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OFFICERS

President-Rufus Reisdorph.

Vice-President-J. F. Simpson.

Secretary-L. D. Harris.

Treasurer-Frank Martin.

Trustees-R. J. Eling, J. C. McGovern, Frank Martin, A. Cummings, Frank Thompson.

Field Secretary-J. F. Simpson.

Sunday School Secretary-Claire L. Harris.

Tithing Secretary-W. J. Leyh.

Transportation Secretary-J. F. Simpson.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Advisory Board-J. C. McGovern, Frank Martin.

- Camp Meeting Board-Rufus Reisdorph, J. C. McGovern, W. C. Brannon, Frank Martin, J. E. Spry.
- Itineracy and Orders and Board of Examiners-L. D. Harris, Rufus Reisdorph, J. C. McGovern, A. M. Wiley.
- Judiciary-J. C. McGovern, L. D. Harris, A. M. Wiley, J. F. Simpson.
- Missionary Board—J. C. McGovern, J. F. Simpson, R. J. Eling, L. D. Harris, Rufus Reisdorph, Frank Martin, A. A. Truax, J. F. Jenkins, A. Cummings, August Wegner.
- Vacancies-R. J. Eling, Chas. Reisdorph, Thos. Bailie, H. E. Hopkins.

Representative to Miltonvale College-J. F. Simpson.

Treasurer Ministerial Relief Fund-R. J. Eling.

MEMBERSHIP ROLL

ELDERS

🕼 Thomas Bailie	Watford City, N. D.
LGertrude Clocksin	Mobridge, S. D.
▶ R. J. Eling	Redfield, S. D.
J. F. Gugin	Corona, S. D.
Claire Harris	Brentford, S. D.
L. D. Harris	Almont, N. D.
Otto Jensen	Yankton, S. D.
Mrs. Otto Jensen	Yankton, S. D.
Miss Minnie Knecht	Lee City, Ky.
W. J. Leyh	Mina, S. D.
Mrs. W. J. Leyh	Mina, S. D.
O. E. McCrackin	Fargo, N. D.
L J. C. McGovern	Mitchell, S. D.
Rufus Reisdorph	Aberdeen, S. D.
Mrs. Rufus Reisdorph	Aberdeen, S. D.
✓ J. F. Simpson	Avon, S. D.
▶ J. E. Spry	Houghton, S. D.
C. K. Thompson	Northville, S. D.
A. J. Tiffany	Yacolt, Wash.
A. M. Wiley	Jamestown, N. D.

LICENTIATES

Archie Buell	Schafer, N. D.
Mrs. Thos. Bailie	
C. W. Calhoun	
4 Roy Cox	
W. C. Brannon	Aberdeen, S. D.
Mrs. W. C. Brannon	Aberdeen, S. D.
Arthur Gugin	
▶ Markus Johnson	
L. L. Knapp	
VArthur Reisdorph	
Chester Reed	
George Thomas	Bushnell, S. D.
▶ F. J. Traver	Northville, S. D.
Mrs. F. J. Traver	Northville, S. D.
Robert Wegner	

Membership Roll—Continued

DELEGATES

Erwin Bailie(Richland)	Mina, S. D.
Francis Buell	
Albert Hillin	
Thelma Hyde	
J. F. Jenkins	
Edwin Koeser (Watford City and Corners)	Schafer, N. D.
Andrew Kreager(Minnesota Valley)	Baker, Mont.
Mary Larson	. Brentford, S. D.
C. J. G. Larson	. Redfield, S. D.
Frank Martin	
Mrs. Albert Moore	. Aberdeen, S. D.
Mrs. Fred Packard	. Mobridge, S. D.
Mrs. F. A. Palmer	
Mrs. Peterson	
Mrs. T. F. Patrick	
Mrs. Dave Quartier	
Mrs. Ed. Thorpe	
Mrs. A. A. Truax	
Mrs. J. R. Turner	
August Wegner(Richland)	

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Conference convened on the evening of June 2, 1930, at 8 P. M.

Conference Sermon—The session opened with the preaching of the Conference sermon by Rev. O. E. McCrackin of Fargo, N. D., from the text found in Ephesians 6:11: "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." The message was given under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and was timely as to present day conditions and the need of God's complete equipage in the present conflict. The Lord blessed the message to the saints, gathered in this opening service, from every part of the Conference, there being the largest attendance of any session heretofore.

Business Sessions—The regular business sessions opened Wednesday morning at 8:30, Brother J. F. Simpson conducting the devotionals under the blessing of God.

Business—The Conference President, Rufus Reisdorph, being in the chair, the roll was called and most of the ministers and delegates responded.

Nominating Committee was elected as follows: J. C. McGovern, Frank Martin, A. M. Wiley, J. F. Simpson, Mrs. A. A. Truax.

Bar of Conference—On motion, the Bar of Conference was made the first eight scats in the middle section of the Tabernacle.

Time of Sessions.—Time of sessions was set from 8 A. M. to 11 A. M., and 1:30 P. M. to adjournment.

Recess—The President declared a recess for Nominating Committee to work.

Call to Order-The Nominating Committee read their report and Committees were elected as nominated. (See Report No. 1.)

Adjournment-By motion Conference adjourned until the afternoon session.

Wednesday Afternoon

Devotionals-Devotions were conducted by Rev. J. F. Simpson.

Business-Roll was called.

Appointments—The President appointed Mrs. Dave Quartier and Mrs. Albert Moore to the Itineracy and Orders Committee.

Report—The Committee on Religious Services and Orders of the Day read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 2.)

Adjournment-Motion prevailed that we adjourn.

Thursday Morning

Devotionals—Devotions were conducted by Rev. Thos. Bailie, reading from the 15th chapter of John.

Business-Roll was called and minutes read and approved.

Reports-Railroad Expense Committee read the report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 3.)

The President, Rufus Reisdorph, read his report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 4.)

Finance—Motion prevailed that all money received by President from services rendered to charges in the Conference be listed as President's salary.

Adjournment-Adjourned by vote.

Thursday Afternoon

Devotionals-Devotions were conducted by Rev. R. J. Eling.

Business-Minutes were read and approved.

Report—The Treasurer's report was read and adopted. (See Report No. 5.)

Time of Next Conference—On motion the time of next Conference . was set to open with the preaching of the Conference sermon on the evening of the first Tuesday in June, 1931.

Minutes—The Secretary was instructed to have 300 copies of the Minutes printed at the Wesleyan Methodist Publishing House.

Delegates—On motion it was decided to elect our Delegates to General Conference at this session of Conference at the time of election of officers.

Friday Morning

Devotionals-Devotionals were conducted by Rev. J. E. Spry.

Business-Roll was called and minutes read and approved.

Report-Ministerial Relief Secretary and Treasurer read his report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 6.)

Itineracy and Orders Committee read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 7.)

Ways and Means Committee—Motion prevailed that the President appoint a Committee to formulate a plan to raise money for President's salary, providing he traveled the Conference. Rev. J. E. Spry, Mrs. W. J. Leyh and Rev. Frank Traver were appointed.

Passage of Character—The following names were called and their characters passed: Otto Jensen, Mrs. Otto Jensen, A. J. Tiffany, C. K. Thompson, Archie Buell, Mrs. Thos. Bailie, Mrs. Walter Brannon, Arthur Gigom, L. L. Knapp, Mrs. F. J. Traver and Mrs. W. J. Leyh.

Report—Committee on Passage of Character read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 8.)

Motion prevailed that as the names were read each pastor give a summary of his statistical report.

Recess—The President declared a recess of a few minutes for Committee work.

Called to order.

Report—The Resolution Committee read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 9.)

The Ways and Means Committee read their report and it was amended and by motion laid on the table.

Orders of the Day—The Orders of the Day was called for, which was the election of officers.

Time—On motion time was extended until all officers should be elected.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President-Rufus Reisdorph.

Vice-President-J. F. Simpson.

Secretary-L. D. Harris.

Treasurer-Frank Martin.

Trustee-Frank Thompson.

Field Secretary-J. F. Simpson.

Transportation Secretary-J. F. Simpson.

Ministerial Delegates to the General Conference-Rufus Reisdorph; alternate, R. J. Eling; J. C. McGovern; alternate, J. F. Simpson.

Lay Delegates-Frank Martin; alternate, Miss Thelma Hyde; Mrs. A. A. Truax; alternate, Chas. Reisdorph.

Adjournment-On motion session adjourned.

Friday Afternoon

Devotionals-Devotions were conducted by Rev. W. C. Brannon.

Business-Minutes read and approved.

Report—Nominating Committee read their report on Standing Committees. Motion prevailed that as names of Committees were read if no names were added from the floor the committees be elected as a whole by one vote. The report was adopted as read. (See Report No. 10.)

Change in Orders of the Day-Motion prevailed to change Orders of the Day for the afternoon, which was to hear Rev. Smith on Educational Interests to 9:30 Saturday morning.

Courtesies-Rev. Smith, representative of Miltonvale College, was introduced to the Conference and spoke briefly.

Adjournment-Adjourned on motion.

Saturday Morning

Devotionals-Devotions were conducted by Rev. F. J. Traver.

Business-Roll was called and minutes read and approved.

Report-The Auditing Committee read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 11.)

Orders of the Day—The Orders of the Day was to hear Rev. Smith representative of Miltonvale College. Brother Smith gave us a very inspirational address on the educational interests which was much enjoyed by all present.

Recess-The President declared a recess until 10:45. Called to Order.

Report—Itineracy and Orders Committee submitted the following item to their report: That Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph, having completed the Course of Study at Marion College, be ordained at this session of Conference and it was adopted.

Orders of the Day-Orders of the Day was the Ordination Service. The candidates were Miss Minnie Knecht and Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph.

Rev. A. M. Wiley preached the ordination sermon and the candidates were ordained elders in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Adjournment-Adjourned by limitation of time.

Saturday Afternoon

Business-Minutes were read and adopted.

Memorial to General Conference—Motion prevailed that the Dakota Conference send a memorial to General Conference regarding Connectional officers, choosing a committee to draft the same. Rufus Reisdorph was elected to be chairman of this Committee, with privilege of choosing the remainder of the committee. He chose the following members: J. C. McGovern, J. F. Simpson, Frank Martin and Mrs. A. A. Truax.

Motion prevailed that said committee also draft amendments to the Discipline, one of these amendments to refer to calling of pastors to our churches without first being approved by the President and Advisor Board of Conference to which they are called.

Report—The Pastoral Relations Committee read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 12.)

Statistical Committee read their report and it was adopted. (See Statistical Report.)

Passage of Character—The names of the following Conference Preachers which had appeared in the report of the Passage of Character Committee's report were called and a word of testimony given by each and the statistical reports not being read on account of limitation of time: W. J. Leyh, L. D. Harris, W. J. Brannon, J. F. Simpson, Arthur Reisdorph, Markus Johnson, Thos. Bailie, Gertrude Clocksin, R. J. Eling, Laura S. Raymer, J. C. McGovern, F. J. Traver, Claire L. Harris, G. A. Thomas, J. E. Spry, Mrs. Thos. Bailie, Mrs. J. F. Traver.

Report-Missionary Board read their report and it was adopted. (See Report No. 13.)

Motion prevailed that the money for Conference Fund be sent in to the Treasurer quarterly.

Adjournment-Motion prevailed that the Conference adjourn.

REPORTS

Report No. 1

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Nominating Committee, beg leave to submit the following report of nominations for the organization of the Conference:

Pastoral Relations Committee-J. C. McGovern, J. F. Simpson, J. E. Spry, Frank Martin, Mrs. Peterson, Miss Thelma Hyde.

Religious Services and Orders of the Day-W. C. Brannon, R. J. Eling, Mrs. A. A. Truax.

Passage of Character-Brother George Thomas, Mrs. Dave Quartier. Statistical Committee-W. J. Leyh, Claire Harris.

O. K. Committee-Francis Buell, Minnie Knecht.

Auditing Committee-A. T. Reisdorph, F. J. Traver.

Railroad Committee-Markus Johnson.

Resolutions Committee-A. M. Wiley, R. J. Eling, O. E. Mc-Crackin.

Conference Reporter-Thos. Bailie. Courtesies Committee-J. F. Simpson.

> J. C. McGOVERN, A. M. WILEY, J. F. SIMPSON, FRANK MARTIN, MRS. A. A. TRUAX, Committee.

Report No. 2

RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

Your Committee on Religious Services and Orders of the Day wish to submit the following report:

That the W. H. & F. M. Society hold their Annual Service on Wednesday night at 8:00 o'clock.

That Rev. E. F. McCarty, Connectional Representative, give his address on Thursday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

That there be a service, "For the Promotion of the Interest of Conference Finance" from the Standpoint of the Minister and the Layman, Thursday at 2:30 P. M. Rev. R. J. Eling representing the ministers and Frank Martin representing the laymen, followed by a thirty minute discussion from the Conference floor.

Friday morning at 10:30 the election of Conference officers.

Friday afternoon at 2:30 the representative of Miltonvale will present the Educational interests.

W. C. BRANNON, R. J. ELING, MRS. A. A. TRUAX, Committee.

Report No. 3

RAILROAD COMMITTEE

Serving as your Railroad Expense Committee, I find that the total amount of railroad expense amounts to \$88.30, which, when apportioned among the charges amounts to \$6.31. This sum is to be sent to the Conference Treasurer as soon as possible.

MARKUS JOHNSON,

Committee.

Report No. 4

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

July 29-Granted Rev. H. H. Turner letter of transfer to the Kentucky Conference.

August 15—Granted Rev. Fred Insley letter of transfer to the Oklahoma Conference.

October 2-Granted Rev. E. H. Jarman letter of standing.

September 24—Accepted Rev. J. F. Gugin's resignation as Pastor of the Northville church.

November 24-Assisted in dedication of Mitchell church.

May 11-Assisted in the dedication of the Minnesota Valley church.

May 28-Granted Rev. G. L. Nofsinger a letter of transfer to the Wisconsin Conference.

May 31-Received Rev. H. H. Turner, an elder from the Kentucky Conference on letter of transfer.

Financial Statement

Salary

	the Conference Treasurer\$	
Total		138.12

Expenses

Telegram, Telephone and Postage\$	20.60
Lodging and Meals	8.05
Traveling	96.45

Received from the Conference Treasurer for expenses\$ 125.10 RUFUS REISDORPH, President.

O. K. by A. T. Reisdorph and F. J. Traver.

Report No. 5

TREASURER'S REPORT

Conference Fund

Receipts

Balance from last year	\$ 112.38
Receipts from charges and individuals	1209.24
From 70% Home Mission Fund	41.50

Disbursements

Ministerial carfare	\$ 98.74	
J. F. Simpson, deficit in expenses	58.57	
Mrs. Clocksin, house rent for June	18.00	
News Printing Co., stationery	14.50	
Wesleyan Methodist Publishing Association, Con-		
ference Minutes, report blanks	78.62	
Insurance premium on Mobridge church	6.05	
Wesleyan Methodist Publishing Association, Parch-		
ments, etc	11.88	
J. F. Simpson, circular letters and postage	5.00	
News Printing Co., pastors' report blanks	6.00	
Lawyers fee	37.00	
Wesleyan Methodist Publishing Association, Statis-		
tical report blanks	.25	

J. F. Simpson, expenses of Transportation Secretary J. F. Simpson, salary and expenses Rufus D. Reisdorph, salary and expenses Interest on loans from Superannuated Fund	2.26 486.75 425.10 44.66		
Total disbursements		\$1	293.38
Cash in bank to balance		\$	69.74
Home Mission Fund			
Receipts			
From Conference Woman's Missionary Society			
From Sunday Schools	38.04		
Total receipts		\$	59.29
Disbursements			
To T. P. Baker, 30% of receipts	\$ 17.79		
To Conference Fund 70% of receipts	41.50		
Total disbursements		\$	59.29
Superannuated Fund			
Receipts			
Cash at close of last year	\$ 73.44		
From the charges	24.14		
Interest on loans to Conference Fund, one year	44.66		
Total receipts		\$	142.24
No Disbursements			
Cash in bank to balance		\$	142.24
Superannuated Ministers' Fund Ass	ets		
Loan No. 1 to Conference	\$ 289.49		
Loan No. 2 to Conference	349.39		
Loan No. 3 to Conference	105.48		
Cash in bank June 3, 1930	142.24		
Total assets		Ş	886.60
Conference Liabilities to the Superannuated Minis-			
ters' Aid Fund, three loans total			
FRANK MA	RTIN, Tr	eas	urer.

Report No. 6

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

Three assessments were made. Cash on hand at the beginning of the year, \$9.60.

- On the first assessment July 1. \$20.00 was received. \$24.60 was paid J. F. Gugin. Leaving a balance of \$5.00.
- On second assessment December 1.
 \$35.60 was received.
 \$32.60 was paid W. J. Leyh.
 Leaving a balance of \$8.00.
- On third assessment.
 \$44.72 was received.
 \$52.72 was paid R. J. Eling. Leaving a balance of \$3.00.

Amount on hand at the beginning of the year \$9.60.

Total receipts during the year, \$100.32.

Amount of disbursements during the year, \$109.92.

Amount on hand, \$3.00.

R. J. ELING, Treasurer.

Preachers' Benefit Fund

Your Committee recommends that in a case of serious sickness or prolonged illness or death of any of our active preachers or members of their families, money may be paid from the benefit fund.

In case of the serious sickness or death of any of our non-active preachers (not their families), they are entitled to benefit from this fund.

In case the Secretary is in doubt of the worthiness of a case, he may advise with the President and his Advisory Board.

The Secretary shall, on receipt of authentic information of the worthiness of a case, pay out said fund.

Each minister is to pay his dues in advance that the Treasurer may have funds when needed.

Each minister on the Conference Roll is assessed to pay one dollar on due notice from the Secretary, excepting where both husband and wife are preachers. In such case the dues of one is assessed.

An active preacher is one who is engaged in definite Conference work under the appointment of the Conference, also those who are disabled through Conference work come under this provision of active preachers' benefit. When any of our preachers fail to pay two consecutive payments, he has forfeited his right to receive any benefit until he pays up all back dues.

Each church that has a pastor is asked to contribute to this fund each time the pastor is assessed the amount of one dollar. This is not to be understood to mean each charge, but each church.

Let each pastor present this item to the church at his first business meeting that he may have the authority to ask the Treasurer to pay said amount on due notice.

The expenses incurred through postage be paid by the Conference Treasurer.

J. C. McGOVERN, R. J. ELING, RUFUS REISDORPH.

Report No. 7

ITINERACY AND ORDERS COMMITTEE

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

We recommend that Arthur Gugin, Mrs. L. Raymer, George Thomas, Archie Buell, Frank Traver and Mrs. Chester Reed be continued in the first year of study and their license renewed.

That Chester Reed be continued in the second year of study.

That Robert Wegner, Mrs. Frank Traver, Mrs. Thomas Bailie, Arthur Reisdorph, Markus Johnson be continued in the third year, and their license renewed.

That Rev. W. C. Brannon, Mrs. W. C. Brannon be advanced to the fourth year of study and their license renewed.

That Walter Kyle be returned to his Quarterly Conference.

That C. W. Calhoun, having been recommended by the Quarterly Conference of the Redfield charge, be received to travel under the direction of the Conference and be placed in the first year of study.

That Roy Cox, having been recommended by the Quarterly Conference of the Mitchell charge, be received to travel under the direction of the Conference and be placed in the first year of study.

That Minnie Knecht, having standings equivalent to our Course of Study, be ordained at this session of the Conference.

That Ruby Reisdorph, having completed the required Course of Study in Marion College and fulfilled disciplinary requirements, be ordained at this session of the Conference.

> L. D. HARRIS, MRS. A. MOORE, A. M. WILEY, MRS. DAVE QUARTIER, RUFUS REISDORPH, J. C. McGOVERN,

Committee.

Report No. 8

PASSAGE OF CHARACTER

We, as a Committee on Passage of Character, have examined the report of the following pastors and have passed the same:

W. J. Leyh,
L. D. Harris,
W. J. Brannon,
J. F. Simpson,
Arthur T. Reisdorph,
Markus Johnson,
Thos. Bailie,
Gertrude Clocksin,

R. J. Eling,
Laura S. Raymer,
J. C. McGovern,
F. J. Traver,
Claire Harris,
G. A. Thomas,
J. E. Spry.

GEORGE THOMAS, MRS. DAVE QUARTIER,

Committee.

Report No. 9

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Whereas, Rev. O. E. McCrackin has given the Conference and Camp Meeting valuable publicity over WDAY, Fargo, N. D. Be it

Resolved, That we extend our appreciation to Rev. McCrackin and the hroadcasting station for this service.

Be it Resolved, That the Conference express its appreciation to the Management of the Boarding Hall and Dormitory for their efficient service rendered during the Conference and Camp Meeting.

Be it further Resolved, That we as a Conference express our appreciation to our Conference President, Rev. R. D. Reisdorph, for his efficient, impartial and untiring labor among us throughout the year and at this session of the Conference.

Be it further Resolved, That we as a Conference express our appreciation to the ministers and laymen for the work done in improving the camp ground and tabernacle.

A. M. WILEY, O. E. McCRACKIN, R. J. ELING,

Committee.

Report No. 10

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE ON STANDING COMMITTEES

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to submit the following Nominations for the Standing Committees:

Camp Meeting Board-Rufus Reisdorph, J. C. McGovern, W. C. Brannon, Frank Martin, J. E. Spry.

Treasurer of Camp Meeting Board-J. E. Spry.

Itineracy and Orders and Board of Examiners-L. D. Harris.

Judiciary Committee-J. C. McGovern, L. D. Harris, A. M. Wiley, J. F. Simpson.

Missionary Board-J. C. McGovern, J. F. Simpson, R. J. Eling, L. D. Harris, Rufus Reisdorph, Frank Martin, A. A. Truax, J. F. Jenkins, A. Cummings, August Wegner.

Sunday School Secretary-Claire Harris.

Tithing Secretary-W. J. Leyh.

Vacancies Committee-R. J. Eling, Chas. Reisdorph, Thos. Bailie, H. E. Hopkins.

Representative to Miltonvale College-J. F. Simpson. Treasurer Ministerial Relief Fund-R. J. Eling.

> J. C. McGOVERN, A. M. WILEY, FRANK MARTIN, MRS. A. A. TRUAX, J. F. SIMPSON,

> > Committee.

Report No. 11

AUDITING COMMITTEE

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

We have examined the financial report of the Conference President and have found it to be correct.

> ARTHUR REISDORPH, F. J. TRAVER, Committee,

Report No. 12

PASTORAL RELATIONS REPORT

We, your Committee on Pastoral Relations, recommend the following appointments:

Aberdeen-W. C. Brannon and Wife. Almont-L. D. Harris. Artesian-In the hands of the President. Avon-J. F. Simpson. Bradley-Mrs. L. Raymer. Brentford-Claire L. Harris. Bushnell and Pleasant View-George Thomas. Crandon and Redfield-R. J. Eling. Houghton-I. E. Spry. Medicine Rocks-In the hands of the President. Mitchell-I. C. McGovern. McIntosh-In the hands of the President. Mobridge-Mrs. Gertrude Clocksin. Northville-F. J. Traver and Wife. Pollock-H. H. Turner. Richland-W. J. Leyh and Wife. Watford City and Johnson Corners-Thos. Bailie and Wife. Minnesota Valley and Knobbs-Arthur Reisdorph. Webster-In the hands of the President. To Attend School-Robert Wegner, Arthur Gugin. O. E. McCrackin-Superintendent of Fargo Union Mission. A. M. Wiley-Principal Jamestown Holiness Academy. Miss Minnie Knecht-Mountain Mission Work. Archie Buell-Assistant Pastor of Watford City Charge. Chester Reed, L. L. Knapp, Otto Jensen and Mrs. Otto Jensen-American Sunday School Union.

Missionary to Africa-Charles Carter.

Conference Missionary Work-C. W. Calhoun, Roy Cox, Markus Johnson.

Song Evangelist—Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph. General Evangelist—A. J. Tiffany. Field Secretary—J. F. Simpson. Rufus Reisdorph—Conference President.

> R. D. REISDORPH, J. C. McGOVERN, J. E. SPRY, J. F. SIMPSON, THELMA HYDE, MRS. R. H. PETERSON, FRANK MARTIN,

> > Committee.

Report No. 13

MISSIONARY BOARD

Moved and seconded that we give Mrs. Clocksin \$50.00 and the motion was carried.

The Missionary Board recommend that the Pastors turn 5% of cash salary into the Conference Treasury, and each charge an equal amount.

> R. J. ELING, J. C. McGOVERN,

Missionary Board.

Charges	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Reported Last Year	Reported at Beginning Year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Local Preachers	Membership Tithing
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Bradley Brentford Bushnell Crandon and Redfield Houghton Knobs McIntosh Medicine Rocks Minnesota Valley Mitchell Mobridge Northville Pollock Pleasant View Richland Watford City Ronan Webster	14 3 6 8 8 6 16 6 3 3 2 4 		16 2 6 3 1		9 1 2 2 4 4 2 2 4 	116 7 45 56 100 201 311 40 13 10 300 23 118 13 52 33 12 49 9 60 12 7	7 455 566 100 202 311 400 133 100 300 233 1188 133 522 333 122 499 600	10 21 28 38 39 12 10 34 37 113 52 36 12	111 	3 2 4 14 3 2 	20 6 1	···· 5 25 ··· 12 1 ··· 12 1 1 ···	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	···· ··· ··· ··· ··· ··· ··· ··	
Totals	80	1	28	4	26	778	779	800	21	42	30	53	1	7	192

Charges	No. of Sunday Schools	No. of Officers	No. of Teachers	No. Officers, Teachers and Scholars in Main School	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. Converted	No. Joining Church	No. of Departmental Supts.	No. of Organized Classes	No. of Books in Library
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Totals	2	4 102	117	1198	64	1125	833	38	37	8	7	160

Charges	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
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Totals	16	\$60275.00	\$3000.00	7	\$12800.00		\$1860.26

Charges	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Totals
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Bradley Brentford Bushnell Crandon and Redfield Houghton Knobs McIntosh McItosh Medicine Rocks Minnesota Valley Mitchell Mobridge Northville Pollock Pleasant View Richland Watford City	$\begin{array}{r} 125.00\\ 224.69\\ 368.01\\ 1300.00\\ 247.50\\ 385.00\\ \end{array}$	216.00 180.00 180.00 180.00 216.00 120.00 72.00 44.00 150.00	10.00 15.00 10.00 15.00 30.00 5.00 10.00 5.00 5.00	15.00 25.41 30.00 10.45 79.00 221.18 35.00 100.00	1216.00 870.00 955.00 219.81 973.36 663.25 934.00 1035.00 292.19 227.00 240.14 447.01 1300.00 512.68 420.00
Totals	\$11476.52	\$2162.00	\$162.50	\$1405.83	\$15206.85

Charges	Conference President's Salary	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Buildings and Repairs	Incidental Expense	Total For All Purposes
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Bradley Brentford Bushnell Crandon and Redfield Houghton Knobs McIntosh Medicine Rocks Minnesota Valley Mitchell Mobridge Northville Pollock Pleasant View Richland Watford City	\$17.39 132.85 21.50 10.00 6.68 8.00 60.00 10.65 10.00 55.00	\$241.57 118.50 113.00 113.00 24.94 55.18 7.00 210.00 11.32 116.00 138.00 350.00 45.00 175.00 1.444 131.40 10.00	36.00 95.97 40.08 46.20 55.95 34.52 39.92 6.00 20.00	5.00 1590.75 2000.00 42.70 	35.00 232.82 62.32 171.81 145.90 232.66 25.00 16.75 5.50 318.00 20.00 61.57 47.08	1901,96 189,50 684,19 137,34 238,85 487,86 56,24 141,00 95,27 1777,98 2754,00 91,93 114,92 175,00 13,44 306,36
Totals	\$434.52	\$1748.35	\$847.38	\$5607.35	\$2071.92	\$10709.52

Charges	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Ministers'	Connectional Sunday School Work	Other Benevolences	Totals
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Bradley Brantley Brentford Bushnell Crandon and Redneld Houghton Knobs McIntosh Medicine Rocks Minnesota Valley Mitchell Mobridge Northville Pollock Pleasant View Richland Watford City	\$61.20 16.78 5.99 25.40 17.00	\$417.63 63.74 85.65 86.35 20.00 62.25 126.20 168.64 153.84 189.32 12.50 149.19 28.50 108.00 31.02 	65.00 31.00 60.00 	\$99,75 20,00 22,00 18,00 11,00 36,84 156,00 27,00 27,00 27,00 80,00 12,50 19,09	2.10 6.25 6.00 5.95 6.48 4.00	1.60 2.20	15.00 41.99 4.88 4.00 65.28 50.00 42.75 132.86 53.58 136.00 4.00 97.05	$\begin{array}{c} \$740.17\\ 110.39\\ 170.52\\ 115.48\\ 24.00\\ 298.03\\ 203.45\\ 281.98\\ 338.99\\ 331.08\\ 12.50\\ 166.40\\ 175.58\\ 306.00\\ 41.01\\ 142.65\\ 64.50\\ 505.89\\ 326.42 \end{array}$
Totals	\$126.37	\$2333.05	\$358.94	\$687.68	\$35.78	\$29.85	\$783.37	\$4355.04

Charges	Total for Pastors	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total For All Purposes
Aberdeen Almont Artesian Avon Bradley Bradley Brantford Bushnell Crandon and Redfield Houghton Knobs McIntosh McIntosh Medicine Rocks Minnesota Valley Mitchell Mobridge Northville Pollock Pleasant View Richland Watford City	\$2293.20 1216.00 870.00 955.00 219.81 973.36 663.25 934.00 1035.00 292.19 227.00 240.14 447.01 1300.00 512.68 390.00 	\$867.69 1901.96 189.50 864.19 288.85 488.04 56.24 141.00 91.93 177.98 2754.00 91.93 114.82 175.00 13.44 305.36 290.32	\$740.17 110.39 170.52 121.63 203.45 281.98 338.99 331.08 12.50 166.40 175.58 306.00 41.01 142.65 64.50 	

Minutes of the Annual Session of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of the Dakota Conference, held June 4-7, 1930

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President-Mrs. C. J. G. Larson, 526 Fifth Ave., S. E., Redfield, S. D.

Vice-President-Mrs. W. C. Brannon, 16 Third Ave., N. E., Aberdeen, S. D.

Secretary-Mrs. L. D. Harris, Almont, N. D.

Treasurer-Mrs. W. J. Leyh, Mina, S. D.

Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. M. Johnson, McIntosh, S. D.

- Y. M. W. B. Superintendent-Mrs. Rufus Reisdorph, 308 N. Lincoln St., Aberdeen, S. D.
- Dormitory Treasurer and Superintendent-Mrs. J. F. Jenkins, 308 N. Lincoln St., Aberdeen, S. D.
- Assistant Dormitory Superintendent-Mrs. W. S. Reed, Aberdeen, S. D.

LOCAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

Aberdeen-President, Mrs. W. C. Brannon, 16 Third Ave., N. E., Aberdeen, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. A. E. Hattan, 212 N. Kline St., Aberdeen, S. D.

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Bushnell-President, Mrs. George Robbins, Bushnell, S. D.; is also Secretary.

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Knobs-President, Mrs. D. H. Snipfer, Knobs, Mont.; Secretary, Mrs. George Most, Knobs, Mont.

Minnesota Valley-President, Mrs. Frank Stanhope, Baker, Mont.; Secretary, Mrs. Andy Kreager, Baker, Mont.

Mitchell-President, Mrs. A. M. Goodsell, 1001 W. Fourth Ave., Mitchell, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. Arthur Millage, Mitchell, S. D.

Mobridge-President, Mrs. Arthur Ross, Mobridge, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. Chris Prisch, Mobridge, S. D.

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Pleasant Valley-President, Mrs. Ed. Taylor, Berg, N. D.; Secretary, Mrs. B. Bucklin, Berg, N. D.

Pollock-President, Mrs. R. H. Peterson, Pollock, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. Fred Salmonson, Pollock, S. D.

Richland-President, Mrs. Dan Palmer, Mina, S. D.; Secretary, Mrs. Arthur Wolter, Cresbard, S. D.

Watford City-President, Mrs. Edith Buell, Schafer, N. D.; Secretary, Mrs. C. Koeser, Schafer, N. D.

DELEGATES

Aberdeen-Mrs. Moore. Artesian-Mrs. Goodnow. Avon-Mrs. J. F. Simpson. Brentford-Mrs. C. L. Harris. Bushnell-Crandon and Redfield-Mrs. Eling. Houghton-Miss Alma Hillen. Knobs-Mrs. A. Reisdorph. Minnesota Valley-Mrs. A. Kreager. Mitchell-Mrs. Calley. Mobridge-Mrs. McColum. Northville-Mrs. Blake. Pleasant Valley-Mrs. Bailie. Pollock-Mrs. Peterson. Richland-Mrs. Wolter. Watford City-Mrs. Koeser.

Daily Proceedings

Wednesday Afternoon

Meetings were held in tent and in the dining hall when it was too cold in the tent.

First session was called to order by the President, with singing "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus." Mrs. Reisdorph read Psalm 126 and prayed.

Nominating Committee elected by the President. Mrs. Bailie, Mrs. Reisdorph and Mrs. Spry were elected.

Adjourned a few minutes until committee came in with report. Report read and adopted.

Statistical-Mrs. Lillian Reisdorph, Mrs. Johnson.

Auditing-Mrs. Bailie, Mrs. Thomas.

Orders of the Day-Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Traver and Mrs. Calley.

Resolutions-Mrs. C. L. Harris and Miss Alma Hillen.

Courtesies-Mrs. Rufus Reisdorph.

Mrs. McCarty was introduced to the Society.

Motion carried to give every one interested the privilege of voting. Listened to reading of the following reports:

Richland read by Mrs. Wolter.

Minnesota Valley by Mrs. Kreager.

Discussion followed on missionary programs.

Aberdeen report read by Mrs. Moore.

Mitchell by Mrs. Calley.

Northville by Mrs. Blake.

Artesian by Mrs. Goodnow.

Crandon and Redfield by Mrs. Eling.

Knobs by Mrs. A. Reisdorph.

Houghton by Miss Hillen.

Mobridge by Mrs. McColum.

Watford City by Mrs. Koeser.

Bushnell by Mrs. Thomas.

Almont Y. M. W. B. by Mrs. Harris.

Mrs. Reisdorph was nominated solicitor for magazine subscriptions; resigned. Mrs. Spry was elected.

The President read letters from Miss Marie Downer, Mountain Missionary, also Miss Mary Greene, Missionary in India.

The Secretary was appointed to send in report for the Magazine. Adjourned until Thursday.

Thursday Morning

Meeting called to order in dining hall.

The President called for scripture texts and prayer.

Report of Orders of the Day was read by Mrs. Calley.

Pollock report was read.

Mrs. McCarty gave inspiring talk. She read the Efficiency Standard of Societies in which Richland, Mitchell, Houghton, Aberdeen, Crandon and Redfield measured up. Societies were urged to send to Mrs. Perrine for leaflets of these standards, for both Conference and local. She also urged that prayer for our missionaries is very essential.

Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

Dormitory Treasurer's report read, but is not complete until camp closes.

Corresponding Secretary's report was read and discussion followed as to her duties. It was suggested she correspond with each Society. Mrs. Truax and Mrs. Eling were appointed to further outline her work.

Rev. E. F. McCarty was introduced to the Society and spoke in the interest of missions. He wished every pastor to coöperate with the Society, also to interest the men. He urged us to make bandages, send little cards, but said they had plenty of charts for the present. Bandages may be made on returning home from Conference to be sent out with the out-going missionaries this fall. They should be from two to four inches wide.

Adjourned until afternoon to have election of officers.

Thursday Afternoon

Meeting held in the tent. Mrs. Leyh led in prayer.

Roll called. Minutes were read.

Pleasant Valley report was read by Mrs. Bailie.

Election of officers. It was agreed to nominate by acclamation. The following were elected:

President-Mrs. Larson. *

Vice-President-Mrs. Brannon.

Secretary-Mrs. Harris.

Treasurer-Mrs. Leyh.

Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. Johnson.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent-Mrs. Reisdorph.

Dormitory Superintendent and Treasurer-Mrs. Jenkins.

Assistant Dormitory Superintendent and Treasurer-Mrs. Reed.

Brentford report was read by Mrs. C. Harris.

Resolutions Committee read its report.

Adjourned until Friday morning.

Friday Morning

Mrs. McCarty led in prayer.

Miss Thelma Hyde was introduced to the Society, also Miss Minnie Knecht, who spoke to us of her mountain mission work. She asked the Societies to pray for their work and workers.

Adjourned.

Friday Afternoon

Mrs. Thompson led in prayer.

Mrs. McCarty had charge of the round table talk. Many interesting phases of the work were discussed.

Mrs. Stalker was introduced to us. Adjourned.

Saturday Morning

Meeting held in the tabernacle.

Mrs. Truax led in prayer.

Auditing Committee read its report.

The President spoke of getting a returned missionary to visit the Conference charges and asked Mrs. McCarty to let us know when they can come. The officers were urged to keep account of their expenses and draw on the treasury.

Statistical report was read.

Adjourned.

Saturday Afternoon

Meeting held in the tent.

Scripture verses quoted. Minutes were read.

Committee was appointed to outline work of Corresponding Secretary.

It was agreed to give Mrs. McCarty twenty-five dollars.

Discussion of building more rooms for next year's meeting was held. . The local Societies were urged to bring complete four years' report to Conference on June, 1931, to help the Secretary in making out her report to the General Conference, also to bring the ten cents a member for the delegate to said Conference.

The President was instructed to send circular letters received to the local Societies.

Mrs. Stalker was asked to speak at special women's meeting.

Mrs. Reisdorph was elected as delegate, with the President, to the General Conference.

A committee of three was appointed to take up the matter of District Convention at Charles City. Voted that the Treasurer pay all bills and keep the balance in the treasury for delegates' expenses to the General Conference.

WOMEN'S MEETING

Meeting for women was held Thursday morning at ten o'clock.

Mrs. Charles Stalker talked to us. Her message was inspiring. The matter of expense of the delegates to District Convention was brought up by request of the President. We decided to have them keep account of the expenses and each Society to pay part. Mrs. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, to let each Society know their amount. We also urged each Society or individual to remember the pastor at Mobridge, Mrs. Gertrude Clocksin, with offerings during the year as the Lord leads. May God bless the work of the women's societies and reward them according to their faithfulness.

PUBLIC MEETING ON WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 P. M.

Program held in the tabernacle. The President presiding.

Mrs. R. Reisdorph led the singing. Rev. Mrs. Raymer led devotionals from 1 John 3.

Mrs. McCarty gave us a very interesting and inspiring talk and message, mostly on their visits to the different mission fields.

Mr. and Mrs. Reisdorph sang "Keep Me on the Firing Line."

Rev. E. F. McCarty spoke briefly and took up an offering and pledges amounting to \$432.36 to be divided to Home and Foreign Missions.

ORDERS OF THE DAY REPORT

We, the Committee on Orders of the Day, submit the following report:

Thursday Morning-Hearing of reports from officers and committees. Mrs. McCarty to speak to the Society.

Thursday Afternoon-Election of officers.

Friday Morning-Miss Knecht to speak on mission work.

Friday Afternoon-Round table talk in charge of Mrs. McCarty. Unfinished business.

MRS. LARSON, MRS. TRAVER, MRS. CALLEY,

Committee.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Resolutions Committee, submit the following report:

Be it Resolved, That we hereby express our gratitude to Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Girard, and the different Societies, Redfield, Richland, Houghton, Northville, Brentford and Aberdeen, who labored untiringly for the entertainment of the Conference and Camp.

Be it resolved, That we express our appreciation to Mr. R. Reisdorph and the men who helped make the splendid improvements on the grounds.

Be it resolved, That we express our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. McCarty for their inspiring addresses and helpful suggestions in answering our questions.

Be it resolved, That the gratitude of the missionary society be expressed to Arntz & Oyhus, the Northside Hardware Co. and the Thompson Yards Lumber Co. for their kind consideration in making generous discounts on materials purchased from them.

Be it resolved, That we as a Conference Society put forth a special effort to win precious souls for Christ's kingdom in the coming year,

> MRS. CLAIRE HARRIS, MISS ALMA HILLEN,

> > Committee.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S WORK REPORT

We, your Committee to outline the work of the Corresponding Secretary, beg to submit the following report:

In order to help boost our Missionary Societies and create a spirit of helpful fellowship and oneness, we would recommend that our Secretary write to each Society three times a year, asking them to report to her the work they have done and anything new they have accomplished. She in turn is to condense it and send a report to our Magazine. It might help our Societies to get better acquainted with our missionaries and their field of labor if she would urge the use of the Missionary Magazine and the Wesleyan Methodist in our regular meetings. We would suggest that these letters be sent to the Presidents of the Societies.

> MRS. ELING, MRS. TRUAX,

Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Total received	\$1094.82
Total disbursed	
Cash on hand	\$ 36.09
	MRS. W. J. LEYH, Treasurer.

DORMITORY TREASURER'S REPORT

Amount received	\$1004.68
Disbursements	
Dormitory expense	\$ 497.21
Building Fund	507.29
Total	\$1004.50
Paid	
Total	.\$1004.68

MRS. J. F. JENKINS, Dormitory Treasurer.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Auditing Committee has examined the Treasurer's report and Dormitory Treasurer's report and found the same to be correct.

> MRS. BAILIE, MRS. THOMAS, Committee.

W. H. & F. M. S.								Y. M.	W. B.	
	Active Members	Honorary Members	Total Members	Gain	Loss	Using Missionary Programs	Wesleyan Missionary	Amount Raised During Year	No. of Members	Amount Raised
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Totals	213	63	276	27	13		94	\$2600.88	337	\$572.60

STATISTICAL REPORT