Minutes

of the

Fifty-Sixth Annual Session

of the

South Georgia Conference

of the

Wesleyan Methodist Church of America

held at

Hortense, Georgia

August 13-15, 1951



South Georgia Conference

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President—Rev. W. T. Brinson, 911 Howard St., Savannah, Ga.
Vice President—Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth, 814 L St., Waycross, Ga.
Secretary—Mrs. Okay Highsmith, 2204 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.
Treasurer—Mr. M. T. Scott, R. D. 1, Hortense, Ga.
Sunday School Secretary—Mr. J. M. Roberson, Hortense, Ga.
Educational Secretary—Rev. C. M. Payne, Ashburn, Ga.
Librarian—Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth, 814 L St., Waycross, Ga.
Tithing Secretary—Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth, 814 L St., Waycross, Ga.
Secretary of Child Evangelism—Mrs. D. M. Hodge, Screven, Ga.
Secretary of Men's Evangelistic Fellowship—Rev. J. M. Merrell, Jesup, Ga.
Pension Plan Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. C. M. Payne, 310 Gordon St.,
Ashburn, Ga.

CONFERENCE ROLL

Elders on Stationed List

- · F. H. Harris, Odum, Ga.
 - W. W. Wigglesworth, 814 L St., Waycross, Ga.
 - C. M. Payne, 310 Gordon St., Ashburn, Ga.
 - E. C. Hord, 711 4th St. N., Cordele, Ga.
 - A. C. Legg, 1110 Margaret St., Waycross, Ga.
 - L. C. Douthit, 446 Price St., Savannah, Ga.
 - Mack Thompson, 2309 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.

James Miller, Intercession City, Fla.

Jack C. Osborn, Intercession City, Fla.

- W. T. Brinson, 911 Howard St., Savannah, Ga.
- E. C. Moon, R. D. 1, Alamo, Ga.
- F. L. Ellrod, Hortense, Ga.

Elders on Superannuated List

Mrs. G. H. Doty, 117 9th St., Tifton, Ga.

- H. R. Gunby, 943 Gilbert St. S. E., Atlanta, Ga.
- J. M. Merrell, R. D. 2, Jessup, Ga.
- R. C. Crossman, R. D. 6, Coldwater, Mich.

Elders on Supernumary List

W. M. Sigafoes, 321 Forrest Ave., Savannah, Ga. J. A. Cowart, R. D. 1, Milan, Ga.

General Evangelists

L. C. Douthit, 446 Price St., Savannah, Ga. A. C. Legg, 1110 Margaret St., Waycross, Ga.

Conference Evangelists

Jack C. Osborn, Intercession City, Fla. James A. Miller, Intercession City, Fla. Webster Williams, Intercession City, Fla.

Conference Song Evangelists

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Parrish, R. D. 2, Adele, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright, 2309 Ellis St., Brunswick, Ga.

Annual Conference Preachers

Dennis Carter, 1117 Waller St., Waycross, Ga. Webster Williams, Intercession City, Fla. Neal Palmer, 101 E. 8th St., Tifton, Ga. Miss Lala Sports, Odum, Ga.

Supernumary Annual Conference Preachers

G. C. Gilliard, R. D. 4, Waycross, Ga.

Mrs. J. F. Skelton, Savannah, Ga.

Lay Delegates

Mrs. Neal Palmer, Tifton, Ga.

Mrs. Allie Deen, R. D. 4, Alma, Ga.
C. C. Adams, Hortense, Ga.

Mrs. D. W. Pope, R. D. 2, Norman Park, Ga.

Mrs. G. C. Gilliard, R. D. 4, Waycross, Ga.
C. C. Harris, Screven, Ga.

Mrs. W. W. Wigglesworth, 814 L St., Waycross, Ga.

Mrs. E: R: Watts, 83 Glynnville, Brunswick, Ga.

Mrs. Pearl Sapp, Blythe Island, Brunswick, Ga.
C. N. Knight, 2607 Union St., Brunswick, Ga.

Mrs. A. J. McGraw, 2907 Norwich St., Brunswick, Ga.

Mrs. R. T. Anderson, 2118 Vermont Ave., Savannah, Ga.

W. D. Browning, R. D. 3, Dublin, Ga.

Miss Leonis Cowart

H. F. Williams

Mrs. Kate Stephens, 131 12th Ave. E., Cordele, Ga.

W. J. Davis, Ashburn, Ga.

G. E. Akridge, 405 McLendon St., Ashburn, Ga.

Nathan Poppell, Odum, Ga.

OFFICIAL BOARDS

F. H. Harris	954
Member of Board of Managers of Central College	
C. M. Payne	954
H. R. GunbyTerm expires 19	954
Board of Trustees	
Frank H. Harris	952
Mack Thompson Term expires 19	952
William J. DavisTerm expires 19	953
William W. WigglesworthTerm expires 19	

Standing Committees

James M. RobersonTerm expires 1954

Advisory Committee-F. H. Harris, Nathan Poppell

Judiciary Committee-C. M. Payne, Mack Thompson, W. M. Sigafoes, W. W. Wigglesworth

Vacancies—C. M. Payne, Mack Thompson, H. R. Gunby, Nathan Poppell, Cecil Adams

Sunday School Board—J. M. Roberson, Mack Thompson, Mrs. Nellie Long Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee—Ghairman, C. M. Payne; Vice Chairman, W. T. Brinson; Other Members, E. C. Hord, Mack Thompson, W. J. Davis

Missionary Board-F. H. Harris, Mack Thompson

Greater South Georgia Campaign Committee—F. H. Harris, Mack Thompson, C. M. Payne, W. T. Brinson, W. M. Sigafoes

Standing Rules

- No. 1. The Conference Treasurer is authorized to close his books two weeks before the opening date of Conference, therefore all receipts and monies should be in his hands by that time if credit on the Statistical Report is desired.
- No. 2. The President, after his fourth round of Quarterly Conferences, shall mail the delegates' credentials to the Conference Secretary who shall be the Committee on Credentials. It shall be his duty to prepare the roll before Conference convenes.
- No. 3. All persons introduced to the Conference shall be given honorary seats with the right to speak on all questions, but not to vote.
- No. 4. The office expense of the President and the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be paid by the Conference. Also all conference supplies shall be purchased by the conference.
- No. 5. The Secretary and the Treasurer shall be paid twenty-five dollars per year for their services.
 - No. 6. The Conference Treasurer shall be bonded each year.
- No. 7. An abbreviated form of the Pastors' Statistical Report shall be used for conference reading.
- No. 8. The annual Conference shall elect a Nominating Committee of three to meet prior to the next Annual Conference and nominate the working committees for the session.
- No. 9. The Conference President and the Board of Trustees shall constitute a Committee for the Building and Location of Churches and Parsonages.
- No. 10. Each pastor shall be allowed time out from his duties as pastor to hold two revivals each year if he so desires. The church he serves as pastor shall not withhold his salary while he is absent on such authorized revival. In case any extra expense is involved in filling the pulpit while the pastor is engaged in the said revival such extra expense shall be paid by the church whose pastor is absent holding the revival."

Roll of Honored Dead

Ministers

Rev. Mrs. Sarah Howard	1934
Rev. James A. Johnson	1935
Rev. W. M. Lee	1939
Rev. G. H. Doty	1942
Rev. Arthur W. Osgood	1947
Rev. John D. Patterson	1949
Rev. J. B. Lastinger	1949
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Lay Members	
B. F. Howard	1913
A. H. S. Deen	1904
F. M. Nuttall	1910
Mamie Kersey	1917
Eliza Boyd	
W. R. Sapp	1920
Mary Lee	1925
Mildred Kersey	1930
Maggie Spell	1930
Eliza Hightower	1931
Agnes Graham	1932
Thomas W. Kersey	1933
Elizabeth Taylor	1934
Awelia James	1935
T. J. Green	1936
Fannie Sapp	1936
Sarah F. Deen Pope	1937
Laura Sumlin	1937
Lerica Ryals	1937
Ira L. Pope	1941
F. M. Tyre	1943

Roll of Honored Dead

Mary Etta Smith	1943
William Lee	1943
Frank Spell	1943
Emity H. Ahl	1944
William H. Ahl	
J. D. Williams	
Amanda Williams	
Texas Williams	
Stephen Aldridge	
Flora Aldridge	
Mrs. Christine Loggins	1945
Mrs. Ella Spivey	1947
D. M. Hodge	1947
Sallie Lee	1948
A. J. McGraw	1948
John Rowland Pierce	1948
J. J. Sapp	1949
Mrs. J. D. Patterson	1950
Mrs. A. F. Scott	1950
Henry Willis	1950
George Lewis	1950
Katherine Knight	1950
F. A. Lewis	1950
Brother Bohanna	1951
Sister Bohanna	1951
Esther Mussho	1951

Journal of Daily Proceedings

Monday Night, August 13

The Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. W. T. Brinson.

The Ellrod Brothers of the S. C. Conference were in charge of the music and singing. Rev. J. R. Swauger, Our Home Missionary Secretary, brought a message from Psalms 84:6, on the "Valley of Baca."

Tuesday Morning, August 14

The song service was led by J. T. Strickland. The Scripture was read by F. H. Harris. A Communion Service was observed.

The business meeting was called to order by the President.

The roll of Elders and Annual Conference Preachers was called. The Committee on Credentials reported and the roll of lay delegates was called. This report was adopted. In the absence of Mrs. Valene Bennett, Mrs. Allie Deen was seated as alternate delegate. In the absence of Mrs. Della Hanson, Mrs. Neal Palmer was seated as alternate delegate.

The Conference Bar was set to include the first three seats across the tabernacle, except the left side, and the first three on the side.

The Committee on Nominations gave a report, which was adopted. (See Reports).

The Committee on Courtesy reported and Rev. J. R. Swauger, Home Missionary Secretary, was introduced to the Conference and spoke words of greeting.

A motion prevailed that Brother Swauger be asked to preside during the remainder of the Conference. Brother Swauger presided.

W. M. Sigafoes resigned from the Committee on Statistics. His resignation was accepted and this vacancy referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Committee on Courtesy reported and Mrs. Padgett and Mrs. Harrison were introduced to the Conference. Also introduced were the Ellrod Brothers of the S. C. Conference, who gave words of testimony.

A motion was carried that all persons introduced to the conference be honorary members of the Conference with the right to speak on all matters.

The Committee on Moral Reform gave a report which was adopted and voted to be offered to the Wesleyan Methodist for publication. (see reports).

The President's report was given and adopted. (See Reports).

The Committee on Nominations gave an additional report, and C. C. Harris was added to the Committee on Statistics.

A motion prevailed that the Committee on Public Worship be responsible for the orders of the day.

The report of the Committee on Tithing was given and adopted. (see Reports).

The report of the Committee on Education was given and adopted. (see Reports).

The Committee on Public Worship gave a report which was adopted, as follows: Election of officers, 3 o'clock Tuesday p. m.; General Address, 7:45 p. m. Tuesday; Educational address, 10:30 a. m., Wednesday; Orphanage Address, 11 o'clock Wednesday Morning; Public Missionary Service, 7:45 Wednesday Night.

The Committee on Courtesy reported and J. T. Strickland and Lonnie Strickland were introduced to the Conference and gave words of greetings.

The report of the Committee on Memorials was given and adopted. (See Reports). The time for the Memorial service was referred to the Committee on Public Worship.

The hours of the Conference were adopted as follows; to convene at 8:30 A. M. until 11:45, to meet again at 1:00, to adjourn by motion.

Adjourned by motion.

Tuesday Afternoon

The song service was led by Bobbie Jean Watts. The devotions were conducted by Brother Ellrod. The Conference was called to order by the Chairman. The roll was called and approved.

A motion prevailed that the Conference approve the revision of Article V in the Discipline as stated in the recommendation read by Rev. Swauger as follows; "Article V. THE SUFFICIENCY AND FULL AUTHORITY OF THE SCRIPTURES. 12. The Holy Scriptures contain all things necessary to salvation; so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an article of faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation. In the name of the Holy Scriptures, we do undertstand the books of the Old and New Testaments. These Scriptures we do hold to be the inspired and infallibly written Word of God, fully inerrant in their original manuscripts and superior to all human authority.

The Canonical books of the Old Testament are;

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, I Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, The Song of Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi.

The Canonical Books of the New Testament are:

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, The Acts, The Epistle to the Romans, I Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, I Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, I Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, Revelation.

Psalms 19:7; Luke 24:27; John 17:17; Acts 17:2, 11; Rom. 1:2; 15:4; 16:26; Gal. 1:8; I Thess. 2:13; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 4:12; James 1:21; 1 Peter 1:23; 2 Peter 1:19-21; Rev. 22; 14, 19."

A partial report of the Pastoral Relations Committee's report was given. A partial report of the Auditing Committee was given, stating that the books of the treasurer had been examined and found to be correctly kept. This report was accepted, automatically adopting the treasurer's report. (See Reports.)

A recommendation was made by the Auditing Committee that the Conference Treasurer be bonded each year and that this be made Standing Rule No. 6.

The Committee on Courtesy reported and Brother George Davis of Hephzibah Orphanage was introduced.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Sunday School Secretary was given by Mack Thompson for J. M. Roberson and adopted by the Conference. (See Reports)

A motion was made that the Conference President be relieved of duties as a pastor, that he hold all four quarterly conferences, on weekends, and that he hold revivals throughout the conference, and organize new churches. A motion that this report be referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations was lost. The original motion was lost. A motion prevailed that we reconsider the question of referring the above motion to a Committee for special study. A motion was carried that a committee of five elders be elected to study the duties of the Conference President. A motion prevailed that the chair appoint this committee. F. H. Harris, Mack Thompson, C. M. Payne, W. T. Brinson, W. M. Sigafoes were appointed.

The Committee on Courtesy reported and D. L. Jones, Field Representative of Central College was introduced to the Conference.

A motion prevailed that the use of the pastor's abbreviated form of the statistical blank for Conference reading be made Standing Rule No. 7.

The name of F. H. Harris was called and his report given. The

name of W. W. Wigglesworth was called and his character was passed. Letters from R. C. Crossman were read by the Secretary and President, and his character was passed. The following names were called, their reports given and their characters passed: C. M. Payne, E. C. Hord, A. C. Legg, Mack Thompson. A letter from Brother Jack C. Osborn and Brother Jim Miller was read by the secretary who was instructed to answer. W. M. Sigafoes and W. T. Brinson gave their reports and their characters were passed. The name of Mrs. G. H. Doty was called and her character was passed. H. R. Gunby and J. M. Merrell gave their reports and their characters were passed. A five minute recess was taken.

Conference was called to order by the Chairman. The time for the election of officers arrived. Dennis Carter and Neal Palmer were appointed reading tellers, and Grover Gilliard, distributing teller. The following officers were elected:

President-W. T. Brinson

Vice President-W. W. Wigglesworth

Secretary-Mrs. Okay Highsmith

Treasurer-M. T. Scott

Trustees—(three year term to expire 1954): William W. Wigglesworth, James M. Roberson

Member nominated for Board of Managers of Central College—C. M. Payne. Reserve Member—H. R. Gunby

The following were elected by acclamation:

Sunday School Secretary-J. M. Roberson

Educational Secretary-C. M. Payne

Conference Librarian-W. W. Wigglesworth

Tithing Secretary-W. W. Wigglesworth

Secretary of Child Evangelism-Mrs. D. M. Hodge

Secretary of Mens' Evangelistic Fellowship-J. M. Merrell

Pension Plan Secretary and Treasurer-C. M. Payne

Member of Committee on Itineracy and Orders (four year term)— J. M. Merrell

Advisory Committee-F. H. Harris, Nathan Poppell

Judiciary Committee—C. M. Payne, Mack Thompson, W. M. Sigafoes, W. W. Wigglesworth

Committee on Vacancies—C. M. Payne, Mack Thompson, H. R. Gunby, Nathan Poppell, Cecil Adams

Sunday School Board-J. M. Roberson, Chairman; Mack Thompson, Mrs. Nellie Long

Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee—Chairman, C. M. Payne; Vice Chairman, W. T. Brinson; Other Members, E. C. Hord, Mack Thompson, W. J. Davis

Missionary Board-F. H. Harris, Mack Thompson

A motion was carried that the Annual Conference shall elect a

Committee of three to meet prior to the Annual Conference and nominate the working committees for the session, and that this be made a standing rule number eight.

The following Nominating Committee was elected: C. M. Payne, W. W. Wigglesworth, C. C. Harris

C. C. Harris resigned from the Statistical Committee. His resignation was accepted and the Committee on Nominations made an additional report. Neal Palmer and Grover Gilliard were elected on this committee.

A motion was carried that an Annual Ministers meeting be held each year under the supervision of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

A motion to adjourn was carried.

Tuesday Night

Brother J. R. Swauger, Home Missionary Secretary, brought the Denominational Address. His text was 330 E. Onondaga Street, Syracuse, New York. He finished his message with the needs of Home Missions and a plea for the South Georgia Conference to move out and grow. Recommendations for "A greater South Georgia Conference Campaign" were read, and \$684.00 was raised in cash and pledges for this fund.

Wednesday Morning, August 15

The Devotions were conducted by A. C. Legg. The roll was called. The minutes were read and corrected. A letter and the tithing report of Rev. W. W. Wigglesworth were read by the Secretary. This report was adopted. A letter from Mrs. Padgett of the Coffee Charge was read and referred to the Pastoral Relations Committee.

The Committee on Courtesy reported and Rev. Snellgrove of the Faith Temple Church of Waycross was introduced.

A motion prevailed that the Orders of the Day be changed to hear the Orphanage Address by Brother Davis at ten o'clock. A motion prevailed that Brother Jones of Central College speak at 10:30.

The names of J. A. Cowart, G. C. Gilliard, Dennis Carter were called, and their characters were passed.

The report of the Committee on the Duties of the Conference President was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

A motion was carried that the Committee on the Greater South Georgia Conference Campaign direct the disbursing of the finances collected for this fund.

The following names were called, their reports given, and their characters passed: Webster Williams, Neal Palmer, Miss Lala Sports, L. C. Douthit, E. C. Moon.

The time for the Orders of the Day arrived and Brother George Dayis spoke on the Hephzibah Orphanage.

The time for the Orders of the Day arrived, and Brother D. L. Jones spoke on Central College.

The report of the Committee on Itineracy and Elders Orders was given by F. H. Harris, and adopted by the Conference.

A motion prevailed that all books borrowed from the Conference Library be returned as soon as possible.

A motion was carried that the Conference Board of Trustees and the President of the Conference shall constitute a committee for the Building and Location of churches and parsonages, and that this shall be made Standing Rule number Nine.

A motion prevailed that the report of the Apportionment Committee not be read, but adopted with the secretary instructed to make any necessary corrections.

The second reading of the Pastoral Relations Committee was given.

A motion prevailed that the Conference Memorial service be held in connection with the regular Camp Meeting Memorial service.

A motion prevailed that the Conference President and his Advisory Board be given the authority to see into the matter of a charter for the South Georgia Conference with the authority to act in securing one of needed.

Adjourned by limitaion of time.

Wednesday Afternoon

The song service was led by W. C. Wright. The Devotions were read by W. M. Sigafoes.

J. R. Swauger had to leave, so W. T. Brinson presided.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and corrected.

The report of the treasurer of the Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

A letter from Mrs. W. J. Davis was read by the secretary, concerning the house on the Ashburn Campgrounds, and voted to be referred to the Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee.

The Committee on Examining Church Record Books gave a report which was adopted.

The report of the W.Y.P.S. Election was given by W. C. Wright, and adopted by the conference. (See Reports.)

The report of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright, as song evangelists, was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Pension Plan Secretary and Treasurer was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Committee on Child Evangelism was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

A motion prevailed that before a member is granted a letter from a church after the church budget has been assessed, that he be requested to pay his part of the budget.

The report of the Mens' Missionary League was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

A report of the Auditing Committee was given and adopted. (See Reports.)

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

Brother M. T. Scott gave a report of the Conference Entertainment, which was adopted. A motion prevailed that all preachers, lay delegates, W.M.S. Presidents and delegates be assessed \$3.00 each for the next Annual Conference Entertainment. A motion prevailed that Brother Scott, Sister Lewis, and Sister Long be given \$8.00 each for their part in entertainment of Conference.

A motion was carried to recess for Committee Work.

The Chairman called the Conference to order.

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

A recess was taken.

The Chairman called the conference to order.

A motion prevailed that only the totals of the statistical report be given. This report was given and adopted with minor corrections to be made. (See Reports.)

The report of the Ashburn Camp Meeting Committee was given and adopted.

A motion prevailed that 300 copies of the minutes be published. A motion prevailed that the Secretary be reporter of the Conference.

The Nominating Committee nominated Miss Lala Sports a committee on post office addresses. She was elected.

The minutes were read and corrected.

A motion to adjourn prevailed.

Reports

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Chairman, Members of the South Georgia Conference now in session at Hortense Campground, and friends; it is in a spirit of deep gratitude and humility that I sumit the following report;

At the last session of your Annual Conference you elected me to the office of president, and I assure you that I accepted with a sincere appreciation and a keen sense of unworthiness to fill such a great responsible position. Only after much prayer and waiting on the Lord I entered into that great field of labor and the Lord has been very kind and gracious to me in the great work. He has given unto us solutions for at least some of the problems that have been ours, and I believe that He will continue to do so. How we thank Him for what He has done!

There has been no resignation of any of the pastors, but instead there has been whole-hearted cooperation. (Now a great big hearty thankyou, my dear brethren, with a prayer for God's richest blessings upon you.) Our pastors have laboured sacrificially in their fields to advance the cause over which God gave them oversight. There has been no deaths in the ministerial family of the conference and again we bow our heads and thank Him who doeth all things well. Our retired ministers have all survived and are with us still. Brethren, they are part of our conference still and our hats should be off to them, not only for what they have done, but for what they mean now. They are part of our responsibility. Let's discharge it nobly and support them always with a full pension budget.

I must mention in this report and that, with great sorrow and deep sympathy that awful tragedy that came to our beloved Woman's Conference Missionary President, Mrs. J. D. Day, along with four other members of the highly respected Day family. To them we extend our deep sympathy and pledge to them our continued prayers.

I have made four visits to each of our churches and charges, and held all four of the quarterly conferences. I have endeavored with all my ability to advance the great cause of Christ, and to promote the work of the conference by encouraging the classes to hold up Wesleyan standards which we believe to be scriptural in every sense of the word. I have plead with all my might with the people to adhere strictly to our Wesleyan Methodist book of Discipline. It is with pleasure that I can state that the people as a whole have responded to the exhortation wonderfully.

There has been revival efforts in most of the Churches with some good results. Many of our church buildings have been repaired and made

much more presentable. Some have installed new pews, renovated, and put on new roofs along with some other work. Brethren, I am sure that if we walk in the light there will be unity, and united we stand and accomplish great things for the Master. We have a great future. Let's grasp our opportunity and go forward as one big army, conquering and to conquer.

Most of the churches and charges are coming up with full budgets. Some will show an increase in membership. Again I am grateful.

I made two special trips, one to Cordele, and one to Sylvester to council with and to lend assistance to our good faithful pastors, which was a pleasure.

I attended the meeting of Conference Presidents held in Charlotte, N. C. March 13-15, 1951. This was a great source of inspiration and help to me. I am grateful for our staff of General Officers, for they are great and godly men.

Again it was a great pleasure for me to represent you, along with my dear brother Nathan Poppell, the lay delegate, at the General Conference held on the beautiful campground at Fairmount, Ind. This was indeed a great gathering. The inspiration, fellowship, and mutual feelings were great. It makes one feel good to know that he is part of such a great body.

I helped one of our good pastors in a revival May 1-11. This meeting was blessed by the Lord and the results were beneficial.

The conference tent has been in use in Norman Park, Ga. in an effort to establish a work there. The Rev. Neal E. Palmer was the laborer in that effort. God bless Brother Palmer at least a thousand times! Brethren, the Lord is moving, and the fields are getting ready to yield a great harvest. Unity is the key to success, and obedience is better than sacrifice. Love never fails.

We launched a new move in the conference April 24-26, 1951 which proved to be owned of the Lord. That was a Ministerial Convention held in the Waycross Church with Dr. O. G. Wilson as the main speaker. All said that it was profitable, and voted that it should be made an annual event.

On August 20, 1950, I received the credentials of the Rev. Neal E. Palmer from the Church of the Nazarene.

On August 22, 1950, I received the church letters of the Rev. and Mrs. Neal E. Palmer from the Church of the Nazarene. I turned them over to the Tifton Church and they were duly received as members by the Tifton Church.

On November 1, 1950, I gave to Rev. Dennis Carter an order, authorizing him to administer the Sacraments and to solemnize matrimony.

On November 3, 1950, I gave the following elders transfers to the

Florida Conference; Rev. Mrs. C. E. Shaw, Rev. J. T. Strickland, Rev. L. E. Fransisco.

On November 8, 1950, I gave Rev. G. C. Gilliard, conference preacher, a transfer to the Florida Conference. Some time later he returned the transfer to me, stating that he never presented it to the President of the Florida Conference, his desire being to remain in the South Georgia Conference.

On November 2, 1950, I mailed a check to the Rev. Rickard to pay principle and interest on note. Rev. Rickard promptly mailed to me the note marked paid. I turned it over to the Conference Treasurer.

Immediately after the last session of Conference, I appointed The Rev. H. R. Gunby as supply pastor of Browning Church.

November 22, 1950, I relieved the Rev. H. R. Gunby as supply pastor of Browning Church. On November 22, 1950, I appointed the Rev. Miss Lala Sports as pastor of Browning Church.

January 2, 1951, I granted the Rev. C. E. Shaw a transfer to the Florida Conference.

January 20, 1951, I gave Rev. C. L. Wireman a transfer to the Florida

January 30, 1951, I also gave Rev. Foster Piatt, conference preacher, a transfer to the Florida Conference.

I am happy to state that in all official acts I secured the concurrence of the President's Advisory Board.

Financial Report of President

Received;		
Salary Gifts For Office Expense	\$730.37 7.50 15.00	
Total Received		\$752.87
Expense;	•	,
Traveling Office expense	\$350.00 18.00	
Total Expense		\$368.00
Respectfully and humbly	submitted	l .

W. T. Brinson, Conference President

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Pastoral Relations Committee—Elders: F. H. Harris, W. W. Wigglesworth, A. C. Legg; Laymen: Nathan Poppell, C. C. Adams, W. D. Browning.

Public Worship—W. T. Brinson, Mrs. E. R. Watts Moral Reform—L. C. Douthit, Mrs. R. T. Anderson Tithing—E. C. Hord, Mrs. Kate Stephens Courtesy—Mack Thompson, H. R. Gunby Education—Miss Lala Sports, Miss Leonis Cowart Character—C. M. Payne, W. J. Davis Thanks—Neal Palmer, Mrs. D. W. Pope Auditing—H. R. Gunby, C. C. Harris Statistics—Neal Palmer, G. C. Gilliard Apportionment—E. C. Hord Memorials—F. H. Harris, Mrs. W. W. Wigglesworth Sunday Schools—E. C. Moon, Mrs. Pearl Sapp

Sunday Schools—E. C. Moon, Mrs. Pearl Sapp Secrecy—Mack Thompson, G. E. Akridge

Committee to inspect Quarterly Conference Minutes and church records—Dennis Carter, Mrs. Allie Deen

Post Office Addresses-Miss Lala Sports

C. M. Payne, W. J. Davis, Committee

COMMITTEE ON DUTIES OF THE CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

Your Special Committee appointed to study the duties of the Conference President met in two different sittings to consider the problem.

We feel that this is a very serious matter and ought to be given extended thought before a final conclusion is reached.

We discover that the key problem revolves around finances, and that until this problem is solved there is not a great deal that can be done.

If a president were to be sent into the field for full-time Conference duties exclusively three things would have to be supplied:

1. A place of residence. 2. Finance to pay a living salary. 3. Finance to pay operating expenses.

Because of our present inadequate finance we cannot feel free to recommend a full time president at this time, however serious we may recognize the need.

On the other hand, because of the urgency of the situation we do not feel that things ought to be allowed to drift on without any effort on our part to remedy the condition. We therefore propose the following recommendation, as a start toward rebuilding our Conference:

- 1. That a campaign to be known as "A greater South Georgia Conference Campaign" be inaugurated to be promoted by the Conference President and his special committee.
- 2. That this Special Committee be continued through the year to be known as the "Greater South Georgia Campaign Committee." It shall be the duty of this: (1) To further study the matter of a full time President. (2) To locate a suitable residence for purchase or rent for a Conference President's home. (3) To seek ways of financing the expenses involved and (4) to promote actively, the Greater South Georgia Campaign. This committee shall meet at least once every quarter and more often if it so elects.
- 3. That a special "Greater South Georgia Conference Campaign Fund" be established as a beginning of the effort to help the "Greater South Georgia Campaign." This fund shall be established by an initial gift of \$100.00 from the Department of Home Missions, by gifts of \$5.00 or more from each church in the conference, by gifts from individuals and by a budget of twenty-five cents per member from each church in the conference, said budget to be paid before the end of the first quarter.
- 4. That a standing rule be added as follows: "Each pastor shall be allowed time out from his duties as pastor to hold two revivals each year if he so desires. The church he serves as pastor shall not withhold his salary while he is absent on such authorized revivals. In case any extra expense is involved in filling the pulpit while the pastor is engaged in the said revival such extra expense shall be paid by the church whose pastor is absent holding the revival.

W. T. Brinson, F. H. Harris, Mack Thompson, W. M. Sigafoes, C. M. Payne.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

For the fifth Sunday in October, 1950 a convention program was planned by the Sunday School Secretary, with the approval of the Sunday School Board.

The subject of this program was "Building the Sunday School." This convention was held at the Mt. Pleasant church near Alma, with a very good attendance. All that took part on the program did splendid with their assigned subjects.

Also for the fifth Sunday in April, 1951 a convention of the same subject was planned. This convention was held with the Savannah Church, but was not so well attended, but commendation is due to those who did attend and gave their subjects so well.

Sunday School Secretary's Expenses

Postage and writing material	\$3.59 4.39
Total	\$7.98
Total offerings received	\$8.11

These convention programs are not planned just for those who are assigned subjects, but are for everyone who can possibly attend. They are planned for the help and upbuilding of the Sunday School as a whole.

To the one that is elected as Sunday School Secretary, please each local secretary co-operate towards getting out the quarterly reports and in other ways toward building up the schools, and organizing more. I would like for arrangements to be made throughout the conference to help take care of the Sunday School Secretary's travel and other expenses.

J. M. Roberson

EDUCATION TODAY

Our country and our nation has realized, to a great extent, the need of an educated people. We can see the progress that has been in the last few years to educate our people. We see modern school rooms and trained teachers ready and prepared to do the job sufficiently. They have realized the truth combined in Horace Mann's words, "If America is to succeed she must educate her people."

This is not only true, but the church and the ministry is realizing the need of preparation. We are instructed by Paul in II Timothy 2:15 to "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the words of truth."

God has raised up colleges in our midst to train our preachers. Central College, Marion, and others are doing a splendid job toward reaching this goal. We in the Wesleyan Church are responsible to God for our schools. We must support them with our money, faith, and prayers. We must send our young people to them as students. Then we will be rewarded in the South Georgia Conference with an educated ministry. Have you prayed for our schools? Let us today determine that we shall take upon our hearts, our schools' needs. May we be faithful to God that we may know that we have done our best for Jesus' sake.

Rev. Miss Lala Sports

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CHILD EVANGELISM

I feel Child Evangelism is the one great organization of our Wesleyan Methodist Church. The Bible is so very sadly neglected in many homes today. Our children are our most valuable possessions and we cannot afford to let their lives be filled with worldly literature. To place the Bible in the children's hands and to teach them to read and appreciate the Bible is indeed, not only a wonderful opportunity, but a grave responsibility. We trust that each church in our conference will have several ladies who will volunteer to hold classes or invite children into their homes and teach them to love, read, and appreciate the Bible.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. D. M. Hodge, Secretary of Child Evangelism

MEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

I have sent out literature to the different pastors, and also I have expressed a desire to visit their churches and help establish a league. This I offered to do at my own expense, but I only received an answer from one pastor, and he stated that he did not have enough men in his church to form a league.

I trust that our present Secretary will have better success in this field. The Brunswick Church is the only one in the conference that has organized a missionary league, and the Lord is blessing their efforts.

Yours for Him.

Mack Thompson, Secretary

ASHBURN CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That Rev. C. M. Payne be paid the sum of \$50.00 from the Camp Meeting fund, for his labor on camp property.
- 2. That the workers for the Annual Ashburn Camp be selected by the committee at a later date.
- 3. That the question concerning the house occupied by Brother Bankston be referred to the pastor and trustees of the Ashburn Church.

Ashburn Camp Committee,

W. T. Brinson, E. C. Hord, Mack Thompson, W. J. Davis.

TITHING SECRETARY'S REPORT

We have gone to all the churches in the conference where the pastor and church has invited us and have tried to present the cause of Bible tithing to our people. We have had a great year—the pastors and church members have been good to us. We have enjoyed the sweet fellowship of all. We regret not being able to get more of our people to practice tithing than we have, but trust that the day will soon come when a majority of our membership will begin to practice Bible tithing.

We have received in finances \$35.00 during this conference year.

W. W. Wigglesworth
Tithing Secretary

TITHING COMMITTEE

Scripture Lesson—Mal. 3: 8, 10. If we as a so-called Christian people would do as the Word says we could have revivals all over this nation. We have taken things in our own hands and have run the whole earth in a hole. We are cursed with all kinds of insects to destroy our produce on the farm and the city folks have all kinds of diseases, such as Polio, Cancer, T.B., and many others, and there is a remedy for it all in the Book of all books!

God commands one tenth of our income, Mal. 3:10, here it is. In verse 11 there is some conditions to this.

The Jews here ask the Lord what have we done? Where have we left off from doing our part? So . . . God told them where, plainly. Don't you ever ask the Lord where you are leaking out, if you don't want to know for He will tell you quickly. He told the Jews, and He will also tell us Gentiles. Will a man rob God? Here is where the trouble starts, taking that which does not belong to you, by no means.

God said, "ye have robbed me," not your neighbors but you, then He said, "the whole nation." That is a terrible thing to be called, a robber! of this land. Think of humans stealing things from their fellow man, that sure is bad, but to steal the tithes from God is worse. God help us to quit this folish business and get down to honest to goodness work.

The whole world is cursed with a curse. God said so, why this terrible slaughter of human souls today. God is collecting some of His tithes. That's what God's book says about it.

Well, you say, how can we stop it? Repent and get back to God. By your robbing God, you don't only hurt yourself, but you hurt others also, the tithe is the Lord's.

Genesis 28:22 tells where Jacob made a vow with God. He, Jacob, knew the tithes were God's.

Every man should give that, that belongs to God, to God. If all our churches would truly tithe their income, how much better we would grow and souls would get saved and sanctified. You remember what David said in Psalm 51:12, then when it was preached you wouldn't have to get mad, you could rejoice. Then God said in Mal. 3:10, I'll pour you out a blessing and there should not be room to receive it. Well, if you couldn't contain it, surely some one else would get some overflow. Then He said in Mal. 3:12, that all nations would call you blessed. Oh, what a real challenge we have before us, why not take this and do it? God said now prove me that you will do it, then, after you have proven it, He will do what He said He would do.

We need some Nehemiahs today. Read in Nehemiah 13:10, 11. Nehemiah says the churches had been neglected, so he began to preach tithing to them and started them back. The 12th verse tells how God began to bless them for obeying the truth. In every church where they tithe systematically, they grow, souls get blessed, and get help. The pastor can quit secular work and live with the people and have something fresh from God in each service. He won't be worn out by doing other things.

Brethren, I can't see why we keep asking God to bless us, bless us. Then we wonder why we can't get blessed, well read Mal. 3:3, 9.

This tithe belongs to God, like a drug or doctor bill belongs to them and you will pay the doctor bill or the grocery bill, so why not pay God? Only one tenth is all He asks for your life, health, or whatever you have. It seems to me anyone should pay this little amount, to live with the blessing of God upon him. Brethren, the trouble lays in the pastors, because if we never preach it and bring it before the members, how are they going to know? We, the pastors are leaders. As the leader is, so is the church. Brethren, the pastors have such a great responsibility on them. Oh, God please help me, I need it. We should never try to rob lost souls of a blessing, and that is what we are doing when we fail to obey Mal. 3: 10.

I have heard folks say, Lord make me a blessing, and right then they had God's money in their pockets and wouldn't give it to the cause of the Lord.

According to Neh. 13, the tithes belong to the church for the support of the gospel, but a lot of us put it everywhere. You remember Paul said in I Thess. 5:12, to know them that labor among you. The tithe is the Lord's, it is holy unto Him. Then if we take it and spend it for ourself we are doing like Achen, who took the Babylonish garment and two hundred shekels of gold, and put it in his stuff. He paid dear for it, too. Just like the people are doing today. Look at the farms, they have to poison everything they have just because they are too tight to pay God His part. I wish we could wake up to the fact we must mind the Lord

if we get to Heaven. There's no other way. Men have seen the way God wants us to go and say within their hearts, I just won't do that. This is the most and best way to equalize each person. If I pay or give my tithe and it is only one dollar per week and some one else gives ten dollars per week, in God's sight I have given as much as the ten dollars man. Isn't that good? We owe God all offerings, so let's do our best to do as our Book says to do and help our churches and conference go over the top. It will solve every problem for our churches.

E. C. Hord, Tithing Committee

MORAL REFORM

Thus saith the Lord, stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. Jer. 6: 16

When the prophet uttered the words referred to, there was great need of moral reform among God's chosen people. History repeats itself as years come and go, so there is ever a repetition of the need of moral reform.

Today there is vast need of moral reform in every department of human life, socially, politically, commercially, economically, and even religiously. Our moral life has been so completely submerged in the rising tide of moral corruption until in many instances our morals have sunk below the level of brutes.

First, there is great need of moral reform in individual life for it is the individual that makes up the collective body. There needs to be a reform in the individual life that will create a true sense of personal responsibility, that will so change the conduct until people at large will be impressed with the virtue of moral purity.

Then there is tremendous need of moral reform in home and domestic life. The home is the foundation stone of all other departments of life. Destroy moral qualities of the home and any nation is gone. Today the American home is a wreck. Sanctity and a sense of marriage obligations is almost a thing of the past. Separation and divorce is rampant. There is now a divorce claim for every three marriage licenses granted, with the number of this shameful record on the increase every year. Lawyers and easy divorce courts are fattening on the spoils of moral corruption to a degree that if there is not something done to turn the tide, sense of home responsibility will be gone forever.

Then there is crying need for moral reform in our educational system. Our public schools are now becoming little than incubators for crime breeding. The modern dance is being advocated and taught to the pupils, and this dance performance is nothing but a secondary sexual

love feast. No wonder that reliable informers tell us that full one half of our young girls have lost their virtue. Real true virtue is the most valuable jewel that any woman can possess, and it is just as important for men as it is for women if the stupid men only had sense enough to know it.

There needs to be moral reform among mothers with every class of womanhood today. A woman's conduct has a greater effect on the standard of morals than does a man's. Let the women of this country set an example of proper standard of morals, and you will see a vast improvement in the morals of men. Man has lost respect for woman in the degree that she has lost respect for herself, and now we are faced with the fact that both sexes have lost their self respect, which has produced a moral degration that threatens to wreck the whole structure of moral purity.

Instead of the old fashioned wives and mothers of a few years ago, who loved their husbands, their children and their home, we now have the little hand-painted, streamlined, cigarette-smoking, home-deserting, gad-about, running to night-clubs, honkey-tonks, and vice dens of every type, looking for an excuse to file divorce claims, and get a fat alimony if possible. Such moral degradation will soon destroy the life sinews of any people. Home ought to be a little moral paradise where husband, wife, and children love each other to an extent that any thought of separation is like tearing the heart out of the human bosom.

Our mothers would have screamed if they, with their daughters had been seen in any such suggestive vulgar nudeness as prevails today. Parents are certainly to blame for the low standard of morals now prevalent among young people.

There is great need of moral reform in the political life of our country, all the way from the White House down to magistrate and Police Court. There is such moral corruption of civil life until bribery, paid crime protection, whitewash, betrayal, and national scandal is popping out like putrifying sores with a stench that makes any half decent man heave with disgust. Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. The exposures recently brought to view in our civil life is enough to alarm the most stupid mind in existence. More than forty billion dollars is spent in America each year to gratify the gambling craze. More than thirty billion is spent in law enforcement, and yet the steam roller of vice moves on with a momentum that is alarming. Poor people are being burdened with taxation that is unbearable with a lamentable cry being raised for an increase of taxes all the time. History informs us that every nation that has gone down in the past has gone down through unbearable taxation, yet our civil leaders never learn anything. God means that we learn from pages of history and take to heart the lessons of providence.

Then there needs to be moral reform in our commercial and economic life when enterprises will compensate their help in proportion to their

dividends, and the employee will be satisfied with what is reasonable and right. As it is, each party is constantly manuevering for an advantage over the other party. We don't care what wrong the other fellow suffers, just so we get what we want. It is all right with us if we bankrupt things beyond repair. Personal selfishness is the one thing that gets first consideration now, there is little respect for the other party. Party politicians and would-be reformers are constantly telling us how to eliminate all of our discord, but things refuse to bend to mortal control.

Most of all we need moral reform in religious life. Our church people are victimized by a love of ease and pleasure. The sacrificial self-denying spirit is hard to find. Church people have become as greedy and grasping as most any other class.

As a consequence of this type of religion the world has lost interest in the church, and the church has lost power to interest the world. The professing church has become rich and increased in goods, and therefore have need of nothing, so of course they can get along without God, for Jesus is on the outside, knocking for admission. Our religion has largely become a huge joke, so impotent that the devil never stirs for all our religious pretenses.

This condition is due largely to a compromised pulpit. The devil never howls when there is nothing for him to oppose. If every pulpit in churches that are supposed to be orthodox had have spoken loud and clear against the moral and social evils of the times, such moral corruption and degradation as we are now confronted with, would never have been possible. There is no use to scratch the surface of the skin, expecting to cure the rotten things rooted deep in the interior. We have got to go to the heart, root and core of the condition, if we ever expect to secure any lasting and permanent benefit. We may advocate and sponsor all reform and social service movements conceivable, and thereby secure little transitory benefit in spots, but we will never cure the prevailing evils of the hour by mere outward reform. The heart of man must be made new for out of the heart are the issues of life. We have too much man-made religion to meet human requirements, we have got to have something that God is in. Back to Behel, back to the old time family altar of prayer. Back to the old-fashioned uncompromising Gospel that speaks in no uncertain sound without fear or favor. Back to the life of fervent prayer in both pulpit and pew. Back to the life of humility, consecration, sacrifice and self-denial, which comparatively few people in pulpit or pew seem to know very much about. Back to the faith once for all delivered to the saints. Back to the old time prayer room where people will pray with such deep agony until they are exhausted and can pray no more. If we want true and lasting reform it is going to cost us something to get it, and unless we are willing to pay the price we will never obtain it. Back to the old time revival where everything will not be run by cut and dried human

program, but by leadership of the Holy Ghost where human creatures will get out of His way and give Him a chance to present the whole rigid truth, so that confessions and restitutions will be made, reconciliations will be effected, and the church bound together in unbroken unity. When this is done the world will be mightily effected by the influence of moral purity.

We need a reform of downright honesty in the professing church, one that will make us face facts as they really are, and make us confess our sins and failures, and lead us to true repentance instead of trying to justify ourselves by excuse-making arguments. An ounce of humility is worth more that a ton of excuse-making argument in an effort to justify ourselves. This reform needs to effect the pulpit as well as the pew and stop preachers from connivance and place seeking, so that they will allow the Spirit of God to choose for them instead of choosing for themselves like Lot did. His choice with God left out cost him a mighty big price twenty years later when everything he had went up in fire and smoke, and all of his family were lost except two unmarried daughters, and their later conduct showed plainly how their morals had been degraded by their residence in Sodom.

Back to the old time Wesleyan Methodist class meeting when the class leader will take the class one by one, and probe them with pointed, heart searching questions that will lead them to the conclusion that some one has furnished him with a world of information before the class meeting started. A little dried up half-hearted testimony meeting is no part of a real class meeting. There is too much room to twist and dodge in a testimony meeting.

You may call me an old timer with a warped and stupid understanding of the progress of this modern age if you want to, but the prophet Jeremiah was evidently an old timer who believed thoroughly in an old time Gospel, because he knew that it had been fully tried and stood the test.

Our trouble in our so called modern progress is, that we have turned our backs on God. We have sought information from every source except the old Bible, and the result is moral infamy and deep degradation. We have expelled God-fear and consciousness of sin. Anything we want to do is right in our estimation because we want to do it. We have fixed our own law and standards, and God's Holy Word has been tabooed. There is no hope for the right moral reform until we get back to the Bible.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. Douthit, Mrs. R. T. Anderson.

CONFERENCE SONG EVANGELIST'S REPORT

Since last annual conference we have been in charge of the music in meetings as follows:

Hortense Camp Meeting, Hortense, Ga.

Revival-Congregational Methodist Church, Brunswick, Ga.

We have helped with the music in the following meetings: both Spring and Fall revivals at the Brunswick Church.

We have received the total of \$80.00 for our expenses this conference year.

Yours for service, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ELDERS ORDERS

We recommend that Rev. Webster Williams continue the course of study.

We recommend that Rev. Dennis Carter finish the second year course of study.

We recommend that Rev. Neal Palmer pass the book, "System of Divine Ethics" in the third year's course of study and continue in the fourth year course.

We recommend that Rev. Miss Lala Sports continue as pastor.

We recommend that Rev. F. L. Ellrod be received as an Elder, pending his transfer.

We recommend that C. R. Ruppe be returned to his quarterly conference.

We recommend that Mrs. Annie Mae Davis enter third years course of study.

We recommend that W. H. Morris continue in the first year course of study.

F. H. Harris,

J. M. Merrell.

E. C. Hord, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst some of our beloved saints, namely F. A. Lewis, Brother and Sister Bohannas, Sister Esther Mussho, we recommend that a memorial service be held at this conference for them, and their names be added to the list of our honored dead.

F. H. Harris, Chairman, Mrs. W. W. Wigglesworth,

COMMITTEE ON THANKS

It is with great pleasure the Committee on Thanks submit the following report:

We deeply appreciate the entertainment of this conference here on the Hortense Campground.

We are indeed grateful to our dear Sister Lewis, Sister Long and Aunt Lu, for the delicious food they have prepared and served so well.

We appreciate the co-operation and labor of our President, Brother Brinson throughout the past year.

We want to say we deeply appreciate our Sister Highsmith, the conference secretary, for the very efficient labor for this conference.

It has been a privilege, as well as an honor, to have our Home Missionary Secretary, Rev. J. R. Swauger, to preside so efficiently, yet kindly.

Thank God for His Divine Presence and the wonderful fellowship together.

Neal E. Palmer, Wilene Pope, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS

Ashburn-C. M. Payne

Brunswick-Mack Thompson

Cordele-E. C. Hord

Hortense Charge (Hortense, Philadelphia, Oak Grove)—F. L. Ellrod Browning—Miss Lala Sports

Little Rock Charge (Little Rock, Liberty)—E. C. Moon

Mt. Pleasant Charge (Mt. Pleasant, Coffee)-Dennis Carter

'Savannah-W. T. Brinson

Tifton Charge (Tifton, Crossroads, Sylvester)-Neal E. Palmer

Waycross-W. W. Wigglesworth

Wayne Charge (Liberty, Bethlehem)-F. H. Harris

We recommend that the following names be listed as Conference Evangelists: Jack C. Osborn, Jim Miller, Webster Williams.

Supernumary—G. C. Gilliard, W. M. Sigafoes, J. A. Cowart

General Evangelists-L. C. Douthit, A. C. Legg

We recommend that R. C. Crossman be superannuated.

Superannuated List-H. R. Gunby, Mrs. G. H. Doty, J. M. Merrell

We recommend the following names to be continued on the Conference Evangelistic Singers list and request that they pass the books relating to Evangelistic Singers-Mr. and Mrs. Williard Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright.

We recommend that the President be required to hold only the first and fourth quarterly conferences and that his salary be two dollars per member.

W. T. Brinson,F. H. Harris,Nathan Popell,A. C. Legg,C. C. Adams,W. D. Browning, Committee.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

After checking the financial reports of the Conference President, the Conference Treasurer, Ashburn Camp Treasurer, Conference Pension Treasurer, we find them in good condition and commend the treasurers for their diligence in their work.

H. R. Gunby, C. C. Harris, Committee.

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ASHBURN CAMP MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT

Ralance on hand August 12 1050

Amount paid in during year	623.15	
Total Cash for year	<u> </u>	\$627.83
Expenses		
Amount paid for General Expense	\$120.20	
Amount paid for repairs	225.37	
Amount paid to Camp Workers	213.50	•
Total Expenses for year		# 550 07
Balance on hand		\$559.07 \$68.76
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C. M. Payne, Treasurer

PENSION PLAN TREASURER'S REPORT

Membership fees	\$25.00
Ten per cent of income	\$88.24
(See Conference Treasurer's Report)	
Amount Paid Beneficiaries in Conference	\$1378.59

C. M. Payne, Treasurer

ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

Foreign Missions:		
Receipts	\$559.83	,
At first of year	225.71	
Received	141.74	
Disbursed	357.45	
Balance on hand		\$10.00
Home Missions:		
Receipts	\$223.35	
At first of year	118.90	
Received	126.36	
Disbursed	223.05	
Balance on hand		\$22.21
Orphanage:		
Receipts	\$18.40	
At first of year	27.50	
Received	68.25	
Disbursed	90.75	
Balance on hand		\$5.00
Education:		
Receipts	\$8.00	
At first of year	298.76	
Received	564.00	
Disbursed	852.76	
Balance on hand		\$10.00
Superannuate Pension Plan:		
Receipts	\$77.89	
At first of year	229.28	
Received	456.50	
Disbursed	537.94	
Balance on hand		\$147.84
Administrative Budget:		
At first of year	\$129.50	
Received	69.00	
Disbursed	198.50	•

General Conference Travel and Expense	100	
Receipts	\$5.00	
At first of year	80.05	
Received	128.15	
Disbursed	199.00	
Balance on hand		\$9.20
General Sunday School Work:		
Receipts	\$2.60	
At first of year	22.75	
Received	13.85	
Disbursed	36.60	
President's Salary:		
Receipts		\$646.37
Received	86.00	•
Disbursed	86.00	
Conference Work:		· ·
At first of year	\$4.16	,
Received	74.00	
Disbursed	72.89	
Balance on hand		\$5.27
Property Sales Fund:		
At first of year	\$35.00	
Balance on hand	400.00	\$35.00
Minutes:		
At first of year	\$431.44	
Received	155.00	
Disbursed	538.50	
Balance on hand		\$47.94
Cordele Church Debt:		•
At first of year	\$108.50	
Disbursed	108.50	
Conference Pastor & Delegate Entertainment:		
At first of year	\$3.78	
Received	72.00	
Disbursed	75:78	

Rent on Cottage by B. H. Bankston:		
Received	\$55.00	
Disbursed	55.00	
Ministers' Institute:		
Received	\$5.00	
Disbursed	5.00	
Totals:		
Receipts	\$1551.44	•
Cash at first of year	1715.33	
Cash received during year	2014.85	
Total Cash	3730.18	
Total Disbursed	3437.72	
Total Cash on Hand	•	\$292.46

M. T. Scott, Treasurer

BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

Name of Charge	Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Superannuate Pension Plan	Orphanage	Administrative Budget	General Conference Travel Expense	General Sunday School Work	President's Report	Conference Work	Minutes	Australia	Conference Extension	Totals
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne Totals	23 79 13 48 15 17 53 31 37 21	26.00 96.00 30.00 34.00 106.00 62.00 74.00 42.00 106.00	16.25 60.00 18.75 21.25 66.25 38.75 46.25 26.25 66.25	158.00 26.00 96.00 30.00 34.00 106.00 62.00 74.00 42.00 106.00	118.50 19.50 72.00 22.50 25.50 79.50 46.50 55.50 31.50 79.50	19.75 3.25 12.00 3.75 4.25 13.25 7.75 9.25 5.25 13.25	\$8.05 27.65 4.55 16.80 5.25 5.95 18.55 10.85 12.95 7.35 18.55	2.60 9.60 3.00 3.40 10.60 6.20 7.40 4.20 10.60	12.30 4.10 6.70 4.00 1.20 8.50 7.70 5.50 5.00 5.50	26.00 96.00 30.00 34.00 106.00 62.00 74.00 42.00 106.00	19.75 3.25 12.00 3.75 4.25 13.25 7.75 9.25 5.25 13.25	\$11.50 39.50 6.50 24.00 7.50 8.50 26.50 15.50 10.50	19.75 3.25 12.00 3.75 4.25 13.25 7.75 9.25 5.25 13.25	3.25 12.00 3.75 4.25 13.25 7.75 9.25 5.25 13.25	\$251.50 865.50 144.50 525.10 166.00 184.80 580.90 342.50 405.10 231.80 577.90 \$4,275.60

STATISTICAL REPORT

	tem	I.	Pas	tor's	La	bors		Ite	em l	II.	Per	iodi	cals							
Name of Charge	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Wesleyan Missionarys taken	Wesleyan Youths taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Children's Friend	Teacher's Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart	Pupil's Lesson Stories, Etc.	Bible Lesson Stories, Etc.
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Titton Waycross Wayne Totals	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 10 12 12	1 1 1 5 1 2 2 1 3 1 2 2 2 1 2 2 0 2 0	1 1 1 3 1 2 2 1 3 1 2 1 2 1	5 15 4 10 4 5 9 6 5 5 8	5 15 1 7 9 1 6 2 2 3 8	22 1 2 5 3 1 5 5	7 55 8 25 8 30	12		3 18 6 12 1 12 6 8 11	10 55 12 34 10 25 35 35 24 15 8	8 15 8 31 8 25 25 10 8 24 15	24 30 25 23 15 20 15 5	8 15 22 20 25 8 		8 24 10	3 27 8 20 15 18 7	1 1 2 1	10	20

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Name of Charge	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters.	Total Membership Lost	Number Reported Last Year	Present Number	Loss (or)	Gain	Members Under 14 Years	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Local Preachers	Number of Family Altars	Membership Tithing
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tiiton Waycross Wayne Totals	2 18 5 7 3 3 8 8 6 4		2 5 2 3 	3	2 3 5 2 1 4 2 1 20	2 7 3 8 4 1 7	68 11 43 16 14 46 38 29 19	79 13 48 15 17 53 31 37 21	7	11 2 5 3 7 8 2 3	3 3 10 3	1	7 3 3 1 5 2 5 	1 1 1 1 1 1	1 2 1 1 1	8 10 10 6 10 12 8 3 10	8 52 8 12 3 16 10 10 8 11

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

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	Iten	n IV	7.	Sund	ay S	Scho	ols										
Name of Charge	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. of Officers	Whole No. of Teachers	Whole No. of Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Main School	Average Attendance	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	No. of Scholars Converted	No. Schol. Joining Church	No. of Departmental Supts.	No. of Organized Classes	No. of Books in Library	Enrollment V.B.S.	Average Attendance V.B.S.	No. W.Y.P.Societies	Total Membership of Soc.
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne	1 1 1 2 1 1 2 2 3 1 2	4 5 4 6 6 4	3 8 4 7 3 9 6 7 4 6	28 111 37 55 40 12 65 77 48 42 55	31 123 41 67 12 85 55 50 55	22 100 22 32 25 10 60 35 38 34 40	3 12	31 123 41 67 40 12 55 50	2 6 3 3 8 	4 3	1 1 1	7 3 4 9		80	60	1 1 1	1
Totals	17	35	57	570	519	418	16	419	23	18	7	43	7	80	60	4	5

Item V. Church Property											
Name of Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Values on Hand			
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne Totals	1 1 1 3 1 1 2 2 3 1 2 1 2 1	\$2,000.00 8,000.00 3,500.00 3,000.00 1,000.00 1,650.00 8,000.00 3,000.00 3,000.00 \$36,150.00	\$1,150.00	\$3,000.00 	1 1 1 1	3,000.00 2,000.00 750.00 6,000.00 1,500.00	\$3,000.00 	36.97 80.40			

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item VI. Contributed	for Pastor				
Name of Charge	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne Totals	535.00 419.38 1,560.00 650.00 1,272.82 1,121.00	180.00 120.00 88.00 50.00	\$10.00 17.00 2.00 5.00 37.00	369.34 149.87 125.00 373.00 104.43 714.58 48.55 58.00 150.32	748.55 1,330.82 1,308.32

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I	tem VII.	Contri	but ed fo	r Church				
Name of Charge	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building	Repairs	Amount Paid on Indebted- ness	Church Incidental Expense		Total for Church
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne Totals	\$43.34 237.40 85.10 103.02 181.97 287.93 150.00 146.50 45.00 7.00 151.40	\$32.18 443.35 26.08 27.11 24.00 93.74 133.00 44.00 48.00 50.00	\$186.23 160.00	\$13.54 415.63 10.00 221.64 24.10	\$822.64	\$25.00 402.92 144.37 87.99 8.50 75.00 64.68 36.00	\$717.89 	\$114.06 2,321.94 983.44 439.76 392.20 320.53 403.74 279.50 437.68 617.68

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item VIII. C	ontribu	ted for	Connec	tional B	udget			
Name of Charge	Administrative Budget Assigned	Administrative Budget Raised	Foreign Missions Assigned	Foreign Missions Raised	Home Missions Assigned	Home Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne	\$5.75 17.00 2.75 10.75 4.00 3.25 11.50 9.50 7.25 4.75 12.50		\$46.00 136.00 22.00 86.00 32.00 26.00 92.00 76.00 58.00 38.00 100.00	\$49.42 140.50 22.00 94.00 32.00 5.00 92.00 76.00 43.10 38.00 109.55	\$23.00 68.00 11.00 43.00 16.00 13.00 46.00 38.00 29.00 19.00 50.00	\$30.50 68.00 11.00 46.00 19.00 5.00 46.00 20.00 34.21 19.00 61.00	\$46.00 136.00 22.00 86.00 32.00 26.00 92.00 76.00 58.00 38.00 100.00	86.00 32.00 92.00 20.00 38.00
Totals	\$89.00	\$69.00	\$712.00	\$701.57	\$356.00	\$359.71	\$712.00	\$572.00

Item VIII. Contribu	ited for	Conne	ctional	Budget	—Conti	nued		
Name of Charge	Orphanage Assigned	Orphanage Raised	Connectional S. S. Work Assigned	Connectional S. S. Work Raised	Gen. Conf. Travel and Entertainment Assigned	Gen. Conf. Travel and Entertainment Raised	Total Connectional Budget Assigned	Total Connectional Budget Raised
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne Totals	\$5.75 17.00 2.75 10.75 4.00 3.25 11.50 9.50 7.25 4.75 12.50	11.50 5.70 5.00 4.75 12.50	.55 2.15 .80 .65 2.30 1.90 1.50 .95 2.50	3.40 .55 2.15 .80 2.30 2.60 .95 2.55	10.00	\$4.60 23.60 2.20 10.60 3.20 3.75 9.20 3.00 6.00 3.80 10.20	\$166.75 493.00 79.75 311.75 116.00 94.25 333.50 274.50 210.25 109.25 287.50	79.75 324.75 119.00 33.25 333.50 165.19 127.31 109.25 408.30

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item VIII. Contributed for C	Conference	e Budge	t			
	Assigned	Raised	Assigned	Raised	Ministers'	Ministers'
	Salary	Salary	Work	Work	~ 1	-
Name of Charge	President's	President's	Conference	Conference	Superannuated Fund Assign	Superannuated Fund Raise
Ashburn Brunswick	\$46.00 136.00	\$48.70 136.00	17.00	17.00	\$34.50 102.00 16.50	\$35.00 102.00 16.50
Cordele Hortense	22.00 86.00 32.00	22.00 86.00 40.00	2.75 10.75 4.00	2.75 10.75 4.00	64.50 24.00	64.50 24.00
Lattle Rock Mt. Pleasant	26.00 92.00	33.00 96.00	3.25 11.50	11.50	19.50 69.00	19.50 69.00
Savannah Tifton	76.00 58.00	52.17	9.50 7.25	4.00	57.00 43.50	19.00
Wayress	38.00 100.00	102.50		12.50	76.50	76.50
Totals	\$712.00	\$729.37	\$89.00	\$74.00	\$625.50	\$312.39

Item VIII. Contributed for C	onferenc	e Budge	t—Conti	nued		
Name of Charge	Minutes Assigned	Minutes Raised	Total Conf. Budget Assigned	Total Conf. Budget Raised	Total Budget Assigned	Total Budget Raised
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne Totals	\$11.50 34.00 5.50 21.50 8.00 23.00 19.00 14.50 9.50 25.00	\$12.50 34.00 5.50 21.50 8.00 23.00 10.50 10.50	35.75 126.50 104.50 79.75 64.25 137.50	29.25 125.25 52.00 33.00 130.50 78.00 64.17 65.25 140.00	680.00 108.00 436.00 160.00 130.00 460.00 379.00 290.00 202.00	694.50 108.00 450.00 171.00 66.25 464.00 243.19 191.48 203.00 524.80

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item IX. Contrib	uted for	Benev	olences				
Name of Charge	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Conference Work	Other Objects	Total for Benevolences
Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock Mt. Pleasant Savannah Titton Wayeross Wayne		52.93	22.02	\$37.80 32.00 5.00		28.00 21.00 5.75 8.50 9.00 367.63 63.31 71.40	125.75 38.00 136.00 11.92 16.50 9.00 458.36 32.00 68.31

Item X. Contr	ibuted Tota	ıls			
		_u		olences	Purposes
	for Pastor	r Church	r Budget	r Benevolences	II V
Name of Charge	Total fc	Total for	Total for	Total for	Total for
Ashburn Brunswick Cordele Hortense Laurens Little Rock	\$1,360.22 2,856.75 954.34 1,574.08 881.42	2,321.94 983.44 439.76 392.20	108.00 450.00 171.00	\$13.16 125.75 38.00 136.00 11.92	\$1,734.81
Mt. Pleasant Savannah Tifton Waycross Wayne	996.00 525.81 2,274.58 748.55 1,330.82 1,308.32	320.53 403.74 279.50 437.00 137.68 617.68	66.25 464.00 243.19 191.48 203.00 524.80	16.50 9.00 458.36 32.00 68.31 110.42	1,399.28 1,402.55 3,255.63 1,409.03 1,739.81
O. 4 - 1	\$14,810.89			\$1.019.42	2,561.22 \$25.641.43

The Woman's Missionary Society

of the

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Laurens 6 1 5 13 9 12 .00 \$1.7 17 5.00 34.17 \$3.75 Ashburn .9 4 13 5 13.00 24.17 \$2.00 <t< th=""><th></th><th>Receipts</th><th></th></t<>		Receipts	
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Friendship 12 1 6 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 38.00 73.10	rens burn ss Roads hlehem annah dele nswick tense ndship on	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2.50 7.92 9.17 9.00 8.20 2.45 2.18 9.00 9.75 6.00 8.10

W.M.S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Disbursements											
Society	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Hephzibah, Cash	Hephzibah, Provisions	Education	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Total Disbursements	New Balance on Hand	Grand Total
Mt. Pleasant Laurens Ashburn Cross Roads Bethlehem Savannah Cordele Brunswick Hortense Friendship Tifton	\$3.50 10.00 .35 67.93 11.00 14.00 20.00	\$22.17 20.67 10.00 16.85 54.00 32.00 21.00 64.00	5.70		3.00	2.00		11.50 5.00 66.00 2.00	124.00 87.75 15.00	\$3.75 1.00 29.52 34.18 6.00 2.00	39.17 20.00 38.20 202.45 82.18 130.00
Totals	130.78	263.79	16.20	48.80	3.00	6.75	114.00				

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W.Y.P.S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Society	Active Members	Wesleyan Youth	General Dues	Conference Dues	Service Men's Commission	Haiti Crusade	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	General Conf. Expense	Local Work	Total Receipts Plus Balance	Total Disbursements	Cash on Hand
Brunswick Savannah	31 11	22	3.50 3.50	\$14.50 3.50		\$1.60	\$24.00 6.50		\$5.00	\$26.74	\$93.12 16.70	\$90.74 16.70	
Totals	42	25	18.00	\$18.00	\$1.60	\$1.60	\$30.50	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$26.74	\$109.82	\$107.44	\$2.38