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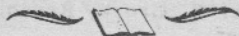
Held In

ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth and Popular Streets

Pine Bluff, Arkansas

JUNE 10 - 14, 1959



Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Presiding
H. Reeves Washington, I, Secretary

PROGRAM

SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH
Pine Bluff, Arkansas
June 11 - 14, 1959

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10 - PRE-CONFERENCE

- 12:30 P. M. Dinner
- 2:00 P. M. Devotional Service
- Conference Purpose
- Orientation
- District Workshops
- 6:00 P. M. Supper
- 7:45 P. M. Celebration of The Holy Communion

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

- 7:00 A. M. Breakfast
- 8:30 A. M. Ministry of Music
- Organ - Hymns of the Church
- 9:00 A. M. Devotions - John H. Thompson
- 9:30 A. M. Conference Business
- Welcomes from Pine Bluff
- Organization of Conference
- Roll Call
- Composite Report of District
- Superintendents, C. C. Hall
- 10:30 A. M. Conference Board of Missions
- A Study: General, Conference and Local Advance Projects
- Report: Findings of the Conference School of Missions,
- E. M. Johnson in charge.
- 11:30 A. M. MEMORIAL SERVICE
- Presiding: J. Murry Smith
- Preaching: Franklin C. Souder
- 12:30 P. M. Dinner
- 2:00 P. M. Devotions - Clifton Mitchell
- 2:15 P. M. Conference Business
- 3:00 P. M. Conference Board of Education
- Local Church Emphasis
- Educational Institutions
- Wesley Foundation (A M. & N.) J. Clinton Anderson, Presiding
- 4:00 P. M. Commission on World Service and Finance WORKSHOP
- Frank A. Young and Associates
- 6:00 P. M. Supper
- 7:30 P. M. Evening Service
- METHODISM Outreach - M. D. Pembroke
- 8:00 P. M. Worship: Dr. John H. Oliver, Leading
- Sermon: Dr. C. Crosby Reynolds
- 9:30 P. M. Adjournment

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

- 7:00 A. M. Breakfast
- 8:30 A. M. Ministry of Music: Organ and Hymns
- 9:00 A. M. Devotions - H. Reeves Washington
- 9:30 A. M. Conference Business

- 10:30 A. M. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service
Mrs. C. G. Washington and Associates
- 11:30 A. M. Conference Business
Christian Social Relations
A Study: Dr. A. Dudley Ward
- 12:30 P. M. Dinner
- 2:00 P. M. Devotions: Everett Marbley
- 2:15 P. M. Conference Business
- 3:00 P. M. Conference Board of Lay Activities
A Study: Stewardship's Outreach
- 4:00 P. M. Workshop: Christian Vocations (Recruitment Emphasis)
- 6:00 P. M. Supper
- 7:30 P. M. Evening Service
METHODISM Outreach - M. D. Pembroke
- 8:00 P. M. Worship: Dr. Ira A. Pointer, Leading
Sermon: Dr. C. Crosby Reynolds
- 9:30 P. M. Adjournment
- 11:30 P. M. Prayer Vigil, C. G. Tillmon, Leading (St. James)

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

- 7:00 A. M. Breakfast
- 8:30 A. M. Ministry of Music: Organ and Hymns
- 9:00 A. M. Devotions - R. B. Brown
- 9:30 A. M. Conference Business
Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications
- 10:30 A. M. Reports
- 11:30 A. M. Conference Business
- 12:30 P. M. Dinner
- 2:00 P. M. Devotions - E. M. Douglas
- 2:15 P. M. Conference Business
- 3:00 P. M. Board of Pensions: Dr. T. B. Echols
Minister's Wives Association
Minister's Reserve Pension Plan
- 4:00 P. M. Workshop: Evangelism in the Local Church - A Study
Dr. W. D. Lester
- 5:00 P. M. Conference Business
- 6:00 P. M. Supper
- 7:30 P. M. Evening Service
METHODISM Outreach - M. D. Pembroke
- 8:00 P. M. Worship: A. Matthan Anderson, Leading
Sermon: Dr. C. Crosby Reynolds
- 9:30 P. M. Adjournment

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

- 7:00 A. M. Breakfast
Sacrament of The Holy Communion
- 8:30 A. M. Baptisms
- 9:30 A. M. Love Feast - Retired Ministers, Leading
- 10:30 A. M. Morning Worship
Reading of Appointments
Adjournment

SECTION I

1. Officers of the Conference

PRESIDENT

BISHOP MATTHEW W. CLAIR, JR., D.D.
P. O. Box 234 Main Post Office
St. Louis 3, Missouri

SECRETARY

H. REEVES WASHINGTON, I
1113 N. 9th Street
Fort Smith, Arkansas

ASSISTANT SECRETARIES

MINERVA HOOVER ----- OLIVER W. GIBSON

STATISTICIAN

E. M. JOHNSON
249 Walnut Street
Hot Springs, Arkansas

ASSISTANT STATISTICIANS

J. H. THOMPSON ----- E. M. JOHNSON ----- CLIFTON MITCHELL

TREASURER

EUSTACE F. WALLACE
309 N. Lindsay Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

REGISTRAR

Acting - H. REEVES WASHINGTON, I
1113 N. Ninth
Fort Smith, Arkansas

SECTION II

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

1. BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Chairman, T. R. Dunlap, 1113 State St., Little Rock, Arkansas
H. Reeves Washington, W. H. D. Bright, C. H. Roe, Ira A. Pointer

2. BOARD OF PENSIONS:

Class of 1960: C. C. Hall, R. B. Brown, C. H. Roe, W. H. McCane,
Mrs. Zelma L. Thompson, William H. Williams
Class of 1964: E. L. Lloyd, Chairman, 308 E. Perkins Street,
Guthrie, Oklahoma; E. L. Stewart, Secretary, P. O. Box 1102,
Seminole, Oklahoma; W. Harold Flowers, Mrs. Alberta Jones,
H. M. Magill and G. G. Troupe

3. BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Clinton Anderson, Chairman, 2917 Spring Street, Little Rock,
Arkansas; Mrs. C. G. Washington, W. H. McCane, H. M. Magill,
Mrs. Alberta Jones, Mrs. La Dosca Batchlor, G. James Washington,

John H. Thompson, Mrs. Willetta M. Simmons, Mrs. Jessye D. Bouren, Mrs. La Rosa Sanders, Mrs. Lula Tillmon, Miss Jean Gilkey (M Y F), W. R. Smith, Executive Secretary, The District Superintendents

4. BOARD OF EVANGELISM:

R. B. Brown, Chairman, 2011 Monroe St., Lawton, Oklahoma, C. Mitchell, Secretary, 327 E. 27th St., Little Rock, Arkansas, Mrs. L. B. Wilson, C. G. Tillmon, Mrs. Edith Strong, Mr. W. A. Jenkins, C. C. Hall, Ira Pointer and J. H. Oliver.

5. BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES:

C. G. Tillmon, Chairman, 611 E. Easton Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Mrs. Ernestine McGee Miller, Secretary, 3128 Gaines Street, Little Rock, Arkansas; H. M. Magill, W. H. McCane, Monroe Williams, N. R. Coulter, The District Superintendents.

6. BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES:

G. James Washington, 1720 Johnson St., Little Rock, Chairman; W. J. Robinson, Secretary: James B. Porter, N. R. Coulter, W. H. McCane, Monroe Williams, H. M. Magill, The District Superintendents.

7. BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION:

J. C. Tyus, Chairman, P. O. Box 171, Lockesburg, Arkansas; E. M. Johnson, Secretary, 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Arkansas; G. James Washington, E. L. Stewart, W. H. Miller, Fay Norman, Mrs. Edith Strong, Arthur Frampton, H. A. Davie, C. C. Hall, Mrs. C. J. Graves, Isaac Hughes, Elbert Wesson, Clifton Mitchell, L. T. Thompson, Mrs. C. G. Washington, The District Superintendents.

8. BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS:

Oliver W. Gibson, Chairman, 1406 S. Valmar St., Little Rock, Ark.; H. M. Magill, Secretary, 1344 N. Norfolk Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Clifton Mitchell, Mrs. Lula M. Tillmon, Mrs. I M. Howell, Mrs. B. A. Fields, W. H. D. Bright.

9. BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Class of 1960: Fay Norman, Ira A. Pointer, R. W. Torrence.
Class of 1961: B. F. Littlejohn, Chairman, 316 East St. Texarkana, Arkansas, Clifton Mitchell, Secretary, 320 E. 27th St., Little Rock, Arkansas; H. M. Magill
Class of 1962: C. C. Hall, W. Harold Flowers, E. F. Wallace

10. BOARD OF CHURCH LOCATION AND BUILDING:

E. L. Stewart, Chairman, P. O. Box 1102, Seminole, Oklahoma; G. G. Troupe, E. T. Hickman, L. T. Thompson, E. E. Lewis, Mrs. B. A. Fields, Mrs. A. J. Paxton, The District Superintendents.

11. BOARD OF CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS:

Mrs. Alberta H. Jones, Chairman, 3019 State Street, Little Rock, Ark
Mrs. Rosemarie Hudson, Secretary, 2617 N. E. 18th St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Edwin C. Sanders, J. H. Oliver, Mrs. Willetta M. Simmons.

12. COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE:

Chairman
M. A. Lawson, Acting Chairman, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas;

Henrietta H. Torrence, Secretary, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas; L. T. Thompson, C. G. Tillmon

13. COMMISSION ON TOWN AND COUNTRY WORK:
Emmanuel M. Johnson, Chairman, 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Ark.
Mrs. B. A. Fields, Secretary, P. O. Box 509, Hughes, Arkansas;
C. C. Tillmon, Mrs. C. G. Washington, Mrs. B. F. Scott, H. M. Magill, W. A. Jenkins, Mrs. Jessie Gaines, J. S. Cullins.
14. COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION:
E. F. Wallace; E. M. Johnson, C. G. Hall, J. H. Oliver.
Alternates: C. L. Watson, Clifton Mitchell, C. G. Tillmon
15. COMMITTEE ON MINIMUM SALARY:
J. H. Oliver, M. A. Lawson, C. G. Tillmon, Mrs. G. H. Rumph.
16. COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION:
J. H. Oliver, C. G. Hall, Ira A. Pointer and H. R. Washington
17. COMMITTEE ON COURTESY:
Mrs. Lula M. Tillmon, Donald E. Grant, H. Reeves Washington
18. COMMITTEE ON ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM:
The Cabinet, Miss Jean Gilkey, Mrs. C. G. Washington, G. James Washington, The Executive Secretary.
19. COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS:
The Cabinet, G. James Washington
20. HISTORICAL COMMITTEE:
J. H. Oliver, J. S. Cullins, C. G. Hall
21. CONFERENCE DEACONESS BOARD:
E. M. Johnson, Chairman, 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Arkansas;
Mrs. Fay Norman, Secretary, 543 N. Seventh Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma; Mrs. J. H. Oliver, Mrs. E. M. Johnson, J. C. Tyus, J. H. Oliver.
22. CONFERENCE ADVANCE COMMITTEE:
The Bishop, Chairman, P. O. Box 234, Main Post Office, St. Louis, Missouri;
Oliver W. Gibson, Secretary, 1406 S. Valmar St., Little Rock, Ark.
Mrs. B. A. Fields, Mrs. Jessie Gaines, H. A. Magill, W. A. Jenkins, J. H. Oliver, C. G. Tillmon.
23. COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION AND CULTIVATION:
H. Reeves Washington, Chairman, 1113 N. 9th, Fort Smith, Arkansas
Mrs. G. H. Rumph, Secretary, 1718 South Elm Street, Little Rock, Arkansas; C. G. Hall, E. M. Johnson, E. L. Stewart, R. B. Brown, James B. Porter.
24. COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS:
Carter L. Watson, Chairman, P. O. Box 74, Murfreesboro, Arkansas
E. F. Wallace, C. G. Tillmon, E. M. Johnson, Frank Sanders.
25. TELEVISION, RADIO AND FILM COMMISSION (TRAFCO):
Mrs. Edith Strong, Chairman, 1312 West Eighth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas;

Mrs. Alberta H. Jones, Secretary, 3019 State Street, Little Rock, Arkansas; E. M. Johnson, G. James Washington, H. M. Magill, Edwin C. Sanders.

26. INTERBOARD COMMISSION:

The Cabinet, Chairman of all Boards, C. C. Hall, Ira A. Pointer, Edwin C. Sanders.

27. COMMITTEE ON POLICY AND OBJECTIVES:

The same as listed in Number 26 (above).

28. COMMITTEE ON JOURNAL:

Mrs. Henrietta H. Torrence, E. L. Stewart, Mrs. Alice Preston.

29. COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN FAMILY LIFE:

Mrs. J. La Rosa Sanders, Chairman, 1516 W. Barraque, Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Little Rock District -

E. T. Hickman
Mrs. Bessye Rumph
B. F. Littlejohn

North Little Rock District -

J. H. Thompson
The Chairman
M. A. Lawson

Oklahoma District -

Ira A. Pointer
E. L. Lloyd
W. H. McCane

30. URBAN LIFE CONVOCATION (1958):

Eustace F. Wallace, Chariman, 309 North Lindsay Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; C. G. Tillmon, C. C. Hall, Alexander M. Anderson, W. A. Jenkins, W. H. McCane, Edwin C. Sanders.

31. QUADRENNIAL COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION:

Emmanuel M Johnson, Chairman, 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Ark. W. R. Smith, C. G. Tillmon, Oliver W. Gibson, Mrs. C. G. Washington, J. H. Oliver, G. James Washington, Clinton Anderson, Miss Jean Gilkey. Ex-Officio: M. LaFayette Harris, President, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas; Curtis D. Gillespie and Archibald H. Moorow, Faculty Representatives, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas.

32. QUADRENNIAL COMMITTEE ON LOCAL CHURCH GOALS:

The Bishop, The District Superintendents, J. H. Oliver, Chairman, 235 Walnut, Hot Springs, Arkansas; Oliver W. Gibson, G. James Washington, Mrs. C. G. Washington, Jean Gilkey.

33. MINISTERS' WIVES ASSOCIATION:

Mrs. R. B. Brown, President,
Mrs. Vida Thompson, Secretary,
Mrs. C. G. Tillmon, Treasurer, 611 E. Easton St., Tulsa, Okla.

34. DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Little Rock District - O. W. Gibson, H. Reeves Washington, B. F.

Littlejohn, C. L. Watson, and J. C. Tyus

North Little Rock - Ministerial Qualifications - L. T. Thompson, G. G. Troupe, A. M. Anderson, C. H. Roe and Frank Sanders

Oklahoma District - Ministerial Qualifications - E. F. Wallace, C. G. Tillmon, E. M. Douglas, E. L. Lloyd and Faye Norman

35. DISTRICT BOARDS OF CHURCH LOCATION AND BUILDING:

| <u>Little Rock</u> | <u>North Little Rock</u> | <u>Oklahoma</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| E. M. Johnson | James Porter | C. G. Tillmon |
| W. H. D. Bright | J. H. Thompson | E. L. Lloyd |
| O. W. Gibson | Monroe Williams | W. H. McCain |
| G. James Washington | C. Mitchell | H. M. Magill |
| Bessie Rumph | Harold Flowers | |
| W. O. Counts | Frank Sanders | |

SECTION III

1960 GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES:

| <u>Ministerial</u> | <u>Lay</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| J. H. Oliver | Mrs. C. G. Washington |

1960 JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES:

| <u>Ministerial</u> | <u>Lay</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| C. C. Hall | Mr. G. James Washington |

Alternates

| | |
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| Ira A. Pointer | John Cullins |
| Oliver W. Gibson | Mrs. Alice Preston |

SECTION IV

CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL

EFFECTIVE ELDERS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>On Trial</u> | <u>Deacon</u> | <u>Elder</u> | <u>Yrs. of Ser.</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 1. Troupe, General G. | 1912 | 1912 | 1914 | 47 |
| 2. Oliver, John H. | 1923 | 1923 | 1926 | 36 |
| 3. Littlejohn, Benjamin F. | 1923 | 1923 | 1926 | 36 |
| 4. Bright, William H. D. | 1927 | 1927 | 1929 | 32 |
| 5. Hall, Cortelyou C. | 1930 | 1930 | 1932 | 29 |
| 6. Sanders, Frank | 1930 | 1930 | 1932 | 29 |
| 7. Tillmon, Cleveland G. | 1930 | 1930 | 1932 | 29 |
| 8. Pointer, Ira A. | 1931 | 1931 | 1934 | 28 |
| 9. Johnson, Emanuel M. | 1933 | 1933 | 1935 | 26 |
| 10. Stewart, E. L. | | | 1933 | 26 |
| 11. Norman, Fay | 1935 | 1935 | 1937 | 24 |
| 12. Davis, J. I. | 1938 | 1938 | 1940 | 21 |
| 13. Wallace, Eustace F. | 1938 | 1938 | 1940 | 21 |
| 14. Tyus, James C. | 1938 | 1938 | 1940 | 21 |
| 15. Holland, Simmie P. | 1938 | 1938 | 1940 | 21 |
| 16. Douglas, Elliott M. | 1941 | 1941 | 1943 | 18 |
| 17. Brown, Roy B. | 1941 | 1941 | 1943 | 18 |
| 18. Hickman, Elijah T. | | | 1943 | 16 |
| 19. Mitchell, Clifton C. | 1943 | 1943 | 1945 | 16 |
| 20. Roe, Charles H. | | | 1944 | 15 |
| 21. Gibson, Oliver W. | 1945 | 1945 | 1948 | 14 |
| 22. Thompson, Lewis T. | 1946 | 1946 | 1949 | 13 |
| 23. Davie, Hilliard A. | 1946 | 1946 | 1951 | 13 |
| 24. Watson, Carter L. | 1948 | 1948 | 1949 | 11 |
| 25. Lloyd, Elijah L. | 1949 | 1949 | 1957 | 10 |
| 26. Nathan, Ralph G. | 1950 | 1950 | 1952 | 9 |
| 27. Washington, H. Reeves | 1950 | 1950 | 1955 | 9 |

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|----------------------------|------|------|------|---|
| 28. Souder, Franklin C. | 1952 | 1952 | 1953 | 7 |
| 29. Anderson, Alexander M. | 1952 | 1952 | 1954 | 7 |
| 30. Riley, Negail Rudolph | 1954 | 1954 | 1950 | 5 |

SECTION V - Daily Proceedings

PROCEEDINGS

SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 1959

Conference (Called to Order)

9:30 A. M. CONFERENCE BUSINESS:

ROLL CALL: The Chairman, Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr., called the roll of effective ministers. The following answered the roll call: W. H. D. Bright, R. B. Brown, H. A. Davie, E. M. Douglas, J. G. Dozier, O. W. Gibson, C. C. Hall, E. T. Hickman, S. P. Holland, E. M. Johnson, B. F. Littlejohn, E. L. Lloyd, Clifton Mitchell, I. A. Pointer, Frank Sanders, F. C. Souder, E. L. Stewart, C. G. Tillmon, G. G. Troupe, J. C. Tyus, C. L. Watson, Harvey R. Washington.

Retired: W. H. Hanna, D. D. Hawkins, P. H. Myers, John M. Smith,

A. L. Woodard

On Trial: Lloyd Smith

Supply Pastors: Connie Davis, Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Sims, J.

H. Thompson.

Deceased Members: Effective - Edwin C. Sanders

Supply - L. E. Douglas

The Conference stood in silence in memory of these brethren.

SECRETARY ELECTED: C. G. Tillmon nominated Harvey R.

Washington as Conference Secretary. There were no other nominations.

H. R. Washington was elected.

Assistants to the Secretary were named. They are Oliver Gibson and

Mrs. Minerva Carroll.

BAR OF THE CONFERENCE: A motion was made by E. M. Douglas that the first four rows of seats across the church, including the seats to the right of the pulpit, be made the Bar of the Conference. Motion seconded by E. L. Lloyd. Motion carried.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING: The Chairman presented nominations to replace E. C. Sanders and W. H. Bass on this Board. The nominations - A. M. Anderson and Harvey R. Washington. These men were elected.

PROGRAM ADOPTED: By common consent the printed program was adopted as the official guide for this session of the Conference.

GREETINGS: Bishop Clair announced that Greetings have been received from the Minnesota Conference now in session. The Conference agreed to send Greetings to the other Conferences now in session.

COMPOSITE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENTS: The character of C. C. Hall was passed. He read the report of the Superintendents. Motion was made by C. C. Hall that the report be approved and recommendations adopted. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE ON COURTESY - H. R. Washington was added to the Committee. E. C. Sanders name is to be deleted.

MPH PRESENTATION Check from the Publishing House for \$1,969.68 was presented to the Conference by the Chairman. This will be applied to the Conference Claimants fund. The Secretary will express appreciation to the Publishing House.

The Chairman presented a gift of \$5.00 from the Rev. M. M. Wilbun for Conference Claimants. This will be credited to Wesley Chapel, Little Rock.

VISITORS: Reverend Tillmon J. Howard, Trinity Church, New Orleans, La., representing the CENTRAL ADVOCATE. Reverend L. R. Collins, New Hope CME Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Reverend C. W. Watts, Cherry Street, AMEZion, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Dr. Allan B. Rice, The Board of Missions; Reverend C. Crosby Reynolds, Centennial Methodist Church, Kansas City, Mo. The Reverend Reynolds is the Conference preacher.

BOARD OF MISSIONS - E. M. Johnson, presiding.

Allan B. Rice, speaker.

MEMORIAL SERVICE - Reverend J. Murray Smith, presiding.

Reverend F. C. Souder, preaching.

2:15 P. M. CONFERENCE BUSINESS:

The Roll Call of Lay Delegates by the Superintendents. The Delegates were seated within the Bar of the Conference. Eligible to vote were 35 lay delegates and 32 ministers. The Conference is entitled to ONE lay and ONE ministerial delegate to the General Conference and the same for the Jurisdictional Conference. Two reserve delegates can be elected.

Tellers appointed: Lay - Miss Virdie Williams and James Washington. Ministerial - E. L. Lloyd, A. M. Anderson.

Ballots were cast. Elected on the 1st ministerial Ballot was J. H. Oliver, General Conference.

On the 6th Lay Ballot, Mrs. C. G. Washington was elected to the General Conference.

On the 3rd Ballot for Jurisdictional Conference ministerial delegate, C. C. Hall was elected.

On the 2nd Ballot for Alternate delegates, Ira A. Pointer was elected.

On the 3rd Ballot, Oliver W. Gibson was elected the 2nd alternate delegate.

Three Ballots were cast for Lay Jurisdictional delegate. There was no election.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION: Clinton A. Anderson, Chairman of the Board, presided.

M. D. Pembroke made an interim report on the work of the Conference Executive Secretary.

Mrs. Lula Tillmon made a report on the work of the Conference Director of Adult Work.

The Conference Camp Director, Mrs. C. G. Washington, reported on the Summer Camping Activities.

Recommendations from the Board were read, received and adopted. (See report)

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE: Report was read by Mrs. Henrietta Torrence.

Recommendations and Budget were received and adopted by the Conference. (Recommendation #7 is to be changed to include the salaries of the Superintendents.)

MOTION - A motion was made by Oliver W. Gibson that Bishop Clair be returned to the St. Louis Area and that the Conference instruct the Secretary to write the results of this vote to the Episcopal Committee and request our delegates to ask for the return of Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr., to the St. Louis Area for the next quadrennium.

Motion seconded by E. M. Douglas. Motion carried.

SPECIAL INTRODUCTION was made of Frank A. Young, who is leaving the Southwest Conference. He and Mrs. Young are to move to Boston. Mr. Young made remarks.

Motion for adjournment.

Benediction - Reverend W. H. Hanna.

- (1) Transfer of Samuel Jones
- (2) Committee on Journal:

Mrs. Tillman

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

8:30 A. M. Ministry of Music
9:00 A. M. Devotions -- H. Reeves Washington
9:30 A. M. Conference Business

Two new delegates Mrs. Thompson, and Mrs. Fay Norman were seated. Mrs. Alice L. Preston and Mr. Norwood were appointed by the chairman as new tellers for the Lay delegates.

Mr. James Washington was elected on the third ballot as Lay Delegate to the Jurisdictional Conference.

The alternate Lay Delegates were Mr. John Cullins and Mrs. Alice L. Preston. Mr. Cullins was elected on the 1st ballot and Mrs. Preston on the second.

The Journal for 11 June was adopted.

Rev. C. G. Tillmon and Mr. James B. Porter were appointed to fill vacancies on the Commission on World Service and Finance, namely, those of Rev. Alexander M. Anderson and Mr. Frank A. Young. Mr. M. A. Lawson is acting chairman of Commission.

Board of Missions and Missions Aid: Rev. J. C. Tyus (See Reports)

It was moved by J. G. Dozier and 2nd by W. H. D. Bright that this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Disciplinary question 1 - 20 were answered. (See report)

Upon an invitation extended by Rev. C. G. Tillmon, for the conference to convene in Tulsa in 1960 it was motioned by E. M. Douglas and 2nd B. F. Littlejohn that said invitation be accepted. Motion carried.

It was motioned by E. M. Douglas and 2nd by W. H. D. Bright that District Conferences be held. Motioned carried.

Board of Lay Activities: Report made by James B. Porter on the elections of the Board of Lay Activities. (See report)

Board of Christian Social Relations: Oliver W. Gibson spoke to the Conference in behalf of this Board in the absence of his speakers Dr. D. Ward and The Rev. T. Woodall.

Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service: Mrs. C. G. Washington. See Report.

Dr. M. L. Harris, president of Philander Smith College was introduced. He reported on the College and Building Fund Campaign. Report of The Commission On Higher Education was read by secretary. Report and recommendations adopted. Dean C. D. Gillespie showed slides on the progress of the building program and other activities of the past year.

It was motioned by E. M. Douglas and 2nd that the time be extended for ten minutes. Motion carried.

Introductions: J. H. Touchstone, Board of Lay Activities ; O. Lilly, Trinity Methodist Church, New Orleans, La. ; Dr. W. D. Lester, Board of Evangelism; The Rev. Nat Griswold, Director of the Arkansas Conference on Human Relations; John W. Walker , Associate Director of the Arkansas Conference on Human Relations.

A motion for adjournment was made by E. M. Douglas and 2nd that we adjourn. Carried.

Dismissal by A. L. Woodard.

AFTERNOON - JUNE 12, 1959

2:20 P. M. Telegrams were received and read from Bros A. L. Buchanan and from the Georgia Annual Conference, Bishop J. W. E. Bowen, meeting at Savannah, Georgia.

The secretary was authorized to send telegrams to the retired preachers - A. L. Buchanan, B. F. Neal and I. P. Parker.

Dr. A. Dudley Ward from the Board of Social and Economic Relations was presented to the Conference.

The Rev. T. Woodall of Mobile, Alabama, a representative from the Board of Temperance was introduced by the chairman and gave an address to the Conference.

Advocates: Rev. Tillmon J. Howard stated that 91 subscriptions to the Central Christian Advocate has been recieved.

Request: Mrs. C. G. Washington asked to be excused to attend a School of Missions at Houston-Tillotson College, Texas. She was excused by the Conference.

Introductions: Mrs. J. H. Brown, widow of the late J. H. Brown, was presented to Conference. Mrs. M. W. Clair, Jr. was likewise presented to Conference.

4:00 P. M. Anniversary OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF lay activities
(See Report and Programs)

Adjournment.

Addenda: A report from the Conference representative of NA FOMM (National Fellowship of Methodist Musicians) was distributed to the Conference. Mrs. Cecil E. Holman is our NA FOMM Representative.

Jurisdictional Conference: The chairman appointed the following to serve on the Area committee for Jursidictional Conference Entertainment - C. G. Tillmon, Conference Lay Leader and Woman's Society president. The Southwest Conference share of the Jursidictional Conference Entertainment Fund is \$250. 00.

John Cullins

9:00 A. M. Devotions by R. B. Brown

9:20 A. M. The session was called to order by the Chairman.

The Journal for June 12th was adopted with necessary corrections.

Nominations:

Ministerial Qualifications

Little Rock District

O. W. Gibson
H. Reeves Washington
B. F. Littlejohn
C. L. Watson
J. C. Tyus

Building and Locations

Little Rock District

E. M. Johnson
W. H. D. Bright
O. W. Gibson
G. James Washington
Beesie Rumph
W. O. Counts

North Little Rock

Ministerial Qualifications

L. T. Thompson
G. G. Troupe
A. M. Anderson
C. H. Roe
Frank Sanders

Building and Locations

James Porter
J. H. Thompson
Monroe Williams
C. Mitchell
Harold Flowers
Frank Sanders

Oklahoma District

Ministerial Qualifications

E. F. Wallace
C. G. Tillmon
E. M. Douglas
E. L. Lloyd
Faye Norman

Building and Location

C. G. Tillmon
E. L. Lloyd
W. H. McCain
H. M. Magill

CONFERENCE LAY LEADER REPORTED TO CONFERENCE : See Reports. Report Adopted.

Conference Board of Trustees Reported : (See Report) Report adopted.

Board of Pensions: E. L. Lloyd, presiding. Grady Adock, of the General Board of Pensions, was introduced to the Conference and presented. (See Reports)

Mrs. C. G. Tillmon reported for the Ministers' Wives. (See Report)

Mrs. Fields reported for the 2% contributions of ministers to the Reserve Pension Fund.

It was motioned by E. M. Douglas and 2nd that the Board of Pensions Reports be received.

Harold W. Hewitt of The Division of the Local Church was introduced. He spoke briefly to the Conference on the importance of Religious Education.

The chairman introduced the following: Rev. Harper of Wichita, Mrs. W. D. Lester.

J. R. Nelson asked to be excused at close of session. The Conference granted his request.

The Session was adjourned.

2:00 P. M. Devotions by E. M. Douglas.

2:15 P. M. Board of Trustees: (See Reports) The Report was adopted with necessary corrections.

STATISTICAL REPORT (E. M. Johnson, C. Mitchell, and John H. Thompson)

It motioned and 2nd that the Statisticians go over report with the District Superintendents checking the report of every pastor and that upon notification of the Bishop that the report has been corrected it will be adopted. Motion carried.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING (See Conference Business Report)

It was moved and 2nd that the Commission on World Service and Finance be permitted to add \$250.00 to the budget to be used specifically for Conferences on the Ministry to be held this Fall. Motion carried.

Board of Education: J. H. Oliver nominated Mrs. Alice Preston as a member of The Board of Education. It was 2nd by C. C. Hall. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: E. F. Wallace reported on the income and disbursements for the year. (See reports)

A collection was taken to cover the telegrams and other expenses accrued.

Memorials and Resolutions for the General Conference: Five Memorials and Resolutions were passed out to be read and studied this evening. Tomorrow Bros. Pembroke will present them to the Conference to be voted upon tomorrow.

C. C. Hall's name is to be added to the Jurisdictional Committee on Entertainment.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF EVANGELISM: (See report) J. H. Oliver moved and E. M. Douglas 2nd that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

The bishop presented Dr. S. B. Lester from the Board of Evangelism. He lead a Workshop in Evangelism.

Report of Committee on Conference Relations: C. L. Watson (See report)

Session Adjourned.

Benediction - Dr. W. D. Lester

Addenda: The name of J. Cullins to Jurisdictional Entertainment Committee was omitted in Journal for June 12.

The name of Mrs. Cortelyou C. Hall as Conference organist for Ministry of Music at 8:30 A. M.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

7:30 A.M. Holy Communion
8:30 A.M. Baptisms
9:30 A.M. Love Feast - Retired Ministers in Charge
10:30 A.M. Morning Worship

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MORNING WORSHIP - 11:00 A.M.
June 14, 1959

Before the service talk to God.
During the service let God talk to you.
After the service talk to your neighbor.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 396 ----- Mason

Call to Worship:

Minister: Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

People: According as we hope in thee.

Minister: Show us thy mercy, O Lord.

People: And grant us Thy Salvation.

Minister: I will hear what God the Lord will speak.

People: For He will speak peace unto His people, and to His saints.

Hymn of Adoration 355 ----- Boheian Brethren's Gesangbuch

Prayer of Confession: Almighty and most merciful God, who knowest the thoughts of our hearts, we confess that we have sinned against Thee and done evil in Thy Sight. Forgive us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, and cleanse us from the defilement of our sin. Give us grace and power, and put away all hurtful things, that, being delivered from evil, we may persevere in the way of Thy righteousness all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem - "Wait Upon the Lord" ----- Excelli

Responsive Reading - page 590 ----- Rev. I. A. Pointer

Gloria Patri

Affirmation of Faith I

Scripture Lesson ----- Rev. C. C. Hall

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Hymn of Preparation 221 ----- Berggreen

Sermon ----- Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr.

Hymn of Invitation 242 ----- Bradbury

Conference Session

Doxology

Recessional Hymn 29 ----- Hopkins

Benediction

Postlude

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The Conference was called to order.

It was moved and seconded that the Journal for June 13 and June 14 be adopted with necessary corrections and editing. The motion carried.

The morning offering was reported by secretary as being \$103.00.

A telegram was received from the Ohio Conference.

Five Memorials were read by Maceo D. Pembroke:

1. Abolishment of Jurisdictional System. It was carried by over two thirds of the Conference.
2. Loans to local churches. Carried by over two thirds vote.
3. Quadrennial Emphasis - Local church emphasis on Higher Education. Carried by over two thirds vote.
4. All Methodist Schools and Schools receiving Methodist Funds be placed under jurisdiction of General Board of Education. Carried by over two thirds vote.
5. Mandatory Commission on Social Concerns. Carried by over two thirds majority.

Conference Committee on Conference Relations moved that E. M. Douglas be granted a Sabbatical leave for one year. Motion carried.

Bishop Clair announced the transfer of Joyce G. Doaier to the Tennessee Conference, becoming effective June 14, 1959. The secretary was ordered to notify the secretary of Tennessee Conference, The Board of Pensions, and the Bishops of office of the same.

The Report of the Courtesy Committee was made by Mrs. C. G. Tillmon. The report was adopted.

E. M. Douglas moved that the 30th session of the Southwest Conference be adjourned after the necessary announcements and business. Brother Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The appointments were then read.

The 30th Session of the Southwest Conference was adjourned by Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr., President of the Conference.

H. Reeves Washington, I, Secretary

SECTION VI - CONFERENCE BUSINESS

THE METHODIST CHURCH

THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MINUTES

Of The Southwest Annual Conference

Held in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, St. James Methodist Church from June 10, 1959, through June 14, 1959.

Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr., presiding.

Date when organized - December 3, 1929. Number of this session - Thirtieth Session.

PART I. ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (para. 629, 803):
Secretary? H. Reeves Washington (To fill unexpired term of Edwin C. Sanders)
P. O. 1113 N. 9th, Fort Smith, Arkansas
Statistician? J. E. Johnson
P. O. 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Arkansas
Treasurer? E. F. Wallace
P. O. 309 N. Lindsay, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (para. 625.) Yes (Little Rock, Arkansas)

3. Bonding and auditing:
 - a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? (para. 640, 729, 807) The Treasurer \$15,000.00.
 - b) Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? (para. 640, 729, 803, 807.) No
4. Have the conference boards, commissions, and committees been appointed or elected (para. 666-80, 695, 721): (Answer Yes or No):
 - a) Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications? Yes
 - b) Committee on Conference Relations? Yes
 - c) District Committees on Ministerial Qualifications? Yes
 - d) Committee of Investigation? Yes
 - e) District Boards of Church Location and Building? Yes
 - f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes
 - g) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes
 - h) Commission on Town and Country Work? Yes
 - i) Deaconess Board?
 - j) Board of Missions? Yes
 - k) Board of Education? Yes
 - l) Board of Temperance? Yes
 - m) Board of Lay Activities? Yes
 - n) Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes
 - o) Board of Evangelism? Yes
 - p) Board of Pensions? Yes
 - q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes
 - r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes
 - s) Commission on Minimum Salaries? Yes
 - t) Commission on Promotion and Cultivation? Yes
 - u) Committee on Reserve Pensions? Yes
 - v) Quadrennial Committee on Local-Church Goals? Yes
 - w) Optional commissions and committees? Yes
5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church? (para. 662.) Yes
6. What is the report of the statistician? (See report.)
7. What is the report of the treasurer? (See report.)
8. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See supplementary report.)
9. What is the schedule of minimum salaries for pastors? (para. 826.) There is none.
10. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (para. 801-2.)
11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? (para. 1623, 1645 - 4.) 15% of \$55,152.00 = \$8,272.80.
12. What are the apportionments to this conference:
 - a) For the World Service Fund? \$3,310.00
 - b) For the Episcopal Fund? \$55,152.00 at 2% = \$1,103.04
 - c) For the General Administration Fund? \$193.00
 - d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? \$153.00
 - e) For the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$640.00
13. What is the percentage division between world service and conference benevolences for the current year:

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| World service? _____% | Conference benevolences? _____% |
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14. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the conference agencies:
 - a) What is the report of the Board of Pensions and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (para. 1623.)

- b) What is the report of the Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (para. 1303.) \$3,400.00
 Little Rock District - \$1,000.00; N. Little Rock - \$1,400.00;
 Oklahoma - \$1,000.00
- c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (para. 791-812.)
- d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? (para. 675-77.)
- e) What are the other reports?
15. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (para. 1618 -2c, 9.) There are no institutions.
16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (para. 1559.)
17. Conference lay leader (para. 1507):
- a) Name - James Washington Address - 1720 Johnson St., Little Rock, Arkansas.
- b) What is his report? See Reports
- c) Who are district and associate district lay leaders? (para. 1510.) (Little Rock - N. R. Coulter - District Lay Leader. Associates - Sterling Piggee, James Cox, David Whitmore, W. C. Counts.) (North Little Rock - James B. Porter - District Lay Leader. Associates - W. J. Reed, T. R. Delaney, H. V. Poe, J. S. Collins, General Williams, Monroe Williams.) Oklahoma - W. H. McCane - A. L. L. Associates - H. M. Magill, Shelby McKerson, Mr. Cheatile, W. H. Miller, Sam Rucker.
18. What local churches have been:
- a) Organized? (para. 155.) No
- b) Merged? (para. 186-87.) No
- c) Discontinued? (para. 126, 188, 354.) No
- d) Relocated, and to what address? No
- e) Transferred into this conference from the Central Jurisdiction, and with what membership (para. 532):
- 1) This year? No
- 2) Previously? No

PART II. PERTAINING TO MINISTERIAL RELATIONS

19. Are all the ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes
20. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? (para. 931) See list of officers. E. F. Wallace, E. M. Johnson, A. M. Anderson, C. C. Hall, J. H. Oliver. Alternates: C. L. Watson, Clifton Mitchell, C. G. Tillmon
21. Who are the approved supply pastors:
- a) Student approved supply pastors? (para. 317 - 1, 318), and in what schools are they enrolled? Marbly, Everett S. (Philander Smith) Napier, Charles E. (Philander Smith) Neal, Roy (Philander Smith)
- b) Part-time approved supply pastors (para. 317 - 2, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study? Banks, Clifton, 1st year; Davis, Connie, 1st year; Hobbs, Joseph, 2nd year; Jefferson, Thomas, 1st year; Loder, George E., 1st year; Terry, D. W., 1st year; Thompson, J. H., 3rd year
- c) Full-time approved supply pastors (para. 317 - 3, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study? Love, John M., 3rd year; Sims, Andrew, 3rd year
22. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? (para. 1631.) Love, John M.; Sims, Andrew

23. What preachers, coming from other evangelical churches, have had their orders recognized (para. 411): None
 - a) As local deacons? No
 - b) As local elders? No
24. Who have been admitted from other evangelical churches as traveling preachers: (See note under question 33.)
 - a) As members on trial: Deacons? No
Elders? No
 - b) As members in full connection: Deacons?
Elders? No
25. Who are admitted on trial: (List alphabetically. See note under question 33.)
 - a) With degrees from approved colleges and credits from approved schools of theology? (para. 323-24.)
 - b) With degrees from colleges not accredited by the University Senate and credits from approved schools of theology? (para. 325 - 1.)
 - c) With degrees from approved colleges and completion of the introductory studies for the ministry? (para. 325 - 2.) Joseph Hobbs
 - d) With partial college credit, completion of the four-year course of study, and six years' service as approved supply pastors? (para 325 - 3.)
26. Who are continued on trial; and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies (para. 330):
 - a) In approved schools of theology? Donald E. Grant; Lloyd Smith
 - b) In the four-year course of study? Donald E. Grant
 - c) In the two years of special study? (para. 343 - 2.)
27. Who on trial are discontinued? None
28. Who are admitted into full connection? (List alphabetically. See note under question 33.) None
29. Who have been elected deacons (para. 393): (See note under question 33.)
 - a) Theological students? None
 - b) Members on trial in the course of study? None
 - c) Approved supply pastors? None
 - d) Other local preachers? None
 - e) Missionaries?
 - f) Chaplains?
30. Who have been ordained deacons? (See note under question 33.) None
31. Who have been elected elders (para. 403): (See note under question 33.)
 - a) Theological graduates? None
 - b) Course of study graduates? None
 - c) Approved supply pastors? None
 - d) Other local preachers? None
 - e) Missionaries? None
 - f) Chaplains? None
32. Who have been ordained elders? (See note under question 33.) None.
33. Who have been admitted or ordained to accommodate other conferences:
 - a) Admitted: On trial? None
Into full connection? None
 - b) Ordained after election by this conference: Deacons? None
Elders? None
 - c) Ordained after election by other conferences: Deacons? None
Elders? None

(NOTE: Members of this conference who were admitted or ordained through the accommodation of other conferences during the year should be listed under Questions 24-32, whichever are appropriate, along with their fellow members who were admitted or ordained at the current session. In each case the date and accommodating conference should be recorded. Under Question 33 should be listed persons, now members of other conferences,

who were members of this conference only during the period necessary for their admission or ordination, if at all. In each case the conference of which the person is now a member, and any other conference involved, should be recorded. Transfers preceding or following actual service in this conference should be listed under Questions 36-37.)

34. Who are readmitted:

- a) As deacons? None
- b) As elders? None

35. What retired members have been made effective? None

36. Who have been received by transfer? (List alphabetically. If probationer, so indicate. See note under question 33.)

| Name | Conference | Date |
|------|------------|------|
| None | | |

37. Who have been transferred out? (List alphabetically. See note under question 33.)

| Name | Conference | Date |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| S. P. Jones | Lexington Conference | May 17, 1959 |
| Alexander M. Anderson | Tennessee Conference | June 28, 1959 |
| Joyce G. Dozier | Tennessee Conference | June 14, 1959 |

38. Who have had their conference membership terminated:

- a) By voluntary location? None
- b) By involuntary location? None
- c) By withdrawal? None
- d) By judicial procedure (expelled)? None

39. Deceased: (List alphabetically.)

a) What ministerial members have died during the year?

| Name | Date of birth | Date of Death | Date received into full connection in a conference |
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Retired: None

Effective:

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| Edwin C. Sanders | 1959 | 1953 |
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On trial:

b) What approved supply pastors have died during the year? L. E. Douglas

c) What deaconesses have died during the year? None

40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (para. 365.)

| Name and Number of Years | Name and Number of Years |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ralph D. Nathan | G. L. Stewart |

41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (para. 364.) Simmie Holland

42. What ministerial members have been retired: (List alphabetically.)

a) This year? None

b) Previously?

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| Allbright, Hilliard A. | Neal, Benjamin F. |
| Buchanan, Alfred L. | Parker, Isaac P. |
| Green, William H. | Smith, John Murray |
| Hanna, William H. | Shaw, Love S. |
| Hawkins, Daniel D. | Thomas, Samuel N. |
| Holland, Needham W. | Wilbun, Matthew M. |
| Myers, Patrick H. | Winston, John W. |
| | Woodard, Anthony L. |

43. What approved supply pastors have been retired:

a) This year? None

b) Previously? Hill, B. Moore; Moore, C. E.

44. Who are appointed to attend school? (List alphabetically.) None

45. What is the number of:

a) General Information:

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|---|
| Pastoral charges? ----- | 49 | Withdrawn? ----- | 0 |
| Approved supply pastors? -- | 10 | Expelled? ----- | 0 |
| Received on trial? ----- | 1 | Indebtedness? ----- | 0 |
| Received into full connection? | 0 | Located? ----- | 0 |
| Transferred in? ----- | 0 | Deceased? ----- | 2 |
| Total value? ----- | 0 | Local preachers? ----- | 0 |
| Transferred out? ----- | 3 | Women under appointment? ---- | 1 |
| Retired from other | | Retired made effective? ----- | 0 |
| evangelical churches? --- | 0 | Retired serving as supply | |
| Readmitted? ----- | 0 | pastors? ----- | 6 |
| Discontinued? ----- | 0 | District parsonages? ----- | 0 |

b) Ministerial members:

(1) On trial:

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| (a) As pastors? ----- | 3 |
| (b) Under special appointment? ----- | 0 |
| (c) Appointed to attend school? ----- | 0 |
| Total on trial? ----- | 3 |

(2) In full connection:

(a) Effective:

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|---|----|
| (i) As pastors and district superintendents? 27 | |
| (ii) Under special appointment? ----- | 4 |
| (iii) Appointed to attend school? ----- | 0 |
| (iv) On sabbatical leave? ----- | 0 |
| Total effective? ----- | 31 |

(b) Retired? ----- 15

(c) Supernumerary? ----- 2

Total ministerial members: (Add total on trial, effective retired, and supernumerary.) --- 51

46. What other personal notation should be made? None

PART III. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

47. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the coming year? (See supplementary report.)

48. Where shall the next conference session be held? Wesley Methodist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma

49. Is there any other business?

50. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Conference Session?

51. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? (See list of appointments.)

SECTION VII - CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

Superintendent - J. H. Oliver

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| BULLOCK ----- | (D. W. Terry) |
| CENTER POINT - PARALOMA ----- | (A. L. Woodard) |
| CONWAY - MARCHE ----- | W. H. D. Bright |
| DANVILLE - MORRILLTON ----- | (D. W. Hawkins) |
| FAYETTEVILLE ----- | (A. L. Buchana) |
| FORT SMITH ----- | H. R. Washington |
| HOPE ----- | J. I. Davis |
| HORATIO CIRCUIT ----- | (W. H. Hanna) |
| HOT SPRINGS - CADDO GAP ----- | E. M. Johnson |

LITTLE ROCK

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|---|------------------|
| Brown Chapel ----- | E. T. Hickman |
| Springfield-Center Ridge ----- | E. T. Hickman |
| White Memorial ----- | O. W. Gibson |
| LOCKESBURG CIRCUIT ----- | J. C. Tyus |
| MAUMELLE - PLEASANT HILL ----- | H. A. Davie |
| MURSFREESBORO - CLOW - BENGEN - SARATOGA ----- | C. L. Watson |
| NATURAL STEPS - ROLAND ----- | (W. H. Piggee) |
| PANKY ADDITION ----- | (Roy Neal) |
| TEXARKANA ----- | B. F. Littlejohn |
| VAN BUREN ----- | To be supplied |
| District Missionary Secretary - E. T. Hickman | |
| District Secretary of Evangelism - Oliver Gibson | |

NORTH LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

Superintendent - C. C. Hall

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| BATESVILLE - SIDNEY ----- | L. T. Thompson |
| CALDWELL ----- | (B. Moore Hill) |
| CARTHAGE - ST. LUKE - BETHEL ----- | (H. Albright) |
| CLARENDON - MARVEL CIRCUIT ----- | G. G. Troupe |
| COTTON PLANT CIRCUIT ----- | (J. H. Thompson) |
| DERMOTT - McGEE - GOULD ----- | Lloyd Smith |
| FOREST CITY ----- | To be supplied |
| FORDYCE - ST. FRANCIS - JOHNSVILLE ----- | To be supplied |
| HUGHES - KOKOMO ----- | (Clifton Banks) |
| LEWISVILLE - CANFIELD - CHIDESTER - STAMPS ----- | C. H. Roe |

LITTLE ROCK

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| Duncan Chapel ----- | Clifton Mitchell |
| Wesley Chapel ----- | A. M. Anderson |
| LONOKE ----- | (E. S. Marbly) |
| MARIANNA CIRCUIT ----- | (John M. Love) |
| NEWPORT ----- | L. T. Thompson |
| NORTH LITTLE ROCK ----- | (C. E. Napier) |
| PINE BLUFF | |
| St. James ----- | To be supplied |
| St. Mark ----- | Frank Sanders |
| SCRUGGS CHAPEL ----- | (Thomas Jefferson) |
| SWEET HOME - HENSLEY ----- | (E. S. Marbly) |
| UNION GROVE ----- | (Frank Tucker) |
| WHEATLEY ----- | (Frank Tucker) |
| District Secretary Evangelism - Clifton Mitchell | |
| District Missionary Secretary - J. H. Thompson | |

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

Superintendent - Ira A. Pointer

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| ANADARKO - ALTUS ----- | D. E. Grant |
| ARDMORE - COLBERT ----- | F. C. Souder |
| EUFAULA ----- | (J. M. Smith) |
| GUTHRIE - CRESCENT - LANGSTON ----- | E. L. Lloyd |
| HUGO - GRANT ----- | To be supplied |
| LAWTON ----- | R. B. Brown |
| MUSKOGEE - PORTER ----- | Fay Norman |
| OKLAHOMA CITY ----- | E. F. Wallace |

OKMULGEE ----- Joseph Hobbs
 SEMINOLE - DEPEW ----- (Connie Davis)
 TULSA ----- C. G. Tillmon
 VINTA - GRANDRIVER
 WEWOKA - BOLEY
 WYNNEWOOD - DAVIS - PURCELL ----- To be supplied
 District Missionary Secretary - F. D. Souder
 District Secretary of Evangelism - C. G. Tillmon

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Without Annuity: Harlon London; Chaplain - Eastern N. C.
 Sanatoriums, Wilson, N. C. Quarterly Conference, Wesley Chapel
 Methodist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas
 Negail Riley; Director of Children and Youth Center Morgan Mem-
 orial Inc., Boston, Massachusetts. Quarterly Conference, Quayle
 Methodist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Conference Missionary Secretary, E. M. Johnson
Conference Secretary of Evangelism, Clifton Mitchell

SECTION VIII - CONFERENCE REPORTS

ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 12, 1959

3:00 P. M.

PROGRAM

Prelude
 The Call To Worship
 Hymn ----- To Joy ----- #12 The Methodist Hymnal
 Scripture - St. Luke 2nd. Ch. 42-51 Verses - Mr. H. M. Magill
 Prayer ----- Mr. N. R. Coulter
 Hymn ----- Eucharist ----- #148 The Methodist Hymnal
 Introduction Of Guest Speaker ----- Mr. James B. Porter
 Stewardship, It's Outreach Through The Local Church Program !
 Dr. J. H. Touchstone
 Hymn ----- #260 The Methodist Hymnal
 Remarks ----- Mr. G. James Washington
 Benediction
 Master Of Ceremony ----- Mr. J. S. Cullins
 USHERS: Mr. Monroe Williams, Mr. Sterling Pigee, Mr. W. H. McGane

CONFERENCE BOARD NOMINATIONS

June 12th, 1959 - Pine Bluff, Ark.

The Conference Board of Lay Activities met for the purpose of
 nominating a Conference Lay Leader and electing District and Associate
 District Lay Leaders. The nomination of the Conference Lay Leader was
 by ballot. Number of ballots cast (8) eight. James Washington receiving
 eight votes and was unanimously nominated.

Little Rock District:

N. R. Coulter ----- District Lay Leader
 Associate Lay Leaders
 Sterling Pigee James Cox David Whitmore W. C. Counts

North Little Rock District:

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| James B. Porter ----- | District Lay Leader |
| Associate District Lay Leaders | |
| W. J. Reed ----- | J. S. Cullins |
| T. R. Delaney ----- | General Williams |
| H. V. Poe ----- | Monroe Williams |

Oklahoma District:

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| W. H. McCane ----- | District Lay Leader |
| Associate District Lay Leaders | |
| H. M. Magill; Shelby McKerson; Mr. Cheatle; W. H. Miller; Sam Rucker | |
| Officers Of The Conference Board Lay Activities | |
| James Washington ----- | Chairman |
| W. J. Robinson ----- | Secretary |
| Shelby McKerson ----- | Treasurer |

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE LAY LEADER

To

The Eighty Second Session Of The Southwest Annual Conference

Bishop Clair, District Superintendents, Pastors, Laymen, visitors, and friends of the Southwest Annual Conference.

Greetings:

I deem it a pleasure to make to you this report of my Stewardship as your Conference Lay Leader. I assure you that everything that could have been done has not been done, but all that was done was for the betterment of the Southwest Conference. We have come to the closing year of this Quadrennial Emphasis, "Enlistment". Let us be mindful of our great need in our own Conference for enlisting both full time and part time Christian workers.

I am indeed grateful to all of my co-workers whom I have had the good pleasure of association as we sought to put over the work of Lay activities.

Stewardship is the answer for the Southwest Conference as well as the answer for The Methodist Church. If we honestly practised Stewardship in it's entirety all obstacles would be surmounted. The trouble is that misconceptions persist in explaining the meaning of Stewardship and it's applications whether reference is made to the parables or examples taken from modern every day life. The rich young ruler had kept the commandments throughout his youth, but became disturbed when he was told that he should sell all of his possessions and give to the poor. He would not do this because he believed that material possession insured security and happiness. It was difficult for him to comprehend a new organization and pattern of life without economic wealth so he went away sorrowful.

The same is true with us in this modern day when we choose to try to separate Stewardship from our daily activities. Until one does visualize the connection between his religion and his business transactions or his work, misconception concerning Stewardship will continue.

The continued progress of the Church depends upon man's acceptance of this broad view of the meaning of Stewardship and it's implications for modern living. Individuals in every walk of life must translate his conception of Stewardship so that it's essential meaning is a functional one characterized by service. Financiers who in addition to the profit motive are interested in making it possible for community members to become home owners, display a better conception of Stewardship. As one uses the talents at his disposal in order to make life more meaningful and as one selects experiences in accordance with native abilities and interests, he gives evidence of a broader view of Stewardship.

Personal Labor:

It was my good pleasure through your Conference Board of Lay Activities, and the help of Bishop Clair, and Reverend Pembroke to conduct a workshop on Stewardship, August 16, 1958, at Mallalieu Methodist church, Fort Smith Arkansas. We would like to see this Workshop repeated with greater participation both ministerial and laity. We take this opportunity to express again our thanks to Bishop Clair, Rev. Pembroke, Rev. Washington and the good members of Mallalieu for everything they did to make our workshop a grand experience for all of us who attended.

It was my privilege and grand experience to attend a workshop for Conference Lay Leaders in Chicago on October the third and fourth 1958. This was the kind of meeting that really helps one who is willing to be helped. We tried to work out three topics under Lay Activities. First topic, "Where Are We Now?", second, "Where Are We Going?", third, "How Do We Get There?" This workshop was as a workshop should be. Everyone participating in all of the discussions. I shall never forget the wonderful experience we had as we worshipped at the close of the workshop in the Sky Chapel of Chicago Temple high above the rustle and bustle of the noisy city. The worship service was conducted by Dr. Charles Goff, minister for the Methodist Men's Radio Hour, and pastor of the Chicago Temple.

I attended only one District Conference which was held at Valley Grove Methodist Church in Murfreesboro, Arkansas, Friday, October 17, 1958. We had only one hour, but I think that through displays, discussions, and lectures some good was accomplished.

From February the 8th through March the 22nd, it was my good pleasure to attend a series of six Sub District meetings on the North Little Rock District under the leadership of Rev. C. C. Hall and Mr. James B. Porter together with several Sub District Lay Leaders. Lay activities was adequately presented. We would be so happy if all of the Districts would work such a plan.

Each local church has been contacted at least three times this Conference year, without a single invitation. We are here to serve you, so do not hesitate to call on us. We are not to force our way into your local churches, but will be too glad to serve you if invited.

Recommendations:

I. That Layman's Day be observed in each local church with a layman as speaker. We sincerely urge our pastors together with the Lay Leaders to see that this is done in each local church.

II. That we make an effort to secure and train more Lay speakers and see to it that they are certified. We also ask our District Superintendents to use these Lay speakers in all the places they can.

III. That each local church of The Southwest Conference co-operate fully with The Quadrennial Emphasis "Enlistment". That is we seek to enlist not only workers in our local churches but workers on the District and Conference levels as well.

IV. That throughout the Conference, "The Every Member Canvass", be made in order that we can increase our giving so that we will be able to make the Ministry more attractive to young men as other vocations. This is one reason we have so few men coming into our Conference.

V. That we seek to organize more Methodist Men's organizations on all three of our Districts, and seek to get all delinquent clubs in good standing.

Objectives Of The Conference Board of Lay Activities:

1. To cultivate in a more effective way our Conference, by working with our District Boards of Lay Activities.

2. To hold up the work of The Methodist Church through it's world service agencies, especially on the fourth Sundays of each month.

3. To promote The Every Member Canvass in each local church, so that we can have funds to carry on in a more effective way as a Conference.

4. To enlist both full time and part time Christian workers for our Conference, Districts and local churches.

5. To work closely with local churches to organize more Methodist Men's organizations.

6. To see that more men are certified as Lay Speakers and registered with our District Superintendents.

7. To bring up to date our current lists of Church Lay Leaders on all of the Districts.

8. To strive to have an active Director of Stewardship in each local church.

In closing I wish to thank, The General Board of Lay Activities, for guidance and assistance rendered me as I sought to carry out my duties as Conference Lay Leader. I also want to thank everyone who has been of any service to our Lay program.

"So live that when thy summons comes to join that innumerable caravan, that thou go not like a quarry slave scouraged to his dungeon but sustained and soothed by unfaltering trust approach thy grave, like one who wraps his drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams".

Respectfully submitted, James Washington, Conference Lay Leader

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPOSIT REPORT

Bishop Clair and members of the Southwest Annual Conference: The conference year now closing marks the beginning of the end of this quadrenium. It has been a year of hard work. Our success this year was made possible by Him who has called us. Our efforts would have been in vain and our labor would have borne no fruit, but for the unlimited and unspeakable grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore with deep humility and thanksgiving to God, we submit this report.

During the year two of the members of the conference family moved into the father's house. Brother L. E. Douglass, a supply pastor and Brother E. C. Sanders the Executive Secretary of the Conference. They have passed to their reward.

We have endeavored to serve 51 pastoral charges, 95 preaching places, 95 Sunday Schools, 1 College, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas; 51 ministers and 4,921 members of our Race. We have traveled 137,000 miles through the territory located within the Conference, from Tulsa, Oklahoma to Texarkana, Arkansas and from Forest City, Arkansas to Altus, Oklahoma. We have held or caused to be held 223 Quarterly Conferences. We have held three Christian Workers Institutes, one in each District, several workshops and other meetings. These Institutes were for adults and youth. The courses were recommended by the Board of Education of Nashville, Tennessee and approved by the Conference Executive Secretary.

We have had the able leadership of a wise shepherd. The General Superintendent of the St. Louis Area, who is the president of our Annual Conference. He has and is trying to lift our Conference to an appreciable degree of success during this quadrenium. We are conscious of a deep debt of gratitude to him for his zeal and genuine concern for the welfare of the Conference. To us he has been not simply "The Bishop" but, father, brother and friend. His alert and keen mind and the hard work he has done have been a large part of our progress. He is the kind of a minister that the Master had in mind when He exhorted His disciples to "be ye wise as serpents and as harmless as doves." The ministers of the Conference have given themselves to the task this year. They have done a very good job as many of their reports will show.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: In the field of religious education the Southwest Conference regrets the loss of a full time worker. It is unfortunate, that although we, as a conference, pioneered in this work we find ourselves without a full time worker. Never the less the work has been carried on to a commendable degree. Christian Workers Institutes and Vacation Bible Schools were held all over the Conference and in every District. Youth Religious Training Camp was held at Turner Falls in Oklahoma during the Summer months.

Religious Education in the local churches is carrying on and finding its expression through the church Sunday School, Methodist Youth Fellowship, and such other training groups as best fits the local situation. We continue with hope and anticipation.

PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE: Philander Smith College now in its 91st year continues to be the nerve-center and glorious pride of the Southwest Conference. Through the years the conference has been wanting to be steadfast and unswerving in its support of the College, not from a sense of obligation, but because the Conference recognizes the fact that it is a privilege and distinction to have the opportunity to support and nurture such fine work as has been and is being carried on at the College from its infancy. Today we are a long way from the time when washwomen and tired men brought chairs and tables and dishes to the school and left them as their humble contribution to the dream the founders had. Yet caroling down across the valley of years, that same loyalty and devotion has been a part of the methodism of the Southwest Conference. The dream and vision has broadened immeasurably, but the humbleness of sacrifice remains.

Truly these have been years of faith, loyalty, and devotion. As we look at the college high and lifted up, we are moved to lift our voices and sing till earth and heaven ring with the harmony of pride in achievement. May we let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies. Stony has been the road we have trod, bitter the chasten rod; but we have known nothing of unborn hope. Always we have looked to the God of our weary years, the God of our silent tears, and He has kept forever in the path which has led, and is to lead to a greater Philander Smith College.

We salute her and pledge to her our continued loyalty and support. We are not unmindful of the large contribution she is making to Methodism, and particularly to the Southwest Conference. Through the careful training of young men and women she is preparing citizens for a Christian society, citizens whose responsibility it will be to so leaven our social order that the Kingdom of God may come. President Harris and his faculty are discharging the responsibility which is theirs to a commendable degree. We say then, "Thou who has by thy might, led us into the light . . . keep us forever in the path we pray."

DISTRICT AND QUARTERLY CONFERENCES: The quarterly Conference still has a big part to play in the ongoing of the program of the church. We are using and exploiting it for the good of the churches everywhere. There is a feeling of urgency being felt everywhere. We are enslaved by the glorious prospects ahead of us, and in our feeble efforts we work for the creation of that public opinion which shall someday rule the world. We are conscious of the need for more positive and assertive action in our Districts and Conferences. There is a necessity to recover and revitalize the old and to discover and develop the new. A genius for these important tasks must be developed. Methods must be installed which can more quickly set in motion processes necessary in these areas.

THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE: The work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service has advanced in many of its fields of endeavor under the leadership of its presidents and fine and loyal service of consecrated Conference, District and Local Secretaries, with the prayers

and hard work of the good women of the local churches, who planted the ideals and principles of missions and made them blossom throughout the whole Southwest Conference.

The women share the same conviction as that of the ministry in the program of mobilization, that the time has come in the Methodist Church for a unified coordinated all-out effort to enlist the women into this great program of world redemption. Christianity is a growing concern; Christian character is a living thing. Everything that is Christian is alive. Conversely much of that which is dead is unchristian. The indispensable sign of life is growth. But the desire for growth must never be for that mushroom sort which springs to life over night but which wilts before the burning rays of tomorrow's sun. Our efforts must be toward permanency in growth and effectiveness made possible by careful planning and the tireless effort upon the part of the ministry and the devoted women of the church who are concerned.

The deep anxiety upon the part of the consecrated women of the church to increase the opportunity for intellectual and spiritual advance, and to promote religious leadership that will fell the imperative to build a Christian fellowship, and to make the world a better place in which to live may be regarded as another sign of growth. To this end the Woman's Society of Christian Service has successfully maintained and established educational scholarships for young ladies of ability and promise to attend our church related colleges.

We believe that a Woman's Society of Christian Service is necessary in every church to hasten the time when there shall be a new order in our world. We believe it offers the most effective channel for every woman to use her particular talent and ability for the good of the whole, as well as to acquire a sense of creative fulfillment.

We therefore urge each pastor to study the potentialities of the women of his church. For without her there would be no local church; and without the local church it is hard to picture a world community. If she is interested in civic righteousness, in strengthening by cooperation with other women in securing human rights for all people everywhere, then Christian social relations offer all these opportunities. Therefore there is work for all. The task is too great to be undertaken with divided hearts. We must strive together, and with a faith that all our efforts will not be in vain.

EVANGELISM: We have been mindful of our commission as Evangelists of the good news about Jesus Christ. The world is still hungry for the living bread. Should we fail in presenting this living bread to hungry souls of men, Evangelists with strange doctrines will feed them stones. The Crusade taught us much in the field of Evangelism. Not the minister in the pulpit but the entire congregations make up the priesthood of believers who move with passion to win people to Jesus Christ. Each District Superintendent has been aware of this sacred responsibility and has worked diligently to promote evangelism in his district. The results were not always satisfactory but some were added to the church.

MISSIONS: We acknowledge that in our extension program we have not been able to exploit some important territory. Thus we must invade and establish churches. One new church is underway in North Little Rock on the North Little District. St. Mark Pine Bluff is in the lime light of development and the future is looking bright. Browns Chapel on the Little Rock District is completing a new church building. Other mission charges in the conference are under study for future development. We must broaden our program and work until every undeveloped place in the conference is set to growth. We are moving slowly but surely.

RESERVE PENSION: We have stressed the importance of the reserve Pension Fund. Meetings have been held throughout the conference emphasizing

ing the importance of and receiving pledges for the Reserve Pension Fund. We hope to reach our goal by 1960.

Since we received our commission from you, Bishop Clair, last June we have both your blessing and the blessing of the Almighty God. We are not going to tell you today that the voyage has been smooth all the way. It has been an eventful crossing. We have crossed billows since we last met. We are able to describe the journey and the many problems that we have faced, but we close with these words from Edmund Burke:

Applaud us when we run
Console us when we fall
But let us pass on,
For God's sake let us pass on.

Recommendations:

1. **CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION:** The enlistment of young people to the cause of Christ; the friendly counsel and consecrated guidance of youth who desire to serve through the church will be the on going of every Annual Conference, every Methodist preacher and every Layman of our great church. Dr. Frank S. Hickman has said, "The church and all it stands for must be lifted to a position of exalted esteem in the eyes of youth or presently its ranks of vocational workers will soon become thin and broken.

The need of a generation of dedicated men and women to the ideals of the Christian way challenges every board and committee on Christian higher education to continuously interpret its aims and objectives. We feel that it is ours to help youth interpret that divine urge which shapes itself into a conviction of call to some particular life work, and that it is ours to strengthen the bases and more surely determine the course of Christian Education as a major factor in the wholesome development of that conviction. We also feel that we must alert the church and kindred organizations to their particular relationship to the economic problems of our age and the possible effects on men and women of tomorrow.

We therefore recommend that there be sponsored this year a Conference wide Christian Vocations Conference financed by the Conference Commission on Christian Vocation.

We also recommend that we request our Conference Board of Education and the Executive Secretary to organize in every District, Sub District and local church a committee on Christian Vocation with functioning secretary, so that the whole church may receive the impact of the need and opportunity.

EVANGELISM: We recommend that the Commissions on Membership and Evangelism be carefully selected, organized, and made an active force in each local church. That they be supplied with the proper literature to help make Evangelism a vital part of the program of the church, to win and develop Christian families to observe family worship, Grace at meals, Bible study, and practical Christian living.

We recommend that each Annual Conference and District hold Institutes on Evangelism to develop a more efficient group of ministerial and lay Evangelistic leaders, or directors.

We further recommend that our local church Boards of Lay Activities, Education, and Woman's Society of Christian Service Cooperate in the promotion of Evangelism, and making Christ real by winning people and developing them into Christian personalities, and to make good every opportunity in securing recruits for the ministry and other full time Christian workers.

THE RESERVE PENSION FUND: We recommend that there shall be a Conference Board, District Board and local committees, that there shall be meetings on the Conference, District and Subdistrict levels to stress the importance and need of the Reserve Pension Fund.

We further recommend that each minister who is a member of the annual Conference or Supply pastor under appointment shall pay two percent of his cash salary as a contribution to the reserve pension fund.

WORLD SERVICE AND MISSIONARY PROGRAM: We recommend that each local church organize an active Board in the church and promote a world service and missionary program in order that the local church may be educated in the work of our church in these fields.

We also recommend that each District Superintendent have on his District a competent district missionary secretary to promote the missionary work of the church.

RURAL AREAS AND URBAN CENTERS AND THEIR NEED OF CHURCH EXTENSION:

1. To appreciate the enormous change which has come upon rural life during the past generation, it is necessary to note very carefully changes in transportation and communication, the educational trend among rural people to consider the revolutionary changes in farm machinery, to study recent migrations and to note the rapid progress of cooperative enterprises.

These items have a profound bearing upon rural life and are intimately related to the problems of the country church.

With these statements as a background we inquire into the rural church's impact on this new day in the country and attempt to discover the problems which have become acute as well as those new ones which have developed.

New roads and high speed travel have brought the rural church to a parting of the ways. The educational methods and program for adults have opened areas of life and lifted horizons. With these things in mind and even more, we ask ourselves this question, "What can the church do in the light of these new found freedoms and conditions?"

First. We recommend a leadership for the rural church of the highest possible character and training. The day has passed for the feeble, the inferior and unfit in the leadership of rural people. The new age demands the best for the country.

Second. We recommend that a commission be raised to study the larger parish plan, and salaries for the rural minister in line with the localities and the economical problems in given communities.

Third. We recommend the use in our rural churches the finest worship services which can be evolved, the best in fellowship meetings, visual aids, buildings and facilities and emphatic preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

2. In our Urban centers we are losing our people because of inadequate building facilities. In these new communities where hundreds of our people are moving in, and we have only hovel, our people are joining other churches that have better buildings. They are not willing to face the embarrassment of joining a shack just to be in a Methodist church. That type of Methodist that would stay Methodist anywhere and under any condition has long since gone to Heaven, and in the other direction.

In our larger cities where communities are changing, whites moving out, Negroes moving in, we have had some fine opportunities to buy some fine church plants and get in on the foundation of a new community, but no money available; so we fail to grasp, a great opportunity. Other groups go in and buy and years later we will arrive and build a little shack when it is everlasting too late. What we need is to have the district Boards of building and location to work more cooperatively with the board of Mission and church extension to grasp worthy opportunities that meet the approval of the bishop and the conference board.

What is the remedy? First, We recommend that the Board of Missions sponsor a special day to properly present this cause to the Laymen of our respective churches.

Second. As on the basis of the challenge that every member give at least ten (\$10.) dollars annually for church extension. Not a quota just voluntary giving. That some member of the Board present this cause at every District meeting in the various districts.

Humbly submitted, J. H. Oliver, Chairman, C. C. Hall, I. A. Pointer

HIGHER EDUCATION AND PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE REPORT

The challenge to meet the terrific demands for Higher Education has become one of our most pressing tasks. The swelling tide of college enrollment, stimulated by the desire for learning and the technical demands for successful employment, are on the move around the world. The Christian Philosophy of Life must give leadership to these demands, or men may destroy themselves by their knowledge. The role of the Christian College as a witness in the intellectual community must be that of giving a leadership which is based upon the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man in all human relations as the one essential instrument capable of transmitting knowledge into Abundant Living for all people.

Philander Smith College, the College of your Annual Conference, is dedicated to this task. It served a total of 971 students during the fiscal year through a faculty and staff of some 50 persons with definite Christian commitment. It sent some 24 young people out into the Conferences of the area to work with local churches during the summer, 1958. It has continued to hold up the spirit of excellence in scholarship and academic integrity, and to undergird its entire program with the spirit of Christ and the policies of the Methodist Church.

Philander Smith has continued to grow. Two new dormitories and a Student Union building will be ready for occupancy when school opens August 31, 1959. They will bring to our students conveniences equal to those provided by any institution in the country. Construction on the fourth new building is scheduled to begin this summer, with the hope of completion by Commencement, 1960. Realization of this dream depends largely upon the successful conclusion of the Development Program Campaign for \$300,000 with which each minister and many laymen of the Conference are familiar. The college family (faculty members, students, trustees) has raised approximately \$44,000 in cash and subscriptions as of May 1. The Alumni have raised approximately \$40,000 in cash and subscriptions, and individuals in the churches of the St. Louis area have given and subscribed approximately \$11,000. The total as of May 1, including cash payment and subscriptions is \$105,000. This is a report on your Philander Smith College as to its stewardship to the Annual Conference, and to every minister and layman whose concern, interest, prayers, and support otherwise have been giving to this part of the program of the Conference and our great Methodist Church.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Conference take action urging every pastor and charge lay leader to attend the special Convocation at Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas, Friday, September 25, 1959, and that it specify the following persons or their proxies as certified delegates from the Annual Conference to the Convocation: All District Superintendents; Conference President, Woman's Society of Christian Service; Conference Lay Leader; Chairman, Conference Board of Education; Chairman, Conference Quadrennial Commission on Higher Education; Conference Executive Secretary of Christian Education.

2. That every church endeavor to fully achieve the goal of \$1.30 per member (\$1 for Philander Smith and .30 for Wesley Foundations) in keeping with paragraph 2018 of the 1956 Discipline, by the close of the ensuing Annual Conference year.

3. That the Conference approve a recommendation designating an Annual District Superintendent's Day at the College, the date of which to be set at the convenience of the majority of the Cabinet, for an official visit to the college.

4. That the ensuing Conference year, September, 1959 - March, 1960 be designated as "The Year of Gleaning" for the Development Program, during which time the effort to secure personal gifts as presented by the Campaign Institutes, 1958, will be followed up.

5. That there be continued a persistent and systematic effort to recruit our Methodist Students for Philander Smith, and that this effort be organized on an Annual Conference, District, and Local Church basis.

6. That the Conference approve National Christian College Day, sponsored by the Department of Higher Education of the National Council of Churches, as an Official Day for the Conference, to be used where convenient to lift up the Challenge of Christian Education.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS

of

The Southwest Conference, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, June 11, 1959

Bishop Clair, members of the Southwest Annual Conference: It is with pleasure that I make this report of the Conference Board of Missions to you.

At the last session of our Conference which convened in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, June 15, 1958 that program for our Board was planned for this year. We met with the Bishop and a representative from the General Board of Missions and planned for our first Conference wide Conference on missions. During the year we had two meetings of the Conference Board. Dr. Charles F. Golden from the General Board of Missions was with us in each meeting. The first meeting was held at Wesley Chapel Methodist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas. In this meeting we studied the missionary program for the Conference and made plans for the Conference wide Conference on Missions. The second meeting was held at Philander Smith College. In this meeting we completed our program for the Conference on Missions. The Conference on Missions convened April 7 - 10, 1959 at the Mallalieu Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, Rev. H. Reeves Washington, pastor. The theme for the Conference was "Every Methodist a Missionary." This workshop on missions came at the most opportune time and met a need of long standing in the Southwest Conference.

We had excellent leadership in our Workshop. From the General Board: Dr. Charles F. Golden, from the Division of National Missions, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Dr. Herb Lowe, Department of Visual Education of the Joint Section of Education and Cultivation, New York, New York; Dr. Auther Moore, Jr., Associate Editor of the World Outlook. Out of Conference: Dr. Robert S. Mosby, a District Superintendent in the West Texas Conference.

The three District Superintendents and some of the pastors and laymen from Conference served as leaders in the Workshop.

The attendance was good. All the Districts were represented. The entertainment provided by Mallalieu Church was par. excellent.

The District Superintendent met with the ministers and laymen from their respective Districts in an evaluation session and reported their findings from which we make the following recommendations.

1. District Superintendent call a District Planning Meeting

a. Appoint a Team

b. Plan Sub-District Meetings

A. All persons from local churches concerned with missions.

B. Give the value of information received from Conference on Missions.

2. Distribute literature, and hold schools of missions in local churches where it is possible, so that the entire personnel becomes missionary minded.

3. Co-operate with other agencies in making surveys to find the needs of the community. From the evaluation of these surveys, the local churches will take local projects.

4. District Secretaries are not present. Every effort should be made to include them in the Strategy and Projection training.

5. The Commission on Missions be organized and made to function in each local church.

Bishop Clair: "Words that should be the discription of every Christian . . . Come, Tarry, Go! Christian experience is measured by our service to others. An advance plus: Help pay the salary of a rural pastor in Puerto Rico. "The faith of a Christian is expressed by the nuture of his outreach with God."

J. C. Tyus, Chairman, E. M. Johnson, Secretary

Board of Education
The Southwest Annual Conference

SUBJECT: PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR 1959-50

Administration:

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| Executive Secretary's Salary ----- | \$1,800.00 |
| Housing for Executive Secretary ----- | 300.00 |
| Travel Expense ----- | 500.00 |
| Director of Children's Work | |
| Travel (or Expense Allowance) ----- | 200.00 |
| Director of Youth Work | |
| Travel (or Expense Allowance) ----- | 200.00 |
| Director of Intermediate Work | |
| Travel (or Expense Allowance) ----- | 100.00 |
| Director of Adult Work | |
| Travel (or Expense Allowance) ----- | 200.00 |

Conference Board and its Committees:

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| Travel (or Expense Allowance) ----- | 150.00 |
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Office Expense:

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| Office Operation ----- | 300.00 |
| Postage and Printing ----- | 150.00 |

Program Items:

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| Children's Work ----- | 50.00 |
| Youth Work ----- | 50.00 |
| Adult Work ----- | 50.00 |
| General Church School Work ----- | 50.00 |
| Leadership Education Enterprises ----- | 50.00 |
| Christian Family Life Program ----- | 50.00 |

Total----- \$4,200.00

The above itemized Budget was proposed by the Board of Education of the Southwest Annual Conference in session at Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas, June 9, 1959.

Clinton Anderson, Chairman, J. Willetta Simmons, Secretary

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Southwest Annual Conference Board of Education submits the following recommendations:

1. That each District Superintendent and Pastor be directed by the Bishop to place greater emphasis on the Cultivation and Promotion Program of the following commissions on the District and Local Church levels:

- a. Commission on Evangelism
- b. Commission on Education
- c. Commission on Missions
- d. Commission on Stewardship and Finance

2. That the relationship between Church School Rally Day and a strong program of cultivation, promotion and interpretation be studied and the same degree of emphasis be placed on the observance of this day in every local church.

3. That the Conference Treasurer be directed to disburse these funds only for direct cultivation and promotional purposes in the form of workshops, conferences, study courses for local church officers, committee and commission chairmen, travel for the necessary personnel and such clerical services that may be required.

4. That the resources of Philander Smith College be used as far as possible in the program of cultivation and promotion on the District and Local Church levels.

5. That in each local church the Official Board comply with Paragraph 216 by holding a Planning Conference during the summer of 1959.

6. That where it is designated -- on the Conference, District and sub-District level -- we organize groups so information may be channeled to the proper source.

7. That each commission study and put into action the 1959-60 Quadrennial Emphasis -- stressing greater enlistment of the individual and his development and the Local Church development (Church School). We recommend a wide use of The Methodist Story Magazine (March 1959 issue) for guidance in the 1959 Enlistment Emphasis.

8. That we conduct an extensive program of leadership recruitment.

9. That each Local Church will plan to have at least one (1) certified instructor.

10. That each Local Church will set as a goal the organization or reactivation of a Methodist Youth Fellowship.

11. That there will be strict observance of and emphasis placed upon all Special Days of the Christian calendar.

12. That Church School Rally Day (September, 1959) shall be observed by all Churches of the Conference. Further, that each District Superintendent and Pastor shall do everything to dramatically present the same.

13. That there shall be a coordination of responsibility of all agencies related to the Inter-Board Commission and the Board of Education.

14. That the Bishop appoint a shared (part-time) Executive Secretary to serve two Annual Conferences (Southwest and Tennessee).

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE REPORT

Mrs. Clarence G. Washington, President

Bishop Clair, Conference guest, officers and members of the Southwest Conference:

I am again privileged to report a great year for the Southwest Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild. We have seen growth of more interest, more desire to know and to do the work of our organization.

We have tried to promote the work effectively. However, we have not reached our Goal of accomplishment. In many instances 'we did the best we tried, but not the best we could.' Yet we are encouraged and hold bright hopes for the future, and are willing to work harder, pray and study more that we may be workmen whose labours are worthy.

Spiritual growth is shown in the spirit of unity among the women with- in the Conference. Our greatest asset is larger attendance at Meetings: At the Assembly - 15 - including Youth Representative, Marian Smith, Student at Philander. Ten in Juris. Schools of Mission, one a Fraternal guest at S. Cen. School at Mt. Sequoyah. Attendance up at Conference School. Record at Annual Meeting, where interest was aroused in an "Attendance Tree".

Our special Membership Roll is increasing: Nine new Adult Life Memberships this year. Also, a Child's Membership for Patricia Ann Brown heads a list to which many more will be added, it is hoped, by fond grand - and God-parents and others.

Further evidences of growth may be seen in the Supplementary Gift by Mrs. Norma Killingsworth Savery to support the work of Miss Doris Jean Wilson, who went out from this conference and is now serving in Malaya.

Local women are encouraged to participate in Local Councils of United Church Women. There has been a larger delegation at State Meetings of UCW. I was present at all State of Arkansas UCW Board of Management, and hope to be of service as State Historian. The Woman's Society of Mallalieu Methodist, Ft. Smith, entertained the Ft. Smith - Van Buren Council of UCW on May Fellowship Day. This was a First for Arkansas. What an opportunity for fellowship when there is such widespread tension and unrest.

Our three District Superintendents, and Ministers are in attendance at most of our meetings and support the total program as it relates to our work - for this we are grateful.

AREAS OF STRESS: Increased per capita giving to missions, Reading Circles, better reporting, more approved Study Courses, more subscriptions to Methodist Woman and World Outlook, wider use of Prayer Calendar, Program Book . . . To undergird every phase of our work with literature.

It was my pleasure to attend the Eighth Arkansas Council on Children and Youth in preparation for its 1960 White House Conference.

With grateful appreciation to the Officers and Members of the South-west Conference for their untiring efforts, and to all who contributed in any way to make this report possible, we look ahead together. Pray for us as we go into the new year and work toward the spirit of Christ for all of life.

"The World stands out on either side
No higher than the heart is wide
Above the earth is stretched the sky
No higher than the soul is high."

NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

Place of 1960 Annual Meeting: Muskogee, Oklahoma

1959 - 1960 - BUDGET REPORT

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----|------------|
| Total Conference Budget ----- | | \$3,242.20 |
| Apportionment of Conference Budget | | |
| By Districts: | | |
| North Little Rock ----- | 36% | \$1,167.19 |
| Little Rock ----- | 33% | \$1,069.92 |
| Oklahoma ----- | 31% | \$1,005.09 |

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

Southwest Conference 1958 - 59

These are perilous times. Man seems to be entrenched in a prison of hopelessness with the serpents of materialism, militarism, racism, and alcoholism slowly creeping upon him. The poisonous venom which is spreading, is rendering man the initial stage of a slow but deadly illness.

We realize, if the imprisoned is to catch the light of freedom; if he is to escape the attack of these serpents; if the walls, which block his freedom to enjoy world-wide fellowship, are to be torn down; it must be accomplished through the spiritual formation of a new society which recognizes the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

We recommend:

1. That every Methodist be personally dedicated to the cause of creating finer human relations.
2. That local surveys be made to determine needs in education, health, and employment.
3. That we will seek to learn of opportunities in voting, civic responsibility, and community projects.
4. That we encourage those who have taken a public stand for fairness, equality, and interracial cooperation and progress.
5. That we extend invitations to our white churches for fellowship programs in our church.
6. That we use our efforts and energies to defeat the purposes of the Alcoholic Industry.
7. That at least two institutes on Christian Social Relations be held this year; one in Oklahoma, and one in Arkansas.
8. That we make every effort to have representation at S.M.U. in August for the Methodist National Conference on Race - Relations.
9. That we pray. This vital question will not be solved in a day. God's help and guidance as needed to give direction, wisdom, and faith for the living of these days.

Humbly submitted, Oliver Gibson, Chairman,
H. M. Magill, Secretary,
W. H. D. Bright

1958 REPORT

ST. LOUIS AREA UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOL AND GRADUATE SCHOOL

Lincoln University
Jefferson City, Missouri

1. RECEIPTS - SUPPLY PASTORS' SCHOOL

| | | |
|---|-------|-----------|
| Brought Forward (3rd National Bank, Nashville, Tenn.) | ---- | \$ 180.71 |
| From Commission on In-Service Training (Dr. Spann) | ----- | 4,000.00 |
| From St. Louis Area Fund | ----- | 4,000.00 |
| Registration Fees (34 @ \$3.50) | ----- | 119.00 |
| Fees from non-pastors | ----- | 140.26 |

\$8,439.97

2. DISBURSEMENTS

| | | |
|----------------|-------|-----------|
| Student Travel | ----- | \$ 689.93 |
| Faculty Travel | ----- | 108.64 |
| Honoraria | ----- | 2,650.00 |

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Paid from working capital by cash ----- | 68.88 |
| Promotion ----- | 155.18 |
| Insurance ----- | 76.44 |
| Room and Board - Lincoln University ----- | 2,486.26 |
| | <u>\$6,235.33</u> |

3. RECAPITULATION

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Total Receipts ----- | 8,439.97 |
| Total Disbursements ----- | <u>6,235.33</u> |
| BALANCE ----- | <u>2,204.64</u> |

1. RECEIPTS - GRADUATE SCHOOL

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Brought Forward from Undergraduate School ----- | \$2,204.64 |
| Commission on In-Service Training (Dr. Spann) ----- | 500.00 |
| St. Louis Area Fund ----- | 500.00 |
| Registrations (79 @ \$5.00) ----- | 395.00 |
| Refunds ----- | <u>40.00</u> |
| | <u>\$3,639.64</u> |

2. DISBURSEMENTS

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Honoraria ----- | 250.00 |
| Travel ----- | 229.68 |
| Room and Board ----- | 1,215.00 |
| Promotion ----- | 48.19 |
| Miscellaneous (Hauling) ----- | <u>20.00</u> |
| | <u>\$1,762.87</u> |

3. BALANCE ----- 1,876.77*

* One-half of this amount returned to Dr. J. Richard Spann's office -
the other half to the St. Louis Area Fund.

REPORT OF ST. LOUIS AREA YOUTH CONVOCATION

AT

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

August, 1958

RECEIPTS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| From Ads and "Friends of Youth" ----- | \$ 195.00 |
| Registrations - 356 @ \$20 ----- | 7,120.00 |
| Overnight Lodging ----- | <u>23.64</u> |
| | <u>\$7,338.64</u> |

DISBURSEMENTS

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Cash refunds for | |
| a. Registrations ----- | 48.00 |
| b. Music ----- | 15.90 |
| c. Wesley Foundation ----- | 10.08 |
| d. Supplies ----- | 8.00 |
| Honoraria and Travel for artists and staff ----- | 934.10 |
| Room and Board ----- | 6,176.53 |
| Organ Rental ----- | 40.00 |
| Programs (Printing) ----- | 314.00 |
| Supplies (Typewriters, Craft Materials, Exhibition, etc.) ----- | 70.84 |
| Insurance ----- | 110.04 |
| Telephone ----- | <u>21.40</u> |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Refunds - by check ----- | 21.75 | |
| For Norma Vincente (National) ----- | 22.50 | |
| | \$7,793.14 | |
| From 1958 - 59 Area Fund | | 454.50 |
| | \$7,793.14 | \$7,793.14 |

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Eighty-Second Session of The Southwest Annual Conference - June 11
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

To Bishop Clair, Officers and Members of The Southwest Conference:

There comes a time in the life of every organization when operations should cease, momentarily, and an accounting taken on what has occurred during the fiscal period, and a new program formulated giving a forecast of future plans, for the coming similar period.

As your servants, we have endeavored constantly to render faithful service in the discharge of our duties and have done our very best under the existing circumstances. We have held monthly meetings, as a commission, conferences with Bishop Clair and the District Superintendents, in our effort to satisfy the requests of the various departments of the conference and the Church, as well as preparing the budget for the coming Conference year, and recommendations for your consideration and approval.

Our problem has been difficult due to the lack of funds remitted by charges to the Conference Treasurer. The Commission is happy to report that some improvement has been made on the part of charges making periodic reports to the treasurer. However, there is still need for more complete reporting. Many churches have not considered all items listed in the budget. The budget, as we all know, is based upon minimum need. It is based upon the least, and not the maximum amount needed to successfully operate our Annual Conference Program and to meet our obligations to the General Church. It undergirds the essential program of the church. It is important and necessary that each charge make full payment on its apportionment. To do otherwise will mean that some cause will suffer in our Conference and in our Church. We do not suppose that it is necessary to state, here, that there is an urgent need for promotion and cultivation among our leaders, that they and the membership must be trained to support their local church, the Conference and the General Church. There is need for more workshops, more coaching conferences and more Christian workers schools. To be able to have these must, likewise, depend upon more money and more money abundantly.

For the first time during this quadrennium, this Conference has remitted funds to the General Benevolent Causes. The funds are accumulative and when we fail to respond, one year, the deficit is added to the next year. This, in turn, will require a constant increase in our budget - year by year - not because our budget is increased, as such, but in order to meet the deficit which has been caused by the failure, on the part of the local church to meet its entire apportionment. We call attention to these matters now because we sense a growing interest and concern throughout the Southwest Conference for the improvement of the financial and spiritual emphasis of our Christian work. We cannot separate the two. If we build the spiritual aspects and draw more Christians into our fold, our financial income will naturally increase. The pastors and lay-leaders will find it necessary to point up the importance of the various causes listed in our budget. Every one of these causes is a responsibility of our Methodist Church in general, and our Southwest Conference in particular. Let us resolve, as Christian ministers and laymen, to become more serious about our obligations to our Church and Conference.

With the number of charges and the membership of the Southwest Conference there is no need to fall short. With the large number of persons throughout the Conference area without church homes there is no reason why we cannot build our memberships, beautify our churches and meet all our obligations to the Conference and General Church.

Seriously, Christian friends, we must begin to place our financial house in order. To this end, we submit the budget for the coming year, along with certain recommendations that we think necessary to achieve success and save the Southwest Conference through economic security for this quadrennium. It is upon the solid rock of good business that our individual and group security and happiness must be based. We submit the budget, for the new Conference year, as follows:

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH BUDGET - 1959 - 60

Apportionments figured on a percentage basis for the Districts are:

1. Little Rock District ----- 33 %
2. North Little Rock District ----- 36 %
3. Oklahoma District ----- 31 %

Episcopal Fund ----- 2 % of Pastors' cash salary

Conference Claimants Fund ----- 15 % of Pastors' cash salary

| <u>Administrative Expense</u> | <u>Little Rock</u> | <u>N. L. Rock</u> | <u>Oklahoma</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| General Administration | \$ 33.00 | \$ 70.00 | \$ 60.00 | \$ 193.00 |
| Area Expense | 1,342.00 | 1,683.00 | 1,449.00 | 4,674.00 |
| Jurisdictional Conference | 211.00 | 230.00 | 199.00 | 640.00 |
| <u>Conference Claims</u> | | | | |
| Bonding and Auditing | 50.00 | 54.00 | 46.00 | 150.00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 297.00 | 324.00 | 279.00 | 900.00 |
| Conference Secretary | 33.00 | 36.00 | 31.00 | 100.00 |
| Conference Minutes | 396.00 | 432.00 | 372.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Conference Expenses | 99.00 | 108.00 | 93.00 | |
| <u>General & Conference Benevolences</u> | | | | |
| World Service | 1,092.00 | 1,192.00 | 1,026.00 | 3,310.00 |
| Board of Education | 990.00 | 1,080.00 | 930.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Board of Missions | 198.00 | 216.00 | 186.00 | 600.00 |
| Board of Lay Activities | 66.00 | 72.00 | 62.00 | 200.00 |
| Comm. on Social Relations | 25.00 | 27.00 | 23.00 | 75.00 |
| Board of Evangelism | 66.00 | 72.00 | 62.00 | 200.00 |
| Board of Pensions | 17.00 | 18.00 | 15.00 | 50.00 |
| Interdenominational Cooperation Fund | 51.00 | 55.00 | 48.00 | 153.00 |
| Comm. on World Service | 66.00 | 72.00 | 62.00 | 200.00 |
| Board of Hospitals & Homes | 12.00 | 13.00 | 11.00 | 35.00 |
| District Superintendents Fund | | | | |
| Salaries | 3,366.00 | 3,672.00 | 3,162.00 | 10,200.00 |
| Expense | 594.00 | 648.00 | 558.00 | 1,800.00 |
| Special Reserve-Loan Fund | 660.00 | 720.00 | 620.00 | 2,000.00 |
| <u>Special Askings</u> | | | | |
| Philander Smith College (\$1.00 per member) | 1,624.00 | 1,771.00 | 1,526.00 | 4,921.00 |
| Wesley Foundation (30¢ per member) | 487.00 | 531.00 | 457.00 | 1,476.00 |
| T. V. Ministry | 20.00 | 21.00 | 19.00 | 60.00 |
| Board of Christian Vocations | 25.00 | 26.00 | 24.00 | 75.00 |
| | \$12,133.00 | \$13,231.00 | \$11,398.00 | \$36,762.00 |

RECOMMENDATIONS

THE COMMISSION SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the budget submitted by your Conference Commission on World Service and Finance (with necessary changes) be accepted as the budget for the Southwest Annual Conference for the year 1959-60 and that the total budget be apportioned to the Districts as follows:
 1. Little Rock District ----- 33 %
 2. North Little Rock District - 36 %
 3. Oklahoma District ----- 31 %
2. That the following percentage items be continued for this Conference year:
 - Episcopal Fund ----- 2 % of Pastors' Cash Salary
 - Conference Claimants Fund ----- 15 % of Pastors' Cash Salary
 - Ministers' Reserve Pension Fund -- 2 % of Pastors' Cash Salary
3. That in every case the amount apportioned to a charge for the Episcopal and Conference Claimants Fund, as well as District Superintendents' Fund and Expense, be paid in the same proportion as the charge pays its pastor and to be remitted monthly.
4. That the end of each quarter of the Conference year be the "clearing date" on which each charge shall clear up at least one-fourth of the District Superintendents' apportionment and expense fund.
5. That the fiscal year of the Southwest Conference close May 31, and that Annual Conference reports be sent to the Treasurer and the Statistician at least ten (10) days prior to the opening date of the Conference.
6. That the Conference Treasurer send a summary monthly report to the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance and Episcopal Office.
7. That all monies from charges be paid directly to the Conference Treasurer (with exception of District Superintendents' Expense) who will, in turn, issue receipted vouchers to the pastor and Superintendent. (Include District Superintendents' salaries)
8. That the District Superintendents
 - a. Plan for three roll calls
 1. At District Conference
 2. In the middle of January
 3. Immediately following Easter
 - b. That all charges try and have claims paid out in full at the last roll call.
9. That each District Superintendent and pastor see that our churches carry through on Paragraph 267. 1. In cooperation with the District Superintendent, Conference Commission on World Service and Finance, Area Office and General Board of Lay Activities, a **SIMULTANEOUS EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS** program be planned and promoted in each District, if not at the same time, set a definite time according to the conditions in the District. That the District Superintendents see that all persons who should be trained be present at the workshop for this purpose. A great spiritual blessing is reported wherever the program is tried.
10. That the District Superintendent's salary and expenses be contingent upon the proportion of such funds collected on his District.
11. That the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation be requested to work with the pastor and the Committees on Promotion and Cultivation to interpret the financial program of the church. The Commission cooperate with the Board of Lay Activities and the charge Lay Leader in promoting the Stewardship Program of the Church.
12. That bids for the printing of the Conference Minutes be solicited and contract let on joint written approval of the Chairman of this Commission and Chairman of Committee on Publications.

13. That Conference Boards and Commission present detailed vouchers prior to meetings, concerning itemized expenses involved. Such vouchers to be sent to the Commission Chairman 15 days prior to meeting, etc.

14. That Conference Boards and Commissions shall send in budgetary requests at least 30 days prior to Annual Conference.

15. That the Commission on World Service and Finance be furnished with names and addresses of church lay leaders of each charge.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PENSIONS

June 13, 1959 - Pine Bluff, Arkansas

To the Bishop and members of the Southwest Annual Conference, we are pleased to have this opportunity to make our report. We have held up the Reserve Pension and also Conference Claims as well as 2 % of Pastor's cash salaries at all District Conferences and also on Sub-District and local church levels. We have sent out letters to ministers and laymen throughout the entire conference to refreshen their minds of the great task that lies ahead.

Let me thank all of you for your cooperation and loyalty in every phase of our work. As we close, we are hoping and praying that our success in the future will be far greater than it has been in the past.

Humbly submitted, E. L. Lloyd, Chairman, E. L. Stewart, Secretary

June 13, 1959 - Pine Bluff, Arkansas

The Board of Pensions of the Southwest Conference met in its annual session June 12 with Rev. Grady Adcock representing the General Board of Pensions.

After taking careful consideration of the financial status of the conference claimants fund, we recommend that the Annuity Rate for the conference year 1959 - 60 shall be raised from \$6.00 to \$8.00 per year.

The total cash salaries reported paid to the pastors of the conference for the year 1958-59 was \$55,152.00. The 15% apportionment to the pastoral charges should have given the conference claimants fund \$8,272.80. Only \$5,232.00 was paid, leaving a deficit on the pastors at future retirement of \$3,040.80 according to paragraph 1624 of the 1956 Discipline of the Methodist Church.

Respectfully submitted, E. L. Lloyd, Harold Flowers, W. H. McCain, G. G. Troupe, Mrs. Zelma Thomas, Mrs. Beulah Fields, E. L. Stewart, Sec.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF TELEVISION, RADIO AND FILM COMM.

to the

Southwest Annual Conference - June 11-14, 1959

We are grateful for an opportunity to make this report, and are happy to report that according to a telegram received June 10th from Dr. Harry Spencer, Executive Secretary of TRAFICO, of the Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, the income for this commission was \$75,797 in May, a total of \$255,031 for the year ending May 31st. This is an increase of 38, 37%. At this same point last year the regular income from World Service was almost exactly the same. We are glad of this because we all know a little of the power of mass communication and what it will mean to present and future generations; if the church will make itself felt for good in this field.

As we read the reports each period we note that the Southwest Conference seems to lag behind. That should not be and I am sure we want to

change it. We can if we try. Just (ten) 10¢ per member per annum will greatly change the picture.

After conferences with the Superintendents and personal contacts with the people involved, the following persons have consented to serve as District Chairmen of the Commission: Mrs. Alice Preston, Murfreesboro, Arkansas, Little Rock District; Mr. J. S. Cullens, Little Rock, Arkansas, North Little Rock District; Mrs. Lula Tillmon, Tulsa Oklahoma, Oklahoma District. These names have been sent to the general office and they have each received literature. The cause of the Commission was held up at the Little Rock District Conference by Mr. J. S. Cullens and Rev. H. R. Washington.

RECOMMENDATIONS

WE RECOMMEND THAT: Each pastor in the Southwest Conference appoint or have elected a member of his congregation to serve as pastors helper to promote the cause of TRAFICO in the local church. They will receive literature, form and encourage listening groups, distribute literature and help plan programs. When this person has been chosen please send the name and address to Television, Radio and Film Commission 1525 McGavoc Street, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

THAT each church will use the special envelopes sent them to raise funds to promote Children's TV.

THAT each member in every church will pay 10 cents this Conference year to the Commission.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Edith Strong, Chrm. Television, Radio and Film Commission, Southwest Conference

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATION

June 12, 1959

The committee on Conference Relation met with the chairman Rev. C. L. Watson presiding.

The first order of business: The chairman presented a letter from Rev. Ralph G. Nathan who now resides in Boston, Massachusetts. He asked to be continued in the supernumerary relation. The committee recommends that Brother Nathan be continued in the supernumerary relation for the Conference year of 1959-60. The second order was to consider the case of Brother E. L. Stewart who request supernumerary relation. The committee recommends that Brother Stewart be granted the supernumerary relation for the Conference year of 1959-60.

Submitted by, C. L. Watson, E. F. Wallace, C. G. Tillman,
Frank Sanders, E. M. Johnson

TO ALL PASTORS, ORGANISTS, CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS, MUSIC COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN, CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS, OTHERS:

The past few months have been spent in trying to lay the ground work for an effective NAFOMM ORGANIZATION in each Conference of the Central Jurisdiction. It is hoped that ultimately the Southwest Conference will achieve total organization.

To date there are only 24 musicians of the Central Jurisdiction that are members of NAFOMM. (NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF METHODIST MUSICIANS) I feel quite certain that we can and should do something about this.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

1. Urge each musician and those persons responsible for music in the local Church to become a member of NAFOMM.
 2. Send the names and addresses of Church Organists, or Music Committee Chairmen to your Conference Chairman. (MRS. CECIL E. HOLMAN, 2004 North 12th Street, Fort Smith, Arkansas)
 3. Make plans for Church Music Institutes or Workshops on Conference, District, or Sub-district levels. Your Conference Chairman will give any guidance and assistance in perfecting and carrying out such plans.
- Consider the following questions:
1. How can NAFOMM'S Program best serve the needs of my local Church?
 2. What is the relationship of hymn singing and the practice of my faith?
 3. What convictions did the Wesleys have about hymn-singing that we Methodists need to put into practice?
 4. Do we need to learn to appreciate and use new hymns?
 5. Do we need to exercise greater discrimination in evaluating and selecting hymns?
 6. Do we need to appreciate more fully our musical heritage as Christians, as Protestants, and as Methodists?

LOOKING AHEAD . . .

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL - July 27 - August 1, 1959 - Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas. (Our Jurisdictional Chairman, Mrs. Juanita H. Simpson, Chicago, Illinois, Minister of Music, Kelly Methodist Church, will be one of the instructors.)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF METHODIST MUSICIANS, S. M. U.

Campus, Dallas, Texas, July 12-17, 1959.

Registration fee is \$17.00 to NAFOMM members; \$21.50 to non-NAFOMM members.

May I hear from you real soon?

Yours for service, Mrs. Cecil E. Holman

THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EVANGELISM OF THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE FOR 1959-60

After a careful study of the evangelistic potentialities of the conference the following needs were listed:

1. We urge that a training conference for members of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism be held in each local church.
2. We urge a continuation of the Bishop's Evangelistic Crusade for the Conference year 1959-60 during the observing of Holy Week.
3. We will cooperate with the General Church in the retreat for the deepening and enrichment of the spiritual life of the minister and the promotion of the total enlistment program.
4. A special seminar for the conference and district Commissions on Membership and Evangelism. The purpose would be to acquaint them with their responsibilities, position and the whole program of evangelism.
5. Proper use and evaluation of printed materials, visual aids and filmstrips.
6. A Youth Christian Witness Mission, conference-wide be held.
7. That each pastor lead his people in the observance of the holy habits of our church.
 1. Help the people to have effective personal daily prayer service and Bible reading.
 2. Establish family devotions in the homes of the people.

3. Regular weekly prayer meetings which is vital in spirit significant in attendance and worthy program.

4. Establish annual prayer vigils as a corporate experience in continuance of prayer.

8. Special Days and Seasons authorized by the General Church.

1. World-wide Communion Sunday, October 4, 1959.

a. Seek to commune every member.

b. Win at least one new member.

c. Have visitation teams to visit all prospects to win them for Christ and the Church.

2. Christmas for Christ - December, 1959

a. Use Christian Christmas greeting cards.

b. Give gifts and not exchange presents.

c. Hold Christian family celebrations at Christmas.

d. Attend Christmas worship services.

e. Have a visitation evangelism program during the Advent

Season.

f. Keep Christ in Christmas.

3. World-wide Church Attendance Movement - January 1 - Easter, 1960.

4. The Observance of the Lenten Season - February - April, 1960. Lent is the most meaningful season of the year and affords a great opportunity for stressing church attendance and Christian commitments.

a. Conduct training classes for preparatory members, teaching them what it means to be a Christian. How to become a Christian.

b. Find and enlist new prospects.

c. Conduct a visitation, preaching, reaching, reaching revival.

d. Win at least five new members for Christ and His Church.

5. Assimilation - Easter to Pentecost Sunday

a. Membership classes - The meaning of Church membership.

b. Developing the Holy habit.

c. Evangelism of Stewardship.

We recommend that Clifton Mitchell be appointed Conference Secretary of Evangelism.

R. B. Brown, Chairman G. Mitchell, Conference Sec. J. H. Oliver

Mrs. L. B. Wilson C. C. Hall G. G. Tilmon

Mrs. Edith Strong Mr. W. A. Jenkins I. A. Pointer

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE MINISTERS WIVES REPORT

June 13, 1959

North Little Rock District

| | | |
|----------------------|-------|---------|
| Mrs. C. C. Hall | ----- | \$10.00 |
| Mrs. B. A. Fields | ----- | 75.00 |
| Mrs. G. G. Troupe | ----- | 17.00 |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Henry | ----- | 20.00 |
| Mrs. L. T. Thompson | ----- | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Willie Mae Love | ----- | 13.00 |
| Mrs. Vida Thompson | ----- | 6.00 |
| Mrs. C. B. Banks | ----- | 4.00 |
| Mrs. Roxie Hill | ----- | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Frank Sanders | ----- | 8.00 |
| Mrs. A. M. Anderson | ----- | 75.00 |
| Mrs. H. Albright | ----- | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Lorene Smith | ----- | 2.00 |
| Mrs. M. M. Wilburn | ----- | 5.00 |

Little Rock District

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|---------|
| Mrs. J. H. Oliver | ----- | \$30.00 |
| Mrs. E. T. Hickman | ----- | 16.00 |
| Mrs. A. L. Woodard | ----- | 6.00 |
| Mrs. A. L. Buchanan | ----- | 50.00 |
| Mrs. R. B. Brown | ----- | 20.00 |
| Mrs. Oliver Gipson | ----- | 15.00 |
| Mrs. B. F. Littlejohn | ----- | 26.00 |
| Mrs. Mamie B. Davie | ----- | 6.00 |
| Mrs. C. E. Watson | ----- | 10.00 |
| Mrs. W. H. Hanna | ----- | 14.00 |
| Mrs. W. H. Piggie | ----- | 10.00 |
| Mrs. M. F. Strong | ----- | 10.00 |
| Mrs. E. M. Johnson | ----- | 5.00 |
| District Tea | ----- | 20.16 |

Total ----- \$238.16

| <u>North Little Rock District (con't.)</u> | |
|--|----------|
| Mrs. Joyce G. Dozier ----- | \$20.00 |
| Mrs. Clifton Mitchell ----- | 10.00 |
| Mrs. La Rose Sanders ----- | 10.00 |
| Mrs. E. S. Marbly ----- | 1.00 |
| Mrs. G. I. Davis ----- | 30.00 |
| Total ----- | \$317.00 |
| Districts ----- | \$317.00 |
| | 238.16 |
| | 222.00 |
| WSCS Tea ----- | 9.00 |
| Annual Tea ----- | 9.00 |
| Total ----- | \$795.16 |
| Expense ----- | 2.70 |
| Sent to General Board of Pensions ----- | \$792.46 |

| <u>Oklahoma District</u> | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Mrs. June Pointer ----- | \$30.00 |
| Mrs. C. G. Tillmon ----- | 75.00 |
| Mrs. Beatrice Hobbs ----- | 20.00 |
| Mrs. Ella Miller ----- | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Fredonia Souder ----- | 5.00 |
| Mrs. E. F. Wallace ----- | 18.00 |
| Mrs. B. F. Scott ----- | 15.00 |
| Mrs. Alberta Wright ----- | 6.00 |
| Mrs. E. L. Lloyd ----- | 8.00 |
| Mrs. Fay Norman ----- | 20.00 |
| Total ----- | \$222.00 |

Received at the conference after report was made and not included in the totals:

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Mrs. Vida Thompson ----- | \$25.00 |
| Mrs. W. H. D. Bright ----- | 2.00 |
| In Treasury ----- | \$27.00 |

Officers of the Ministers wives Association

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|--|----------------------|
| Conference President ----- | Mrs. R. B. Brown |
| Conference Vice President ----- | Mrs. C. E. Watson |
| Conference Secretary ----- | Mrs. Vida Thompson |
| Conference Treasurer ----- | Mrs. C. G. Tillmon |
| Conference Program Chairman ----- | Mrs. La Rose Sanders |
| North Little Rock District President ----- | Mrs. C. G. Hall |
| Little Rock District President ----- | Mrs. J. H. Oliver |
| Oklahoma District President ----- | Mrs. June Pointer |

DIVISION OF NATIONAL MISSIONS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

1701 Arch Street, Philadelphia 3, Penna.

Section of Home Missions

Maintenance program - For year ending May 31, 1960

SOUTHWEST- OKLAHOMA (3430)

Regular Program

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Anadarko ----- | \$200.00 |
| District Superintendent ----- | 400.00 |
| Hugo ----- | 200.00 |
| Vinita ----- | 200.00 |

\$1,000.00

SOUTHWEST- NORTH LITTLE ROCK (3430)

Regular Program

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Dermott McGee Gould ----- | \$200.00 |
| District Superintendent ----- | 400.00 |
| Lonoke Fordyce ----- | 200.00 |
| Marianna Circuit ----- | 200.00 |
| Newport Batesville Sidney ----- | 200.00 |
| Sweet Home Hensley ----- | 200.00 |

\$1,400.00

SOUTHWEST - LITTLE ROCK (3430)

Regular Program

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Hope ----- | \$300.00 |
| District Superintendent ----- | 400.00 |
| Van Buren Circuit ----- | 300.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,000.00 |

COURTESY COMMITTEE REPORT

Bishop Clair, Members of the Southwest Conference and visiting friends, one poet writes:

Two men look out through the same bars
One sees the mud, the other stars.

At this moment it depends on the direction in which each one is looking, whether I voice the sentiment of the group, when I say that we have thoroughly enjoyed this session of the Southwest Conference.

As has been said, we are indeed blessed to have the gentle leadership of a wise shepherd and his gracious companion. We admit, that like the children of Israel, there are times when we are quite rebellious. Bishop, in the spirit of Christ we shall endeavor to make this, the last year of your second Quadrennium, the best.

To Reverend Maceo D. Pembroke: We are grateful for your efficient leadership in the area of Christian Education that has found expression in schools, workshops, clinics, conferences and general conversations. We shall strive to keep your work from having been in vain.

We are debtors to the General Boards for having sent to us such conscientious representatives.

We thank President M. L. Harris and his assistants for the excellent presentation of the achievements and goal of Philander Smith College, brought to us through reports and visual aids.

A reading people is a concerned people. To Dr. Tillmon J. Howard we give a vote of thanks for the emphasis he gave to the Central Christian Advocate.

We are grateful to the many visitors of the city who contributed so much to us by their presence.

Long after the thrill of a boisterous Annual Conference has been stilled, we will continue to hear the music of the still small voice within us, responding to the searching messages brought to us by the Reverend C. Crosby Reynolds, pastor of the Centennial Methodist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

Last, but not least, we doff our hats to the pastor, his wife and congregation. Your efforts to make us comfortable and our stay pleasant were tirelessly rendered. We realize that the task of entertaining our conference has been great. We realize the difficulties involved in entertaining an Annual Conference, yet constant sunshine without the cooling rains would become monotonous. We need the challenges to bring out the best within us. In the words of the poet:

"O Thou who doest the vision send and givest each his task,
And with the task sufficient strength,
Show us thy will, we ask,
Give us a conscience bold and good.
Give us a purpose true.
That it may be our highest joy,
Our Father's work to do."

Your courtesy committee, Mrs. C. G. Tillmon, Donald Grant,
H. Reeves Washington, I

SECTION IX

ENABLING ACT

Whereas the Little Rock Conference and the southwest portion of the Lincoln Conference, comprising the state of Oklahoma, were merged to form what is now known as The Southwest Conference, November 28, 1928, at McGehee, Arkansas.

Be it resolved that: The notation of the Annual Sessions be dated from the time of origin of the Little Rock Conference, February 21, 1879, at Van Buren, Arkansas.

Be it further resolved that: That all times, during the existence of the said Southwest Conference or in consideration of future mergers, recognition of the contribution of the former Lincoln Conference be duly reflected.

The foregoing instrument expresses the desires of the Cabinet and members of the Southwest Conference in session at Ardmore, Oklahoma, June 23, 1956.

Edwin C. Sanders, Secretary

IN THE PULASKI COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Re: Incorporation of "The Southwest Conference
of the Methodist Church" #44296

PETITION FOR INCORPORATION

Come Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., Edwin C. Sanders, Ira A. Pointer, Eustace F. Wallace, Joyce G. Dozier and others, in their articles of association, states:

1. That the name of this organization shall be and is "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church" with temporary headquarters at 1418 Chester Street in Little Rock, Arkansas.

2. That the objects and purposes of this organization are strictly outlined upon a benevolent basis, for the mutual benefit of its members, for the promotion of religious activities and for such other purposes as may be consistent with the laws of Arkansas governing the operation and conduct of such benevolent associations.

3. That a list of the officers and members are as follows:

| | |
|---|-------------------------|
| Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr. | President |
| Edwin C. Sanders | Secretary |
| G. James Washington and Ernestine Miller | Assistant Secretaries |
| Ira A. Pointer | Statistician |
| J. H. Thompson and Clifton Mitchell | Assistant Statisticians |
| Eustace F. Wallace | Treasurer |
| Joyce G. Dozier | Registrar |

Members of the Board of Trustees are as follows:

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Faye Norman, Chairman | A. L. Woodard |
| Ernest English | B. F. Littlejohn |
| Clifton Mitchell | Frank A. Young |
| C. C. Hall | W. H. Bass |
| W. Harold Flowers | |

A list of the members are as follows:

Garfield F. Tipton, Phamous H. Kelley, Benjamin F. Neal, General G. Troupe, Anthony L. Woodard, John H. Oliver, Benjamin F. Littlejohn,

William H. D. Bright, Cortelyou C. Hall, Frank Sanders, Cleveland G. Tillmon, Daniel D. Hawkins, Ira A. Pointer, Emanuel M. Johnson, E. L. Stewart, Fay Norman, J. I. Davis, Eustace F. Wallace, James C. Tyus, Simmie P. Holland, Elliott M. Douglas, Roy B. Brown, Elizabeth T. Hickman, Clifton C. Mitchell, Charles H. Roe, Edwin C. Sanders, Joyce G. Dozier, Lewis T. Thompson, Hilliard A. Davie, Carter L. Watson, Oliver W. Gibson, William H. Bass, Jr., E. L. Lloyd, Franklin C. Souder, Ralph G. Nathan, and others.

4. That attached hereto is a copy of the constitution which is made a part and parcel of this petition for incorporation.

WHEREFORE, petitioners pray that they be declared a body politic under the name and style of "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church, with temporary situs in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, as provided under Sections 2252-2261 inclusive of Pope's Digest of the laws of Arkansas, providing for incorporation of benevolent association, and for all further and proper relief.

Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., Edwin C. Sanders, Ira A. Pointer,
Eustace F. Wallace, Joyce G. Dozier,
By: Thad D. Williams, their attorney

CONSTITUTION

First. The name of said corporation shall be "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church."

Second. The object of said corporation shall be to receive, hold and administer any and all moneys, funds and property, real and personal, that may from time to time come into its hands by donation gift, devise, bequest or otherwise for any of the uses, purposes and needs of the Southwest Conference, particularly funds and property for the use and benefit of superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers of said Conference.

Third. Said Board is authorized to invest or place at interest any and all funds that may come into its hands for the use and benefit of the said Conference and shall make a full and complete report of its acts and doings in that behalf to the annual meetings of the said Southwest Conference for its approval, showing disposition of the interest and funds so received, provided always the Board shall carry out the wishes of the donors of said funds or property.

Fourth. That all vacancies in said Board shall be filled by the said Southwest Conference, but in the interim such vacancies may be filled by the remainder of said Board, and the persons so appointed to fill vacancies shall hold until the next meeting of the said Conference.

Fifth. That the regular meeting of said Board shall be on the first day of the annual session of the said Conference and at same place as the conference is held.

Provided also the President of the Board may call a meeting of the Board whenever deemed necessary.

Sixth. That the officers of said Board shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected every two years, provided those elected at the first meeting shall hold until the regular annual meeting.

Seventh. Four members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

IN THE PULASKI COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Re: Incorporation of "The Southwest
Conference of the Methodist Church" #44296

ORDER

On this 22nd day of May, 1957, is presented a petition asking that "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church" be declared a body politic under Sections 2252-2261 inclusive of Pope's Digest of the laws of Arkansas.

IT IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the petition is granted and the Clerk of this Court is directed to issue a charter accordingly.

Guy Amsler, Circuit Judge

SESSIONS OF THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

| Date | Place | Bishop | Secretary |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1879 Feb. 21 | Van Buren | Andrews ✓ | I. G. Pollard |
| 1880 Feb. 11 | Jacksonport | Merrill ✓ | I. G. Pollard |
| 1881 Feb. 3 | Hot Springs | Foss ✓ | I. G. Pollard |
| 1882 Feb. 9 | Little Rock | Peck ✓ | I. G. Pollard |
| 1883 Feb. 8 | Pine Bluff | Hurst ✓ | I. G. Pollard |
| 1884 Feb. 13 | Little Rock | Wiley ✓ | W. O. Emory |
| 1885 Feb. 19 | Van Buren | Mallalieu ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1886 Feb. 11 | Little Rock | Bowman ✓ | W. O. Emory |
| 1887 Feb. 17 | Hot Springs | Fitzgerald ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1888 Feb. 15 | Little Rock | Warren ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1889 Feb. 7 | Hot Springs | Fitzgerald ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1890 Feb. 13 | Fort Smith | Vincent ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1891 Feb. 22 | Texarkana | Newman ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1892 Feb. 3 | Van Buren | Mallalieu ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1893 Feb. 9 | Little Rock | Newman ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1894 Feb. 7 | Hot Springs | Bowman ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1895 Feb. 2 | Pine Bluff | Walde ✓ | W. R. Duncan |
| 1896 Jan. 22 | Batesville | Ninde ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1897 Jan. 28 | Forrest City | Andrews ✓ | Thomas Mason |
| 1898 Jan. 27 | Van Buren | Merrill ✓ | W. R. Duncan |
| 1899 Feb. 3 | Hot Springs | Joyce ✓ | H. P. Strong |
| 1900 Jan. 1 | Little Rock | Goodsell ✓ | H. P. Strong |
| 1901 Feb. 7 | Brinkley | Warren ✓ | H. P. Strong |
| 1902 Feb. 6 | Fort Smith | Fowler ✓ | H. P. Strong |
| 1903 Jan. 22 | Glow | Walden ✓ | H. P. Strong |
| 1904 Feb. 21 | Pine Bluff | McCage ✓ | J. W. Reed |
| 1905 Jan. 19 | Fordyce | McDowell ✓ | J. W. Jackson |
| 1906 Jan. 11 | Fayetteville | Fitzgerald ✓ | J. W. Jackson |
| 1907 Jan. 17 | Cotton Plant | Warren ✓ | J. W. Jackson |
| 1908 Jan. 23 | Little Rock | Berry ✓ | J. L. Wilson |
| 1909 Jan. 28 | Glow | Neulson ✓ | J. L. Wilson |
| 1910 Feb. 10 | Van Buren | Smith ✓ | J. L. Wilson |
| 1911 Feb. 1 | Marianna | Quayle ✓ | M. N. Langston |
| 1912 Feb. 29 | Pine Bluff | Moore ✓ | M. N. Langston |
| 1913 Jan. 29 | Newport | Quayle ✓ | D. W. Boatner |
| 1914 Jan. 29 | Texarkana | McIntyre ✓ | D. W. Boatner |
| 1915 Jan. 28 | Cotton Plant | Leete ✓ | L. G. Hodges |
| 1916 Jan. 26 | Fort Smith | Bristol ✓ | S. J. Saxon |
| 1917 Jan. 17 | Little Rock | Stuntz ✓ | S. J. Saxon |
| 1917 Dec. 6 | Stamps | Quayle ✓ | S. J. Saxon |
| 1918 Dec. 4 | Batesville | M. S. Hughes ✓ | J. W. Jackson |
| 1919 Dec. 17 | Hot Springs | Quayle ✓ | J. W. Jackson |
| 1920 Dec. 8 | Cotton Plant | Quayle ✓ | B. F. Neal |
| 1921 Dec. 14 | Fort Smith | Quayle ✓ | B. F. Neal |

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|------|---------|--------------|--------|----------------|
| 1922 | Dec. 6 | Helena | Clair | B. F. Neal |
| 1923 | Dec. 5 | Little Rock | Stuntz | B. F. Neal |
| 1924 | Dec. 3 | Fayetteville | Clair | B. F. Neal |
| 1925 | Dec. 17 | Texarkana | Jones | B. F. Neal |
| 1926 | Dec. | Batesville | Clair | B. F. Neal |
| 1927 | Dec. | Little Rock | Clair | L. C. Williams |
| 1928 | Nov. 28 | McGehee | Clair | J. M. Smith |

SESSIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

| Date | Place | Bishop | Secretary |
|-----------------|---------------|------------|----------------------|
| 1929 Dec. 3 | Muskogee | Clair | J. M. Smith |
| 1930 Nov. 5 | Little Rock | Clair | J. M. Smith |
| 1931 Dec. 28 | Fort Smith | Clair | P. W. Webb |
| 1932 Oct. 26 | Muskogee | Clair | W. D. Lester |
| 1933 Oct. 28 | Hot Springs | Clair | W. D. Lester |
| 1934 Oct. 29 | Tulsa | Clair | W. D. Lester |
| 1935 Oct. 30 | Little Rock | Cushman | W. D. Lester |
| 1936 Oct. 28 | Oklahoma City | Jones | W. Louder |
| 1937 Oct. 20 | Pine Bluff | Jones | J. N. Wallace |
| 1938 Oct. 19 | Hot Springs | Meade | J. N. Wallace |
| 1939 Oct. 25 | Muskogee | Jones | C. K. Brown |
| 1940 Oct. 30 | Texarkana | Shaw | C. K. Brown |
| 1941 Oct. 1 | Ardmore | Jones | Chas. F. Golden |
| 1942 Oct. 14 | Little Rock | Jones | T. J. Griffin |
| 1943 Oct. 10 | Fort Smith | Jones | T. J. Griffin |
| 1944 Oct. 11 | Tulsa | Kelley | T. J. Griffin |
| 1945 Oct. 25 | Texarkana | Kelley | T. J. Griffin |
| 1946 Oct. 30 | Muskogee | Kelley | T. J. Griffin |
| 1947 Oct. 22 | Little Rock | Kelly | E. F. Wallace |
| 1948 Oct. 20 | Oklahoma City | Kelly | E. F. Wallace |
| 1949 Nov. 9-13 | Fort Smith | Kelly | C. Jarrett Gray |
| 1950 Nov. 1-5 | Muskogee | Kelly | C. Jarrett Gray |
| 1951 Oct. 23-28 | Little Rock | Kelly | C. Jarrett Gray |
| 1952 Oct. 15-19 | Tulsa | Clair, Jr. | J. G. Dozier |
| 1953 Oct. 14-18 | Hot Springs | Clair, Jr. | J. G. Dozier |
| 1954 June 2-6 | Muskogee | Clair, Jr. | J. G. Dozier |
| 1955 June 9-12 | Little Rock | Clair, Jr. | J. G. Dozier |
| 1956 June 20-24 | Ardmore | Clair, Jr. | Edwin C. Sanders |
| 1957 June 13-16 | Fort Smith | Clair, Jr. | Edwin C. Sanders |
| 1958 June 12-15 | Oklahoma City | Clair, Jr. | Edwin C. Sanders |
| 1959 June 10-14 | Pine Bluff | Clair, Jr. | H. Reeves Washington |

SECTION X

IN MEMORIAM

"Servant of God, well done! Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is won, And thou art crowned at last."
- Charles Wesley, 1707 - 1788

| Name | Born | Entered Ministry | Died |
|----------------------------------|------|------------------|---------------|
| Williamson, J. W. | | - - - | Jan. 20, 1884 |
| Tate, Albert | | 1884 | July 7, 1887 |
| McDonald, Henry - Nov. 27, 1857 | | 1872 | March 6, 1888 |
| Speers, Alexander - Jan. 1, 1858 | | 1883 | Dec. 31, 1889 |

| Name | Born | Entered Ministry | Died |
|------------------------------------|------|------------------|----------------|
| Lemons, June - 1859 | | - - - | May, 1891 |
| Sams, George - 1844 | | 1886 | Dec. 1, 1891 |
| Lacy, M. L. | | 1889 | 1895 |
| Peele, Jefferson A. - Feb. 3, 1851 | | 1879 | Feb. 3, 1897 |
| Bailey, Thomas J. - Feb. 12, 1862 | | 1882 | July 5, 1897 |
| Spencer E. D. - Aug. 2, 1851 | | 1889 | Nov. 15, 1897 |
| Fletcher, A. J. - Sept. 27, 1853 | | 1888 | |
| Crawley, A. C. - Feb. 25, 1858 | | 1876 | Jan. 3, 1898 |
| Phillips, A. J. - Oct. 10, 1848 | | 1879 | Jan. 31, 1898 |
| Hamilton, J. A. - Dec. 14, 1860 | | 1892 | Oct. 22, 1898 |
| Henry, J. H. | | - - - | Oct. 5, 1899 |
| Todd, W. M. - Feb. 3, 1858 | | 1897 | March 30, 1902 |
| Crump, H. G. | | 1890 | Aug. 2, 1902 |
| Thompson, J. G. - 1852 | | 1875 | March 20, 1903 |
| Crawford, W. H. | | 1879 | 1905 |
| Jackson, G. W. | | 1897 | Feb. 6, 1905 |
| Taylor, G. W. - 1832 | | 1872 | 1906 |
| Davis, S. B. | | 1872 | 1906 |
| Brooks, Washington | | - - - | Feb. 17, 1907 |
| Johnston, D. W. | | 1896 | April 3, 1907 |
| Izard, G. J. - 1858 | | 1883 | 1907 |
| Fuller, William | | 1883 | 1907 |
| Higgins, W. S. | | 1899 | March 2, 1908 |
| Witherspoon, S. B. | | 1911 | April 1, 1908 |
| Scruggs, P. F. | | 1880 | April 3, 1908 |
| Strong, H. P. - Feb. 14, 1860 | | 1887 | Dec. 20, 1908 |
| Johnson, John D. - April 24, 1860 | | 1874 | 1908 |
| Clark, J. M. | | 1892 | May 22, 1909 |
| Thompson, T. J. | | 1889 | Feb. 10, 1910 |
| Kitchens, U. S. | | 1880 | 1910 |
| Burns, U. W. | | 1882 | 1910 |
| Auston, J. H. | | - - - | 1910 |
| Duncan, W. R. R. | | 1884 | 1914 |
| Fagin, R. B. | | 1897 | 1912 |
| Morris, W. H. | | 1881 | May 23, 1913 |
| Barnes, J. B. | | 1884 | May 24, 1913 |
| Dunlap, H. C. | | 1897 | Nov. 1, 1914 |
| Johnson, B. H. | | 1888 | April 27, 1915 |
| Doncey, G. B. | | 1888 | 1916 |
| Griffen, B. J. | | 1887 | Nov. 30, 1917 |
| Evans, W. D. | | 1914 | 1917 |
| Owens, Phillip | | 1887 | March 3, 1918 |
| Hall, David | | - - - | 1918 |
| Roberts, Ezra | | 1876 | Dec. 22, 1919 |
| Smith, S. N. | | - - - | May 10, 1920 |
| Hines, J. H. | | 1904 | March 20, 1920 |
| Foster, M. H. | | 1888 | 1920 |
| Whitehead, C. W. - Feb. 9, 1863 | | 1887 | April 4, 1921 |
| Cain, S. M. | | 1890 | Feb. 28, 1923 |
| Smith, Nathaniel | | 1883 | March 7, 1923 |
| Hawkins, J. T. | | 1892 | July 4, 1923 |
| Wilson, J. R. | | 1900 | Aug. 31, 1923 |
| Watson, Z. K. | | 1904 | Nov. 2, 1923 |
| Taylor, C. F. - May 4, 1856 | | 1911 | 1923 |
| Washington, E. | | 1911 | 1923 |
| Lamar, C. E. | | 1909 | May, 1924 |
| Cain, M. B. A. | | 1897 | Sept. 7, 1924 |

| Name | Born | Entered Ministry | Died |
|-----------------------------------|------|------------------|----------------|
| Sampson, C. W. | | 1907 | Oct. 4, 1924 |
| Swift, J. A. | | 1884 | Sept., 1925 |
| Jackson, J. W. | | 1922 | 1925 |
| Bryant, J. L. | | 1904 | 1927 |
| Cunningham, W. J. | | 1923 | 1927 |
| Baxter, James | | 1884 | 1928 |
| Coulter, H. P. - Sept. 11, 1867 | | 1889 | Aug. 18, 1929 |
| Stokes, S. M. | | 1814 | 1928 |
| Hatchett, J. H. | | 1909 | 1930 |
| Simpson, W. H. - 1865 | | 1897 | Nov. 18, 1930 |
| Rivers, W. C. | | 1914 | 1931 |
| Kyles, C. L. | | 1907 | 1932 |
| Johnson, S. T. | | 1894 | June 13, 1932 |
| Preston, L. G. - 1843 | | 1891 | Oct. 26, 1932 |
| Harris, D. H. E. | | 1891 | Oct. 26, 1932 |
| Byrd, K. T. | | 1926 | 1932 |
| Stephens, A. T. | | 1895 | 1933 |
| Johnson, J. W. | | 1914 | 1933 |
| Gibson, J. D. | | 1896 | 1933 |
| Smith, Fletcher | | 1921 | 1933 |
| Nelson, W. - 1884 | | - - - | June 1, 1934 |
| Qualls, John - Jan. 1, 1858 | | 1873 | 1934 |
| Hall, G. A. | | 1892 | Sept. 2, 1934 |
| Miller, April S. | | 1904 | Aug. 29, 1935 |
| Johnson, G. N. | | 1881 | 1935 |
| Taber, Charles - April 6, 1861 | | 1897 | Oct. 6, 1936 |
| Speed, William | | 1894 | 1937 |
| Neal, L. E. | | 1919 | 1937 |
| Nelson, J. L. | | 1925 | 1938 |
| Bright, Haywood | | 1895 | 1939 |
| Hodges, L. G. | | 1896 | 1939 |
| Jordon, B. J. | | 1912 | 1939 |
| Howell, C. H. | | 1912 | 1939 |
| Cobbel, J. P. | | 1929 | 1939 |
| Prewitt, Paul | | 1894 | 1940 |
| Harston, D. G. | | 1896 | 1940 |
| Adams, J. C. | | 1894 | 1941 |
| Brown, J. W. | | 1902 | 1941 |
| Turner, E. J. - Dec. 18, 1871 | | 1902 | Jan. 2, 1942 |
| Coburn, Dudley | | - - - | 1943 |
| Clark, F. J. | | 1926 | 1943 |
| Nunn, E. A. | | - - - | 1943 |
| Ray, A. R. | | 1900 | July 7, 1943 |
| Sherrill, W. S. - 1860 | | 1894 | March 1, 1944 |
| Maxwell, R. B. | | 1894 | April 5, 1944 |
| Tucker, B. T. | | 1918 | 1944 |
| Thompson, C. W. - 1912 | | - - - | Jan. 2, 1945 |
| Scott, Benjamin F. - May 18, 1888 | | 1916 | July 15, 1945 |
| Moses, Bennie | | - - - | Aug. 14, 1945 |
| McIntosh, Waters | | 1891 | Oct. 16, 1945 |
| Langford, W. S. - 1855 | | 1875 | April, 1946 |
| Fields, Z. R. - 1901 | | - - - | Sept. 27, 1946 |
| Henry, Joseph | | 1910 | April 16, 1946 |
| Williams, L. C. - 1911 | | - - - | June, 1946 |
| Dorsby, C. H. | | - - - | 1946 |
| Wallace, J. N. | | 1907 | Oct. 22, 1947 |
| Cabean, A. C. - March 17, 1878 | | 1915 | May 30, 1947 |

| Name | Born | Entered Ministry | Died |
|-------------------------------------|------|------------------|----------------|
| Strong, M. F. - April 4, 1875 | | 1897 | Feb. 8, 1948 |
| Cox, J. W. | | - - - | 1948 |
| Richardson, J. H. | | 1916 | April 26, 1948 |
| Moore, William M. | | - - - | 1948 |
| Young, B. F. | | - - - | - - - - - |
| McDonald, Silas | | - - - | - - - - - |
| Harris, Archie - May 25, 1875 | | - - - | Dec. 25, 1949 |
| Edwards, T. H. - Jan. 1, 1896 | | 1917 | July 13, 1950 |
| Franklin, D. G. - April 5, 1869 | | 1892 | Sept. 19, 1950 |
| Coburn, Nathan - Aug. 20, 1883 | | 1914 | 1951 |
| Smith, W. A. - Oct. 1, 1865 | | 1902 | Oct. 18, 1952 |
| Johnson, S. E. - Dec. 1, 1884 | | 1931 | 1952 |
| Tolbert, R. J., Sr. - Feb. 17, 1890 | | 1923 | Nov. 22, 1953 |
| Moss, Oscar G. - March 3, 1869 | | 1921 | 1954 |
| Stokes, J. S. - Feb. 9, 1876 | | 1907 | 1954 |
| Nelson, Lee - Oct. 15, 1858 | | 1898 | Sept. 28, 1954 |
| Smith, Dudley - March 14, 1867 | | 1898 | Aug. 8, 1955 |
| Roe, D. J. - Jan. 9, 1882 | | 1904 | Dec. 16, 1955 |
| Johnson, I. G. P. - July 21, 1907 | | 1933 | April 16, 1956 |
| Taylor, S. S. - Nov. 21, 1886 | | 1933 | May 18, 1956 |
| Brooks, Charles | | 1913 | Oct. 26, 1957 |
| Tipton, Garfield F. | | 1910 | Nov. 20, 1957 |
| Kelley, Phamous H. - June 25, 1884 | | 1911 | May 8, 1958 |
| Johnson, Willis D. | | 1919 | May 11, 1958 |
| Douglas, L. E. | | | |
| Sanders, Edwin C. | | 1944 | Feb. 12, 1959 |

SECTION XI

PASTORAL RECORD

| Year Received Into Full Membership | Name | Address |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| (Supply) | Banks, Clifton | P. O. Box 257, Marianna, Ark. |
| 1929 | Bright, W. H. D. | P. O. Conway, Ark. |
| 1943 | Brown, R. B. | 2011 Monroe St., Lawton, Okla. |
| 1922 | Buchanan, A. L. | P. O. Box 127, Fayetteville, Ark. |
| 1951 | Davie, H. A. | Rt. 5, Box 571, Little Rock, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Davis, Connie | Rt. 1, Box 111A, Purcell, Okla. |
| 1940 | Davis, J. I. | 1020 Garfield, Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1943 | Douglas, E. M. | P. O. Box 1224, Ardmore, Okla. |
| 1957 | Dunlap, T. R. | 1113 State St., Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1948 | Gibson, O. W. | 1406 S. Valmar St., Little Rock, Ark. |
| P | Grant, Donald F. | 305 E. Washington St., Anadarko, Okla. |
| 1932 | Hall, C. C. | 102 Robin, Hot Springs, Ark. |
| 1931 | Hawkins, D. D. | 2101 Cross St., Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1943 | Hickman, E. T. | 1320 S. Cleveland, Little Rock, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Hill, B. Moore | Rt. 2, Box 13 N, Widner, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Hobbs, Joseph W. | 820 Park St., N. E., Oklahoma City, Ok. |
| 1920 | Holland, N. W. | Gen. Delivery, Cotton Plant, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Jefferson, Thomas | P. O. Box 41, Caldwell, Ark. |
| 1935 | Johnson, E. M. | 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Ark. |
| 1926 | Littlejohn, B. F. | 316 E. Street, Texarkana, Ark. |
| 1958 | London, Harlan | Eastern North Carolina Sanitorium, Wilson, North Carolina |

| <u>Year Received Into Full Membership</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> |
|---|---|---|
| (Supply) 1951 | Love, John M. Lloyd, E. L. | P. O. Box 109 Marianna, Ark. 308 E. Perkins St., Guthrie, Okla. |
| (Supply) 1945 | Marbly, Everett S. Mitchell, Clifton | 1307 State St., Little Rock, Ark. 327 E. 27th St., Little Rock, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Napier, C. E. | Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Neal, Roy | Philander Smith College Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1937 | Norman, Fay | 543 North 7th St., Muskogee, Okla. |
| 1926 | Oliver, J. H. | 235 Walnut, Hot Springs, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Piggee, W. H. | Rt. 5, Box 369, Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1934 | Pointer, Ira A. | 619 N. Elgin Pl., Tulsa 6, Okla. |
| (Supply) | Reed, Albert | Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1958 | Riley, Negail R. | Director of Children and Youth Center, Morgan Memorial, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts |
| 1944 | Roe, C. H. | Rt. 3, Box 234, Minden, La. |
| 1932 | Sanders, Frank | 817 E. 15th St., North Little Rock, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Smith, J. Murray | 628 S. Third St., Muskogee, Okla. |
| P | Smith, Lloyd | Gen. Delivery, Dermott, Ark. |
| P | Souder, F. C. | 39 G St., S. E., Ardmore, Okla. |
| 1933 | Stewart, E. L. | P. O. Box 1102, Seminole, Okla. |
| (Supply) | Thompson, J. H. | P. O. Box 461, Cotton Plant, Ark. |
| 1949 | Thompson, L. T. | 902 Pammel, New Port, Ark. |
| 1932 | Tillmon, C. G. | 541 Easton St., Tulsa 20, Okla. |
| (Supply) | Tolfree, M. P. | P. O. Box 23, New Edinburg, Ark. |
| 1914 | Troupe, G. G. | 1821 Scull St., Pine Bluff, Ark. |
| (Supply) | Tucker, Frank | P. O. Box 388, Brinkley, Ark. |
| 1940 | Tyous, J. C. | P. O. Box 171, Lockesburg, Ark. |
| 1940 | Wallace, E. F. | 309 N. Lindsay, Oklahoma City, Ok. |
| 1955 | Washington, H. R. | 1113 N. Ninth St., Fort Smith, Ark. |
| 1949 | Watson, C. L. | Murfreesboro, Ark. |
| 1927 | Woodard, A. L. | Rt. 2, Lockesburg, Ark. |

SECTION XII

MEMORIAL TO BE DIRECTED TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF 1960

SUBJECT: ABOLISH THE JURISDICTIONAL SYSTEM OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

WHEREAS,

the Jurisdictional System of the Methodist Church has served well its purpose in bringing about the unification of the three Methodist bodies in 1939, and

WHEREAS,

The Jurisdictional System, in effect, divided the Denomination into six smaller groups - - one solely on the basis of race, and

WHEREAS,

The Jurisdictional structure of the Methodist Church is unchristian because it is designed to perpetuate segregation, and because it is in direct conflict with the pronouncement of Church and Race as stated in Paragraph 2026 of the Methodist Discipline, and

WHEREAS,

to abolish the Central Jurisdiction and not abolish the other five jurisdictions would be discriminatory, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

that the General Conference of 1960 go on record by taking action to bring about the ending of the Jurisdictional System by the time the General Conference of 1968 is adjourned.

Approved by vote of the Southwest Conference in session at Pine Bluff on Sunday afternoon, June 14, 1959, by a vote of 69 affirmative, 0 negative.

Presiding Bishop

H. Reeves Washington, I

Conference Secretary

MEMORIAL TO BE DIRECTED TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF 1960

WHEREAS,

the Board of Education is charged with administrative and promotional responsibility of our Educational Institutions, and

WHEREAS,

this responsibility, as it relates to Negro Schools, involves regular financial grants and assistance through the Race Relations Day Program, and

WHEREAS,

it is desirable that all Negro Schools of Higher Education to which we contribute should be governed by the same regulations and considerations, and

WHEREAS,

this could best be effected if all Negro Schools of Higher Education are related to the same General Boards, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

that the General Conference regularize the policies of the Methodist Church in Negro Education by placing all schools of Higher Education under the supervision of the Board of Education.

Approved by vote of the Southwest Conference in session at Pine Bluff on Sunday afternoon, June 14, 1959, by a vote of 69 affirmative, 0 negative.

Presiding Bishop

H. Reeves Washington, I

Conference Secretary

RESOLUTION TO BE DIRECTED TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF 1960

WHEREAS,

the Methodist Church as a Protestant Church and Denomination is the parent body for a large number of organizations and institutions which, as incorporated bodies, hold large sums of money in trust as endowments, trust funds, or reserve funds, which must be invested in stocks, bonds, or loans, and

WHEREAS,
the Methodist Church is also the parent body for a large number of local congregations and/or churches which are faced with the necessity of securing loans for capitol improvements, and

WHEREAS,
due to "tight money situations" and other reasons it is often difficult, if not impossible, for local churches to secure necessary loans from lending institutions outside the church, and

WHEREAS,
if we expect secular lending institutions to invest in local church mortgages it does not seem unreasonable to expect our own denomination to invest some of its funds in such mortgages, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,
that the General Conference of the Methodist Church in session in April of 1960 take such steps as may be necessary and expedient to make available from funds held by organizations and/or institutions of the Church a sufficient sum of money to be loaned to local congregations and/or churches for capitol improvements.

Approved by vote of the Southwest Conference in session at Pine Bluff on Sunday afternoon, June 14, 1959, by a vote of 69 affirmative 0 negative.

Presiding Bishop

H. Reeves Washington, I
Conference Secretary

MEMORIAL TO BE DIRECTED TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF 1960

SUBJECT: THE CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION EMPHASIS

WHEREAS,
the Quadrennial Emphasis on Christian Higher Education has led the Methodist Church into a new awareness of the Methodist College as an instrument of the Church, and

WHEREAS,
Methodist Colleges and Universities have been led into a rededication of their commitment to a decisive Christian Witness in Higher Education, and

WHEREAS,
the Methodist Colleges and Universities have been led into a new sense of their responsibilities to prepare and train leadership for the Church, and

WHEREAS,
the Local Church has come to recognize more fully the fact that the College continues the program of Christian Education begun in the Church School; following graduation from high school, and

WHEREAS,
the awareness of the mutual responsibility between the Local Church and Church College has been greatly advanced, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,
that the General Conference of 1960 take such action as will sustain and continue to advance such gains as have been made under the provisions of the General Conference Quadrennial Commission on Christian Higher Education.

Approved by vote of the Southwest Conference in session at Pine Bluff on Sunday afternoon, June 14, 1959, by a vote of 69 affirmative, 0 negative.

Presiding Bishop

H. Reeves Washington, I
Conference Secretary

MEMORIAL TO BE DIRECTED TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF 1960

SUBJECT: THE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS -- A
MANDATORY COMMISSION OF THE LOCAL CHURCH IN 1960.

WHEREAS,

one of the basic doctrines of the Methodist Church is exemplified in the Church's concern in the application of Christianity to every area of life, and

WHEREAS,

the Methodist Church has from its very beginning taken an interest in the social and economic welfare of people and a concern in human relations of many sorts, and

WHEREAS,

as Methodists, we have an obligation to affirm our position on social and economic questions, and

WHEREAS,

the stress and strain of social unrest today stemming from world problems and domestic moral tensions is creating a grave need for a more effective social witness of the Church at its grass roots, and

WHEREAS,

the Commission on Christian Social Relations is the logical commission to lead the Local Church in its social witness, giving leadership in all phases of social action -- interpreting the Social Creed and social pronouncements of the Church through social education and Christian practices in all areas of life, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Commission on Christian Social Relations in the Local Church be defined as a MANDATORY Commission in the 1960 Discipline; thus amending Paragraph 219 to include five major commissions.

Christian Social Relations will then become the fifth major concern of the Church.

The program and ministry of each Local Church will be enhanced by a Mandatory Commission on Christian Social Relations carrying out its duty as defined in the Discipline, as:

- 1 - To coordinate activities in the areas of social and economic relations, temperance, world peace and community cooperation.
- 2 - To promote the program of the General Board of Social and Economic Relations - the General Board of Temperance - and the General Board of World Peace.
- 3 - To cooperate with agencies of social and economic relations - temperance and world peace on Conference and Jurisdictional level.

Approved by vote of the Southwest Conference in session at Pine Bluff on Sunday afternoon, June 14, 1959, by a vote of 69 affirmative, 0 negative.

Presiding Bishop

H. Reeves Washington, I
Conference Secretary

SECTION XIII

LAY DELEGATES

Little Rock District

Carroll, Mrs. Minerva
Davie, Mrs. H. A.
Howell, Mrs. I. N.

610 Willow St., Fayetteville, Ark.
Rt. 5, Box 571, Little Rock, Ark.
Danville, Ark.

Little Rock District (continued)

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Horton, Mrs. J. C. | Ozark St. , Hot Springs, Ark. |
| Jones, Mrs. Opel | R. F. D. , Formeman, Ark. |
| Mitchem, Elber | Rt. 2, Morrilton, Ark. |
| Norwood, Charley | R. F. D. 5, Box 568, Little Rock, Ark. |
| Piggee, Mrs. W. H. | Rt. 5, Box 369, Little Rock, Ark. |
| Preston, Mrs. Alice | P. O. Box Murfreesboro, Ark. |
| Thompson, Mrs. Henry E. | Rt. 1, Lockesburg, Ark. |
| Washington, Mrs. C. G. | 1216 N. Eighth, Fort Smith, Ark. |
| Washington, G. James | 1720 Johnson St. , Little Rock, Ark. |
| Woodard, Mrs. A. L. | Rt. 2, Lockesburg, Ark. |

North Little Rock District

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Barnett, Mrs. Pearl | P. O. Box 266, Fordyce, Ark. |
| Bell, Mrs. Odessa Bell | Rt. 1, 26 A, Caldwell, Ark. |
| Collier, Grover | Gen. Delivery, Sweet Home, Ark. |
| Collins, Mrs. B. M. | Box 263, Holly Grove, Ark. |
| Cullins, J. S. | 4301 West 16th St. , Little Rock, Ark. |
| Clay, Dr. E. C. | 512 Oak Street, Forrest City, Ark. |
| Drayton, Andrew | Rt. 1, Box 95, Sidney, Ark. |
| Fields, Mrs. Z. R. | Gen. Delivery, Jughes, Ark. |
| Flowers, Atty. W. Harold | Masonic Bldg. , Pine Bluff, Ark. |
| Goodlow, Mrs. A. T. | 516 Elm Street, New Port, Ark. |
| Hughes, Mr. I. L. | Rt. 1, Box 189, Palestine, Ark. |
| Jointer, Mrs. Leora | 322 West 26th St. , North Little Rock, Ark. |
| Kimbrough, Mrs. I. M. | Rt. 2, Box 551, Gould, Ark. |
| Nash, Mrs. T. C. | P. O. Box 741, Cotton Plant, Ark. |
| Nelson, J. A. R. | Gen. Delivery, Lewisville, Ark. |
| Reed, Miss Eunice | Rt. 2, Moro, Ark. |
| Robinson, William | 2804 Scott St. , Little Rock, Ark. |
| Smith, Charley | 902 Railroad, McGhee, Ark. |
| Smith, Lucius | P. O. Box 133, Carthage, Ark. |
| Tolfree, M. P. | P. O. Box 23, New Edinburg, Ark. |
| Trotter, Mrs. Minnie | Rt. 1, Box 82, Ingalls, Ark. |
| Williams, Monroe | Rt. 4, Box 984, Pine Bluff, Ark. |

Oklahoma District

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Hardiman, Mrs. Juanita | 309 N. Lindsay St. , Oklahoma City, Okla. |
| Lindsay, Mrs. Inez | 2014 W. Monroe St. , Lawton, Okla. |
| Petty, David | Rt. 1, Box 127, Coyle, Okla. |
| Stephens, J. H. | 519 Delaware St. , Okmulgee, Okla. |
| Thompson, Mrs. Zelma | 2207 N. Quincy St. , Tulsa, Okla. |
| Williams, Miss Vera | Grant, Okla. |

SECTION XIV

STATISTICS

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT CONFERENCE BOARD OF PENSIONS

Southwest Annual Conference
Date of Session - June 11-14, 1959

General Board of Pensions
The Methodist Church
Form 4B
Rate Paid \$8.00

RECEIPTS

During 1958-59 to be distributed during 1959-60.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SOURCES

| | |
|--|------------|
| 1. Balance Previous Year ----- | \$356.51 |
| 2. Pastoral Charges on Apportionment ----- | \$4,973.00 |
| Income From Conference Investments: | |
| 3. Held by Conference Corporations | |
| (a) | |
| (b) | |
| (c) | |
| 4. Held by General Board of Pensions | |
| (a) Illinois Corporation | |
| (b) Missouri Corporation | |
| 5. Int. Perm. Fd. ----- | \$205.53 |
| 6. | |
| 7. Total Investment Income ----- | \$205.53 |
| 8. | |
| 9. | |

GENERAL BOARD OF PENSIONS

| | |
|--|------------|
| 10. Chartered Fund ----- | \$80.00 |
| 11. Appropriation - Illinois Corporation ----- | \$1,200.00 |
| 12. General Fund Income, Missouri Corporation | |
| 13. Receivable from Clearinghouse | |
| 14. | |

OTHER ITEMS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| 15. Methodist Publishing House ----- | \$1,969.68 |
| 16. Pastor's Per Cent of Salary ----- | 570.00 |
| 17. Minister's Wives ----- | 792.46 |
| 18. Pledges and Gifts ----- | 377.00 |
| 19. | |
| 20. | |
| Total ----- | \$10,524.18 |

REGULAR CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| On Basis of Service | |
| 21. Retired Ministers ----- | \$4,285.00 |
| 22. Widows ----- | 3,296.00 |
| 23. Children ----- | 236.00 |
| 24. Regular Relief | |
| Total Regular | |
| 25. Conference Claimants ----- | \$7,817.00 |

SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

| | |
|--|----------|
| 26. On Basis of Service ----- | \$198.00 |
| 27. Relief ----- | 185.00 |
| 28. Total Special Conference Claimants ----- | \$383.00 |

OTHER ITEMS

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| 29. Emergency Relief | |
| 30. Payable to Clearinghouse ----- | \$398.00 |

| | | |
|-----|---|-------------|
| 31. | Increase in Rate Above Clearinghouse Rate | |
| 32. | Claimants in Other Conferences ----- | \$406.00 |
| 33. | For Stabilization Fund Para. 1611 - 13 | |
| 34. | Pastor's % Salary MRP----- | \$570.00 |
| 35. | Minister's Wives MRP----- | 792.46 |
| 36. | Pledges and Gifts MRP----- | 377.00 |
| 37. | | |
| 38. | | |
| 39. | | |
| 40. | | |
| 41. | | |
| 42. | | |
| 43. | | |
| 44. | Expenses, Conference Board of Pensions | |
| 45. | Prospective Balance ----- Def. ----- | \$219.28 |
| | Total ----- | \$10,524.18 |

CERTIFICATE OF TREASURER

I certify that this report, and the supporting data on Forms 5B, 6B, 7B and 8B, have been carefully inspected and that to the best of my knowledge are correct.

E. L. Lloyd, Chairman

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

General Board of Pensions
The Methodist Church
Form 8B

Annuity Rates: Retired \$8.00
Conference Year -1959-60

Widows \$5.60
Annual Conference- Southwest

Children \$2.00

| No. | Name | Yrs. | Annuity | Relief | No. | Name | Yrs. | Annuity | Relief |
|-----------|---------------|------|---------|--------|--------|---------------------|------|---------|--------|
| MINISTERS | | | | | WIDOWS | | | | |
| 1 | Hill, B. More | | | 60 | 1 | Douglas, Mrs. L. E. | 8½ | 48 | |
| 2 | Moore, C. E. | 4 | 32 | | 2 | Hill, Mrs. John T. | | | 75 |
| 3 | Perry, G. W. | 12 | 96 | | 3 | Wright, Mrs. Wm. H. | | | 50 |
| Total | | 16 | 128 | 60 | Total | | 8½ | 48 | 125 |

Children

| | | | |
|---|------------------------|----|----|
| 1 | Douglas, Mrs. L. E. | 11 | 22 |
| | Jerlyndia | 5 | |

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION CHILDREN

General Board of Pensions
The Methodist Church
Form 7B
Annual Conference - Southwest

| Conference Year - 1959-60 | | Annuity Rate \$2. 00 | | Annual Conference - Southwest | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| No. | Name of Mother or Guardian | Father's Age | MRPF Years | Southwest Years Annuity | Other Years Annuity |
| 1 | Sanders, Mrs. E. C. Sadye C. | 16 | 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 4 3/4 10 | 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ 33 |
| 2 | Sanders, Mrs. E. C. Rita D. | 14 | 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 4 3/4 10 | 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ 33 |
| 3 | Sanders, Mrs. E. C. Edwin C. | 11 | 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 4 3/4 10 | 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ 33 |
| *4 | Sullivan, Mrs. Dora W. | | 41 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 18 3/4 38 | 21 3/4 69 |
| Total | | | 84 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 1 33 68 | 50 $\frac{1}{4}$ 168 |

* Additional Pensions Paid from MRPF

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION WIDOWS

General Board of Pensions
The Methodist Church
Form 6B
Annual Conference - Southwest

| Conference Year - 1959-60 | | Annuity Rate \$5. 60 | | Annual Conference - Southwest | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| No. | Name | Widow's App'v'd Years | MRPF Years | Southwest Years Annuity | Other Years Annuity |
| 1 | Brown, Samuel J. | 27 $\frac{1}{4}$ | | 27 $\frac{1}{4}$ 154 | 154 |
| 2 | Bryan, John L. | 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ | | 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 20 | 20 |
| 3 | Cabean, Alexander C. | 12 3/4 | | 12 3/4 71 | 71 |
| 4 | Coburn, Nathan | 36 $\frac{1}{4}$ | | 36 $\frac{1}{4}$ 203 | 203 |
| 5 | Coulter, Henry P. | 29 3/4 | | 29 3/4 167 | 167 |
| 6 | Edwards, Thomas H. | 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ | | 27 4 3/4 27 | 258 |
| 7 | Fields, Zachariah R. | 30 | | 30 168 | 168 |
| 8 | Harris, Daniel H. | 13 | | 13 73 | 73 |
| 9 | Hatchett, Jackson H. | 23 | | 23 129 | 129 |

Supply
Annuity
para. 1630,
16

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION
WIDOWS (continued)

| No. | Name | Widow's App'v'd Years | MRPF Years | Southwest Years | Southwest Annuity | Other Years | Other Annuity | Total Annuity | Relief | Supply Annuity para. 1630, 16 |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------|--|
| 10 | Henry, Joseph H. | 20 | | 20 | 112 | | | 112 | | |
| 11 | Johnson, Willis | 6 | | 6 | 34 | | | 34 | | |
| 12 | Kelley, P. H. | 41½ | | 19½ | 109 | 22 | 219 | 328 | | |
| 13 | Miller, Alfred S. | 31½ | | 31½ | 175 | | | 175 | | |
| 14 | Morris, William H. | 12 | | 12 | 67 | | | 67 | | |
| 15 | Nelson, Robert L. | 21 3/4 | | 21 3/4 | 122 | | | 122 | | |
| 16 | Richardson, John H. | 6 3/4 | | 6 3/4 | 38 | | | 38 | | |
| 17 | Roe, Dave J. | 22 | | 22 | 123 | | | 123 | | |
| 18 | Sanders, E. C. | 14½ | | 4 3/4 | 27 | 9½ | 93 | 120 | | |
| 19 | Scott, Benjamin F. | 22½ | | 22½ | 125 | | | 125 | | |
| 20 | Scruggs, Payton F. | 24 3/4 | | 24 3/4 | 139 | | | 139 | | |
| 21 | Sherrill, W. S. | 3½ | | 3½ | 18 | | | 18 | | |
| 22 | Simpson, Wm. H. | 33 3/4 | | 33 3/4 | 189 | | | 189 | | |
| 23 | Smith, S. N. | 15½ | | 13½ | 74 | 2 | 21 | 95 | | |
| 24 | Strong, Mortimer F. | 36½ | | 36½ | 204 | | | 204 | | |
| 25 | Tipton, Garfield F. | 17 | | 10 3/4 | 60 | 6¼ | 48 | 108 | | |
| 26 | Williamson, John W. | 10 | | 10 | 56 | | | 56 | | |
| | Total | 541½ | | 479 | 2,684 | 62½ | 612 | 3,296 | | |

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION RETIRED MINISTERS

General Board of Pensions
The Methodist Church
Form 5B
Annual Conference - Southwest

Form 5B

| Conference Year - 1959-60 | | Annuity Rate \$8.00 | | Annual Conference - Southwest | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| No. | Name | Total App'v'd Years | MRPF Years | Southwest Years Annuity | Other Years Annuity | Total Annuity | Supply Annuity para. 1630, 16 |
| 1 | Albright, Hilliard | 39 3/4 | | 39 3/4 | | 318 | |
| 2 | Buchanan, Alfred L. | 35 1/2 | | 35 1/2 | | 284 | |
| 3 | Greene, W. M. | 56 1/2 | | 56 1/2 | | 452 | |
| 4 | Hanna, William H. | 39 1/2 | | 39 1/2 | | 316 | |
| 5 | Hawkins, Daniel D. | 26 1/2 | | 26 1/2 | | 212 | |
| 6 | Holland, Needham W. | 14 | | 14 | | 112 | |
| 7 | Myers, Patrick H. | 41 3/4 | | 41 3/4 | | 334 | |
| 8 | Neal, Benjamin F. | 45 1/2 | | 33 3/4 | 11 3/4 | 505 | |
| 9 | Parker, Isaac P. | 35 | | 35 | | 280 | |
| 10 | Shaw, Love S. | 39 1/2 | | 39 1/2 | | 316 | |
| 11 | Smith, J. Murray | 29 | | 29 | | 232 | |
| 12 | Thomas, S. N. | 14 3/4 | | 14 3/4 | | 118 | |
| 13 | Wilbun, M. M. | 30 3/4 | | 30 3/4 | | 246 | |
| 14 | Winston, John W. | 34 3/4 | | 34 3/4 | | 278 | |
| 15 | Woodward, Anthony L. | 35 1/4 | | 35 1/4 | | 282 | |
| Total | | 518 | | 506 1/4 | 11 3/4 | 4,285 | |

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

For Date Ending - 6-11-1959
Southwest Conference
At Pine Bluff

MONEY RECEIVED:

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Episcopal Fund ----- | \$ 641.00 |
| Conference Claimants ----- | 4,973.00 |
| A. Administrative Expense | |
| General Administration ----- | 140.00 |
| Area Expense ----- | 1,613.00 |
| Jurisdictional Expense ----- | 123.00 |
| B. Conference Claims | |
| Treasurer's Expense ----- | 318.00 |
| Conference Secretary ----- | 66.00 |
| Conference Minutes ----- | 365.00 |
| Conference Expense ----- | 102.00 |
| C. General and Conference Benevolences | |
| World Service ----- | 2,223.89 |
| Board of Education ----- | 1,751.00 |
| Board of Missions ----- | 85.33 |
| Board of Lay Activities ----- | 112.50 |
| Committee on Social Concerns ----- | 32.00 |
| Board of Evangelism ----- | 144.50 |
| Board of Pensions ----- | 70.00 |
| Interdenominational Coop. Fund ----- | 55.00 |
| Hospitals and Homes ----- | 29.00 |
| Commission on World Service ----- | 50.00 |
| TV Ministry ----- | 37.00 |
| Board of Christian Vocations ----- | 13.00 |
| District Superintendent's Salaries ----- (Three) ----- | 7,807.52 |
| District Administration Fund ----- | |
| D. Special Askings | |
| Philander Smith College ----- | 2,649.99 |
| Wesley Foundation ----- | 235.00 |
| Reserve and Loan Fund ----- | 131.00 |

ITEMS REPORTED (6-12-1959)

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Worldwide Communion ----- | \$ 111.00 |
| 2. Church School Rally Day ----- | 205.00 |
| 3. Week of Dedication ----- | 67.00 |
| 4. Fellowship of Suffering ----- | 22.00 |
| 5. Oversea Relief ----- | 4.25 |
| 6. Methodist Youth Fund ----- | 68.00 |
| 7. Children's Service Fund ----- | 21.00 |
| 8. Methodist Student Day ----- | 4.00 |
| 9. Methodist Publishing House, check for ----- | 1,969.68 |

TOTAL FOR ALL CLAIMS ----- \$26,437.85

DISBURSEMENTS: (For date ending - 6-11-59)

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Episcopal Fund ----- | \$ 641.00 |
| Conference Claimants ----- | 4,973.00 |
| A. Administrative Expense | |
| General Administration ----- | 140.00 |
| Area Expense ----- | 1,613.00 |
| Jurisdictional Expense ----- | 120.00 |

B. Conference Claims

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Treasurer's Expense ----- | \$ 675.00 |
| Conference Secretary ----- | |
| Conference Minute ----- | 365.00 |
| Conference Expense ----- | 102.00 |

C. General and Conference Benevolences

| | |
|--|----------|
| World Service ----- | 2,098.50 |
| Board of Education ----- | 1,751.00 |
| Board of Missions ----- | 72.83 |
| Board of Lay Activities ----- | 251.23 |
| Committee on Social Concerns ----- | 70.00 |
| Board of Evangelism ----- | 70.00 |
| Board of Pensions ----- | |
| Interdenominational Coop. Fund ----- | 50.00 |
| Hospitals and Homes ----- | |
| Commission on World Service ----- | |
| TV Ministry ----- | |
| Board of Christian Vocations ----- | |
| District Superintendent's Salaries ----- | 7,807.52 |
| District Administration Fund ----- | |

D. Special Askings

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Philander Smith College ----- | 2,201.39 |
| Wesley Foundation ----- | |
| Reserve and Loan Fund ----- | 113.00 |

TOTAL PAID OUT at time of Conference, more to be sent in was \$21,311.47

Signed: E. F. Wallace, Treasurer (Southwest Conference)

Date: June 12, 1959