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OF THE

Iowa Conference

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# The Iowa Conference

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## OFFICERS.

President—W. R. Emerson.

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Secretary—Mrs. E. C. Gould.

Treasurer—F. J. Wilson.

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## COMMITTEES.

Tithing Secretary—W. R. Emerson.

Statistical Secretary—A. P. Beneman.

Sabbath School Secretary—Amy Breneman.

Student Committee—F. J. Wilson, A. B. Gould, W. R. Emerson.

Sunday School Board: A. W. Curry, Laura Everett, Bertha Ellis.

Committee on State of the Work: W. R. Emerson, E. R. Dodd, A. W. Curry.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders—C. P. Carkuff, A. B. Gould, R. W. Mack.

Camp Meeting Committee—A. P. Breneman, J. F. Hiner, C. S. Weigel, W. R. Emerson, Frank Ballou, Wm. Gipe, Byron Hoover; with F. J. Wilson as **treasurer**.



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### REPORT OF CAMP-MEETING COMMITTEE.

The Iowa Conference Camp Meeting was held on the Clayton Haymond farm five miles east of LaPorte City, Ia., August 24th, 1914. Twenty-two small tents erected in a beautiful grove made a very attractive and important gathering. The camp meeting has increased in numbers and interest, and is in a good growing condition. No help was employed outside the conference ministers. The interest and spirit of the meeting was good. The number of souls receiving help through pardon, purity, and reclamation are registered in the books above, while the shouts of joy and victory made glad the fellowship of the saints of light. Everyone was royally entertained on the camp ground, and the subscription received was sufficient to meet the financial obligations. All glory, majesty and power be unto our Lord for victory, blessing and grace.

Signed:

C. S. Weigel,  
W. R. Emerson,  
B. J. Hoover,  
Frank Ballou.

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### CONFERENCE MINUTES.

Tuesday Morning, September 1, 1914.

Conference opened at 10 a. m., by singing, "Close to Thee," Vice-president C. P. Carkuff in chair, who read Ephesians, 4th chapter. A. B. Gould voiced prayer. "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" was sung. Twelve ministers and licentiates answered roll call. A. W. Curry was introduced.

The first four seats of the tabernacle were named as conference bar.

A. W. Curry was elected chairman of the Credential Committee. J. F. Hiner was elected the other member.

A. B. Gould, C. S. Weigel, J. F. Hiner were elected on the Nominating Committee.

A partial report of Credential Committee was read and adopted. Mrs. Charles Johnson, West Union; Mary Shannon, Albaton; Mrs. Cora Howlett, Marengo; Mrs. John D. Williams, Jr., Marengo; John D. Williams, Jr., Marengo; Laura Everett, South Troy; William Gipe, Immanuel; Charles Sauer, Hoover; Vallie Hoy, Bethel; and H. F. Boll, Dundee, were seated as delegates.

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Motion prevailed that Wm. Gipe and H. F. Boll act in the nominating Committee.

Motion prevailed that Byron Hoover and Geo. Smith be postmasters.

Motion that A. W. Curry and Laura Everett be Committee on Examination of character. W. R. Emerson is chairman ex-officio.

The names of D. W. Scott, George Smith, and A. M. Stephens were ordered placed on conference roll.

Mrs. Breneman moved that rule for adjournment be suspended for this morning and that we now adjourn.

C. P. Carkuff offered prayer.

Adjourned.

### Tuesday Afternoon, 1:30.

Conference opened by singing "I'm Happy With Jesus Alone." J. F. Hiner read the 4th chapter of 2 Corinthians and offered prayer. Roll call was responded to by 6 elders, 10 licentiates, and 9 delegates.

Minutes of morning session were read and corrected.

The President read some of the Standing Rules.

The Credential Committee presented the name of John Yancey, of Charles City as delegate.

The Nominating Committee offered a partial report which was adopted.

By vote of conference the hour of 2:30 p. m., on Thursday was given to the conference Sunday School secretary.

A letter of standing of A. W. Curry of the Dakota Conference was read and referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

Communications were read from Geo. Cameron, of Daysland, Alberta, Canada, and Ira E. Bradley, of Des Moines, Iowa.

A letter of transfer of Geo. and Ina Doty from the Kansas Conference to the Iowa Conference, was read. These letters were referred to the proper Committee.

The motion to make Friday afternoon at 2:30 the time for election of officers prevailed.

All matters which bear upon the building fund were ordered given to a committee which shall be elected for this purpose. C. P. Carkuff, C. S. Weigel, John D. Williams, Jr., A. B. Gould, and Charles Sauer were duly elected.

The request for funds from the Albaton charge was referred to this committee. Similar requests from Bethel and West Union were also referred to the Committee.



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Dr. Ruby Paine's letter to the Iowa Conference was read, followed by May Lord and W. R. Emerson leading in prayer.

Conference instructed the secretary to send greetings of the conference to Dr. Ruby Paine.

The President appointed John D. Williams, Jr., and Laura Everett the two lay members on Itinerancy and Orders' Committee. Conference adjourned.

A. B. Gould pronounced benediction.

### Wednesday Morning, September 2.

"He Hideth My Soul" and "I Love to Walk With Jesus" were sung in opening. W. L. McDowell read a few verses from Mark, 2nd chapter, commenting thereon, and led in prayer.

Seven elders, 5 licentiates, and 10 delegates answered roll call. The minutes were read and corrected.

Rev. Dan Smith of the Kansas Conference was introduced.

Prof. S. W. Bond, President of Miltonvale College, was introduced and spoke a few words in behalf of his school.

L. A. Johnson, of Dakota Conference was introduced.

Credential Committee presented the certificates from John Horn, St. Charles and Howardville; Mrs. R. V. Wiltse, St. Charles and Howardville; Agnes Dodd, Charles City; Jennie Emerson, Charles City; and Miriam Day, St. Charles and Howardville, which were accepted.

Motion prevailed that A. B. Gould be a committee to write J. W. Leedy with reference to his report to the conference as a licentiate and bear greetings from this conference.

Motion prevailed that there be created a committee to be known as the Committee on Orders of the Day of which the Conference President shall be chairman. A. B. Gould and F. A. Butterfield were elected the other members.

Motion that an order be drawn on the treasury for bill of the secretary amounting to \$1.22, prevailed.

C. P. Carkuff was called to the chair while the President made his report of the Holiness Convention in Chicago to which he was sent as delegate from this conference.

The report, after quite a lengthy discussion on the topic, was adopted.

Letters were read from L. W. Easton of Riverside, California, and Delia Howlett of Kunso, West Africa.

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Conference ordered that the secretary send greetings from this conference to all who write to the conference.

Motion prevailed to have the letter from Delia Howlett published in the Wesleyan.

Adjourned by limitation.

Professor S. W. Bond pronounced the benediction.

### Wednesday Afternoon.

"Leaving All to Follow Jesus" was sung. Brother Dan Smith, of Kansas Conference, read the 32nd Psalm and led in prayer.

Six elders, 11 licentiates, and 14 delegates answered roll call.

The minutes were read and added unto.

The Committee on Orders of the Day submitted a report.

Motion prevailed to rescind the previous action of conference in regard to the Sunday School hour.

The report of the Committee on Orders of the Day was adopted.

The report in full of the Committee on Nominations was read and adopted.

Motion prevailed that the Memorial Committee be made a Committee on Memorials to the General Conference next June and that a member be added to this committee. C. P. Carkuff was added to this committee by vote.

The Conference Sunday School Secretary made her report which was adopted.

R. W. Mack, of Miltonvale, Kansas, brought a report from Rev. J. T. Platt.

F. A. Butterfield moved that the Missionary Board be instructed to look after all the charges and churches of the conference each year to which no pastor has been assigned with a view to renewing the work at these points if possible and report concerning each to the annual conference with recommendations relative to the disposition of same. Motion carried.

Motion was carried that C. P. Carkuff preach on Wednesday p. m. at 2:30.

Adjourned.

George Doty pronounced the benediction.

### Thursday Morning, September 3.

"Leaving All to Follow Jesus" was sung. Psalms 94 and 116 were read. R. W. Mack paid his "vows" unto the Lord. Frank Ballou and F. A. Butterfield led in prayer.



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Seven elders, 7 licentiates, and 13 delegates answered present. Minutes were read and approved.

A. B. Gould was elected conference reporter.

The Credential Committee reported the name of Bertha Ellis for elders orders by her quarterly conference at Hoover, which was referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

The partial report of the Credential Committee naming Frank Ballou, Dayton Valley; Lucy Kirkpatrick, Dayton Valley; Bertha Williams, Pleasant Hill; and Lottie Buttermore, South Troy was adopted.

Motion prevailed that a Committee on Boundaries be created with R. W. Mack as chairman. F. A. Butterfield was elected second member and John D. Williams, Jr., third member on this committee.

Orders of the Day being called, Professor S. W. Bond was called to the platform to present the school.

"Three items must be kept in mind," he said, "in connection with the education of our young folk. 1st, Religious surroundings; 2nd, Social surroundings; 3rd, Educational surroundings." Effort is made to make these the best possible at Miltonvale.

Adjourned by limitation 30 minutes late.

A. P. Breneman pronounced the benediction.

### Thursday Afternoon.

Conference opened by singing "Close to Thee." Twenty-seventh Psalm was the reading selected by Amy Breneman who also led in prayer.

Motion made that the name of J. B. Omerod be dropped from the conference roll prevailed.

The minutes were read and approved.

Vice-president was called to the chair.

President Emerson made a statement from the Committee on Camp Grounds.

The motion prevailed that the Committee on Camp Grounds be instructed to buy or lease the piece of land for a permanent location providing a road can be procured to the place.

The President made mention of a matter at Guthrie Center which was referred to the Committee for the disbursement of funds from the building fund.

The motion prevailed that the time after the Orders of the Day were carried out, be given to the Woman's Missionary Society.

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The Sunday School Secretary had charge of the hour from 2.

At 3:40 Conference voted to suspend the orders of the day and adjourned in order that the Conference W. H. and F. Missionary Society might have the time for a session of that body.

### Friday Morning, September 4.

"How Firm a Foundation" was sung. The President read 89th Psalm and led in fervent prayer.

Eight elders, 10 licentiates, and 19 delegates were present.

Minutes were read and corrected.

Time to hear the Connectional Editor was set for 11 o'clock.

The names of the following were called and character passed:

Geo. S. Fry, L. W. Easton, B. F. Logsdon, J. T. Platt, W. H. Riley, A. W. Curry, Ira E. Bradley, Geo. Cameron, E. R. Dodd, C. P. Carkuff, F. A. Butterfield, R. W. Mack, A. P. Breneman, Amy Breneman, C. S. Weigel, Byron Hoover, W. L. McDowell, May Lord, Dr. Ruby Paine, Delia Howlett, Miriam Day, Geo. Smith, A. M. Stephens, Ina Doty, Bertha Ellis, and Alice Thomas.

Motion prevailed that the name of C. M. Howe be placed in the hands of the president to secure a report and then report at next annual conference.

By vote, the character of F. E. Fitch was passed and the secretary instructed to write to inquire of the relation he wishes to sustain to this conference.

The passage of the character of R. C. Moulton was deferred, by vote, until the president be able to correspond with him.

Motion prevailed to again change the order of the day and give the Connectional Editor the time immediately after roll call this afternoon.

The names of S. S. Cameron, A. A. Davidson, and Mrs. L. A. Bishop were ordered placed on the roll of our honored dead and that the secretary be instructed to write letters of condolence and assurance of the prayers of the conference to the bereaved.

Conference adjourned.

Sister Bertha Ellis pronounced the benediction.

### Friday Afternoon.

"The Half Has Never Yet Been Told" was sung. C. S. Weigel read the 91st Psalm and led in prayer.

Six elders, 11 licentiates, and 16 delegates present.



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The Orders of the Day being called, Brother F. A. Butterfield, the Connectional Representative, was called to the platform.

At his request "Blest Be the Tie" was sung after which he presented the Connectional work. He likened it to a tree with branches, each of which must be carefully cared for to make a symmetrical organization.

Orders of the Day again being called Conference proceeded to the election.

The President appointed A. B. Gould and Wm. Gipe tellers.

The Credential Committee presented the name of Geo. Barnett, of Bennezette, which was accepted.

For result of election see page 3.

The President ruled that the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Advisory Board, Missionary Board, Board of Trustees, Committee on Presidency and Judiciary Committee are conference officers.

Motion prevailed that the president be authorized to name the chairman of the following committees: Resolutions, Sabbath Schools, Missionary, Moral Reform, to report at the beginning of the conference.

The Statistical Committee reported 686 members. The Rev. F. A. Butterfield was elected ministerial delegate to the General Conference, with Rev. W. R. Emerson, alternate, and Frank Ballou, lay delegate, with H. F. Boll as alternate.

Motion prevailed that the expenses of these delegates to General Conference be paid from the Conference Fund.

The Treasurer made his report which was received and placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee.

The Committee on the disbursement of funds from the building fund, made its report which was adopted.

Motion prevailed to meet at 8:30 a. m., on Saturday.

Adjourned.

E. R. Dodd pronounced the benediction.

### Saturday Forenoon, September 5.

"I Need Thee Every Hour" was sung. C. P. Carkuff read the Beatitudes, commenting thereon and offered prayer.

Six elders, 8 licentiates and 9 delegates answered present. The minutes were read and corrected.

The following names were called and character passed: A. B.

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Gould, F. J. Wilson, J. F. Hiner, Geo. H. Doty, D. W. Scott, and J. W. Leedy.

Charles City's Statistical report was read and adopted.

C. P. Carkuff was called to the chair. The President made his annual report which was adopted.

The character of President Emerson was passed. The motion that the matter of the Cameron note be referred to the three trustees present and that they shall report at this conference prevailed.

Committee on Missions made their report, which was adopted.

The report of Committee on Vote of Thanks was read and adopted.

A special committee of one—C. S. Weigel—was created to wait upon Mr. C. Haymond with thanks from this conference for the use of the camp grounds.

The Sunday School report was read and adopted.

A Committee on Revivals was created, with E. R. Dodd to report at next Annual Conference.

Conference instructed the Camp Meeting Committee to secure the best possible evangelist available.

The report of the Missionary Board was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read and adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

That we greatly appreciate the excellent judgment and faithfulness of the present administration in the successful management of our Connectional interests, and we hereby pledge, cheerfully, our unqualified support.

The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read and adopted by a rising vote.

The report of the Committee on Memorials to General Conference was read and adopted as partial report.

The secretary was instructed to publish conference minutes and draw on conference fund for payment for same.

Motion prevailed that the conference treasurer and secretary each be paid \$10 for labors.

The statistical report of Marengo charge was read.

Conference voted that the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders arrange for a ministerial institute to be held in the spring.

Motion was made that the Union Ridge appointment be discontinued and the payment of interest on the church cease.

Adjourned by limitation.

R. W. Mack pronounced the benediction.



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### Saturday Afternoon.

"I Will Praise Him" was sung. George H. Doty read the 91st Psalm and led in prayer.

Six elders, seven licentiates and eight delegates present.

Minutes were read and corrected.

Unfinished business was taken up and the motion concerning the Union Ridge Church prevailed.

F. J. Wilson moved that the president be authorized to grant letters to the individuals of disbanded classes. Motion prevailed.

The Committee on Apportionment of Superannuated Ministers' Fund was read and adopted.

The report of the Camp Meeting Committee was read and adopted.

Conference adjourned for committee meetings, to convene at the call of the chair.

President called conference to order.

The report of the Statistical Committee was read and adopted.

The motion prevailed that George Smith and E. R. Dodd be a committee to make apportionment of budget of the various charges.

Conference ordered three hundred minutes printed.

The Auditing Committee made report, which was adopted.

The motion prevailed to accept no time less than twenty-five years' lease for camp grounds.

Motion prevailed that the location of camp grounds be left in the hands of the president and his advisory board.

The report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was read and adopted.

Motion prevailed that Sister May Lord be in the hands of the Missionary Board.

At the president's recommendation, it was voted to sell the Diagonal property and put it into property at Charles City, the money to be disbursed through the Building Fund.

The report of the Committee on Postoffices was read and adopted.

The Committee on Apportionment of Budget made a report, which was adopted with an amendment.

Motion prevailed that the president, in connection with his advisory board, sell the parsonage at Wayne.

Adjourned.

"Praise God" was sung. G. E. Houck pronounced the benediction.

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### Evening Session.

Called to order by President.

Conference voted that it had no jurisdiction whatever concerning Elsie Webster Fund, and therefore had no recommendation to make.

Conference adjourned sine die.

E. C. Gould, Secretary.

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Sunday morning Sister Bertha Ellis conducted Love Feast, which was indeed a feast of love. Rev. F. A. Butterfield had charge of the preaching service, after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

The afternoon was given to memorial services, in charge of R. W. Mack and A. B. Gould. A few special hymns, "When the Roll Is Called" and "Changed in the Twinkling of an Eye" and "In That City," were sung. A. B. Gould used as his theme "Victors." Fitting words were spoken in behalf of the departed—A. B. Gould for A. A. Davidson, F. J. Wilson for Mrs. L. A. Bishop, and B. J. Hoover for S. S. Cameron.

The Sunday evening service was in charge of Evangelist E. R. Dodd. The attendance was good throughout the day.

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### REPORTS.

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#### Report of Committee on Pastoral Relations.

How many elders on the conference roll? 19.

Who of the elders are on the stationed list? W. R. Emerson, E. R. Dodd, C. P. Carkuff, F. J. Wilson, J. F. Hiner, A. B. Gould, A. W. Curry, R. W. Mack, F. A. Butterfield.

Who of the elders are on the supernumerary list? C. M. Howe, George J. Cameron, George S. Fry, J. T. Platt, Ira E. Bradley, F. E. Fitch, R. C. Moulton.

Who of the elders are on the superannuated list? W. H. Riley, L. W. Easton, B. F. Logsdon.



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Who of the elders are on the unstationed list? None.

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

Who of the elders have withdrawn this year? By transfer, Mary C. Whitney; by letter of standing, none.

Who have joined the conference this year? By ordination, none; by transfer, George H. Doty, Ina Doty; by letter of standing, A. W. Curry.

Who of the elders have died this year? S. S. Cameron, Mrs. L. A. Bishop, Aaron Davidson.

Who of the licentiates are on the stationed list? B. J. Hoover, Austin Breneman, Amy Breneman, C. S. Weigel, George H. Doty, Ina Doty, W. L. McDowell, A. M. Stephens, D. W. Scott, George Smith, Bertha Ellis.

How is the work supplied? South Troy, C. P. Carkuff; Emmanuel, B. J. Hoover; Dayton, F. J. Wilson; Albaton, A. W. Curry; Bennezette, Austin Breneman, Amy Breneman; Hoover, J. F. Hines; St. Charles, George H. Doty, Ina Doty; Charles City and Howardsville, George Smith; Dundee, R. Wesley Mack, with a recommendation that Mt. Hope be dropped as a preaching point; Pilot Rock, G. C. Houck, conditionally; Marengo, C. S. Weigel; Bethel, W. L. McDowell; Guthrie Center, Guthrie Circuit, Daniel Smith, conditionally; West Union, A. M. Stephens, conditionally; Pleasant Hill, D. W. Scott; A. B. Gould, to choose his own field of labor; F. E. Fitch, C. M. Howe, George S. Fry, Ira E. Bradley, George J. Cameron, J. T. Platt, R. C. Moulton, on the supernumerary list; Ruby Paine, medical missionary in Africa. Miriam Day, May Lord, missionaries elect; Alice Thomas, medical missionary elect. Delia Howlett, missionary in Africa. E. R. Dodd, Connectional missionary evangelist Northwest District. J. W. Leedy, instructor at Central Holiness University. W. R. Emerson, president, with instructions to travel. Bertha Ellis, missionary evangelist. Rev. F. A. Butterfield, Connectional editor.

Signed,

W. R. Emerson.

F. J. Wilson.

Frank Ballou.

C. S. Weigel.

Wm. Gipe.

Mrs. J. D. Williams, jr.

J. F. Hiner.

Members of Committee on Pastoral Relations.

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### Committee on Vote of Thanks.

We realize that the royal entertainment which the people of this Camp Meeting and Conference have received means a great tax on the charge where it is held. We wish to express our sincere thanks to the people of the Emmanuel and Pleasant Hill churches for the way that our every need has been supplied; also to Mr. C. J. Haymond for the use of these beautiful grounds.

Your committee,

Miriam Day.  
May Lord.

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### Report of Sunday School Committee.

Inasmuch as we feel, in a deeper sense than ever before, the great need of a broader zeal and a grander effort toward the up-building of the Sunday Schools throughout our conference borders, we, as your Committee on Sunday Schools, beg to submit the following report:

We are convinced that "we shall rise no higher than our aim" and "all things are possible with God."

Let us feel as we never have before the bigness of this work, the possibilities of success to those who can trust, sacrifice for and serve our Master, "who is able to do for us exceeding, abundantly more than we can ask or think."

We believe that the future character of our church will be measured largely by the degree of Godliness to be found in our children, grown to manhood and womanhood, and we are more than ever convinced that the Sunday School is one of the strongest factors in bringing about the salvation of the youth in our land.

May we not, as pastors and laymen, take a fresh hold, a stronger grip, on God and his precious, unfailing promises, and with redoubled zeal, redoubled effort, with an unconquerable tread, the blood-stained banner of our Redeemer held above us, press on to certain victory along the line of tremendous advance in our Sunday Schools.

Cora Howlett.  
Amy Breneman.



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### Report of the Committee on Missions.

At the present time, when a great war is waging in Europe and it is impossible for our missionaries either to go to or return from the field, we feel that there is an especial need for prayers for the mission work. Prayers that the health of those upon the field may be preserved and that they may be given strength for the work and the extra strain that they may be under during these days.

We have rejoiced in the news that we have received from the field during this conference session and are glad that our two representatives on the field have remembered us. We thank God for both of them and we feel that we especially ought to give thanks that our Sister Ruby Paine has so improved in health that she expects to finish out her term on the field. We feel that as a conference we have a right to feel grateful that so many from our number have been called into this great work.

On the other hand, we feel sad when we think of the shortage of workers on the field due to the lack of funds, and when we remember that there are no white workers at Bingkola. Ought not every one of us pray that God will speedily open the way so that workers may go out to carry on this work. And at the same time let us lift with all our might, and, as Brother Clarke says, give now, some of the money that we have been planning to give after awhile so that as soon as the war permits, our workers may go to the field.

May Lord.  
Miriam Day.  
Committee.

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### President's Report.

The closing conference year has been one of battles and testings, accompanied with victory and blessing. There has been the clash of arms and the weapons, not carnal but spiritual, have prevailed in bringing some souls into the kingdom of heaven. For the loyal support of the brethren of the conference and for the measure of success that has attended our labors during the year we render due appreciation and gratitude unto God, as we present our second annual report.

September 2. We visited Masonville Church with a view to ar-



# Statistical Report of the Iowa

## CHARGES AND PASTORS

CHARGES AND PASTORS		Time Employed—Months	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Present Numbers	No. Reported Last Year	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Licentiatees	Membership Tithing	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Wesleyan Lesson Helps	Sunday School Banners Taken	Teachers' Quarterlies Taken	Scholars' Quarterlies Taken	Intermediate Quarterlies Taken	Primary Class Papers Taken	Little Folks Cards Taken	No. of Sabbath Schools	No. of Superintendents	No. of Other Officers	No. of Teachers	In Cradle Roll	In Home Department	No. in Adult Bible Class	No. in Main School	No. of Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. of Department Superintendents	No. of Teachers' Training Course	No. of Books in Library	Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness
South Troy	C. P. Carhart	12	2	1	4					46	50	2	12								15	10	60	15	15		2	2	6	9	9		47	80	60			2		50	1	\$1700		\$1500		
Emanuel Hill	B. J. Hoover	12	1	1	4				5	66	67	1									20	4	30	35	16	16	1	1	2	4		21	38	37				1	1	1800		800				
Pleasant Hill	D. W. Scott	12	1	1	3					19	16		3		3						15	3	30	15	15	1	1	5	3			38	25	13				1	1	1600	\$48.55	1200				
Dayton	F. J. Wilson	12	1	1	3					75	72		3		3						15	6	50	10	10	10	1	1	3	4			75	46	30				1	1	1600		1500			
Albion	A. W. Curry	12	1	1	4				1	34	35	1									4	30	15	15	15	1	1	3	4			46	30					23	20	1	1000		1200			
Benezette	A. P. and A. M. Brennan	12	1	1	4					31	27		4	2							25	4	30	15	12	24	1	2	5	4			45	35	3	2					1400		1800			
Union Ridge	A. P. and A. M. Brennan	12	1	1	4																25	4	30	20	24	18	1	1	3	3			60	41	2	2			1	1	2700		1600			
Hoover	C. S. Weigel	12	1	1	10					61	51		10		2						25	4	38	15	5	6	2	2	10	9			35	125	85	13			2	2	2000		1200			
St. Charles and Hope	Geo. H. Doby	12	2	2	14				4	3	73	68	5	15	2	2	1	4	14			25	4	40	15	8	8	1	1	5	5			13	35	25	1	2			1	1000		1500		
Dundee, Mt. Hope, Masonville, Geo. Smith	Smith	12	1	1	7					1	34	29	2	2	3	2	4	13	12			25	4	40	15	8	8	1	1	5	5			55	25	2	2			55	1	1000		600		
Narango	Mary C. Whitney	12	1	1	5					2	54	50	2	3	3	1	1	5	6			10	20	15	10	10	10	1	1	6	4			14	36	26	4	2			60	1	1800		1200	
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A. P. BRENNEMAN,  
B. J. HOOVER,  
Committee

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ranging for a special meeting, as instructed by the conference, but found the way was not open as none of the members desired or thought best to hold such a meeting. Nothing has been done here during the year.

November 26. The way not opening for Brother A. M. Stephens to take up the work assigned him, we approved of his taking temporary charge of the work at Pleasant Hill, left vacant through the death of Rev. S. S. Cameron.

March 2. West Union Church being left in the hands of the president, we arranged with the nearby pastors to supply this church once in two weeks, until March 2, when, by consent of the Advisory Board, we released Rev. A. M. Stephens from the Pilot Rock Church and appointed him pastor of the church at West Union.

March 4. Sanctioned the arrangement for Brother D. W. Scott to serve the Pleasant Hill Church as pastor.

June 3. Arranged for Sister May Lord to visit various charges throughout the conference to assist in raising the budget for missions, with a remuneration of twenty-five dollars per month and her traveling expenses.

July 31. Issued a letter of transfer to Rev. (Mrs.) Mary C. Whitney from the Iowa Conference to the Canada Conference.

July 31. Approved the arrangement for Brother George S. Fry to serve the Marengo Church as pastor until conference.

In obedience with the instructions of the conference, we conferred with the Camp Meeting Committee, and purchased a tent, 35x55, from the Cornie Goodie Manufacturing Co., at the following cost:

Cost of tent.....	\$175.00
Light system .....	18.17
Freight on lights.....	.60
Half freight on tent.....	3.60
Oil can and funnel.....	.80
Total .....	<u>\$198.20</u>

Funds sufficient for the payment of the same are now available, leaving the tent without indebtedness.

January 19 issued order on the Building Fund for the Pleasant Hill church, \$220.



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General collections during the year.....	\$384.85
Rent from parsonages .....	56.39
Received salary for year.....	700.00
Traveling expenses for year.....	115.34

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Emerson.

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### Auditing Committee.

We, your Auditing Committee, would respectfully report that we have examined the books and accounts of the conference treasurer and find them correct and properly balanced, as reported to this body in his annual report.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. Mack.

G. H. Doty.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### Building Fund

On hand September 14, 1913.....	\$652.06
Disbursements .....	266.70
Cash on hand.....	\$385.36

### Conference Fund.

On hand September 4.....	\$408.50
Received .....	794.97
Total .....	\$1,203.47
Disbursements .....	950.10
On hand .....	\$253.37

### Conference Fund for Minnesota.

Cash on hand.....	\$62.06
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### Student Fund.

Deficit .....	\$20.62
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### Miriam Day Fund.

On hand September 4.....	\$127.00
Received .....	108.00
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Total .....	\$235.00
Disbursements .....	\$235.00

### Camp Meeting Fund.

On hand September 4.....	\$183.85
Received .....	\$165.02
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Total .....	\$349.77
Disbursements .....	192.82
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On hand .....	\$156.95

### Educational Budget.

On hand September 4.....	\$38.50
Received .....	211.25
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Total .....	249.75
Disbursements .....	205.98
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	\$43.77

### Foreign Missions, Africa.

On hand September 4.....	\$30.00
Disbursements .....	30.00

### Home Missions.

Receipts during year.....	\$10.00
On hand .....	10.00



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### Tent Fund.

On hand September 4.....	\$3.45
Received .....	175.50
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Total .....	\$178.95
Disbursements .....	79.20
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On hand .....	\$99.75

### Missions Budget.

On hand September 4.....	\$145.43
Received .....	462.15
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Total .....	\$607.58
Disbursements .....	427.73
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Cash on hand.....	\$179.85

### Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

On hand September 4.....	\$156.86
Received .....	72.26
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Total .....	229.12
Disbursements .....	80.00
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Cash on hand .....	\$149.12
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Total cash on hand as per treasurer's book	\$1,340.25
As per bank book and cash.....	1,340.23
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Surplus .....	.02
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Amount of outstanding notes and accrued interest .....	\$1,539.00

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. Wilson,  
Conference Treasurer.

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### Annual Report of Sunday School Secretary.

#### To the Members of the Iowa Conference, greetings:—

The past year has had its discouragements, but in summing it all up I feel like saying from my heart that the encouragements far outweigh the former. Never since I have served as Sunday School secretary has this work been so much on my heart as during this past year. Never have the children and young people over our conference seemed more precious to me. Over and again have they come before me and I have felt such an overwhelming love in my heart for them. Can any sacrifice be great for us to make to win and hold these precious souls for Christ? The great burden on my heart is that we as Wesleyan Methodists may be awake to our responsibility and that we may never cease to labor, pray and sacrifice while there still remains souls unsaved for whom Christ died. Never since I have served as your Sunday School secretary have I felt myself to be more of a failure than during the past year. How I thank God for the patience and love this conference body has manifested toward me during the months of my suffering. We were only able to arrange for two conventions this year. Both were reported in the Wesleyan, so I will only say that they were especially owned and blessed of God. Help and inspiration were received at both that we trust shall be as lasting as eternity. While unable to visit but two of our schools away from home this year, I have tried to keep in touch with them through correspondence. Have written forty letters in connection with this work. Two of these were letters for publication. It is with a deep feeling of my own weakness, and also the great responsibility resting upon one holding this position that I submit this report.

Cost of postage for the year .....	\$1.20
Cost of traveling expenses.....	3.80

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Total amount received during the year..	\$6.19
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Amount received above expenses.....	1.19
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May we labor and pray unitedly for the upbuilding of this great department of the church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Breneman,  
Conference Sunday School Secretary.



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### Report of Committee on Moral Reform.

We, as your Committee on Moral Reform, submit the following report:

1st. Resolved, That we sincerely thank and praise our God through Jesus Christ that we have again had the privilege as a conference and community of associating together the past two weeks and enjoying such blessed Christian fellowship, for the gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us and the manifestation of his presence in each and every service; also for the thoughtful, faithful and royal entertainment we have received, we do hereby express our thanks and appreciation for the same, praying that our Father shall abundantly reward this dear people not only in basket and in store, but with the outpouring of His Spirit upon their souls, and that the blessed revival of salvation may continue and increase in their midst.

2nd Resolved, That we believe more strongly than ever before that God had a purpose in calling us as a church and denomination into existence, the chiefest reason of all being to practice, defend and perpetuate the blessed doctrine of Holiness, "without which no man shall see the Lord." Praying that we may be given strength, wisdom and grace to fulfill our mission in this regard and that we stand firm for genuine Bible Holiness as a second definite work of grace, and against the popular form of Holiness. That we practice and stand for simplicity in dress and adornment, not being conformed to the vain fashions and follies of this world,

3d. Resolved, That, being aware of the great and growing evil of the liquor traffic in our land, we as a people labor, vote and pray for its complete downfall.

4th. Resolved, That we greatly lament the spread and growth of the desecration of our Holy Sabbath day in our so-called Christian land, and that we, as a people, strictly observe the Holy Sabbath, teaching our children the observance of the same and further that we teach and preach the keeping of the same to others.

5th. Resolved, That in keeping with our reform doctrines as a church against any complicity with the secret empire, we continue firm and strong on this doctrine, when everywhere and in all ranks of life are those who carry "the mark of the beast." Therefore, let our pastors, evangelists and all Christian workers be able to intelligently and with love preach and teach our people to have no fellowship with the "unfruitful works of darkness."

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennie Emerson,  
C. P. Carkuff.

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### The Committee on Memorials to the General Conference.

On Disciplinary changes:

1. Sec. VI., Art. 79, add "or committees affected by the same."
  2. Sec. V, Art. 62, add "The Agent, Editor and Missionary Secretary shall be ex-officio members of the General Conference but not in addition to the regular delegates."
- (Partial report.)

F. J. Wilson,  
D. W. Scott,  
C. P. Carkuff.

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### Committee on the Apportionment of Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

We recommend the following appropriations:

To Mrs. S. A. Gilley, \$25; To Mrs. Thomas Hartley, \$25; To Mrs. S. C. Cameron, \$25.

F. J. Wilson,  
J. D. Williams,  
Committee.

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### Report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

1. That the following be continued to travel as conference licentiates: Ruby Paine, Alice Thomas, May Lord, Miriam Day, Delia Howlett.
2. That these be continued in the first year of the course with credits as designated for the past year: Byron Hoover, Binney's Compend, Pentateuch; Geo. Smith, Pentateuch; Willard McDowell, History Wesleyan Methodism, Roberts' Rules of Order; Alfred Stephens.
3. That Geo. and Ina Doty be placed in the second year of the course with credits from the Kansas Conference in Homiletics, Plain Account, Discipline, Sermon, Theology I, Christian Evidences, Natural Theology, Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation; also for Ina Doty, Theology II, Church History.
4. That these be continued in the third year with credits designated: A. P. Breneman, Christian Pastorate, Theology II, Settle-



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ment and Development of Israel, Essay, Sermon, Christ in Gospels; Amy Breneman, Sermon, Christ in Gospels.

5. That C. S. Weigel be passed to fourth year, having completed all subjects preceding.

6. That D. W. Scott be continued as a conference licentiate, with credit in Pentateuch.

7. That Bertha Ellis, having completed the course of study, be recognized as a conference licentiate until such time as she may feel led of the Lord to be ordained.

8. That J. W. Leedy, in view of the fact that his attainments are much beyond those required by the course of study, be exempted from pursuing the course further, and in accord with his request be recognized as a conference licentiate.

The following licentiates are entitled to vote at this conference: A. P. Breneman, Amy Breneman, C. S. Weigel, Bertha Ellis, Byron Hoover, W. L. McDowell, Geo. Smith, Ina Doty, Geo. Doty, Alfred Stephens, D. W. Scott, Delia Howlett, Ruby Paine, May Lord, Miriam Day, Alice Thomas.

C. P. Carkuff,      A. B. Gould,  
Laura Everett,      J. D. Williams, Jr.

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### Report of Nominating Committee.

Committee on Post Office Addresses: Lillie Wiltse, Sarah McDowell.

Examination of Character: W. R. Emerson, ex officio, A. W. Curry, Laura Everett.

Statistics: A. P. Breneman, Byron Hoover, Miriam Day.

Disbursement of Superannuated Ministers' Fund: F. J. Wilson, John D. Williams, Jr.

Pastoral Relations: W. R. Emerson, J. F. Hiner, F. J. Wilson, C. S. Weigel, Frank Ballou, Wm. Gipe, Mrs. John D. Williams.

Missions: May Lord, Miriam Day.

Resolution of Thanks: Miriam Day, May Lord.

Sabbath Schools: Amy Breneman, Cora Howlett.

Auditing Committee: R. Wesley Mack, Geo. H. Doty.

Memorials: F. J. Wilson, D. W. Scott, C. P. Carkuff.

Moral Reform: C. P. Carkuff, Jennie Emerson.

(Signed)      A. B. Gould,      H. F. Boll,  
                 J. F. Hiner,      C. S. Weigel.  
                 Wm. Gipe,

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### Report of Committee on Special Orders.

Your Committee begs leave to submit the following report:

1. Educational Interests, presented by President S. W. Bond, Thursday, 10:30 a. m.
2. Sunday Schools, in charge of the Conference Sunday School Secretary, Thursday, 2 p. m.
3. Report of Connectional Representative, Thursday, 3 p. m.
4. Election of conference officers and delegates to the General Conference, Friday, 2:30 p. m.
5. Missionary service in charge of the Conference Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, Friday, 7:30 p. m.
6. Memorial service in charge of Rev. A. B. Gould and Rev. R. W. Mack, Sunday, 2:30 p. m.

W. R. Emerson,  
A. B. Gould,  
F. A. Butterfield.

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### Recommendations of Committee on Disbursement of Building Fund.

To Bethel, (repairs on parsonage), \$15; To West Union (for painting), \$20; To Albaton, (on new parsonage), \$300; To Hoover, a credit on their loan of \$200, \$100, and an extension of one year on the remainder; To Guthrie Center, whatever may be necessary to meet expense required by the city for the proposed sewer.

C. P. Carkuff,  
A. B. Gould,  
C. S. Weigel,  
C. H. Sauer,  
J. D. Williams, Jr.

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### Report of the Missionary Board.

Orders drawn on Conference Fund:

Order No. 9 to Rev. F. J. Wilson expenses to LaPorte City, to select site for permanent camp meeting grounds, \$3.17.



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- No. 10. To Frank Ballou for same purpose as above, \$6.15.  
 No. 12. To Rev. G. S. Fry, interest on Union Ridge Church, \$26.  
 No. 13. To Rev. D. W. Scott, expenses as supply to West Union, \$2.29.  
 No. 14. To Rev. F. J. Wilson for insurance policy, \$2.50.  
 No. 20. To Rev. A. M. Stephens, rent from West Union parsonage on salary, \$33.

W. R. Emerson,  
A. B. Gould.

### Report of Committee on Apportionment of Budget.

South Troy .....	\$104.12
Emmanuel .....	149.50
Pleasant Hill .....	43.75
Dayton .....	169.75
Albaton .....	77.50
Bennezette .....	70.75
Hoover .....	138.25
St. Charles and Howardville .....	162.75
Dundee and Mt. Hope .....	77.50
Marengo .....	122.50
Bethel .....	57.25
West Union .....	25.75
Guthrie Center .....	75.25
Charles City .....	39.25
Concord .....	46.00
Diagonal .....	46.00
Bethel .....	7.75
Pilot Rock .....	21.25
Wayne .....	29.25
Members scattered abroad .....	77.50

This apportionment of budget to be divided as follows—four-ninths to missions and five-ninths to education.

George Smith,  
E. R. Dodd,  
Committee.

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### CONFERENCE ROLL.

#### Elders.

W. R. Emerson, Charles City, Iowa.  
A. B. Gould, Jarretts, Minn.  
F. J. Wilson, Clarence, Iowa.  
F. A. Butterfield, 320 E. Onondaga St., Syracuse, N. Y.  
Geo. J. Cameron, Daysland, Alberta, Canada.  
Geo. S. Fry, Marengo, Iowa.  
R. W. Mack, Dundee, Iowa.  
Ira E. Bradley, Des Moines, Iowa.  
C. M. Howe, West Union, Iowa.  
L. W. Easton, 188 Olivewood Ave., Riverside, Cal.  
B. F. Logsdon, 706 E. Boone St., Marshalltown, Iowa.  
J. F. Platt, Lakeside, Neb.  
C. P. Carkuff, Hammond, Minn. *South Troy*  
F. E. Fitch, Mountainview, Okla.  
W. H. Riley, Upland, California.  
J. F. Hiner, Walker, Iowa.  
A. W. Curry, Sloan, Iowa.  
E. R. Dodd, Charles City, Iowa.  
R. C. Moulton, 1429 E. Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

#### Licentiates.

A. P. Breneman, Bristow, Iowa.  
Amy Breneman, Bristow, Iowa.  
C. S. Weigel, Marengo, Iowa.  
Bertha Ellis, 223 E. Superior St., Chicago, Ill.  
J. W. Leedy, University Park, Iowa.  
Byron Hoover, LaPorte City, Iowa.  
G. C. Houck, Independence, Iowa.  
W. L. McDowell, Ira, Iowa.  
May Lord, Bristow, Iowa.  
Ruby Paine, Kunso, Sierra Leone, West Africa.  
Delia Howlett, Kunso, Sierra Leone, West Africa.  
Miriam Day, Charles City, Iowa.  
Geo. H. and Ina Doty, Charles City, Iowa.  
Geo. Smith, Charles City, Iowa.  
Alice Thomas, Green, Iowa.  
A. M. Stephens, LaPorte City, Iowa.  
D. W. Scott, LaPorte City, Iowa.



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### Delegates.

Mrs. Chas. Johnson, West Union, Iowa.  
Mary Shannon, Sloan, Iowa.  
Mrs. Cora Howlett, Marengo, Iowa.  
Mrs. John D. Williams, Jr., Marengo, Iowa.  
Mr. John D. Williams, Jr., Marengo, Iowa.  
Laura Everett, Hammond, Minn.  
W. M. Gipe, LaPorte City, Iowa.  
Chas. Sauer, Winthrop, Iowa.  
Vallie Hoy, Ira, Iowa.  
H. F. Boll, Manchester, Iowa.  
John Yancey, Charles City, Iowa.  
John Horn, Charles City, Iowa.  
Mrs. R. V. Wiltse, Charles City, Iowa.  
Agnes Dodd, Charles City, Iowa.  
Jennie Emerson, Charles City, Iowa.  
Miriam Day, Charles City, Iowa.  
Frank Ballou, University Park, Iowa.  
Lucy Kirkpatrick, Clarence, Iowa.  
Bertha Williams, LaPorte City, Iowa.  
Lottie Buttermore, Hammond, Minn.  
Geo. Barnett, Aredale, Iowa.

THE WOMAN'S HOME, FOREIGN AND CONFERENCE  
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.



MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE  
WOMAN'S HOME, FOREIGN AND CONFERENCE  
MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1914.

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First Meeting.

Meeting called to order September 3 at 4 p. m., President Sister Wilson in chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by Sister May Lord.

Professor Bond then presented the needs of funds for the Girl's Dormitory. A strong plea for help was made.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Second Meeting.

Opened on Friday morning at 8:30 by song.

The 24th Psalm read in unison, followed by prayer by Sister Gertrude Preston, returned missionary from Africa.

Cora Howlett was elected Secretary pro. tem.

Sister Lue Williams was elected Committee on Credentials.

An Auditing Committee was then elected of which Sister Alice Thomas was named for first member and Sister Lottie Buttermore second member.

A motion was made that officers of the Society be elected at a meeting to be held at 4:30 p. m. or as nearly that time as possible.

A partial report of the Committee on Credentials was read and adopted.

Reports from the following societies were read and adopted: Dayton Valley, Emmanuel, Hoover, Pilot Rock, South Troy, and Fairview.

Received dues, but no report from Howardville.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Third Meeting.

Called to order, Saturday morning at 7:30 by singing, followed by prayer by Sister Laura Everett.

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Minutes were read and adopted with slight correction.

Proceeded to the election of officers by ballot. The following officers were elected: President, Sister Clara Wilson; Vice-President, Sister Jennie Emerson; Secretary, Sister Cora Howlett; Treasurer, Sister Lucy Kirkpatrick; Organizer and Limba Worker, Miriam Day; Y. M. W. B. Superintendent, Sister Ollie Haymond.

Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Motion made to meet in afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Adjourned by motion.

### Fourth Meeting.

Opened by singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour" followed by prayer by Sister Mabel Mack.

The reading of the minutes were called for.

Proceeded then to the election of delegate to General Conference. Sister Jennie Emerson was elected delegate. Sister A. B. Gould reserve delegate.

Reports from the following societies read and adopted: Benezette, St. Charles and Bethel.

The report of Auditing Committee read and adopted.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Etta Springer, whose mother, Sister L. A. Bishop, has so lately died. Sister Bishop was for many years President of our Conference Missionary Society.

A committee was appointed by the President to formulate resolutions of sympathy to be recorded in the conference minutes, also in the Wesleyan.

Committee on Resolutions of Sympathy were read and adopted.

The President asked for a statement of treasury, which was given.

A motion was made and supported that \$25 be left in the treasury and the remainder, \$106.31, be divided equally between Home and Foreign Missions, thus \$53.16 to Home Missions and \$53.17 to Foreign Missions.

A motion was made and carried that we have the minutes published and pay for the same out of money in treasury.

Motion made and carried that we as a conference society pledge ourselves to do all that we can to raise funds for the building of the Girl's Dormitory at Miltonvale.



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Motion made that we tax each member of the local societies ten cents to help defray the expenses of delegate to General Conference.

Minutes read and adopted. Motion made and supported that we do now adjourn.

Closing prayer offered by Sister Gertrude Preston.

Cora Howlett, Secretary Pro. Tem.

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### Resolution of Sympathy of the Iowa Conference W. H. and F. M. S.

Whereas: It has pleased our all-wise and heavenly Father to take from our midst our beloved Sister Bishop, who so faithfully served as our first conference president and who by word and deed always manifested her deep interest in the cause of missions.

Be it resolved, That we as members of this society realize our loss and express our comfort and sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Respectfully submitted,

Bertha Ellis,  
Jennie Emerson,  
Committee.

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### Missionary Service.

On Friday evening the service was given into the hands of the Conference W. H. and F. M. S. The services were opened by singing, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains." A Ladies' double quartette then sang, "Seeking To Save." Sister May Lord led the devotional exercises. Brother and Sister Ellis sang a duet: "He Was Not Willing That Any Should Perish."

Then Sister Wilson introduced to a large audience Sister Gertrude Preston, one of our returned missionaries from the African field. Sister Preston gave a very earnest and interesting address. She told something of the condition of the work in that part of God's vineyard. She told of the modes of life and the superstitions that hold sway among the heathen. She spoke very appreciatively of the work being done by our medical missionary, Sister Ruby Paine. Her appeal for workers and for means was very strong. In response to her appeal for finances, \$216.36 was given in cash and pledges.