# MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF

# The Kansas Conference

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America

HELD AT

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SEPT. 1 to 5, 1908.

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# OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING CONFERENCE YEAR, 1908-1909.

#### Executive.

President:-H. S. Abbott, Clay Center, Kansas.

Vice-President:-F. C. Hill, Topeka, Kansas.

Secretary:-P. A. Miller, Longford, Kansas.

Assistant Secretary: -E. H. Cook, Dighton, Kansas.

Treasurer:-D. T. Grout, Willis, Kansas.

Assistant Treasurer:-L. Wing, Raymond, Kansas.

Evangelists:—Quarterly Conference: S. F. Wilson, Longford, Kansas; C. P. Carkuff, Topeka, Kansas.

Trustees:—H. S. Abbott, Chairman, F. C. Hill, L. Wing, Ministerial. F. Deitrich, Kinsley Morgan, Lay Members.

#### COMMITTEES.

Itinerancy and Orders:—F. C. Hill, term expires, 1910; P. A. Miller, term expires, 1909; T. J. Pomeroy, term expires, 1911; E. W. Hibler, T. H. Davis, Lay members.

Judicial:—C. P. Carkuff, chairman; T. Ford. P. A. Miller, H. Jennie Taliaferro.

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Advisory:-T. Ford, Kinsley Morgan.

Missionary:—H. S. Abbott, Ex-Officio, C. P. Carkuff, Kinsley Morgan.

# CONFERENCE ROLL.

# Elders.

	T	W	T	F	S
H. S. Abbott, Clay Center, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
I. E. Bradley, 1147 Lincoln St., Topeka, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	0
O. W. Cooper, 1225 Buchanan St., Topeka, Kan	0	0	I	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
C. P. Carkuff, Topeka, Kansas	0	I	I	I	I
W. L. Carkuff, Gaylord, Kansas	0	I	I	0	I
W. C. Elliott, Alton, Kan., R. F. D. No. 2	0	1	I	I	1.
T. Ford, R. R., Oakhill, Kansas	0	0	o	I	I
R. A. French, Eskridge, Kansas	0	0	0	I	$\frac{1}{2}$
R. W. Gage, Ames, Kansas	0	I	I	I	$\frac{1}{2}$
F. C. Hill, 503 E. 3rd St., Topeka, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	1	I
E. W. Howard, 445 Virginia Ave., Kansas City, Kan.	1/2	I	I	I	I
G. B. Howard, 127 Maple St., N. Lawrence, Kan.	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	1	1	0
J. F. Hiner, Lakin, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	I	I
S. G. Huston, Clay Center, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
B. F. Hester, R. F. D. No. 4, Burr Oak, Kansas	О	0	0	0	0
M. McPhee, Kansas City, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
P. A. Miller, R. F. D., Longford, Kansas	1/2	I	1	I	I
T. J. Pomeroy, Hollis, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	1
E. H. Sewart, —	. 0	O	0	0	0
V. C. Taliaferro, ————	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	1	1	I
H. Jennie Taliaferro,	1/2	I	I	I	I
H. H. Williams, Scandia, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
S. F. Wilson, Longford, Kansas, R. F. D. No. 1	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
Porter Willis, Osage City, Kansas	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
D. T. Grout, Willis, Kansas	1/2	I	I	I	1
G. Mann, (Transferred)	3	I	1	I	I
Superannuated.					
H. W. Hampe, Topeka, Kansas	1/2	I	I	I	1
L. Wing, Raymond, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	1	1
J. Carnahan, Eskridge, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
A. Bowman, Topeka, Kansas	. 0	0	0	0	0

# Unstationed.

	T	W	T	F	S
J. R. Hibler, Longford, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
L. S. Cooper, Delphos, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
Licentiates.					
Excentiates.	Т	W	Т	F	C
B. B. Beckett, Keen, Kansas	1 1 2	I			S
L. A. Boyd, Norton, Kansas	0	0	I	I	I
E. H. Cook, Dighton, Kansas	0	I	Î	I	I
Alfred Drake, Crawford, Kansas	1 2	I	I	I	I
I. C. Dunbar, Concordia, Kansas	1	I	I	I	I
Fannie Dunbar, Concordia, Kansas		I	I	I	I
Lizzie Felter, Delphos, Kansas		I	I	I	I
J. A. Holtsclaw, Beloit, Kansas, R. F. D.		0	0	0	0
M. F. Lienard, R. R. 9, Box 10, Lawrence, Kan.	0	I	I	I	T
Estelle Reid Lienard, R. R. 9, Lawrence, Kansas	0	I	1	I	I
Edgar Lienard, LeRoy, Kansas	0	I	1	I	0
P. N. Martin, Portis, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	1/2	1	1/2	0
W. E. Odell, Raymond, Kansas	o	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	I
Rebecca Taliaferro, —	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	I	1	I
C. W. Weekes, Lyons, Kansas, R. F. D. No. 1	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	I.	$\frac{1}{2}$
Hannah Rasmussen, —	1/2	I	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I
Theo. Sprague, Harlan, Kansas	0	0	0	0	0
Returned Missionaries.					
Imo Jones, Lyons, Kansas.					
Albert Macy, Longford, Kansas.					
Hattie Macy, Longford, Kansas.					
Leonard Fagan, ———.					
Anna Fagan, ———.					
Delegates.					
	Т	W	Т	F	S
J. F. Hobbs, Eskridge, Kansas	1/2	0	I	I	C
Mrs. A. M. Winant, Eskridge, Kansas	1 2	1.	I	I	I
Alex. Ballard, Lovewell, Kansas	1/2	I	I	I	1
A. W. Burbank, Topeka, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	1
John Ward, Gaylord, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	1

		W	T	F	S
Frank Deitrich, Hollis, Kansas	1/2	I	1	I	I
Ida M. Huston, Clay Center, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
Mrs. R. James, Clay Center, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	1	I
E. E. Estabrook, Raymond, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	I	1	1
Rehecca Estabrook, Raymond, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
P., N. Martin, Gaylord, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	1	I
Ida M. Abbott, Clay Center, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
Mrs. K. Hudson, Kansas City, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	1 .
Eura D. Howard, Kansas City, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	1
E. W. Hibler, Chapman Creek, Kansas	1/2	. 1	I	1	I
Mrs. L. Miller, Wilson, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	1	I	I
M. J. Hampton, Eskridge, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	1	I	I
T. H. Davis, Willis, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
G. T. Philips, Easton, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
Laura B. Allen, Willis, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
Rebecca Taliaferro, Topeka, Kansas	$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I	I
Flossie Snyder, Topeka, Kansas	0	I	I	I	I
Prudence Luddington, Topeka, Kansas	0	I	1	I	. I
Z. F. Johnson, LeRoy, Kansas	0	I	1	I	I
Mary Body, Norton, Kansas	0	I	I	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
S. M. Miller, Chapman Creek, Kansas	0	I	I	I	I
J. C. Maze, Topeka, Kansas	0	I	I	·I	0
Dwight Osborn, Hall Church, Kansas	0	I	I	I	I
Jesse Jones, Excelsior, Kansas		$\frac{1}{2}$	I	I	I
Kinsley Morgan, Ames, Kansas	0	I	1	I	I
W. A. Scott, Beeler, Kansas		. I		I	1
C. L. Williams, Union Valley, Kansas		I	· I	I	I
Essie Williams, Union Valley, Kansas		I	I	I	I
Fred Drake, Keen, Kansas		0	1/2	$\frac{1}{2}$	I
Alec Wright, Beeler, Kansas		0	1/2	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$
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Mary C. Emerson, Chapman Creek, Kansas				1	
W. E. Odell, Le Roy, Kansas	0	0	0	0	I

## JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

# Tuesday Afternoon Sitting.

The thirty-eighth annual session of the Kansas Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, met with the local church at Keen, Waubunsee County, Kansas, September, 1st, 1908, at 2 P. M. Opened by singing, from Songs for Jesus, There is no Friend like Jesus.

Prayer by President H. S. Abbott who then read the sixth chapter of II. Corinthians, after which Rev. G. B. Howard led in prayer. Singing No. 188.

Roll call answered by twelve elders and six licentiates.

On motion Grant Mann elected Committee on Credentials.

On motion conference bar fixed at first three rows of seats in front and sides.

Committee on Credentials makes partial report as follows: Delegates elect: J. F. Hobbs of Eskridge charge; Mrs. A. B. Winant of Eskridge charge; Alex. Ballard of Lovewell charge; A. W. Burbank, of Topeka; John Ward, Gaylord; Frank Deitrich, Hollis; Ida H. Huston, Clay Center; Sister R. James, Clay Center; E. E. Estabrook and Rebecca Estabrook, Wesley Chapel; P. N. Martin, Gaylord; Ida M. Abbott, Clay Center; Mrs. K. Hudson, and Eura D. Howard, Kansas City; E. W. Hibler, Chapman Creek; Sister L. Miller, Wilson.

On motion partial report adopted. Letter from M. McPhee read by the President.

On motion C. P. Carkuff was made chairman of Finance Committee. S. F. Wilson and Frank Deitrich added to the Committee.

On motion G. B. Howard made chairman of Committee on Moral Reform. Grant Mann and E. W. Hibler added to the Committee.

On motion Rev. F. C. Hill was made second member on Committee to examine Pastoral Reports. Frank Deitrich added to the Committee.

On motion H. Jennie Taliaferro was made chairman of Committee on Sabbath-schools. P. N. Martin and Ida M. Huston were added to the Committee.

On motion E. W. Howard was made Chairman of the Committee on Books and Periodical. T. H. Davis and V. C. Taliaferro were added to the Committee.

Partial report of Committee on Credentials report the following delegates elect: Mrs. M. J. Hampton, Eskridge; T. H. Davis, Willis; G. T. Philips, Easton; Laura B. Allen, Willis.

On motion report adopted.

On motion B. B. Beckett was made a member of Committee on Religious Services. S. F. Wilson and H. S. Abbott were added to the Committee.

On motion Rev. V. C. Taliaferro was made chairman of Committee on Boundaries. Rev. J. F. Hiner and A. W. Burbank were added to the Committee.

On motion time for election of permanent officers was fixed at 2 P. M. Thursday.

On motion hours of opening fixed at 8 A. M. and 1 P. M. and adjourn on motion.

On motion the following were elected to fill the Committee on Pastoral Relations: F. C. Hill, Grant Mann, H. Jennie Taliaferro, ministerial; F. Deitrich, E. Estabrook, John Ward, lay members.

E. W. Hibler and T. H. Davis were appointed lay members on Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

On motion Rev. D. T. Grout was made chairman of Committee on Statistics. Rev. J. F. Hiner added to the Committee.

On motion all visiting brethren and sisters invited to an honorary seat in the conference.

Resolution presented by T. J. Pomeroy regarding Conference Resolutions. Its adoption moved. An amendment moved.

Amendment carried. Resolution adopted as amended. See Resolution No. 10.

F C. Hill presents a resolution as to called pastors promptly reporting. On motion adopted. See Resolution No. 8.

Resolution as to securing Conference Evangelists' Fund presented by Grant Mann. On motion adopted. See Resolution No. 7.

On motion A. W. Burbank was elected page.

Singing and adjournment. Benediction by P. A. Miller.

# Wednesday Morning.

Opened by singing. Reading part of the 15th of 1st Corinthians and prayer by Rev. Ira E. Bradley.

Roll call.

Reading and approval of minutes.

Committee on Credentials report names of following delegates: viz.: Rebecca Taliaferro, Flossie Snyder, Pruda Luddington, and J. C. Maze, Topeka; C. L. Williams and Essie Williams, Union Valley; K. Morgan, Ames; Jesse Jones, Excelsior; Dwight Osborn, Hall church; S. M. Miller, Chapman Creek; Mary Body, Norton; J. F. Johnson, Le Roy; W. A. Scott, Beeler.

Adoption moved. Discussion.

Committee on Credentials report the names of T. H. Philips and James Stolbert from Kansas City, recommended to travel.

On motion referred to Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

D. T. Grout also recommended to Elder's Orders. On motion referred to Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

On motion C. P. Carkuff was made chairman of Committee to draft Resolution of Thanks. Ida M. Abbott and W. C. Elliott added to the Committee.

Moved that inasmuch as the conference has been in the practice of electing delegates for elders where they hold their membership, we allow the delegates elected for the present conference, to be seated.

Resolution presented by C. P. Carkuff in regard to conference camp-meetings and conventions. On motion adopted. See resolution No. 5.

Resolution presented by C. P. Carkuff as to publishing of conference evangelists' appointments in the conference minutes. On motion adopted. See Resolution No. 3.

Moved that H. S. Abbott be chairman of Committee on State of the Work. C. P. Carkuff added to the Committee.

Grant Mann asks to be excused from Committee on Moral Reform. On motion request granted and H. W. Hampe takes his place on the Committee.

Owing to Brother Abbott's time being taken up with other duties, he delegates C. P. Carkuff to report as to state of work

and on motion Brother Carkuff is left to choose his own help.

On motion P A. Miller was elected a member of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders to fill unexpired term of T. S. Walter. T. J. Pomeroy was elected third member of the Committee.

Prsident Abbott reports as to work of Campground Committee. On motion report adopted. See Report No. 6.

Report on Institute. On motion adopted. See Report No. 7.

President's official report. See Report No. 8. President also makes statement and explanation of the Olathe church difficulty. Discussion. Moved and carried we have a committee of five, of which the President is chairman, to formulate plan and act as advisory in aforesaid case. On motion C. P. Carkuff, J. F. Hiner, T. H. Davis, and E. Estabrook added to the Committee. President concludes report. On motion adopted.

Moved that the \$20 which is left in the hands of the conference President, be used by him to reimburse himself for expenses incurred in his capacity as President of the conference, and chairman of Camp-meeting Committee; and further that a sum sufficient to cover the remainder of all said expenses be drawn from the treasury. Carried.

President Abbott reads a letter of information from A. T. Jennings; also one from the Board of Review: Decided it takes both the vote of the church and the vote of the quarterly conference to retain a pastor. General discussion.

Resolution presented by P. A. Miller regarding conference campground, retention of committee and adding names of Emick and Coster.

On motion Resolution adopted. See No. 4. On motion adjourned. Benediction by L. Wing.

## Wednesday Afternoon.

Devotions led by P. A. Miller, who read the 27th Psalm and led in prayer.

Roll call.

Reading and approval of minutes.

On motion conference bar extended to include one more seat.

Committee on Credentials make partial report. One delegate, one to travel, and I. C. and Fannie Dunbar recommended to Elder's Orders.

On motion delegate seated and other credentials referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

Moved that Rev. G. B. Howard have charge of memorial services in memory of our departed Brother Rev. J. A. Williams. Time for holding this service fixed at 11 A. M. Friday.

Moved that the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders be Committee on Institute with the Conference President as chairman. Carried.

Moved that \$40 from the conference fund be placed in the hands of the chairman of Committee on Theological Institute to assist licentiates who otherwise could not attend the institute.

Reading of the list of names on subscription list for conference campground and names added to the list.

On motion time of meeting extended to 1:30 P. M.

Resolution presented by D. T. Grout referring to pastors handing in their statistical reports. On motion adopted. See Resolution No. 9.

Examination of character taken up and the following were called and passed: Ira E. Bradley, W. L. Carkuff, W. C. Elliott, C. P. Carkuff, R. W. Gage, F. C. Hill, G. B. Howard, J. F. Hiner, S. G. Huston, (report by Sister Huston). Sister Huston also reports from Clay Center work.

Grant Mann called and passed. B. F. Hester called. Letter from Brother Hester read by the Secretary.

On motion the condition of Norton church deed and mortgage was referred to the special committee on Olathe case.

Adjournment and benediction by Grant Mann.

## Thursday Morning.

Devotions conducted by Rev. L. Wing, who read the 5th chapter of I. Thessalonians, and led in prayer.

Roll call. Reading and approval of minutes.

Resolution presented pertaining to the calling or retaining of a pastor when one-third of a church object. Adoption moved. Discussion by Grant Mann, T. J. Pomeroy, V. C. Taliaferro, C. P.

Carkuff, O. W. Cooper, G. B. Howard. On motion Resolution laid on the table.

Resolution presented by T. H. Davis as to a charge paying the pastor's moving expenses within ten days after his arrival on the circuit. On motion adopted. See Resolution No. 6.

Committee on Credentials reports the following delegates:— Fred Drake, Keen; Alec Wright, Beeler circuit.

Rev. W. J. Seekins, Connectional Agent, introduced to the conference.

Committee on Resolutions of Thanks report. On motion ordered read Sabbath morning and evening.

On motion 10:30 to-day allotted to Connectional Agent in which to present the Publishing interests of the Church.

Examination of character resumed. Following called and passed: B. B. Beckett, E. H. Cook, I. C. Dunbar, Fannie Dunbar, Lizzie Felter, D. T. Grout, L. A. Boyd, M. L. Lienard, Estelle Reid Lienard, Edgar Lienard, E. W. Howard, Rebecca Taliaferro, O. W. Cooper, T. J. Pomeroy, Alfred Drake, V. C. Taliaferro, H. Jennie Taliaferro.

L. Wing called, reports, and asks to be placed on the superannuated list. On motion so ordered.

E. H. Sewart called. Communication from Brother Sewart read by Secretary and character passed.

Order of the day called. W. J. Seekins presents Publishing interests. Gives financial report. Connectional interests running at a loss. System of double entry book-keeping intsituted so that the leak can be found. Speaks of Wesleyan Methodist, Sabbath-school supplies. Book trade. Buy your books through the Publishing House, they can get them as cheap as you can and still make a small margin: "Give us the volume on book trade we had twelve years ago and we shall soon wipe out the indebtedness." Educational interests run behind last year to the amount of over \$1,200. Over \$1,000 of endowment fund used last year. "Pledge my word to use none of this fund in paying current expenses." Rising vote to stand by the interests of the Church.

President makes statement in regard to the Church History by Rev. H. T. Besse and subscriptions taken for same.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by H. W. Hampe.

## Thursday Afternoon.

Devotions by J. F. Hiner, who read the first chapter of Ephesians and offered prayer.

Roll call. Reading and approval of minutes of previous sitting.

Rev. C. P. Carkuff makes statement that Rev. Porter, having a letter from the Oklahoma conference but not having it with him, desires to come into the conference. On motion he is received.

Partial report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. On motion adopted. See report.

On motion H. Jennie Taliaferro was made chairman of committee to apportion minute and conference funds. Sister Allen added to the committee.

On motion P. A. Miller was elected Committee to prepare list of Quarterly Conference Preliminary Examination Questions.

Order of the day: Election of permanent officers. H. S. Abbott remarks that he does not think it right to leave his home to act as quarterly conference evangelist, but if the conference so desire he would act as President and go without a stipulated salary, keep account of work and expenses incurred by same, also of collections, and report at next conference and they are to give him a reasonable remuneration for services rendered.

On motion first ballot for President made informal.

First ballot H. S. Abbott received 29 votes, G. B. Howard 17, G. Mann 5, F. C. Hill 1, C. P. Carkuff 1, Blank 1.

First formal ballot H. S. Abbott received 32, G. B. Howard 19, G. Mann I, F. C. Hill I, C. P. Carkuff I, Blank I. Abbott having received a majority was declared elected.

F. C. Hill was elected Vice-President on first ballot.

P. A. Miller was elected Secretary on first ballot.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the conference for E. H. Cook as Assistant Secretary. This done Brother Cook was declared elected.

Ballot for Conference Treasurer: D. T. Grout was elected on first ballot. On motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the

ballot of the conference for L. Wing as Assistant Treasurer. This done he was declared elected.

Moved that we have two quarterly conference evangelists. Carried.

Proceed to ballot for conference evangelists. First, second, third, and fourth ballot no election. On fifth ballot S. F. Wilson having received a majority of all votes cast was declared elected.

C. P. Carkuff elected as other evangelist on first ballot.

On motion secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the conference for H. S. Abbott, F. C. Hill, L. Wing, ministerial, Kinsley Morgan and Frank Deitrich, lay members Board of Trustees. This done they were declared elected.

Conference Board of Trustees, H. S. Abbott, chairman, T. Ford, Secretary; Frank Deitrich, Treasurer; F. C. Hill, Kinsley Morgan.

I hereby certify that the above named were duly qualified before me this 4th day of September, 1908.

T. H. Davis, Justice of Peace.

My term of office expires January 1, 1909.

President nominates Advisory Board, viz., T. Ford and Kinsley Morgan. On motion they were elected.

By motion the order of the day for W. H. and F. M. Society fixed at 1:30 Friday.

On motion hour of Memorial service was changed to 2:30 P. M. Friday.

Owing to sickness Rev. G. B. Howard was by motion excused from conducting memorial services, and L. Wing chosen in his stead.

On motion C. P. Carkuff was made chairman of the Judicial Committee. T. Ford, H. Jennie Taliaferro, P. A. Miller added to committee.

On motion D. T. Grout, F. C. Hill, K. Morgan and Jesse Jones elected to fill Superannuate Board.

Missionary Board. On motion present board were elected, viz.: H. S. Abbott, ex-officio, C. P. Carkuff and K. Morgan.

President reports for Special Committee on Olathe and Norton churches.

On motion report adopted. See Report No. 4. On motion adjourned. Benediction by W. L. Carkuff.

# Friday Morning.

Devotions by Rev. T. Ford, who read the 91st Psalm and led in prayer.

Roll call. Reading and approval of minutes.

On motion G. W. Little received as delegate from Crawford charge.

Rev. L. Wing tenders his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees. On motion accepted. On motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the conference for Rev. T. Ford to fill the vacancy incurred by resignation of Brother Wing. This done he was declared elected.

Committee on Credentials report Mary C. Emerson delegate from Chapman Creek. On motion accepted.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders makes partial report. On motion adopted. See report.

Moved that E. W. Howard be given the hour of 9 A. M. today, in which to represent his mission work at Kansas City. Carried.

Moved that time for next session of the annual conference be the last Tuesday in August. Carried.

On motion place of next session left with President and Advisory Board.

Examination of character resumed. The following were called and passed: H. S. Abbott, T. Ford, P. A. Miller.

On motion New Salem left in hands of President.

Order of the day called. E. W. Howard presents the interests of the Kansas City mission. A number of fervent testimonies given as to the blessing of God upon this work. Offering taken for the mission \$16. Subscriptions for "Tidings of Joy" \$8. This was afterwards increased to about \$80, including donations given to Brother Howard for purchase of a horse.

Moved that the pastors of the conference take subscriptions for "Tidings of Joy" paper. Carried.

Moved that the resolution of last year relative to the Kansas City Mission be renewed. Carried.

Committee on State of the Work report. On motion adopted. On motion adjourned. Benediction by L. Wing.

# Friday Afternoon.

Devotional services led by Rev. C. A. Hill, who read a part of the 10th chapter of John and led in prayer. Singing No. 7.

Roll call. Reading and approval of minutes of morning session.

Motion was made that a committee of five be elected to investigate difference that exists in the Eskridge church. After nominations were made the following were finally elected on motion. G. B. Howard, chairman; T. Ford, Grant Mann, Frank Deitrich, Alex. Ballard.

Order of day called for. W. H. and F. M. Society took charge. See report.

Order of the day. Memorial services in memory of our departed Brother Rev. J. A. Williams, Rev. L. Wing conducting. He read II. Tim. 4:6-8, and Rev. 21:1-7. Text, Rev. 21:7 and Hebrews 11:39, first clause. G. B. Howard, V. C. Taliaferro, D. T. Grout, each spoke feelingly of Brother Williams' labors, victories and death. Closing remarks by Brother C. L. Williams in which he speaks of the presence of God with his Uncle John during his last days. And that he weeps not for sorrow. Singing, "Blest Be the Tie." While singing "Palms of Victory" a freewill offering to the amount of \$40.17 was laid on the table for Sister Williams.

On motion a committee of three was elected to draft resolutions of condolence to send to Sister Williams. Committee, T. Ford, V. C. Taliaferro, E. H. Cook.

Report of special committee on investigation in case of Eskridge church. On motion report accepted. See report.

Professor S. W. Bond introduced to the conference. On motion Brother Bond given the hour of 9 A. M. Saturday in which to present the Educational interests.

On motion ordered that the report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations be read three times. Secretary of Committee reads report.

Report of Committee on Boundary. On motion adopted. See report.

Examination of character. The following called and passed: R. A. French, S. F. Wilson, P. N. Martin, W. E. Odell, C. W. Weekes, J. Carnahan called. Not present. Passed.

H. H. Williams called. Letter read from Brother Williams by the Secretary.

Hannah Rasmussen, H. W. Hampe, called and passed.

Rev. Grant Mann asks for a transfer to the Indiana conference. On motion granted.

Report of Committee on Moral Reform. On motion adopted. See report. On motion ordered published in the Wesleyan.

Moved that the President preach the opening sermon next session.

On motion adjourned. Benediction, J. F. Hiner.

# Saturday Morning.

Opened by singing. Prayer, reading of Scripture and short exhortation by Lizzie Felter.

Roll call. Minutes of previous sitting read and approved.

Committee on Credentials report W. E. Odell, delegate from LeRoy. And Charles Hill recommended to travel.

On motion delegate seated and recommendation referred to Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

Second reading of report of Committee on Pastoral Relations. Report of Committee on Sabbath-schools. On motion adopted. See report.

Remarks by the President as to amount needed for conference fund.

Remarks by Secretary as to amount needed for publishing of minutes.

Order of the day, Brother S. W. Bond presents the Educational interests. Speaks with hopeful enthusiasm as to the outlook for Miltonvale College.

Statements by Brother Emick as to conditions of Miltonvale and vicinity.

Rev. T. J. Pomeroy presents a resolution as to missionary evangelist and organizer in the person of H. H. Williams. On motion adopted.

Committee on Resolution of Condolence report. On motion adopted.

Suggestion by Brother Seekins, and committee continued and asked to express resolutions in case of our departed brother, Rev. J. H. Bowen.

On motion these reports ordered published in the Wesleyan. On motion time for ordination service set at 2:30 to-morrow.

On motion S. W. Bond invited to preach the ordination sermon.

Secretary reads letter of standing from Theo. Sprague. On motion letter received. Adjourned.

Benediction by F. C. Hill.

# Saturday Afternoon.

Devotions conducted by Rev. C. P. Carkuff, who read a part of the third chapter of I. Kings and led in prayer.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Third reading of the report of Committee on Pastoral Relations. On motion adopted after some correction.

Final report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. On motion adopted.

Report of Committee on minute and conference fund apportionment. On motion adopted. See report.

Report of Committee on Statistics. On motion adopted. See report.

Committee on Resolutions of Condolence further report in case of Brother Bowen.

On motion a recess of ten minutes.

Remarks as to the value of the Theological Institute by Lizzie Felter, C. W. Weekes, F. C. Hill, H. S. Abbott, T. J. Pomeroy, P. A. Miller, W. J. Seekins.

Report of Committee on Books and Periodicals. On motion adopted and ordered published in the Wesleyan.

President Abbott makes statement and shows papers regarding his marriage relation. Rev. T. Ford reads some Scripture and states Bible grounds for a divorce. After which the following resolution was presented and adopted. See Resolution No. 12.

Report of Treasurer.

On motion adopted. See report. Adjourned to call of chair. Benediction by Rev. L. Wing.

# Evening Session.

Rev. T. J. Pomeroy presents claims of delegates to General conference. On motion claims ordered paid out of conference fund.

On motion a rising vote of thanks given to Rev. Grant Mann for his services as conference Treasurer.

Report of Committee on Pastoral Relations changed. New Salem left with the President.

On motion Brother and Sister C. L. Williams were extended a hearty invitation to come and take charge of the music next year.

A collection of \$25 was taken for expense of shipping tent and to remunerate C. L. Williams for services rendered.

On motion adjourned,

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

We are safe in saying that the spiritual tide of this conference was above the average. The preaching services were marked by the presence of the Spirit on speaker and congregation, and seekers at the altar. Rev. G. B. Howard was to occupy the pulpit Tuesday evening but during prayer and testimony service the spirit of the meeting rose to such a pitch that Brother Howard made an altar call in which seekers came forward. M. F. Lienard preached Wednesday night; W. J. Seekins Thursday; W. L. Carkuff Friday, and W. J. Seekins Saturday.

Sunday services began with love feast followed by preaching of the Word by H. S. Abbott and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

At 2:30 S. W. Bond preached the ordination sermon, after which Rev. D. T. Grout was ordained elder. Sunday evening W. J. Seekins again occupied the pulpit and preached under the anointing and with his heart weighed down with a burden for the lost.

Many souls sought and found definite experiences; and the shouts of delivered souls were heard ringing through the camp at late hours of the night.

The early morning prayer-meeting was not neglected, and without doubt had its part in the success of the conference.

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

#### Boundaries.

We, your Committee on Boundaries, recommend that the Lovewell charge be united with Union Valley to be known as Union Valley circuit. Also that Olathe and New Helena be dropped from the roll, and that the remaining points stand as they are at present.

V. C. Taliaierro, Chairman; A. W. Burbank, Secretary; J. F. Hiner, F. Deitrich.

# Special Committee in Case of Eskridge Church.

We, your committee, beg leave to report after careful investigation we find no cause for action.

G. B. Howard, Chairman; G. Mann, Secretary.

# Treasurer's Report.

Received:—Foreign missions, \$150.97; Educational, \$34.36; Superannuate fund, \$137.72; Conference minutes, \$28.20; Conference

fund, \$68.30; Interest on Superannuate fund, \$35.78; Home missions, \$37; Total, \$492.33; Balance on hand, \$847.11; Total, \$1,339.44.

Paid Out:—Foreign missions, paid to Agent, \$150.97; Home missions, paid to Agent, \$34.36; Educational fund, paid to Agent, \$37; To H. S. Abbott, expense and Institute fund, \$44.70; Balance paid on minutes, \$7.36; To expense of Secretary, \$7; To expense of Treasurer, \$10; To H. W. Hampe, Superannuate, \$6; To Hannah Jackman, superannuate, \$5; To C. P. Carkuff, expense as General conference delegate out of conference fund, \$9.16; To G. Mann out of conference fund, \$9.67; Total, \$321.22; Balance on hand, \$1,018.22; Total, \$1,339.44.

Superannuate Fund:—Loaned on personal notes, \$147; On real estate, \$375; Funds cash on hand, Morgan bequest, \$300; Conference fund, \$68.30; Principal Superannuate fund, \$625.14; Interest left over, \$6.78; Balance for H. W. Hampe, \$18; Total, \$24.78; Total, \$1,018.22.

G. Mann, Conference Treasurer.

# Report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

We, your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders recommend

- 1. That B. B. Beckett be continued in second year's course of study.
- 2. That M. S. and Estelle Lienard, Rebecca Taliaferro, E. H. Cook, Edgar Lienard, Fred Drake and Lizzie Felter, be continued in the course of study.
- 3. That D. T. Grout having completed the course of study as per discipline, is hereby recommended to Elder's Orders.
- 4. That since I. C. and Fannie Dunbar have completed the course of study; but since Sister Dunbar has not met the requirements of the Discipline with regard to traveling for two years under the direction of the conference; and since it is the desire of each that they may be ordained together therefore we recommend that they continue in their present conference relation.

- 5. That L. A. Boyd, Hanah Rasmussen, and P. N. Martin be continued on the roll as helpers and workers.
- 6. That since James Stolbert and E. G. Beer have not taken the examination on the preliminary studies they be referred back to their quarterly conference.
- 7. That C. W. Weeks be continued in the course of study. That J. A. Holtsclaw, W. E. Odell, Theodore Sprague be continued in the course of study.
- 8. That Fred H. Phillips, C. A. Hill, and R. Gift be referred back to their quarterly conference.
- F. C. Hill, P. A. Miller, T. J. Pomeroy, E. W. Hibler, T. H. Davis, Committee.

## Apportionments.

In order of charge, Conference Fund, Conference Minutes. Aurora, \$2, .75; Ames, \$17.75, \$2.25; Beeler, \$5.50, \$1.75; Chapman Creek, \$27.60, \$4; Crawford, \$9.20, \$1.75; Clay Center, \$7.75, \$1.50; Easton, \$7, .50; Eskridge, \$15, \$1.75; Excelsior, 5, \$2; Elevation, \$4, \$1; Gaylord, \$12, \$2.25; Hollis, \$12, \$2.25; Kansas City, \$10, \$1.75; Keene, \$13.50, \$1.75; Laban, \$5, \$1.50; Leroy, \$6.50, \$1.50; Norton, \$5, .75; Topeka, \$14.50, \$2.25; Hall church, \$5, \$1.75; Union Valley, \$14, \$2; Wesley Chapel, \$8.75, \$2; Willis, \$8, \$2.75; Wilson, \$7, \$1.50.

H. Jennie Taliaferro, Mrs. L. B. Allen.

## Report of Committee on Pastoral Relations.

Aurora, Fannie Dunbar; Ames, R. W. Gage; Beeler, E. H. Cook; Chapman Creek, P. A. Miller; Crawford, Fred Drake; Clay Center, To be supplied; Eskridge, R. A. French; Elevation, Porter Willis; Easton, In the hands of President; Excelsior, C. W. Weeks; Gaylord, W. L. Carkuff; Hollis, T. J. Pomeroy; Hall, Lizzie Felter; Kansas City Mission, E. W. Howard; Keene, B. B. Beckett; Laban,

J. A. Holtsclaw; Leroy, Edgar Lienard; Union Valley, J. A. Stansbury; Norton Mission, L. A. Boyd; Topeka, F. C. Hill; Wesley Chapel, W. E. Odell; Willis, D. T. Grout; Wilson, To be supplied by C. A. Hill; New Salem, In hands of the President; Conference Quarterly Meeting Evangelists, S. F. Wilson, C. P. Carkuff; H. H. Williams, Conference Missionary and Organizer; G. B. Howard, General Missionary Evangelist; S. G. Huston, Conference Colporteur and Evangelistic Work; Evangelists, Rebecca Taliaferro, W. C. Elliott, M. F. Lienard, Estelle Reid Lienard, V. C. Taliaferro, H. Jennie Taliaferro, I. E. Bradley, T. Ford, M. Mc-Phee, O. W. Cooper, B. F. Hester, E. H. Sewart, I. C. Dunbar, J. F. Hiner; Helpers, P. N. Martin, L. A. Boyd, Hannah Rasmussen; Unstationed Elders, J. R. Hibler, L. S. Cooper; Superannuated, H. W. Hampe, L. Wing, J. Carnahan, A. Bowman; Returned Missionaries, Imo Jones, Leonard Fagan, Anna Fagan, Albert Macy, Hattie Macy.

H. S. Abbott, G. Mann, F. C. Hill, H. Jennie Taliaferro, F. Deitrich, John Ward, E. Estabrook, Committee.

## REPORTS.

## No. 1.-Books and Periodicals.

Your Committee on Books and Periodicals submit the following report:

Whereas we believe we are now living in that period spoken of by the apostle, "Some shall depart from the faith giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils," and false doctrines are extensively spread through the means of books and periodicals. Therefore, we recommend that our people be more thoroughly aroused to guard against the distribution and use of inferior and dangerous trash and poison. And we recommend that our people be more active in circulating good clean holiness literature as a means of promoting sound doctrine and spiritual strength. And that our pastors and evangelists especially be urged to a more

diligent activity in getting the very best literature possible in the homes of the people.

We believe that the most important point in the training of children and young people for the Lord and the Church is that of preoccupation of mind and heart, getting the mind stored with truth and the heart filled with a love for God and the truth before the devil can occupy these great citadels of righteousness. One superior means of accomplishing this good end is by the faithful use of catechisms of the right kind.

We recommend the extensive circulation of the literature of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. We further pledge our co-operation to the Wesleyan Publishing Association in the building up of our book trade to its former volume of business and urge all our people to purchase their books from or through our own Publishing House.

Evan Howard, V. C. Taliaferro, T. H. Davis, Committee.

#### No. 2.-Moral Reform.

Committee on Moral Reform of the Kansas Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection:

We hold the following truths: First, the ministry as well as the membership, as the spouse of Jesus Christ, is to be the light of the world and the salt of the earth—must be filled with the spiritual leven of the Holy Ghost to leven the world with the divine leven in the civil, social and church life. God has ordained the Church to be the conservator of Gospel morals in society, so that the Gospel ethics be crystallized in the laws of the state for the good of society, for the prevention of crime. Therefore the ministry must be endued with divine wisdom, and for this purpose a sanctified education is an essential element to this end. Notwithstanding this necessity of mental culture—it cannot supply the need of that which Jesus provided in the upper room of Pentecost, the school of the Holy Ghost for servants and hand-

maidens, that which gives the highest diplomas to its graduates of any school on earth.

Second, that the liquor trade is the producer of ninety per cent. of crime in society and should be prohibited and made a nuisance by law as we have it in the state of Kansas.

Third, that the Sabbath is the foundation of public morals in society, in the state and church life of the nation. Therefore all secular business should be prohibited by state and municipal laws on God's holy day. Therefore all ball playing should be prohibited in our city parks on that day, and also that all theaters should be closed and the sale of all Sunday papers should be forbidden in our cities on that day. As a people we will not vote for any candidate for office of any party, for nation, state, city or county office who is known to attend such on the Sabbath day.

Fourth, we also refuse church fellowship with secret orders because they are destructive to the spiritual welfare of the Church as well as to a Republican form of government and their anti-Christian and heathenish form of worship, which in the masonic order are the ancient Baal or sun worshipers revived, in which the master of the lodge represents the old heathen sun-god of the East, which is the essence of the old Baal worship of the ancient heathen nations.

Fifth, we hold that there is only one scriptural ground for divorce—namely, that of adultery, which relieves the innocent party as that of death. Therefore there ought to be a general divorce law that would repeal all loose divorce laws of the several states as the slave laws were repealed by the amendments of the constitution. Therefore there ought to be an amendment to the national constitution in which Jesus should be acknowledged as the Ruler and Judge of Nations, "King of kings and Lord of lords," and all bigamy and polygamy be prohibited.

G. B. Howard, Chairman; H. W. Hampe, Secretary; E. W. Hibler, Committee.

## No. 3.-Sabbath-Schools.

Committee on Sabbath-schools submit the following report:

Whereas, the Sunday-school is an important department in the church, an institution for the purpose of the study of God's Word by both old and young, that through obedience to the same we may all come to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus:

Whereas the mind in youth is tender and suspectible and surrounded by much that is not wholesome or pure, and we are admonished to "train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it":

Whereas the tendency of the present day in Sunday-school and church is worldly and formal,

Therefore, be it resolved that we pledge ourselves to greater activities in this part of the work, that we pray earnestly and labor to bring in the youth of our land for Christ and the Church. For upon them depends the work of God in the future.

Resolved that we strive to have our Sunday-school spiritual—selecting only Christians for officers and teachers. That we seek to bring out the spiritual part of the lesson as well as the historical. We sing sometimes, "We'll preach the way of holiness, so true." We urge upon its teaching in the Sunday-school. We recommend that the lessons be studied in the home by both parents and children and that we labor for the attendance of all, both old and young, pastors and evangelists at each session of the Sunday-school. It is also recommended that we insist and urge and diligently seek to place our own publications in all our own schools as they are the best obtainable for Wesleyan Methodist Sunday-schools.

Resolved that we disapprove and discourage all worldly and questionable methods of increasing the interest in the Sunday-school work, and that we abide close to the Word, using only such methods as are consistent with the teaching of Holy Writ.

We recommend black-board exercises and chart talks and a personal and prayerful labor with the disinterested. That "in all our ways we may acknowledge Him" whose faithfulness is to all generations and whose word is "a lamp to our feet and a light to our path."

H. Jennie Taliaferro, P. M. Martin, Ida Huston, Secretary; Committee.

# No. 4.—Olathe and Norton Church Situations.

We, your special committee on the Olathe and Norton church situations, beg leave to submit the following report:

First, in the case of the Olathe church, we find that the church was legally notified to meet on the 9th day of May, 1908, as near as we can determine, for the purpose of considering the advisability of disorganizing. And in pursuance to said call they met and by a majority vote disorganized by consent of the conference President, H. S. Abbott. In answer to the question, "Was their action in harmony with our church polity?" Decision, Yes.

Second, we find about May 23, 1908, a party, consisting of four men and two women, of which only one was a member of the class at the time of disorganization, took possession of the church by breaking in and proceeded to organize what they called a Wesleyan Methodist church. After which they removed the lock from the church door and had a new one put on, thus effectually barring the door against every loyal Wesleyan Methodist.

Third, we recommend that the conference Trustees be instructed to take steps to get and hold legal possession of said church property—amicably if possible—if not, then take recourse to the law of the land to protect the conference in their rights vested by the conditions of the deed.

Also that in case of the Norton church, we recommend that the trustees pay the mortgage off and take a deed in fee simple of the property.

It is also understood that the Wesleyan Methodist church, or class of Norton, shall have the use of the property, but should such church cease to exist the property shall be disposed of by the action of the conference. Respectfully submitted,

H. S. Abbott, J. F. Hiner, C. P. Carkuff, E. E. Estabrook, T. H. Davis, Committee.

## No. 5.-State of the Work.

We, your Committee on State of the Work beg leave to make the following report:

While we as a conference have not been as aggressive as the cause we represent demands, yet there are many things that are a source of encouragement.

First, we are getting nearer a scriptural and disciplinary foundation upon which to build our work as a conference in the future. The result of this will not only give us strength, but aggressiveness.

Second, the crying need of the hour in our churches is the presence of the revival spirit. Pastor and laymen together must prevail with heaven that tides of grace and power, efficient for the hardest work, may be given to our churches as an essential fore-runner to this happy condition. We note with special satisfaction the presence of the unifying spirit that now generally prevails with our people. With schism and lack of fellowship afflicting us less than in the past and the spirit of expectation and prayer upon us, it will not be presumption to suppose that results more and more marked await us in the future.

Third, another consideration sufficiently noticeable to inspire gratitude and give encouragement, comes from the question of ministerial supply, especially from the stand point of our young men. God is supplying our need in this direction. Hastening to obey the divine call there is withal a deep sense of the importance of the work. Effective preparation in the way of mental and spiritual training seems to be regarded at a premium. Great interest is attracted towards our educational opportunities and prospects.

Fourth, while the state of the work to-day gives much reason for encouragement, it will still admit, yea, demands more and more of insistence upon the necessity of personal holiness and a clear consciousness of relationship to God. These cardinal points are supreme among our church tenets. We are not beyond danger of seeing them either buried in the debris of worldliness and formalism or having their importance minimized. If we keep them

in the foreground and see to it that God's Spirit accompany them in power, victory will attend our way.

H. S. Abbott, Frank Deitrich, C. P. Carkuff, Committee.

# No. 6.-Report of Committee on Campground.

Expense, trip from Miltonvale from Clay Center, \$.76: Second trip, railroad fare, \$.76; Hotel bill, \$.20; Railroad fare from Moody, Kansas, to Miltonvale, \$2.73; Hotel bill, \$.75; May 6th, Railroad fare, Topeka to Miltonvale and return, \$4.80; Trip to Miltonvale with livery, June 20, \$5; June 20, Trip to Miltonvale to meet Agent, Railroad fare, \$.76; Hotel bill, \$1.25; Total, \$17.01.

We have selected and secured ten acres of land at Miltonvale, Kansas, as a donation for a permanent conference and campground. Adjoining this tract of land the Educational Society have located the Western school. A deed to the ten acres of land upon which the school is located has been given to the Wesleyan Educational Society of Syracuse, N. Y. And a deed to the ten acre tract that has been donated to the Kansas Annual Conference for a conference camp ground has been deeded to the trustees of said conference and their successors in office. Both deeds are now in the office of the Register of Deeds for record.

H. S. Abbott, Chairman,

# No. 7.-Report of Institute.

Your Committee on Theological Institute beg leave to make the following report:

The institute was held beginning May 12th and continued ten days. There was a competent corps of teachers present and a very good attendance of the licentiates. The interest manifested and the work done was fair. All things considered, we think the last institute was better than the preceding one. We recommend that the theological institute be held annually for the training and

equipment of our licentiates, that there be unity in the teaching of Bible doctrine as held by the church.

Of the money put into the hands of the committee to assist licentiates to attend the institute, who would not be able to do so otherwise, we disbursed as follows: Sister Felter, \$6; P. A. Miller as teacher, \$3; F. C. Hurst, \$2; Total, \$11; Cash on hand \$20.

H. S. Abbott, Chairman.

# No. 8.-President's Official Report.

Dec. 18, 1907, gave Rev. T. S. Walter a certificate of standing. Jan. 25, 1908, received Union Valley church, organized by Rev. H. H. Williams.

Jan. 25th appointed Rev. H. H. Williams pastor of Union Valley church.

Jan. 26th released Rev. E. W. Sewart from the pastorate of Norton charge, at his request.

Feb. 14th received the North Branch church, organized by Rev. H. H. Williams.

Feb. 23rd organized a church at Clay Center.

March 23d received Brother James Stolbert on the recommendation of Rev. E. W. Howard. I recommend that his case be referred to the Committee of Itinerancy and Orders.

Held two weeks meeting at Clay Center concluding Feb. 23rd. Feb. 24th united the Union Valley and North Branch churches for a pastoral charge by request from the churches through their pastor, H. H. Williams.

May 8th consented to Rev. James Stolbert being employed as pastor of the Norton charge.

May 14th received letter of standing returned by Rev. T. S. Walter.

July 8th received Rev. Fred H. Phillips, a deacon, from the Rescue Mission Association of America. On the recommend of Rev. E. W. Howard. I recommend that his case be referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

May 27th made a trip to Olathe on conference business, expense, \$5.27.

July 20th gave Rev. T. S. Walter a transfer to the Oklahoma conference.

Stationary, \$11; Official expense, total, \$16.27.

I have held all my quarterly meetings where I have not been providentially hindered.

H. S. Abbott.

## KANSAS CONFERENCE EVANGELIST APPOINTMENTS.

### East District.

Kansas City, Sept. 12-13. Easton, Sept. 19-20. Willis, Sept. 26-27. Topeka, Oct. 3-4. LeRoy, Oct. 10-11. Elevation, Oct. 17-18.

Keene, Oct. 24-25. Eskridge, Oct. 31-Nov. 1. Chapman Creek, Nov. 7-8. Clay Center, Nov. 14-15. Hollis, Nov. 21-22.

C. P. Carkuff, Conference Evangelist, Topeka, Kansas.

#### West District.

Hall Church, Sept. 12-13. Ames, Sept. 19-20. Aurora, Sept. 26-27. Laban, Oct. 3-4. Gaylord, Oct. 10-11. Union Valley, Oct. 17-18. Dighton, Nov. 28-29.

Norton, Oct. 24-25. Wilson, Oct. 31-Nov. I. Crawford, Nov. 7-8. Excelsior, Nov. 14-15. Raymond, Nov. 21-22.

S. F. Wilson, Conference Evangelist, Longford, Kansas.

### East District.

LeRoy, Dec. 5-6. Kansas City, Dec. 12-13. Easton, Dec. 19-20. Willis, Dec. 26-27. Topeka, Jan. 2-3, 1909. Elevation, Jan. 9-10.

Keene, Jan. 16-17. Eskridge, Jan. 23-24. Chapman Creek, Jan. 30-31. Clay Center, Feb. 6-7. Hollis, Feb. 13-14.

S. F. Wilson, Conference Evangelist.

## West District.

Hall Church, Nov. 28-29.

Ames, Dec. 5-6.

Aurora, Dec. 11-12.

Laban, Dec. 19-20.

Gaylord, Dec. 26-27.

Union Valley, Jan. 2-3, 1909.

Norton, Jan. 9-10. Wilson, Jan. 16-17. Crawford, Jan. 23-24. Excelsior, Jan. 30-31. Raymond, Feb. 6-7. Dighton, Feb. 13-14.

C. P. Carkuff, Conference Evangelist.

# East District.

LeRoy, Feb. 20-21. Kansas City, Feb. 27-28. Easton, March 6-7. Willis, March 13-14. Topeka, March 20-21. Elevation, March 27-28. Keene, April 3-4. Eskridge, April 10-11. Chapman Creek, April 17-18. Clay Center, April 24-25. Hollis, May 1-2.

C. P. Carkuff, Conference Evangelist.

### West District.

Hall Church, Feb. 20-21.
Ames, Feb. 27-28.
Aurora, March 6-7.
Laban, March 13-14.
Gaylord, March 20-21.
Union Valley, March 27-28.

Norton, April 3-4. Wilson, April 10-11. Crawford, April 17-18. Excelsior, April 24-25. Raymond, May 1-2. Dighton, May 8-9.

S. F. Wilson, Conference Evangelist.

#### East District.

LeRoy, May 15-16.

Kansas City, May 22-23.

Easton, May 29-30.

Willis, June 5-6.

Topeka, June 12-13.

Elevation, June 19-20.

Keene, June 26-27.
Eskridge, July 3-4.
Chapman Creek, July 10-11.
Clay Center, July 17-18.
Hollis, July 24-25.

S. F. Wilson, Conference Evangelist.

## West District.

Hall Church, May 8-9. Ames, May 15-16. Aurora, May 22-23. Laban, May 29-30. Gaylord, June 5-6. Union Valley, June 12-13. Norton, June 19-20.
Wilson, June 26-27.
Crawford, July 3-4.
Excelsior, July 10-11.
Raymond, July 17-18.
Dighton, July 24-25.

C. P. Carkuff, Conference Evangelist.

# MISSIONARY REPORT.

The regular annual meeting of the Woman's Home and For-Conference Missionary Society of the conference was called to order at Keen, Kansas, September 1, 1908, by the President, H. Jennie Taliaferro. ter song and prayer we will listen to the reading of the 138th Psalm by the President. Minutes of last session read and approved. Laura Elliott and May Clarke were elected to revise the roll. Sadie Miller elected Committee on Credentials, It was moved all members and delegates constitute the annual conference body. Carried. After partial report of Committee on Credentials Sister Millie Jones of Excelsior society was seated as delegate. Laura Elliott and May Clarke were elected committee to solicit names for membership and collect dues. On motion the Treasurer was ordered to pay to our General Conference Treasurer (\$20) twenty dollars for medical missionary fund.

By vote of Society the hour for election of officers was fixed for Friday 12:45 M. Sisters Eura Howard, O. B. Jefferson, M. J. Gathers were received as active members.

After partial report of Committee on Credentials O. B. Carkuff was seated as delegate from Topeka Society. On motion the President was elected on the Committee on Program. Ida Huston and Sadie Miller' were added to the Committee. Term of office two years. By vote an order of two dollars (\$2) was drawn on the treasury to reimburse the President for stationery used.

# Treasurer's Report.

Balance on hand Sept., 1907, \$78.60; Dues, \$35; Keen, \$50; Willis, \$10.25; Hollis, \$7.30; Morgan Chapel, \$14.65; Chapman Creek, \$2; Topeka, \$30; Excelsior, \$79.01; LeRoy, \$3.25; Y. M. W. B. Boxes: Easton, \$2.86; Hollis, \$7.28; Topeka, \$5.20; Eskridge, \$2.60; Morgan Chapel, \$25; Total, \$353.

Disbursed:—Delegates to General Conference, \$58.60; Medical missionary Fund, \$20; Home Missions, \$50; Foreign missions, \$83.51; Education of African boy, \$45; President's carfare and per cent., \$32.67; Stationery for President, \$2; Stationery for President and Secretary for coming year, \$2; Labor Day fund, \$10; Y. M. W. B. boxes, \$42.94; Total, \$326.72.

Friday, 1:30 P. M., was given by the conference to the W. H. and F. M. public service, at which time our Connectional Agent, Rev. W. J. Seekins, gave us a most inspiring as well as instructive talk. The roll was called to which 27 responded. On motion a committee of three was elected to solicit funds, draw plans, and direct in building and furnishing a missionary hall to be erected in time for use at our next annual gathering. To be erected on the Miltonvale campground. Committee: Sisters Ida Huston, Ida Abbott, H. Jennie Taliaferro.

Officers elected: President, Ida Abbott, 717 Blunt St., Clay Center, Kan.; Vice-President, H. Jennie Taliaferro, 1822 Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kan.; Secretary, N. May Clark, 1500 Buchanan St., Topeka, Kan.; Assistant Secretary, M. J. Lowe, 829 Western Ave., Topeka, Kan.; Corresponding Secretary, Laura Elliott, R. F. D. No. 2, Alton, Kan.; Organizer, Ida Huston, Clay Center, Kan.; Assistant Organizer, Ida M. Abbott; Treasurer, Bertha Nelson, 1320 Býron Ave., Topeka, Kan.

Addresses of Presidents and Secretaries of local societies: Topeka, President, M. J. Lowe. 829 Western Ave., Topeka, Kan.; Secretary, Lydia B. Clark, Station B., Topeka, Kan.; Keen, President, Tillie Girtler, Maple Hill, Kan.; Secretary, Barbara Fringer, Maple Hill, Kan.; Excelsior, President, Elsie Welty, Lyons, Kan.; Secretary, Edith Hern, Lyons, Kan.; Laban, President, Bell Berkhead, Beloit, Kan., R. F. D. No. 7; Ames, President, Ella Gage,

Ames, Kan.; Secretary Leona LaGasse, Rice, Kan.; LeRoy, President, Mrs. McConn, Colony, Kan.; Secretary, C. F. Odell, LeRoy, Kan.; Hollis, President, Maude Sewart, Hollis, Kan.; Secretary, Etta Cochran, Clyde, Kan., R. F. D. No. 3.

Moved we pay our Organizer's expenses and fifteen per cent. of all collections taken by her for the benefit of the missionary society. Carried.

Moved the report of Building Committee be adopted and the name Mission Home be given to our missionary building, Carried.

N. May Clark, Secretary.

## RESOLUTIONS.

## No. 1.-Resolution of Condolence.

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The Kansas annual conference now in session at Keene, Kan., wish to offer this resolution as an expression of our unfeigned love and Christian sympathy to the family of our dear departed brother John A. Williams. Divine love has united our hearts together as one in the Lord and we feel each others' sorrows as our own, remembering "them that suffer adversity as being ourselves also in the body."

Our comfort is yours—the consciousness that our dearly beloved brother died in the triumphs of a living hope—a hope that looks beyond this world, beyond the grave, the hope of everlasting life. It is this hope alone that enlightens our pathway in the darkest hour, that enables us to rejoice in sorrow and that brings real and solid comfort to our hearts.

May the God of all grace and comfort be with you and supply your every need according to His riches in glory through Christ Jesus our Lord.

T. Ford, V. C. Taliaferro, E. H. Cook, Committee.

# No. 2.-Resolution of Condolence.

Whereas it has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from earth to heaven our beloved Brother, J. H. Bowen, Connectional Agent and Treasurer, although our acquaintance with him was short, yet we were impressed with his deep piety and ability and we deeply deplore our loss which is his gain.

Furthermore, we express our great sorrow by this memorial, and be it further resolved that it is our sincere belief that the Book Committee has made no mistake in the selection of his successor, our respected and much honored brother, W. J. Seekins, and we hope and pray that the mantle of our departed Brother Bowen may fall on him.

T. Ford, V. C. Taliaferro, E. H. Cook, Committee.

# No. 3.-Conference Evangelists.

Whereas we have two Conference evangelists, that alternate between the two districts in the conference, and whereas the slate of the Evangelists is only published in the Wesleyan for a short period, and the people do not keep posted as to the appointments, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this conference that the conference evangelists should make out their slate at the beginning of the Conference year and have it published in the conference minutes.

### No. 4.-Camp Ground.

Whereas the conference camp ground has been located and all that remains to close the business by which it becomes the property of the Kansas Conference is to exchange the contract of the Educational Society for the deed of ten acres of land for the Western school, and ten acres for the Conference camp ground,

Therefore be it resolved that the Committee on Conference Camp Ground be continued and that Brother W. E. Emick and F. Coster be added to the committee...

And be it further resolved that said committee shall have general oversight of said camp ground and shall oversee the building of an auditorium, a kitchen and dining hall, and such other out buildings as is necessary for the equipment of said camp ground, including a well, with pump and necessary tank or tanks, the fencing and plotting of said ground, and if possible to have all of the said work done, and the camp in order, in time to hold the next session of the conference "under our own vine and fig tree."

Be it resolved that we request all who have subscribed to the conference camp ground fund, pay their subscriptions to the above committee, for the purpose of carrying out this resolution, and we also urge others to subscribe to this fund until there shall be in the hands of the committee sufficient means to complete the above work.

(Signed), P. A. Miller.

# No. 5.-Conventions and Camp-Meetings.

Whereas, we as a conference are lacking in the spirit of aggressiveness in our efforts to reach the masses and save the world—with no conventions and no camp-meeting in the bounds of our conference, we are letting opportunities slip through our hands, and the people God has commissioned us to faithfully warn are going to meet us at the judgment,

Therefore, be it resolved that we have at least four conventions and one conference camp-meeting during the coming conference year for the conversion of sinners and the entire sanctification of believers, the quickening of the church and binding us together in stronger bonds of love and fellowship.

Resolved that the Conference President and his Advisory Board be a committee to correspond with pastors and charges in regard to the time and place of holding the conventions and to arrange for the leaders to have charge of the same. And that this committee select the time and place of holding the conference camp-meeting and that they have charge of said meeting

C. P. Carkuff.

# No. 6.-Pastor's Moving Expenses.

Be it resolved by this conference that the class hiring a minister shall within ten days after his arrival pay to him his moving expenses. This not to be applied on his salary.

T. H. Davis.

# No. 7.-Support of Conference Evangelists.

Whereas, the Kansas conference has no financial system concerning the remuneration of the conference evangelists, and

Whereas, it often occurs that the evangelist goes to his appointment and is under expense and labor, and for various reasons the congregations are small or storms prevent them from having a service and the evangelist goes on to another point with no remuneration for his service, and sometimes without having received enough to pay his expenses.

Therefore, be it resolved that the charges and circuits each have a conference evangelist fund and that each charge or circuit raise an amount that they think reasonable for the support of the conference evangelists previous to each quarterly meeting.

(Signed) Grant Mann.

# No. 8.-Called Pastors Promptly Reporting.

Whereas, there sometimes exists a spirit of indecision in the ministry in deciding whether they will remain another year, and this indecision prevents the church from corresponding with another and works an injustice to the church,

Therefore, resolved that in all cases where the pastor has been called to remain another year, he shall within ten days subsequent to said call notify the corresponding committee of his acceptance or in case of his failure to do so the corresponding committee may call another.

F. C. Hill.

# No. 9 .- Statistical Report.

Whereas, there has been difficulty in the past in completing the statistical report in time to report it properly before close of conference on account of pastors retaining their reports until late in session:

Therefore, be it resolved that conference require each pastor and evangelist to submit their statistical report upon the first roll call at opening of conference session, and if it is not possible for him to be present at the opening session of the conference he shall mail report to the conference secretary, so that it may be submitted at that time.

(Signed) D. T. Grout. '

## No. 10.—Printing Resolutions in the Minutes.

Whereas, one of the questions every pastor of the Kansas conference must answer is, "Have you a copy of the resolutions of this conference?" and,

Whereas under present conditions very few of the pastors can answer in the affirmative, as it is not convenient for them to obtain said copy,

Therefore, be it resolved that all resolutions passed by this conference, be printed in the conference minutes each year.

And be it further resolved that no resolution shall be of any force if not so printed or published, and that all former resolutions up to the present session are hereby rescinded.

Amended by accepting the resolutions of last year and that the same be republished in the conference minutes of this year.

(Signed) T. J. Pomerov.

# No. 11.-Missionary Evangelist and Organizer.

Be it resolved that we elect Rev. H. H. Williams a Missionary Evangelist and Organizer, whose duty it shall be to go into opportune fields within the bounds of the Kansas conference for the purpose of organizing Wesleyan Methodist churches wherever expedient. And that the Kansas conference guarantee said Missionary Evangelist \$400 plus expenses with the understanding that "collections" or "free-will offerings" are to be taken wherever he holds meetings, and if the sum of all such collections during the conference year does not equal or exceed the above stated amount the deficiency is to be paid out of the conference treasury.

T. J. Pomeroy.

# STATISTICAL REPORT.

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Submitted by Committee, D. T. Grout, J. F. Hiner.

## No. 12.-Marriage Relation.

Whereas there has been and is opposition to Brother H. S. Abbott on account of his marriage relations and said opposition is prejudicing the minds of some of our people to the injury of the work, and

Whereas Brother Abbott has produced an abundance of evidence here to-day to show that he had Scriptural grounds for his divorce. Therefore

Be it resolved that we as a conference assembled endorse his marriage relations and request our members to cease their opposition because of said relations.

## Resolutions of 1907.

(1) Be it resolved that we hereafter require all our pastors to read their reports and wherever the collections are not full that the character of the pastor be passed as per Discipline.

T. S. Walter.

(2) Whereas the Tidings of Joy mission at Kansas City, Kansas, (445 Virginia Avenue) has been greatly blessed of God in the conversion of those who are in adverse circumstances, and in feeding and clothing the destitute, and whereas the financial burdens have been heavy and the support inadequate at times, Therefore be it resolved that we heartily endorse the work by giving our sympathy, prayers and financial support.

T. Ford.

(3) Inasmuch as we as a church are opposed to any method of raising money except by means that are ordained of God, which is by the labor of our hands and the increase of our field, or legitimate profit in business,

And inasmuch as there are churches that are so mixed up with lodgery and kindred evils, who raise money by shows, raffles, grab-bags, and sociables, festivals, etc.,

And whereas it might appear to those not informed, that we are doing the same things, when they see any one performing manual labor in our houses of worship, such as making quilts, and disposing of the same,

Be it resolved, that it be the sense of this conference that such work be performed in the homes of the people and not in the houses erected for public worship.

Be it resolved that nothing in this resolution shall apply to any religious service that any missionary society may hold in our churches, or of meetings in the churches for the purpose of transacting the business of the society, or of giving information to the people by readings, declamations, or addresses, whether delivered by the children or others, and that any program gotten up for such purposes is not a violation of this resolution.

Be it further resolved, that we do not approve, and will not approve of selling anything in the house of God on the Sabbath day, whether it be quilts, books, or any article of merchandise whatever, not excepting the Bible itself; for we do not believe that anything should be sold any where on the Sabbath day for the purpose of gain. This is not to apply to paying for any meal that any person may eat on the Sabbath day.

(Signed) G. Mann.