## MINUTES

OF THE

# Thirty-Eighth Session

OF THE

# OKLAHOMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection,

or Church, of America

HELD AT

ENID, OKLAHOMA

August 6-10, 1941

I. L. CONLEY, President;

JOHN E. McGRAW, Secretary.

# CONNECTIONAL OFFICIALS

President-F. R. Eddy, 330 E. Onondaga St., Syracuse, N. Y.

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W. Y. P. S. President, Miltonvale Area—H. K. Sheets, 918 E. Maine St., Enid, Okla.

#### 1941

Connectional Representative—E. F. McCarty. Camp Meeting Evangelist—W. D. Correll.

#### **OFFICERS**

President-I. L. Conley, 411 W. Highland Ave., Ponca City, Okla.

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Secretary-John E. McGraw, Ringwood, Okla.

Treasurer-Fred Groves, Waukomis, Okla.

Sunday-school Secretary—K. R. Meade, 203 West Lincoln Ave., Blackwell, Okla.

Tithing Secretary-Glenn McMurphy, Ringwood, Okla.

# TRUSTEES ENPREN

John E. McGraw, 1942; W. F. Lee, 1943; C. Hanson, 1942; W. J. Kuntz, 1943; K. R. Meade, 1944.

#### COMMITTEES

Itineracy and Orders—H. J. Sheets, 1942; K. R. Meade, 1943; Mrs. Loretta Wilson, 1944; W. J. Kuntz, 1945.

Camp Meeting K. R. Meade, 1942; I. L. Conley, 1943; John E. Mc-Graw, 1944; Earl Richey, 1942; Wilbur Bugg, 1943.

Judiciary—I. L. Conley, H. K. Sheets, Charles Wilson, John E. Mc-Graw.

Vacancies—Fred Groves, K. R. Meade, Glenn McMurphy, Thomas Pinkerton, Iro Hager.

Mid-year Convention—Grace Groves (President W. H. & F. M. S.), Charles Wilson (President W. Y. P. S.), I. L. Conley, H. K. Sheets, K. R. Meade.

#### BOARDS

President's Advisory-H. K. Sheets, C. Hanson.

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Sunday School-K. R. Meade, Fred Groves, Grace Groves.

Missionary—I. L. Conley, Grace Groves, Charles Wilson, Earl Richey,

Member Local Board, M. W. C, H. K

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# CONFERENCE ROLL CALL

## **ELDERS**

ELDEKS				
	W	T	F	S
Mrs. Faye Baker, 1114 W. 5th St., Marion, Ind	0	0	0	0
J. M. Batman, Ringwood, Okla.	0	0	0	0
A. B. Bissey, Albany, Texas	0	0	0	0
Glenn I. Boardman, Ringwood, Okla.	1	1	1	1
I. L. Conley, 411 W. Highland Ave., Ponca City, Okla	1	1	1	1
Iva E. Crofford Hyde, Alva, Okla., Star R. 8	0	0	0	0
G. L. Gurtler, Denver, Colo.	0	0	0	0
M. S. Litell, Ringwood, Okla.	1	0	0	0
W. J. Kuntz, 1011 E. Maine St., Enid, Okla.	1	1	1	1
Ruth Nichols, Oceanside, Calif. R.I. Bak 54 A.	0	0	1	1
John E. McGraw, Ringwood, Okla.	1	1	1	1
K. R. Meade, 203 W. Lincoln Ave., Blackwell, Okla.	0	1	1	1
H. K. Sheets, 918 E. Maine St., Enid, Okla.	1	1	1	1
V. O. Priddy, 2014 W. Handcock St., Detroit, Mich.	0	0	0	0
Charles Wilson, 621 Third St., Alva Okla.	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Loretta Wilson, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla	1	1	1	1
ANNUAL CONFERENCE PREACHERS				
	W	Т	F	S
Paul Batman, Miltonvale, Kansas (M. W. C.)	1	1	1	1
M. F. Bess Transferred to California Conference	0	0	0	1
G. C. Cockrell—Transferred to Kansas Conference	1	1	1	1
Fred Groves, Waukomis, Okla	1	1	1	1
Grace Groves, Waukomis, Okla	1	1	1	1
Alberta Kindschi-Transferred to Dakota Conference	0	0	0	0
Glenn McMurphy, Ringwood, Okla 7. Smarsh Sty Whalits tol	41	1	1	1
W. A. Mills, 6917 Abilene St., Houston, Texas	0	0	0	0
Flora Jean Mills 6917 Abilene St., Houston, Texas	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Effie Ross, Geary, Okla.	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Layle Prudot, Garber, Okla	0	1	0	0
Thomas Pinkerton, 720 E. Elm St., Enid, Okla.	1	1	1	1
Floyd Boardman, Manchester, Iowa	0	0	0	0
F. L. Elrod, Star Route 9, Alva, Okla.	1	1	1	1
DELEGATES AND CHURCHES				
	W	Т	F	S
Le Verne Tolle, Alva	1	1	1	1
Earl Richey, Alva	1	1	1	1

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## WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

	W	T	F	S
Mrs. Earl Richey, Alva	1	1	1	1
C. Hanson, Enid	1	1	1	0
Mrs. E. A. Price, Enid	1	1	1	1
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Mrs. Elva Conaway, New Hope	1	1	1	1
	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Opal McGraw, New Hope	1	1	1	1
Wilbur Bugg, Wesleyan Chapel	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Wilbur Bugg, Wesleyan Chapel	1	1	1	1
Mrs. O. B. Macey, Ponca City	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Mattie Fisher, Alva	1	1	1	1
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Naomi Anthony, Blackwell	. 0	1	1	1
Lucille McDonald, Springdale	0	0	1	0
Mrs. Gladys Cowan, Etna				1

# JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Opening—The thirty-eighth session of the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America, convened at the Enid Church, 916 East Maine Street, Enid, Oklahoma, 9:45 a. m., Wednesday, August 6, 1941. In the absence of the President, Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, Vice-President, Rev. I. L. Conley, presided.

Grace Groves led the congregation in singing "I Love Him." Charles Wilson read with comment, John 9: 1-4, and led in prayer.

Conference came to order at the call of the Chair.

Roll was called. The following ministers were present: Elders—Glenn I. Boardman, I. L. Conley, M. S. Litell, W. J. Kuntz, John E. McGraw, H. K. Sheets; Charles Wilson, Mrs. Loretta Wilson. Annual Conference Preachers—Paul Batman, G. C. Cockrell, Fred Groves, Grace Groves, Glenn Mc Murphy, Mrs. Effic Ross, Thomas Pinkerton.

Fred Groves and G. C. Cockrell were elected Committee on Credentials.

Charles Wilson and Mrs. Effic Ross were elected Committee on Credentials.

Committee on Credentials read the names of the following Delegates-elect: Le Verne Tolle, Earl Richey, Mrs. Earl Richey, Mrs. Florence Atkinson, Mrs. E. A. Price, C. Hanson, Mrs. May Ent, Mrs. Opal McGraw, Mrs. Elva Conaway, Mrs. Wilbur Bugg, Wilbur Bugg, Mrs. Anna Boardman, Mrs. O. B. Macey, Mrs. Mattie Fisher. On motion the delegates were seated, together with all others who should present like credentials to this body. Those later seated were Iro Hager, Naomi Anthony, Lucille McDonald, Mrs. Gladys Cowan.

Conference Bar was fixed as the first five rows of seats and the platform.

Committee on Courtesy introduced to the Conference Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Elrod, of South Carolina. They each spoke a few words of greetings.

Session Committees were elected as follows:

Pastoral Relations—I. L. Conley, Chairman ex-officio; H. K. Sheets, Glenn I. Boardman, Charles Wilson, Earl Richey, Mrs. Emma Bugg, Mrs. May Ent.

Ministerial Character—I. L. Conley, Chairman ex-officio; K. R. Meade, Mrs. Mattie Fisher.

Finance—M. S. Litell, John E. McGraw, Wilbur Bugg. Resolutions—Mrs. Loretta Wilson, Paul Batman.

Thanks-Glenn McMurphy, G. C. Cockrell, Thomas Pinkerton.

Religious Services and Special Orders—I. L. Conley, H. K. Sheets, C. Hanson.

Auditing-Le Verne Tolle, Fred Groves, C. Hanson.

Statistics-Charles Wilson, Fred Groves.

To Committee on Itineracy and Orders (lay members for the Conference session)—Mrs. Mattie Fisher, Mrs. O. B. Macey, Mrs. Florence Atkinson.

Reporter-Mrs. Grace Groves.

Memorials-Mrs. Paul Batman, Glenn McMurphy.

Official Reports—Report of the Conference President, Roy S. Nicholson, was read and adopted. See Report No. 1.

Vice-President, I. L. Conley, gave report of his official acts which was adopted. The financial statement was referred to the Finance Committee. See Report No. 2.

Committee on Religious Services gave a partial report according to which 10:00 a. m. Thursday was set as the time for the election of officers.

Examination of Characters was taken up. The following names were called and passed: Mrs. Faye Baker, A. B. Bissey, W. A. Mills, Flora Iean Mills, R. J. Rogers.

Committee on Courtesy introduced to the Conference, W. J. Conley from Indiana and Miss Emma Durkee of Kansas, each of whom spoke a few words of testimony.

Adjourned for committee work.

#### Wednesday Afternoon

Opening-Conference came to order at the call of the Chair.

G. C. Cockrell led in singing, "He Hideth My Soul." W. J. Kuntz led in prayer.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Dr. E. F. McCarty—Committee on Courtesy introduced to the Conference, Rev. E. F. McCarty, D.D., Foreign Missionary Secretary and Connectional Representative. He spoke appropriate words of greetings. At the invitation of the Conference Rev. McCarty took the Chair to preside throughout the session.

A special resolution was adopted according to which the Conference voted to take an offering to apply on Beverley Wilson's hospital expense.

Examination of Character was taken up. The following were called and passed—I. L. Conley, Charles Wilson, Glenn I. Boardman, John E. McGraw.

Adjourned for committee work.

### Thursday Morning

Opening—Paul Batman led the song service. Glenn I. Boardman read a Scripture lesson from the fifteenth chapter of Romans, and led in prayer.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Pastoral Relations Committee gave first reading of report.

It was voted to change the wording of Conference Resolution No. 3, to read thus: "The Conference Treasurer may close his books one week before the opening day of Conference."

Examination of Character was taken up. The following were called and passed: Mrs. Layle Prudot, Mrs. Loretta Wilson, G. L. Gurtler, Iva E. Crofford Hyde, V. O. Priddy, Floyd Boardman, Alberta Kindschi.

S. Dague gave report of the North Enid Mission.

Conference recessed for Committee work.

Election of Officers—Orders of the Day were called, and the Conference proceeded to the election of permanent officers and standing committees. Prayer for the divine blessings and wisdom was offered by E. F. McCarty. Paul Batman, Charles Wilson and Grace Groves were appointed tellers. According to Disciplinary procedure the following officers were elected:

President-I. L. Conley.

Vice-President-H. K. Sheets.

Secretary-John E. McGraw.

Treasurer-Fred Groves.

Sunday-school Secretary—K. R. Meade.

Tithing Secretary—Glenn McMurphy.

Trustee, for a term of three years-K. R. Meade.

To Committee on Itineracy and Orders for a term of four years-W. J. Kuntz.

To Camp Meeting Committee for term of three years-John E. Mc-Graw.

H. K. Sheets resigned from the Camp Meeting Committee, and nominated the Conference President to fill the place thus made vacant. President I. L. Conley was elected to fill the vacancy. Wilbur Bugg was elected laymember to this Committee for a term of two years.

Judiciary Committee-I. L. Conley, H. K. Sheets, Charles Wilson,

John E. McGraw.

Vacancies—Fred Groves, K. R. Meade, Glenn McMurphy, Thomas Pinkerton, Iro Hager.

Mid-year Convention Committee to be composed of the President of the W. H. & F. M. S. and President of the W. Y. P. S., who are respectively,

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Mrs. Grace Groves, and Charles Wilson. Other members are, I. L Conley, H. K. Sheets, K. R. Meade.

President's Advisory Board-H. K. Sheets, C. Hanson.

Missionary Board—I. L. Conley, Chairman ex-officio; President of the W. H. & F. M. S., Grace Groves. President of the W. Y. P. S., Charles Wilson, Earl Richey, C. Hanson.

Resignation of I. L. Conley from the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was accepted and Mrs. Loretta Wilson was elected to fill the unexpired term.

Examination of Character was taken up. G. C. Cockrell, Glenn Mc-Murphy, F. L. Elrod were examined and passed.

Adjourned on motion.

## Friday Morning

Opening—F. L. Elrod had charge of the devotional service. He read 1 Peter 5: 1-7 with comment, and led in prayer.

Conference came to order.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Grace Groves was elected Educational Secretary.

W. D. Correll, Camp Meeting Evangelist, C. Floyd Hester, President of Miltonvale Wesleyan College and Ruth Nichols, were introduced to the Conference. Each spoke a few words of greetings.

Committee on Religious Services gave a partial report.

Committee on Pastoral Relations gave second reading of report,

Examination of Character was taken up. The following were called and passed: J. M. Batman, M. S. Litell, Paul Batman, Fred Groves, Grace Groves, Ruth Nichols.

It was voted to have the pastors inform the Secretary how many copies of the Conference Minutes they would need.

The President, I. L. Conley, was elected to preach the Conference Sermon at the next Annual Conference.

It was voted to hold the next session of the Conference and Camp Meeting the last two weeks in August.

A special resolution was adopted which read thus: "Resolved, That the date of the ensuing Mid-Year Convention be set at Conference time and published in the Conference Minutes.

Rev. Roberts, pastor of the Enid Church of the Nazarene was introduced to the Conference.

The Enid Church extended an invitation to the Conference to meet with them the next year. This invitation was accepted by vote of the Conference.

Educational Service-The time for the Educational Service having ar-

rived C. Floyd Hester took charge of the program. Former Miltonvale students were on the platform. The College Quartet gave a number of special songs. Prof. Hester presented the Educational interests.

At the close of this service a special offering amounting to \$20.00 was received to apply on Beverly Wilson's hospital expense.

Adjourned on motion.

### Friday Afternoon

Opening—Conference assembled at 2:30. Special Orders of the Day were called.

Connectional Address was brought by Rev. E. F. McCarty, Connectional Representative. He stressed the importance of a well-balanced support of all arms of our work.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders read report which was adopted. See Report No. 3.

Committee on Resolutions brought a report which was accepted. See Report No. 6.

Examination of Character was taken up. The following were examined and passed: H. K. Sheets, Thomas Pinkerton, Mrs. Effic Ross.

Financial report of the Missionary Board was read. This report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Adjourned on motion.

### Saturday Morning

Opening—Conference came to order at the call of the Chair. Iro Hager led in prayer.

Auditing Committee gave report which was adopted. See Report No. 9.

Report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Board was adopted.

Report of the Conference Treasurer was read and adopted. See Report No. 10.

Committee on Thanks gave report which was adopted. See Report No. 7.

Examination of Character was taken up. K. R. Meade and M. F. Bess were called and passed.

Pastoral Relations Committee gave third reading of report which was adopted. See Report No. 4.

Resolution of request from the W. Y. P. S. asking that the last Saturday of the next Annual Conference be granted to the Young People's Society was rejected.

A modified resolution requesting that the last Saturday of the next Annual Conference be given to the W. Y. P. S., if humanly possible, was adopted.

### WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

We recommend that

A resolution proposing the following order of business be observed during the next Annual Conference.

Tuesday, 3:00 p. m.—Conference organize for business.

Tuesday, 7: 30—Conference Sermon.

Wednesday-Election of officers, incidentals, committee work.

Thursday-Examination of Character.

Friday-Reports of Committees.

Saturday-W. Y. P. S.

This recommendation, (which was offered and received as a flexible working model) was voted to be printed in the Minutes and to receive the coöperation of all preachers to the extent that they bring reports made out in full to the Conference Session.

Adjourned on motion.

### Saturday Afternoon

Opening-Conference came to order at the call of the Chair.

Committee on Pastoral Relations read report which was adopted. See Report No. 4.

Finance Committee read report. An amendment to have the President's salary \$275.00 was rejected. The report of the Committee was adopted.

It was voted to have the Statistical Committee report to the President and his Advisory Board. See Report No. 5.

Sunday-school Secretary gave oral report.

It was voted to have the Tithing Secretary report to the President and his Advisory Board.

Minutes were read.

Adjourned on motion.

I. L. CONLEY, President; JOHN E. McGRAW, Secretary.

#### CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

- 1. All Trustees of the Oklahoma Conference shall reside within the bounds of the Conference.
- 2. When a pastor provides his own place of residence, all rent from the regular parsonage shall be paid to said pastor.
- 3. The Conference Treasurer may close his books one week before the opening day of Conference.
- 4. The Conference Trustees shall be the Committee on Church and Parsonage Location.
- 5. The Committee on Religious services shall consist of the Conference President, the Pastor and Delegate of the church entertaining the Conference.

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## REPORTS

### Report No. 1

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT OF OFFICIAL ACTS

Dear Brethren of the Oklahoma Conference:

Greetings in the service of the King of kings and the Lord of lords.

To have served you during the past year has been a pleasure, and it is my sincere regret that this year official duties elsewhere prevent my being with you, but I am sure that God will guide you into the paths which He would have you take, if you will keep in prayer before Him, beseeching His mind in all matters.

A year ago when asked to be your servant, it seemed almost too big an undertaking; and it is regretted that the pressure of business has kept me from supervising the work more closely. But to each of you, I offer my sincerest thanks for your help. No more congenial workers surely could be found than those in the Oklahoma Conference. To one and all, I say, "God bless you."

Surely, one would not have expected much from such leadership as I was able to give under the handicaps of so many other duties. But, brethren, we have sought to encourage the workers, and to assist the pastors in laying a foundation for greater work under the successor of this scribe. But the prospects are excellent for the future of this Conference.

#### Official Acts

August 2, 1940, received the transfer of Elder V. O. Priddy from the Indiana Conference.

September 15, 1940, received the transfer of Elder Charles Wilson from the Kansas Conference.

September 15, 1940, received the transfer of Elder Loretta Wilson from the Kansas Conference.

November 2, 1940, granted Elder F. S. Berkebile a letter of transfer to the Indiana Conference.

In November of 1940 made the round of the first Quarterly Conferences of the Oklahoma Conference; during which time we dedicated the lovely new Enid church, which is a monument to the vision and sacrifice of Brother Sheets and his fine people.

On February 24, 1941, appointed Elder V. O. Priddy to the field of General Evangelism.

In harmony with the Executive Board at Syracuse, New York, after many efforts to revive and properly maintain the work at Houston, Texas had failed; and since the title to the property at both Belmont and North Stiles Street was vested in the Connection, these properties were sold, and the proceeds returned to the Home Department treasury to reimburse it, in part, for its expenditures there through the years.

The members holding fellowship with us were asked to place their letters with some other Wesleyan Churches within the bounds of the Oklahoma Conference; and it is understood that some have done so. (I wish to personally express sincere appreciation to Rev. W. A. Mills for his untiring efforts in connection with the closing out of the work at Houston to the best financial advantage to the Cause.)

On May 27, 1941, with the consent of the Advisory Board, the invitation of the Enid Church to hold the next annual session of Conference there was accepted. This change was satisfactory with the Ponca City Church which had invited the Conference session to meet there in 1941.

During the last week of May and the first week of June, we made the round of the fourth Quarterly Conferences. Some few points were not reached on this trip. But the kind Vice-President of the Conference, Rev. I. L. Conley, agreed to attend to these matters for me. His report will include his efforts in items where it was impossible for me to be present. May I take this opportunity to thank him for his coöperation, counsel, and assistance in more ways than it is possible to mention in this report. God bless Brother Conley; and all the other brethren who have labored for the success of the work this year.

In June, granted Elder V. O. Priddy permission to pastor and supervise an independent holiness mission in Detroit, Michigan.

On July 29, 1941, received the transfer of Rev. Fred Elrod, a Conference Preacher, listed in the fourth year of the Course of Study, from the South Carolina Conference. He has been called to pastor the charge at Cedar Grove.

### Financial Report

Salary received	\$227.77
Salary returned to the Treasurer	\$ 91.00
Again thanking you and asking God's blessings on you	

I am.

Yours sincerely,

ROY S. NICHOLSON.

## Report No. 2

#### VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As Vice-President and assistant to Brother Nicholson I submit the following report:

On October 30, 1940, with Brother Nicholson and the Missionary

Board I drove to Wichita Falls, Texas to look over the field there in view of a pioneer meeting.

November, 1940, I held the first Quarterly Conference at Springdale.

April 8, 1941, with members of the Missionary Board I drove to Muskogee, Oklahoma to view the field there.

June 13, 1941, drove to Alva, Enid and Wesleyan Chapel to see M. F. Bess and G. C. Cockrell about holding pioneer meeting at Wichita Falls, Texas.

June 23, 1941, with the sanction of the Missionary Board, Miss Madalyn Johnson, Miss Alice Vermilion, wife and I left for Wichita Falls to find location to pitch the tent and get ready for the coming of Brother G. C. Cockrell and M. F. Bess.

July 14, 1941, drove to Wesleyan Chapel to get extension of time for Brother Cockrell to stay on the field at Wichita Falls.

June 8, 9, 1941, held Quarterly Conference at Wesleyan Chapel.

August 2, 1941, attempted to hold Quarterly Conference at Springdale but was unable to reach point because of rain.

Amount received during the year	\$44.50
Expenses:	*
Phone calls	\$ 3.59
Incidentals	\$ 3.96
Miles driven for Conference interest	2591
Respectfully,	
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I. L. CONLEY.

## Report No. 3

#### ITINERACY AND ORDERS

We recommend:

That R. J. Rogers and W. A. Mills be continued in the first year of the Course of Study.

That Glenn Cockrell be granted a letter of transfer to the Kansas Conference; that M. F. Bess be granted letter of transfer to the California Conference; that Alberta Kindschi be granted letter of transfer to the Dakota Conference.

That Paul Batman be placed in the fourth year of the Course of Study, and that Glenn McMurphy, Layle Prudot and Flora Jean Mills be continued in the fourth year of the Course of Study.

That Effic Ross be continued in the second year of the Course of Study.

That Ruth Nichols be ordained to the office and work of an Elder in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

That F. L. Elrod, having completed the fourth year of the Course of

Study, labor in the Conference for a period of one year preparatory to ordination.

That Thomas Pinkerton be placed in the fourth year of the Course of Study and that he pass examination in History of the Wesleyan Methodist Church and the Discipline preparatory to ordination.

That Floyd Boardman pursue his reading course and attain the re-

quired two years of experience preparatory to ordination.

That Fred Groves and Grace Groves be continued in present classification as Evangelists and that their request to teach school be granted them.

That authorization according to paragraph 170, sub-paragraph 2, of the Discipline be granted to the following for the coming year: Effic Ross, Thomas Pinkerton.

That Thelma Hickman be received in the Conference to Study Course preparatory to consecration of Deaconess.

I. L. CONLEY, Chairman; FLORENCE ATKINSON, Secretary.

## Report No. 4

#### PASTORAL RELATIONS

Alva-Charles Wilson.

Blackwell-K. R. Meade.

Carwile-Glenn McMurphy.

Cedar Grove-F. L. Elrod.

Enid-H. K. Sheets.

Etna-Effie Ross.

New Hope-John E. McGraw.

Ponca City-I. L. Conley.

Springdale-Thomas Pinkerton.

Wesleyan Chapel-In hands of President.

North Adams Street Mission-In hands of President.

Mexican Mission Work at Oceanside, Calif.-Ruth Nichols.

General Evangelists—Glenn I. Boardman, Mrs. Faye Baker, V. O. Priddy.

Conference Evangelists—R. J. Rogers, W. A. Mills, Flora Jean Mills, Floyd Boardman, J. M. Batman, Fred Groves, Grace Groves.

Song Evangelist-Loretta Wilson.

Superannuated-W. J. Kuntz, M. S. Litell, Iva E. Crofford Hyde.

Supernumerary—A. B. Bissey.

Paul Batman and Layle Prudot be granted leave of absence to attend school.

Inasmuch as the Houston, Texas property has been sold and the class

there disbanded we recommend the name be removed from our list of Charges.

We recommend that the Missionary Board continue cultivation of the field of Wichita Falls.

We recommend that the President be asked to conduct the 1st and 4th Quarterly Meeting and that he be asked to give at least six Sundays from his local charge to the field.

We urge that the Conference pray and work to the end that the President give full time to the field next Conference Year and that the Finance Committee appropriate funds to be set aside for a full time president in 1942.

I. L. CONLEY, Chairman; EMMA BUGG, Secretary.

## Report No. 5

#### FINANCE

We recommend:

That \$15.00 be paid for cooking and \$12.00 for dishwashing during Conference.

That W. J. Kuntz and M. S. Litell each be paid \$12.00, interest from the Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

That John E. McGraw be paid \$7.50 for Secretary work and expense.

That \$41.05 deficit be paid to I. L. Conley for traveling expenses incurred while on Conference Business. (Rate of 3 cents per mile.)

That the Budget be \$6.70 as follows: Foreign Missions ..... \$2.00 Education ..... 1.50 Home Missions ..... .50 Superannuate ..... . 10 Orphanage ..... .25 Conference ..... 1.10 (Minutes, \$.10; Gen. Conf. Delegate, \$.05; Camp Meeting, \$.10; Incidental, \$.85) Conference President's Salary ..... 1.00 (Fund for next year's President's Salary)

It is recommended that the President's salary be paid quarterly. Also in addition to incidental expenses that he be paid 3 cents a mile traveling expenses, payable at the time of quarterly meetings; other trips at the time they are made.

Note. This salary is the minimum based on the Pastoral Relations Committee's request for six Sundays off his own pastorate.

Note. In order that we may build up a fund to enable us to have

the President give full time to the work another year in accordance with the request of the Pastoral Relations Committee we have recommended the above \$1.00 Budget item to apply on next year's President's salary.

## Report No. 6

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, God's signal blessing and favor has in past years rested upon those whose work and ministry has held firmly to a high standard of living and experience, be it resolved:

First, That our ministers carefully adhere to the standards which the Wesleyan Methodist connection holds, and not only they, but that they earnestly endeavor to lead their flocks into conformity to these rules. We believe that there is everywhere a tendency to excuse some matters, in candidates for membership, which have a detrimental effect on the spiritual life of our churches and therefore, that our pastors should be firm in insisting on the wearing of modest apparel, the laying off of jewelry and other rules as are set forth in the Discipline, before any person is taken into church membership.

Further, believing that some are woefully ignorant concerning those things for which the Wesleyan Church stands, be it resolved, That the pastors frequently read sections from the Discipline to their congregations and endeavor to place the Discipline in their members' hands.

We believe that every arm of the work of the Church is vitally important. Therefore be it resolved, That every pastor form a systematic plan whereby his churches' finances will be evenly distributed between the various items of budget.

Being persuaded that our great hope as a Church is in the claiming of our young people and children for God and the Church, be it resolved, That every church in the Conference hold a Daily Vacation Bible School during the ensuing year. Further that we adopt the use of the Visual Art object lessons in connection with the Sunday school, the same to be presented by some capable person as a means of interest to the children.

We note with sorrow the tendency among many of our holiness groups to revert to the emotionally light and frothy in their singing. Therefore, be it resolved, That we recognize the value of the mighty, substantial hymns and use them in our services. Further, believing that God is worthy of the very best that we can offer to Him in worship, be it resolved, That a serious effort be made to improve the standard of the special music rendered in every charge.

Finally, be it resolved, That we give ourselves more earnestly than ever before to "contending for the faith," in the midst of this wicked and

perverse generation, and that we continually "ask for the old paths, wherein is the good way" and walk therein.

LORETTA WILSON, PAUL BATMAN.

### Report No. 7

#### THANKS

We, the Committee on Thanks, submit the following report:

- 1. We are indeed thankful for the Lord's presence and leadership through another year. "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."
- 2. It is our desire to express our appreciation to our retiring President, Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, for his faithful labors with us while assuming other responsibilities in the Connection, and to the incoming President, Rev. I. L. Conley, for the ensuing year.
- 3. We are thankful for the privilege of having Dr. E. F. McCarty, Foreign Missionary Secretary as Connectional Representative to this Annual Conference; also President Hester and College Quartet from Miltonvale, Kansas.
- 4. We are indebted to the evangelist, Rev. W. D. Correll, for his timely messages of truth which have challenged us all.
- 5. Words are inadequate to express our appreciation to the W. H. & F. M. Societies and friends who sent in contributions; to the ladies engaged in the kitchen and dining hall, for the abundant labor; and the kind hospitality of the Enid Church and friends in preparation for and during this annual gathering. Special recognition and appreciation is given to Mr. Clyde Pinkerton of the Pinkerton Air Conditioning Co. of Enid, for his kindness and generosity in the installation of the Air Conditioning system.
- 6. We sincerely appreciate the beautiful bouquets of flowers placed in the auditorium and dining hall by Sister Momey.
- 7. Further expressions of thanks are extended Rev. and Mrs. Elrod whose coming into our Conference is cordially received. To our Conference Treasurer, Rev. K. R. Meade, and Conference Secretary, Rev. John McGraw, for efficient service rendered during the past year, and to all others who have contributed to the success of the Conference.

May the blessings of divine grace rest upon all.

G. C. COCKRELL, GLENN McMURPHY, TOM PINKERTON,

Committee.

### Report No. 8

## EVANGELISTIC REPORT August 1940 to August 1941

#### Item I. Labors

- 1. Time employed, 12 months.
- 2. Revivals held:
  - (1) In local Conference, none.
  - (2) In other Conferences, seven—21 weeks.
  - (3) In other denominations, one—6 weeks.
- 3. Miles traveled, 7245.
- 4. Sermons preached, 225.
- 5. Other services held, eleven.

## Item II. Receipts.

- 1. Offerings or salary, \$410.58.
- 2. Traveling expenses, \$85.00.
- 3. Total net receipts, \$325.58.

Signed, GLENN I. BOARDMAN, Ringwood, Oklahoma.

## Report No. 9

## REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

#### Conference Treasurer

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the books of the Treasurer and found them to be correct.

We desire to commend Brother Meade for his efficient work and the good condition of the books.

#### Treasurer of Missionary Board

The Treasurer's Report of the Missionary Board has been examined and approved.

There is a supplementary report submitted by Brother Glen Cockrell

and Brother Conley as attached is reported as follows:

The totals of amounts received and disbursed have been checked and sums found to be incorrect by 10 cents, but which we had insufficient receipts to check by. None of this money went through the hands of the Treasurer of the Missionary Board.

LeVERNE TOLLE, FRED GROVES.

#### Report No. 10

# CONFERENCE TREASURER As of August 9, 1941

Balance brought forward from last year .....

\$ 37.27

Received through the year		\$1999.13
Total received		\$2036.40 1694.99
Balance on hand		\$ 341.41
Campground Fund		
Received	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Conference Fund		
Balance brought forward	\$ 5.08 193.07	\$ 147.19
Balance on hand		50.96
Totals	\$ 198.15	\$ 198.15
Home Missions		
Received Disbursed	\$ 266.14	\$ 266.14
Education		
Received	\$ 343.97	\$ 343.97
Superannuated Ministers' Fund		
Balance brought forward	\$ 23.53 120.37	
Balance		_ · \$ 143.90
Orphanage		Ψ - 10170
Received	\$ 93.29	\$ 93.29
Student Loan Fund		7 20.02
Rolonau beaught famous 1	\$ 7.40 114.15	
Total		\$ 121.55
Foreign Missions		
Received	\$ 399.80	
Disbursed		\$ 399.80

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Church Extension  Received	465.05	\$ 465.05
	300.00	
Note at 6% (Superan. Min. Fund) Blackwell  Note at 6% (Student Loan Fund) Fred Groves  Note at 6% (Superan. Min. Fund) Conference Fund	25.00 50.00 55.00	
		\$ 430.00
K. R. MEADE, Confer	ence Tr	•
Report No. 11		
TREASURER MISSIONARY BOAR	D	
Cash on hand, August, 1940		\$ 26.54
Cash Received		
Aug. 3, 1940, Roy S. Nicholson	\$150.00	
Nov. 27, 1940, K. R. Meade	1.34	
Nov. 30, 1940, Raymond Tolle	2.20	
Dec. 14, 1940, K. R. Meade	40.52	
Mar. 4, 1941, K. R. Meade	22.71	
April 9, 1941, K. R. Meade	5.00	
May 2, 1941, K. R. Meade	9.45	
May 29, 1941, K. R. Meade	13.64	
June 19, 1941, Florence Bourne	40.00	
July 8, 1941, K. R. Meade	57.92	
July 14, 1941, Enid Church	20.00	
July 16, 1941, Wesleyan Chapel Church	16.00	
July 25, 1941, W. H. & F. M. S., Ponca City	12.00	
Aug. 6, 1941, K. R. Meade	59.05	
Total received during year		\$449.83
Total received at Wichita Falls:		
By G. C. Cockrell	\$ 55.90	
By I. L. Conley	50.00	•
<del></del>		\$105.90
	-	\$582.27

One year to Ponca City Church \$149.87	
One year to Blackwell Church	
(Receipts amounting to \$10.16)	
June 19, 1941, G. C. Cockrell, rings for car 8.00	
June 19, 1941, G. C. Cockrell, tire and tubes 19, 44	
July 2, 1941, I. L. Conley, expense to Wichita Falls 12.56	
July 9, 1941, G. C. Cockrell, expense to Wichita Falls 25.00	
July 21, 1941, G. C. Cockrell, salary	
July 22, 1941, G. C. Cockrell, salary 30.00	•
July 28, 1941, G. C. Cockrell salary	
July 29, 1941, I. L. Conley for singer's expense from	
Miltonvale, Kansas 2.74	
Aug., M. F. Bess	
Aug., G. C. Cockrell	
Total paid out during year \$44	7.32
	9.05

Signed, EARL RICHEY, Treasurer.

## Report No. 11

## CAMP MEETING

Our 1941 Conference Camp was held in the new, commodious Enid Church. Rev. W. D. Correll of Spartanburg, S. C. was our evangelist. He came to us in the fullness of the blessing and his rich, unctuous messages were blessed of the Lord to the good of all.

A full financial report which is not available at this time will be submitted to the President and his Advisory Board and reported next year.

JOHN E. McGRAW, K. R. MEADE.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Mid-Year Convention Committee desires to announce concerning the Mid-Year Convention as follows:

Time-March 4-6, 1942.

Place-Alva, Okla.

CHARLES WILSON, GRACE GROVES.

## Report No. 12 STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Charge			0.1			101													
Name of Charge  Name of Charge	Ite	em :	I. P	stor's	La	bors	3.	Ite	m '	11.	Per	iodi	cals						
Alva	Name of Charge	Employed	د ا	leyan Methodists	Missionary's	oung People's	School	Junior Class	1		Senior	Intermediate	Junior	Primary	Dept.	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks	Bible Lesson	Pupils Lesson Stories,
42 143-12-11 153- 291 143 87 57)	Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12		1 3 1 12 1 5 1 40 1 1 1 24 1 12 1 2 1 16 . 1	7 1 8 32 1  12  10 	4 9 5 13 1  12  8 	24 13 18 90 5 15 25 18 12 255	8 10 30 10 10 12	25 4 10 30 6 6	6 24 5 7 6  6 81	24 20 30 100 3 25 25 36	12 15 24  9  12 15	10 30 8  10	25 1 5  4 6 	12	36 15 6 10 18	12 4 8 30 8 10 18 10	1  2 1 1 1 	24 8

# STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

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			•	•	'n	Last. Year	er •	•	•	Years of Age	Members •	•	rs •	Tithing .
Name of Charge	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported	Present Number	Loss	Gain	No. Under 14	Associate Men	Baptized	Local Preachers	Membership T
Alva  Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel	11	:::	23	2	3 1 6	37	27 21 36 118 33 43 46 7 47	5 10	4 6 11	3 10 	20	11	3 2 2	25 10

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## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	:	Item	IV	r. ;	Sund	lay	Scho	ools								_	
Name of Charge	No. of Sunday Schools .	Whole No. of Officers •	Whole No. of Teachers .	Whole No. of Scholars •	Total No. in Main School.	Average Attendance	No. Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	No. Scholars Converted •	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. Departmental Supts.	No. in Teacher's Training •	No. of Organized Classes .	No. Books in Library	No. W. Y. P. Societies •	Membership of Societies •
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel Enid Mission Totals	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	13 4 5 8 6 4 8 6 71	6 5 13 4 6 5 5 6 4	82 65 20 48 255 27 60 84 40 60 56	104 75 30 61 274 35 74 95 51 71 66	23 40 195 23 50 52 30 52 30		8 9 6 45 20 6 	118 83 39 67 325 55 80 95 51 81	25 21 15 18	22 7 5 8	3 1 1 2 6  1	18	7 6 5 	137 10 35 	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	25 15 19 15 44  22 13  20 20

# STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item '	v.	Church Pr	орегту				
Name of Charge	No. Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel Enid Mission Totals	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	800.00 1000.00 800.00 800.00 400.00	\$6000.00	1 1 1 1 1 1	5000.00 300.00 250.00 2000.00	\$2300.00 1600.00	\$ 4.60 76.76 1.00 71.59
Totals	11	\$37375.00		7	10000.00	\$3900.00	\$153.98
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## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item VI. Amount Contributed for Pastor

Name of Charge	`	Fastor's Salary Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts	
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel Enid Mission Totals	54 26 59 120 16 46 78 17	0.40 150.00 9.94 50.00 9.94 30.00 0.00 180.00 0.19 60.00 2.39 50.00 0.00 300.00 5.00	14.00 27.50 4.00 1.00 40.00	45.09 22.00 235.65 75.00 22.15 10.00 168.54 10.00 159.17	\$1000.00 735.49 341.94 879.59 1482.50 246.34 523.39 1288.54 185.00 67.00 \$7451.81	65 le 16.19

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item VII.	Amount Contrib	uted for	Church	1		
Name of Charge	Conference President's Salary	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday-school Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel Enid Mission Totals	26.00 15.00 26.00 70.00 4.27 8.50 26.00 2.00	\$132.90 58.00 44.50 107.28 240.35 55.45 44.49 164.00 80.50 28.00 \$955.47	53.36 23.06 40.00 220.38 20.00 41.79 43.86 42.66 56.70 32.00	288.23 29.48 20.05 3443.55 36.55 52.87 187.41 130.00 4.00	\$208.07 65.00 24.36 25.16 122.09 10.16 7.70 291.22 20.00 36.00 28.00 \$837.76	490.59 136.40 218.49 4096.37 126.43 155.35 712.49 194.66 245.27 92.00

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

		Item V	III. A	mount (	Contribut	ed for	Benevo	olences			
Name of Charge	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Church Extension	Conference Work	Superannuated Min. Fund	Connectional S. S. Work	W. Y. P. S.	Orphanage	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolences
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel Enid Mission Totals	23.10 24.62 20.46 53.43 10.85 27.22 29.31 5.42 28.98 46.00	9.90 14.32 36.00 137.83 3.10 25.96 33.75 2.00 24.31	  \$426.52	7.12 8.59 43.00 6.75 5.00 40.04 	31.00 7.00 6.75 19.66	\$25.60	1.00	\$76.36	6.95 8.00 14.45 20.00 5.00 30.89  10.11	15.20 273.47 35.98 4.00 76.20	87.39 97.89 7.29 702.43 86.02 106.00 319.41 10.42 149.09 46.00

## STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item IX. Totals				
Name of Charge	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total for All Purposes
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Springdale Wesleyan Chapel Enid Mission Totals	735.49 341.94 879.59 1482.50 246.34 1523.39 1288.54 185.00 702.02 67.00	490.59 136.40 218.49 4096.37 126.43 155.35 712.49 194.66 245.27 92.00	87.39 97.89 157.29 702.43 86.02 106.31 319.41 10.42 149.09 46.00	390.08 1096.38 205.00

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- 3. Resolved, That our Conference Society select a motto and a theme chorus.
- 4. Resolved, That by-law 2 of the constitution of the local societies which reads: "The annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held at the beginning of the Conference year," be amended by the local societies to read, "The annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held at the end of the Conference year."
- 5. Resolved, That the following be incorporated in the By-Laws of the Constitution of the Annual Society to be called By-Law No. 8. "Receipts for all moneys sent out from the local society shall be attached to the Statistical Report sent to the Conference W. Y. P. S. President.
- 6. Resolved, That the following be incorporated in the by-laws of the constitution of the Annual Society to be called By-Law No. 9. "Delegates to the Annual Convention of the W. Y. P. S. shall have proper credentials and shall have Conference dues paid in full to entitle them a place within the convention bar."
- 7. Resolved, That the following be incorporated in the By-Laws of the Annual Constitution to be called By-Law No. 10, "The books of the Conference W. Y. P. S. Treasurer shall be closed one week before the annual session of the W. Y. P. S."

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts Cash on hand, July 20, 1940 ..... \$90.05 Conference dues ..... 65.22Church Extension, Ponca City ..... 5.00 Gift ..... .15 **Disbursements** Double O Grocery ..... \$ 1.61 Rev. I. L. Conley (radio work) ..... 3.00 Rev. K. R. Meade (Conference minutes) ..... 10.00 Rev. H. K. Sheets (expense) ..... 3.25Mr. Earl Richey (Church Extension) ...... 40.00 Rev. C. R. Wilson (banner) ..... 3.80 Mary Croft (expense) ..... 1.19 Total disbursements ..... \$62.85 Amount on hand August 9, 1941 ..... \$97.57

#### AUDITING REPORT

We have examined the Treasurer's books and the President's Financial Report and have found them to be correct.

FRED ELROD, FRANCES MACY.

#### MORAL REFORM

Realizing that the members of the W. Y. P. S. will be our future Church, let us hold high our Wesleyan Methodist standards. Knowing that the coming of our Lord is near and that there are many souls yet to be won for Christ, let us, as young people of the Oklahoma Conference, purpose never to compromise.

We suggest that our lives be governed by this verse of scripture, "Abstain from all appearance of evil," 1 Thess. 5:22. Let us be holy in word, thought, and deed. Let us each possess a teachable spirit, a kindly attitude toward those who differ with us on certain issues, a spirit of willing self-denial, and have a wholesome reserve in dealing with those of the opposite sex.

Let us also refrain from attending all worldly amusements such as the dance, movies, jazz music, public swimming pools, any degrading social gathering, drink of alcoholic liquors, use of drugs or tobacco, the reading of unwholesome literature and all like things which tend to lower the morals of our youth. Let us dress as becometh godliness and decency.

MRS. JOHN McGRAW, MARY CROFT.

#### **THANKS**

Whereas God's rich blessings have rested on us during the past Conference year and we have again been permitted to gather in the annual convention, we render our heartfelt thanks to Him, and recognize our Heavenly Father as the giver of every good and perfect gift.

We express sincere appreciation to our President, Rev. Charles Wilson, for his faithful labors and for the district rallies which he, with the Vice-President, Fred Groves, planned and held. Also to Miss Mary Croft, Secretary, and Miss Florine Bourne, Treasurer, for service willingly rendered.

We greatly appreciate the privilege of meeting in the Enid church and for the warmth of their welcome to the convention. Special thanks is extended to the women of the church who have labored so efficiently in caring for our meals.

Finally, we thank the Annual Conference body for their coöperation in planning a permanent date for the W. Y. P. S. annual convention.

ROBERT MOORE, LORETTA WILSON.

# Minutes of the Eighteenth Session of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Oklahoma Conference

## OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE SOCIETY

President-Mrs. Grace Groves, Waukomis, Okla.

Vice-President-Mrs. H. K. Sheets, 916 E. Main St., Enid, Okla.

Secretary—Mrs. I. L. Conley, 411 W. Highland Ave., Ponca City, Okla.

Treasurer-Mrs. Loretta Wilson, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and Treasurer—Miss Ruth Croft, 1302 E. Maple St., Enid, Okla.

## PRESIDENTS OF LOCAL SOCIETIES

Alva-Mrs. Loretta Wilson, 621 Third St., Alva, Okla.

Blackwell-Mrs. Reba Meade, 203 W. Lincoln St., Blackwell, Okla.

Carwile-Mrs. Alice Cation, Ringwood, Okla.

Cedar Grove-Mrs. Clema Hada, Winchester, Okla.

Enid-Mrs. Iva Butts, Sixth and Oklahoma, Enid, Okla.

Etna-Mrs. Daphne Couchman, Geary, Okla.

New Hope-Mrs. Anna Boardman, Ringwood, Okla.

Ponca City—Mrs. Faye Conley, 411 W. Highland Ave., Ponca City, Okla.

Wesleyan Chapel-Mrs. Emma Bugg, Ames, Okla.

# ROLL CALL—CONFERENCE OFFICIALS, LOCAL PRESIDENTS AND DELEGATES

Mrs. Grace Groves	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. H. K. Sheets	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. I. L. Conley	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Vivian Batman	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ruth Croft	0	1	0	1	0	0
Mrs. Earl Richey	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Naomi Anthony	1	1	Λ	1	1	1

Mrs. Velma Reese	0	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Flora Fish	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Iva Butts	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Olive Smith	•	0	-	•	0	0
Mrs. Anna Boardman	0	-	_	_	1	1
Mrs. R. E. Kelly	-	1.	-	_	1	0
Mrs. Daisy Cockrell	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mrs. Ella Reed	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Earl Maddux	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. LeVerne Tolle	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs. Leonard Stangeland	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Bessie Moore						0
Mrs. Clema Hada	-	0	-	_	-	1
Mrs. Thelma Tremain	0	1	1	1	1	0
Mrs. Elva Conoway	0	1	1	1	1	1

# JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

## First Meeting, Wednesday 1:00 p. m.

Opening—The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Oklahoma Conference convened for its 18th annual session at Enid, Okla., Wednesday April 6 at 1:00 p. m. with the President, Mrs. Grace Groves presiding. Mrs. Paul Batman led in singing "Hiding in Thee." Mrs. Earl Richey had charge of devotions, reading and commenting on John 3. We were led in prayer by Mrs. May Ent and Mrs. Earl Richey.

Mrs. Anna Boardman and Mrs. I. L. Conley were elected Committee on Credentials. This committee reported the names of the following Delegates-elect: Mrs. Ella Reed, Carwile; Mrs. Earl Maddux, Wesleyan Chapel; Mrs. LeVerne Tolle, Alva; Mrs. Leonard Stangeland, Ponca City; Mrs. Bessie Moore, Blackwell; Mrs. Thelma Tremain, Enid; Mrs. Clema Hada, Cedar Grove; Mrs. Elva Conoway, New Hope.

Conference Bar—The first five rows across the east side of the church were fixed as the Conference Bar.

By vote the following committees were elected:

Nominating-Mrs. Richey, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Batman.

Courtesy-Mrs. Sheets.

Auditing-Mrs. Tolle, Mrs. McMurphy.

Plan of Work—It was voted that this committee be as previously: The Conference President, acting as Chairman and Local Presidents and Delegates as members.

Magazines-Mrs. Boardman.

Statistical—Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Ross.

Reporter-Mrs. McGraw.

Apportionment-Mrs. Sheets, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Butts.

Memorial-Mrs. Conley, Mrs. Kelly.

Special Order—Special Order was made for the election of officers for Thursday at 4:00 p. m.

It was voted to ask Miss Ruth Croft for a report of the Miltonvale Area Convention Thursday at 1:00 p. m.

The Committee on Courtesy presented Mrs. Glenn McMurphy and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

Adjourned by motion. Dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Naomi Anthony.

Second Meeting, Thursday 1:00 p. m.

Opening—Song, "My Jesus I Love Thee."

Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Leonard Stangeland, who read and commented on Luke 5. Led in prayer by Velma Reese.

Miss Ruth Croft gave a very interesting report of the Miltonvale Area Convention.

Sister Sheets led in the singing of a chorus which was used at the Convention.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Courtesy presented Mrs. Elrod.

Report of the President was given. Report adopted. See Report No. 1. Statistical reports from the following local societies were read: Etna, Alva, New Hope, Carwile, Wesleyan Chapel.

Adjourned on motion.

## Third Meeting, Thursday 4:00 p. m.

Opening—Singing "Everyday with Jesus." Let in prayer by Mrs. Ophal McGraw.

Roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

Special Order for election of officers was called. The Nominating Committee reported and the following officers were elected:

President-Mrs. Grace Groves.

Vice-President-Mrs. H. K. Sheets.

Secretary-Mrs. I. L. Conley.

Treasurer-Mrs. Loretta Wilson.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent-Miss Ruth Croft.

Statistical reports from local societies were read: Enid, Blackwell, Ponca City.

Adjourned on motion.

Dismissed with prayer by Sister Groves.

## Fourth Meeting, Friday 1:00 p. m.

Opening—Singing "Jesus Paid It All." We were led in prayer by Mrs. Emma Bugg. Roll was called. Minutes were read and approved.

Report of Committee on Plan of Work was read. This report along with the Efficiency Standard was read and adopted.

The Committee on Courtesy introduced Rev. E. F. McCarty who addressed the body concerning the interests of the Foreign Fields.

Report of the Y. M. W. B. Superintendent and Treasurer was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Adjourned on motion.

Dismissed by Sister Groves.

#### Fifth Meeting, Friday 7:00 p. m.

Public Program—A very interesting and inspirational program was presented by the Y. M. W. B. in charge of Miss Ruth Croft. Following this Rev. E. F. McCarty gave a very interesting address in which he pre-

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sented pictures of South America. An offering which was taken for the South American work amounted to \$25.70.

### Sixth Meeting, Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Opening-Singing "Wonderful Words of Life."

**Devotions**—Mrs. Ophal McGraw conducted devotions based on Galatians 1.

Roll was called.

Minutes were read and approved.

Miss Ruth Nichols addressed the group presenting the interests of the Mexican work.

Report of the Memorial Committee was read. Report adopted. See Report No. 5.

Report of Statistical Committee was read. Report adopted. See Report No. 10.

The Treasurer's Report was read.

The Report of the Auditing Committee was read. Report adopted. See Report No. 4.

The Report of the Magazine Committee was given and adopted.

Motion carried that the Foreign Missionary offering be divided equally among the nine local societies.

Motion carried that \$1.00 be voted for Secretary expense.

Motion carried that Treasurer purchase new book.

Motion carried that \$10.00 be paid on purchase of Conference Minutes.

Motion carried that Conference Church Extension Budget be increased to \$35.00.

Motion carried that \$15.00 be paid on supplies for Conference kitchen. Motion carried that \$2.50 be given Sister Batman for service as Conference Treasurer.

Motion carried that \$10.00 be given Ruth Nichols, the same to be applied on the car.

Motion carried that \$1.50 be allowed Conference President on expense for mid-year convention.

Motion carried that \$20.00 be voted to the Conference Fund.

Adjourned on motion.

Dismissed with prayer by Sister Anthony.

The various districts met and reported the following organizers:

District No. 1-Mrs. Richey, Mrs. Elrod.

District No. 2-Mrs. Rachel McMurphy.

District No. 3-Mrs. Iva Butts.

Seventh Meeting, Saturday 2:00 p. m.

Opening Meeting-Singing "I Shall Not Be Moved."

Roll call.

Report of Apportionment Committee was read. Report adopted. See Report No. 6.

Treasurer's Report adopted. See Report No. 3.

Minutes read and approved.

Adjourned by motion.

Special—A meeting of the Executive Committee was called by the President, Mrs. Grace Groves. Motion carried that five additional dollars be voted from the Treasury to apply on Ruth Nichol's car.

MRS. GRACE GROVES, President; MRS. I. L. CONLEY, Secretary.

## REPORTS

# Report No. 1 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Women of the Oklahoma Conference, Greetings:

It is with a full heart of appreciation to Christ that I come to another Conference session filled with divine love for my co-workers and a deep inner urge in my heart to press on in the missionary work.

I feel to say with Paul, "The love of Christ constraineth me" to render my very best service and to occupy till He comes.

We do have need of much Christian courage in these troubled times. The statement God made to Joshua may well be applied to us today, "Only be thou strong and very courageous." One has said, "A Christian is a mind through which Christ loves, a voice through which He speaks, and a hand through which Christ helps." May we be truly worthy of the name Christian.

Dear women, we are a small part of the great missionary Church, but we can do much to make life worth living for those in need.

I come to you regretful that I have been unable to visit each local society, but circumstances have hindered. Each society has been on my heart and my prayer has been that the Lord would help you to grow spiritually, numerically and be able to do your best financially in helping to forward the missionary cause.

The area convention at Miltonvale was a source of real knowledge and inspiration. The mid-year convention was a spiritual success and a great blessing.

I was in a convention with District Number One and would have been with District Number Three, but the days conflicted and I was unable to go.

## WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

I believe you good women are being stirred along missionary lines and I appreciate your coöperation and I believe if Jesus tarries, we shall become better organized and equipped to carry on the work that is so dear to our hearts. Let's be true to the trust that is placed in our care.

In His service,

MRS. GRACE GROVES.

## Report No. 2

## Y. M. W. B. REPORT, 1940-1941

#### Receipts

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Alva—Dues and offerings	\$ 27.54
Blackwell—Dues	1.25
Carwile—Dues and offerings	8.68
Cedar Grove—Dues and offerings	6.55
Enid—Dues and offerings	105.50
New Hope—Dues and offerings	13.01
Ponca City—Dues and offerings	30.51
Springdale—Dues	2.00
Wesleyan Chapel—Dues and offerings	21.56
Total receipts	\$216.60
Disbursements	
K. R. Meade's receipt	\$ 13.13
Mary L. Clarke's receipt	113.20
C. Floyd Hester's receipt	44.08
Total	\$170.41
Cash on hand	46.19
Total to balance	\$216.60
RUTH CROFT, Y. M. W. B. Superint	•

## Report No. 3

# W. H. & F. M. S. CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT Conference Year 1940-1941

#### Foreign Missions:

Kendi Paine		Disbursed
Undivided	-	•
Home Missions: Ruth Nichols	\$117 93	\$133 43

Undivided	38.00	41.00
Orphanage	63.37	63.37
Education	\$118.66	\$119.66
General Conference Delegate Fund:	•	•
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 16.00	
Received during the year	11.00	
Extension:		
Oklahoma Conference	\$ 25.00	\$ 17.00
Connectional	12.86	37.86
General Conf. General Fund	12.00	\$ 27.03
Conference dishwasher	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Dues	\$125.58	φ 10.00
General expense	φ123.50	\$ 2.21
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Miscellaneous	\$ 28.29	\$ 9.29
Totals	\$666.63	\$582.32
Balance on hand	φοσσ.σσ	\$ 84.86
Surplus	\$ .55	φ 01.00
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Total	\$667.18	\$667.18

# Report No. 4 REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have carefully examined the Conference W. H. & F. M. Society Treasurer's books. After checking each item we have found a surplus of 55 cents. We the committee sincerely appreciate the service of Mrs. Paul Batman throughout the year.

#### Signed:

MRS. LeVERNE TOLLE, MRS. GLENN McMURPHY.

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the Y. M. W. B. Treasurer's books and found them to be correct. We want to extend our sincere appreciation for her faithfulness in the work.

## Signed:

MRS. LeVERNE TOLLE, MRS. GLENN McMURPHY.

# Report No. 5 MEMORIAL REPORT

"Bear ye one anothers' burdens"—Gal. 6:2. In the bonds of Christian love and fellowship, we, the members of the W. H. & F. M. S. of the 40

Oklahoma Conference desire to express our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to those among us who have suffered the loss of loved ones during this past year; to Sister May Belding and family whose husband and father passed away; to Sister Mattie Fisher, who has suffered the loss of a daughter and a son; to Sister C. O. Johnson, whose son passed away; to the loved ones of Miss Ophal Sutton, Mrs. Emma Charlton, and Brother John Lenhert. May He who hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows comfort and sustain these bereaved ones. Our loss is heaven's gain.

MRS. I. L. CONLEY, MRS. R. E. KELLY.

# Report No. 6 BUDGET

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Society	Members	Gain	Ruth Nichols	Kendi Payne	Home Missions	Orphanage	Church Extension	Education	Gen. Conf. Delegate Fund	Total Budget	Goal
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Enna New Hope Ponca City Wesleyan Chapel	22 9 9 52 7 12 11	4 2 2 2 10 1 2 4 3	1.50	6.77 6.77 6.77	6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00 6.00	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00	2.42 2.42 2.42 13.60 .60 1.90 2.90	10.78 10.78 10.78	2.25 2.25 2.25 13.00	39.99 39.99 39.99 179.48 17.27 33.49 49.41	52.00 70.00 90.00 360.00 55.00 65.00
Total	133	30	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$54.00	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$163.00	\$30.25	\$543.75	\$1112.00

Signed:

MRS. H. K. SHEETS, MRS. ELLA REED MRS. J. W. BUTTS

#### Report No. 7

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ladies of the Conference: I have truly talked for our magazine and I'm glad to report four subscriptions for one year each, and the promise of one more.

Prayerfully submitted,
ANNA BOARDMAN.

## Report No. 8

#### PLAN OF WORK

The Committee on Plan of Work submits the following Plan of Work:

- 1. That the Conference Society continue the support of its native African worker.
- 2. That the Conference Society be divided into three districts: District No. 1 composed of Alva and Cedar Grove; District No. 2, New Hope, Carwile, Etna and Wesleyan Chapel; District No. 3, Blackwell, Enid, and Ponca City. One person to be chosen, by the Presidents and delegates from each district at Conference, to be responsible for arranging for the rally, and her name entered in the minutes.
- 3. That we hold one convention in the Conference during the year, to be held jointly with the Ministerial and W. Y. P. S. Convention.
- 4. Arrange with the pastor for one missionary prayer service the first week in each month, the same to be preceded by fasting.
- 5. That we contribute at least six dollars for Home Missions, the same to be sent to our Conference Treasurer, Mrs. Loretta Wilson.
- 6. Twelve meetings during the year in which prayer service is held and business transacted.
  - 7. Red Letter Days.
    - (a) Harvest Day-Educational Work.
- (b) Thanksgiving-Programs, gifts and offering for Home Missions.
- (c) World Day of Prayer—That we coöperate in observing the World Day of Prayer.
  - 8. Use the Study Book.
  - 9. Read the Plan of Work and Efficiency Standard once each quarter.
- 10. Go definitely against tobacco advertisements in the papers, and its uses, also alcoholic drinks.
- 11. Pay twenty-five cents per member for the expenses of our representatives to General Conference, one of whom is expected to visit each local society later, her traveling expenses to be borne by the Conference.
- 12. Contribute at least five dollars to Hephzibah Orphanage, the same to be sent to our Conference Treasurer, also fill a gift box after learning the needs.
- 13. One public meeting in which each local society renders an annual program. A special offering be taken for the support of Medical Missions.
- 14. That we continue the support of Ruth Nichols at Oceanside, California unless conditions require a change.
- 15. Pay the registration fee for the Conference officials out of the general fund.
- 16. The local Delegate shall check the statistical report with the Conference Treasurer before the same is read publicly.

## Report No. 9

#### EFFICIENCY STANDARD

- 1. Arrange with the Pastor for one missionary prayer service the first week of each month at which service a missionary offering is taken.
- 2. Ten meetings held during the year in which prayer service is held and business transacted.
  - 3. Red Letter Days:
    - (a) Harvest Day-Educational Work.
- (b) Thanksgiving-Programs, gifts and offering for Home Missions.
- (c) World Day of Prayer—That we coöperate in observing the World Day of Prayer.
- (d) May Day—Gift Day. Bandages and such gifts as can be sent with outgoing missionaries or used in our Home field.
  - (e) Self-denial Month-April.
  - 4. One public meeting.
- 5. Correspond with missionaries through Corresponding Secretary of each society.
- 6. The President a subscriber to the Wesleyan Methodist and Missionary, also Secretary and Treasurer and 50% of the members taking the Missionary Magazine; also a magazine solicitor elected for each local society.
  - 7. Report blanks properly filled out on time.
- 8. The local society instruct the Delegate the amount to pledge for the Society at Conference for Camp Meeting expense.
  - 9. A Superintendent and fully organized Y. M. W. B.
  - 10. A ten per cent gain in membership.
- 11. The Conference Treasurer's books to be closed at least twelve days before Conference at which time all money must be sent in and the purpose designated.
  - 12. Ten points to be given for raising the missionary budget.
  - 13. Ten points to be given for reaching the money goal.
  - 14. Ten points to be given for raising the salary for Ruth Nichols.
- 15. Each society pay one dollar to take care of dish washing during Conference.

Each item counts ten, making a possible score of 150.

## Report No. 10

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

Receipts										
Society	Active Members	Honorary Members	Members Gain	Members Loss	Regular Meetings Held	Special Meetings Held	Do You Use Missionary Programs	Wesleyan Missionary's Taken	Cash on Hand From Last Year	Membership Dues
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Wesleyan Chapel Springdale	22 9 9 52 7 12 11	1	3 4 2 2 26  7	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	22 23 40 12 25  32 25 18	 1 15	Yes No No No No No No No Yes	12 8 1 8 32 1 1 12 9	\$ .50 .27	9.00 52.00 2.00 7.00 12.00
Totals	122	1	44	3	197	31	1	84	\$6.32	\$133.55

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

Receipts										
Society	Offerings	Labor	Clothing and Other Gifts to Home Work	Bandages and Other Gifts to Foreign Work	Gen. Conf. Delegate Fund	Miscellaneous	Total			
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Wesleyan Chapel Springdale	\$ 72.94   17.66   7.67   64.13   115.60   3.81   19.22   65.43   19.81	30.43	3.00 65.78 5.00 47.10	8.25 2.60	1.00	5.00 1.26 115.66 36.15	67.10 84.38 351.91 53.90 61.65 166.18			
Totals	\$386.27	\$166.51	\$172.63	\$15.62	\$6.75	\$179.17	\$1066.82			

## WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

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

Disbursements												
Society	Undivided	Home, Cash	Home, Clothing and Other Gifts	Hephzibah, Cash	Hephzibah, Provisions	Foreign, Cash	Foreign, Bandages and Other Gifts	Medical Students				
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Wesleyan Chapel Springdale Totals		\$25.59 4.00 11.07 14.25 40.90 9.10 7.21 13.56 16.87	65.78 41.60 20.00	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 15.36 5.00	3.00	3.10 14.29 16.36 1.75	\$4.77					

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

Disbursements													
Society	Education, Cash	Education, Provisions	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	General Delegate Fund	Conference Church Extension	Cash on Hand	Total	Efficiency Standard in %			
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Wesleyan Chapel Springdale Totals	\$19.50 6.80 7.13 15.38 33.00 10.84 13.88 13.13	\$5.05	\$19.61 18.00 32.00 77.60 12.76 5.60 5.74	\$11.00 4.50 4.77 4.50 26.00 1.00 3.50 6.00 5.50	\$17.02 8.60 8.91 1.00 23.13 1.00 2.30 39.49 12.50	\$5.50 1.00 4.25	\$5.00 1.26 2.00 .75 1.80 13.06 2.00	1.62 1.00 10.35 2.07 2.62	\$164.43 67.10 84.38 351.91 53.90 61.65	150 75 136 100 82			

Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Band	No. of Members	No. of Meetings Held	Dues	Offerings	Education	Total
Alva Blackwell Carwile Cedar Grove Enid Etna New Hope Ponca City Wesleyan Chapel Springdale	12 7 7 12 26  22 10 20	36 45 50 52	3.68 3.80 90.50 10.43 5.33	\$ 1.25 2.75  12.05	5.00 15.00 2.58 13.13 1.00	1.25 8.68 6.55 105.50 13.01 30.51
Totals	116	259	\$126.48	\$32.91	\$57.21	\$216.60