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OFFICERS.

President	S.	Irv	ing	Keeler
Vice-President		J.	R.	George
Secretary		_L.	В.	Smith

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Advisory Board: J. R. George and W. A. Matthews.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders: W. D. Correll, 2 years; S. I. Keeler, 3 years; L. B. Smith, 4 years; L. G. Clayton, 1 year; with C. H. Boggs and I. B. Brannon, lay members.

Committee on Vacancy: J. M. Merrill, J. T. Cary, W. F. Stamey, J. W. Miller and I. B. Brannon, lay members.

Sunday School Board: W. A. Mathews, W. D. Correll and C. H. Boggs.

Sunday School Secretary: C. H. Boggs.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

Elders.

J. A. S. Anderson		
L. G. ClaytonCentral,		
J. T. CareyCalhoun,	S.	C.
C. A. DunwodyCentral,	S.	C.
D. O. PowersMoores,	S.	C.
J. R. DavisCentral	S.	C.
S. I. KeelerCentral,		
W. D. CorrellPiedmont,	S.	C.
J. R. GeorgeSpartanburg,	S.	C.

	Los Angeles, Calif.
J. M. Merrill	
W. F. Stamey	Central, S. C.
L. B. Smith	Cowpens, S. C.
Licen	tiates.
	Glenville, N. C.
	Fountain Inn, S. C.
J. M. Hames	
J. A. White	
Laurence Kelley	
C. T. Lusk Miss Dora Wiebens	
W. L. Miller	
W. L. Ramsey	
J. E. Merck	
J. R. Garrett	
Levi Rigdon	
G. E. Crenshaw	Pickens, S. C.
P. J. Satterfield	
R. C. Kendrick	
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Lay De	elegates.
J. M. Richard	Graham Church, S. C.
J. W. Miller	
C. H. Boggs	Central, S. C.
J. H. Coggins	Central, S. C.
J. W. Sanders	Carlisle Church, S. C.
Virginia Martin	Central S. C.
Mrs. S. E. Rice	
D. M. Newton	
G. C. McElrath	
T. E. Henderson	Landrum, S. C.
Joe Seigler	
Lizzie Rose Laurence	Central, S. C.
A. J. Gravely	
R. G. Leroy	Anderson, S. C. Central, S. C.
Mrs. Addie Clayton	
I. B. Brannon	Golden Grove, S. C.
A. A. TOILEI	Golden Grove, S. C.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

Pursuant to call, the twenty-third Annual Session of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America met in the church at Easley, S. C., November 16, 1915, at 7:30 P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Professor H. C. Bedford, of Central, S. C. The business of the Conference was not taken up until November 17th, 1915.

Morning Meeting, Wednesday, November 17, 1915.

The Conference met at 8:30 A. M., November 17, 1915. Religious service conducted by Rev. J. M. Hames, after which Rev. S. I. Keeler, the President of the Conference, called the Conference to order.

By motion, L. B. Smith was elected Secretary pro tem. The roll was called.

Rev. L. O. Powers, Rev. W. D. Correll, and J. W. Miller were elected a Committee on Public Worship.

On motion, Rev. J. R. George was elected to suggest the Conference bar. The Committee reported, suggesting the three first front seats and four in each amen corner, including the choir. This report was adopted.

The time for holding the business meetings of the Conference was fixed as follows: To meet at 8:30 A. M. for religious worship. Business to begin at 9 A. M. and close at 11:30. Meet at 1:30 o'clock P. M. and close at 3:00 for religious worship.

Rev. J. T. Carey and J. W. Sanders were elected a Committee on Ministerial Character.

Rev. J. R. George was elected a Committee on Courtesy.

Committee on Credentials made a report. Report was adopted, and all names passed upon were placed on the roll. See roll of Delegates.

By vote of the Conference, Rev. L. B. Smith and C. H. Boggs were elected a Committee on Statistics.

Rev. W. D. Correll was elected to succeed Rev. L. L. Folger on the Committee on Itineracy and Orders. Rev. S. I. Keeler was reelected. Rev. L. B. Smith was elected. The Committee now stands as follows: Rev. W. D. Correll, 2 years; Rev. S. I. Keeler, 3 years; Rev. L. B. Smith, 4 years, and Rev. L. G. Clayton, 1 year, with C. H. Boggs and J. B. Brannon, lay members.

Rev. J. T. Carey was elected a Committee on Thanks.

Rev. S. I. Keeler was elected a Committee on State of Work.

The Secretary of the Conference and Rev. W. D. Correll were elected a Committee on Apportionments.

Saturday, November 20th at 7:30 o'clock, P. M., was the time set apart for Professor H. C. Bedford to speak on education.

Thursday, November 18th, 9 o'clock, P. M., was the time set apart to elect officers for the Conference.

Thursday, November 18, at 7:30 P. M., was the time set apart to hear an address on the Connectional Interests.

By vote, the Conference ordered the Minutes published. The Secretary was elected a Committee on publishing the Minutes.

The Conference took some time and discussed the matter regarding the Minutes.

By vote the Conference adjourned.

Afternoon Meeting, November 17, 1915.

In harmony with the time set in the morning meeting, the Conference met at 1:30 o'clock P. M.

The devotional services were conducted by J. R. Davis.

The roll was called.

By vote, the Conference dispensed with the reading of the Minutes except at the morning meeting.

The following named brethren were elected a Committee on Pastoral Relations: Rev. D. O. Powers, Rev. J. R. Davis, Rev. W. D. Correll, Elders; G. C. McElrath, D. M. Newton, and R. G. Leroy, lay members.

Professor J. M. Hancock resigned as trustee and Rev. D. O. Powers was elected to succeed him. The trustees of the Conference stand as follows: Dr. L. G. Clayton, Rev. J. R. George, Rev. D. O. Powers, Elders; and J. W. Miller and W. A. Matthews, lay members.

By vote, Rev. J. R. Davis, Elder, and W. A. Matthews, lay member, were elected a Missionary Board

By vote, Rev. J. R. George, Rev. J. R. Davis, Dr. L. G. Clayton and Rev. W. F. Stamey were elected a Judiciary Committee.

By vote, J. M. Merrill, J. T. Carey, W. F. Stamey, Elders, and J. W. Miller, I. B. Brannon, lay members, were elected a Committee on Vacancy.

The recommendation of R. C. Kendrick and H. W. Abbott were read and referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The Conference adjourned by vote.

Third Day, Morning Meeting, November 18, 1915.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Conference met at 8:30 A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. A. S. Anderson.

Rev. S. I. Keeler called the Conference to order. The roll was called.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read, corrected and approved.

The orders of the day were then called for, and the Conference proceeded to the election of officers. G. C. McElrath and J. W. Miller were appointed tellers, and the election resulted as follows: S. Irving Keeler, President; J. R. George, Vice-President; L. B. Smith, Secretary; J. W. Miller, Treasurer.

- J. A. S. Anderson's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.
- J. T. Carey's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he made his statistical report.
- J. M. Hames' name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.

The recommendation of W. L. Miller was read and passed to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The recommendation of J. W. White was read and passed to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

By motion, the President, S. I. Keeler, appointed the following committees:

J. F. Stamey, a Committee on Moral Reform; J. R. George, a Committee on Sunday School; E. Teter, a Committee on Education.

By motion, the President, S. I. Keeler, was authorized to appoint the following committees for the year 1916: A Committee on Moral Reform, a Committee on Sunday School, and a Committee on Education.

By motion, the President, and Secretary were authorized to arrange the program for the Conference in the year 1916.

- J. R. Garrett's name was called. His character having been passed by the Committee, he read his statistical report.
- P. J. Satterfield's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.
- J. M. Merrill's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.
- J. R. George's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.

By motion, the Treasurer, J. W. Miller, of Easley, S. C., was authorized to write to L. L. Folger for a statement of the money

that M. T. Hartsoe paid him on his note, that M. T. Hartsoe might receive credit on the books and also that the note might be sent to him.

By limitation of time, the Conference was adjourned.

Thursday Afternoon Meeting.

In harmony with the ruling of the Conference, the afternoon meeting for Thursday was called to order at 1:30 o'clock P. M.

The devotional service was led by R. C. Kendrick.

The roll was called.

E. Teter made an address explaining the Budget, and requested the Conference to state how their money should be divided. By motion the money was left in the hands of the Board of Managers, to be divided by 3.

An offering to pay the expenses one way from South Georgia of J. M. Hancock was taken, amounting to \$8.85.

The Treasurer, J. M. Hancock, made his report.

By motion, the Conference was authorized to take up the note out of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund that J. M. Hancock was carrying on the Conference tent.

By motion, E. Teter and J. W. Miller were elected an Auditing Committee.

By motion, the time was lengthened until adjourned by vote.

W. F. Stamey's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his report.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations made their report.

The Treasurer, J. M. Hancock, was authorized by the Conference to send the note that he was holding against Bery Padgett for \$15 to him.

The order of the day was called for, and the Conference entered into the election of the Conference Evangelist. J. W. Miller and W. F. Stamey were appointed tellers.

On the first ballot Rev. J. R. George was elected.

By motion, the defining of the duties of the President and Evangelist was left in the hands of the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

The Committee on Moral Reform made their report. By motion it was adopted.

The following named men were appointed the Advisory Board of the President: J. R. George, Elder, and W. A. Matthews, lay member.

By motion the conference adjourned.

Friday, Fourth Day, Morning Meeting, November 19, 1915.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Friday, November 19th.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. R. C. Kendrick. The roll was called.

The minutes of the Thursday meeting were read, corrected and approved.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders recommended R. C. Kendrick and H. W. Abbott as suitable persons to travel under the direction of the Conference.

By motion, the report was adopted.

D. O. Powers' name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.

By motion, the following named men were elected a Sunday School Board: W. D. Correll, Elder; W. A. Matthews and C. H. Boggs lay members. C. H. Boggs, Secretary of the Sunday School Board.

By motion, the Tithing Secretary, W. D. Correll, was retained. By motion, ten o'clock was made the time to elect the Conference Evangelist.

Laurence Kelley's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he made his statistical report.

Levi Rigdon's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he, read his statistical report.

By motion, the line of division for holding Holiness Conventions was continued.

The order of the day was called for, and the Conference entered into an election of Conference Evangelist. On the first ballot Rev. J. R. George was elected.

By motion, the defining of the duties of the President and Conference Evangelist was left in the hands of the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

The Committee on Thanks reported. By motion, the report was adopted.

By motion, the following named men were elected members of the Advisory Board: J. R. George, Elder, and W. A. Matthews, lay member.

By motion, the Conference adjourned.

Friday, Fourth Day, Afternoon Meeting.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Conference met for business at 1:30 o'clock, P. M., November 19th.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. R. Garrett.

The roll was called.

J. W. Rollins' name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he made his sattistical report.

Dora Wiebens' name was called. Her character having been passed by the committee, she made an interesting verbal report.

J. H. White's name was called. His character having been

passed by the committee, he made a verbal report.

By motion, the trustees of the Conference were authorized to co-operate with the members, and investigate the property of Smith's Chapel Church, with authority to sell or move the said property to Liberty, S. C.

An offering was taken for the Glenville Church, amounting to

\$7.95.

An offering was taken to pay the back debt on the Minutes amounting to \$21.10.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations made a partial report, de-

fining the duties of the President and Conference Evangelist.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported. By motion, the report was adopted.

W. D. Correll's name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he made his statistical report.

L. L. and Anna K. Folger's names were called. C. H. Boggs read their report.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations read their report.

The transfer of E. L. Henderson from the North Carolina Conference was presented by the President. By motion the transfer was received.

By motion, the Conference was adjourned.

Saturday, Fifth Day, Morning Meeting.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Saturday, November 20th.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. L. G. Ciayton. The roll was called. The minutes of Friday's meeting were read, corrected and approved.

S. I. Keeler's name was called. His character having been

passed by the committee, he made his report. By motion the report was adopted, after which he made an interesting address.

The Committee on Sunday School made their report. By motion their report was adopted.

The President appointed the following committees for the Conference of 1916: E. L. Henderson, a Committee on Moral Reform; Miss Estelle Gaines, a Committee on Sunday School; Professor H. C. Bedford, a Committee on Education.

The vote on the Tobacco Amendment was taken, resulting as follows: twenty-two in favor of it, and four against it.

By motion, the time was extended until adjourned by vote.

Professor H. C. Bedford was introduced to the Conference. In view of the fact that he was going to address the Conference at the evening service, he did not make an address.

Rev. E. Teter was introduced to the Conference, after which he made an instructive address.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations read their report. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Moved and seconded to amend the report by asking the Parent Missionary Board to enter into a contract with the said J. R. George to carry out this part of the agreement and to perform such other duties as the Missionary Board may elect. The said J. R. George is to report quarterly to the Parent Missionary Secretary. In return for this, the South Carolina Conference is to turn over the missionary money raised in the said Conference to the Parent Missionary Society, except enough to carry out the contract with the said J. H. Hames.

By motion, the Conference was adjourned.

Saturday Afternoon Meeting.

In harmony with the time set, the Conference met at 1:30 o'clock P. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Prof. H. C. Bedford.

The roll was called.

The Auditing Committee read their report. By motion the report was adopted.

The Treasurer made his report. By motion the report was adopted.

Moved and seconded that one per cent. of the Budget be divided as follows: Two-thirds for the Secretary and one-third for the Treasurer.

The Statistical Committee read their report. By motion, the report was adopted.

In view of the fact that the South Carolina Conference has turned over all the missionary money to the Parent Missionary Board, by motion the Parent Missionary Secretary was asked to pay the indebtedness amounting to approximately \$400.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders reported. By motion

the report was adopted.

By motion, the following named men were elected chairmen for the Holiness Conventions: Eastern district, J. M. Merrill; Western district, J. R. Davis.

By motion, the first Holiness Convention is to be a joint meeting of the two districts, followed by an Institute.

By motion, the place for the next Annual Conference was left in the hands of the President and Advisory Board.

By motion, the last reading of the report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations of the Conference of 1916 is to be read Monday morning.

By motion, the Treasurer was instructed to pay the thirty cents remaining in the treasury of the General Conference fund to C. H. Boggs.

The Tithing Secretary made a verbal report. By motion, the Conference was adjourned.

REPORTS.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee examined the copy of J. M. Hancock's book and find that the payments he reports and the cash remitted correspond. His books would have to be rewritten before it can be verified with his statement. He sends in more cash, however, than his books show, so revising would show no loss.

Brother Miller's report is a copy of his book, and shows cash on hand or distributed as his report shows.

E. Teter, J. W. Miller,

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

We, your Committee on Pastoral Relations, kindly ask permission to submit the following report:

We recommend:

1st. That the duties of the President be defined as follows: To hold the quarterly meetings, present the budget plan, take cash and subscriptions thereon, work in the interest of our School at Central, do all he can to increase the circulation of the Wesleyan Methodist paper, encourage the licentiates and help them in taking the course of study, and have general oversight of the work. We recommend that his compensation be four hundred dollars (\$400), with the understanding that he is to economize wherever possible.

2nd. We recommend that the duties of the First Conference Evangelist be defined as follows: To hold revival meetings within the bounds of this Conference and mission fields connected therewith, to organize new churches, to work in the interest of the budget, to take subscriptions for the Wesleyan Methodist paper, to urge the people to patronize our Publishing House, to work in the interest of the Wesleyan Methodist College at Central, and his salary be six hundred (\$600) with railroad fair and freight on tent. The collections are to be applied on salary, with the provision that one-half of the tent collections may be used for a singer.

3rd. We recommend that the duties of the Second Conference Evangelist be defined as follows: To do general evangelistic work in the bounds of the Conference, and work in the interest of the budget and School, and his salary be one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).

Appointments.

Central, E. L. Henderson, Pastor.

Piedmont, W. D. Correll, Pastor.

Anderson, Mt. Olivet, Martins Grove, Smiths Chapel, Golden Grove, J. R. Davis, Pastor.

Westminster, Calhoun, Fellowship, J. T. Carey, Pastor. Walhalla, Mt. View, Glenville, L. H. Kelley, Pastor.

Greenville, Reedy River, Pelzer, Williamston, Levi Rigdon, Pastor.

Greer, Bethany, R. C. Kendrick, Pastor.

Easley, Pickens View, D. O. Powers, Pastor.

Spartanburg, Glendale, Gaffney, Landrum, Union, J. M. Merrill, Pastor, and R. G. Cudd, Junior preacher.

Carlisle, Grahams Chapel, Eden, Providence, Davis Chapel, Converse, L. B. Smith, Pastor.

J. R. Garrett and E. Crenshaw, Mountain Evangelists.

Miss Dora Wiebens, Mountain Mission Work.

Oakway, Belton, Rock Hill, left in the hands of the President.

J. R. George, First Evangelist.

J. M. Hames, Second Evangelist.

J. A. S. Anderson, W. F. Stamey, J. W. Rawlins, Evangelistic work.

L. G. Clayton, C. A. Dunwody, G. D. Watson, choose their own field of labor.

President of the Conference, S. I. Keeler.

S. I. Keeler, Chairman,

W. D. Correll,

D. O. Powers,

J. R. Davis.

G. C. McElrath,

D. M. Newton,

R. C. Leroy,

Committee.

ITINERACY AND ORDERS.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders recommend: That J. M. Merrill be ordained an Elder in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

That H. W. Abbott and R. C. Kendrick take work at the hands of the Conference. A. A. Abbott, P. J. Satterfield, R. G. Cudd, C. F. Lusk, W. E. McIntire, V. E. Chatman, L. H. Kelley, T. F. Steward, G. E. Crenshaw, J. W. Hames, J. F. Mason, Levi Rigdon, J. E. Merck, J. W. Rollins, W. D. Miller, R. C. Kendrick, J. R. Garrett, and J. H. Knight, be required to pursue the course of study and pass on at least two books per year. All credits are to be sent to the secretary of the said committee, W. D. Correll.

L. G. Clayton, W. D. Correll,

S. I. Keeler,

L. B. Smith,

G. H. Boggs, I. B. Brannon,

Committee.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Some few changes were made in the pastoral relations of the Conference during the past year.

- 1. At the close of a successful tent-meeting last fall, a new class was organized near Catechee Mill, and left in the hands of the President. This class was given to Rev. W. L. Stamey, together with Golden Grove and Smith Chapel, this work having been resigned by Rev. W. L. Miller. Later in the year, Catechee class disbanded on account of removals and other hindrances.
- 2. Rev. George James resigned as a junior pastor in charge of the Belton work. There is almost no class there, but an open door.
- 3. Early in the summer Rev. P. J. Satterfield was put in charge of the work at Converse and did good work.
- 4. Rev. C. J. Goforth, pastor of Davis Chapel, left us to join another religious body, and that church was added to Carlisle Circuit.
- 5. In October, Rev. L. L. and Anna K. Folger resigned as pastors of Central circuit to take work in Illinois Conference. For the balance of the Conference year Rev. H. C. Bedford supplied Central, and Rev. R. C. Kendrick Greenville Church.
- 6. The new church edifices at Easley and Spartanburg were dedicated, and a new meeting-house erected at Gaffney.

During the year the President traveled about 3,000 miles, held nearly all the Quarterly Conferences, and one revival meeting, visited all the regular churches and the Mountain Mission Work at Glenville, N. C., twice. He received in offerings on his rounds, \$113.28, and paid out for railway expense, \$61.41.

As we look over the year we see tokens of the loving kindness of our heavenly Father. Many of the Quarterly Conferences were times of refreshing. At some points souls were also saved or sanctified. We gratefully acknowledge the special help of the Lord, and the kindness and co-operation of the brethren, without which our labors would have been in vain.

State of the Work.

Gracious revivals took place on many of the charges, and not a few were added to the churches. While some of our churches are in a state of spiritual decline, many are enjoying a healthy growth. Taken as a whole, the state of the work over the Conference is improving, and we confidently look forward to progress and growth under the blessings of God for the incoming year. While we praise God for the helpful outlook, and for the large company of faithful,

godly preachers and pilgrims, there is yet enough to humble us and give us concern. We deplore in some quarters a spirit of lukewarmness and indifference, which is manifest in neglect of duty, infractions of discipline and worldliness. Where this condition exists, a great awakening is needed, followed by a deep rooted consecration to the service of Christ. There is too much laxity in enforcing discipline. We need a revival along this line, promoted by prayer and study of our Discipline, and the discharge of duty in meekness of wisdom and restoring love.

We deplore the fact that many of our people do not read the Bible and good spiritual literature much, many neglecting to subscribe for our most excellent church paper. We would urge our people in this connection to stand by the cause of Christian education as represented by our School at Central.

We deplore the fact that we have not more men as pastors who devote themselves wholly to the work, give themselves to "prayer and the ministry of the Word." One of the causes of this is that most of our pastors are compelled to seek secular employment on account of being poorly paid. Better pay for pastors, secured by greater diligence in pastoral work and tithing among our people, point to the remedy. "Diligence in business" for God needs a new emphasis. Lastly, brethren, let us seek to feel keenly our need as a people for a mighty outpouring of the Spirit of God, kindling the fires of heavenly love afresh on the altar of every church and in every home, and pray unceasing for it.

S. Irving Keeler.

Report of the Committee on Apportionment.

	Budget	Minutes	President's
Greenville	\$120.00	\$2.70	\$22.50
Piedmont	125.00	3.00	25.00
Central	200.00	4.80	40.00
Carlisle	220.00	4.80	40.00
Spartanburg	325.00	6.95	60.00
Anderson	325.00	6.95	60.00
Walhalla	125.00	3.60	30.00
Oakway	100.00	2.40	20.00
Easley	225.00	4.80	40.00
Westminster		3.00	23.00
Greer	200.00	3.70	35.00
	\$2,115.00	\$46.90	\$396.50

REPORT OF J. M. HANCOCK AS TREASURER.

Receipts from all sources. Items and names on book\$1,204.61	
Foreign Missions	
Home Missions)
Minute Money	,
Superannuated ministers' funds 5.31	Tic
Total receipts\$1,253.45	
Disbursements.	
Transferred to the School at different times\$190.00)
Previously paid to E. Teter and others 329.81	
One per cent for services rendered 12.04	
Paid to E. Teter for Education	
Paid to E. Teter for Missions	
Paid to Home and Foreign Missions	
Paid to J. W. Miller, Treas, Minute money	
Paid to J. W. Miller, Treas., Superannuated Ministers' Fund. 5.31	
Total disbursements\$1,253.45	5
Superannuated Ministers' Funds.	
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REPORT OF J. W. MILLER, TREASURER.

	Rec	eipts		
1	Minutes	Budget	One Day	Educa- tion
D. O. Powers W. D. Correll J. W. Rollins W. F. Stamey Conf. Collections J. M. Hancock, Treas.	\$4.05 21.00 20.53	\$ 22.75 124.68 44.00 11.36	\$1.80	\$3.50
Totals	\$45.58	\$202.79	\$1.80	\$3.50
	Disburs	sements.		
Paid to E. Teter Retained one per cen		Budget \$200.79 2.00 \$202.79	One Day \$1.80	Education \$3.50
	Church E	xtension.		
Public collection for W. D. Correll for V	Villiamston cl	hurch		1.00
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Cash on hand Paid same to C. H.	Boggs by ord	er of Conf	erence	30

OUR DEAD

In order occurred, names, place of death and year.

Rev. H. G. Scuddy, Moseley, S. C., 1896.

Rev. I. M. Abbott, Pacific Grove, Calif., 1896.

Rev. B. J. Davis, Greer, S. C., 1898.

Rev. A. R. Willis, Canon, Ga., 1898.

Rev. J. D. Wilson, Central, S. C., 1900.

Rev. C. W. DePew, Pelzer, S. C., 1903.

Rev. W. B. Padgett, Easley, S. C., 1903.

Rev. L. J. Harrington, Central, S. C., 1911.

Rev. J. E. Martin, Central, S. C., 1913.

SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

Sessions of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church given in order of number, date, place, where held, president, secretary and number of members:

- 1. Central, November 1, 1893, H. S. Abbott, president; S. J. McElroy, secretary; 412.
- 2. Anderson, October 24, 1894, H. S. Abbott, president; S. J. McElroy, secretary; 637.
- 3. Central, November 6, 1895, S. J. Cowan, president; J. W. Bailey, secretary; 580.
- 4. Oakway, September 21, 1896, W. H. Kennedy, president; S. J. McElroy, secretary; 740.
- 5. Calhoun, October 13, 1897, G. B. Nally, president; Estelle Gaines, secretary; 850.
- Central, October 12, 1898, G. B. Nally, president; J. W. Bailey, secretary; 954.
- 7. Central, November 15, 1899, G. B. Nally, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,156.
- 8. Converse, November 6, 1900, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,131.
- 9. Spartanburg, November 13, 1901, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,133.
- 10. Pelzer, October 15, 1902, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,281.
- 11. Greer, November 18, 1903, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,300.
- 12. Central, November 15, 1904, L. G. Clayton, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; 1,608.
- 13. Anderson, November 22, 1905, E. Teter, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; 1,484.
- 14. Central, November 21, 1906, L. W. Johnson, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; 1,634.
- 15. Piedmont, November 20, 1907, L. W. Johnson, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; 1,718.
- 16. Landrum, November 18, 1908, L. W. Johnson, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; *1,975.

*This number is too high. The conference never had as many members as these high reports show.

- 17. Greer, November 16, 1909, B. L. Padgett, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,670.
- 18. Greenville, November 29, 1910, M. T. Hartsoe, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,511.
- 19. Piedmont, November 14, 1911, L. G. Clayton, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1553.
- 20. Central, November 12, 1912, L. G. Clayton, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,435.
- 21. Central, November 18, 1913, L. G. Clayton, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,289.
- 22. Greer, November 24, 1914, S. I. Keeler, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,440.
- 23. Easley, November 16, 1915, S. I. Keeler, president; L. B. Smith, secretary.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

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Westminster Golden Grove Greer Converse Carlisle Mt. Olivet Spartanburg Anderson Glenville Landrum Easley Walhalla Central Piedmont	12 10 12 6 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	3 4 3 1 4 2 3 3 1 2 2 3 2 4	2 2 3 1 4 2 3 3 1 1 2 3 2 4	8 11 13 8 11 12 9 1 6 26 15 26 14	16 85 48	12 13 60 12 19 18 4 7 15 6 20 30	42 20 20 470 50 135 91 15 20 115 18 100 45	30 55 55 25 90 18 250 24 54 40	15 40 40 30 30 48 10 20 110 32 48 50	25 35 60 80 40 60 68 10 18 110 32 48 75	16 1 5 14 39 16 32 11 1 1 25 32 3 16	1 1 2 1 1 6	11 5 1 30 3 5 4 1 10
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Westminster Golden Grove Greer Converse Carlisle Mt. Olivet Spartanburg Anderson Glenville Landrum Easley Walhalla Central Piedmont Total	1 1 3 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 11 8 2 1 14 4 5 6 8	39 156 114 164 126 10 58 175 83	39 85 3 156 114 164 100 58 175 86 166 110	55 62 119 17 183 130 152 117 11 48 190 110 152 120	14 27 16 11 1 15 24 10	23 5 12 10 14	11 7	2 1 6 21 11 85 1 15 6 5 7	1 4	1 6 2 4 5 3 3 2 3 2 3 1	9 13 15 25 3 3 2 10 25 6 15

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Westminster Golden Grove Greer Converse Carlisle Mt. Olivet Spartanburg Anderson Glenville Landrum Easley Walhalla Central Piedmont Total	22331113223	\$1300 1300 2400 3000 1200 3500 2200 300 500 3800 1200 2150 2800	\$350.00 200.00 75.00 34.00 400.00 446.15	1	\$700		\$30.00 65.00 20.00 62.49 20.00	\$184.90 75.05 264.44 6.37 341.02 237.45 415.15 225.06 10.00 59.00 325.00 171.49 376.47 386.28	70 72		\$10.00 37.95 126.72 140.70 8.00 50.00 34.00 20.00

STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued.

	Total Pastor's Receipts	For Church: Conference President's Salary	Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expense	Building Repair	Incidental Expense	Total for Church
Westminster Golden Grove Greer Converse Carlisle Mt. Olivet Spartanburg Anderson Glenville Landrum Easley Walhalla Central Piedmont	\$194.90 75.05 300.39 6.37 469.74 237.45 415.15 365.76 10.00 67.00 385.00 206.49 446.47 487.28	\$5.69 10.85 7.81 15.65 10.65 3.15 7.47 12.78 8.48 4.45	\$8.00 36.90 3.26 67.16 37.00 81.00 35.00 28.00 50.00 39.17 42.00 102.00	\$32.94 12.00 44.22 29.43 25.32 68.08 24.53 7.00 10.00 88.00 15.00 82.14 94.00	\$75.00 13.20 863.19 300.00 6.50 100.00 25.25 550.00 5.00 47.00 100.80	\$14.25 74.85 3.00 22.00 164.72 15.00 5.00 56.50 14.00 54.35 75.00	\$127.88 20.00 180.02 6.26 967.59 84.32 629.45 56.68 150.15 63.25 751.97 85.95 233.97 376.25

	For Benevolences	Missions	Education	Minutes	Superannuated Minister's Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolence	General Conference Travel
Westminster Golden Grove Greer Converse Carlisle Mt. Olivet Spartanburg Anderson Glenville Landrum Easley Walhalla Central Piedmont	\$80.15 33.45 154.00 73.50 177.75 259.05 74.50 50.00 183.36 54.25 88.75 124.18	\$37.38 5.00 22.00 11.01 93.26 5.00 82.90 68.05	\$1.85 9.25 1.00 7.15	\$1.55 1.00 \$3.18 2.50 3.00 4.00 3.30 4.05		\$199.90 6.75 250.00 22.00 25.00 33.70 43.00 20.00	34.45 167.60 5.00 882.75 453.75 288.20 78.00 5.00 86.01 331.16 119.41 290.55	\$6.00 18.90 20.00 3.50 3.25
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STATISTICAL REPORT-Continued.

	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolence	Total for All Purposes
Westminster Golden Grove Converse Carlisle Mt. Olivet Spartanburg Anderson Greer Glenville Landrum Easley Walhalla Central Piedmont Total	\$194.94 75.05 6.35 469.74 237.45 415.15 365.76 300.39 10.00 67.00 385.00 206.49 446.47 480.28	84.32 629.45 56.68 180.02 150.15 63.25 751.97 85.95 233.77 371.25	\$309.33 34.05 5.00 82.75 453.75 288.20 78.00 167.60 86.01 331.16 119.41 290.55 238.56	1520.80 775.52 1332.80 500.44 670.09 165.15 216.26 1481.13 411.86 970.00 1100.89

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	Walhalla	166.00 218.00	54.25 88.75	5.00 9.00	8.30 82.90	67.55 180.65
	Piedmont	204.00 \$2706.00			\$130.75	\$1686.67

MINUTES OF THE NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Officers.

President: Miss Ina Gaines, Greer, S. C.

Vice-President: Mrs. L. G. Clayton, Central, S. C.

Secretary: Mrs. Alice Keeler, Central, S. C. Organizer: Miss Ina Gaines, Greer, S. C.

Superintendent Y. M. W. B.: Miss Estelle Gaines, Greer, S. C.

Membership.

Mrs. J. A. S. Anderson, Mrs. Alice Keeler, Miss Estelle Gaines.
Mrs. Agnes Boggs.
Miss Ina Gaines.

First Meeting-Friday, November 19, 1915.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference met for its ninth annual session in the Easley Union Church, Easley, S. C., at 10 o'clock A. M., November 19, 1915.

The opening devotions were conducted by the president, Miss Ina Gaines, after which the hymn, "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go," was sung and prayer offered by Mr. G. C. McElrath.

A short address of Welcome was given by Sister Harris of Easley, with response from Sister Anderson of Greer.

The Secretary being absent, Miss Bessie Pearson was elected secretary pro tem.

The President was authorized to appoint the various committees, which were as follows: Credentials—Mrs. J. A. George and Miss Ollie Smart; Auditing—Sisters Keeler and Smart; Statistics—Mrs. Boggs with privilege of selecting assistant; Resolutions and Plans for for Work—Mrs. Alice Keeler.

Motion carried to permit Y. M. W. B. members to vote in Conference.

Committee on Credentials reported President and delegates as follows: Sisters Boggs, Campbell, Keeler, Harris, Teat, Ina and Estelle Gaines, Clayton, Mullinix, Smart, Davis, Bonham, Wiebens. Report of Standing Committee was adopted.

Reports were read from the following local societies: Easley, Greer, Greenville, Piedmont, Reedy River, Central, Issaqueena, Calhoun, Landrum.

Assurances of fellowship and regard from Sisters E. G. Hartson and Anna Kirk Folger were conveyed to the Conference.

Motion carried for adjournment, to meet at 2 o'clock. Benediction by Sister Wiebens.

Second Meeting-Friday Afternoon 2 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the president. Hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," was sung. Devotions were conducted by Rev. L. H. Kelley. The roll was completed, several names being added. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted as corrected.

Rev. L. H. Kelley gave an interesting report of his work as "Mountain Missionary," tendering his resignation, which was accepted.

Rev. J. R. Garrett and Brother Crenshaw were elected to the work, the Society voting to pay \$100.00 toward their support.

Sister Dora Wiebens also reported her work in a different section of the mountains. The Society obligated to assist Westminster Church in paying toward Sister Wieben's support.

The Auditing Committee reported the Treasurer's accounts correct.

Committee on Statistics reported. Report adopted. (See Report.)

Discussion as to "Plans for Work" was led by Sister Keeler, followed by others.

Committee on Resolutions offered report, which was adopted. The Organizer reported.

Officers were then elected, counting and distributing tellers being appointed as follows: Estelle Gaines, Ella Campbell, Sisters Clayton and Anderson. Election resulted as follows: President, Miss Ina Gaines; Vice-President, Mrs. L. G. Clayton; Secretary, Mrs. S. I. Keeler; Treasurer, Mrs. Claude Boggs; Organizer, Miss Ina Gaines; Y. M. W. B. Superintendent, Miss Estelle Gaines. The Treasurer submitted her report, which was adopted by vote.

Motion was supported to publish minutes in connection with Conference Minutes, appropriating \$5.00 from the Treasury for that purpose.

Motion prevailed to adjourn until next Conference. Benediction by Brother Kelley.

Alice E. Keeler, Secretary.

Resolutions.

We, as the South Carolina Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society wish to express to our former President and Vice-President, Mrs. Anna K. Folger, our regret in her not meeting with us today. Her presence with us for several years has been an inspiration in many ways and we wish her every success in her new field of labor.

As delegates and workers coming from other churches to Easley for our Annual Missionary meeting, we wish to express our appreciation of their kind hospitality to us as a body.

Signed: Mrs. Alice Keeler.

The following sums were raised and disbursed by local Societies and reported to the treasurer:

By	Calhoun Society for Home Missions	\$ 2.65
By	Central Society for Home and Foreign Missions and loca	1
	church work	15.78
By	Easley Society for Home and Foreign Missions and loca	1
	church work	59.91
By	Greenville Society for local church work	1.50
Ву	Greenville, Route 6, for local church work	6.65
Ву	Landrum Society for Home and Foreign Missions	2.50
Ву	Piedmont Society for Home and Foreign Missions	16.65
By	Greer Society for Home Missions	24.75
Ву	Issaqueena Mill Society for Home Missions	88.86
	Total	219.25

Mrs. Agnes Boggs, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of South Carolina.

Received Cash.

From	Calhoun Society\$	12.00
	Central Society	4.75
	Easley Society	12.00
	Greenville Society	6.78
	Greenville, Route 6	12.90
	Greer Society	21.50
	Issaqueena Mill Society (Central)	19.29
	Landrum Society	3.05
From	Dues	2.50
From	Offering	1.50
Balan	ce carried over	8.30
	Total\$	104.47

STATISTICAL REPORT OF W. H. & F. M. S., SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

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	Members	Active	Honorary	Amount raised for Home Missions	Amount raised for Foreign Missions	For Medical	For Local Church Work	Total Receipts
Easley Greenville Reedy River Landrum Piedmont Greer Issaqueena Central Calhoun	20 17 17 17 7 37 23 21 16 9	15 12 10 3 19 21 9	5 5 7 4 5 4	\$13.10 6.48 6.00 3.05 8.00 24.75 88.86 4.00 4.47	\$8.76 6.90 8.65 21.50 19.29 9.75 9.25	\$2.00	\$45.05 1.50 6.65 2.50	\$67.91 9.98 19.55 5.55 16.65 46.25 108.15 20.53 13.72
Total	167	98	30	\$56.41	\$47.10	\$2.00	\$62.98	\$308.29