

1929

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

OFFICIARY

President—Rev. R. E. Snipes, 1712 Queen City Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.
 Vice-President—Rev. H. A. Johnson, 2409 20th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.
 Secretary—W. E. Hobson, Jr., 1429 23rd Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.
 Treasurer—D. L. Jones, Mentone, Alabama.
 President's Advisory Board—H. A. Johnson, D. L. Jones.
 Legal Advisor—W. E. Hobson, Jr.

COMMITTEES

Trustees—H. F. Pair, R. E. Snipes, F. J. Kewish, D. L. Jones, H. A. Johnson.
 Judiciary—E. L. Shigley, M. A. Medders, H. A. Johnson, H. F. Pair.
 Itinerancy and Orders—M. A. Medders, 4 years; W. H. Looney, 3 years; R. E. Snipes, 2 years; H. F. Pair, 1 year.
 Auditing—W. E. Hobson, Jr., E. L. Shigley, M. A. Medders.
 Vacancies—W. F. Bunnell, J. L. Averett, D. L. Jones, W. H. Looney, R. A. Spear.
 Conventions—E. L. Shigley, R. E. Snipes, H. F. Pair.
 Sunday School Secretary—W. A. Atwood.
 Sunday School Board—W. A. Atwood, J. D. Muse, E. L. Shigley.
 Missionary Board—R. E. Snipes, D. L. Jones, W. E. Hobson, Jr.
 Camp-Meeting—R. E. Snipes, Chairman; W. H. Tillman, E. L. Shigley, H. A. Johnson, C. H. Pickel, H. R. French, W. E. Hobson, Jr.

ELDERS

Averett, J. L., R. F. D. 1.....Brent, Ala.
 Bamburg, L. A., R. F. D. 1.....Akron, Ala.
 French, H. R., 312 North 23rd Street.....Birmingham, Ala.
 Johnson, H. A., 2409 20th Street.....Tuscaloosa, Ala.
 Medders, M. A.....West Blocton, Ala.
 Pair, H. F., 7226 1st Avenue.....Birmingham, Ala.
 Shigley, E. L.....Mentone, Ala.
 Snipes, R. E., 1712 Queen City Avenue.....Tuscaloosa, Ala.

LICENTIATES ON STATIONED LIST

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| Atwood, W. A..... | Tuscaloosa, Ala. |
| Barber, John | Pell City, Ala. |
| Bunnell, W. F., 1256 Elm Street..... | Tarrant City, Ala. |
| Crowe, F. E., R. F. D. 1..... | Blanche, Ala. |
| McCutcheon, H. A., P. O. Box 354..... | Talladega, Ala. |
| Pickel, C. H., 2315 Wesley Ave..... | Birmingham, Ala. |
| Reisdorph, Mrs. Ruby, 308 North Lincoln St..... | Aberdeen, S. D. |
| Walker, O. C., R. F. D. 3..... | Anniston, Ala. |

DELEGATES

W. E. Hobson, Jr., J. H. Marchant, Ira Coe, Miss Estelle Creel, Mrs. D. H. Segrest, Mrs. O. C. Wood, Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, Mrs. J. T. Nash, Mrs. I. T. Grigsby, P. W. Cotton, R. A. Spear, G. W. McBride, James Bailey, W. T. Aultman, Mrs. E. K. Moon.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

The Alabama Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America convened in its twentieth session at Talladega, Alabama, Wednesday, October 16, 1929 at 9:30 a. m. The President called the meeting to order and conducted the devotional exercises. The president then invited Rev. T. P. Baker to preside as chairman of the conference.

Roll Called and conference declared ready for business.

A motion prevailed and the secretary was elected a committee on credentials.

The following delegates presented credentials and were enrolled as delegates, W. E. Hobson, Jr., J. H. Marchant, Ira Coe, Mrs. D. H. Segrest, Mrs. O. C. Wood, Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, Mrs. J. T. Nash, Mrs. I. T. Grigsby, R. A. Spear.

By motion the conference bar was fixed to include each side and three seats in front of the platform.

The time of meeting was fixed as follows, meet 9:00 a. m. adjourn 11:30 a. m., meet 1:30 p. m., and adjourn by motion.

On nomination and vote the following committee on Pastoral Relations was elected, H. F. Pair, E. L. Shigley, W. H. Looney, R. A. Spear, J. H. Marchant, Ira Coe.

President read his annual report, which was adopted as read. See report No. 1.

On nominations and vote the session committees were completed as shown in the president's report.

Rev. Albert H. Bryans of the North Carolina Conference was introduced to the conference, and granted honorary privileges within the body with all others that might later be introduced.

On motion adjourned, benediction by W. F. Bunnell.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON MEETING

Devotional exercises by W. H. Looney.

Roll called minutes read and approved.

G. W. McBride and Mrs. E. K. Moon presented credentials and were enrolled as delegates.

The secretary read a copy of letter he was instructed by the last session of conference to write Mrs. Eber Teter and family. The letter was approved by the conference and ordered printed in the conference minutes. See letter report No. 2.

H. A. Johnson read his pastoral report.

W. H. Looney read report of his evangelistic work.

M. A. Medders read his pastoral report.

E. L. Shigley read his pastoral report.

The following characters were passed, F. E. Crowe, Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph, and E. M. Stamps.

Camp meeting treasurer reported. Report adopted. See report No. 3.

Committee on Special Orders and Religious services made the following announcements: Election of conference officers, Thursday 10:00 a. m. Orphanage address, Thursday 3:00 p. m. Connectional address, Friday 3:00 p. m., Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, Friday, 7:30 p. m.

Recessed for 15 minutes.

Called to order by the chair.

On motion and vote all treasurers of the conference and different societies were instructed to deposit all funds handled by themselves as treasurers in National Banks.

A resolution was presented to the conference by W. E. Hobson, Jr., asking that the annual conference session be held at the time and in connection with the annual camp meeting. By motion the resolution was referred to the committee on pastoral relations.

On motion adjourned, benediction by W. H. Looney.

THURSDAY—MORNING MEETING

Devotional exercises by E. L. Shigley.

Roll called minutes read and approved.

James Bailey and W. T. Aultman presented credentials and were enrolled as delegates.

The president recommended Y. T. Sanders, J. T. Lott, Arthur Sanders, William Tant, O. C. Wood, J. R. Sims as suitable persons to pursue the course of study preparatory to take work with the conference. By motion they were referred to the committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

J. L. Averett read his pastoral report.

H. F. Pair read his pastoral report.

R. E. Snipes read his evangelistic report.

W. F. Bunnell read his pastoral report.

P. V. Compton gave his evangelistic report.

W. A. Atwood gave his evangelistic report.

John Barber gave his evangelistic report.

Recessed for 10 minutes.

The order of the day was called and the conference proceeded to elect conference officials and committees, resulting as follows:

President, R. E. Snipes, Vice-President, H. A. Johnson, Secretary, W. E. Hobson, Jr., Treasurer, D. L. Jones, Trustee, H. F. Pair.

The president nominated H. A. Johnson and D. L. Jones as his advisory committee, by vote of the conference they were elected.

Judiciary Committee, E. L. Shigley, M. A. Medders, H. A. Johnson, H. F. Pair.

Itinerancy and Orders, M. A. Medders, four years.

Auditing Committee, W. E. Hobson, Jr., E. L. Shigley, M. A. Medders.

Vacancies, W. F. Bunnell, J. L. Averett, D. L. Jones, W. H. Looney, R. A. Spear.

Conventions, E. L. Shigley, R. E. Snipes, H. F. Pair.

Sunday School Secretary, W. A. Atwood.

Sunday School Board, W. A. Atwood, J. D. Muse, E. L. Shigley.

On motion and vote the Missionary Board was reduced and permanently fixed to be not more than three members, the president and treasurer to be two members of the board.

On nomination and vote the president and treasurer were elected as members of the Missionary Board. On nomination W. E. Hobson, Jr., was also elected as a member of the Missionary Board.

On motion and vote the camp meeting committee was increased to seven members.

On nomination R. E. Snipes and W. E. Hobson, Jr., were elected as members of the Camp Meeting committee, in connection with the election of the committee nominated by the camp meeting association.

On nomination W. E. Hobson, Jr., was elected legal advisor.

A letter of greetings from Rev. E. L. Henderson, Asheville, N. C., was read by the secretary. The secretary was instructed to reply to the same.

A motion prevailed to reconsider the report of the camp meeting committee, with its nominations for officers. By motion and vote R. E. Snipes was elected chairman of the camp meeting committee.

On motion adjourned, benediction by W. H. Looney.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON MEETING

Devotional exercises by M. A. Medders.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

Pastoral report of L. A. Bamburg was read by the president.

Pastoral report of S. H. Feltham was read by the president.

H. A. McCutcheon read his pastoral report.

On nomination H. A. Johnson was elected as a member of the committee on Moral Reform account the absence of the committee chairman.

On nomination Mrs. D. H. Segrest was elected as a member of the committee on Thanks account the absence of the committee chairman.

Recessed for 30 minutes.

Called to order by the chairman.

The order of the day was called. J. A. Wood, Superintendent of Orphanage, being ill and unable to be present, R. E. Snipes conducted the Orphanage services presenting its interest. Several other speakers following. The following resolution was then presented and adopted. "Resolved that we the Alabama Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church assembled at Talladega, Ala., October 17, 1929 do hereby respectfully request the Wesleyan Methodist Connection to accept the Hephzibah Orphanage, Macon, Ga., in fee simple with all appurtenances thereunto belonging under and according to the terms and conditions of the proposal of the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage dated February 1, 1929, thereby making it a Connectional Institution under such administration as it may deem best."

Committee on Thanks reported.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported. See Report.

Committee on Conventions reported.

Committee on Pastoral Relations gave its first reading.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by D. L. Jones.

FRIDAY—MORNING MEETING

Devotional exercises by W. H. Looney.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

P. W. Cotton and Miss Estelle Creel presented credentials and were enrolled as delegates.

Committee on Resolutions reported. Report adopted. See report.

H. R. French read his pastoral report.

C. H. Pickel read his pastoral report.

O. C. Walker read his pastoral report.

Recessed for 15 minutes.

Called to order by the chairman.

Committee on Pastoral Relations gave its second reading.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by H. R. French.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON MEETING

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

Rev. T. P. Baker gave his Connectional address which was very appropriate and interesting to all present.

Rev. Arthur L. Vess, President of Central College, Central, S. C., gave an address on Education presenting the interests of the school. The report was very encouraging, it also enlisted the sympathy, support and prayers of the hearers.

Treasurer reported. By motion the report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Committee on Statistics report. See statistical report.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by C. H. Pickel.

SATURDAY—MORNING MEETING

Devotions conducted by M. A. Medders.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

Committee on Moral Reform reported. Report adopted and ordered sent to the Wesleyan Methodist for publication.

Auditing Committee reported. Report adopted.

By motion the treasurer's report was adopted. See report.

Finance Committee reported. See report.

Trustees reported. Report adopted and placed on file.

A resolution was presented and adopted authorizing the sale of certain properties of the Church and Conference, as follows: "We, the Alabama Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, assembled in annual session October 16-20, 1929, at Talladega, Alabama, do hereby empower and authorize the Board of Trustees of the said Alabama Annual Conference to make and execute such contracts, deeds and instruments of writing as may be necessary to make sales thereof of the following described property of the Conference and Church to-wit; The East Lake Church property located at East Lake, Alabama; also Beulah Park Camp grounds located in Beulah Park Birmingham, Alabama, with all appurtenances thereunto belonging, if such sale in the judgment of the board of Trustees should become necessary or advisable."

On motion letter of standing was granted W. H. Looney.

Committee on Pastoral Relations gave its third reading which was adopted as read. See Report.

On nomination W. F. Bunnell was elected Tithing Secretary.

By motion and vote Tuscaloosa, Ala., was selected as the place of holding the next annual session of conference. Time with official board.

On motion the Young People's Society were granted the privilege of printing their minutes in connection with the regular minutes.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to Rev. T. P. Baker for services as chairman.

On motion the secretary and treasurer were voted a salary of \$15.00 each for their services.

A vote of appreciation for his services during the year was extended to the President of the Conference.

The Mutual Benefit Committee gave its report, which was accepted and the committee relieved.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by H. A. Johnson.

T. P. BAKER, Chairman,
R. E. SNIPES, President,
W. E. HOBSON, Jr., Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

November 13, 1928 appointed J. L. Averett pastor of Waycross charge.

December 1, 1928 received notice from Rev. R. G. Ramsey that he could not accept the pastorate of Mt. Vernon church.

April 1, 1929 granted Rev. A. D. Preston a letter of standing.

April 29, 1929 received the resignation of Rev. W. H. Looney as pastor of the Talladega church.

April 29, 1929, received the resignation of S. H. Feltham as pastor of the East Lake church.

May 6, 1929, received the transfer of Rev. H. A. McCutcheon from the North Carolina conference, and appointed him to the pastorate of the Talladega church.

May 12, 1929, received the resignation of Rev. W. H. Looney as a member of the Judiciary Committee.

May 13, 1929, appointed Rev. J. L. Averett to fill the vacancy in the Judiciary Committee.

May 13, 1929, appointed Rev. E. L. Shigley acting member of the Judiciary Committee in the absence of Rev. H. R. French.

August 26, 1929, appointed the following committee chairmen of conference committees.

Moral Reform, H. R. French, H. A. McCutcheon.

Finance, D. L. Jones, W. F. Bunnell, J. L. Averett, H. A. Johnson, Mrs. D. H. Segrest.

Thanks, C. H. Pickel, Mrs. I. T. Grigsby.

Resolutions, E. L. Shigley, Mrs. O. C. Wood, M. A. Medders.

Religious Services, H. F. Pair, H. A. McCutcheon, W. H. Looney.

Courtesies, M. A. Medders, W. A. Atwood.

Statistics, W. F. Bunnell, E. L. Shigley.

Characters, R. E. Snipes, R. A. Spear, M. A. Medders.

All others except the chairman of the committees were elected by the conference body to complete the committees.

R. E. SNIPES, President.

LETTER OF SECRETARY TO MRS. EBER TETER

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Nov. 16, 1928.

Mrs. Eber Teter and Family,
Sheridan, Ind.

Dear Sister and Friends:

At the recent session of the Alabama Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church it was voted unanimously and ordered that the secretary send to you and your family its message of appreciation of the labors in our midst, of your husband and father, the late Rev. Eber Teter.

We appreciate very much the work that he did in establishing the Wesleyan Methodist Church in our Southland. His labors have been of untold value and continue to increase in value as the membership grows. The Alabama Conference has increased approximately twenty-five per cent in the past year.

His fatherly advice and counsel while among us was and continues to be a great help to us, as we often hear him quoted concerning church law and doctrine.

There will ever remain in the hearts of the people of the Southland who knew him, a spirit of reverence, love and respect. His memory will ever remain with us. We miss him very much in our annual conferences.

May the Lord bless and comfort your hearts in this your loss, which we are sure is Heaven's gain. May the Lord enable each of you and us to meet him on the other shore where there will be no more separations.

Signed in behalf of the Alabama Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

W. E. HOBSON, Jr., Secretary.

CAMP MEETING TREASURER

Receipts

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance from last year..... | \$ 60.56 |
| Tabernacle Pledges | 10.00 |
| Offerings | 227.91 |
| Donations | 65.00 |
| Dues | 114.00 |
| Restaurant | 78.60 |
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| | \$556.07 |

Disbursements

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| Bank Losses | \$ 43.85 |
| W. L. Thompson..... | 150.00 |
| E. E. Cory..... | 100.00 |
| Mrs. H. R. French..... | 25.00 |
| Miss Audra Warner..... | 10.00 |
| Cook | 25.00 |
| Restaurant | 96.10 |
| Incidentals | 89.12 |
| Balance | 17.00 |

\$556.07

E. L. SHIGLEY, Treasurer.

THANKS

We, your committee on Thanks beg to submit the following report: Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father in His goodness and wise providence to bring us, the members of the Alabama Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church among you, we desire to extend our sincere thanks to the pastor, members and friends of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Talladega for their loyal support and royal entertainment while among you. May God richly bless you in this life and give you eternal life in the end.

MRS. I. T. GRIGSBY,

MRS. D. H. SEGREST,

Committee.

CONVENTIONS

We, your committee on Conventions beg to submit the following report:

One convention at Bessemer, Alabama during the last week of March, at which the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies were represented, both added much to the convention, as each rendered a good program. The institute work proved both interesting and profitable to all who attended.

E. L. SHIGLEY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas the absence of conference preachers so noticeable at our annual conferences has seemed to show a lack of interest and to create a question in the minds of the people as to the cause of such absence, therefore be it resolved, "That all preachers who find it impossible to appear on the first day of the an-

nual session be required to send in writing not later than the first day of the conference, to the president the cause of their absence together with a copy of their statistical report.

Whereas the prevailing styles of this age, seems to be a constant source of temptation to immodesty of dress, especially to our young people, therefore be it resolved, "That this conference insist upon our pastors and class leaders the importance of holding strictly to the Wesleyan idea of plainness and modesty of dress.

Be it further resolved that all cash and receipts to apply on budget be sent to the treasurer in time for his books to be balanced before conference opens.

E. L. SHIGLEY, Chairman.

MORAL REFORM

We, the committee on Moral Reform, beg to submit the following report:

There is a question being propagated among our American people concerning the success of prohibition, and the numerous killings which have occurred in trying to enforce it. This we believe to be the work of the enemy.

We are thoroughly convinced that prohibition is a success, but admit that its success has not been what we hoped. The reason of this limitation we are sure is due to the lack of aid and moral support of our people as a nation.

No one can make a real success of any venture unless he first realizes the merits of said venture, and this the American people and alas many of our ministers have failed to recognize.

We therefore believe that the Wesleyan Methodist Church should endeavor to educate our people and those with whom we come in contact as to the real merits of prohibition and their personal duties in this line.

Concerning the so-called rum killings we would say that the eighteenth amendment makes the sale of liquor a felony, the bootlegger a criminal, and all who partake of this liquor violators of the law. Thus any one who tries to evade arrest is a fugitive from justice and after fair warning lays himself liable to death.

We would say further, take the power of the usage of weapons or firearms away from our officers and you have a powerless force, and a real joke to the bootlegger, thus aiding him in his illicit dealings.

H. A. McCUTCHEON, Chairman.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Auditing Committee, beg to advise that we have examined the books of the Conference Treasurer and found them to the best of our knowledge and belief to be correctly kept, and to agree with his annual report.

W. E. HOBSON, Jr., Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Balance from last year..... | \$ 355.07 |
| Home Missions | 368.84 |
| Foreign Missions | 174.48 |
| Education | 229.72 |
| Orphanage)..... | 103.23 |
| Conference Work | 17.67 |
| Superannuated Ministers Fund..... | 6.34 |
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| | \$1,253.72 |

Disbursements

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| Home Missions | \$ 368.73 |
| Foreign Missions | 209.26 |
| Education | 214.60 |
| Orphanage | 60.50 |
| Conference Minutes | 35.00 |
| Balance | 365.63 |
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| | \$1,253.72 |

D. L. JONES, Treasurer.

FINANCE

We, your committee of finance, beg to submit the following report:

1. We recommend the following budget: Home Missions, \$1.50; Foreign Missions, \$2.50; Education, \$1.25; Orphanage, \$1.00; Conference Work, 25 cents; Superannuated Ministers, 10 cents, per member.

2. We recommend that the president hold the first and fourth quarterly meetings or arrange for same, and that he spend from three days to a week on each charge if so desired, and that he be paid for his services, \$730.00 and expenses, and that each church be assessed as follows to cover same; Ada Chapel, \$30.00; Friedship, \$30.00; Bessemer, \$55.00; Birmingham, \$110.00; East Lake, \$25.00; Mentone, \$50.00; Jamestown, \$40.00; Mt. Vernon,

\$40.00; Pell City, \$50.00; Tuscaloosa, \$100.00; Waycross, \$30.00; Mt. Ivah, \$30.00; West Blocton, \$40.00; Wolf Creek, \$10.00; LaGrange, \$15.00; Talladega, \$60.00; Akron, \$15.00; Anniston, \$30.00; Tarrant City, \$40.00.

Each church or charge to pay proportionately at the time of holding each meeting, and no church or charge is to be responsible for more than their individual assessment. The time not spent by the president in the quarterly meetings is to be occupied in missionary and evangelistical work within the bounds of the conference as approved by the Missionary Board.

D. L. JONES, Chairman.

ITINERANCY AND ELDERS' ORDERS

We, your committee on Itinerancy and Elders' Orders, beg to submit the following report:

The following named persons have been accepted as being suitable persons to pursue the course of study preparatory to taking work, G. D. Crawford, J. R. Sims, Arthur Sanders, Y. T. Sanders, O. C. Wood, V. V. Workman and William Tant.

R. E. SNIPES, Chairman.

M. A. MEDDERS, Secretary.

PASTORAL RELATIONS

We, your committee on Pastoral Relations, beg to submit the following report:

1. We recommend that Pell City and Wolf Creek Churches each be made a station.

2. We recommend that the work be supplied as follows: Akron, L. A. Bamberg; Anniston, O. C. Walker; Bessemer, C. H. Pickel; Birmingham, H. R. French, assistant, W. R. French; East Lake, H. F. Pair; Friendship, J. L. Averett; Lagrange, in the hands of the president; Mentone charge, E. L. Shigley, assistant, F. E. Crowe; Mt. Vernon, W. A. Atwood; Pell City, A. H. Bryans; Talladega, H. A. McCutcheon; Tuscaloosa, H. A. Johnson; Tarrant City, W. F. Bunnell; Waycross charge, J. L. Averett; West Blocton charge, M. A. Medders; Wolf Creek, John Barber.

3. Conference Evangelist, R. E. Snipes; Conference Singing Evangelist, Mrs. H. R. French; General Singing Evangelist, Mrs. Ruhy Reisdorph.

R. E. SNIPES, Chairman.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY REPORT

The first annual meeting of the Young People's Society of the Alabama Conference was called to order for organization at Talladega, Ala., October 19, 1929, by Rev. R. E. Snipes. Reports were read from the different local societies and the following officers were elected for the new year: President, Rev. R. E. Snipes, 1712 Queen City Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Vice-President, Miss Estelle Creel, 1716 14th Ave., Bessemer, Ala.; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Mary Rogers, 1716 14th Ave., Bessemer, Ala.

STATISTICAL REPORT

| Society—President | Secretary | Members | Amount |
|---|-----------|---------|----------|
| Akron—Annie Lou Bailey | | 12 | |
| Bessemer—R. L. Rogers, Mary Rogers..... | | 19 | \$ 2.70 |
| Birmingham—Audry Warner | | | |
| Mentone—Mary Kirby | | 20 | 16.50 |
| Tarrant—H. C. Pair, Robert Coby..... | | 35 | 28.71 |
| Tuscaloosa—Gladys Snipes—Virginia Hobson..... | | 20 | 59.10 |
| TOTALS | | 106 | \$107.01 |

R. E. SNIPES, President.

MARY ROGERS, Secretary-Treasurer.

THE MINUTES
of the
THIRTEENTH SESSION OF THE WOMAN'S
HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
of the
ALABAMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
of the
WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION (or Church)
OF AMERICA
Held at
TALLADEGA, ALABAMA, OCTOBER 18 and 19, 1929

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

Mrs. W. W. Warren, President.....Mentone, Ala.
Mrs. H. F. Pair, Vice-President, 7226 1st Ave.....Birmingham, Ala.
Mrs. D. H. Segrest, Secretary-Treasurer,
2301 Wesley Ave.Birmingham, Ala.
Mrs. W. F. Bunnell, Supt. Y. M. W. B.,
1256 Elm St.....Tarrant City, Ala.
Mrs. W. F. Bunnell and Mrs. W. W. Warren, State Organizers.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Alabama Conference met in its thirteenth annual session at Tallade-
ga, Ala., October 18, 1929, and was called to order by the
president.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. W. W. Warren.

The president gave an encouraging address relative to the
work of the conference.

Credentials were presented by the delegates, they were en-
rolled and the president declared the conference ready for busi-
ness.

The president then appointed the following session commit-
tees: Credentials, Mrs. O. C. Wood; Courtesies, Mrs. H. F. Pair;
Resolutions, Mrs. J. W. Hawkins and Mrs. W. F. Bunnell; Thanks,
Mrs. J. L. Averett; Statistics, Mrs. W. F. Bunnell and Mrs. H. A.
McCutcheon; Auditing, Mrs. B. A. Williams and Mrs. W. F.
Bunnell.

By motion and vote it was made a special order of the day Friday, 1:00 p. m., for the election of conference officers for the ensuing year.

Society roll call, and reports read from the following societies: Tuscaloosa, by Mrs. J. W. Hawkins; Pell City, by Frances Compton; Friendship, by Mrs. J. L. Averett; Tarrant City, by Mrs. B. A. Williams; Talladega, by Mrs. O. C. Wood; Mt. Ivah, by Mrs. W. T. Aultman.

The president spoke to the conference urging their loyalty to the connectional officials and leaders, and the paying of the budget claims as asked by them.

On motion adjourned.

SECOND DAY MEETING—OCTOBER 19th

Devotional exercises were conducted by each one present quoting a verse of scripture, led by Mrs. H. Robb French.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

Reports were read from the following societies, Birmingham, by Mrs. H. R. French; Bessemer, by Miss Estelle Creel; West Blocton, Mentone and Jamestown, by Mrs. W. W. Warren.

The order of the day was called and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. W. Warren; Vice-President, Mrs. H. F. Pair; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. D. H. Segrest; Y. M. W. B. Superintendent, Mrs. W. F. Bunnell; Organizers, Mrs. W. F. Bunnell and Mrs. W. W. Warren.

By motion and vote each society was asked to pledge and pay all they could toward the expenses of sending a worthy student to Central College next year.

President Arthur L. Vess of Central College was introduced to the conference.

It was voted that the committee on Thanks read its report at the public meeting Friday evening.

Committee on Statistics reported.

Treasurer reported.

Auditing committee reported. Report adopted.

Adjourned by limitation.

MRS. W. W. WARREN, President.
MRS. D. H. SEGREST, Secretary.

STATISTICAL REPORT

| Society | President | Address | Amount |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|
| Birmingham—Mrs. H. R. French, | 312 N. 23rd St. | Birmingham, Ala. | \$146.48 |
| Bessemer—Mrs. A. E. Henry, | 1508 8th Ave. | Bessemer, Ala. | 94.26 |
| Friendship, Mrs. Ira Snipes, | Brent, Ala. | | 11.50 |
| Mentone, Mrs. E. L. Shigley, | Mentone, Ala. | | 36.30 |
| Pell City—Mrs. Martha Sanders, | Pell City, Ala. | | 18.00 |
| Talladega—Mrs. O. C. Wood, | 526 Isbell Circle | Talladega, Ala. | 38.61 |
| Tarrant City—Mrs. B. A. Williams, | 1256 Elm St. | Tarrant City, Ala. | 81.51 |
| Tuscaloosa—Mrs. W. E. Hobson, | 1429 23rd Ave. | Tuscaloosa, Ala. | 74.59 |
| West Blocton, Mrs. Ruby Thrasher, | West Blocton, Ala. | | 3.35 |
| TOTAL | | | \$504.60 |

MRS. W. F. BUNNELL,
MRS. H. A. McCUTCHEON,
Committee.

REPORT OF Y. M. W. B. SUPERINTENDENT

| Band | Superintendent | Address | Members | Amount |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Birmingham—Miss Maggie Carlin, | 1700 | Marshall Ave., Birmingham, Ala. | 67 | \$ 78.61 |
| Bessemer—Mrs. R. J. Rogers, | 5240 Orange St. | Central Park, Birmingham, Ala. | 34 | 40.41 |
| Friendship—Mrs. J. L. Averett, | R. 1, Brent, Ala. | | 46 | 31.67 |
| Jamestown—Mr. R. A. Spear, | Blanche, Ala. | | 10 | 27.50 |
| Mt. Ivah—Mrs. W. T. Aultman, | R. 1, Heiberger. | | 35 | 16.32 |
| Mentone—Mrs. W. W. Warren, | Mentone, Ala. | | 28 | 108.63 |
| Pell City—Miss Frances Compton, | Pell City, Ala. | | 22 | 22.52 |
| Talladega | | | 62 | 9.95 |
| Tarrant City, Mrs. E. M. Edmonds, | 900 5th Ave. | Tarrant City, Ala. | 52 | 13.15 |
| Tuscaloosa—Mrs. H. A. Johnson, | 2409 20th St. | Tuscaloosa, Ala. | 43 | 60.00 |
| West Blocton—Mrs. M. A. Medders, | | West Blocton, Ala. | | 10.15 |
| TOTAL | | | 399 | \$418.91 |

MRS. W. F. BUNNELL, Superintendent.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Dues | \$ 1.75 |
| Education | 13.50 |
| Foreign Missions | 20.00 |
| Home Missions | 75.00 |
| Orphanage | 48.04 |
| TOTAL | \$178 29 |

Disbursements

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Education | \$ 13.50 |
| Foreign Missions | 20.00 |
| Home Missions | 75.00 |
| Orphanage | 48.04 |
| Cash to Balance | 1.75 |
| TOTAL | \$178 29 |

MRS. D. H. SEGREST, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL REPORT

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Time employed (months)..... | 160 |
| Appointments | 20 |
| Number of Church Societies..... | 18 |

PERIODICALS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Wesleyan Methodist Taken..... | 64 |
| Wesleyan Lesson Helps taken: | |
| Sunday School Banner..... | 193 |
| Junior Class Paper..... | 103 |
| Children's Friend | 31 |
| Teachers' Quarterly | 89 |
| Senior Scholar's Quarterly | 523 |
| Intermediate Scholar's Quarterly..... | 198 |
| Junior Scholar's Quarterly | 271 |
| Home Department Quarterly | 147 |
| Lesson Leaflet | 135 |
| Our Little Folks Cards..... | 270 |
| Bible Lesson Chart | 10 |

MEMBERSHIP

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Received | 69 |
| Expelled | 9 |
| Discontinued | 40 |
| Died | 4 |

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|----------------------------------|-----|
| Granted Letters | 11 |
| Number reported last year..... | 761 |
| Number at beginning of year..... | 761 |
| Present number | 767 |
| Gain | 6 |
| Associate Members | 7 |
| Baptized | 25 |
| Unstationed Elders | 1 |
| Local Preachers | 14 |
| Membership Tithing | 165 |

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

| | |
|--|------|
| Number of Sunday Schools..... | 21 |
| Whole Number of Officers..... | 69 |
| Whole Number of Teachers..... | 106 |
| Whole Number of Officers, Teachers and Scholars in the Main School..... | 1349 |
| Average Attendance | 940 |
| Number of Scholars in Home Dept..... | 10 |
| Number on Cradle Roll..... | 357 |
| Total Number in Sunday School..... | 1885 |
| Number of Scholars Converted..... | 75 |
| Number of Scholars Joining Church..... | 50 |
| Number of Departmental Supts..... | 6 |
| Number in Teacher's Training Course..... | 0 |
| Number of Organized Classes..... | 99 |
| Number of Books in Library..... | 83 |

CHURCH PROPERTY

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Number of Church Buildings..... | 19 |
| Value of Buildings | \$146,500.00 |
| Amount of Indebtedness | 2,715.45 |
| Number of Parsonages | 7 |
| Value of Parsonages..... | 11,850.00 |
| Amount of Indebtedness | 1,532.00 |
| Cash or other values on hand..... | 3,127.69 |

AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| For Pastor: | |
| Salary | \$4,598.88 |
| Parsonage Rent | 637.50 |
| Marriage and Funeral Fees..... | 16.00 |
| Gifts | 414.02 |
| Total Pastor's Receipts | \$5,666.40 |
| For Church: | |
| Conference President's Salary | \$ 649.00 |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Conference Evangelist's Salary..... | 156.95 |
| Other Evangelistic Help | 1,527.54 |
| Sunday School Expense | 630.60 |
| Building and Repairs..... | 5,558.47 |
| Incidental Expenses | 1,562.24 |
| Total for Church | \$10,084.80 |

For Benevolences:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Home Missions | \$ 532.44 |
| Foreign Missions | 381.86 |
| Education | 264.04 |
| Conference Work | 20.64 |
| Superannuated Ministers' Fund | 9.34 |
| Other Benevolent Objects | 471.50 |
| Orphanage | 121.35 |
| Central Liabilities | 84.50 |
| Total for Benevolences | \$ 1,885.70 |

TOTALS

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Total For Pastor | \$ 5,666.40 |
| Total for Church | 10,084.80 |
| Total for Benevolences | 1,885.70 |
| Total for All Purposes | 17,636.90 |

W. E. HOBSON, Jr., Secretary.

