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ROCHESTER CONFERENCE CALENDAR

1956-1957

Date	Event	Place
July 30—Aug. 3	Childrens' Camp, First Week	Chambers Camp
August 6-10	Childrens' Camp, Second Week	Chambers Camp
August 20-22	Ministerial Retreat	Chambers Camp
Aug. 31—Sept. 1	Conference Wesleyan Youth Rally *	Chambers Camp
September 1-30	Missionary Itinerary, Rev. George Huff	Every Church
September 17	Syracuse District Ministerial Fellowship	To Be Announced
September 24-25	Fall Work Bee	Chambers Camp
October 1	Canandaigua District Ministerial Fellowship	To Be Announced
October 7	Denominational Sunday School Rally Day	Every Church
October 7	World Wide Communion Sunday	Every Church
October 9-11	Houghton Area Ministerial Fellowship	Houghton, N. Y.
October 10-12	National Sunday School Convention	Chicago, Ill.
October 14-21	Rochester Conference Pioneer Week	Every Church
November	W.M.S. Special Offering for Pioneer Work	Every Church
November 18	Denominational Thanksgiving Offering	Every Church
Jan. 1—March 31	Conference Wide Bible Study Quarter	Every Church
Jan. 27—Feb. 3	Wesleyan Youth Week	Every Church
March 3-17	Wesleyan Youth Pioneer Drive	Every Church
March 4-8	Ministerial Refresher Course	Houghton College
March 4-8	Disciplinary Course of Study	Houghton College
March 25	Elmira District Ministerial Fellowship	To Be Announced
April 1	Syracuse District Ministerial Fellowship	To Be Announced
April 6	Canandaigua District W.Y. Convention	To Be Announced
April 13	Elmira District Wesleyan Youth Convention	To Be Announced
April 21	Easter Sunday	Every Church
April 24-25-26	W.M.S. Spring Convention	To Be Announced
April 27	Syracuse District W.Y. Convention	To Be Announced
April 29	Canandaigua District Ministerial Fellowship	To Be Announced
April 28	Pastoral Vote Sunday	Every Church
To Be Announced	Spring Work Bee	Chambers Camp
* No Fall Youth Convention Because of Rally at Chambers Camp		

ROCHESTER ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF 1957

Chambers Campground, Chambers, N. Y.)

June 25	2:00	P.M.	Opening Session of Conference
June 25	7:30	P.M.	Opening Sermon, Dr. Claude A. Ries; Alternate the Rev. S. Bond Harlan
June 26	10:30	A.M.	Opening Session W.M.S. Conference
June 26	7:30	P.M.	Church Extension and Pioneer Service
June 27	3:00	P.M.	Annual Y.M.W.B. Convention
June 27	7:30	P.M.	Public Missionary Service
June 28	7:30	P.M.	The Ordination Service
July 6	10:00	A.M.	Annual Wesleyan Youth Conference

Offerings for Conference Extension and Pioneer Work (Third Sunday, Second Month Each Quarter), July 15, 1956; October 21, 1956; January 21, 1957; April 21, 1957.

Pastoral Quarterly Report due the 20th of the month, following the close of the quarter.

Deadline dates for the CONFERENCE NEWS: October 15, 1956; January 7, 1957; April 8, 1957.

Minutes
of the
One Hundred Twelfth Annual Session
of the
Rochester Conference
of the
Wesleyan Methodist Church of America
held at
Chambers Campground
Chambers, New York
June 26-30, 1956



330 East Onondaga Street
Syracuse 2, New York

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In Memoriam



REV. DAVID ANDERSON

(1880-1956)

Entered Ministry, 1899

Joined Conference, 1950

Called to his heavenly reward

June 4, 1956

In Memoriam



REV. MRS. BERTHA V. RICHARDS KETCH

(1889-1956)

Ordained Elder, 1927

Joined Conference, 1925

Called to her heavenly reward,
May 18, 1956

Honor Roll

In Memory of Those Who Have Served Us and Have Been Promoted

Rev. David Anderson	1899		1956
Rev. Norman Atkins	1889		1906
Rev. A. A. Babcock	1912	Feb. 9,	1925
Rev. Edwin Barneston	1870	July 17,	1923
Rev. J. N. Bedford	1899		1926
Rev. Sylvester Bedford	1871	Mar. 10,	1922
Rev. Henry Bixby			
Rev. James Bowen	1893		1903
Rev. E. W. Bruce			
Rev. H. T. Bess	1910		1914
Rev. G. H. Bort	1912	June 18,	1926
Rev. G. N. Busell	1923	July 25,	1930
Rev. William Clow	1889		1936
Rev. J. L. Cole	1900		1919
Rev. J. H. Cook	1874	Jan. 22,	1925
Rev. James Coots	1911	Feb. 12,	1918
Rev. A. P. Ludley	1902	Mar. 17,	1949
Rev. L. F. Everts	1912		1925
Rev. J. W. Fancher			
Rev. J. S. Faussey			
Rev. O. D. Field	1860		1914
Rev. J. F. Franklyn			
Rev. S. F. Frazier	1889		1914
Rev. J. S. French	1889	Mar. 4,	1941
Rev. E. Gaylord			1842
Rev. Henry George			1914
Rev. L. A. Grant	1889		1939
Rev. A. W. Hall	1917	Mar. 19,	1931
Rev. Frank B. Hayes	1915	May 7,	1943
Rev. Grant J. Jelliff	1913	Dec. 27,	1945
Rev. A. T. Jennings	1880		1914
Rev. S. W. Jennings	1891	June 22,	1921
Mr. Heribert T. Jimerson			
Rev. Caradog Jones	1896	Nov. 16,	1906
Rev. Mrs. Bertha V. Richards Ketch	1925		1955
Rev. J. B. Knappenberger		July 24,	1943
Rev. Thomas La Fort, Indian	1390		1908
Rev. F. S. Lee	1389	Jan. 5,	1923
Rev. George Lewis			
Rev. H. Lounsberry		Fifty Years a Preacher	1909
Rev. E. Matthews	1392		1917
Rev. William Mintz	1844		
Rev. George L. Paine			
Rev. F. L. Praslev	1907		1924
Rev. John Randolph			
Rev. A. A. Rathbun	1368		1896
Rev. Clyde V. Rathbun	1924	April 24,	1926
Rev. J. C. Rounds	1906	June 17,	1947
Rev. J. D. Russell	1889		1927
Rev. G. W. Scudder			
Rev. H. C. Shores	1907	Dec. 6,	1949
Rev. Adam J. Shea	1934	Nov. 28,	1946
Rev. P. S. Slauson			
Rev. Mariam Sprague	1912		1918
Rev. Calvin R. Stopp	Ordained 1928	Oct. 19,	1952
Rev. J. M. Swick	1861		1913
Rev. J. E. Tiffany	1888	Dec. 20,	1922
Rev. S. D. Trembley			
Rev. M. E. Warburton	1892	Aug. 26,	1924
Rev. M. D. Warburton	Ordained 1902	Feb. 22,	1944
Rev. J. S. Willett	1900	June 3,	1935
Rev. S. D. Wilcox	1897	Oct. 12,	1935
Rev. G. N. Wyher	1902		1939

Standing Rules

1. All visiting ministers of our own or other denominations who are in harmony with our reformatory principles are invited to honorary seats in this Conference.

2. Conference shall convene annually on the Chambers Campground at 2:00 p.m., the last Tuesday of June, except that quadrennially it shall convene the second Tuesday after General Conference convenes. The forenoon sessions shall begin at 8:30 and close at 10:45; the afternoon sessions shall begin at 1:30 and close by vote. The six front rows shall comprise the bar of the Conference.

3. Examinations should be in the hands of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders not later than two weeks before the opening of the Conference session.

4. No money is to be loaned on security by the Treasurer without the approval of the President and Secretary of the Conference.

5. The following order of business shall be followed in the sessions of Conference: 1. Hymn. 2. Roll Call. 3. Devotions. 4. Reading of minutes. 5. Appointment of committees. 6. Report of committees. 7. Miscellaneous business. 8. Passage of character.

6. The Pastoral Vote shall be taken on each charge the third Sunday of April unless that be Easter when the vote shall be taken on the fourth Sunday. When it is the desire of the charge to vote on a week night, it shall be done sometime during the week previous to the designated Sunday. Permission to vote on another Sunday may be obtained from the President and the Advisory Board.

7. The Conference Secretary and Conference Treasurer shall each receive \$75 annually.

8. There shall be elected a Conference Statistician whose term of office shall not expire till the close of the Conference session following his election. He shall be the chairman of the Statistical Committee and shall be authorized to choose the members of said committee.

9. Each local church of the Conference shall close its financial and other records for the conference year, May 31. The statistical report with all cash and receipts must be sent to the Conference Treasurer by June 10. Any money received after that date will be applied on the next year.

10. In the reporting of statistics, the pastors shall read as follows: Item III, Membership: stating whether gain or loss; Item IV, read only average attendance; Item VIII, read the totals only unless the budget has not been raised in full, and in this case read Item VIII complete; Item X, read in full. Comments by the pastor after having read his report shall be limited to two minutes.

11. The report of the W. M. Society shall be made a part of the printed minutes of the Rochester Conference.

12. The President of the Conference and the President of the Wesleyan Youth shall be members of the Camp Meeting Committee, ex-officio.

13. The President of the W. M. Society and the President of the Wesleyan Youth shall be members of the Missionary Board, ex-officio.

14. All money coming to this Conference from the sale of Church and Parsonage buildings shall become a part of the Building Fund.

15. The Conference Board of Trustees shall choose a committee of three of their own number to constitute a Committee on Location of Churches and Parsonages, and the names of this Committee shall be printed in the minutes: no building project shall be undertaken without their study and approval.

16. The Conference Secretary shall have authority to edit the minutes of the Conference.

17. At the time of election of Conference Officers the Conference shall elect by ballot from among the Elders a Chairman of the Camp Meeting Committee.

18. All officers of the annual conference shall be elected by ballot or after nominations from the floor. (See list of officers)

19. Each charge in the Conference shall give their pastor at least two weeks vacation with pay, each year.

20. The Onondaga Reservation charge shall not be assigned budget for "Conference Work," the Connectional Budget only being assigned this charge.

21. The Budget Apportionment Committee shall apportion budget to all members in full regardless of age.

22. The Sunday School Secretary shall nominate the remaining members of the Sunday School Board.

23. Persons recommended to study or to travel under the direction of the conference must appear personally before the Committee on Itineracy and Orders before they are accepted, and must appear personally before or, communicate with, said committee annually so long as they are continued. If they fail to do so for two successive years, they will be returned to their quarterly conference. It is urged that persons pursuing the Course of Study leading to Elders Orders complete a Course of Study of not less than six weeks' duration approved by the Committee on Itineracy and Orders, which may be taken upon one of our college campuses, or some other college campus approved by said committee.

24. The Conference President shall be Chairman ex-officio of the committee for planning the usual Fall Ministerial Institute. Two other members shall be added to this committee. They shall be nominated by the Conference President and elected by the Conference annually. This committee shall also have authority to arrange for the location and date of the Bible Institute following the next Annual Session of Conference and to select the main speaker for the occasion.

25. It shall be the duty of the pastor to forward to the Conference Secretary, who is a Committee on Credentials, not later than one week before the Annual Conference convenes, the credentials of the delegate from his charge.

26. The Committee on Religious Services shall nominate the speaker and alternate for the opening sermon of the next Annual Conference.

27. The books of the Conference, Treasurer or Treasurers shall be audited annually by a competent bookkeeper, approved by the President and the Advisory Board, prior to the convening of Conference and a certification shall be mailed to the President.

28. The Conference Missionary Board in the interim of Conference is authorized to interpret what shall be considered a Pioneer or Extension Work. In the event the purchase of property is involved, the Missionary Board shall cooperate with the Conference Board of Trustees.

29. We recommend the Sunday School Offering designated for Conference Extension Work be taken the third Sunday of the second month of each quarter.

30. The first quarter of each calendar year shall be designated as "Bible Study Quarter," a time when each church in the Conference will conduct a Bible Study program. Annual suggested plans are to be worked out by the Conference President and the Advisory Board.

31. The Superintendent of the Campgrounds shall be member ex-officio of the Camp Meeting Committee, so long as he is a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in good standing.

32. The members of the Judiciary Committee of the Conference shall be elected by ballot, at the time of the election of the Conference Boards and Committees.

33. The Conference President and his Advisory Board is designated as a Committee on Orders of the Day, to plan the daily activities of the Conference schedule, and a printed agenda shall be prepared. The following evening services shall prevail: Tuesday—The Opening Sermon; Wednesday—Church Extension; Thursday—in charge of the Woman's Missionary Society; Friday—The Ordination Service.

The Rochester Conference

OFFICERS

President—Dr. David A. Rees, 1074 Charles Street, Elmira, N. Y..

Vice President—Rev. James E. Bence, 2050 Long Pond Road, Rochester 6, New York

Secretary—Rev. Philip J. Birchall, Box 461, East Moriches, L. I., N. Y..

Ass't Secretary—Rev. Ivan V. Greenfield, 216 North Jay Street, Rome, New York

Treasurer—Mr. Howard L. Dietrich, Dietrich Supply Corporation, Box 216, Eastwood Station, Syracuse 6, New York

Ass't Treasurer—Mr. Floyd G. Douglass, 136 Nichols Ave., Syracuse 6, New York

Sunday School Secretary—Rev. Edwin E. Macumber, Wallace, New York

Educational Secretary—Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, 329 Wilmore Place, Syracuse 8, New York

Tithing Secretary—Rev. Leon J. Jelliff, Forksville, Pennsylvania

Secretary of Evangelism—Rev. Stanley Lawrence, 53 Maple St., Westfield, Pennsylvania

Director of Child Evangelism—Rev. Paul S. Lawrence, Box 64, Morris, Pennsylvania

Pension Plan Treasurer—Mr. Edward J. Willett, Box 291, Dewitt, New York

Statistician—Rev. Chester L. Osgood, Pierrepont Manor, New York

Wesleyan Youth President—Rev. Beverly F. Wilson, 230 Prospect Street, Canandaigua, New York

Camp Meeting Chairman—Rev. James E. Bence, 2050 Long Pond Road, Rochester 6, New York

Boards and Committees

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Stanley W. Wright (Rev.)

Leon J. Jelliff (Rev.)

Harold Woodard (Mr.)

Stanley Lawrence (Rev.)

Floyd G. Douglass (Mr.)

Term expires 1957

Term expires 1957

Term expires 1957

Term expires 1958

Term expires 1958

Howard L. Dietrich (Mr.)	Term expires 1958
I. Leslie Conley (Rev.)	Term expires 1959
James E. Bence (Rev.)	Term expires 1959
David A. Rees (Rev.)	Term expires 1959

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS

Rev. G. Clarke LaCelle	Term expires 1957
Rev. C. Russell Bremer	Term expires 1958
Rev. Wesley B. Nussey	Term expires 1959
Rev. Stanley W. Wright	Term expires 1960

CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE

Rev. James E. Bence, Chairman	
Rev. David A. Rees, Member ex-officio	
Mr. Milton Rathbun	Term expires 1957
Rev. Adelbert Edwards	Term expires 1957
Rev. Stanley W. Wright	Term expires 1958
Rev. I. Leslie Conley	Term expires 1958
Rev. S. Bond Harlan	Term expires 1959
Mr. Harold Woodard	Term expires 1959
Superintendent of the Grounds, ex-officio	

CONFERENCE BOARDS

- Advisory Board**—Rev. James E. Bence; Mr. Howard L. Dietrich
- Judiciary Committee**—Dr. Claude A. Ries, Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, Rev. Stanley W. Wright, Rev. Royal S. Woodhead
- Location Committee**—Rev. David A. Rees, Mr. Howard L. Dietrich, Mr. Harold Woodard
- Missionary Board**—Rev. Gerald Wright, Rev. Stanley Lawrence, Mr. Howard L. Dietrich
- Nominating Committee**—Dr. David A. Rees, Chairman; Rev. William R. Woughter, Rev. Edwin E. Macumber, Rev. Philip J. Birchall, Rev. Robert Wilhelm
- Pension Plan Committee**—Rev. Wesley B. Nussey (1957), Rev. Adelbert Edwards (1958), Mr. Edward J. Willett (1959)
- Sunday School Board**—Rev. Edwin E. Macumber, Chairman ex-officio; Rev. Stanley Lawrence, Rev. C. Russell Bremer
- Committee on Vacancies**—Rev. I. Leslie Conley, Rev. C. B. Newbury, Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, Mr. Richard Beach, Mr. Emmett Farrell
- Members of the Local Board of Trustees of Houghton College**—Rev. Wesley B. Nussey (Ministerial Trustee); Mr. Herbert Stevenson (Lay Trustee)

Committee on Child Evangelism—Rev. Paul S. Lawrence, ex-officio; Rev. Gerald Wright, Rev. William R. Woughter, Rev. James E. Bence
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Burke Carey	Armenia Mountain	0
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Marion Young	Bentley Creek	2
Olive Ward	Berrytown	2
Lottie Rudd	Boylston	5
Norma Button	Buena Vista	6
Margaret Johnston	Canandaigua	4
Emmett J. Farrell	Canisteo	6
Ray Fero	Chambers	4
Betty Reed	Corning	8
Mabel Guernsey	Blatchley	4
Hilda Farnsworth	Blatchley	7
Grace Norton	Elkland Circuit	1
Annabelle Reibson	Elkland Circuit	2
Erma Brooks	Elmira	4
Bessie Gilmer	Elmira	6
Vurla Kelley	Elmira	8
Emmett Brentlinger	Fyler	2
Darl Strieb	Haskinville	6
Wilma Jennings	Herrickville	3
James Van Auken	Herrickville	0
Henry Barnes	Horseheads	6
Ray Voorhees	Horseheads	4

Jennie Dutcher	Morris	6
Claude Davenport	Odessa	3
Chester Jones	Onondaga Reservation	1
Florence Towns	Pine Meadows	0
Dorothy Taylor	Redfield	2
Jennie E. Potter	Redfield	0
Evelyn McKnight	Rochester	7
Harold Stewart	Rome	8
Laura Porter	Sandy Creek	7
William Craig	Sandy Creek	0
Florence Roloson	Shady Grove	1
Luella Clark	Syracuse, Lyncourt	0
Jean Clark	Syracuse, Lyncourt	4
Mrs. Henry Krug	Syracuse, Lyncourt	2
Howard Dietrich	Syracuse, Willett Memorial	7
Rita Albright	Syracuse, Willett Memorial	5
Clarence C. Watson	Taylor	5
Erwin Evans	Wallace	3
Milton Rathbun	Waterloo	7
Gail Maynard	Wellsboro	6
Bert Olinger	Westfield	8
Euna Brown	West Jasper	1
Olive Strait	West Jasper	0

Daily Proceedings

First Day—Tuesday Afternoon

The Rochester Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America convened at the call of the Chair for its 112th Annual Session on the Chambers' Campgrounds, at 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, June 26, 1956, opening with the singing of the hymns "The Solid Rock" and "Blessed Assurance" led by the Rev. Gerald Wright. The Rev. Philip J. Birchall led the Conference in the opening prayer.

The Roll of the Conference was called, showing 28 Elders and Conference Preachers present. The Conference President appointed the Rev. Gerald Wright and the Rev. S. Bond Harlan as a Committee on Courtesy.

The Report of the Committee on Credentials was read and adopted by vote.

The Conference President introduced the Denominational Representative, Doctor F. R. Birch, Secretary of Foreign Missions, who led the opening devotions, reading from Hebrews 11, and emphasizing the truth that God receives His greatest glory from men and women who love and serve Him. He pointed out that God is unashamed of these people because of (1) Their separation; (2) Their faith; (3) Power of their lives; (4) Venturing spirit; (5) They dare to witness. The Conference gathered about the altar and Dr. Birch led in prayer.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by the Conference Secretary, which was adopted by vote, and in view of the fact that two revisions were necessary, it was referred back to the Nominating Committee.

The President of the Conference presented the Agenda, which had been prepared by the President and his Advisory Board, as directed Standing Rule 33, which was adopted by vote.

Mr. Edward Willett, the Conference Pension Plan Treasurer, presented the report of the Conference Pension Plan Committee, which was adopted by vote.

The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. Carl Van der Berg, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Painted Post, who greeted the Conference.

The afternoon session was adjourned at 3:40.

First Day—Tuesday Evening

The evening service was presided over by the Conference President, Dr. David A. Rees; the congregation was led in singing by the Rev. Gerald Wright. The Rev. Ivan V. Greenfield led the congregation in prayer. The Rev. Carl Van der Berg, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Painted Post sang a solo, "The Stranger of Galilee."

The Rev. Royal S. Woodhead, pastor of the Willett Memorial Church

in Syracuse, having been elected to preach the opening sermon, was introduced by the Conference President. He read a scripture lesson from Proverbs 2, and took his text from Ezra 8: 17, 18. His subject was "A Minister with Understanding," emphasizing that such a minister is (1) A Trained Minister; (2) A Trustworthy Minister; and (3) A Tender Minister. After the sermon, he dismissed the congregation with prayer.

Second Day—Wednesday Forenoon

The Conference session was called to order by the President. We were led in singing by the Rev. Gerald Wright. The roll was called. Brother Harold H. Chapman, pastor of the Horseheads Church, led the devotions, reading from Romans 5.

The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. J. W. Tysinger, President of Houghton Academy, and the Rev. Richard Sprowl, each of whom greeted the Conference.

The Rev. Stanley W. Wright, who had revised and submitted the Standing Rules of the Conference to the English Department of Houghton College, requested permission to present them to the Conference for consideration. A motion was made and passed that a committee consider these Standing Rules. It was voted that the Conference President appoint a committee of three for this purpose; those appointed include: Rev. Stanley W. Wright, Chairman; Rev. Royal S. Woodhead, Rev. Beverly F. Wilson.

The report of the Committee on Religion's Services was read and adopted by vote.

The Committee on Courtesy presented Brother Gerald Jack, who greeted the Conference.

A motion was made that Reverend Beverly F. Wilson be relieved of serving on the Committee appointed for the consideration of a revision of the Standing Rules, which motion passed by vote, and Miss Lottie Rudd was appointed to serve on this committee.

A final revised report of the Nominating Committee was read with two changes, placing Mrs. Laura Porter on the Auditing Committee, and Mr. Milton Rathbun on the Committee of Itineracy and Orders. This final report was adopted by vote, after an explanation by the Chairman as to why the Committee was unable to use all ministers and lay delegates on committees.

The Camp Meeting Treasurer, Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, read the report of the Camp Meeting Treasury to the Conference, which was referred by vote to the Auditing Committee.

Orders of the Day—The Rev. James E. Bence was called to the Chair. The Annual Report of the Conference President, Dr. David A. Rees, was received. After two slight corrections, it was adopted by vote. A rising vote of thanks was given to Doctor Rees for his excellent work

during the past year.

The Financial Report of the Conference President was received, and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Conference President presented one recommendation to the Conference concerning the need of evangelism, which was adopted by vote.

A Committee of Evangelism, consisting of three members, was elected by motion, as follows: Rev. Royal S. Woodhead; Rev. I. Leslie Conley; and Rev. Jerard Aman.

The Conference President, having completed his Annual Report to the Conference, was called back to the Chair.

Orders of the Day—The report of the Conference Treasurer, Mr. Howard L. Dietrich, was received by the Conference, and referred by vote to the Auditing Committee.

The report of the Treasurer of the Conference Ministers' Benefit Plan was given by the treasurer, Mr. Howard L. Dietrich, and referred by vote to the Auditing Committee.

A motion was made that the Conference Treasurer be authorized to assure the payment in full of the Superannuated Pension Budget of the Conference. Passed by vote.

A motion was made that the Secretary of the Conference write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Ben Corouthers, architect, of Elmira, for his assistance in designing plans for the Baldwinsville church and the Boys' Barracks at a very reasonable figure, and for his contributions. Passed by vote.

A rising vote of thanks was given the Rev. I. Leslie Conley for his work on the Boys' Barracks, and for the use of tools which he made available.

Adjournment by limitation of time.

Second Day—Wednesday Afternoon

The afternoon session opened with the singing of a hymn. The roll was called. The devotions were read by the Rev. Charles Guernsey, reading from Colossians 1. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Edwin E. Macumber. The minutes of the previous session were read and, after several corrections, were adopted.

The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. Roger Bohall, Executive Secretary of the New York State Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism.

Orders of the Day—The Rev. Roger Bohall, Executive Secretary of the New York State Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism, presented the work of the Committee, emphasizing the endorsement of the work of the Committee by the Board of Education of New York State.

A motion was made that a request of the Rev. Mr. Bohall for Conference endorsement and financial support be referred to the Pastoral Re-

lations Committee for their consideration.

Orders of the Day—The Rev. Mr. J. W. Tysinger, President of the Houghton Academy, presented the program, progress and needs of the Houghton Academy to the Conference, and following his address the Conference was led in prayer by the Rev. James E. Bence.

The report of the Committee for Bible Study was received by the Conference. It was voted that this report be adopted in its entirety rather than item-by-item. The report was adopted by vote.

The Reverend I. Leslie Conley expressed appreciation to Mr. Pat Hamilton, Mr. Henry Barnes, and Rev. Harold Chapman, for their work on the Boys' Barracks, and they were given a vote of thanks by the Conference.

Orders of the Day—Doctor F. R. Birch, Denominational Representative, was presented to the Conference, and he brought to the Conference the greetings of the Official Board. He read a scripture lesson from the gospel of Matthew, and I Corinthians 16:9, and following the Denominational Address, led the Conference in prayer.

Adjournment by motion at 3:45 p.m.

Third Day—Thursday Forenoon

The session was opened by singing a hymn. Roll was called. The devotions were led by the Rev. Richard Sprowl, reading from Acts 4. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

A report of the Committee on Character was received, showing that the characters of all pastors, excepting one whose report had not yet been received, had been passed, and it was voted to adopt this report.

A partial report of the Committee on Religious Services was received and adopted by vote.

A motion was made and passed that Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, alternate delegate from Redfield, be seated as delegate in the place of Mr. John Bennett, who had to leave conference due to family illness.

Order of the Day—The Election of Conference Officers.

Appointed as Counting Tellers: the Rev. Harold H. Chapman, and the Rev. Richard Brown.

Appointed as Distributing Tellers: the Rev. George Pattington and the Rev. Gerald Jack.

Appointed as Recording Secretary—the Rev. Ivan V. Greenfield.

A motion was made and passed by vote that there be no nominating ballots (i.e., every ballot be an electing ballot) unless called for at the time of a specific election.

The Rev. James E. Bence, Vice President of the Conference, was called to the Chair to preside over the election of the Conference President.

The following officers were elected by ballot:

President—The Rev. David A. Rees, D. D.

The President of the Conference was recalled to the Chair to preside over the election of the remainder of the Conference officials.

Vice President—Rev. James E. Bence

Secretary—Rev. Philip J. Birchall

Assistant Secretary (by acclamation)—Rev. Ivan V. Greenfield

Treasurer—Mr. Howard L. Dietrich

Assistant Treasurer (by acclamation)—Mr. Floyd G. Douglass

1st Ministerial Trustee—Rev. I. Leslie Conley

2nd Ministerial Trustee—Rev. James E. Bence

3rd Ministerial Trustee—Rev. David A. Rees

Camp Meeting President—Rev. James E. Bence

Judiciary Committee—Doctor Claude A. Ries, Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, Rev. Stanley W. Wright, Rev. Royal S. Woodhead.

It was voted that time be extended to facilitate the election of officers.

The following officers and committees were elected by acclamation after nomination and motion from the floor:

Sunday School Secretary—(It was voted that the Sunday School Secretary be elected by acclamation): Rev. Edwin E. Macumber

Sunday School Board—Rev. Stanley Lawrence, Rev. C. Russell Bremer

Educational Secretary—Rev. Wesley B. Nussey

Tithing Secretary—Rev. Leon J. Jelliff

Secretary of Evangelism—Rev. Stanley Lawrence

Statistician—Rev. Chester L. Osgood

Committee on Itinerary and Orders (one member for a term of four years; term to expire in 1960)—Rev. Stanley W. Wright

Missionary Board—Rev. Gerald Wright, Rev. Stanley Lawrence, Mr. Howard L. Dietrich

Advisory Board (after nomination by the Conference President)—Rev. James E. Bence, Mr. Howard L. Dietrich

Nominating Committee (A motion was made and passed by vote that the Nominating Committee be limited to five members)—Rev. David A. Rees, Chairman; Rev. William R. Woughter, Rev. Edwin E. Macumber, Rev. Philip J. Birchall, Rev. Robert Wilhelm

Member of the Pension Plan Committee—Mr. Edward J. Willett

Committee on Vacancies—Rev. I. Leslie Conley, Rev. C. B. Newbury, Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, Mr. Richard Beach, Mr. Emmett Farrell.

Director of Child Evangelism—It was voted that this office be referred to the Pastoral Relations Committee, for their appointment.

Promotion Secretary of Mens' Fellowship—Rev. Stanley Lawrence

Committee on Child Evangelism—Rev. Gerald Wright, Rev. William R. Woughter, Rev. James E. Bence.

Camp Meeting Committee—Rev. S. Bond Harlan, Mr. Harold Woodard.

Card Call Secretary—Rev. S. Bond Harlan

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It was voted that the request of the Rev. Mr. Bohall for endorsement and financial support of the New York State Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism be considered by the Committee on Public Morals, rather than the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Mr. Howard L. Dietrich in appreciation for orange juice which he so kindly supplies to the Conference free of charge.

The Conference President called attention to the fact that the Agenda had omitted time for the Educational hour. By common consent it was granted that this address be given Friday, June 29, at 10:00 a.m.

A motion was made that the Nominating Committee nominate the Committee on Child Evangelism. Motion lost.

A motion was made that the alternate delegate of the Odessa charge be seated, but inasmuch as the regular delegate had already been seated, the motion was withdrawn.

A rising vote of thanks was given by the Conference to the Rev. Mr. Stanley Lawrence for his twenty-seven (27) years of excellent service as Conference Sunday School Secretary.

The report of the Tithing Secretary was received, and adopted by vote, with an expression of appreciation, along with an amendment that he be reimbursed for postage expenses.

A motion was made that the Committee on Pastoral Relations consider the advisability of the Nominating Committee nominating the Conference officers to be presented for election at the next Annual Conference, and to make a recommendation to this Conference. Passed by vote.

Adjournment at 11:45 a.m.

Third Day—Thursday Afternoon

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of a hymn. The roll was called. The Devotions were led by the Rev. O. Glenn McKinley, General Evangelist, reading from II Timothy 4:1-8. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Public Morals was received and adopted.

A partial report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was read and adopted by a vote of Elders and Lay Delegates.

Orders of the Day—The report of the Sunday School Secretary was received by the Conference. The Rev. Arland B. Rees led the Conference in singing, "Amazing Grace"; the following individuals reported to the Conference on the National Sunday School Convention held in Providence, Rhode Island: Mrs. Stanley Lawrence, the evening services; Rev. William R. Woughter, the spiritual impressions received at the conventions; Rev. Edwin E. Macumber spoke in reference to the workshops that were held at the Convention, including over fifty projects.

Rev. Stanley Lawrence, retiring Sunday School Secretary, gave his final Financial Report to the Conference, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

A motion was made that the Silver Cup Standard be continued for the ensuing Conference year. Silver Cups were presented to these charges: Elkland Charge, for the greatest numerical gains of any Sunday School; Chambers, for the greatest percentage gain of any church with a Sunday school over fifty; Herrickville, for the greatest percentage gain of any church with a Sunday school under fifty.

The Rev. Stanley W. Wright presented the following two resolutions to the Conference:

1. "We regret the serious racial difficulties that exist within our country, among people whom 'God hath made of one blood to dwell on all the face of the earth'. We, therefore, resolve that we will pledge our own efforts, and we call upon Wesleyan Methodists everywhere to do the same to the end that integration within our churches and our schools be accomplished by 1963.

2. "We view with alarm the rising tide of juvenile delinquency. With shamefacedness we recognize that adult delinquency is a fertile cause of this. We, therefore, resolve to be worthy examples of conduct to our youth, and to this end we pledge ourselves to be scrupulous in our observance of the law, including those governing speed upon our public highways."

It was moved that these two resolutions be adopted; a substitute motion was made to the effect that these two resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Morals for their consideration. The Substitution Motion passed by vote.

The Rev. James E. Bence gave the report of the Children's Camp Treasurer, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

A request was made by the Committee on Child Evangelism that the Conference make a definite ruling relative to the wearing of jeans by the girls at the Youth and Children's Camps. It was voted that this request be referred to the Camp Meeting Committee for their consideration and that the Camp Meeting Committee bring back a recommendation to this Conference body for their action. The issue was discussed pro and con for several minutes.

A motion was made and passed that the Camp Meeting Committee be asked to consider a proper charge to be made to individuals and/or to the Children's Camp for the use of the facilities of the Chambers Camp.

Attention was drawn to the Disciplinary provision that the name of an Elder cannot be placed on the Unstationed List that has not been on the Supernumerary (Reserve) List at least two years.

Adjournment by vote at 4:40 p.m.

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Fourth Day—Friday Forenoon

The Friday morning session opened with the singing of a hymn. The roll was called. Devotions were led by Brother Gerald Jack, from Matthew 14, and leading the Conference in prayer.

The minutes of the previous session were read and, after one explanation, were adopted by vote.

The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. John H. Edling, M. D. Missionary to Haiti, who brought greetings to the Conference, emphasizing the way in which God had answered prayer in helping them to furnish a Tuberculosis hospital.

The Committee on Courtesy presented the President of Houghton College, Dr. Stephen W. Paine, who greeted the Conference.

The Committee on Religious Services presented its final report to the Conference, which was adopted.

The report of the Camp Meeting Committee was received, recommending that jeans may be worn by the girls at the Youth Camp during supervised recreation; and at the Children's Camp, except for the evening services, when they shall come to the services in dresses.

A motion was made that this report be tabled until a later hour. Motion lost by count of standing vote, 14-28 opposed to tabling it.

After discussing the issue pro and con, a motion was made and seconded that an amendment be made to the effect that "Western Jeans" be excluded. This amendment was adopted by vote.

Another motion was made that the recommendation be tabled; motion lost by vote.

The recommendation was voted on by the body and, with the amendment excluding "Western Jeans," passed by a standing vote of 42 to 8.

Orders of the Day—The report of the Conference Woman's Missionary President, Mrs. Stanley Lawrence, was received by the Conference. The Conference gave a rising vote of thanks to Sister Lawrence for her ten years of service as President of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society.

Orders of the Day—The report of the Wesleyan Youth President, Rev. Beverly F. Wilson, was received by the Conference.

Orders of the Day—The Education Hour.

Doctor Stephen W. Paine, President of Houghton College, was introduced to the Conference by the Rev. Wesley B. Nussey, Chairman of the Local Board of Trustees of Houghton College and Conference Educational Secretary. Dr. Paine began his address by leading the Conference in the singing of a few verses of the gospel song, "O Happy Day," and calling on the Rev. James E. Bence to lead in prayer.

He read a Scripture lesson from I Timothy 3. In his address he informed the Conference relative to: (1) Enrollment (600), which will probably increase in the near future; (2) He stated that "A time of economy

expansion is a time of empire building," which is a principle we should recognize in our church today. There is necessity that Houghton expand from 600 to about 750 for ideal conditions in view of the present administration facilities. This expansion should include a wing to the East Hall girl's dormitory; and a new Chapel auditorium, for which over \$80,000 is on hand. (3) He emphasized the efforts of the administration to help the Wesleyan students to adjust to college life at Houghton stressing the four points of the orientation program: (a) The Wesleyan student in a Wesleyan college; (b) What the Wesleyan Methodist Church believes and Why; (c) What the Church believes relative to Eternal Security; (d) What the Church believes about the standards of life. (4) He spoke of the Wesleyan students as campus citizens, emphasizing the fact that they are partners in the work of the college. He also pointed out that Wesleyan students should take their place as leaders.

Adjournment by limitation of time.

Fourth Day—Friday Afternoon

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of a hymn, led by Mr. Howard L. Dietrich. The roll was called. Devotions were led by Brother Robert Wilmot, graduate student of Marion College, reading from Psalm 119: 2.

The minutes of the previous session were read and after several corrections, adopted.

A partial report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was received, recommending that Richard M. Brown be elected to Elders Orders, and after a word of explanation by the Chairman as to why he was recommended for Orders after only one year's service, the recommendation was adopted by a standing vote of elders and delegates.

Orders of the Day—Memorial Service.

The Memorial Service was led by the Rev. Stanley W. Wright, reading a Scripture lesson from Deuteronomy 34: 1-6. A male quartette, composed of Rev. I. Leslie Conley, Rev. Beverly F. Wilson, Rev. Gerald Wright, and Mr. Gerald Button, sang "Nothing Between." The Rev. Charles H. Guernsey led the Conference in prayer. Mr. Edwin Evans and Rev. C. B. Newbury spoke of the life and work of Sister Bertha V. Richards Ketch. The quartette sang "I Belong to the King." The Rev. I. Leslie Conley spoke of the life and work of the Rev. David Anderson. The Rev. Stanley W. Wright spoke of the Rev. Mrs. Bertha Ketch and of the Rev. David Anderson. We were led in the singing of the chorus, "When the Saints go Marching In," and the closing prayer was offered by the Rev. Stanley W. Wright.

Mrs. Beverly F. Wilson, Treasurer of the Conference Wesleyan Youth, read her report to the Conference.

The first reading of the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee

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was received.

The Committee on Standing Rules read its report to the Conference, stating that the Standing Rules had been rewritten with the help of Miss Josephine Rickard of the Houghton English Department, with a view toward clarity of meaning and punctuation. A revised list of the Standing Rules was received. It was moved by Royal S. Woodhead that the revised list of the Standing Rules be prepared by the Rev. Stanley W. Wright during the ensuing year, that they be referred to the Conference President and his Advisory Board for their approval, and be mimeographed so that each pastor may have a copy, and that action be taken on these Standing Rules at the next Annual session of the Rochester Conference. The motion was adopted.

The report of the Auditing Committee was received and adopted.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read by the Secretary of the Board, Rev. James E. Bence, and adopted.

It was voted that, so far as the Conference records and the printing of the minutes show, the Elkland Charge budget be shown as paid in full, and that an adjustment be made in the Statistical and Conference Treasurer's records.

The report of the Pastoral Relations Committee was received and adopted.

The following ministers, whose characters had been passed, reported from their respective charges: Rev. C. Russell Bremer, Rev. J. Burton Nussey, Rev. Orville E. Lawrence, Rev. Royal S. Woodhead, Rev. Joseph B. McClintock, Rev. Arland B. Rees, Rev. Richard M. Brown, Rev. O. Glenn McKniley, General Evangelist; and Brother George Pattington.

It was voted to adjourn.

Fourth Day—Friday Evening

The Ordination Service was opened by singing, led by the Rev. I. Leslie Conley. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Wesley B. Nussey. Solos were sung by Mr. Dallas Bown, and Miss Jean Clark. The Rev. David A. Rees, D.D., President of the Conference, preached the Ordination Sermon, reading from Nehemiah 1:1-9, and taking as a text Nehemiah 4:14. In reference to the story of the book of Nehemiah, he emphasized: (1) The Human Concept; (2) The Divine Contact; (3) The Disciplined Control; and (4) The Victorious Conclusion.

Following the preaching of the Ordination Sermon, Arland Benton Rees and Richard M. Brown were ordained Elders in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Fifth Day—Saturday Forenoon

The morning session opened with the singing of a hymn. The roll was called. The devotions were led by the Rev. Arland B. Rees.

The final report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was read

and, with the provision that several adjustments be made, was adopted.

The final report of the Statistical Committee was received, and was adopted with the provision that one discrepancy in the number of Wesleyan Youth Societies be corrected.

The report of the Committee on Budget Apportionment was received. A motion was made to amend this report to the effect that the Horseheads Church pay only its Denominational budget, and that it not be required to pay Conference budget; the motion was passed and the report, as amended, was adopted.

A motion was made (by Rev. S. W. Wright) and passed that the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee be reconsidered. Upon reconsideration of this report, it was voted by the Conference (in accordance with Disciplinary provision) that the Rev. Philip J. Birchall and the Rev. J. Burton Nussey be placed on the Stationed List of Elders, rather than on the list of Unstationed Elders. Also, upon reconsideration of this report, the Conference voted that the report be amended to read that the Conference voted that the report be amended to read that the Conference shall specify the field of labor which LaVerne C. Voorhees shall serve; that he be listed as a Conference Preacher and be granted Authorization papers. This amendment was passed and the report of the Pastoral Relations Committee was then adopted by vote as amended.

A request of the Conference President that he be authorized to arrange for supply pastors for those churches listed "In the hands of the Conference President" was approved by the Conference.

It was voted to recess until 11:30 a.m.

The Conference reassembled at 11:30 a.m.

The Committee on Courtesy presented the Rev. Wallace Taylor, a pastor from Clifton Springs, New York, who greeted the Conference.

The Committee on Public Morals was requested to bring in a final report.

The report of the Missionary Board was received and adopted by vote.

A final reading of the report of the Committee on Public Morals was received. A motion was made that those items (No. 1 and 2) which had been referred to the Committee for their consideration, be laid on the Table. This motion was passed by unanimous vote, and that portion of the report (article 3) which had not been Tabled, was adopted by vote.

The following ministers, whose characters had been passed, reported from their respective charges: Adelbert Edwards, Ivan V. Greenfield, G. Clark LaCelle, Stanley Lawrence, Harold Chapman, and John W. Crandall.

It was voted to recess for dinner.

The Conference reassembled at 1:00 p.m.

The minutes of the final session of the Conference were read and adopted by vote, and it was voted to adjourn to the call of the Chair.

Reports

Report No. 1

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Committee on Pastoral Relations—I. Leslie Conley, Beverly F. Wilson, William R. Woughter, Vurla Kelley, Darl Strieb, Harold Stewart.

Auditing Committee—Orville E. Lawrence, Mrs. Laura Porter

Budget Apportionment—James E. Bence, Harold H. Chapman, Henry Barnes

Examination of Character—David A. Rees, ex-officio; Royal S. Woodhead, Erwin Evans

Post Office and Phone Numbers—Paul S. Lawrence, Betty G. Reed

In Charge of Mail—Ray Fero

Statistical Committee—Chester L. Osgood, ex-officio; Arland B. Rees, Bernard Draper, Jean Clark, Gail Maynard

Conference Reporters—Gerald Wright, Corning; Erma Brooks, Elmira; Royal S. Woodhead, the Wesleyan Methodist.

Calendar Committee—Conference President, W.M.S. President, Wesleyan Youth President, the Conference Secretary.

Orders of the Day—Conference President; the Advisory Board.

Religious Services—David A. Rees, ex-officio; Ivan V. Greenfield, Edwin E. Macumber, Emmett Farrell, Lottie Rudd, Rita Albright

In Charge of Music—Gerald Wright

Committee of Bible Study—Stanley Lawrence, Chairman; Adelbert Edwards, Norma Button, Bessie Gillmer.

Committee on Public Morals—Leon J. Jelliff, Chairman; Wesley B. Nussey, Bert Olinger.

Signed: I. Leslie Conley,
Gerald Wright,
Philip J. Birchall,
S. Bond Harlan,
David A. Rees.

Report No. 2

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Romans 12:11. "Let us not allow slackness to spoil our work and let us keep the fires of the spirit burning, as we do our work for God." (Phillips Translation.)

*Each forenoon and afternoon session will open as follows: Hymn, Roll Call, Devotions, Reading of Minutes. (Standing Rule No. 5)

Tuesday, June 26

- 2:00 p.m. Conference convenes.
- 2:30 p.m. Dr. F. R. Birch will address the Conference. Topic: "Un-ashamed God."
Conference business.
- 3:30 p.m. Report of Conference Pension Plan Treasurer.
Conference business.
- 7:20 p.m. Message by Rev. Royal S. Woodhead.

Wednesday, June 27

- 8:30 a.m. Session opens*
Conference business.
- 9:00 a.m. Conference President's Report.
- 10:15 a.m. Report of Conference Treasurer.
Conference business.
- 10:45 a.m. Adjourn for committee work.
- 1:30 p.m. Session opens*
Conference business.
- 2:00 p.m. Rev. Roger Bohall will speak.
- 2:15 p.m. Rev. T. W. Tysinger, President Houghton Academy.
- 2:40 p.m. Report of the Conference Wesleyan Youth.
- 3:00 p.m. Dr. F. R. Birch, Official Representative, will address the Conference.
Conference business.
- 7:30 p.m. The Annual Church Extension Service, under the direction of the Conference Missionary Board. Reports new work; thirty-minute film: Annual Offering for Church Extension.

Thursday, June 28

- 8:30 a.m. Session opens*
Conference business.
- 9:00 a.m. Election of Conference officers and committees. Conference business.
- 10:45 a.m. Adjourn for committee work.
- 1:30 p.m. Session opens*
Conference business.
- 2:00 p.m. Report of Tithing Secretary.
- 2:15 p.m. Report of Sunday Secretary.
Conference business.
- 2:45 p.m. Report of Board of Trustees.
- 3:15 p.m. Report of Camp Meeting Treasurer.
- 3:30 p.m. Report Childrens' Camp Treasurer.
Conference business.

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- 7:30 p.m. The Annual Public Missionary Service, under direction Conference W.M.S., Mrs. Myrtle Lawrence, President. Mrs. Elsie Doty will present prizes and banner to Y.M.W.B. Bands.
 Speaker, Miss Marie Evatt.
 Annual Missionary Offering.

Friday, June 29

- 8:30 a.m. Session opens*
 Conference business.
 9:00 a.m. Report Conference W.M.S. President, Mrs. Myrtle Lawrence
 9:15 a.m. Report Missionary Board.
 Conference business.
 10:00 a.m. Educational Hour
 10:30 a.m. Summary Statistical Report.
 10:45 a.m. Adjourn for committee work.
 1:30 p.m. Session opens*
 Conference business.
 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service. Honored Dead: Rev. Mrs. Bertha Ketch and Rev. David Anderson.
 Conference business.
 7:30 p.m. Ordination Service.

Saturday, June 30

- 8:30 a.m. Session opens* Complete Conference business.

Report No. 3

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES

We recommend that:

1. Rev. Gerald Wright lead or be responsible for the song services during the conference.
2. Devotions be led as follows: Wednesday a.m., Harold Chapman; Wednesday p.m., Rev. Charles Guernsey; Thursday a.m., Rev. Richard Sprowl; Thursday p.m., Rev. O. Glenn McKinley; Friday a.m., Gerald Jack; Friday p.m., Robert Wilmot; Saturday a.m., Rev. Arland Rees.
3. Dr. David A. Rees preach the Ordination Sermon Friday evening.
4. Dr. Claude A. Ries preach the opening sermon for the Conference of 1957, with Rev. S. Bond Harlan as alternate.
5. Rev. Stanley W. Wright be in charge of the Memorial Service at 2 p.m. Friday.
6. The Rev. Leon J. Jelliff lead the Love Feast Sunday morning at 9.

7. The Rev. Stanley W. Wright be in charge of the Communion Service Sunday morning at 9:30.

Signed: David A. Rees, Chairman ex-officio;
Ivan Greenfield,
Edwin Macumber,
Emmett Farrell,
Lottie Rudd,
Rita Albright.

Report No. 4

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Members of the Rochester Conference assembled for the 112th Annual Session: Christian greetings.

As we carefully survey the work of the Rochester Conference this past year, we are made to bow our heads and our hearts in humble thanks to God, remembering that what has been accomplished has only been possible through the grace and power of God. Surely He has been very gracious and patient with His servants as we have sought to know and do His will. When we read of the great sums of money and great efforts expended for secular causes and material gain, it makes us feel that our own efforts are indeed but feeble, though ours is the greatest cause of any age or people. This thought brings to mind some familiar but sobering words: "To serve the present age my calling to fulfill; O, may it all my powers engage to do the Master's will. Arm me with jealous care, as in Thy sight to live; And Oh, Thy servant, Lord, prepare a strict account to give."

One of the keys to accomplishment of this purpose, we each realize, is that of working together. We are reminded of some words we often sing: "Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares." As a Conference family we recognize this truth. Thank God for all those whose ready hands and hearts have made these things possible.

You are all familiar with the change made early in the year in the pastorate at Horseheads as Brother Birchall, who had served as pastor there so faithfully and efficiently since the opening of the church, felt the Lord leading him to continue his education and thus he accepted a call to a church at East Moriches, L. I. where he would have an opportunity to pursue his graduate work for his degree. Through much prayer, serious consideration and counsel we felt led to contact Harold Chapman concerning his taking the pastorate at Horseheads instead of Baldwinsville where he had planned to begin work in the fall. As he prayed and considered this change he felt clear in the Lord's will to accept the pas-

torate at Horseheads and consequently assumed the responsibility of the work there the first Sunday in September.

It was learned the latter part of August that the doctor had advised Rev. and Mrs. Paul Swauger to move into a warmer climate because of her ill health. We co-operated with them and the church in making arrangements for this change. Several times we met with the church, and worked with the Pulpit Supply Committee in an effort to secure a pastor. After prayer and consideration the church extended a call to Rev. Joseph B. McClintock to supply the remainder of the year, which he has done very satisfactorily.

Immediately following Conference last summer we began, as authorized by the Conference, negotiations and contacts, which became very numerous at time went on, for the construction of the Chapel in our new pioneer project at Baldwinsville. After careful planning and extended counsel with the Building Committee and the architect, it was felt that a one story structure, with full basement, chapel-type building should be erected. Mr. Emmett Brentlinger was secured and the work begun. The building was erected and closed in before cold weather came. The work ceased for a time during the winter months because of the severe weather and also since we did not have anyone available to assign there as pastor. However, this spring the Board of Trustees and Building Committee have been very active in planning for the completion of this work. The Board of Trustees authorized the construction of a parsonage, since rent is so high in that area; thus the contract has been let and the building is nearing completion. It is expected that both buildings will be completed about the close of camp or within a few days following. Services in community homes have been conducted regularly under the leadership of the Rev. J. E. McGraw and the pastors of the Lyncourt and Willett Memorial Churches. We wish to thank the Rev. Orville Lawrence, who helped in laying up the wall; Rev. Wesley B. Nussey and Mr. Howard L. Dietrich, members of the Building Committee, and the Presidents of the Wesleyan Youth and Woman's Missionary Society, for their financial support. Also we would like to express appreciation to all who have helped by way of volunteer labor. We have secured Mr. and Mrs. Jerard Aman, members of the Elmira Church and both graduates of Houghton College this year, to take the work at Baldwinsville, and Brother Aman will assume the responsibility as pastor there following Conference. Brethren, let us be much in prayer for these new fields of labor, especially until they become fully established.

Then we think of the many churches of our Conference where God has been blessing with increases in interest and attendance. Rome, with its fine, newly remodeled basement and Sunday school rooms; Blatchley, with a good addition nearing completion; and Flowers with its new basement in process of completion; the church at the Horn having been moved

down into the village of Morris and plans for a new basement with Sunday School rooms; Willett Memorial having completed an extensive program of remodeling which adds much to their church in beauty and increases their facilities; Canandaigua with a modern balcony and nursery completed; Waterloo with a new nursery; Lincoln Falls with its fine Sunday School addition and basement; Odessa with an addition under construction which will give needed Sunday school rooms; Sandy Creek with its fine addition of Sunday school rooms; Redfield with its construction program nearing completion; and Manlius Center just beginning a new addition, and others with building funds started and plans in the making for increased room and modern facilities. Especially would we call your attention to the unique plan and program of the Rochester Church under the capable leadership of their pastor. The church had reached a place in their steady growth where it was evident more room was essential. The Local Board of Trustees gave careful study, and the church made the matter very special subject of prayer; several business meetings were held—all with a wonderful spirit of frankness and understanding in an effort to seek and to know the will of God. Finally when the vote was taken it was evident there as a strong majority in favor of underwriting the construction of a new church and thus launch another new pioneer work near Spencerport where there are several families living who now attend the Rochester Church; this was done instead of building an educational building or otherwise increasing their present facilities. This is indeed very commendable and we believe a type of expansion program which God will very generously bless. Let us be much in prayer for them as they undertake this new project.

All of these advancements in church expansion are very encouraging indeed. However, we would at this point stress the importance of the statement recently made by Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr, Chairman of the Department of Theology at Princeton Seminary, made in his recent book when he said, "There can be only one ministry—evangelism. Evangelism is a divine imperative and the New Testament incentive must be the motivation for all our schemes and plans. Evangelism is not one of many jobs that the church has to do BUT the ONLY one that can possibly justify any other interests it may have." All material advances and progress MUST be only as means to an end—evangelism for Christ and souls. We, personally, are very much concerned and burdened for a vital surge of Holy Ghost evangelism throughout our Conference—this should and MUST engage our primary interest and prayer. Brethren, the fields are ripe and we MUST reap.

We believe the statistical reports will show good progress in all departments this year. Jesus said, "By their fruits ye shall know them." In that great day when we stand before Him, let it be true of us that we have been faithful to do our best.

While this year has brought about much which causes us to rejoice it has also brought some events of concern and sorrow. Some of our pastors have been afflicted physically—one of them rather seriously and it is not yet known what the future may hold for him; the others, with God's help, are on the road to recovery, for which we are deeply thankful; one of our pastor's wives suffered a serious illness but is now recovering for which we praise Him. The West Jasper parsonage burned Friday evening December 23rd with a complete loss of nearly everything. It is very encouraging how the people locally have rallied and plan to rebuild this summer, and the response of the churches of the Conference for Brother and Sister Rider is very heartening and appreciated. Recently, through the providence of God, two of our retired elders were called to their heavenly home: Rev. Mrs. Bertha Ketch and Rev. David Anderson. A memorial service for them will be held during this Conference. May the inspiration of their lives and accomplishments be a challenge to each of us to forge ahead for the Master.

Thanks to our Vice President, Brother Bence, for his counsel and help; to our faithful and co-operative Advisory Board; the Board of Trustees and Building Committee; our pastors and laymen who co-operated so well and greatly helped to shoulder these burdens. And our personal gratitude to each one who has helped in caring for the many details in correspondence, telephone service, circular letters, that the work of the Conference demands constantly; especially we would like to thank Mrs. Rees for her faithful service and help in the office. Above all we give thanks and praise to God for His help, guidance, and blessings. God bless you every one and as we enter another Conference year, may whatever task that is assigned to each of us be undertaken to its finish with a willing heart, knowing that our God honors His faithful servants with wisdom, grace, strength, and blessing from above.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Rees

STEWARDSHIP AND OFFICIAL ACTS

The following is an accounting of our stewardship and official acts for the Conference year.

As authorized by the Conference we began negotiations immediately following conference by way of contacts for plans, construction, and for finances associated with the new Pioneer Project at Baldwinsville; attended and participated in the Annual Wesleyan Youth Meeting; granted Authorization Papers to those who were eligible, and Annual Conference License to Conference preachers; with Brother Greenfield made somewhat of a survey concerning the possibility of a new work in Rome associated with the work being done by Brother James Vaceresse; July 28th granted

a letter of transfer to Rev. Willard Dekker to the Michigan Conference; in the early part of August made a trip to Williamsport together with Brother Paul Lawrence in the interest of the possibility of a new work there but especially to make contact with Brother Lynam Root and family who moved into Williamsport from the First Church in Waterloo, Iowa; attended the Annual Retreat held on the Camp Ground the week of August 14th; cooperated with the Horseheads Church and counseled with the Advisory Board concerning the change of pastors and on August 17th arranged for Rev. Harold Chapman to go there as pastor; cooperated with the Haskinville Church in the change of pastors there and approved their call of Rev. Joseph B. McClintock as a supply pastor for the remainder of the year; made a trip with the special committee to Erie, Pa. in the interests of the construction of the chapel at Baldwinsville; made a trip with the Building Committee to Wellsboro, Pa. in the interests of securing a more attractive location for their church there; attended the Houghton Area Wesleyan Youth Rally at Houghton, Sept. 4th; Promoted the Pioneer Week offering; helped to plan, attended and participated in six District Ministerial Meetings—three last fall and three this spring, and attended one District Wesleyan Youth Rally; spoke at two dedication services—Canandaigua August 14th, and Lincoln Falls May 27th; attended the Wesleyan Youth Executive Committee January 17th in Canandaigua; spoke at a Union Lenten service, Canandaigua, Feb. 29th; attended the gathering of the Conference Presidents of Houghton Area at Houghton March 21st and spoke in chapel on the occasion of this visit; the Building Committee made a trip to Morris, Pa. in the interest of moving the church from the Horn; granted a transfer to Paul Swauger to the S. Georgia Conference Nov. 23rd; received the deeds of the church at Pine Meadows and Flowers; attended the mid-winter meeting of the Camp Meeting Committee; attended the Leaders' Conference held in Central, S. C., April 17-19; attended both fall and spring work bees. Following a series of classes in preparation for church membership which we conducted at Horseheads in association with the pastor, organized the church there April 22nd with 40 members—23 full members, 4 associates and 13 Junior Members; attended the annual W. M. S. spring Convention; spoke at one graduation service; conducted two Conference funerals. During the year we carried on a heavy correspondence; prepared and mailed 7 circular letters including detailed information concerning Social Security; called four meetings of the Conference Board of Trustees—July 15th Chambers Camp Grounds; October 2nd Elmira, December 27th Elmira, and April 23rd in Syracuse and Baldwinsville; called six meetings of the Advisory Board, ten meetings of the Building and Location Committee besides many informal conferences and times of counseling with them; participated in 31 church business meetings including Quarterly Business Meetings; conducted more than 50 personal conferences and in addition more than 30 business con-

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ferences excluding committee meetings; made more than 75 visits to the churches in our Conference, and preached 123 times during the year, plus several devotional messages; conducted three revivals—Herrickville, Westfield, and Shady Grove; worked with the Churches and pastors when changes were being made; cooperated in securing the Rev. Richard Sprowl for the pastorate at Waterloo, and upon the acceptance of these official acts and his transfer from the Dakota Conference, he will become a member of this Conference.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That a special effort be made to capitalize on the present trend of our nation back to God and the Church as evidenced in various ways. To this end, we recommend that a special committee of three be elected who shall work with the Conference President in securing, and preparing material in the promotion of evangelism.

FINANCIAL REPORT

To the members of the Rochester Conference in account with David A. Rees:

Expenses:

Salary June 1, 1955 to May 31, 1956	\$2990.00	
Parsonage rent	600.00	
Utilities	231.11	
Gifts	77.62	
Total		\$3898.73
Miles traveled 12,227	\$ 733.02*	
Travel expense, and meals etc.	81.68**	
Office expense	15.69	
Telephone	6.57	
Secretarial help	200.00	
Promotional	22.23	
Total	\$1059.19	

* \$ 2.06 over paid by error.

** \$43.55 associated with Baldwinsville

Receipts:

Conference Budget	\$ 245.49
Pioneer Work	133.95
Promotion	27.00

Educational Budget	10.00
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Total	\$ 416.44
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Respectfully submitted,

David A. Rees

Report No. 5

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Conference minutes	\$ 156.25
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Extension fund	2,836.30
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Thanksgiving offering	793.93
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Budget:

Australia	204.04
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Orphanage	146.25
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Home Missions	128.16
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Foreign Missions	307.77
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Education	1,642.46
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Pension Plan	1,950.00
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Executive	647.50
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General Conference Expense	198.45
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General Sunday School Work	399.35
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Conference Budget	6,989.97
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Conference Sunday School Work	140.10
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Notes payable	16,500.00
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Notes receivable	466.11
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Interest received	12.00
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Hall-Canisteo annuity	240.00
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Ryder fund	507.99
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Mutual aid	780.44
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Miscellaneous	89.05
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Total receipts	\$35,136.12
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Cash in bank June 1, 1955	5,774.43
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\$40,910.55

Disbursements

Appropriations	\$ 970.00
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Budget:

Houghton College, education	1,312.33
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Pension Plan Treasurer	1,953.75
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Australia	196.69
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Home Missions	147.26
Orphanage	181.35
Foreign Missions	170.00
Executive	523.20
General Sunday School Work	300.80
Conference Sunday School Work	108.60
Mutual Aid Plan Treasurer	754.30
Hall-Canisteo Annuity	280.00
Interest on Loans	558.67
Trustee Travel Expense	82.98
Rev. D. A. Rees, Conference President, Salary	2,772.50
Rev. D. A. Rees, Conference President, Travel Ex- pense	929.92
Rev. P. Birchall, Secretary, Salary	75.00
Printing Conference Minutes	498.50
Miscellaneous Printing	388.06
Office Expense and Stationery	60.46
Miscellaneous	205.59
Payments on Loans	5,802.00
R. S. Nicholson, Sr., Travel Expense	115.85
Department of Home Missions—Memorial for Rev. J. R. Swauger	10.00
Film Rental	35.96
Leaders' Conference, F. R. Eddy, Treasurer	58.00
Rev. and Mrs. Roger Rider, Contribution, Fire	497.99
H. L. Dietrich, Treasurer's Salary, 6-1-54—5-31-56	150.00
Conference President's Parsonage Account:	
Mortgage Payments	240.00
Elmira Water Board	18.50
Gas and Electricity	212.61
Telephone	227.98
Taxes	5.52
Insurance	101.93
Repairs	57.06
Secretarial Help	150.00
Horseheads Church and Parsonage:	
Rev. H. Chapman, Salary	585.00
Mortgage Payments	429.00
Pump	100.00
Moving Expense	30.00
Baldwinsville Church and Parsonage:	
Lots	4,565.40
Building	8,308.03

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Total Disbursements	\$34,170.79
Cash in Bank, May 31, 1956	6,739.76

\$40,910.55

Howard L. Dietrich, Treasurer.

Report No. 6

CAMP MEETING TREASURER

May 31, 1955—May 31, 1956

Receipts

Balance on hand May 31, 1955	\$611.63
Gifts and Pledges	\$1653.30
Offerings	863.77
Board	1927.34
Fire Insurance	44.19
Accident Insurance	86.45
Electricity	50.05
Rent from Tents and Cots	16.75
Sale of provisions	85.50
Laundry	6.10
Telephone	30.12
Choir Books	12.05
Wire Supplies	3.00
Refund from Chambers Church	3.85
W.M.S. for Camp Provisions	31.50
Use of Camp by Children's Camp	75.00
Stanley Wright for paint	4.50
W.M.S. on New Blanket Room	50.00
Loan from Children's Camp	300.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$5,243.47

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BALANCE .. \$5,855.10

Disbursements

Athletic Equipment	\$28.58
Auditing	10.00
Banking Charges	12.49
Buyer	30.00
Cooking Gas	67.20
Choir Books	24.88
Deans and Athletic Director	75.00
Drugs	1.96

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Evangelists	625.87
Electricity	84.71
Freight	8.00
Kitchen Help	240.00
Labor	250.16
Mileage	50.66
Material	736.40
Mattresses	128.00
Oiling of Road	55.00
Provisions	1628.92
Piano Tuning	16.00
Postage	8.28
Pump	440.00
Printing	65.20
Petty Cash	5.00
Refund on Meal Tickets	28.49
Rent for Tents and Cots	59.00
Well Drilling	366.00
Soap and Paper Supplies	49.86
Fire Insurance	137.25
Secretarial Help	4.00
Bulldozing for Boys' Barracks	98.10
Transit Mix Inc.	123.93
Telephone	57.83
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$5,516.32
CASH ON HAND	\$ 338.78

ASSETS OF CHAMBERS CAMP

Camp Property	\$36,000.00
Unpaid '56 Pledges	399.00
Unpaid '55 Pledges	306.00
Unpaid '54 Pledges	227.00
Unpaid '53 Pledges	218.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$37,151.00
LIABILITIES OF CHAMBERS CAMP:	
Note to Children's Camp	\$300.00
Note to Children's Camp for Accident Ins.	99.75
Total Liabilities	\$399.75

Respectfully submitted,
Wesley B. Nussey, Treasurer

Report No. 7

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAMBERS CHILDREN'S CAMP

Receipts

Balance on Hand July 1, 1955	\$ 441.28
Registration, Refreshment Stand, Gifts	1018.99
Sale of Produce	10.44
	\$1470.71

Disbursements

Printing	\$ 19.43
Teaching Supplies	80.04
Kitchen and Stand Supplies	414.19
Evangelist	20.00
Travel	67.22
Camp Utilities	75.00
Labor	5.60
Loaned to Chambers Camp	399.75
Insurance	78.50
Banking Service	2.00
Total	\$1161.73

Balance on Hand June 26, 1956 308.98

James E. Bence, Treasurer

Report No. 8

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ELDER'S ORDERS—1956

1. Being acquainted with the gifts, grace, and usefulness of our brethren, Arland Rees and Richard Brown, we recommend that they be elected to Elder's Orders.

We further recommend:

2. That June Gerow, John Crandall, George Pattington, Bernard Draper, LaVerne Vorhees, Charles Messick and Roger Rider continue to study and travel under the direction of the Conference.

3. That Robert Wilmot, Edward Wheeler, and Gerald F. Wright, Jr., continue to study preparatory to travel under the direction of the Conference.

4. That Gerald Jack be received to study and travel under the direction of the Conference.

5. That Dallas Bown continue to pursue the course of study for

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Evangelistic Singers under the direction of the Conference.

6. Merlin Loomis and Ray Hazlett have been recommended to study preparatory to travel under the direction of the Conference. Since they have not appeared before this committee, we recommend that their recommendations be placed on file.

Stanley W. Wright, Chairman;
G. Clarke LaCelle,
Wesley B. Nussey,
Howard L. Dietrich,
Milton C. Rathbun,
C. Russell Bremer, Secretary.

Departmentalized System for Course of Study

Rev. Stanley W. Wright

Text Books

Wesleyan Methodist Discipline
Four Years of Bible—Sell
Rules of Order—Robert

Reading Books

Jesus is Coming—Blackstone
Revival Lectures—Finney
False Doctrines and Fanaticism Exposed—Shelhamer
Spurgeon's Addresses to Students
Psychology for Pastor and People—Bonnell
Pastoral Work—Blackwood

Rev. G. Clarke LaCelle

Text Books

Three Years of Theology—Ralston
Theological Compend—Binney
Foundations of Doctrine—Jessop
Principles of Teaching for Christian Teachers—Eavy

Reading Books

Wesley's Sermons—First and Second years
Half Century of Wesleyan Methodist Missions in W. Africa—Carter
Ministerial Ethics and Etiquette—Harmon
Bible Basis of Missions—Glover
Scriptural Freedom from Sin—Brockett

Rev. C. Russell Bremer

Text Books

Psychology and Life—Ruch
Perfect Love—Wood
Christian Evidence—Keyser
General Ethics—Keyser
Homiletics and Pastoral Theology

Reading Books

Plain Accounts of Christian Perfection
Helps to Holiness—Brengele
Our Concern is Children—Caldwell
Way to Pentecost—Chadwick

—Hogue
English (text to be selected)

Primer of Evangelism—Fairbairn

Rev. Wesley B. Nussey

Text Books

The Business Administration of a
Church—Cashman
All About the Sunday School—
Fant and French
History of the Christian Church
(two years)—Fisher
History of the Wesleyan Methodist
Church—McLeister and Nicholson
The Superlative Book—Elliott

Reading Books

Life of Christ—Stalker
The Higher Way—Elliott
Progress of World Wide Missions:
—Glover
The Home Beautiful—Miller
Heresies Exposed—Irvine

The Rev. G. Clarke LaCelle is the Conference Librarian.

Report No. 9

MISSIONARY BOARD REPORT

The Missionary Board met June 29, and made the following recommendations:

1. That we observe Pioneer Week, the date to be set by the Calendar Committee;

2. That, in order to assure the continuance of pioneer work, it is evident we must increase the giving for this work; therefore, we recommend and urge that all the churches of our Conference tithe the morning and evening church offering weekly for pioneer work.

Signed: David A. Rees,
Myrtle Lawrence,
Beverly F. Wilson,
O. Glenn McKinley,
Howard L. Dietrich,
Philip J. Birchall.

Report No. 10

MINISTERIAL BENEFIT PLAN TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Bank June 16, 1955	\$914.97
Receipts from Individuals and Churches	1121.59

\$2,036.56.

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Disbursements	\$585.18
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Total cash on hand May 31, 1956	\$1,451.38
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H. L. Deitrich, Treasurer

The above figures have been audited
and found to be correct.

Kathryn L. Kren, Bookkeeper

Report No. 11

REPORT OF TITHING SECRETARY

The subject of tithing is of vital importance to the church of Jesus Christ in general, and to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in particular. It is superior to "giving what we feel we can" for it is both systematic and proportional. Some may not feel as liberal as they ought.

Every member a tither would bring financial security to the Church and a spiritual uplift to the soul of every participant. The uncontainable blessing described in Malachi 3:10 is certainly something superior to material, for who could not find containers for more gold. God honors those who honor Him with refreshment to the soul and food for the body, but more than this He hears the prayer of the tither and saves the souls of loved ones and calls them into His service. Who can lose by taking God into partnership? Besides this a needy world stands with outstretched hands at our very door. Our leaders are hampered for lack of funds. Shall we not obey God and bring in our tithes as we have been commanded?

Your Tithing Secretary has kept contact by mail and through the columns of the Conference News with each pastor throughout the year. Tithing literature has been supplied to each pastor and a Sunday designated as Tithing Sunday.

The expense incurred for postage during the year has amounted to four dollars (\$4.00).

Respectfully submitted,
Royal S. Woodhead, Tithing Secretary

Report No. 12

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY
SILVER CUP STANDARD

The first cup goes to the Sunday School gaining the most in average attendance over it's previous year's average attendance. The second cup goes to the Sunday School having an average above fifty that gains the

most in percentage. The third cup goes to the Sunday School under fifty in average attendance that gains the most in percentage.

Each School shall have the privilege of omitting from its record of attendance the two Camp Meetings Sundays, and any two additional Sundays of the year. To be counted present one must be in attendance at least half of the Sunday School session.

Vacation Bible School occupies a large place in the work of many Sunday Schools. Any School that wishes to count its demonstration meeting attendance as if it were another Sunday may do so inasmuch as several Schools have their demonstration during a Sunday school session.

The Elkland Charge won a Cup for gaining the most numerically in average attendance for the year. The gain was 32. Chambers won a Cup for gaining the most in percentage of any School with an average attendance over 50. Herrickville won a Cup for gaining the most in percentage of any School with an average under 50.

I submit the following financial report:

Cash on hand June 1, 1955	\$40.09	
Received from Sunday School budget	\$40.09	
Total Receipts and Cash on Hand		\$238.29

Disbursements:

Paid to Baily Jewelers for two Silver Cups	\$9.20	
Paid to Post Office for 500 government cards	10.00	
Mileage to Providence, R.I. while there, and back, 1040 miles @ 6 cents per mile	62.40	
Registration at Sunday School Convention	2.00	
Meals for Sunday School Convention	8.00	
Program for Sunday School Convention	2.00	
Room for Sunday School Convention	3.00	
Total Disbursements		\$96.60

Cash on hand May 31, 1956	\$141.69
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Stanley Lawrence,
S. S. Secretary

BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

Charge	Members	Foreign Missions, \$2.00	Home Missions, \$1.25	Education, \$2.50	Australia, \$.25	Orphanage, \$.25	Executive Budget Fund, \$.60	Pension Fund, \$1.50	General Conference Expense \$.15	Conference Work, \$.35	Mutual Aid, \$.60	Total for Church	Sunday School Enrollment	Denominational Sunday School, \$.15	Conference Sunday School, \$.05	Total for Sunday School,	Grand Total
Armenia Mountain	8	\$16	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$4.80	\$12.00	\$1.20	\$42.80	\$4.80	\$115.60	65	\$9.75	\$3.25	\$13.00	\$115.60
Avon	23	46	28.75	57.50	5.75	5.75	13.80	34.50	3.45	123.05	13.80	332.35	65	43.35	13.00	43.35	345.35
Bath	3	6	3.75	7.50	.75	.75	1.80	4.50	.45	16.05	1.80	43.35	65	43.35	13.00	43.35	43.35
Bentley Creek	31	62	38.75	77.50	7.75	7.75	18.60	46.50	4.65	165.85	18.60	447.95	63	9.45	3.15	12.60	460.55
Berrytown	29	58	36.25	72.50	7.25	7.25	17.40	43.50	4.35	155.15	17.40	419.05	115	17.25	5.75	23.00	442.05
Boylston	23	46	28.75	57.50	5.75	5.75	13.80	34.50	3.45	123.05	13.80	332.35	104	15.60	5.20	20.80	353.15
Buena Vista	42	84	52.50	105.00	10.50	10.50	25.20	63.00	6.30	224.70	25.20	606.90	74	11.10	3.70	14.80	621.70
Canandaigua	63	126	78.75	157.50	15.75	15.75	37.80	94.50	9.45	337.05	37.80	910.35	166	24.90	8.30	33.20	943.55
Canisteo	74	148	92.50	185.00	18.50	18.50	44.40	111.00	11.10	395.90	44.40	1,069.30	235	35.25	11.75	47.00	1,116.30
Chambers	36	72	45.00	90.00	9.00	9.00	21.60	54.00	5.40	192.60	21.60	520.20	83	12.45	4.15	16.60	536.80
Corning	46	92	57.50	115.00	11.50	11.50	27.60	69.00	6.90	246.10	27.60	664.70	117	17.55	5.85	23.40	688.10
E. Randolph	12	24	15.00	30.00	3.00	3.00	7.20	18.00	1.80	64.20	7.20	173.40	84	12.60	4.20	16.80	190.20
Elkland	69	138	86.25	172.50	17.25	17.25	41.40	103.50	10.35	369.15	41.40	997.05	143	21.45	7.15	28.60	1,025.65
Elmira	86	172	107.50	215.00	21.50	21.50	51.60	129.00	12.90	460.10	51.60	1,242.70	306	45.90	15.30	61.20	1,303.90
Flyer	13	26	16.25	32.50	3.25	3.25	7.80	19.50	1.95	69.55	7.80	187.85	55	8.25	2.75	11.00	198.85
Haskinville	43	86	53.75	107.50	10.75	10.75	25.80	64.50	6.45	230.05	25.80	621.35	84	12.60	4.20	16.80	621.35
Herrickville	24	48	30.00	60.00	6.00	6.00	14.40	36.00	3.60	128.40	14.40	346.80	44	6.60	2.20	8.80	355.60
Horsesheds	23	46	28.75	57.50	5.75	5.75	13.80	34.50	3.45	123.05	13.80	209.30	131	19.65	6.55	26.20	228.95
Morris	15	30	18.75	37.50	3.75	3.75	9.00	22.50	2.25	80.25	9.00	216.75	44	6.60	2.20	8.80	225.55
Odessa	32	64	40.00	80.00	8.00	8.00	19.20	48.00	4.80	171.20	19.20	462.40	57	8.55	2.85	11.40	473.80
Onondaga Reservation	36	72	45.00	90.00	9.00	9.00	21.60	54.00	5.40	192.60	21.60	520.20	40	6.00	2.00	8.00	528.20
Pine Meadows	8	16	10.00	20.00	2.00	2.00	4.80	12.00	1.20	42.80	4.80	115.60	21	3.15	1.05	4.20	119.80
Redfield	20	40	25.00	50.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	30.00	3.00	107.00	12.00	289.00	50	7.50	2.50	10.00	299.00
Rochester	66	132	82.50	165.00	16.50	16.50	39.60	99.00	9.90	353.10	39.60	953.70	252	37.80	12.60	50.40	1,004.10
Rome	51	102	63.75	127.50	12.75	12.75	30.60	76.50	7.65	272.85	30.60	736.95	231	34.65	11.55	46.20	783.15
Sandy Creek	58	116	72.50	145.00	14.50	14.50	34.80	87.00	8.70	310.30	34.80	838.10	122	18.30	6.10	24.40	862.50
Shady Grove	23	46	28.75	57.50	5.75	5.75	13.80	34.50	3.45	123.05	13.80	332.35	80	12.00	4.00	16.00	348.35
Syracuse, Lyncourt	50	100	62.50	125.00	12.50	12.50	30.00	75.00	7.50	267.50	30.00	722.50	184	27.60	9.20	36.80	759.30
Syracuse, Willett Mem.	124	248	155.00	310.00	31.00	31.00	74.40	186.00	18.60	663.40	74.40	1,791.80	169	25.35	8.45	33.80	1,825.60
Taylor	17	34	21.25	42.50	4.25	4.25	10.20	25.50	2.55	90.95	10.20	245.65	57	8.55	2.85	11.40	257.05
Wallace	32	64	40.00	80.00	8.00	8.00	19.20	48.00	4.80	171.20	19.20	462.40	103	15.45	5.15	20.60	483.00
Waterloo	20	40	25.00	50.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	30.00	3.00	107.00	12.00	289.00	75	11.25	3.75	15.00	304.00
Wellsboro	20	40	25.00	50.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	30.00	3.00	107.00	12.00	289.00	60	9.00	3.00	12.00	301.00
Westfield	48	96	60.00	120.00	12.00	12.00	28.80	72.00	7.20	256.80	28.80	693.60	150	22.50	7.50	30.00	723.60
West Jasper	20	40	25.00	50.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	30.00	3.00	107.00	12.00	289.00	55	8.25	2.75	11.00	300.00
Totals	1288	\$2,576.60	\$1,610.00	\$3,220.00	\$322.00	\$322.00	\$772.80	\$1,932.00	\$193.20	\$6,767.75	\$772.80	\$18,488.55	3535	\$530.25	\$170.20	\$700.45	\$19,189.00

Report No. 13

BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

The Budget Apportionment is assigned on a per capita basis and is figured at the rate of \$14.60 per member, and is divided as follows: Foreign Missions, \$2.00; Home Missions, \$1.25; Education, \$2.50; Australia, \$.25; Orphanage, \$.25; Executive Budget Fund, \$.60; Superannuate Pension Plan, \$1.50; General Conference Expense, \$.15; Denominational Sunday School, \$.15; Conference Work, \$5.35; Mutual Aid Fund, \$.60; Conference Sunday School, \$.05.

The Sunday School Budget for the General Conference and the local Conference work is based on the total number of members enrolled in the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,
James E. Bence, Chairman
Harold Chapman
Henry Barnes

Report No. 14

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Annual Conference of 1956:

We have examined the financial reports of the Conference President, and the Conference Sunday School Secretary and find them to be correct.

We have received certificates that the books of the Treasurer of the Rochester Conference, The Camp meeting Treasurer of the Conference, Wesleyan Youth Treasurer, the Treasurer of the Children's Camp have been audited by competent bookkeepers and found to be correct.

We accept these certificates, and therefore believe said books to be correct and in good order.

Signed: Orville E. Lawrence
Laura Porter

Report No. 15

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS

We favor barring the advertising of liquor from television; we also favor barring the use of liquor on our military establishments in the United States of America. As a means to this end we endorse the work of the Rev. Roger Bohall, Executive Secretary of the New York State Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism, and his Committee in the

public schools of New York State.

Signed: Rev. Leon J. Jelliff, Chairman
Rev. Wesley B. Nussey
Mr. Bert Olinger

Report No. 16

REPORT ON THE PENSION PLAN COMMITTEE

To the Members of the Rochester Conference:

As of the end of this conference year there are 24 on the Pension Plan Roll. We are sorry to state that as of June 22, 1956, only eight are up-to-date on assessments through May 31, 1956.

The amount received to apply on assessments for the period from June 1, 1955 to May 31, 1956 was \$410.52. In as nearly a comparable period of time as we can estimate there was paid to superannuated members of the plan, or their families, \$1,238.88.

It would appear to this committee that all members of the plan in this conference should endeavor to be more diligent in the matter of assessments, lest by negligence their own future be put in jeopardy.

Two provisions of the Discipline as enacted by the 1955 General Conference should be noted by all concerned. They are as follows:

Paragraph 319, Item 7.—“Should a member fail to complete the payment of his quarterly assessments for the current year by the close of the conference fiscal year, he should be granted a grace period of six months before he forfeits his rights to benefits, but he may be reinstated by the approval of the Board and the payment or adjustment of all unpaid assessments with interest as determined by the Board of Managers.”

Paragraph 316, Item 4, Sub paragraph 5.—“All persons eligible for membership in the Pension Plan on June 1, 1955, must become members of the Plan within two years, and all who subsequently become eligible for membership must join within a two-year period from the time of their eligibility or forfeit their right to become members; however, the above restriction may be waived by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Administration.”

Respectfully submitted,
Wesley Nussey
Adelbert Edwards
Edward Willett

Report No. 17

REPORT OF BIBLE STUDY COMMITTEE

We recommend the Gospel of John be used for the Bible Study this

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year in connection with Standing Rule No. 30. We recommend that the Conference President prepare posters in advance to promote this study.

We recommend that preparatory classes be held in connection with reception of new members.

We urge upon our people the need of bringing their Bibles to all services.

We suggest that at the Sunday School Teacher's meetings, Bible Study be emphasized.

Signed: Rev. Stanley Lawrence
Rev. Adelbert Edwards
Mrs. Bessie Gillmer
Mrs. Norma Button

Report No. 13

REPORT OF EVANGELISTS

Evangelist	Time Employed (Months)	Revivals in Home Conf.	Revivals in Other Conf.	Revivals in Other Denom.	Other Services Held	Offerings and Salary	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Traveling Expenses	Total Net Receipts
Little, Harold C.	12	...	...	20	...	...	\$911	...	...
McClintock, Joseph B.	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
McKinley, O. Glenn	12	7	5	9	\$1,829	...	292	\$1,537	...
Voorhees, LaVerne C.	12	...	2	2	1,220	\$40	10	1,250	...
Totals	48	7	7	31	\$3,049	\$40	\$393	\$2,787	...

* Supply Pastor, Haskinsville, N. Y.

Report No. 19

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

We recommend that the following appointments be made for the Conference year 1956-57:

Armenia Mountain—Supplied by Mary Lyon

Avon—Charles L. Messick

Baldwinsville—Gerard Aman (This is under the supervision of the Conference President)

Bath—In the hands of the Conference President

Bentley Creek—William R. Woughter

Berrytown—William R. Woughter

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- Blatchley—Orville E. Lawrence
 Boylston—George Pattington
 Buena Vista—In the hands of the Conference President
 Canandaigua—Beverly F. Wilson
 Canisteo—C. Russell Bremer
 Chambers—Robert Wilhelm
 Corning, Riverside—Gerald F. Wright
 Elkland Charge—Richard Brown
 Elmira—I. Leslie Conley
 Flowers—Orville E. Lawrence
 Fyler—S. Bond Harlan
 Groton—In the hands of the Conference President
 Haskinville—Gerald Jack
 Herrickville—Harold Little
 Horseheads—Harold Chapman
 Morris—Paul S. Lawrence
 Odessa—C. B. Newberry
 Onondaga Reservation—In the hands of the Conference President
 Pine Meadows—Adelbert Edwards
 Redfield—John W. Crandall
 Rochester—James E. Bence
 Rome—Ivan V. Greenfield
 Sandy Creek—Bernard Draper
 Shady Grove—Supplied by Arland Rees
 Syracuse, Lyncourt—Wesley B. Nussey
 Syracuse, Willett Memorial—Royal S. Woodhead
 Taylor—G. Clark LaCelle
 Wallace—Edwin E. Macumber
 Waterloo—Richard Sprowl
 Wellsboro—Paul S. Lawrence
 Westfield—Stanley Lawrence
 West Jasper—Roger Rider
 Conference President—David A. Rees
 General Evangelist—O. Glenn McKinley
 Conference Evangelists—Joseph B. McClintock, Hugh Newcomb, Ar-
 land Rees
 Professor in Houghton College—Claude A. Ries
 Youth and Child Evangelism—Rita Albright, Grace Russell
 Missionary to Puerto Rico—Robert Crosby
 Missionary in Haiti—John Edling, M.D.
 Pierrepont Manor Union Church—Chester Osgood
 Superannuated List—Alexander J. McKenzie, George Sprague, Carrie
 Warburton, Clara McLeister, Stanley W. Wright, Charles H. Guernsey,
 Leon J. Jelliff.

Unstatedion Elders—Bertrand Rudd, Leonard Hayes, Harley S. Hill, George Crook, Herbert Moore.

Reserve Elder—Mary Crandall

Working at Brainerd Indian School —June Gerow

Working with Wycliffe Translators of Norman, Okla.—J. Wesley Swauger

Manlius Center Church—(Associate member of the Conference) Supplied by Rev. Joseph Byars

Willard Dekker—Transferred to the Michigan Conference.

Paul Swauger—Transferred to the South George Conference.

Birchall, Philip J.—Supplying church at E. Moriches, L. I.

Nussey, J. Burton—Supplying church at Cocksackie, N. Y.

Recommendations

We recommend:

1. We recommend that the following appropriations be made: Hugh C. Newcomb, \$35 per month to be continued at the discretion of the Advisory Board; Morris Church, \$200; Mrs. A. J. Shea from old Superannuated Minister's Fund, \$100; Mrs. Exa Rathbun from old Superannuated Minister's Fund, \$50.

2. We recommend that the Woman's Missionary Society and Wesleyan Youth be asked to pay for the printing of the number of pages in their portion of the Conference Minutes.

3. We recommend the continuation of a Co-ordination Committee for the Conference work consisting of the Conference President, President of the Woman's Missionary Society, President of the Wesleyan Youth, Chairman of the Camp Meeting Committee, and the members of the Local Board of Trustees.

4. Whereas the benefits from the Pension Plan, though fine and much appreciated, are inadequate for retirement; therefore, be it resolved that we urge our ministers to secure Social Security coverage, and be it further resolved that if and when a pastor becomes a member of this Social Security plan, we request the churches to assume responsibility for at least ½ of his Social Security payments.

5. Whereas it is the general accepted practice for most employees of various organizations to be required to participate in Social Security and/or some retirement plan, therefore we recommend that each minister who accepts work at the hands of the Rochester Conference be required to become a member of either the Pension Plan or be covered by Social Security.

6. We recommend that Paul Lawrence be Director of Child Evangelism.

7. We recommend that the Nominating Committee elected by the Conference nominate all committee members for the conference session

and also present, on the morning of the election of officers, a list of nominations of personnel for all offices and committees other than those elected by ballot or by nomination.

8. We recommend that the Conference President be an ex-officio member of the Budget Committee and that all matters concerning finance other than appropriations and recommendations be referred to the Budget Committee.

9. We recommend that the pastor's regular Quarterly Conference Report which he mails to the Conference President be used as the quarterly report to the local church with the exception of the budget section.

SECTION I

That a full time president be employed by the Conference, whose duties shall be in accordance with those set forth in the Discipline, paragraphs 147-150.

1. He shall travel the Conference systematically and conduct at least one quarterly meeting on each charge during the conference year.

2. He shall present and promote the interests of the Conference work on all occasions as far as possible.

3. He shall be required to study and survey possible fields for new work and report semi-annually to the Conference Missionary Board, who shall have the power to authorize further investigation and institute a definite plan of action.

4. It is deemed advisable that the Conference President shall visit and counsel with each pastor as need may arise, and as his schedule will permit.

5. He shall enforce the provision of the Discipline and uphold the standards of the church as need may require.

6. He shall seek to co-ordinate the evangelizing efforts of the various churches of the Conference by suggesting to pastors a suited arrangement of meetings and by counseling with reference to evangelists.

7. His Conference evangelistic dates shall be established by the President and his Advisory Board.

8. He shall take off one day a week.

SECTION II

That for the year 1956-57 the expenditures for the Conference administrative work be approximately \$4,500.00, made up as follows:

1. The salary shall be at the rate of \$60.00 per week for 52 weeks.

2. The Conference President shall be allowed travel expense at the rate of 6¢ per mile and miscellaneous expenses.

3. The Conference is to assume the expenses of the parsonage utilities.

4. The Conference President is to be permitted to take two meetings per year outside the bounds of the Conference.
5. That he shall be given \$200.00 for secretarial help.

SECTION III

That to finance the above program the following be adopted:

1. The Conference budget shall be \$5.35 per member, part of which shall care for the administrative expenses.
2. Should there be a deficit in the administrative funds, the Treasurer be authorized to borrow from the present extension fund.
3. The expense incurred by the Conference President and the Missionary Board in Conference extension shall be paid from the Extension Fund.
4. When the Conference President shall hold revival meetings within the bounds of the Conference, \$60.00 per week shall apply on budget. Any balance above this amount shall be a love-offering to the President.

David A. Rees, Chairman;
I. Leslie Conley,
Beverly F. Wilson,
William R. Woughter,
Harold Stewart,
Vurla L. Kelley,
Darl T. Streib.

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STATISTICAL REPORT

Charge	Item I Pastor's Labors					Item II. Periodicals												
	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	Organized Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Wesleyan Missionarys taken	Wesleyan Youths taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Adult Teacher's Quarterly	Intermediate Teacher's Qu.	Junior-Primary Teacher's Qu.	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Lesson Leaflet
Armenia Mountain	12	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Avon	12	1	1	4	12	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Blatchley	12	1	1	4	13	2	8	8	..	2	..	1	8	..	8	..	..	..
Flowers	12	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bath	12	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bentley Creek	12	1	1	10	10	8	30	..	..	6	..	..	30	12	12	..	..	..
Berrytown	12	1	1	10	16	8	25	22	..	5	..	..	30	15	20	..	10	2
Boylston	12	1	1	9	7	..	25	20	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Buena Vista	12	1	1	20	15	6	42	20	..	2	..	4	16	..	..	..	10	..
Canandaigua	12	1	1	31	14	2	35	12	40	2	..	..	25	..	..	..	8	6
Canisteo	12	1	1	63	33	14	100	70	30	6	2	2	50	35	25	30	..	15
Chambers	12	1	1	18	8	2	30	15	30	3	..	4	50	18	..	..	..	10
Corning, Riverside	12	1	1	16	21	6	60	30	12	40	..	6	42	..	16	20	10	10
Elkland Circuit	12	4	6	20	10	1	38	..	5	15	..	..	48	25	17	1	10	10
Elmira	12	1	1	56	42	25	95	20	..	6	..	..	95	..	..	16	20	..
Fyler	12	1	1	6	16	3	30	3	..	4	1	..	18	5	5	..	..	10
Haskinville	12	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Herrickville	12	1	1	11	12	..	14	10	10	4	4	4	20	10	6	10	4	..
Horseheads	12	1	1	20	12	6	30	20	..	2	1	3	35	..	35	..	..	20
Morris	12	1	1	8	8	..	14	12	..	4	..	..	12	..	9	4	..	3
Odessa	12	1	1	20	12	2	15	10	20	4	2	2	25	10	..	15	..	10
Onondaga Reservation	12	1	1	1	1	1	20	16	12	2	..	..	5	5	12	1	..	8
Pine Meadows	12	1	1	4	7	..	5	5	3	1	..	1	7	..	5	..	..	3
Redfield	12	1	1	10	6	7	18	20	15	2	1	3	6	16	15	12	..	..
Rochester	12	1	1	35	33	10	120	40	..	4	..	..	20	..	..	..	8	5
Rome	12	1	1	15	20	28	15	..	35	6	3	2	70	24	30	..	5	6
Sandy Creek	12	1	1	38	1	13	60	10	..	10	..	..	70	..	..	..	..	10
Shady Grove	12	1	1	13	12	12	30	20	30	5	1	2	25	18	12	15	5	..
Syracuse, Lyncourt	12	1	1	34	29	16	30	..	12	2	..	..	10	..	..	..	20	..
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	12	1	1	73	50	26	80	20	10	50	25	3	25	10	15	15	15	20
Taylor	12	1	1	14	12	..	20	4	..	4	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	4
Wallace	12	1	1	15	..	13	48	15	18	10	12	15	45	12	15	12	6	..
Waterloo	12	1	1	22	15	5	20	..	..	3	3	1	18	15	10	..	3	..
Wellsboro	12	1	1	10	3	..	20	10	10	29	..	..	..	..	10	10	..	10
Westfield	12	1	1	33	34	24	60	20	20	4	1	3	55	18	20	20	..	10
West Jasper	12	1	1	10	7	1	18	10	18	..	9	20	..	15	..	..	..	10
Totals	408	38	40	653	491	244	1155	462	322	257	56	60	896	230	342	165	134	213

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Item III. Membership

Charge	Full Membership Reported Last Year	Full Members Received This Year	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Members Lost	Present Full Membership	Associate Members	Junior Members	Total Present Membership	Total Membership Reported Last Year	Gain in Members for Year	Loss in Members for Year	Baptized	Infants Dedicated	Local Preachers	Unstated Elders	No. of Family Altars	Membership Tithing	No. Card Call Subscribers
Armenia Mountain	8				1			7			7	8							7	19	3
Avon	26				1	2	3	23			23	26									
Blatchley	10	2						12			12	10	2		26		1		4	7	3
Flowers															10						
Bath	5						2	3			33	5		2					8	20	
Bentley Creek	31							31	2	1	34	32	2						6	20	2
Berrytown	33			4			4	29	9	1	39	39							8	18	
Boylston	23	1				1	1	23			23	23									
Buena Vista	44	2			1	3	4	42	2		44	46		2							
Canandaigua	62	7			2	4	6	63	6		69	79		10	15				8	20	
Canistota	74	6			3	1	6	74	14	8	96	86	10		5	4					
Chambers	36							36			36	36							4	8	3
Corning, Riverside	46	3			1	2	3	46	10		56	46	10		5		1	1			
Elkland	79	1			8	3	11	69	3		72	82		10				10	15	2	
Elmira	97	5		10	1	5	16	86	3	5	94	110		16	10			25	55	2	
Fyler	16			3			3	13			13	16		3	1			6	6	3	
Haskinville	43							43	4		47	47							7	17	
Herrickville	19	6				1	1	24	5	2	31	25		6				1	6	16	2
Horseheads		23						23	4	13	40		40		17				4	10	2
Morris	13	3				1	1	15	1		16	14		2					4	10	2
Odessa	34	4	3	1			2	32	1		33	35		2		3			19	2	
Onondaga Reservation	36							36	4		40	40			4				12	5	1
Pine Meadows	7	1						8	3		11	10	1			1			4	6	1
Redfield	20	1				1	1	20	1		21	21						1	8	5	
Rochester	67	1				2	2	66	6		72	74		2	12		3		41	4	
Rome	48	4				1	1	51	38		89	88		1	15	5	2		15	10	
Sandy Creek	57	1						58	14		72	57	15		5	1			12	20	
Shady Grove	25					2	2	23			23	28		5	14				4	11	
Syracuse, Lyncourt	57	2		5	1	3	9	50	11	6	67	67		5					1	5	30
Syracuse, Willett Mem.	126	7		3	2	4	9	124	13	10	147	145	2		4		3		30	73	25
Taylor	19	1		3				17	6		23	24			1				6	10	2
Wallace	39				2	5	7	32	12		44	51		7					19	28	12
Waterloo	21				1		1	20	5		25	26			1	2			3	10	
Wellsboro	20	1				1	1	20			20	20			1		2		20	35	9
Westfield	53				2	3	5	48	5		53	59		6	6				6	8	1
West Jasper	20	2				2	2	20	5		25	25									
Totals	1314	84	31	31	26	49	108	1289	187	46	1523	1500	23	71	145	36	18	7	247	1532	112

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Charge	Item IV. Sunday Schools																		Wes. Youth	
	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. Officers, Teachers	Whole No. of Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	No. in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars Converted	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. of Departmental Supts.	Teacher's Training Course	No. of Organized Classes	No. of Books in Library	Enrollment in V.B.S.	Average Attendance V.B.S.	No. of W. Y. Societies	Total Membership of Societies		
Armenia Mountain	1																			
Avon	1	15	50	65			65	40	4											
Blatchley	1	5	35	40		15	55	39		1			8	75			1	19		
Flowers	1	4	15	19		10	29	16							50	37				
Bath															45	35				
Bentley Creek	1	8	43	51		12	63	47				2	6		142		1	10		
Berrytown	1	9	69	78	11	26	115	72					7	80	142		1	26		
Boylston	1	9	58	67	10	27	104	48				2	7	50	43	40	1	3		
Buena Vista	1	19	55	74			74	73			1		8				1	14		
Canandaigua	1	18	132	150	8	8	166	127	31	7	2		11		120	103	1	17		
Canisteo	1	20	145	165	25	45	235	152	8	6	2		12	50	75	63	1	14		
Chambers	1	9	61	70		13	83	65						90			1	20		
Corning, Riverside	1	26	74	100	10	7	117	85	10	3	2		8	90			1	12		
Elkland	4	45	92	137	4	2	143	112			2				150		1	21		
Elmira	1	23	260	283	13	10	306	211	15	5	2		3	133			1	14		
Fyler	1	9	37	46		9	55	41					6				1	18		
Haskinville	1																			
Herrickville	1	12	18	30	4	10	44	26	1	8	2			70	14	11				
Horseheads	1	10	113	123		8	131	80	15	38	1		8		135	94	1	20		
Morris	1	4	40	44			44	34	1	2					16	14				
Odessa	1	17	34	51		6	57	43			3		3							
Onondaga Reservation	1	8	22	30		10	40	30						100						
Pine Meadows	1	5	16	21			21	14	2	1					32	22				
Redfield	1	9	27	36		14	50	41	2						76	71	1	10		
Rochester	1	17	210	227	8	17	252	170	3	6	4			3	300		1	35		
Rome	1	33	161	194	5	32	231	111	8	20	3		11	120			1	24		
Sandy Creek	1	15	97	112		10	122	95	5	9	6	12	8	100			1	32		
Shady Grove	1	10	49	59	5	16	80	59			4		6	116	72	53	1	17		
Syracuse, Lyncourt	1	16	150	166	12	6	184	111	6	6	4		11		50	35				
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	1	13	122	135	18	16	169	109	10	10	3		3	185	96	77	1	10		
Taylor	1	9	23	32	4	21	57	38						35						
Wallace	1	16	66	82	5	16	103	66			3		8	27			1	11		
Waterloo	1	8	55	63	3	9	75	55			2		4							
Wellsboro	1	7	40	47		13	60	37						20	30	20	1	7		
Westfield	1	10	100	110		40	150	126	4		3		4							
West Jasper	1	12	39	51		4	55	38					2	100	130	114	2	32		
Totals	38	450	2508	2958	145	432	3535	2411	125	122	57	12	149	1771	1418	789	22	372		

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Item V. Church Property

Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Armenia Mountain	1	\$3,500			1	\$400			\$30
Avon	1	13,000		\$4,200					50
Blatchley	1	4,500			1	2,500		\$2,000	
Flowers	1	2,500							
Rath									450
Bentley Creek	1	10,000		9,000					
Berrytown	1	15,000		10,000	1	9,000	\$650	6,000	15
Boylston	1	2,500		2,000	1	2,500		2,000	
Buena Vista	1	2,000		1,200	1	1,800		900	1,481
Canandaigua	1	27,000	\$3,000	2,200	1	6,000		5,700	4,150
Canisteo	1	18,000		15,000	1	8,000		4,500	1,470
Chambers	1	12,000	1,500	10,000	1	8,000		2,500	108
Corning, Riverside	1	17,000		16,000	1	10,000		4,000	949
Elkland	4	36,000	3,000	18,000	1	8,000		5,000	200
Elmira	2	30,000	3,575	25,200	1	8,000	1,787	6,600	647
Fyler									522
Haskinville	1	8,000		5,000	1	4,000		2,500	
Herrickville	1	5,000		7,200	1	2,800		2,500	94
Horseheads	1	40,000			1	12,000			401
Morris	1	3,000		4,000	1	3,000	3,774	4,000	844
Odessa	1	18,000		16,000	1	6,000		6,000	829
Onondaga Reservation	1	8,000		6,000	1	8,000		6,000	
Pine Meadows	1	2,000							145
Redfield	1	6,000		2,000	1	3,000		3,000	47
Rochester	1	50,000	3,000	42,000	1	14,000		11,000	1,500
Rome	1	6,000	2,400	7,000	1	2,000			547
Sandy Creek	1	43,000	5,419	25,000	1	5,000		4,000	238
Shady Grove	1	15,000		4,000	1	10,000		4,500	986
Syracuse, Lyncourt	1	20,000		12,000	1	17,000	1,200	10,000	530
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	2	77,000	34,447	71,000	1	20,000		10,000	1,756
Taylor	1	5,000	49	3,000	1	2,500		2,500	8
Wallace	1	6,000		6,000	1	3,200	690	5,000	35
Waterloo	1	34,000	19,768	32,050	1	8,000			356
Wellshoro	1	3,000		3,000					420
Westfield	1	30,000	3,775	13,000	1	8,000		5,000	
West Jasper	1	6,000		4,000			50		2,212
Totals		391\$578,000	\$80,083	\$399,350	28	\$192,700	\$8,151	\$115,200	\$21,020

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Item VI. Disbursed for Pastor

Charge	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Utilities, Car and Other Church Expenses	Total Pastor's Receipts
Armenia Mountain	\$120	.....	.....	\$33	.....	\$153
Avon	2,080	.....	.....	50	\$510	2,640
Blatchley	852	\$180	\$40	75	.....	1,147
Flowers	183	.....	.....	15	.....	198
Bath	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bentley Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berrytown	1,880	.....	10	75	86	2,051
Boylston	1,300	150	35	385	420	2,290
Buena Vista	1,275	180	44	205	.....	1,704
Canandaigua	2,080	120	30	200	.....	2,430
Canisteo	2,860	500	30	71	670	4,131
Chambers	3,640	480	105	105	200	4,530
Corning, Riverside	1,690	180	40	35	.....	1,945
Elkland	2,860	250	75	255	299	3,739
Elmira	2,400	300	55	100	.....	2,855
Fyler	2,600	480	121	50	780	4,031
Haskinville	2,080	.....	40	38	.....	2,158
Herrickville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Horseheads	1,025	120	104	301	.....	1,550
Morris	1,170	600	17	93	25	1,905
Odessa	780	.....	10	110	60	960
Onondaga Reservation	1,601	180	42	141	.....	1,964
Pine Meadows	2,484	200	5	1,721	.....	4,410
Redfield	341	.....	.....	130	.....	471
Rochester	364	240	81	110	615	1,410
Rome	3,640	480	166	317	650	5,253
Sandy Creek	3,120	300	100	75	.....	3,595
Shady Grove	3,250	420	65	120	.....	3,855
Syracuse, Lyncourt	1,209	480	23	268	.....	1,980
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	2,968	600	50	270	.....	3,888
Taylor	3,270	360	140	82	1,040	4,892
Wallace	1,030	180	35	110	.....	1,355
Waterloo	2,298	180	.....	173	416	3,067
Willsboro	1,820	600	15	62	221	2,718
Westfield	746	240	10	90	100	1,186
West Jasper	3,120	120	83	468		3,791
Totals	1,250	68		1,275		2,593
	\$63,386	\$8,188	\$1,571	\$7,608	\$6,092	\$86,845

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Item VII. Disbursed for Church

Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Amount Paid on Expense of Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Armenia Mountain	\$31	\$77					\$68	\$176
Avon		515	\$1,150	\$90			664	2,419
Blatchley	32	104	842				100	1,078
Flowers	36	25	700				40	801
Bath								
Bentley Creek		219					503	722
Berrytown	100	233		1,166	\$200		282	1,981
Boylston	125	201		313			65	524
Buena Vista	181	507					545	1,233
Canandaigua	127	757	657	693	1,000	200	1,351	4,785
Canisteo	397	952		103			1,094	2,546
Chambers	36	202			300	28	772	1,338
Corning, Riverside	350	503		616			1,085	2,554
Elkland	105	140	5,068	1,150				6,463
Elmira	438	2,633	1,609	104	1,460		2,098	8,342
Fyler	205	293		15			236	749
Haskinville		97					150	269
Herrickville	22						783	3,628
Horseheads	177	504	536	44	1,584		124	3,644
Morris	57	120	3,141		202		486	3,400
Odessa	40	243	2,057	574			300	600
Onondaga Reservation	100	100		100			29	214
Pine Meadows	110	50	25				602	4,040
Redfield	30	121	732		2,500	55	2,457	7,475
Rochester	260	612	40	56	4,050		8	7,175
Rome	175	869	4,725	137	100			3,376
Sandy Creek	417	534	593	250	1,195	387	5	867
Shady Grove	42	413		128	100		96	2,009
Syracuse, Lyncourt	245	1,203			1,500		4,455	35,192
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	213	550		27,738	1,214	1,023	118	533
Taylor		173		70	172			1,302
Wallace	183	549			570		462	2,695
Waterloo	152	924	97	218	500	342	149	801
Wellsboro	150	140		40	322		560	2,386
Westfield	111	500		180	925	110	153	625
West Jasper	13	144			300			
Totals	\$4,660	\$15,207	\$21,972	\$33,605	\$18,194	\$2,269	\$23,080	\$118,987

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Budget						
Charge	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised
Armenia Mountain	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$16.00	\$46.50	\$10.00	\$10.00
Avon	6.50	6.50	52.00	78.75	32.50	43.75
Blatchley	2.50	2.50	20.00	136.19	12.50	36.10
Flowers						
Bath	1.25	1.25	10.00	93.24	6.25	20.25
Bentley Creek	7.75	7.75	62.00	70.27	38.75	55.98
Berrytown	8.25	8.25	66.00	66.00	41.25	46.69
Boylston	5.75	5.75	46.00	46.00	28.75	32.75
Buena Vista	11.00	11.00	88.00	175.73	55.00	97.24
Canandaigua	15.50	15.50	124.00	216.59	77.50	154.72
Canisteo	18.50	18.50	148.00	285.60	92.50	92.79
Chambers	9.00	9.00	72.00	75.00	45.00	45.00
Corning, Riverside	11.50	11.50	92.00	461.17	57.50	105.17
Elkland	19.75	19.75	158.00	125.10	98.75	101.75
Elmira	24.25	70.65	194.00	1,154.22	121.25	313.50
Fyler	4.00	5.00	32.00	192.48	20.00	106.21
Haskinville	10.75	10.75	86.00	235.69	53.75	64.25
Herrickville	4.75	4.75	38.00	38.75	23.75	24.50
Horseheads				57.23		57.77
Morris	3.25	3.25	26.00	26.00	16.25	22.57
Odessa	8.50	8.50	68.00	717.22	42.50	42.50
Onondaga Reservation	9.00	9.00	72.00	35.25	45.00	32.25
Pine Meadows	1.75	2.39	14.00	28.50	8.75	12.25
Redfield	5.00	5.00	40.00	50.95	25.00	25.25
Rochester	16.75	16.75	134.00	363.49	83.75	139.39
Rome	12.00	12.00	96.00	165.44	60.00	95.20
Sandy Creek	14.25	14.25	114.00	275.27	71.25	71.25
Shady Grove	6.25	6.25	50.00	180.79	31.25	41.53
Syracuse, Lyncourt	14.25	14.25	114.00	309.79	71.25	162.60
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	31.50	31.50	252.00	275.24	157.50	245.04
Taylor	4.75	4.75	38.00	75.25	23.75	31.75
Wallace	9.75	10.25	78.00	249.66	48.75	134.25
Waterloo	5.25	5.25	42.00	72.50	26.25	34.00
Wellsboro	5.00	5.00	40.00	40.00	25.00	26.24
Westfield	13.25	13.25	106.00	237.71	66.25	91.53
West Jasper	5.00	5.00	40.00	40.00	25.00	25.00
Totals	\$328.50	\$366.79	\$2,628.00	\$6,697.07	\$1,642.50	\$2,641.02

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Budget—Continued

Charge	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Pension Plan Assigned	Pension Plan Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised
Armenia Mountain	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$2.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$4.00
Avon	65.00	65.00	39.00	39.00	6.50	6.50	13.00	13.00
Blatchley	25.00	26.85	15.00	15.00	2.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flowers								
Bath	12.50	23.72	7.50	7.50	1.25	1.25	2.50	2.50
Bentley Creek	77.50	77.50	46.50	46.50	7.75	7.75	15.50	15.50
Berrytown	82.50	82.50	49.50	49.50	8.25	8.25	16.50	16.50
Boylston	57.50	57.50	34.50	34.50	5.75	5.75	11.50	11.50
Buena Vista	110.00	192.50	66.00	66.00	11.00	11.00	22.00	22.00
Canandaigua	155.00	155.00	93.00	93.00	15.50	24.98	31.00	31.00
Canisio	185.00	185.64	111.00	111.00	18.50	31.52	37.00	37.00
Chambers	90.00	90.00	54.00	54.00	9.00	9.00	18.00	18.00
Conning, Riverside	115.00	119.26	69.00	69.00	11.50	11.50	23.00	23.00
Elkland	197.50	197.50	118.50	118.50	19.75	22.65	39.50	39.50
Elmira	242.50	304.37	145.50	145.50	24.25	66.13	48.50	48.50
Fyler	40.00	73.50	24.00	24.00	4.00	5.00	8.00	8.00
Haskinville	107.50	156.42	64.50	64.50	10.75	10.75	21.50	21.50
Herrickville	47.50	47.52	28.50	28.50	4.75	5.00	9.50	
Horseheads		12.50				5.00		
Morris	32.50	32.50	19.50	19.50	3.25	3.25	6.50	6.50
Odessa	85.00	88.25	51.00	51.00	8.50	8.50	17.00	17.00
Onondaga Reservation	90.00	23.00	54.00	33.00	9.00	9.00	18.00	18.00
Pine Meadows	17.50	19.05	10.50	10.50	1.75	2.00	3.50	3.50
Redfield	50.00	50.00	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00
Rochester	167.50	167.50	100.50	100.50	16.75	16.75	33.50	33.50
Rome	120.00	122.02	72.00	72.00	12.00	12.00	24.00	24.00
Sandy Creek	142.50	142.50	85.50	85.50	14.25	14.25	28.50	28.50
Shady Grove	62.50	62.50	37.50	37.50	6.25	6.25	12.50	12.50
Syracuse, Lyncourt	142.50	143.28	85.50	85.50	14.25	14.25	28.50	28.50
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	315.00	315.00	189.00	189.00	31.50	31.50	63.00	63.00
Taylor	47.50	47.50	28.50	28.50	4.75	5.00	9.50	9.50
Wallace	97.50	99.03	58.50	58.50	9.75	9.50	19.50	19.50
Waterloo	52.50	59.50	31.50	31.50	5.25	5.25	10.50	10.50
Wellsboro	50.00	50.00	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00
Westfield	132.50	132.50	79.50	79.50	13.25	13.25	26.50	26.50
West Jasper	50.00	50.00	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00
Totals	\$3,285.00	\$3,491.41	\$1,971.00	\$1,950.00	\$328.50	\$493.28	\$657.00	\$647.50

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Budget—Continued

Charge	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Assigned	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Raised	General Sunday School Work Assigned	General Sunday School Work Raised	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised
Armenia Mountain	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$1.80	\$1.80	\$42.80	\$42.80
Avon	3.90	3.90	8.30	8.30	139.10	139.10
Blatchley	1.50	1.50	11.30	11.30	53.50	53.50
Flowers						
Bath	.75	.75			26.75	26.75
Bentley Creek	4.65	4.65	6.60	6.60	165.85	165.85
Berrytown	4.95	4.95	10.60	15.90	176.55	176.55
Boylston	3.45	3.45	7.30	10.95	123.05	123.05
Buena Vista	6.60	6.60	8.80	8.80	235.40	235.40
Canandaigua	9.30	9.30	17.60	17.60	331.70	331.70
Canisteo	11.10	11.10	27.00	27.00	395.90	395.90
Chambers	5.40	5.40	6.30	6.30	192.60	201.10
Corning, Riverside	6.90	6.90	14.20	14.20	246.10	246.10
Elkland	11.85	11.85	10.90	10.90	422.65	422.65
Elmira	14.55	14.55	29.20	29.20	518.95	518.95
Fyler	2.40	2.40	6.70	6.70	85.60	85.60
Haskinville	6.45	6.45	8.30	8.30	230.05	230.05
Herrickville	2.85	2.85	3.40	3.40	101.65	86.00
Horseheads						
Morris	1.95	1.95	4.00	4.00	69.55	69.55
Odessa	5.10	10.00	6.40	6.40	181.90	181.90
Onondaga Reservation	5.40	5.40	4.60	4.60		
Fine Meadows	1.05	1.05	1.90	1.90	37.45	37.45
Redfield	3.00	3.00	4.70	7.05	107.00	107.00
Rochester	10.05	10.05	25.20	25.20	358.45	367.17
Rome	7.20	7.20	21.90	21.90	256.80	256.80
Sandy Creek	8.75	8.75	14.20	14.20	304.95	304.95
Shady Grove	3.75	3.75	10.00	15.00	133.75	133.75
Syracuse, Lyncourt	8.55	8.55	21.20	21.20	304.95	304.95
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	18.90	18.90	17.00	17.00	674.10	674.10
Taylor	2.85	2.85	7.50	11.25	101.65	101.65
Wallace	5.85	5.85	9.50	14.25	208.65	208.65
Waterloo	3.15	3.15	6.90	6.90	112.35	112.35
Wellsboro	3.00	3.00	7.50	7.50	107.00	107.00
Westfield	7.95	7.95	20.00	20.00	283.55	283.55
West Jasper	3.00	3.00	5.70	5.70	107.00	109.00
Totals	\$197.30	\$202.20	\$366.50	\$391.30	\$6,837.30	\$6,840.87

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Budget—Continued

Charge	Mutual Aid Assigned	Mutual Aid Raised	Conference Sunday School Assigned	Conference Sunday School Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Armenia Mountain	\$4.80	\$4.80	\$.90	\$.90	\$117.50	\$151.00
Avon	.60	.60	4.15	4.15	370.55	408.55
Blatchley	6.00	6.00	5.65	5.65	160.45	304.59
Flowers						
Bath	3.00	3.00			71.75	180.21
Bentley Creek	18.60	18.60	3.30	3.30	454.75	480.25
Berrytown	19.80	19.80	5.30	5.30	489.45	500.19
Boylston	13.80	13.80	3.65	3.65	341.00	348.65
Buena Vista	26.40	26.40	4.40	4.40	644.60	857.07
Canandaigua	37.20	37.20	8.80	8.80	916.10	1,095.39
Canisteo	44.40	44.40	13.50	13.50	1,102.40	1,253.95
Chambers	21.60	21.60	3.15	3.15	526.15	537.55
Corning, Riverside	27.60	27.60	7.10	7.10	681.40	1,102.50
Elkland	47.40	47.40	5.45	5.45	1,150.00	1,123.00
Elmira	58.20	58.20	14.60	14.60	1,435.75	2,738.37
Fyler	9.60	9.60	3.35	3.35	239.65	521.84
Haskinville	25.80	25.80	4.15	4.15	629.50	838.61
Herrickville	11.40		1.70	1.70	277.75	242.97
Horseheads						132.50
Morris	7.80	7.80	2.00	2.00	192.55	198.87
Odessa	20.40	20.75	3.20	3.20	497.50	1,155.22
Onondaga Reservation					307.00	169.50
Pine Meadows	4.20	4.20	.95	.95	103.30	123.74
Redfield	12.00	12.00	2.35	2.35	294.05	307.60
Rochester	40.20	40.20	12.60	12.60	999.25	1,293.10
Rome	28.80	28.80	10.95	10.95	721.65	828.31
Sandy Creek	34.20	34.20	7.10	7.10	839.45	1,000.72
Shady Grove	15.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	373.75	519.82
Syracuse, Lyncourt	34.20	34.20	10.60	10.60	845.75	1,137.67
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	75.60	75.60	8.50	8.50	1,833.60	1,944.38
Taylor	11.40	11.40	3.75	3.75	283.90	333.15
Wallace	23.40	23.40	4.75	4.75	573.90	931.45
Waterloo	12.60	12.60	3.45	3.45	311.70	356.95
Wellsboro	12.00	12.00	3.75	3.75	292.80	299.49
Westfield	31.80	31.80	10.00	10.00	790.55	947.04
West Jasper	12.00	12.00	2.85	2.85	295.55	297.55
Totals	\$751.80	\$717.35	\$183.25	\$176.20	\$19,165.00	\$24,614.99

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Charge	Item IX. Disbursed for Benevolences					Item X. Disbursed Total			
	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Conference Work	W. Y.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Armenia Mountain	\$5			\$50			\$85	\$90	\$570.00
Avon					\$30		99	179	5,646.55
Blatchley	153	\$12	\$12		11			190	
Flowers									
Bath								33	213.89
Bentley Creek	36	85			72	\$16	260	469	3,722.25
Berrytown	14			46	66		30	156	4,927.19
Royston					7	34	46	87	2,663.65
Buena Vista					50		56	106	4,626.07
Canandaigua	77	68			489	22	219	875	10,886.39
Canisteo	532	3			66	229	1,031	1,861	10,190.95
Chambers		10			41	15	35	101	3,921.55
Corning, Riverside	194	55			180	152	35	616	8,011.50
Elkland	30	9			43			82	10,523.00
Elmira	26	43	31		64	121	1,209	1,494	16,605.37
Fyler	107	76	19	30	39		89	360	3,788.84
Haskinville								410	4,700.61
Herrickville							60	60	2,121.97
Horseheads	14				10		96	120	5,785.50
Morris	18				17		75	110	4,912.87
Odessa	33	36	75			38	6	188	6,707.22
Onondaga Reservation							100	100	5,282.50
Pine Meadows	14	16			6		19	55	860.79
Redfield		10	40				205	255	6,012.60
Rochester	294	42	138		521	143	794	1,932	15,953.10
Rome	89	82	19	32	258	89		569	12,167.31
Sandy Creek					31		7	38	8,269.72
Shady Grove	8	12			71	30		121	3,487.82
Syracuse, Lyncourt	700	224	160		76	277	467	1,904	11,982.67
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	400	226	5		170	63	781	1,645	43,674.38
Taylor		60			33			7	100
Wallace	29	33	92	57	176	70	335	791	5,911.44
Waterloo	460	4					70	534	6,303.95
Wellshoro	2	23	3		21	8		57	2,343.49
Westfield	41	101	39			54	265	500	7,624.04
West Jasper					7		19	26	3,541.55
Totals	\$3,278	\$1,230	\$599	\$249	\$2,555	\$1,361	\$6,500	\$16,124	\$255,425.16

Minutes
of the
Fifty-first Annual Session
of the
Woman's Missionary Society
of the
Rochester Conference
June 27-30, 1956

OFFICERS

President—Mrs. Gladys Newbury, Odessa, N. Y.
Vice President—Mrs. Reba Wright, 19 Hart St., Painted Post, N. Y.
Secretary—Miss Suzanne Gilmer, 1019 Broadway, Elmira, N. Y.
Treasurer—Mrs. Florence Bence, 2050 Long Pond Rd., Rochester 6, N. Y.
Y.M.W.B. Sup't.—Mrs. Elsie Doty, Ridge Road East, Rt. 1, Albion, N. Y.
Dormitory Matron—Mrs. Reba Wright, 19 Hart St., Painted Post, N. Y.
WESLEYAN MISSIONARY Solicitor—Miss Rita Albright, 113 Clover Ridge Dr., Syracuse, N. Y.
Mission Reading Secretary—Mrs. Marguerite La Celle, Taylor, N. Y.
Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Louise Rees, Odessa, N. Y.
Statistician—Mrs. Mary Kellogg, 39 Fenderson St., Painted Post, N. Y.
Chairmen of Districts:
 Canandaigua—Dorothy Jones, Rt. 3, Cohocton, N. Y.
 Elmira—Myrtle B. Lawrence, Westfield, Penna.
 Syracuse—Nora Woodhead, 307 So. Edwards Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
Committee on Committees:
 President and Secretary—Members Ex Officio
 Myrtle B. Lawrence—Westfield, Penna.
 Marjorie Woughter—Rt. 1, Gillett, Penna.
 Ercil Stevens—Rt. 2, Painted Post, N. Y., % Hall's Trailer Park

Roll of Societies and Presidents

- Armenia—Rev. Mary Lyons, Box 84, Sylvania, Penna.
Avon—Mrs. Ethelyn Reed, Genesee St., Avon, N. Y.
Bath—Mrs. Lynn Loghry, Cameron, N. Y. Rt. 1
Bentley Creek—Mrs. Laura Wilson, Wellsburg, N. Y. Rt. 2
Berrytown—Mrs. Margery Woodard, Wellsburg, N. Y. Rt. 2
Blatchley—Mrs. Mabel Guernsey, Windsor, N. Y. Rt. 1
Boylston—Mrs. Frank Chatterton, Lacona, N. Y. R. D.
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Corning—Mrs. Reba Wright, 19 Hart St., Painted Post, N. Y., Rt. 2
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Fyler—Mrs. Thelma Harlan, Kirkville, N. Y., Rt. 2
Haskinville—Mrs. Vera Timmerman, Cohocton, N. Y., R. D.
Herrickville—Mrs. James Van Anken, Rome, Penna.
Horseheads—Mrs. Gladys Little, Horseheads, N. Y., Rt. 1
Morris—Mrs. Gennie Dutcher, Morris, Penna.
Odessa—Mrs. Edna Pattington, Odessa, N. Y.
Onondaga Reservation—Mrs. Lydia Thomas, Nedrow, N. Y.
Pine Meadows—Mrs. Florence Town, Pulaski, N. Y., Rt. 4
Redfield—Mrs. John Crandall, Redfield, N. Y.
Rochester—Mrs. Norma MacDowell, 1340 Spencerport Rd., Rochester,
New York
Rome—Mrs. Myra Lee, 1515 Roser Terrace, Rome, N. Y.
Sandy Creek—Mrs. Marion La Roe, Lacona, N. Y., R. D.
Shady Grove—Mrs. Virgil McIntosh, Corning, N. Y., Rt. 2
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8, N. Y.
Syracuse (Willett Memorial)—Mrs. Gladys Bernhoft, 105 Dewey Ave.,
Fayetteville, N. Y.
Taylor—Mrs. Ida Fuller, Cincinnatus, N. Y., Rt. 2
Wallace—Mrs. Katherine Hoover, Cohocton, N. Y.
Waterloo—Mrs. Margaret Rathbun, Phelps, N. Y.
Wellsboro—Mrs. Paul Lawrence, 33 Grant St., Wellsboro, Penna.
Westfield—Mrs. Kathryn Griffin, Westfield, Penna., Rt. 4
West Jasper—Mrs. Marian Prentice, Canisteo, N. Y., Rt. 1

Standing Rules

1. Our first session of Conference shall convene at 10:00 Wednesday morning, the last Wednesday of June, except that quadrennially it shall convene the second Wednesday after General Conference convenes. The forenoon sessions shall begin at 10:00 and the afternoon session at 2:00 p.m. and close by vote.

2. The first five seats shall comprise the bar of Conference.

3. The Conference Officials shall receive the following salaries:

President—\$10.00

Vice President—\$10.00

Secretary—\$10.00

Treasurer—\$35.00

Y.M.W.B. Supt.—\$15.00

In addition to this they shall receive their board and room during Conference.

4. Members of the Executive Committee shall receive traveling expenses equal to that voted by the Conference for Conference Officials.

5. There shall be elected a Conference Statistician whose term of office shall not expire until the close of the Conference session following her election. She shall be the chairman of the Statistical Committee and shall be authorized to choose the members of said committee. She shall be seated within the bar of Conference and shall be given board and room during Conference. The local treasurers shall send both of their statistical reports to the Conference treasurer by June 12th. The local Y.M.W.B. Superintendents shall send their reports to the Conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent by June 12th.

6. Each local society of the Conference shall close its financial and other records for the year, May 31st.

7. To receive credit all cash and vouchers must be sent to the Conference Treasurer and Y.M.W.B. Superintendent by June 5th. Any money sent after that date shall be applied on the next year.

8. It shall be the duty of the local president to forward to the Conference Secretary, who is a Committee on Credentials, not later than one week before the Annual Conference convenes the Credentials of the delegate from her society.

9. The Matron of the Dormitories shall be elected by the Executive Committee. Her salary shall be \$35.00 per year. Her board and room is to be paid during Conference and Camp. She may choose her own assist-

ant whom the Conference will pay \$5.00.

10. The Y.M.W.B. Superintendent and the Conference Treasurer shall have their books audited by a competent bookkeeper before coming to Conference and the auditor send the report to the President.

11. There shall be a member of the Camp Meeting Committee present to council with the Executive Committee when plans affecting the Camp are being acted upon.

12. The method for paying traveling Missionaries shall be as follows:
Societies with less than ten members—\$2.00.
Societies with from 10-20 members—\$3.00.
Societies with over 20 members—\$5.00.

13. All lady missionaries and General Officers who are members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church shall be seated within the Bar of Conference and given the right to speak.

14. All local Y.M.W.B. Superintendents shall be seated within the Bar of Conference and given the right to speak.

15. The conference shall elect 3 members for a committee on committees which shall meet before conference convenes to nominate committees for the organization of conference. The President and Secretary shall be members Ex-officio.

Plan of Work

I. Home Work

1. We recommend that each local society contribute liberally to the General Home Fund for the support of Special Missions (See WESLEYAN MISSIONARY) and church Extension Work.

2. We recommend that each local society contribute five dollars or more annually for the support of Hephzibah Orphanage, the same to be applied on budget.

3. We recommend the use of designated Thank-offering envelopes for Home Missions.

4. We recommend that local societies inquire into the needs of the home mission stations and orphanages before sending used clothing and that no monetary value be placed on same; that boxes of new merchandise be reported as to monetary value and that the sending society evaluate the same, the voucher evaluation, signed by the missionary, be forwarded to Conference Woman's Missionary Society Treasurer for proper receipting.

5. We recommend and urge each local society to respond to the Card Call Plan and thus assist in the extension program of the Church.

6. Each local society is urged to continue sending money to the Treasurer to apply on the Camp Building Fund, \$5.00 if possible. This fund is to be used to assist in building and repairs.

7. The entire November offering (or any other month if preferable) shall be sent to the Conference Woman's Missionary Society Treasurer for Pioneer Work within the Conference.

8. Fruit and vegetables will be needed next year in the kitchen at Conference time. Credit will be given as follows: Fruit per quart, 45 cents; vegetables, 35 cents; dill pickles, 25 cents; other pickles, 45 cents; jams and jellies, 40 cents per pint; meat by weight. These figures are subject to change according to prevailing prices. The following is a list of things needed for the dormitory for the coming year: double sheets, large bath towels, wash cloths, single quilts, 63" wide, pillows. Needs for kitchen: stainless steel silverware especially teaspoons, metal pitchers. New supplies will be credited at actual cost. In order to receive credit on your report these supplies must be reported to the matron before May 31. She will issue receipts for the same which must be sent to the Conference Woman's Missionary Society Treasurer in order to receive credit.

9. We recommend that every society be represented in the annual conference by the President, Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and a delegate, and that provision be made for such representation.

II. Foreign Work

We recommend:

1. That we co-operate with the Foreign Missionary Department in

the support of its entire foreign missionary program.

2. That we send Sunday School charts, cards, and flannelgraph materials to 4800-4900 South Washington St., Marion, Indiana.

3. That each local society contribute as many feet of dimes as possible to be used for Mission Field equipment.

4. All Y. M. W. B. money and receipts be sent to the Conference Superintendent.

III. Medical Missions

We recommend:

1. That each local society contribute three dollars or more annually to the Medical Student Fund, not to apply on budget.

IV. Educational

We recommend:

1. The co-operation of our local societies in the Honorary Enrollment Plan for Colleges. The money for this project should be channeled through the Local, Conference, and General W. M. S. Treasurers.

2. The observance of Educational Harvest Day with program and offering which shall apply on educational budget excepting that applying on special projects presented by the college presidents.

V. Literature

We recommend:

1. The use of the combination treasurer's blanks for the remitting of money by the Local, Conference, and General Conference Treasurers.

2. That a concerted effort be made to increase the subscription list of the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY by faithfully securing renewals and new subscriptions to include every home in the church and Sunday School, with January being observed as campaign month.

3. That we promote the Mission Study and Reading Course; the use of the Study Book designated each year with Program Calendars and other helps.

4. The local solicitor keep a record of WESLEYAN MISSIONARY subscribers and furnish a duplicate of her list to the Conference Solicitor. When she receives expiration notices from the Conference Solicitor she shall earnestly endeavor to secure renewals immediately. At the close of each quarter the local solicitor shall send on the report card provided the following information for that quarter: number of renewals, number of new subscriptions, number lost, and present number. She shall send with this report the names and addresses of new subscribers secured during the quarter and the names of those who have renewed.

VI. Devotional

We recommend:

1. That we carefully observe the monthly prayer requests in the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY magazine and other special requests as presented.

2. The observance of the monthly Fast and Prayer Day.

3. That April be designated Self-Denial Month.

4. The promotion of Prayer Partner Circles in each society making use of new prayer partner reminders and that reports be sent to the Conference Prayer Partner Secretary within sixty days after Conference.

5. That stress be placed upon personal evangelism including children, adolescents, the aged, and with special emphasis on the Jew.

STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

We recommend:

1. That the Efficiency Standard be read in the society the first monthly meeting after Conference (5% credit) and that arrangements be made with the pastor for one missionary prayer meeting each month (5%).

2. That a minimum of ten meetings be held during the year at which time prayer requests are presented and remembered and business transacted (5%) and at least one public meeting (5%).

3. The formation of one or more Prayer Partner Circles in each society with a Prayer Partner Secretary, who shall report the names of same to Conference Prayer Partner Secretary within sixty days after the rise of Annual Conference.

4. That the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the equivalent of seventy-five per cent of the active membership be subscribers to the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY.

5. That a solicitor be elected for the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY gaining not less than two subscriptions a year.

6. That a delegate be elected to the Annual Conference Woman's Missionary Society and that she be instructed by local society regarding the amount to be pledged by that society at the Annual Conference Session (5%) and that the President attend the Annual Conference Session (5%).

7. That the dues (one dollar per member) be sent directly to the Conference Treasurer, twenty-five cents of which shall apply on Foreign Missions and twenty-five cents on Home Missions, and shall apply on budget (5%) and that all monies and vouchers be sent to the Conference Treasurer at least quarterly. These should be mailed by Sept. 12, Dec. 12, March 12 and June 5 (5%).

8. That we secure every woman in the church as a member of the society or achieve a ten percent gain in total membership.

9. That each local society pay annually an amount equal to twenty-five cents per active member to be used as a General Administrative Fund,

not to apply on budget.

10. That the local Y. M. W. B. Superintendent be seated in the Annual Session and be granted the privilege of speaking and provision be made by her W.M.S. Society for such representation.

(Ten per cent credit will be given for each of the above items, and all societies making a grade of eighty per cent shall be placed on the Honor Roll).

Y.M.W.B. EFFICIENCY STANDARD

1. Twelve Band Services in which prayer, God's Word and personal service were stressed. (10%)
2. One public service during the year (10%)
3. Band funds remitted quarterly (to be sent by Sept. 12, Dec. 12, March 12, and June 5). (10%)
4. The use of mite boxes, envelopes, membership cards, or some other systematic method for gathering in dues and offerings. (10%)
5. The Superintendent of the Band be a reader of the **WESLEYAN MISSIONARY**. (10%)
6. An increase in membership. (5%)
7. An increase in funds raised. (5%) credit items.
8. An offering for Home Missions (10%)
9. An offering for Education. (10%)
10. One per cent members sent to the Conference Y.M.W.B. Superintendent as desk fund. (10%)
11. The annual report sent in by June 12. (10%)

Note: To be eligible to receive a banner a band must have an 80% rating.

RULES FOR ROOMERS

1. Write to Dormitory Matron for room reservations.
2. To hold a room from year to year one dollar deposit must be made with the matron. If the room holder does not desire to use the room for any certain year, by notifying the matron two weeks before conference, the room may still be held the following year.
3. A room holder may not sublet a room.

Daily Proceedings

The 51st session of the Rochester Conference Woman's Missionary Society convened on Chambers Campground, June 27, 1956 at 10:30 a.m. The session was called to order by the President following the singing of "Great Is Thy Faithfulness."

After being elected as Courtesy Committee, Edna Wright presented Miss Marie Evatt and Mrs. Grace Birch. Miss Evatt brought a word of greeting following which Mrs. Birch led devotions from Romans 12. "Fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." A season of prayer followed.

Roll call was taken and the following were seated within the bar of Conference: Marjorie Blackwell, Eunice Beecher, Marion Draper, Doris Stanton, and Alice Davis.

The Courtesy Committee presented Dr. F. R. Birch who brought an inspirational message and helpful statistics.

It was voted to organize conference with the following committees: In Memoriam—Faye Conley; Credentials—Suzanne Gillmer; Auditing—Gladys Newbury; Nominating—Leona Moore, Georgia George, Inez Francis. Leona Moore resigned and it was voted to replace with Vera Timmerman. It was voted that the Orders of the Day be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

The President gave her yearly report. It was voted to accept this report with a rising vote of thanks for her faithfulness and refer the financial report to the Auditing Committee.

Georgia George was appointed to care for the book table.

It was voted that the afternoon session convene following Dr. Birch's Connectional Address.

It was voted to adjourn.

Wednesday Afternoon

The session was called to order by the President. Devotions were led by Gladys Newbury from Gal. 5:25—Living in the Spirit. A season of prayer followed.

It was voted to accept the report on Orders of the Day.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted with thanks.

The Courtesy Committee presented Mr. Tysinger who presented the need of a Home Economics Department at Houghton Academy.

The Y.M.W.B. report was read and accepted.

The Reading Secretary's report was read and accepted.

It was voted we adjourn.

Thursday Forenoon

The session was called to order by the President. "Amazing Grace"

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was sung by the group. Devotions were led by Miss Evatt from I Samuel 30. Encourage yourselves in the work of the Lord. Prayer by Mrs. Lawrence.

Miss Evatt brought a message on Africa speaking of the needs of the girls and women. Wherever Christ goes the Standard of Womenhood rises.

The minutes of the past sessions were read and approved.

The Matron's report was given and accepted with thanks.

The Vice President's report was accepted as read.

The Courtesy Committee presented Mary Lane Clarke, Mary Bennett, and Alice Boyd. They brought words of greeting.

It was voted to revise Standing Rule No. 1 to read, "The afternoon session will begin at 2:00. This will take effect in 1957.

Reports from several societies were read.

The Treasurer made a few suggestion concerning the sending in of money.

It was voted to adjourn.

Thursday Afternoon

The session was called to order by the President.

An Order of the Day—Y.M.W.B.—"Bringing in the Sheaves" was sung by the group. Devotions were led by Mary Lane Clarke. This is Life Eternal.

Mrs. Elsie Doty gave her annual report—"It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful". Suggestions for Y.M.W.B. work were given by Mrs. Doty and Miss Bennett, Conference Y.M.W.B. Sup't.

Miss Alice Boyd spoke concerning the Reading Course and presented the reading certificates to the societies.

Thursday Evening

The Woman's Missionary Society held its annual public meeting in the main tabernacle. The service was opened by the President. The song service was led by Edwin Macumber. Mary Bennett led in prayer. Elsie Doty presented a gift to our outgoing president for her faithful service.

Y.M.W.B. awards were presented to several societies following which Mrs. Lawrence explained "Million for Lost Millions" and the offering amounting to \$3381.25 was taken.

A number by the Elmira children and a song by Rev. Gerald Jack were enjoyed following which Miss Marie Evatt brought the Missionary Message of the evening. The meeting was closed with prayer.

Friday Morning

The session was called to order by the President. Devotions were

led by Mrs. Greenfield—"What is man that Thou art mindful of him". A season of prayer followed.

The Minutes were approved as read and Roll Call was taken.

It was voted to seat two ladies from each charge as far as possible for election of officers—An Order of the Day.

The Nominating Committee read its report and officers were elected for the coming year (See slate of Officers)

It was voted that we have a Standing Rule concerning a Committee to nominate Committees for the organization of Conference (See Standing Rule No. 15). Three members were elected for this committee.

Reports from societies were interspersed with Election.

The Courtesy Committee presented Dr. John Edling who told how marvelously God had been working and mentioned things still needed. An offering was taken to buy cleaning tissues for the hospital.

The Magazine Solicitor's report was read and accepted.

It was voted we adjourn.

Friday Afternoon

The session was called to order by the President.

The In Memoriam Service—An Order of the Day—was conducted by Fave Conley. Psalm 1 was read by Nora Woodhead. The following were remembered: Rev. Bertha Ketch, Maggie Welch, Cora Reed, Gertrude Bowman, Laura Dunham, Carolyn Stopp, Ola Wetmore, Sarah Parshall, and Nellie Andrews. The service was closed with prayer.

The Statistician's report was read and accepted with thanks.

The auditor's report was read and accepted.

A word of greeting is to be sent to: Puerto Rico Society, Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Newcomb, Mrs. Maude Shea, and the McLeisters.

A message of sympathy is to be sent to: Mr. Ketch, Mrs. Anna Anderson, Mrs. Erma Thomas, and Mrs. Ellen Stopp.

Paul Lawrence, Secretary of Child Evangelism spoke to us concerning Children's Camp.

The Courtesy Committee presented Kristin Jack who brought a word of greeting.

The remaining societies read their reports.

A letter of greeting from the Crosby's was read.

It was voted to adjourn.

Saturday Forenoon

The session was called to order by the President. Edna Wright led devotions from II Timothy 2 following the singing of "Amazing Grace" by the group. A season of prayer followed.

The minutes of the last session were approved as read. The minutes of the Executive Committee were read and approved.

The three District Chairmen were elected (See Officers' Slate).

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It was voted to send the President and if possible the Treasurer to the Workshop to be held in Iowa. It was voted an assessment of 20¢ per active member be made to defray expenses to the Workshop.

"Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" was sung and Mrs. Lawrence prayed for the Lord's Blessing on our new President.

The minutes of the final session were read.

It was voted to adjourn.

Minutes of The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met June 27, 1956. The meeting was called to order by the President and prayer was offered.

The following Orders of the Day were set up:

Thursday a.m.—Matron's report; Thursday p.m.—Y.M.W.B.; Thursday evening—Public Missionary Meeting; Friday a.m.—Election of Officers; Friday p.m.—In Memoriam Service; Thursday to be observed as Tag Day.

The Thursday evening meeting was planned.

The Executive Committee met June 29. Mrs. Lawrence called the meeting to order and led in prayer.

It was voted that Reba Wright continue as Matron.

A discussion was held concerning the Workshop in Iowa.

It was voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Gillmer, Secretary

Reports

W.M.S. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I want to direct your attention to a portion of God's Word found in I Samuel 7: 12, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Look for a moment back through the past year. Each one of you have gone through difficult places. Think of the grace He has provided, the deliverances He has wrought and the answers to prayer He has given—even in just this past year. Then think back to the time you first came to know Him. I am sure your heart cries out with mine: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no Shadow of Turning With Thee; Thou Changest Not, Thy Compassions They Fail Not, Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Lord, Unto Me."

When the Lord first put this service for Him into my hands, He assured me of His help and gave me the pattern of the service I was to render. I have earnestly endeavored to follow His leading.

The work of the new year began by arranging several 6:30 missionary services during the 1955 Camp. Vera Clocksin, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Crosby, and Rev. and Mrs. Lytle each spoke in such a service.

The itinerary for Mrs. Calhoun was made out and posted during Camp.

July 28, I wrote the Post-Conference letter which Brother Greenfield mimeographed. I sent one of these and Mrs. Calhoun's schedule to every local president and to every pastor.

August 8 I had 100 posters and 300 cards printed advertising Mrs. Calhoun's itinerary. These I sent to all pastors.

September 8 I sent out a second letter to pastors and local presidents. This letter stressed the need for supporting Houghton College by means of Honorary Enrollment.

November 2 I sent out the third circular letter to pastors and to local presidents.

February 9 the Executive Committee met at the Horseheads Church for morning and afternoon sessions. Careful plans were made for the Spring Conventions.

March 22, I sent letters to local presidents and pastors relative to the Conventions.

In early April I sent to every pastor posters to advertise the Conventions.

The Conventions were held in Horseheads, Rochester, and Rome. The speakers were Mrs. Hazel Banker, Rev. Edward Eddy and Dr. John Edling. The attendance was good, the Spirit's presence was manifest and the Conventions were very worthwhile. Our vice-president, Mrs. Newbury, accompanied me on the Conventions tour and ably assisted me.

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May 24 I sent a copy of the pre-Conference letter to each pastor and local president.

June 19 I ordered literature for sale at Conference.

I also appointed leaders for devotions at the Conference sessions.

Today we are met in the first session of the 1956 Conference. God has honored us today by allowing Mrs. Birch, wife of our Foreign Missions Secretary, to be present and to lead our opening devotions. But the greatest honor of all is His presence in our midst today.

With the 1956 Conference I am concluding my official capacity in the Rochester Conference W.M.S. The Lord spoke to me very clearly about this nearly two years ago and made it plain that I was to lay down my official responsibilities at the 1956 Conference.

I appreciate the fact that the Lord has given me the great privilege of giving twenty years of service to Him in these capacities—ten years as Y.M.W.B. Superintendent and ten years as Conference President. It has been for me a glad service and a high honor. Now that He has spoken clearly to me on this matter, I cheerfully and gladly step aside.

I am especially grateful that He has let me see the completion of the rejuvenation of the dormitory rooms which was begun several years ago. It is now complete. I praise Him!

I am most grateful to you for your wonderful co-operation and patience. Thank you so much and may God bless you each.

Respectfully submitted,

Myrtle B. Lawrence.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY PRESIDENT

Receipts

Balance on hand at beginning of year	\$ 9.02
From Conference Treasury, July, 1955	25.00
From Mrs. Calhoon (travel money)	52.57
From Conference Treasury, February, 1956	25.00
From Convention Offerings	272.66
Total receipts and cash on hand	\$384.25

Disbursements

For Mileage	\$61.36
For Postage	18.39
For Supplies	1.85
For Mimeographing	11.00
Missions (from Conventions)	157.07
Printing	17.00

Telephone	1.43	
Convention Expense	54.23	
Refund to Mrs. Bence from Mrs. Calhoon's travel money	52.57	
Total disbursements		\$374.90
Cash on hand		.9.35
		\$384.25

Respectfully submitted,
Myrtle B. Lawrence.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

I have audited the President's financial report and find it correct.
Gladys Newbury, Auditor.

Y.M.W.B. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Our hearts praise God because of the increase He gave this year. Our Conference is again on the Honor Roll with a gain in cash credit items of \$413.87 and of \$52.93 in vouchers for a total financial gain of \$466.80. In membership we lost 51 active members, but gained 88 honorary members for a total gain of 37.

The following twelve bands earned 100% on the efficiency standard, thus making them honor bands: Bath, Bentley Creek, Canandaigua, Herrickville, Lyncourt, Morris, Riverside, Sandy Creek, Shady Grove, Wallace, Westfield, and Willett Memorial.

Nine bands are on the Merit List with 90 or 95%: Berrytown, Blatchley, Canisteo, Chambers, Elmira, Fyler, Haskinvill, Rochester, and Waterloo.

The banner for greatest gain in finance should go to Blatchley with an increase over last year of \$252.23. However they requested it be awarded to the next one in line and it was given to Willett Memorial who had a gain of \$93.23. Others making good gains were Lyncourt \$85.65, Canandaigua \$58.90, Bath \$40.74, Buena Vista \$40.72, Rochester \$39.62, Waterloo \$28.68, Taylor \$27.71, Wallace \$27.66, and Shady Grove \$25.62.

22 bands gained in membership. The banner for the greatest gain goes to Taylor with an increase of 25. Others who made gains of 6 or more are: Chambers 19, Canandaigua and Shady Grove 18, Buena Vista 16, Elmira and Bath 12, Sandy Creek and West Jasper 9, Herrickville and Lyncourt 6.

We are delighted that Horseheads has started a new band this year. They have already held several meetings. Welcome!

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Let's continue the upward trend for the glory of God and for the salvation of those "other sheep". Them also we must join with the Master in bringing to the fold for as we labor with Him He gives the increase.

Elsie H. Doty, Conf. Supt.

Y.M.W.B. EFFICIENCY STANDARD

This will be found following the W.M.S. Efficiency Standard.

MISSION READING REPORT

These societies reported the following number of people reading books in 1956—1st number for 6 books and 2nd for 4 books:

Armenia—0, 4; Bentley Creek—12, 1; Berrytown—1, 0; Blatchley—4, 0; Boylston—3, 1; Buena Vista—2, 1; Canandaigua—6, 0; Canisteo—11, 1; Chambers—1, 0; Corning—3, 3; Elmira—5, 0; Haskinville—13, 1; Herrickville—6, 0; Morris—1, 6; Odessa—4, 1; Rochester—11, 0; Rome—19, 0; Shady Grove—0, 4; Syracuse (Lyncourt)—6, 5; Syracuse (Willett)—3, 0; Taylor—3, 1; Wallace—0, 3; Waterloo—16, 1; Westfield—11, 0.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE ROCHESTER CONFERENCE Y.M.W.B.
SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR 1955-1956

Receipts for:		By Cash	By Receipt	Totals
General Foreign Missions		\$1,984.07		\$1,984.07
Foreign Missions, Specified		63.86		63.86
Foreign Missions, Special Projects		556.03	\$46.00	602.03
General Home Missions		363.20		363.20
Home Missions, Specified		87.75	33.93	121.68
Home Missions, Special Projects		47.24		47.24
Education		302.95	5.00	307.95
Total Credit Items		\$3,405.10	\$84.93	\$3,490.03
Desk Fund	\$20.90			
Desk Fund Refund	15.67			
Servicemen's Commission		36.57		36.57
		20.00		20.00
Total Receipts for the Year		\$3,461.67	\$84.93	\$3,546.60
Balance from Last Year		11.05		11.05
Grand Total		\$3,472.72	\$84.93	\$3,557.65
Disbursements: To Miss Bennett for:		By Cash	By Receipt	Totals
General Foreign Missions		\$1,984.07		\$1,984.07
Foreign Missions, Specified:				
Formosa	\$5.00			
Africa	6.41			
India	7.50			
Puerto Rico	20.00			
Japan	6.93			
South America	2.52			
Haiti	15.50			
		63.86		63.86

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Foreign Missions, Special Projects:

Haiti Sanitarium	\$4.69
Haiti Hospital	9.00
Gary Edling, Haiti	108.00
Nancy Edling, Haiti	160.95
Haiti Workers' Home	19.46
Binkola, Africa	56.10
South America Launch	103.87
South America Jeep	89.00
Africa Bulldozer	4.96

556.03

Japan, Tent

46.00

General Home Missions

\$363.20

602.03
\$363.20

Home Missions, Specified:

Hephzibah Orphanage	\$55.00
H. C. Newcomb	15.00
Australia	16.75
Jewish Evangelism	1.00

87.75

33.93

Wheelrim, Ky.

121.68

Home Missions, Special Project:

Winslow, Arizona

47.24

47.24

Education

302.95

5.00

307.95

Total Credit Item Disbursements

\$3,405.10

\$84.93

\$3,490.03

To H. K. Sheets, Servicemen's Comm.

20.00

20.00

To Desk Fund Expense:

Auditing of Books	\$5.00
Postage	7.10
Record Book	4.18
Awards	7.15

23.43

23.43

Total Disbursements for the Year

\$3,448.53

\$84.93

\$3,533.46

New Desk Fund Balance

24.19

24.19

Grand Total

\$3,472.72

\$84.93

\$3,557.65

Respectfully Submitted,
Elsie H. Doty, Superintendent

ROCHESTER CONFERENCE W.M.S. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR, 1955-1956

Received for:

	Cash	Vouchers	Totals
Home Missions	\$1,873.66	\$513.19	\$2,386.85
Australia	306.26		306.26
Hephzibah Orphanage	244.02	168.57	412.59
Foreign Missions	2,744.93	435.00	3,179.93
Africa	90.00		90.00
Japan	114.50	327.27	441.77
Puerto Rico	7.82	37.87	45.69
Colombia	80.00		80.00
Haiti	891.15	832.00	1,723.15
General Administrative Fund	142.25		142.25
Medical Student Fund	75.00		75.00
Education	510.88	217.60	728.48
Honorary Enrollment	77.00		77.00
Dues—75% of Total	702.00		702.00
Camp Provisions and Supplies	49.00	325.75	374.72
Pioneer Fund	473.56		473.56
Miscellaneous Budget Items	40.50		40.50
Local Church Work		855.10	855.10
Camp Building Fund	120.00		120.00
Missionary Equipment Fund	83.00		83.00
Other Objects		1,050.78	1,050.78
General Fund, Including:			

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Books Sold	\$3.30			
Camp Room Rent	328.72			
Refunds	62.87			
Public Offering	71.45			
Dues—25% of Total	234.00			
Total for General Fund		700.34		700.34
Total Receipts		\$9,325.87	\$4,763.10	\$14,088.97
Add Balance from Last Year		511.59		511.59
Grand Total		\$9,837.46	\$4,763.10	\$14,600.56
Disbursements for:				
Home Missions	Details	Cash	Vouchers	Totals
General	\$1,314.53*		\$121.15	
Rev. and Mrs. Newcomb	44.63*		124.13	
Brainerd School	355.00*		45.91	
Southern Work	12.50*			
Jewish Work	145.00*			
Card Call	2.00*		222.00	
Total Home		\$1,873.66	\$513.19	\$2,386.85
Australia, Miscellaneous	151.55*			
Self-Denial (Australia)	154.71*	306.26		306.26
Hephzibah Orphanage		244.02	168.57	412.59
Foreign Missions				
General Foreign	416.24*		435.00	
Africa, Miscellaneous	90.00*			
Rev. Huff's Field Support	1,200.00*			
Japan, Miscellaneous	114.50*		327.27	
Rev. Cessna's Field Support	1,128.69*			
Puerto Rico	7.82*		37.87	
Colombia, Miscellaneous	80.00*			
Haiti	891.15*		832.00	5,560.54
Total Foreign		\$3,928.40	\$1,632.14	\$5,560.54
General Administrative Fund		142.25*		142.25
Medical Student Fund		75.00*		75.00
Education		510.88*	217.60	728.48
Honorary Enrollment		77.00*		77.00
Dues—75% of Total		702.00*		702.00
Camp Provisions and Supplies (W. Nussey)		49.00	325.72	374.72
Pioneer Fund (H. Dietrich)		473.56		473.56
Miscellaneous Budget Items (H. Dietrich) ..		40.50		40.50
Local Church Work			855.10	855.10
Missionary Equipment Fund		83.00*		83.00
Other Objects, Miscellaneous			1,050.78	1,050.78
Payments from General Fund				
Camp Exp. (Room Rent Rec'd, \$328.75)				
Matron's Salary	\$35.00			
Matron's Supplies and Expense	27.92			
Assistant Matron's Salary	5.00			
Blanket Room (W. Nussey)	50.00			
Sealy Mattress Co.	241.20			
Laundry and Cleaning	96.10			
		455.22		455.22
Officers	Salary	Expense	Total	
President	\$10.00	\$57.50	\$67.50	
V. President	10.00	5.70	15.70	
Secretary	10.00	8.75	18.70	
Treasurer	35.00	29.20	64.20	
Y.M.W.B.	15.00	4.75	19.75	
Miscellaneous				
Conference Minutes (H. Dietrich) ..	\$115.00			
Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Newcomb	100.00			
Rev. Robert Lytle (Conf. Speaker) ..	10.00			
Rev. John Edling (Conf. Speaker) ..	22.00			
Magazine Solicitor Expense	4.62			
Statistician (Board and Room)	7.50			
Mission Reading Secretary's Expense ..	2.08			
		185.85	185.85	185.85

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Printing	18.65		
Memorial (Dr. Swauger)	10.00*		
Executive Meeting Expense	21.15		
Gift to Outgoing Officer	3.53		
		314.53	314.53
Total Disbursements	\$9,461.13	\$4,763.10	\$14,224.23
Balance on Hand, June 16, 1956	376.33		376.33
Grand Total	\$9,837.46	\$4,763.10	\$14,600.56

Note: Items marked (*) remitted to Gen. Conf. W.M.S. Treasurer, Mrs. Lucille Phaup.

Respectfully Submitted, Florence Bence, Treasurer

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W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Society	Membership and Receipts										From Labor	"Memorials"
	Active Members	Honorary Members	Members Gained	Members Lost	Total No. Meetings Held	Wesleyan Missionaries taken	Efficiency Standard Rank %	No. Missionaries Supported	Membership Dues	Offerings		
Armenia Mountain	16	...	...	...	12	11	100	...	\$16.00	\$140.31	...	...
Avon	11	4	...	...	15	12	...	...	15.00	132.19	...	...
Bath	11	5	2	...	15	11	85	...	16.00	113.40	\$5.00	...
Bentley Creek	16	9	...	2	14	10	80	...	25.00	181.40	1.00	...
Berrytown	27	13	...	4	17	17	70	...	40.00	110.29	...	...
Blatchley	12	9	2	...	14	9	90	...	21.00	140.54	...	...
Boylston	16	1	2	...	14	11	100	...	17.00	58.50	28.50	...
Buena Vista	21	2	...	2	13	13	75	...	23.00	213.40	...	...
Canandaigua	18	3	...	4	15	14	55	...	21.00	375.82	...	...
Canistota	38	27	...	37	12	33	50	...	65.00	731.85	...	...
Caparra Terrace	9	2	...	2	47	8	...	...	11.00	470.54	...	...
Chambers	14	6	...	...	14	8	85	...	19.00	94.91	\$5.00	...
Corning (Riverside)	27	10	6	...	15	21	90	...	37.00	329.80	...	...
Elkland	12	...	...	2	13	10	80	...	12.00	166.48	22.00	...
Elmira	40	4	4	...	13	42	95	...	44.00	979.51	...	...
Fyler	10	5	1	...	15	16	90	...	15.00	268.99	...	...
Haskinville	20	9	...	...	15	19	...	...	29.00	227.23	...	...
Herrickville	11	4	4	...	16	13	100	...	15.00	101.47	8.55	...
Horseheads	25	5	17	...	11	14	70	...	30.00	131.87	...	...
Morris	5	...	2	...	12	9	50	...	5.00	56.19	...	...
Odessa	11	1	3	...	18	12	85	...	12.00	692.63	...	...
Onondaga Reservation	8	1	9	...	3	2	30	...	9.00	15.00	108.85	...
Pine Meadows	12	2	2	...	14	7	65	...	14.00	47.68	...	...
Redfield	5	1	...	4	12	5	60	...	6.00	64.78	5.00	26.00
Rochester	28	11	3	...	17	33	90	...	39.00	981.49	...	...
Rome	21	16	...	...	15	18	80	...	37.00	331.97	...	...
Sandy Creek	18	3	...	1	13	14	75	1	21.00	922.58	...	17.00
Shady Grove	14	...	...	1	14	14	100	...	14.00	185.62	...	...
Syracuse (Lyncourt)	42	9	...	3	12	29	75	...	51.00	238.42	...	161.00
Syracuse (Willett Memorial)	68	29	2	...	16	50	75	...	97.00	501.95	...	...
Taylor	16	3	2	...	13	13	90	...	19.00	94.00	...	...
Wallace	27	14	...	...	17	24	90	...	41.00	201.05	40.60	20.00
Waterloo	12	...	...	10	13	15	90	...	12.00	170.59	131.45	...
Wellsboro	8	...	...	1	12	4	25	...	8.00	50.00	...	...
Westfield	35	26	2	...	13	34	95	...	61.00	279.25	...	...
West Jasper	14	5	...	...	13	6	65	...	19.00	88.84	...	...
Totals	1698	238	64	78	537	559	...	1	\$936.00	\$9,892.54	\$350.95	\$229.00

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W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Receipts—Continued

Society	Voucher Receipts	Other Sources	Administrative Fund	Honor Roll	Total Receipts for Year	Old Balance From Last Year	Grand Total
Armenia Mountain	\$5.00	\$15.00		*	\$176.31	\$17.05	\$193.36
Avon				*	147.19	22.24	169.43
Bath	8.00			*	142.40		142.40
Bentley Creek	124.50		\$4.50	*	336.40	1.45	337.85
Berrytown	98.03			*	248.32	.33	248.65
Blatchley	29.00	22.00		*	212.54	10.93	223.47
Boylston	46.00			*	150.00		150.00
Buena Vista				*	236.40	8.25	244.65
Canandaigua		36.75		*	433.57	.91	434.48
Canisteo	46.72		9.50	*	853.07	.70	853.77
Caparra Terrace			3.25	*	484.79		484.79
Chambers	25.00	34.00		*	177.91		177.91
Corning (Riverside)	165.00			*	531.80	.65	532.45
Elkland	39.00		2.00	*	242.48		241.48
Elmira	86.08	8.00		*	1,117.59		1,117.59
Fyler	40.00			*	323.99	55.61	379.60
Haskinville		41.00		*	297.23	3.29	300.52
Herrickville				*	125.02	.52	125.54
Horseheads				*	161.87	.67	162.54
Morris	2.00			*	63.19	2.27	65.46
Odessa	10.00		3.00	*	717.63		717.63
Onondaga Reservation				*	132.85	5.29	138.14
Pine Meadows				*	61.68	9.61	71.29
Redfield		11.00		*	112.78	2.73	115.51
Rochester	192.33			*	1,212.82	19.39	1,232.21
Rome	74.10		5.00	*	450.07	20.05	470.12
Sandy Creek	62.50			*	1,023.08	110.35	1,133.43
Shady Grove	105.00			*	304.62	6.08	310.70
Syracuse (Lyncourt)	143.13			*	593.55	1.18	594.73
Syracuse (Willett Memorial)	237.06	26.47		*	862.48	3.93	866.41
Taylor	171.78			*	284.78	1.02	285.80
Wallace	158.35	82.98	6.75	*	550.73	52.42	603.15
Waterloo	119.00	33.00		*	466.04		466.04
Wellsboro	2.05			*	60.05	1.67	61.72
Westfield	49.99	7.00		*	397.24	3.18	400.42
West Jasper	29.20	12.00		*	149.04	1.33	150.37
Totals	\$2,068.82	\$329.20	\$34.00	...	\$13,840.51	\$363.10	\$14,203.61

* Yes.

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Society	Disbursements						
	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Medical Student (Missions)	Hephzibah, Cash	Hephzibah, Provisions	Education, Cash	Local Church Work
Armenia Mountain	\$27.50	\$52.50	\$3.00	\$5.00		\$6.00	\$44.79
Avon	40.00	75.00	3.00	5.00			21.43
Bath	12.50	10.00	3.00	6.25		17.50	9.16
Bentley Creek	34.25	18.85	3.00	7.75		40.00	
Berrytown	22.50	17.50		5.00	\$45.50	5.00	32.14
Blatchley	43.00	39.68	5.00			42.00	42.48
Boylston	28.50	30.50		5.00		10.00	8.00
Buena Vista	42.50	40.32	3.00	5.00		5.00	61.83
Canandaigua	156.76	129.90	3.00	5.00		10.44	62.83
Canisteo	46.00	641.29	3.00	5.00		20.00	14.34
Caparra Terrace	150.00	250.54					70.00
Chambers	37.79	45.12					4.50
Corning (Riverside)	157.50	207.53	10.00	9.00		20.00	11.54
Elkland	65.25	111.98		11.50		39.26	
Elmira	320.20	563.69		22.65		17.10	
Fyler	50.00	80.00	5.00	8.92	32.96	19.85	40.69
Haskinville	50.00	105.00	3.00	5.00	20.00	23.50	54.12
Herrickville	10.00	12.00	2.00	5.00		29.00	35.00
Horseheads	50.27	49.73		5.00		24.20	25.37
Morris	10.00	10.00				12.55	
Odessa	58.50	546.80		8.50		14.65	22.67
Onondaga Reservation	15.00	15.00				55.25	27.33
Pine Meadows	8.75	25.00				5.00	84.14
Redfield	34.75	41.50		2.00		10.00	
Rochester	149.91	424.41	3.00				27.46
Rome	97.00	112.00	3.00	12.00		18.05	151.10
Sandy Creek	63.00	787.21		5.00		84.00	54.10
Shady Grove	62.25	137.50		6.25	8.00	14.00	25.55
Syracuse (Lyncourt)	258.00	120.13	5.00	23.70		14.91	67.06
Syracuse (Willett Memorial)	172.50	450.51	3.00	16.50		40.00	44.80
Taylor	81.26	18.33	1.00	5.00			24.41
Wallace	107.75	105.06	5.00	55.00	22.11	19.75	33.17
Waterloo	57.55	69.00	3.00	5.75		25.00	86.24
Wellsboro	29.27	9.60				61.50	50.31
Westfield	66.00	130.00	3.00	13.25		4.37	6.50
West Jasper	22.50	12.50		5.00		31.10	25.82
Totals	\$2,638.51	\$5,495.61	\$75.00	\$284.02	\$128.57	\$805.48	\$1,307.80

Disbursements—Continued

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Society	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Administrative Fund	Total Disbursements	New Balance on Hand	Grand Total
Armenia Mountain	\$16.00	\$9.00	\$4.00	\$167.79	\$25.57	\$193.36
Avon	15.00	10.00		169.43		169.43
Bath	16.00	58.50	2.75	135.66	6.74	142.40
Bentley Creek	25.00	202.48	4.50	335.83	2.02	337.85
Berrytown	40.00	62.53	7.50	237.67	10.98	248.65
Blatchley	21.00	18.10	5.00	221.26	2.21	223.47
Boylston	17.00	51.00		150.00		150.00
Buena Vista	23.00	48.00	5.75	234.40	10.25	244.65
Canandaigua	24.00	40.30	5.25	434.48		434.48
Canisteo	65.00	49.58	9.50	853.71	.06	853.77
Caparra Terrace	11.00		3.25	484.79		484.79
Chambers	19.00	39.00	2.50	176.91	1.00	177.91
Corning (Riverside)	37.00	19.50	5.00	498.83	33.62	532.45
Elkland	12.00	10.50	2.00	241.48		241.48
Elmira	44.00	71.35	11.00	1,117.59		1,117.59
Fyler	15.00	95.50	3.75	349.87	29.73	379.60
Haskinville	29.00	38.00	4.50	298.50	2.02	300.52
Herrickville	15.00	31.22		124.79	.75	125.54
Horseheads	30.00	9.98		157.53	5.01	162.54
Morris	5.00	3.14		65.46		65.46
Odessa	12.00	6.25	3.00	717.63		717.63
Onondaga Reservation	9.00	5.00		133.14	5.00	138.14
Pine Meadows	14.00			59.75	11.54	71.29
Redfield	6.00	2.00		111.71	3.80	115.51
Rochester	39.00	125.39	7.00	1,217.86	14.35	1,232.21
Rome	37.00	44.30	5.00	448.40	21.72	470.12
Sandy Creek	21.00	170.93	4.50	1,099.19	34.24	1,133.43
Shady Grove	14.00		3.50	305.47	5.23	310.70
Syracuse (Lyncourt)	51.00	38.35	12.75	593.73	1.00	594.73
Syracuse (Willett Memorial)	97.00	30.61	5.00	854.53		866.41
Taylor	19.00	107.05	1.00	285.56	.24	285.80
Wallace	41.00	98.20	6.75	552.11	51.04	603.15
Waterloo	12.00	202.75	3.00	464.86	1.18	466.04
Wellshoro	8.00	3.57		61.31	.41	61.72
Westfield	61.00	60.07	9.75	399.99	.43	400.42
West Jasper	19.00	34.20	4.75	148.37	2.00	150.37
Totals	\$936.00	\$1,796.35	\$142.25	\$13,909.59	\$294.02	\$14,203.61

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Band	Active Members	Honorary Members	Meetings	Efficiency Standard %	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Special Projects (Credit)	Total (Band Credit)	Non-Credit Total	Grand Total
Avon	17	8	20		\$12.84	\$5.33					
Bath	16	22	13	100	63.69	5.00	\$1.00		\$19.17		\$19.17
Bentley Creek	21	14	13	100	38.77	.98	6.22	\$31.50	106.41	\$8.33	114.74
Berrytown	29	20	10	90	28.42		7.50	5.48	52.73	20.00	72.73
Blatchley	15	7	14	90	266.44	1.85	5.00	19.30	52.72	2.47	55.19
Boylston	9	1	12	30	13.10		1.85	4.69	274.83	.22	275.05
Buena Vista	32	41	18	70	112.16	48.99			13.10		13.10
Canandaigua	49	23	12	100	124.14	5.66	7.32	7.62	161.15	1.00	162.15
Canisteo	50	100	12	95	127.59	10.00	22.64	24.00	144.74	.72	145.46
Chambers	45	2	12	90	25.13	23.46			184.23	2.00	186.23
Elmira	80	3	13	95	159.35	20.00			48.59	.50	49.09
Fyler	22	35	12	95	108.73	57.46	25.00	20.00	224.35	6.63	231.98
Haskinville	25	26	12	90	41.52	15.00	20.00		186.19	78.51	264.70
Herrickville	11	27	14	100	23.00	13.69	5.00	35.14	96.66	8.40	105.06
Horseheads			5		11.00		13.70	1.81	52.20	6.36	58.56
Lyncourt (Syracuse)	60	55	12	100		15.36	10.00	160.95	11.00		11.00
Morris	12	13	12	100	13.00	8.32	8.11	18.57	185.95	9.98	195.93
Odessa	11		29		15.72	20.00			48.00	3.10	51.10
Puerto Rico	9		12	70	7.05				35.72		35.72
Redfield					5.00			3.50	10.55		10.55
Riverside (Corning)	62	82	12	100	218.00	5.00			5.00		5.00
Rochester	62	43	13	95	112.58	5.00	10.00		233.00	1.45	234.45
Rome	114	20	8	80	73.86	14.50	12.84	50.89	181.31	6.05	187.36
Sandy Creek	35	23	12	100	30.16	5.00	7.02		95.38	11.14	106.52
Shady Grove	53	10	12	100	36.42		5.00	108.00	148.16	3.88	152.04
Taylor	24	34	9	80	58.00		6.70	18.17	61.29	1.63	62.92
Wallace	36	41	14	100	97.84	8.25	3.00		69.25	1.10	70.35
Waterloo	16	6	13	90	23.94	60.00	40.00	29.00	226.84	8.60	235.44
Wellsboro		6	12	70	8.83	16.00	3.24	20.93	64.11	5.19	69.30
Westfield	30	56	48	100	91.96	8.81	3.00		20.64	.06	20.70
West Jasper	12	2	10	80	8.69	49.18	21.77	37.72	200.63	.86	201.49
Willett Mem. (Syracuse)	75	100	12	100	91.00	2.40	2.04	6.00	19.13	.14	19.27
Totals	1054	891	391		\$2,047.93	\$484.88	\$307.95	\$649.27	\$3,490.03	\$223.52	\$3,713.55

Minutes
of the
Wesleyan Youth
of the
Rochester Conference
July 7, 1956

OFFICERS

President—Rev. Beverly F. Wison, 230 Prospect St., Canandaigua, N. Y.
Vice President—Rev. William Woughter, Rt. 1, Gillett, Penna.
Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Mary Bell Chapman, Hemlock St., Horseheads, N. Y.

LOCAL PRESIDENTS

Avon—Miss Barbara Clements, Henrietta Rd., Henrietta, N. Y.
Bentley Creek—
Berrytown—Mr. Kenneth Hose, R. D., Gillett, Pa.
Boylston—Miss Lottie Rudd, Lacona, N. Y.
Buena Vista—Mr. Gilbert VanOrden, 12 Geneva St., Bath, N. Y.
Canandaigua—Miss Beulah Jones, Shortsville, N. Y.
Canisteo—Miss Barbara L. Amidon, R. D. 1, Hornell, N. Y.
Chambers—Mr. James Ball, R. D. 2, Corning, N. Y.
Corning—Miss Carol Stevens, R. D. 2, Painted Post, N. Y.
Elkland—Mr. Dallas D. Bown, R. D. 2, Forksville, Pa.
Elmira—Miss Patricia Smith, 1114 S. Main St., Elmira, N. Y.
Haskinsville—Miss Patricia Alderman, R. D. 3, Cohocton, N. Y.
Horseheads—Sherry Dahlstrom, Matthew Circle, Horseheads, N. Y.
Odessa—
Redfield—Mr. Phillip R. Crandall, Redfield, N. Y.
Rochester—Mrs. June LaCelle, 61 Aurburn Ave., Rochester 6, N. Y.
Rome—Mr. Joe Toczek, 1 Martin Drive, Rome, N. Y.
Sandy Creek—Mr. Earl Caster, Belleville, N. Y., % George Brown

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- Shady Grove—Miss Jean Maynard, R. D. 1, Campbell, N. Y.
 Syracuse (Lyncourt)—Miss Jane Krug, 512 Pleasantview Ave., Syracuse 8, New York
 Syracuse (Willett Memorial)—Mr. Steven Todd, Woodchuck Hill Rd., Fayetteville, N. Y.
 Wallace—Miss Mary Ellen Frederick, R. D. 2, Avoca, N. Y.
 Wellsboro—Miss Gail Maynard, 15 Charleston St., Wellsboro, Pa.
 Westfield (Teenage Group)—Miss Bonnie Andrews, Cowanesque, Pa.
 (Adult Group)—Miss Marjorie Lawrence, Box 538, Westfield, Pa.

WESLEYAN YOUTH GENERAL EFFICIENCY STANDARD

I.	Local holds certificate of organization and current seal of recognition	25
II.	One service per month, or 25% of total yearly services held in the interest of missions with the offering for missions	15
III.	One educational service with offering for education	10
IV.	Gain in membership	10
V.	YOUTH WEEK observed and reported	25
VI.	THE WELEYAN YOUTH (periodical)	
	A. Gold Ribbon Local (125% subscribing)	25
	B. Blue Ribbon Local (100% subscribing)	20
	C. Red Ribbon Local (75% subscribing)	15
	D. White Ribbon Local (50% subscribing)	10
VII.	Finance	
	A. General Dues paid	10
	B. Conference Assessments paid	10
	C. All monies paid at least quarterly to Conference W.Y Treasurer	25
VIII.	A systematic Bible study plan	15
IX.	A Scripture memorization plan, outside of Youth Week, which includes not less than twelve verses	15
X.	Annual reports in on time	20
XI.	A special local project planned and completed	20
XII.	Attendance	
	A. Average attendance equal to local membership	10
	B. Participating in District and Conference Activities	10
	Total points possible	245
	Necessary for "A" Local	215—245
	Necessary for "B" Local	185—214
	Necessary for "C" Local	150—184

GENERAL W.Y, Council.

Daily Proceedings

The Annual Business Meeting of the Rochester Conference Wesleyan Youth was called to order by the President, Rev. Beverly Wilson, July 7th, 1956, at 10:30 a.m.

Rev. William Woughter led in prayer.

The roll was called and adjusted, the first six rows being declared the bar of Conference.

Since the three district chairmen were absent, it was voted to seat Rev. Paul Lawrence for the Elmira District, Rev. Edwin Macumber for the Canandaigua District and Rev. Ivan Greenfield for the Syracuse District.

The secretary's report was read and accepted by motion.

The Vice President was asked to preside while our President gave his report. It was accepted with a rising vote of thanks.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted by motion.

The secretary read several recommendations from the Executive Committee but action on them was deferred until the afternoon session.

Each district was asked to meet immediately for the purpose of nominating a chairman and setting the date for the spring rally.

The meeting was recessed until 1:45 p.m.

Afternoon Session

The Afternoon Session of the Rochester Conference Wesleyan Youth was called to order at 1:45 p.m. by our President, Rev. Beverly Wilson. We were led in prayer by Mark Beecher.

The roll was called and adjusted. Mark Beecher was seated in the bar of Conference for Chambers by vote.

Rev. Forrest Gearhart, Houghton Area Chairman, was introduced to the Conference and spoke briefly concerning the work of the Wesleyan Youth Society.

Dr. David Rees was asked to preside during the election of officers. Tellers were appointed. Rev. Gerald Wright led in prayer, asking God's blessing on the election.

The report of the nominating committee was given and the following officers were elected by ballot:

President—Rev. Beverly Wilson

Vice President—Rev. William Woughter

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Mary Bell Chapman

A representative from each district reported their nomination for chairman and the following were elected:

Syracuse District—Rev. Bernard Draper

Canandaigua District—Rev. Edwin Macumber

Elmira District—Rev. Harold Chapman

It was voted to give the Elmira Sunday School \$10 from the Refresh-

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ment Stand Fund for the use of their bus.

A standing vote of thanks was given Mrs. Gladys Wilson for her work as secretary and treasurer.

Rev. Wilson took the chair and the recommendations of the Executive Committee were read again. The following were passed by motion:

1. That our goal for our Special Pioneer Offering be \$600 and that it be used to finish our last year's project, a furnace for the Baldwinsville Church.
2. That our Pioneer drive be the first two weeks in March.
3. That the money raised for pioneer dues be given to the Horseheads Church.
4. That all the money in the Refreshment Stand treasury above \$100 be given to the Camp Meeting Committee for the Boy's Barracks.
5. That we have a Conference-wide Youth Rally at Chambers Campgrounds, August 31-September 1, and that the Executive Committee appoint a Planning Committee for this convention.
6. That our budget for the year be:

General Dues	\$1.50
Pioneer Dues	.75
Conference Expense	.30
Area Dues	.05
Tabernacle Fund	2.00 per society

It was voted that we recommend to Forrest Gearhart that the Houghton Area Council meeting be delayed until the Marion Leader's Conference in December.

It was voted that the expenses of the President to the Leader's Conference in Marion and also to the Houghton Area Council in Toronto, if the two cannot be combined, be taken from the money left in the treasury after the last Conference-wide Youth Rally.

It was voted to set aside a fund for the deans, not to exceed \$10, the money being taken from the Refreshment Stand Fund.

It was voted the treasurer be paid \$25 for her work.

Our President, Rev. Beverly Wilson was elected Conference Organizer by motion.

It was voted we recommend that the District Chairman be nominated in the spring conventions.

A nominating committee for next year was elected as follows:

1. Rev. Gerald Wright
2. Rev. Ivan Greenfield
3. Pat Smith

It was voted that we recommend all money be sent through the Conference treasurer.

Motion to adjourn was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys Wilson, Secretary.

Reports

WESLEYAN YOUTH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been a great pleasure to work with the youth of our Conference this past year. Surely a survey of the records does not reveal we have turned the world upside down. As I associate with our wonderful young people I am convinced that the meagerness of our gains must reflect back on their youth leader. Likewise I am convinced that a busy pastor can never give adequate leadership.

Our thanks to our District chairman for the wonderful work they have done especially with the district rallies. We want to thank the vice president for the unique advertising for our pioneer project. We regret to say that only 14 societies out of 25 turned in an offering. Thanks to my wife who served as treasurer. We do not feel that we both can continue in the present capacity for the coming year.

As president we have made around 250 contacts by mail. We were present at every district rally and was the guest speaker in two of those rallies. We met with executive committee including district chairmen to plan a conference-wide Bible reading contest, and youth camp, especially Youth Day.

We regret to say that the Wesleyan Youth of Waterloo was disbanded last fall at their own request. Some of the young people went away to school; others moved away.

Our objective this past year was to stress the efficiency standard as a means to an end; the end being to make a thriving organization with strength to reach youth outside the church. To the extent that the efficiency standard is a hindrance to the effective operation of your society, it should be discarded. But never discard it simply because you are lazy; or too busy to be bothered; make sure the item on the efficiency standard is a hindrance before you discard it.

When you compare the Rochester Wesleyan Youth with the other conferences of the Houghton Area, we stand next to the bottom. Points are awarded for the number of Youth Magazine subscriptions; amount of money received for pioneer work, foreign missions, home missions, education and general dues. Allegheny, Canada, and Michigan conferences all had over three times as many points as we had. If we were making a "good standing", I would insist that all pioneer offerings and all educational budget be channelled through the Wesleyan Youth Treasurer. I don't believe we would have to do anything more than that to land on the top of the pile. However our interest is not to be seen and heard of men but that we be young people with a burning heart and a vision for reaching other youth.

Again only 9 societies sent in an educational offering. It's a tragedy if you did not have one service stressing the need for Christian education.

If you had one, surely an offering for Houghton should be the natural thing.

Our hope is that our conference-wide Bible reading contest be continued and eventually carried on to the General Conference. In my estimation, it has done much to create interest in youth rallies and tends to help the attendance.

The district banner was not presented this year, because so few of the societies reported their exact number of points.

Respectfully submitted,
B. F. Wilson, Youth President

WESLEYAN YOUTH TREASURER'S REPORT

June 23, 1955—June 21, 1956

Receipts		
General Dues	\$610.48	
Pioneer Dues	307.78	
Conference Expense	123.19	
Tabernacle Fund	44.00	
*Education	49.84	
Foreign Missions	225.40	
Home Missions	247.62	
Special Pioneer Offering (Baldwinsville)	315.03	
Area Dues	20.25	
Youth Week Offering	103.34	
Servicemen's Commission	46.11	
Medical Student Fund for John LaCelle	15.00	
Total Receipts	\$2108.04	\$2108.04
Balance on hand, June 23, 1955		402.70
Receipts plus Balance		\$2510.74

Disbursements	
General Dues	\$610.48
Horseheads Church (Pioneer Dues)	307.78
Furnace at Baldwinsville	290.28
Advertising for Pioneer Drive	24.75
Youth Week Offering	103.34
Area Dues	21.45
Servicemen's Commission	46.11
Medical Student Fund for John LaCelle	15.00
Boy's Barracks	200.00

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Insurance on Youth Tabernacle	7.85	
Education	49.84	
Foreign Missions	225.40	
Home Missions	247.62	
Conference Expense:		
Auditing of Books	\$ 5.00	
Treasurer's Salary	25.00	
Petty Cash	10.00	
Mileage for President	24.08	
Telephone Call	2.09	
Conference Minutes	35.00	
Cost of Executive Meeting	29.36	
Total Conference Expense	130.53	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$2280.43	\$2280.43
BALANCE IN WESLEYAN YOUTH TREASURY		\$230.31

*One voucher received for \$18.35.

REFRESHMENT STAND REPORT

Receipts

Profit from Refreshment Stand in 1955	\$193.13	
Payment of loan to Stand Operator	100.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$293.13	\$293.13
BALANCE ON HAND, JUNE 23, 1955 ..		29.00
RECEIPTS PLUS BALANCE		\$322.13

Disbursements

Loan for supplies to start the stand	\$100.00	
Insurance on Refreshment Stand	2.00	
Athletic Equipment	27.82	
Girls who worked in stand	18.00	
Sink fittings and wiring for stand	33.28	
Prizes for Bible Reading Contest	4.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$185.10	\$185.10
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 21, 1956		\$137.03

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BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

Society	General Dues	Pioneer Dues	Conference Expense	Tabernacle Fund	Area Dues
Avon	\$33.00	\$16.50	\$6.60	\$2.00	\$1.10
Bentley Creek					
Berrytown	42.00	21.00	8.40	2.00	1.40
Boylston	4.50	2.25	.90	2.00	.15
Buena Vista	16.50	8.25	3.30	2.00	.55
Canandaigua	25.50	12.75	5.10	2.00	.85
Canisteo	30.00	15.00	6.00	2.00	1.00
Chambers	18.00	9.00	3.60	2.00	.60
Corning, Riverside	31.50	15.75	6.30	2.00	1.05
Elkland	21.00	10.50	4.20	2.00	.70
Elmira	13.50	6.75	2.70	2.00	.45
Haskinville	19.50	9.75	.....	2.00	.65
Horseheads	30.00	15.00	6.00	2.00	1.00
Odessa					
Redfield	15.00	7.50	3.00	2.00	.50
Rochester	52.50	26.25	10.50	2.00	1.75
Rome	36.00	18.00	7.20	2.00	1.20
Sandy Creek	52.50	26.25	10.50	2.00	1.75
Shady Grove	25.50	12.75	5.10	2.00	.85
Syracuse, Lyncourt	22.50	11.25	4.50	2.00	.75
Syracuse, Willett Memorial	15.00	7.50	3.00	2.00	.50
Wallace	16.50	8.25	3.30	2.00	.55
Wellstoro	10.50	5.25	2.10	2.00	.35
Westfield (Twelve and Teens)	27.00	13.50	5.40	2.00	.90
Westfield (Adult Group)	21.00	10.50	4.20	2.00	.70