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South Georgia Conference

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E. C. Hord	Term expires 1956
W. M. Phillippe, Jr.	Term expires 1957
F. H. Harris, Jr.	Term expires 1958
W. T. Brinson	Term expires 1959

Member of Local Board of Trustees of Central College

C. M. Payne	Term expires 1957
Reserve Member—H. R. Gunby	Term expires 1957

Board of Trustees

Nathan Poppell	Term expires 1956
William W. Wigglesworth	Term expires 1957
James M. Roberson	Term expires 1957
C. M. Payne	Term expires 1958
F. H. Harris, Sr.	Term expires 1958

Standing Committees

Advisory Committee—F. H. Harris, Sr., Okay Highsmith
Judiciary Committee—C. M. Payne, E. C. Hord, L. C. Douthit, W. T. Brinson

Vacancies—C. M. Payne, W. L. Snellgrove, R. C. Harrell, Dennis Carter,
Dewey Boone
Sunday School Board—C. M. Payne, G. C. Gilliard, J. A. Spell
Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee—C. M. Payne, W. T. Brinson, E. C.
Moon, E. C. Hord, W. M. Phillippe, Jr.
Missionary Board—W. M. Phillippe, Jr., Mrs. J. D. Day, W. L. Snellgrove,
E. C. Moon, Frank Harris, Jr.
Nominating Committee—W. T. Brinson, E. C. Moon, G. C. Gilliard, W. M.
Phillippe, Jr., G. E. Akridge

CONFERENCE ROLL

Stationed Elders

W. W. Wigglesworth, General Delivery, Perry, Fla.
C. M. Payne, 310 Gordon St., Ashburn, Ga.
E. C. Hord, Rt. 1, % H. F. Williams, Helena, Ga.
L. C. Douthit, 446 Price St., Brunswick, Ga.
W. T. Brinson, 911 Howard St., Savannah, Ga.
E. C. Moon, R. D. 4, Alma, Ga.
Miss Lala Sports, Odum, Ga.
W. L. Snellgrove, Hortense, Ga.
W. M. Phillippe, Jr., 2309 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.
Dennis Carter, 1117 Waller St., Waycross, Ga.
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F. H. Harris, Jr., Odum, Ga.

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Annual Conference Preachers

W. H. Morris, 410 Q St., Brunswick, Ga.
G. E. Akridge, 405 McClendon St., Ashburn, Ga.

Lay Delegates

Okay Highsmith, 2204 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.

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R. C. Harrell, Hortense, Ga.
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Mrs. A. O. Fletcher, Rt. 6, Tifton, Ga.
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Mrs. Mary Purvis, 408 Drayton St., Savannah, Ga.
Mrs. W. T. Brinson, 911 Howard St., Savannah, Ga.
Mrs. G. C. Gilliard, 101 E. 8th St., Tifton, Ga.
J. J. Clark, R. F. D. 3, Jesup, Ga.
Mrs. J. N. Carter, 1013 Waring St., Waycross, Ga.
J. A. Spell, Jesup, Ga.
Mrs. Nathan Poppell, Odum, Ga.
James Griffin, 805 George St., Waycross, Ga.
Mrs. James Griffin, 805 George St., Waycross, Ga.

Standing Rules

No. 1 The Conference Treasurer is authorized to close his books two weeks before the opening date of Conference, therefore all receipts and monies should be in his hands by that time if credit on the statistical report is desired.

No. 2 The President, after his fourth round of Quarterly Conferences, shall mail the delegates credentials to the Conference Secretary who shall be the Committee on Credentials. It shall be his duty to prepare the roll before Conference begins.

No. 3 All persons introduced to the Conference shall be given honorary seats with the right to speak on all questions, but not to vote.

No. 4 The office expense of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer shall be paid by the Conference. Also all Conference supplies shall be purchased by the Conference.

No. 5 The Secretary and Treasurer shall be paid twenty-five dollars per year for their services.

No. 6 The Conference Treasurer shall be bonded each year.

No. 7 An abbreviated form of the Pastor's Statistical Report shall be used for conference reading.

No. 8 The Annual Conference shall elect a Nominating Committee of five, of which one shall be the Conference President, to meet prior to the next Annual Conference and nominate the working committees for the session.

No. 9 The Conference President and the Board of Trustees shall constitute a Committee for the Building and Location of Churches and Parsonages.

No. 10 Each pastor shall be allowed time out from his duties as pastor to hold two revivals each year if he so desires. The Church he serves as pastor shall not withhold his salary while he is absent on such authorized revivals. In case any extra expense is involved in filling the pulpit while the pastor is engaged in such said revival such extra expense shall be paid by the church whose pastor is absent holding the revival.

No. 11 All church records shall close the last day of the month preceding the opening date of Conference.

Journal of Daily Proceedings

Monday Afternoon, July 11, 1955

Opening—The sixtieth annual session of the South Georgia Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America was held at Ashburn, Georgia. The President, Rev. W. T. Brinson, called the conference to order. The song service was led by Rev. W. M. Phillippe. Scripture was read by Rev. Brinson, after which Rev. C. M. Payne led in prayer.

Roll Call—The roll of conference elders and annual conference preachers was called, and approved.

Conference Bar—The Conference Bar was set to include the first three rows of seats across the front of the tabernacle.

Mrs. Mary Purvis stated that Rev. Neal Palmer had received a letter of dismissal from the Savannah Church, and the president read from the discipline, stating that he was no longer a member of the conference. The conference roll was corrected and Rev. Palmer's name removed.

Committee on Credentials—The report of the Committee on Credentials was given and adopted.

Roll Call of Lay Delegates—The roll of lay delegates was called, and adopted with the following corrections: Mrs. G. C. Gilliard, alternate delegate, was seated as delegate in the absence of Mrs. Mollie Brogdon.

Committee on Nominations—The report of the Committee on Nominations was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Committee on Courtesy—Rev. F. R. Birch, our General Representative, was introduced to the conference and spoke words of greetings. Others presented were Rev. Marchbanks of the South Carolina Conference, Brother DeWar, Mrs. J. J. Jacobs, Mrs. A. J. McGraw, and Mrs. J. D. Day.

Rev. Birch Presides—A motion prevailed that Brother Birch be asked to preside, which he did.

Orders of the Day—The Orders of the Day were set as follows: Election of officers for the first item of business after roll call and approval of minutes in the Tuesday afternoon meeting. A motion prevailed that the time for the Educational Address be referred to the Committee on Public Worship. The Denominational Address will be Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Hours of Conference—The following hours of conference were adopted; to convene at 9 a. m. to adjourn at 12 for lunch to reconvene at 2 p. m. and to adjourn by motion.

Communications—The Secretary read letters from Rev. J. M. Merrell, Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth, and Rev. H. R. Gunby. The secretary was instructed to answer them.

Mrs. G. C. Gilliard was added to the Committee on Thanks in the absence of Mrs. Mollie Brogdon.

A motion to adjourn for committee work prevailed. Dismissed by Brother Phillippe.

Monday Night July 11, 1955

The song service was led by Rev. W. M. Phillippe. The Phillippes also sang a special song. Rev. F. R. Birch brought a stirring message on "The Work of the Church" from Acts 20:28.

Tuesday Morning, July 12, 1955

Opening—The song service was led by Rev. W. L. Snellgrove. The devotions were led by Rev. G. C. Gilliard. A Communion service was observed. The president, Rev. W. T. Brinson, presided. The roll was called and the following alternate delegates were seated; J. J. Clark from Little Rock, Mrs. J. N. Carter from Waycross, and J. A. Spell from Jesup. The minutes were read and approved.

Committee on Public Worship—The following recommendations were given and adopted; that Rev. Marchbanks speak at 11:30 this morning, that the Educational Address be after the election of officers in the afternoon meeting, that the public Missionary Service be held Wednesday night.

The vice president, W. M. Phillippe presided while the President's report was given and adopted. (See Reports).

The report of the Nominating Committee was reread by the secretary.

J. J. Clark was placed on the Pastoral Relations Committee in the absence of H. F. Williams.

Mrs. Nathan Poppell, alternate delegate, was seated as a delegate from Wayne Charge.

A motion to adjourn for committee work until the time for the Orders of the Day was carried. Dismissed with prayer.

Orders of the Day—Rev. C. V. Marchbanks brought a message on "Revivals" from Psalm 85:6. God's blessings were on the service in a real way. Benediction by Rev. W. T. Brinson.

Opening—The song service was led by W. M. Phillippe. Devotions were conducted by Rev. E. C. Moon.

The business meeting was called to order by Brother Birch. The roll was called and corrected. The minutes were read and approved.

Orders of the Day—Election of Officers. Brother Brinson appointed E. C. Hord, Dennis Carter as distributing tellers, and Okay Highsmith, G. C. Gilliard as receiving tellers.

The following Officers were elected by ballot:

President—W. M. Phillippe

Vice President—W. T. Brinson

Secretary—Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Treasurer—M. T. Scott

Nominated as Member of the Local Board of Trustees on Central College (2 year term)—C. M. Payne; Reserve member—H. R. Gunby

Member of Board of Trustees (3 year term)—C. M. Payne, Frank Harris, Sr.

The following were elected by acclamation:

Sunday School Secretary—W. M. Phillippe

Educational Secretary—C. M. Payne

Librarian—referred to the Committee on Resolutions

Tithing Secretary—E. C. Hord

Secretary of Child Evangelism—Mrs. Mollie Brogdon

Secretary and Treasurer of Pension Plan—C. M. Payne

Secretary of Wesleyan Men's Fellowship—W. T. Brinson

Judiciary Committee—C. M. Payne, E. C. Hord, L. C. Douthit, W. T. Brinson

Vacancies—C. M. Payne, W. L. Snellgrove, R. C. Harrell, Dennis Carter, Dewey Boone

Sunday School Board—C. M. Payne, G. C. Gilliard, J. A. Spell

Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee—C. M. Payne, W. T. Brinson, E. C. Moon, E. C. Hord, W. M. Phillippe

Missionary Board—W. L. Snellgrove, E. C. Moon, Frank Harris, Jr.

Nominating Committee—W. T. Brinson, E. C. Moon, G. C. Gilliard.

A motion prevailed to amend Standing Rules No. 8 to have five members on the Nominating Committee. A motion prevailed to amend this that the Conference President be included in these five. W. M. Phillippe and G. E. Akridge were added to this committee.

Member of Committee on Itineracy and Orders (four year term)—W. T. Brinson

A resignation of H. R. Gunby from the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was read by the secretary. This resignation was accepted, and Rev. F. H. Harris, Jr. was elected to fill the unexpired term to expire 1958.

Recessed to the call of the chair.

The Chairman called the conference to order.

Sunday School Secretary—This report was given and referred to the Auditing Committee since they had not signed it.

Auditing Committee—A partial report of this committee was given, stating that the conference treasurer's report had been audited and approved. This was adopted.

Conference Treasurer's Report—This report was given and adopted with appreciation. (See Reports)

Characters—The Committee on Characters stated that all had been passed.

Moral Reform—This committee gave a report which was adopted. (See Report)

Tithing—A report on Tithing was given by W. L. Snellgrove and adopted. (See Reports)

Committee on Courtesy—Brother Banker and the Quartet from Central College were presented.

Orders of the Day—The Educational Address was changed to Wednesday morning at 11:30.

Adjournment—A motion to adjourn prevailed. Dismissed by Brother Birch.

Tuesday Night Service

The song service was in charge of the Central Quartet who rendered several specials. Brother Birch brought a stirring message.

Wednesday Morning, July 13

Opening—The song service was led by Rev. W. L. Snellgrove. Devotions were conducted by W. H. Morris.

Brother W. M. Phillippe called the conference to order. The roll was called and Mr. and Mrs. James Griffin were seated as alternate delegates from Waycross. The minutes were read and approved. Brother Birch again presided.

Auditing Committee—This report was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Church Records—This report was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Sunday School Secretary—The report of the Sunday School Secretary was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Ashburn Camp Treasurer—The treasurer of Ashburn Camp gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

Pension Plan Treasurer—The report of the treasurer of the Pension Plan was given and adopted after \$60.37 was raised to make up a deficit. (See Reports)

Courtesy Committee—Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Cooley were introduced and spoke words of testimony.

A motion was made to elect a Conference committee to examine deeds and titles of new churches or parsonages. A motion prevailed to amend this to read that the Conference President and Board of Trustees be this committee. This motion was adopted with the amendment.

Rev. W. M. Phillippe the newly elected president expressed his appreciation of the confidence placed in him and asked the support and prayers of the conference. He also spoke on the accomplishments of Brother W. T. Brinson, retiring president, and the conference gave Brother Brinson a rising vote of appreciation.

The president nominated F. H. Harris Sr. and Okay Highsmith as this Advisory Board. These were elected.

The president nominated R. C. Harrell, J. A. Williams, Okay Highsmith as the lay members on the Board of Itineracy and Orders for this session. These were elected.

The Chair declared a recess for committee work.

Orders of the Day—W. T. Brinson, vice president, presided. Professor Banker and the quartet of Central College were in charge of the Educational Service. Several songs were rendered and Brother Banker spoke on the accomplishments of the School.

Wednesday Aftennoon Meeting

Opening—Brother Birch called the conference to order. The singing was led by J. N. Cooley. Scripture was read by E. C. Hord. E. C. Moon led in prayer.

Pastoral Relations Committee—The first reading of this committee was given.

An additional report of the Committee on Church Records was given and adopted. (See Reports)

Brother Marchbanks spoke words of farewell to the conference.

Pastor's Reports—The following pastors gave their reports: G. C. Gilliard, Dennis Carter, L. C. Douthit, W. H. Morris, W. L. Snellgrove, E. C. Moon, G. E. Akridge, C. M. Payne.

Education Report—A report of education was given by Mrs. F. H. Harris Jr. and adopted. (See Reports)

Secrecy—The report of Secrecy was given by W. H. Morris, and adopted. (See Reports)

Secretary of Child Evangelism—Mrs. Mollie Brogdon gave a report on Child Evangelism which was adopted with appreciation.

The report of the Jesup Church was given by the secretary.

Statistical Report—This report was given by G. C. Gilliard and adopted with the secretary instructed to make any necessary changes. (See Reports)

Itineracy and Orders—This committee gave a report which was adopted. (See Reports)

Reports of Pastors—The following gave their reports: E. C. Hord, W. M. Phillippe, Jr., F. H. Harris, Jr.

Thanks—The report on Thanks was given and adopted.

Brother Harris gave a recommendation that a memeorial service be held in connection with the camp meeting, remembering those who have died this past year. This was adopted.

Printed Minutes—A motion prevailed that three hundred copies of the minutes be printed.

Brother F. H. Harris, Sr. brought greetings to the conference from Rev. J. A. Cowart who was unable to attend.

F. H. Harris, Sr. gave his report.

A motion to adjourn prevailed.

Opening—The Chairman called the conference to order. Prayer was led by Brother Birch. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

Pastoral Relations Committee—The second reading of this committee was given.

Apportionment—A report of the Apportionment Committee was given and adopted with minor corrections to be made. (See Reports)

By vote of the conference, the new church at Perry, Georgia will be exempt from all budget this year.

The Chair declared a recess.

Wednesday Night, July 13

Missionary Service—Mrs. J. D. Day, W.M.S. President presided. After the song service Brother Birch brought an inspiring message on "The Unfinished Task."

Pledges were taken to be paid during the year for missions amounting to \$500.00. An offering was taken also.

Thursday Morning Meeting

Opening—The president called the conference to order. Prayer was led by Brother E. C. Moon.

Pastoral Relations Committee—The third reading of this committee was given and adopted. (See Reports)

E. C. Hord was elected as Librarian.

The W.Y.P.S. report was given and adopted showing the resignation of W. M. Phillippe, and recommendation of F. H. Harris, Jr., as president. (See Reports)

A motion prevailed that all unfinished business be turned over to the Missionary Board.

The minutes were read and approved.

A motion prevailed to adjourn sine die, to be effective at the close of the missionary meeting of the W.M.S.

Dismissed with prayer.

W. M. Phillippe, Jr., President;
Mrs. Okay Highsmith, Secretary.

Reports

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to God that I am permitted to tender this report to the sixtieth Annual Session of the South Georgia Conference now in session. This has been a year of hard work, many activities and some decision. In all of our acts and decisions we have sought earnestly the leadings of the blessed Holy Ghost, and also that we may please the Lord. Also we have endeavored to be fair, and just towards all, and most especially to work for the best interest of the conference and all the churches that make up the conference, as well as each individual that makes up the local church. Beloved, to this end, I have not considered nor spared myself. I have advocated strict adherence to our book of Discipline, doctrinal preaching, strict adherence to the old-fashioned principles of our fathers, a walking in the light of God's Word, dwelling in the unity of the Spirit, and a spirit of prayer and soul travail. I still plead for these essentials. This has not been satisfactory to all in this day of compromise, but it leaves with me a feeling of contentment and peace. I have been faithful to the trust that you placed in me when you elected me to the office of president. The Holy Spirit now bears witness to the same. It will certainly be wonderful when we stand before the judgment bar of God to hear Him say, "Thou hast been faithful." I would rather hear that coming from the lips of God than to have the applause of all men. I have carried a tremendous burden this year for the conference and many times everything was so dark all that I could do was just to wait on the Lord. At one time during the year we were running a loss of thirty-five members. You can imagine how we felt. The devil has done his best to be against us this year, but, praise the Lord, he is a defeated foe. Let's continue a wholehearted co-operative effort to get souls saved and into the church.

Improvements

The Horton Church has added four Sunday School rooms which is a great asset to the work there.

Oak Grove Church has improved their building with new floors, and has purchased a piano and new song books. Brother Snellgrove and his good people are due much commendation.

The church building at Jesup is not completed yet, but they are worshipping in it now. If the people over the conference will render financial aid, the building will soon be completed. Sister Sports, as well as many others, has worked faithfully to accomplish what has been done.

After a long time, the Savannah congregation is in their own building. The National Guards gave to us a building 30 x 60 feet. It was moved

to a location owned by the church on Bee Road. Brother Douthit and his people have worked hard and untiring.

The Brunswick Church has added a new vestibule to their church, which adds much to the beauty and safety of the building.

Cordele gave the interior of the church a new coat of paint, adding much to the appearance. Blessings on Brother Hord and the little flock at Cordele.

Ashburn has put running water in the parsonage, also a new bathroom.

Mt. Pleasant has installed gas heat, which is a great improvement. There are possibly more improvements that I have omitted but not intentionally. All of our good pastors have labored hard and sacrificially.

New Titles to Property:

The conference now holds the title to all of the church property at Brunswick. The church and local trustees all voted for this unanimously.

The conference now has a warranty deed to a nice lot in Perry on which to erect a church building. The lot is 100 x 170 in size. Brother R. R. Johnson and Brother Hord are due commendation for what has been done in Perry.

The conference also has a title to a lot in Sterling, Georgia, on which to build a church. The lot is 140 x 140 ft. Brother Phillippe and the Brunswick Church worked hard to make this possible.

The Church at Hortense now has a good title to the property there, for which we are thankful.

Labors and Official Acts

I have held all the four quarterly meetings, a total of forty-eight. I have also conducted two revivals, one in the Cordele Church, and the other a pioneer tent meeting in Dublin, Georgia. I trust that there was some good done.

I attended the General Conference held in Fairmount, Indiana. That was a great gathering, and I will never be the same after attending this great conference.

The Crossroads work was left in my hands at the last session of conference. I supplied them for four Sundays, before I secured a pastor for them.

On July 17, 1954 I gave F. L. Elrod a transfer to the Ohio Conference.

August 16, 1954 I appointed W. W. Wigglesworth pastor of the Crossroads Charge.

September 10, 1954 I received a Card Call check from Brother Swauger for a president's parsonage. The check was for \$750.18. I turned the check over to the conference treasurer.

December 2, 1954 I received and accepted the resignation of Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth as pastor of the Crossroads Charge.

December 20, 1954 I appointed Rev. G. E. Akridge pastor of the Crossroads Charge.

January 20, 1955 I received the transfer of Rev. Robert N. Cooly from the North Georgia Conference. It was understood that this transfer is to go to the Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders.

March 7, 1955 I received a check for \$161.79 from Dr. Swauger as an award for faithful reporting on the part of our pastors.

March 28-April 1 a joint convention was held at Mt. Pleasant church. It was a profitable convention.

April 14, 1955 I gave Rev. D. W. Williams a transfer to the Florida Conference.

April 16, 1955 I received a Card Call check for Liberty Church. The check, for \$800.02 was turned over to the conference treasurer, for disbursement to the Liberty Church.

May 23, 1955 I was informed that the Sterling Mission had been placed on the waiting list for a Card Call.

June 14, 1955 I authorized Rev. E. C. Hord to proceed with the organization of the Perry Mission into a Wesleyan Church. On June 17 the church was organized with four charter members.

Financial Report

Received for Salary	\$967.39
Office Expense	30.00
Revival Efforts	68.68
Supplying Crossroads Church	72.00
Gifts	25.00
Travel Expense	43.78
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Total Received	\$1206.85
Disbursed:	
Travel Expense	\$550.50
Office Expense	30.00
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Total	\$580.50
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Net Salary	\$626.35

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Brinson.
Conference President

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Pastoral Relations Committee—Frank Harris, Jr., C. M. Payne, W. M. Phillippe, J. J. Clark, R. C. Harrell, Okay Highsmith
 Public Worship—W. T. Brinson, C. M. Payne
 Moral Reform—Miss Lala Sports, Mrs. James L. Wadell
 Tithing—W. L. Snellgrove, A. D. Brown
 Courtesy—Miss Lala Sports, Mrs. Mary Purvis
 Education—Mrs. Frank Harris, Jr., Mrs. G. E. Akridge
 Characters—Dennis Carter, J. A. Williams
 Thanks—Mrs. Mollie Brogdon, Mrs. W. T. Brinson
 Auditing Committee—L. C. Douthit, Mrs. Dewey W. Boone
 Statistical Committee—G. C. Gilliard, Mrs. James Waddell
 Apportionment—G. E. Akridge, L. J. Griffin
 Sunday Schools—E. C. Hord, Leon Daniels
 Memorials—F. H. Harris, Sr., J. M. Merrell
 Inspect Church Records—E. C. Moon, Mrs. W. D. Oliver
 Secrecy—W. H. Morris, C. C. Harris
 Post Office Addresses—James Griffin, Mrs. G. H. Doty

SECRECY

We will on no account tolerate our Ministers and members in joining or holding fellowship with secret societies, as in judgment of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, it is inconsistent with our duties to God to hold such relations.

"Jesus answered him, I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue and in the temple whither the Jews always resort, and in secret have I said nothing." John 18:20.

"Whereas if they say unto you, behold He is in the desert; go not forth; behold He is in the secret chamber, believe it not." Matt. 24:26.

"But fornication and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints." Ephesians 5:3.

"For ye were sometimes in darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord; walk as children of light." Ephesians 5:8.

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them," Ephesians 5:11.

"For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret." Ephesians 5:12.

W. H. Morris,
 Mrs. Nathan Poppell.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT

Recently a commencement speaker chose as his subject, "The Bible."

How significant that a prominent leader of Education in Georgia should admonish high school students to pursue the study of the Bible after finishing their high school education.

An outstanding missionary said that no group of people could be considered civilized without a knowledge of God and the Bible.

Brother Payne, having visited Central College on several occasions, reports that a spirit of revival pervades the campus. The glowing, spirit-filled testimonies of the quartet members and Professor Banker are evidence of the work and progress being made in our Christian institutions.

Mrs. Frank Harris, Jr.,
Mrs. G. E. Akridge.

MORAL REFORM

America today is now facing the issue of crime in its worst stages. The courtroom is filled with young men and women who each day pay the penalty for the crime they have committed.

The home is a wreck today and divorce is rampant in our land. When the Bible is a closed book, prayer has disappeared and Godly mothers cease to be concerned about their children, the nation will go down in defeat.

When America shall return to the God of mercy in humility and Godly sorrow for her sin, then God will return in showers of blessings to the home and nation.

May God have mercy on the Church of Jesus Christ and help them to shine as lights in a world of darkness to bring peace to the nation.

Lala Sports,
J. A. Spell.

SECRETARY OF CHILD EVANGELISM

Last Conference year we began our teacher's training course study for children's work under the leadership of Mrs. E. C. Strickland and have completed it under Miss Mary E. Bennett.

In a small way we have tried to present the work of Child Evangelism throughout our South Georgia Conference. However, due to circumstances, we did not visit all churches, and a few, we did not contact at all.

Above \$40.00 was contributed to us for the expense of traveling to the several churches. Through the kind interest of our pastor, Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Gilliard, we were permitted to do the little that was done.

Mrs. R. R. Johnson of Perry, Georgia has completed Section A of the

teacher's training course and is working off her studies rapidly. She has a Bible Crusader Club each week and is doing a wonderful work. May God bless her.

Mrs. G. C. Gilliard of Tifton, Georgia has completed the teacher's training course and has two Bible Crusaders Clubs. She is doing a fine work, too. God bless her.

I have a Bible Crusader Club, too. Making four clubs and three teacher training courses. There are others who are interested and are good prospects for this work among the little ones. This bit of work for Him has been a real joy to us this year. May He richly bless every effort put forth by one and all who have made it possible for this work to go on.

Mrs. Molly Brogdon

CHURCH RECORDS

We checked over all the church records that were brought to conference and we are happy to report that we found them all in excellent condition.

E. C. Moon, Chairman.

Mrs. W. D. Oliver.

COMMITTEE ON THANKS

We, the Committee on Thanks, wish to submit the following report: We appreciate the good fellowship and entertainment here on the campground, including the very good meals, and the laborers. We feel honored to have had Dr. F. R. Birch, our Foreign Missionary Secretary, as our denominational representative.

Mrs. W. T. Brinson.

Mrs. G. C. Gilliard.

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS

We recommend that W. H. Morris continue in the second year of study, having passed two books.

G. E. Akridge passed the book of Discipline, recommended to study of first year course.

Mrs. Annie Mae Davis recommended to continue in the fourth year of study.

Mrs. I. F. Skelton recommended to continue in the fourth year of study.

The following quarterly conference preachers are continuing the course of study: James D. Griffin, R. N. Cooley, Tom O'Berry.

W. M. Phillippe, Jr.
Okay Highsmith,
E. C. Hord,
R. C. Harrell,
J. A. Williams,
F. H. Harris, Jr.

TITHING REPORT

Fulness of Blessing, Mal. 3:7-12.

Malachi was the last of the prophets. The time in which he lived, about 400 years before Christ, were typical of today, see verses 13, 14.

The condition of blessing, verse 10, "prove me"—what a promise this is and what a challenge to our faith. "Put me to test and see if I will not do this for you." God doesn't change, see verse 6.

Conditions specified, in verse 10. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." We are not called to give him just the tenth, although that brings a blessing, but He wants more than silver and gold. Your body and soul are bought with a price, see I Cor. 6:19, 20. We can only prove him when we have fulfilled his condition. Rom. 12:1, Rom. 6:13.

We must face the truth, verse 8. "Will a man rob God?" Are you a robber? Is our nation cursed? What about in the courts of Heaven where justice is rendered, what will your verdict be?

W. L. Snellgrove,
A. D. Brown.

W.Y.P.S. REPORT

President—W. M. Phillippe's resignation was accepted, and Frank H. Harris, Jr. elected as president.

Vice President—Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Secretary—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

Treasurer—Mrs. Arnold Day

AUDITING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined, and find the following reports in order: the conference treasurer's, Camp Meeting treasurer's and Pension Plan treasurer's, and approve the same.

We recommend a rising vote of thanks to the treasurers be extended by the conference.

L. C. Douthit,
Dewey W. Boone.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Number of conventions held	1
Finances received	\$16.00
Travel Expense	9.00
Postage Expense .....	.60

C. M. Payne, Secretary

PENSION PLAN TREASURER'S REPORT

Amount paid beneficiaries	\$2994.00
Assessed Budget	618.00
Paid Budget	619.00

C. M. Payne, Treasurer

ASHBURN CAMP TREASURER'S REPORT

As of June 30, 1955:

Amount on hand at first of year	\$234.12
Amount paid during camp	448.05
Amount Paid after Camp	19.54
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Amount paid for year	\$701.71
Amount Paid out during Camp	\$598.68
Amount Paid out during year	22.54
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Amount Paid out for year	\$621.22
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Balance in treasury	\$80.49

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Payne, treasurer

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Ashburn—C. M. Payne
Brunswick—W. M. Phillippe, Jr.

Cordele—W. T. Brinson
 Crossroads—G. E. Akridge
 Hortense Charge (Hortense, Philadelphia, Oak Grove)—W. L. Snell-
 grove
 Jesup—Miss Lala Sports
 Laurens Charge (Browning, Little Rock)—E. C. Hord
 Mt. Pleasant Charge (Mt. Pleasant, Coffee)—E. C. Moon
 Perry—In hands of President
 Savannah—C. V. Marchbanks —
 Sterling Mission—W. H. Morris
 Tifton—G. C. Gilliard
 Waycross—Dennis Carter
 Wayne Charge (Liberty, Bethlehem)—F. H. Harris, Jr., Supply
 Conference President—W. M. Phillippe, Jr.
 General Evangelists—L. C. Douthit
 Superannuated—H. R. Gunby, Mrs. G. H. Doty, R. C. Crossman, J. M.
 Merrell, F. H. Harris, Sr.
 Unstationed List—J. A. Cowart
 We recommend that the president hold four quarterly meetings.
 We recommend that the president's salary be \$2.50 per member, and
 an offering for traveling expenses be taken.

W. M. Phillippe, Jr.
 Okay Highsmith,
 C. M. Payne,
 J. J. Clark,
 R. C. Harrell,
 Frank Harris, Jr.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Foreign Missions:

Receipts	\$181.86	
Cash Received	462.85	
Cash Paid Out	393.61	
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Balance on hand		\$69.24

Home Missions:

Receipts	\$93.60
Cash Received	315.20
Cash Paid Out	315.20

Education:

Cash Received	\$797.39
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Cash Paid out	744.89	
Balance on Hand		\$52.50
Superannuate Pension Plan:		
Cash Received	\$558.63	
Cash Paid out	558.63	
Orphanage:		
Receipts	\$5.00	
Cash Received	92.46	
Cash Paid out	92.21	
Balance on hand		\$.25
Administrative Budget:		
Cash Received	\$161.84	
Cash Paid out	137.04	
Balance on Hand		\$24.80
General Conference Travel Expense		
Cash Received	\$61.80	
Cash Paid out	43.07	
Balance on Hand		\$18.73
General Sunday School Work:		
Receipts	\$3.89	
Cash Received	58.92	
Cash Paid out	55.10	
Balance on Hand		\$3.82
Australia:		
Cash Received	\$87.86	
Cash Paid out	87.86	
President's Salary:		
Receipts	\$778.91	
Cash Received	192.50	
Cash Paid out	192.50	
Conference Work:		
At first of year	\$133.05	
Cash Received	276.42	

MARION COLLEGE LIBRARY

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

Cash Paid out	113.61	
Balance on Hand		\$295.86
Minutes:		
At first of year	\$77.47	
Cash Received	204.50	
Cash Paid out	199.30	
Balance on Hand		\$82.67
Conference Extension:		
At first of year	\$466.55	
Cash Received	231.40	
Cash Paid out	312.88	
Balance on hand		\$385.07
Property Sales Fund:		
At first of year	\$35.00	
Balance on hand		\$35.00
Ashburn Campground Purchase:		
At first of year	\$33.75	
Cash Paid out	33.75	
Ashburn Campground Upkeep:		
Cash Received	\$286.42	
Cash Paid out	286.42	
Greater South Georgia Conference Campaign:		
At first of year	\$590.00	
Balance on Hand		\$590.00
Savannah Church Building Fund:		
At first of year	\$130.00	
Cash Received	75.00	
Cash Paid out	205.00	
To Purchase Tent:		
At first of year	\$238.21	
Cash Received	5.00	
Balance on Hand		\$243.21

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South Georgia Conference Parsonage:

Cash Received	\$750.18	
Balance on Hand		\$750.18

Aid to Liberty Church:

Cash Received	\$800.22	
Cash Paid out	800.22	

Totals:

Receipts	\$1,063.26	
Cash at first of year	1,704.03	
Cash received during the year	5,418.59	
Total Cash	7,122.62	
Total Paid Out	4,571.29	
Total Cash on Hand	\$2,551.33	

M. T. Scott, Treasurer

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

APPORTIONMENT REPORT

Charge	No. of Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Superannuated Pension Plan	Orphanage	Administrative Budget	Gen. Conf. Travel Expense	General S. S. Work	Australia	President's Salary	Conference Work	Minutes	Conference Extension	Ashburn Camp	Total
Ashburn	24	\$48.00	\$30.00	\$60.00	\$36.00	\$6.00	\$12.00	\$3.60	\$3.60	\$6.00	\$60.00	\$24.00	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$24.00	\$331.20
✓ Brunswick	83	166.00	103.75	207.50	124.50	20.75	41.50	12.45	16.50	20.75	207.50	83.00	41.50	20.75	83.00	1,149.45
✓ Cordele	15	30.00	18.75	37.50	32.50	3.75	7.50	2.25	3.70	3.75	37.50	15.00	7.50	3.75	15.00	218.45
Crossroads	21	42.00	26.25	52.50	31.50	5.25	10.50	3.15	2.40	5.25	52.50	21.00	10.50	5.25	21.00	289.05
Hortense	55	110.00	68.75	137.50	82.50	13.75	27.50	8.25	9.20	13.75	137.50	55.00	27.50	13.75	55.00	759.95
✓ Jesup	15	30.00	18.75	37.50	22.50	3.75	7.50	2.25	2.50	3.75	37.50	15.00	7.50	3.75	15.00	207.25
✓ Laurens	29	58.00	36.25	72.50	43.50	7.25	14.50	4.35	7.20	7.25	72.50	29.00	14.50	7.25	29.00	403.05
✓ Mt. Pleasant	56	112.00	70.00	140.00	84.00	14.00	28.00	8.40	11.20	14.00	140.00	56.00	28.00	14.00	56.00	775.60
✓ Savannah	24	48.00	30.00	60.00	36.00	6.00	12.00	3.60	3.00	6.00	60.00	24.00	12.00	6.00	24.00	330.60
✓ Tifton	13	26.00	16.25	32.50	19.50	3.25	6.50	1.95	3.40	3.25	32.50	13.00	6.50	3.25	13.00	180.85
✓ Waycross	25	50.00	31.25	62.50	37.50	6.25	12.50	3.75	6.50	6.25	62.50	25.00	12.50	6.25	25.00	347.75
✓ Wayne	43	86.00	53.75	107.50	64.50	10.75	21.50	6.45	4.50	10.75	107.50	43.00	21.50	10.75	43.00	591.45
Totals	403	\$806.00	\$503.75	\$1,007.50	\$614.50	\$100.75	\$201.50	\$60.45	\$73.70	\$100.75	\$1,007.50	\$403.00	\$201.50	\$100.75	\$403.00	\$5,584.65

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STATISTICAL REPORT

Charge	Item I. Pastor's Labors.					Item II. Periodicals											
	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	Organized Church	Appoint.	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Wesleyan Missionary's taken	Wesleyan Youths taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks Cards
Ashburn	12	1	1	10	5	1	8	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
Brunswick	12	1	1	39	9	18	50	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
Cordele	12	1	1	20	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Crossroads	12	2	2	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hortense	12	4	3	12	11	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jesup	12	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Laurens	12	2	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mt. Pleasant	12	2	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Savannah	12	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tifton	12	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Waycross	12	1	1	1	1	1
Wayne	12	2	2	9	9	6
Totals	144	19	18	130	68	56	77	30	38	82	229	152	151	105	54	71	41

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Item-III: Membership

Charge	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Total Membership Lost	No. Reported Last Year	Present Number	Loss Membership for Year	Gain Membership for Year	Members Under 14 Years	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstated Elders	Local Preachers	No. of Family Altars	Membership Tithing	No. Card Call Subscribers
Ashburn	9	...	...	...	10	10	20	24	1	4	1	...	...	...	1	11	12	5
Brunswick	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	56	26
Cordele	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	19	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	9	12	7
Crossroads	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	4	4
Hortense	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	23	15
Jesup	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Laurens	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mt. Pleasant	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	35	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	15	9	12
Savannah	10	1	18	...	1	1	47	56	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tifton	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	24	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Waycross	13	13
Wayne	23	25	1
Totals	56	7	34	3	17	61	412	407	28	23	10	4	10	1	7	103	150	84

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item IV. Sunday Schools

Charge	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. Officers, Teachers	Whole No. Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. of Scholars Converted	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. of Departmental Supts.	Teacher's Training Course	No. of Organized Classes	Enrollment V.B.S.	Average Attendance V.B.S.	No. W.Y.P. Societies	Total Membership of Soc.
Ashburn	1	6	30	36	36	26	6	6	8	1	1	11	154	127	2	37
Brunswick	1	23	143	166	28	193	137	37	27	2	1	2	154	127	1	8
Cordele	1	1	32	37	37	27	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Crossroads	1	1	28	34	24	24	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hortense	2	12	80	92	92	59	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jesup	1	3	32	35	35	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Laurens	1	18	60	78	78	55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mt. Pleasant	2	15	92	118	118	72	4	4	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	28
Savannah	1	10	25	35	35	30	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tifton	1	3	36	33	33	14	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Waycross	1	1	61	65	65	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wayne	1	5	40	45	45	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Totals	15	101	650	751	28	779	506	15	15	9	1	39	154	127	5	73

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item V. Church Property

Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Ashburn	1	\$1,800	.....	.....	1	\$1,800	.....	.....
Brunswick	1	12,800	.....	\$3,000	1	3,000	\$2,000	\$1,480.77
Cordele	1	8,000	.....	.....	1	6,000	.....	.....
Crossroads	1	4,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hortense	1	3,300	\$275	.....	1	3,000	.....	152.67
Jesup	1	3,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Laurens	1	4,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.41
Mt. Pleasant	1	3,000	450	.....	1	2,500	.....	169.64
Savannah	1	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tifton	1	12,000	.....	1,000	1	6,000	1,000	.....
Waycross	1	3,000	2,000	1	1,000
Wayne	2	26,000	3,000	9.28
Totals	18	\$88,700	\$3,725	\$6,000	7	\$23,300	\$3,000	\$1,833.77

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Item VI. Disbursed for Pastor

Charge	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Ashburn	\$666.43	\$240.00	.....	\$157.70	\$1,064.13
Brunswick	3,180.00	380.18	\$37.00	225.00	3,822.18
Cordele	857.18	420.00	3.00	314.68	1,594.86
Crossroads	467.30	.....	.....	17.38	484.68
Hortense	3,053.01	120.00	15.00	185.80	3,373.81
Jesup	500.00	.....	.....	165.00	665.00
Laurens	766.60	.....	4.00	32.20	802.80
Mt. Pleasant	443.50	180.00	40.00	45.00	708.50
Savannah	1,320.00	.....	.....	250.00	1,570.00
Tifton	348.67	540.00	.....	173.87	1,062.54
Waycross	758.49	15.00	40.00	813.49
Wayne	1,369.55	150.00	1,519.55
Totals	\$13,730.73	\$1,880.18	\$114.00	\$1,756.63	\$17,481.54

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Item VII. Disbursed for Church

Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Other Items	Total for Church
Ashburn	.....	\$46.23	.....	.....	\$201.53	\$22.26	.....	\$270.02
Brunswick	\$507.00	822.31	\$642.23	.....	.....	991.46	.....	2,963.00
Cordele	129.38	36.36	.....	\$80.79	.....	197.85	.....	444.38
Crossroads	5.00	12.70	.....	60.34	.....	23.57	.....	101.61
Hortense	128.73	91.84	.....	250.00	275.00	.....	\$240.00	985.57
Jesup	114.45	.....	840.72	70.00	.....	.....	.....	1,025.17
Laurens	128.84	70.80	.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....	211.64
Mt. Pleasant	236.40	156.25	.....	.....	.....	140.73	.....	533.38
Savannah	.....	65.00	.....	100.90	.....	.....	.....	165.90
Tifton	116.10	52.45	13.00	25.00	.....	141.07	.....	347.62
Waycross	72.01	173.95	.....	.....	.....	12.93	4.10	262.99
Wayne	521.34	60.00	121.50	2,350.00	665.44	3,718.28
Totals	\$1,959.25	\$1,587.89	\$1,495.95	\$708.53	\$2,826.53	\$2,207.31	\$244.10	\$11,029.56

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget

Charge	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised
Ashburn	\$40.00	\$23.22	\$25.00	\$21.72	\$50.00	\$26.24
Brunswick	168.00	168.00	105.00	105.00	210.00	210.00
Cordele	34.00	34.00	21.00	21.00	42.50	42.50
Crossroads	98.00	38.15	23.75	28.75	47.50	47.50
Hortense	98.00	98.00	61.25	61.25	122.50	122.50
Jesup	34.00	3.84	21.25	2.77	42.50	4.55
Laurens	70.00	10.50	43.75	10.50	87.50	56.67
Mt. Pleasant	94.00	83.50	58.75	25.35	117.50	59.43
Savannah	70.00	7.50	43.75	20.96	52.50	5.00
Tifton	26.00	26.00	16.25	16.25	32.50	32.50
Waycross	50.00	50.00	31.25	31.25	62.50	63.00
Wayne	102.00	102.00	63.75	63.75	127.50	127.50
Totals	\$824.00	\$644.71	\$514.75	\$408.55	\$995.00	\$797.39

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget—Continued

Charge	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Assigned	Superannuated Ministers' Fund Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Assigned	General Conference Travel & Entertainment Raised
Ashburn	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$3.00	\$3.00
Brunswick	126.00	126.00	21.00	21.00	33.60	33.60	12.60	12.60
Cordele	28.50	25.50	4.25	4.25	6.80	6.80	3.55	3.55
Crossroads	28.50	28.50	4.75	4.75	7.60	7.60	3.55	3.55
Hortense	73.50	73.50	12.25	12.25	19.60	19.60	3.55	3.55
Jesup	25.50	25.50	4.25	3.6	6.80	6.80	3.55	3.55
Laurens	52.50	52.50	8.75	8.75	14.00	14.00	3.55	3.55
Mt. Pleasant	70.50	70.50	11.75	11.75	18.80	18.80	7.05	7.05
Savannah	52.50	52.50	8.75	7.10	14.00	11.04	3.25	3.25
Tifton	19.50	20.50	3.25	3.25	5.20	5.20	1.95	1.95
Waycross	37.50	37.50	5.25	6.25	10.00	10.00	3.75	3.75
Wayne	76.50	76.50	12.75	12.75	20.40	20.40	7.65	7.65
Totals	\$618.00	\$619.00	\$103.00	\$97.46	\$164.80	\$161.84	\$61.80	\$61.80

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Item VIII. Disbursed for General Budget—Continued

Charge	General S. S. Work Assigned	General S. S. Work Raised	Australia Assigned	Australia Raised	Total General Budget Assigned	Total General Budget Raised
Ashburn	\$3.60	\$3.60	\$5.00	\$2.00	\$169.60	\$117.78
Brunswick	15.30	15.30	21.00	21.00	712.50	712.50
Cordele	3.00	3.00	4.25	4.25	144.10	144.10
Crossroads	3.40	3.42	4.75	4.75	161.10	166.27
Hortense	8.80	8.80	12.25	12.25	415.50	415.50
Jesup	3.00	.26	4.25	.36	144.10	46.99
Laurens	6.30	3.89	8.75	8.75	296.80	170.81
Mt. Pleasant	8.40	8.40	11.75	11.75	398.50	296.53
Savannah	6.30	.20	8.75	.50	296.80	110.05
Tifton	2.34	2.34	3.25	3.25	110.24	111.24
Waycross	4.50	4.50	6.25	6.25	212.00	212.50
Wayne	9.10	9.10	12.75	12.75	432.40	432.40
Totals	\$74.04	\$62.81	\$103.00	\$87.86	\$3,493.64	\$2,936.67

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget

Charge	President's Salary Assigned	President's Salary Raised	Ashburn Camp Assigned	Ashburn Camp Raised	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised	Conference Extension Assigned	Conference Extension Raised
Ashburn	\$50.00	\$60.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$3.00
Brunswick	210.00	210.00	84.00	84.00	84.00	84.00	21.00	21.00
Cordele	42.50	51.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	4.25	4.25
Crossroads	47.50	47.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	4.75	4.75
Hortense	122.50	122.50	49.00	49.00	49.00	49.00	12.25	12.25
Jesup	42.50	40.50	17.00	1.42	17.00	1.42	4.25	.36
Laurens	87.50	69.00	35.00	.....	35.00	.....	8.75	.....
Mt. Pleasant	117.50	121.00	47.00	5.00	47.00	5.00	11.75	1.25
Savannah	87.50	25.26	35.00	2.00	35.00	2.00	8.75	.50
Tifton	32.00	32.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	3.25	3.25
Waycross	62.50	62.50	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	6.25	6.25
Wayne	127.50	127.50	51.00	51.00	51.00	51.00	12.75	12.75
Totals	\$1,029.50	\$968.76	\$412.00	\$286.42	\$412.00	\$276.42	\$103.00	\$69.61

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Item VIII. Disbursed for Conference Budget—Continued

Charge	Conference Minutes Assigned	Conference Minutes Raised	Total Conference Budget Assigned	Total Conference Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Ashburn	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$105.00	\$103.80	\$274.60	\$220.78
Brunswick	42.00	42.00	441.00	441.00	1,153.50	1,153.50
Cordele	8.50	8.50	89.25	96.75	233.35	237.85
Crossroads	9.50	9.50	99.75	101.90	260.85	267.17
Hortense	24.50	24.50	257.25	257.25	672.75	672.75
Jesup	8.50	8.50	89.25	52.20	233.35	99.19
Laurens	17.50	17.50	183.75	86.50	480.55	257.31
Mt. Pleasant	23.50	23.50	246.75	155.75	645.25	452.28
Savannah	17.50	16.00	183.75	45.76	480.55	155.81
Tifton	32.50	32.50	68.25	68.25	178.49	179.49
Waycross	12.50	12.50	131.25	131.75	343.25	343.75
Wayne	25.50	25.50	267.75	267.75	700.15	700.15
Totals	\$232.00	\$230.50	\$2,163.00	\$1,808.66	\$5,656.64	\$4,740.03

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item X. Disbursed for Benevolences

Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	W.Y.P.S.	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Ashburn			\$230.05	\$10.00	\$319.82	\$34.25	\$34.25
Brunswick						683.97	1,243.84
Cordele						7.18	7.18
Crossroads		\$20.00					20.00
Hortense	\$11.98	128.97	120.00	2.00		171.87	434.82
Jesup							
Laurens							
Mt. Pleasant						143.21	143.21
Savannah				8.00		18.00	26.00
Tifton	5.00					21.50	26.50
Waycross						31.54	31.54
Wayne		38.00	20.00			152.50	210.50
Totals	\$16.98	\$186.97	\$370.05	\$20.00	\$319.82	\$1,264.02	\$2,177.84

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item X. Disbursed Totals

Charge	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Budget	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Ashburn	\$1,064.13	\$270.02	\$220.78	\$34.25	\$1,589.18
Brunswick	3,822.18	2,963.00	1,153.50	1,243.84	9,182.52
Cordele	1,594.86	444.38	237.85	7.18	2,284.27
Crossroads	484.68	101.61	267.17	20.00	873.46
Hortense	3,373.81	985.57	672.75	434.82	5,466.95
Jesup	665.00	1,025.17	99.19	.....	1,789.36
Laurens	802.80	211.64	257.31	.....	1,271.75
Mt. Pleasant	708.50	533.38	452.28	143.21	1,837.37
Savannah	1,570.00	165.90	155.81	26.00	1,917.71
Tifton	1,062.54	347.62	179.49	26.50	1,616.15
Waycross	813.49	262.99	343.75	31.54	1,451.77
Wayne	1,519.55	3,718.28	700.15	210.50	6,148.48
Totals	\$17,481.54	\$11,029.56	\$4,740.03	\$2,177.84	\$35,428.97

Minutes
of the
1955 Annual Session
of
The Woman's Missionary Society
of the
South Georgia Conference

OFFICERS

President—Mrs. J. D. Day, Rt. 3, Brunswick, Ga.

Vice President—Mrs. W. L. Snellgrove, Hortense, Ga.

Secretary—Mrs. G. C. Gilliard, 101 E. 8th St., Tifton, Ga.

Treasurer—Mrs. Annie Mae Davis, 177 W. Charleston St., Savannah, Ga..

Y.M.W.B. Superintendent—Mrs. Lois Poppell, Odum, Ga.

Mission Study Secretary—Mrs. J. J. Jacobs, Hortense, Ga.

Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Gertie McGraw, 2907 Nowich St., Brunswick, Ga.

Wesleyan Missionary Solicitor—Mrs. F. H. Harris, Jr., Odum, Ga.

Daily Proceedings

The W.M.S. of the South Georgia Annual Conference met at Ashburn, Georgia Campground July 11, 1955, with the president, Mrs. J. D. Day, presiding. The opening prayer was offered by Mrs. G. H. Doty. The president read from Neh. 4:6 and Proverbs 29:18 and suggested these two scriptures be our vision for the coming year.

Mrs. G. C. Gilliard was appointed secretary pro-tem in the absence of Mrs. Pearl Sapp.

The Nominating Committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Annie Mae Davis, Mrs. J. J. Jacobs, and Mrs. A. J. McGraw.

Time was set for the election of officers to be at the beginning of our next meeting.

The president's report was given.

The following reports of societies were given: Brunswick, Waycross, Cordele, Ashburn, Savannah, Tifton, Liberty, and Mt. Pleasant. All of these reports were adopted.

Mrs. Brinson, Mrs. Poppell and Mrs. Phillippe gave interesting talks on their visit to General Conference and of the wonderful missionary spirit there.

Report of the Y.M.W.B. Superintendent was given by Mrs. Brinson and adopted.

Dismissed in prayer by Mrs. W. L. Snellgrove.

Wednesday Morning

The meeting was called to order by the president. After singing, prayer was offered by Mrs. McGraw. Scripture, John 4:35 was read by Mrs. Day. The minutes were read and approved.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows: Statistical Committee, Mrs. Gilliard, Mrs. Purvis; Auditing Committee, Mrs. Snellgrove, Mrs. Brinson; Education, Mrs. Phillippe, Mrs. Akridge; Public Worship, Mrs. Highsmith, Mrs. Carter; Memorials, Mrs. G. H. Doty, Mrs. Glosson; Thanks, Miss Sports, Mrs. Stevens. This report was accepted.

The report of the Browning Society was given and adopted.

The election of officers was as follows; President, Mrs. J. D. Day; Vice President, Mrs. W. L. Snellgrove; Secretary, Mrs. G. C. Gilliard; Treasurer, Mrs. Annie Mae Davis; Y.M.W.B. Superintendent, Mrs. Lois Poppell; Study Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Jacobs; Prayer Partner Secretary, Mrs. McGraw; WESLEYAN MISSIONARY Solicitor, Mrs. F. H. Harris, Jr.

The treasurer's report was given and adopted.

The reports of Hortense, Coffee, and Sylvester Societies were given and adopted.

The report of the Mission Study Secretary was given and adopted.

The Auditing Committee reported finding the treasurer's book in excellent condition.

The Committee on Thanks reported. The Committee on Memorials reported. These were adopted. The meeting was adjourned.

Wednesday Night

The public Missionary Service was held with our Foreign Missionary Secretary, Dr. F. R. Birch, bringing the message. Pledges were taken to the amount of \$500.00.

Thursday Morning Meeting

The meeting was called to order by the president, Sister Day, who also lead in prayer. She read Mark 12:24 and stressed the importance of prayer.

The minutes were read and approved. The Statistical Committee reported and their report was adopted with the secretary given authority to make necessary corrections. An oral report of the Auditing Committee was given. The Committee on Education reported. These were adopted.

Mrs. Day suggested each society have a clean project for the coming year and solicit subscriptions to the WESLEYAN MISSIONARY. The meeting adjourned with Mrs. Phillippe dismissing in prayer.

Mrs. G. C. Gilliard, Secretary

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Membership and Receipts

Society	Active Members	Honorary Members	Gain Members	Loss Members	Total No. Meetings Held	Wesleyan Missionaries taken	Membership Dues	Offerings	From Labor	"Memorials"	Other Sources	Total Receipts for Year	Old Balance from Last Year	Grand Total
Ashburn	16	3	2	...	12	4	\$12.00	\$7.00	...	...	\$3.00	\$22.00	\$6.95	\$28.95
Brunswick	20	12	...	4	13	13	32.00	49.38	\$100.16	...	845.12	1,026.72	14.02	1,040.74
Coffee	8	6	14	...	12	2	8.00	133.77	...	...	...	141.77	...	141.77
Cordele	12	6	...	6	...	...	38.65	40.50	...	...	...	79.15	...	79.15
Hortense	17	9	...	...	13	11	23.95	117.00	58.04	...	28.00	226.99	11.72	238.71
Liberty	20	...	4	...	12	9	15.00	27.58	30.00	...	...	72.58	...	72.58
Mt. Pleasant	16	4	...	...	13	5	19.00	10.07	7.60	\$3.00	3.00	42.67	...	42.67
Savannah	7	4	1	...	12	4	7.00	11.00	...	...	16.00	34.00	1.00	35.00
Sylvester	4	...	...	...	12	...	...	10.29	...	...	...	10.29	...	10.29
Tifton	4	...	1	...	13	6	15.00	7.85	...	...	17.18	40.03	2.25	42.28
Waycross	12	2	2	...	12	3	12.00	24.06	87.91	...	...	107.39	24.77	148.94
Browning	5	3	...	...	12	4	8.00	8.00	...	...	...	16.00	...	16.00
Totals	141	54	28	4	142	61	\$190.60	\$312.72	\$417.48	\$3.00	\$912.30	\$1,819.59	\$60.71	\$1,897.08

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Disbursements

Society	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Hephzibah, Cash	Education, Cash	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Australia	Total Disbursements	New Balance on Hand	Grand Total
Ashburn	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$2.50	\$5.00	...	...	\$4.50	...	\$27.00	\$1.95	\$28.95
Brunswick	16.00	16.00	10.00	3.05	\$583.97	...	353.59	...	982.61	58.13	1,040.74
Coffee	4.00	4.00	...	...	133.77	...	...	...	141.77	...	141.77
Cordele	12.00	26.65	4.25	12.00	...	...	...	\$4.25	59.15	20.00	79.15
Hortense	128.97	11.98	...	120.00	4.51	...	58.36	...	323.82	24.89	238.71
Liberty	17.78	17.79	...	...	6.00	10.00	21.01	...	72.58	...	72.58
Mt. Pleasant	9.50	9.50	...	...	17.67	...	6.00	...	42.67	...	42.67
Savannah	3.50	3.50	8.00	...	5.00	...	13.00	...	33.00	2.00	35.00
Sylvester	3.50	3.50	...	...	...	...	1.97	...	8.97	1.32	10.29
Tifton	5.00	10.00	...	...	...	15.00	11.86	...	41.86	1.42	42.28
Waycross	20.00	20.00	...	...	78.61	12.00	...	...	130.61	18.33	148.94
Browning	4.00	4.00	...	...	...	8.00	...	...	16.00	...	16.00
Totals	\$231.75	\$134.42	\$24.75	\$140.05	\$829.53	\$45.00	\$470.29	\$4.25	\$1,880.04	\$128.54	\$1,897.08

The Thirteenth Annual Session

of the

South Georgia W. Y. P. S.

was held

July 11, 1955

at

Ashburn, Georgia

OFFICERS

President—Frank Harris, Jr.

Vice President—Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Secretary—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe

Treasurer—Mrs. Ruby Day

Daily Proceedings

The thirteenth annual W. Y. P. S. conference convened at our Ashburn campgrounds July 11, 1955 at 2:30 p. m.

The session opened with the group singing "Victory In Jesus" and "Standing On The Promises". Rev. E. C. Moon led in a season of prayer earnestly asking God's blessings on our conference.

The business session was conducted by our conference president, Rev. W. M. Phillippe. Credentials were read and delegates were seated within the bar which consisted of the three front rows of seats in the center section.

Minutes of the last conference were read by the secretary and approved.

Rev. Phillippe gave his president's report and it was adopted.

In the absence of Mrs. Ruby Day, her treasurer's report was read by the secretary and the report was adopted.

Local society reports were given from Brunswick, Mt. Pleasant, Coffee, and Savannah and were adopted. It was voted that Waycross and Cordele send their reports to the secretary and included in the yearly report.

Tellers were appointed and the following officers were elected:

President—Rev. W. M. Phillippe

Vice President—Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Secretary—Mrs. W. M. Phillippe

Treasurer—Mrs. Ruby Day

There was no old business.

In our new business the president explained the changes that were made in the Efficiency Standard at our quadrennial conference. He also brought to our attention the fact that our dues would now be \$1.50 per member per year.

It was voted to adjourn and the dismissal prayer was given by Rev. G. C. Gilliard.

(footnote to minutes)

The W.Y.P.S. board met and accepted Rev. Phillippe's resignation as president. Rev. Frank Harris, Jr. was nominated and approved by the conference to fill the office of W.Y.P.S. president. Rev. Phillippe resigned after his election as president of the South Georgia Conference.

Reports

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the members of the thirteenth annual W.Y.P.S. conference of South Georgia:

I have counted it a great privilege to have been able to serve the Lord as your youth president this year.

Our goals that were set for the past year have been to some extent accomplished, but not as much as we would have liked to have been able to see. Our goals were as follows: (1) to organize new societies, (2) to hold youth rallies and a convention, and (3) to help in some pioneer work as our project.

We are glad to report that, by the help of the Lord, there have been three new societies organized—Coffee, Cordele, and Sterling.

There were two youth rallies held and both were well attended. One was held in the Hortense district at the Hortense church. The church was filled to capacity and the program was enjoyed by everyone. An offering was taken with which the speaker was paid and the balance was given to assist our new project at Sterling. Another rally was held in the Ashburn district at the Ashburn church. An unusually good crowd was present with every church well represented. An offering was taken and given to help the new work at Perry.

At the time of our conference ministerial convention, the W.Y.P.S. held a youth convention. I believe this was a help to all who attended. Different speakers were used from the various churches and Dr. Mullinax spoke of Central College and the need for a Christian education.

Three new pioneer works were undertaken by the youth of our conference. In Sterling, Ga. a new work was started. During the year, I held two tent revivals there. At present this work is under the leadership of Brother Bill Ammons who has been a blessing to that community. A lot 140' x 140' has been secured clear of debt on the main highway and deeded to the conference. They are ready now to undertake a new church building.

Perry, Georgia is the second work that we have undertaken to help. This is a wide open field! Brother Hord has taken the leadership in this field by carrying on prayer meetings each week. Children's meetings are being conducted by Mrs. Johnson. They have purchased a lot 100' x 174' clear of debt and deeded to the conference. They hope to get started on a new church building soon. This work was recently organized by Rev. E. C. Hord.

Our newest work is at Darien, Georgia. We have been conducting cottage prayer meetings there with a great interest shown. We have

just started a tent meeting which is still in progress. This work is under the leadership of Brother Tom O'Berry who has the confidence of the people and has a great vision for the work there.

During the year, (at the request of the pastors) I have visited the following churches in the interest of the W.Y.P.S. and spoke concerning our work: Coffee, Mt. Pleasant, Cordele, Browning, and Sterling.

We praise the Lord for these opportunities that have been ours. We only wish that time and means would have permitted us to do more.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. M. Phillippe

TREASURER'S REPORT

Money Collected:

Bal. in treasury from 1953-54	\$15.60	
Youth Rally at Hortense	16.04	
Youth Rally at Ashburn	10.55	
Brunswick Society:		
Home Missions	7.03	
Foreign Missions	8.00	
Dues	37.00	
Coffee Society	1.00	
Total		\$95.22

Money Paid Out:

Speaker at Hortense Rally	\$5.00	
Sterling Bldg. Fund	11.04	
Perry Bldg. Fund	10.55	
Home Missions	7.53	
Foreign Missions	8.50	
Dues	37.00	
Stamps and Money Order .....	.55	
Total		\$80.17
Balance in Treasury		\$15.05

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

W.Y.P.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Society	Active Members	Associate Members	Wesleyan Youth	Efficiency Standard Rating	General Dues	Church Extension	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Local Work	Total Receipts Plus Balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
Mt. Pleasant	12	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	\$4.14	...	\$4.14
Coffee	16	5	8	...	...	...	\$5.50	\$5.50	...	3.46	\$1.00	2.46
Brunswick	37	4	18	C	\$37.00	\$5.00	8.00	7.03	\$262.79	332.49	319.82	12.67
Savannah	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	75	12	30	...	\$37.00	\$5.00	\$8.50	\$7.53	\$262.79	\$340.09	\$320.82	\$19.27