

Minutes of the  
Iowa Conference



Wesleyan Methodist Connection,  
or Church, of America



Sixty-second Annual Session  
Held at Lamb, near LaPorte City  
September 7-11, 1915

MINUTES  
OF THE  
SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
IOWA CONFERENCE  
OF THE  
Wesleyan Methodist Connection,  
or Church, of America  
HELD AT  
LAMB, near LaPorte City  
SEPTEMBER 7-11, 1915

---

WESLEYAN METHODIST PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,  
SYRACUSE, N. Y.



# The Iowa Conference

---

## OFFICERS.

President—W. R. Emerson.

Vice-President—R. W. Mack.

Secretary—Elvira C. Gould.

Treasurer—F. J. Wilson.

Advisory Board—R. W. Mack, Wm. M. Gipe.

Judiciary Committee—A. B. Gould, C. P. Carkuff, J. F. Hiner, Geo. S. Fry.

Missionary Board—W. R. Emerson, ex-officio; F. J. Wilson, A. B. Gould.

Committee on Presidency—R. W. Mack, A. B. Gould, J. F. Hiner, Geo. Ebeling, Frank Ballou.

Trustees—Rev. A. B. Gould, Jarrett, Minn., term expires 1916; Rev. Geo. S. Fry, Marengo, term expires 1917; Frank Ballou, University Park, term expires 1918; William M. Gipe, LaPorte City, term expires 1919; Rev. A. W. Curry, LaPorte City, term expires 1920.

## COMMITTEES.

Tithing Secretary—Ida Gorman.

Statistical Secretary—A. P. Breneman.

Sabbath School Secretary, A. B. Gould.

Student—F. J. Wilson, A. B. Gould, W. R. Emerson.

Sunday School Board—A. W. Curry, Laura Everett, Bertha Ellis.

State of the Work—W. R. Emerson, E. R. Dodd, A. W. Curry.

Itinerancy and Orders—A. B. Gould, R. W. Mack, A. W. Curry.

Camp-Meeting—A. P. Breneman, J. F. Hiner, C. S. Weigel, W. R. Emerson, Frank Ballou, Wm. M. Gipe, Byron Hoover, with F. J. Wilson as treasurer.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Iowa Conference Campmeeting was held on the Haymond estate, near the Waterloo, Cedar Falls and Northern electric railway, about five miles east of LaPorte City, Iowa, and continued from August 30th to September 7th, 1915. Sixteen small tents were erected on the grounds and most of them were filled to capacity.

The camp ground was ideal and a very beautiful place to tabernacle for a few days on our journey to the Home on high with our brothers and sisters in Christ and dear friends with whom we associated in our endeavor to save the lost.

We do heartily extend our thanks and gratitude to Mr. Haymond for his kindness in giving us the use of these beautiful grounds. The accommodations were well and generously arranged, and all felt and evidenced their appreciation of the Committee's labors in their behalf. A beautiful spirit of brotherly love and harmony prevailed.

The people of the surrounding communities, were kind and generous in their donations of bedding, vegetables and articles of furniture that were needed, and the pastors, Brothers Scott and Hoover of Pleasant Hill and Emmanuel churches, together with their people, have our sincere thanks and well wishes, and our prayers ascend and our hearts go out in their behalf, trusting that the Lord has blest and will bless our labors and efforts among them to the salvation of souls and edification of all.

The attendance upon the evening services was good and salvation was the rule, and not the exception, in all the services. The One above all others who was with the three Hebrew children in the fiery furnace was among us dispensing blessing, comfort, encouragement and salvation.

Our dear brother and co-laborer, Rev. E. R. Dodd, was the evangelist who in an able and inspiring way brought to us the message of hope and salvation from God's Word. Many were saved, and some were sanctified. Others were encouraged and helped.

The necessary finances for expense of camp, tents and evangelist's salary were fully and easily met by a subscription.

We bow in humble submission and thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus Christ for giving us this precious season together, and we are going forth in a new year's labor in his name, his guidance and direction in all things.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. Breneman,  
J. F. Hiner,  
C. S. Weigel,  
B. J. Hoover,  
Wm. M. Gipe,  
F. J. Wilson, Treasurer.  
Camp Meeting Committee.



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

On Tuesday forenoon at 10:45 o'clock, September 7, 1915, President W. R. Emerson called the sixty-second annual meeting of the Iowa Conference to order. He read portions of the 15th chapter of Acts, commenting thereon as it has reference to our work as a conference, after which he led in prayer, invoking God's guidance in all deliberations.

Roll call of ministers showed 6 members present.

Brothers D. F. Smith and Ira E. Bradley were appointed a Committee on Credentials.

The President announced that the first four seats of the tabernacle be the bar of conference.

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was ordered to list the names of licentiates who are entitled to vote.

The hours of conference are from 9:30 to 11:30 A. M. and from 1 P. M. to the discretion of conference.

The Committee on Credentials made a partial report as follows: Mary A. Wattles, West Union; Susie Coleson, Dundee; Levi Lee, Dundee; Lizzie Lortscher, Hammond, Minn.; Ida Gorman, Hammond, Minn.; Howard Fay, Hoover; Lizzie Betzer, Charles City and Howardville; John Yancy, Charles City and Howardville. The report was accepted.

C. S. Weigel, R. W. Mack, W. R. Emerson, Howard Fay and Ida Gorman were appointed the Nominating Committee.

Brother Betzer was appointed postmaster, with power to name his assistant.

Miss Laura Everett and A. B. Gould were elected conference reporters.

Professor Silas W. Bond was presented to the conference body and made a few remarks.

Adjourned by limitation. Professor S. W. Bond pronounced the benediction.

### Tuesday Afternoon.

"The Blood Will Never Lose its Power" was sung as the opening hymn.

Brother Dan Smith led in prayer.

"Unsearchable Riches" was sung.

Portions of the 11th chapter of Hebrews, 4th chapter of 2 Cor-

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

inthians, and the 8th chapter of Romans were read by Brother B. J. Hoover, who had charge of the devotionals.

The name of Wm. M. Gipe, of Emmanuel charge was presented by the Credential Committee and accepted.

The following program was ordered: Devotionals, Roll Call, Reading of Minutes, Reports of Standing Committees, Reports of Select or Special Committees, Unfinished Business, New Business. Special Orders to take precedence of all business except reading of Minutes.

The Minutes of the forenoon's session were read and approved.

The President named the following committee chairmen interim: A. W. Curry, Resolutions; A. B. Gould, Sunday School; Myra Day, Missionary; and F. J. Wilson, Moral Reform.

The Committee on Nominations made a partial report, which was adopted.

The Credential Committee presented the name of W. W. Howlett, of Fairview, which was accepted.

The chair appointed Ida Gorman and Wm. M. Gipe as lay members of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

Conference appointed Wm. M. Gipe as lay member and Rev. D. W. Scott ministerial member on the Committee on Religious Services.

Upon request of the Sunday School Secretary, conference granted the hour at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon be given to a Sunday School program.

A letter of transfer of Elder Dan Smith from the Kansas to the Iowa Conference was read.

The Standing rule was suspended in this case and Brother Dan Smith was seated as a member of the Iowa Conference.

Brother F. J. Wilson had charge of the devotionals preparatory to the afternoon preaching service. "I Love to Tell the Story" was sung.

Brother Betzer read 1 John 13th chapter.

Brother Wilson led in prayer.

"He Has Come" was sung.

Brother Betzer chose "Love" for his theme.

Two-thirty afternoon on Wednesday was made the order of the day to hear Professor S. W. Bond, connectional representative.

Conference adjourned for a recess to be convened at the call of the chair.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

The chair called conference to order.

Election of officers was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

The name of Sister W. J. Williams, of Pleasant Hill was accepted as partial report of the Credential Committee.

Upon motion conference adjourned. Brother Dan Smith pronounced the benediction.

### Wednesday Forenoon.

Conference opened at 9:30 o'clock by singing "I've Anchored in Jesus." Brother C. S. Weigel led in prayer. "He's Coming Again" was sung. The first twenty verses of the 37th Psalm was the reading lesson, followed by singing "Lay Hold on the Promise."

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders presented a partial report on conference preachers, which was adopted, and the names were placed on the roll.

Roll was called and Minutes were read and approved.

The Nominating Committee presented a partial report, which was read in connection with the previous report, which was adopted.

The Credentials Committee presented the name of Sister Geo. Hunter, of Albaton, which was accepted.

A letter of transfer of Rev. Frank Betzer from the Kansas to the Iowa Conference was read and Brother Betzer was seated a member of the conference.

Letters of recommendation of Rev. C. S. Weigel for ordination, Rev. Frank Betzer for ordination, and Mr. Aaron Cameron to study and travel under the conference direction, were read and given over to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

By consent, conference listened to the report of Rev. C. M. Howe and his character passed.

Upon the absence of the vice-president, Rev. F. J. Wilson was called to the chair, and President Emerson gave his annual report to the conference.

Motion was made to adopt the report in full. After some discussion and explanation the motion carried.

Brother R. W. Mack moved, seconded by Brother C. M. Howe, that the conference President be instructed to write a letter of appreciation and thanks to the Rev. Albert Johnson for work done.

Adjourned by limitation.

After announcements by the president, Brother A. M. Stephens pronounced the benediction.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Wednesday Afternoon.

Conference sang Boylston in opening. Brother A. M. Stephens read from the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians and led in prayer.

Roll was called. Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Credential Committee presented the names of John McCann, of Guthrie Center, and Ruth Wiltse, of St. Charles, which were accepted.

Conference voted to seat Miss May Lord in conference.

A letter from Brother R. C. Moulton was read and his character was passed.

The motion prevailed that the name of Brother R. C. Moulton be placed on the superannuated list.

A letter from Brother F. E. Fitch was read, his character passed and name handed to the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

A letter from L. W. Easton, of Riverside, California, was read and character passed.

A letter from Sister Bertha Ellis was read and character passed.

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders presented as partial report the name of Frank Betzer, and his name was ordered placed on the conference licentiate roll.

A letter concerning the Wayne church property from Mr. W. S. Nicholas was read.

"The Language of My God" and "The Old Religion" were sung. Brother Hekel led in prayer. Verses from the 9th chapter of Luke were read. "All Under the Blood" was sung. Brother Dan Smith spoke from the text, "Whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it."

There was an affective altar service at the close.

The Order of the Day having been pushed off a half hour because of this service, Professor S. W. Bond then came to us with greetings from the Executive Board and words of his own. His talk was largely introducing the men at headquarters on the Executive Board.

He stated that if we as a Connection fall down, it will be on the business end—but that is not likely, for there are **business** men at the head, as well as religious men. He spoke of the value of sending children to an ideal school—one that places around the young people the best of environment. He exhorted the churches to raise the budget as a sure means of making a success of all lines of work.

Motion to adjourn prevailed. Brother I. E. Bradley pronounced the benediction.



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Thursday Forenoon.

President called conference to order at 9:30 o'clock. "Unsearchable Riches" was sung. Brother A. B. Gould led in prayer. Brother Geo. S. Fry read a portion of John 16.

Roll was called.

The President appointed R. W. Mack Committee on Courtesies. This committee introduced Ulis Hekel, Frank Betzer, Edwin Ellis, each of whom spoke a few words.

The minutes were read and corrected.

A letter recommending Ulis Hekel to travel in the Iowa Conference was read and handed to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

A notice from the city clerk at West Union ordering a sidewalk built along the north side of the church property there was read.

On motion it was ordered that Rev. Ulis Hekel, the pastor of West Union church, carry out previous instructions of the conference President (to the pastor) relative to this matter.

A motion prevailed that the President appoint a Committee on Boundaries.

The following names were called and character passed: W. R. Emerson, F. A. Butterfield, Geo. J. Cameron, Geo. S. Fry, R. W. Mack, I. E. Bradley, B. F. Logsdon, J. T. Platt, W. H. Riley, J. F. Hiner, E. R. Dodd, C. S. Weigel, B. J. Hoover, Ulis Hekel, and J. W. Leedy.

Motion prevailed that the chair appoint a Committee on Apportionment of Budget.

Adjourned by limitation. Brother A. B. Gould pronounced the benediction.

### Thursday Afternoon.

President called conference to order, and "He Leadeth Me" was sung. Brother A. B. Gould read a portion of the first chapter of Acts. Sister Ida Gorman led in prayer.

Eight elders, 9 licentiates and 13 delegates were present at roll call.

The President appointed as Committee on Boundaries: Geo. S. Fry and D. F. Smith; on Apportionment of Budget: Ulis Hekel and Frank Betzer.

The minutes were read and corrected.

The Credential Committee presented the name of Lucy Kirkpatrick, of Dayton charge. The report was accepted.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

R. W. Mack was called to the chair. The chairman of the Missionary Board read the report, which was adopted.

President Emerson presented the following recommendation:

Inasmuch as there is no special fund in the conference to draw upon for purely missionary work, and inasmuch as there are several churches which should be given aid in sustaining a pastor until they are strong enough to support a pastor, we recommend that a church extension fund be created for the purpose of assisting churches which cannot support a pastor without aid, and also to extend our work in new places. We further recommend that each pastor be required to take a special offering for this fund at some time during the conference year. Requests for help from this fund are to be made to the Missionary Board, which shall apportion the amount to be paid out and shall authorize the payment of all moneys from this fund.

This recommendation was adopted. \$45 was pledged for this fund. Motion prevailed that the President be given time on Sabbath morning to take a subscription for this fund.

Committee on Courtesies presented Rev. G. C. Houck to the chair, who introduced him to the conference. Brother Houck made a few remarks. "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Leaving All to Follow Jesus" were sung. Brother C. S. Weigel led in prayer. "It Never Runs Dry" was sung. Brother Ullis Hekel had for his theme "Three Ways of Meeting Sin." These are God's Way, Man's Way and Man meeting sin God's way. Brother Emerson led in prayer. "Room at the Fountain" was sung followed by an altar service.

"Orders of the Day" being called, President named Wm. Gipe and R. W. Mack as tellers.

The election resulted as follows:

President—W. R. Emerson.

Vice-President—R. W. Mack.

Secretary—Elvira C. Gould.

Treasurer—Frank J. Wilson.

Trustee—A. W. Curry.

Advisory Board—R. W. Mack, Wm. M. Gipe.

Judiciary Committee—A. B. Gould, C. P. Carkuff, J. F. Hiner, George S. Fry.

Missionary Board—F. J. Wilson, A. B. Gould.

Committee on Presidency—R. W. Mack, A. B. Gould, J. F. Hiner, Geo. Ebeling, Frank Ballou.

Tithing Secretary—Ida Gorman.

Statistical Secretary—A. P. Breneman.

Sabbath School Secretary—A. B. Gould.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

Sunday School Board—A. W. Curry, Laura Everett, Bertha Ellis.  
Committee on State of Work—W. R. Emerson, E. R. Dodd, A. W. Curry.

Student Committee—F. J. Wilson, A. B. Gould, W. R. Emerson.  
Committee on Itinerancy and Orders—A. B. Gould, R. W. Mack, A. W. Curry.

Camp Meeting—A. P. Breneman, J. F. Hiner, C. S. Weigel, W. R. Emerson, Frank Ballou, Wm. M. Gipe, Byron Hoover, with F. J. Wilson as treasurer.

Announcements were made. Adjourned by motion.

### Friday Forenoon.

President Emerson called conference to order. Brother Geo. Smith had charge of the devotionals. "Overcomes" was sung. Psalm 150 was the reading lesson. Brother Smith offered prayer.

Roll call was answered to by 9 elders, 10 licentiates, and 13 delegates.

Minutes were read and approved.

The Camp-Meeting Committee made their report, which was adopted.

The motion prevailed that this report be read at some time on Sabbath and that it be printed in the Wesleyan and local papers.

The motion prevailed that the chair appoint a committee of 3 members on disbursement of the Building Fund.

The Committee on Nominations presented a partial report as follows: Committee on Superannuated Ministers' Fund, Frank Betzer, Levi Lee, Ullis Hekel; Committee on Vote of Thanks, A. B. Gould, A. P. Breneman. The report was adopted.

The Sunday School Secretary's report was read and adopted.

A communication of recommendation concerning G. C. Houck was read and referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

Motion prevailed to vote on the amendment to the Discipline on the tobacco question.

The motion prevailed to postpone this vote until those who can vote be determined.

The names of the following were called and character passed: Geo. H. Doty, Ina Doty, A. W. Curry, Frank Betzer, Dan Smith, A. P. Breneman, Amy Breneman, and A. B. Gould.

Brother Geo. Smith appeared to make a statement concerning his resignation from his work last year.

Conference fell upon their knees and Brother Emerson voiced prayer.



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

Conference ordered a bill of \$1.47 of expense of the secretary paid.

The motion prevailed that the treasurer and secretary each receive ten dollars over and above traveling expenses to and from conference.

A bouquet and words of greeting were sent to Conference by Mrs. Orfa Gayther, of St. Charles.

Motion prevailed to suspend the rules and convene at 2 o'clock P. M. Consent was given to convene at 1:30.

Adjourned by limitation.

### Friday Afternoon.

Conference opened by singing "Glory to His Name." Brother Breneman led in prayer.

Nine elders, 9 licentiates, 13 delegates answered present.

Minutes were read and approved.

The Missionary Committee offered their report, which was adopted.

Orders of the Day being called, the following program was given by the graduates of the Teacher Training Class.

Sunday School Rally Song.

Paper, "Old Time History," Ruth Wiltse.

Paper, "The Intermediate Grade," Della Gipe.

Paper, "The City of Jerusalem," Florence Rowe, read by Mrs. Ina Doty.

A Trio, "The Little Church in the Vale."

Paper, "The Land of Palestine," Josie Broad.

Paper, "The Missing Link," Della Rice.

Paper, "The Intermediate Pupil," Myra Day, read by Mrs. Emerson.

Hymn, "The Last Mile of the Way."

Diplomas were awarded these six young ladies.

The continuation of the discussion of the tobacco vote followed, which resulted in granting the privilege to the elders and delegates of the conference.

The vote resulted as follows:

Total votes cast, 21. Affirmative, 17; Negative, 4.

The Treasurer made his annual report which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Conference adjourned for committee work.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Saturday Forenoon.

The President called conference to order at 9:30 o'clock.

"Living for Jesus" was sung. Brother F. J. Wilson read the 26th Psalm and led in prayer.

Seven elders, 7 licentiates, and 10 delegates were present.

Minutes were read and added unto.

The report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was presented and adopted.

The Committees on Resolutions and Moral Reform presented a joint report, which was adopted.

Committee on Permanent Location of Camp Ground read report, which was adopted.

The report of the Statistical Committee was read and adopted.

The motion prevailed that Brothers Mack and Breneman be a committee to draft a statistical report blank and to present the same at the next session of conference.

The Auditing Committee's report was read and adopted.

The Committees on Superannuated Ministers' Fund and on Apportionment of Budget made reports, which were adopted.

The President appointed Geo. S. Fry, A. P. Breneman and Howard Fay Committee on Disbursement of Building Fund.

A request of the Hoover charge, through Brother J. F. Hiner, was turned over to the Building Fund Committee.

Motion prevailed that the secretary have minutes published and pay for same from the conference fund.

Motion prevailed that the Secretary send minutes to persons and charges named.

The report of the Sunday School Committee was submitted and adopted.

The following names were called and characters passed: F. J. Wilson, May Lord, and Dr. Ruby Paine.

Letters from Brothers F. A. Butterfield and George J. Cameron were read.

R. W. Mack and Geo. S. Fry joined in prayer in behalf of all the distant brethren.

Adjourned by limitation. Brother W. L. McDowell pronounced the benediction.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Saturday Afternoon.

President called conference to order.

"I've Anchored in Jesus" was sung. 2 Timothy, 2nd chapter was read by Brother Edwin Ellis, who also led in prayer.

Eight elders, 9 licentiates and 11 delegates were present.

The minutes were read and approved.

The names of the following were called and character passed: Delia Howlett, Miriam Day, Dr. Alice Thomas, A. M. Stephens, C. P. Carkuff and D. W. Scott.

The motion prevailed to pass the moral character of Brother W. L. McDowell, but not his ministerial character. Brother Emerson pleaded before the throne in his and our behalf.

The name of Geo. Smith was called and his character passed.

The motion prevailed that the secretary be instructed to write a letter to Brother W. L. McDowell informing him of the action conference had taken in the passage of his character; and that inasmuch as his quarterly conference had not renewed his license the annual conference could not; and the character report be filed with the conference minutes.

The motion prevailed that the Camp Meeting Committee be instructed to secure evangelistic help. The motion was supported that the Camp Meeting Committee engage an evangelist to continue through conference and to work in harmony with the Committee on Religious Services.

Conference adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

At 4:27 President called conference to order, pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations, on Boundaries, on Disbursement of Building Fund gave reports, which were adopted.

The Committee on Vote of Thanks read their report.

A motion that this report be adopted by a rising vote, that the secretary be instructed to read it in public on the Sabbath and that the committee have it printed in the local papers was unanimously adopted.

The character of G. C. Houck was passed.

Announcements were made.

The Committee on Post Offices made report, which was adopted. A letter from Brother and Sister Logsdon to the Iowa Conference was read.

Conference adjourned sine die.



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Sunday.

The services on Sunday were largely attended throughout the day.

Geo. Smith conducted the Love Feast, which was hard to change because of the desire on the part of the people to testify to the goodness of God and His power to keep.

The subscription for the new fund known as the Church Extension Fund amounted to \$135, and this added to the previously subscribed amount, made \$215.

F. J. Wilson preached the ordination sermon, which was of benefit to others as well as the brothers who were about to be ordained. It was a solemn service when the older brethren in the conference assisted the president in thus conferring the ministerial rights on C. S. Weigel and A. P. Breneman.

The afternoon service, in charge of A. B. Gould was followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Many partook of the emblems of life.

W. R. Emerson preached the Sunday evening sermon. This was preceded by a baptismal service. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Weigel and the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hiner were dedicated to the Lord.

E. C. Gould, Secretary.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### STANDING RULES AND RESOLUTIONS

By an act of conference, the conference Secretary was instructed to include in the published Minutes all Standing Rules and Resolutions of this Conference.

On page 3 of Vol. 3 of the conference records, the following is found:

"On motion of Rev. S. A. Gilley, all resolutions of this conference in annual session so far as adopted at previous meetings are hereby repealed."

Page 138, Vol. 3: "Ordered that, until further notice, annual conference shall convene on Tuesday, not Wednesday as heretofore."

Page 272, Vol. 3: "Resolved, (1) that the President of the conference be constituted permanent chairman of the Committee of Religious Services; (2) that the pastor and first delegate from the charge at which the next conference is to be held be constituted the remaining members of the committee for the session."

Page 274, Vol. 3: "Resolved, that all Sunday Schools under the pastoral oversight of Wesleyan Methodist pastors may be included in the statistical report of the pastor having said school in charge."

Adopted 1906: "Resolved, (1) that the fixing of the time of the sessions of the conference be hereafter left with the conference President and Connectional officers; and that they be requested to fix the time before the first of September if possible; (2) that the time of opening and closing the meetings of the sessions be fixed as follows: Forenoon meetings open at 9:30 and close at 11:30, afternoon meetings at 1:00 and close at the discretion of the body; (3) that the bar of the conference be fixed and announced by the conference president; (4) that all visiting brethren and sisters in harmony with our doctrines and principles are invited to honorary seats."

Adopted 1906: "Resolved, that the conference tents be in charge of the conference President who shall see that they have proper care and storage. He may rent the same when not in use to outside parties as opportunity affords, and his judgment directs, or on such terms as he and the desiring parties may agree upon."

Adopted 1911: "Resolved, that all papers and documents be referred to their respective committees."

Adopted 1911: "The Missionary Board is hereby authorized to pay out all moneys to be paid from the conference fund."

Adopted 1911: "The conference Treasurer is authorized to loan any loanable funds for such time, rate of interest, and security as shall be approved by the conference trustees; said approval may be obtained in writing."

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

Adopted 1912: "Resolved, that all reports of committees be made in writing, complete and ready for the printer and handed to the secretary at the earliest possible date after such report is made."

Adopted 1912: "Resolved, (1) that the conference president be required, authorized and appointed to travel the conference as President, having general supervision of the spiritual interests and benevolences thereof, holding at least one service at each of the churches during the year under such dates as he may announce in advance; (2) he shall raise funds to meet the demands of the conference work, and receive contributions for missions, education, superannuated ministers where there are no pastors and assist the pastors in raising the same where desired; (3) he shall have general supervision of the church property within the bounds of the conference and shall inquire into the titles of the same to see that no property is loosely held and shall look after the rental of conference property, and see that the rent is placed in the conference treasury; and shall investigate the possibility and the feasibility of the sale of conference property not in use, and report his findings at the next session of the conference; (4) he shall devote as much time as possible and as occasion may afford in quarterly and other meetings; (5) he shall be paid from the conference fund the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700) and traveling expenses per year for his services, the same to be paid quarterly."

Adopted 1913: "Resolved, that the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders be ordered to furnish a list of the conference preachers and licentiates entitled to vote at each annual conference, as provided by the Discipline."

Adopted 1913: "Resolved, that an elder on stationed list holding church and conference membership in this conference and residing without its bounds, the local church to which he belongs is entitled to a delegate for said elder."

Adopted 1913: "Resolved, that all interests and rents upon conference property to be paid from the conference treasury be paid from the conference fund."



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Inasmuch as it has pleased the Great Head of the Church to grant us another year of service in His vineyard, we gratefully acknowledge our indebtedness to Him for His longsuffering and tenderness and forbearance toward us in our endeavor to perform the work of the ministry laid upon us. We also thank God for the measure of success that has attended the labors of the Conference, both the ministry and the laity of the Church. We appreciate the loyal support which both pastors and churches have given us in the work of the conference. While we feel keenly our own unworthiness, and inability for so great a work, faith lifts our eyes unto the hills, where we catch a larger vision of service, and the possibility of enlargement in all lines of our conference work. With praises unto God, and the hope of a greater extension of the Kingdom of God on earth, we submit our third annual report.

1. September 24th, wrote church letters for Rev. George and Adelia Houck, as per order of conference for lapsed societies.

2. November 6th, granted church letters to James, Eva and Earl Zickerfoose.

3. December 2nd, received Elder D. F. Smith on his letter of transfer from the Kansas Conference to the Iowa Conference.

4. May 5th, accepted the resignation of Rev. George Smith as pastor of the Charles City and Howardville charge.

5. May 10th, appointed Rev. Frank Betzer pastor of the Charles City and Howardville charge.

6. May 11th, released Rev. A. M. Stephens from West Union, and appointed Rev. Ullis Hekel pastor in his stead.

7. In December, 1914, the Rev. Albert Johnson and wife, Mina Johnson, held a revival meeting in what is known as the Seeley School house, some seven miles northwest of Guthrie Center. There were a number of converts and at the close of the meeting arrangements were made for Rev. D. F. Smith to preach to these people. Continuing his labors here it was thought best to organize a church, and he wrote to us concerning the matter. After consulting our advisory board, we authorized the organization of a church at this place. On the evening of August 5th, following a three weeks' tent meeting held at this place, a church of fourteen members was organized and presented to the conference President. It is therefore, with pleasure that we present to the conference this newly organized body, the Seeley Wesleyan Methodist Church.

8. We have issued orders on the treasury as follows:

No. 1. November 4th, from Building Fund to W. L. McDowell repairs on Bethel parsonage, \$15.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

No. 2. November 4th, Building Fund, to Rev. A. W. Curry, on Albaton parsonage, \$100.

No. 3. November 17th, to Rev. D. F. Smith, from Building Fund, for repairs on Guthrie Center parsonage, \$14.70.

No. 4. May 6th, Building Fund, for sewer past Guthrie Center parsonage, \$59.84.

9. General collections during the year .....	\$546.37
Rent from parsonages .....	105.56
Received salary .....	700.00
Traveling expenses .....	140.89

10. We have baptized seventeen persons during the year, and held two special revival meetings, both of which were owned of the Lord in the salvation of souls. We also assisted in two special meetings, aside from the quarterly and other meetings held. The presence of the Holy Spirit among the churches convincing men of sin, and creating a desire for salvation, has been more manifest this year, than in either of the two preceding years of our work in the conference. All glory and honor and praise be unto our God forever and forever. Amen!

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Emerson.

---

## REPORT OF MISSIONARY BOARD.

The command to go into all the world and preach the Gospel, was to be carried out by beginning at Jerusalem. The Conference Missionary Board is essentially a Home Board for Missions. Its work is to extend the working forces of the Conference so that the territory of the conference will all be brought under the special influences of the gospel. With this in view the present Missionary Board has taken the initiative for promoting home missions in the conference. To this end we implore the help of God and the hearty co-operation of the conference body, as we present our yearly report.

Shortly after the conference session of last year the Missionary Board petitioned the Connectional Missionary Board to elect Sister May Lord to the work of a Home Missionary in the Iowa Conference, engaging in work as follows. To work in the interests of missions, by holding and assisting in revival meetings, giving missionary addresses, making personal solicitations and working missionary fields preparatory to holding special meetings for the purpose of organizing new classes, and also to encourage the Y. M. W. Bands,

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

and where possible organize new bands. Also to receive subscriptions to and renewals for the Wesleyan Methodist. The petition was granted by the Connectional Board, and Sister Lord entered upon her appointed work in April, and has been busy up to the close of the year.

Upon request also our Missionary Secretary, Rev. E. Teter, has agreed to return to the Iowa Conference the money raised in the Iowa conference, for Conference Missions, said money to be used for missionary work in the Iowa Conference.

A prospective work is being opened in Northern Minnesota, and an organization may be perfected in the near future with a new church building, a pastor and all complete. Brother E. R. Dodd has been on the field in a special meeting and the prospects are good. Some little help may be needed from the conference to properly open up the work.

Orders issued on the Conference Fund:

October 8th, to Rev. D. F. Smith, moving expenses to Guthrie Center .....	\$26.00
November 4th, to Rev. Geo. S. Fry, interest on Union Ridge Church .....	19.50
April 2nd, to Mutual Fire and Tornado Association, insurance .....	2.75

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Emerson,  
A. B. Gould,  
E. R. Dodd.

---

## ANNUAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY.

To the members of the Iowa Conference, greetings:

Again we find ourselves at the close of another conference year. As we look back over the past year we remember our aim for the Sunday School, the goal we had set to be reached by the time our report must be made out for this conference session. While we must admit that our plans have not been wholly realized, yet in summing it all up we have much, indeed, to praise God for.

We have kept in pretty close touch with our schools through correspondence, and our heart has been caused to rejoice again and again as we have noted the increased interest and real advancement many of our schools have been making.

We asked that the superintendents and teachers of our schools have the classes memorize the following scripture: Psa. 1, 8, 19, 23, 121; Beatitudes, Matt. 5:3-12; The Lord's Prayer, Matt. 6:9-13. Just



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

how many of our schools have carried out the request we are unable to state. We do know that some have.

We asked our schools to hold a special decision day service in March. Some responded with good results.

We have been trying for several years to get our schools interested in the Cradle Roll work. This year we are glad indeed to be able to report a number of real live Cradle Rolls.

Also our Teacher Training classes have been taking hold of the work as never before. The result is indeed gratifying. I am quite sure that the entire conference body will agree with me that they have been doing excellent work when I tell you that the lowest mark given any paper was 99 1-5 per cent. **This is good, but** better still are the remarks coming to me from teachers and scholars that they are planning on doing more and better work this coming year. I am sure the recognition given us by the conference this year in letting us have our graduation exercises one afternoon of the session, also the diplomas granted by the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, will add an impetus that will send us forth as Sunday School workers to do more real effective work than ever before in our lives. Let us all join in saying: "With His help it shall be so."

On account of sickness I have only been able to attend one Sunday School Convention. That one was at St. Charles. The growth there along Sunday School lines is very marked. The Sunday School Convention at Charles City was attended by Mr. Breneman, as I was unable to go as I had planned. An excellent convention was reported. On account of sickness I have found it impossible to do the work as I have longed for it to be done. I have been unable even to do the corresponding I have wanted to do.

The work is much on my heart and I have prayed earnestly that God would make us a mighty host that the work of Satan may be overturned and the cause of righteousness triumph.

With a heart full of love and gratitude to all that have been so patient and helpful to me during the past year I humbly submit this report.

Cost of postage for the year .....	\$1.05
Cost of diplomas .....	1.50
Cost of traveling expenses .....	4.74
Cost of Cradle Roll Certificates .....	.50
Total amount received during year .....	\$9.02
Amount received above expenses .....	\$1.23

Let us pray more earnestly and labor with a faith that "laughs at impossibilities and cries it shall be done."

Amy M. Breneman, Conference Sunday School Secretary.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

We as a Church have much cause to thank God that he has answered our prayers in giving special attention to our missionaries during the past year when the world's greatest war has been raging.

We were greatly rejoiced over the safe arrival of Brother and Sister Eddy and Dr. Alice Thomas on the field at the time when voyages at sea were so unsafe, also over the safe coming to the homeland of Brother and Sister Clarke and Dr. Ruby Paine and Sister Wood.

The work in Africa has taken on great changes during the past year. While the new facilities for travel and transporting goods lightens the work of the missionaries in many ways yet the inrush of an ungodly element makes the responsibility great and the native Christians never needed help more than now.

God's hand has very tenderly guided and guarded the work and workers in India during these troublous times for which we praise Him.

We feel that we as a conference should be intelligent along all lines of missionary work. Let us give especial attention to the needs of the Southern work and our city missions both East and West.

We have had go out from our own midst this year our home missionary, Sister Lottie Buttermore, and shall we not hold her up by our prayers the same as those who have gone to distant lands? May God speed the day when we can have a city mission within the bounds of our own conference.

We rejoice over the progressive spirit that is taking possession of us as a conference and let us labor and pray as never before that our borders may be extended and precious souls be harvested into the fold of our God.

Miriam Day,  
May Lord,  
Committee.

---

### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS.

1. Conference licentiates serving as missionaries: Ruby Paine, Alice Thomas, May Lord, Miriam Day, Delia Howlett.
2. In first year of course with credits designated: Geo. Smith,

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

Alfred Stephens, Pentateuch, Discipline, Binney, History Wesleyan Methodism, Plain Account, Sermon.

3. In second year: Geo. and Ina Doty, Byron Hoover, Homiletics, History Wesleyan Methodism, Sermon.

4. In third year: Amy Breneman, Epistles, Biblical Geography.

5. Licentiates not in course of study: G. C. Houck, D. W. Scott, Frank Betzer, Ullis Hekel.

6. Referred back to their quarterly conference: W. L. McDowell, with credits in Plain Account, Natural Theology; Aaron Cameron, with instruction to furnish examination papers as required by Discipline, par. 234.

7. To be ordained by this conference: C. S. Weigel, A. P. Breneman.

8. Entitled to vote: A. P. Breneman, Amy Breneman, Bertha Ellis, C. S. Weigel, Byron Hoover, Ina Doty, Geo. Doty, D. W. Scott, Geo. Smith, May Lord.

A. B. Gould,  
R. W. Mack,  
A. W. Curry,  
Ida Gorman,  
Wm. Gipe.

---

## COMMITTEE ON THE LOCATION AND PURCHASE OF PERMANENT CAMP GROUND.

Inasmuch as the ground obtainable for permanent camp ground is neither suitable nor accessible, and as Mr. Haymond has kindly granted us the free use of the grounds we are now occupying, for the coming year and for an indefinite number of years, we recommend that we hold the camp meeting on these grounds the coming year. Provided the Camp Meeting Committee may arrange otherwise.

W. R. Emerson,  
F. J. Wilson,  
Frank Ballou.

---

## COMMITTEE ON VOTE OF THANKS.

Realizing that all life's blessings find in their beginning one common source, we wish first to render thanks to our Father in heaven, who in His infinite love and mercy has allowed us once



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

again to meet together in our annual camp meeting and conference and enjoy His gracious presence while sitting together in heavenly places.

We wish also to express our sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Haymond and sons, who have so kindly allowed us the use of this beautiful grove, together with the dining hall and for their courtesy in extending us an invitation to return again in future years if we so wish.

We also wish to thank the pastors and people of the Emmanuel and Pleasant Hill charges for the help which they have so kindly rendered in ways too numerous to mention.

Again we wish to thank our dear Sister Cameron and her helper, Sister Mary Hoover, for so nobly overseeing the work in the dining hall, and last, but not least, the Camp Meeting Committee who have done all they could for the comfort and convenience of those attending.

Signed,

A. B. Gould,

A. P. Breneman.

---

## JOINT REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND REFORM.

First, Resolved, that we as a conference greatly appreciate the excellent management of our Connectional officers in their administration and government of our Connectional interests, and we hereby pledge cheerfully our hearty co-operation.

Second, Resolved, that we as a conference have reason to be proud of our four splendid schools, namely, Miltonvale Wesleyan College, Miltonvale, Kansas; Houghton College, Houghton, N. Y.; Central Wesleyan College, Central, S. C.; and Fairmount Bible School, Fairmount, Indiana, and we deem it a duty as well as a privilege to encourage our young people to attend and patronize our own schools; we do also pledge to them our unqualified support.

Third, Resolved, that we deplore and deeply lament the awful tide of increasing Sabbath desecration in our so called Christian land, and that we as a people strictly observe the keeping of God's holy day, teaching our children and others the importance of keeping the Sabbath day holy.

Fourth, Resolved, that being aware of the great national evil

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

known as the liquor traffic we as a people rejoice and encourage ourselves in the Lord for what has already been accomplished in destroying its influence by the ballot, but that we continue to oppose and resist this evil by laboring and praying and voting for national prohibition.

Fifth, Resolved that in keeping with our reform doctrines as touching secret orders we faithfully warn and teach our people to have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

Sixth, Resolved, that in the conclusion of these resolutions we give more than a passing mention of the blight in our land known as the white slave traffic or commercialized or legalized vice.

We do therefore earnestly exhort our people in general and parents in particular to zealously guard and protect their homes, girls and boys against this great evil and encourage and support civic reform movements and all kindred agencies now in action against this awful curse.

A. W. Curry,  
J. F. Hiner,  
J. D. Williams,  
Committee on Resolutions.

F. J. Wilson,  
C. S. Weigel,  
W. W. Howlett,  
Committee on Reform.

---

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer's Book shows the following:

### Building Fund.

On hand at last report .....	\$385.36
Received during the year, nothing.	
Disbursements .....	409.54
Deficit .....	<u>24.18</u>

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Conference Fund.

On hand Sept. 1, 1914 .....	\$253.37
Received .....	989.40
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$1242.77</b>
Disbursements .....	1033.46
<b>On hand</b> .....	<b>\$209.31</b>

### Conference Fund in Minnesota.

On hand at beginning of year .....	\$62.06
No receipts or disbursements.	

### Student Fund.

Deficit at beginning .....	\$20.62
Receipts .....	79.00
Balance on hand .....	58.38
No disbursements.	

### Camp Meeting Fund.

On hand at last report .....	156.95
Received .....	332.55
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>489.50</b>
Disbursements .....	281.07
<b>On hand</b> .....	<b>\$208.43</b>

### Educational Budget.

On hand September 4, 1914 .....	\$43.77
Received .....	368.33
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>412.10</b>
Disbursements .....	338.37
<b>On hand</b> .....	<b>\$73.73</b>



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE.

### Superannuated Ministers.

On hand at last report .....	\$149.12
Received .....	156.37
Total .....	<u>\$305.49</u>
Disbursements .....	75.00
On hand .....	<u>\$230.49</u>

### Mission Budget.

On hand Sept. 4, 1915 .....	\$179.85
Received .....	550.07
Total .....	<u>\$729.92</u>
Disbursements .....	507.56
On hand .....	<u>\$222.36</u>

### Summary.

Total receipts including total cash on hand Sept. 4, 1915...	\$3806.05
Total disbursements .....	2765.37
By Treasurer's Book Total cash .....	<u>\$1040.68</u>
By cash and bank book .....	1040.80
Surplus .....	<u>\$ .12</u>

### COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND.

Your committee to which was referred the apportionment of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund, having considered the same, respectfully report:

To Mrs. S. A. Gilley .....	\$25.00
To Mrs. Thomas Hartley .....	25.00
To Mrs. S. C. Cameron .....	25.00

Signed

Frank Betzer,  
Ulis Hekel.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the Auditing Committee, would respectfully report that we have examined the books and accounts of the conference treasurer and find them correct with a surplus of twelve cents.

Respectfully submitted

A. W. Curry,  
W. W. Howlett,  
G. H. Doty,  
Committee.

---

### COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Feeling more deeply than ever before the great necessity of Sunday School work, we ask to submit the following report: We are convinced that there is no greater or more important work, or one more needed to build up the cause of Christ and the Church than that of the Sunday School. Let us consecrate ourselves as never before by the help of God to this great work, by this means to save the young and win souls for Christ.

Mary Wattles,  
Susie Coleson,  
A. B. Gould.

---

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT OF THE BUDGET.

Your committee to which was referred the apportionment of the budget, having computed the same, respectfully report:

Dayton .....	\$168.75
Dundee .....	92.25
Fairview .....	123.75
Hoover .....	99.00
Charles City and Howardville .....	81.00
West Union .....	33.75
Benezette .....	65.25
Bethel .....	51.75
Seeley .....	31.50
Guthrie Center .....	29.25
Tuttle Grove .....	20.00
Albaton .....	85.50
St. Charles .....	114.75

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

South Troy .....	101.25
Pleasant Hill .....	65.25
Diagonal .....	2.25
Pilot Rock .....	20.25
Wayne .....	22.50

Signed,

Ulis Hekel,  
Frank Betzer.

---

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Committee on Post Offices: Mrs. Lizzie Lortscher, Mrs. L. Betzer.

Examination of Character: Howard Fay, Rev. Geo. S. Fry.

Statistics: Rev. Geo. Smith, Rev. D. F. Smith, John Yancey.

Missions: Miriam Day, May Lord.

Sunday Schools: Rev. A. B. Gould, Susie Coleson, Mary Wattles.

Resolutions: Rev. A. W. Curry, Rev. J. F. Hiner, John D. Williams, Jr.

Moral Reform: F. J. Wilson, C. S. Weigel, Wm. Howlett.

Pastoral Relations: W. R. Emerson, R. W. Mack, F. J. Wilson, C. S. Weigel, Wm. M. Gipe, and Lucy Kirkpatrick.

Superannuated Ministers' Fund: Frank Betzer, Levi Lee, Ulis Hekel.

Vote of Thanks: A. B. Gould, A. P. Breneman.

Auditing Committee: A. W. Curry, Wm. Howlett, George Doty.

---

### COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION OF BUILDING FUNDS.

Your Committee on Distribution of Building Funds wish to submit the following report:

That the conference continue the loan of \$100 to the Hoover charge for another year.

Geo. S. Fry,  
H. W. Fay,  
A. P. Breneman.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARY.

We recommend that St. Charles be a charge by itself, and that Charles City and Howardville be one charge.

That Guthrie Center and Seeley be the Guthrie Center charge.

D. F. Smith,

Geo. S. Fry.

---

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

How many elders are on the conference roll? 24.

Who of the elders are on the stationed list? W. R. Emerson, E. R. Dodd, C. P. Carkuff, F. J. Wilson, J. F. Hiner, A. B. Gould, A. W. Curry, R. W. Mack, F. A. Butterfield, Geo. S. Fry, D. F. Smith, Austin Breneman, C. S. Weigel, Bertha Ellis (elected but not ordained), F. E. Fitch, Ira E. Bradley.

Who of the elders are on the supernumerary list? G. J. Cameron, C. M. Howe, J. T. Platt.

Who of the elders are on the superannuated list? R. C. Moulton, L. W. Easton, B. F. Logsdon, W. H. Riley.

Who of the elders have been deposed this year? None.

Who of the elders have withdrawn this year: (1) By transfer? None; (2) By letter of standing? None.

Who have joined the conference this year: (1) By ordination? A. P. Breneman, C. S. Weigel; (2) By transfer? Frank Betzer (Licentiate), D. F. Smith; (3) By letter of standing or credentials from some other religious body? None.

Who of the elders have died this year? None.

Who of the licentiates are on the stationed list? B. J. Hoover, Amy Breneman, Geo. H. Doty, Ina Doty, A. M. Stephens, D. W. Scott, Ulis Hekel, Frank Betzer.

How is the work supplied? South Troy, B. J. Hoover; Emmanuel, A. W. Curry; Dayton, F. J. Wilson; Albaton, Geo. Doty and Ina Doty; Bennezzette, Austin Breneman and Amy Breneman; Hoover, J. F. Hiner; St. Charles, Ulis Hekel; Charles City and Howardville, Frank Betzer; Dundee and Masonville, R. W. Mack; Pilot Rock, Geo. Smith; Marengo, C. S. Weigel; Bethel, May Lord; Pleasant Hill, D. W. Scott; Guthrie Center charge, Bertha Ellis and Edwin Ellis, conditionally; Guthrie Circuit, D. F. Smith; West Union, Ira E. Bradley; Wayne, Diagonal, Concord, Supplied by President; F. A. Butterfield, Connectional Editor; W. R. Emerson, Conference President with instructions to travel; E. R. Dodd, Connectional



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

evangelist of N. W. District; A. B. Gould, Sunday School Secretary and General Evangelist; F. E. Fitch, Evangelist in Oklahoma; C. P. Carkuff, Geo. S. Fry, General Evangelists; Dr. Alice Thomas, Medical Missionary in Africa; Delia Howlett, Missionary in Africa; Dr. Ruby Paine, Medical missionary on furlough; Miriam Day, missionary in waiting; J. W. Leedy, To choose his own field of labor; G. C. Houck, Missionary in Independence; W. L. McDowell, referred to his quarterly conference.

W. R. Emerson,  
F. J. Wilson,  
R. Wesley Mack,  
C. S. Weigel,  
W. M. Gipe,  
Lucy Kirkpatrick,  
Committee.

---

## NAMES AND ADDRESSES.

### Elders.

1. W. R. Emerson, Charles City, Iowa.
2. E. R. Dodd, Charles City, Iowa.
3. F. J. Wilson, Clarence, Iowa.
4. Geo. S. Fry, Marengo, Iowa.
5. R. W. Mack, Dundee, Iowa.
6. Ira E. Bradley, West Union, Iowa.
7. C. M. Howe, West Union, Iowa.
8. B. F. Logsdon, 706 E. Boone St., Marshalltown, Iowa.
9. J. F. Hiner, Walker, Iowa.
10. A. W. Curry, Laporte City, Iowa.
11. R. C. Moulton, 1429 E. Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.
12. Dan Smith, Coon Rapids, Iowa.
13. A. B. Gould, Jarrett, Minn.
14. F. A. Butterfield, 320 E. Onondaga St., Syracuse, N. Y.
15. Geo. J. Cameron, Daysland, Alberta, Canada.
16. L. W. Easton, 188 Olivewood Ave., Riverside, Cal.
17. J. F. Platt, Lakeside, Nebr.
18. C. P. Carkuff, Hammond, Minn.
19. F. E. Fitch, Mountainview, Okla.
20. W. H. Riley, Upland, Cal.
21. C. S. Weigel, Marengo, Iowa.
22. A. P. Breneman, Bristow, Iowa.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Licentiates.

1. Amy Breneman, Bristow.
2. Bertha Ellis, Guthrie Center.
3. J. W. Leedy, University Park.
4. G. C. Houck, Independence.
5. May Lord, Ira.
6. Ruby Payne, Marengo.
7. Miriam Day, Charles City.
8. Geo. Doty, Sloan.
9. Ina Doty, Sloan.
10. George Smith, Cherokee.
11. A. M. Stephens, LaPorte City.
12. D. W. Scott, LaPorte City.
13. Frank Betzer, Charles City.
14. Ulis Hekel, Charles City.
15. B. J. Hoover, Hammond, Minn.
16. Delia Howlett, Kunso, Sierra Leone, West Africa.
17. Alice Thomas, Kunso, Sierra Leone, West Africa.

### Delegates.

1. John Yancey, Charles City.
2. Lizzie Betzer, Charles City.
3. Lucy Kirkpatrick, Clarence.
4. Ruth Wiltse, Charles City.
5. Mrs. Geo. Hunter, Sloan.
6. H. W. Fay, Walker.
7. Mrs. W. J. Williams, LaPorte City.
8. Wm. Gipe, LaPorte City.
9. Wm. Howlett, Marengo.
10. Mary Wattles, West Union.
11. Mrs. Henry Coleson, Manchester.
12. John McCann, Guthrie Center.
13. Levi Lee, Dundee.
14. Lizzie Lotscher, Hammond, Minn.
15. Ida Gorman, Zumbro Falls, Minn.

# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS.

Charge	Pastor	Time Employed	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Sunday School Banners Taken	Teacher's Quarterlies	Scholar's Quarterlies	Junior Quarterlies	Primary Class Papers	Our Little Folks Cards	Received	Expelled
Dayton .....	F. J. Wilson	12	1	1	22	15	6	50	10	10	10	2	
Dundee .....	R. Wesley Mack	12	1	1	17	40	6	60	30	24	24	7	
Fairview .....	C. S. Weigel	12	1	1	15	20	6	40	15	6	6	3	
Emmanuel .....	B. J. Hoover	12	1	1	10	20	3	35	35	15	15	18	
Hoover .....	J. F. Hiner	12	1	1	14	25	3	50	10	10	10	7	
Charles City and Howardville.....	F. Betzer	3	2	2	15	20	20	10	10	10	20	10	
West Union .....	Ulis Hekel	3	1	1	7	20	6	15	15	10	10	5	
Bennezzette .....	A. P. and A. M. Breneman	12	1	1	9		4	30	15	12	24		
Bethel .....	W. L. McDowell	7	1	1	2								
Guthrie Center .....	D. F. Smith	12	3	3	10	18	13	40	24	24	24	15	
Albaton .....	A. W. Curry	12	1	1	6	15	4	48		15		5	
St. Charles .....	Geo. H. and Ina Doty	12	1	1	8	20		40		6	10	2	
South Troy .....	C. P. Carkuff	12	2	1	15	15	10	60	15	15			
Pleasant Hill .....	D. W. Scott	12	1	1	6	20	5	40	10	12	12	13	
Diagonal .....			1	1									
Pilot Rock .....			1	1									
Wayne .....			1	1									
Totals .....		145	18	20	156	248	87	518	184	145	165	70	

# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued.

Charge	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Number Reported Last Year	Number at the Beginning of the Year	Present Numbers	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstated Elders	Licentiates	Membership Tithing	No. of Sabbath Schools	No. of Officers not Teachers or Scholars	No. of Teachers	No. of Scholars in Cradle Roll Depart
Dayton .....	1	1	75	75									2	1		5	12
Dundee .....		2	34	41				5	2	7		1	20	1		6	23
Fairview .....	1		54	54				1				5	15	1		5	
Emmanuel .....	3		66	56	68			12	6	12		3	3	1		4	7
Hoover .....	15	2	61	51	44	15				3		4	10	1		4	
Charles City and Howardville .....	1			36									21	2		8	1
West Union .....	1		11	11	15			4					3	1		4	
Bennezzette .....		2	31	31	29	2			2			3	5	1		4	7
Bethel .....		2	25	25	23	2					1	1	1	1			
Guthrie Center .....	5	8	33	35				2		14		1	3			8	
Albaton .....	1		34	34	38			4					5	1		4	
St. Charles .....		1	50	49	51			2				3	5	1		5	8
South Troy .....	1		46	46	45	1		12	1	1			17	2	1	6	9
Pleasant Hill .....			16	16	29			13	2	2		1	6	1		4	
Diagonal .....			20	20	1	19											
Pilot Rock .....			9	9	9												
Wayne .....			17	17	10	7											
Totals .....	20	9	18	582	419	604	3	24	39	2	21	112	18	1	167	67	



## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued.

35

# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued.

Charge	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Fees—Marriage and Funeral	Gifts
Dayton .....			\$454.60	\$75.00		\$16.95
Dundee .....			500.00	96.00	\$20.00	24.00
Fairview .....			537.80	100.00	5.00	100.00
Emmanuel .....			394.40	72.00		96.15
Hoover .....		\$25.00	460.00	100.00	10.00	50.00
Charles City and Howardville .....			86.89	69.00	7.50	5.46
West Union .....			27.67	18.00		14.40
Bennezette .....			395.80	100.00	10.00	75.62
Bethel .....			56.00	36.00		
Guthrie Center .....			147.92	72.00	5.00	25.90
Albaton .....	\$25.00		281.00	96.00	11.00	
St. Charles .....			300.00	100.00	7.00	50.45
South Troy .....			550.00	60.00		
Pleasant Hill .....		12.40	241.60		5.00	56.00
Diagonal .....						
Pilot Rock .....						
Wayne .....						
Totals .....	\$25.00	\$37.40	\$4432.68	\$994.00	\$80.50	\$522.93

# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued.

Charge	Total Pastor's Receipts	Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expense	Building and Repair	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Dayton .....	\$546.55	\$45.00	\$46.62		\$75.76	\$167.38
Dundee .....	640.00	17.35	32.44	\$75.00	23.80	148.59
Fairview .....	742.80	8.35	25.69	33.60	121.33	
Emmanuel .....	562.55	115.00	22.00	13.00	93.47	243.47
Hoover .....	620.00	50.00	22.84	30.00	42.04	144.88
Charles City and Howardville...	168.85		49.62	398.00		447.62
West Union .....	60.07		15.00	49.20	44.20	108.40
Bennezette .....	581.42	43.82	28.00	27.20	19.50	118.52
Bethel .....	92.00				9.57	9.57
Guthrie Center .....	250.82		21.28	31.20	15.50	67.98
Albaton .....	388.00	33.00	20.00	145.00	18.00	215.00
St. Charles .....	357.45	102.81	17.00	200.00	55.83	358.64
South Troy .....	610.00	70.00	50.00	200.00	30.00	350.00
Pleasant Hill .....	302.60	134.53	23.00		17.08	174.61
Diagonal .....						
Pilot Rock .....						
Wayne .....						
Totals .....	\$5723.11	\$619.76	\$363.49	\$1101.20	\$564.08	\$2295.83

# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued.

Charge	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Other Benevolent Objects
Dayton .....	\$165.55			\$28.88	\$17.50	\$267.00
Dundee .....	74.95		\$5.00	76.40	32.63	83.50
Fairview .....		\$99.75	78.00	140.74	17.00	111.50
Emmanuel .....		92.61	6.50	20.07	8.00	
Hoover .....	226.73	147.73	54.00	61.50	5.55	25.00
Charles City and Howardville .....	2.00	74.89	21.50	47.89	7.30	52.00
West Union .....		16.70	9.08	9.23	2.92	
Bennezette .....		92.39	119.00	49.70	16.09	40.00
Bethel .....		24.42		10.19		
Guthrie Center .....		75.28	30.00	71.05		
Albaton .....		34.03	6.00	28.50		
St. Charles .....	95.29	70.34		24.90	3.50	
South Troy .....		37.46				
Pleasant Hill .....		92.76	4.00	30.56	5.00	17.04
Diagonal .....						
Pilot Rock .....						
Wayne .....						
Totals .....	\$564.52	\$859.36	\$343.08	\$599.61	\$115.49	\$596.04



# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued

Charge	Total for Benevolences	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total for all Purposes	Undivided Budget Raised
Dayton .....		\$546.55	\$167.38	\$478.58	\$1182.51	\$165.35
Dundee .....	\$272.48	640.00	148.59	272.48	1161.07	74.95
Fairview .....	446.99	742.80	188.97	446.99	1378.76	
Emmanuel .....	127.18	562.55	243.47	127.18	928.20	
Hoover .....	520.51	620.00	144.88	520.51	1182.55	226.73
Charles City and Howardville	205.58	168.85	447.62	205.58	822.05	2.00
West Union .....	37.90	60.07	108.40	37.90	206.37	25.75
Bennezette .....	317.18	581.42	118.52	317.18	1014.12	86.39
Bethel .....	34.61	56.00	9.57	34.60	99.18	
Guthrie Center .....	176.33	250.82	67.98	176.33	495.13	
Albaton .....	68.53	388.00	216.00	68.53	672.53	
St. Charles .....	98.79	357.45	358.64	98.79	814.88	
South Troy .....		610.00	350.00	205.14	1165.00	
Pleasant Hill .....	149.36	302.60	174.61	149.36	626.03	
Diagonal .....						
Pilot Rock .....						
Wayne .....						
Totals .....	\$2165.54	\$5887.11	\$2814.63	\$3148.86	\$11732.48	\$551.17

# THE IOWA CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE STATISTICS—Continued.

Charge	Budget Assigned	Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Total Budget	Y. M. W. B.	W. H. & F. M. S.
Dayton .....					\$194.43	\$10.16	\$26.49
Dundee .....	\$77.50			\$5.00	156.35	35.50	17.95
Fairview .....							
Emmanuel .....						44.57	49.84
Hoover .....	138.25	\$147.73		54.00	489.96		
Charles City & Howardville	81.00	74.89	\$45.00	21.50	146.28	23.90	4.58
West Union .....	25.75	16.64	14.30	9.08	60.73	4.17	9.00
Bennezzette .....	70.00	67.39	40.00	19.00	136.09	34.54	88.00
Bethel .....		24.42				2.60	4.00
Guthrie Center .....	75.25	75.28	41.80	30.00	176.33	30.57	
Albaton .....	77.50	34.03	43.05	6.00	71.53		
St. Charles .....	112.00	70.34		24.90	95.29	14.50	18.50
South Troy .....	104.12	205.14	57.50			70.00	84.32
Pleasant Hill .....	36.00	92.76	20.00	4.00	127.32		
Diagonal .....							
Pilot Rock .....							
Wayne .....							
Totals .....	\$796.37	\$675.62	\$261.65	\$173.48	\$1650.31	\$271.41	\$302.68

John W. Yancey,  
Geo. Smith,  
D. F. Smith,  
Committee.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### MINUTES OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE WOMAN'S HOME, FOREIGN AND CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1915.

---

#### Officers.

President—Sister Clara Wilson.  
Vice-President—Sister Jennie Emerson.  
Secretary—Sister Cora Howlett.  
Treasurer—Sister Lucy Kirkpatrick.  
Organizer—Sister Miriam Day.  
Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Sister Ollie Haymond.

#### First Meeting.

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Iowa Conference was called to order by the President, Sister Clara Wilson, September 9, 1915.

"I Am Praying for You" was sung.

Devotional services were led by Sister May Lord, reading John 10:1-16, after which prayer was offered.

Lizzie Betzer was elected Secretary pro tem.

Elsie Webster and May Lord were appointed Auditing Committee.

Sister Rice and Sister Gipe were appointed Statistical Committee.

Reports from the following societies read and adopted: Pilot Rock, Fair View, Charles City and Dundee.

Motion prevailed that officers be elected immediately after reading minutes at next meeting.

Dismissed by President.

#### Second Meeting.

Opened Friday morning at 8 o'clock by singing "Blessed Be the Name of the Lord."

Devotional services were led by Sister Doty, reading the 109 Psalm, after which prayer was offered.

Minutes were read.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

Officers were then elected as follows:

President—Sister Wilson.

Vice-President—Sister Emerson.

Secretary—Lizzie Betzer.

Treasurer—Sister Kirkpatrick.

Organizer—Sister Lord.

Y. M. W. B. Superintendent—Sister Haymond.

Reports of the following societies were read and adopted: Pleasant Hill, West Union, Bennezette, Emmanuel and St. Charles.

Report was given by delegate to General Conference, Sister Emerson.

Motion prevailed that the report given by Sister Emerson be handed to organizer.

General Treasurer gave a report of her work.

Motion prevailed to adjourn and meet at the call of the chair.

### Third Meeting.

Opened Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

"Is My Name Written There" and "Living for Jesus" were sung; 121st Psalm was repeated by all, after which Elsie Webster offered prayer.

Minutes of previous meeting were read.

Report from Organizer, Miss Day, was read.

Report of Dayton Valley was read and adopted.

Report of Treasurer referred to Auditing Committee.

Motion prevailed that Secretary send Sister Breneman greetings from the Society.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

### Fourth Meeting.

Called to order Saturday morning by President.

"Constantly Abiding" and "Close to Thee" were sung.

Sister Mack led the devotional services, reading the 34th Psalm, then offered prayer.

Minutes were read and approved.

Report of Auditing Committee was read and adopted.

Report of Treasurer was read and adopted.

Report of South Troy Society was read and adopted.

A little talk was given to help our societies. Motion to adjourn.



## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### Fifth Meeting.

Was called to order by President.

"Hidden Peace" was sung.

Sister Emerson offered prayer.

Minutes were read and adopted.

Report of Statistical Committee read and adopted.

Motion made and adopted that \$75 be sent for foreign need and \$75 be used on home field and \$13.03 be left in treasury.

Motion made and carried that the President's correspondence expenses be drawn from the treasury.

Moved and carried that each local member be apportioned 25c to keep a native preacher and family in the foreign field.

Motion made to adjourn.

### Public Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 P. M.

Song Service, conducted by Rev. Edwin Ellis.

Duet, Dark Africa, Mrs. Calderwood and Rev. Ellis.

Scripture Reading and Prayer, Rev. W. R. Emerson.

Solo, "Down On the Congo," Miss Winnie Mosher.

Address, Miss Cleo Young.

This was a most excellent and interesting address, after which Sister May Lord made a few well chosen remarks and appealed for funds, securing \$156 in cash and pledges.

Duet, "I Never Will Cease to Love Him," sung in Tenne by Sisters May Lord and Cleo Young.

Benediction, Rev. W. R. Emerson.

## THE IOWA CONFERENCE

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of Treasurer from September 5, 1914, to September 10, 1915.

On hand September 5, 1914 .....	\$25.00
Receipts during the year:	
For Miltonvale Dormitory .....	233.00
For delegate's expenses to General Conference .....	15.40
For Conference Society:	
Pilot Rock .....	22.00
Dayton Valley .....	24.64
Dayton Valley to furnish room at Miltonvale Dormitory..	35.00
Fairview .....	14.20
Bethel .....	9.00
West Union, by receipt .....	6.56
West Union, by cash .....	2.50
Benezette, Home and Foreign .....	32.85
St. Charles, by cash .....	18.50
St. Charles, by receipt .....	10.40
Dundee, by cash .....	17.95
Dundee, by receipt .....	6.50
Dundee by receipt to furnish room at Miltonvale Dormitory .....	36.00
South Troy .....	15.00
Pleasant Hill .....	15.74
Hoover, Home and Foreign .....	8.00
Charles City .....	4.58
Emmanuel .....	21.09
Total .....	\$573.85
Surplus .....	.01

#### Disbursements.

To Miltonvale Dormitory .....	\$233.00
To Miltonvale Dormitory to furnish rooms .....	71.00
To delegate to General Conference .....	42.58
To May Lord, by receipt .....	6.50
By receipt .....	16.90
Total .....	369.98
Balance .....	203.88

Lucy Kirkpatrick, Treasurer.