected the Alternate Lay Delegate to the 1959 General Conference.

Adjournment—Conference was adjourned subject to the call of the chair. Closing prayer by Rev. John J. Hunter.

Eleventh Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 13, 1959

Opening—Rev. Kenneth Harris led in singing the song "Living By Faith." Prayer—Rev. Rufus Reisdorph led in prayer.

Secretary of Prayer Report—Rev. A. L. Cretsinger, Secretary of Prayer, made his annual report. On motion this report was adopted. See Report.

Itineracy and Orders Committee Report—The Itineracy and Orders Committee report was presented by Rev. Gordon Cary, Committee Chairman. By motion this report was adopted. See Report.

Auditing Committee Report—The Auditing Committee made their final report which was adopted. See Report.

Blue Cross Insurance Secretary-Treasurer's Report—Rev. B. H. Veeder, 1958 Secretary-Treasurer of the Blue Cross made his report. This report was accepted on motion. See Report.

Special Offering—The President announced an offering to be taken for the Rev. Harold Griffin, one of our Pastors, who has been quite ill.

Financial Report of Philippine Missions—Rev. J. F. Simpson, Superintendent of Philippine Missions, read the financial report. On motion, this report was adopted. See Report.

Church Extension Program—A recommendation was offered and passed, that the Churches of the Conference engage in a Church Extension Program, whereby Ministers exchange pulpits and the subject of "Church Extension" in the Dakota Conference be presented. Also offerings, pledges and subscriptions be taken to raise money for the paying of indebtedness and for Evangelizing, and the planting of new Wesleyan Methodist Sunday Schools and Churches in our Great Northwestern Territory.

Orders of the Day Amended-By vote of the Conference, the orders of the Day were amended. The Sunday School Rally was moved back thirty minutes.

Pastoral Relations Committee Report—The Pastoral Relations Committee made their report. On motion, subject to some adjustments, the report was adopted. See Report.

Executive Chairman of the Church Extension Program—The Committee on Evangelism was made the Executive Chairman of the Church Extension Program.

1959 Dakota Conference Minutes—It was voted that 650 Dakota Conference Journals be printed at the Wesleyan Methodist Publishing House, at Marion, Indiana.

Present—Rev. S. J. McIntyre was presented with a western tie by certain Conference Members.

Itineracy and Orders Committee—Conference gave consideration to the problem of granting Conference Licenses to those who during the year failed to pass two books in their course of study. The Discipline states they shall not receive this authority again.

Authorization to President—A motion passed that the President be authorized to grant Conference Licenses to those, (after studying each case,) who can be justified to receive credentials.

Adjournment—Conference was adjourned subject to the Call of the Chair. Benediction—Rev. J. F. Simpson offered the Benediction.

CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY

3:30 p.m., Saturday, June 13, 1959

The Conference Program called for A Sunday School Service, under the direction of Rev. Glen Wessel, Conference Sunday School Secretary. Song, "He Lives" was sung. Rev. Fred B. Francis offered prayer. Members of Conference were pleased to listen to a large Children's Choir, as led by Misses Delores Bailey and Elva Belle Beckman, Children's Workers.

Rev. O. D. Watson Jr., Rev. Fred B. Francis, Rev. Earl D. Olson, and Rev. Robert McCoy, offered suggestions to increase Sunday School attendance. Miss Marie Brannon, Secretary of Child Evangelism, announced concerning Children's Crusader Camps, and reviewed this work. Rev. R. D. Reisdorph, General Sunday School Secretary, read and commented from Luke 14: 16-23, and pointed out in an inspiring Message, the great need of building our Wesleyan Methodist Sunday Schools, and the planting of many new ones and churches, to meet the spiritual needs of our increasing population. Interesting Helps for the Sunday Schools were displayed to help build and to stimulate attendance.

Conference was adjourned by limitation of time.

ORDINATION SERVICE

At 10:30 on Sunday morning, June 14th, 1959, the Dakota Conference observed an Ordination Service. The Coronation Hymn, "All Hail the Power Of Jesus Name," was sung. Prayer was offered by the Rev. W. J. Leyh. Rev. Kenneth Knapp sang "He Giveth More Grace." Rev. R. D. Reisdorph read from the Book of Judges the sixth and seventh Chapters, and spoke upon the subject, "GIDEON ENTERS THE MINISTRY."

Following this challenging and inspiring address, the Conference Preachers, RICHARD HERBERT FRANKLIN, ARNOLD ELMER LARUE, DARRELL DEAN MARTIN, and EARL DEAN OLSON, were ordained, and their names transferred to the Roll of Conference Elders.

Reports of Committees

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Pastoral Relations Committee: Conference President, J. J. Hunter; Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. W. J. Leyh, Rev. R. J. Sausoman, David E. Robertson, J. E. Alexander, Harry Johnson

Passage of Character: Rev. John J. Hunter, chairman; Rev. Gordon Goodsell, Fred Nultemier

R. R. Expense Committee: Rev. Lee Goodell, chairman; Rev. Rolland Fletcher

Committee on Appreciation: Rev. Mrs. Viola Leyh, chairman; Rev. Mrs. Louise Goodsell

Committee on Resolutions: Rev. B. I. Griffin, chairman; Rev. W. D. Shelor Conference Reporters: Rev. W. D. Shelor, chairman; Rev. Glen Wessel, Rev. Darrell Wagner

Committee on Courtesies: Rev. Robert Vermilyea, chairman; Willard Stone

Pages: Rev. Richard Franklin, Rev. Arnold LaRue, Rev. Robert McCoy

Committee:

Rev. John Hunter Rev. J. F. Simpson Rev. B. H. Veeder O. Theo Beckman J. E. Alexander

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we enter into the 78th session of our Annual Conference, it is with deep sense of God's blessing and help through the past year. A wonderful assurance comes to my heart in this hour that He who walked in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks still walks in the midst of the Churches. May it be the prayer of our hearts that we may heed His admonition to "hear what the Spirit saith unto the Churches." In these critical days of world history when it would appear the coming of the Lord may be very near, let us be certain that the Holy Spirit is seeking to take every one of us deeper in the things of God, to be more devoted to His will than we have ever been before.

The assurance that God has intervened again and again to meet critical needs gives deper confidence that He will and is continuing to solve problems and to lead us to new and definite victories from His hand.

I have been encouraged in the visitation of the Churches throughout the Conference by an evidence of a desire in the hearts of God's people to find God's solution to their problems and to walk in His ways.

Our travels of the Conference this year have included 112 Church visitations in which services have been held or business meetings have been conducted. Ten Board meetings have also been included, and three revivals have been

held in addition to several weekends of special services, district rallies and prayer conferences.

The spirit of co-operation and readiness to respond on the part of both Pastors and laymen has been very encouraging. Critical issues have been precipitated, but God has moved in upon the scene to give special help concerning them, and our eyes are upon Him for the fullfillment of His promise that He will guide us into all truth and into more of the deeper things of God and gracious victories from His hand.

Four new Churches have been organized during the year. Two new Church buildings have been dedicated to the worship and praise of God, several other new Churches and new parsonages are under construction. Souls have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. Homes have been changed, family altars have been established, and the Spirit of God has moved upon the Churches bringing forth victories for His glory.

In these days when pressures are being brought to bear upon the Church to deviate from the patterns of God's Word, and when universal trends are toward the superficial, may God help us to consecrate ourselves more whole-heartedly than ever before to a closer and a deeper walk with God and to turning a more sensitive ear to the voice of the Holy Spirit.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL REPORT

June 15, 1958-Appointed Rev. Ellis Sollie Pastor for Medicine Rocks, Montana.

July 4-Met with Camp Board at Rapid City Camp Grounds.

July 20-Assisted in fifth Anniversary Service at Harlowton, Montana.

July 25-Applied for \$9000.00 Loan at First Federal Savings and Loan Co. of Rapid City for Conference Parsonage Project.

July 25-Received resignation of Rev. W. D. Shelor as supply Pastor at Mitchell, S. D.

July 26—Appointed Rev. Beverly Wilson Pastor for Mitchell, S. D., Church. August 5—Granted a letter of transfer for Rev. Lawren Hunt to Immanuel Missionary Church in Wyoming.

August 11-15-Conducted Pastors' workshops at Red Lodge Youth Camp.

August 19 and 20—Conducted Pastors' workshops at Dakota Youth Camp. September 4—Met with Home Missions Board on Indian Affairs at Pierr

September 4-Met with Home Missions Board on Indian Affairs at Pierre, S. D.

September 5-Met Conf. Building Board at ten a.m. at Redfield S. Dak. Church.

September 5-Met Conf. Missionary Board afternoon and evening, Redfield, S. D.

September 9-Met with Camp Board at Rapid City, S. D.

September 14—Accepted resignation of Mrs. H. Vreugdenhil from Pastorate of the Northville, S. D., Church.

September 20-Appointed Marion Vreugdenhil Pastor Northville Church.

October 10-Closed transaction on parsonage for Sioux Chapel.

46.35

October 17-Received \$2000.00 Loan from Home Missions Dept. for Joliet Church.

October 18—Signed papers on sale of pickup truck belonging to the Camp. October 27-30—Conducted Ministers' Retreat at Richmond Lake Camp.

December 2—Received transfer of Elders credentials from the Kansas Conference for Rev. Lester R. Fletcher.

December 30-January 1, 1959-Attended Church-wide Conference on Evangelism at Brooksville, Florida.

January 19-21-Attended meeting of Board of Trustees at Miltonvale Wesleyan College.

January 27-Attended meeting of Beckman Board at Rapid City.

January 30—Attended Special Meeting of the Missionary Board at Redfield, S. D., for setting up of the Conference Revolving Fund.

February 21-Closed transaction on sale of Missoula Church property.

February 25-Conducted meeting of Conference Building Board at Rapid City.

March 1-Organized a Church at Bismarck, N. D., with 13 full members.

March 22-Assisted in Dedication of Mitchell, S. D., Church.

March 29-Assisted in dedication of Richland Church

May 16—Organized a Church at Harlowton, Mont., with 18 full members, 4 associate members and 10 junior members.

May 17-Organized a Church at Terry, Mont., with 12 full members, two associate members and 4 junior members.

May 21-Attended meeting of Board of Trustees of Brainerd Indian School.

May 24—Authorized Rev. J. F. Simpson to organize the Church at Hamilton, Mont., where 25 full members, 3 associate members and 6 junior members were received.

May 16-Sent letter of transfer of Elders credentials for Rev. Geo. Warinner to the President of the Iowa Conference.

May 16-Issued letter of transfer of Conference Preachers Credentials for Rev. Richard Mitchell to the Nazarene Church in Texas.

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S FINANCIAL REPORT

June 1, 1958 through May 1959

Salary:

Total received from Churches	\$1256.28
Total received from Conference Treas.	2983.72
Total Salary received	\$4240.00
Expense:	
Total Travel Expense	\$1571.33
Total Telephone Expense	309.94

Total mailing expense

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee have audited the following books and financial reports and have found them to be correct. The Conference President's Financial Report, The Camp Meeting Treasurer, the Beckman Board Treasurer, the Conference Treasurer, the Ministerial Benefit Fund, the Special Church Extension Treasurer, Conference Revolving Fund Treas. We have examined the Statistical Report of the preceding Annual Conference year 1958-59 and have found it to be correct.

We have audited the books of the Blue Cross Treasurer and have been unable to strike a balance. We find that all funds sent in have been credited to the proper accounts and that the bank account is correct. The balance to date is \$35.43 which will be forwarded to the succeeding treasurer.

R. J. Sausoman W. G. McIntyre B. D. Veeder

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER Receipts

Balance Cash on hand June 1, 1958 ______ \$ 3566,36 Sioux Community Chapel ______ 7.45 Bond (Building and Bid) ______ 625.00 Romeo Baronia, Philippine Work 203.39 Pioneer Pastor's Fund ______ 3286.48 R. J. Sausoman (Gift, Initial payment on Parsonage) __ 1000.00 Bismarck, E. W. Hyde, Note, Parsonage _____ 3000.00 Bismarck, Refund on Taxes ______ 70.47 ______ Foreign Missions 479.01 Home Missions ______ 478.22 Miltonvale, College ______ 1636.93 Orphanage _____ 88.50 Superannuate Pension Fund _____ 431.38 Deficit, Huron, Payment ______ 7.50 Australia ______ 148.50 General Conference S. S. Budget _____ 351.79 Conference Sunday School Budget _____ 186.15 General Conference Delegates Expense _____ 369.68 General Conference Administration Budget _____ 609.00 R. R. Assessment 635.00

Conference 71/2 and 1/4 pledge	12,610.45	
Farm Account	10,160.52	
Deadwood Property Payment	715.00	
Refund, H. J. Van Vliet	31.12	
Conference Journals	589.80	
Philippine Native Workers	108.00	
Philippine Bible School, and Evangelism	402.49	
Pierre Indian Mission, (Workers)	1694.80	
Terry Church Parsonage (Principal, Interest on Note)	1175.00	
Joliet, Note, General Home Missions	2000.00	
Joliet, gift for pastor	17.85	
Hamilton, gift for pastor	22.85	
Neil Phipps, Interest for C. Shreve note	25.00	
C. Shreve, refund on Principal	500.00	
Marion College	18.67	
Sale of Ranch Land	2000.00	
Ruth H. Lentz, Mitchell, loan	1000.00	
Missoula Church property	1500.00	
Missoula Church payment, on Principal, Interest	177.24	
Brainerd Indian School	170.50	
Perkins Co. Treas. Tax refund	131.52	
Beckman Memorial Church Note Payment	1000.00	
Deckman Memorial Charen Note Laymont		
Total	\$	53,231.62
Total Disbursements	\$	53,231.62
Disbursements	\$ \$ 120.00	53,231.62
Disbursements Flandreau Church, Sinking Fund	\$ 120.00	53,231.62
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Bismarck, E. W. Hyde, Note Int.	250.00
Bismarck, Deed recorded	2.00
Bismarck, General Foreign Missions, Note Int.	250.00
Bismarck, City Assessments	371.59
R. J. Sausoman, Balance due, Parsonage Transaction	500.00
Foreign Missions	479.01
Home Missions	478.22
Miltonvale College	1636.93
Orphanage	88.50
Superannuated Pension Fund, Deficit	140.38
Superannuated Pension Fund treas.	431.38
Australia	148.50
General Sunday School Budget	351.79
Conference Sunday School Budget, General Expense	332.56
General Conference Delegates Expense	932.89
General Conference Adm. Budget	609.00
Mont. State Annual Statements	6.50
Northville Church, Int.	35.00
Conference Board Meetings, Expenses	
Incidentials	298.93
Rail Road Fares to Pastors	328.59
Conference Journals	643.14
First National Bank, Aberdeen, S. D. Note Int.	749.42
W. Y. Society Treasurer, Philippine Native Workers	41.00
Philippine Bible School	108.00
A. L. Cretsinger-Secretary Office Expense	402.49
A. L. Cretsinger, Secretary Honorarium	123.28
Pierre Indian Mission, F. M. Schumacher	50.00
Midland National Bank Service Charge	1694.80
Dakota Conference Treasurer Office Expense	20.04
I. F. Simpson, Vice President	77.50
J. F. Simpson, Vice President	129.03
Conference Attorney	56.74
Terry Church, A. Numan, Principal and Int.	700.00
Esther Grosenbaugh, Int.	65. 00
Floyd Poole, Int.	40.00
G. Warriner	1500.00
M. Gibson, Camp Treas. Transferred	1000.00
Custer, Pastor's moving Expense	122.13
Custer, Parsonage and Garage Repairs	500.00
Sandpoint, S. Yonally, Revival	50.00
Lee Goodell, Pastor, Joliet, Salary	525.00
Lee Goodell, Pastor, Joliet, Gift	17.85
Joliet Church, loan from General Home Mission Treas	2000.00
L. Bennett, Pastor, Hamilton, Salary	525.00
L. Bennett, Pastor, Hamilton, Gift	22.85
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C. Shreve, Principal, Note			2450.00 74.40	
Conference Treas.			150.00	
Marion College			18.67	
Missoula, Parsonage Expense			40.00	
O. Theo. Beckman-President House Gift			180.00	
Ruth H. Lentz, loan for Mitchell Church			1000.00	
A. LaRue, Int.			175.00	
Chas. D. Maynes, Final Payment on Missoula N			260.00	
H. J. VanVliet, Refund, Payment of Escrow			7.00	
Jack Green, Attorney Fees			17.00	
R. J. Sausoman, Refund Church Extension Fund	ł		500.00	
L. Bennett, Hamilton Church			716.00	
Brainerd Indian School			170.50	
Perkins County Treas., Taxes			263.05	
Meade County Treas., Taxes			447.12	
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Total			\$	42,237.79
Total Receipts	\$53,231.6	2		
Total Disbursements	\$42,237.7	9		
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Credit to meet Huron deficit		7.50	
Balance still to Brother Spry	\$	132.88	
STATEMENT OF ASSETS			
OF SUPERANNUATED MINISTER'S	FU:	ND	
Loan No. 1 to Conference	\$	156.61	
Loan No. 2 to Conference	Ψ	249.39	
Loan No. 3 to Conference		348.68	
Total Assets	\$	754.68	
CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL B	UDO	ET	
Balance on hand June 1, 1958	\$	489.03	
Receipts		186.15	
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Total Receipts	ф	675.18	
Disbursements	Ψ	010.10	
Crusaders Camp	•	5 2 20	
S S Conf Socie	\$	75.50	
S. S. Conf. Sec'y		76.78	
Child Evangelism, M. B.		15.50	
M. Bennett (traveling)		164.78	
Total	,	 \$	332.56
Balance on hand June 1, 1959		\$	342.62
GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATE'S	EVI	DENICE	
Balance on hand June 1, 1958			
	\$	563.21	
Receipts		369.68	
Total Reseints			
Total Receipts	\$	932.89	
Disbursements		932.89	
Superannuated Fund Balance	\$	33.09	
Conf. S. S. Balance	•	342.62	
Pioneer Pastor's Fund		546.48	
Total Balance in 3 funds		\$	922,19
Balance in Conf. Fund		\$1	0,071.64
			
Total Balance in all Funds	\$10,993.83		
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BLUE CROSS FUND ANNUAL REPORT — 1958-'59

Number of Ministers		25	
Recepits			
Balance brought forward June 1, 1958	\$	20.80	
Received for premiums and postage		1795.03	
Total Receipts		\$	1,815.83
Disbursements			
Associated Hospitals Service, Inc.	\$	1792.30	
Postage and Service charges		14.05	
Total Disbursements		\$	1,806.35
On Hand		\$	9.48
Balance in Bank, June 1, 1959		\$	35.43
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Respectfully submitted, Rev. B. H. Veeder, Treasurer

BLUE CROSS FUND Receipts

•	P	remiums
Max Hanson	\$	98.60
R. M. Kelley		93.50
Arnold LaRue		123.20
P. F. Davidson		34.00
Ralph Howard		93.50
W. J. Leyh		90.20
J. E. Spry		71.50
John Winterberg		93.50
George Warinner		93.50
Fred Bingaman		93.50
W. G. McIntyre		93.50
Elizabeth Traver		45.10
Ernest Hobbie		93.50
Kenneth Harris		93.50
Earl Olson		85.00
R. J. Sausoman		93.50
Paul Faulkenberry		93.50
C. C. Reed		45.10
J. F. Simpson		93.50
L. D. Harris		45.10
H. W. Cretsinger		8.20
A. L. Cretsinger		34.00

R. O. Vermilyea		0 50	
B. H. Veeder		8.50	
R. L. Gowan		32.80 34.00	
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Total Receipts			\$1,777.43
MINISTERIAL BENEFIT FUN	D		
ANNUAL REPORT — 1958-'59)		
Receipts			
Balance on hand June 1, 1958	. \$	21.81	
Late checks from 1958	•	23,48	
First Quarter Assessment		126.00	
Second Quarter Assessment		132.00	
Third Quarter and Spry Assessment		223.00	
Fourth Quarter Assessment		120.50	
Total Receipts			
Total Receipts		\$	647.79
Mrs. Loure Bound			
Mrs. Laura Raymer	- \$	45.00	
H. J. Van Vliet		75.00	
W. E. Moulton		45.00	
Ellis Sollie		75.00	
R. M. Kelley		50.00	
J. E. Spry		80.50	
J. F. Simpson		40.00	
Rolland Fletcher		50.00	
L. R. Bennett		60.50	
Bennie D. Veeder		19.00	
Eugene Gisselbeck		19.50	
Harold Griffin		32.25	
John Winterberg		25.00	
Total Claims Paid	-		010 57
B. H. Veeder, Desk Fund	\$	\$ 12.62	616.75
Bank Charges	φ	1.35	
	_	1.35	
Total Disbursed		\$	630.72
Balance on hand in Fund June 1, 1959		\$	17.07
Respectfully su	bmit	ted.	
·		Rev. B. H	. Veeder
CAMP MEETING TREASURER'S REI	ימ∩פ	r	
Balance on hand May 16, 1958			
Sale of lots	-	886.16	
		580.00	

Deposit on camp	50.00
Hail loss insurance	94.00
Sale of building in Aberdeen	500.00
Sale of lumber	
Sale of Truck	350.00
Conference treas. on Rev. Warinner's salary	
Offerings	
Snack bar	
Pledges	
Loans	•
Expenses repaid	
Dining Hall and registrations	
Youth Society	
Refund on telephone	18.57
	\$33,690.05
Disbursements	
Evangelistic and other help	\$ 1,105.00
Payment on loans and interest	2,040.00
Work on well	
Deep Freezer	
Telephone	
Insurance	
Lights	
Groceries	
Rental of equipment	•
Materials	
Labor	
Misc. Expense items	*
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Total Disbursements	\$32,061.90
Total Receipts	
Total Disbursements	. \$32,061.90
	Respectfully submitted,
,	Melvin Gibson
•	Camp Meeting Treasurer
REPORT OF SUPERANNUATED PENSION TRE	ASTIRER 1958_'59
Balance brought forward from last year	
Received from Pastor's assessments	627.11
Received from Church Budgets	1,883.91
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Total Recepits	\$ 2,511.05

Disbursements, Pastor's Assessments Disbursements, Church Budgets													
Total Disbursements Total Church Budget Assessments Total amount received	\$ 1,843.50												
Unpaid Balance	\$ 99.97 Respectfully Submitted, J. E. Spry, Treasurer												
REPORT OF TREASURER OF WILLIE E. BECKMAN BOARD Balance Sheet ending April 30, 1959													
Balance Sheet ending April 30, 1959													
Ranch Receipts	A 0 400 11												
Grain Sold													
Rentals													
Interest, Dividends													
Misc'l	316.68												
Ranch Receipts	\$ 8,470.50												
Ranch Operating Expense													
Seed	\$ 138.60												
Taxes													
Rent													
Improvement and repairs													
Telephone Insurance													
Board Meetings													
Spraying													
Legal fees													
Misc'l.													
Ranch Expenses	\$ 2,150.40												
Ranch Operating Profit	\$ 6,320.10												
Total Receipts	, ,												
May 1, 1958 Balance	\$31,402.30												
Ranch Receipts	8,470.50												
Banked for Conf. and Special Com. Treas.	13,726.97												
Land Sale	4,000.00												
Note	1,000.00												
Total	 \$58,599.77												
Total Disbursements	,,,,-												
	¢ 0.150.40												
Ranch operating expenses													
Banked for Conf. and Special Com. Treas	13,726.97												

Land purchased	15,997.12
Contribution to Conf. Work	14,107.56
Loans to Conference and Camp	8,150.60
Philippine Missions	1,400.00
Over payment on grain	25.00
G. C. Projection of Samuel	
Total	\$55,567.65
Balance on May 1, 1959	\$ 3,032.07
	Respectfully submitted.

Respectfully submitted, O. Theo Beckman

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF PRAYER

Another Conference year has quickly come and gone, and we pause in retrospect to give thanks to Almighty God for the help He has given His people, in answer to prayer.

The Word declares that God is the answer to all the needs and problems of the human family. Through prayer and faith, burdens are lifted, conditions are changed, the needs of human life are met, and are supplied by the

hand of a prayer hearing God.

The conviction deepens that the supreme need of the Church is the spirit of prayer. There are many other needs, but the need of prayer transcends them all. If only the Church of Christ could be impelled to prayer, there would be an end to all barrenness and failure. It is the lack of prayer that lies at the root of all our troubles, and there is no remedy but in prayer. Things will never be better until prayer is restored to its true place in the organization of the Church, and in the habits of individual believers. There is no substitute for prayer, but with prayer all things are possible. This is a truism of the Christian faith. Nobody denies it. Everybody says it. history confirms it. If only the people of God could be baptized into a passion for prayer, life would quicken, miracles would return, souls would be saved, ministers and missionaries would be called, and coffers would overflow. Why do we not set ourselves to prayer? The remedy is sure and simple; the need is acknowledged and urgent. May all wait upon God, until they have prayed through for themselves, then for others, and the whole world. The world has yet to see what God can do through an obedient, Spirit-filled, praying, believing church.

We have deeply appreciated the co-operation of the Brethren, and each Local Church in the Conference Prayer Program, and submit the following

record:

I. YEAR ROUND CONFERENCE CHAIN OF PRAYER

To have a chain of prayer, or hourly intercession, by the personnel
of each Local church in the Conference; that is, someone praying each
hour, day and night, (as nearly as is possible), from the beginning of

the Conference Year and throughout, until the close, is the prayer objective.

II. THE PERSONNEL INCLUDES ALL

- 1. To enlist young and old in the Conference Prayer Program: the children assigned 5, 10, or 15 minutes or more; the young people given a longer period; and adults generally spend one hour or more, alone with God in prayer.
- 2. Those who remain on the old fields (where their church structure is gone), who desire to unite in the Prayer Chain, for the work of the Lord and the Conference.
- 3. Also to enlist all others outside the Church, who will unite with us in this United Prayer Program, for the building of Christ's Kingdom.

III. THE PURPOSE

- 1. That sinners might be born into Christ's Kingdom.
- 2. That every believer (justified soul), might be entirely sanctified.
- 3. For those churches starting revivals; for conventions, and for special occasions and needs.
- 4. To build and to advance the work of God on every field.
- 5. For the evangelizing of our great Northwestern territory, and the planting of Wesleyan Methodist Sunday Schools and Churches therein.
- 6. That laborers shall be called into the wide and whitened harvest fields.
- 7. That the material and spiritual needs of the church, shall be supplied from the hand of God.
- 8. That there shall be set up a Family Altar in every home.
- 9. That secret prayer shall be renewed in every life.

IV. MAILING AND EXPENSE

- 1. About five hundred (500) postal cards having prayer requests have been sent.
- 2. Prayer Calendars and Prayer Lists have been mailed from our office to the churches.
- 3. The expense for this work has been about \$16.10.
- 4. May this effort bring honor and glory to the Lord forever and forever.

Prayerfully Submitted,

A. L. Cretsinger

REPORT OF SPECIAL CHURCH EXTENSION TREASURER

Receipts:	
Balance, June 1, 1958 Willie E. Beckman (Conference Crop)	\$ 555.82 3701.80
Dakota Conf. Treasurer (Refund of advance for Hamilton Church) Total Receipts	500.00 \$4757.62
Disbursements:	\$4101.0Z
Rev. Dean Watson (Pierre House Payment)	\$ 402.48
Rapid City, Trust (Robbinsdale House Payment)	661.58

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RAILROAD EXPENSE COMMITTEE REPORT

We the committee on Railroad Expense have met and recommend the amount of \$13.00 as the assessment to every charge. The amount to be paid to every pastor one way of their travel at 5c per mile.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total assessments	\$648.00
Total Disbursements	684.19
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	Respectfully submitted,
	Lee Goodell, Chairman
	Rolland L. Fletcher

SECRETARY'S REPORT ON CHILD EVANGELISM

The Dakota Conference Child Evangelism Secretary submits the following report:

We are happy to report a very good year in Children's work. There has

been nothing fabulous, but enough to keep us encouraged.

There has been a gain over last year of four new Bible Crusader Clubs, two new release time classes, one children's church and one Crusader Camp, giving us a total for the year as follows:

Six Bible Crusader Clubs Nine Release Time Classes

Three Iunior Churches

Two Bible Crusader Camps

You observe from this report that less than half of the churches in our conference are taking advantage of this opportunity of a broader outreach to the children.

The fact that Child Evangelism and especially Bible Crusader Camps

are gaining momentum throughout our denomination and due to the great amount of work and responsibility connected with the camps, organizational work has become necessary. Therefore, we now have officers and committees in each district. We have had a few committee meetings this year in which much planning and progress was made.

Plans are well under way for three Bible Crusader Camps this summer. At Colstrip, Montana, sometime in July; Rapid City July 20-24, 1959; and Mitchell, South Dakota, July 27-31, 1959. I urge all Pastors to bring the children and come.

I have endeavored to serve the conference in this capacity as best I could this year, but I cannot carry on successfully without the co-operation of the pastors and church people. Therefore, we depend upon you for full support and co-operation this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Brannon

MISSIONARY BOARD REPORT SEPTEMBER 5, 1958

Missionary Board meeting held Sept. 5, 1958 at the Redfield Church. Meeting was called to order by our Conference President Rev. John J. Hunter. Rev. S. J. McIntyre led in prayer.

Members of the Missionary Board were all present and expression was made for an appreciation for the Agenda sent to each member some days prior to the meeting. The following business was transacted and after the meeting the group adjourned to the cafe for supper.

- 1. Discussion of Terry, Montana parsonage. Motion was made and seconded we buy the parsonage at Terry, and that we pay \$1000.00 down payment. An amendment was added that \$800.00 of funds available at Terry be used for down payment and \$200.00 be referred to the Church Extension Board, also that we set 5% (five per cent) as interest ceiling. A report also to be sent Secretary for insertion in these minutes of transaction actually completed as to specific terms. This report to come from Conference president.
- 2. Assistance on Custer Parsonage. A request had been received for \$500.00 to put parsonage and garage in order. Motion was made and seconded we pay \$500.00 November 1, 1958 to Custer to assist in their project.

Motion was also made and seconded that we pay \$175.00 to assist in the moving of Rev. Fletcher to Custer, South Dakota.

- 3. Assistance for emergency needs of Rev. H. J. VanVliet be granted and we allow \$85.00 be paid Rev. VanVliet.
- 4. Sand Point, Idaho. Motion we pay \$50.00 for travel expenses to the evangelist being secured for this fall meeting.
- 5. Salary Commitments. Motion we pay \$15.00 per week beginning November 1 or when full employment ceases and terminates again when new employment in the spring begins to the following ministers.

Rev. Lee Goodell, Rev. Richard Mitchell, Rev. Lester Bennett.

- 6. Missoula, Montana. Motion was made and seconded that when the Missoula Property is sold that one half of the proceeds be turned over to the Hamilton, Montana project. Motion was made that \$2500.00 of proceeds from sale be refunded to the Beckman Board and this amount to be used on the new project at Rapid City.
- 7. Motion was made and seconded that the Conference President meet with the Terry Church and seek to get one half of the monthly payment on the parsonage and the monthly payment not to exceed \$65.00 per month. Motion that the assistance on pastors salary be left in the hands of the conference president and his advisory board.
- 8. Motion that the \$1500.00 loan at the Aberdeen bank be loaned to the Camp board and the plumbing bill on Camp grounds and funds needed to supplement Rev. Warriner be paid by this action. This loan in turn to be retired by Camp board before June 1, 1959.
- 9. Miles City, Montana. By common consent the Miles City transaction be referred to the building committee and local church for further study.
- 10. Mission, South Dakota. By common consent the Mission S. Dakota transaction be referred to the building committee and extension board.
- 11. Bismarck, North Dakota. Rev. R. J. Sausoman appeared before the Board and presented his statement regarding the Bismarck parsonage. After open discussion a motion was made and seconded we accept Rev. Sausoman's proposition. It was agreed by all that we recognize the sacrificial labors of Rev. and Mrs. Sausoman on the field and board expressed their appreciation for same. Motion was made and seconded that the Conference President and his Advisory board take into study the proposition on the purchase of new property for parsonage use adjoining the church and that they have the power to act as they see fit in going ahead with future plans.
- 12. Richland Project. Erwin Bailey submitted a request regarding the building of their new church. Motion that we approve the request and Missionary Board give the Richland Church authority to borrow money from the Home Department on the new Church construction when and if needed.
- 13. Brookings Project. Mention was made of the progress and plans taking shape in Brookings, South Dakota and a motion was made and seconded that as soon as the need may arise for assistance in future building that the Conference President and Building Board be contacted and they in turn would make an immediate inspection of the field and its problems.

The meeting adjourned.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MISSIONARY BOARD REDFIELD, SOUTH DAKOTA

January 30, 1959

Meeting was called to order by our conference president Rev. John Hunter. Rev. J. F. Simpson and Erwin Bailey led in prayer.

Motion was made and seconded that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting due to the lateness of the hour. Meeting was called to decide on what to do with the property transaction that the Beckman foundation had turned over to the Missionary Board.

The following action was taken with a real sense of the Lord's presence existing and the Holy Spirit seemed to have direction in the meeting.

- 1. That we accept the Sturgis property known as the Beckman subdivision of the McMillan east division of the City of Sturgis, for the purpose suggested by the Beckman Board (with separate consideration for house No. 4) namely for the establishment of a Conference Revolving Loan Fund, or as security for same.
- 2. That a committee of three (3) be elected by the Missionary Board to process all applications for loans from this fund or against the loan value of the Sturgis property. Actual granting of loans would be made by the Missionary Board.
 - 3. That rental from said property be sent to the revolving fund.

That the Conference Treasurer keep a separate set of books and a separate account in a separate bank from other funds.

- 4. That Rev. R. M. Kelly act as a special agent to handle the rental involved in the revolving fund, and forward all information to the Conference Treasury. That the special committee be headed by the Conference President as chairman. Wayne Cretsinger was elected as 2nd member. Erwin Bailey was elected as 3rd member.
- 5. That O. Theo. Beckman be authorized to make sale of house No. 4 and lot 6. The proceeds to go to the revolving fund.
- 6. That 7.1 acre tract of land representing portion lying north and east of 38th street be deeded to the Beckman Foundation and the remaining portion be retained for conference purposes.
- 7. That we authorize our conference president to bid on a building up for bid soon at the Air base to be used for Conference Presidents Dwelling in Rapid City and the bid be between \$300.00 and \$500.00.
- 8. That our records show that the Richland Church be granted a short term loan and that the Mitchell church be granted a \$1000.00 loan the time for which a three year maximum be given for its payment.

Motion was made and seconded that our meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, E. David Robertson, Sec.

MISSIONARY BOARD REPORT

We, your Missionary Board, submit the following report:

The Missionary Board met by order of President J. J. Hunter at Rapid City Camp Ground June 9, 1959 and the following recommendations were made.

Discussion of the Bushnell, South Dakota building project. A motion
was made and seconded that we form a joint committee with the Missionary
Board and the Bushnell building committee membership and that the Missionary Board be represented with three members and the Bushnell committee be represented with two members. This committee being authorized to

sell and handle the funds from the sale of the Bushnell land known as the Churches 80. The following were elected to this committee from the Missionary Board:

1st member and chairman ____ Rev. J. F. Simpson 2nd member _____ Rev. John Hunter 3rd member _____ David Robertson

The following were elected from the Bushnell membership:

1st member _____ Wayne McKeown 2nd member _____ Bill Vanderbush

- 2. Motion was made and seconded that we be responsible for and pay \$500.00 back taxes on rental property at Sturgis and with the understanding that the local group assume future taxes.
- 3. That we rent house number two (2) of Sturgis property to Rev. R. M. Kelly for \$40.00 per month.
- 4. That we rent house number one (1) to interested party for \$85.00 per month.
- 5. That our Conference treasurer transfer \$1000.00 that came from Strool as a loan to the Camp treasurer.
- 6. That the proceeds from the sale of lots on the Strathaven property be turned over to the Conference treasurer, \$3000.00 in repayment of the Strathaven loan to the Beckman Board and \$1000.00 to the Strathaven church project.
- 7. That we loan \$5000.00 from the Revolving Fund to the Aberdeen, S. Dakota Church. This being a fifteen (15) year loan and the interest be for the rate at which the loan is secured.
- 8. That we loan \$1000.00 from the Revolving Fund to the Harlowton, Montana church to complete their project.
- 9. That the Conference President be allowed \$300.00 to secure needed office equipment.
- 10. That we allow \$500.00 for the installation of street, water, sewer, and gas on Conference Presidents parsonage on Conference property.
- 11. That we hire a secretary for the Conference President and the salary be set at \$10.00 per week, this being part-time employ. An amendment was added to this from the floor to read the salary be set at the discretion of the President.
- 12. That we give \$10.00 per week to the Conference President and this amount be applied on utilities.
- 13. That we allow \$30.00 per week as salary assistance to Hamilton, Montana.
- 14. That we refund \$600.00 loan to Gordon Bennett to replace the money used the past year for the Hamilton work.
- 15. That we authorize Conference Treasurer to pay \$2500.00 to the Hamilton work for existing outstanding bills.
- 16. That sale of lots in Hamilton be on the basis of \$1000.00 per acre and proceeds be sent to the Conference Treasurer and then returned to Hamilton.

17. That we revise Standing Rule No. 12.

Pioneer Pastors Fund and it to read—An assessment of three dollars per year shall be raised from each member of each charge and sent to the Conference treasurer. The monies thus raised to constitute the Pioneer Pastor's Fund and with the understanding that \$30.00 per week go to each of the two pastors who shall be selected by the missionary board.

- 18. That the payment of \$10.00 per month for the Flandreau note be continued.
- 19. That we advance one-half of the President's salary at the first of each month and that at the end of the month he submit a statement of monies received and balance to be paid.
- 20. That we advance to the President \$50.00 per month for expense, and that he send a statement of deficit at end of month for said expenses.
- 21. That at the time of his visitation, the churches endeavor to raise a liberal offering for the Conference President, thus reducing the amount to be paid from the Conference Treasurer.
- 22. That the Pastor of the Sioux Community Chapel be paid \$80.00 per month.
- 23. That the Bismarck Parsonage monthly payment of \$64.89 be continued.
- 24. That we request the unorganized churches to receive an offering to apply on the Pioneer Pastors Fund.
- 25. That we pay \$43.00 per month house payment at Sundance, Wyoming.
 - 26. That we pay one of the monthly payments at Belle Fourche.
 - 27. That Standing Rule number 29 to read as follows:
- All Pastors receiving aid from the Conference, whether the funds come from the Conference treasurer, Advisory Board, Beckman Board, or Pioneer Pastors Fund shall send a monthly statement of monies received, 1st from the charge, 2nd from secular work, and 3rd from any other Conference source. This report to be sent to the treasurer of the fund from which he is receiving aid, and to the Conference treasurers and that subsequent payments not be made until last months statement be received, also this information to be included in the regular quarterly report to the Conference President.
- 28. That we continue support of Romeo Baronia and we pay \$50.00 per month.

29. That we give Rev. John Mickley \$50.00 per month for the three

month period during the summer while traveling.

- 30. That money in Conference Treasury for Terry Parsonage fund be transferred and sent to Terry pastor and put in a special fund to be used for repairs of Terry, Montana Parsonage.
- 31. That we refer the back rent due Rev. Kenneth Harris, Terry, Montana to the Beckman Board.
 - 32. That we pay Rev. Kenneth Harris \$195.00 for moving expenses.
- 33. That we authorize our Conference President and Terry, Montana Pastor to negotiate and make loan on Terry parsonage when due.

- 34. That the Conference President and the Conference Secretary be given authorization to sign all legal papers and securing of loans that may be authorized by the Missionary Board and or the conference. This board actually being the Authorized Board of Directors. That this item be placed in the Standing Rules.
- 35. That Authorization be given our Conference President and agent Rev. R. M. Kelly for Sturgis property, to increase loan needed for the Revolving Fund.
- 36. That we the Missionary Board of the Dakota Conference hereby authorize Rev. J. J. Hunter, Conference President, and Rev. R. M. Kelly, Agent for Sturgis property to sign all papers necessary for carrying out needed signatures in securing loans.
- 37. Motion made we accept personal loans from various individuals at less interest rate than 6% (six per cent).
- 38. That we recommend the Missionary Board study and give consideration in their fall meeting for a sizeable consideration on the Rapid City Camp Project as the Conference share of Responsibility of Conference Headquarters in Rapid City, South Dakota.
- 39. We recommend that the item of \$30.00 per week assistance on salary to Rev. Gene Stanislaus be referred to the Church Extension Committee until the next meeting of the missionary board.
- 40. We recommend that the sum of \$40.00 be appropriated for payment of hospital bill for Rolland Fletcher.
- 41. Inasmuch as the original purchase of the Strathaven site was approved by the Conference June 14th, 1958; and inasmuch as the Conference has approved the Building Committee report on the Strathaven first unit, after due thought we present the following statement:

We recommend that we follow the original plan as previously presented by the Missionary Board.

- 42. That Conference assist on the moving expense of Rev. Clifford Watt to Sturgis up to the amount of \$75.00 if needed.
- 43. That we pay balance on furnace contract at Bismarck, North Dakota in the amount of \$704.00 less interest.
- 44. That Conference President be authorized to meet with Miles City, Montana regarding parsonage and necessary arrangements be made with local group.
- 45. That pastors to receive aid from Pioneer Pastors Fund be Joliet, Montana and Bismarck, North Dakota.
- 46. That item of assistance at Sand Point, Idaho for Rev. Eugene Gisselbeck be referred to Beckman Board.
- 47. That we grant the Brookings church authorization to secure the necessary loan for construction of Brookings church unit, the amount being \$21,000.00.
- 48. We the Missionary Board wish to express our appreciation for the services rendered by Rev. J. F. Simpson for all he has done in helping the

work of the Dakota Conference move forward. This being done with no conference salary and we suggest a rising vote of thanks from the Conference Body.

Rev. J. J. Hunter Rev. S. J. McIntyre Rev. Rolland Fletcher Rev. Darrell Wagner Erwin Bailey H. H. Franklin Dorothy Cretsinger O. Theo. Beckman E. David Robertson

MISSIONARY BOARD MEETING, FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1959

Continued business at annual conference.

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Rev. John J. Hunter Rev. S. J. McIntyre Rev. Rolland Fletcher Rev. Darrell Wagner H. H. Franklin Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger O. Theo. Beckman E. David Robertson

Erwin Bailey

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PASSAGE OF CHARACTER

The Committee on Passage of Character has examined the reports presented by the Elders, Conference Preachers and Supply Pastors, and we recommend that the character of each be passed.

We would like to submit the following recommendations:

- 1. That the character of the Conference President and Vice-President and that of Superannuated Ministers be passed without a written report.
- 2. That those who failed to report be notified by the Conference Secretary the disciplinary provision for dropping the names of those who fail to report on request for the third consecutive year. (Paragraph 135)
- 3. That we give more serious consideration to the questions asked in section VII.
- 4. That we pray for one another in a greater measure. The expression of a good many under "Outlook," was the need for revival. Let us not be content until we see the workings of God's Spirit upon each of our churches.

The following did not report to the Conference this year, thus requiring a motion from the Conference body to pass their character: Romeo Baronia, Elton Clyde (appeared before Conference), Arthur Reisdorph, Charley Abarr, F. M. Schumacher, Mrs. Loreen Griffin, L. L. Knapp.

The following have not reported for at least three years, also requiring special Conference action to pass their character: Donald Gerrietts and Otto Jensen.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Hunter G. W. Goodsell Fred Nultemeier

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Resolutions, submit the following report: Be it resolved:

That we lead our people to worship God in the beauty of holiness, singing and making melody in our hearts unto the Lord thus creating a Spiritual atmosphere. We recommend the use of our own Wesleyan Methodist Hymnal in our churches.

That we urge our pastors and Sunday school superintendents to use our own Wesleyan literature in our Sunday schools, and to place our various periodicals into more of our homes.

Since the moral breakdown of our nation begins to a great degree in the homes of its people, we therefore urge Wesleyan Methodists to make diligent daily use of the Family Altar, remembering, "The family that prays together, stays together." (One of the greatest stabilizers of family life.)

We appreciate having a Book-stand in the tabernacle during this conference. We would recommend that the conference President appoint someone early enough next year to give sufficient time for assembling a larger selection of Bibles and Books, including a variety of books on the doctrine of Bible holiness.

We deplore the lack of reverence for, and the proper observance of, the Lord's Day by many professing Christians, including some Wesleyans; therefore we urge our people to abstain from secular work, from buying and selling, and from unnecessary social functions on the Lord's Day.

We are shocked at the present lack of holiness standards in dress and public apparel; we would therefore call attention to the Scriptural Injunction that both our men and women adorn themselves in modest attire, that which is becoming to the profession and example of Bible holiness.

Let Wesleyan Methodists, by every means at their command, take a strong stand against the demoralizing and destructive evils of the iniquitous Liquor traffic, which is a traffic in the lives and death of both young and old. Let us not neglect the teaching of Temperance in our Sunday schools and churches.

In these days of wavering loyalties in religious circles, we would urge our people to a greater loyalty to Jesus Christ, to the church, and to its doctrines and leadership.

Be it also resolved that every Wesleyan Pastor do all he can:

To promote revivals in new fields, in his own church, and wherever possible;

To possess and perpetuate the spirit of revival in our own hearts, that God might continually pour upon us His mighty Holy Spirit.

Lastly: Knowing that the time is short and the coming of Christ is near at hand, we urge our people to labor and to live in constant readiness for His glorious return.

"Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life"!

Respectfully submitted,

(Rev.) B. I. Griffin, Chairman

(Rev.) W. D. Shelor

COMMITTEE ON APPRECIATION

We, your committee on Appreciation submit the following report. We honor God and give Him praise for the visitation of the Holy Spirit on the seventy-eighth Annual Conference session and camp meeting.

We sincerely express gratitude to the Almighty God for the outpouring of the Spirit upon the workers of the camp meeting; Dr. Rufus Reisdorph, camp meeting evangelist and denominational representative, Rev. Robert McIntyre, Youth Evangelist. We also thank Rev. Reisdorph and Rev. McIntyre personnally for their fine ministry and messages delivered under said anointing. Furthermore we thank Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp, song evangelists; and Mrs. Phyllis Franklin for their Spirit-filled ministry in music, which blessed our hearts again and again. Likewise we thank the Children's Workers, Misses Elva Belle Beckman and Delores Baily for their splendid work with the children.

We express our appreciation to Rev. John Hunter for his untiring labors in carrying the heavy load that rested upon him this past year.

We express appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. Robert Girard, field Representative and the Boys quartet from Miltonvale Wesleyan College, who inspired our hearts to prayers and labor for our area school and college.

We also express appreciation to the following:

- 1. The Milwaukee, and Great Northern Railroads for their special rates to those who travel on conference business.
- 2. To Miss Marie Brannon, Camp Registrar, and her assistant, Miss Francis Gooding.

3. To Torgersons Music Center for the use of the organ.

4. To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fessenden and to the many others who helped in the camp kitchen and served in the dining hall.

5. We thank the Rapid City Journal for the publicity given our Con-

ference and Camp meeting.

- 6. We thank Mr. Clifford Nickerson of the Iseman Trailer Corporation for the trailer house generously loaned to us for the office of our Conference Secretary.
- 7. We thank O. Theo. Beckman for the beef that was donated also Mr. Sam Rowe and others that gave generous contributions of money for the supplies of the dining hall.

8. To Rev. William Gale and Brainerd school for the gift of the electric

dishwasher.

9. Lastly, we thank all others who by their generosity, or otherwise who have contributed in any way to the camp, and towards the success of the conference and camp meeting of 1959.

In closing we say with Habakkuk of old, "I will rejoice in the Lord, I

will joy in the God of my salvation."

Respectfully submitted, Viola Leyh, chairman Louise Goodsell

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS

Item I. ORDINATION

The following have satisfactorily completed the requirements of study and practical experience set forth in the Wesleyan Methodist Discipline and have been examined as to their gifts, grace, usefulness and their adherence to our Articles of Religion. They are hereby recommended to be elected to elders orders. Richard Herbert Franklin, Darrel Dean Martin, Arnold Elmer La Rue.

Earl Dean Olson was selected to elders orders by the Seventy-Seventh Session of the Dakota Annual Conference, but he has not yet been ordained.

We recommend that these four men be ordained Sunday, June 14, 1959, in the 10:30 a.m. service and that Dr. R. D. Reisdorph be asked to preach the ordination sermon.

Item II. COURSE OF STUDY

1. The following have completed the Course of Study for Candidates for Elders Orders: Leigh Nygard, Elvie Turner, Bennie D. Veeder, Marion Vreugdenhil.

2. We recommend that the following pursue the Coures of Study for Candidates for Elders Orders and that they be classified as follows:

Unclassified: Loren Gisselbeck, Virgil Guthridge, Mrs. Helen Hartman, John Herman, Earl Howard, Isla F. Knight, Harry Logan, F. M. Schumacher. Fourth year: Kenneth Harris, Benjamin Joachim.

Third year: Walter Kemp, William Maynard, Mae Palmer.

Second year: Andrew Gerleman, Darrell Gerleman, Tilman Nelson, Willard Stone.

First year: Rudy Hauck, C. Milton Newbold.

Attending College: Charley Abarr, a senior at Marion College; Paul Bauer, a senior at Marion College; Howard Boyle, a junior at Marion College; David Gowan, a junior at Miltonvale College; Burnell Pudwill, a sophomore at Miltonvale College; Ralph Vreugdenhil, a junior at Miltonvale College; Wesley Wagner, a senior at Miltonvale College.

Item III. DISCONTINUED

Lawren Hunt, Richard Mitchell and Leon Ordonez, who have joined other denominations.

Max Hansen, deceased.

Item IV. ITINERATION

We find the following persons qualified to travel under the direction of the conference (with certain exceptions as indicated by footnotes). Following each name, it is indicated in parentheses what progress the individual has made in the course of study or in school the past year.

1,2,3, Charley Abarr (at Marion College 3 terms); 2,3, Paul Bauer; 2, Howard Boyle (43 term hours at Marion College); 4, Andrew Gerleman (2 books); 1, Darrell Gerleman (1 book); 2,3, David Gowan (2 semesters at Miltonvale College); 1,2,3, Virgil Guthridge (1 semester at Miltonvale College); 2,4, Kenneth Harris; 1, Mrs. Helen Hartman (2 books); 1,3, Rudy Hauck (1 book); John Herman; 2,3, Earl Howard; 2,4, Benjamin Joachim; 4, Walter Kemp (2 books); Isla F. Knight (in Nepal); Harry Logan; 1,2,3, William Maynard; 2, Tilman Nelson (in Cuba); 2,3, C. Milton Newbold (in Bahama Islands); Leigh Nygard (finished); 2,3, Mae Palmer (in Haiti); 2,3,4, Burnell Pudwill (2 semesters at Miltonvale College); 2,4, F. M. Schumacher; Elvie Turner (has finished); 4, Bennie D. Veeder (has finished); 4, Marion Vreugdenhil (has finished); 2,3,4, Ralph Vreugdenhil (2 semesters at Miltonvale College); Wesley Wagner (2 semesters at Miltonvale College).

Footnotes:

- 1 Indicates failure to report in writing to the 1959 session of conference.
- 2 Indicates no examination has been passed on Wesleyan Methodist Discipline.
- 3 Indicates no examination has been passed on Binney's Theological Compend nor a substitute theology course.
- 4 Indicates an interview before the Committee on Itineracy and Orders. Willard D. Stone has been examined and is recommended to travel under the direction of the conference as an Evangelistic Singer.

(Any of the above who do not receive an Annual Conference License are to be returned to their respective quarterly conferences according to paragraph 94 of the Discipline.)

Item V. AUTHORIZATION

According to the records of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders as compared with the statement of the Discipline (paragraph 170, sub-paragraphs (2), (3) and (4), the following preachers are eligible to be authorized by the conference president to administer the Sacraments and (where state laws permit) to perform marriages (if the preacher is employed as the sole or principal pastor of a Wesleyan Methodist Church, pioneer work or mission):

Charley Abarr, Paul Bauer, Howard Boyle, Andrew Gerleman, David Gowan, Virgil Guthridge, Mrs. Helen Hartman, John Herman, Earl Howard, Walter Kemp, Leigh Nygard, Burnell Pudwill, Elvie Turner, Bennie D. Veeder, Marion Vreugdenhil, Ralph Vreugdenhil, Wesley Wagner.

We wish to enquire whether the conference by special action wishes to recommend the following for this authorization, even though they have not passed the two books from the course of study as required by the Discipline of those who have previously received such authorization: Darrell Gerleman, Kenneth Harris, Rudy Hauck, Benjamin Joachim, Isla F. Knight, Harry Logan, William Maynard, Tilman Nelson, C. Milton Newbold, Mae Palmer, F. M. Schumacher.

(N.B. After adopting the committee report, the conference voted to declare the above named also eligible to receive similar authorization at the discretion of the conference president.)

Item VI. MISCELLANEOUS

Attention is called to the 1958 action by which Reverend F. M. Schumacher was recommended to be received as an elder upon completion of a test on the Wesleyan Methodist Discipline. He was also requested to read the textbook on Wesleyan Methodist Church History. Sickness has prevented his fulfilling these requirements.

Pending opportunity to interview him, action on the recommendation of Loren Gisselbeck to travel under conference direction is deferred.

The committee proposes that action on the recommendation by the Aberdeen church that John Dillon travel under conference direction be deferred.

We request that those who are attending school inform us from year to year as to the course they are taking, their classification as to year, and the hours of credit they have earned since the previous conference. In particular, we need to know whether they have passed a course in Wesleyan Methodist Discipline or in theology.

We request that those pursuing the conference course of study by correspondence keep a record of their progress in the "Reading Course" and inform the secretary from year to year. Such reports and the reports of grades on examinations may be sent this year to Gordon Cary.

The examiners on the books of the Course of Study for Candidates for Elders Orders are as follows:

Robert O. Vermilyea (Term expires 1960)

First year—Bible, Applied English; Second year—Bible, homiletics; third year—Bible, History of the Wesleyan Methodist Church; Fourth year—Bible, Business Administration of the Church.

H. J. VanVliet (Term expires 1961)

First year—Binney's Theological Compend, Perfect Love; Second year—Theology; Third year—Theology; Fourth year—Theology.

Dallas Wadsworth (Term expires 1962)

First year—Robert's Rules of Order; Second year—The Art of Effective Teaching, Missions; Third year—System of General Ethics; Fourth year—Psychology and Life.

Gordon Cary (Term expires 1963)

First year-Wesleyan Methodist Discipline; Second year-Foundations of Doctrine; Third year-Church History, System of Christian Evidences; Fourth year-Church History, The Superlative Book.

Respectfully submitted, Gordon Cary, chairman Dallas Wadsworth B. H. Veeder Robert O. Vermilyea Miss Ila Hamm Mrs. Gordon Wills Wm. Greenberg

CAMP MEETING BOARD MINUTES, JUNE 12, 1959

The Camp Meeting Board Recommends the Following:

- 1. That the opening day of Camp Meeting start on a Thursday evening. That the W. Y. day and Conference be on Saturday and Monday. That Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday be devoted to Conference activities with Camp services in the evenings. That Friday through Sunday, a full daily Camp Meeting schedule would be resumed. The details of this arrangement would be worked out by the Conference Program Committee.
- 2. That we urgently recommend that all Pastors and Ministers and others who can to come on Monday preceding Camp opening to prepare for Camp and Conference.

The motion prevailed to pay an honorarium of \$75.00 to Don Ashby and that the W. Y. reimburse the Conference Treasurer \$25.

June 13, 1959

- 3. That the date of next year's Camp and Conference be June 16-26.
- 4. That Standing Rule No. 20 be adjusted to the recommendation of number 3.
- 5. That approximately 17 lots in the Southwest corner of the Camp Grounds be made available to pastors without charge who could place cabins upon them within the next two years. The type of construction, finance, use, and arrangements to be worked out with the Camp Board.
 - 6. That a separate tract of lots be made available for trailer houses

under the conditions of recommendation number 5.

- 7. That the W. M. S. be authorized to raise funds for a new structure upon the Camp grounds. The detail of the plans to be worked out with the Camp Board and the Executive Committee of the W. M. S.
- 8. That the Camp Board be granted power to work out an agreement with Rev. William Gale and Rev. Neal Phipps concerning their property on the Camp Grounds, granting authority for the purchase of said property and the securing of loans if necessary.
- 9. That the Conference President be authorized to secure a reliable person to act as caretaker of the Camp Grounds. That said person be one drawing Social Security.
- 10. That the paying of the Camp Meeting workers and other expenses be left in the hands of the Camp Meeting Board.
- 11. That registration fees be as follows: Ministers and delegates, \$7.50; regular campers, \$10.00; children under 12, ½ price; no charge to children under 6.

Members of the Committee present:

G. W. Goodsell Dorothy Cretsinger O. Theo. Beckman Glen Wessel Darrell Wagner J. F. Simpson

REPORT OF CARD CALL SECRETARY

The statistical report for the conference year of 1958-59 reveals a total of 181 Card Call Subscribers within the Dakota Conference. This is a gain of 15 over last year's figures, but missed the goal of 250 that was suggested.

This year there are five churches that have subscribers equal to 30% of their membership. They are as follows: Johnson Corners, Houghton, Mt. Vernon, Mission, and Terry. Special recognition to Terry with 70% of their members as subscribers. We are pleased with several of the unorganized churches who are represented with subscribers to the Card Call Plan.

The advancement of the Wesleyan Methodist Church depends considerably upon the Card Call Plan in the Pioneering Work, therefore it is of utmost importance that we give a greater endeavor to promote this work. Our goal again this year is 250 subscribers in the conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert T. McCoy-Card Call Secretary

CONFERENCE BOARD ON CHURCH AND PARSONAGE BUILDING AND LOCATION

This board met in Redfield, So. Dakota, on September 5, 1959 at 10:00 a.m. with all the board members present. Plans for the conference parsonage were studied at length and some suggestions made, mainly concerning the attached garage. By motion the proposed floor plans were approved subject

to further study on the garage and grading situation.

Re: Hamilton, Montana

Plans for the Hamilton Wesleyan Methodist Church were presented to the board by Rev. H. W. Cretsinger. The board voted to continue study on the plans since the proposed plans appeared to be too elaborate for financing. An alternate plan was to be devised by the Building Board.

Re: Richland, So. Dak.

Plans for the Richland Church were approved subject to revision by the local members of the local building board in consultation with H. W. Cretsinger.

The board met again on February 25, 1959 at Rapid City, So. Dak., and members present were John Hunter, J. E. Alexander, W. G. McIntyre, and Gordon Goodsell who sat on the board in the place of J. F. Simpson.

Re: Conference Parsonage

The board made the following recommendations regarding the conference parsonage plans:

- 1. That the garage be placed in the basement of the building.
- 2. That a shower and half bath be placed in the basement.
- 3. That oak flooring be used in the living room and hall.
- 4. That terrazo corlon be used on the floors in the bedrooms, bath, kitchen, utility, dining room, office and vestibule.
 - 5. That the outside basement walls be of poured concrete.
 - 6. That perimeter style heating be used.

All of the above recommendations were passed by proper action.

Re: Rapid City First Church Parsonage

The board approved construction of a new parsonage for the Rapid City First Church subject to financial arrangements. The board also approved by proper motion the conference 38th St. property as a suitable location for the parsonage building site, details to be worked out with the Missionary Board. Re: Sioux Chapel Parsonage

The board approved the purchase of the parsonage on which the Beckman Board and Rev. Mickley have made the down payment. The location at 1125 Willsie Ave. was approved and payments are being made from the conference monthly payment for rent.

Re: Miles City Parsonage

The board approved construction of a new parsonage at Miles City subject to satisfactory financial arrangements. The board approved the submitted floor plan with the recommendation that the utility room be placed on the ground floor similar to the floor plan of the conference parsonage and that only one basement stairway be constructed with access from the outside and from the interior of the house.

Re: Hamilton, Montana

The board approved plans for the Hamilton Christian Education Unit similar to the Richland Church plans with revision suitable to local use. The chapel unit is approved subject to satisfactory financial arrangements. De-

tails of construction to be left with the local committee.

Re: Joliet, Montana

The board recommended that the local building committee at Joliet, Montana meet with members Hunter and McIntyre and investigate the possibility of using the Wildwood Chapel-parsonage combination or similar plans for combination units.

Re: Terry, Montana

By communication the board approved the purchase of a parsonage building in Terry, Montana.

Re: Brookings, So. Dak.

The board by communication approved the plans presented by the Brookings church for a sanctuary unit with full basement.

The board met again on June 11, 1959 at Rapid City with all members present except H. W. Cretsinger. Gordon Goodsell served in his place.

The board studied building needs as presented by the Pierre pastor, Rev. Dean Watson and recommended that steps be taken in the near future for a building program. Tentative plans were made for a conference building board meeting at the Pierre Church.

During the year Board members Rev. Cretsinger and Rev. Hunter representing the board went over remodeling plans at the Aberdeen Church and approved the plans as presented by the local committee and as approved by the Missionary Board.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hunter
J. F. Simpson
H. W. Cretsinger
W. G. McIntyre
J. E. Alexander

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

I wish to thank the conference for the privilege of representing the conference during the past year, for the interest and cooperation the brethren have extended in the task, and for their forbearance with the shortcomings in the service rendered by the Educational Secretary.

Several hopeful indications suggest God's blessing on the cause of Christian education in our area and annual conference; for which we give Him our heart-felt thanks.

1. The report of a good year at Miltonvale College, marked by spiritual revival, enthusiastic Jubilee observances, increased enrollment and a net

financial gain of several thousand dollars.

- 2. An increase in the number of Dakota Conference churches paying or over-paying their educational budget assessment—27 last year and 41 this year.
- 3. An increase in the amount contributed on educational budget—\$3305 last year, \$4490 this year. Where last year there was a deficit on the conference educational budget of \$331, this year the educational budget was overpaid \$803. However 17 churches still came short of paying their edu-

cational budget in full. Eight of these were the "ghost churches" whose assessments totaled \$231. The nine living churches which were short on educational budget accounted for a deficit of \$101.

- 4. An increase in the total Dakota Conference contributions for educational benevolence—\$1124 last year, \$2888 this year. (Thus the total contributions for education—budget and benevolence—increased from \$4429 to \$7378.)
- 5. Actual progress toward the construction of a science building on Miltonvale campus—an architect employed and drawings to be prepared this summer.
- 6. Lively interest in Miltonvale College within the conference, displayed and quickened by visits to the campus on Hospitality Day and for annual Board Meeting and for other occasions—and by student visiting churches of the conference for choir concerts, quartet programs, and gospel team services.

Among Factors outstanding in fostering the increased interest in Miltonvale should be mentioned the excellent publicity materials sent out from the college, the financial campaign organized under the leadership of Dr. O. G. Wilson, Dr. Donald Boone and Dean E. Stanley Banker, the co-operation of our own pastors and conference officials, and the response and assistance of the local educational sceretaries, 27 of whom have been reported.

As conference educational secretary, may I report the following activities:

- 1. A meeting of the conference educational committee at the 1958 conference session, attended by Rev. John J. Hunter, Rev. John Winterberg, Mrs. Elizabeth Becker, Rev. Darrell Wagner, Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger and the Conference Educational Secretary.
- 2. A "budget booster" letter sent out to all pastors providing some information and urging the election of local educational secretaries.
- 3. A second letter sent to educational secretaries (and to pastors of charges that had no educational secretary) attempting to guide and encourage the local secretaries and educational committees.
- 4. Lists of local educational secretaries sent to the Miltonvale public relations office, dean and president.
- 5. Participation in the 1959 conference educational service. For the coming year I wish to request
- 1. That each pastor send the name and address of the new local educational secretary to G. Cary, 1509 University Ave., Hot Springs, South Dakota.
- 2. That each pastor and educational secretary encourage one another in organizing an active local educational committee, with the Miltonvale contact man of their church as an additional member. (See paragraph 254 of the Discipline).
- 3. That special attention be given to the drive this fall for funds for the Miltonvale Development Program. May the Lord put it in our hearts to respond liberally to this special appeal IN ADDITION TO raising our

educational budget.

- 4. That we keep in mind the importance to our youth of finding God's plan for their education and for their life calling.
- 5. That we recognize that only the blessing of God upon our individual hearts and in our scattered churches could produce the necessary support for our area school—and that we continue to give Him our thanks and open access to our hearts to continue His work in us.

Respectfully submitted, Gordon H. Cary Dakota Conference Educational Secretary

PHILIPPINE MISSION REPORT TO THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

This year has been marked by many divine Providences in connection with the work in the Philippines.

Rev. Harris has been God's man in the right place. When the books are opened, we believe that it will be revealed that this has been the most fruitful year of his long ministry.

He wanted to be here for this Conference Session. His ticket was purchased and the reservation was made for his trip home. He writes that there is so much work to do and such a shortage of workers, that he cancelled his trip home for three months.

The Church Building Program of 25 churches in 24 months has almost reached the half-way mark.

Rev. Baronia wrote me some weeks ago that 4 new churches were to be erected in the near future for 4 experienced pastors who have come to our work. This will bring the number of new churches to 14.

Some very fine buildings have recently been erected for the Bible School. We hope to have 50 students this year. God's seal was on the school last year in a marked way.

The value of the property erected in the last two years in Churches and the Bible School is close to \$40,000.00 with no indebtedness.

This is a Faith venture, but we are operating on a cash basis.

The Committee on Philippine Missions voted in 1959 to continue to send 100% of all offerings received to the field except where the offering is earmarked for overhead expense.

Some friends of the movement have contributed toward the overhead, which is kept at a minimum. Thus far the U. S. personnel in the Philippine work have given their services without salary.

There seems to be the moving of the Spirit among the Filipinoes throughout the various Provinces. It is our prayer that there will be a gracious revival at this time so that the ripe harvest can be gathered.

Rev. and Mrs. Baronia, the pastors and students and Rev. Harris send warm greetings to this conference.

Your continued prayers are requested,

Rev. J. F. Simpson

PHILIPPINE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR MAY 1, 1958 TO MAY 1, 1959

Cash on hand May 1, 1958 Receipts Disbursements Cash on hand May 1, 1959 Below is an itemized account of the receipts and disbursements.	\$21125.19 \$1838400
RECEIPTS	
1. Received from Conf. Missionary Society Treasurer	\$ 721.36
2. Received from Conf. Wesleyan Youth Society Treasurer	\$ 349.88
3. Received from The Black Hills Youth Camp	\$ 50.00
4. Received from The Beckman Board earmarked fund	
a. Superintendent house rent	\$ 600.00
b. Construction of Memorial Church in Philippines	\$ 800.00
5. Received as earmarked funds from individuals and Sunday	
Schools in the Conference	\$ 4455.93
6. Received as public free-will offerings for the Philippines	
from missionary services held in 22 Conference churches	\$ 887.55
7. Received as miscellaneous from the Conference Treasurer	\$ 199.89
8. Received as offerings for the Philippine Work from personal friends in various denominations; Jewish, Catholic, Baptist, Presbyterian, Evangelical United Brethren, Lutheran, Seventh Day Adventist, Christian, Free Methodist, Independent, Church of God, Methodist, Pilgrim Holiness, Nazarene, Evangelical Methodist, Dutch Reform, Mennonite Brethren and others. Offerings also received from person-	
al friends who are non church-members.	
Total Receipts	\$21125.19
DISBURSEMENTS	
1. Disbursements for overhead expenses	\$ 1840.32
2. Disbursements for church construction & field expenses	\$16543.68
Total	\$18384.00
Breakdown for overhead expenses:	,
Postage, telephone, printing expenses and materials, office, car meals, hotel, travel, miscellaneousMonthly payments on rental basis for Superintendent's home (\$50 per month—received from Beckman Board and ear-	\$ 1240.32
marked for this purpose)	\$ 600.00
Total	\$ 1840.32

NOTE CONCERNING FIELD:

According to the latest information, about 14 new churches have been erected. Two new buildings on the Bible School Campus have been erected, bringing the total Bible School buildings to 6. The value of the property

crected during the last two years consisting of Churches and Bible School is approximately \$40,000.00, with no indebtedness.

Rev. J. F. Simpson

REPORT OF TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY

It has been possible for your Transportation Secretary to be able to secure free transportation over the same Railroads, which have previously given us passage, for the Dakota Conference Officials.

J. F. Simpson, Transportation Sec.

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We your committee on Pastor Relations, prayerfully submit the following report:

Aberdeen-John Dillon-Supply

Almont-Lester Myers

Artesian-Robert McCoy

Avon-Fred Bingaman and Wife (Rudy Hauck, Assist.)

Baker and Knobs-Burl Baty

Beckman Memorial (Prairie City)-Harold Griffin

Belle Fourche-Gordon Goodsell and Wife

Biddle-A. J. Gerleman

Billings—R. J. Sausoman

Bismarck-Paul Faulkenberry

Brentford-H. Vreugdenfil and Wife

Brookings-Fred B. Francis

Buffalo-Eugene Stanislaus

Conner-Benjamin Joachim

Custer-Lester R. Fletcher

Deadwood-B. H. Veeder

Flandreau and Bushnell-Walter Kemp

Forsyth-Darrel Martin

Garden City-Arnold La Rue

Hamilton-Lester Bennett

Harlowton-W. G. McIntyre

Hot Springs-Gordon Cary

Houghton-B. I. Griffin

Huron-J. E. Winterberg

Ipswich-Richard H. Franklin

Johnson Corners-A. L. Cretsinger and Wife

Joliet-Lee Goodell

Loyalton-Bennie D. Veeder

Medicine Rocks and Mill Iron-Ellis Sollie

Miles City-Rolland Fletcher

Mission-Chester Reed

Mitchell-Beverly Wilson

Mt. Vernon-W. E. Moulton and Wife

Mobridge-Earl Olson

Northville-To be supplied

Pearl-John Herman

Pierre-O. D. Watson, Jr. (Assistant, Wesley Sime)

Rapid City, First-Darrell Wagner

Rocky Point-To be supplied

Robbinsdale-Glen Wessel

Redfield-W. J. Leyh and Wife

Richland-Dallas Wadsworth

Ridge-Ralph Howard

Sand Point, Idaho-Eugene Gisselbeck and Wife

Sioux Community Chapel-John Mickley (Glen Case, Assist.)

Sturgis-Clifford Watt

Strathaven-J. F. Simpson (Supply)

Sundance-Gordon Wills

Terry-Kenneth Harris

Tolstoy—Ernest Hobbie

Tuthill—To be supplied

Watertown—A. A. Becker

Watford City-Robert Vermilyea

Sierra Leone, West Africa—Ruth Bixler Missionary to Africa on furlough—Alma Aldinger

Missionaries to Haiti—Rev. and Mrs. Daniel McCandless, Mae Palmer

Missionary to Bolivia-Paul Steward

Philippine Islands-Romeo Baronia, L. D. Harris

Missionary-Miss Isla F. Knight (Nepal); Tillman Nelson (Cuba)

Missionary to the Bahama Islands-C. Milton Newbold

Unstationed Elders-Donald Gerriets, Otto Jensen, Warren K. Pamp, Mrs. Grace Miller Hoien, L. L. Knapp, Ralph Helle.

Brainerd Indian Training School President-William Gale

Indian Missionary Work-F. M. Schumacher, John Kearns

General Evangelists-H. Vanderbush, S. J. McIntyre, Neal Phipps

Missionary Work-Harold Cotrill, Mrs. Grace Goodwin Kauffman, A. T. Reisdorph, Kenneth Shelley, Elton Clyde, Darrell Gerleman, Alfred Hartman, Mrs. Helen Hartman, Harry Logan, William Maynard, H. J. VanVliet, Marion Vreugdenhil, Allen Gisselbeck, Virgil Guthridge, Leigh Nygard, Miss Minnie Knecht.

Evangelistic Singer—Willard Stone

Conference Evangelist-H. W. Cretsinger

Conference President-John J. Hunter

Conference Vice-President-Gordon Goodsell

Teaching in Miltonvale Wesleyan College—George Robbins, Jr., Paul F. Davidson

Attending College-Clyde McCone, Charley Abarr, Howard Boyle, Bur-

nell Pudwill, Wesley Wagner, Ralph Vreugdenhil, Paul Bauer, David Gowan, Earl Howard

Superannuated-A. M. Wiley, Elizabeth Traver, J. E. Spry, Mrs. Laura Raymer, W. D. Shelor, L. D. Harris, R. M. Kelly, J. F. Simpson

General Sunday School Secretary-R. D. Reisdorph

General Women's Missionary Society President-Ruby Reisdorph

To choose own field of labor-Miss Elvie Turner

Superintendent and/or President of Dakota Conference Missionary Work in the Philippines—I. F. Simpson

Respectfully submitted,

I. J. Hunter

J. F. Simpson

I. E. Alexander

David Robertson

W. J. Leyh

Harry Johnson

R. I. Sausoman

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY

The Dakota Conference Sunday Schools have had another good year for which we give God all the praise and glory.

It has been my desire in promoting Sunday School work that we may have a program that will bring men and women, boys and girls to Jesus Christ.

ACTIVITIES:

The Conference Sunday School Secretary, in promoting Sunday School work in the past year had:

- 1. Sent out 250 piecse of mail.
- 2. Attended a Sunday School board meeting at Pierre to make plans for the Children's Camps.
- 3. Attended the National Sunday School Convention.
- 4. Traveled the Conference with Miss Mary Bennett, holding Sunday School Rallies in 7 churches and traveled over 1500 miles.
- 5. Recorded Miss Bennett's talk to be used by the churches unable to attend the Rallies.
- 6. Co-operated with the Conference President in promoting the Easter offering for Brainerd, which amounted to \$900.34.
- 7. Co-operated in the promotion of the Autumn Advance.
- Co-operated with the general office in raising the Thanksgiving offering for our area college, which amounted to \$1430.50.

ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR:

This year there were 19 churches that showed a gain in average attendance and 23 that showed a loss. There was a very slight loss in average attendance.

From the Sunday Schools there were 251 converts and 176 joined the church.

Receipts

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That where possible the Sunday Schools set up a calling program.

2. That strong emphasis be placed on choosing and training spiritual teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

Glen/Wessel

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD RECOMMENDATION

We, the Sunday School Board, wish to make the following recommendation:

That the Conference Sunday School Secretary and Child Evangelism director be sent to the General Conference by the Conference Sunday School Department and that expenses for the same be paid by the Conference Sunday School Secretary, and \$75.00 to the Child Evangelism Director.

Conference Sunday School Board

Glen Wessel
O. D. Watson

REVOLVING FUND REPORT

Receipts by Bank Deposit Slips	\$10,070.00
Disbursements	
Insurance on houses	\$ 100.45
Expense of Treas. Office	\$ 3.82
Loan Mitchell Church	\$ 1750.00
Loan Garden City Church	\$ 1000.00
Loan Mt. Vernon Church	\$ 600.00
Loan Hamilton Church	\$ 3034.00
Loan Camp Treas.	
Glover Plumbing Co.	\$ 22.60
Security Land Abstract	\$ 25.55
Total Disb.	\$ 9136.42
_	ce 5/30/59 \$933.58
	S. J. McIntyre, treas.

STANDING RULES

- 1. Annual Conference 7½%Fund: Financial plan for Conference Work: Money for Conference work shall be obtained by each local Church paying an amount equal to 7½% of all monies raised for all purposes, this to include local treasury, Sunday School, W. M. S., W. Y., and Y. M. W. B., with the exception of finance for building and repairs. One-third of this fund shall be used for Church Extension within the bounds of the Dakota Conference, and the balance, two-thirds, shall constitute the regular Conference Fund. This amount is to be sent to the Conference Treasurer once a month.
- 2. Railroad Expense: The amount of the Railroad Expense Assessment this year is \$13.00 and it is recommended that this amount be sent to the Conference Treasurer as soon as possible. The Committee shall reimburse

the pastors for railroad expense on the basis of five cents a mile, one way, for distance traveled.

The Committee in securing the amount of assessment for each Church shall take the cost of car fare of the pastors present, and eligible for such expense, added to any deficit from the previous year; the result divided by the total number of churches, shall determine the assessment each year for this item. Only those pastors whose Churches have paid the assessment for the previous year shall be eligible to receive car fare.

- 3. Camp Meeting Board: The Conference W. M. S. President and the Conference W.Y. President, shall be members of the Camp Meeting Board by virtue of their office.
- 4. The Local Church File is to be left with the Church by the outgoing Pastor, so that the incoming Pastor will have immediate access to the data contained therein upon his arrival on the field. This file is to be open for inspection to members of the local church.
- 5. Budgets: All churches will be instructed at the beginning and again at the close of the Conference year regarding their obligations to the Conference, relative to Budget askings, and the amount due on Budget.
- 6. Officer's Terms: All officers shall hold office until the close of the Conference session in which they are retired.
- 7. Honorarium Treasurer: The Conference Treasurer shall be paid an honorarium of \$150.00 each year.
- 8. Honorarium Secretary: The Conference Secretary shall be paid an honorarium of \$50.00 each year.
- 9. Regarding Ordination: No person shall receive ordination in the future in the Dakota Conference who does not intend to engage in definite Christian work.
 - 10. The Auditing Committee shall be one of the Standing Committees.
- 11. Instructions to Treasurers: The Treasurers of the various Conference funds shall hold such funds in some bank that is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in the name of the Dakota Conference and checks drawn on such account shall be signed by the treasurer, as treasurer of said fund.
- (a) Each treasurer shall have in hand, bank statements at the beginning and at the close of the Conference year involved, and said bank statement shall be submitted with the Treasurer's account book to the Auditing Committee of the Conference at the Annual Conference session, on the first day of the session.
- (b) Duplicate receipts, or records, other than the treasurer's account book, with source, date, and donor of all receipts shall be submitted to the Auditing Committee with said treasurer's books.
- (c) All disbursements from said funds shall be paid by check, and all cancelled checks shall be submitted with the treasurer's books to the Auditing Committee.
- 12. Pioneer Pastor's Funds: An assessment of three dollars (\$3.00) per year shall be raised from each member of each charge and sent to the Con-

ference Treasurer. The monies thus raised to constitute the Pioneer Pastor's Fund, and with the understanding that \$30.00 per week go to each of the two Pastors who shall be selected by the Missionary Board.

- 13. Closing Date of Conference Fiscal Year: Closing date shall be April 30.
- 14. Dakota Annual Conference Minutes, or Journal: Each church or charge, shall be apportioned, one Journal for every three members, unless otherwise designated by the Pastor or Delegate. The Conference Secretary shall send a statement to each Charge, stating the amount necessary to pay for the Minutes.
- 15. Each Pastor Shall Receive His Salary from the Church he has served the past year, for the two Sundays of Conference and Camp Meeting.
- 16. Change of Pastors-Moving Expenses: We recommend that when a Church makes a change of Pastors, that said church enter into an agreement with the incoming Pastor, establishing an equitable way of financing the Pastor's moving expenses.
- 17. Vacation for President: We recommend, that the Conference President be granted a two-weeks vacation with pay, inclusive of two Sundays.
- 18. Vacation for Pastor: We recommend, that the Pastor be granted a two-weeks vacation with pay, inclusive of two Sundays.
- 19. Ministerial Benefit Fund Purpose: To provide financial assistance for Conference Elders and Preachers, in times of serious illness, or death in their families.

All members and Licentiates shall become members upon payment of first assessment, but no one shall be eligible to receive benefits until four consecutive assessments have been paid.

The Secretary-Treasurer Shall Make Four Assessments per Year, or more if emergencies arise, in the following manner: Each minister on the Conference Roll shall be assessed \$1.50 on due notice from the Secretary, except when both husbands and wives are preachers. In such cases only one is assessed. Each pastor shall collect \$1.50 from his Church or charge each time an assessment is made, except ministers not serving in the Conference as Pastors. These are to pay \$2.00 for each assessment.

Disbursements: The Secretary shall upon the receipt of the worthiness of the case, pay out of the treasury 50% of the amount of the actual expense provided that no payment shall exceed seventy-five dollars to any one family during one Conference year, possible exceptions being made in extreme cases with the approval of the Conference President and his advisory board, and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Ministerial Benefit Fund. (Normal maternity cases excepted.)

Members Delinquent in the last two payments prior to claim for help, shall be ineligible. In case one is delinquent in two, or more, payments, no benefits will be paid in emergencies by paying of delinquent payments. If assessment is paid by check, include a service charge, to the amount of the check.

In Case of Death a maximum of \$100.00 will be paid the beneficiaries.

The assessment in such case shall be one dollar for pastor, and one dollar for the Church, and \$1.50 for all others.

In case the Secretary-Treasurer is in doubt as to the worthiness of a case, he shall advise with the Conference President.

Postage and necessary expense shall be deducted from the fund.

- 20. Opening Date of Conference: shall be the FIRST Tuesday after the third Monday of June of each year. (Camp Meeting shall begin on the Thursday preceding Conference.)
- 21. Conference Work: All monies sent in under the 7½% fund shall be counted as Conference Work on the Statistical blanks, and monies sent in for the Pioneer Pastor's Fund shall be counted as Conference Missions on the blanks.
- 22. Standing Committee Records: Each Conference Standing Committee shall have a book of records, and shall be prepared to report to Conference all work done by their Committee.
- 23. Member of Missionary Board: The Conference Treasurer shall be a member of the Missionary Board by virtue of office.
- 24. Committee Members Travel Expense: All members of all Committees doing Conference work shall have their travel expenses paid from the Conference Treasury.
- 25. Closing Date for Treasurers: All treasurers of the various funds of the Conference are instructed to close their books on the 15th day of May each year.
- 26. Committee Chairman and Personnel: The Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, the Chairman of the Committee on Railroad Expense, and the entire Statistical Committee shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by the Conference a year in advance and their names to appear with the list of Standing Committees.
- 27. Church Responsibility: Each Church shall be responsible to the pastor, and each Pastor shall be responsible to the Church to which he was appointed at the last session of Conference, and which Church he has served for the preceding Conference year; this responsibility to be inclusive of the first Sunday after the close of the Conference and Camp Meeting.
- 28. Superannuate Pension Fund: Monies sent in by the Churches on the budget item of Superannuate Pension Fund (\$1.50 per member), is to be sent to the Superannuate Pension Fund Treasurer of the Conference.
- 29. Aid to Churches: All Pastors receiving aid from the Conference, whether the funds come from the Conference Treasurer, Advisory Board, Beckman Board, or Pioneer Pastor's Fund, shall send a monthly statement of monies received; 1st, from the Charge, 2nd, from secular work, and 3rd, from any other Conference source. This report to be sent to the treasurer of the fund from which he is receiving aid, and to the Conference Treasurers, and that subsequent payments not to be made until last month's statement be received, also this information to be included in the regular quarterly report to the Conference President.
 - 30. Agreement Between Conference and Willie Beckman Estate: "The

following land is deeded to the Dakota Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church on the agreement mentioned below: S. W. ¼ North half of 28, all of section 21, and S. W. ¼ of 9, all in township 18, range 11, in Perkins County, South Dakota.

- 1. That O. Theo. Beckman be appointed supervisor to rent and subrent such land.
- 2. That the land not be sold without the approval of O. Theo. Beckman.
- 3. That Rev. J. F. Simpson and his Advisory Board be a Committee to receive and disburse 50% of the receipts of the crop for Church Extension.
- 4. That when J. F. Simpson ceases to be President of the Conference that the Committee to receive and disburse the amount for Church Extension as mentioned in paragraph 3, be Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. L. D. Harris, Rev. R. J. Sausoman.
- 5. When the land is sold, it is requested that Miltonvale Wesleyan College, the Indian Work and the Philippine work sponsored by the Conference, be given proper consideration.
- 6. It is requested that the following persons be a committee to disburse the money from the sale of the land: Rev. J. F. Simpson, Rev. L. D. Harris, Mrs. W. J. Leyh, Rev. Arthur Reisdorph, Rev. John Kearns, Rev. R. J. Sausoman, Mr. O. Theo. Beckman.
- 7. That the Committee mentioned in paragraph 6 be empowered to fill vacancies made by the death or other causes, of any of the Committee.
- 8. It is requested that this agreement become a part of the Standing Rules of the Conference and printed accordingly in the Conference Minutes.
- 9. In case O. Theo. Beckman, the land Supervisor, is deceased before the land is sold, that the Committee mentioned in paragraphs 6 and 7 be empowered to transact all business relative to the land mentioned in this agreement.

ITEMS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE

Information Regarding the Beckman Board: A Board was created in June, 1949 to be known as the Beckman Board, this Board to manage and operate the Beckman properties. This Board is composed of the following persons: J. F. Simpson, L. D. Harris, Mrs. W. J. Leyh, Arthur Reisdorph, John Kearns, R. J. Sausoman, O. Theo. Beckman, Kenneth Shelley. This Board is self-perpetuating and shall appoint any vacancies that shall occur through death or other causes. This Board shall have complete control over the properties received through transfers of Willie E. Beckman or O. Theo. Beckman, as Executor of the last will and testament of Willie E. Beckman, deceased. This Board shall retain such portion of income as necessary to meet its expenses in operating and keeping the property in good repair, including a separate reserve to insure sufficient operating funds. That the funds shall be disbursed in accordance with the agreement heretofore entered into between Willie E. Beckman and the Dakota Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. That in accordance with the wishes of Willie E.

Beckman that O. Theo. Beckman continue as supervisor of the Beckman properties.

31. The signers for the legal documents for said Dakota Conference, shall be the President and Secretary of said Corporation, or its Trustees.

32. Pastor to Receive Salary When Attending Youth Camp: Each Pastor shall receive his salary for one week, including Sunday, each year, during his attendance at Youth Camp.

33. Ministers Reporting: Ministers who do not report to the Annual Conference, and those who do not present a satisfactory report-the character

of these can be passed only by Conference Action.

34. Standing Committee Member: The second ministerial member of the Committee on Passage of Character become a standing member of committee, elected the previous year to receive and review the reports on preparation for the consideration of the committee when it is completed.

35. Pastor's Statistical Reports: Pastor's Statistical Reports are to be presented to the Conference Statistical Committee, each year, the first day

of Camp Meeting.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

On June 7, 1952, the Dakota Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, voted to amend their articles of Incorporation, as follows:

1. That the Dakota Conference Missionary Board, be the Board of Managers for said Dakota Conference; it has the power of attorney to transact all legal business for said Conference, in keeping with the Discipline of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, in the interim of the Annual Conference.

2. The signers for the legal documents for said Conference, shall be

the President and Secretary of said corporation, or its trustees.

3. That the Beckman Board of the Dakota Conference, be known as the directors of the Beckman estate, with power to transact all legal business in the estate, in keeping with the provision of the Will of Willie E. Beckman.

4. When said Board of Directors shall sell a part, or all of the land in the Beckman Estate, or when the leasing of the land for oil, or the sale of mineral or gas right, or royalties be made, that the President and the Secretary of said Conference, or its Trustees, are empowered to sign any legal papers, leases, deeds, and contracts of all kinds.

1). The said Beckman Board of Directors has power to sell any, or all of the land, hereinafter described and that the President and Secretary, shall have power to execute such conveyances. Said land being described as follows, to-wit: S. W. 1/4 North half of 28, all of Section 21, and the S. W. 1/4 of 9, all in Township 18, Ranges 11, in Perkins County, South Dakota.

2). That said Beckman Board of Directors is self-perpetuating and the remaining members shall fill any vacancies which shall occur

through death or other causes.

J. F. Simpson, President

Filed January 21, 1954-Office of Secretary of State, Pierre, South Dakota.

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Item III. Membership														<u>69</u>								
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Item IV. Sunday Schools																		
CHARGE	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Whole No. of Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	No. in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars Converted		No. of Departmental Supts	되	No. of Organized Classes	s in Libra	nt Vacation ol	Average Attendance Vacation Bible School	do. Wesleyan Youth Soc.	Total Membership of Societies
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Item V. Church Property

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CHARGE	No. of Church Buildings	ie of Build	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Aberdeen		\$ 20,000						\$ 8,000	<u> </u>
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Biddle		2,600	3,000	11,000	1	15,000	7,300	10,000	100
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Item VI. Disbursed for Pastor

	Item VI. Disbursed for Pasto	r				
	CHARGE	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Aberdeen Almont		\$ 3,120 1.800	\$ 900 300		\$ 396 466	\$ 4,481 2,566
Artesian		1,200	300	38	228	1,766
Avon		1,650	250		526	2,426
Baker Beckman M	emorial	1,820 2,600	800 320		862 420	3,482 3,340
Belle Fourch		1,840	720	15	175	2,750
Biddle		1,820	200	10	605	2,435
Billings Bismarck		3,380 2,850	660 680	186 25	61 26	4,287 3,581
Bismarck Bradley		0000	000	"	20	0,001
Brentford		1,785	300	5	210	2,300
Brookings	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	3,580	900 400	10 30	70 133	4,560 2,348
Buffalo Bushnell		1,785 2,160	400	30	275	2,340 2,435
Butte		_,				-,
Calvary		0.970	400		394	3,244
Conner Custer		2,370 1,680	480 238	5	98	2,021
Deadwood		2,700	400	15	104	3,219
Flandreau		778	360		45	1,183
Forsyth		1,266 1,560	480 360	65 10	205 272	2,016 2,202
Garden City Hamilton		1,148	600	10	481	2,229
Harlowton		2,600	360	208	202	3,370
Hot Springs		2,210 2,120	660 240	25	260 250	3,155 2,610
Houghton Huron		2,896	720		100	3,716
Ipswich		2.540	360		70	2,970
Johnson Cor	mers	2,475	500	15	712 51	3,702 584
Joliet Knobs		217 79	316		375	454
Lake Wilson						
Loyalton		2,400	300]]	287	2,987
McIntosh	peks	1,170	160	\	589	1,919
Medicine Re Miles City	ours	1,601	600		99	2,300
Mill Iron		623			93	716
Mission		114 173	300 40		245 20	659 233
Missoula Mitchell		3,208	540	35	515	4,298
Mobridge		2,600	480	15	218	3,313
Mt. Vernon		972 1,371	480	20	105 91	1,577 1,462
Northville Pearl		1,260		15	248	1,523
Pierre		2,850	815	30	309	4,004
Pierre India	n Mission	ļ				
Pollock Rapid City		3,120	600	10	225	3,955
Rawlins		-				1
Redfield		2,860 3,119	600 300	50 15	500 750	4,010 4,184
Richland Ridge		1,560	300	"	105	1,665
Robbinsdale		3,130	600	30	113	3,873
Rocky Point	tanka	156 1 418	120	5 30	166 431	447 1,879
Sand Point, Sioux Chape		1,418		2	37	39
Sturgis		2,340	600		20	2,960
Sundance		378	600		75 243	1,057 2,184
Terry Tolstoy		1,491 1,040	450 180		190	1,421
Tuthill		252	İ		33	285
Watertown		3,070	600 570		184 421	3,879 3,608
Watford Cit		2,600				
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	Item VII. D	isburse	ed for (Church					
c	HARGE	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Amount Paid on Expense of Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Aberdeen		\$ 690		 \$	\$ 506	\$	\$	\$ 1,915	\$ 4,184
Almont		140	164 93		397 405		i	185 618	746 1,256
Artesian Avon		145	161		242		1	1,000	1,548
Baker		370	231		12			385	998
Beckman Me		270	200 196		30 52	1,000 300	524	985 265	2,485 1,523
Belle Fourch Biddle	e	186 112	121		52	300	324	50	283
Billings		175	1,120		1,680			635	3,610
Bismarck		260	248	1,528	6	1,055	107	517	3,721
Bradley - Brentford		142	111		52			221	526
Brookings		703	354	1,142	77		1	900	3,176 689 1,082
Buffalo		100	241	59	29 435			360 319	1 089
Bushnell Butte		100	228		430		i	319	1,002
Calvary _		1		1			l		
Conner		319	351		27	010	110	529 462	1,226 2,354
Custer _ Deadwood		165 160	75 288	178	446 51	910	118	264	i men
Flandreau		1	26	}	1		1	47	73
Forsyth		14	449		82			520 182	1,065
Garden City Hamilton		40	206 106	293	5		}	240	386
Harlowton		150	812	1,710	\	500	125 127	987	703 73 1,065 686 386 4,284 1,541
Hot Springs		229	257	407	121		127	400	1,541
Houghton Huron		375	110 384		411		l	262 296	865 1,210
Ipswich		136	160	683 (196	ì	1	347	1,522
Johnson Cor	ners	200		1,294	[6		l	739 267	2,528 782
Joliet Knobs		9	90	425	1		ł	201	102
Lake Wilson		1 .		!			Ì	ì	1
Loyalton			155	3,600	56	1,325		991	6,127
McIntosh Medicine Ro	eks	35	77	891				341	1,344
Miles City		78	307	22	199	163	i :	285	1,054
Mill Iron		174						170	217
Mission Missoula		86	65 79	166	140 64			77	220
Mitchell		İ	779	23.079	665		1,412	2,865	627 220 28,800
Mobridge		274		2,067	16	000	688	334 128	3,063 4,760
Mt. Vernon Northville		ł	115	2,897	117	932	068	471	690
Pearl		198	136		669	i)	440	1.443
Pierre		[544	75	68	302	22	1,103	2,114
Pierre Ind. Pollock	Alssion	1	ĺ	ŀ	'	i	ì		l
Rapid City		350	737	300	693	225	(937	3,242
Rapid City Rawlins		907	950	128	281	920	124	794	2,793
Redfield Richland		287 150	259 446		16		124	850	
Ridge			31		1	!		49	80
Robbinsdale		270	386	1	155	1	350	325	1,486
Rocky Point Sand Point, I	daho	72	1	l		1	ł	l	72
Sioux Chape		36	40		100		163		2,430
Sturgis -		110			73 395	ĺ		526	
Sundance Terry		101	163 227					186 345	
Tolstoy		117	125	241			1	427	1,227
Tuthill		22			0.	800	220	125	
Watertown Watford City		500 441			81 100	600			
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Total	IS	180,081	414,104	φι1,131	وووثومها	Ψ11, 5 1U	162,120	1450,100	WY20,230

Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget												
	CHARGE	Undivided Budget Raised	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Raised	Education Raised	Pension Plan	Orphanage	Administrative	General Conference Travel and Entertain	General S. S.	Australia	Total General Budget
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Baker Beckman M Belle Fourc Biddle Billings Bismarck	emorial	45	138 59 370	36 5 6 49 5 6 44 15 16 16	1 69 1 137 9 78 3 301 1 39 5 33 2 290	54 35 63 36 39 5 16 117	\$100 5 6 5 7 12 5 25	\$ 41 11 14 28 15 16 7 47	\$ 31 5 19 11 12 5 35	\$ 10 5 6 9 12 11 35	\$ 17 5 6 11 6 7	235 237 477 315 685 231 151 1,081
Bradley Brentford Brookings Buffalo Bushnell Butte Calvary		7 8 11	58	32 30 65	61 66 106	27 30 45	5 5 5 5	11 12 18 8	8 9 6 3	4 14 5	5 5 7	218 230 337 78
Conner Custer Deadwood Flandreau Forsyth Garden City Hamilton			62 40 50 10 16 56	26 31 3 10	50 75 5 24	41 38	5 10 6 5 2 5	12 11 15 2 15	9 6 5 2 9	10 5 8 1 3	5 5 8 2 5	222 194 236 23 71 217
Harlowton Hot Springs Houghton Huron Ipswich Johnson Cor Joliet Knobs		9	60 66 223 60 145 26	150 150 26 76	120 122 60 128 28	45 23 30 62 20	8 5 5 5 15 3	9 12 25	3 4 18	5 16 10 20 3	8 5 10 3	42 214 296 516 221 499 99
Lake Wilson Loyalton McIntosh Medicine Ro Miles City Mill Iron Mission Missoula		39 6	54 66 32 58	34 17 16 59	41 40	41 15 14	7 6 8 7	16 14 9 4	5 2 2 3	4 1 3	7 2 3 2	249 149 125 39 177
Missolia Mitchell Mobridge Mt. Vernon Northville Pearl Pierre Pierre Indiar Pollock	n Mission	16 4 4	369 110 34 52 40 75	107 67 21 24 25 23	127 34 30 60	117 50 17 15 30 29	31 60 5 6 5	47 20 7 6 12 12	20 15 5 4 4 6	16 17 2 2 5 3	12 8 3 2 5	953 490 132 145 186 237
Rapid City Rawlins Redfield Richland Ridge Robbinsdale Rocky Point		18 21	97 332 1,526 20 61	51 158 850 13 51	117 477 135 30 68	57 84 72 15 36	15 35 24 5 5	23 45 29 6 14	8 22 22 2 5	6 15 2 3	9 12 3	383 1,186 2,670 96 264
Sand Point, Sioux Chape Sturgis Sundance Terry	Idaho I		54 40 19	10 26 16	15 120 3	30	1 8	7	2	2		80 235
Tolstoy Tuthill Watertown Watford City Total		49	24 56 118 217	25 59 151	71 5	32 71 59	6 5 12 8	7 2 28 23	21 18	2 3 7 13	12 10	47 172 117 604 624

Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget

	Item viii. Disbursed for Conference	C Duu,	 -				
	CHARGE	President's Salary	Conference Work	Conference Missions	Conference Sunday School	Total Conference Budget	Total Budget
Aberdeen		\$ 30	\$ 597	\$ 194	\$ 3	\$ 824	\$ 1,540
Almont		5	136	54	ا ا	195	430
Artesian		53	344	69	2	468	705
Avon		10 9	205 386	126 72	2 2 3 4	343 470	820 785
Baker Beckman M		50	769	78	4	901	1,586
Belle Fourch		_ ~ }	34	73	1	107	338
Biddle		15	29	33		77	228
Billings		55	632	234		921	2,002
Bismarck		50	155		ļ	205	359
Bradley		33	155	54	1	243	461
Brentford		93	547	60	5	612	842
Brookings Buffalo		21	240			363	
Bushnell		25	143		3	171	249
Butte		l i		1]	Ì	
Calvary	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	[[ا ا	401	
Conner			338 13	60	3	401 68	623 262
Custer		20	294		3	392	
Deadwood Flandreau			8	3	"	11	34
Forsyth		6	203	24	4	237	308
Garden City	,	12	231	63	1		524
Hamilton		ا م	13		1	13	
Harlowton	*	26 49	34 162	1	15	60 226	
Hot Spring	3s	45	275	. 1 45	19	339	
Houghton Huron		45	2.0	105	3	153	
Ipswich		23	299	60)[3	385	606
Johnson Co	rners	32	506	132	4 6	676	1,175
Joliet		10	55 13		1	94	
Knobs		1	13	1		13	33
Lake Wilso	n	26	32€	81	լ 1	434	683
Loyalton McIntosh				1	1	l	İ
Medicine R		52	157				
Miles City		47	125		9	191	
Mill Iron		16	64		լ յ	80 69	
Mission		5 11	42 33		4	44	
Missoula		50	672	234	1 8		
Mitchell Mobridge		45	461	L[99	9∣ €	611	
Mt. Vernor		18	132	34	1]	185	
Northville		10 30	152 228		0 5 0 2 7 5	197	
Pearl		5		1 5	7 6	558	
Pierre Pierre Indi	an Mission	:l		7	1	1	1
Pollock	an Mission	1	Ì	1	.l	.)	.]
Rapid City		.[10	62	L 114	4 19	764	1,147
Rawlins		36	36	1 16		56	1,751
Redfield		55	58	3 14		78	
Richland			12	5 3	0 :	5 160	256
Ridge Robbinsdal	A	-1	9		3 1	129	
Rocky Poi		۔۔ ا		_			110
Sand Point	, Idaho	. 26	' '	7	1	3:	113
Sioux Char	pel	20	16	B 6	ol	248	483
Sturgis] ~	-0	1	1	1	ı
Sundance Terry		65			_	7	
Tolstoy		-) §					321
Tuthill		- 5	1 48			2 173 2 634	
Watertown		25				4 76	
Watford C	ity	<u> </u>			<u> </u>		
To	tals	_ \$1,14t	86,216	4 0 0,40	-z &T (υ φ±1,00	4 \$35,091

Item IX	. Dis	bursed	for	Benevolences

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	CHARGE	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Conference Work	W.Y.S.	Other Objects	International Headquarters	Total for Benevolences
Aberdeen		\$ 324	\$ 88	\$ 94	S 14	1 \$ 70	is	\$	\$	\$ 590
Almont Artesian		- _8		1 3	·	16	l'	7	1	39
Avon		. 83	32	157	41	120	40	53 75	33	
Baker		371	200 209	72 134	17	1 120 7 123 3 299	69	75		559
Beckman Me	emorial	372	883	93	53	149	112	38 1,344	75	1,291
Belle Fourch	ie	148		"	10 74	140	131 17	1,344	25 10	3,007 348
Biddle _		.]		ì	' ''	1	1	09	10	320
Billings Bismarck		·l	l	185	126		320	494	l	1,134
Bradley		1	ļ	`20	34	i 85	1	60	l	199
Brentford		226	1	1.0					١	l
Brookings		99		13 119		101 181	29 37	14	50	
Buffalo		110		80	29 35	96	37 42	107 106		648 523
Bushnell		14		2	14	49	72	100	10	89
Butte Calvary		ĺ	1 :	_		1 -	i i		10	1 00
Calvary		ـ ا		l		Ì				ì
Custer		48 81	53	95		111]	70		377
Deadwood		58	13 5	5	14	185	ļ	12		305
Flandreau		111	"		30 33	161		49 2		285
Forsyth		57	30	60	30	51		20		18 248
Garden City Hamilton		29	9	10	33	40	14	72		207
Harlowton	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~			[120				120
Hot Springs		74	265	36	84	29	68	121		677
Hot Springs Houghton		250 32	115	327	22	55		255		909
Huron		32	113	48 83	38 51	60 547	5 105	67	25	390
Ipswich		239 213	66	113	4	49	29	151	98	937 528
Johnson Cor. Joliet	ners	213	113	112	54	126	142	454	28 70	1,284
Knobs		68	41	16	13] 3			5	146
Lake Wilson		3	3			1	- 1	4		10
Loyalton		111	81		15	ļ	I			
McIntosh			- 01		15	i I	i	94		301
Medicine Ro	cks	267	188	32	67	148	- 1	145		847
Miles City Mill Iron		29	30	25	•		30	82		196
Mission		35	19	l		l ì		1		54
Missoula		79 6	301	50	7	250		360		1,047
Mitchell		416	48	57		35	100	200		6
Mobridge		233	102	169	39	204	135 77	362 56	5	1,053 885
Mt. Vernon		233 59	19	61	18	88	23	142	85	495
Northville Pearl		98	6	30		47	-01	14	•	195
Pierre		1,665 37	54 71	35			1	227	- 1	1,981
Pierre Indian	Mission	3/	11	155	31	234	72	128		728
Pollock		ļ	i	- 1		ł	1	- 1		
Rapid City		48	34	59	54	86	180	320	- 1	781
Rawlins Redfield			1	1			ì	-	ì	101
Richland		200	900	- 1		595	69	369	341	1,374
Ridge		360 9	200 13	17	15		48	!	ا۔	608
Robbinsdale		129	58	58	19	2.304	- 1	31	6	60
Rocky Point	Tdaha			- 1		_,002	- 1	31	40	2,620
Sand Point, Sioux Chapel	idano	l				150	2	i	5	157
Sturgis		ļ	30	100		- 1	- 1	5	i	35
Sundance		6	22	120	1	į	(229	175	246
Terry		47	2	28	14	10	25	51	J	1777
Tolstoy _		28	3	20	7		25	131	185	177 376
Tuthill _ Watertown		57	- 1	5	Ĭ	31	7	-02	-00	93
Watford City		90	005	ام	ا ء	ì	43	300	ŧ	343
Totals		88	227	89	41	249	159	210	1	1 063
		\$6,728	3,778	2,888 \$	1,110	\$7,266	2,025 \$	6,922 \$	1,173	31,890

Item X. Disbursed Totals

	item A. Disbursed Totals					
	CHARGE	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Aberdeen		\$ 4,481		\$ 1,540	\$ 590	
Almont		2,566	746	430	39	3,781
Artesian Avon		1,766	1,256	705	559	4,286
Baker		2,426	1,548	820	559	5,353
	[emorial	3,482	998	785	1,291	6,529
Belle Four	che	3,340 2,750	2,485 1,523	1,586 338	3,007 348	10,418 4,959
Biddle		2.435	283	228	340	2,946
Billings		4.287	3,610	2,002	1,134	11,033
Bismarck		3.581	3,721	359	199	7,860
Bradley Brentford			I	الم	أحمد	
Brookings		2,300 4,560	526 3,176	461 842	433 648	3,720 9,226
Buffalo		2,348	689	700	523	4,260
Bushnell			1,082	249	89	3,855
Butte		1	-			-,
Calvary Conner		ابيموا	1 000			
Custer		3,244 2,021	1,226 2,354	623 262	377 305	5,470 4,942
Deadwood		3,219	763	628	285	4,895
Flandreau		[1,183]	73	34	18	1,308
Forsyth Garden Cit	у	2,016	1,065	308	248	3,637
Hamilton		2,202 2,229	686 386	524 13	207 120	3,619 2,748
Harlowton	***************************************	3,370	4,284	102	677	8,433
Hot Springs		3,155	1,541	440	909	6,045
Houghton Huron		2,610	865 1,210	635	390	4,500
Ipswich		3,716 2,970	1,522	669 606	937 528	6,523 5,626
Johnson Co	orners	3,702	2,528	1,175	1,284	8,689
Joliet		584	782	193	146	1,705
Knobs Lake Wilso	n	454	9	95	10	568
Loyalton		2,987	6,127	683	301	10,098
McIntosh		1 1	· 1	- 1	1	10,000
Medicine R		1,919	1,344	390	847	4,500
Miles City Mill Iron		2,300	1,054 217	316	196	3,866
Mission		716 659	627	119 246	54 1,047	1,106 2,579
Missoula		233	220	44	6	503
Mitchell		4,298	28,800	1,917	1,053	36,068
Mobridge Mt. Vernon		3,313	3,063	1,101	885	8,362
Mt. Vernon Northville		1,577 1,462	4,760 690	317 342	495 195	7,149 2,689
Pearl		1,523	1,443	506	1.981	5,453
Pierre		4,004	2,114	795	728	7,641
Pierre India Pollock		, ,				
Rapid City		3,955	3,242	1,147	781	9,125
Rawlins		0,000	0,010	-,	.01	0,120
Redfield		4,010	2,793	1,751	1,374	9,928
Richland Ridge		4,184 1,665	30,809 80	3,452 256	608	39,053 2,061
Robbinedale	<u> </u>	3,873	1.486	393	2,620	8.372
Rocky Point		447		- 1	- 1	447
Sand Point,	Idaho	1,879	72	113	157	2,221
Sioux Chape Sturgis	#I	2,960	2,430 886	483	35 546	2,504 4,911
Sundance		1,057	1.406	- 1 00	9	2,472
Terry		2,184	1.969	123	177	4,453
Tolstoy		1,421	1,227	321	376	3,345
Tuthill Watertown		285 3,879	205 2,981	290 1,242	93 343	873 8,445
Watford Cit	у	3,608	4,327	1,392	1,063	10,390
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Mobridge-Carolyn Barnes (3)

Pierre-Gladys Boscher (1), Kenneth Boscher (1), Rose Hinish (3)

Rapid City First-JoDel Jerred (2), Dean Mills (2), Jack Mills (1)

Richland-Elayne Palmer (2), David Wadsworth (2)

Sturgis—Elaine Crooks (3)

Terry-Billy Buckingham (2), Esther Harris (3)

Johnson Corners—\$15

Watertown—Jerry Alexander (3)

Watford City-James Melby (3)

PLEDGES FOR YOUTH TABERNACLE

Aberdeen-\$20 Miles City-\$5
Artesian-\$5 Mitchell-\$25
Beckman Memorial-\$25 Mobridge-\$20
Billings-\$35 Mt. Vernon-\$5
Bismarck-\$5 Pearl-\$5
Brentford-\$10 Pierre-\$20

Brentford—\$10 Pierre—\$20 Brookings—\$20 Rapid City First—\$25

 Custer—\$10
 Richland—\$50

 Forsyth—\$5
 Sturgis—\$5

 Garden City—\$5
 Terry—\$5

Harlowton-\$15 Vatertown-\$10

Ipswich-\$10 Watford City-\$20

PLAN OF WORK

1. Local holds certificates of organization and current seal of recognition. 25 points

These certificates and seals may be obtained from the General Wesleyan Youth Office, Robert W. McIntyre, General Secretary, Marion, Indiana.

The certificate is permanent and the seal is to be sent for annually.

- 2. Let each society hold one service per month, or 25% of total yearly services, in the interest of missions with the offering for missions. 15 points
- 3. At least one educational service be held during the year with offering for education.

 10 points
 - 4. Let each society strive to have a gain in membership this year.

10 points

- 5. YOUTH WEEK observed and reported both to General and Conference W. Y. Presidents, within three weeks. 25 points
- 6. A Youth Solicitor should be elected to obtain subscriptions and renewals for the WESLEYAN YOUTH (periodical). See page 250, item 5, in Church Discipline.

A. Gold Ribbon Local Society
B. Blue Ribbon Local Society
C. Red Ribbon Local Society
D. White Ribbon Local Society

(125% subscribing)
(100% subscribing)
(75% subscribing)
15 points
16 points
17 points
18 points
19 points
10 points

7. Finance (see pages 249 and 250, Item 4, in Church Discipline)

A. General Dues paid (through Conference W. Y. Treasurer) 10 points \$1.50 per active member.

B. Conference Assessments paid

10 points

1. 25c per active member.

2. An amount equal to 7½% of all monies raised, except funds for building and repairs, be paid for Conference work quarterly.

15 points

Each society have a Sunday evening service, preferably on the first Sunday of September, and that an offering be taken toward the project of the Youth Tabernacle.

C. All monies paid at least quarterly to Conference W. Y. Treasurer. Final quarterly remittance must be sent to the W. Y. Conference Treasurer by May 5.

25 points

8. A systematic Bible Study Plan.

9. A Scripture memorization plan, outside of Youth Week, which includes not less than twelve verses.

15 points

Annual reports in by June 1st.
 Mail pink copy to Wesleyan Youth Office, Marion, Indiana.
 Mail white copy to Kay Mills, 26 Kansas City St., Rapid City, S. Dak.
 Keep yellow copy for local record.

11. A special local project planned and completed. 20 points

For example: church furniture, office equipment for pastor's study,
improvement of church property.

12. Attendance

A. Average attendance at weekly Youth services equal to local active membership.

B. Participation in District and Conference Activities.

10 points
10 points

TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE 245

Necessary for "A" Local 215-245

Necessary for "B" Local 185-214

Necessary for "C" Local 150-184

Daily Proceedings

The first session of the 1959 Dakota Wesleyan Youth Conference met in the new Youth Tabernacle on the grounds near Rapid City. On June 6th at 8:00 a.m. the conference convened.

The conference was opened with devotions led by Kenneth Dyer, one of the members of the Miltonvale Wesleyan College Quartet which was on

the camp ground for the opening days of camp.

The meeting was called to order by the president. Delegate credentials were received. Copies of the Youth Conference Schedule were distributed, corrected, and accepted. A motion was made and passed that the conference bar consist of the first five rows on the east side and the first four rows on the west side. Establishing of the bar of conference then followed.

The roll call was given, twenty-five delegates were present.

Rev. Robert McIntyre, General Wesleyan Youth Secretary and Camp Youth Worker, was presented to the conference. Rev. McIntyre brought greetings from Wesleyan Youth around the world and was then seated within the bar of conference. The Nominating Committee was elected.

Earl Olson-Chairman

Marjorie Hiner Jerry Alexander Marion Vreugdenhil Rose Hinish

Members of the nominating committee were dismissed from the meeting and instructed to bring a partial report.

A motion was made and passed that the executive council be empowered to appoint a nominating committee after young people have arrived on the camp grounds before the first session of conference.

Rev. Robert McIntyre was asked to explain any important items that might be coming up in General Conference. Several proposed changes in the Wesleyan Youth Constitution were mentioned.

Upon the return of the Nominating Committee, a partial report was read.

Resolutions Committee

Rev. Robert McCoy—Chairman Lowell Thomson Sharon Kemp

Ways and Means Committee Rev. Robert Vermilyea—Chairman David Vreugdenhil Carolyn Barnes

Auditing Committee
Lois Cretsinger—Chairman
Dorothy Vreugdenhil
Rev. Dean Watson

Noting Lois Cretsinger was also on the Statistical Committee, the report was ammended to read that Marion Vreudgenhil be chairman of the Auditing Committee. The report of the Nominating Committee was accepted as amended.

The meeting was adjourned.

The second session of Youth Conference met at $8:00\ a.m.$ on Monday, June 8th.

Choruses and testimonies preceded devotions led by Rev. Beverly Wilson. Roll call was given, twenty-seven delegates were present.

A motion was made and passed that Willard Stone from Bismarck and Alice Gale from Hot Springs be seated within the bar of conference.

Report of Aberdeen District Chairman, Merlyn Bailey, was given and accepted. (See Report No. 1)

Report of Southern District Chairman, Rev. Fred Francis, was given and accepted. (See Report No. 2)

Report of Black Hills District Chairman, Rev. Glen Wessel, was given and accepted. (See Report No. 3)

Report of Northwest District Chairman, Rev. Wesley McIntyre, was

given and accepted. (See Report No. 4)

There was a discussion for the need of more Wesleyan Youth subscriptions.

Session adjourned.

Monday, 1:30

Devotions were led by Rev. Robert Girard, Field Representative for Miltonvale Wesleyan College.

A partial report was given by the Auditing Committee.

The President's report was read and accepted. (See Report No. 5)

Roll call was given.

Minutes of the first session were read and approved.

Minutes of the second session were read and approved.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was read and approved. (See Report No. 6)

The report of the Ways and Means Committee was read. A motion was made and passed that the report be referred back to the committee and executive officers of the Northwest District be consulted in regards to the division of the district.

The Nominating Committee read their report and the following officers were elected:

President—Rev. Darrell Wagner

Vice-President-Rev. Richard Franklin

Secretary-Kay Mills

Treasurer-Harvey Teske

Youth Solicitor-Merlyn Bailey

The final report of the Nominating Committee was read.

Statistical Committee

Rev. Eugene Stanislaus-Chairman

Lois Cretsinger

Rev. Darrell Martin

Plan of Work Committee

Rev. Fred Francis-Chairman

Rev. Bev Wilson

Jerry Alexander

The report was accepted as read.

District Chairmen were nominated and elected.

Aberdeen District-Rev. Richard Franklin

Southern District-Rev. Fred Francis

Northwest District-Rev. Wesley McIntyre

Black Hills District-Rev. Glen Wessel

After discussion it was decided that District Chairmen are members of the Executive Council.

The session was adjourned for further committee work.

The conference reconvened at 4:00 p.m.

The final report of the Auditing Committee was read and accepted. (See Report No. 7)

Treasurer's Report was read and approved. (See Report No. 8)

The report of the Dakota Youth Camp was given by Rev. John Dillon, Dakota Youth Camp Director. He announced that Dakota Youth Camp would be held the third week in August.

The report of the Executive Council was read. (See Report No. 9) Pledges were taken.

The report of the Ways and Means Committee was read and accepted. (See Report No. 10)

Motion was made and passed that churches be listed in the minutes according to districts in a separate listing under the district chairmen.

Discussion of the assessment of 10c per member to be paid to send the Area Quiz Team, the Kansas Team, to General Conference resulted in that each society pay this immediately after conference if they have not already done so.

A discussion as to the election of the Dakota Youth Camp Director left the election to the individual Youth Camp.

The final minutes were read and approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

Reports of Committees

Report No. 1

REPORT OF THE ABERDEEN DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Three Youth Conventions were held during the year. The first convention was held at the Redfield Church with Rev. William Gale from Brainerd Indian School as our guest speaker. The afternoon service was on Indian evangelism with an evangelistic service held in the evening.

Next we met in Aberdeen with the Sky Pilot, Rev. C. Mervin Russell, as our speaker.

Our final rally was held at the Loyalton Church with our Conference President, Rev. John Hunter, as speaker. The blessing of God was greatly felt in these services.

At the last convention \$100 was raised to be applied on the Youth Tabernacle.

The traveling trophy was won by Loyalton at the first convention and by Mobridge at the last convention.

Aberdeen District is looking forward to a great year with the Lord in each of the Youth Societies.

Merlyn Bailey, Chairman

Report No. 2

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

The Southern District held three Rallies during the year. The first was held in September in Brookings, when Rev. Beverly Wilson of Mitchell was guest speaker. Approximately 200 attended each service of this rally. The traveling trophy was won by Mitchell.

The second Rally was held in Huron in the fall and was a joint rally with the W. M. S. in the interests of Miltonvale College. Dr. Knapp, President of Miltonvale College, was the guest speaker and again about 250 were in attendance at each service. On this occasion the traveling trophy was won by Brookings.

Mitchell was the venue of the last Rally in April. Rev. Darrell Wagner, President of Dakota Wesleyan Youth, was the guest speaker. The average attendance of the two services was 200 and the traveling trophy was won by Pierre.

There was a lively interest in the Genesis Quiz with most W.Y.'s in the Southern District taking part. The district play-off was won by the Garden City team which represented the district in the Conference Finals in Rapid City.

There has been a good interest in the Rallies and we rejoice that a number of our young people received definite spiritual help as a result of the challenging messages brought by our guest speakers.

We anticipate another good year in 1959-60 in the Southern District.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Fred Francis, District Chairman

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts	
Balance at end of April '58	\$ 74.04
Total Receipts for 1958-59	53.91
Total	\$127.95 \$127.95
Expenditures	
Speakers	\$ 50.00
Send Quiz Team to Rapid City	
Secretary's Expenses	
Local rally expenses	11.38
Total	\$ 90.11\$ 90.11
Balance as of April 30, 1959	\$ 37.84
Financial Report Submitted by	Jerry Alexander, Treasurer

Report No. 3

REPORT OF THE BLACK HILLS DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

The Black Hills district met three times this past year. The first was in the Deadwood church with Rev. Sonny Claus as speaker and the Beck-

man Memorial church took home the traveling trophy. The second was at Robbinsdale, speaker was Rev. Hunter and the church to receive the trophy was Belle Fourche. The third was held at Belle Fourche, speaker was Rev. R. M. Kelly and the First Church of Rapid City received the trophy.

We thank the Lord for the way He so graciously met us in each rally. A new traveling trophy was purchased this year, a lighted picture of Christ.

Sixty dollars was raised by this district for the Youth Tabernacle.

Respectfully submitted,

Glen Wessel, District Chairman

Report No. 4

NORTHWEST DISTRICT WESLEYAN YOUTH CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

We give praise to God for another successful youth camp at Red Lodge, Montana during August of 1958. Rev. Dean Watson served as our camp evangelist and God blessed his ministry. At the district Quiz play-offs at the camp Harlowton emerged the district winner. They represented our district at the Rapid City conference play-offs and placed second there.

Thirteen young people from our districts were privileged to attend the Area Youth Convention in Minneapolis in May and received real blessing from the workshops, fellowship, and challenging services there.

The dates for the 1959 youth camp at Red Lodge are August 10-15. The corps of workers will be announced shortly.

W. G. McIntyre, District Chairman

Report No. 5

CONFERENCE YOUTH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded." II Chronicles 15: 7. Never has the challenge been greater, the need been more desperate, and the opportunities so unlimited as those presented to our Wesleyan Youth today. Youth are searching desperately for that that is real; for something unchanging in a changing world. For something certain in an hour when the very existence of mankind is threatened. We have the answer in the redeeming power of the blood of Jesus Christ. May God help us to be alert to our opportunities, and faithful to our responsibilities. We are His witnesses. The lost Youth of our generation must be saved by the Christian Youth or they shall not be won. Let us keep before us the promise of His work, "I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it."

We thank God for the reports of victory from District Rallies and from local churches; for His evident blessing upon the Youth Camps where youth have been saved, sanctified, and stablished in the way. Let us give to Him the praise for every victory won, seek His forgiveness for failures, and with Paul, "Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto

those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Report of Duties:

Attended Red Lodge Youth Camp August 11-14 and taught a class.

Attended Black Hills Youth Camp August 18-23 and taught a class.

Attended Area Youth Conference in Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 29-Jan. 3. Spoke at Youth Week services at Sturgis Feb. 9-15.

Attended Minneapolis Convention April 29-May 1 and conducted workshop. Conducted Youth Rally at Mitchell April 19.

Four mailings were made during the year.

Receipts for the year.

Red Lodge Youth Camp (refund and honorarium)	\$ 24.00
Conf. Youth Treasurer (travel to Red Lodge)	28.00
Conf. Youth Treasurer (Los Angeles expense)	50.00
Southern District	40.00
Sturgis (Youth revival)	100.00
	\$242.00

Darrell Wagner, President

Report No. 6

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

- 1. Be it resolved that we express grateful appreciation to our God for His manifold blessings, and to Jesus Christ our Lord and Master for His sacrifice on Calvary for our salvation and to the Holy Spirit for His cleansing and divine guidance.
- 2. Be it resolved that we endeavor by witness both verbally and by example to win lost teenagers to know the experience of full salvation.
- 3. Be it resolved that we support our Youth Camps and District Rallies by our prayers and presence.
- 4. Be it resolved that each Wesleyan Youth group study and faithfully follow the plan of work.
- 5. Be it resolved that a continuous emphasis on prayer be amongst our youth.
- 6. Be it resolved that we express our grateful appreciation to Dr. R. D. Reisdorph and Rev. Robert McIntyre for their God anointed ministry and to Rev. Darrell Wagner for his direction and example along spiritual lines as Youth President of the Dakota Conference.

Signed: Rev. Robert McCoy Lowell Thomson Sharon Kemp

Report No. 7

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the treasurer's book, the

Statistical Report, and the Conference Youth President's Report of the Dakota Conference Wesleyan Youth and found them to be correct.

Signed: Marion Vreugdenhil, Chairman Dorothy Vreugdenhil Rev. O. D. Watson

Report No. 8
TREASURER'S REPORT 1958-1959

**	Old		Disburse-	Accts.	New				
	Bal.	Receipts	ments	Trans.	Bal.				
General Dues		379.55	379.55						
Conference Dues	-17.62	118.26	35.00	-25.89	39.75				
Home Missions		115.69	115.69						
Foreign Missions		97.53	97.53						
Education		88.67	88.67						
7½% Fund		175.18	175.18						
Youth Week Offering		223.23	223.23						
Conference Pledges	82.86	522.49	730.30	124.95					
Philippine Workers		386.21	451.21	65.00					
Miscellaneous	166.97	75.14	80.84	-162.93	1.66				
	\$233.34	\$2181.95	\$2377.20	\$ 1.13	\$38.09				
Home Missions 115.69 115.69 Foreign Missions 97.53 97.53 Education 88.67 88.67 7½% Fund 175.18 175.18 Youth Week Offering 223.23 223.23 Conference Pledges 82.86 522.49 730.30 124.95 Philippine Workers 386.21 451.21 65.00 Miscellaneous 166.97 75.14 80.84 -162.93									
	r	otal Receip	ts	2181.95					
	Vou	cher Receip	ts	70.20					
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Total Disbursemen	nts (includ	ing vouchei	rs)	\$2447.40					
	New bal	ance on har	nd	\$ 38.09					

Report No. 9

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council met at 3:00 p.m., June 8th.

Recommend that the Conference Youth pledge be used to finish the Youth Tabernacle on the camp grounds and that a goaal of \$750 be set.

Recommend that a Sunday evening service, preferably on the first Sunday of September, be given to the Youth and that an offering be taken toward the project of the Youth Tabernacle.

Recommend that Wesleyan Youth establish a fund for Indian Evangelism. Recommend that Rev. Richard Franklin serve as missionary project promoter.

Dues be set \$1.75, \$1.50 for General Conference and 25c for our conference.

Recommend, subject to the approval of other sources, that we pay \$50 toward conference periodical to be paid by districts raised at rallies; each district paying \$12.50.

Recommend that a trophy be bought for the Conference Quiz Team on Genesis to be purchased by the four district chairmen.

Recommend that a conference quiz program be set up and that a quiz committee, consisting of the Youth President as chairman and the district chairmen as members, be in charge of this program.

Recommend that 7c a mile be paid the Youth President for traveling

expenses.

Recommend that the plan of work be continued as last year with the omission of paragraph two of item two.

Report No. 10

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Ways and Means Committee, present the following recommendations for the consideration of the Dakota Conference Wesleyan Youth:

1. That we continue the use of membership cards in all societies.

2. That the possibility of dividing the Northwest District be studied by the Northwest District officers.

3. Let them consistently endeavor to make and to raise all General

Conference dues by April 15, 1960.

4. Let us strive to spearhead a revival in all our societies by praying, passing tracts, and conducting gospel services in prisons, county homes, hospitals, and street meetings.

5. That each society would have a definite plan of Bible study, mem-

orization, and participation in the W. Y. Bible Quiz.

- 6. That each society plan an educational service and receive a generous offering to be applied on an educational budget.
- 7. That our district chairmen act as promoters for our Dakota Youth Camps and the organization of unorganized societies in their districts.

8. That each district promote a definite project.

9. That each local society and district promote a definite project in developing the new camp grounds.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. R. O. Vermilyea, Chairman Carolyn Barnes David Vreugdenhil

W. Y. ST	W. Y. STATISTICAL REPORT										
NAME OF ORGANIZED LOCAL	Active Members	Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth Subs.	Efficiency Rating	General Dues	Conference Dues	Church Extension	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Baker Beekman Memorial	11 10 14		14 3 4 9 18 10	B A A	6.00 16.50 28.50 21.00	22.86 2.75 48.15 3.50	72.13 18.00 5.00	3.00 13.36 10.00 8.61	3.00 16.22 5.00 6.38	3.00 13.32 27.67 6.70	
Belle Fourche Billings Brentford Brookings Bushnell Buffalo Deadwood	13 4 10 11	13 5 8	35 6 8 6 12 10	A C C	26.00 6.00 15.00 16.50	12.25 19.75 1.00 6.63 2.75	5.00	45.00 6.00	20.00 5.00 5.00 .26	10.00	
Garden City Harlowton Huron Ipswich Johnson Corners Loyalton	15 18 9 8	3	3 8 6	B B C	4.00 6.00 16.50 22.50	3.00 5.28 2.75 3.75 .85 10.70 22.80	10.12 10.50	65.50 23.30	5.00	6.00 5.00 5.25	
Miles City Mitchell Mobridge Mt. Vernon Pearl Pierre	15 14	3 6	12 7 5 7 9 6 7	В	2.50 27.50 21.00	1.00 22.70 3.50	15.43	5.00	20.00 10.00	2.00 15.35 16.16	
Rapid City Redfield Richland Sioux Chapel Terry	7		6 23 5 16	C A B C C	12.00 66.50 8.75 3.00	2.00 44.35 1.75 40.25	6.00 1.54 12.00	10.66	55.43 29.50 77.49	20.44 2.50 17.57	
Watertown Watford City NAME OF UNORGANIZED LOCAL	8 10 15	1 1	12 9	c	2.00 4.00 22.50	.50 10.00 3.75		21.40	9.20		
Bismarck Conner Custer Flandreau Forsyth Houghton Joliet, Mont.	7		1 3 6 1 4		10.50	1.75	10.00				
Medicine Rocks, Mont. Mission, S. D. Northville Robbinsdale Sand Point, Idaho			1 3 1 3 1 3 2								
Sturgis	284	71 2	<u> </u>	<u> </u> }	\$390.75 \$	300.32 \$	165.72 \$	211.83 \$	267.68 \$	150.98	

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NAME OF ORGANIZED LOCAL	Local Work	Other Items			Total Receipts Plus Balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
Aberdeen	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Almont	24.23	3.00		6.87	72.67	71.96	.71
Avon	213.74	3.00		7.66	392.31	355.68	36.63
Baker	138.72	44.55			320.61	320.61	
Beckman Memorial	76.01	69.07	25.00 5.00	7.15	251.01 22.25	228.42 17.25	22.59 5.00
Belle Fourche Billings	38.38	140.50	30.00		332.25	319.83	12.42
Brentford	52.30	7.40	8.00	5.00	101.90	100.70	1.20
Brookings	86.03		15.00		140.15 66.58	127.66 54.48	12.49 12.10
Bushnell Buffalo	30.23 31.12				31.62	31.38	.24
Deadwood		2.00	5.75		14.75	14.75	
Garden City	33.34	2.00		10.05	57.03	52.62	4.41
Harlowton	8.41 39.45	3.94	20.64 30.00	18.87	117.57 121.07	67.17 109.76	50.40 11.31
Ipswich	25.00	3.80	00.00		100.15	100.15	
Johnson Corners	92.13	16.49	9.00		184.60	184.37	.23
Loyalton	30.00	[15.22	40.02 33.50	40.02 33.50	
Mitchell	51.72		25.00	8.30	170.59	170.51	.02
Mobridge	32.80	i	40.00		152.83	143.89	8.94
Mt. VernonPearl	10.00		10.00		20.00 30.00	20.00 30.00	
Pierre	30.00 38.35		20.00		72.35	72.35	
Rapid City	90.16	1	58.75	12.00	385.30	353.63	31.67
Redfield Richland	7 72.00	6.00	20.00	1	112.97	112.97 565.33	3.24
Sioux Chapel	14.80	389.56		1	568.57	303.33	3.24
Terry	0.00	6.00	15.00	1	52.50	41.00	11.50
Tolstoy	40.00	Į I	3.00	[53.00	45.50 43.00	7.50
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Sturgis, S. D.		1	<u> </u>	1000 57			
Totals	. \$1,442.03	\$761.16	\$360.14	\$83.07	\$4,391.29	\$4,133.68	\$257.61

Minutes

of the

Fifty-fourth Annual Session

of the

Woman's Missionary Society

of the

Dakota Conference

held at

Rapid City, South Dakota

June 9-12, 1959

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

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Mobridge-Mrs. Joseph Johnson, Mound City, South Dakota

Mt. Vernon-

Northville-Mrs. H. Vreugdenhil, Brentford, South Dakota

Pierre-Mrs. Alma Oskel, 219 N. Washington, Pierre, South Dakota

Prairie City-Mrs. Lucilla Bingaman, Prairie City, South Dakota

Rapid City-Mrs. Paulene Purington, 503 LaCrosse, Rapid City, South Dak.

Redfield-Mrs. Doris Wolter, Redfield, South Dakota

Richland-Mrs. Mabel Wadsworth, Mina, South Dakota

Ridge-Mrs. Frances Cadwell, Alzada, Montana

Robbinsdale-Mrs. Melvin Gibson, 1001 Allen Ave., Rapid City, South Dak.

Sturgis-Mrs. Beulah Carlson, 2045 LaZelle, Sturgis, South Dakota

Sundance-

Terry-Mrs. Grace Raihl, Box 314, Terry, Montana

Tolstoy-Mrs. Ernest Hobbis, Tolstoy, South Dakota

Tuthill-Mrs. Pauline Hines, Tuthill, South Dakota

Watford City-Mrs. Leah Johnson, Arnegard, North Dakota

Watertown-Mrs. Florence Willroth, 4th St. S.E., Watertown, South Dakota

DELEGATES

Aberdeen-Mrs. Dorothy Nultemeier Almont-Mrs. Dorothy Myers Artesian-Mildred Rist Avon-Mrs. Delores Pudwill Baker-Mrs. Erna Jordan Belle Fourche-Mrs. Louise Goodsell Biddle-Mrs. Mabel Gerleman Billings-Mrs. Grace Poehls Bismarck-Mrs. Beatrice Stone Brentford-Mrs. Eunice Vreugdenhil Brookings-Mrs. Shirley Smith Buffalo-Mrs. Pauline Johnson Bushnell-Mrs. Florence Kemp Calvary-Mrs. Viola Leyh Conner-Mrs. Audrey Joachim Custer-Mrs. Marjorie Gowan Deadwood-Mrs. LuElla Prickett Flandreau—Mrs. Florence Kemp Forsyth-Mrs. Adine Martin Garden City-Mrs. Beulah LaRue Harlowton-Mrs. Evangeline McIntyre Hot Springs-Mrs. Cynthia Gale Houghton-Mrs. Vivian Edwards Huron-Mrs. Louella F. Hofer

Ipswich-Mrs. Selma Peterson

Ioliet-Mrs. Velma Boese

Knobs-

Johnson Corners-Mrs. Fern Lillibridge

Loyalton-Mrs. Genevieve Veeder Medicine Rocks-Mrs. Frances Sollie Miles City-Mrs. Alice Fletcher Mission-Mrs. Inez Reed Missoula-Mitchell-Mrs. Iola Johnson Mobridge-Mrs. Lucia Wegner Mt. Vernon-Mrs. Ruth Faulkenberry Northville-Mrs. Vergie Vreugdenhil Pierre-Mrs. Edith Swartz Prairie City-Mrs. Hazel Brixey Rapid City-Juanita Henisa Redfield-Winifred Burke Richland-Mrs. Loraine Palmer Ridge-Mrs. Reathe Cadwell Robbinsdale-Mrs. Dorthy Becker Sturgis-Mrs. Doris Crooks Sundance-Terry-Mrs. Betty Harris Tolstoy-Mrs. Pauline Hobbie Tuthill-Mrs. Inez Reed Watertown-Mrs. Marion Alexander Watford City-Enga Melby

Mrs. Loreen Griffin
Mrs. Honour Mae Griffin
Mrs. Leona Hartman
Mrs. Evelyn Gisselbeck
Mrs. Gladys Wilson
Mrs. Phyllis Franklin
Mrs. Jewel Olson
Mrs. Barbara Watson
Mrs. Rena Veeder
Mrs. Lorna Vermilyea
Mrs. Leona Bennett

Mrs. Marie Winterberg Mrs. Pauline Surington Mrs. Elizabeth Coolley Mrs. Deloris Holsing Mrs. Ruth McIntyre Mrs. Hazel Shelley Mrs. Mabel Wadsworth Mrs. Ruth Fletcher Mrs. Augusta Johnson Mrs. Leah Johnson

Daily Proceedings

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m.

Opening—The Fifty-fourth Annual Session of the W.M.S. of the Dakota Conference was called to order by our President, Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger. Mrs. Leona Bennett led us in singing "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross." We were led in prayer by Mrs. Rena Veeder with special prayer for our Vice-President, Mrs. Marion Cretsinger.

Devotions—We were happy to again have our own Alma Aldinger lead us in our devotions. She emphasized John 6: 66—that of continuing on with the Lord and not to look back. Special emphasis was given to the Women's . World Fellowship and of how prayer was such an important part of this Fellowship.

Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp sang our theme chorus for the Conference

Sessions, "I Will Pour Water on Him who is Thirsty."

Committee on Credentials-Mrs. Elizabeth Coolley and Mrs. Leah John-

son were appointed to serve on a Committee on Credentials.

Special Motion—A motion prevailed that if there is no elected delegate present, that the local President be seated as delegate, or if not present, then the pastor's wife shall be seated.

Conference Body—A motion prevailed that delegates, presidents, minister's wives, Y.M.W.B. Superintendents and lady ministers constitute the Conference Body.

Conference Bar-By motion the circular section of the chapel was designated as the Bar of Conference.

Programs-Programs were distributed. Moved and supported that they be adopted.

Committee on Purchase of Items-Mrs. Ruth McIntyre and Mrs. Ruth Fletcher were appointed to a committee to purchase some items for the Camp Grounds.

Nominating Committee—The Nominating Committee was elected as follows: Mrs. Leona Bennett, Mrs. Ruby Wagner, Mrs. Viola Leyh, Mrs. Ruth McIntyre, and Mrs. Lorna Vermilyea.

Recess—A recess was declared that the Nominating Committee might prepare their report.

Meeting called to order.

Report of Nominating Committee—A partial report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted. (See Report No. 1)

Special Motion-Moved and supported that Mrs. Viola Leyh be seated as delegate for the Calvary Society.

Report of President-The President read her report which was accepted with a rising vote of thanks. (See Report No. 2)

Report of District Chairmen—The Southern, Aberdeen, Black Hills, and Northwest District Chairmen gave their reports. They were accepted.

Courtesy-Rev. John Mickley was introduced and explained to us his work in Indian Evangelism.

Adjourned.

Tuesday, 1:15 p.m.

Opening-After singing by the group, Mrs. Mabel Wadsworth led in prayer.

Memorial-Memorial offering for Missions was taken in behalf of the Aunt of our Vice-President, Mrs. Marion Cretsinger.

Roll Call—Roll call was answered by whether or not each Society is participating in the Reading Course.

Report of Mission Study Secretary—Mrs. Elva Beckman, Conference Mission Study Secretary gave her report. It was adopted. A discussion period followed. (See Report No. 3)

Report of Prayer Partner Secretary—The Prayer Partner Secretary reported 41 Prayer Partner Cicles with a total of 686 Prayer Partners. There were 472 Home Missionaries, 678 Foreign Missionaries and 155 Y.M.W.B. Prayer Partners. Moved and supported that the report be adopted.

Greetings—Letters of greeting were read from Isla F. Knight, Ruth Bixler, Laura Raymer and word of greeting was brought from Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Calhoun by their daughter, Mrs. Ruth Faulkenberry. Mrs. Phyllis Franklin brought a report on Rev. and Mrs. Daniel McCandless.

Instructions to Secretary—The secretary was instructed to send letters of greeting to the following: Ruth Bixler, Rev. and Mrs. Daniel McCandless, Isla Knight and Mrs. Laura Raymer.

Project Committee—Mrs. Louella Hofer and Mrs. Mable Gerleman were appointed as a committee to display projects.

Adjourned.

Wednesday, 8:15 a.m.

Opening-We opened our Session by singing, "I Know the Lord Will Make A Way For Me," and "Near the Cross."

Devotions—Alma Aldinger brought devotions from Habakkuk 3: 17. Special prayer was offered for Rev. Harold Griffin. Further thoughts were presented to us on Women's World Fellowship. The three purposes stated for this Fellowship were the Word, Watch and Witness.

Roll Call—Roll call was answered by each Society stating the number of members in the Society and the number of Wesleyan Missionaries taken.

Minutes-The minutes were read and with corrections were accepted.

Courtesy-Miss Freda Farmer, Miss Laura Emerson, Miss Delphia Van-Winkle and Mrs. Gladys Wilson were introduced and brought greetings and words of testimony.

Report of Membership Committee—The report of the Membership Committee was given with the following: Active members 673, Honorary Members 233, making a total of 906. Gain of 112, loss of 55—Total gain 57. Moved and supported that report be adopted. Period of discussion followed.

Report of Magazine Solicitor—The Magazine Solicitor reported a gain of 44 magazines this year—there being a total of 749 this year, against a total of 705 last year. Moved and supported that the report be adopted.

Magazine Skit—A Magazine Skit was presented by Mrs. Ruby Wagner and Mrs. Evangeline McIntyre.

Wednesday, 1:15 p.m.

Opening—We opened our Session by singing "I Will Make the Darkness Light Before Thee," "O To Be Like Thee," and "Spirit of the Living God."

Devotions—Mrs. Honour Mae Griffin gave her testimony of the Lord's leadership in the past months for devotion. Special prayer was offered for physical needs of some who were ill.

Roll Call-Roll call was answered by the total given for Y.M.W.B.

Auditing Committee Report—The report of the Auditing Committee was read and accepted. (See Report No. 4)

Y.M.W.B. Report—Mrs. Elizabeth Becker, Y.M.W.B. Superintendent gave her report. Moved and supported that the report be accepted. Discussion period followed. (See Report No. 5)

Report of Treasurer—The report of the Treasurer was read and accepted with a rising vote of thanks. (See Report No. 6)

Special Motion—Moved and supported that the cash offerings exclusive of paid pledges in the Public Missionary Service be given to the Philippine Islands and that the pledges be divided four ways, Home, Foreign, Conference and Education.

We were adjourned.

Public Missionary Service

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

The service opened with the singing of "Send The Light" and "Jesus Saves." Rev. R. D. Reisdorph led us in prayer. A special number in song was sung by Alma Aldinger, "Let Me Burn Out For Thee Dear Lord."

Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp also brought a special number in song after which Miss Freda Farmer, Missionary to Formosa, brought us thoughts on the scripture from I Kings 18. She told of how Elijah was not afraid to be spoken of as the man of God. He wanted to prove who Israel was serving so we likewise should prove who we will serve. God wants us to prove ourselves and be faithful to Him. She admonished that there would be more Elijahs that would pray through.

Rev. Robert McIntyre led in prayer and then pledges were made and a cash offering was received for the Philippine Islands. Rev. J. F. Simpson dismissed in prayer.

Thursday, 8:15 a.m.

Opening—"I'll Live for Him" was sung by group after which Alma Aldinger led us in our devotions from the scripture verse Exodus 32: 32,

with special emphasis on prayer. She brought out how we can use prayer as a weapon against the enemy. A time of praise and testimony followed.

Roll Call—Roll call was answered by total money for Home and Foreign Missions and the total disbursements from each Society.

Minutes-Minutes were accepted as read.

Greetings—Mrs. Loraine Palmer brought greetings from her daughter Mae, who is serving as a Missionary in Haiti. Greetings were also read from Rev. and Mrs. Hartman and Rev. and Mrs. Paul Steward.

Instructions to Secretary—Letters of greeting are to be sent to the following: Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Calhoun, Mrs. Marion Cretsinger, Mrs. Thelma Carey, Mrs. Inez Goodell, Mrs. Amy Hunter, Mrs. Grace Francis, Mrs. Louise Dillon, Mrs. Dora McCoy, Mrs. Ralph Howard and Mrs. Edna Wood.

Courtesy-Miss Freda Farmer again appeared before the group and talked on some of the conditions of the Chinese women.

Report of the Statistical Committee—The Statistical Committee gave their report. Adopted. (See Statistical Report)

Tellers—Mrs. Beulah LaRue and Mrs. Dorothy Becker as distributing tellers and Mrs. Grace Poehls and Mrs. Beatrice Stone as Collecting tellers.

Election of Officers—The report of the Nominating Committee was read and the election of officers was as follows:

President—Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger
Vice-President—Mrs. Leona Bennett
Secretary—Mrs. Velma Boese
Treasurer—Mrs. Rena Veeder
Y.M.W.B. Superintendent—Mrs. Elizabeth Becker
Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Rose Wagner
Conference Study Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Wadsworth
Adjourned.

Thursday, 1:15 p.m.

Opening—The session was begun by singing "I Know Whom I Have Believed," and "Jesus Never Fails," after which we had a season of prayer.

Roll Call—Roll call was answered with "Items of Interest" from the report blanks. Discussion followed relative to the storing of the camp quilts and bedding and a committee was appointed of Mrs. Dorothy Nultemeier and Mrs. Effic Reisdorph to see about getting the linen closet.

Election of remaining officers-District Chairmen were elected as follows:

Aberdeen-Mrs. Viola Leyh

Southern-Mrs. Marie Winterberg

Black Hills—Mrs. Ruby Wagner Northwest—Mrs. Lorna Vermilyea

Report of the Nominating Committee—The final report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted. Discussion and questions relative to the changing of the Missionary Conference followed and it was voted unanimously to hold the Missionary Conference as in years past. Discussion was also held on the possibility of building a new W.M.S. Chapel. A committee

of Mrs. Dorothy Becker and Mrs. Luella Prickett were appointed to check on what blocks would cost for the building. Mrs. Elizabeth Coolley also served on this committee.

Courtesy-Dr. R. D. Reisdorph and Rev. Robert McIntyre were introduced and gave a word of testimony.

"Book Stand Review"—Mrs. Mable Wadsworth brought attention to books, maps and interesting material on the book stand.

Meeting adjourned.

Friday, 8: 15 a.m.

Opening—"The Cleansing Wave" was sung by the group led by Mrs. Leona Bennett. Alma Aldinger brought us thoughts again on the Women's World Fellowship on witnessing. Scripture was brought from Acts 1:8 of how each one ought to be a witness for God. She said if we as Christians don't have a desire to see men and women brought to Christ there is something wrong with our experience. Mrs. Francis Sollie gave her testimony of the Lord's goodness this past year.

Dismissed: The Conference Session was dismissed at 9:00 a.m. for the service in the big tabernacle on Rev. Simpson's message on his work in the Philippines.

Friday, 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call—The amount each Society sent to the Philippines was answered for roll call.

Minutes-Minutes were read and with corrections were adopted.

Memorial Service—A Memorial service was held in memory of the following deceased members: Mrs. Myrtle Spry, Mrs. Wm. Dell, Mrs. Effie Peer and Miss Ethel Enos. Mrs. Loreen Griffin read the scripture from Isaiah 51: 1, Rev. 14: 13 and Psalm 116: 5. Mrs. Honour Mae Griffin and Mrs. Barbara Watson brought a special number in song after which Mrs. Lillian Griffiths led in prayer. A love offering was given to Rev. and Mrs. Harold Griffin.

Report of the Resolutions Committee—The Resolutions Committee read their report. Adopted. (See Report No. 7)

Report of Committee on Purchasing Items for Camp—A report on the items purchased for the Camp Grounds was read and adopted. (See Report No. 8)

Special Motion—Moved and supported that the Missionary Society take the responsibility of paying for the curtains used in the big tabernacle. Moved and supported that we express appreciation to Mrs. Rena Veeder, Mrs. LuElla Prickett and Mrs. Elizabeth Coolley for making the drapes. Moved and supported that the Kitchen and Guest Room Committee look into the matter of purchasing a mirror.

Report of Plan of Work—The report of the Plan of Work was read and adopted as changed. (See Report No. 9)

Publicity Chairmen-Mrs. Shirley Smith and Mrs. Alice Fletcher were

appointed as a committee to make up letters with ideas and instructions to the Missionary Societies. Mrs. Smith's address being 1416¼ 3rd St., Brookings, South Dakota.

Reading-A reading of "The Two Churches" was given by Mrs. Cynthia Gale.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

Friday, 2:30 p.m.

Opening-The Session was opened with the singing of "How Great Thou Art."

Gift—A gift is to be given to Mrs. Marion Cretsinger, our former Vice-President.

Committee—Mrs. Louise Goodsell was appointed to a committee to choose names for the buildings on the Camp Grounds and to submit them to the Camp Board. She is to choose someone to assist her.

Literature Sales—The report of the Literature Sales was given in the amount of \$93.05. Adopted.

Report of the Executive Committee— The report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted. (See Report No. 10)

Report of Committee on Goals—The report of the Committee on Goals was read and adopted. (See Report No. 11)

Committee on Blocks—A report was given by the Committee that was appointed to check on the price of blocks for a new W.M.S. Chapel. Further discussion was held on the building of the new W.M.S. Chapel.

Minutes-Minutes were read and approved as read.

Nominating Committee Report—Mrs. Loreen Criffin asked to be released from the Committee on Goals and Membership and so Mrs. Audrey Joachim was appointed to serve on these Committees.

Moved and supported that we adjourn. The group sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and then were dismissed in prayer.

Reports of Committees

Report No. 1

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, wish to submit the following report: Resolutions-Mrs. Ruby Wagner, Mrs. Deloris Holsing, Mrs. Fern Lillibridge

Courtesies-Mrs. Mabel Wadsworth, Mrs. Gladys Wilson

Plan of Work-Mrs. Alice Fletcher, Mrs. Viola Leyh, Mrs. Lorraine Palmer News Reporter-Mrs. Barbara Watson (Wesleyan Methodist Magazine)

Mrs. Marie Winterberg (Local Paper)

Goals-Mrs. Audrey Joachim, Mrs. Marie Winterberg, Mrs. Inez Reed.

Standing Committees

Program-Executive Board

Auditing-Mrs. Amy Hunter, Mrs. Fred Francis, Mrs. Donna Stanislaus, Mrs. Marion Cretsinger

Membership-Mrs. Audrey Joachim

Magazine Solicitor-Mrs. Marie Winterberg

Statistical-Mrs. Eunice Vreugdenhil, Mrs. Della Fey Memorial-Mrs. Louise Goodsell, Mrs. Francis Sollie

Signed: Mrs. Leona Bennett

Mrs. Ruby Wagner Mrs. Viola Leyh Mrs. Ruth McIntyre

Mrs. Lorna Vermilyea

Report No. 2

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By the help and strength of our Lord, you and your Societies have made a good report for the Dakota W.M.S. this year. We humbly praise God, and herewith express hearty appreciation for your earnest co-operation.

Your efforts enabled us to have a large number on the Wesleyan Missionary Honor Roll; the goal for membership was exceeded by 6, giving us a total of 906. The subscription goal was not realized, but a total gain of 37 is commendable. Financial receipts have substantially increased this year.

The ministry of the Holy Ghost has taken on new proportion in my own life this year, especially in recent weeks. We must continually recognize our utter worthlessness apart from His enabling. May we purpose that He shall fully possess us and fully direct us as we face the days and months ahead.

Official Acts

1. Organized a new Society at Custer, South Dakota, June 18.

- 2. Attended Missionary Board meeting at Redfield, South Dakota, September 5.
- 3. At the request of the Conference President, offerings were sponsored for Hamilton and Joliet pastors from November through May, three Societies being contacted each month.
 - 4. Sponsored Birthday Card shower for Mrs. Laura Raymer.
 - 5. Spoke to the Watford City W.M.S., October 23.
 - 6. Sent out the World Day of Prayer Booklets.
 - 7. Spoke at Baker, Montana Missionary prayer service, January 14.
- 8. Spoke at combined World Day of Prayer service of Watford City and Johnson Corners churches.
- 9. Served as chairman of Home Missions Rally at Terry, February 24, also arranged with the District Chairmen for the Home Mission Conventions with Rev. V. A. Mitchell.
 - 10. Attended meeting of Campmeeting Board at Rapid City, April 13.

Through prayer, study, and much correspondence, I have endeavored to promote spiritual and material progress through out the year. 1,002 cards and letters have been sent from my office.

Signed: Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger W.M.S. Conference President

Report No. 3

REPORT OF MISSION STUDY

It has been a real blessing to me these last three years to work with the different societies through the Missionary reading course.

- 1. Of the 40 societies that have read and reported this quadrennium 19 of these societies have 68 Gold Seal readers and 41 Blue Seal readers.
- 2. I would like to make special recognition to our Watford City Society who has 25 reading members, 14 that will receive Gold Seal Certificates and 3 receiving Blue Seal Certificates.
 - a. Johnson Corners with 20 members have 8 members receiving Gold Seal Certificates and 4 members receiving Blue Seal Certificates.
 - b. The next societies were Baker and Prairie City with 7 members receiving Gold Seal Certificates and 4 members receiving Blue Seal.
- 3. Many different ways our study book was used making it a blessing to each society.
- 4. Our Conference has not made the Honor Roll this quadrennium but with special prayer and special stress from each pastor, pastor's wife, each local president, local study secretary plus our conference Study Secretary we can make the Honor Roll this next Quadrennium.

Signed: Mrs. Elva Beckman
Conf. Study Secretary

Report No. 4

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have reviewed the W.M.S. Treasurer's book and have been unable to strike a balance. The Y.M.W.B. Treasurer's book was audited and found to be correct.

Signed: Mrs. Evangeline McIntyre

Mrs. Iewel Olson

Report No. 5

Y.M.W.B. REPORT

I counted it a real privilege to work with our Y.M.W.B. Superintendents this past year. I keenly feel and believe if we are able to have Missionary minded adults we must start interesting our children in Missions now.

Our work throughout the Conference has made good steps forward for which we praise the Lord.

We lost the Terry Band this year but gained three new ones, namely, Bushnell, Custer and Ridge.

We have 40 Bands reporting this year with a total membership of 1215. We are an Honor Conference this year having had an increase in monies.

We have 15 Honor Bands this year as compared with 6 last year. Our Honor Bands this year are:

Aberdeen	Houghton	Rapid City
Artesian	Johnson Corners	Redfield
Brookings	Miles City	Robbinsdale
Deadwood	Pierre	Tuthill
Garden City	Prairie City	Watertown
Total cash received from	Bands	\$2,501.04
From Mitchell Crusader	Camp	40.41
From Rapid City Crusad	ler Camp	28.00
Total cash		2,569.45
Total Disbursed		2,549.23
Balance on Ha	nd	\$ 20.22
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I sent out 556 pieces of mail this past year.

I feel we should help encourage our local Bands wherever possible.

Humbly Submitted: Mrs. Elizabeth Becker Conf. Y.M.W.B. Supt.

Report No. 6

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance May 15, 1958	\$	360.25
Total Cash Received	14,	299.63
Total Vouchers Received	10,	616.30

GRAND TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$25	5,276.18
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	24	1,828.93
Balance on Hand May 15, 1959	\$	447.25

Signed: Mrs. Rena Veeder Conf. W.M.S. Treasurer

Report No. 7

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

First of all, we the Committee on Resolutions, give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His gracious presence manifested in each of our sessions, and for the faithfulness of the Holy Spirit to each of our hearts.

Be it resolved that we express our thanks and appreciation:

To our faithful President and to our Executive Committee who have labored so efficiently through the year and during our present Conference of 1959.

To our own Alma Aldinger for inspiration brought to us during our devotional services, and also to Honour Mae Griffin for her challenging testimony.

To Miss Freda Farmer, Rev. John Mickley, Rev. J. F. Simpson, and Rev. William Gale for their enlightening messages. Also to Dr. R. D. Reisdorph and Rev. Robert McIntyre for their words of greeting, and to Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Knapp for their messages in song.

To the Children's Workers, Deloris Bailey, Elva Belle Beckman, and Esther Harris, for their faithful labors.

To the presidents and members who have worked faithfully through the year, thus making possible the good reports of gain.

To those men and women who labored so diligently to get the grounds in readiness for camp.

To each one responding to the direction of the Holy Spirit in the special offering taken for Rev. and Mrs. Harold Griffin.

To our great God for His Healing Power and sustaining grace.

Be it resolved we spend much time in prayer during the coming year, remembering the admonition given to us by Miss Farmer:

"If you fail in prayer, we fail over there.

If you're faithful in prayer, God will help us over there."

"Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 4:6

Signed: Mrs. Ruby Wagner Mrs. Fern Lillibridge Mrs. Deloris Holsing

Report No. 8

COMMITTEE ON PURCHASE OF ITEMS

The following items were purchased for the Campgrounds:
6 sheets, 12 face towels, 12 wash cloths _____ \$18.30

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH	107
36 plastic water glasses	3.06
36 cereal bowls	
5—12" x15" plans	
Ironing Boards	14.79
Drapes	20.68
Mirror	2.43
WIIIOI	\$75.74

Signed: Mrs. Ruth McIntyre Mrs. Ruth Fletcher

Report No. 9

PLAN OF WORK

We, the Plan of Work Committee, wish to submit the following as outlined by the General and Annual Conference for the year which begins May 1, 1959 and ends April 30, 1960:

1. Arrange with pastor for our missionary prayer service each month.

2. A minimum of 10 meetings to be held during the year, at which time prayer requests are presented and remembered and business transacted, and at least one public meeting.

3. Recognizing the power of prayer, let us diligently observe the fol-

lowing:

- The formation of Prayer Partner Circles in each Society with a Prayer Partner Secretary, who shall send a report to Conference Prayer Partner Secretary within 60 days after adjournment of the Annual Conference.
- b. The faithful observance of a Prayer and Fast Day by each Society once a month.

 Observing on Tuesday, the Women's World Fellowship and cooperation in the World Day of Prayer services.

4. a. The President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the equivalent of 75% of the active membership be subscribers to the Wesleyan Missionary.

b. A Magazine Solicitor to be elected who will faithfully endeavor to obtain all renewals and will gain at least two new subscriptions, reporting the same to the Conference Magazine Solicitor, according to the plan of said Solicitor.

5. a. Each Society to be represented in Annual Conference by the

new President and Delegate.

b. Delegate to be instructed by the local society regarding the amount to be pledged by that society at the Annual Conference Session, same to be divided equally as decided at the Conference Session.

Statistical Report Blanks to be filled out on time and send one copy to Mrs. Eunice Vreugdenhil, Brentford, S. Dakota by

May 15.

- a. All monies received as dues be sent to Conference Treasurer, designating where 50% of same be applied on missions.
 - b. All monies and vouchers MUST be sent to Conference W.M.S. Treasurer ONLY at the close of the quarters ending July 31, Oct. 31, Jan. 31, and Apr. 30, unless otherwise specified, with the final quarterly remittance not later than May 1, using blanks sent out by Conference Treasurer.
- 7. Every woman in the church a member of the Society or a 10% gain in total membership.
- 8. Standing rules to be observed are as follows:
 - a. An amount equal to 7½% of all monies raised, except funds for building and repairs and dues, be paid for Conference work.
 - \$10.00 per society be paid for Home Missions. This may apply on budget.
 - c. \$5.00 per society be paid Hephzibah Orphanage. This may apply on budget.
 - d. 15c per member be paid for Conference Expense Fund.
 - e. 25c per active member be paid for a General Administration Fund. Not to apply on budget.
 - f. \$3.00 or more per society be paid to the Medical Student Fund. Not to apply on budget.
- a. \$1.25 per member be paid toward the support of our Conference Missionary. This may apply on budget.
 - b. Participate in the Card Call Plan. Not to apply on budget.
 - c. Co-operation as far as possible in using Thank Offering Jars, the same to be opened quarterly and used for missions.
 - d. Use of Pre-Easter Self Denial Folders, said money to be used as directed at the time.
 - e. That we promote the use of the Study Book, Program Calendars, and other helps, and also the Missionary Reading Course, sending the final report for same to Mrs. Mable Wadsworth, Mina, S. Dakota by February 1.
- This efficiency standard to be read in the society at least twice a year. 4% credit for each of the 25 items. Total 100%. Honor Roll 90%.

We recommend the following:

- That the Resolutions and Goals Reports be read before the society upon receipt of the new minutes.
- 2. That we urge the use of "In Memorium" folders.
- 3. That local societies inquire into the needs of Home Mission stations and Orphanage before sending used clothing and that no monetary value be placed on same, that such boxes be reported merely as the number sent; that boxes of new merchandise be reported as to monetary value and that the sending society evaluate and fill out receipt for same. This receipt to be sent to missionaries for their

- signature, after which it should be forwarded to the W.M.S. Treasurer for proper receipting.
- 4. That gift subscriptions to the Magazine be encouraged.
- 5. That our Prayer Partners be remembered by letters and gifts, and surgical needs.
- That our local societies make bandages, and unless otherwise directed through the Magazine, forward them to the Foreign Office, Fairmount, Indiana, to await outgoing missionaries, the number of pounds to be reported.
- Each Society to sponsor a Work Project throughout the year, bringing the same to the conference session to be displayed.
- 8. That each Society send jelly and canned goods to camp.
- 9. That our pastors be given at least two grocery or miscellaneous showers a year.
- 10. That we remember often in prayer:
 - a. The Sioux Indian Chapel in Rapid City and Brainerd Indian School.
 - b. Our work in the Philippines.
 - c. Missionaries who have gone from our Conference.
 - d. Dakota Conference youth preparing for Christian work.
 - e. The need of concentrated laity answering God's call to assist in new fields.
 - f. Our younger societies.
- 11. Concerning finances:
 - a. That a missionary offering be taken at the monthly prayer service.
 - b. Our work in the Philippines.
 - That an offering be sent by each society to be used for Dining Hall supplies.
 - d. That we include Honorary members in our assessments, unless otherwise specified.
 - e. That registration fee be provided for the delegate to Annual Conference.
 - f. That a special offering be taken for use in evangelism and Bible School in the Philippines.
- That there be continued reference to the Plan of Work as a guide to the year's work.

"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15: 58

Signed: Mrs. Alice Fletcher Mrs. Viola Leyh Mrs. Loraine Palmer

Report No. 10

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, the Executive Board, wish to make the following recommendations: That a honorarium of \$25.00 be given to Miss Freda Farmer and pay her traveling expenses within the Conference bounds according to the stipulations of the Foreign Department.

That a committee be appointed to suggest names for the naming of the buildings and then to confer with the Camp Board.

That we co-operate with the Conference in any advanced program for Indian Evangelism.

That we try to secure a Missionary to tour the Conference, preferably this fall.

Report No. 11

COMMITTEE ON GOALS

We submit the following:

1. That we endeavor to gain all adults, both men and women and young people as members and our goal be set at 960.

2. That every effort be made to increase the subscription list of the Wesleyan Missionary Magazine by securing RENEWAL and NEW subscriptions and our goal be set at 805. Let January be campaign month.

3. That we make the erection of the W.M.S. Chapel a matter of special prayer and give of our means to this project for the glory of God. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4: 13

Signed: Mrs. Loreen Griffin Mrs. Marie Winterberg Mrs. Inez Reed

QUADRENNIAL STATISTICAL REPORT BLANK of the W. M. S. of the Wesleyan Methodist Church DAKOTA CONFERENCE

- 1. Name of Society Dakota
- 2. Date of Organization -
- Name and Address of New President Mrs. Dorothy Cretsinger, Watford City, North Dakota
- 4. Name and Address of New Secretary Mrs. Velma Boese, Boyd, Montana
- Name and Address of New Treasurer Mrs. Rena Veeder, 20 Burnham Ave., Deadwood, South Dakota
- 6. Number of Societies 46
- Members reported last quadrennium Active 697 Honorary 277
 Members reported this quadrennium Active 661 Honorary 243
- 8. Number of Wesleyan Missionary taken 705
- 9. Rank under Efficiency Standard -
- Number of Missionaries supported 3

11. RECEIPTS:	
1. Membership Dues	_ \$ 2,644.90
2. Offerings	
3. Memorials	1,893.65
4. Voucher Receipts	_ 18,739.73
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR QUADRENNIUM	65,270.79
Old Balance from last Quadrennium	2,116.35
GRAND TOTAL	\$67,387.14
12. DISBURSEMENTS:	
1. Mission	
(a) Home	_ \$14,542.43
(b) Australia	
(c) Jewish Evangelism	_ 155.00
(d) Foreign	_ 18,947.78
(e) Medical Student Fund	_ 421.68
2. Hephzibah	
(a) Budget	
(b) Gifts	_ 239.17
3. Education	
(a) Budget	
(b) Gifts	
(c) Honorary Enrollment	
(d) Foreign Student Aid	
4. Local Church Work	*
5. Administrative Fund	
6. Membership Dues	
7. Conference Extension	•
8. Conference W. M. S. Working Fund	
9. Other Objects	7,049.04
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR QUADRENNIUM	65,050.65
New Balance an Hand	2,336.49
GRAND TOTAL	\$67,387.14

W. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Membership and Receipts Supported Subs. Wes. Missionary Total Meetings Held Members Membership Dues Efficiency Rating Members Name of Society Missionaries Pounds Boxes Honorary Active Gain Loss ŝ Aberdeen _____ 28 \$ 10 2 10 9 28.00 32 26 19 98 8.00 14.00 10.00 Almont 8 9 10 15 11 8 44 9 10 11 6 21 19 7 8 9 68 90 20 12 26 15 22 12 22 14 14 12 16 11 13 20 2 5 5 7 Artesian 5 Avon 84 90 69 Baker 18.00 16.00 9.00 3 4 **Belle Fourche** Biddle 10 16 15 8 Billings 14 1 4 5 5 100 58.00 10.00 Bismarck 72 84 86 **Brentford** 2 2 12 19 14.00 **Brookings** 16 13 16.00 22.00 Buffalo 6 Bushnell 11.00 9.00 58 3 16 13 12 Calvary 3 2 1 1 14 39 76 74 80 92 56 68 Conner 30.00 Custer 11 11.00 10.00 Deadwood 1 28 Flandreau 11 16 16 7.00 11.00 Forsyth 39 3 10 Garden City 18 18.00 3 Hamilton 39 17 13 26 12 13 13 Harlowton 16 14 14 13 10 20 12 5 8 6 10 11 32 26 5 7 7 7 16 16 25 22 11 19.00 18.00 3 4 8 82 25 **Hot Springs** 4 Houghton 88 22.00 Huron 92 2 30 13.00 Ipswich 87312431225527887102049 74 18.00 27.00 Johnson Corners 8 87 3 Joliet 15.00 Knobs 6.00 Loyalton 27 12 19 20 14 26 12 14 15 12 20 18 17 10 18 20 13 11 84 Medicine Rocks 10.00 2 4 6 2 10 Miles City 72 6 13.00 Mission 96 92 96 12.00 Mitchell 54.00 31.00 18 22 Mobridge Mt. Vernon 8 7.00 7.00 72 Northville 5 2 Pierre 88 1 1 3 3 1 4 24.00 Prairie City 92 80 92 90 7 24.00 23.00 Rapid City Redfield 15 92 7 35.00 2 1 5 Richland 1 42.00 Ridge 15.00 Robbinsdale 20.00 Sand Point Sturgis, S. D. 10 11 2 13.00 2 4 2 Sundance 3 11 48 36 4.00 9.00 Terry 19 Tolstov 7 7 8 33 10.00 3 12 Tuthill 9.00 2 16 78 10 6 Watertown 23 25 13 15 13 20 23 90 36.00 Watford City, N. D. 5 31 25 72 10 30.00 Totale

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W. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued

Receipts	-Continu	ed				
Name of Society	Offerings	Memorials	Voucher Receipts	Total Receipts for Year	Old Balance From Last Year	Grand Total
AberdeenAlmont	\$ 544.37 130.11	\$ 5.00	\$ 187.84 11.26	\$ 765.21 149.37	\$ 6.31 .68	
Artesian	244.77	2.00	ì	260.77	20.88	150.05 281.60
Avon	287.78		72.56	370.34	2.77	373.11
BakerBelle Fourche	753.22 283.80	10.00	175.70 72.96	946.92 382.76	10.00 21.25	956.92 404.01
Biddle	127.40	18.00	Ì	154.40	2.86	157.26
BillingsBismarck	[549.65 221.48	62.00	164.52[834.17 231.48	12.20	846.37
Brentford	270.86		82.55	367.41	6.67	238.15 367.41
Brookings	408.10		115.58	539.68	9.37	549.05
BuffaloBushnell	464.65 61.94			486.65	49.65	536.30
Calvary	213.48	56.00	67.00	72.94 345.48	10.54	83.48 345.48
Conner	295.17		61.00	386.17	1	386.17
Custer	155.37 268.89		62.00	166.37 340.89	!	166.37
Flandreau	31.15		02.00	38.15	İ	340.89 38.15
Forsyth	167.88		55.74	234.62	2.23	236.85
Garden CityHamilton	229.28 120.00		45.40	292.68 120.00	2.14	294.82
Harlowton	331.20		254.16	664.36	73.26	120.00 677.62
Hot Springs	271.51		312.57	602.08	8.05	610.13
HoughtonHuron	263.71 343.93	20.00	5.00 73.36	290.71 450.29	46.92 51.88	337.63 502.17
Ipswich	192.43	20.00		210.43	4.57	215.00
Johnson Corners Joliet	543.77		68.65	639.42	25.21	664.63
Knobs	109.60 35.00		45.12	169.72 41.00	1	169.72 41.00
Loyalton	168.38		1	178.38	.68	179.06
Medicine Rocks	751.28		21.40	782.68		782.68
Miles City Mission	105.39 147.35		411.23	118.39 570.58	2.81 2.54	121.20 573.12
Mitchell	885.48	224.60	274.55	1,438.03	69.50	1,507.53
Mobridge	700.67	12.00	125.00	868.67	36.73	905.40
Mt. Vernon Northville	124.56 57.84	· .	20.12 145.50	151.68 210.34	11.61	163.29 210.34
Pierre	246.40			270.40	1.14	271.54
Prairie CityRapid City	926.27 443.06		888.05	1,838.32	139.86	1,978.18
Redfield	479.27	36.15	37.00 718.00	503.06 1,268.40	.35 1.00	503.41 1,269.42
Richland	1,034.69	'	537.82	1,634.51	764.94	2,399.45
RidgeRobbinsdale	132.60 296.71	3.60	202.42 125.50	353.02 442.21	12.62 17.85	365.64
Sand Point	106.60	1	125.50	106.60] 17.85)	460.06 106.60
Sturgis	169.74		148.04	330.78	3.15	333.93
Sundance	76.94 183.84			80.94 192.34	5.19 1.29	86.13 193.63
Tolstoy	148.20	1	1	158.20	1.25	158.86
Tuthili	313.90		9.00	331.90	İ	331.90
WatertownWatertown Watford City	374.71 643.28	14.00	11.00 422.00	421.71 1,109.28	18.60 24.73	440.31 1,134.01
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TOTALS	 \$16,437.16	\$462.15	₽6,U49.60	Þ 23,854.91	\$1,482.64	\$25,337.55

THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

W. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Dis	bursem	ents					
Name of Society	Home Missions	Australia	Jewish Evangelism	Foreign Missions	Medical Student Fund	Hephzibah	Education	Local Church Work
Aberdeen	\$ 88.00	<u> </u>	\$	\$ 323.50	\$ 3.00	\$ 114.00	\$ 54.00	\$ 47.64
Almont	17.50		ľ	28.00	3.00	5.00	18.50	30.56
Artesian	28.75 19.25		ļ	80.59 103.06		44.36 21.71	15.40 20.00	53.70 38.56
Baker	141.22	11.00		308.12	3.00	45.00	28.72	43.73
Belle Fourche	37.00			115.40	3.00	78.55	33.00	14.00
Biddle	14.75			58.79		5.00	7.50	12.04
BillingsBismarck	61.12 23.00			151.50 115.13		131.00 39.10	55.50 6.00	192.75 21.24
Brentford		5.00	l	50.00	3.00	5.00	48.00	26.29
Brookings	113.58	ì l		106.35	3.00	34.00	76.00	46.35
Buffalo	34.33	7.50	1	104.95	3.00	34.90	49.50	34.20
BushnellCalvary	2.50 35.00			10.90 69.75	200	18.80 23.00	7.00 27.00	4.50 39.06
Calvary	70.43	5.00		108.50	3.00 3.00	5.00	61.50	21.20
Custer	14.00			56.95	3.00	18.50	17.50	12.72
Deadwood	(34.00)	6.10		77.78	3.00	10.00	51.15	56.90
FlandreauForsyth	 11.25	:		11.65 79.65	3.00 3.00	10.00 35.49	2.00 1.25	1.50 20.50
Garden City	26.25	5.25		42.00		38.25	48.56	20.00
Hamilton		0		1	, 0.00			
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HarlowtonHot Springs	234.22 27.00	7.50		73.87 60.71	3.00 3.00	79.40 29.50	5.00 54.00	140.73 31.50
Hot Springs	25.00	1 7.50		43.00	3.00	65.00	35.00	44.14
Huron	38.01		'	89.35	3.00	55.90	73.35	
Ipswich	29.50	1 1		67.83	3.00	5.00	7.50	15.00
Johnson Coners Joliet	51.25 33.79	3.25	10.00	292.06 81.65	3.00	57.00 13.00	32.29 3.20	17.30 8.40
Knobs	13.88	3.20		11.79	3.00	13.00	4.50	0.10
Loyalton	23.93	í. í	' I	21.48	3.00	15.00	(14.95
Medicine Rocks	46.75	325.25			3.00	73.00	36.75	17.55
Miles City Mission	11.25 79.50	ł l	5.00	26.50 182.73	3.00 3.00	5.00 5.00	4.75 16.00	15.55 12.00
Mitchell	118.20	19.50	3.00	442.56	3.00	3.00	178.35	225.60
Mobridge	60.50	8.25	10.00	130.62	3.00	68.70	202.50	130.11
Mt. VernonNorthville	17.95	!		76.89	3.00	20.40	16.86	7.75 27.50
NorthvillePierre	9.00 40.00	5.00	9.50	31.88 74.68	2.00 3.00	3.00 35.60	17.50	4.95
Prairie City	929.30	3.00	3.50	554.08	3.00	15.00	25.00	139.03
Rapid City	13.75	[[8.54	168.27	3.00	59.61	44.25	56.41
RedfieldRichland	93.75	١.	Ι,	209.55	9.251	35.00	289.75 41.30	l
RichlandRidge	602.93 148.75			1,308.35 39.35	3.00	11.25 20.00	12.25	29.92
Robbinsdale	25.00			91.00	3.00	5.00	104.50	70.88
Sand Point	16.25 47.75			62.85		7.61	21.25 123.75	14.70
SturgisSturgis	10.50			40.14 12.50		2.60	32.50	8.35
Terry	24.99	2.00	2.00	33.24	5.00	18.75	6.00	16.25
TolstoyTuthill	17.50	1	4 80	68.35	3.00	12.00	17.50	
Tuthill Watertown	40.50 29.00	12.75	4.50	72.49 59.00	3.00 3.00	5.00 32.75	5.00 39.00	46.90
Watford City	212.25	120		274.27	3.00	46.16	79.40	147.75
Totals	\$3,870.56	\$427.85	\$49.54	\$6,701.61	\$145.25	\$1,517.29	\$2,157.08	\$1,953.66

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

W. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued

	Disbur	sements	—Contir	ued				
Name of Society	Membership Dues	Adm. Fund	Conference Extension	Conf. W.M.S. Working Fund	Other Objects	Total Disbursements	New Balance On Hand	Grand Total
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Ayon Baker Belle Fourche Biddle Billings Bismarck Brentford Brookings Buffalo Bushnell Calvary Conner Custer Deadwood Flandreau Forsyth Garden City Hamilton Hot Springs Houghton Huron Ipswich Johnson Corners Joilet Knobs Lovalton	\$ 14.00 7.00 5.00 9.00 8.00 4.50 29.00 5.00 7.00 6.50 4.50 15.00 8.29 9.00 8.00 11.00 6.50 9.00 13.50 7.50	\$ 7,00 3.250 4.50 4.50 4.50 14.50 2.50 10.80 3.75 4.50 2.75 1.50 4.75 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 2.50 3.00 2.55 3.75	70.20 29.21 23.46 145.10 308.38 62.46 20.17 142.73 105.35 145.91 105.35 145.91 122.85 5.73 107.00 79.61 25.65 40.96 40.96 40.96 40.96 120.00 21.50 10.00 21.50 10.00 21.50 10.00 21.50 20.00 20.					\$ 771.52 150.05 281.60 373.11 956.92 404.01 157.26 846.37 238.15 5367.41 549.05 536.30 83.48 345.48 38.15 236.85 294.82 120.00 664.63 502.17 215.00 664.63 169.72 41.00
Loyalton Medicine Rocks Miles City Mission Mitchell Mobridge Mt. Vernon Northville Pierre Prairie City Rapid City Redfield Richland Ridge Robbinsdale Sand Point Sturgis Sundance Terry Tolstoy Tuthill Watertown Watford City Totals	5.00 10.00 6.50 27.00 15.50 3.50 3.50 12.00 11.50 21.00 7.50 10.00 4.50 4.50 18.00	6.60 8.25 2.25 2.25 5.75 5.50	13.37 174.88 7.55 219.52 365.77 204.74 34.46 47.52 203.04 28.94 564.17 11.98 88.08 86.25 23.22 9.30 11.95 1.35 161.79 57.19	6.00 11.25 11.29 9.80 17.44 12.44 12.50 8.60 12.70 3.45 5.25 5.75 8.25 6.75 9.45 8.63 1.35 5.40	88.00 14.62 28.25 32.50 8.05 98.00 4.00 25.00 38.52 47.43 14.83 61.97 50.75 47.75 8.71 51.31 22.96 31.52	782.68 98.32 571.54 1,430.28 904.38 161.19 210.34 268.35 1,922.65 441.99 1,268.65 2,126.64 364.35 457.96 106.60 318.02 85.73 192.70 158.54 434.85 1,111.24	22.88 1.58 77.25 1.02 2.10 3.19 55.53 61.42 .77 272.81 1.32 2.10 15.91 .40 .93 .32 5.46 22.77	782,68 121,20 573,12 1,507,53 905,40 163,29 210,34 1,978,18 503,41 1,269,42 2,399,45 365,64 460,06 106,60 333,93 86,13 193,63 158,86 331,90 440,31 1,134,01

Band	Aberdeen 30 4 34 34 13 100 \$ 20.00 \$ 3.00 \$ 2.00 \$ 46.00 \$ 71.00 \$ 6.97 \$ 77.94 \$ 1.60 \$ 1.00
Avon	Avon
	Loyalton