

**MINUTES**  
OF THE  
**SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
OF THE  
**LOCKPORT CONFERENCE**  
INCORPORATED  
OF THE  
**Wesleyan Methodist Connection**  
**(or Church) of America**

HELD AT

**HOUGHTON, NEW YORK**

**APRIL 7—11, 1937**

Rev. Joseph R. Pitt, Pastor

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REV. EDWARD L. ELLIOTT, President.

REV. JAMES R. REDSTONE, Secretary.



In Memory of the late  
James Seymour Luckey, Pd.M., A.M., LL.D.

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Record of Service As a Layman

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Member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Houghton 50 Years

Delegate to Lockport Annual Conference 27 Times

Delegate to General Conference 6 Times



In Memory of the late  
Rev. Francis B. Markell

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Record of Service As Minister

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Graduated from Houghton Theological Seminary ..1918

Ordained by the Lockport Conference .....1919

Pastoral Record

Machias .....	1 Year
East Leon .....	4 Years
Olean .....	2 Years
Driftwood .....	6 Years
Hess Road .....	3 Years
Ransomville .....	3 Years
Secretary of Lockport Conference 1920 to 1936	16 Years

## STANDING RULES

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**No. 1 On Literature:** Inasmuch as our denominational literature, because of its loyalty to the doctrines of our Church and because of its position on all questions of reform, is of such a nature as to promote and more fully establish our principles; and inasmuch as we consider it the duty and privilege of pastors and lay members of our denomination to extend its distribution: Therefore be it Resolved, That we as a Conference pledge ourselves to extend our literature as much as possible, that we use our best endeavor to place our lesson helps and papers in all our Sabbath Schools.

**No. 2 Board of Trustees Report for Final Action:** Resolved, That all matters involving the expenditure of money to be appropriated from the Conference Treasuries, be referred to the Board of Trustees for their consideration and to be reported back by them to the Conference for final action.

**No. 3 General Conference Delegate:** Resolved, That it is the sense of the Lockport Conference that no person should accept the position as delegate to the General Conference unless he expects to be present during the entire session. The President is requested to communicate this resolution to the delegates three weeks before the General Conference begins.

**No. 4 Evangelists' Report:** Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that all Conference and General Evangelists be requested to report their work and financial receipts to each Annual Conference.

**No. 5 Closing Treasurer's Books:** The Conference Treasurer is hereby authorized to close his books two weeks before the Annual Conference convenes, therefore all receipts and monies should be in his hands by that time if credit on Statistical Report is desired.

**No. 6 Salary:** Resolved, That it is the sense of the Lockport Conference that the minimum salary of an ordained minister on one of our Charges shall be parsonage and one thousand dollars.

**No. 7 Temperance:** Resolved, That it is the sense of the Lockport Conference that we are definitely committed to the maintenance of the Eighteenth Amendment and to the rigid enforcement of the same according to the Volstead Act.

**No. 8 Pastor's Finance:** Resolved, That a pastor is justified in refusing to accept a call to any Charge refusing to assume financial obligations.

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**No. 9 Reporting Sunday School Statistics:** The pastors in reporting the Sunday School Statistics under item IV shall give actual number of officers, teachers and scholars on lines 2, 3, 4; on line 5 the total number of persons in the school, exclusive of the Cradle Roll and Home Department; on line 9 the sum of lines 5, 7, 8 and 12.

**No. 10 Reading of Reports:** Resolved, That in the reading of the Pastor's Statistical Report it is obligatory to read only items 3, 9 and 10.

**No. 11 Adjustment of Pastor's Salary:** Resolved, That churches which enter into a financial agreement with the pastor shall when needful, make adjustment of this obligation at each quarterly meeting. A full settlement of the pastor's salary shall be made before the time of the Annual Conference.

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**TODAY**

So here hath been dawning  
Another new day;  
Think, wilt thou let it  
Slip useless away?

Out of eternity  
This new day is born;  
Into eternity,  
At night, will return.

Behold it aforetime  
No eye ever did;  
So soon it forever  
From all eyes is hid.

Here hath been dawning  
Another new day;  
Think, wilt thou let it  
Slip useless away?

—Thomas Carlyle.

## Our Honored Dead

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"Heroes of old! I humbly lay  
 The laurel on your graves again;  
 Whatever men have done, men may—  
 The deeds you wrought are not in vain."

### Name and Date of Decease.

J. Locke .....	1867
Southworth Phinney .....	1867
Henry Norton .....	1869
J. Beadle .....	1870
E. Bishop .....	1870
Jonathan Sibley .....	1872
J. M. Thorp .....	1873
E. Biglow .....	1876
David R. Douglas .....	1881
J. R. Jones .....	1881
Z. T. Petty .....	1884
Emory Jones .....	1886
Daniel W. Ball .....	1886
Thomas Osgood .....	1890
J. D. Townsend .....	1890
James Ireland .....	1894
Willard J. Houghton .....	1896
Anna Perrine Clarke, Africa ..	1896
George F. Porter .....	1898
E. J. Pope .....	1898
J. A. Thomas .....	1901
Willard C. Boardman .....	1902
P. M. Humphrey .....	1903
George W. Steele .....	1906

### Name and Date of Decease.

Reuben Dutcher .....	1908
C. W. Swift .....	1908
Alonzo B. Chamberlain .....	1909
George W. Sibley .....	1914
Edgar Fuller .....	1914
Henry True Bessie .....	1914
Erwin W. Bruce .....	1916
George W. Cooper .....	1918
Robert C. McConnell .....	1919
Nathan E. Heald .....	1919
John L. Benton .....	1919
Alison Bixby, Date unknown.	
N. F. Robb .....	1922
LeRoy Strong .....	1923
W. A. Hazlett .....	1924
S. W. Swift, Date unknown	
George H. Clarke .....	1929
J. H. Woodhouse .....	1929
B. S. Laughlin .....	1930
J. R. Babcock .....	1930
W. A. Backus .....	1933
G. E. Bathurst .....	1935
Jesse Steves .....	1935
Francis B. Markell .....	1936

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I have fought a good fight,  
 I have finished my course,  
 I have kept the faith:  
 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of  
 righteousness, which the Lord, the right-  
 eous Judge, shall give me at that day: and  
 not to me only; but unto all them that  
 love His appearing.—Paul.

# THE LOCKPORT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## Incorporated

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### CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President .....	Rev. Edward L. Elliott
Vice-President .....	Rev. Arthur J. Taylor
Secretary .....	Rev. James R. Redstone
Assistant Secretary .....	Rev. Walter Readett
Treasurer .....	Rev. George N. Osgood
Sunday School Secretary .....	Rev. Adrian Everts
Tithing Secretary .....	Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs
Statistical Secretary .....	Rev. George Failing
Educational Secretary .....	Rev. Arthur Osgood
Member of Local Board of Managers of Houghton College Term expires 1940 .....	Rev. Edward L. Elliott

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### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Edward L. Elliott.....	Term expires 1938
Mr. Edwin A. Gibbs.....	Term expires 1938
Mr. Clayton F. Ball.....	Term expires 1938
Rev. Walter Readett.....	Term expires 1939
Rev. Arthur J. Taylor.....	Term expires 1939
Mr. Chester E. York.....	Term expires 1939
Rev. Joseph R. Pitt.....	Term expires 1940
Rev. David Anderson.....	Term expires 1940
Mr. Orval H. Howard.....	Term expires 1940

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### COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS

First Year .....	Arthur J. Taylor.....	Term expires 1941
Second Year .....	Edward L. Elliott.....	Term expires 1940
Third Year .....	George N. Osgood.....	Term expires 1939
Fourth Year .....	Joseph R. Pitt.....	Term expires 1938

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### STANDING COMMITTEES

**Advisory Board**—David Anderson, Clayton Ball.

**Judiciary Committee**—Charles Sicard, Edward L. Elliott, George N. Osgood, David Anderson.

**Missionary Board**—President of the Conference, President of the W. H. & F. M. Society, Mrs. James R. Redstone, George Failing.

**Committee on Vacancies**—J. R. Pitt, James R. Redstone, Walter Readett, Leslie B. English, Perry Tucker.

**Committee on Auditing Statistical Reports**—Maurice A. Gibbs, Charles Sicard.

**Sunday School Board**—Adrian Everts, Josephine Rickard, Edna Arnold.

**Educational Committee**—Edward L. Elliott, Arthur Osgood, Mrs. Edward L. Elliott, Willard Smith, Harold Elliott.

**Committee on Credentials**—The Committee on Temporary Organization.

**Committee on Budget**—Maurice A. Gibbs, Chairman.

#### Recommendations—

1. That the President nominate his own Advisory Board.
2. That the Committee on Religious Services be: the President of the Conference and the pastor and delegate where the next session is held.

Signed: JAMES R. REDSTONE,  
CHARLES SICARD,  
ESTHER THURBER.

#### Editorial Note:

Rev. Adrian Everts was elected to preach the opening sermon next session of the Annual Conference and Rev. George Failing alternate.

The District Chairmen are as follows:

Northern District: O. G. Wyman.

Central District: N. R. Shaffer.

Southern District: Maurice A. Gibbs.



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**CONFERENCE ROLL**

**Stationed List of Elders**

Name	Address	Meetings Attended
Armstrong, C. I. ....	Chazy, N. Y. ....	Absent
Anderson, David ....	51 Hobson Place, Bradford, Pa. ....	8
Bruce, John E. ....	165 Prospect St., Lockport, N. Y. ....	1
Clocksins, Gertrude ....	Houghton, N. Y. ....	Absent
Elliott, E. L. ....	R. F. D. 2, Falconer, N. Y. ....	8
Gibbs, Maurice A. ....	R. F. D. 4, Forestville, N. Y. ....	7
Hickok, A. A. ....	R. F. D., Orchard Park, N. Y. ....	8
Johnson, E. H. ....	R. F. D. 1, Emporium, Pa. ....	2
Johnson, Zelia ....	R. F. D. 1, Emporium, Pa. ....	6
Miller, Peter D. ....	Coroazon De Jesus, San Blas Republica De Panama ....	Absent
Norman, G. I. ....	31 Euclid Ave., Olean, N. Y. ....	8
Norman, Olga M. ....	31 Euclid Ave., Olean, N. Y. ....	8
Osgood, William ....	Hume, N. Y. ....	7
Osgood, George N. ....	R. F. D. 2, Cattaraugus, N. Y. ....	8
Osgood, Arthur ....	Hume, N. Y. ....	8
Pitt, J. R. ....	Houghton, N. Y. ....	5
Readett, Walter ....	Medina, N. Y., R. F. D. 2 ....	3
Redstone, James R. ....	Driftwood, Pa. ....	8
Shaffer, N. R. ....	R. F. D. 1, Freedom, N. Y. ....	6
Shaffer, Mae K. ....	R. F. D. 1, Freedom, N. Y. ....	6
Sicard, Charles ....	R. F. D., Appleton, N. Y. ....	7
Stark, Price P. ....	Makene, Sierra Leone, West Africa. ....	Absent
Stark, Helen F. ....	Makene, Sierra Leone, West Africa. ....	Absent
Taylor, Arthur J. ....	Cattaraugus, N. Y. ....	5
Wyman, O. G. ....	R. F. D., Lyndonville, N. Y. ....	8
Wyman, Diana F. ....	R. F. D., Lyndonville, N. Y. ....	8

**Superannuated List**

Name	Address	Meetings Attended
Dow, C. H. ....	Cowarts, Alabama ....	Absent

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Unstationed List

Name	Address	Meetings Attended
Bateman, M. A. ....	Penn's Creek, Pa. ....	Absent
Bullock, Harry J. ....	Fillmore, N. Y. ....	1
Dudley, C. M. ....	Wellsville, N. Y. ....	Absent
Rolf, W. W. ....	Sandown, 82 Station Ave., Isle of Wight, England .....	Absent
Woodhead, C. E. ....	Houghton, N. Y. ....	1

Supernumerary List

Name	Address	Meetings Attended
Sicard, Lynford .....	Appleton, N. Y. ....	Absent

Annual Conference Preachers

Stationed List

Name	Address	Meetings Attended
Everts, Adrian .....	R. F. D., Canadea, N. Y. ....	8
Failing, George .....	Fillmore, N. Y. ....	8

Deaconess

Name	Address	Meetings Attended
Stoddard, Clara .....	Cattaraugus, N. Y. ....	1

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**ROLL OF DELEGATES**

Charge	Name and Address	Meetings Attended
Allegany .....	Millard Luce, Caneadea, N. Y. ....	7
Ashwood .....	Walter Eckler, Albion, N. Y. ....	8
Ashwood .....	Gertrude Verbridge, Lyndonville, N. Y. ..	8
Bradford .....	Edwin A. Gibbs, Bradford, Pa. ....	8
Bradford .....	William Snider, Great Valley, N. Y. ....	8
Cattaraugus .....	Alson Lawrence, Cattaraugus, N. Y. ....	6
Chestnut Ridge .....	Wallace Barnett, Lockport, N. Y. ....	3
Driftwood .....	Leslie B. English, Driftwood, Pa. ....	6
East Leon .....	Olin Harmon, Cattaraugus, N. Y. ....	5
East Aurora .....	Elmer Hudson, East Aurora, N. Y. ....	5
Ellicott .....	Clarence Blackwell, Hamburg, N. Y. ....	1
Forestville .....	Fannie Pagett, Forestville, N. Y. ....	8
Fillmore .....	Frieda Gillette, Houghton, N. Y. ....	8
Fillmore .....	Mary McMurtry, Fillmore, N. Y. ....	1
Fillmore .....	Absent.	
Hess Road .....	Esther Thurber, Middleport, N. Y. ....	7
Higgins .....	Mae Wolfer, Freedom, N. Y. ....	7
Higgins .....	Louise Wolfer, Hume, N. Y. ....	5
Houghton .....	Flora Peck, Houghton, N. Y. ....	7
Houghton .....	Marshall Cronk, Houghton, N. Y. ....	8
Levant .....	Clayton Ball, Falconer, N. Y. ....	7
Machias .....	Absent.	
Olean .....	Gilford Baker, Olean, N. Y. ....	8
Olean .....	Zada Huff, Olean, N. Y. ....	6
Ransomville .....	Beulah Markell, Ransomville, N. Y. ....	5
Rich Valley .....	Frank Lockwood, Emporium, Pa. ....	3
Rich Valley .....	Mae McClenahan, Rew, Pa. ....	3
Wyoming .....	Irene Davis, Williamsville, N. Y. ....	4

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SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Name of School	Name and Address
Allegheny	Ellsworth Baker, Canadea, N. Y.
Ashwood	Arthur Young, Lyndonville, N. Y.
Bradford	Ralph Nelson, Bradford, Pa.
Cattaraugus	Ethel Fieblecorn, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Chestnut Ridge	Wallace Barnett, Lockport, N. Y.
Driftwood	Albert Egger, Driftwood, Pa.
East Aurora	Mary Bennett, East Aurora, N. Y.
East Leon	Irene Hull, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Ellicott	Laura Clark, Orchard Park, N. Y.
Fillmore	William Ayers, Belfast, N. Y.
Forestville	Christine Pagett, South Dayton, N. Y.
Hess Road	Martha Parker, Appleton, N. Y.
Higgins	Clarence Miller, Fillmore, N. Y.
Houghton	J. S. Wright, Houghton, N. Y.
Levant	Victor Hubbard, Falconer, N. Y.
Machias	William Osgood, Hume, N. Y.
Olean	Howard Button, Olean, N. Y.
Ransomville	Clinton Moore, Ransomville, N. Y.
Rich Valley	Inez Ruberta, Emporium, Pa.
Scranton	Clarence Blackwell, Hamburg, N. Y.
Wyoming	Jasper Buck, Bliss, N. Y.
Wales Hollow	Mrs. Neil Kerr, Wales Center, N. Y.
Wango	Archie Wolf, Forestville, N. Y.

Signed by Committee on Post Office Addresses:

GERTRUDE VERBRIDGE,  
MILLARD LUCE.

## JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

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### Pre-Conference Sermon

The opening sermon of the Conference was preached the evening of April 6, 1937 in the Houghton Church by Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs from Judges 18: 10 on, "The Best Place in the World."

### Wednesday Morning Meeting, April 7, 1937

The Lockport Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America convened for its Seventy-sixth Annual Session at the Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Church in Houghton, New York on April 7, 1937 at 9: 00 a. m.

**Opening.**—The President, Rev. Edward L. Elliott, called the Conference to order and conducted the devotionals.

**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and 18 ministers and 12 delegates were marked present.

**Substitution.**—The name of Mae Wolfer was substituted for that of Hazel Wilklow as delegate from Higgins charge.

**Bar of Conference.**—The bar of Conference was fixed as the first five rows of seats across the front of the church.

**Time of Meetings.**—The time for opening and closing of the meetings of Conference was fixed as follows: Morning meeting opening at nine and closing at noon; the afternoon meeting opening at one-thirty and closing by vote of the Conference.

**Temporary Organization.**—The Committee on Temporary Organization submitted its report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 1.)

**Committee on Religious Services.**—The Committee on Religious Services submitted its report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 2.)

**Orders of the Day.**—The election of Conference Officials was made an Order of the Day for Thursday morning following devotionals.

**Substitution.**—The name of Charles Sicard was substituted for that of J. S. Luckey on the Committee for Auditing the Statistical Reports.

**Recess.**—A recess was voted for Conference work.

**Called to Order.**—At 11: 35 the Conference was called to order by the President.

**Standing Rule Rescinded.**—It was voted to rescind Standing Rule No. 9.

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**Adjournment.**—After a few announcements the meeting was adjourned by limitation of time. Benediction was given by Rev. Walter Readett.

### Wednesday Afternoon Meeting, April 7, 1937

**Opening.**—The President called the meeting to order and the devotions were conducted by Rev. William Osgood.

**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and the minutes were approved as read.

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on Ministerial Character made a partial report.

**Names Called.**—The names of C. I. Armstrong, Lynford Sicard, C. H. Dow, Price Stark and Helen Stark were called, communications were read from them and their characters passed.

**President's Report.**—Brother Sicard was called to the Chair and the President, Rev. Edward L. Elliott, made his official report. (See Report No. 3.)

**Considering Report.**—It was voted to consider the report item by item.

**Recommendation Referred to Committee.**—It was voted to elect a committee to consider the first recommendation of the President. The committee elected was as follows: N. R. Shaffer, Chairman; E. L. Elliott, Maurice A. Gibbs, Charles Sicard, David Anderson.

**Recommendation Adopted.**—It was voted to adopt the second recommendation of the President's report.

**Official Acts Accepted.**—It was voted to accept the President's Official Acts.

### Communion Service

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived the meeting was turned over to Rev. A. A. Hickok who had charge of the communion service and was assisted by various pastors of the Conference.

**Adjournment.**—Adjourned by vote of the Conference. Benediction by the Rev. George N. Osgood.

### Wednesday Evening Service

At the religious service Wednesday evening Rev. G. I. Norman preached a sermon on the "Holy Spirit."

### Thursday Morning Meeting, April 8, 1937

**Opening.**—The Conference was called to order by the President and Rev. E. H. Johnson conducted the devotionals.

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**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

**Substitution.**—The name of Mae McClenahan was substituted for that of Doran Moore as delegate from the Rich Valley Church.

**Floral Tribute.**—It was voted to take an offering to buy flowers for Dr. J. S. Luckey. Brother Wyman was made committee in charge.

**Courtesies.**—Dr. and Mrs. I. F. McLeister and Rev. J. B. Cowan were introduced to the Conference and made a few remarks.

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on the President's first recommendation made a partial report.

**Election.**—The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the President appointed Adrian Everts, Arthur Osgood, Millard Luce and Elmer Hudson as tellers and the Conference proceeded with the election of its officials which resulted as follows:

**President.**—On the first ballot for President E. L. Elliott received 28 of 40 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Vice-President.**—On the first ballot for Vice-President A. J. Taylor received 29 of 39 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Secretary.**—On the first ballot for Secretary James R. Redstone received 37 of 39 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Treasurer.**—On the first ballot for Treasurer George N. Osgood received 38 of 42 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Sunday School Secretary.**—On the first ballot for Sunday School Secretary Adrian Everts received 23 of 42 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Tithing Secretary.**—On the first ballot for Tithing Secretary Maurice A. Gibbs received 38 of 42 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Educational Secretary.**—On the ballot for Educational Secretary Arthur Osgood received 27 of 40 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Statistical Secretary.**—On the first ballot for Statistical Secretary George Failing received 37 of 42 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Itineracy and Orders.**—On the ballot for member of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders A. J. Taylor received 40 of 43 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Trustees.**—For the ministerial members of the Board of Trustees Joseph R. Pitt received 31 of 42 votes cast and David Anderson received 35 of 43 votes cast and they were declared elected.

### Educational Service

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the service was turned over to the representatives of Houghton College who conducted the Educational Service.

**Adjournment.**—After a few announcements Conference was adjourned by limitation of time.

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### Thursday Afternoon Meeting, April 8, 1937

**Opening.**—The President called the Conference to order and Rev. J. B. Cowan conducted the devotionals.

**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and the minutes were approved as read.

**Election Continued.**—The election was continued which resulted as follows:

**Trustee.**—On the first ballot for lay member of the Board of Trustees Orval H. Howard received 23 of 30 votes cast and was declared elected.

**Assistant Secretary.**—It was voted to have the Secretary nominate his own assistant. He nominated Walter Readett. It was voted to approve the nomination.

**Standing Committees.**—The nominations of the Standing Committees was referred to the Committee on Temporary Organization.

**Courtesies.**—Rev. and Mrs. John Mann, Rev. Alfred E. Payea and Rev. O. G. McKinley were introduced to Conference and made a few remarks.

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on the President's Recommendation on Evangelism made its report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 4.)

**President Excused.**—The President called the Vice-President to the Chair and was excused from Conference.

**Excused from Conference.**—Rev. E. H. Johnson was excused from Conference.

**Characters Passed.**—The names of James R. Redstone, David Anderson, Maurice A. Gibbs, A. A. Hickok, G. I. Norman, William Osgood, Olga Marie Norman, E. H. and Zelia Johnson were called and their characters passed.

### Conference Sermon

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the President, Rev. Edward L. Elliott, brought the Conference Sermon.

**Substitution.**—The name of Gertrude Verbridge was substituted for that of Louise Wolfer and the name of Millard Luce for that of Iva Ayers on the Committee on Post Office Addresses.

**Adjournment.**—Adjourned by vote of the Conference. Benediction by Rev. A. A. Hickok.

### Thursday Evening Service

At the evening service Rev. Charles Sicard preached on "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."



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### Friday Morning Meeting, April 9, 1937

**Opening.**—After devotions conducted by Rev. Gordon Thurber the President called the Conference to order.

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on Standing Committees made their report which was adopted as read. (See Front of Minutes.)

**To Preach Opening Sermon.**—Rev. Adrian Everts was elected to preach the opening sermon at the next session of Conference with Rev. George Failing as alternate.

**Next Annual Session.**—The Conference voted to accept the invitation to hold their next session of Conference at Fillmore to be assisted by the Higgins Church.

**Places of Future Conferences.**—A committee on the places of future Conferences was elected as follows: N. R. Shaffer, Chairman; M. A. Gibbs, A. J. Taylor, Frieda Gillette and Louise Wolfer.

**New Books.**—The Secretary was instructed to purchase a new Secretary's Journal and a new Treasurer's Cash Book.

**Minutes Printed.**—The Secretary was authorized to have 325 copies of the minutes printed and distributed.

**W. Y. P. S. Minutes.**—It was voted to invite the W. Y. P. S. to print their minutes and statistics in the printed Conference Journal.

**Record of Attendance.**—It was voted to print the record of attendance in the Journal.

**Standing Rule No. 9.**—It was voted to accept the resolution of the Statistical Committee to be the new Standing Rule No. 9. (See Report No. 5.)

**Name Called.**—The name of C. E. Woodhead was called and his character was passed.

**Courtesies.**—Rev. J. F. Wright of the Champlain Conference was introduced to Conference and made a few remarks.

**Name Called.**—The name of J. E. Bruce was called and his character was passed.

**Ransomville Reports.**—Mrs. Beulah Markell read the Statistical Report from Ransomville and gave a report of the work.

**Name Called.**—The name of J. R. Pitt was called and his character was passed.

### Connectional Address

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the meeting was turned over to Dr. I. F. McLeister who gave the Connectional Address.

**Adjournment.**—Adjourned by limitation of time. Benediction by Rev. J. R. Pitt.

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### Friday Afternoon Meeting, April 9, 1937

**Opening.**—After devotions conducted by Rev. Arthur Osgood and special prayer for Brother Thompson the President called the Conference to order.

**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and the minutes were approved as read.

**Committee Reports.**—The Budget Committee made its report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 6.)

**Names Called.**—The names of N. R. Shaffer, Charles Sicard, Mae K. Shaffer and A. J. Taylor were called and their characters were passed.

### Religious Service

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the meeting was turned over to Dr. I. F. McLeister who preached on "The Fire of God."

**Adjournment.**—Adjourned by vote of the Conference. Benediction by Rev. George N. Osgood.

### Friday Evening Service

At the evening service Rev. N. R. Shaffer preached on "Nevertheless I have something against thee." Rev. 2:4.

### Saturday Morning Meeting, April 10, 1937

**Opening.**—After Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs led the devotionals and gave an oral report as Tithing Secretary the President called the Conference to order.

**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and the minutes were approved as read.

**Committee Reports.**—The Board of Trustees made their report. (See Report No. 7.)

**Report Amended.**—It was voted to amend the report by including "the proceeds from the sale of the Bradford property to be applied on the principal of the Conference indebtedness."

**Report Adopted.**—Report adopted as amended.

**Committee Reports.**—Committee on Boundaries made their report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 8.)

**Statistical Secretary Reports.**—The Statistical Secretary made his report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 9.)

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on Thanks made their report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 10.)

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**Resolution Made.**—Rev. Charles Sicard offered a resolution on “The Trend of the Times” which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 11.)

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on Itineracy and Orders made their report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 12.)

**Driftwood Reports.**—The Statistical Report of the Driftwood Church was read by the delegate, Mr. L. B. English.

**Names Called.**—The names of O. G. Wyman, Diana Wyman, George N. Osgood were called and their characters passed.

**East Aurora Reports.**—The East Aurora Church reported through their pastor and delegate.

**Names Called.**—The names of Adrian Everts, George Failing, Arthur Osgood were called and their characters were passed.

**Courtesies.**—Professors McConn, Young, Baker and Mr. John Williams were introduced to the Conference and brought the greetings of Marion College.

### Memorial Service

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived the service was turned over to Rev. O. G. Wyman who had charge of the Memorial Service.

After the singing of “While the Years of Eternity Roll” the 23rd Psalm was repeated in unison. Rev. David Anderson led in prayer. The name of Rev. Francis B. Markell was called and Rev. O. G. Wyman spoke of his appreciation of him. Rev. J. R. Pitt told of his conversion. Rev. Noah R. Shaffer spoke of the encouragement he had received from Brother Markell. Rev. Charles Sicard spoke of his integrity and character. Brother Kerr and Rev. A. J. Taylor sang “Goodnight Here But Goodmorning Up There.” Prayer was offered by Rev. E. L. Elliott.

**Substitution.**—The name of Maurice A. Gibbs was substituted for that of J. R. Pitt on the Auditing Committee.

**Adjournment.**—After a few announcements Conference adjourned by limitation of time.

### Saturday Afternoon Meeting, April 10, 1937

**Opening.**—After the devotions led by Rev. Chester Osgood the President called the Conference to order.

**Roll Call.**—The roll was called and the minutes approved as corrected.

**Committee Reports.**—The Committee on Future Conferences made its report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 13.)

**Official Stationery.**—It was voted to have the President obtain official stationery of the style approved by the officers of the Conference.

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**Burial Association.**—Rev. Charles Sicard gave a short address on the Wesleyan Burial Association.

**Standing Rule Made.**—A resolution was presented by Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs to be Standing Rule No. 11 which was adopted after some profitable discussion. (See Report No. 14.)

**Names Called.**—The name of Edward L. Elliott was called. He called the Vice-President to the Chair and his character was passed. The name of Walter Readett was called and his character was passed.

**Excused from Conference.**—Mrs. Gertrude Verbridge was excused from Conference.

### Religious Service

After some singing and testimonies the service was turned over to Rev. David Anderson who preached on "Discouragements."

**Organization of Districts.**—After the Organization of Districts they reported as follows: Northern District, Rev. O. G. Wyman; Central District, Rev. Noah R. Shaffer; Southern District, Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs.

**Post Office Addresses.**—The Report on Post Office Addresses was referred to the Secretary to complete and correct. (See Front of the Minutes.)

**Treasurer Reports.**—The Conference Treasurer made his report which was accepted as read. (See Report No. 15.)

**Deaconess Reports.**—Mrs. Clara Stoddard gave a report of her work as Deaconess.

**Election.**—Maurice A. Gibbs was elected Chairman of the Budget Apportionment Committee.

**Item Referred to President.**—The matter of electric lights at the Machias Church was referred to the President and his Advisory Board.

**Election.**—The President nominated Rev. David Anderson and Clayton Ball as his Advisory Board. They were elected.

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

### Saturday Evening Meeting, April 10, 1937

**Called to Order.**—The President called the meeting to order.

**Committee Reports.**—The Pastoral Relation Committee made their report which was adopted as read. (See Report No. 16.)

**Sunday School Secretary Reports.**—Rev. Adrian Everts read the Sunday School Secretary's Report in the absence of Rev. Price Stark. It was adopted as read. (See Report No. 17.)

**Minutes Approved.**—The minutes were approved as read.

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

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**Saturday Evening Service**

Missionary Service in charge of Mrs. Sarah Osgood.

**Sunday Religious Services**

9:30 a. m. **Love Feast:** Rev. James R. Redstone.

10:00 a. m. **Ordination Service.** Sermon by Dr. I. F. McLeister.  
Rev. Arthur W. Osgood was ordained an elder in the Lockport Annual Conference.

2:00 p. m. **Funeral of President James S. Luckey.**

7:30 p. m. **Sermon.** Rev. George N. Osgood preached on "Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to thee."

JAMES R. REDSTONE, Secretary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### Report No. 1

#### TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

**Committee on Ministerial Character:** Maurice A. Gibbs, Fannie Padgett.

**Committee on Boundaries:** O. G. Wyman, Wallace Barnett, Gertrude Verbridge.

**Committee on Pastoral Relations:** E. L. Elliott, A. J. Taylor, David Anderson, N. R. Shaffer, Elmer Hudson, Frieda Gillette, Alson Lawrence.

**Committee on Auditing:** Walter Readett, J. R. Pitt, Olin Harmon, Clarence Blackwell.

**Committee on Budget:** Maurice A. Gibbs, G. I. Norman, Wallace Barnett, Leslie B. English.

**Committee on Post Office Addresses:** Iva Ayers, Louise Wolfer.

**Committee on Thanks:** Adrian Everts, Esther Thurber.

**Committee on Courtesies:** David Anderson, J. R. Pitt.

Committee: JAMES R. REDSTONE,  
CHARLES SICARD.

### Report No. 2

#### RELIGIOUS SERVICES

We recommend the following:

#### Wednesday:

- 3:00 p. m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper—Rev. A. A. Hickok.
- 7:30 p. m. Sermon—Rev. G. I. Norman.

#### Thursday:

- 11:00 a. m. Educational Address.
- 3:00 p. m. Conference Sermon—Rev. E. L. Elliott.
- 7:30 p. m. Sermon—Rev. Charles Sicard.

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### Friday:

- 11:00 a. m. Connectional Address—Rev. I. F. McLeister.
- 3:00 p. m. Sermon—Rev. I. F. McLeister.
- 7:30 p. m. Sermon—Rev. N. R. Shaffer.

### Saturday:

- 11:00 a. m. Memorial Service—Rev. O. G. Wyman.
- 3:00 p. m. Sermon—Rev. David Anderson.
- 7:30 p. m. Conference Missionary Service.

### Sunday:

- 9:30 a. m. Love Feast—Rev. James R. Redstone.
- 10:00 a. m. Sermon—Rev. I. F. McLeister.
- 7:30 p. m. Sermon—Rev. A. J. Taylor.

Signed: EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,  
MARSHALL C. CRONK,  
JOSEPH R. PITT.

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### Report No. 3

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Members of the Lockport Conference, Greetings:

We are gathered in the name of our Lord Jesus to review the works of the past year and to plan for the year ahead. I believe we should set definite goals. We should lay our plans to do definite things and then make our best attempt to accomplish. I know that certain of our pastors have done this in relation to the contributions to the benevolences and they have succeeded. We may well fix objectives to achieve as students and as evangelists.

Without question the time has come for us to move forward in a united and planned evangelistic program. I believe our churches desire it. The proposition resolves itself largely into a matter of leadership. We need some one who can give himself entirely to the work of promoting aggressive enlargement. If we sit here we shall die. Let a committee on evangelism bring a definite plan in which all shall cooperate under a capable leader to take up new land.

I most heartily recommend that this Conference employ a full time Evangelist President for the coming year.

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I also recommend that the Conference Session of 1938 open on Wednesday evening of the week in which Conference is held.

We are meeting this year under a cloud of sadness. An eminently useful and devoted member lies at the point of death in the midst of us. He has been a pillar of strength among us. The question, "How can we get along without President Luckey?" comes to many minds at this time. He has been a friend to all of us and a father to some. May God's special grace be given to all in this sad hour.

Another faithful man is not with us. I refer to our good Brother Markell who went home soon after last Conference. He was faithful unto death. He never swerved or hesitated in the way. He is missed for his place is vacant.

I desire to express at this time my appreciation of the courtesy and coöperation which has been shown to me during the six years past. I shall ask you, when the election is held, to choose some one else to fill the place of President.

### Official Acts

**June 1**, Approved of the plan that Sister Markell continue caring for the church at Ransomville for the remainder of the year following the death of Brother Markell.

**July 1**, Appointed Rev. William Osgood to the Machias Charge.

**Feb. 15**, Accepted the resignation of Rev. Price Stark as pastor of the Driftwood Church.

**March 1**, Appointed Rev. M. A. Gibbs to preach the opening sermon at Conference.

**March 16**, Organized a group in Wellsville, N. Y. as a Wesleyan Mission and received them into this Conference.

**April 1**, Appointed as Committee on Temporary Organization, Rev. James R. Redstone, Rev. Charles Sicard and the Church delegate from Hess Road.

**April 6**, Appointed as members of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders: Clayton F. Ball, Marshall C. Cronk and Edwin A. Gibbs.

### Financial Statement

Expense	
Time away from home—16 days .....	\$80.00
Travel:	
By train .....	9.85
By automobile .....	50.00
Postage and telephone .....	10.20
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Total expense .....	\$150.05



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Receipts

From churches visited .....	\$54.50
From Conference Treasurer:	
Cash .....	22.50
Receipt .....	10.00
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Total receipts .....	87.00
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Balance due .....	\$63.05

O. K. by Auditing Committee—J. R. Pitt.

Signed: EDWARD L. ELLIOTT, President.

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Report No. 4

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION

Your Committee elected to consider the recommendation in the President's Report referring to the matter of Conference evangelism or church extension, recognizing that aggressive evangelistic effort is essential to the life and growth of the Conference approve in general the principle and spirit of the recommendation.

Therefore we recommend that, when in the judgment of the Annual Conference such a man is available, we lay plans for entering needy fields within the bounds of the Conference.

We further recommend that, the Chairmen of the three districts of the Conference prayerfully and carefully consider their territory and endeavor to evangelize and develop any field that in their judgment might with careful oversight result in a church organization.

Signed: NOAH R. SHAFFER, Chairman;  
MAURICE A. GIBBS, Secretary;  
EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,  
CHARLES SICARD,  
DAVID ANDERSON.

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Report No. 5

STANDING RULE NO. 9

We recommend that Standing Rule No. 9 be as follows:

Sunday School Statistics: The pastors in reporting the Sunday School Statistics under item IV shall give actual number of officers, teachers and scholars on lines 2, 3, 4; on line 5 the total number of persons in the school, exclusive of the Cradle Roll and Home Department; on line 9 the sum of lines 5, 7, 8, and 12.

Signed: MAURICE A. GIBBS, Chairman;  
CHARLES SICARD.

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Report No. 6

BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

1. The budget for Foreign Missions is \$1810.
2. The budget for Home Missions is \$452.
3. The budget for Education is \$1356. Money paid on L. S. U. pledges or interest paid on Educational notes and all money paid for current expenses of Houghton College may count toward this budget.
4. The budget for Hephzibah Orphanage is \$226.
5. The budget for Connectional Sunday School work is \$91, for Conference Sunday School work is \$18. Total for Sunday School work is \$109.
6. We recommend that the budget for Conference work be \$1760 and nothing but cash may count on this budget. We recommend the following distribution of this budget: Conference Expense, \$400; Superannuated Ministers' Fund, \$300; Batavia Liabilities, \$1060.
7. The budget for Conference Entertainment is \$137.
8. We recommend that each pastor hand to the Committee on Budget Apportionment at the next Annual Conference a list of members on his charge who are under 16 years of age and any Elders who cannot contribute to the budget. This list shall be deducted from the number of members when determining the budget apportionment for that charge.

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Budget Assigned

Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Sunday School	Conference Work	Conference Entertainment	Total Assigned
<i>at .125 for S.S.</i>								
Allegany .....	\$44	\$11	\$33	\$6	\$3	\$44	\$3	\$144
Ashwood .....	68	17	51	8	4	65	5	218
Bradford .....	172	43	129	21	10	166	13	554
Cattaraugus .....	148	37	111	18	9	144	11	478
Chestnut Ridge .....	28	7	21	4	2	27	2	91
Driftwood .....	32	8	24	4	2	32	2	104
East Aurora .....	64	16	48	8	4	61	5	206
East Leon .....	64	16	48	8	4	61	5	206
Ellicott .....	36	9	27	5	2	36	3	118
Fillmore .....	88	22	66	11	5	84	7	283
Forestville .....	64	16	48	8	4	63	5	208
Hess Road .....	96	24	72	12	6	95	8	313
Higgins .....	68	17	51	9	4	67	5	221
Houghton .....	400	100	300	50	24	389	30	1293
Levant .....	156	39	117	19	9	151	12	503
Machias .....	24	6	18	3	1	23	2	77
Olean .....	144	36	108	18	9	141	11	467
Ransomville .....	20	5	15	2	1	19	1	63
Rich Valley .....	68	17	51	9	4	67	5	221
Wyoming .....	26	6	18	3	2	25	2	82
Totals .....	\$1810	\$452	\$1356	\$226	\$109	\$1760	\$137	\$5850

Signed: MAURICE A. GIBBS, Chairman;  
 G. I. NORMAN,  
 L. B. ENGLISH,  
 W. F. BARNETT.

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Report No. 7

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Lockport Annual Conference met at the call of the Chairman, Rev. E. L. Elliott, during the session of the Annual Conference at Houghton, N. Y., April 8, 1937.

We recommend as follows:

1. That materials be furnished to Mr. Wolcott of Batavia, N. Y. for the painting of the house at 317 West Main St., Batavia.
2. The sum of \$25.00 each be paid to the Treasurer and Secretary of the Conference for their services for the coming year.
3. Appropriation from the Superannuated Ministers' Fund: to Mrs. J. R. Babcock, \$50.00; to Mrs. George Bathurst, \$50.00; to Rev. C. H. Dow, \$50.00; to Mrs. F. B. Markell, \$100.00.
4. The acceptance of the report of Mr. C. E. York, Treasurer, which has been passed by the Auditing Committee.
5. The payment of \$50.00 on the deficit in the Expense Account of the Conference President for the year 1933.
6. The payment from the Conference Treasury of \$63.00 deficit in the Expense Account of the Conference President for the past year.
7. That Rev. David Anderson be authorized to secure offers of purchase from prospective buyers for the Property at 29 Boylston St., Bradford, Pa., and report his findings to the Executive Committee of this Board, with the understanding that of the two prospective offers one of \$6,000.00 on contract with down payment of \$300.00, and one of \$4,500.00 cash, the latter offer to be given the preference, the final acceptance of any offer to be with the Executive Board, proceeds from the sale to apply on the principle of the Conference indebtedness.
8. That the church in Bradford be authorized to increase the amount of indebtedness on their Church Property according to a resolution of the Bradford Church submitted to this Board.

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The organization of the Board of Trustees was as follows: Chairman, E. L. Elliott; Secretary, Joseph R. Pitt; Treasurer, Arthur J. Taylor; The Executive Committee, the Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,  
DAVID ANDERSON,  
ARTHUR J. TAYLOR,  
EDWIN A. GIBBS,  
CLAYTON F. BALL,  
WALTER READETT,  
CHESTER E. YORK,  
JOSEPH R. PITT.

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**Report No. 8**

### **BOUNDARIES**

The Committee on Boundaries recommend the Wellsville work to include the village of Wellsville and the surrounding community, and to be known as the Wellsville Wesleyan Mission.

Signed: O. G. WYMAN,  
WALLACE BARNETT,  
GERTRUDE VERBRIDGE.

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Report No. 9

STATISTICAL REPORT

Item I. Pastor's Labors.      Item II. Periodicals

Name of Charge	Time employed (months)	Item II. Periodicals													
		Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Teachers' Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart
Allegany	12	1	1	5	16	10	5	16	7	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ashwood	12	1	1	19	25	8	3	36	...	8	4	...	11	6	...
Bradford	12	1	1	20	65	18	12	70	24	20	36	23	15	30	1
Cattaraugus	12	1	1	30	50	12	10	50	12	10	15	10	...	20	1
Chestnut Ridge	12	1	1	2	6	4	1	6	3	1	...	1	3	2	...
Driftwood	10½	1	1	9	30	30	8	40	15	...	30	12	...	15	1
East Aurora	12	1	1	10	28	20	7	18	13	20	7	9	10	10	...
East Leon	12	1	1	5	30	16	8	34	10	10	7	...	...	7	...
Ellicott	12	1	1	7	20	8	3	10	16	8	...	8	...	5	1
Fillmore	12	1	1	9	30	...	5	30	...	9	12	10	...	12	...
Forestville	11½	2	1	12	22	14	8	33	6	14	...	...	...	8	...
Hess Road	12	1	1	7	30	8	6	38	...	20	...	5	...	10	...
Higgins	12	1	1	6	30	20	7	35	17	13	6	...	...	10	1
Houghton	12	1	1	...	125	22	14	80	...	13	23	100	...	...	...
Levant	12	1	1	25	60	30	10	100	25	30	15	25	15	15	...
Machias	9	1	1	...	5	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	4	1
Olean	12	1	1	22	55	80	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...
Ransomville	12	1	1	5	15	10	6	20	...	15	6	5	...	12	...
Rich Valley	12	1	1	9	32	18	9	44	...	10	13	16	...	18	...
Wyoming	12	1	1	1	8	3	4	10	...	...	...	...	...	3	...
Total	235	21	20	203	885	333	147	675	148	201	375	124	154	227	6

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Item III. Membership

Name of Charges	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstated Elders	Local Preachers	Membership Tithing
Allegany	11		2	1		24	24	21	3		4				15
Ashwood	11					24	21	32	11		8	12			1
Bradford	5			3	1	82	82	83		18					4
Cattaraugus	7		2	3	1	67	67	68		1	5	7			25
Chestnut Ridge	2				4	16	16	14	2		1				7
Driftwood				1		16	16	15	1		4	20			1
East Aurora	3				3	29	29	29			1	3			3
East Leon	2			1		28	28	29		1	10	3			20
Ellicott			13	1		31	31	37	14		11				7
Fillmore				2	4	47	46	40	6						20
Forestville	6					28	28	34		6	2	2			3
Hess Road	8					37	37	45		8		4			2
Higgins	6					26	26	32		6					1
Houghton	11			1	13	186	188	185	3		6	5	1		7
Levant	9			3		66	66	72		6		7			3
Machias						11	11	11			2				
Olean	5		7		5	86	86	79	7		5	9			7
Ransomville	5			1		7	7	11		4					1
Rich Valley	1		3		1	35	35	32	3		6	2			25
Wyoming				1		13	13	12	1			2			5
Totals	81		27	18	32	859	857	861	40	44	82	80	3	31	503

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Item IV. Sunday Schools

Name of Charges	Total No. in Main School	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. of Officers	Whole No. of Teachers	No. Scholars in Main School	No. Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. Department Supts.	No. Teacher's Train. Course	No. of Organized Classes	No. Books in Library	No. W. Y. P. Societies	Membership of W. Y. P. S.
Allegany	35	1	7	4	24	..	4	39	25	..	7	2	..	..	..	1	..
Ashwood	71	1	9	5	57	8	21	100	49	..	11	2	..	50	1	..	32
Bradford	146	1	12	9	125	36	44	226	99	..	2	4	..	160	1	..	30
Cattaraugus	87	1	4	7	76	15	15	117	52	7	4	4	..	130	1	..	15
Chestnut Ridge	9	1	3	2	7	..	1	10	8	3	..	..	..	37	..	..	..
Driftwood	72	1	13	4	55	30	9	111	52	..	..	2	..	132	..	..	..
East Aurora	67	1	7	7	78	7	4	78	53	4	2	4	..	48	..	..	15
East Leon	58	1	11	5	53	13	12	83	29	..	..	4	..	25	..	..	15
Ellicott	55	2	5	4	46	..	2	63	55	7	2	..	..	1	1	..	20
Fillmore	40	1	9	6	25	12	25	77	34	..	..	4	..	30	..	..	15
Forestville	80	2	9	8	63	..	..	97	50	5	..	..	..	41	..	..	..
Hess Road	79	1	5	6	68	..	18	97	40	..	..	..	..	254	1	..	22
Higgins	77	1	11	6	60	6	20	60	42	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..
Houghton	292	1	9	14	272	25	10	208	175	..	7	4	..	14	..	..	195
Levant	173	1	4	9	165	15	15	196	142	7	7	4	..	180	1	..	..
Machias	12	1	..	2	10	..	..	12	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Olean	311	1	5	16	290	..	65	290	183	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	50
Ransomville	46	1	13	6	40	6	6	58	36	6	1	2	..	100	..	..	..
Rich Valley	80	2	8	8	72	13	28	121	55	2	4	1	1	16	1	..	15
Wyoming	17	1	2	2	15	..	..	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	1812	23	146	130	1601	184	305	1946	1173	60	60	49	25	33	1223	12	424



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Item V. Church Property

Name of Charges	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Allegany	1	\$ 1500		1	\$ 1200		\$ 445.75
Ashwood	1	4000		1	3000		900.00
Bradford	1	12000	\$ 1400	1	5000	\$ 4750	299.00
Cattaraugus	1	10000	820	1	2000		20.00
Chestnut Ridge	1	3000		1	3000		
Driftwood	1	3500		1	2000		13.00
East Aurora	1	2500	107				
East Leon	1	2000		1	2500	600	
Ellicott	1	2500		1	2000		4.00
Fillmore	1	2000		1	2000		
Forestville	1	1800		1	2500		200.00
Hess Road	1	5000		1	4500		146.00
Higgins	1	3000		1	700		
Houghton	1	34000	16239	1	3000		
Levant	1	4000		1	3000		
Machias	1	1300					
Olean	1	2000	1000	1	6000	2000	
Ransomville	1	2500		1	1500		
Rich Valley	1	1800		1	1700		
Wyoming	1	1200					
Totals	20	\$99600	\$19566	17	\$45600	\$7350	\$2027.75

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Item VI. Amount Contributed for Pastor

Name of Charges	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Allegany .....	\$427	\$60	\$17	\$143	\$647
Ashwood .....	457	200	5	125	787
Bradford .....	1300	420	25	...	1745
Cattaraugus .....	854	200	90	100	1244
Chestnut Ridge .....	320	100	4	8	432
Driftwood .....	591	100	14	164	869
East Aurora .....	361	60	30	25	476
East Leon .....	550	84	18	267	919
Ellicott .....	526	150	42	10	728
Fillmore .....	705	140	25	48	918
Forestville .....	446	120	...	72	638
Hess Road .....	670	150	17	130	967
Higgins .....	520	60	28	160	768
Houghton .....	1484	300	...	...	1784
Levant .....	1240	200	9	115	1564
Machias .....	53	...	10	4	67
Olean .....	1275	...	...	...	1275
Ransomville .....	167	150	...	125	442
Rich Valley .....	636	144	13	78	871
Wyoming .....	164	...	...	27	191
Totals .....	\$12746	\$2638	\$347	\$1601	\$17332

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Item VII. Amount Contributed for Church

Name of Charges	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Allegany .....	\$8	\$32	\$25	\$25	\$90
Ashwood .....	42	74	100	136	352
Bradford .....	138	250	1214	697	2299
Cattaraugus .....	241	94	139	178	652
Chestnut Ridge .....	24	10	27	42	103
Driftwood .....	87	81	60	113	341
East Aurora .....	91	92	240	92	515
East Leon .....	96	64	86	180	426
Ellicott .....	71	50	68	37	226
Fillmore .....	212	71	.....	140	423
Forestville .....	70	50	71	76	267
Hess Road .....	22	50	138	73	283
Higgins .....	.....	64	300	50	414
Houghton .....	272	146	1452	2843	4713
Levant .....	55	121	.....	242	418
Machias .....	.....	13	.....	20	33
Olean .....	1219	126	400	1143	2885
Ransomville .....	20	40	15	78	153
Rich Valley .....	174	54	201	57	486
Wyoming .....	.....	11	.....	5	16
Totals .....	\$2842	\$1493	\$4536	\$6227	\$15095

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Item VIII. Amount Contributed for Benevolences

Name of Charges	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Sunday School Work	Other Benevolent Objects	Orphanage	Conference Entertainment	Total for Benevolences
Allegany .....	\$12	\$70	\$39	\$51	\$2	\$2	\$35	\$7	\$4	\$223
Ashwood .....	26	102	49	51	...	3	58	7	4	300
Bradford .....	43	280	53	167	...	10	255	21	13	842
Cattaraugus .....	37	147	110	144	...	5	10	18	11	482
Chestnut Ridge .....	1	13	21	...	...	...	40	29	3	107
Driftwood .....	14	102	32	34	...	4	28	7	3	224
East Aurora .....	15	104	31	39	...	4	38	5	4	240
East Leon .....	15	80	46	60	...	3	163	8	5	380
Ellicott .....	15	46	26	27	...	5	35	5	5	164
Fillmore .....	26	194	77	101	3	5	275	13	8	702
Forestville .....	35	71	44	58	...	4	47	8	4	271
Hess Road .....	22	117	61	17	7	3	46	10	6	289
Higgins .....	14	60	43	1	...	64	102	7	4	295
Houghton .....	98	1500	2243	381	...	158	337	49	39	4805
Levant .....	38	434	108	141	...	11	...	18	11	761
Machias .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Olean .....	40	273	122	159	...	8	104	20	12	738
Ransomville .....	10	30	10	...	...	...	10	2	...	62
Rich Valley .....	25	112	54	71	...	5	59	9	5	340
Wyoming .....	4	20	...	18	...	...	15	...	...	57
Totals .....	\$490	\$3755	\$3169	\$1520	\$12	\$294	\$1657	\$243	\$141	\$11282

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Item IX. Totals

Name of Charges	Total For Pastor	Total For Church	Total For Benevolences	Total For All Purposes
Allegany .....	\$647	\$90	\$223	\$960
Ashtwood .....	787	352	300	1439
Bradford .....	1745	2299	842	4886
Cattaraugus .....	1244	652	482	2378
Chestnut Ridge .....	432	103	107	642
Driftwood .....	869	341	224	1434
East Aurora .....	476	515	240	1231
East Leon .....	919	426	380	1725
Ellicott .....	728	226	164	1118
Fillmore .....	918	423	702	2043
Forestville .....	638	267	271	1176
Hess Road .....	967	283	289	1539
Higgins .....	768	414	295	1477
Houghton .....	1784	4713	4805	11302
Levant .....	1564	418	761	2743
Machias .....	67	33	.....	100
Olean .....	1275	2885	738	4898
Ransomville .....	442	153	62	657
Rich Valley .....	871	486	340	1697
Wyoming .....	191	16	57	264
Totals .....	\$17332	\$15095	\$11282	\$43709

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Item X. Budget

Name of Charges	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Sunday School Assigned	Sunday School Raised	Conference Work Assigned	Conference Work Raised	Conf. Ent. Assigned	Conf. Ent. Raised	Total Assigned	Total Raised
Allegany .....	\$53	\$69.54	\$13	\$13.00	\$39	\$39.00	\$7	\$7.00	\$2	\$2	\$51	\$51.00	\$4	\$4	\$169	\$185.54
Ashford .....	53	102.24	43	26.00	39	73.06	7	7.00	3	3	31	31.00	4	4	170	242.30
Bathford .....	127	282.54	43	26.00	128	128.06	27	21.00	13	13	167	167.00	13	13	553	662.50
Chattanooga .....	147	147.00	37	37.00	128	128.06	18	18.00	5	5	144	144.00	1	1	472	472.00
Cleveland .....	32	102.55	5	1.30	25	31.52	4	7.00	4	4	32	31.00	3	3	106	32.55
Crestmont .....	32	102.82	5	1.30	25	31.52	4	7.00	4	4	32	31.00	3	3	115	190.22
Dirtwood .....	27	102.82	14	15.37	43	43.00	4	7.00	4	4	54	34.83	4	4	185	205.12
East Aurora .....	61	79.95	15	15.00	46	46.00	8	3.00	7	7	60	62.83	5	5	198	210.95
East Legon .....	61	46.21	15	15.00	46	46.00	8	3.00	7	7	60	27.00	5	5	198	130.00
Fillmore .....	101	193.61	25	25.00	77	77.00	17	17.00	3	3	101	107.00	8	8	333	423.91
Forsyth .....	81	63.27	20	25.00	41	44.00	10	18.35	3	3	58	58.00	6	6	260	244.13
Hess, Road .....	57	67.86	10	12.00	44	43.00	7	17.00	3	3	56	21.25	4	4	184	133.19
Hessville .....	389	1377.23	98	98.00	292	292.00	48	46.00	12	12	381	381.00	39	39	1250	2243.23
Hogbin .....	114	434.22	30	38.21	108	108.00	18	18.00	11	11	141	141.00	1	1	469	761.43
Hogbin .....	114	434.22	30	38.21	108	108.00	18	18.00	11	11	141	141.00	1	1	469	761.43
Levan .....	142	271.16	40	40.00	121	121.52	20	23.00	17	10	159	159.00	12	12	531	633.78
Levan .....	142	271.16	40	40.00	121	121.52	20	23.00	17	10	159	159.00	12	12	531	633.78
Meigs .....	92	29.70	40	10.50	11	10.00	2	2.00	2	5	15	7.00	5	5	50	52.26
Rainsville .....	72	171.95	18	24.86	54	54.00	2	9.00	5	5	71	71.00	5	5	234	280.78
Klan Valley .....	28	20.26	7	4.00	24	24.00	4	4.00	1	1	28	18.40	2	2	91	42.66
Wyoming .....	28	20.26	7	4.00	24	24.00	4	4.00	1	1	28	18.40	2	2	91	42.66
Totals .....	\$1796	\$3617.46	\$449	\$472.93	\$1345	\$1291.59	\$225	\$218.90	\$89	\$89	\$1759	\$1532.03	\$145	\$141	\$5818	\$7357.86

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### Report No. 10

#### THANKS

We, the members and friends of the Seventy-Sixth Annual Session of the Lockport Annual Conference, assembled with the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Houghton, N. Y., hereby express our sincere appreciation to:

1. The Houghton Church and their pastor, Rev. J. R. Pitt, the College and the W. H. & F. M. S.
2. The many friends who have opened their homes for entertainment.
3. All those who have helped in any way to make this Conference season a success, especially the Fillmore and Higgins charges.

May you each, as you return to your separate charges for the coming year, feel the sustaining hand of God in all your efforts.

Signed: ADRIAN R. EVERTS,  
ESTHER S. THURBER.

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### Report No. 11

#### RESOLUTION TO THE SENATORS FROM NEW YORK

Whereas the President of the United States has requested the Congress to enact a measure empowering him to reorganize the Supreme Court by appointing six new and additional Judges, and

Whereas, the clear and evident purpose of this enactment is to render the Court subservient to the will of the Chief Executive and thus destroy the judicial independence of the great division of our government. Be it therefore resolved:

1. That we do hereby solemnly protest against this unamerican method of enlarging the power of the President and laying the foundation for a dictatorship which would inevitably destroy our American way of life.
2. That we do hereby request the United States Senators from our State of New York to vote against this destructive measure, and do all in their power to defeat its passage.

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The above resolutions were adopted by the Lockport Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, convening in annual session at Houghton, N. Y., on April 10, 1937. It was also voted that a copy be sent to each United States Senator from New York.

To be signed by: President,  
Secretary.

Submitted by CHARLES SICARD.

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Report No. 12

ITINERACY AND ORDERS

We recommend:

1. That G. V. Visingard, William Albrecht, and Newton W. Snider be received to pursue the Course of Study.
2. That Mary Bennett, Mrs. Neil Kerr, Gordon Thurber, and Gordon Clark continue in the Course of Study.
3. That George W. Failing and Adrian Everts, having met study requirements for the past year continue to travel and be granted Authorization papers.
4. That Arthur Osgood be ordained during this Conference Session.
5. That Theodore Padgett, since he has not met the requirement for study according to the Discipline, be placed on probation till he shall pass the required examinations.
6. That the names of George Isoz, Malcolm Cronk, Gilbert Baker and Edward Rupert be returned to their respective Quarterly Conferences.

Signed: WALTER READETT,  
EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,  
GEORGE N. OSGOOD,  
CLAYTON BALL,  
MARSHALL CRONK,  
EDWIN GIBBS,  
JOSEPH R. PITT.



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Report No. 13

FUTURE CONFERENCES

Your Committee to which was referred the matter of arranging for future Conferences are pleased to report the following list:

Fillmore assisted by Higgins.....	1938
Levant .....	1939
Cattaraugus .....	1940
Olean .....	1941
Bradford .....	1942
Houghton .....	1943
Hess Road, Conditionally .....	1944

Signed: N. R. SHAFFER,  
MAURICE A. GIBBS,  
A. J. TAYLOR,  
FRIEDA GILLETTE,  
LOUISE WOLFER.

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Report No. 14

STANDING RULE NO. 11

Resolved, That churches which enter into a financial agreement with the pastor shall when needful, make adjustment of this obligation at each quarterly meeting. A full settlement of the pastor's salary shall be made before the time of the Annual Conference.

Presented by MAURICE A. GIBBS.

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Report No. 15

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year of 1936-1937

Budget Items	Balance on Hand at the Beginning of the Year	Cash Receipts	Total Cash Credits	Disbursements	Balance on Hand
Foreign Missions .....					
Home Missions .....		\$133.77	\$133.77		\$133.77
Conference Fund .....	\$421.81	1473.43	1895.24	\$1223.39	671.85
Education .....		177.22	177.22		177.22
Orphanage .....		46.85	46.85		46.85
Sunday School .....	13.00	50.15	63.15		
Connectional .....					41.05
Conference .....					22.10
Superannuated Fund .....	15.61		15.61		15.61
Conference Entertainment .....		141.00	141.00	141.00	
Totals .....	\$450.42	\$2022.42	\$2472.84	\$1364.39	\$1108.45

O. K. for Auditing Committee—By Maurice A. Gibbs.

Signed: GEORGE N. OSGOOD, Conference Treasurer.

Report No. 16

PASTORAL RELATIONS

How many Elders are on the Conference Roll? 33.

Who are the Elders on the Stationed List? C. I. Armstrong, David Anderson, John E. Bruce, Gertrude Clocksin, E. L. Elliott, Maurice A. Gibbs, A. A. Hickok, E. H. Johnson, Zelia Johnson, Peter D. Miller, G. I. Norman, Olga Marie Norman, William Osgood, George N. Osgood, Arthur Osgood, J. R. Pitt, Walter Readett, James R. Redstone, Charles Sicard, Noah R. Shaffer, Mae K. Shaffer, Price P. Stark, Helen F. Stark, Arthur J. Taylor, O. G. Wyman, Diana F. Wyman.

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**Who are the Elders on the Superannuated List?** C. H. Dow.

**Who are the Elders on the Unstationed List?** M. A. Bateman, Harry J. Bullock, C. M. Dudley, W. W. Rolf, C. E. Woodhead.

**Who are the Elders on the Supernumerary List?** Lynford Sicard.

**Who of the Elders have withdrawn this year?** None.

**Who of the Elders have died this year?** Francis B. Markell.

**Who of the Elders have joined the Conference this year?** By Ordination: Arthur W. Osgood.

**How is the work supplied?** Allegany, Adrian Everts; Ashwood, O. G. Wyman, Diana F. Wyman, Assistant; Batavia, In the hands of the President; Bradford, David Anderson; Cattaraugus, A. J. Taylor; Chestnut Ridge, In the hands of the President; Driftwood, James R. Redstone; East Leon, George N. Osgood; Ellicott, A. A. Hickok; East Aurora, J. R. Pitt; Fillmore, George Failing; Forestville, Maurice A. Gibbs; Hess Road, Charles Sicard; Higgins, Noah R. Shaffer, Mae K. Shaffer, Assistant; Houghton, Supplied by J. R. Pitt and E. W. Black of the North Carolina Conference; Levant, E. L. Elliott; Machias, In the hands of the President; Olean, G. I. Norman, Olga Marie Norman, Assistant; Ransomville, In the hands of the President; Rich Valley, E. H. Johnson, Zelia Johnson, Assistant; Wyoming, In the hands of the President; Wellsville Wesleyan Mission, George Visingard.

**To choose their own field of labor**—John E. Bruce, Gertrude Clocksin, Walter Readett, William Osgood.

**General Evangelist**—C. I. Armstrong.

**Missionaries to Africa**—Price and Helen Stark.

**Missionary to San Blas Islands**—Peter D. Miller.

**Attending Houghton College**—Arthur W. Osgood.

**We recommend:** That, Mary E. Bennett be authorized by this Conference to do evangelistic work.

Signed: EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,  
ARTHUR J. TAYLOR,  
ALSON LAWRENCE,  
N. R. SHAFFER,  
DAVID ANDERSON,  
ELMER V. HUDSON,  
FRIEDA GILLETTE.

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Report No. 17

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Financial Report:

Receipts

Balance on hand at the beginning of the year ..... \$24.71

Disbursements

Stamps, paper and printing ..... \$5.79  
Rewards ..... 11.75  
Cash on hand to balance ..... 7.17

Total ..... \$24.71

Signed: PRICE P. STARK, Sunday School Secretary.

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APPENDIX

Report of General Evangelist: Rev. C. I. Armstrong

Number of meetings held ..... 19  
Number of States and Provinces visited ..... 14  
Travel:  
    Auto ..... 6,459 miles  
    Train ..... 14,889 miles  
    Total Miles ..... 21,348 miles  
Number of Sermons preached ..... 310  
Number of seekers—Several hundred more than last year.  
Income from all sources for year ..... \$2,059.32

Signed: C. I. ARMSTRONG.

**MINUTES**

OF THE

**FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION**

OF THE

**WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN**

**MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

OF THE

**LOCKPORT CONFERENCE**

HELD AT

**HOUGHTON, NEW YORK**

**APRIL 7—11, 1937**

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MRS. SARAH OSGOOD, President;

MRS. OLGA MARIE NORMAN, Secretary.

## Directory of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

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### OFFICERS

President—Mrs. Sarah Osgood, Cattaraugus, N. Y.  
Vice-President—Mrs. Ethel Bullock, Houghton, N. Y.  
Secretary—Mrs. Olga Marie Norman, 31 Euclid Ave., Olean, N. Y.  
Treasurer—Mrs. Diana F. Wyman, Lyndonville, N. Y.  
Organizer—Mrs. Mary L. Clarke, Houghton, N. Y.  
Superintendent of Y. M. W. B.—Mrs. Anna Elliott, Falconer, N. Y.  
Matron of McConnell Hall—Mrs. Ethel Bullock, Houghton, N. Y.

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### LOCAL SOCIETIES

(Charges, Presidents and Addresses)

Allegany—Mrs. Rena McElheny, Caneadea, N. Y.  
Ashwood—Mrs. Claudia Young, Lyndonville, N. Y.  
Bradford—Mrs. R. H. Whiteman, 82 Rockland Ave., Bradford, Pa.  
Cattaraugus—Mrs. Eva Dietrich, Cattaraugus, N. Y., R. D.  
Driftwood—Mrs. Alice English, Driftwood, Pa.  
East Leon—Mrs. Neva Berg, South Dayton, N. Y.  
East Aurora—Mrs. Gladys Neiman, East Aurora, N. Y.  
Ellicott—Mrs. Alice Hickok, Orchard Park, N. Y.  
Fillmore—Mrs. Ivah Ayers, Fillmore, N. Y.  
Forestville—Mrs. Opal Gibbs, Forestville, N. Y.  
Higgins—Mrs. Mae K. Shaffer, Freedom, N. Y.  
Hess Road—Mrs. Charles Sicard, Appleton, N. Y.  
Houghton—Mrs. Isabell Fancher, Houghton, N. Y.  
Levant—Mrs. Florence Olofson, Falconer, N. Y.  
Olean—Mrs. Thelma Keeler, 401-4th Ave., Olean, N. Y.  
Ransomville—Mrs. Francis Markell, Ransomville, N. Y.  
Rich Valley—Mrs. Jennie Craven, Emporium, Pa.

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**DELEGATES**

- Allegany—Mrs. Harriett Hutchins, Black Creek, N. Y.  
Ashwood—Miss Mary Young, Lyndonville, N. Y.  
Bradford—Mrs. Bessie Cornelius, 14 Homestead Ave., Bradford, Pa.  
Cattaraugus—Mrs. Ruth Howard, Cattaraugus, N. Y.  
Driftwood—  
East Leon—Miss Alice Mosher, Cattaraugus, N. Y., R. D. 2.  
East Aurora—Mrs. Clark D. Gitchee, 198 Main St., East Aurora, N. Y.  
Ellicott—  
Fillmore—Miss Bernice Ayers, Belfast, N. Y.  
Forestville—Miss Christine Pagett, South Dayton, N. Y.  
Higgins—Mrs. Lucy Stickle, Hume, N. Y.  
Houghton—Miss Grace Rickard, Houghton, N. Y.  
Levant—Mrs. Ethel Short, Falconer, N. Y.  
Olean—Mrs. Charles Simmons, 806 Front St., Olean, N. Y.  
Ransomville—Mrs. Ruth Moore, Ransomville, N. Y.  
Rich Valley—Mrs. Mae McClenahan, Rew, Pa.

## Daily Proceedings

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### Wednesday Afternoon

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society met in the Women's Class Room of the Houghton Church for its forty-fifth Annual Session Wednesday afternoon, April 7th, 1937, with President Ethel Bullock in the Chair. Service opened by singing "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," followed by devotions, Sister Wyman leading. Roll was called of Presidents and Delegates, after which the Secretary gave a partial report on Credentials.

A warm welcome was extended to the Conference Society by the President of Houghton W. H. and F. M. S. On motion the following were elected as members of the Committee on Temporary Organization, Mrs. Olga Marie Norman, Chairman; Mrs. R. H. Whiteman and Mrs. Nettie Readett.

Reports of the following societies were read; Allegany, Ashwood, Bradford, East Aurora, Ellicott, Fillmore, Forestville, Higgins, Hess Road, Houghton, Levant, Olean and Rich Valley.

The President urged each local society to contribute to the Medical Fund. After which an informal discussion of the ways and means of self-denial stimulated a new interest in observance of this and the use of thank-offering boxes.

With much regret the society accepted the Presidents resignation tendered by herself. On motion, the election of sobriety officials was made an Order of the Day for Thursday afternoon at 1 p. m. Motion made and carried to adjourn.

### Thursday Afternoon

The President called the meeting to order by singing "I Love to Tell the Story," Sister Sicard then leading devotions. The roll was called and the minutes approved as read. The Committee on Temporary Organization submitted its report which was adopted as read. Mrs. Clara McLeister, President of the General Conference W. H. and F. M. S., was presented to the Conference and made a few inspiring remarks relative to our work.



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The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the President appointed Ethel Short and Alice Mosher, as tellers, and procedure of election followed. (See directory for officers elected.)

It was voted that letters of sympathy be written by the Secretary to the bereaved in the Luckey Household, Brother McCarty, Sister Markell, and Brother and Sister Liddick; also letters of greeting to Sister Taylor, and Brother and Sister Stark. Greetings were tendered to the society from Sister Taylor by Ruth Howard. On motion an offering to the amount of \$2.75 was taken for flowers to be sent at once to Sister Babcock.

The Secretary read a word of greeting from Sister Florence M. Yorton and it was moved that the Secretary acknowledge the same.

The following society reports were read: Cattaraugus, Driftwood, East Leon and Ransomville.

Sister Wyman, Missionary Magazine solicitor, made an urgent appeal for renewals and new subscriptions. Adjourned for recess.

### Thursday Evening

Service opened by singing "Close to Thee" and "My Jesus I Love Thee," after which the President called the meeting to order. Sister Flora Peck led in prayer after which Mrs. Clara McLeister was introduced. The thoughts for the evening centered on "Home Mission work" particularly pioneer missionary projects. Sister McLeister said in part, that though pioneer work "taxed patience, and taxed faith, it resulted in bringing new life into the Church." What a precious challenge to each of us. Adjourned by vote until call of the Chair. Benediction by Sister Nettie Readett.

### Friday Morning

The meeting was called to order by the President. Devotions were led by Sister Eva Dietrich. The roll was called and minutes read and approved. The Matron of McConnell Hall submitted her report which was adopted as read. The Report of Treasurer was read and referred to the Auditing Committee. A report was made from the Committee on Magazine Subscriptions.

It was moved and carried that Sister Wyman have a supply of Missionary tags on hand. The President made the request that all receipts be sent to Sister Wyman before Conference to have credit on the report.

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Reports were given by the Organizers of the three districts. Motion was made that the Chair appoint the organizers for the ensuing year which she did: Northern District, Sister Diana Wyman; Southern District, Sister Anna Elliott and Central District, Sister M. Shaffer.

Suggestion was made that Sister Driscall travel the various churches in the Conference. Adjourned until 6:15 p. m. at which time Sister McLeister would speak to both men and women on Foreign Missions in the main auditorium.

### Friday Afternoon

Opened by singing "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide." The meeting was called to order by the President, Sister Zelia Johnson leading in prayer. Report of the Committee on Addresses was read and accepted. Report of the Plan of Work was read and accepted.

A very comprehensive survey of each of our fields of foreign work was covered by Sister Mary Lane Clarke; refreshing our minds with the urgent needs of workers, finance and intercession.

Prof. Fancher who represented the educational work, himself a member of the W. H. and F. M. S., made a few remarks and answered questions concerning Houghton and its work.

The President urged the various local societies to contribute funds, clothing and food to our Home Mission project at Wellsville, New York. Adjourned for recess.

### Friday Evening

The President opened the service with "Near the Cross." Sister Ethel Bullock led in prayer. Mrs. Clara McLeister gave an address on "Foreign Missions," calling our attention to various Bible characters and heroes of yesterday and today. "A Missionary's testimony demands service whether here or abroad," she said, "and may we give our best to Him." Benediction by Mrs. M. Shaffer.

### Saturday Afternoon

Meeting was called to order by the President. Devotions were led by Sister Nettie Readett, Brother E. F. McCarty leading in prayer.

Committee on Courtesies presented Sister Opal Gibbs and Brother E. F. McCarty to the Society; they each made brief remarks. The roll was called and the minutes approved as read. The Committee on Resolutions submitted its report which was accepted. Committee on Magazine subscriptions reported briefly.

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The Auditing Committee reported and the report was accepted. The Statistical Committee reported and the report was accepted as read. The Committee on Efficiency Standard submitted their report; the same was accepted.

A motion was made and carried that the Secretary report proceedings of the Conference to the Missionary Magazine. Brief remarks again were made regarding the Wellsville Mission and its need, urging each local society to contribute especially this month when the needs seem so urgent.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Sister Bullock for her many years of sacrificial service after which she was presented with a purse in appreciation of her untiring labors of love.

Adjourned by vote of the Society. Benediction by Sister Opal Gibbs.

### Saturday Evening

The public missionary meeting was held with Mrs. Osgood in the Chair. Singing was led by Brother Clark. Devotions were in charge of Mrs. Opal Gibbs. Solo by Olson Clark. Miss Ione Driscall spoke on, "What We Are Doing and What We Would Like to Do in Africa." Rev. E. F. McCarty made a plea for funds.

Offering: Cash, \$5.85; Pledges, \$247.00. Total, \$252.85.

Benediction by Rev. Maurice A. Gibbs.

MRS. OLGA MARIE NORMAN, Secretary.

## Reports

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### COMMITTEE ON TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

Committee on Auditing—Mrs. Whiteman, Alice Mosher.

Committee on Statistics—Mrs. Ethel Short, Christine Pagett.

Committee on Credentials—Mrs. Sarah Osgood.

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. C. Sicard, Ruth Howard.

Committee on Addresses—Mrs. Lucy Stickle, Miss Mary Young.

Committee on Courtesies—Mrs. Bessie Cornelius, Mrs. Nettie R. Readett.

Committee on Plan of Work—Mrs. May Shaffer, Mrs. Florence Olofson, and Mrs. M. McClenahan.

Committee on Magazine—Mrs. Diana Wyman.

Committee on Efficiency—Grace Rickard and Mrs. Eva Dietrich.

Signed: MRS. OLGA MARIE NORMAN,  
MRS. RALPH H. WHITE MAN,  
MRS. NETTIE READETT.

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### MATRON OF McCONNELL HALL

The attendance at Camp Meeting being very good for the season 1936 our rooms were all rented the full time, save one for seven nights. Also had a few over night lodgings. I regret that I could not accommodate all who desired rooms. Speak early if you would have one this summer.

Total amount received .....	\$70.55
Miscellaneous expense .....	14.68
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Net profit .....	\$55.87

There will be some expense in way of repairs in the bathroom and the foundation of building this summer.

ETHEL BULLOCK, Matron.

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### COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the W. H. and F. M. Society, would give thanks to God for His goodness and for another opportunity to gather in His Name to do business for our King.

We have missed the kindly presence of President Luckey. He always addressed our annual meeting. We extend sympathy to his family and mourn with them.

We wish to express our thanks to our retiring President, Sister Ethel Bullock. She has been our capable and efficient leader for twenty years or more.

We would extend greeting to Sister Mable Taylor for several years our Vice-President. She is still kept from active work following a prolonged illness.

We would also remember Sister Alice Hickok who must be at home with her small children this year.

We do not forget the faithful and loving service of our Sister Yorton who has given her best years to our African Missions and is now too worn and frail to return to the foreign field.

We should remember our present missionaries Brother and Sister Stark, supporting them by our prayers and meeting their financial need.

There are others who have labored with us who are nearing their heavenly home. May they have an abundant entrance when the Master says "Come in."

The members and friends of the Houghton Church assisted by the Higgins and Fillmore people have cared for us well. Our needs have been amply met and we have appreciated their fine hospitality. It has been a great pleasure to be here and to worship with them in their beautiful new church.

Therefore be it resolved, That we command them to the love and care of our Heavenly Father beseeching His blessing and guidance for us all as we go to our place of service and begin the duties of another year.

Signed: DORA W. SICARD,  
RUTH H. HOWARD.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

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**COMMITTEE ON PLAN OF WORK FOR LOCAL SOCIETIES**

The Committee on Plan of Work recommends the following:

1. Continue the support of our Missionary, Price Stark.
2. Pray and work definitely for our new fields just opening in the Susu and Tonko Limba countries.
3. That each society have a public medical missionary meeting and that the offering taken be used to aid our medical missionary students, Kenneth Wright and Harold Elliott.
4. We recommend that each society observe World's Day of Prayer in February and Self-Denial in April. That always special prayer be observed for our Missionaries on the fields.
5. That each society have a definite time for the study of each field using as aids our leaflets from our General Corresponding Secretary and the Missionary Magazine. Also urge each society to appoint a Magazine Solicitor.
6. That we continue to contribute \$6.00 for Home work and \$5.00 for Hephzibah both to apply on Budget. Also the sending of clothing to Mountain Missions and bandages and supplies for Foreign work and the observance of Harvest Day with offerings for Houghton College.
7. That each society elect a committee of two to visit sick and needy homes in their own community to pray and try to help in any way they can.
8. That each society aim to be 100 per cent according to our standard of efficiency.

Signed: MAY K. SHAFFER,  
FLORENCE OLOFSON,  
MAY McCLENAHAN,  
DIANA F. WYMAN.

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**AUDITING COMMITTEE**

The Auditing Committee has examined the Treasurer's book and found the figures correct.

Signed: ALICE MOSHER,  
MRS. R. H. WHITEMAN.

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COMMITTEE ON ADDRESSES

See list in Directory.

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MAGAZINE SOLICITOR

Missionary: 45 new and renewals.

Wesleyans: 35 new and renewals.

Signed: DIANA WYMAN.

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COMMITTEE ON EFFICIENCY

The Committee on the Standard of Efficiency for the Conference year 1936-1937 have estimated the grade to be 91 per cent.

Signed: GRACE RICKARD,  
EVA DIETRICH.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending April 8, 1937

	Cr.	Dr.	Bal.
Foreign Missions .....	\$ 731.20	\$ 731.20	
Home Missions .....	232.60	218.19	\$ 14.41
Hephzibah .....	134.55	134.55	
Harvest Day .....	241.65	241.65	
Medical .....	48.48	48.48	
McConnell Hall .....	70.55	14.68	55.87
Membership dues .....	189.50	116.70	72.80
Other benevolent objects .....	634.45	634.45	
Totals .....	\$2282.98	\$2139.90	\$143.08

MRS. DIANA F. WYMAN, Treasurer.

## W. H. & F. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT

### Receipts

Name of Society	Active Members	Honorary Members	Members Gained	Members Lost	Regular Meetings Held	Special Meetings Held	Do you use Missionary Programs?	No. Wesleyan Missionaries Taken	Cash on Hand From Last Year	Membership Dues	Offerings	Labor	Clothing and other Gifts to Home Work	Bandages and Other Gifts to Foreign Work	Local Church Work	Personal Pledges	Total
Allegany	21	4	4	12	No	6	\$ .17	\$25.00	\$49.65	\$8.25	\$35.00						\$118.07
Ashwood	21	3	2	12	Yes	9	1.36	11.80	97.06	2.00	33.00	\$20.00					165.22
Bradford	25	1	6	22	Yes	10		26.00	190.42	5.25	107.68	5.65	\$133.50	\$48.50			517.00
Cattaraugus	19	5		12	Yes	5		21.50	72.81	6.50	56.00	3.75	62.00				222.56
Driftwood	13	4		7	No	3	2.68	17.00	20.51	32.00							72.19
East Leon	20	5		12	Yes	6		25.00	21.67	2.10	77.94	6.74	57.50				190.95
East Aurora	13	3	4	5	No	6	.01	18.00	45.04	21.82	58.25	8.50					151.62
Ellicott	9	1		2	Yes	2	.33	9.50	6.80	.75	14.35	3.50					35.23
Fillmore	13	5	3	9	Yes	2		12.70	71.03	8.98	5.00						97.71
Forestville	26	11	3	12	Yes	3	.90	33.50	61.10	31.00	15.00	5.50	9.00				156.00
Higgins	15	1		1	Yes	3		16.00	50.04	64.58		57.99					188.61
Hess Road	24	1	4	12	Yes	6	5.22	25.00	83.24		25.00	10.00					148.46
Houghton	64	10	7	14	No	18	4.61	74.00	16.39		113.20	139.15	59.70				407.05
Levant	39	7		11	Yes	17	7.26	31.20	87.46		25.00	26.00	13.17				190.09
Olean	28	3		12	Yes	10		30.29	21.23	50.13	68.54	52.56					222.75
Ransomville	8	1	2	3	No	4		9.00	7.24		35.00	20.00					71.24
Rich Valley	20	2		12	Yes	10		19.50	21.51		33.55					15.00	89.56
<b>Totals</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>15204</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>\$22.54</b>	<b>\$404.99</b>	<b>\$923.20</b>	<b>\$266.91</b>	<b>\$668.96</b>	<b>\$359.34</b>	<b>\$334.87</b>	<b>\$63.50</b>	<b>\$3044.31</b>		

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## W. H. &amp; F. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

## Disbursements

Society	Home, Cash	Home, Clothing and Other Gifts	Hepzibah, Cash	Hepzibah, Provisions	Bethshan, Cash	Bethshan, Provisions	Foreign, Cash	Foreign, Bandages and Other Gifts	Medical Students	Education, Cash	Education, Provisions	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Cash on Hand	Total	Rank Under Efficiency Standard, Per Cent
Allegheny	\$13.00	\$35.00	\$7.00				\$24.00		\$2.50	\$13.00			\$2.50	\$21.00	\$0.07	\$118.07	100
Ashwood	1.00	20.00	13.00	\$15.00			47.76	\$20.00	5.00	23.25		\$7.00	1.00	11.11	1.10	165.22	...
Bradford	23.00	82.24	29.55	25.00		\$12.08	104.50	5.65		64.00		143.02	26.00		1.96	517.00	100
Cattaraugus	11.00	60.71	10.00				78.33	3.98		27.50		9.50	11.00	7.00	3.54	222.56	90
Driftwood	7.00		6.00				13.65		5.00	8.52		11.00	2.00	5.39	13.63	72.19	...
East Leon	6.00	77.94	8.00		\$2.00		12.42	6.79	7.50	2.92	\$11.50		4.50	49.38	2.00	190.95	100
East Aurora	3.00	58.25	5.00		3.16		29.59	8.50		15.71			8.25	20.16		151.62	...
Ellicott	6.00	12.00	5.55		2.35			3.50					1.55	2.50	1.78	35.23	...
Fillmore	25.00	5.00	13.00				11.67			19.25		9.00		10.02	4.77	97.71	...
Forestville	15.69	19.00	7.00				28.35	9.50	3.08	11.00		39.48	3.35	15.97	3.58	156.00	90
Higgins	14.00		7.00				24.19			32.81	8.60	47.54		54.47		188.61	...
Hess Road	19.75	25.00	10.00				30.00	10.00	2.00	26.51				18.06	7.14	148.46	...
Houghton	52.70	68.50	20.00				83.15	67.50	7.00	30.45			31.00	44.61	2.14	407.05	...
Levant	6.00	25.00	5.00				58.85	1.00	11.15	28.00		6.97	4.00	28.46	15.66	190.09	...
Olean	4.50	39.90	20.00	15.00			27.25		2.00	20.00		52.71	5.00	30.00	6.39	222.75	...
Ransomville	3.50	35.00	2.00				13.76			3.00		1.77		12.21		71.24	...
Rich Valley							20.00		2.00	6.55		15.00		40.25	5.76	89.56	...
Totals	\$211.14	\$563.54	\$168.10	\$55.00	\$7.51	\$12.08	\$607.47	\$136.42	\$47.23	\$332.47	\$20.10	\$342.99	\$100.15	\$370.59	\$69.52	\$3044.31	....

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Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Band	No. of Members	No. of Meetings Held	Dues	Offerings	Education	Total
Alleghany .....	25	5	\$13.50	\$34.15	\$13.00	\$60.65
Ashwood .....	26	12	12.00	42.48	10.00	64.48
Bradford .....	125	16	67.00	115.00	13.00	195.00
Cattaraugus .....	43	11	22.36	47.71	27.50	97.57
Driftwood .....	40	9	22.03	60.02	10.00	92.05
East Leon .....	51	12	25.48	35.74	7.00	68.22
East Aurora .....	53	10	42.92	.....	.....	42.92
Ellicott .....	27	12	46.21	.....	3.79	50.00
Fillmore .....	15	.....	7.74	.....	174.50	182.24
Forestville .....	29	11	15.35	10.25	6.10	31.70
Higgins .....	55	6	25.75	10.00	1.59	37.34
Hess Road .....	27	.....	87.58	.....	2.73	90.31
Houghton .....	326	.....	183.53	1128.55	.....	1312.08
Levant .....	136	12	373.37	7.00	20.43	400.80
Olean .....	118	12	65.00	209.53	.....	274.53
Ransomville .....	28	10	23.00	.....	7.00	30.00
Rich Valley .....	67	12	34.92	62.00	9.91	106.83
Cadwells .....	11	.....	7.12	6.05	.....	13.17
Chestnut Ridge .....	6	.....	7.55	4.00	.....	11.55
Wales Hollow .....	23	.....	23.00	.....	.....	23.00
Convention .....	.....	.....	.....	13.60	.....	13.60
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1211</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>\$1105.41</b>	<b>\$1786.08</b>	<b>\$306.55</b>	<b>\$3198.04</b>

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MEMORIAM

MRS. JAMES LUCKEY, Houghton.

MRS. CHAS. SAMUELSON, Cattaraugus.

MRS. BLANCHE CULBERTSON, Bradford.

MRS. LAURA BRUESER, Higgins.