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## THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

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## THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

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### CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President—Rufus Reisdorph.  
Vice-President—J. F. Simpson.  
Secretary—L. D. Harris.  
Treasurer—Frank Martin.  
Sunday School Secretary—W. D. Shelor.  
Tithing Secretary—W. J. Leyh.  
Transportation Secretary—J. F. Simpson.  
Trustees—J. C. McGovern, Frank Martin, Frank Thompson, R. J. Eling, H. H. Turner.

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### STANDING COMMITTEES

Advisory Board—J. C. McGovern, Frank Martin.  
Camp Meeting Board—Rufus Reisdorph, W. C. Brannon, J. E. Spry, J. C. McGovern, August Wegner, Frank Martin, Charles Reisdorph.  
Conference Program Committee—Rufus Reisdorph, W. C. Brannon, Mrs. W. J. Leyh.  
Judiciary Committee—L. D. Harris, J. C. McGovern, A. M. Wiley, J. F. Simpson.  
Missionary Board—J. C. McGovern, J. F. Simpson, R. J. Eling, W. J. Leyh, L. D. Harris, R. D. Reisdorph, August Wegner, John Hoine, Frank Martin, Charles Reisdorph, H. B. Engel.  
Vacancies Committee—W. C. Brannon, J. E. Spry, Charles Reisdorph, Frank Martin.  
Representative to Miltonvale College—A. M. Wiley.  
Secretary & Treasurer of Ministerial Relief Fund—Fred Hunt.  
Sunday School Board—W. C. Brannon, R. D. Reisdorph, W. D. Shelor.  
Examining Board—A. M. Wiley, Arthur Calhoun, Rufus Reisdorph, J. C. McGovern.

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### MEMBERSHIP ROLL

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#### ELDERS

Thomas Bailie .....	Almont, N. D.
Mrs. Thomas Bailie .....	Almont, N. D.
W. C. Brannon .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Mrs. W. C. Brannon.....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Leon Briggs .....	Coleville, Ore.
Arthur Calhoun .....	Mitchell, S. D.
Chas. Carter .....	Africa
R. J. Eling .....	Avon, S. D.
Arthur Gugin .....	Claremont, N. D.
L. D. Harris .....	Ipswich, S. D.
Fred Hunt .....	Redfield, S. D.
Otto Jensen .....	Yankton, S. D.
Mrs. Otto Jensen .....	Yankton, S. D.
Minnie Knecht .....	....., Ky.
W. J. Leyh .....	Mina, S. D.
Mrs. W. J. Leyh .....	Mina, S. D.
J. C. McGovern .....	Mitchell, S. D.
S. J. McIntyre .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Arthur Reisdorph .....	Watford City, N. D.
Rufus Reisdorph .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Ruby Reisdorph .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
W. D. Shelor .....	Billings, Mont.
Harry Shreeve .....	Pieping, China
J. F. Simpson .....	Pollock, S. D.
J. E. Spry .....	Northville, S. D.
H. H. Turner .....	Mitchell, S. D.
A. M. Wiley .....	Jamestown, N. D.
George Thomas .....	Artesian, S. D.
W. H. Tullus .....	Loyalton, S. D.

#### LICENTIATES

Archie Buell .....	Willard, Mont.
C. W. Calhoon .....	Mill Iron, Mont.
Mrs. C. W. Calhoon .....	Mill Iron, Mont.
Hazel Carter .....	Africa
Wayne Cretsinger .....	Buffalo, Wyo.
Marvin Jones .....	Houghton, S. D.
L. L. Knapp .....	Ipswich, S. D.

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## MEMBERSHIP ROLL—Continued

### LICENTIATES—Continued

Isla Knight .....	Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. L. Raymer .....	Bradley, S. D.
Chester Reed .....	Miller, S. D.
Allen Regan .....	Athol, S. D.
George Robbins .....	Bushnell, S. D.
F. J. Traver .....	Bushnell, S. D.
Mrs. F. J. Traver .....	Bushnell, S. D.

### DELEGATES

Miss Tina Ahrends .....	Watford City, N. D.
Walter Bangert .....	Avon, S. D.
Mrs. L. Blazer .....	Minn. Valley, Mont.
H. B. Engel .....	Ipswich, S. D.
Miss Pauline Eisenbeize .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Mrs. F. Forbes .....	Mitchell, S. D.
Gordon Goodsell .....	Mitchell, S. D.
Mrs. Ruth Gerriets .....	Redfield, S. D.
Mrs. Henry Hillen .....	Houghton, S. D.
Mrs. J. W. Kegler .....	Athol, S. D.
Mrs. L. Kindschi .....	Houghton, S. D.
Lloyd Knight .....	Billings, Mont.
Roy Jones .....	Berg, N. D.
Mrs. Arthur Millage .....	Mitchell, S. D.
Fred Mittan .....	Bushnell, S. D.
Mrs. John Ochs .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Mrs. Chas. Osborne .....	Aberdeen, S. D.
Dan Palmer .....	Mina, S. D.
Bertha Pettigrew .....	Mina, S. D.
Ross Ritchie .....	Knobs, Mont.
Mrs. J. E. Spry .....	Houghton, S. D.
Mrs. Fred Solmonson .....	Pollock, S. D.
Mrs. Kate St. Helen .....	Bradley, S. D.
R. L. Scandrett .....	Brentford, S. D.
Douglas Steward .....	Mansfield, S. D.
August Tempe .....	Almont, N. D.
Mrs. J. Turner .....	Artesian, S. D.
Joseph Troud .....	Buffalo, Wyo.
August Wegner .....	Mina, S. D.

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# DAILY PROCEEDINGS

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The session was preceded by several days of our camp meeting and our hearts were graciously prepared for the opening of Conference by the quickening and heart stirring messages given by our evangelists, Miss Anna McGhie and Rev. F. R. Eddy, who was also our Connectional Representative.

### BUSINESS SESSIONS

#### Tuesday Morning

**Devotionals**—Conference proper opened Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock. Rev. Fred Hunt conducted the devotionals, reading from Psalm 133, commenting very effectively on the same.

**Called to Order**—President Rufus Reisdorph called the Conference to order at 8:30. Roll call.

**Report**—The Program Committee read the proposed program and it was adopted.

**Election of Committee**—Motion prevailed that we elect the Nominating Committee. Rev. A. M. Wiley, Chairman; W. D. Shelor, J. F. Simpson, August Wegner and Mrs. Charles Osborne were elected.

**Bar of Conference**—On motion, the first ten seats in the middle of the tabernacle were made the bar of Conference.

**Recess**—President declared a recess for Nominating Committee to work.

**Called to Order**—President called session to order for Conference organization.

**Report**—Nominating Committee read their report on nominations and it was adopted. (See Report No. 1a.)

**Pages**—Lloyd Knight and George Thomas were elected as pages.

**Appointments**—President appointed Mrs. J. W. Kegler, Mrs. J. E. Spry, and Douglas Steward to Itineracy and Order Committee.

**Privilege**—President, having received Rev. W. H. Tullus, an Elder into the Conference, he was voted a seat in Conference bar.

**Adjournment**—Adjourned by vote for committee work.

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### Wednesday Morning

**Devotionals**—Devotional meeting was conducted by W. J. Leyh reading from Phil. 4:1-9.

**Roll Call**—Roll called and minutes of previous session read and approved.

**Reports**—Partial report of Auditing Committee was read and it was referred back for completion. Ministerial Relief Secretary read his report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 2.)

Camp Meeting Board Treasurer read his report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 3.)

President read his annual report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 4.)

**Committee Appointment**—President authorized to appoint a committee to revise by-laws of Ministerial Relief Fund. He appointed Fred Hunt, W. D. Shelor and R. J. Eling.

**Minutes**—Secretary authorized to have 350 copies of the Minutes printed.

**Committee**—Motion prevailed to have committee investigate printing of minutes as to change in make up and cost. President appointed H. H. Turner and Mrs. M. L. Raymer.

**Report**—Treasurer's Report read and it was referred to Auditing Committee. (See Report No. 5.)

**Adjournment**—Adjourned by vote for committee work.

### Thursday Morning

**Devotionals**—Rev. W. H. Tullus conducted devotional exercises reading from Luke 11:1-3.

**Roll Call**—Roll called and minutes read and approved.

**Election of Officers**—Election resulted as follows:

President—Rufus Reisdorph.

Vice-President—J. F. Simpson.

Secretary—L. D. Harris.

Treasurer—Frank Martin.

Trustees—R. J. Eling and H. H. Turner.

**Report**—The Nominating Committee read their report on Standing Committees and it was adopted. They were elected as read. (See Report No. 1 b.)

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**Election**—J. C. McGovern was reelected to Board of Examiners.

**Affirmation of Delegates**—Motion prevailed that we affirm the action of last years election of delegates to General Conference as follows:

Rufus Reisdorph and J. F. Simpson Elders, with L. D. Harris as Alternate.

Frank Martin and H. B. Engel as Laymen with August Wegner as Alternate.

**Instructions**—Program Committee was instructed to give time on next year's program to Sunday School Convention or Rally.

**Sunday School Conventions**—On motion, the matter of District Sunday School Conventions was referred to Sunday School Board.

**Report**—Auditing Committee read partial report and it was adopted. (Report No. 6.)

**Superannuated Ministers' Fund**—Motion prevailed that subject of Superannuated Ministers' Fund be referred to Missionary Board.

**Report**—Railroad Expense Committee read their report and it was adopted. (Report No. 7.)

**Courtesies**—Brother Gibbs.

**Recess**—Recess of five minutes was voted.

**Called to Order**—Called to order by President.

**Address**—Connectional Address was given by Rev. F. R. Eddy.

**Adjournment**—Adjourned by limitation of time.

### Friday Morning

**Devotionals**—H. H. Turner led the devotionals, read from several passages of scripture.

**Roll Call**—Roll call and minutes read and approved.

**Reports**—Itineracy and Orders read their report which was referred back to the committee. (Report No. 8.)

**Ministers' Relief Revision of By-laws** read and adopted. (Report No. 9.)

**Time of Conference**—Conference to begin on second Wednesday evening in June, preceding the camp meeting.

**Mobridge Property**—Motion prevailed that we leave sale of Mobridge property to President and Board of Trustees.

**Ipswich Property**—Authorize the sale of part of lot in Ipswich, and also authorize the proper officials of Conference to sign said deed.

**Adjournment**—Adjourned by limitation of time.



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### Saturday Morning

**Devotionals**—Mrs. L. Raymer conducted the devotionals, reading from Matt. 5-14.

**Roll Call**—Roll call and minutes read, corrected and approved.

**Reports**—Statistical Report read and adopted.

Itineracy and Orders Report read and adopted. (See Report No. 8.)

Resolutions Committee Report read and adopted. (Report No. 10.)

**Statistical Report**—Motion prevailed to reconsider the adoption of Statistical Report. Voted to refer it back to committee.

**Report**—Passage of Character Report read and adopted. (Report No. 11.)

**Time on Program**—Motion prevailed to have Program Committee set a time on next year's program for preachers and ministers under appointment for their reports.

### Monday Morning

**Devotionals**—Devotionals were conducted by L. D. Harris, reading from 2 Tim. 4: 1-8.

**Reports**—Statistical Report read as corrected, and adopted.

Missionary Board read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 12.)

Pastoral Relations Committee read their report and it was adopted. (Report No. 13.)

**Finance**—Motion prevailed to continue plan of charging \$1.00 registration fee for ministers, their wives and delegates. Motion carried to give young people board for entire camp meeting time for \$2.00 and lodging for \$1.00. Tenting space free.

Conference voted to pay Mrs. Marvin Jones \$5.00 for typing minutes in the Journal.

Motion prevailed to authorize Conference Treasurer to pay transportation of delegates to General Conference.

**Nomination of Committee**—President nominated Frank Martin and J. C. McGovern to Advisory Committee.

**Election**—They were elected as nominated.

**Finance**—Motion prevailed to have charges take an offering each time President visited the charges, this offering to apply on President's salary.

**Minutes Adopted**—Minutes of this session read and adopted.

**Adjournment**—Adjourned by vote of Conference.

L. D. HARRIS, Secretary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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### Report No. 1-A

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Pastoral Relations Committee—Rufus Reisdorph, Chairman (not elected); J. F. Simpson, J. E. Spry, W. J. Leyh, Mrs. Arthur Millage, August Wegner, Walter Bangert.

Passage of Character—George Thomas and Lloyd Knight.

Statistical Committee—Allen Regan, Marvin Jones, Gorden Goodsell.

Auditing Committee—Fred Hunt, H. H. Turner.

Railroad Expense—Frank Traver, Wayne Cretsinger.

Resolutions Committee—A. M. Wiley, J. C. McGovern, W. D. Shelor.

Conference Reporters—W. C. Brannon, Fred Hunt.

Courtesies—R. J. Eling.

A. M. WILEY,  
W. D. SHELOR,  
J. F. SIMPSON,  
AUGUST WEGNER,  
MRS. CHAS. OSBORNE.

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### Report No. 1-B.

Camp Meeting Committee—Rufus Reisdorph, W. C. Brannon, J. E. Spry, J. C. McGovern, August Wegner, Frank Martin, Charles Reisdorph.

Judiciary Committee—L. D. Harris, J. C. McGovern, A. M. Wiley, J. F. Simpson.

Missionary Board—J. C. McGovern, J. F. Simpson, R. J. Eling, W. J. Leyh, L. D. Harris, R. D. Reisdorph, August Wegner, John Hoine, Frank Martin, Charles Reisdorph, H. B. Engel.

Vacancies Committee—W. C. Brannon, J. E. Spry, Charles Reisdorph, Frank Martin.

Representative to Miltonvale College—A. M. Wiley.

Secretary & Treasurer Ministerial Relief—Fred Hunt.

Sunday School Board—W. C. Brannon, R. D. Reisdorph, W. D. Shelor.

Conference Program Committee—Rufus Reisdorph, W. C. Brannon, Mrs. W. J. Leyh.

Member Examining Board—J. C. McGovern.

A. M. WILEY,  
W. D. SHELOR.

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### Report No. 2

#### MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

##### Receipts

On hand at beginning of year .....	\$ 2.00	
Received on 1st assessment .....	24.00	
Received on 2nd assessment .....	25.64	
Received on 3rd assessment .....	26.50	
Received on future assessment .....	1.00	
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Total receipts .....		\$ 79.14

##### Disbursements

Paid to Rev. Arthur Calhoun .....	\$ 22.76	
Paid to Rev. R. J. Eling .....	23.40	
Postage, etc. ....	.68	
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Total disbursements .....		\$ 46.84
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On hand June 1st, 1935 .....		\$ 32.30

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### Report No. 3

#### CAMP MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT

Amount on hand June 1, 1935 .....	\$ 151.54	
Received from all sources .....	928.59	
Received for Y. P. Tabernacle Fund .....	168.67	
Total disbursements .....		\$1039.09
Cash on hand June 1, 1935 .....		209.71
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	\$1248.80	\$1248.80

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### Report No. 4

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

August 2—Granted Rev. Roy Cox a letter of transfer to California Conference.

September 4—Granted Rev. Henry Aarhus a letter of transfer to Oregon Conference.

October 10—Granted Rev. Ivan Calhoun a letter of standing.

Appointed Rev. Marvin Jones to supply the Ipswich Church.

December 10—Assisted in the dedication of Buffalo Church.

March 20—Received Rev. H. W. Tullus, an Elder from the Nazarene Church, into the Conference.

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### Financial Statement

#### Salary

Salary received from Conference Treasurer .....	\$ 419.67	
Salary received from churches .....	465.56	
Total salary .....		\$ 883.23

#### Expenses

Transportation .....	\$ 68.73	
Telephone and telegrams .....	6.28	
Hotel and meals .....	5.95	
Postage .....	8.00	
Total .....		\$ 88.96
Received from Conference Treasurer for expenses ..	\$ 88.96	

RUFUS REISDORPH, President.

#### Report No. 5

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Conference Fund, 1934-35

#### Receipts

Balance on hand beginning of year .....	\$ 195.37	
Receipts from churches, individuals, etc. ....	732.66	
Total .....		\$ 928.03

#### Disbursements

Ministers' carfare .....	\$ 49.86
Aberdeen Tent & Awning Co., repairs for tent .....	13.35
A. M. Wiley, registrar's record book .....	3.50
L. D. Harris, postage .....	2.00
Wesleyan Methodist Pub. Ass'n., Conference Minutes .....	71.35
Wesleyan Methodist Pub. Ass'n. for statistical blanks .....	1.00
Searle Bros. Printing Co. for letterheads .....	8.25
Rufus D. Reisdorph, salary .....	471.67
Rufus D. Reisdorph, expenses .....	88.96
Farmers' State Bank, Mellette, rental of safety deposit box for 2 years .....	6.00
Home Missionary Secretary, home missions .....	18.82

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Superintendent Hephzibah Orphanage .....	2.61	
E. F. McCarty, foreign missions .....	2.50	
Interest on loans from Superannuated Fund .....	44.66	
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Total disbursements .....		\$ 784.53
Cash on hand to balance .....		143.50
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		\$ 928.03

### Superannuated Ministers' Fund

#### Receipts

Cash on hand beginning of year .....	\$ 56.44	
Receipts from church offerings .....	30.84	
Interest on loans to Conference .....	44.66	
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Total receipts .....		\$ 131.94

#### No Disbursements

Cash on hand to balance, June 3, 1935 .....	\$ 131.94
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#### Statement of Assets

Loan No. 1 to Conference .....	\$ 289.49	
Loan No. 2 to Conference .....	349.39	
Loan No. 3 to Conference .....	105.48	
Loan to Billings, Montana Church .....	200.00	
Cash on hand, June 3, 1935 .....	131.94	
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Total assets .....		\$1076.30

FRANK MARTIN, Treasurer.

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### Report No. 6

#### Auditing Committee

Your Auditing Committee submits the following report:

The books of the Ministerial Relief Treasurer, Camp Meeting Treasurer, Conference Treasurer, and Conference President, have been examined and found correct.

FRED O. HUNT,  
H. H. TURNER.

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### Report No. 7

#### RAILROAD EXPENSE COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Railroad Expense, have found the total railroad expense to be \$76.00. This, apportioned among the 19 charges, amounts to \$4.00. This amount is to be raised and sent in to the Conference Treasurer as soon as possible.

F. J. TRAVER,  
H. W. CRETSINGER.

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### Report No. 8

#### ITINERACY AND ORDERS COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Itineracy and Orders, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have carefully considered the several candidates which have been brought to our attention according to the disciplinary requirements which direct the actions of this committee. The results of these considerations are hereby given, in three different groups, according to the candidate's compliance with disciplinary standards, in the Course of Study or under Conference direction.

I. Those recommended to be received or continued only for study, no licenses being granted:

We recommend that Leslie D. Smith and Lester Meyers, having been duly recommended by the Watford City Quarterly Conference, be received to study, preparatory to travelling under the direction of the Conference.

We recommend that Lawrence Countryman be continued in the studies of the first year.

We recommend that George Robbins be continued in the fourth year of study.

We recommend that Ben Findlay be received to continue his studies of the second year.

II. Those recommended for licenses, or renewal of such:

We recommend that Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Calhoon, L. L. Knapp, F. J. Traver, and A. C. Buell be continued in the studies of the first year and that their licenses be renewed.

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We recommend that Isla Knight, having been recommended by the Aberdeen Quarterly Conference as a suitable person to travel under the direction of the Annual Conference, be licensed and placed in the studies of the first year.

III. Those having met sufficient standards for authorization by this Conference in the three following items: (1) Ordinary voting in the Conference, (2) Administering the Sacraments, (3) Solemnizing matrimony.

We recommend that Wayne Cretsinger and Chester Reed be continued in the second year of study, and their licenses be renewed.

We recommend that Allen Regan be advanced to the third year of study and that his license be renewed.

We recommend that Marvin Jones be placed in the studies of the third year and that a license be granted to him.

We recommend that Mrs. Laura Raymer be advanced to the studies of the fourth year and that her license be renewed.

We recommend that Hazel Carter be continued in the fourth year of study and that her license be renewed.

### IV. Election to Elder's Orders:

We recommend that George Thomas, having in the mind of the committee met the disciplinary requirements, be elected to Elder's Orders at this session of Conference.

Motion prevailed that Rev. F. R. Eddy be chosen to deliver the ordination sermon.

V. We most urgently request that the books for the examiners and the reading books for the candidates, be immediately purchased, as has been and still is demanded by a standing order of the Conference, and that they be placed in the care of the Conference Secretary for distribution, (the reading books) according to the plan before passed upon (a charge of ten cents and postage being collected from the candidate).

J. C. McGOVERN,  
A. M. WILEY,  
RUFUS REISDORPH,  
ARTHUR J. CALHOUN,  
MRS. W. J. KEGLER,  
MRS. J. E. SPRY.

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### Report No. 9

#### SPECIAL REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

We, your Committee, recommend that the following be substituted for the present by-laws:

**Purpose**—To provide financial assistance for Elders and Conference Preachers in times of serious illness or death in their families.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive funds and disburse them according to by-laws.

Each minister on the Conference roll shall be assessed one dollar on due notice from the Secretary, excepting both husband and wife are preachers. In such case, only one is assessed. Each pastor shall collect one dollar from his church or charge each time an assessment is made.

The secretary shall, on receipt of the worthiness of a case, pay out of said fund forty per cent of the amount of the expense incurred, provided the expense is more than twenty dollars, and furthermore providing that no payment shall exceed fifty dollars. (Normal maternity cases excepted.)

Members who are delinquent in the payment of the last two assessments prior to claims for help shall be ineligible.

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

Postage and necessary expense shall be deducted from said funds.

FRED HUNT,  
W. D. SHELOR,  
R. J. ELING.

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### Report No. 10

#### COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report:

Be it resolved, That this Conference go on record as being unalterably opposed to the prevailing intemperance, Sabbath desecration, gambling, and other forms of moral delinquency that are so prevalent just now. We earnestly urge our pastors to preach against these conditions, and our people to make every use of their influence and ballot in combatting them.



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Resolved, That we urge our preachers and charges to pray and labor faithfully for an increased revival spirit throughout this Conference, looking to God for the greatest year of revival and soul saving in the history of the Conference.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation to our Conference President, Rev. Rufus Reisdorph, for his faithful and untiring labors throughout the Conference the past year.

Resolved, That we thank Rev. F. R. Eddy, Rev. Anna McGhie, and Rev. Maurice Gibbs for their presence and their inspiring messages in the Conference and camp meeting.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the labors of the brethren who enlarged the eating and sleeping facilities, and to Mrs. J. F. Jenkins and Mrs. W. J. Leyh, and their helpers for their efficient service in the dormitory and dining room.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be printed in the daily papers of Aberdeen, and be incorporated in the Conference Minutes.

A. M. WILEY,  
J. C. McGOVERN,  
W. D. SHELOR, Committee.

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### Report No. 11

#### PASSAGE OF CHARACTER

We, your Committee on Passage of Character, have examined the reports of the pastors and ministers, and have passed their characters.

GEORGE A. THOMAS,  
LLOYD KNIGHT.

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### Report No. 12

#### MISSIONARY BOARD

The Missionary Board begs leave to submit the following report:

We recommend that the Conference urge the raising of the Superannuated Minister's Fund in full by the pastors and that no pastor's character shall be passed, who fails to make an effort to do so, except by vote of Conference.

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We further recommend that the Conference raise \$500.00 for the Billings Church in order to help them meet their obligation to the lumber company, provided the property be deeded to Conference.

We recommend that the Conference Treasurer pay \$12.00 per month toward the house rent of the pastor on the Ipswich charge.

We also recommend that the Conference continue the 5% plan and urge that every pastor present this plan to their churches at their earliest convenience.

We recommend that the President receive \$100.00 per month and his traveling expenses for the time he spends on the Conference field.

RUFUS REISDORPH,  
J. C. McGOVERN,  
J. F. SIMPSON,  
R. J. ELING,  
W. J. LEYH,  
FRANK MARTIN,  
AUGUST WEGNER,  
L. D. HARRIS.

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### Report No. 13

#### PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Pastoral Relations recommends the following relationships:

Aberdeen—W. C. Brannon and wife.  
Almont—Thomas Bailie and wife.  
Artesian—George Thomas.  
Avon—R. J. Eling.  
Billings—W. D. Shelor.  
Bradley—Laura Raymer.  
Brentford and Northville—J. E. Spry.  
Buffalo—H. W. Cretsinger.  
Bushnell—F. J. Traver.  
Calvary Wesleyan Methodist Church—Allen Regan.  
Firesteel and Isabel—In hands of President.  
Houghton—Marvin Jones.  
Ipswich—L. D. Harris.  
Knobs—C. W. Calhoon.  
McIntosh—In hands of President.  
Medicine Rocks and Minnesota Valley—Archie Buell.

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Mitchell—H. H. Turner.

Mobridge—In hands of President.

Pollock—J. F. Simpson.

Redfield—Fred Hunt.

Richland—W. J. Leyh and wife.

Watford City—Arthur Reisdorph.

Webster—In hands of President.

President of Conference—Rufus Reisdorph.

Conference Evangelists—Ruby Reisdorph, S. J. McIntyre, W. H.

Tullus.

General Evangelists—A. M. Wiley, Arthur Calhoun, J. C. McGovern.

Choose own field of Labor—Leon Briggs, Arthur Gugin.

Missionary Work—(Oriental Missionary Society) Harry Shreeve.

Missionaries to Africa—Charles Carter, Hazel Carter.

Mountain Missions—Minnie Knecht.

American Sunday School Union Missionaries—L. L. Knapp, Chester  
Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jensen.

RUFUS REISDORPH,  
WALTER C. BANGERT,  
MRS. ARTHUR MILLAGE,  
J. F. SIMPSON,  
AUGUST F. WEGNER,  
J. E. SPRY,  
W. J. LEYH.

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### Report No. 14

#### BOARD OF EXAMINERS

A. M. Wiley .....	Term expires in 1936
Arthur Calhoun .....	Term expires in 1937
Rufus Reisdorph .....	Term expires in 1938
J. C. McGovern .....	Term expires in 1939

List of books and examiners as follows:

Rufus Reisdorph—

First year, Study of the Bible by Books by Sell, and Applied  
Business English.

Second Year, Bible and Homiletics by Kearn.

Third Year, Bible and Christian Evidences.

Fourth Year, Bible and Bible Geography.

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J. C. McGovern—

First Year, Robert's Rules of Order.  
Second Year, How to Prepare an Expository Sermon.  
Third Year, System of General Ethics.  
Fourth Year, Psychology.

A. M. Wiley—Registrar.

First Year, Theological Compend, and Perfect Love.  
Second Year, Teacher Training and Theology.  
Third Year, Theology.  
Fourth Year, Theology.

All reading books to be reported to A. M. Wiley.

Arthur Calhoun—

First Year, Wesleyan Methodist Discipline.  
Second Year, Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation.  
Third Year, Church History and All About the Bible.  
Fourth Year, Church History and System of Christian Evidence.

Any of the reading books can be had by sending to Registrar, sending a fee of ten cents and paying postage.

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### Report No. 15

#### BUDGET APPORTIONMENTS

The Apportionments for Connectional Budgets are as follows:

Foreign Missions .....	\$2.50 per member.
Home Missions .....	.50 per member.
Orphanage .....	.25 per member.
Education .....	1.50 per member.

4.75

# WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

## Report No. 16

### STATISTICAL REPORT

Charges	Time Employed	Appointments	No. Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists	Wesleyan Missionaries	Sunday School	Banner	Junior Class	Paper	Children's Friend	Teachers' Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Lesson Leaflets	Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart
Aberdeen	12	1	1	15	8	30	25	...	5	50	20	18	35	8	25	25	1		
Almont	12	1	1	8	2	30	16	20	...	8	8	35	5	16	...	9	...	...	
Artesian	12	1	1	15	4	21	11	9	5	24	16	5	5	5	...	5	...	...	
Avon	12	1	1	10	...	25	12	10	6	30	12	10	10	10	...	10	...	...	
Bethany	12	1	1	3	...	6	4	...	3	9	6	20	20	15	...	6	...	...	
Billings	12	1	1	16	8	20	30	20	9	20	5	20	20	15	...	4	...	...	
Bradley	12	1	1	1	1	7	...	4	4	4	4	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	
Brentford	12	1	1	2	2	15	6	4	4	15	6	...	4	...	6	...	...	...	
Buffalo	12	2	1	17	8	20	10	20	8	16	3	10	12	...	10	10	1	...	
Bushnell	12	2	1	1	1	18	10	5	7	12	5	12	5	...	5	5	...	...	
Firesteel	12	1	1	7	4	11	5	3	3	15	...	5	4	...	10	5	...	...	
Graceland	12	1	1	3	7	18	13	10	4	16	10	13	8	1	3	...	1	...	
Houghton	12	3	1	3	3	28	21	19	8	39	14	12	10	7	12	23	1	...	
Johnson Corners	7	2	1	4	2	13	6	8	4	21	...	7	...	...	6	8	...	...	
Ipswich	12	1	1	3	1	6	6	3	2	10	...	...	3	...	...	5	...	...	
Isabel	12	2	1	2	1	18	4	...	8	24	...	9	8	...	20	10	1	...	
Kinning	12	1	1	2	1	6	6	3	2	10	...	...	...	3	...	...	5	...	
Knobs	12	2	1	2	1	18	4	...	8	24	...	...	9	8	...	20	10	1	
McIntosh	11	1	1	4	5	8	6	5	3	10	8	7	4	...	...	3	...	...	
Medicine Rocks	12	1	1	2	4	15	7	5	3	15	7	...	5	...	4	5	...	...	
Minnesota Valley	12	1	1	4	4	30	25	20	6	40	20	15	12	...	5	18	1	...	
Mission	12	1	1	6	3	15	6	...	4	30	3	3	5	...	...	...	...	1	
Mitchell	12	1	1	2	3	25	8	8	5	25	...	8	8	8	...	10	5	...	
Mobridge	12	1	1	7	1	25	12	12	8	25	5	10	...	...	...	5	7	...	
Northville	12	1	1	7	1	25	12	12	8	25	5	10	...	...	...	20	10	1	
Pollock	12	2	1	25	7	30	10	10	6	30	...	10	10	...	...	8	12	1	
Redfield	12	1	1	2	...	15	15	12	8	8	10	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Richland	12	2	1	25	7	30	10	10	6	30	...	10	10	...	...	20	10	1	
Watford City	12	1	1	2	...	15	15	12	8	8	10	8	...	...	...	8	12	1	
Webster	12	1	1	2	...	15	15	12	8	8	10	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Totals	282	31	24	161	79	449	268	203	131	521	164	197	170	38	205	197	11		

# THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Members Under 14 Years	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Local Preachers	Members Tithing
Aberdeen	10	...	...	5	3	126	...	128	...	2	2	5	2	1	...	30
Almont	6	...	...	...	...	26	...	32	...	6	2	...	...	...	1	13
Artesian	2	...	...	...	...	72	...	74	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	12
Avon	2	...	...	...	4	52	...	53	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	18
Bethany	2	...	1	...	...	15	...	16	...	1	...	2	1	...	...	4
Billings	17	...	2	...	...	51	...	66	...	15	...	14	14	...	...	45
Bradley	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Brentford	2	...	...	...	1	28	...	29	...	1	1	6	...	...	...	6
Buffalo	3	...	...	1	...	13	...	15	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	9
Bushnell	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	5
Firesteel	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Graceland	6	...	...	...	...	24	...	30	...	6	3	4	5	...	...	13
Houghton	...	...	...	...	...	42	...	42	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	11
Johnson Corners	6	...	...	...	3	71	...	74	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	21
Ipswich	1	...	...	5	...	41	...	37	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	8
Isabel	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kinning	...	...	...	...	3	19	...	16	3	...	1	2	...	...	...	2
Knobs	...	...	...	...	2	15	...	13	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
McIntosh	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Medicine Rocks	...	...	...	...	2	18	...	16	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Minnesota Valley	1	...	1	...	2	41	...	39	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	3
Mission	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mitchell	5	...	6	...	12	93	...	79	14	...	6	...	...	...	...	20
Mobridge	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Northville	3	...	...	...	...	50	...	53	...	3	...	...	1	1	...	6
Pollock	4	...	2	...	...	35	...	37	...	2	...	6	1	...	...	21
Redfield	8	...	1	2	2	40	...	43	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	15
Richland	...	...	...	...	...	65	...	65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Watford City	5	...	...	...	3	15	...	17	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	10
Webster	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	86	...	13	9	42	1038	...	1060	27	49	20	43	28	4	6	309

# WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	No. Sunday Schools	No. Officers	No. Teachers	No. Officers, Teachers and Scholars	Average Attendance	No. in Home Department	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	No. Converted	No. Joining Church	No. Departmental Supts.	No. Training Course	No. Organized Classes	No. Books in Library
Aberdeen	1	5	9	130	90	8	35	173	12	8	2	...	...	150
Almont	1	6	8	64	45	37	7	108	3	5	2	...	...	...
Artesian	2	8	8	75	51	...	...	75	4	...	...	...	...	...
Avon	1	11	6	65	43	...	10	78	8	5	...	...	1	...
Bethany	1	3	3	35	25	...	...	35	3	2	...	...	...	...
Billings	1	6	9	162	117	...	...	162	13	...	...	7	...	...
Bradley	1	4	4	25	20	...	...	25	2	...	...	...	...	...
Brentford	1	5	4	40	22	...	...	40	1	...	...	...	...	...
Buffalo	1	4	5	42	40	...	54	94	...	3	1	...	5	...
Bushnell	1	3	5	35	22	...	...	35	...	...	...	...	...	...
Firesteel	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Graceland	1	3	3	35	23	...	...	35	5	4	1	...	...	...
Houghton	1	5	4	42	37	6	...	48	6	...	...	...	...	...
Johnson Corners	3	12	14	115	95	...	...	115	4	4	...	...	...	...
Ipswich	1	4	4	48	25	...	...	48	...	1	...	...	...	...
Isabel	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kinning	1	4	3	23	21	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...
Knobs	2	11	7	50	40	...	...	40	8	...	...	...	...	...
McIntosh	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Medicine Rocks	1	5	3	32	22	...	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	89
Minnesota Valley	1	5	4	30	17	...	1	34	2	...	1	...	...	...
Mission	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mitchell	1	6	8	92	76	...	20	112	7	4	1	...	...	30
Mobridge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Northville	1	6	5	40	26	...	5	45	1	1	...	...	...	...
Pollock	1	8	5	68	43	...	14	82	5	2	1	...	...	32
Redfield	1	4	7	64	38	...	11	75	2	4	2	...	7	...
Richland	1	4	7	111	65	...	10	121	...	...	...	...	...	...
Watford City	1	3	4	40	30	...	...	40	1	...	...	...	...	...
Webster	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	28	133	139	1463	1032	51	173	1675	87	43	12	7	13	301

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## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	No. of Churches	Value of Churches	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Aberdeen .....	1	\$16000.00	.....	1	\$4500.00	.....	\$14.00
Almont .....	1	4500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Artesian .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Avon .....	1	5000.00	.....	1	1200.00	.....	.....
Bethany .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Billings .....	1	12000.00	\$4937.00	.....	.....	.....	2000.00
Bradley .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brentford .....	1	675.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buffalo .....	1	3000.00	388.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bushnell .....	1	800.00	.....	1	500.00	\$12.00	.....
Firesteel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Graceland .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Houghton .....	1	4000.00	.....	1	1400.00	.....	.....
Johnson Corners .....	1	3500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ipswich .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160.00
Isabel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kinning .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knobs .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
McIntosh .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Medicine Rocks .....	1	1500.00	.....	1	1000.00	175.00	14.00
Minnesota Valley .....	1	2000.00	325.00	.....	.....	.....	4.00
Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mitchell .....	1	5000.00	1025.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mobridge .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northville .....	1	2500.00	.....	1	1000.00	.....	700.00
Pollock .....	1	5000.00	173.00	.....	.....	.....	8.00
Redfield .....	1	3000.00	125.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richland .....	1	2000.00	.....	1	2000.00	.....	.....
Watford City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Webster .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals .....	16	\$70475.00	\$6973.00	7	\$11600.00	\$187.00	\$2900.00



# WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Aberdeen .....	\$950.00	\$300.00	\$38.00	\$40.00	\$1328.00
Almont .....	780.00	216.00	13.00	50.00	1059.00
Artesian .....	268.00	84.00	17.00	19.00	388.00
Avon .....	468.00	72.00	8.00	40.00	588.00
Bethany .....	124.00	.....	.....	12.00	136.00
Billings .....	1033.00	.....	15.00	72.00	1120.00
Bradley .....	80.00	.....	30.00	.....	110.00
Brentford .....	239.00	.....	10.00	15.00	264.00
Buffalo .....	340.00	.....	13.00	175.00	528.00
Bushnell .....	44.00	.....	.....	20.00	64.00
Firesteel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Graceland .....	338.00	.....	5.00	29.00	372.00
Houghton .....	347.00	100.00	.....	4.00	451.00
Johnson Corners .....	567.00	.....	11.00	90.00	668.00
Ipswich .....	273.00	.....	.....	23.00	296.00
Isabel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kinning .....	94.00	.....	.....	25.00	119.00
Knobs .....	377.00	.....	1.00	36.00	414.00
McIntosh .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Medicine Rocks .....	180.00	.....	.....	65.00	245.00
Minnesota Valley .....	118.00	.....	.....	101.00	219.00
Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mitchell .....	1040.00	.....	6.00	179.00	1225.00
Mobridge .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northville .....	177.00	60.00	8.00	15.00	260.00
Pollock .....	500.00	149.00	9.00	86.00	744.00
Redfield .....	274.00	.....	31.00	67.00	372.00
Richland .....	558.00	100.00	13.00	50.00	721.00
Watford City .....	177.00	.....	4.00	30.00	211.00
Webster .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals .....	\$9346.00	\$1081.00	\$232.00	\$1243.00	\$11902.00

# THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	Conference President's Salary	Conference Evangelist's Salary	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Aberdeen .....	\$10.00	\$70.00	.....	\$94.00	\$25.00	\$343.00	\$542.00
Almont .....	12.00	.....	\$105.00	51.00	285.00	42.00	495.00
Artesian .....	6.00	.....	9.00	27.00	.....	27.00	69.00
Avon .....	23.00	86.00	.....	69.00	54.00	92.00	324.00
Bethany .....	8.00	47.00	.....	27.00	.....	5.00	87.00
Billings .....	82.00	.....	104.00	155.00	448.00	282.00	1071.00
Bradley .....	32.00	.....	.....	25.00	.....	18.00	75.00
Brentford .....	6.00	.....	43.00	35.00	.....	12.00	96.00
Buffalo .....	15.00	.....	137.00	70.00	548.00	37.00	807.00
Bushnell .....	9.00	.....	.....	27.00	.....	23.00	59.00
Firesteel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Graceland .....	11.00	.....	38.00	26.00	.....	25.00	100.00
Houghton .....	5.00	43.00	.....	42.00	9.00	66.00	165.00
Johnson Corners .....	54.00	.....	.....	54.00	15.00	7.00	130.00
Ipswich .....	4.00	.....	2.00	39.00	.....	25.00	70.00
Isabel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kinuing .....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	1.00	16.00
Knobs .....	14.00	32.00	41.00	24.00	.....	.....	111.00
McIntosh .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Medicine Rocks .....	4.00	.....	3.00	15.00	325.00	.....	347.00
Minnesota Valley .....	2.00	.....	.....	25.00	.....	3.00	30.00
Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mitchell .....	21.00	.....	53.00	61.00	244.00	74.00	453.00
Mobridge .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northville .....	6.00	.....	.....	35.00	.....	50.00	91.00
Pollock .....	8.00	.....	25.00	61.00	37.00	142.00	273.00
Redfield .....	35.00	51.00	10.00	39.00	34.00	55.00	224.00
Richland .....	11.00	.....	48.00	50.00	40.00	20.00	169.00
Watford City .....	2.00	.....	.....	44.00	.....	60.00	106.00
Webster .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals .....	\$380.00	\$329.00	\$618.00	\$1110.00	\$2064.00	\$1409.00	\$5910.00

# WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	Undivided Budget	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Connectional Sunday School Work	Other Benevolent Objects	Total Benevolent Objects
Aberdeen .....		\$85.00	\$87.00	\$61.00	\$60.00	\$2.00	\$5.00	\$24.00	\$324.00
Almont .....		25.00	120.00	33.00	87.00	11.00	3.00	175.00	454.00
Artesian .....		47.00	131.00	19.00	26.00	3.00		29.00	255.00
Avon .....		41.00	48.00	58.00	40.00	7.00		26.00	220.00
Bethany .....					12.00			2.00	14.00
Billings .....		21.00	66.00	4.00				167.00	258.00
Bradley .....		13.00	12.00	2.00			1.00	17.00	45.00
Brentford .....			29.00	11.00		1.00		12.00	53.00
Buffalo .....	\$11.00	53.00	59.00	11.00	15.00			90.00	239.00
Bushnell .....	3.00								3.00
Firesteel .....									
Graceland .....	8.00	24.00	21.00	12.00	27.00	1.00		28.00	121.00
Houghton .....	10.00	37.00	49.00	23.00		5.00		30.00	154.00
Johnson Corners .....	16.00	25.00	43.00	8.00	29.00	1.00	4.00	18.00	144.00
Ipswich .....			4.00	4.00		1.00		9.00	17.00
Isabel .....									
Kinning .....		16.00	6.00	3.00				5.00	30.00
Knobs .....			11.00	8.00					19.00
McIntosh .....									
Medicine Rocks .....		9.00	17.00	2.00	13.00		1.00	18.00	60.00
Minnesota Valley .....		12.00	14.00	8.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	92.00	138.00
Mission .....									
Mitchell .....		45.00	120.00	42.00	124.00	5.00	6.00	46.00	388.00
Mobridge .....									
Northville .....		11.00	19.00	22.00	11.00	4.00		25.00	92.00
Pollock .....		19.00	40.00	8.00	17.00			84.00	168.00
Redfield .....	1.00	11.00	55.00	15.00	10.00				92.00
Richland .....		31.00	24.00	29.00	25.00			77.00	186.00
Watford City .....		13.00	5.00	2.00					20.00
Webster .....									
Totals .....	\$49.00	\$538.00	\$980.00	\$385.00	\$506.00	\$41.00	\$21.00	\$974.00	\$3494.00

# THE DAKOTA CONFERENCE

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Charges	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total For All Purposes
Aberdeen .....	\$1328.00	\$542.00	\$324.00	\$2194.00
Almont .....	1059.90	495.00	454.00	2008.00
Artesian .....	388.00	69.00	255.00	712.00
Avon .....	588.00	324.00	220.00	1132.00
Bethany .....	136.00	87.00	14.00	237.00
Billings .....	1120.00	1071.00	258.00	2449.00
Bradley .....	110.00	75.00	45.00	230.00
Brentford .....	264.00	96.00	53.00	413.00
Buffalo .....	528.00	807.00	239.00	1574.00
Bushnell .....	64.00	59.00	3.00	126.00
Firesteel .....	372.00	100.00	121.00	593.00
Graceland .....	451.00	165.00	154.00	770.00
Houghton .....	296.00	70.00	17.00	383.00
Ipswich .....	119.00	16.00	30.00	165.00
Isabel .....	414.00	111.00	19.00	544.00
Kinning .....	245.00	347.00	60.00	652.00
Knobs .....	219.00	30.00	138.00	387.00
McIntosh .....	1225.00	453.00	388.00	2066.00
Medicine Rocks .....	260.00	91.00	92.00	443.00
Minnesota Valley .....	744.00	273.00	168.00	1185.00
Mission .....	372.00	224.00	92.00	688.00
Mitchell .....	721.00	169.00	186.00	1076.00
Northville .....	211.00	106.00	20.00	377.00
Pollock .....				
Redfield .....				
Richland .....				
Watford City .....				
Webster .....				
Totals .....	\$11902.00	\$5910.00	\$3494.00	\$21306.00

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Home and Foreign Missionary Society  
of the Wesleyan Methodist Church  
of the Dakota Conference,  
June 1 - 7, 1935**

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Mrs. George Thomas, Artesian, S. D.

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Miss Loretta Raymer, Bradley, S. D.

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Graceland—President, Mrs. Blanche Larson, Athol, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. Emma Riser, Athol, S. D.

Hilltop—President, Mrs. W. J. Leyh; Secretary, Miss Beatrice Bowers, Cresbard, S. D.

Houghton—President, Mrs. Vivian Edwards, Houghton, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. Charles Reisdorph, Houghton, S. D.

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## WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

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### DELEGATES

Aberdeen—Mrs. A. E. Hatton.  
Artesian—Mrs. G. Thomas.  
Avon—Mrs. R. J. Eling.  
Billings—Mrs. W. D. Shelor.  
Bradley—Mrs. Nellie Stimson.  
Brentford—  
Buffalo—Mrs. H. W. Cretsinger.  
Graceland—Mrs. Edwin Dahlgren.  
Hilltop—Miss Beatrice Bowers.  
Houghton—Mrs. Ira Lord.  
Knobs—Mrs. C. W. Calhoon.  
Ipswich—Mrs. L. L. Knapp.  
Medicine Rocks—Mrs. Edith Buell.  
Minnesota Valley—Miss Evelyn Myhrie.  
Mitchell—Mrs. Frances Forbes.  
Northville—Mrs. W. S. Reed.  
Pleasant Valley—Mrs. Roy Jones.  
Pollock—Mrs. W. Hinz.  
Redfield—Miss Bertha Tomsha.  
Richland—Mrs. Loraine Palmer.  
Riverside—Mrs. Geo. Bruins.  
Johnson's Corner—Mrs. Thomas Bailie.

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### Daily Proceedings

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#### Saturday Morning, 8 A. M.

The President opened initial session with singing, "Trust and Obey." Mrs. Raymer led the devotionals with Psalm 20, as a lesson; which was followed by the chorus, "I'll be, Lord."

Mrs. Leyh was appointed as Committee on Credentials.  
Credentials read.

Motion carried that ministers wives, local presidents, and delegates be admitted to bar of Conference.

Nominating Committee was elected as follows: Mrs. Brannon, chairman; Mrs. Bailie, Mrs. Leyh, Mrs. M. Jones, and Mrs. Hunt.

Motion carried to adjourn.

#### Saturday, 1 P. M.

Song—"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus."

Mrs. Cretsinger led the devotions using Psalm 27.

Report of Nominating Committee was read and adopted.

Mrs. Brannon elected assistant on Courtesies.

Mrs. Hinz and Miss Myhrie were elected as Magazine Solicitors.

Mrs. Bailie was elected as Reporter.

Local reports were read.

Motion carried to adjourn.

#### Monday, 8:30 A. M.

Devotions opened with singing "Higher Ground." Scripture verses were quoted.

Roll call.

Minutes read and approved.

Orders of Day Committee rendered partial report.

Local reports read.

A letter from Mrs. McMillen was read.

Motion carried to remunerate the children's workers with twenty dollars.

Adjourned to meet at 1 P. M.



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**Monday, 1 P. M.**

After singing, "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus," Mrs. Reed led us in prayer.

Local reports were read.

Rev. F. R. Eddy, Connectional Representative, was introduced to the Society. He responded with an address in behalf of missions.

Letter from N. Mae Clark was read by the Secretary.

Reading of local reports were resumed.

Adjourned to call of Chair.

**Tuesday, 9:30 A. M.**

Miss Nellie Stimson led in prayer.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Mrs. Spry gave us a talk on "The Method of Making Unleavened Bread."

Election of Officers as follows:

President—Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph.

Vice-President—Mrs. Erma Brannon.

Secretary—Mrs. Lillian Bailie.

Treasurer—Mrs. Blanche Larson.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Mrs. Susie Shelor.

Dormitory Superintendent—Mrs. Martha Jenkins.

Assistant Dormitory Superintendents—Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. L. D. Harris.

Secretary read a letter from Miss Ruth Fagerland.

Motion carried that Secretary send greetings to each of our mission fields, also to Miss N. Mae Clark, Mrs. McLeister, Miss Fagerland, Mrs. Gibbs, Mrs. McCarty, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Clocksin and others.

Motion carried for adjournment.

**Tuesday, 1:30 P. M.**

Song, "Close to Thee." Mrs. Brannon led in prayer.

A Reading entitled, "Raising a Special Offering," was given by Miss Louise Traver.

Delegates were instructed to call for receipts from hands of the Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report was read and adopted.

Discussion on Y. M. W. B. delegate held for further consideration.

Miss Catherine Fessenden spoke in behalf of Miltonvale College.

Miss McGhie, Evangelist, was introduced to Society. Her response was relative to her visits in the foreign lands.

Distribution of the monthly, yearly quadrennial report books.

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Motion carried that we divide money received at the public missionary meeting equally between Foreign Missions and Conference work.

Motion for adjournment was carried.

### Wednesday, 1 P. M.

Session opened with scripture verses and prayer by Mrs. Bailie.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Partial report by Plan of Work Committee.

Complete report on Orders of the Day was adopted.

Mrs. Shelor conducted a discussion on the Y. M. W. B. work.

Auditing Report was read and adopted.

Report of Montana District Organizer was read and adopted.

Adjourned.

### Thursday, 1 P. M.

Song, "In the Cross." Mrs. Thomas led in prayer.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Statistical Report read and adopted.

Rev. M. Gibbs, returned missionary from Japan, was introduced. He brought greetings to us from his family and the workers in Japan.

Dormitory Report read.

Mrs. Brannon and Mrs. Eling were appointed to contact delegates relative to supplying needs for Miltonvale College.

Call for quadrennial reports.

Motion to adjourn carried.

### Friday, 5 P. M.

Motion carried that the President appoint the District Organizers.

Plan of Work Report as given last year was adopted for this year with this addition: That the Organizer or President visit in the districts.

Motion for adjournment.

### Saturday, 8 A. M.

Devotions opened with singing, "I Love to Tell the Story."

Passages of scripture on "Peace" were quoted.

Prayer by Mrs. Jenkins.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Report on Resolutions was read and adopted.

Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Long were elected to purchase some shades for the dormitory above dinning room.

Mrs. Jenkins introduced the needs of the dormitory.

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Motion carried that Mrs. M. Jones take care of the matter on Conference stationery.

Motion carried that we send a Y. M. W. B. delegate to General Conference.

Mrs. Morton was elected as Y. M. W. B. delegate to General Conference.

Vote of Thanks was given Mrs. Harris in behalf of the careful way she preserved records of the quadrennial work.

District Organizers were authorized to aid the work of the Y. M. W. B. in their district.

Motion carried that Conference stationery expenditures be cared for, and the balance in treasury be remitted to Y. M. W. B. delegate for her expenses.

Motion carried that Mrs. Brannon, Mrs. Leyh and Mrs. Reisdorph make plans for play ground equipment.

Motion for adjournment carried, Mrs. Bailie closing with a word of prayer.

### Special Call

Saturday, 6:30 P. M.

The question of the Conference Society helping to pay the Ipswich pastor's house rent, was introduced.

Motion carried that each society be apportioned on the basis of \$.30 per member, as reported this year.

Motion prevailed that secretary notify each society the amount to send, and also designate for which month they are responsible.

Adjourned.

### Public Missionary Meeting

Friday, 2:30 P. M.

Song service opened by singing, "When the Roll is Called up Yonder," and "Throw Out the Life Line;" these being conducted under the able leadership of Rev. Mrs. R. Reisdorph. Rev. R. J. Eling led in prayer. The Conference President of the Missionary Society, introduced the Conference Officers. Rev. Gibbs, our returned missionary from Japan, gave the missionary address, using posters and curios, which helped us to better understand the Japanese people and their customs. A cash offering of twenty-three dollars was taken.

## Report of Committees

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### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Statistical—Mrs. H. W. Cretsinger, Mrs. Geo. Thomas and Miss Bertha Tomsha.

Auditing—Mrs. Thomas Bailie, Mrs. Marvin Jones

Orders of the Day—Mrs. R. Reisdorph, Mrs. W. J. Leyh, Mrs. Frances Forbes.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. F. Simpson, Mrs. L. Palmer.

Courtesies—Mrs. Larson.

Plan of Work—Mrs. A. E. Hatton, Mrs. Fred Hunt.

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### ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee on Orders of the Day submit the following report: On Monday at 1:30 Rev. Eddy will address the Society. Tuesday, 9:30 A. M., Mrs. Spry will speak to the ladies on the method of making unleavened bread. Tuesday, 10 o'clock, Election of Officers. Wednesday, 1:30, Mrs. Shelor will conduct us in a Y. M. W. B. discussion. Thursday, 1:30, Rev. Gibbs will address the Society. Saturday, 10 o'clock, Miss McGhie will speak to us on the subject, "Our Inheritance."

MRS. RUBY REISDORPH,  
MRS. VIOLA LEYH,  
MRS. FRANCES FORBES.

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### AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the books of the Treasurer, and found them to be correct.

MRS. LILLIAN BAILIE,  
MRS. LAVERNE JONES.

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand at beginning of the year .....	\$ 39.53
On savings account .....	48.42
Received during the year .....	1041.52
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Total .....	\$1129.47
Disbursed .....	1003.12
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Balance .....	\$ 126.35

Signed, MRS. BLANCHE LARSON.

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### COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee on Resolutions wish to submit the following report:

Be it resolved, That in view of the fact that the harvest is great and laborers so few, let us as ladies and especially as mothers who constitute the W. H. & F. M. S. of the Dakota Conference, make our prayers and missionary vision more practical this coming year, by asking God to especially lay His hand upon some young people for definite missionary service in our local churches and individual homes.

Furthermore, That we in these pressing times may endeavor to sustain a spirit of sacrifice that our young people may catch the spirit of the Apostle who said, "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus, my Lord; for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but refuse that I may win Christ."

Be it further resolved, That we express our appreciation to Rev. Eddy, Rev. Gibbs and Miss McGhie for their helpful addresses given during the session of the Missionary Society.

Be it also resolved, That we extend a vote of thanks to the Aberdeen and surrounding societies for the work done in cleaning the buildings and getting them in readiness for the camp.

We also recommend that we extend a vote of thanks to the Conference for providing our entertainment during this session of Conference and camp, the same to be read to the Conference body.

MRS. J. F. SIMPSON,  
MRS. PALMER.

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## STATISTICAL REPORT

Societies	W. H. & F. M. S.							Y. M. W. B.		
	Active Members	Honorary Members	Total Members	Gain	Loss	Using Missionary Programs	Wesleyan Missionary	Amount Raised During Year	No. of Members	Amount Raised
Aberdeen	18	1	19	1	...	Yes	8	\$168.45	19	\$17.89
Almont	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	52.38
Artesian	11	3	14	...	...	No	3	142.36	9	12.53
Avon	10	1	11	...	...	No	7	74.96	15	24.20
Billings	12	2	14	4	...	Yes	3	229.67	24	10.42
Bradley	11	...	11	...	4	Yes	1	28.00	...	...
Brentford	6	...	6	...	...	No	2	40.08	...	...
Buffalo	9	2	11	...	5	Yes	6	105.99	9	3.64
Graceland	14	4	18	4	...	No	3	71.67	...	...
Hilltop	11	1	12	2	...	Yes	2	27.35	10	5.65
Houghton	8	...	8	...	...	Yes	7	34.03	18	40.43
Ipswich	7	...	7	...	...	No	2	21.38	...	...
Johnson Corners	13	...	13	3	...	Yes	3	41.54	7	9.12
Knobs	9	...	9	...	...	Yes	1	94.07	...	...
Medicine Rocks	7	...	7	...	...	No	5	24.59	14	9.62
Minnesota Valley	11	...	11	...	...	Yes	6	50.55	...	...
Mitchell	19	1	20	...	...	Yes	4	149.25	3	3.10
Northville	12	...	12	...	...	No	3	47.58	9	7.43
Pleasant Valley	9	...	9	...	...	Yes	1	34.97	...	...
Pollock	7	5	12	...	2	No	2	45.92	24	24.69
Redfield	12	2	14	...	...	No	2	53.39	2	37.21
Richland	14	6	20	...	...	Yes	6	113.31	17	44.00
Riverside	10	...	10	2	...	No	2	30.20	...	...
Totals	240	28	268	36	11	...	79	\$1629.31	197	\$302.31
				Net						