MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

IOWA CONFERENCE

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America

HELD AT

CHARLES CITY, IOWA, AUGUST 14-20, 1923.

W. R. EMERSON, President.
R. WESLEY MACK, Secretary.

The Iowa Conference.

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President—Rev. W. R. Emerson, 709 Cedar St., Charles City, Ia. Vice-President—Rev. F. J. Wilson, Clarence, Ia. Secretary—Rev. R. Wesley Mack, Charles City, Ia. Treasurer—Rev. R. Wesley Pryor, Charles City, Ia. Sabbath School Secretary—J. W. Yancey, Charles City, Ia. Statistical Secretary—Rev. D. F. Smith, Coon Rapids, Ia. Tithing Secretary—Mrs. Janet Johnson, West Union, Ia.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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W. M. Gipe, LaPorte City, IaTerm	expires	1924
Rev. R. Wesley Pryor, Charles City, IaTerm	expires	1925
Rev. F. J. Wilson, Clarence, IaTerm	expires	1926
Rev. C. S. Weigel, Hammond, MinnTerm	expires	1927
F. B. Andrews, Charles City, IaTerm	expires	1928

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F. B. Andrews, Chairman; Rev. R. W. Pryor, Rev. A. Cretsinger, Rev. W. R. Emerson, G. W. Winterink and John Howell.

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CONFERENCE ROLL.

Elders on the Stationed List.

Rev. R. Wesley Pryor Rev. W. R. Emerson Rev. G. Edwin Ellis Rev. J. W. Leedy Rev. C. P. Sage Rev. Mrs. Bertha Ellis Rev. Miss Lottie Buttermore Rev. F. J. Wilson Rev. A. M. Stevens Rev. Albert Johnson Rev. Walter K. Hughes Rev. B. J. Hoover Rev. C. S. Weigel Rev. D. F. Smith Rev. C. R. Belknap Rev. R. W. Mack . Rev. George S. Fry Rev. C. P. Carkuff

(At the Conference of 1922 the name of Rev., Fry was ordered from the roll of Unstationed Elders to the roll of Stationed Elders. Rev. G. S. Fry, having died April 10, 1923, by vote of Conference his name was ordered transfered to the Roll of Honored Dead.)

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Position of the community Delegates.

F. B. Andrews was the wanted and Missa Mary. Hoover G. W. Winterink
George Mulhollen
Eugene Iliff
Mrs. Sarah Fiser
Robert Buttermore
Henry Weigel
W. E. Tindall
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Journal of Daily Proceedings.

As previously announced the Iowa Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection met on the College campus at Charles City, Iowa, at half past ten o'clock A. M., August 14, 1923, for its seventieth annual session.

The Conference President led in singing songs 24 and 2 in Spiritual Songs. He also read and commented upon Scripture lessons found in 1 Peter 4:1-11 and Daniel 11:32. Prayers were offered by Revs. Emerson, Weigel and Carkuff and Miss Minnie Yarrington.

The chair appointed Revs. B. J. Hoover and W. E. Reeve as

Committee on Credentials.

The chair announced the first four seats in the front of the tent as the bar of Conference and stated that all visiting brethren and sisters, in harmony with our doctrines, are invited to honorary seats in our Conference.

The Committee on Credentials presented the names of F. B. Andrews as delegate from Charles City and G. W. Winterink from St. Charles.

On motion the following were constituted the Nominating Committee: Rev. W. R. Emerson, Rev. C. S. Weigel, F. B. Andrews, G. W. Winterink and Rev. C. P. Carkuff.

The chair called attention to the Standing Rules relating to the opening and closing of the meetings of the Conference, (2) Papers and documents read before the Conference to be referred to their respective committee and (3) that all reports of committees be in writing and ready for the printer, etc.

A motion to adjourn prevailed: Benediction by the Rev. W. E.

Reeve.

Second Meeting-Tuesday Afternoon.

Conference called to order by President Emerson:

Song by Conference, "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power."

• Devotionals led by Rev. Weigel. Scripture 1 John 5:11-21.

Prayer by Miss Elsie Webster.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

The Credentials committee reported the name of George Mulhollen, delegate from South Troy church. Above partial report adopted.

On motion Miss Lottie Buttermore was elected Assistant Secretary, pro tem.

A motion prevailed that the chair appoint the Committee on Courtesies.

The Chair named as such committee the Rev. C. S. Weigel.

A motion prevailed that R. W. Mack act as chairman of Committee on Special Orders. The Rev. F. J. Wilson and G. W. Winterink were added to the Committee.

On motion J. W. Yancey was requested to act as Conference

Postmaster for this session.

On motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by the Rev. D. F. Smith.

Wednesday-Second Day-Afternoon.

Conference opened by singing "Christian, Let Your Faith Hold Fast."

Devotionals led by Rev. W. E. Reeve, who read from the fifty-sixth chapter of Isaiah and commented upon same.

Minutes read and approved.

The Credentials Committee reported the following duly elected delegates: Miss Mary Hoover, Hoover; Miss Delia Howlett, Fairview; Mrs. Sarah Fiser, Tuttle Grove. Report adopted.

The Committee on Nominations made report, which was adopted.

See report.

The Credentials Committee made further partial report naming the following named delegates elect: Eugene Iliff, West Union; Mrs. Janet Johnson, West Union; W. E. Tindall, Bennezette. Report adopted.

By vote it was ordered to hold religious services this afternoon

at two o'clock. Preaching by the Rev. C. P. Carkuff.

A letter from Rev. Ulis Hekel in which he requests a letter of standing from this Conference, was read by the President. By vote the above request was granted.

The Treasurer tendered his annual report.

On motion the report was referred to the Auditing Committee. In the absence of the Vice-President the President requested the Rev. F. J. Wilson to take the chair. The President tendered his annual report.

A motion prevailed to refer the financial part of the President's report to the Auditing Committee. The remainder of the report

was adopted.

The President made three recommendations which resulted in the following action: First, a motion prevailed to consider the

President's recommendations separately.

Item number one was read, amended and adopted as follows: That the Conference President be authorized to dispose of the Diagonal church property and that the Conference Trustees sign the necessary papers.

The second recommendation was read and also a recommendation presented to the President by Rev. Wilson, on the same subject, both of which were referred to a Committee composed of W. R. Emerson, R. W. Pryor and C. S. Weigel for consideration, and to be reported upon at this session of Conference.

The third recommendation of the President was read and adopted.

Conference adjourned by limitation. Benediction by Rev. B. J. Hoover.

Wednesday-Second Day-Afternoon.

Conference joined in singing "I Love to Tell the Story." Scripture from the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians, first to thirteenth verses, was read by the Rev. B. J. Hoover, and prayer by the Rev. W. E. Reeve.

Roll called and minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials named Robert Buttermore as delegate elect from South Troy church.

The President called Rev. Wilson to the chair and Rev. Emerson, Rev. Wilson and Robert Buttermore were elected a Committee to draft plans for providing for Superannuated Ministers.

The Rev. W. R. Emerson submitted report of the Missionary Board which was adopted. See report.

A motion prevailed electing Rev. Weigel as Chairman of the Itineracy and Orders Committee.

The chair appointed Miss Delia Howlett and Robert Buttermore as lay members of the above Committee. Rev. Pryor was elected as Ministerial member of this Committee to fill vacancy occasioned by the granting of a letter of standing to Rev. Hekel.

The chair read a communication from the church of Little Pine, Minn. By vote the chair was authorized to appoint a Committee of three to whom the above communication was referred.

The chair announced that, in harmony with General Conference action, a vote will be taken later in the session upon "The tobacco question."

Time having arrived for the preaching service all joined in singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." After prayer by Rev. Weigel a very helpful sermon was preached by Rev. Carkuff. This was followed by prayer and song after which regular Conference business was proceeded with.

The Committee on Courtesies presented Rev. Nimrod K. Long, a licentiate of the Dakota Conference, who made brief and appropriate remarks.

Recommendations from the Mobridge church of the Dakota Conference, recommending Rev. Long were read and referred to the Committee of Itineracy and Orders.

The Committee on Credentials reported Henry Weigel as delegate from Guthrie Center.

The Conference President read a splendid letter from the Rev. L. W. Easton, an aged elder of our Conference, now living at Santa Ana, Calif. In compliance with the request of Brother Easton for prayers, Conference joined in prayer, led by Rev. Wilson, for Brother and Sister Easton as well as for Rev. Riley, President Leedy and other absent members of our Church and Conference.

On motion Conference adjourned for Committee work.

After announcements Conference was dismissed with benediction by Rev. Long.

Thursday-Third Day-Forenoon.

Singing "Blessed Assurance." Scripture lesson from John 6:68, 69, by Miss Elsie Webster, who made profitable comments upon the same. Prayer by Rev. Weigel.

Roll called and minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Courtesies introduced to the Conference Miss Delia Howlett, one of our recently returned missionaries from our African mission field, and Miss Minnie Yarrington, one of our students who has completed her four-year course of study at Miltonvale College. Both sisters made very appropriate remarks.

Upon request of the Chairman of the Auditing Committee, Rev. A. L. Cretsinger was added to said Committee.

On motion of Rev. Wilson it was made the Order of the Day to conduct memorial services for the late Rev. George S. Fry this afternoon immediately following the election of Conference officers. Out of respect for the deceased, by order of Conference, the above mentioned memorial service will conclude the meeting of this body for today.

The President read a communication from the Guthrie Center church which recommended Henry Weigel as a suitable person to travel. Recommendation referred to the Itineracy and Orders Committee. A like recommendation from the Charles City church

recommending E. E. Anderson was also referred to the above named Committee.

The Committee on Courtesies here introduced Rev. E. E. Anderson.

Rev. F. Honnold made verbal report of his work as Missionary Evangelist in northwest Iowa, and northeast Nebraska.

The passage of character was taken up; and the following names were called by the Secretary and their characters declared passed by the President. Names follow: G., E. Ellis, Mrs., Bertha Ellis, L. W. Easton, C. P. Carkuff, J. W. Leedy, C. P., Sage, W. H. Riley, Ruby H. Paine, M. D., May Lord Sprague, Delia Howlett, F. Honnold, C. O., Bush, Mrs., Cora, Bromaghin and Lottie Buttermore.

Statements relative to the Mission work of this Conference conducted in Northern Minnesota were made by Reys. Reeve and Buttermore.

Remarks relative to Young People's Societies were made by Rev. Cretsinger.

Conference adjourned by limitation of time.

Thursday-Third Day-Afternoon.

Conference opened with singing by the congregation. Devotionals by Rev. Long. Scripture lesson from First Corinthians two, making comments upon same and relating personal experiences. Prayer by Rev. Emerson.

Roll called and minutes read, corrected and approved,

The Orders of the Day being called the chair appointed as tellers Revs. Pryor and Hoover to act in election of Conference officers.

The result of the balloting was the election of Rev. W. R. Emerson as President; Rev. F. J. Wilson, Vice-President; Rev. R. Wesley Mack, Secretary; Rev. R. Wesley Pryor, Treasurer and Mr. F. B. Andrews as Conference Trustee for a term of five years to succeed himself.

On motion the remaining officers, Committees and Boards were elected by acclamation as follows: Conference Sunday School Secretary, J. W. Yancey; Tithing Secretary, Mrs. Janet Johnson; Statistical Secretary, Rev. D. F. Smith; Missionary Board, Revs. R. Wesley, Pryor and C. S. Weigel; Judiciary Committee, Revs. R. W. Mack, F. J. Wilson, D. F. Smith and C. R. Belknap; Committee, on Presidency, Rev. B. J. Hoover, Rev. C. S. Weigel, Rev. C. P.

Carkuff, W. E. Tindall and G. W. Winterink; Sunday School Board, J. W. Yancey, Mrs. Jennie Emerson and Miss. Mabel Young; Student Committee, Revs. W. R. Emerson, R. W. Mack and R. W. Pryor; Advisory Board, Rev. R. Wesley Pryor and G. W. Winterink.

On motion further election was deferred until the place of hold-

ing the next Conference and Camp Meeting be determined.

By vote it was determined that the place shall be in or near Charles City. The immediate location to be left with the Camp Meeting Committee.

The following were elected the Camp Meeting Committee: Rev. R. W. Pryor, Rev. A. L. Cretsinger, F. B. Andrews, Rev. W. R. Emerson, G. W. Winterink and John Howell.

On motion F. B. Andrews was constituted Chairman of the Committee.

Following the election Memorial services were held for the late Rev. George S. Fry, one of the elders of our Conference whose death occurred April 10, 1923. Appropriate songs were sung, prayer offered and the following ministers made brief addresses befitting the occasion: Revs. Wilson, Mack, Weigel, Hoover and Emerson.

On motion the Conference Secretary was instructed to write a letter to the bereaved widow, Sister Fry, expressing sympathy of this body in her bereavement.

Out of respect to the memory of the departed brother Conference adjourned for the remainder of the day.

Benediction by the Reviells J. Hoover, and the second seco

Friday-Fourth Day-Forencon.

Conference opened with song number 66. Rev. Stevens read Scripture which was followed by prayer by Rey. Belknap and singing again by congregation.

Roll called and minutes read and approved.

The President briefly addressed the Conference, expressing appreciation of the manifest confidence reposed in him as expressed in his re-election to the Presidency.

The Auditing Committee made report relative to the financial part of the President's annual report. Report adopted. See report.

The Chair appointed as the Special Committee to whom was referred the recommendation from the Little Pine, Minnesota church, the following brethren, vlz., Revs. Wilson, Pryor and Weigel.

Rev. Belknap presented a request for Conference aid in the pur-

chase of chairs for the Quasqueton church. Request referred to the Building Fund Committee.

Rev. Stevens made verbal report of his labors as evangelist. His character was declared passed by the Chair.

The Tithing Secretary made report which was commended and unanimously adopted by standing vote.

The Auditing Committee made report relative to the Conference Treasurer's report, Report adopted. See report.

By vote the Treasurer's report was adopted.

In the passage of character the following ministers were called, answered disciplinary questions and their characters were declared passed. Names follow: F. J. Wilson, C. S. Weigel, D. F. Smith, R. W. Mack, B. J. Hoover, C. R. Belknap, W. E. Reeve and A. L. Cretsinger.

The Vice-President being in the chair, Rev. W. R. Emerson was called in the passage of character, answered disciplinary questions and his character passed. The name of Rev. Walter K. Hughes was called and character passed.

By vote this evening service was given over to the W. H. & F. Missionary Society,

The Conference President presented the matter of procuring a new tent for Conference use.

The following motion prevailed: "The President of the Conference is hereby authorized to purchase an audience tent suitable to the Conference needs, which shall be approved by his Advisory Board. He shall pay for the same from the Camp Meeting Fund and any deficiency may be borrowed from some of the Conference funds to be repaid as soon as possible."

On motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. Cretsinger.

Friday-Fourth Day-Afternoon.

Conference opened with singing "Nearer the Cross."

Devotionals were led by Sister Delia Howlett, who read Scripture and Rev. Hoover led in prayer,

Roll called and minutes read, corrected and approved,

The Committee on Thanks made report which was unanimously adopted. See report,

A communication from Brother Walter K. Hughes was read before the Conference by the chairman. On motion the Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Rev. Hughes extending to him our sympathy in his inability to continue his labors in our midst

and to express to him our appreciation of his services as Conference Secretary.

On motion the time was fixed to take the vote on the "Tobacco Amendment" tomorrow at ten o'clock.

On motion it was ordered to pay to the Conference Secretary and Conference Treasurer the sum of \$15.00 each for their services.

It was moved and supported to authorize the Secretary to publish the Conference minutes and the expense of same to be drawn from the Conference Budget.

It was ordered to publish one hundred and seventy-five copies and the Secretary to distribute to the churches according to membership.

A motion prevailed to adjourn to the call of the Chair.

After a meeting of the W. H. & F. Missionary Society the chair called the Conference to order.

On motion it was made the Order of the Day temorrow afterneon at two o'clock to hear Rev. E. F. McCarty, Connectional Representative and Foreign Missionary Secretary, and this service to be followed by an address by Prof. Hill in the interests of Miltonvale College.

The Chair read recommendations of A. L. Cretsinger, L. E. Johnson and Miss Elsie Webster. These papers were passed to the Itineracy and Orders Committee.

Conference adjourned with benediction by Prof. Hill of Milton-

vale College.

Saturday-Fifth Day-Forencon.

Conference opened with singing number 33 and prayer by Rev. Belknap. Scripture by Rev. Henry Weigel from Psalms 23.

Roll was called and the minutes of the previous meeting were

read and approved.

The Credentials Committee reported Floyd Purdy as delegate from Emmanuel charge. Report adopted.

The Statistical Committee made report. Report adopted. See

report.

On motion Revs. Stevens, Smith and Johnson were made a Com-

mittee to apportion the annual budget.

At the request of the W. H. & F. Missionary Society it was voted to incorporate the minutes of their Society with the published minutes of this Conference.

The vote on the "Tobacco question" was taken by ballot resulting in the casting of twenty-four ballots; sixteen of which were for the amendment and eight against.

By vote it was ordered that the vote on the "Tobacco Amendment" shall be taken at the earliest convenience on the several charges of the Conference and the result of the vote be at once communicated to the Conference Secretary:

It was moved and supported that the matter of the Camp Meeting Evangelist for next year be left with the Camp Meeting Com-หรือ เรื่อง และเกราะสก็สาว เอเมื่อเลยใส่ สำเราะสการ์สาว ให้เห็นผู้เลี้ยนนี้

The Committee on Superannuated Ministers' Fund made report 115

which was adopted. See report.

"The Committee on Special Orders made the following report: That the time for the graduating exercises of the Conference Sabbath School Teachers' Training Class be this evening at half past seven o'clocket and to be a series and appearing a material and an a

Moved that a communication be sent to Mrs. Ella Barrett, 3002 Welton St., Denver, Col., commending her work in Denver and bidding her "Godspeed" in the work.

By vote Conference suspended the rule and adjourned for Committee work. The first to have the configuration of a server plane to the pro-

Benediction by Rev. McCarty.

Saturday-Fifth Day-Afternoon. Serve on great the region of agreement of the public

Conference opened by singing number 10, prayer by Rev. Johnson and reading the Word from the ninth chapter of Acts and with a brief discourse following.

Roll called and minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Moral Reforms made report which was

adopted. See report.

The Committee of Itineracy and Orders tendered its report. Moved to adopt. An amendment prevailed relative to the item of the report referring to the case of Brother Frank Honnold: "That Frank Honnold be continued in the Course of Study, provided his Quarterly Conference renews his license."

The motion to adopt the report prevailed.

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived Rev. E. F. McCarty, Connectional Representative, presented the Connectional and Missionary interests, of our denomination. This address was both interesting and profitable.

At the conclusion of this address a special selection of song was

rendered by a mixed quartette.

Prof. F. C. Hill, representing the Miltonvale College, presented the educational interests of our church at Miltonvale, Kansas.

Upon request of Prof. Hill the following ex-students of the College made brief favorable remarks in behalf of the school. Names follow: Rev. A. L. Cretsinger, Prof. C. L. Mack and Rev. Miss Elsie Webster.

Severity-four dollars and a half (\$74.50) Was pledged for the school.

The Student Committee tendered its report which was adopted. It was moved and supported that a subscription be taken before the preaching service Sunday morning to raise the deficiency in the Student Fund. (The amount of this deficiency was \$170.00 and at the Sunday morning service \$200.00 was pledged.)

On motion Conference adjourned to the call of the chair.

Monday—Sixth, Day—Forencon.

At the call of the chair Conference convened at eleven o'clock.

Devotionals conducted by Rev. Wachtel.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations made report. See report. The Conference Sabbath School Secretary's report was read by the Conference Secretary. Report adopted. See report.

The Committee on Post Office Addresses made report. Report

adopted.

The Building Fund Committee made report. Moved to adopt. An amendment was offered by Rev. Reeve. Such amendment presented by Rev. Wilson prevailed. A motion prevailed to adopt the report as a whole.

report as a whole.

The following motion prevailed: "Motion that the appropriations from the Building Fund of \$50.00 for the White Elk church also the \$100.00 voted the Emily church be placed in a General Fund to be available for the erection of churches in the missionary territory in Northern Minnesota should such need arise during the year. This fund to be in the hands of the President of the Conference and used at his discretion.

The Committee on Apportionment of the Budget made report.

Report referred back to the Committee for correction.

Conference adjourned by limitation of time.

Monday—Sixth Day—Afternoon.

(In the absence of the Conference Secretary the Assistant Secretary presided at the Secretary's table at this meeting.)

Roll was called and minutes of the last two meetings were read, corrected and approved.

Committee on President's recommendation made report. Moved

and seconded that this report be adopted.

Moved and seconded that the Missionary Board put on a fouryear revival campaign and that appeal be made to the churches for funds to back the campaign. That the offering taken last evening be placed in the Church Extension Fund to assist the Missionary Board in conducting its work.

Committee on Apportionment of Budget made report. See report. Moved and seconded the Missionary Board be made Committee on apportioning Conference Budget.

A communication was read from Sister May Lord Sprague, in Africa, by the President.

The names of R. W. Pryor, Albert and Melvina Johnson were called and their characters passed.

The Committee on Recommendations from the Little Pine church failed to make report.

Recommendations read before the Conference body followed by remarks. Moved and seconded that this report be adopted.

Moved and seconded that we adjourn to the call of the chair.

Adjourned Session-Monday, 3:45 P. M.

The chair called Conference to order and the following recommendation was presented as a substitute for the recommendation last made regarding the Little Pine, Minn., work.

The substitute that follows prevailed: "That the Missionary work be a missionary field under the management of the Missionary Board. That the Board visit the field at their earliest convenience, if necessary, and ascertain the needs and possibilities of the work. That any of the missionaries be permitted to solicit funds for the field from any part of the Conference and in any way they may choose. That the Missionary Board assist this field as it may see best from the Church Extension Fund."

The President recommended that Rev. A. M. Stevens receive \$25.00 from the Church Extension Fund for his Evangelistic services in Diagonal. Motion to adopt the above recommendation prevailed.

A motion to adjourn, sine die, prevailed. Singing "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow." Benediction by the Conference President.

R. Wesley Mack, Conference Secretary.

STANDING RULES AND RESOLUTIONS.

On page 3, Vol. 3, of the Conference Records, the following is found: "On motion of Rev. S. A. Gilley, all resolutions of this Conference in annual session so far as adopted at previous meetings are hereby repealed."

Page 158, Vol. 3: "Ordered that until further notice, Annual Conference shall convene on Tuesday and not on Wednesday as heretofore."

Page 272, Vol. 3: "Resolved, (1) That the President of the Conference be continued as permanent chairman of the Committee on Religious Services; (2) That the pastor and the first delegate of the charge at which the next Conference is to be held constitute the remaining members of the Committee for that session."

Page 274, Vol. 3: "Resolved, That all Sunday Schools under the pastoral oversight of Wesleyan Methodist pastors may be included in the Statistical report of the pastor having such school in charge."

Page 306, Vol. 3: "Resolved, (1) That the time of opening and closing the meetings of the sessions be fixed as follows: Forenoon meetings open at 9:30 and close at 11:30; afternoon meetings at 1:00 and close at the discretion of the body; (2) That the bar of the Conference be fixed and announced by the Conference President; (3) That all visiting brethren and sisters in harmony with our doctrines and principles are invited to honorary seats."

Page 310, Vol. 3: "Resolved, That the Conference tents be in charge of the Conference President, who shall see that they have proper care and storage. He may rent the same, when not in use, to outside parties as opportunity affords and his judgment directs, and on such terms as he and the desiring parties may agree upon, the rental to be placed in the tent fund."

Page 73, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That all papers and documents read before this Conference be referred to their respective Committees."

Page 78, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That the Missionary Board is hereby authorized to pay out all moneys to be paid from the Conference Fund."

Page 115, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That all reports of Committees be made in writing, complete and ready for the printer, and handed to the Secretary at the earliest possible date after such report is made."

Page 124, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That the Conference Officers be not seated until the close of the Conference session at which they are elected."

Pag 119, Vol. 4: "Resolved, (1) That the Conference President be required, authorized and appointed to travel the Conference as President, having general supervision of the spiritual interests and benevolences thereof, holding at least one service at each of the churches during the year, under suhc date as he may announce in advance; (2) He shall raise funds to meet the demands of the Conference work, receive contributions for missions, education and superannuated ministers, where there are no pastors, and assist the pastors in raising the same where desired; (3) He shall have general supervision of the Church property within the bounds of the Conference, and shall inquire into the titles of the same to see that no property is loosely held, and shall look after the rental of Conference property, and see the rent is placed in the Conference treasury; and shall investigate the possibility and feasibility of the sale of Conference property not in use, and report his findings at the next annual Conference; (4) He shall devote as much time as possible and as occasion may afford in quarterly and other meetings; (5) (As amended in 1919) He shall be paid from the Conference Budget the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and expenses of travel and correspondence per year for his services, the same to be paid quarterly."

Page 161, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That the Committee on Itineracy and Orders be ordered to furnish a list of the Conference preachers and licentiates entitled to vote at each Annual Conference as provided by the Discipline."

Page 164, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That an elder on the stationed list holding Church and Conference membership in this Conference and residing without its bounds, the local church to which he belongs is entitled to a delegate for that elder."

Page 209, Vol. 4: "Resolved, That the President be authorized to grant letters to members of disbanded classes."

Page 7, Vol. 5: "Resolved, That the pastors take an offering on their charges each year to pay for Conference Minutes."

Page 39, Vol, 5: "Resolved, That the President conduct, or appoint some one to conduct examinations in the Course of Study during the interim of the Conference year, and pass papers to the Chairman of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders."

Page 40, Vol. 5: "Resolved, That the Camp Ground property be under the care and supervision of the Camp Meeting Committee."

Page 70, Vol. 5: "Resolved, That the matter of passing on the pastors' statistical reports shall be in the hands of the Statistical Committee."

Adopted at the 1923 session: By vote of Conference it was made a Standing Rule: "That the Conference President be required to write to the non-residents of the Conference asking them, in case they cannot attend, to write the Conference a letter of greeting and stating, at least, the condition of their religious experience."

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COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Nominating Committee begs leave to submit the following report:

Committee on Pastoral Relations—Rev. W. R. Emerson, Rev. F. J. Wilson, Rev. D. F. Smith, F. B. Andrews and G. W. Winterink. Auditing Committee—Rev. F. J. Wilson, Rev. W. E. Reeve and R. N. Buttermore.

Committee on Passage of Character—Rev. W. R. Emerson, Rev. Lottie Buttermore and H. F. Boll

Committee on Statistics—Rev. B. J. Hoover, Rev. C. R. Bel-knap, Rev. W. E. Reeve, W. E. Tindall, Eugene Iliff and Minnie Yarrington (Associate member.)

Committee on Building Fund—Rev. W. R. Emerson, Rev. R. W. Mack and R. N. Buttermore.

Committee on Moral Reforms—Rev. A. Johnson, Rev. C. P. Sage and Miss Delia Howlett.

Committee on Resolutions—Rev. F. J. Wilson, Rev. A. L. Cretsinger and Rev. Lottie Buttermore.

Superannuated Ministers' Fund-Rev. D. F. Smith, Mrs. H. H. Fiser and Floyd Purdy.

Post Office Addresses—Rev. Lottie Buttermore and George Mulhollen.

Sabbath Schools—Rev. Frank Honnold, Rev. Henry Weigel and Miss Mary Hoover.

Committee on Thanks-Revs. C. R. Carkuff, F. J. Wilson and C. S. Weigel.

Committee on Memorials—Revs. W. R. Emerson, F. J. Wilson and R. Wesley Mack.

Signed,

Rev. W. R. Emerson, Rev. C. P. Carkuff, F. B. Andrews, G. W. Winterink, Rev. C. S. Weigel.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

1922 and 1923.

With gratitude to God for His love and watch care over us, with submission to and confidence in the great Head of the Church, and with thankfulness to our brethren and the Church for their continued confidence and co-operation in the work of the Conference, we present our eleventh annual report:

Item I.

Sept. 8th, released Rev. C. R. Belknap from his appointment to Emmanuel and stationed him at Hoover church.

Dec. 1st, released Rev. Albert Johnson and wife, Mina Johnson from their appointment to Guthrie Center, and stationed them at Emmanuel and Pleasant Hill churches.

Feb. 15th, arranged for Rev. R. E. Reeve to supply the work at Bain, Minnesota, and released Rev. Lottie B. Buttermore to take charge of the Bethel church until a pastor could be secured.

April 8th, arranged with Rev. D. F. Smith to supply Guthrie Center church.

June 1st, appointed Miss Minnie Yarrington to labor at Diagonal and assist in a special meeting there.

June 1st, appointed Miss Elsie Webster to the pastorate of Bethel church, and Miss Lottie B. Buttermore returned to her work in Bain, Minnesota.

Item II.

Wrote questions on the following subjects in the Course of Study for Rev. Frank Honnold: Discipline, Bible I and Bible II.

Wrote questions on Lee's Theology, Book IV, and gave examinations in Theology and Fourth Year Bible to Mrs. Mina Johnson.

Item III.

Rented Guthrie Center parsonage, through Mr. C. F. Harney as agent, to Mr. Lewis, at \$15.00 per month. Received to date, \$45.00. Paid out for water pipe, plaster, mending roof, screen, etc., \$12.95. Turned balance into treasury (Building Fund) \$32.05.

Charge Item IV and Barry

Orders on Treasury, Student Fund.	
Order No. 5, Minnie Yarrington, tuition	\$ 24.85
Order No. 6, Gladys Hall, tuition, books, etc	25.45
Order No. 9, Minnie Yarrington, board and room	45.50
Order No. 16, Gladys Hall, tuition and books	25.30
Order No. 17, Minnie Yarrington, board and room	69.00
Order No. 21, Gladys Hall, tuition, books	20.50
Order No. 22, Minnie Yarrington, board, etc	89.00
Total from Student Fund	\$ 299.60
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Building Fund.	er sa
Order No. 7, Farmer's Mutual Fire and Lightning	•
Insurance Association	\$ 1.75
Order No. 19, Guthrie County Treasurer for paving.,	192.88
Order No. 20, Insurance on Diagonal church	4.05
Order No. 31, Insurance, Guthrie Center church:	7.60
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Total from Building Fund	\$ 206.28
Order No. 7, Conference Budget to John W. Yancey,	
Delegates' Expenses to General Conserence	\$ 19.49
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Item V.	,
General receipts during year	\$ 840 60
Traveling expenses	134.83
Postage and stationery	9.75
	1000.00
Salary	2000.00
Respectfully submitted,	•
W. R. Emerson, Pro	esident.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY BOARD.

The work of Home Missions was never more important or necessary than now. We have reached a crisis in church activity and the scope of Christian endeavor is to be bounded very largely by the work at home. The command to begin at Jerusalem, sounds the keynote for a world evangelism.

Heathen peoples seeing missionaries from America judge America to be like those who are sent unto them. What a blow is dealt to their faith in Christianity when they learn that sin and wickedness abounds in America and many people are indifferent to Christianity. Present day advancement in science and invention, place many luxuries before the people, and an excess of luxury means a depletion of ready funds, hence the increased difficulty of securing means to carry on gospel work both at home and abroad. If the home work advances and prospers as it should it will carry our foreign work along with it, but if the foreign work is placed in the forefront and the home work becomes secondary, then both will fail of accomplishing the highest good.

Little advance has been made in the home work this year, however, we have had three workers in this field during the year, Rev. W. E. Reeve, at Piquot, Minnesota; Mrs. Cora Bromaghin, at Trommold, Minnesota; and Miss Lottie B. Buttermore, at Bain, Minnesota. If it were possible to have two men in this field so they could engage in meetings together and do evanglistic work in this way way greater results would no doubt be secured. Lack of funds is the chief drawback to advancement in this work. May the Church catch the real vision for the home work.

The following orders have been drawn for Church Extension Work:

Order No. 1, To Rev. W. E. Reeve	\$100.00
Order No. 2, To Lottie B. Buttermore	25.00
Order No. 3, To Mrs. Cora Bromaghin	25.00
Order No. 12, To Mrs. Cora Bromaghin	25.00
Order No. 13, To Lottie B. Buttermore	25.00
Order No. 14, To Rev. A. M. Stephens	25.00
Order No. 23, To Lottie B. Buttermore	25.00
Order No. 26, Loaned to E. E. Anderson	10.00
Order No. 28, To Rev. R. E. Reeve	50.00
Order No. 29, To Cora Bromaghin	25.00
Order No. 30, To Minnie Yarrington	25.00
Order No. 4, To Rev. R. E. Reeve	50.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Emerson, C. P. Carkuff.

STUDENT COMMITTEE.

Our students, Miss Minnie Yarrington, at Miltonvale College, and Miss Gladys Hall, at Marion College, completed their Academic courses at the conclusion of the past school year and were graduated with high honors from their respective schools. We certainly have reason to be justly proud of their achievements and feel to praise God for their success. As both these young ladies are considered too young to enter upon missionary work in the foreign field Miss Hall is to pursue further study at Marion to fit herself for teaching and further prepare for future usefulness while Miss Yarrington is to do pastoral and other work within the bounds of our Conference. They both express gratitude and thanks for the timely aid received at the hands of this Conference.

As will be seen by the Conference President's report the amount of \$299.60 was required for their expenses and as the amount in the treasury to the credit of this fund was depleted there is now a deficit of \$170. This amount should be raised and placed in the treasury, and this your Committee would recommend. For the hearty co-operation of our people which have enabled the Committee to make possible the educational opportunity thus afforded to these girls we hereby express our gratitude.

Very respectfully submitted,

Rev. R. Wesley Mack, Rev. W. R. Emerson, Rev. D. F. Smith, Committee.

Note: Arrangements have been made whereby the expense of the coming year's schooling for Miss Hall is provided for by Prof. J. W. Leedy and Mr. J. D. Williams, of Marion, Ind.

Committee.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Number of Sabbath Schools, 21; number of officers, 97; number of teachers, 75; number in the Cradle Roll, 88; number in Home Department, 20; number in main school, 329; total number in Sabbath School, 685; average attendance, 397; number of scholars converted, 28; number joining church, 12; number departmental superintendents, 10; number in Teachers' Training Course, 10; number

in Adult Bible Class, -; number of books in library, 326.

What are the greatest needs of the Sunday School? 1st. Efficient Home Department Superintendents. 24. A Teacher's Frain-

ing Class in every school.

How many schools have you visited the past year? I have visited three schools. How many Sunday School Conventions have you held this year? One. What are your plans for the coming year? I would like to visit every Sunday School in the Conference early in the coming year. What have been your expenses the past year? \$12.18. How much have you received for your services? \$13.43.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Yancey.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS,

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, submit our reports
After the examination of the Sunday School statistics and what
personal knowledge we have of Sunday School work we recommend
the following:

1st. That the teaching in the schools be more practical, the objective being the conversion and sanctification of the unsawed members of the school, the increase in personal piety, using and developing the talents that God has bestowed upon each one for the glory of God and the good of the world.

2nd. The making a live issue of each lesson in the minds and hearts of the class as well as making it the means of acquiring mere

scholastic knowledge of the Bible.

3rd. To accomplish this the gifts as well as the graces of the teachers should be taken into consideration when making selections for each class. Teaching is a gift of the Holy Ghost. Those who do not have the Holy Ghost do not have the proper qualification for teaching. No one should be allowed to teach a class who does not have a knowledge of sins forgiven, and a consistent walk with God.

4th. That these matters be urged upon those of the Conference and churches particularly charged with the care and eversight of this

most important branch of the church work.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Honnold, Mary Hoover, Henry J. Weigel.

TITHING SECRETARY.

To the Iowa Annual Conference to be held at Charles City, Ia., Sept. 14 to 21, 1923:

After writing each pastor and others I knew on the charge, I received three letters. Had written six. Later I received four more. Then I sent a postal card to each.

Name of Charge. Pastor. Address. Membership	Tithers.
Bennezette—A. L. Cretsinger, Bristow 21	7
Charles City—R. W. Pryor, Charles City 67	22
Bain Mission-Lottie Buttermore, Bain, Minn	1
Dayton Valley-F. J. Wilson, Clarence 68	1
Albaton—C. P. Sage, Sloan	2
Dundee—C. P. Carkuff, Dundee	9
West Union—W. K. Hughes, West Union 21	14
South Troy—C. S. Weigel, Hammond, Minn 52	22
Tuttle Grove—D. F. Smith, Coon Rapids 13	.0
Pequot Mission-W. E. Reeve, Pequot, Minn 24	-8
St. Charles—R. W. Mack, Charles City 45	15
Fair View—B. J. Hoover, Marengo 47	11
Hoover and Quasqueton—C, R. Belknap,	
Quasqueton 34	2
N. W. Ia. and N. E. Neb.—F. Honnold, Climbing	
Hill, Neb	4
Total number 535	118
Gain 96	7

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Janette Johnson, Tithing Secretary.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee reports as follows on the Financial part of the President's report:

We find it correct except in his day book, from which his report was made. An error of thirty cents is found in his addition on page 11.

F. J. Wilson, A. L. Cretsinger.

Your Auditing Committee report as follows on the Treasurer's books and report:

By an oversight of the Treasurer the following entries failed to appear on the books. (1) Twenty-five dollars received from the Conference President. (2) Five dollars bank interest.

F. J. Wilson,
A. L. Cretsinger.

BUILDING FUND COMMITTEE.

Your Committee submits the following report for your consideration and adoption:

A request having been received from the Hoover charge for financial aid in paying for chairs secured for the use of the church at Quasqueton, we, therefore respectfully recommend that seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) be appropriated to them from this fund for this purpose, and in event the church there should not become permanent a proportionate share of the chairs shall be considered as Conference property.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Emerson, R. W. Mack,

R. N. Buttermore.

The following amendment presented to the Conference by Rev. Wilson prevailed. Conference Secretary:

"That if sufficient funds are turned to the Building Fund, \$150.00 be appropriated to the Minnesota work if in the judgment of the Conference President it shall be needed."

SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND COMMITTEE.

We recommend that \$40.00 be paid to Mrs. Thomas Hartley. Signed,

Sarah Fiser, D. F. Smith.

committee on apportionment of budget.

	Conference.	Connection.
- Albaton	\$136.50	\$175.50
Bennezette	73.50	94.50
Bethel		40.50
Charles City and Howardville	234.50	301.50
Dayton	238.00	306.00
Dundee	108.50	139.50
Emmanuel		166.50
Fairview	164.50	211.50
Guthrie Center	182.00	234.00
Hoover	119.00	163.00
Little Pine	84.00	108.00
Pleasant Hill	119.00	153.00
St. Charles	187.50	202.50
South Troy		284.00
Tuttle Groye		58.50
West Union	73.50	94.50

D. F. Smith, Albert Johnson, A. M. Stevens,

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORMS.

Your Committee on Moral Reforms respectfully submits the following:

(1) We are thankful to our Heavenly Father for ever being brought into the world as a church and we ascribe our very existence to the will and power of God, and our continuance in the field of action depends upon our faithfulness to the work we were called to do. God called us out when there was a great need of moral reform and we entered the field of battle depending upon God for totroy, and while the foe is mighty both in church and state and they said the work could never be accomplished. Our fathers went forth in the mighty conflict looking to God for help and strength until the shackles fall off of four million slaves and a new amendment was added to our Constitution forever forbidding

slavery in the United States. Let us ever cherish the memory of the dear old fathers, who were active and faithful in bringing about these great moral changes to the benefit of the entire world.

(3) And now the question might be asked. What will we do as a Conference and Church on the moral questions that are confronting the world today? What about the secret empire, about prohibition, the tebaces, dress question, the stay at home question, and spirit of carelessness and social evil that are making such inreads among our young people today? Our attitude concerning these dhestions need not to be repeated here. They have been put of record in our Discipline and handed down to our children. Our progenitors have wept, prayed, fought and died for them and we will not be worthy to bear the name of Wesleyan Methodists, of a child of God, unless we stand out boldly for every reform that goes for the betterment and building up of God's kingdom.

But how shall we proceed and where shall we commence? (1) By knowing we are right with Got and the Holy Ghost dwelling within us. (2) By having our family alfars well established: (3) By keeping up the fire by attending all the means of grace, and being more concerned for the building up of the Church than our secular affairs. (4) By being consistent in abiding by the rules of the Church and show by our actions and life we have the very best

thing God gave to His people.

Albert Johnson, Delia Howlett,

Committee.

committee on resolutions.

Believing that God is still pleased with our position and work

in the past, be it resolved:

(1) That doctrines of evolution, rationalism and higher criticism have no place among us, and that we contend more earnestly than ever for the creation theory of the origin of man, the supernatural in religion and the Bible unchanged as the Word of God.

(2) That we urge upon our people the careful and conscientious observance of the Holy Sabbath as a religious duty and privilege and contend for the commercial, social and religious respect

and reverance for the Lord's Day,

(3) That we co-operate so far as possible with every effort to resist the evils of the day that are working the corruption and de-

moralization of men and women and are making them unfit for citizenship and society.

- (4) That we are more than ever opposed to the use of tobacco in every form. We deplore its use and spread and note with sadness and condemnation its fastening itself upon the young men and even girls of our land.
- (5) That we commend the Government for its efforts to enforce the Eighteenth amendment and the Volstead Act, and urge large appropriations for this purpose and more rigid enforcement. We are unalterably opposed to the repeal or any weakening modification of the Prohibition amendment or the provisions for its enforcement.
- (6) We see no reason for changing our position on Secret Societies and are ready to co-operate with any agency committed against them and urge the circulation of literature enlightening the public on the subject.
- (7) That we seek to crystalize into law the principles and reforms for which we stand.

F. J. Wilson, A. L. Cretsinger, Lottie B. Buttermore.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

We hereby express our appreciation and sincere gratitude to the Camp Meeting Committee, the Charles City, St. Charles and Howardville churches, and all others who have contributed to the comfort and convenience of those who attended at this Conference and Camp Meeting. Also to Rev. Henke for his generous free contribution of the College grounds for our use.

F J. Wilson, C. S. Weigel.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. We recommend that the church property at Diagonal, Ia., be disposed of if in the judgment of the Conference it is deemed wise to make such disposal, inasmuch as the prospects for maintaining a church society there seems very improbable.

2nd. We recommend that the Conference create a Committee

of three to be a Standing Committee throughout the year, known as a Committee on Evangelism. The work of the Committee to be the study of ways and means for promoting evangelism within the bounds of the Conference: 1st, by creating a permanent fund for evangelism. 2nd, by securing the services of a competent evangelist, having a fixed salary, and 3rd, having general oversight of the evangelistic work and workers who may be employed by the Conference in this arm of the work.

3rd. We recommend that a Committee of three be chosen by the Conference for the purpose of drafting a plan for a Conference Pension System for Ministers and Missionaries of the Conference, and that the plan include ways and means for raising such pension. Said Committee to report at next Conference.

Submitted by

W. R. Emerson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee to whom the recommendations, relative to creating a Committee on Evangelism, were referred, recommend that the matter be taken up in open Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Emerson, R. Wesley Pryor.

ITINERACY AND ORDERS.

We, as the Committee on Itineracy and Orders, do recommend the following:

- 1. That Sister Melvina Johnson, having passed in two books, be continued in the course of study.
- 2. That E. E. Anderson, having finished the course of study, be received into the Conference to travel under its direction and that he be required to take up the reading course.
- 3. That N. K. Long be received into the Conference preparatory to study and travel under its direction.

- That Henry Weigel be received into the Conference to travel under its direction and that he be placed in the first year of study.
- 5. That Altabelle Heller be returned to her Quarterly Conference.
- That Frank Honnold, having passed the required number of books, be continued in the course of study providing his Quarterly Conference renews his license.
- 7. That W. E. Reeve, having passed satisfactory examination, be continued in the course of study.
- 8. That Adolphus Cretsinger, having finished the required studies and fulfilled all other requirements of the Discipline, be ordained at this Conference.
- That Elsie Webster be received into the Conference preparatory to travel under its direction and be entered in the course of study.
- 10. That Lloyd Johnson be received into the Conference preparatory to travel under its direction.

Annual Conference Preachers-W. E. Reeve, Melvina Johnson and Frank Honnold.

Licentiates as Missionaries—May Lord Sprague, Dr. Ruby Helen Paine.

Missionaries on Furlough-Delia Howlett.

Student and Teacher at Marion-Chas. Bush.

C. S. Weigel, R. W. Pryor, R. N. Buttermore, Lorena Buttermore.

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

How many Elders on the Conference roll? 18.

Who are the Elders on the stationed list? W. R. Emerson,
C. S. Weigel, Albert Johnson, C. R. Belknap, R. Wesley Mack,
D. F. Smith, Walter K. Hughes, G. E. Ellis, Bertha Ellis, A. M.

Stevens, J. W. Leedy, C. P. Carkuff, C. P. Sage, R. Wesley Pryor, Lottie Buttermore, A. L. Cretsinger.

Who are the Annual Conference Preachers on the stationed list? W. E. Reeve, May Lord Sprague, Frank Honnold, Delia Howlett, C. O. Bush and Ruby H. Paine, M. D.

Who are on the unstationed list? None.

Who are Superannuated? W. H. Riley and L. W. Easton.

Who of the Elders have been deposed this year? None.

Who of the Elders have withdrawn this year? (a) By letter of standing, Ulis Hekel; (b) by transfer, none.

Who have joined the Conference this year? (a) By ordination, A. L. Cretsinger. (b) By letter of standing, none.

Who of the Elders have died this year? George S. Fry.

How is the work supplied? Albaton, E. E. Anderson; Bennezette, A. L. Cretsinger; Bethel, Elsie Webster, assisted by Minnie Yarrington; Charles City and Howardville, R. Wesley Pryor; Dundee, C. P. Carkuff; Dayton, F. J. Wilson; Emmanuel and Pleasant Hill, Albert and Melvina Johnson; Marengo, R. Wesley Mack; Guthrie Center, to be supplied; Hoover, C. R. Belknap; Little Pine, W. E. Reeve, conditionally; St. Charles, to be supplied; South Troy, C. S. Weigel; Tuttle Grove, D. F. Smith; West Union, N. K. Long, supply; Trommold Mission, Cora Bromaghin, supply; Bain Mission, Lottle Buttermore; B. J. Hoover, in hands of President; Alfred Stevens, Frank Honnold, C. P. Sage, G. E. and Bertha Ellis, Ulis Hekel, General Evangelists; Henry Weigel, Missionary in Minne-sota; Walter K. Hughes and L. E. Johnson without appointment; Ruby Helen Paine, Medical Missionary in Africa; Delia Howlett, Missionary to Africa on furlough; May Lord Sprague, Missionary in Africa; J. W. Leedy, President of Marion College; C. O. Bush, teaching and student in Marion College.

Who are the Conference officers? President, W. R. Emerson; Vice-President, F. J. Wilson; Secretary, R. Wesley Mack; Treasurer, R. Wesley Pryor.

Where shall the next Conference be held? In or near Charles City, Iowa.

W. R. Emersón,

F. J. Wilson, G. W. Winterink,

F. B. Andrews;

D. F. Smith.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Building Fund.	
On hand at beginning of Conference year Received during the year	\$ 433.34 163.05
Total Disbursements	\$ 596.39
On hand August 9th	\$ 240.11
Conference Budget.	
On hand at beginning of Conference year Received during the year	\$ 565.18 1422.06
Total on hand and receipts Disbursements during the year	\$1987.24 1769.49
On hand August 9th	\$ 217.75
Student Fund.	
Oil hand at beginning of Conference year, cash	
deficit	\$ 124.11
Received during the Conference year	250.84
Disbursed during the year	299.60
Cash deficit August 9th	\$ 172.87
Camp Meeting Fund.	
At beginning of year cash deficit	\$ 65.65
Received during the year	899.19
Disbursed during the year	498.45
On hand August 9th	335.09
Superannuated Ministers' Fund.	
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 317.01
Received during the year	61.54
Total on hand and receipts	\$ 378.55
Disbursements during the year	50.00
On hand August 9th	\$ 328.55

Church Extension Fund.

On hand at beginning of year	\$ 4.01 525.57
Total on hand and receipts	\$ 529.58 410.00
On hand August 9th	\$ 119.58
Missions—Africa.	
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 0.00 5.00
Total	\$ 5.00 5.00
On hand August 9th	\$ 0.00
Bequests.	
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 500.00
Total Disbursed	
On hand August 9th	\$ 500.00
Camp Ground Fund.	
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 66.65 7.35
Total	
On hand August 9th	\$ 74.00

Educational Fund:

On hand at beginning of year	\$ 0.90 239.85
Total	\$ 239.85 239.85
On hand August 9th	\$ 0.00
Missions—General.	
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 0.00 377.26
Total Disbursed during the year by cash and receipts	
On hand August 9th	\$ 0.00
Forward Movement Fund.	•
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 112.50 48.00
Total Pisbursed to other funds and by receipt	\$ 160.50 160.50
Uń hańd August 9th	\$ 0.00
Surplus Money.	
In hand at beginning of year	\$ 105.03 30.63
Total Disbursed to Camp Meeting and Conference Fund	\$ 135.66 105.03
Oh Hand August 9th	\$ 30.63

Summary.

On hand at beginning of Conference year Total receipts during year	
Total cash and receipts during year Total disbursements during the year	
Fotal amount on hand August 9, 1923	\$1672.84

Respectfully submitted,

R. Wesley Pryor, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

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er ek	Time Employed-Months	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodist	S. S. Banner	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterlies	Primary Class Paper	Little Folks Cards	Primary ,Quarterly	Junior Class Paper	
Albaton Bennezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City & Howardville. Dayton Dundee Emmanuel Fairview Guthrie Center Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill St. Charles South Troy Tuttle Grove Trommold Mission West Union	12 12 7 5½ 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	1 1 2 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 4	1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	66 91 12 20 10 7 6 11 6 4 7 25 2 25 5	25 6 10	2 32 32 33 5 6 3 3 3 4 4 4 4 6 6 8	10 10 15 36 3 20 35 6 24 40 9	12 4 18 25 10 6	10 13 10 20 10	6 14 20 5 6 15 4 10 12 8 25	10 10 10 10 10 24 5		20	
Totals	177	24	17	147	 278	95	216	143	161	125	161	26	35	

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

		Members Received	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at beginning of year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Licentiates	Membership Tithing
Albaton Bennezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City & Dayton Dundee Emmanuel Fairview Guthrie Center Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill St. Charles South Troy Tuttle Grove Trommold Miss	Howardville		2 3 3 5	1 1 1	3 2 2 2 4 4	3 63 70 35 35 48 23 31	24 3 60 70 35 35 48 26 31 45 52 13	39 21 9 67 68 31 37 47 24 45 52 13	1 3 2 4 1 1	2 8		2 2 3 8		1 3 2 2 2 2	2 6 1 22 1 9 5 11 2 8 15 17
West Union			6		_			اھ	_			_		I_	14

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	No. of Sabbath Schools	No. of Officers	No. Teathers	No. Schol. in Home Depr.	No. Schol. in Cradie Roll	No. Schol, in Main School	Total No. in Sab. Schools	Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Joining Church	No. Departmental supts.	Teach, in Training Course	No. in Adult Bible Class	No. Books in Library
Albaton Bengezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City & Howardville Dayton Dundee Emmanuel Fairwiew Guthrie Center Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill & Charles Eouth Troy Tutale Grove Troympild Mission West Union	1911-911 and 9111-111-12-12-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-13-	12 1	3 5 3 4 12 5 1 3 4 4 3 3 6 6	11	20 13 6 10 25	21 25 50	23 44 52 27 35 41 22 14 25 40 49 33 80 61	17 26 25	12	1	2			20 25 74 120
Totals	S å	97	7 5	20	88	329	685	397	28	12	10	10		326

STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued.

	No. Church Buildings	Value 01	No. of Parsonages	Value of	Amt. of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Albaton Bennezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City & Howardville Dayton Dundee Emmanuel Fairview Guthrie Center Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill 9t. Charles South Troy Tuttle Grove Trommold Mission West Union		1500.00	1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1500.00 1000.00 1200.00 1800.00 1150.00 900.00 2000.00 2000.00	\$705.60 900.00	
Totals	16	\$26350.00	12	\$20575.00	\$1605.60	\$10.51

STATISTICAL REPORT Continued.

		Pasor's Salary	Parsonage Rent.	Fees, Marriage and Funeral	Gifts	Total for Pastors	Evangelistic Help
Albaton Bennezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City and Dayton Dundee Emmanuel Fairview Guthrie Center Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill St. Charles South Troy Tuttle Grove Trommold Missi West Union		\$350.65 615.00 59.79 109.27 e 709.51 548.50 426.00 490.00 337.28 236.05 80.00 465.75 804.92 142.00 107.50	100.00 108.00 120.00 70.00 100.00 144.00	5.00 7.00 12.00 5.00	24.34 68.95 28.50 41.95 65.00 70.00 60.00 156.05	\$428.19 733.28 92.99 133.61 697.00 505.60 566.00 660.00 446.28 410.05 105.00 637.50 959.92 172.00	137.78 51.33 143.07 15.00 64.20 183.75 11.02 285.42
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	Sunday School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church	Undivided Budget	Missions
Albaton Bennezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City & Howardville Dayton Dundee Emmanuel Fairview Guthrie Center	\$12.70 45.00 11.37 66.79 29.63 44.31 30.20 27.94	125.00 32.25 25.00	27.48 45.26 40:00	\$49.45 217.69 11.37 65.33 '779:27 197.11 186.81 95.20 1377.49		\$11.50 44.31 10.00 243.86 137.48 75.07 23.00
Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill St. Charles South Troy Tuttle Grove Trommold Mission West Union	40!29 8.04 45:00 39:19 20:03	23.00 60.00 23.20	25.00 53.77 38.04 7.40	8.04 169.79 386.05	911	91.68 7.51 11.00 87.33 261.31 78.30 7.80 47.03
Totals	\$442.14	\$806.45	\$750.79	\$4050.30	\$365.53	\$1137.18

STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued.

	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Minister's Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolences	Total for all Purposes
All atton Bennezette Bain Mission Bethel Charles City & Howardville	\$15.00 90.52	\$77.87 245.25	\$1.00 - 4.00	109,94	236.12 10.00	1187.08 104.78
Dayton Dutidee Emittanuel Fairview Guthrie Center	171.55	52.93 14.15 27.00 30.00	7.50 4.00	50.68 32.87 7.05 35.00	402.29 132.20	1296.40 826.57 749.20
Hoover Little Pine Pleasant Hill St. Charles South Troy	6.00 20.00 19.00 83.00	25.90 23.00 37.21	2.56	40.00		428.16 187.00 990.83
Tuttle Grove Trommold Mission West Union	16.00 11.00	120.00 37.33 57.74		17.50 56.50	94.30 24.80	1827.78 331.06 144.30 690.41
Totals	\$437.05	\$748.38	\$19.06	\$367.81	\$2989.21	\$13074.95

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POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Elders.

W. R. Emerson, 709 Cedar St., Charles City, Lows,

G. Edwin Ellis, University Park, Iowa,

Mrs. Bertha Ellis, University Park, Lows.

F. J. Wilson, Clarence, Iowa.

C. S. Weigel, Hammond, Minn.

L. W. Easton, Santa Ana, Calif,

A. M. Stephens, Independence, Iowa.

W. H. Riley, Upland, Calif.

C, P, Carkuff, Dundee, Iowa.

R. Wesley Pryor, Charles City, Iowa.

J. W. Leedy, Marion, Ind.

Albert Johnson, LaForte City, Iowa.

Lottie B. Buttermore, Bain, Minn.

C. R. Belknap, Quasqueton, Iowa.

Walter K. Hughes, Miltonvale, Kansas.

D. F. Smith, Coon Rapids, Iowa.

C. P. Sage, Sloan, Iowa.

R. Wesley Mack, Charles City, Iowa.

B. J. Hoover,

Ulis Hekel, Quasqueton, Iowa.

A. L. Cretsinger, Bristow, Iowa.

Licentiates.

Ruby H. Paine, M. D., Kamabai, Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Mrs. Cora Bromaghin, Trommold, Minn.

Mrs. May Lord Sprague, Kabingkola, Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Miss Delia Howlett, 4111 S. Hamon St., Marion, Ind.

Mrs. Melvina Johnson, LaPorte City, Iowa.

Frank Honnold, Climbing Hill, Iowa.

C. O. Bush, Marion, Ind.

Miss Elsie Webster, Ira, Iowa, R. F. D.

W. E. Reeve, Pequot, Minn.

N. K. Long, West Union, Iowa.

L. E. Johnson, LaForte City, Iowa.

E. E. Anderson, Sloan, Iowa. .

Henry Weigel, Coon Rapids, Iowa.

Delegates.

F. B. Andrews, Challes, City, Iowa.

G. W. Winterink, Charles City, Iowa.

Delia Howlett, 4111 S. Hamon, St., Marion, Ind.

Henry Weigel, Coon Rapids, Iowa.

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Janette Johnson, West Union, Iowa.

Eugene Iliff, West Union, Iowa.

Miss Mary Hoover, Quasqueton, Iowa.

R. N. Buttermore, Hammond, Minn.

Mrs. Sarah Fiser, Coon Rapids, Iowa.

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OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. Clara Wilson, Clarence, Towa.
Vice-President—Mrs. Jennie Emerson, Charles City, Iowa.
Secretary—Miss Elsie Webster, Ira, Iowa.
Treasurer—Mrs. Lucy Kirkpatrick, Clarence, Iowa.
Organizer—Mrs. Jennie Emerson, Charles City, Iowa.
Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Miss Ida Gorman, Hammond,
Minn.

Missionaries.

Dr. Ruby Paine, Kamabai, Sierra Leone, West Africa. Miss Delia Howlett. Mrs. May Lord Sprague, Kabingkola, Sierra Leone, West Africa.

ROLL OF SOCIETIES.

(Name of Charge and Address of President.)

Albaton—Mrs. C. P. Sage, Sloan, Iowa.
Bennezette—Mrs. Josiah Cown, Bristow, Iowa.
Charles City—Mrs. Jennie Emerson, Charles City, Iowa.
Dundee—Mrs. C. P. Carkuff, Dundee, Iowa.
Dayton Valley—Mrs. F. J. Wilson, Clarence, Iowa.
East St. Charles—Mrs. W. T. Day, Charles City, Iowa.
Emmanuel—Mrs. A. Johnson, Laporte City, Iowa.
Fairview—Mrs. Cora Howlett, Marengo, Iowa.
Guthrie Center—Mrs. C. McCown, Guthrie Center, Iowa.
Pleasant Hill—Mrs. Bertha Williams, Laporte City, Iowa.
South Troy—Mrs. C. S. Weigel, Hammond, Minn.
Tuttle Grove—Miss Mina Betts, Coon Rapids, Iowa.
Hoover—Mrs. Ella Steele, Quasqueton, Iowa.

Howardville—Mrs. Eva Guthrie, Charles City, Iowa. West Union—Mrs. Janette Johnson, West Union, Iowa. Pilot Rock—Mrs. M. V. Haight, Cherokee, Iowa.

Delegates.

Mrs. Gertrude Howell, Charles City, Iowa.

Mrs. Orpha Carkuff, Dundee, Iowa.

Mrs. Clara Day, Charles City, Iowa.

Mrs. Edith Teter, Coon Rapids, Iowa.

Mrs. Dr. Seymour, Charles City, Iowa.

Mrs. Geo. Mulholland, Zumbro Falls, Minn.

Mrs. O. J. C. Fox, West Union, Iowa.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

First Meeting-August 15th, A. M.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society met for their first meeting in the tabernacle at Charles City.

Meeting called to order by President, Sister Wilson.

All joined in singing, followed by short prayer service.

The 121st Psalm was repeated in concert.

Delia Howlett was elected Secretary pro tem.

The following Committees were elected:

Committee on Statistics-Miss Betts, Mrs. Teter.

Credentials-Sister Fiser.

Auditing Committee-Sister Mack, Sister Andrews.

Post Office Committee-Sister J. Johnson.

Plan of Work-Sister Emerson and Sister Fox.

Moved and seconded all members of local societies be granted the privilege to vote.

Sister Weigel was elected Treasurer pro tem.

Reports from the following societies were read and adopted: Coon Rapids, LaPorte City and Dundee.

A partial report of Committee on Credentials was read and adopted,

Sister Mack was elected Committee on Courtesy.

Reports from the following societies were read and adopted: St. Charles and West Union,

Adjourned to at the close of Conference session.

Second Meeting-August 15th, P. M.

Song "He Took My Sins Away."

Prayer by Sister Guthrie.

Minutes of morning meeting read and approved.

Committee on Courtesy introduced Delia Howlett, our returned missionary, who made remarks of encouragement.

Reports from South Troy, Charles City and Howardville were read and adopted.

Committee on Credentials reported the 'name of Sister Mulholland of South Troy as delegate.

Moved and seconded that our public meeting be held Friday evening.

Friday afternoon was the time set for hearing the report of our delegate to General Conference.

Moved and seconded that we have election of officers Thursday afternoon.

A letter from Sister Butterfield telling of some of the needs of the African field was read.

Adjourned to meet 8:30 A. M.

Third Meeting-August 16th, A. M.

Opened by singing "Just What I Needed Most" and "My Soul Is Filled With Glory."

Devotionals conducted by Sister Elsie Webster, who read Isaiah 52 and offered prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Reports of Bennezette and Hoover Societies were read and adopted.

Adjourned to meet at the close of Conference session.

Fourth Meeting-August 16th, P. M.

Because of the lateness of the hour devotionals were dispensed with.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

We proceeded to the election of officers.

President appointed Sisters Teter and Mergan as tellers.

Election resulted as follows:

President-Mrs. Clara Wilson.

Vice-President-Mrs. Jennie Emerson.

Secretary-Miss Elsie Webster.

Treasurer-Mrs. Lucy Kirkpatrick.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent-Miss Ida Gorman.

Organizer-Mrs. Jennie Emerson.

Report of Auditing Committee read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Plan of Work was read and approved. Adjourned to meet 8:30 A. M.

Fifth Meeting-August 17th A. M.

Song by children "Blessed Assurance."

Scripture verses by members present.

Twenty-third Psalm and Lord's prayer repeated by children.

Special song, "If Jesus Goes With Me."

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Report of Pleasant Hill Society read and adopted.

Motion made and supported \$4.08 be paid out of treasury to Mrs. Emerson on General Conference delegate fund.

Miss Rowe offered to attend to laundrying of dining tent towels. Partial report of Credentials Committee read and supported.

Report of Dayton Valley Society read and approved.

Partial report of Treasurer pro tem read and accepted.

Moved and seconded that the report of the Treasurer be adopted.

Benediction by Sister Lottie Buttermore.

Sixth Meeting=August 17th, P. M.

Song "Just When I Need Him."

Devotionals were led by Sister Delia Howlett, who read a portion of the Second Psalm.

Prayer by Sister Weigel.

Song "He leadeth Me."

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

According to order of day, Sister Emerson, our delegate to General Conference, was given the time for her report.

A rising vote of thanks was given Sister Emerson for her splendid report and work she put on it.

Motion made and seconded we extend a vote of thanks to Miss

Rowe for her offer to launder the dining tent towels.

Moved and supported a Committee be appointed by the President to decide where balance of monles in Treasury be used.

President appointed following members on Committee: Mrs. Lucy Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Jennie Emerson and Mrs. Mack.

Mrs. Weigel was appointed to ask Conference in regard to the

publishing our minutes with theirs.

Motion made and seconded Elsie Webster be chairman of a Committee to divide Conference into districts for the purpose of holding missionary conventions.

Mrs. Wilson was elected second member.

Miss Delia Howlett was elected third member.

Motion made and seconded Mrs. Emerson be appointed to organize a class called "The Gleaners" for isolated members.

Meeting adjourned to call of Chair.

Public Meeting-Friday Evening, August 17th.

Song by congregation, "Love Divine."

Devotionals by Sister Lottie Buttermore, who read for a scripture lesson Joshua 9:1-9.

Prayer by Brother Reeves, our Home Missionary.

Special song, "Ninety and Nine," by five young ladies.

Song by two little girls, "They Know Jesus, Too."

President introduced Sister Delia Howlett, our returned missionary on furlough, who gave a very interesting talk on our work at the different stations in Africa.

President introduced Brother McCarty, our Foreigh Missionary Secretary, who has just returned from a tour of the foreign fields. Brother McCarty was full of missionary zeal and his address was an inspiration to all who heard it.

Pledges and an offering were taken to the amount of \$356.10

to be divided between foreign and home work.

Congregation sang "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Benediction by Brother McCarty.

Seventh Meeting-August 18th, 8:30 A. M.

Opening song "The Only Way."

Led in prayer by Mrs. O. J. C. Fox.

Song "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus."

Scripture verses by members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Report of Post Office Committee read and adopted.

On account of Committee work a motion was made and seconded to adjourn to meet in the afternoon.

Adjourned.

Eighth Meeting-August 18th, P. M.

Songs "I'm Living on the Rock" and "It Shall Never Lose Its Power."

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Moved and supported report of Statistical Committee be adopted.

Report of Committee on dividing Conference into districts for purpose of holding missionary conventions was adopted.

Conference Societies were divided as follows:

Guthrie Center	Bethel	Bennezette	West Union
Albaton	Marengo	Charles City	Dundee
Pilot Rock	Clarence	East St. Charles	Emmanuel
Tuttle Grove		Howardville	Pleasant Hill
		South Troy	Hoover
			Quasqueton

Report of Committee on dividing balance of monies in Treasury adopted.

President read letter from Sister Jennings in which she requested prayer for Brother Jennings.

A letter from our General Conference President, Mrs. McLeister, was read by Mrs. Emerson, which told some needs of the work.

Motion made and supported that Miss Mina Betts write a report of our missionary meetings and sent it to the Wesleyan Magazine.

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Moved and seconded we adjourn. Benediction by Sister Wilson.

Elsie Webster, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

From August 18, 1922 to August 11, 1	923.
On hand	\$ 578.65
Receipts for the Year.	
For Conference Church Extension and	
Foreign	\$ 103.00
From—	
Charles City	20.55
Dayton	111.64
Dundee	20.70
Howardville	31.00
Pilot Rock	22.15
Pleasant Hill	
St. Charles	29.75 .
South Troy	19.30
Tuttle Grove	27.30
West Union	20.32
Receipts	78.40
Personal	7.00
Interest	4.86
Total	\$1083.22
Disbursements.	
For Magazine and Wesleyan for Rev.	,
Heller	\$ 2.25
Stove for Mrs. Sprague	55.00
Church Extension	151.72
Delegate to General Conference	20.92
Foreign	283.59
Home	155.09
Gladys Hall's graduation outfit	52.00
Japan	15.00
General Fund	6.42
Receipts	78.40
Total	\$ 820.39

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Balance on hand .

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

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Totals	127	30 219		25.00 \$815.90		\$83.62

Mina Betts, Edith Teter, Committee.