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## ADJOURNED MEETINGS

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session in St. Andrews Presbyterian church, Wilmington, N. C., on Monday, December 28th, 1936, at 11 A. M. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., the last Moderator present, presided.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elder: E. Norfleet.

There being no quorum present, the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned to meet in the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington, on Tuesday, December 29th, at 10 A. M.

C. H. STOREY, Clerk Pro Tem.

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session in the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington, N. C., on Tuesday, December 29th at 10 A. M. Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., the last Moderator present, presided, and the opening prayer was offered by Rev. M. O. Sommers.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., F. L. Goodman, P. L. Clark, D. L. Jones, M. O. Sommers, J. Robt. Phipps, J. I. Knight, S. G. Harness.

Ruling Elder: E. Norfleet.

Minutes of the adjourned meeting in St. Andrews Presbyterian church on Monday were read and adopted.

The Presbytery noted with regret the absence of the Stated Clerk, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, on account of his serious illness. Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., was elected to serve as temporary clerk.

Rev. M. O. Sommers read a financial statement on the Young People's Conference, June, 1936, which was adopted, as follows:

### RECEIPTS:

107 Delegates @ \$5.50	.....	\$588.50
3 Junior Counsellors @ \$2.75	.....	8.25
1 Half-time Registration Fee	.....	2.75
1 Board Fee—(Shaw Smith)	.....	4.00
Total Receipts	.....	\$603.50

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EXPENDITURES:

108 Delegates' Board @ \$4.00.....		\$432.00	
19 Adults' Board @ \$4.00.....		76.00	
9 Extra Meals @ 35c.....		3.15	
Expenses of Miss Van Devanter:			
Honorarium.....	\$10.00		
Transportation.....	8.22	18.22	
Expenses for Banquet (Anne Jones).....		5.00	
Stationery and Supplies (Peace).....		2.30	
Program Builders (Anne Jones).....		2.50	
Printing of Programs and Supplies.....		16.25	
Expenses of Arthur John (Transportation).....		6.00	
Total Expenditures.....		\$561.42	
Total Receipts.....	\$603.50		
Total Expenditures.....	561.42		
Balance on Hand.....	\$ 42.08		

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., as chairman of the special committee regarding the Minister's Annuity Fund, addressed the Presbytery outlining the plans for a Presbyterian campaign in the spring to complete our quota of the Accrued Liability Fund. On motion the general plan was approved and the committee instructed to perfect the details.

A communication from Rev. L. W. Kessler was read, requesting that the commissions appointed to install him be so changed that the commission of which Rev. C. C. Myers is chairman be empowered to act in the congregations of Black River and South River, and the commission of which Rev. P. L. Clark is chairman be empowered to act in the congregations of Caswell and Harmony. The request was granted.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., as chairman of the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, made report on the application of Mr. Daniel Durham Rhodes, of Rocky Point, N. C., to be received under the care of Presbytery as a candidate for the ministry. Affirming that the necessary credentials and recommendations had been furnished the committee in accordance with the requirements of the Book of Church Order, the committee recommended that the Presbytery proceed to examine Mr. Rhodes with a view to receiving him as a candidate for the ministry. On motion, the report of the committee was approved.

Mr. Rhodes being presented to the Presbytery, the Moderator examined him as to his religious experience and motives for seeking the ministry. The examination was declared satisfactory. After Mr. Rhodes had answered affirmatively the constitutional questions, the moderator delivered a brief charge to him and he was enrolled as a candidate for the ministry.

On motion, the temporary clerk was instructed to write a letter to Rev. Andrew J. Howell expressing our deepest sympathy with him in his illness. The moderator requested Dr. J. H. Whitmore to offer the closing prayer, especially remembering Mr. Howell and his family.

After the reading and approval of the minutes and prayer by Dr. J. H. Whitmore, the meeting was adjourned.

C. H. STOREY, Clerk Pro Tem.

## REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and thirty-fifth stated session in St. Andrews Presbyterian church, Wilmington, on Tuesday, April 13, 1937, at 11 a. m.

The opening sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, Rev. L. E. Wells, from the text, Philippians 1: 21; after which the Presbytery was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. M. Plowden, W. C. Smith, C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, W. L. Wilson, J. Robert Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, B. F. Hall, J. S. Crowley, James R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, (26):

Ruling Elders: A. R. Wood, Bethel; Gardner Edwards, Beula-ville; G. E. Fisler, Black River; J. F. Davis, Bladenboro; C. C. Bryan, Burgaw; C. D. Murphy, Caswell; A. B. Bryan, Chadbourn; Joe Wood, Chinquapin; F. L. Pearsall, Church of the Covenant; S. G. Wooten, Clarkton; J. H. Clark, Elizabethtown; I. L. Faison, Faison; A. W. Colwell, Graves Memorial; J. L. Miller, Hallsville; A. H. Kerr, Harmony; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; W. R. Rich, Hopewell; Norman L. Mintz, Immanuel; Raymond Marshall, Jacksonville; Gibson James, Maple Hill; Paul Savage, Mt. Horeb; H. R. Southerland, Mt. Olive; D. W. Newkirk, Oak Plains; J. M. Taylor, Pearsall Memorial; A. M. Bowden, Pike; Durham Grady, Pleasant View; H. A. Creagh, Pollocksville; C. T. Carr, Rockfish; A. N. Rhodes, Rocky Point; W. H. Sprunt, St. Andrews; Charles H. Smith, Smiths; P. S. Cromartie, South River; H. C. Brogden, Stanford; John B. Boney, Wallace; A. L. Cavenaugh, Warsaw; J. P. Warner, Westminster; W. G. Prevatte, Whiteville First; C. O. Bollinger, Willard; A. F. Nichol, Wilmington First; J. T. Barden, Sr., Winter Park, (40).

Ruling Elder J. H. Clark was elected Moderator, and Rev. R. M. Engle Temporary Clerk,—by acclamation.

A printed docket offered by the Stated Clerk was adopted with amendment to hear Rev. W. A. Ross, missionary to Mexico tonight after the regular order in the interest of Presbytery's home missions.

All regular pastors of the Presbytery were reported as having attended the last stated session.

Minutes of adjourned meetings of December 28 and 29, 1936, were read.

Minutes of the commissions appointed to install the Rev. L. W. Kessler into the pastorate of the Black River group of churches were read and accepted for record as follows:

The commission appointed to install Rev. L. W. Kessler as pastor of Caswell and Harmony churches met in Harmony church January 31, 1937, at 11 a. m. Members present: Revs. P. L. Clark, W. C. Smith and J. D. Withrow, Jr.; and Ruling Elders Robert R. Walker and C. D. Murphy.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. W. C. Smith. Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr., was requested to act as clerk. Mr. Kessler was then installed as pastor of Harmony church in accordance with the provisions of the Book of Church Order. The following order was observed:

Rev. P. L. Clark presided, propounded the constitutional questions and delivered the charge to the congregation. Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr., preached the sermon, and Rev. W. C. Smith delivered the charge to the pastor.

After the benediction by Rev. L. W. Kessler the commission took recess to meet in the Caswell church at 7:30 p. m.

The commission reconvened in the Caswell church at 7:30 p. m., at which time Mr. Kessler was installed as pastor of this church in accordance with the provisions of the Book of Church Order, as follows:

Rev. P. L. Clark presided, propounded the constitutional questions, and delivered the charge to the pastor.

Rev. W. C. Smith preached the sermon, and Ruling Elder Robert R. Walker delivered the charge to the congregation.

After the benediction by Rev. L. W. Kessler, the minutes were read and approved, and the commission adjourned, being closed with prayer by Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr.

J. D. WITHROW, JR., Clerk.

The commission appointed to install Rev. L. W. Kessler as pastor of the Black River and South River churches met at 11 a. m. Sunday, April 4th, 1937, in the Black River church, and opened with prayer. The following members were present: Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman, Rev. J. S. Crowley, and Ruling Elders R. J. Murphy and D. McL. Shaw. Mr. Crowley was elected clerk.

The exercises were conducted as follows: Mr. Crowley preached the sermon; the chairman propounded the constitutional questions and charged the pastor, and Ruling Elder Murphy charged the congregation. The chairman then declared Rev. L. W. Kessler regularly installed pastor of the Black River church, "agreeably to the Word of God and according to the constitution of the Presbyterian church in the United States."

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After the benediction by the newly installed pastor, the commission took recess until 3 p. m. to meet in the South River church.

The commission reconvened in the South River church at 3 p. m., and a sermon was preached by Rev. R. M. Engle.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman, propounded the constitutional questions; Rev. J. S. Crowley charged the pastor; and Ruling Elder D. McL. Shaw charged the congregation. The chairman then declared Rev. L. W. Kessler duly installed as pastor of the South River church, in accordance with the Book of Church Order.

After the benediction by the newly installed pastor, the commission heard and approved the minutes of the day, and adjourned after prayer.

J. S. CROWLEY, Clerk.

A communication dated Dec. 16, 1936, from Rev. F. L. Goodman, pastor of the Grove church, Kenansville, addressed to the Stated Clerk, was read; and, in response, Presbytery adopted the following paper in recognition of the historic interest of the old church:

Presbytery takes pleasure in recording its interest in the exercises held in the Grove church, Kenansville, on November 29, 1936, in commemoration of the two-hundredth anniversary of Presbyterian settlements in Duplin county. The section was then a part of New Hanover county, and the settlers were principally from northern Ireland. They came to America under the patronage of Henry McCulloch. Their place of worship was first called the Golden Grove, then the Grove, now Kenansville. The deed for the site was given by McCulloch and a meeting house was built, as shown by the public records.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, pastor of the Grove church, was in charge of the program of commemoration. Rev. Alexander Sprunt, D. D., of Charleston, S. C., delivered the sermon of the day and A. T. Outlaw, of Kenansville, delivered the historical address.

A State highway marker had been erected near the site, and unveiling exercises were held.

A communication was read from the Executive Committee of Religious Education, relating to various matters of its work, and referred to the permanent committee on that subject.

A report was presented under date of April 6, 1937, from R. M. Sheppard, treasurer of benevolences, showing the collection and distribution for the past year of \$3,277.05 from the churches.

The treasurer of the contingent fund, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, reported a balance in bank of \$825.61. As re-

quired by the Manual, the Presbytery was furnished detailed information regarding churches delinquent in paying their assessments.

A telegram was received from I. Stuart McElroy, Secretary of the American Bible Society, conveying good wishes for the Presbytery and asking for greater emphasis on Bible evangelism.

A communication was read from Dr. J. E. Purcell with reference to his recent illness, and with request that he be excused, therefore, from attendance. His excuse was accepted, and his change of address to Red Springs, N. C., noted.

After announcements, and a prayer by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., recess was taken for luncheon.

#### TUESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Presbytery was called to order and prayer was offered by Rev. R. C. Clontz.

Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour presented a letter from Rev. Andrew J. Howell informing Presbytery of his resignation as pastor of Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial churches, on account of ill health, and requesting Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relations. Officers of the two churches spoke with reference to the reluctant concurrence of the congregations in his request, and concerning the faithful service of their pastor. Upon motion, the pastoral relations were dissolved.

Presbytery having received information that Mr. Howell had been unanimously elected Pastor Emeritus of Pearsall Memorial church, this relationship was approved.

Dr. Gilmour led the Presbytery in an earnest prayer for Mr. Howell and his family.

Dr. C. H. Storey made reference to Mr. Howell's having completed his tenth year of service as Stated Clerk of the Presbytery.

Upon motion, Presbytery established the office of Permanent Clerk, and elected Rev. R. M. Engle to that office at a salary of \$15 per year.



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Rev. H. L. Carr, of Parkersburg Presbytery, U. S. A., and Rev. J. R. Potts, of Orange Presbytery, were introduced and invited to sit as visiting brothers.

Licentiate J. W. Fulton, of Roanoke Presbytery, was also introduced to the Presbytery.

Ruling Elder J. E. Jerritt, Grove church, was enrolled.

The Moderator announced appointment of the following committees:

Devotional—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., and Andrew J. Howell.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. L. E. Wells and A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and Ruling Elder A. H. Kerr.

Nominations—Revs. J. I. Knight and B. F. Hall and Ruling Elder F. L. Pearsall.

Narrative—Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr., and Ruling Elders C. D. Murphy and G. E. Fisler.

Records of Presbytery—Revs. J. W. Miller and L. W. Kessler and Ruling Elder A. F. Nichol.

Minutes of Synod—Revs. R. C. Clontz and S. G. Harness and Ruling Elder J. T. Barden.

Leave of Absence—Revs. D. L. Jones and F. L. Goodman and Ruling Elder A. R. Wood.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Revs. J. Robert Phipps and W. C. Smith and Ruling Elder C. C. Bryan.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and F. S. Johnston and Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman, permanent committee on Assembly's Home Missions, offered report, which was approved and the following recommendations adopted:

1. That the period, October 10-November 14, 1937, be set apart as the annual season of home mission study, using the official text book, "Other Men Labored", and that the week of November 7-14 be designated as the annual home mission week with a special thank offering for Assembly's Home Missions in all the churches.
2. That a church school of missions be conducted in each church in the Presbytery, with emphasis on both our Home and Foreign Mission work, and a special effort be made by the pastor and session to enlist the whole church membership in the school.
3. That during the month of June, each minister of the Presbytery be requested to hold a service in each of his churches in the interest of the Assembly's Home Mission work, and that educational programs be promoted through the various church organizations.

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3 p. m. Presbytery observed a special order on the subject of Social and Moral Welfare, with Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, presiding. Rev. J. W. Miller made an address on the subject, dealing with certain problems of the day facing the church. The report of the permanent committee on the subject was received as information.

Rev. M. O. Sommers made announcements concerning the approaching young people's rally and young people conferences.

3:30 p. m. Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, made report for Presbytery's special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, presenting the following recommendations, which were adopted:

1. That Sunday, May 16th, be set apart and designated as Ministers Annuity Sunday throughout our Presbytery.
2. That on this Sunday, if possible, or if not on some nearby Sunday, this cause be presented in all our churches.
3. That immediately after the presentation of this cause an Every Member Canvass be conducted in every church, in the earnest endeavor to give every member an opportunity of making an individual subscription to this great unfinished task of our denomination.
4. That beginning immediately after this meeting of Presbytery and continuing until May 16th, an active and aggressive campaign of education and inspiration be conducted throughout the Presbytery along the same lines which were used in making preparation for our recent Every Member Canvass.
5. That the quotas of the various churches in the Presbytery be as follows:—

Acme .....	\$ 150.00	Currie .....	\$ 75.00
Antioch .....	60.00	Elizabethtown .....	1,000.00
Baker .....	110.00	Elkton .....	50.00
Ashwood .....	110.00	Faison .....	900.00
Beth Car .....	200.00	Graves Memorial .....	1,500.00
Bethel .....	60.00	Morehead City .....	350.00
Beulaville .....	110.00	Grove .....	450.00
Black River .....	300.00	Hallsville .....	150.00
Bladenboro .....	45.00	Harmony .....	225.00
Bowden .....	75.00	Hebron .....	120.00
Brown Marsh .....	60.00	Holly Grove .....	250.00
Burgaw .....	600.00	Hopewell .....	175.00
Calypso .....	600.00	Jacksonville .....	150.00
Caswell .....	450.00	Lake Waccamaw .....	325.00
Chadborn .....	500.00	Maple Hill .....	42.00
Chinquapin .....	225.00	Mt. Horeb .....	150.00
Clarkton .....	1,500.00	Mt. Olive .....	1,500.00
Croatan .....	45.00	Mt. Williams .....	60.00

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Mt. Zion .....	\$ 900.00	Warsaw .....	\$1,300.00
New Hope .....	250.00	Westminster .....	1,800.00
Oak Plains .....	300.00	White Oak .....	150.00
Pike .....	150.00	White Plains .....	75.00
Pink Hill .....	225.00	Whiteville First .....	600.00
Pleasant View .....	170.00	Wildwood .....	80.00
Pollocksville .....	340.00	Willard .....	225.00
Rockfish .....	450.00	St. Andrews .....	4,630.00
Rocky Point .....	200.00	Delgado .....	150.00
Smiths .....	150.00	Wilmington First .....	6,500.00
Southport .....	100.00	Immanuel .....	600.00
South River .....	200.00	Pearsall Memorial .....	700.00
Stanford .....	130.00	Church of Covenant .....	6,000.00
Teachays .....	225.00	Winter Park .....	600.00
Topsail .....	150.00	Woodburn .....	120.00
Wallace .....	1,000.00		
Total Apportionment .....			\$41,142.00

6. That our Presbytery make an earnest effort to raise its full quota.
7. That each church, in making its local campaign, follow, as far as possible, the suggestions in Dr. Sweet's leaflet entitled, "Suggestions for Local Church Committees in the Ministers Annuity Fund Campaign in 1937."
8. That Presbytery urge each of its ministers to send Dr. Sweets at once, according to his earnest request, a complete list of all Elders and Deacons, together with their addresses.

Wilmington Presbytery's committee on the Ministers Annuity Fund is as follows:—

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, Chairman .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. W. H. Sprunt .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. R. C. Carson .....	Whiteville, N. C.
Mr. F. B. Johnson .....	Clinton, N. C.
Mr. C. S. Clark .....	Clarkton, N. C.
Mr. W. D. McCaig .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. R. T. Sinclair .....	Winter Park, Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. J. H. Davis .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. R. M. Sheppard .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. F. L. King .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Rev. P. C. Adams .....	Maxton, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Whitmore .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Rev. R. C. Clontz .....	Whiteville, N. C.
Rev. C. H. Storey .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. W. L. Hill .....	Warsaw, N. C.
Rev. M. O. Sommers .....	Clinton, N. C.
Mr. W. P. Sprunt .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Rev. J. I. Knight .....	Mt. Olive, N. C.
Rev. R. H. Poole .....	Elizabethtown, N. C.
Mr. O. F. Cooper .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Mr. E. Norfleet .....	Wilmington, N. C.
Rev. B. Frank Hall .....	Morehead City, N. C.

Dr. Gilmour introduced the following laymen who spoke on the subject of the Ministers' Annuity Fund, viz.: W. H. Sprunt, W. D. McCaig, O. F. Cooper and J. C. Williams. Upon request, also, Dr. C. H. Storey presented the plan to be used in St. Andrews church for raising its quota of the fund.

The report of the committee as a whole was approved.

Rev. James R. Phipps, chairman, permanent committee on Synod's Home Missions, made report which was received as information.

Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, permanent committee on Foreign Missions, offered report with the following recommendations. The report was approved and the recommendations adopted:

1. That our churches, Auxiliaries, Sunday Schools, and Young People's Societies, make a special effort this year to re-enforce our thinning missionary line, to prevent further breakdowns in our aging overworked force, and to seize the unprecedented opportunities God is now giving us in our work abroad.
2. That churches, societies, and individuals assume, wherever practicable, definite responsibility for definite parts of the Foreign Mission work.
3. That all churches, societies, and individuals be urgently reminded that the Foreign Mission Executive Committee is the only authorized agency for the administration of our Church's Foreign Mission work. To send Foreign Mission contributions directly to missionaries on the field, or for objects outside the Committee's program, deprives the Committee of its due and needed support and hinders its providing adequately for the work entrusted it by the Assembly.
4. That all Sunday Schools and Young People's organizations be urged this year to cooperate in the special Missionary Education Program on Africa and its young people, and to make real self-denial gifts toward raising the full budget of our Africa Mission.
5. That all our church organizations, Men's Work, Auxiliaries, Sunday Schools, Young People's societies use the Foreign Mission season, January 1 to February 6 for studying world missions, using the books recommended by the Foreign Mission Committee, and that the special Foreign Mission Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, January 30-February 6, be observed in every church and organization with supplemental Foreign Mission offerings as recommended by the General Assembly.

After prayer by Rev. D. L. Jones, Presbytery took recess until the evening session.

TUESDAY, 8 P. M.

Presbytery reconvened and opened with prayer.

The regular order was observed with a popular meeting in the interest of Presbytery's Home Missions. Rev. M. O. Sommers presided. Dr. C. H. Storey, chairman of the permanent committee on the subject, offered the committee's report; but further consideration of it was deferred until the special order for the hearing of Rev. W. A. Ross, missionary to Mexico, was followed.

A passage of Scripture (Romans 10:1-15) was read by Mr. Sommers; after which the address by Mr. Ross was heard. Presbytery was then led in prayer by Mr. Ross.

The Moderator took the chair, and Presbytery was opened for business. The report of the committee on Presbytery's Home Missions was considered in detail, and was adopted as a whole as follows:

With sincere gratitude to God, we report a year of progress and encouragement in our Home Mission work. We now have nine Home Mission pastors serving thirty churches and three unorganized preaching points. Only one pastoral group is vacant and we hope to place a pastor there in the near future. Local circumstances have made it inexpedient to act sooner.

The Pink Hill Group left vacant by the resignation of Rev. L. W. Kessler is being served by Rev. W. H. Eubank as Stated Supply. The Acme and Bolton Group left vacant by the retirement of Rev. W. L. Wilson is being served by Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr. The church at Bolton is practically disorganized and the few remaining members worship at Lake Waccamaw. Rev. R. M. Engle will take the oversight of this field. The committee plans to divide the Brunswick County work, grouping Woodburn and Acme under the pastoral leadership of Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr., and putting a new man in the southern end of the county to serve Southport and New Hope churches and do some pioneer work in the vicinity of Shallotte. We need, therefore, two men to complete our corps of workers. It is also the purpose of your committee to secure a Superintendent-Evangelist in the field at the earliest possible date.

In the prosecution of our work without the assistance of a Superintendent, the Presbytery was divided into districts and each pastoral charge assigned to a member of the committee, that we might keep in close contact with the field without necessitating a great deal of travel. We believe this to be a wise policy.

Your committee has assisted a number of churches in making much needed repairs and improvements during the year. The churches at Southport, New Hope and Woodburn have been painted and repaired. A new roof has been placed on the churches at

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New Hope and Rocky Point, also the manse at Chinquapin. Repairs have been made on the church at Jacksonville and the roof painted at Pleasant View. At Christmas a bonus of \$15.00 was sent to each of our workers. There is immediate need for four manses and the committee is ready to do its part as soon as the churches are ready with their part. Beginning the year with a nucleus of \$1200. in our manse fund, we have increased that to \$2449.48. We have also collected during the year \$305. on the notes held by our Building Fund. About thirty percent of the funds received from the churches came during the last few days of March, our collections running above \$1500. This enables us to meet all obligations and carry over a comfortable balance to meet the lean months of the year. It enables us to meet promptly the apportionments to the churches, even though the receipts be below our needs.

Following our custom, the home mission pastors were recently invited to Wilmington for an all-day meeting with the committee. Each field of labor was carefully reviewed and discussed with profit both to the pastors and to the committee. We wish to record our gratitude for the fine spirit and the splendid cooperation between the men on the field and the committee.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Presbytery continue the authority given the committee to employ a Superintendent-Evangelist as soon as it is deemed wise.
2. That all churches send their contributions monthly to R. M. Sheppard, Wilmington, N. C., Treasurer of Benevolence, in order that the several committees may not have to borrow money to pay their workers.
3. That all appropriations to churches be contingent upon said churches making a thorough Every Member Canvass.
4. That an evangelistic meeting be held in every home mission church during the year and that each pastor hold at least one evangelistic meeting outside his charge.
5. That Presbytery make the following appropriations, contingent upon the receipts of the committee and subject to any necessary revision by the committee:

\$25.00 per month to aid Hopewell, Maple Hill and Mt. Williams in the support of their pastor, Rev. P. L. Clark.

\$33.34 per month to aid Delgado and Topsail churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. C. C. Myers.

\$60.00 per month to aid Pollocksville, Jacksonville, Antioch and Croatan churches in support of their pastor, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps.

\$54.17 per month to aid Grove, Hallsville and Stanford churches in support of their pastor, Rev. F. L. Goodman.

\$60.00 per month to aid Rocky Point, Pike and Currie churches in support of their pastor.

\$66.67 per month to aid Bethel, Beulaville and Chinquapin churches in support of their pastor, Rev. W. C. Smith.

\$41.66 per month to aid Acme and Woodburn churches in support of their pastor, Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr.

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\$50.00 per month to aid Pink Hill, Hebron, Smiths and Pleasant View churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. W. H. Eubank.

\$50.00 per month to aid Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, Ashwood and White Plains churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. R. M. Engle.

\$66.67 per month to aid Southport, New Hope and Sweet Home churches in the support of their pastor.

\$175.00 per month and expenses to the salary of a Superintendent-Evangelist.

\$100.00 for the expenses of the committee.

O. H. Shoemaker, treasurer of Home Mission funds, presented a statement of finances for the year ending March 31st, 1937, which was adopted as follows:

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand April 1st, 1936		\$ 775.09
Synod's Home Mission Committee (E. E. Gillespie)	\$3,035.50	
Rent on Manse, 209 No. 13th St.	265.90	
Dividends from N. C. Bank & Trust Co.	148.67	
On Apportionments	4,112.06	7,562.13
		<u>\$8,337.22</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Pastors Salaries—		
Rev. P. L. Clark	\$ 300.00	
Rev. F. L. Goodman	650.02	
Rev. L. W. Kessler	220.02	
Rev. C. C. Myers	400.03	
Rev. H. R. Poole	415.00	
Rev. R. M. Engle	400.04	
Rev. W. C. Smith	800.00	
Rev. J. D. Withrow	600.00	
Rev. W. L. Wilson	126.00	
Rev. J. Robt. Phipps	720.00	
Rev. W. H. Eubank	166.66	
	<u>\$4,797.77</u>	
Christmas Gifts to 7 Ministers	105.00	
Walker Taylor (Ins. on Manse)	74.70	
Glasgow Hicks (Ins. on 309 Wrights. Ave.)	75.00	
Committee Expense	28.50	
Committee of Religious Education (Rev. J. H. Whitmore)	24.95	
Repairs—Jacksonville Church (Rev. J. R. Phipps)	45.00	
Repairs—Pleasant View Church	14.20	
Repairs—(Rev. W. C. Smith)	125.00	
Repairs—Rocky Point (A. N. Rhodes)	152.45	
Exchange on checks, postage and stationery	6.10	
Manse Fund	1,232.65	6,681.32
		<u>\$1,655.90</u>
Balance on hand March 31, 1937		\$1,655.90

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REPORT ON MANSE AT 209 NO. 13TH STREET

Balance on hand, March 31st, 1936.....	\$1,198.80
January 1st, Interest .....	18.03
Rent on 209 No. 13th St.....	232.65
Home Mission Committee .....	1,000.00
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Balance on hand March 31st, 1937.....	\$2,449.48
Wilmington, N. C., April 8th, 1937.	

Upon motion, Presbytery gave a rising vote of thanks to the chairman of the Home Missions committee, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.; to Mr. O. H. Shoemaker, treasurer of the committee, and to the Presbytery's treasurer of benevolences, Mr. R. M. Sheppard, for faithfulness and diligence in their work.

Rev. W. H. Eubank, of the Presbytery of Norfolk, and Dr. H. G. Bedinger, of Fayetteville Presbytery, were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as visiting brothers.

After hearing announcements, and being led in prayer by Rev. James R. Phipps, Presbytery adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th

9 a. m. A period of worship was conducted by Rev. F. S. Johnston with an exposition of Romans 5:8.

The minutes of Tuesday's sessions were read and approved.

By request, Rev. B. F. Hall took the chair.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman of the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The committee on the Records of Presbytery has carefully examined the printed minutes, and found them neatly and accurately kept.

Upon motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to write to Rev. J. E. Purcell, D. D., expressing the sympathy of Presbytery in his illness and its wishes for his early recovery.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman of the permanent committee on the Orphans' Home, made report which was received as information.



Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, permanent committee on Stewardship, gave report, which was approved.

The Moderator, Ruling Elder Clark, resumed the chair.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman, permanent committee on Evangelism, made report, which was received as information.

Rev. L. E. Wells, chairman, standing committee on Bills and Overtures, reported that no matters were referred to his committee.

10 a. m. The order for consideration of Educational Institutions was called. Rev. R. C. Clontz, chairman of the permanent committee on the subject, offered report, including a letter from Dr. W. L. Lingle, President of Davidson college. He also furnished information concerning Peace Junior college and Presbyterian Junior College for Men.

Rev. H. G. Bedinger, D. D., President, Flora Macdonald college, was presented and addressed the Presbytery with reference to his institution, stressing attention to a projected financial campaign in 1938. Presbytery gave approval to the campaign.

Rev. P. C. Adams was then enrolled, and, as President of the Presbyterian Junior College for Men, supplied information relative to his institution. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., made remarks with reference to Peace Junior college.

The report of the committee, as a whole, was received as information.

A brief recess was taken for preparation for the communion service.

11 a. m. By appointment, Rev. D. L. Jones preached a doctrinal sermon on the subject of "The Trinity", his text being 2 Cor. 13:14.

The communion service was held, with Revs. J. M. Plowden and J. Robt. Phipps presiding. Six ruling elders, members of the Presbytery, distributed the elements.

Upon resumption of business, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, offered report, supplying information and making recommendations for relief as follows:

We herewith present for the use of the Presbytery the following three papers:

1. Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, April 1st, 1936, to March 31, 1937,—sundry data on the subject.
2. Presbytery of Wilmington—Contributions received by the Executive Committee of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief from April 1st, 1936, to March 31st, 1937.
3. Presbytery of Wilmington—A list of the names and addresses of those who have received loans from the Student Loan Fund, together with an account of the amounts borrowed, the dates due, and the amounts paid.

We desire to report that the following are now candidates for the ministry under the control of our Presbytery:

William King Cromartie, Elizabethtown, N. C.  
Wm. J. B. Livingston, 517 So. 2nd St., Wilmington, N. C.  
Arnold Black Rhodes, Rocky Point, N. C.  
Edward Joseph Humphrey, 211 No. 5th St., Wilmington, N. C.  
Daniel D. Rhodes, Rocky Point, N. C.

We recommend that relief be requested as follows:

Mrs. Medora Wallace Heller—\$18 per month.  
Rev. Lucian Elonza Wells—\$20 per month.  
Rev. Walter Lourie Wilson—\$38 per month.  
Rev. Andrew J. Howell—maximum allowance.

We regret to have to report the recent death of Mrs. Emma C. Kelly, whom this committee had the privilege of assisting for many years, though only in a modest way.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, permanent committee on Religious Education, made report, which was approved and the following recommendations adopted:

1. That every congregation, Sunday school, auxiliary and young people's organization definitely include the benevolent work of the Assembly's Religious Education for its full benevolent percentage.
2. That pastors be asked to feature in connection with the Rally Day Program this fall a consecration service for all church school teachers, officers, and leaders, so as to magnify and uphold the teaching work of the church as a spiritual task demanding only the finest type of spiritual leadership.
3. That Presbytery express its conviction that every church, Sunday school and individual having long overdue accounts with the Presbyterian Committee of Publication make some arrangements for a settlement of these in order that the credit record of our churches and leaders may not be impaired.
4. That the attention of congregations be called to the growing satellite communities about our cities, and the increase in the number of farm families in our territories, earnestly

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urging them to establish and maintain outpost Sunday schools among these groups especially where there are large numbers of children and young people.

5. That pastors for mid-week meetings this year, not as a substitute but as an enrichment of, prayer services be urged to use some of the "Bible" or other "Personal Spiritual Enrichment Courses" offered through the Department of Leadership Training.
6. That the committee of Religious Education be authorized to employ a trained worker to assist churches in holding vacation church schools this summer, if it be deemed advisable, the financial outlay not to exceed \$60.

Rev. J. S. Crowley, chairman, permanent committee on the Bible Cause, offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee has been reading, carefully and prayerfully, the literature of the American Bible Society, and we are grateful to God for the great and abundant blessings that this great organization has been able to bring to the people of the world. The Society is no respecter of persons, race, color, nationality, sect, or denomination. In 1936 the whole Bible was printed in 176 languages, and the New Testament in 214; portions or selections in 601. So that the Scriptures have now been printed and published in 991 languages or dialects. There is no greater aid, humanly speaking, to the spread of the Gospel than the American Bible Society through its established agencies throughout the world.

Your committee therefore recommends that Sunday, December the 12th, which has been designated as "Universal Bible Sunday", be used by the ministers and churches of this Presbytery, as far as it is possible for them to do so, to present the Bible Cause, giving the people the privilege of having a special part in aiding the spread of the Gospel through the Society.

Presbytery heard nominations for commissioners to the General Assembly meeting in Montreat, N. C., May 20th.

After prayer by Rev. P. C. Adams, recess was taken for luncheon, the session to reconvene at 2 o'clock.

### WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M.

Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness.

Rev. L. W. Kessler, chairman, permanent committee on Women's Work, offered report, which was adopted as follows:

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The reports of the auxiliaries show substantial improvement for the year 1936-37. There are now 50 auxiliaries in the Presbytery, with a total membership of 2,391.

41 auxiliaries contributed to all denominational benevolences. 16 increased their gifts to the Assembly's causes, and 9 increased their contributions 25% during the year.

41 auxiliaries are this year engaged in White Cross work. 40 observed a season of prayer and took a thank offering for missions during November. 39 auxiliaries made a special offering during December for Ministerial Relief and Religious Education.

There are 1,189 members in the auxiliary Bible classes; 383 family altars and 493 tithers.

Total gifts to all benevolences amounted to \$9,226, and for local church work, \$3,006; grand total of auxiliary contributions being \$12,922, which represents an increase of \$906 over last year. The average contribution per member is \$6.00.

Rev. R. C. Clontz, chairman, standing committee on Minutes of Synod, made report, which was approved.

Rev. W. P. M. Currie, chairman, permanent committee on History, presented report containing the following recommendations which were adopted:

1. That the session of Grove Presbyterian church be requested to send a copy of the history of the church recently written by Mr. Outlaw to Union Seminary library to be filed in the section of Wilmington Presbytery; and also a copy to the Presbyterian Foundation at Montreat.
2. That the sessions of the churches whose history has not been written be requested to appoint some one to prepare historical sketches of their churches.

Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman, permanent committee on Sessional Records, presented the following report, which was adopted:

The following churches did not send their sessional records to Presbytery for approval: Bolton, Currie.

The following were approved with the exceptions noted:

1. Mt. Williams. Only one meeting of session during year.
2. Topsail. Only two meetings of session during year.
3. Antioch. Only three meetings of session during year.
4. Wildwood. Only three meetings of session during year.
5. Maple Hill. Only three meetings of session during year.
6. Bladenboro. Only one meeting of session in year, and not in proper form. No representatives to Presbytery and Synod recorded.

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7. Acme. Only one meeting of session, and not opened and closed with prayer.
8. Brown Marsh. Only two meetings of session in year. Representatives to Presbytery and Synod not shown.
9. Pleasant View. Only one meeting of session in year. Book not presented to Presbytery last spring.
10. Smiths. Only one meeting in year. Did not open and close with prayer. Did not state constituency of session.
11. Pink Hill. Only two meetings in year. Meeting of April 12, 1937, not opened and closed with prayer.
12. Pearsall Memorial. Reports to Presbytery not recorded sufficiently.
13. Whiteville First. Reports to Presbytery not recorded.
14. Bowden. No meeting since May, 1936.
15. Lake Waccamaw and Elkton. Minutes not signed by clerks of sessions.

All records not mentioned above are approved without exception.

The following were elected by ballot to serve as commissioners to the General Assembly:

### Ministers:

L. E. Wells; F. S. Johnston, alternate.  
R. C. Clontz; M. O. Sommers, alternate.  
J. I. Knight; C. C. Myers, alternate.

### Ruling Elders:

H. M. Wells; C. C. Murphy, alternate.  
W. P. Sprunt; H. R. Southerland, alternate.  
J. H. Clark; G. L. Mitchell, alternate.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, offered the following paper, which was adopted:

Your committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion recommends that the ministers of the Presbytery preach on the Christian home.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, standing committee on Leave of Absence, made the following report, which was adopted:

The following members were excused from attendance:

From the entire meeting, Rev. J. E. Purcell, D. D.  
From Tuesday's sessions, Rev. P. C. Adams.  
From Tuesday night service: Rev. R. C. Clontz and Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte.  
After Tuesday afternoon service: Rev. Jas. R. Phipps and Ruling Elders S. W. Newkirk, A. B. Bryan, Paul Savage,

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J. P. Warner, C. C. Murphy, Raymond Marshall, J. E. Jerritt, A. N. Rhodes, A. R. Wood, Gardner Edwards.  
After Wednesday morning: Revs. F. S. Johnston, P. C. Adams, W. L. Wilson, W. C. Smith, R. C. Clontz; and Ruling Elders W. R. Rich, J. M. Taylor, Joe Wood and W. G. Prevatte.

Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman, standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, presented an invitation from Graves Memorial church, Clinton, for the fall meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 1937. The invitation was unanimously accepted.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, standing committee on Nominations, presented the following report which was adopted:

We beg leave to make the following nominations:

Trustees of Flora Macdonald college, (exit Spring, 1940)—  
Revs. J. W. Miller, C. H. Storey, D. D., F. B. Johnston;  
Ruling Elder F. L. Pearsall.

Presbytery's Home Missions committee—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1937), A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, J. W. Miller, J. I. Knight, M. O. Sommers, F. S. Johnston; Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, Walker Taylor; J. E. Evans, Eustace Norfleet, J. E. Kelley, Wilbert Jackson. Honorary member, W. H. Sprunt.

Religious Education, Young People's Division—Revs. M. O. Sommers, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, B. F. Hall, Mrs. L. B. Huie. Adult Work—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., W. C. Smith; Ruling Elder R. L. Carr, Mrs. L. B. Huie.

Upon motion, Dr. C. H. Storey was asked to prepare the report for the standing committee on the Narrative.

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Note—Standing Committee on Narrative, through Dr. Storey, announced the following data gathered from reports from the churches:

65 reports examined.

Attendance at worship:

In morning:

16 churches show less than 50% members present.

21 churches show 50% to 75% present.

13 churches show attendance above 75%.

In evening:

27 churches show less than 50% present.

18 churches report above 50% present.

19 churches report no additions to membership.

28 churches report no additions from Sunday School.

23 churches report no evangelistic services.

37 churches report total of 492 tithers.

45 churches report total of 403 family altars.

The Moderator announced the appointment of Dr. Storey to preach the doctrinal sermon at the fall meeting.

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, of the permanent Auditing committee, reported that he had examined and found correct all treasurers' books of the Presbytery, and that the accounts were neatly kept. The report was approved.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, presented the following report which was heartily adopted:

When the illness of its minister made it impossible for the Winter Park Presbyterian church to entertain Presbytery, the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church most kindly extended its Christian hospitality.

This splendid initial spirit it has consistently shown throughout in every way.

The fine meals which the good ladies have provided have brought us greatly in their debt.

We note with much appreciation the constant attendance and cooperation of Mr. and Mrs. Heberlein in the Ministry of Music and the inspiring singing of their larger chorus choir, and of Miss Mary Wallace Callison, the efficient Secretary of Religious Education.

As we expected, the pastor, Dr. Storey, has manifested always and everywhere a most gracious hospitality.

Nor would we overlook the essential service of your good sexton, who has done so much for our creature comfort.

For all these things and many more, dear Christian friends, we thank you.

May God bless you and keep you.

Upon final roll call, the following representatives answered to their names:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, J. Robert Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, B. F. Hall, J. S. Crowley, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, (20);

Ruling Elders: W. H. Sprunt, P. S. Cromartie, H. R. Southerland, J. L. Miller, H. C. Brogden, J. F. Davis, C. O. Bollinger, I. L. Faison, A. W. Colwell, H. A. Creagh, C. T. Carr, J. B. Boney, (12).

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

There being no further business, Presbytery, after prayer by Rev. B. F. Hall, adjourned to meet in the Graves Memorial church, Clinton, Tuesday, October 12, 1937, at 11 a. m.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

Attest: ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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CHURCHES

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1—Acme                    | 36—Maple Hill        |
| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Horeb         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Olive         |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Williams      |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—Mt. Zion          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—New Hope          |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oakdale           |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Oak Plains        |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pearsall Memorial |
| 10—Bolton                 | 45—Pike              |
| 11—Bowden                 | 46—Pink Hill         |
| 12—Brown Marsh            | 47—Pleasant View     |
| 13—Burgaw                 | 48—Pollocksville     |
| 14—Calypso                | 49—Rockfish          |
| 15—Caswell                | 50—Rocky Point       |
| 16—Chadbourn              | 51—St. Andrews       |
| 17—Chinquapin             | 52—Seven Springs     |
| 18—Church of the Covenant | 53—Smiths            |
| 19—Clarkton               | 54—Southport         |
| 20—Croatan                | 55—South River       |
| 21—Currie                 | 56—Stanford          |
| 22—Delgado                | 57—Sweet Home        |
| 23—Elizabethtown          | 58—Teachey           |
| 24—Elkton                 | 59—Topsail           |
| 25—Faison                 | 60—Wallace           |
| 26—Graves Memorial        | 61—Warsaw            |
| 27—Grove                  | 62—Webb Memorial     |
| 28—Hallsville             | 63—Westminster       |
| 29—Harmony                | 64—White Plains      |
| 30—Hebron                 | 65—Whiteville First  |
| 31—Holly Grove            | 66—Wildwood          |
| 32—Hopewell               | 67—Willard           |
| 33—Immanuel               | 68—Wilmington First  |
| 34—Jacksonville           | 69—Winter Park       |
| 35—Lake Waccamaw          | 70—Woodburn          |

MINISTERS

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff       | 21—F. L. Goodman       |
| 2—W. P. M. Currie         | 22—K. B. McCutchen     |
| 3—L. T. Newland           | 23—F. S. Johnston      |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 24—R. H. Poole         |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 25—C. H. Storey, D. D. |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 26—P. C. Adams         |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 27—J. I. Knight        |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 28—L. E. Wells         |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 29—M. O. Sommers       |
| 10—W. C. Smith            | 30—B. F. Hall          |
| 11—J. E. Purcell, D. D.   | 31—J. S. Crowley       |
| 12—C. C. Myers            | 32—Jas. R. Phipps      |
| 13—R. C. Clontz           | 33—L. W. Kessler       |
| 14—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 34—S. C. Farrior       |
| 15—W. L. Wilson           | 35—J. O. Mann          |
| 16—J. Robt. Phipps        | 36—C. W. Worth         |
| 17—D. L. Williamson       | 37—J. D. Withrow, Jr.  |
| 18—S. G. Harness          | 38—R. M. Engle         |
| 19—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 39—D. L. Jones         |
| 20—J. W. Miller           |                        |

CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

W. K. Cromartie, Edward J. Humphrey, William J. B. Livingston, Arnold B. Rhodes, Daniel D. Rhodes, (5).



## DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—RULING ELDER J. H. CLARK, Elizabethtown, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*

REV. ANDREW J. HOWELL, Wilmington, N. C.

*Permanent Clerk*—REV. R. M. ENGLE, Lake Waccamaw, N. C.

*Treasurer of Benevolences*—R. M. SHEPPARD,  
Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C.

## TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1937—J. O. Carr, W. H. Sprunt, R. C. Carson.

## TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1937—Rev. J. Robert Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

## TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1940—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, F. L. Pearsall.

Exit Spring 1939—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

Exit Spring 1938—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S.  
Clark, A. H. Kerr.

## TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1938—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., R. C. Carson.

## PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1937),  
A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., W. P. M.  
Currie, P. L. Clark, J. W. Miller, J. I. Knight, M. O. Som-  
mers, F. S. Johnston; Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H.  
Shoemaker, Walker Taylor, J. E. Evans, Eustace Norfleet,  
J. E. Kelly, Wilbert Jackson. Honorary member, W. H.  
Sprunt.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. James R. Phipps (1935), C. C.  
Myers; Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1935), F. S.  
Johnston; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. R. H. Poole (1935), M. O. Sommers,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Walker Taylor,  
Jesse Lucas, D. W. Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. A. D. P. Gil-  
mour, D. D., (1936), P. C. Adams, S. G. Harness, J. Robt.  
Phipps; and Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

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*Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1935), chairman.

Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs. F. L. Goodman, (1935), L. W. Kessler, Miss Mary W. Callison.

*Young People's Division*—Revs. M. O. Sommers, (1935), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, B. F. Hall, Mrs. L. B. Huie.

*Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1935), W. C. Smith; Ruling Elder R. L. Carr, Mrs. L. B. Huie.

*Leadership Training*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1935), S. G. Harness; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Margaret Cox.

*Organization and Extension*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs. Newton Robinson.

*Stewardship*—Revs. J. I. Knight (1935), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., M. O. Sommers, A. J. Howell, B. F. Hall, S. G. Harness; Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

*Educational Institutions*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1936), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, W. C. Smith; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.

*Orphans' Home*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1935), R. H. Poole, B. F. Hall, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson, F. L. Goodman; Ruling Elders John Hall, A. H. Kerr, Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, J. L. Miller, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark.

*Bible Cause*—Revs. J. S. Crowley (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1935), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders W. H. Sprunt, J. B. Huntington.

*Women's Work*—Revs. L. W. Kessler (1936), W. P. M. Currie, R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.

*History*—Revs. W. P. M. Currie (1935), A. J. Howell, J. M. Plowden; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.

*Auditing*—Ruling Elders C. S. Clark (1935), W. D. McCaig, J. B. Huntington.

*Sessional Records*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps (1935), L. W. Kessler, C. C. Myers, F. S. Johnston.

*Member of Synod's Committee on Stated Supply*—Rev. P. L. Clark (1936).

*Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. R. H. Poole (1936), and Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

EXAMINATION

*Experimental Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones, (1936), L. W. Kessler.

*Academic Studies*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1935), A. J. Howell.

*Languages*—Revs. R. H. Poole (1935), J. W. Miller.

*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1935), P. C. Adams.

*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. R. M. Engle (1936), J. M. Plowden.

*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1936), D. L. Jones.

*Theology*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1936), M. O. Sommers, F. L. Goodman.

*Church History*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, Jr., (1936), F. S. Johnston.

*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. F. S. Johnston (1935), R. C. Clontz.

*English Bible*—Revs. A. J. Howell (1935), J. I. Knight.

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Ashwood	C. L. Braddy, Council, N. C.
Baker	B. C. Thigpen, Mt. Olive, N. C.
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Bladenboro	J. F. Davis, Bladenboro, N. C.
Bolton	R. W. Scott, Bolton, N. C.
Bowden	A. S. Hall, Bowden, N. C.
Brown Marsh	A. F. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.
Burgaw	T. T. Murphy, Burgaw, N. C.
Calypso	J. R. Maxwell, Calypso, N. C.
Caswell	C. D. Murphy, Atkinson, N. C.
Chadbourne	D. W. Monroe, Chadbourne, N. C.
Chinquapin	W. B. Ward, Chinquapin, N. C.
Church of Covenant	F. L. Pearsall, Wilmington, N. C.
Clarkton	A. C. Johnson, Clarkton, N. C.
Croatan	H. C. Wood, R. 4, New Bern, N. C.
Currie	C. S. Bell, Currie, N. C.
Delgado	W. C. Scoggins, 1809 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C.
Elizabethtown	W. A. Ferguson, Elizabethtown, N. C.
Elkton	W. J. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.
Faison	I. L. Faison, Faison, N. C.
Graves Memorial	F. B. Johnson, Clinton, N. C.
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Hallsville	J. L. Miller, Beulaville, N. C.
Harmony	I. A. Cain, Kerr, N. C.
Hebron	
Holly Grove	W. F. Valentine, Clinton, N. C.
Hopewell	N. B. Murray, Burgaw, N. C.
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Jacksonville	Raymond Marshall, Jacksonville, N. C.
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Maple Hill	Gibson James, Maple Hill, N. C.
Mt. Horeb	C. Monroe, Council, N. C.
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Mt. Williams	R. A. Thigpen, R. 1, Burgaw, N. C.
Mt. Zion	C. F. Blanchard, Rose Hill, N. C.
New Hope	R. F. Lewis, Bolivia, N. C.
Oakdale	Sam Robeson, White Oak, N. C.
Oak Plains	W. H. Hall, Rose Hill, N. C.
Pearsall Memorial	J. M. Taylor, R. 1, Wilmington, N. C.
Pike	Rocky Point, N. C.
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Pleasant View	Durham Grady, Seven Springs, N. C.
Pollocksville	H. A. Creagh, Pollocksville, N. C.
Rockfish	J. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.
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Seven Springs	
Smiths	R. W. Wallace, Pink Hill, N. C.
Southport	Price Furpless, Southport, N. C.
South River	William Sloan, Garland, N. C.
Stanford	H. C. Brogden, Mt. Olive, N. C.
Sweet Home	
Teachey	H. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.
Topsail	E. V. King, Hampstead, N. C.
Wallace	J. N. Wells, Wallace, N. C.
Warsaw	W. L. Hill, Warsaw, N. C.
Webb Memorial	S. W. Thompson, Jr., Morehead City, N. C.
Westminster	F. A. Newman, Whiteville, N. C.
White Plains	A. A. Clark, Rosindale, N. C.
Whiteville First	Oscar High, Whiteville, N. C.
Wildwood	W. F. West, Wildwood, N. C.
Willard	H. McN. Johnson, Willard, N. C.
Wilmington First	E. T. Huggins, Brookwood, Wilmington, N. C.
Winter Park	J. L. Lamb, R. 2, Wilmington, N. C.
Woodburn	D. G. Ellers, Leland, N. C.

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			Elders	Deacons	Added on Confession	Added on Certificate	Net Membership End of Year	Adult	Infant	
P. C. Adams, Pres.	Maxton, N. C.									
P. L. Clark, P.	Burgaw, N. C.	Burgaw†*	5	6			4	203		
P. L. Clark, P.	Burgaw, N. C.	Hopewell†	6	5	1		2	158	1	6
P. L. Clark, P.	Burgaw, N. C.	Mt. Williams	2	3				24		2
P. L. Clark, S. S.	Maple Hill, N. C.	Maple Hill†	2	3				24		
R. C. Clontz, P.	Whiteville, N. C.	Whiteville First*†	2	7	3		10	150	2	3
R. C. Clontz, P.	Chadbourn, N. C.	Chadbourn*†	4	3			4	93		
J. S. Crowley, H. R.	Wilmington, N. C.									
W. P. M. Currie, P.	Wallace, N. C.	Wallace*†	9	9	10		1	252	7	
W. P. M. Currie, P.	Wallace, N. C.	Rockfish†	5	6	6			150	4	
W. P. M. Currie, P.	Willard, N. C.	Willard†	4	4			8	70		1
R. M. Engle, P.	Lake Waccamaw, N. C.	Lake Waccamaw†	2	2	1		1	35	1	
R. M. Engle, P.	Rosindale, N. C.	White Plains†	3	3	14		5	51	13	2
R. M. Engle, P.	Clarkton, N. C.	Elkton†	2	1				32		
R. M. Engle, P.	Council, N. C.	Ashwood†	3	3				45		1
W. H. Eubank, S. S.	Pink Hill, N. C.	Pink Hill†	3	3	1		11	44		
W. H. Eubank, S. S.	Pink Hill, N. C.	Smiths†	3	1				50		
W. H. Eubank, S. S.	Pink Hill, N. C.	Hebron†						22		
W. H. Eubank, S. S.	Seven Springs, N. C.	Pleasant View†	2	2				40		
J. L. Fairly, Sec.	Richmond, Va.									
S. C. Farrior, F. M.	Chinkingang, China									
A. D. P. Gilmour, P.	Wilmington, N. C.	Wilmington First*†	16	24	8		21	814	1	7
F. L. Goodman, P.	Kenansville, N. C.	Grove*†	3	7	1		7	111	1	1
F. L. Goodman, P.	Beu'aville, N. C.	Hallsville†	6	5	3			110	3	1
F. L. Goodman, P.	Mt. Olive, N. C.	Stanford†	1	4				41		
B. F. Hall, P.	Morehead City, N. C.	Geo. Webb Memorial*†	6	3			9	66		
B. F. Hall, P.	Wildwood, N. C.	Wildwood†	6	5				70		2
H. C. Hammond, Inf.	Red Springs, N. C.									
S. G. Harness, P.	Rose Hill, N. C.	Mt. Zion*†	7	8	7		3	209	6	2
S. G. Harness, P.	Rose Hill, N. C.	Oak Plains†	6	4	5		1	58	2	8
S. G. Harness, P.	Teachey, N. C.	Teachey†	5	6	3		1	103	3	
Andrew J. Howell, P. Em.	Wilmington, N. C.	Pearsall Memorial†	3	4	2		1	126	2	1
Andrew J. Howell	Wilmington, N. C.	Winter Park*†	6	7	13		2	191	9	3
F. S. Johnston, P.	Wilmington, N. C.	Immanuel*†	8	14	20		14	281	1	8
D. L. Jones, P.	Faison, N. C.	Faison*†	6	6	11		12	139	7	1
D. L. Jones, P.	Warsaw, N. C.	Warsaw†	6	6	14		14	152	9	1
D. L. Jones	Bowden, N. C.	Bowden†	1	2				29	2	
L. W. Kessler, P.	Atkinson, N. C.	Caswell*	4	3				123		1
L. W. Kessler, P.	Ivanhoe, N. C.	Black River	3	3			5	54		
L. W. Kessler, P.	Garland, N. C.	South River*	5	4	5			56	5	1
L. W. Kessler, P.	Kerr, N. C.	Harmony	5	3				72		
J. I. Knight, P.	Mt. Olive, N. C.	Mt. Olive*†	6	5	3			201	1	1
J. I. Knight, P.	Calypso, N. C.	Calypso†	6	6	6			104	6	1
J. I. Knight, S. S.	Mt. Olive, N. C.	Baker†	3		2			25	2	
K. B. McCutchen	Charlottesville, Va.									
J. O. Mann, D. R. E.	Maxton, N. C.									
A. S. Maxwell, F. M.	Dourados, Brazil									
J. W. Miller, P.	Clarkton, N. C.	Clarkton*†	6	12	4		2	302	3	1
J. W. Miller, S. S.	Clarkton, N. C.	Brown Marsh	1	2			5	35		
J. W. Miller, S. S.	Bladenboro, N. C.	Bladenboro	1	1				22		
C. C. Myers, P.	Wilmington, N. C.	Delgado†	3	2			5	143		
C. C. Myers, P.	Topsail, N. C.	Topsail†	6	6	3			77	3	
L. T. Newland, F. M.	Kwangfu, Korea									
J. Robt. Phipps, P.	Pollocksville, N. C.	Pollocksville*†	4	5	11		6	94	5	3
J. Robt. Phipps, P.	New Bern, N. C.	Croatant†	1	1				20		
J. Robt. Phipps, S. S.	Jacksonville, N. C.	Jacksonville†	2	3	3		4	44	3	
J. Robt. Phipps, S. S.	Jacksonville, N. C.	Antioch†	2	2				49		
James R. Phipps, P.	Whiteville, N. C.	Westminster*†	5	6	4		16	151	3	1
J. M. Plowden, H. R.	Wilmington, N. C.									
R. H. Poole, P.	Elizabethtown, N. C.	Elizabethtown †	8	8	2		7	140	2	5
R. H. Poole, P.	Tar Heel, N. C.	Beth Cart†	5	4	2			67	1	5
R. H. Poole, S. S.	White Oak, N. C.	Oakdale†	3	3				43		
R. H. Poole, S. S.	Council, N. C.	Mt. Horeb†	2	2			2	35		2
J. E. Purcell	Red Springs, N. C.									
W. C. Smith, P.	Chinquapin, N. C.	Chinquapin*†	6	7	5		1	124	5	
W. C. Smith, P.	Beulaville, N. C.	Beulaville†	3	2				92		
W. C. Smith, P.	Beulaville, N. C.	Bethel†	4	4				81		
M. O. Sommers, P.	Clinton, N. C.	Graves Memorial*†	10	14	5		13	225	5	4
M. O. Sommers, P.	Clinton, N. C.	Holly Grove†	4	5	2		9	100	2	
C. H. Storey, P.	Wilmington, N. C.	St. Andrews*†	14	17	24		32	674	21	7
L. E. Wells, Inf.	Teachey, N. C.									
J. H. Whitmore, P.	Wilmington, N. C.	Church of Covenant*†	8	16	19		22	495	9	3
D. L. Williamson, F. M.	Araguary, Brazil									
W. L. Wilson, Inf.	Acme, N. C.									
J. E. L. Winecoff, H. R.	Florence, S. C.									
J. D. Withrow, Jr., P.	Leland, N. C.	Woodburn†	4	6	6		6	63	6	
J. D. Withrow, Jr., P.	Winnabow, N. C.	New Hope†	2	3				63		1
J. D. Withrow, Jr., S. S.	Southport, N. C.	Southport	2	1				42		
J. D. Withrow, Jr., S. S.	Shalotte, N. C.	Sweet Home								
J. D. Withrow, Jr., S. S.	Acme, N. C.	Acme†	3	2				48		
C. W. Worth, F. M.	Hangchow, Che, China									
	Rocky Point, N. C.	Rocky Point*†v	3	3			4	80		
	Burgaw, N. C.	Pike†v	4	4	1			65		
	Currie, N. C.	Currie v	3	4				35		
	Bolton, N. C.	Bolton v	2	1				21		







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## CALLED MEETING

Pursuant to the call of the Moderator under date of August 4th. the Presbytery of Wilmington met at the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington, N. C., on Monday, August 16th, 1937, at 11 a. m. The Moderator, Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, was in the chair.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. C. C. Myers.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers—C. C. Myers, J. S. Crowley, J. D. Withrow, C. H. Storey, D. D., Andrew J. Howell, P. C. Adams.

Ruling Elders— J. H. Clark, Elizabethtown; J. M. Taylor, Pearsall Memorial; C. C. Murphy, Winter Park.

The call for the meeting was found in order, the objects being to receive the Rev. W. H. Eubank from the Presbytery of Norfolk and to dissolve the pastoral relations between the Rev. R. M. Engle and his present field and to act upon the calls received by him from the Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial churches; also to transact any other business that might grow out of these matters.

Mr. Eubank, being present, tendered a certificate of dismission from his Presbytery to the Presbytery of Wilmington; and, upon his satisfactorily passing an examination as to experimental religion, theology and church government, he was, on motion, received as a member of Wilmington Presbytery, and his name ordered to be enrolled upon his signing the required obligation.

Mr. Engle informed Presbytery that he had offered his resignation as pastor, respectively, of the Lake Waccamaw, White Plains, Elkton and Ashwood churches, and that the same had been duly accepted, the churches concurring in his request to Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relationship. Upon motion, the resignation was approved and the pastoral relation with each church dissolved, effective August 31st, 1937.

The following commissioners from the churches extending the calls to Mr. Engle were present: Winter

Park, R. T. Sinclair and J. T. Barden; Pearsall Memorial, J. M. Taylor. They presented the calls from their churches, speaking also with reference to the unanimous vote of their respective congregations in extending the calls.

The calls were duly read and, upon motion, found in order and ordered to be placed in the hands of Mr. Engle. Upon his signifying his acceptance of same, the following commission was appointed to install him in the new pastorate: Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., J. D. Withrow, J. M. Plowden, C. C. Myers; and Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, W. H. Sprunt, J. E. Evans; any two ministers and one ruling elder to constitute a quorum. The time of the exercises and the parts to be taken were left to the pleasure of the commission.

The Home Missions committee of the Presbytery was requested to have the churches of Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, White Plains and Ashwood visited and the pulpits declared vacant.

The minutes were read and approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after prayer by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

## CALLED MEETING

Upon order of the Synod of North Carolina, the Presbytery of Wilmington met at Peace Junior college, Raleigh, N. C., on Tuesday, September 7, 1937, at 9:30 p. m. for the purpose of receiving Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., from the Presbytery of Abingdon, and to attend to any other business connected therewith.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. L. E. Wells, the last Moderator present, and was opened with prayer by him.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: C. H. Storey, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, W. C. Smith, J. Robt. Phipps, J. W. Miller, W. H. Eubank, P. C. Adams, L. E. Wells, C. C. Myers, R. M. Engle, (11).

Ruling Elders: J. D. Southerland, E. Norfleet, H. A. Creagh, (3).

Dr. Storey, chairman of Presbytery's Home Missions committee, gave information that Dr. G. A. Wilson, who was present, had been engaged by the Home Missions committee to serve as Superintendent-Evangelist of the Presbytery.

Dr. Wilson presented a certificate of dismissal from Abingdon Presbytery to the Presbytery of Wilmington, and the same was found to be in order. Thereupon Presbytery proceeded to examine him on subjects specified in the book of Church Order; and the examination was sustained as satisfactory. Upon motion, it was ordered that he be enrolled as a member of Wilmington Presbytery upon signing the required obligation, that he might serve as indicated.

Revs. M. O. Sommers and J. I. Knight were enrolled.

The minutes were read and approved.

After prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness, the meeting adjourned.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

## REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and thirty-sixth stated session in the Graves Memorial Presbyterian church, Clinton, N. C., on Tuesday, October 12, 1937, at 11 a. m.

By request of the Moderator, the opening sermon was preached by Rev. R. H. Poole from the text, John 3:3.

The meeting was called to order and Presbytery was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. M. P. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., W. C. Smith, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, B. F. Hall, Th. D., James R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, W. H. Eubank, G. A. Wilson, Jr., (21).

Ruling Elders: Herbert Lanier, Bethel; Gardner Edwards, Beulaville; J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro; A. D. Ward, Caswell; Dr. J. F. Landen, Chinquapin; W. D. McCaig, Church of Covenant; S. G. Wooten, Clarkton; E. R. Powell, Elizabethtown; W. T. Hines, Faison; H. McKinnon, Graves Memorial; Lawrence Southerland, Grove; James Evans, Hallsville; D. McL. Shaw, Harmony; J. T. Pearson, Holly Grove; G. T. Sutton, Lake Waccamaw; Gibson James, Maple Hill; C. Monroe, Mt. Horeb; J. G. Teachey, Pleasant View; E. L. Phillips, Pollocksville; J. May Wells, Rockfish; R. C. Platt, St. Andrews; P. S. Cromartie, South River; H. C. Brogden, Stanford; J. B. Wells, Teachey; John Powell, Wallace; A. L. Cavanaugh, Warsaw; R. C. Carson, Westminister; D. P. Southerland, Willard; O. F. Cooper, Wilmington First; J. L. Lamb, Winter Park, (30).

Rev. R. H. Poole was elected Moderator by acclamation.

A printed docket prepared by the Stated Clerk was presented and adopted.

Rev. F. H. King, pastor of the Baptist church of Clinton, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

A letter was read from Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Stated Clerk, explaining his non-attendance on account of impaired health. His absence was excused and the Permanent Clerk was requested to express to him the good-will of the Presbytery.

No pastors of churches were noted as absent from the last stated session.

Minutes of called meetings of August 16 and September 7, 1937, were read.

The statistical report of the Presbytery to the Synod of North Carolina, prepared by the Stated Clerk, was presented as follows:

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR SYNOD

Year Ending September 30, 1937.

Presbytery of Wilmington reports:

40 ministers, no licentiates  
8,040 communicants  
70 churches valued at \$1,295,925  
23 manses valued at \$ 144,500  
5 candidates for the ministry

Rev. W. H. Eubank received from Presbytery of Norfolk.

No ministers dismissed or deceased.

No churches organized, dissolved or transferred.

Pastoral Relations:

Established:

Rev. R. M. Engle, Pearsall Memorial and Winter Park,  
September 1, 1937.

Dissolved:

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial,  
March 31, 1937.

Rev. R. M. Engle, Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, Ashwood, White  
Plains, August 31, 1937.

Candidates Received:

Daniel D. Rhodes, by examination, December 28, 1936.

No candidates dismissed, dropped or licensed.

No licentiates received or dismissed.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

The following communications were read.

1. From Dr. H. G. Bedinger, President of Flora Macdonald college, extending an invitation to Presbytery to meet at the college in the spring, simultaneously with the Presbyteries of Fayetteville and Orange. Referred to the standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting.
2. From Dr. E. C. Scott, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, relative to certain matters sent down by the Assembly, viz:
  - a. Proposed amendment to the Book of Church Order as to "The Minister and His Work". Referred to the standing committee on Bills and Overtures.

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- b. Suggested changes in the doctrinal standards of the church. Referred to special committee consisting of Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., M. O. Sommers and F. L. Goodman for study and report at the next adjourned meeting of Presbytery.
- c. Request for the will of Presbytery as to the Presbyterian Church, U. S., resuming membership in the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. Referred to standing committee on Bills and Overtures.

Commissioners to the General Assembly of May, 1937, Revs. L. E. Wells, J. I. Knight, and R. C. Clontz and Ruling Elders H. R. Southerland and J. H. Clark, made report as to their diligence in attendance at its sessions.

Report of the commission appointed to install Rev. R. M. Engle as pastor of the Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial churches was read and accepted for record as follows:

The commission appointed to install Rev. R. M. Engle at Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial churches met at Winter Park Sunday morning September 19th and organized with prayer. The parts assigned were performed as follows: Rev. C. C. Myers preached the sermon; Rev. J. M. Plowden presided, propounded the constitutional questions and delivered a charge to the pastor; Dr. J. E. Evans delivered a charge to the congregation.

Following this service the commission recessed until the evening hour, meeting at Pearsall Memorial church at 7:45 P. M. The parts assigned were performed as follows: Rev. C. H. Storey, D.D., preached the sermon; Rev. J. M. Plowden presided and propounded the constitutional questions; Mr. W. H. Sprunt delivered a charge to the pastor; and Mr. W. D. McCaig delivered a charge to the congregation. After the service the commission adjourned with prayer.

C. H. STOREY, Chairman.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. J. W. Miller, recess was taken for luncheon.

TUESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Presbytery was called to order and prayer was offered by Rev. D. L. Jones.

The following members were enrolled:

Rev. J. I. Knight and Ruling Elder H. R. Southerland, Mt. Olive.

Rev. Lacy I. Moffett, D. D., of Transylvania Presbytery, and missionary at Kiangyin, China, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees for the session:

Devotional—Revs. A. J. Howell, R. M. Engle, M. O. Sommers.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and S. G. Harness, Ruling Elder R. C. Platt.

Nominations—Revs. B. F. Hall, Th. D., and J. W. Miller, Ruling Elder P. S. Cromartie.

Records of Presbytery—Rev. L. E. Wells, Ruling Elder H. R. Southerland.

Minutes of General Assembly—Rev. F. L. Goodman, Ruling Elder C. Monroe.

Leave of Absence—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, Ruling Elder S. G. Wooten.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Rev. C. C. Myers, Ruling Elder J. B. Wells.

Resolution of Thanks—Rev. D. L. Jones, Ruling Elder O. F. Cooper.

3 p. m. Presbytery observed a special order in the interest of the Ministers' Annuity Fund. The chairman of the committee on that subject, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., made report with recommendations, which was adopted:

Your committee divided the Presbytery into five districts, over each of which one member of the committee was put in immediate charge. With splendid lay assistance, an earnest effort was made to instruct and inspire, through district meetings, the representatives of all these churches.

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Up to the present time the following reports have been received from the churches:

CHURCH	PLEDGES	QUOTA	MINUS	PLUS
Beth Car	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$	
Bowden	13.00	75.00	62.00	
Burgaw	525.00	600.00	75.00	
Calypso	350.00	600.00	250.00	
Clarkton	1500.00	1500.00		
Elizabethtown	1000.00	1000.00		
Faison	918.00	900.00		18.00
Graves Memorial	1128.50	1500.00	371.50	
Morehead City	350.00	350.00		
Holly Grove	233.93	250.00	16.07	
Hopewell	150.00	175.00	25.00	
Maple Hill	42.00	42.00		
Mt. Horeb	150.00	150.00		
Mt. Williams	60.00	60.00		
Mt. Zion	377.00	900.00	523.00	
Oak Plains	146.00	300.00	154.00	
Pollocksville	105.50	340.00	234.50	
Teacheys	225.00	225.00		
Warsaw	713.00	1300.00	587.00	
White Oak	150.00	150.00		
Wildwood	105.00	80.00		25.00
Willard	276.50	225.00		51.50
St. Andrews	4630.00	4630.00		
Wilmington First	9467.10	6500.00		2967.10
Immanuel	227.00	600.00	373.00	
Church of Covenant	6000.00	6000.00		
	\$29,042.53	\$28,652.00	Net \$	390.53

The total quota for our Wilmington Presbytery was \$38,599.00.  
 Amount already pledged by 26 churches - - - - \$29,042.53

There are 41 churches in the Presbytery yet to be heard from, with a total of \$11,790.00.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. In view of the fact that it is earnestly hoped to complete this campaign in November, it is recommended that all our churches which have not yet raised their quota be urged to give this matter the right of way in their immediate plans and to make every possible effort to secure their quota by the end of November.
2. It is recommended that these churches make full use of laymen in presenting this matter to their congregations and in following it up to a successful conclusion.
3. In view of the serious consequences which would befall our denomination if this Ministers' Annuity Fund is not successfully launched at this time, it is recommended that all our Ministers be urged to lay aside any possible hesita-



tion which they may feel and actively to lead their people out in a serious effort to raise the full quota of the Presbytery at the earliest possible date.

4. It is also recommended that our Presbytery engage in a season of earnest prayer to Almighty God that He would give His divine blessing to this vitally important movement.

Presbytery was led in prayer for the success of the fund by Dr. Gilmour.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman of the standing committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, made report, which was received as information.

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, of the permanent Auditing committee, made report attesting the correctness of the accounts of the treasurer of the contingent fund. The report was approved.

Rev. P. L. Clark, Presbytery's member of the committee of the Synod on Stated Supply, offered report, which was received as information.

3:30 p. m. According to the docket, Rev. J. W. Miller gave a Scriptural exposition of "The Will of God", basing same on Matt. 6:10.

4 p. m. A special order in the interest of Religious Education was observed. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on the subject, offered report with recommendations which was adopted as follows:

Your committee of Religious Education in presenting its second annual report since its re-organization under the Assembly's plan, does so with a sense of deep gratitude to God for His rich blessings upon the work. We look back on a year which upon the whole has been satisfactory though there is much, that we had hoped to accomplish, remaining undone. We record the following items of interest which will give some idea of the work as it has been conducted:

First a review of activities in the Presbytery—In the Children's Division efforts have again been concentrated on the holding of Vacation Church Schools of which 29 have been held—an increase of 9 over last year—with a total enrollment of 1854, an increase over last year of 230. Miss Mildred Mallard, a student of the Training School and Miss Marietta Neece, paid workers, rendered effective service, in conducting part of these schools. In this connection we wish to acknowledge our appreciation to Wilmington Presbyterial for financial assistance in carrying forward this department of the work.

In the Young People's Division we have had splendid work this year. Two rallies have been held, the Mid-Winter at the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington during Christmas week and the Spring at the First church of Whiteville. Splendid programs were arranged for both of them and the attendance was large. Over forty of the young people of the Presbytery attended the Synodical Conference at Davidson in June. Our Presbyterial Conference was again held at Peace Junior college and perhaps marked the climax of our work in this department for the year.

There were 98 delegates in attendance with a staff of 21. A strong program of Bible study, class-room courses, inspirational addresses and supervised recreation had been arranged. The delegates were of unusually high character and a fine spirit prevailed throughout the Conference. The committee feels that definite advance has been made in this department. One gratifying feature has been the increased interest in the whole program of Young People's work on the part of the local organization. This has been brought about in part by visitation of the officers of Presbytery's League—the President, Shaw Smith, visited personally at least 18 of the local organizations during the summer. Several group conferences of officers were also held, which helped to better acquaint the young people with the program of work.

In the Department of Leadership Training we record with distinct pleasure that for the first time schools have been held in the Presbytery outside of Wilmington; one in the Warsaw District with an enrollment of 50 and average attendance of 35. In all of the Clarkton District, at the First church, Whiteville, with an enrollment of 40 and average attendance of 30 and the third at Clinton, with an enrollment of 55 and average attendance of 35. In all of these Dr. J. O. Mann taught the course on improving the Sunday School and at Whiteville, Dr. Watson M. Fairly the course for church officers. The school at Wilmington was a Standard School offering three courses. There was an enrollment of 329 and average attendance of 205, 19 churches represented and 115 credits awarded. In addition to this school, separate classes were taught at the First church, Wilmington, and Church of Covenant with good attendance and 20 credits awarded. This has been decidedly the best year yet recorded in the work of this department.

No special activities are noted in the other two departments, Adult and Organization and Extension.

Turning now for a moment to the work of the Synod we find that the year has been marked by advance along many lines. Perhaps the most outstanding has been the increased interest in Leadership Training and Vacation Bible schools. The report of our director reveals that in the latter field 197 churches have conducted schools with a total enrollment of 14,300, perhaps the most effective year's work in this department ever conducted in this or any other Synod.

In the face of these encouraging facts there is one discouragement which we regret to record but which we feel should be seriously noted, and that is there has been a slight decrease in the Sunday School enrollment in the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. While this decrease is small, 5 for the Presbytery, 38

for the Synod, and 4023 for the Assembly, nevertheless it is a tendency in the wrong direction which should be checked if possible.

It is with distinct pleasure that we note the addition of two new workers in the field, one in the Presbytery and the other in the Synod. Dr. Goodridge Wilson has just entered upon his labors as Superintendent of Home Missions for the Presbytery and will, we are sure, render large assistance in the field of Religious Education which at many points is so closely related to the Home Mission work. Miss Mary Louise Woodson, for a number of years an outstanding worker in the Synod of Texas, has recently come to our Synod to head up the Division of Young People's Work.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the work of Religious Education so essential to the establishment of the church be promoted with increasing vigor during the coming year.
2. That the sessions of the local churches be urged to take the leadership in promoting this part of the work in their respective churches.
3. That the Young People's conference be held next summer at Peace Junior college, if available, all arrangements for which shall be in the hands of the sub-committee on Young People's work; that information concerning this conference be given at the spring meeting of Presbytery.
4. That the Presbytery appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of this committee to be paid out of the treasury of Home Missions.
5. That far greater effort be made by pastors and others for the teaching of individual classes and the holding of schools in Leadership Training in order that the standard of our present teaching force may be raised and new leaders discovered and developed.
6. That in view of the enlarged program of service planned by the Synod's committee that each local church be urged to comply with the action of the Synod and contribute one per cent of their benevolent gifts to this work, and that pastors see to it that these funds are being sent regularly to the proper treasurer, Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen, N. C.

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The committee presented the following financial statement for the past year:

**CHILDREN'S DIVISION:**

Receipts:

Wilmington Presbyterial	\$ 30.00	
Presbytery's Com. of Home Missions	18.30	
Faison V. C. S.	3.00	
Total		\$ 51.30

Disbursements:

Miss Marietta Neece (4 weeks @ \$7.50)	\$ 30.00	
Promotional expenses (postage, etc.)	3.30	
Refund to Presbyterial	16.50	
Total		\$49.80
Balance on hand		1.50

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION—Peace Conference:**

Receipts:

96 Delegates @\$5.50	\$528.00	
2 Delegates @ 2.75	5.50	
2 Junior Counsellors @ 2.75	5.50	
2 Extra Meals @ 35c	.70	
Total		\$539.70

Disbursements:

98 Delegates' Board @ \$4.00	\$392.00	
2 Junior Counsellors' Board @ \$4.00	8.00	
19 Staff Members' Board @ \$4.00	76.00	
2 Extra Meals @ 35c	.70	
Expense of Conference Nurse	4.80	
Expense of Music Director	6.00	
Supplies and Stationery (at Peace)	1.80	
Printing	15.52	
<b>Promotional Expenses</b>		
Telephone and Telegraph	\$3.08	
Postage and Stationery	8.50	
Mileage—350 mi. @ 2c	7.00	18.58
Total		\$523.40
Balance on hand		\$ 16.30

The chairman of the various sub-committees of this department made additional report as follows:

Children's Division—Rev. F. L. Goodman.  
 Young People's Division—Rev. M. O. Sommers.  
 Adult Work—Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.  
 Leadership Training—Rev. J. W. Miller.  
 Organization and Extension—Rev. S. G. Harness.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman, permanent committee on the Orphans' Home, made report, which was approved. In connection with the subject, Presbytery heard a statement from Ruling Elder J. H. Clark with reference to the prospective Thanksgiving offering.

Rev. W. C. Smith gave information that he had resigned his pastorate of the Chinquapin group of churches, and requested that Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relationship and furnish him a certificate of dismissal to Mecklenburg Presbytery. Representatives of the churches in his group, being present, informed Presbytery that the several congregations had reluctantly concurred in the request of their pastor. Upon motion, the pastoral relationship was dissolved, effective October 31, 1937, and the Stated Clerk was directed to furnish the certificate of dismissal requested.

Presbytery was led in prayer by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., for Mr. Smith and his wife as they go to their new work.

After announcements, and prayer by Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., in which special petition was offered for Rev. Geo. M. Matthis, of Durham, N. C., and former member of Wilmington Presbytery, who is ill, Presbytery took recess until the evening session.

TUESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

A popular meeting was held in the interest of Foreign Missions, with the Moderator, Rev. R. H. Poole, presiding. After the reading of a passage of Scripture (Acts 1:1-11) and prayer, Rev. P. L. Clark was called to the chair. Mr. Poole, as chairman of the permanent committee on Foreign Missions, offered report with recommendations which were adopted. In connection therewith, an inspiring address was delivered by Dr. Lacy I. Moffett on the status of the mission work in China.

The recommendations of the committee, adopted, were:

1. That the claims of this cause be laid upon the hearts of the members of our churches, auxiliaries, men's organizations, Sunday Schools and young people's societies, and that they be urged to make a special effort this year to provide the funds needed to send new missionaries to the front to prevent further breakdowns and to seize the unlimited opportunities God is giving us in our work abroad.
2. We note with regret that our mission receipts have fallen off for the first five months of 1937-38 and urge that an earnest effort be made to increase the gifts to the cause of Foreign Missions, so that not only its yearly expenses may be met in full but that all Foreign Mission debts may be speedily liquidated.
3. That the whole church engage in prayer and supplication that God may pour out upon us and our people, such a spirit of loyalty and vision and such a sense of the need and urgency of this cause as shall make its claims upon our support and result in an investment of life and of means adequate to enable us to meet the emergency arising out of the conflict in China.
4. That all our church organizations, men's work, auxiliaries, Sunday Schools, young people's societies, be urged to use the Foreign Mission season, January 1 to February 6, for studying world missions, using the books recommended by the Foreign Mission committee, and that the special Foreign Missions Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, January 30 to February 6, be observed in every church and organization with supplemental Foreign Mission offerings.

Rev. P. C. Adams was enrolled, and Rev. H. G. Bedinger, D. D., of Fayetteville Presbytery, and Rev. R. F. Marshburn, of the Baptist church, were introduced and sat as visiting brethren.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman of the permanent committee on Assembly's Home Missions, made report which

was received as information.

After announcements and prayer by Dr. B. F. Hall, Presbytery adjourned for the day.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13.

9 a. m. A service of worship was conducted by Rev. W. H. Eubank on the subject of evangelism.

The following members were enrolled: Revs. F. S. Johnston and R. C. Clontz, and Ruling Elders John Darden, Immanuel, and J. T. Barden (alternate), Winter Park.

Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

9:30 a. m. Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman, permanent committee on Presbytery's Home Missions, made report, which was adopted as follows:

Your committee is happy to report that progress is being made in our Home Mission work. All of our churches are now supplied with pastoral services except the Lake Waccamaw group made vacant September 1st by the resignation of Rev. R. M. Engle. Steps have already been taken to fill this vacancy and we hope to have a man on the field in a short time. New Hope and Southport are being served by Rev. J. R. Potts as Stated Supply. The Rocky Point Group is being temporarily served by Rev. J. S. Crowley. Evangelistic services have been held in two of these churches and a deeper interest is evident. Rev. W. H. Eubank, Stated Supply for the Pink Hill group, has held several splendid evangelistic meetings, three in the churches of his own group and three in churches of other groups. Rev. J. D. Withrow is giving his full time to the Woodburn and Acme churches. At least twelve meetings have been held in our Home Mission churches since the spring meeting and several others are scheduled for the near future.

We have secured the services of Rev. Goodridge A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., of Marion, Va. as Superintendent of Home Missions and Evangelist for the Presbytery, at a salary of \$2500 per year and a manse, he to provide his own car and traveling expense. Dr. Wilson took up his work on September 1st and is rapidly acquainting himself with the field and the work. He has a profound interest in Home Mission work and we feel is admirably qualified for this work. Believing that he will fully justify the judgment of the committee in selecting him for this important work, we heartily wel-

come him as a co-laborer and pray God's richest blessing upon his ministry among us.

Plans are now underway for the erection of a manse at Lake Waccamaw and another at Pink Hill. We expect to build one at Woodburn a little later. With the completion of these projects our Building Fund will have been exhausted and we have little hopes of its being replenished. Unless and until it is replenished, we shall have no funds for the painting, repairing or improving of the physical properties of our Home Mission churches and manses. The committee holds several notes for monies loaned to churches from this Building Fund, and we urge the payment of these notes at the earliest possible date. We again record our deep gratitude to Mrs. J. K. Wise for providing this special fund and our conviction that a magnificent work has been done in keeping our churches and manses in repair, and making possible better Sunday School equipment for many of these churches. We earnestly hope that in some way the work may be continued.

Despite the fact that we have brought all of our married men to a minimum salary of \$1500, and our single men to a minimum of \$1400, we have met all of our financial obligations to date. We would, however, call attention to the additional obligations recently assumed and urge all of the churches to give more liberal support to this worthy cause. We believe in Home Missions and believe that the progress of the church is largely measured by the progress of its Home Mission work. There is yet room for expansion and challenging tasks call us to a forward movement.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the church at Bolton be dissolved and that its members and records be transferred to the church at Lake Waccamaw.
2. That the Home Mission committee be authorized to dispose of the lot and the church building at Bolton.
3. That the Trustees of Presbytery be and hereby are authorized to execute a deed and give title to the building and lot at Bolton in accordance with the terms agreed upon by the Home Mission committee.
4. That Presbytery grant Rev. W. H. Eubank permission to serve the Pink Hill group of churches as Stated Supply until the Spring Meeting.
5. That Presbytery approve the action of the Home Mission committee in appointing Rev. J. R. Potts, of Orange Presbytery, as temporary supply at the Southport and New Hope churches.

The chairman also presented the report of O. H. Shoemaker, Treasurer, Home Mission funds, from April to October, 1937, which was approved, viz:

RECEIPTS

|                                               |           |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Brought forward                               |           | \$1655.75 |           |
| Synod's Home Missions                         | \$1167.50 |           |           |
| Rent of 209 N. 13th St.                       | 83.10     |           |           |
| Dividend from N. C. Bank<br>and Trust Company | 52.65     | 1303.25   |           |
| From Churches on apportionments               |           | 1462.66   | \$4421.66 |



DISBURSEMENTS

|                                                      |           |                  |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Rev. P. L. Clark, (salary)                           | \$ 125.00 |                  |
| Rev. W. H. Eubank, (salary)                          | 250.00    |                  |
| Rev. R. M. Engle, (salary)                           | 250.00    |                  |
| Rev. F. L. Goodman, (salary)                         | 270.82    |                  |
| Rev. C. C. Myers, (salary)                           | 166.67    |                  |
| Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, (salary)                       | 300.00    |                  |
| Rev. W. C. Smith, (salary)                           | 333.32    |                  |
| Rev. J. D. Withrow, (salary)                         | 224.99    |                  |
| Rev. J. R. Potts, (salary)                           | 191.66    |                  |
| Committee Expenses (Mrs. Greenwood)                  | 7.70      |                  |
| Committee Expenses, (G. A. Wilson, Jr.)              | 22.22     |                  |
| Committee Expenses, (Dr. Storey)                     | 9.57      |                  |
| Committee Expenses, (Dr. Whitmore)                   | 3.30      |                  |
| Religious Education, (Dr. Whitmore)                  | 15.00     |                  |
| Rev. J. S. Crowley, (Supply in<br>Rocky Point Group) | 50.00     |                  |
| V. M. Cox, (moving furniture)                        | 172.00    |                  |
|                                                      |           | <u>\$2392.25</u> |
| Balance on hand                                      |           | <u>\$2029.40</u> |

In connection with the Home Mission report, Presbytery heard a brief address by Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., newly appointed Superintendent of Home Missions and Evangelist.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the proposed changes in the doctrinal standards of the church, offered the following report, which was adopted.

Your committee appointed to consider the proposed amendments to the Confession of Faith and catechisms would recommend that it be continued, with instructions to report at the next adjourned meeting of Presbytery.

10:15 a. m. Rev. R. C. Clontz, chairman of the permanent committee on Educational Institutions, made report, and presented Dr. H. G. Bedinger, President, Flora Mac Donald college, who addressed the Presbytery with reference to his institution, particularly as to a projected financial campaign to be inaugurated in the near future. Dr. J. H. Whitmore, trustee, Peace Junior college, and Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, trustee, Davidson college, also made reports concerning those institutions.

The report of the committee as a whole was approved.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., offered the following report for the standing committee on Bills and Over-

tures, which was adopted:

In regard to the two matters referred to this committee, we recommend the following action:

- a. As to the question of the General Assembly, "Shall we re-enter the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America?"—that this be answered in the affirmative.
- b. As to the proposed amendment to the Book of Church Order touching the appointment of a permanent commission in each Presbytery to advise with the sessions of vacant churches with regard to temporary supplies and the securing of permanent pastors—that the Presbytery appoint an ad-interim committee of five, consisting of three ministers and two ruling elders, to consider this matter and bring a report to the spring meeting of Presbytery.

Upon adoption of the report, the following ad-interim committee was named:

Revs. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., and Ruling Elders O. F. Cooper and Dr. J. E. Evans.

11 a. m. By appointment, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., preached a doctrinal sermon from the text, Romans 1:17; after which the communion service was observed, with Revs. G. A. Wilson, Jr., and F. L. Goodman presiding. Eight ruling elders, members of the Presbytery, distributed the elements.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman of the standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, presented a recommendation from his committee that the invitation of Flora Macdonald college for the spring meeting be accepted, the meeting to be held at the same time as the meetings of the Presbyteries of Fayetteville and Orange at the college. The report was unanimously adopted.

Rev. B. F. Hall, Th. D., chairman, made report for the standing committee on Nominations, which was adopted as follows:

We offer the following nominations:

Trustees of Presbytery for three years—J. O. Carr, W. H. Sprunt, R. C. Carson.

Trustees of Davidson College for three years—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, and W. P. Sprunt.

Miss Alice Inman in place of Mrs. L. B. Huie on sub-committee on Adult Work of the committee on Religious Education.

Rev. W. H. Eubank to succeed Rev. W. C. Smith on sub-committee on Adult Work; and Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., to succeed Mr. Smith on committee on Educational Institutions.

Omitting the name of Col. Walker Taylor, deceased, from Pres-

bytery's Home Missions committee and the Foreign Mission committee.

Ruling Elder J. H. Carr, Mt. Zion, was enrolled.

Upon motion, it was ordered that Presbytery give place on the docket of the spring meeting for consideration of the question of having four stated meetings annually.

Upon motion, it was ordered that the Presbytery meet in adjourned session on Tuesday, November 30, 1937, at 11 a. m., in the Wallace Presbyterian church.

Rev. G. F. Bell, D. D., of the Presbytery of Louisville, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., recess was taken for luncheon, Presbytery to reconvene at 1:45 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, 1:45 P. M.

Presbytery was called to order and prayer was offered by Rev. L. E. Wells.

Rev. L. E. Wells, chairman of the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee reports that it has examined the printed minutes and find them neatly and economically printed, and as to subject matter correct, so far as we recall or have been able to find out.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman of the permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, made report as follows, which was adopted:

Your committee on Sabbath and Family Religion observes the common neglect of family Scripture reading and prayer and a resulting ignorance of the Bible. This neglect, together with laxity in Sabbath observance, tends to break down our religious faith and practice.

We bring these matters to the consideration of elders and ministers as subjects for prayer and action.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of the permanent committee on Stewardship, presented the following report, with recommendations, which was adopted:

We are glad to report that there was a good increase of gifts during the past year. There was a more intensive campaign carried on by the local pastors and officers. This resulted in a better canvass than usual.

In preparation for this year's work, we are planning to hold a stewardship conference at the time and place which we feel will have the most beneficial results.

We recommend that:

1. That we accept the Synod's asking for \$52,000.00 for the benevolent causes of our church.
2. That the churches accept the apportionment which the committee has tried to arrange so that each church may have its fair share in support of the extension of the Kingdom.
3. That each church shall make an every member canvass on March 13, 1938. And that each church shall make an effort to get each member to state his plans for giving during the year.
4. That March 20, 1938 be designated as "Presbyterian Loyalty Day" when members shall be urged to pay up their pledges to the church.
5. Since the apportionments assigned the churches are not

enough to make \$52,000.00 each church is asked to go a little beyond its askings.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, made report, which was received as information.

Rev. W. P. M. Currie, chairman, permanent committee on History, reported that no matters were brought to the attention of the committee.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, offered the following paper, which was cordially adopted:

The Presbytery of Wilmington expresses its hearty thanks to the pastor and congregation of the Graves Memorial Church for their kind hospitality. Our stay in your midst has been a pleasant one. We appreciate your Christian fellowship and kindly consideration. We thank the ladies for the excellent meals served us.

We wish to congratulate the church on the recent additions to its facilities and the evidences of an active work in Christ's cause.

May the blessing of God continue to rest upon you.

It was ordered that a copy of the resolution be furnished Rev. M. O. Sommers, pastor, to be read from his pulpit.

Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman of the standing committee on Leave of Absence, presented the following report, which was adopted:

The following were excused after the afternoon session on Tuesday: Revs. James R. Phipps and W. C. Smith and Ruling Elders E. L. Phillips, R. C. Carson, C. Monroe, A. L. Cavanaugh, Dr. J. F. Landen, Gardner Edwards, Herbert Lanier, J. T. Pearson, D. McL. Shaw, J. B. Wells, James Evans, John Powell.

After the night session Tuesday: Rev. L. W. Kessler and Ruling Elder D. T. Southerland.

From sessions Tuesday, and after 11 a. m. Wednesday: Rev. R. C. Clontz.

After morning session Wednesday: Rev. F. S. Johnston and Ruling elder J. T. Barden.

Rev. B. F. Hall, Th. D., was appointed by the Moderator to preach the doctrinal sermon in the spring, his subject to be "The Sovereignty of God."

Upon final roll call, the following members answered to their names:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L.

Goodman, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, B. F. Hall, Th. D., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, W. H. Eubank, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., (18).

Ruling Elders: E. R. Powell, H. R. Southerland, W. T. Hines, P. S. Cromartie, S. G. Wooten, A. D. Ward, J. May Wells, Gibson James, H. McKinnon, J. Frank Davis.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

After singing of the hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds", and prayer by the Moderator, the Presbytery adjourned to meet in adjourned session at Wallace on November 30th and in regular spring session at Red Springs, N. C.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Olive         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Williams      |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Zion          |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—New Hope          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—Oakdale           |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oak Plains        |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Pearsall Memorial |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pike              |
| 10—Bowden                 | 45—Pink Hill         |
| 11—Brown Marsh            | 46—Pleasant View     |
| 12—Burgaw                 | 47—Pollocksville     |
| 13—Calypso                | 48—Rockfish          |
| 14—Caswell                | 49—Rocky Point       |
| 15—Chadbourn              | 50—St. Andrews       |
| 16—Chinquapin             | 51—Seven Springs     |
| 17—Church of the Covenant | 52—Smiths            |
| 18—Clarkton               | 53—Southport         |
| 19—Croatan                | 54—South River       |
| 20—Currie                 | 55—Stanford          |
| 21—Delgado                | 56—Sweet Home        |
| 22—Elizabethtown          | 57—Teachey           |
| 23—Elkton                 | 58—Topsail           |
| 24—Faison                 | 59—Wallace           |
| 25—Graves Memorial        | 60—Warsaw            |
| 26—Grove                  | 61—Webb Memorial     |
| 27—Hallsville             | 62—Westminister      |
| 28—Harmony                | 63—White Plains      |
| 29—Hebron                 | 64—Whiteville First  |
| 30—Holly Grove            | 65—Wildwood          |
| 31—Hopewell               | 66—Willard           |
| 32—Immanuel               | 67—Wilmington First  |
| 33—Jacksonville           | 68—Winter Park       |
| 34—Lake Waccamaw          | 69—Woodburn          |
| 35—Maple Hill             |                      |

MINISTERS

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1—J. E. L. Winecuff       | 21—K. B. McCutchen     |
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| 3—L. T. Newland           | 23—R. H. Poole         |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 24—C. H. Storey, D. D. |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 25—P. C. Adams         |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 26—J. I. Knight        |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 27—L. E. Wells         |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 28—M. O. Sommers       |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 29—B. F. Hall          |
| 10—J. E. Purcell, D. D.   | 30—J. S. Crowley       |
| 11—C. C. Myers            | 31—Jas. R. Phipps      |
| 12—R. C. Clontz           | 32—L. W. Kessler       |
| 13—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 33—S. C. Farrior       |
| 14—W. L. Wilson           | 34—J. O. Mann          |
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| 17—S. G. Harness          | 37—R. M. Engle         |
| 18—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 38—D. L. Jones         |
| 19—J. W. Miller           | 39—W. H. Eubank        |
| 20—F. L. Goodman          | 40—G. A. Wilson, Jr.   |

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*Foreign Missions*—Revs. R. H. Poole (1935), M. O. Sommers, A. J.  
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*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1935), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders W. H. Sprunt, J. B. Huntington.

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EXAMINATION

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*Academic Studies*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. (1935), A. J. Howell.

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*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1935), P. C. Adams.

*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. R. M. Engle (1936), J. M. Plowden.

*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1936), D. L. Jones.

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APRIL 1, 1938.

|                     |          |                      |           |
|---------------------|----------|----------------------|-----------|
| Acme -----          | \$ 75.00 | Maple Hill -----     | \$ 30.00  |
| Antioch -----       | 25.00    | Mt. Horeb -----      | 60.00     |
| Ashwood -----       | 80.00    | Mt. Olive -----      | 800.00    |
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| Beth Car -----      | 100.00   | Mt. Zion -----       | 710.00    |
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| Beulaville -----    | 90.00    | Oakdale -----        | 25.00     |
| Black River -----   | 125.00   | Oak Plains -----     | 175.00    |
| Bladenboro -----    | 25.00    | Pearsall Memorial -- | 410.00    |
| Bowden -----        | 40.00    | Pike -----           | 100.00    |
| Brown Marsh -----   | 40.00    | Pink Hill -----      | 50.00     |
| Burgaw -----        | 325.00   | Pleasant View -----  | 50.00     |
| Calypso -----       | 325.00   | Pollocksville -----  | 150.00    |
| Caswell -----       | 150.00   | Rockfish -----       | 325.00    |
| Chadbourn -----     | 225.00   | Rocky Point -----    | 180.00    |
| Chinquapin -----    | 200.00   | St. Andrews -----    | 7,470.00  |
| Covenant -----      | 9,000.00 | Seven Springs -----  | 25.00     |
| Clarkton -----      | 800.00   | Smiths -----         | 30.00     |
| Croatan -----       | 30.00    | Southport -----      | 60.00     |
| Currie -----        | 50.00    | South River -----    | 100.00    |
| Delgado -----       | 100.00   | Stanford -----       | 30.00     |
| Elizabethtown ----- | 200.00   | Sweet Home -----     | 10.00     |
| Elkton -----        | 40.00    | Teachey -----        | 150.00    |
| Faison -----        | 225.00   | Topsail -----        | 75.00     |
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| Grove -----         | 225.00   | Warsaw -----         | 535.00    |
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| Hebron -----        | 25.00    | White Plains -----   | 50.00     |
| Holly Grove -----   | 100.00   | Whiteville First --  | 350.00    |
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| Immanuel -----      | 700.00   | Willard -----        | 125.00    |
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1928-1937

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Rev. A. J. Howell

1930

Rev. W. L. Wilson  
Rev. A. V. Gibson

1931

Rev. M. J. Murray  
Rev. W. C. Smith

1932

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Rev. S. G. Harness

1933

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  
Rev. J. A. Boyd

1934

Rev. F. L. Goodman  
Rev. J. W. Miller

1935

Rev. W. P. M. Currie  
Rev. J. Robt. Phipps  
Rev. R. H. Poole

1936

Rev. P. C. Adams  
Rev. D. L. Williamson

1937

Rev. J. I. Knight  
Rev. L. E. Wells  
Rev. R. C. Clontz

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1930

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1931

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1932

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1933

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1934

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1935

Mr. E. Norfleet  
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Mr. R. V. Wells

1936

Dr. J. E. Evans  
Mr. J. L. Miller

1937

Mr. H. R. Southerland  
Mr. J. H. Clark  
Mr. H. M. Wells

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**Wilmington Presbytery**

**One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Stated Session  
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**Flora Macdonald College,  
Red Springs, N. C.  
April 11 and 12, 1938**



**Adjourned Meetings:**  
Wallace, N. C., November 30, 1937.  
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## ADJOURNED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session in the Wallace Presbyterian church on Tuesday, November 30th, 1937, at 11 a. m.

Rev. R. H. Poole, Moderator, presided, and the Presbytery was constituted with prayer by him, after the singing of a hymn.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. M. Plowden, C. C. Myers, W. L. Wilson, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, B. F. Hall, Th. D., J. D. Withrow, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, W. H. Eubank, (21);

Ruling Elders: A. F. Burney, Brown Marsh; W. R. Rich, Hopewell; C. Monroe, Mt. Horeb; J. M. Wells, Rockfish; H. L. Joslyn, Webb Memorial; Hugh Murdoch, Wildwood, (6).

Communications were read from the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries of Orange and Fayetteville with reference to arrangements for the joint meetings of the Presbyteries in the spring. The Moderator and the Stated Clerk were named a committee to serve with others in making such arrangements.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the special committee appointed to consider the proposed changes in the doctrinal standards of the church, presented the subject; and, upon motion, Presbytery resolved itself into a committee of the whole to discuss the various changes suggested. After considerable discussion, recess was taken for luncheon.

2 p. m. Presbytery reassembled and resumed consideration of the doctrinal subjects; and, after the rising of the committee, vote was taken to approve the changes proposed with certain alterations in thought and phrasology embodying the views of the Presbytery. It was ordered that detailed action of the Presbytery be submitted to Dr. H. H. Sweets, chairman of the special committee of the General Assembly on the subject.

It was voted, also, to recommend to that committee that a separate chapter on the Holy Spirit be added to the Confession of Faith; and that no chapters be added on the Love of God and Missions and Social Service. Proposed changes in the catechisms were approved.

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

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Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, made report of subscriptions for the accrued liability fund received from churches of the Presbytery to date, the same amounting to a sum about \$3,000 less than the Presbytery's quota of over \$38,000. Presbytery engaged in a concert of prayer for the success of the efforts to complete the raising of the fund in the Presbytery.

Rev. B. F. Hall, Th.D., made request that Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relationship existing between him and the Webb Memorial and Wildwood churches, that he might accept the pastorate of the Central Presbyterian church of St. Louis, Mo. Elders from the two churches, as commissioners, informed the Presbytery of the action of their churches in concurring reluctantly with their pastor in the request that the relations be dissolved. Upon motion, the dissolution was allowed, effective December 19th, 1937.

Upon the request of Dr. Hall, a letter of dismissal was granted to him to unite with the Presbytery of St. Louis. In connection with this action, remarks were made by members of Presbytery with reference to his ministry and bright hopes entertained for his future service.

Presbytery heard announcements from Rev. M. O. Sommers, chairman, with reference to the young people's rally to be held in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, on Dec. 23rd, and from Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, regarding the proposed pastor's stewardship conference on January 11th, 1938; the latter to be held in St. Andrews church, Wilmington, at 10:30 a. m.

Upon motion, Presbytery ordered that it meet in adjourned session on Tuesday, December 14th, 1937, at 11 a. m. in the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington.

After prayer by Rev. B. F. Hall, Th.D., the meeting adjourned.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

## ADJOURNED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session in the pastor's study of the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington, on Tuesday, December 14th, 1937, at 11 a. m.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., the last Moderator present, presided, and the session was constituted with prayer by Rev. J. M. Plowden.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. C. Myers, J. M. Plowden, S. G. Harness, A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, C. H. Storey, D. D., R. M. Engle, F. S. Johnston, J. D. Withrow, F. L. Goodman, P. L. Clark, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., M. O. Sommers, (15);

Ruling Elder: S. A. Haines, St. Andrews.

Rev. Earl F. Thompson, of King's Mountain Presbytery, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

A letter was presented from King's Mountain Presbytery dismissing Rev. E. F. Thompson to the Presbytery of Wilmington; and, pending action on a motion to receive him, he was examined on subjects specified in the Book of Church Order. The examination was declared to be satisfactory, and Mr. Thompson was duly received as a member, and his name ordered to be enrolled upon his signing the required obligation.

Dr. C. H. Storey, chairman of Presbytery's Home Missions committee, read calls for the pastoral services of Mr. Thompson from the churches of Lake Waccamaw and Ashwood. The same were found to be in order, and they were placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his acceptance, the following commission was appointed to install him: Revs. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., R. M. Engle, J. D. Withrow, J. W. Miller, and Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, J. W. Hall and J. M. Meshaw, any two ministers and a ruling elder to form a quorum. The dates for the exercises and the assignment of parts were left to the pleasure of the commission.

Upon suggestion of the Home Missions committee, Mr. Thompson was also appointed stated supply of the Elkton and White Plains churches until the spring meeting.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of Presbytery's committee on Religious Education, presented a letter from Rev. J. O. Mann, Director of Religious Education for the Synod, with reference to a proposed conference of Sunday school workers to be addressed by Rev. Paul H. Vieth. After discussion, Presbytery expressed approval of such a conference and left the necessary arrangements to be made by Dr. Whitmore.

Dr. C. H. Storey, chairman of the local committee of Wilmington ministers, announced the annual Leadership Training School for that city, to be held from January 30th to February 4th, 1938, to which Sunday school workers in the Presbytery are invited.

After further announcements as to the spring meeting and, by Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman, of plans for furthering work in the children's division of Religious Education, and the reading and approval of the minutes, the meeting adjourned, with closing prayer by the Moderator, Dr. Gilmour.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

## REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and thirty-seventh stated session in Flora Macdonald college, Red Springs, N. C., Monday, April 11, 1938.

At a joint service of worship, in the college auditorium, the opening sermon was delivered by Rev. O. C. Williamson, D. D., of Orange Presbytery, on the text, Psalm 144:12. At this time also an address was heard from Mr. J. W. Hill in the interest of the Presbyterian Committee of Publication.

The Presbytery of Wilmington was called to order at 12:15 p. m. in the Epsilon Chi society hall by Rev. R. H. Poole, Moderator, and was constituted with prayer offered by him.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. O. Mann, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., E. F. Thompson, (22);

Ruling Elders: C. L. Braddy, Ashwood; S. Y. Pharr, Beth Car; J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro; S. D. Davis, Calypso; D. W. Monroe, Chadbourn; L. E. Hall, Church of Covenant; C. S. Clark, Clarkton; E. R. Powell, Elizabethtown; I. L. Faison, Faison; F. B. Johnson, Graves Memorial; J. L. Miller, Hallsville; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; Paul Savage, Mt. Horeb; C. C. Moore, Mt. Zion; W. I. Hall, Oak Plains; Durham Grady, Pleasant View; R. P. Bender, Pollocksville; P. S. Cromartie, South River; H. C. Brogden, Stanford; J. D. Southerland, Teachey; R. C. Carson, Westminster; A. A. Clark, White Plains; W. G. Prevatte, Whiteville First; L. B. Stevenson, Wilmington First; C. C. Murphy, Winter Park, (25).

Rev. F. S. Johnston was elected Moderator.

A printed docket presented by the Stated Clerk was adopted.

Unpublished minutes of meetings of November 30 and December 14, 1937, were read; and the minutes of the commission appointed to install Rev. E. F. Thompson as pastor of the Lake Waccamaw and Ashwood churches were read and accepted for record as follows:

The commission appointed to install Rev. Earl F. Thompson as pastor of the Lake Waccamaw and Ashwood churches met in the



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Lake Waccamaw church January 9, 1938, at 11 a. m. Members present: Dr. G. A. Wilson, Jr., chairman, Revs. J. W. Miller and J. D. Withrow, and Ruling Elder John W. Hall.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. J. D. Withrow, who was also requested to act as clerk. Dr. Wilson presided, preached a sermon from Phil. 1:12, and propounded the constitutional questions. Rev. J. W. Miller charged the congregation, and Rev. J. D. Withrow charged the pastor.

Rev. E. F. Thompson was declared to be duly installed pastor of the church. After the benediction by him, the commission took recess to meet in the Ashwood church at 3:00 p. m.

At 3:00 p. m. the commission reconvened in the Ashwood church for the purpose of installing the Rev. Mr. Thompson as pastor. Dr. Wilson presided, propounded the constitutional questions and delivered the charge to the pastor. Rev. J. W. Miller preached a sermon from the texts, Acts 9:17 and Romans 1:15. Rev. J. D. Withrow delivered the charge to the congregation.

Rev. Mr. Thompson was declared duly installed pastor of the church. The minutes were read and approved; and, after the benediction by Mr. Thompson, the commission adjourned, being closed with prayer by Rev. J. W. Miller.

J. D. WITHROW, Clerk.

Communications were read from Dr. W. L. Lingle, President of Davidson college and Dr. E. B. Paisley, President of the Assembly's Training school, with reference to their institutions. The same were received as information.

Reference was made to the absence of Rev. W. P. M. Currie on account of illness. His absence was excused, and, upon motion, the Presbytery directed that prayer be offered for his recovery at the close of the morning session. The Stated Clerk was instructed to write a letter to Mr. Currie expressing the sympathetic interest of the Presbytery.

Upon his written request, Rev. F. L. Goodman was excused from attendance at the day's sessions.

The matter of the proposal of four stated meetings of the Presbytery each year was, upon motion, referred to a special committee, consisting of Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., Rev. S. G. Harness and Rev. J. I. Knight.

A communication was read from Rev. J. E. Purcell, D. D., requesting a letter of dismissal to Fayetteville Presbytery. The same was granted.

After prayer by Rev. J. O. Mann, in which petition was offered for the recovery and continued usefulness of Rev. W. P. M. Currie, the Presbytery took recess for luncheon.

MONDAY, 2:15 P. M.

The three convening Presbyteries engaged in a service of prayer, with Rev. N. R. Claytor, Moderator of Orange Presbytery, presiding.

Addresses were heard from Rev. P. C. Adams, President, Presbyterian Junior College for Men, with reference to his institution; Rev. I. S. McElroy on the subject of the American Bible Society; and Rev. C. H. Pritchard, D. D., on the Home Mission work of the General Assembly.

4:30 p. m. Wilmington Presbytery was called to order, and prayer was offered by Rev. D. L. Jones. Revs. W. H. Eubank, J. D. Withrow and P. C. Adams were enrolled.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Devotional—Revs. P. L. Clark and A. J. Howell and Ruling Elder D. W. Monroe.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. R. H. Poole, J. W. Miller and G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D.

Nominations—Revs. James R. Phipps and L. E. Wells and Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte.

Narrative—Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., Rev. J. W. Miller and Ruling Elder L. E. Hall.

Records of Presbytery—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. L. W. Kessler, and Ruling Elder Durham Grady.

Minutes of Synod—Revs. M. O. Sommers and E. F. Thompson and Ruling Elder C. L. Braddy.

Leave of Absence—Revs. J. I. Knight and D. L. Jones and Ruling Elder I. L. Faison.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Revs. R. C. Clontz and S. G. Harness and Ruling Elder J. L. Miller.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and W. H. Eubank, and Ruling Elder R. P. Bender.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., chairman of the ad interim committee on the proposed changes in the Book of Church Order with reference to "The Minister and His Work,"

presented report; and it was ordered that the recommendations therein be considered seriatim, viz.:

The 1937 General Assembly approved and sent down to the Presbyteries two proposed amendments to the Book of Church Order—

1. By the addition of a section designated Paragraph 76-a, which provides for the appointment in each Presbytery of a commission on "The Minister and His Work" and defines the powers and duties of said commission. Your committee recommends that Wilmington Presbytery consent to this amendment.

2. The elimination of Chapter XXVI and the substitution therefor of a new Chapter XXVI. Your committee recommends that Wilmington Presbytery consent to this amendment.

Upon motion, the report was adopted, information of the consent of Presbytery to the two proposals to be sent to the General Assembly.

On behalf of the special committee, Dr. Wilson also presented a proposed overture to the General Assembly of 1938, proposing amendments to paragraphs 122 and 124 of Chapter XXIII of the Book of Church Order, covering pastoral relationships. The paper was ordered placed in the hands of the standing committee on Bills and Overtures.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., presented William Paden, of Leland, N. C., who had requested that he be received as a candidate for the Gospel ministry. Dr. Gilmour, as chairman of Presbytery's committee on Christian Education, made statement that the young man had complied with all requirements of the Book of Church Order as to his candidacy; and an examination of him was conducted before Presbytery and accepted as satisfactory. Upon his satisfactorily answering the constitutional questions, he was accepted as a candidate. A charge to him was delivered by Dr. Gilmour, and the exercises closed with prayer by the Moderator.

Rev. M. O. Sommers, chairman of the Young People's Division of the committee on Religious Education, made announcement concerning the young people's rally to be held in the Graves Memorial church, Clinton, on April 30th.

Ruling Elders H. McN. Johnson, Willard, and E. D. Wells, Rockfish, were enrolled.

After prayer by Ruling Elder Durham Grady, recess was taken until the evening session.

MONDAY, 7:30 P. M.

The Presbyteries met in joint session with Rev. F. S. Johnston, Moderator of Wilmington Presbytery, presiding.

Addresses were heard from Dr. Henry Louis Smith, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., Rev. L. A. Davis, and Rev. A. R. McQueen, D. D., on the subject of education in Christian institutions, with special reference to Flora Macdonald college.

9:30 p. m. Wilmington Presbytery was called to order and led in prayer by Rev. P. L. Clark. Rev. F. L. Goodman and Ruling Elder R. V. Wells, Grove church, were enrolled.

Upon motion, it was ordered that Presbytery adjourn for the day without further business, to allow time for committee meetings.

After prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness, Presbytery adjourned.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

9:00 a. m. The Presbyteries met in joint session, with Hon. C. G. Rose, Moderator of Fayetteville Presbytery, presiding.

Addresses were delivered by Rev. Edgar A. Woods, of the China mission, with reference to the missionary outlook in that country; Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D., on the Ministers' Annuity Fund; Rev. J. O. Mann on Religious Education; and Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., on "The Pastor and His Young People."

In preparation for a communion service, Dr. Gilmour offered appropriate meditation remarks. The communion was conducted by Rev. Andrew J. Howell and Rev. W. M. Baker.

12:25 p. m. Wilmington Presbytery was called to order and led in prayer by Rev. E. F. Thompson.

Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The following members were enrolled: Rev. J. S. Crowley, and Ruling Elders J. E. Kelley, Mt. Olive; O. H. Shoemaker, St. Andrews, and G. R. Ward, Wallace.

The Moderator announced the appointment of Rev. R. M. Engle to preach the doctrinal sermon at the fall meeting.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, presented report for the permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, with special reference to worship helps in the PRESBYTERIAN SURVEY. The same was received as information.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., chairman of the standing committee on the Narrative, made report as to findings in the reports from the churches, with partial data as follows: 42 churches held evangelistic meetings during the last year, 23 held none; 43 state that the catechisms are taught in the homes; 48 teach the catechisms in Sunday school, 13 do not; 13 churches report no additions for the year. The report was received as information.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Religious Education; in connection with which Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman of the Children's Division, spoke with reference to plans for daily vacation Bible schools for the coming summer. The report of the committee was approved.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, presented report for the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, which was approved and the following recommendation adopted: That aid from the funds of Ministerial Relief be requested for the same persons and the same amounts as last year.

In connection with the report, information was furnished by the chairman as to receipts by the Executive Committee from churches, also as to candidates for the ministry, and homes in the Presbytery on the roll of Ministerial Relief.

Upon motion, it was ordered that the rules be suspended, and that Presbytery hear in the afternoon session nomination of commissioners to the General Assembly meeting in Meridian, Miss., May 19, 1938, and elect same.

After prayer by Rev. R. C. Clontz, recess was taken for luncheon.

TUESDAY, 1:45 P. M.

Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by Ruling Elder C. S. Clark.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman of the standing committee on Nominations, presented the following report, which was adopted:

We recommend the election of the following:

**Trustees:**

Flora Macdonald College for three years—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S. Clark and Dr. A. H. Kerr.

Peace Junior College for three years—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and R. C. Carson.

**Committee Members:**

Rev. A. J. Howell in place of Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Presbytery's Home Missions.

Rev. E. F. Thompson in place of Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, Synod's Home Missions.

Rev. F. S. Johnston in place of Rev. F. L. Goodman, Assembly's Home Missions.

Rev. F. L. Goodman in place of Rev. R. H. Poole, Foreign Missions.

Religious Education—We recommend that Presbytery's rules be suspended, and that Dr. J. H. Whitmore be continued as chairman.

Children's Division—We recommend that Rev. F. L. Goodman be continued as chairman.

Young People's Division—We recommend that Rev. M. O. Sommers be continued as chairman, and Rev. Jas. R. Phipps be named in place of Rev. B. F. Hall.

Adult Work—We recommend that Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour be continued as chairman.

Leadership Training—We recommend that Rev. J. W. Miller be continued as chairman.

Rev. S. G. Harness in place of Rev. J. I. Knight, Stewardship.

Rev. J. D. Withrow in place of Rev. J. W. Miller, Orphans' Home.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., in place of Rev. S. G. Harness, Evangelism.

Rev. L. E. Wells in place of Rev. W. P. M. Currie, History; Mr. Currie to continue on committee.

Ruling Elder J. B. Huntington in place of Ruling Elder C. S. Clark, Auditing; Mr. Clark to continue on committee.

Rev. L. W. Kessler, Rev. J. D. Withrow and Rev. E. F. Thompson, Sessional Records.

Examination :

Rev. J. W. Miller in place of Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Academic Studies.

Rev. F. L. Goodman in place of Rev. R. H. Poole, Languages.

Rev. R. H. Poole in place of Rev. R. C. Clontz, Natural and Exact Sciences.

Rev. R. C. Clontz in place of Rev. F. S. Johnston, Church Government and Sacraments; Mr. Johnston remaining on the committee.

Rev. J. I. Knight in place of Rev. A. J. Howell, English Bible; Mr. Howell remaining on the committee.

Rev. James R. Phipps, chairman, permanent committee on Synod's Home Missions, made report, which was received as information.

Presbytery heard nominations for commissioners to the General Assembly, and entered into the election. The following were chosen by ballot :

Ministers:

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.; Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, alternate.

Rev. M. O. Sommers; Rev. L. W. Kessler, alternate.

Rev. F. S. Johnston; Rev. J. S. Crowley, alternate.

Ruling Elders:

C. C. Murphy; J. E. Kelley, alternate.

J. E. Jarrett; R. P. Bender, alternate.

W. G. Prevatte; C. O. Bollinger, alternate.

Rev. P. L. Clark, chairman, standing Devotional committee, reported that all periods of worship had been provided for. The report was accepted.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman, permanent committee on Orphans' Home, made report, which was received as information.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of special committee to consider the matter of four stated meetings a year, offered report recommending that no action be taken at this time. The report was approved.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of standing committee on Records of Presbytery, made report, which was approved.

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Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman of the standing committee on Bills and Overtures, recommended the adoption of the overture to the General Assembly relating to the proposed amendment of Chapter 23 of the Book of Church Order. The report of the committee was adopted; the overture to be sent to the Assembly.

Rev. L. W. Kessler, chairman, permanent committee on Women's Work, presented the following report, which was adopted:

There are forty-nine Auxiliaries in Wilmington Presbytery, with a total membership of two thousand four hundred and ninety-four.

One thousand forty-nine of these are resident members enlisted in special study or service. Twenty-seven Auxiliaries are divided into circles, there being eighty-five general circles, seventeen home circles, and fifteen business women's circles; total number in these circles three hundred forty-four. Forty-one of the Auxiliaries did White Cross work. Thirty-six of the Auxiliaries have histories of the current year written. The daily Bible readers number seven hundred ninety-two and Bible classes have one thousand sixty-five members. Intercessory prayer groups have five hundred eighty members. Seven hundred sixty-three members read the study book, "Other Men Labored." Eight hundred twenty-two read the book, "Glorious Living." Readers of "Yester-years" and other literature number seven hundred eighty-nine. Auxiliaries and circles using the programs of the year book numbered one hundred twenty-two. Ninety-one Auxiliaries observed special seasons of prayer and self denial for home and foreign missions. Forty-eight Auxiliaries made a "Joy Gift." Forty-four Auxiliaries made a contribution to all denominational benevolences, and twenty-six Auxiliaries increased their gifts to the Assembly's causes.

To all the causes of our church, these forty-nine Auxiliaries contributed \$10,141.00; to local church work \$3,258.00. All contributions from the Presbyterial \$13,966.00 which makes a per capita contribution of \$5.63.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, gave information as to contributions from the churches toward the accrued liability fund, and urged the completion of the apportionment for the Presbytery of \$38,599.00, the amount so far subscribed and reported being \$36,807.20. He offered the following recommendations, which were adopted:

1. Your committee would urgently recommend that our Presbytery bend every effort at once to complete the raising of our quota, and to go as far beyond as possible.
2. To this end, we urge those churches which have done nothing to grapple with this matter at once, and those which



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have raised a part of their quota to endeavor to complete it as soon as possible, and those which have raised it all to see if they cannot give even more where possible.

3. That all our ministers and officers and members generally be called upon to make earnest and continuous prayer that this movement may soon be completely successful, in order that the deserving servants of Christ and His church may be provided for more surely and more adequately.
4. That our whole constituency be requested to give outspoken and continuous endorsement to the Ministers' Annuity Fund, that thereby an increasingly favorable attitude may be developed among our people towards it.
5. That our Presbytery overture the General Assembly to press forward vigorously with this work, until its entire completion.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman, Presbytery's committee of Home Missions, presented the following report, which was adopted:

We are grateful to report that, under the blessing of God, substantial progress has been made in our home mission work during the year. In keeping with our policy to preserve the physical property of our home mission churches, the Delgado church and manse have been repainted and necessary repairs made. Paint was furnished for repainting the Antioch church and the manse at Kenansville. Substantial repairs were also made on the Superintendent's manse and the house repainted. New manses have been built at Pink Hill, Lake Waccamaw, and Woodburn. These three manses represent an investment of about \$7,500.00 exclusive of the real estate and your committee paid about one-third of the cost. The church at Bolton has been dissolved and the building sold, the furniture being transferred to Bethel church.

There have been some changes in the personnel of our workers. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., our new Superintendent, took up his work with us on September 1st. He has been cordially received everywhere, has entered wholeheartedly into his work and gives promise of constructive leadership. Your committee feels that there is real need for an intensive program looking toward internal development of our home mission churches and has instructed the Superintendent to give this matter primary consideration. A splendid program has been outlined and approved by the committee. We hope another year will see material progress along these lines.

Rev. Earl F. Thompson has been installed as pastor of the group consisting of Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, White Plains and Ashwood, left vacant by the resignation of Rev. R. M. Engle.

The group consisting of Chinquapin, Beulaville and Bethel, left vacant by the resignation of Rev. W. C. Smith last fall, has been furnished temporary supply and is now in the process of calling a pastor. The group consisting of Morehead City and Wildwood, left vacant by the resignation of Rev. B. F. Hall, has also had regular pulpit supply and has extended a call to Rev. K. C. Seawright,

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of Jonesville, La. The group consisting of Rocky Point, Pike and Currie has had temporary supply throughout the year. A seminary student will supply this field during the summer, and they expect to call a pastor in the fall.

The report of the Treasurer will show that we have met all of our obligations, and have a comfortable balance with which to begin the new year. With all of our fields supplied with regular pastors and the possible addition of another man, our budget for the new year will be larger and call for additional support. The balance on hand is considerably less than the additional items in our budget for the ensuing year. We wish to record our gratitude for the fine spirit and splendid cooperation between the men on the field and the committee. We shall look forward to the same cooperation in the future. We make the following recommendations:

1. That all appropriations to the churches be contingent upon said churches making a thorough Every Member Canvass.
2. That church treasurers be urged to send their contributions each month to Mr. R. M. Sheppard, Wilmington, N. C., Presbyterial Treasurer of Benevolences, that the several committees may meet their obligations promptly without borrowing.
3. That an evangelistic meeting be held in each home mission church and that each pastor hold at least one evangelistic meeting outside his own charge.
4. That Presbytery make the following appropriations, contingent upon the receipts of the committee and subject to any necessary revision by the committee:

\$25.00 per month to aid Burgaw, Hopewell, Maple Hill and Mt. Williams churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. P. L. Clark.

\$33.34 per month to aid Delgado and Topsail churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. C. C. Myers.

\$60.00 per month to aid Pollocksville, Croatan, Jacksonville and Antioch churches in support of their pastor, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps.

\$54.17 per month to aid Grove, Hallsville and Stanford churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. F. L. Goodman.

\$66.67 per month to aid Chinquapin, Beulaville and Bethel churches in the support of their pastor.

\$50.00 per month to aid Acme and Woodburn churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr.

\$50.00 per month to aid Pink Hill, Hebron, Smiths and Pleasant View churches in the support of their Stated Supply, Rev. W. H. Eubank.

\$50.00 per month to aid Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, White Plains and Ashwood churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. Earl F. Thompson.

\$50.00 per month to aid Southport and New Hope churches in the support of their Stated Supply, Rev. J. R. Potts.

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\$208.33 per month to the salary and expenses of our Superintendent, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D.

\$66.67 per month to aid George Webb Memorial and Wildwood churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. K. C. Seawright.

\$400.00 for summer workers.

\$60.00 per month to aid Rocky Point, Pike and Currie churches in the support of their pastor.

\$210.00 for the expenses of the committee.

\$100.00 to expenses of committee on Religious Education.

Total Budget, \$10,000.00.

5. That Presbytery approve the appointment of Rev. W. H. Eubank as stated supply for Pink Hill, Hebron, Smiths, and Pleasant View churches until the fall meeting of Presbytery.
6. That Presbytery approve the appointment of Rev. J. R. Potts as stated supply for Southport, New Hope, and Sweet Home churches until the fall meeting of Presbytery.

The treasurer of Home Mission funds, Ruling Elder O. H. Shoemaker, presented the following report for the year from April 1, 1937, to March 31, 1938, which was accepted and approved:

RECEIPTS

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| Balance on hand April 1st, 1937.....                   | \$1,655.75 |
| Synod's Home Mission committee (E. E. Gillespie) ..... | \$2,568.50 |
| Assembly's Home Mission committee.....                 | 600.00     |
| Rent of manse, 209 No. 13th St.....                    | 83.10      |
| Dividends from N. C. Bank & Trust Co.....              | 52.65      |
| Dr. G. A. Wilson, Jr.....                              | 6.27       |
| Ashwood church (Thompson Travel Ex.).....              | 15.00      |
| Bethel church (drayage) .....                          | 8.00       |
| On apportionments .....                                | 4,277.80   |
|                                                        | 7,611.32   |
|                                                        | \$9,267.07 |

DISBURSEMENTS

Pastors' Salaries—

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Rev. P. L. Clark .....    | \$ 300.00 |
| Rev. W. H. Eubank.....    | 600.00    |
| Rev. R. M. Engle.....     | 250.00    |
| Rev. F. L. Goodman .....  | 649.97    |
| Rev. C. C. Myers .....    | 400.01    |
| Rev. J. Robt. Phipps..... | 720.00    |
| Rev. W. C. Smith.....     | 466.65    |
| Rev. J. D. Withrow.....   | 516.63    |
| Rev. J. R. Potts.....     | 566.66    |

MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

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|-----------------------------------------------|------------|
| Rev. B. F. Hall.....                          | 30.00      |
| Dr. G. A. Wilson, Jr.....                     | 1,458.31   |
| Rev. Earl F. Thompson.....                    | 200.00     |
|                                               | \$6,158.23 |
| Rev. W. P. Boyle.....                         | 14.70      |
| Committee expenses (Mrs. Greenwood).....      | 7.70       |
| "    "    (Dr. G. A. Wilson, Jr.).....        | 22.22      |
| "    "    (Dr. Storey).....                   | 9.57       |
| "    "    (Dr. Whitmore).....                 | 3.30       |
| Educational expenses (Dr. Whitmore).....      | 15.00      |
| Rev. J. S. Crowley.....                       | 50.00      |
| V. M. Cox (Traveling expenses).....           | 172.00     |
| Rev. E. F. Thompson (Traveling expenses)..... | 60.00      |
| Repairs to manse.....                         | 5.03       |
| Christmas Gifts to 11 ministers.....          | 110.00     |
| Drayage (Blacks Motor Express).....           | 8.00       |
| Carolina Printing & Stamp Co.....             | 3.75       |
| Manse Fund.....                               | 1,300.00   |
| Religious Education (E. L. Barber).....       | 35.00      |
| "    "    (J. H. Whitmore).....               | 6.00       |
| Postage, stationery and exchange.....         | 6.10       |
|                                               | 7,986.60   |
| Balance on hand March 31st.....               | \$1,280.47 |

Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman of the permanent committee on Sessional Records, offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee has examined and approved all the records presented and have noted the following exceptions:

Ashwood—Minutes of July 18 and August 15 not signed. Minutes not approved.

White Plains—No record of the minutes read and approved.

Elkton—Minutes of July 25, not signed by the Clerk of Session.

Woodburn—Minutes not read and approved by the Session.

Rocky Point—No representative to Presbytery at spring meeting.

Immanuel—No record of election of a delegate to Presbytery. Not stated that the minutes were read and approved.

Maple Hill—Record of only two meetings of Session.

Bowden—Narrative of Christian life and work not recorded.

Warsaw—Narrative of Christian life and work not recorded.

Brown Marsh—Only one meeting of Session recorded. Minutes not approved.

Pink Hill—Narrative of Christian life and work not recorded.

Bladenboro—No meeting of session recorded. Reports to Presbytery incomplete. Reports to Presbytery not approved.

Oakdale—Reports too meager for record.

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Beth Car—Reports to Presbytery too meager to record.

Pleasant View—Records not approved by Session.

Acme—Records not approved by Session.

The following churches did not present their books: Bethel, Beulaville, Chinquapin, Currie, Hebron, Seven Springs, Smiths, Webb Memorial and Wildwood.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, made report, which was received as information.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman, permanent committee on Assembly's Home Missions, made report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend:

1. That every pastor be urged to present from the pulpit the facts of the Assembly's Home Missions, that our people may know of the opportunities that challenge our church in all parts of the Assembly.
2. That the period from October 1st to November 6th be set apart as a special season for home mission study, and that the week of October 30th to November 6th be designated as a week of prayer and self-denial for Assembly's Home Missions with a generous offering in all the churches and organizations for this cause.

Rev. J. S. Crowley, chairman, permanent committee on the Bible Cause, made report, which was approved.

Report was presented from R. M. Sheppard, Presbytery's Treasurer of Benevolences, showing contributions from the churches passing through his hands during the last year amounting to \$3,599.85 and distribution of same to the various causes of the church.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, treasurer of contingent fund of the Presbytery, made report showing balance on hand of \$1,120.52.

Reports of the treasurers were approved.

Rev. M. O. Sommers, chairman, standing committee on the Minutes of Synod, reported nothing therein to require action by Presbytery. The report was accepted as information.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, permanent committee on Stewardship, offered report, which was approved.

Mr. Knight, also, as chairman of the standing committee on Leave of Absence, reported leaves granted to five members during the sessions. The report was approved.

Rev. R. C. Clontz, chairman of standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, presented report recommending the acceptance of the invitation from the Grove church, Kenansville, for the fall meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 1938. The report was adopted.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, presented the following paper:

The Presbytery of Wilmington wishes to express its most sincere appreciation for the Christian hospitality of Flora Macdonald college during this meeting.

The President Emeritus and the President, the faculty and the student body, the dietitian and the cooks—in fact, everybody connected with this institution—have cooperated to make our stay most delightful.

We feel that we must add that we have been impressed anew with the outstanding Christian service which this college has rendered to the church and the State, and that with most inadequate resources, and we wish to pledge our prayers and our help in the wise and timely forward-looking program which is now being launched.

Praying God's richest blessing upon this noble institution and its every interest, we desire to thank you again for all your kindness to our Presbytery.

The paper was adopted by a rising vote.

The following members answered the final roll call:

Ministers: P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, L. E. Wells, M. O. Sommers, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, R. M. Engle, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., E. F. Thompson, (20).

Ruling Elders: H. McN. Johnson, P. S. Cromartie, H. C. Brogden, J. E. Kelley, W. F. Valentine, O. H. Shoemaker, C. L. Braddy, R. V. Wells, J. D. Southerland, E. D. Wells, R. P. Bender, C. S. Clark, J. L. Miller, L. E. Hall, J. Frank Davis, W. I. Hall, S. Y. Pharr, C. C. Moore, W. G. Prevatte, G. R. Ward, (20).

Ruling Elder G. R. Ward made further reference to the absence of Rev. W. P. M. Currie, with the statement of Mr. Currie's previous absence of one time from the

meetings of Wilmington Presbytery during his membership of thirty-four years. Prayer was offered for him by Rev. S. G. Harness.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

After a closing prayer by Dr. G. A. Wilson, Jr., Presbytery adjourned to meet in regular session on Tuesday, October 11, 1938, at 11 a. m. in the Grove Presbyterian church, Kenansville, N. C.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.



Items of Interest  
From Sessional Reports for Year Ended  
March 31, 1938.

Of 254 new members received on profession of faith, 185 were pupils in the Sabbath schools. Number of family altars reported 421, tithers 620.

CHURCHES

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1—Acme                    | 36—Mt. Horeb         |
| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Olive         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Williams      |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Zion          |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—New Hope          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—Oakdale           |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oak Plains        |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Pearsall Memorial |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pike              |
| 10—Bowden                 | 45—Pink Hill         |
| 11—Brown Marsh            | 46—Pleasant View     |
| 12—Burgaw                 | 47—Pollocksville     |
| 13—Calypso                | 48—Rockfish          |
| 14—Caswell                | 49—Rocky Point       |
| 15—Chadbourn              | 50—St. Andrews       |
| 16—Chinquapin             | 51—Seven Springs     |
| 17—Church of the Covenant | 52—Smiths            |
| 18—Clarkton               | 53—Southport         |
| 19—Croatan                | 54—South River       |
| 20—Currie                 | 55—Stanford          |
| 21—Delgado                | 56—Sweet Home        |
| 22—Elizabethtown          | 57—Teachey           |
| 23—Elkton                 | 58—Topsail           |
| 24—Faison                 | 59—Wallace           |
| 25—Graves Memorial        | 60—Warsaw            |
| 26—Grove                  | 61—Webb Memorial     |
| 27—Hallsville             | 62—Westminster       |
| 28—Harmony                | 63—White Plains      |
| 29—Hebron                 | 64—Whiteville First  |
| 30—Holly Grove            | 65—Wildwood          |
| 31—Hopewell               | 66—Willard           |
| 32—Immanuel               | 67—Wilmington First  |
| 33—Jacksonville           | 68—Winter Park       |
| 34—Lake Waccamaw          | 69—Woodburn          |
| 35—Maple Hill             |                      |

MINISTERS

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff       | 21—F. S. Johnston      |
| 2—W. P. M. Currie         | 22—R. H. Poole         |
| 3—L. T. Newland           | 23—C. H. Storey, D. D. |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 24—P. C. Adams         |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 25—J. I. Knight        |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 26—L. E. Wells         |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 27—M. O. Sommers       |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 28—J. S. Crowley       |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 29—Jas. R. Phipps      |
| 10—C. C. Myers            | 30—L. W. Kessler       |
| 11—R. C. Clontz           | 31—S. C. Farrior       |
| 12—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 32—J. O. Mann          |
| 13—W. L. Wilson           | 33—C. W. Worth         |
| 14—J. Robt. Phipps        | 34—J. D. Withrow       |
| 15—D. L. Williamson       | 35—R. M. Engle         |
| 16—S. G. Harness          | 36—D. L. Jones         |
| 17—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 37—W. H. Eubank        |
| 18—J. W. Miller           | 38—G. A. Wilson, Jr.   |
| 19—F. L. Goodman          | 39—E. F. Thompson      |
| 20—K. B. McCutchen        |                        |

CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

W. K. Cromartie, Edward J. Humphrey, William J. B. Livingston, Arnold B. Rhodes, Daniel D. Rhodes, William Lee Paden, Jr., (6).



DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—REV. F. S. JOHNSTON, Wilmington, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*

REV. ANDREW J. HOWELL, Wilmington, N. C.

*Permanent Clerk*—REV. RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Winter Park,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Treasurer of Benevolences*—R. M. SHEPPARD, Southern Bldg.,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Superintendent of Home Missions*—REV. G. A. WILSON, JR., D. D.,  
209 No. 13th St., Wilmington, N. C.

TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1940—J. O. Carr, W. H. Sprunt, R. C. Carson.

TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1940—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S.  
Clark, Dr. A. H. Kerr.

Exit Spring 1940—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, F. L. Pearsall.

Exit Spring 1939—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., R. C. Carson.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1937),  
J. H. Whitmore, D. D., W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, M. O. Sommers, F. S. Johnston, A. J.  
Howell; Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, Dr.  
J. E. Evans, Eustace Norfleet, J. E. Kelley, Dr. Wilbert Jack-  
son. Honorary member, W. H. Sprunt.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. E. F. Thompson (1938), C. C.  
Myers; Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston (1938), F. L.  
Goodman; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1938), M. O. Sommers,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas,  
D. W. Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. A. D. P. Gil-  
mour, D. D., (1936), P. C. Adams, S. G. Harness, J. Robt.  
Phipps; Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

*Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), Chair-  
man.

Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1938), L. W.  
Kessler, Miss Mary W. Callison.

*Young People's Division*—Revs. M. O. Sommers (1938), C. H.  
Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Mrs. L. B. Huie.

*Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1938), W. H.  
Eubank; Ruling Elder, Dr. R. L. Carr.

- Leadership Training*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1938), S. G. Harness; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Margaret Cox.
- Organization and Extension*—Revs. S. G. Harness. (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs. Newton Robinson.
- Stewardship*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1938), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., F. L. Goodman, E. F. Thompson, P. L. Clark, R. H. Poole, R. C. Clontz, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., L. W. Kessler; Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.
- Educational Institutions*—Revs. R. C. Clontz, (1936), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.
- Orphans' Home*—Revs. J. D. Withrow (1938), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson, F. L. Goodman; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, J. L. Miller, C. S. Clark, J. H. Cark.
- Bible Cause*—Revs. J. S. Crowley (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.
- Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.
- Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., (1938), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders W. H. Sprunt, J. B. Huntington.
- Women's Work*—Revs. L. W. Kessler (1936), W. P. M. Currie, R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.
- History*—Revs. L. E. Wells (1938), A. J. Howell, J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.
- Auditing*—Ruling Elders J. B. Huntington (1938), W. D. McCaig, C. S. Clark.
- Sessional Records*—Revs. L. W. Kessler (1938), J. D. Withrow, E. F. Thompson.
- Member of Synod's Committee on Stated Supply*—Rev. P. L. Clark (1936).
- Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. R. H. Poole (1936); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

#### EXAMINATION

- Experimental Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1936), L. W. Kessler.
- Academic Studies*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1938), A. J. Howell.
- Languages*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1938), J. W. Miller.
- Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole (1938), P. C. Adams.
- Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. R. M. Engle (1936), J. M. Plowden.
- Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1936), D. L. Jones.
- Theology*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1936), M. O. Sommers, F. L. Goodman.
- Church History*—Revs. J. D. Withrow (1936), F. S. Johnston.
- Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1938), F. S. Johnston.
- English Bible*—Revs. J. I. Knight (1938), A. J. Howell.

SEND BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS

to

R. M. SHEPPARD,  
Treasurer of Benevolences,  
Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C.

Who will make disposition of them as follows:

| Cause—                                                      | Per cent | To Treasurer                                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Foreign Missions .....                                      | 30.6     | —Edwin F. Willis, Box 330,<br>Nashville, Tenn.             |
| Assembly's Home Missions.....                               | 16.2     | —A. N. Sharpe, 573 W. Peachtree<br>St., Atlanta, Ga.       |
| Christian Ed. & Min. Relief..                               | 7.6      | —Rev. W. H. Hopper, 410 Urban<br>Building, Louisville, Ky. |
| Religious Education .....                                   | 2.6      | —Dr. Edward D. Grant, Box<br>1176, Richmond, Va.           |
| Assembly's Training School....                              | .9       | —George W. Call, Union Bank,<br>Richmond, Va.              |
| Bible Cause .....                                           | .6       | —Gilbert Darlington, Bible<br>House, New York, N. Y.       |
| Synod's Home Missions.....                                  | 8.7      | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Religious Ed. in Synod.....                                 | 1.0      | —Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen,<br>N. C.                     |
| Religious Work in State Educa-<br>tional Institutions ..... | 2.0      | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Educational Institutions .....                              | 8.5      | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Union Theological Seminary..                                | 1.3      | —Union Theological Seminary,<br>Richmond, Va.              |
| Orphan's Home .....                                         | 7.5      | —Ernest Milton, Barium Springs,<br>N. C.                   |
| Presbytery's Home Missions                                  | 12.5     | —O. H. Shoemaker, 8 No. Front<br>St., Wilmington, N. C.    |

CLERKS OF CHURCH SESSIONS

|                    |                                                    |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Acme               | A. H. Marks, Acme, N. C.                           |
| Antioch            | J. D. Burton, Jacksonville, N. C.                  |
| Ashwood            | C. L. Braddy, Council, N. C.                       |
| Baker              | B. C. Thigpen, Mt. Olive, N. C.                    |
| Beth Car           | C. O. McNair, Tar Heel, N. C.                      |
| Bethel             | W. F. Lanier, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
| Beulaville         | Gardner Edwards, Beulaville, N. C.                 |
| Black River        | G. E. Fidler, Ivanhoe, N. C.                       |
| Bladenboro         | J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro, N. C.                  |
| Bowden             | Herman Taylor, Faison, N. C.                       |
| Brown Marsh        | A. F. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
| Burgaw             | T. T. Murphy, Burgaw, N. C.                        |
| Calypso            | J. R. Maxwell, Calypso, N. C.                      |
| Caswell            | C. D. Murphy, Atkinson, N. C.                      |
| Chadbourn          | D. W. Monroe, Chadbourn, N. C.                     |
| Chinquapin         | W. B. Ward, Chinquapin, N. C.                      |
| Church of Covenant | F. L. Pearsall, Wilmington, N. C.                  |
| Clarkton           | C. S. Clark, Clarkton, N. C.                       |
| Croatan            | H. C. Wood, R. F. D. 5, New Bern, N. C.            |
| Currie             | C. S. Bell, Currie, N. C.                          |
| Delgado            | W. C. Scoggins, 1809 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C. |
| Elizabethtown      | W. A. Ferguson, Elizabethtown, N. C.               |
| Elkton             | W. J. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
| Faison             | I. L. Faison, Faison, N. C.                        |
| Graves Memorial    | F. B. Johnson, Clinton, N. C.                      |
| Grove              | R. V. Wells, Kenansville, N. C.                    |
| Hallsville         | J. L. Miller, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
| Harmony            | L. B. Carter, Kerr, N. C.                          |
| Hebron             |                                                    |
| Holly Grove        | W. F. Valentine, Clinton, N. C.                    |
| Hopewell           | N. B. Murray, Burgaw, N. C.                        |
| Immanuel           | H. T. Wilson, 1413 So. 4th St., Wilmington, N. C.  |
| Jacksonville       | Raymond Marshall, Jacksonville, N. C.              |
| Lake Waccamaw      | J. W. Hall, Hallsboro, N. C.                       |
| Maple Hill         | Gibson James, Maple Hill, N. C.                    |
| Mt. Horeb          | C. Monroe, Council, N. C.                          |
| Mt. Olive          | A. S. Grady, Mt. Olive, N. C.                      |
| Mt. Williams       | R. A. Thigpen, Burgaw, N. C.                       |
| Mt. Zion           | C. F. Blanchard, Rose Hill, N. C.                  |
| New Hope           | R. F. Lewis, Bolivia, N. C.                        |
| Oakdale            | Sam Robeson, White Oak, N. C.                      |
| Oak Plains         | W. H. Hall, Rose Hill, N. C.                       |
| Pearsall Memorial  | J. M. Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.                    |
| Pike               | E. A. Armstrong, Ashton, N. C.                     |
| Pink Hill          | Dr. H. A. Edwards, Pink Hill, N. C.                |
| Pleasant View      | Durham Grady, Seven Springs, N. C.                 |
| Pollocksville      | H. A. Creagh, Pollocksville, N. C.                 |
| Rockfish           | J. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.                        |
| Rocky Point        | J. B. Armstrong, Rocky Point, N. C.                |
| St. Andrews        | W. H. Sprunt, Wilmington, N. C.                    |
| Seven Springs      |                                                    |
| Smiths             | R. W. Wallace, Pink Hill, N. C.                    |
| Southport          | Price Furpless, Southport, N. C.                   |
| South River        | William Sloan, Garland, N. C.                      |
| Stanford           | H. C. Brogden, Mt. Olive, N. C.                    |
| Sweet Home         |                                                    |
| Teachey            | H. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.                        |
| Topsail            | E. V. King, Hampstead, N. C.                       |
| Wallace            | J. N. Wells, Wallace, N. C.                        |
| Warsaw             | J. M. Williams, Warsaw, N. C.                      |
| Webb Memorial      | Dr. S. W. Thompson, Jr., Morehead City, N. C.      |
| Westminster        | F. A. Newman, Whiteville, N. C.                    |
| White Plains       | A. A. Clark, Rosindale, N. C.                      |
| Whiteville First   | Oscar High, Whiteville, N. C.                      |
| Wildwood           | W. F. West, Wildwood, N. C.                        |
| Willard            | H. McN. Johnson, Willard, N. C.                    |
| Wilmington First   | E. T. Huggins, Brookwood, Wilmington, N. C.        |
| Winter Park        | J. L. Lamb, R. F. D. 2, Wilmington, N. C.          |
| Woodburn           | D. G. Ellers, Leland, N. C.                        |

# I N D E X

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| Currie, Rev. W. P. M. Illness and prayer for.....                                          | 7, 8, 20    |
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| Johnston, Rev. F. S., elected Moderator.....                                               | 6           |
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| Paden, William Lee, Jr. Candidate received.....                                            | 9           |
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| Purcell, Rev. J. E., D. D., dismissed to Fayetteville Presbytery                           | 7           |
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PRESBYTERY'S STATISTICAL REPORT

| MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES NUMBER OF CANDIDATES | POSTOFFICES             | CHURCHES             | Officers |         | Communi-cants       |                      |                            | Bap-tisms |        | Total Sunday School Enrollment |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------|
|                                                |                         |                      | Elders   | Deacons | Added on Confession | Added on Certificate | Net Membership End of Year | Adult     | Infant |                                |
| P. C. Adams, Pres.                             | Maxton, N. C.           | Burgaw*†             | 4        | 7       | 5                   | 5                    | 209                        | 5         |        | 12                             |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Hopewell†            | 5        | 5       | 2                   |                      | 152                        | 2         | 2      | 6                              |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Mt. Williams†        | 2        | 3       | 3                   | 1                    | 28                         | 3         | 1      |                                |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Maple Hill, N. C.       | Maple Hill           | 2        | 3       |                     | 1                    | 24                         |           |        | 7                              |
| P. L. Clark, S. S.                             | Whiteville, N. C.       | Whiteville First*†   | 3        | 6       |                     | 4                    | 150                        |           |        | 6                              |
| R. C. Clontz, P.                               | Chadbourn, N. C.        | Chadbourn*†          | 6        | 3       |                     | 4                    | 92                         |           |        |                                |
| R. C. Clontz, P.                               | Wilmington, N. C.       | Wallace*†            | 8        | 9       | 3                   | 10                   | 257                        |           |        | 23                             |
| J. S. Crowley, H. R.                           | Wallace, N. C.          | Rockfish†            | 9        | 12      | 4                   |                      | 153                        | 4         |        | 10                             |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Willard, N. C.          | Willard†             | 4        | 4       | 7                   | 4                    | 76                         | 3         | 1      | 10                             |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Wilmington, R. 1, N. C. | Winter Park*†        | 6        | 8       |                     | 8                    | 179                        |           | 2      | 14                             |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, R. 1, N. C. | Pearsall Memorial†   | 3        | 4       | 4                   | 2                    | 129                        | 3         |        | 13                             |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Pink Hill*†          | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 44                         |           |        | 7                              |
| W. H. Eubank, S. S.                            | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Smiths               | 3        | 3       | 6                   | 1                    | 57                         | 6         |        | 5                              |
| W. H. Eubank, S. S.                            | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Hebron†              |          |         | 4                   |                      | 22                         | 4         |        | 3                              |
| W. H. Eubank, S. S.                            | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Pleasant View†       | 4        | 3       | 2                   |                      | 41                         | 2         |        | 4                              |
| J. L. Fairly, Editor-in-Chief                  | Richmond, Va.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| S. C. Farrior, F. M.                           | Chinkingang, China      |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| A. D. P. Gilmour, P.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       | Wilmington First*†   | 15       | 20      | 16                  | 39                   | 824                        | 4         | 9      | 56                             |
| F. L. Goodman, P.                              | Kenansville, N. C.      | Grove*†              | 3        | 7       | 2                   | 1                    | 115                        | 2         |        | 13                             |
| F. L. Goodman, P.                              | Beulaville, N. C.       | Hallsville†          | 6        | 5       | 6                   |                      | 113                        | 6         |        | 13                             |
| F. L. Goodman, P.                              | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Stanford†            | 1        | 4       | 2                   |                      | 55                         | 2         |        | 5                              |
| H. C. Hammond, Inf.                            | Red Springs, N. C.      |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Mt. Zion*†           | 6        | 7       | 5                   | 3                    | 201                        | 2         |        | 17                             |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Oak Plains†          | 6        | 4       | 7                   | 2                    | 68                         | 1         |        | 3                              |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Teachey, N. C.          | Teachey†             | 4        | 6       | 6                   | 3                    | 107                        | 4         |        | 7                              |
| Andrew J. Howell, P. Em., S. C.                | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| F. S. Johnston, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Immanuel*†           | 8        | 10      | 17                  | 10                   | 286                        | 10        | 8      | 28                             |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Faison, N. C.           | Faison*†             | 6        | 6       | 8                   | 6                    | 150                        | 8         |        | 12                             |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Warsaw, N. C.           | Warsaw†              | 5        | 7       | 5                   | 1                    | 153                        | 4         |        | 9                              |
| D. L. Jones                                    | Bowden, N. C.           | Bowden               | 3        | 2       | 1                   |                      | 30                         |           |        | 2                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Atkinson, N. C.         | Caswell*             | 3        | 1       | 2                   | 1                    | 111                        | 2         |        | 8                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Ivanhoe, N. C.          | Black River          | 5        | 4       | 5                   | 3                    | 65                         |           |        | 4                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Garland, N. C.          | South River*         | 5        | 4       |                     | 1                    | 54                         |           |        | 4                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Kerr, N. C.             | Harmony              | 5        | 4       | 2                   | 1                    | 47                         |           |        | 2                              |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Mt. Olive*†          | 6        | 6       | 11                  | 8                    | 212                        | 6         |        | 24                             |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Calypso, N. C.          | Calypso†             | 6        | 6       | 3                   | 1                    | 105                        | 3         |        | 10                             |
| J. I. Knight, S. S.                            | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Baker†               | 3        |         | 1                   | 1                    | 26                         | 1         |        | 6                              |
| K. B. McCutchen                                | Charlottesville, Va.    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| J. O. Mann, D. R. E.                           | Maxton, N. C.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| A. S. Maxwell, F. M.                           | Dourados, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| J. W. Miller, P.                               | Clarkton, N. C.         | Clarkton*†           | 5        | 12      | 1                   | 3                    | 302                        |           |        | 13                             |
| J. W. Miller, S. S.                            | Clarkton, N. C.         | Brown Marsh          | 1        |         |                     |                      | 34                         |           |        | 7                              |
| J. W. Miller, S. S.                            | Bladenboro, N. C.       | Bladenboro           | 1        | 1       |                     |                      | 22                         |           |        | 5                              |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C.       | Delgado*†            | 3        | 2       | 8                   | 3                    | 152                        | 8         |        | 15                             |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Topsail, N. C.          | Topsail†             | 4        | 5       | 1                   |                      | 76                         | 1         |        | 5                              |
| L. T. Newland, F. M.                           | Kwanju, Korea           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| J. Robt. Phipps, P.                            | Pollocksville, N. C.    | Pollocksville*†      | 4        | 5       | 1                   | 1                    | 91                         | 1         | 3      | 7                              |
| J. Robt. Phipps, P.                            | New Bern, N. C.         | Croatan†             | 2        |         | 5                   |                      | 25                         | 4         |        | 6                              |
| J. Robt. Phipps, S. S.                         | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Jacksonville†        | 2        | 3       | 1                   |                      | 48                         | 1         |        | 5                              |
| J. Robt. Phipps, S. S.                         | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Antioch†             | 2        | 2       | 4                   |                      | 52                         | 4         |        | 3                              |
| James R. Phipps, P.                            | Whiteville, N. C.       | Westminster*†        | 5        | 8       | 2                   | 6                    | 150                        | 2         |        | 18                             |
| J. M. Plowden, H. R.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Elizabethtown, N. C.    | Elizabethtown†       | 9        | 10      | 9                   | 6                    | 156                        | 2         |        | 14                             |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Tar Heel, N. C.         | Beth Car†            | 5        | 3       | 6                   | 2                    | 57                         | 5         | 2      | 7                              |
| R. H. Poole, S. S.                             | White Oak, N. C.        | Oakdale†             | 3        | 3       | 2                   |                      | 45                         |           |        | 5                              |
| R. H. Poole, S. S.                             | Council, N. C.          | Mt. Horeb            | 2        | 2       |                     |                      | 35                         |           |        | 3                              |
| M. O. Sommers, P.                              | Clinton, N. C.          | Graves Memorial*†    | 10       | 13      | 6                   | 9                    | 236                        | 1         | 2      | 19                             |
| M. O. Sommers, P.                              | Clinton, N. C.          | Holly Grove†         | 4        | 5       | 13                  | 2                    | 109                        | 13        |        | 7                              |
| C. H. Storey, P.                               | Wilmington, N. C.       | St. Andrews*†        | 14       | 16      | 8                   | 11                   | 673                        | 7         | 6      | 60                             |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Lake Waccamaw, N. C.    | Lake Waccamaw*†      | 2        | 1       | 2                   | 6                    | 33                         | 1         |        | 5                              |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Council, N. C.          | Ashwood†             | 2        | 1       | 4                   | 1                    | 38                         | 4         |        | 4                              |
| E. F. Thompson, S. S.                          | Clarkton, N. C.         | Elkton†              | 2        | 1       |                     | 2                    | 33                         |           | 2      | 4                              |
| E. F. Thompson, S. S.                          | Rosindale, N. C.        | White Plains†        | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 51                         |           |        | 5                              |
| L. E. Wells, Inf.                              | Teachey, N. C.          |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| J. H. Whitmore, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Church of Covenant*† | 8        | 16      | 19                  | 19                   | 525                        | 7         | 2      | 40                             |
| D. L. Williamson, F. M.                        | Araguary, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| G. A. Wilson, Jr., S. H. M.                    | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| W. L. Wilson, Inf.                             | Acme, N. C.             |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| J. E. L. Winecoff, H. R.                       | Florence, S. C.         | Woodburn*†           | 3        | 6       | 3                   | 2                    | 68                         | 3         |        | 9                              |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., P.                         | Leland, N. C.           | Acme†                | 2        | 3       | 14                  | 2                    | 62                         | 14        |        | 4                              |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., S. S.                      | Acme, N. C.             |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
| C. W. Worth, F. M.                             | Hangchow, Che, China    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                            |           |        |                                |
|                                                | Shallotte, N. C.        | Sweet Home           | 1        |         |                     |                      | 8                          |           |        |                                |
|                                                | Winnabow, N. C.         | New Hope,† S. S.     | 4        | 5       |                     |                      | 65                         |           |        | 5                              |
|                                                | Southport, N. C.        | Southport†, S. S.    | 2        | 2       |                     | 2                    | 42                         |           | 2      | 4                              |
|                                                | Rocky Point, N. C.      | Rocky Point*†iv      | 3        | 5       | 1                   | 2                    | 50                         | 1         |        | 6                              |
|                                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Pike†v               | 4        | 4       | 5                   |                      | 62                         | 5         |        | 3                              |
|                                                | Currie, N. C.           | Currie v             | 3        | 4       |                     |                      | 35                         |           |        |                                |
|                                                | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Seven Springs v      |          |         |                     |                      | 32                         |           |        |                                |
|                                                | Morehead City, N. C.    | Geo. Webb Memorial v | 6        | 3       |                     |                      | 66                         |           |        |                                |
|                                                | Wildwood, N. C.         | Wildwood v           | 6        | 5       |                     |                      | 68                         |           | 1      |                                |









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## CALLED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in called session at the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, at 11 a. m. Tuesday, June 14, 1938.

The Moderator, Rev. F. S. Johnston, presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. E. F. Thompson.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D.D., F. S. Johnston, L. W. Kessler, A. J. Howell, R. M. Engle, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., P. L. Clark, J. W. Miller, C. C. Myers, E. F. Thompson, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., D. L. Jones, W. H. Eubank, J. I. Knight, (16).

Ruling Elder: L. E. Hall, Church of the Covenant.

The call for the meeting, issued by the Moderator under date of May 31, 1938, was read as follows:

The requirements of the Book of Church Order having been met, Wilmington Presbytery is hereby called to meet on June 14th, 1938, at the Church of the Covenant at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving ministers and candidates, and of handling any business flowing therefrom.

The same was found to be in order, and Presbytery proceeded to business.

Rev. L. A. Davis, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Ruling Elder Chas. G. Rose, Moderator of Fayetteville Presbytery, and candidate R. H. Smith, of Mobile Presbytery, were also introduced.

Rev. J. R. Potts, of Orange Presbytery, having offered certificate of dismissal to the Presbytery of Wilmington, was present to be received as a member of the latter. Motion was made to receive him, pending the required examination. The examination being had and accepted as satisfactory, he was received and his name ordered to be enrolled upon his signing the required obligation.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, also, presented certificate of dismissal from the Presbytery of Red River. The same was accepted, and Presbytery proceeded to examine him

upon the required subjects. The examination being declared to be satisfactory, he was received as a member and his name ordered to be enrolled upon his signing the necessary obligation.

Candidate Benjamin Lacy Rose presented a letter of dismissal from Fayetteville Presbytery. The same was found to be in order and he was received as a candidate.

Upon his request for licensure, Presbytery examined him in accordance with the requirements of the Book of Church Order. The subjects of examination were severally sustained as satisfactory; and the Presbytery heard a sermon by him on the text, Luke 2:49, which was heartily approved. Papers containing a thesis, exegesis and popular lecture, having been examined by members of the Presbytery, were received and well commended; and the examination as a whole was sustained as satisfactory. Presbytery thereupon proceeded to license him for the Gospel ministry in form required.

The Presbytery makes record of the licensure as follows:

At the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, N. C., the 14th day of June, 1938, the Presbytery of Wilmington, having received testimonials commending Benjamin Lacy Rose, and evidence of his being a communicant of the church, of his good moral character, and of his having pursued suitable courses of study, proceeded to submit him to the prescribed tests for licensure, which were met to the approval of the Presbytery. On his satisfactorily answering the questions appointed to be put to applicants for licensure, Mr. Rose was licensed by the Presbytery to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the ministry within the bounds of this Presbytery, or wherever he shall in an orderly way be invited to preach.

Upon motion, Mr. Rose was assigned as stated supply for the Chinquapin group of churches until the fall meeting.

Candidate W. C. Brown, of Atlanta Presbytery, was introduced to the Presbytery.

Rev. K. C. Seawright presented calls tendered to him by the George Webb Memorial and Wildwood churches for his pastoral services. The same were read, found to be in order and placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his acceptance of them, the following commission was named by Presbytery to install him, viz: Revs. G. A.



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Wilson, Jr., D. D., J. R. Potts, and J. Robt. Phipps, with Rev. F. L. Goodman alternate; and Ruling Elders John Hall and H. L. Joslyn, with Dr. S. W. Thompson as alternate; any two ministers and a ruling elder to constitute a quorum. The exercises were appointed to be held on Sunday, July 10, 1938.

Presbytery heard an informal presentation of the uncompleted plan of the Minister's Annuity Fund by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of special committee, and Ruling Elders O. F. Cooper and W. D. McCaig. No action was taken by Presbytery.

The minutes were read and approved.

After prayer by Rev. P. L. Clark, the Presbytery adjourned.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

CALLED MEETING

Pursuant to the Moderator's call issued July 21, 1938, the Presbytery of Wilmington met in special session at Immanuel Presbyterian church, Wilmington, N. C., at 11 a.m., August 1, 1938.

There were present the following members: Ministers: F. S. Johnston, C. H. Storey, D. D., Andrew J. Howell and C. C. Myers; and Ruling Elder Norman Mintz, Immanuel church.

Rev F. S. Johnston, Moderator, presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Ruling Elder Mintz.

The call for the meeting was read and found to be in order, the object being the granting of a letter of dismissal for candidate Wm. J. B. Livingston to the Presbytery of Greenbrier.

The Stated Clerk read the request for the letter, and upon motion the same was duly authorized.

The minutes were read and approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after prayer by Rev. C. C. Myers.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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## CALLED MEETING

Upon order of the Synod of North Carolina, the Presbytery of Wilmington met in the Church of the Covenant, Greensboro, N. C., at 9:45 p. m., Sept. 6th, 1938, for the purpose of granting a letter of dismissal for Rev. P. Cary Adams to the Presbytery of Birmingham, he having been called to the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian church, Birmingham, Ala.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. F. L. Goodman, the last Moderator present, and was constituted with prayer by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: D. L. Jones, K. C. Seawright, F. L. Goodman, C. H. Storey, D. D., G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., C. C. Myers, R. M. Engle, E. F. Thompson, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, W. H. Eubank and licentiate B. L. Rose (12).

Ruling Elders: H. C. Brogden, Stanford; R. V. Wells, Grove; J. L. Miller, Hallsville; G. R. Ward, Wallace, (4).

The Permanent Clerk presented request of Mr. Adams for a certificate of dismissal to Birmingham Presbytery, and also communications from the Stated Clerk of that Presbytery in prosecution of the call. Upon motion, the certificate was authorized; and the Stated Clerk was directed to write Mr. Adams, expressing Presbytery's appreciation of his good work among us and the cordial wishes of the Presbytery as he enters upon his new pastorate.

The minutes were read and approved.

After prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness, in which petition was offered for Mr. Adams as he enters another field of labor, the meeting adjourned.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in the one hundred and thirty-eighth stated session in the Grove Presbyterian church, Kenansville, N. C., at 11 a. m. Tuesday, October 11, 1938.

The opening sermon was delivered by Rev. F. S. Johnston, the retiring Moderator from the text, Matt. 16:24; after which the meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.

The following members were enrolled :

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. M. Plowden, C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, M. O. Sommers, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, (26).

Ruling Elders: C. L. Braddy, Ashwood; E. B. Lee, Baker; Arthur Wood, Bethel; Gardner Edwards, Beulaville; C. F. Mallard, Burgaw; Albert Martin, Calypso; C. D. Murphy, Caswell; S. E. Judge, Chinquapin; F. L. Pearsall, Church of Covenant; Snowden Singletary, Clarkton; J. K. Clark, Elizabethtown; A. F. Anderson, Elkton; J. M. Bowden, Faison; H. McKinnon, Graves Memorial; Lawrence Southerland, Grove; A. H. Miller, Hallsville; J. T. Pearson, Holly Grove; W. R. Rich, Hopewell; Gibson James, Maple Hill; C. Monroe, Mt. Horeb; H. R. Southerland, Mt. Olive; M. L. Carr, Mt. Zion; S. W. Newkirk, Oak Plains; Melzar Pearsall, Pearsall Memorial; J. J. Smith, Pink Hill; R. P. Bender, Pollocksville; E. D. Wells, Rockfish; E. Norfleet, St. Andrews; J. R. Miller, Smiths; H. M. Wells, Teachey; J. N. Wells, Wallace; J. W. Farrior, Warsaw; F. A. Newman, Westminister; J. D. Burney, White Plains; H. J. Veach, Willard; J. L. Lamb, Winter Park, (36).

Rev J. I. Knight was elected Moderator by acclamation.

The printed docket offered by the Stated Clerk was adopted, with amendment to make the consideration of the Ministers' Annuity Fund the special order for the afternoon immediately after the period provided for the report of the committee on Religious Education.

No unexcused absences were reported for the last stated meeting.

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Rev. Earl S. King, of the Presbytery of Montgomery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Unpublished minutes of called meetings of June 14, July 21, and Sept. 6, 1938, were read.

The Stated Clerk read the following communications:

From the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly with reference to amendments to doctrinal standards and other matters acted upon by the Assembly. Referred to the standing committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly.

From the Presidents of Davidson College and the Assembly's Training School relative to their institutions. Referred to permanent committee on Educational Institutions.

From the CHRISTIAN OBSERVER regarding "Church Paper Week". Referred to permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion.

From Dr. H. H. Sweets, Secretary, with reference to candidates for the ministry and ministers received from other denominations. Referred to permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief.

Greetings were given for the Grove church by Rev. F. L. Goodman, pastor, and Mr. A. T. Outlaw, the latter presenting a historical sketch of the church going back to 1736.

Upon his request and by motion, it was ordered that Presbytery take steps to ordain Rev. Benjamin Lacy Rose, licentiate, at the session tomorrow morning, 12th, after the doctrinal sermon by Rev. R. M. Engle; and that the sermon be designated as a part of the exercises in connection therewith.

Rev. W. W. Glass, of Roanoke Presbytery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Rev. M. O. Sommers made request that Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relations between him and the Graves Memorial and Holly Grove churches, and give him a certificate of dismissal to Cherokee Presbytery, that he might accept a call to the First Presbyterian church of Marietta, Ga. Representatives from the churches informed Presbytery of the concurrence of the congregations in the request for the dissolution. Upon motion, the request was granted, the dissolution made, and the certificate to Cherokee Presbytery authorized.

Several members commended highly the efficient ministry of Mr. Sommers in the Presbytery, and expressed cordial wishes for his continued usefulness in his new field.

Recess for luncheon was taken after hearing announcements, and prayer by Rev. F. S. Johnston.

TUESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness.

The Stated Clerk read the following statistical report to the Synod of North Carolina for the last year:

STATISTICAL REPORT OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY  
TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, 1938.

41 ministers, 1 licentiate, 8,120 communicants.

69 churches valued at \$1,293,127; 25 manses valued at \$140,700.

5 candidates for the ministry.

Ministers received:

Earl F. Thompson, Dec. 14, 1937, from Kings Mountain Presbytery.

J. R. Potts, June 14, 1938, from Orange Presbytery.

K. C. Seawright, June 14, 1938, from Red River Presbytery.

Ministers dismissed:

W. C. Smith, Oct. 31, 1937, to Mecklenburg Presbytery.

B. F. Hall, Th.D., Dec. 19, 1937, to St. Louis Presbytery.

No ministers deceased.

No churches organized.

Bolton church dissolved October 13, 1937.

Pastoral relations established:

E. F. Thompson, Lake Waccamaw and Ashwood churches, Jan. 9, 1938.

K. C. Seawright, Morehead City and Wildwood churches, July 10, 1938.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

W. C. Smith, Chinquapin, Beulaville, Bethel churches, Oct. 31, 1937.

B. F. Hall, Th.D., Morehead City and Wildwood churches, Dec. 19, 1937.

Candidates received:

William L. Paden, examination, April 11, 1938.

Benjamin Lacy Rose, certificate from Fayetteville Presbytery, June 14, 1938.

Candidate dismissed:

Wm. J. B. Livingston, to Greenbrier Presbytery, Aug. 1, 1938.

Candidate licensed:

Benjamin Lacy Rose, examination, June 14, 1938.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

Reports were heard from the commissioners to the last General Assembly, viz., Ruling Elders C. C. Murphy, J. E. Jerritt, Revs. M. O. Sommers, F. S. Johnston, and C. H. Storey, D. D. The reports were approved and the diligence of the commissioners commended.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Devotional—Revs. A. J. Howell and F. L. Goodman.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. F. S. Johnston and J. M. Plowden.

Nominations—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., and Ruling Elder E. Norfleet.

Records of Presbytery—Revs. D. L. Jones and C. C. Myers, and Ruling Elder R. P. Bender.

Minutes of General Assembly—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., and F. S. Johnston, and Ruling Elder L. Southerland.

Leave of Absence—Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr., and Ruling Elder J. N. Wells.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Rev. P. L. Clark and Ruling Elder H. R. Southerland.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. R. H. Poole and E. F. Thompson.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman, made report for the Presbytery's committee of Home Missions. The same was approved, and, upon recommendation of the committee, the following appointments for stated supply until the spring meeting were made:

Rev. W. H. Eubank at Pink Hill, Hebron, Smiths and Pleasant View; Rev. J. R. Potts at Southport, New Hope and Sweet Home; Rev. E. F. Thompson at White Plains and Elkton.

In connection with the committee's report, Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., displayed a map and addressed Presbytery relative to the general home mission program of the Presbytery.

Rev. L. A. Davis, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

3:15 p. m. Rev. L. A. Davis addressed Presbytery on the subject of the development program of Flora Macdonald college. He presented the following requests:

1. That a large committee, representing various portions of the Presbytery, be appointed to further the presentation of the program.

2. That the months of April and May, 1939, be designated as the period for making the financial efforts in Wilmington Presbytery.

These requests, being approved were referred to the permanent committee on Educational Institutions.

3:45 p. m. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Religious Education, made report, including recommendations, which was adopted as follows:

Your committee of Religious Education in presenting its third annual report does so with a sense of joy and thankfulness. The definite tasks accomplished, and the evidence of increased interest from many sources combine to encourage us and give us confidence for the future. The committee has held a number of meetings during the year but one deserves special mention. This was held in Wilmington as an all-day conference in February with about fifteen members present. Each sub-committee considered its own special field of activity and then brought in a report to the committee as a whole where definite plans for the work were mapped out. It will be of interest to the Presbytery to know that our form of organization and method of work has attracted the favorable attention of the Synod's committee. First let us take a brief survey of the activities within the Presbytery.

**CHILDREN'S DIVISION**—Your committee has endeavored to develop the work along two lines during the past year. First efforts were made to enlist the workers in the Presbytery in a one day training school but the results were rather discouraging. One such conference, however, was held at St. Andrews Church with the ladies of this church as hostesses and with about fifty persons present representing about twelve churches. We believe this conference was well worth while and those attending got a new vision of the work in the Children's Division of the church school.

The second effort was in the field of Vacation Church School. 29 of the 70, churches in the Presbytery reported schools with a total enrollment of 2,023, which is an increase over last year of 169. However we feel that the actual work done this year was much better than last as all the schools this year had at least three departments whereas last year several had only one department.

Miss Eleanor Burns of the Assembly's Training School worked for six weeks under the Assembly's Committee and Miss Mary Mulcay was employed by our local committee for seven weeks. Misses Rotha Murray and Pharise Parker of the First Church Wilmington worked as volunteers for two weeks.

We wish to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Wilmington Presbyterial for financial assistance for carrying forward this department of the work.



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**YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION**—We record another year of splendid work in this division. Two rallies have been held the mid-winter at the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, in December and the spring at the Graves Memorial Church, Clinton. Strong programs were arranged for each and the attendance was large. Over 40 of our young people attended the Synodical Conference at Davidson. The Presbyterial Conference at Peace was, we believe, the best we have yet held. 106 delegates were present with a staff of 21. A varied and interesting program of Bible study, classroom courses, inspirational addresses and supervised recreation was offered. The delegates as a whole were more mature than in former years and gave evidence of a serious approach to the problems of the Christian life in these days.

The time of the conference was increased this year from 4 to 5 days and while this necessitated an increase in the cost we believe it was well justified in the better work accomplished. We again found the facilities of Peace College most adequate for the successful conduct of the conference. This conference has won for itself an outstanding place in the young people's work of the Presbytery.

We feel that there should be a conference provided for the Pioneer age group but so far your committee has not seen its way clear to undertake this due to the fact that we can find no place within the bounds of the Presbytery where such a conference can be held and we cannot go outside without making the price prohibitive. We are planning however to hold a one day Pioneer Conclave the latter part of the month which corresponds to the young people's rallies. This will be under the direction of Rev. J. I. Knight.

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING**—So far as reports have come only one school has been held outside of Wilmington—this was at Faison in March. Two courses were offered with an enrollment of 65 and an average attendance of 50. The Wilmington school held in February reached a high mark in attendance, 381 with 74 receiving credit. In addition to this school training classes were conducted in the First Church, St. Andrews and Church of the Covenant. We believe this is a most important work and must be pressed with increasing vigor in order that the standard of our teaching may be raised.

**ORGANIZATION AND EXTENSION**—The chairman of this sub-committee sent a communication to all pastors and S. S. Superintendents urging that a survey of their respective fields be made and wherever a sufficient need is discovered that an outpost school be established. One new Sunday School was organized by the Supt. of Home Missions at Oak Ridge.

**ADULT DIVISION**—No special work has been done in this field.

The year in the Synod at large has been marked by unusual activity and fine progress. Especially outstanding has been the work of the new head of the Y. P. Division, Miss Woodson. She has been most enthusiastically received throughout the Synod and has touched the life of the Young People's work in many ways.

A most helpful two days conference meeting of all the Presbyterial committees with the Synod's committee was held in Burlington last November. Nearly 100 were present as the guests of the Burlington Church. Representatives from the Richmond Committee were present to lead the discussion. This meeting proved so constructive and helpful that a similar one is to be held in Fayetteville the latter part of this month.

Our committee also sponsored a one day conference under Dr. Paul Vieth of Yale University. This was held in Wilmington March 28th, with 24 churches represented and 158 delegates present of which 11 were ministers. This proved to be a very interesting and instructive conference.

We regret to record a slight decrease again this year in the total Sunday School enrollment of the Presbytery. It should spur us to renewed efforts in all our churches that we may gather in the children who at present are not being reached.

RECOMMENDATIONS—1. That the work of Religious Education be pressed with increased vigor in every church of the Presbytery as one of the essentials to the building up of the Kingdom.

2. That the Young People's Conference be held next June at Peace College, all arrangements for which shall be in the hands of the sub-committee of Young People's work; that information concerning this conference be given at Spring meeting of Presbytery.

3. That the Presbytery appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of this committee to be paid out of the treasury of Home Missions.

4. That all churches be urged to send in regularly and promptly the 1% of their Benevolent offerings appropriated to this cause by the Synod to the Rev. E. L. Barber, Treasurer, Aberdeen, N. C. That all Sunday Schools be urged to take the special offering recommended by Synod for this cause in April.

5. That we note with deep appreciation the fine service rendered this department of our work by Dr. Wm. C. Pressly in connection with the annual conference held at Peace College. He has rendered invaluable aid in many ways.

6. That we note with deep regret that the Rev. M. O. Sommers, for the past three years the very efficient chairman of the sub-committee on Y. P. work, is leaving our Presbytery and that we record our sincere appreciation of the splendid service he has rendered.

Dr. Whitmore, chairman, also presented financial report of the various activities of the committee, which was approved for record as follows:

# MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

## COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE:

### RECEIPTS:

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Home Mission's Committee | \$59.00 |
|--------------------------|---------|

### DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                                          |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Promotional                                              | 6.00  |
| Rev. M. O. Sommers as delegate to<br>Montreat Conference | 18.00 |
| Vieth Conference                                         | 35.00 |

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|-------|----------|
| Total | \$ 59.00 |
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## CHILDREN'S DIVISION

### RECEIPTS:

|                                    |          |
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| Presbytery's Com. of Home Missions | \$ 45.00 |
| Wilmington Presbyterial            | 26.58    |
| Vacation Church Schools            | 30.87    |

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|-------|----------|
| Total | \$102.45 |
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### DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                               |       |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Promotional expense                           | 7.58  |
| Miss Mary Mulcay (salary, 7 weeks and travel) | 80.45 |
| Balance in bank                               | 14.42 |

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|-------|----------|
| Total | \$102.45 |
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## YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION-PEACE CONFERENCE:

### RECEIPTS:

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Delegates                   | \$709.90 |
| Sale of conference booklets | 5.80     |

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|-------|----------|
| Total | \$715.70 |
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### DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                            |         |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|
| Promotional                                | \$ 7.70 |
| Printing, Stationery Etc.                  | 35.59   |
| Peace College for board                    | 645.00  |
| Honorariums and Travel Expense of speakers | 50.09   |

|         |          |
|---------|----------|
| Total   | \$738.38 |
| Deficit | \$22.68  |

NOTE—This deficit was met out of a small balance carried over from last year.

Chairmen of the sub-committee of the Religious Education department made reports, which were received as information as follows:

- Rev. F. L. Goodman, Children's Division.
- Rev. J. W. Miller, Leadership Training.
- Rev. S. G. Harness, Organization and Extension.
- Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Adult Division.

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Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the Minister's Annuity Fund, addressed Presbytery on that subject, and presented the following report, with recommendations, viz:

Your committee would report, with deep regret, that very little has been accomplished towards the securing of our Presbytery's goal since our last meeting, in spite of earnest effort on our part.

At the Spring meeting of Presbytery we reported the total pledges shown in our Wilmington office as \$36,807.20. At this time this total amounts to \$37,501.75,—a gain of only \$694.55. However it should be carefully noted that the total of pledges which Dr. Sweets has received is only \$36,881.56, being \$620.19 less than the figures shown in our Wilmington office.

The total quota for Wilmington Presbytery is \$38,599.00. The total cash and pledges received by Dr. Sweets is \$36,881.56, leaving a total short of our quota, according to Dr. Sweets of \$1,717.44.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Your committee would urgently recommend that our Presbytery bend every effort at once to complete the raising of our quota at the earliest possible moment, and to go as far beyond as possible.
2. To this end, we urge those churches which have done nothing to grapple with this matter at once, and those which have raised a part of their quota to endeavor to complete it as soon as possible, and those which have raised it all to see if they cannot give even more where possible.
3. That all our ministers and officers and members generally be called upon to make earnest and continuous prayer that this movement may soon be completely successful, in order that the deserving servants of Christ and His church may be provided for more surely and more adequately.
4. That our whole constituency be requested to give outspoken and continuous endorsement to the Minister's Annuity Fund, that thereby an increasingly favorable attitude may be developed among our people towards it.

Dr. Gilmour, chairman, also offered the following financial report showing quotas assigned the churches and pledges and payments made to the committee in Louisville, Ky., to October 5th, 1938, viz:

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| CHURCHES        | QUOTA     | TOTAL PLEDGES AND                       |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|
|                 |           | PAYMENTS SHOWN BY<br>DR. SWEETS, SEC'Y. |
| Acme            | \$ 150.00 | \$ 81.20                                |
| Antioch         | 60.00     |                                         |
| Ashwood         | 110.00    | 55.00                                   |
| Baker           | 110.00    | 1.52                                    |
| Beth Car        | 200.00    | 50.00                                   |
| Bethel          | 60.00     | 41.05                                   |
| Beulaville      | 110.00    | 145.12                                  |
| Black River     | 300.00    | 300.00                                  |
| Bladenboro      | 45.00     | 15.00                                   |
| Bowden          | 75.00     | 35.35                                   |
| Brown Marsh     | 60.00     | 60.00                                   |
| Burgaw          | 600.00    | 560.00                                  |
| Calypso         | 600.00    | 335.00                                  |
| Caswell         | 450.00    | 463.50                                  |
| Chadbourn       | 500.00    |                                         |
| Chinquapin      | 225.00    | 179.44                                  |
| Clarkton        | 1,500.00  | 1,471.50                                |
| Croatan         | 45.00     | 3.00                                    |
| Currie          | 75.00     | 24.75                                   |
| Elizabethtown   | 1,000.00  | 1,240.00                                |
| Elkton          | 50.00     | 35.00                                   |
| Faison          | 900.00    | 925.55                                  |
| Graves Memorial | 1,500.00  | 1,123.75                                |
| Morehead City   | 350.00    | 350.00                                  |
| Grove           | 450.00    | 14.42                                   |
| Hallsville      | 150.00    | 95.50                                   |
| Harmony         | 225.00    | 5.00                                    |
| Hebron          | 120.00    |                                         |
| Holly Grove     | 250.00    | 253.43                                  |
| Hopewell        | 175.00    | 175.00                                  |
| Jacksonville    | 150.00    | 49.50                                   |
| Lake Waccamaw   | 325.00    | 135.00                                  |
| Maple Hill      | 42.00     | 22.00                                   |
| Mt. Horeb       | 150.00    | 50.00                                   |
| Mt. Olive       | 1,500.00  | 953.00                                  |
| Mt. Williams    | 60.00     | 60.00                                   |
| Mt. Zion        | 900.00    | 503.04                                  |
| New Hope        | 250.00    | 151.00                                  |
| Oak Plains      | 300.00    | 146.00                                  |
| Pike            | 150.00    | 3.00                                    |
| Pink Hill       | 225.00    | 2.00                                    |
| Pleasant View   | 170.00    |                                         |
| Pollocksville   | 340.00    | 340.00                                  |
| Rockfish        | 450.00    | 450.00                                  |
| Rocky Point     | 200.00    | 16.00                                   |
| Smiths          | 150.00    |                                         |
| Southport       | 100.00    | 4.00                                    |
| South River     | 200.00    | 64.00                                   |
| Stanford        | 130.00    |                                         |
| Teachays        | 225.00    | 261.00                                  |
| Topsail         | 150.00    | 40.00                                   |
| Wallace         | 1000.00   | 1,055.70                                |

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|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Warsaw                                           | 1,300.00    | 761.00      |
| Westminister                                     | 1,800.00    | 8.63        |
| White Plains                                     | 75.00       | 16.00       |
| White Oak                                        | 150.00      | 10.00       |
| Whiteville-First                                 | 600.00      | 688.00      |
| Wildwood                                         | 80.00       | 105.00      |
| Willard                                          | 225.00      | 285.50      |
| St. Andrews                                      | 4,630.00    | 4,790.01    |
| Delgado                                          | 150.00      | 150.00      |
| Wilmington-First                                 | 6,500.00    | 9,721.39    |
| Immanuel                                         | 600.00      | 235.00      |
| Pearsall Memorial                                | 700.00      | 494.50      |
| Church of Covenant                               | 6,000.00    | 6,240.79    |
| Winter Park                                      | 600.00      | 665.32      |
| Woodburn                                         | 120.00      | 48.05       |
| Misc. and Presbyterial Auxiliary                 |             | 213.05      |
| Total Amended Quota for<br>Wilmington Presbytery | \$38,599.00 |             |
| Amounts Pledged and Paid                         |             | 36,881.56   |
| Total Shortage                                   |             | \$ 1,717.44 |

Pending action on the subject, Presbytery heard also an address by Rev. J. M. Plowden.

Upon motion, the report of the chairman, as a whole, was approved and adopted.

Upon recommendation of the committee on Educational Institutions, Presbytery elected the members of that committee and the trustees of the Presbytery for Flora Macdonald college as a committee to prosecute the interests of the development program of the college in the Presbytery, and also approved the months of April and May, 1939, as the period for undertaking the work projected. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., was named the convener of the committee.

After hearing announcements, and prayer by Rev. E. F. Thompson, recess was taken until 7:30 p. m.

TUESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Presbytery reconvened and engaged in a popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions. Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman of the permanent committee on that subject, presided and led in opening worship. He offered report of the committee, with recommendations as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Presbytery engage in a special prayer for native Christians in the Orient who are affected by modern Japanese aggression, and that God will send forth workers for the harvest.
2. That we accept January 1 to February 5 as Foreign Mission season, and January 29 to February 5 as the week of Self-denial and Prayer for Foreign Missions.
3. That each church hold a school of missions using "Star in the East" by Dr. Darby Fulton as the text book.
4. That ministers and church sessions make a special effort to enlist our choice young people as full-time workers for Christ, especially in the mission fields.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell read a list of 23 missionaries who have gone out from the bounds of the Presbytery to date, and offered prayer for the cause of missions.

Rev. Earl S. King, of the mission at Bibanga, Belgian Congo, Africa, delivered an enlightening illustrated lecture on his work; and the exercises were closed with prayer.

Presbytery met for business, and approved the report of the committee, adopting the recommendations offered.

After prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness, Presbytery adjourned for the day.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 12

9. a. m. A service of worship was conducted by Rev. J. R. Potts based on the text, Isaiah 52:10.

The Moderator called the meeting to order.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Report of the commission to install Rev. K. C. Seawright in his pastorate was presented as follows for record:

The commission appointed to install Rev. K. C. Seawright as pastor of George Webb Memorial and Wildwood churches met at the George Webb Memorial church at 11 a. m. Sunday, July 10th, 1938. There were present Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., chairman, Rev. J. R. Potts, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, and Ruling Elders H. L. Joslyn and S. W. Thompson.

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer. The following order was observed; Rev. J. R. Potts preached the sermon; Rev. J. R. Phipps charged the people, and Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., charged the pastor and propounded the constitutional questions. Rev. K. C. Seawright was thereupon declared to be duly installed pastor of the George Webb Memorial church. Recess was then taken to meet again in the Wildwood church in the evening.

The commission reconvened in the Wildwood church at 8 p. m. and was led in prayer. Rev. J. R. Phipps preached the sermon; Rev. J. R. Potts charged the pastor, and Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., charged the people and propounded the constitutional questions. Rev. K. C. Seawright was thereupon declared to be duly installed pastor of the Wildwood church.

The minutes were read and approved, and the meeting adjourned with prayer.

G. A. WILSON, JR., Chairman.

Rev. S. G. Harness offered report for the permanent committee on Educational Institutions, making reference to communications received from Davidson college, Peace Junior college and the Assembly's Training school. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., made further statement relative to Peace Junior college. The report of the committee was received as information.



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Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, which was approved.

Rev. P. L. Clark made report as member of Synod's committee on Stated Supply. It was noted that the work of the committee is to be discontinued.

Rev E. F. Thompson made report for the permanent committee on Synod's Home Missions, which was received as information.

10 a. m. Matters sent down by the General Assembly were brought up for consideration. Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the standing committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, presented the subjects, viz:

The amendment adopted relative to "The Minister and His Work" was referred to the standing committee on Nominations for the nomination of Presbytery's commission:

Recommendation as to the appointment of a Presbyterial advisory committee on divorce and remarriage. Upon motion, appointment of such committee in the Presbytery was authorized and the naming of its personnel referred to the standing committee on Nominations.

Proposed amendments to the Confession of Faith and the catechisms of the church. Changes and additions sent down by the Assembly were, upon motion, given the consent of the Presbytery, as follows:

Proposed amendments to Confession of Faith.

| Chapter | I, Par. | VIII, | Approved |           |
|---------|---------|-------|----------|-----------|
| "       | III,    | III,  | "        | (to omit) |
| "       | III,    | IV,   | "        | (to omit) |
| "       | III,    | V,    | "        |           |
| "       | III,    | VII,  | "        |           |
| "       | V,      | VI,   | "        |           |
| "       | VI,     | II,   | "        |           |
| "       | VI,     | IV,   | "        |           |
| "       | X,      | III,  | "        |           |
| "       | X,      | IV,   | "        |           |
| "       | XXI,    | IV,   | "        |           |
| "       | XXII,   | VII,  | "        |           |
| "       | XXIV,   | III,  | "        |           |
| "       | XXV,    | II,   | "        |           |
| "       | XXV,    | V,    | "        |           |
| "       | XXV,    | VI,   | "        |           |
| "       | XXIX,   | II,   | "        |           |
| "       | XXIX,   | VIII, | "        |           |

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Proposed Changes in Larger Catechism.

|                           |      |          |
|---------------------------|------|----------|
| Amending Ans to Question  | 13,  | Approved |
| Amending Ans. to Question | 25,  | "        |
| Amending Ans to Question  | 156, | "        |

Proposed Addition to Larger Catechism.

Adding Question 63 and Answer                      Approved

Proposed Additions to Shorter Catechism.

Adding words to Answer to Question 88      Approved  
Adding Question 89 and Answer                      "  
Adding Question 90 and Answer                      "

Vote was taken on each item separately.

Further consideration of the committee's report was deferred.

Recess was taken for five minutes for preparation for the communion service.

11 a. m. A doctrinal sermon on the subject of "The Deity of Christ" was preached by Rev. R. M. Engle from the text, Matt. 22:42, and was accepted as the sermon to be delivered as part of the exercises for the ordination of Rev. Benjamin L. Rose as an evangelist.

Communion of the Lord's Supper was observed, Rev. P. L. Clark and Rev. W. H. Eubank presiding. Ruling elders of Presbytery distributed the elements.

The Moderator recited the proceedings of the Presbytery preparatory to the ordination and made suitable remarks as to the same.

Upon motion, the examination of Mr. Rose for licensure on June 14, 1938, was declared to be satisfactory and sufficient for his ordination.

The Moderator propounded to him the constitutional questions, which were answered affirmatively; and Mr. Rose was duly ordained to the Gospel ministry by the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery and prayer; the prayer being delivered by Rev. D. L. Jones.

A solemn charge was delivered to Mr. Rose by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., and he was declared by the Moderator to have been duly ordained to the Gospel ministry as an evangelist.

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

Calls for the pastoral services of Mr. Rose from the churches of Chinquapin and Bethel were read by the Stated Clerk, found in order and ordered to be placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his acceptance of them, the following commission was named to install him as pastor of the churches: Revs. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., W. P. M. Currie, with Rev. F. L. Goodman alternate; and Ruling Elders Gardner Edwards, W. F. Lanier and Joe Wood; any two ministers and a ruling elder to constitute a quorum. The time for the exercises and parts to be taken were left to the pleasure of the commission.

Presbytery, being informed of the purpose of the Beulaville church, also, to extend a call to Mr. Rose, ordered the same commission to arrange for his installation in that church if the call shall be found in order and the way be clear.

Consideration of matters referred by the General Assembly was resumed, as follows:

Proposed amendment of Par. 74 of the Book of Church Order relative to the requirements of ministers received into a Presbytery from other denominations. Presbytery voted consent to the amendment.

Proposed amendment of Chap. XIII of the Book of Church Order as Par. 60-a, concerning the status of church properties held by church courts or local congregations. Upon motion, Presbytery declined consent.

Proposed addition of Chap. IX of the Confession of Faith, on the Holy Spirit, was, upon motion approved.

After hearing announcements, recess was taken for luncheon.

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WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Presbytery was called to order and led in prayer by Rev. E. F. Thompson.

Consideration of matters sent down by the General Assembly was continued; and, upon motion, approval was given to the proposed addition of Chap. X of Confession of Faith, on the Gospel, and to the addition of the word "love" in the answer to Q. 4 of the Shorter Catechism.

Approval was also given to "The Brief Statement" of belief adopted by the General Assembly in 1913 as submitted by the Assembly in 1938.

Rev. P. L. Clark, chairman of the standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, recommended the acceptance of an invitation extended by the Faison church for the spring meeting to be held April 11, 1939. By unanimous vote the invitation was accepted.

Report of the Auditing committee was offered as to its examination and approval of the accounts of the treasurer of the contingent fund.

The balance in bank for that account is now \$389.91.

Rev. E. F. Thompson presented the following paper from the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks:

The Presbytery of Wilmington desires to express its appreciation to the pastor and congregation of the Grove Presbyterian church for their gracious hospitality. We have enjoyed being in Kenansville, and are grateful for the kind consideration we have received. Especially do we thank the ladies for the wonderful way in which they have served us with bountiful meals.

We pray God's blessing on the church, and again thank the people for their graciousness to the Presbytery.

The paper was adopted by a rising vote, and Presbytery directed that a copy be delivered to the pastor of the church to be read to the congregation.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman of the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, presented report as follows, which was adopted:

Your committee on the Records of Presbytery reports that it has examined the printed minutes and believes them to be a correct record.

The minutes are well and neatly printed.

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Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, offered the following report for the permanent committee on Nominations, which was adopted:

Your committee would make the following nominations:

J. H. Clark to take the place of R. C. Carson, resigned, on the Board of Trustees of Peace college.

Home Missions—Rev. D. L. Jones in place of Rev. M. O. Sommers.

Foreign Missions—Rev. K. C. Seawright in the place of Rev. M. O. Sommers.

Christian Education and Ministerial Relief—Rev. J. B. Withrow in place of Rev. P. C. Adams.

Religious Education, Young People's Division—Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, in place of Rev. M. O. Sommers.

Adult Work—Miss Lucilla White.

Leadership Training—Miss Jane Hall in place of Miss Margaret Cox.

Organization and Extension—Rev. Raleigh M. Engle in place of Rev. W. L. Wilson.

Natural and Exact Sciences—Rev. Benjamin L. Rose in place of Rev. P. C. Adams.

The commission on the Minister and His work.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, (1 year) chairman.

Rev. S. G. Harness, (2 years).

Rev. J. I. Knight, (3 years).

Ruling Elder, C. S. Clark (1 year).

Ruling Elder, W. D. McCaig, (2 years).

Committee on Divorce and Remarriage.

Rev. J. Harry Whitmore, D. D.

Rev. Raleigh M. Engle.

Rev. F. L. Goodman.

Rev. J. I. Knight.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps.

Rev. R. H. Poole.

This committee is to function as three sub-committees of two each, one in the Wilmington district, one in the Warsaw district, and one in the Whiteville district.

Rev S. G. Harness, chairman of the permanent committee on Stewardship, offered the following report, with recommendations, which was adopted:

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

During the year 1937-1938, Wilmington Presbytery contributed to all causes, the sum of \$157,562.00, as compared with \$147,785.00 the previous year, or an increase of \$9,777.00. Gifts were divided as follows: benevolences, \$57,224.00, as compared with \$49,452.00 of the previous year, or an increase of \$7,772.00; current expenses, \$100,338.00, as compared with \$98,333.00, or an increase of \$2,005.00 over the previous year. We are grateful to our membership for their increased gifts and added interest in this phase of the work of the Kingdom, and express our gratitude unto God for His continued spiritual and material blessings.

However, the report of the Stewardship and Finance Committee of the General Assembly shows that the churches making the Every Member Canvass have only 88.69% as compared with a percentage of 90.97% in the year 1937. Thus, our Every Member Canvass failed to reach as large a number of our membership as the year previous. This in spite of a very intensive campaign planned and carried out by the Stewardship Committee. The Every Member Canvass has proven its worth and effectiveness in the stewardship work of our church. We feel a continued decline in the thoroughness of our Every Member Canvass will mean a decline in gifts; therefore, we call upon all churches to plan and conduct the Every Member Canvass in the most spiritual and efficient manner possible.

The Woman's Auxiliary report 428 tithers. The membership of Wilmington Presbytery is 8,120 members. However, the figures of the Woman's Auxiliary would not include all tithers. Concerning tithing, we quote from the Annual Report of the Committee on Stewardship and Finance, as follows: "As part of His teaching concerning giving, God taught His people that those who worship Him shall set apart each year, of all new value that passes through their hands, a tenth, the ratio named by God Himself as a man's acknowledgment of the divine sovereignty". This was not given as an arbitrary "law", simply that men should obey it, but is rather a direction for living that grows out of the nature of redeemed men.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Sunday, March 12, 1939, be designated as Every Member Canvass Day, and that our churches make every effort to bring every member to face prayerfully the privilege and obligation of having a part in the work of the Kingdom commensurate with the words of Paul, "As God hath prospered you".
2. That Sunday, March 26, 1939, be designated as "Pay Up Day", when all members shall be urged to complete full payment of their pledges; thus giving ample time for remittances to reach agencies before the books are closed.
3. That all church treasurers be urged to close their books promptly on March 31, and remit all benevolent funds immediately that they may reach the respective agencies before the books close on April 5.

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4. That Presbytery set a quota of \$42,000.00, and adopt as a working basis the plan of the General Assembly in distributing its benevolent askings to the various churches on the basis of 10% of the total askings, based on the membership of the previous year, and 90% on the basis of average gifts to benevolences for the 3 previous years. This recommendation is in keeping with a request from General Assembly that Synods and Presbyteries follow the plan of the General Assembly.
5. That quotas for the churches for the year beginning April 1, 1939, be the same as the present year except that the apportionment for the First Church, Wilmington be \$9,000.00. (See table).
6. That all pastors and officers be urged to read carefully recommendation 30 of the Standing Committee of Stewardship and Finance found on page 50 of the 1938 Minutes of the General Assembly and wherever practicable follow this plan in local church financing.
7. That in preparation for the Every Member Canvass, an all day conference be held on some date in January or February. This conference shall be especially for pastors, Secretaries of Stewardship, Chairmen of the Board of Deacons or whoever the local church designates as responsible for the Every Member Canvass.
8. That Dr. C. H. Storey, Dr. G. A. Wilson, Jr., Dr. J. H. Whitmore, Rev. J. I. Knight, and Rev. S. G. Harness constitute a committee to arrange program for the above conference and to present plans at this conference for an active campaign throughout the Presbytery in preparation for the Every Member Canvass.
9. That the booklet "The Fellowship of Giving", by Herman C. Webber, be used by the churches for stewardship classes.

Upon motion, it was directed that the expenses of the commission on the Minister and His Work be met out of the contingent fund of the Presbytery.

The Moderator made announcement of the appointment of Rev. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., to preach the doctrinal sermon in the spring, the assigned subject being the Resurrection.

Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr., chairman of the standing committee on Leave of Absence, made the following report:

Our committee excused after the afternoon session Tuesday: Revs. R. H. Poole, R. C. Clontz, Jas. R. Phipps, W. P. M. Currie; and Ruling Elders J. L. Lamb, J. K. Clark, C. Monroe, E. B. Lee,

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M. Pearsall, C. L. Braddy, J. D. Burney, H. McKinnon, H. J. Veach,  
E. D. Wells, F. A. Newman, J. N. Wells.

After evening service Tuesday: Rev. J. R. Potts, and Ruling  
Elders C. F. Mallard, W. R. Rich, H. R. Southerland, M. L. Carr.

Minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned after prayer by Rev. D. L.  
Jones to meet in regular spring session in the Presby-  
terian church at Faison on Tuesday April 11, 1939, at  
11 a. m.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.



MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

CHURCHES

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1—Acme                    | 36—Mt. Horeb         |
| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Olive         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Williams      |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Zion          |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—New Hope          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—Oakdale           |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oak Plains        |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Pearsall Memorial |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pike              |
| 10—Bowden                 | 45—Pink Hill         |
| 11—Brown Marsh            | 46—Pleasant View     |
| 12—Burgaw                 | 47—Pollocksville     |
| 13—Calypso                | 48—Rockfish          |
| 14—Caswell                | 49—Rocky Point       |
| 15—Chadbourn              | 50—St. Andrews       |
| 16—Chinquapin             | 51—Seven Springs     |
| 17—Church of the Covenant | 52—Smiths            |
| 18—Clarkton               | 53—Southport         |
| 19—Croatan                | 54—South River       |
| 20—Currie                 | 55—Stanford          |
| 21—Delgado                | 56—Sweet Home        |
| 22—Elizabethtown          | 57—Teachey           |
| 23—Elkton                 | 58—Topsail           |
| 24—Faison                 | 59—Wallace           |
| 25—Graves Memorial        | 60—Warsaw            |
| 26—Grove                  | 61—Webb Memorial     |
| 27—Hallsville             | 62—Westminster       |
| 28—Harmony                | 63—White Plains      |
| 29—Hebron                 | 64—Whiteville First  |
| 30—Holly Grove            | 65—Wildwood          |
| 31—Hopewell               | 66—Willard           |
| 32—Immanuel               | 67—Wilmington First  |
| 33—Jacksonville           | 68—Winter Park       |
| 34—Lake Waccamaw          | 69—Woodburn          |
| 35—Maple Hill             |                      |

MINISTERS

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff       | 21—F. S. Johnson            |
| 2—W. P. M. Currie         | 22—R. H. Poole              |
| 3—L. T. Newland           | 23—C. H. Storey, D. D.      |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 24—J. I. Knight             |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 25—L. E. Wells              |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 26—J. S. Crowley            |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 27—Jas R. Phipps            |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 28—L. W. Kessler            |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 29—S. C. Farrior            |
| 10—C. C. Myers            | 30—J. O. Mann               |
| 11—R. C. Clontz           | 31—C. W. Worth              |
| 12—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 32—J. D. Withrow            |
| 13—W. L. Wilson           | 33—R. M. Engle              |
| 14—J. Robt. Phipps        | 34—D. L. Jones              |
| 15—D. L. Williamson       | 35—W. H. Eubank             |
| 16—S. G. Harness          | 36—G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D. |
| 17—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 37—E. F. Thompson           |
| 18—J. W. Miller           | 38—J. R. Potts              |
| 19—F. L. Goodman          | 39—K. C. Seawright          |
| 20—K. B. McCutchen        | 40—Benjamin L. Rose         |

CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

W. K. Cromartie, Edward J. Humphrey, Arnold B. Rhodes,  
Daniel D. Rhodes, William Lee Paden, Jr., (5).

DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—REV. J. I. KNIGHT, Mount Olive, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*

REV. ANDREW J. HOWELL, Wilmington, N. C.

*Permanent Clerk*—REV. RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Winter Park  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Treasurer of Benevolences*—R. M. SHEPPARD, Southern Bldg.,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Superintendent of Home Missions*—REV. G. A. WILSON, JR., D. D.,  
209 No. 13th St., Wilmington, N. C.

TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1940—J. O. Carr, W. H. Sprunt, R. C. Carson.

TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1940—Rev. J. Robt Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S.  
Clark, Dr. A. H. Kerr.

Exit Spring 1940—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, F. L. Pearsall.

Exit Spring 1939—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. H. Clark.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1937),  
J. H. Whitmore, D. D., W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, D. L. Jones, F. S. Johnston, A. J. Howell;  
Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, Dr. J. E. Evans,  
Eustace Norfleet, J. E. Kelley, Dr. Wilbert Jackson. Honorary  
member, W. H. Sprunt.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. E. F. Thompson (1938), C. C.  
Myers; Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston (1938), F. L.  
Goodman; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1938), K. C. Seawright,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas, D. W.  
Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. A. D. P. Gil-  
mour, D. D. (1936), J. D. Withrow, S. G. Harness, J. Robt.  
Phipps; Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

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*Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D.D. (1938), Chairman.

Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs. F. L. Goodman, (1938), L. W. Kessler, Miss Mary W. Callison.

*Young People's Division*—Revs R. H. Poole (1938), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Mrs. L. B. Huie.

*Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. (1938), W. H. Eubank; Ruling Elder Dr. R. L. Carr, Miss Lucilla White.

*Leadership Training*—Revs J. W. Miller (1938), S. G. Harness; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Jane Hall.

*Organization and Extension*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1936), R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs Newton Robinson.

*Stewardship*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1938), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., F. L. Goodman, E. F. Thompson, P. L. Clark, R. H. Poole, R. C. Clontz, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D., L. W. Kessler; Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

*Educational Institutions*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1936), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.

*Orphans' Home*—Revs. J. D. Withrow (1938), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson, F. L. Goodman; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, J. L. Miller, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark.

*Bible Cause*—Revs. J. S. Crowley (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1936), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, Jr., D. D. (1938), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders W. H. Sprunt, J. B. Huntington.

*Women's Work*—Revs. L. W. Kessler (1936), W. P. M. Currie, R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.

*History*—Revs. L. E. Wells (1938), A. J. Howell, J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.

*Auditing*—Ruling Elders J. B. Huntington (1938), W. D. McCaig, C. S. Clark.

*Sessional Records*—Revs. L. W. Kessler (1938), J. D. Withrow, E. F. Thompson.

*Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. R. H. Poole (1936); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

*Divorce and Remarriage (Advisory)*—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), R. M. Engle, F. L. Goodman, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, R. H. Poole.

EXAMINATION

- Experimental Religion*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1936), L. W. Kessler.  
*Academic Studies*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1938), A. J. Howell.  
*Languages*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1938), J. W. Miller.  
*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole (1938), B. L. Rose.  
*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. R. M. Engle (1936), J. M. Plowden.  
*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1936), D. L. Jones.  
*Theology*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D. (1936), F. L. Goodman.  
*Church History*—Rev. J. D. Withrow (1936), F. S. Johnston.  
*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1938), F. S. Johnston.  
*English Bible*—Revs. J. I. Knight (1938), A. J. Howell.

COMMISSION ON MINISTER AND WORK.

- Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, (1 year).  
Rev. S. G. Harness, (2 years).  
Rev. J. I. Knight, (3 years).  
Ruling Elder C. S. Clark, (1 year).  
Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, (2 years).

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**BENEVOLENT ASKINGS FOR YEAR BEGINNING  
APRIL 1, 1939.**

|                     |          |                      |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Acme -----          | \$ 75.00 | Maple Hill -----     | \$ 30.00 |
| Antioch -----       | 25.00    | Mt. Horeb -----      | 60.00    |
| Ashwood -----       | 80.00    | Mt. Olive -----      | 800.00   |
| Baker -----         | 25.00    | Mt. Williams -----   | 50.00    |
| Beth Car -----      | 100.00   | Mt. Zion -----       | 710.00   |
| Bethel -----        | 100.00   | New Hope -----       | 140.00   |
| Beulaville -----    | 90.00    | Oakdale -----        | 25.00    |
| Black River -----   | 125.00   | Oak Plains -----     | 175.00   |
| Bladenboro -----    | 25.00    | Pearsall Memorial -  | 410.00   |
| Bowden -----        | 40.00    | Pike -----           | 100.00   |
| Brown Marsh -----   | 40.00    | Pink Hill -----      | 50.00    |
| Burgaw -----        | 325.00   | Pleasant View -----  | 50.00    |
| Calypso -----       | 325.00   | Pollocksville -----  | 150.00   |
| Caswell -----       | 150.00   | Rockfish -----       | 325.00   |
| Chadbourn -----     | 225.00   | Rocky Point -----    | 180.00   |
| Chinquapin -----    | 200.00   | St. Andrews -----    | 7,470.00 |
| Covenant -----      | 9,000.00 | Seven Springs -----  | 25.00    |
| Clarkton -----      | 800.00   | Smiths -----         | 30.00    |
| Croatan -----       | 30.00    | Southport -----      | 60.00    |
| Currie -----        | 50.00    | South River -----    | 100.00   |
| Delgado -----       | 100.00   | Stanford -----       | 60.00    |
| Elizabethtown ----- | 200.00   | Sweet Home -----     | 10.00    |
| Elkton -----        | 40.00    | Teachey -----        | 150.00   |
| Faison -----        | 225.00   | Topsail -----        | 75.00    |
| Graves Memorial --  | 1,000.00 | Wallace -----        | 650.00   |
| Grove -----         | 225.00   | Warsaw -----         | 535.00   |
| Hallsville -----    | 120.00   | Webb Memorial -----  | 150.00   |
| Harmony -----       | 125.00   | Westminster -----    | 600.00   |
| Hebron -----        | 25.00    | White Plains -----   | 50.00    |
| Holly Grove -----   | 100.00   | Whiteville First --- | 350.00   |
| Hopewell -----      | 675.00   | Wildwood -----       | 125.00   |
| Immanuel -----      | 700.00   | Willard -----        | 125.00   |
| Jacksonville -----  | 125.00   | Wilmington First --- | 9,000.00 |
| Lake Waccamaw ---   | 100.00   | Winter Park -----    | 500.00   |
|                     |          | Woodburn -----       | 100.00   |

SEND BENOVELENT CONTRIBUTIONS

to

R. M. SHEPPARD,

Treasurer of Benevolences,

Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C.,

who will make disposition of them as follows:

| Cause—                        | Per cent | To Treasurer                                                |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Foreign Missions -----        | 30.6—    | Edwin F. Willis, Box 330,<br>Nashville, Tenn.               |
| Assembly's Home Missions--    | 16.2—    | A. N. Sharpe, 573 W. Peachtree<br>St., Atlanta, Ga.         |
| Christian Ed. & Min. Relief_  | 7.6—     | Rev. W. H. Hopper, 410 Urban<br>Building, Louisville, K. Y. |
| Religious Education -----     | 2.6—     | Dr. Edward D. Grant, Box<br>1176, Richmond Va.              |
| Assembly's Training School--  | .9—      | George W. Call, Union Bank,<br>Richmond, Va.                |
| Bible Cause -----             | .6—      | Gilbert Darlington, Bible<br>House, New York, N. Y.         |
| Synod's Home Missions-----    | 8.7—     | Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.         |
| Religious Ed. in Synod-----   | 3.0—     | Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen,<br>N. C.                       |
| Educational Institutions ---- | 8.5—     | Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.         |
| Union Theological Seminary_   | 1.3—     | Union Theological Seminary,<br>Richmond, Va.                |
| Orphan's Home -----           | 7.5—     | Ernest Milton, Barium Springs,<br>N. C.                     |
| Presbytery's Home Missions    | 12.5—    | O. H. Shoemaker, 8 No. Front<br>St., Wilmington, N. C.      |

MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

COMMISSIONERS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1929-1938

MINISTERS

1929

Rev. P. L. Clark  
Rev. A. J. Howell

1930

Rev. W. L. Wilson  
Rev. A. V. Gibson

1931

Rev. M. J. Murray  
Rev. W. C. Smith

1932

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.  
Rev. S. G. Harness

1933

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  
Rev. J. A. Boyd

1934

Rev. F. L. Goodman  
Rev. J. W. Miller

1935

Rev. W. P. M. Currie  
Rev. J. Robt Phipps  
Rev. R. H. Poole

1936

Rev. P. C. Adams  
Rev. D. L. Williamson

1937

Rev. J. I. Knight  
Rev. L. E. Wells  
Rev. R. C. Clontz

1938

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.  
Rev. M. O. Sommers  
Rev. F. S. Johnston

RULING ELDERS

1929

Dr. Geo. C. Worth  
Mr. W. D. McCaig

1930

Mr. Oscar High  
Mr. Angus Cromartie

1931

Dr. R. L. Carr  
Mr. H. M. Corbett

1932

Mr. W. H. Sprunt  
Mr. S. W. Newkirk

1933

Col. Walker Taylor  
Mr. D. P. Southerland

1934

Mr. H. McN. Johnson  
Mr. R. C. Platt

1935

Mr. E. Norfleet  
Mr. J. L. Lamb  
Mr. R. V. Wells

1936

Dr. J. E. Evans  
Mr. J. L. Miller

1937

Mr. H. R. Southerland  
Mr. J. H. Clark  
Mr. H. M. Wells

1938

Mr. C. C. Murphy  
Mr. J. E. Jerritt  
Mr. W. G. Prevatte

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CALLED MEETING

In accordance with a call issued by the Moderator, the Presbytery of Wilmington met at the Church of the Covenant, Tuesday, February 7th, 1939, at 10 a. m. There were present: Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and Rev. Andrew J. Howell. Prayer was offered by Dr. Whitmore.

There being not a quorum present, the meeting adjourned to reassemble at the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington, at 2 p. m., this date, in expectation of a quorum.

2 p. m. Presbytery met at the First Presbyterian church, with Rev. J. I. Knight, Moderator, presiding. Rev. W. P. M. Currie led in prayer.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: J. H. Whitmore, D. D., G. A. Wilson, D. D., J. W. Miller, D. L. Jones, J. R. Potts, P. L. Clark, W. P. M. Currie, C. H. Storey, D. D., S. G. Harness, J. I. Knight, Andrew J. Howell, (11);

Ruling Elders: H. C. Brogden, Stanford; Gibson James, Maple Hill; Snowden Singletary, Clarkton; C. L. Braddy, Ashwood, (4).

The Stated Clerk read the Moderator's call for the meeting as follows:

The constitutional requirements having been met, Wilmington Presbytery is called to meet Feb. 7, 1939, at 10 a. m., in the Church of the Covenant, for the purpose of dismissing Rev. W. H. Eubank to Mecklenburg Presbytery, and to settle all matters pertaining to same.

The call was found to be in order, and the meeting declared open for business.

A request was presented from Rev. W. H. Eubank for the letter of dismission to Mecklenburg Presbytery, to enable him to accept a call to the Indian Trail church; and, upon motion, the same was granted.

The minutes were read and approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after prayer by Rev. D. L. Jones.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

## REGULAR MEETING

Wilmington Presbytery met in its one hundred and thirty-ninth stated session in the Faison Presbyterian church on Tuesday, April 11, 1939, at 11 a. m.

The opening sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. I. Knight, from the text Eph. 1:11, on the subject of the Sovereignty of God.

The Presbytery was then called to order and was constituted with prayer offered by the Moderator.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, W. L. Wilson, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. O. Mann, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, (28);

Ruling Elders: C. L. Braddy, Ashwood; W. F. Lanier, Bethel; J. C. Corbett, Black River; Q. G. Southerland, Burgaw; W. B. Ward, Chinquapin; W. D. McCaig, Church of Covenant; S. G. Wooten, Clarkton; W. I. Thompson, Faison; F. B. Johnson, Graves Memorial; R. V. Wells, Grove; J. D. Evans, Hallsville; D. McL. Shaw, Harmony; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; Gibson James, Maple Hill; L. J. Simmons, Mt. Olive; H. A. Player, Mt. Williams; F. F. Newkirk, Oak Plains; Durham Grady, Pleasant View; H. A. Creagh, Pollocksville; P. E. Smith, Rockfish; O. H. Shoemaker, St. Andrews; P. S. Cromartie, South River; H. C. Brogden, Stanford; D. S. Boney, Teachey; J. B. Boney, Wallace; J. M. Williams, Warsaw; R. C. Carson, Westminster; W. G. Prevatte, Whiteville First; D. P. Southerland, Willard; John Hall, Wilmington First, (30).

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig was elected Moderator by acclamation.

A printed docket presented by the Stated Clerk was presented and duly adopted, with amendment providing for special consideration of the Ministers' Annuity Fund for the first open period of the afternoon session.

Minutes of the called meeting held February 7th were read.

Minutes of the commission appointed to install Rev. B. L. Rose as pastor of the Chinquapin group of churches were also read and accepted for record, as follows:



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The commission appointed to install Rev. B. L. Rose met at the manse in Wallace Sunday, Dec. 4, 1938, at 10 a. m. There were present: Rev. W. P. M. Currie, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elder Gardner Edwards.

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer. The call of the Beulaville church for Mr. Rose was read and found in order. It was ordered placed in his hands.

The commission recessed and reconvened in the Beulaville church at 11 a. m. Present: Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elders Gardner Edwards, W. F. Lanier and Jos. Wood. A sermon was preached by Dr. Gilmour on Matt. 7:24-27. Mr. Rose signified his acceptance of the call; and the constitutional questions were put and charges delivered both to pastor and people by Dr. Wilson. The benediction was pronounced by Mr. Rose. The commission recessed.

The commission reconvened at Bethel church at 3 p. m. Present: Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elder W. F. Lanier. Dr. Gilmour presided and propounded the constitutional questions, and charged both pastor and people. Dr. Wilson preached a sermon from Matt. 28:19 on the subject of "Fourfold Baptism of the New Testament." Rev. B. L. Rose pronounced the benediction. The commission recessed.

The commission reconvened at Chinquapin church at 7:30 p. m. Present: Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Rev. F. L. Goodman and Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elders W. F. Lanier and Jos. Wood. A sermon was preached by Rev. F. L. Goodman on John 18:40. Dr. Wilson presided and propounded the constitutional questions, and charged the people. Dr. Gilmour charged the pastor. Rev. B. L. Rose pronounced the benediction.

The minutes were read and approved. After prayer the commission adjourned.

G. A. WILSON, Chairman.

The Stated Clerk read the following communications:

From Dr. W. L. Lingle, President, Davidson college;

From Rev. L. C. LaMotte, President, Presbyterian Junior College for Men;

From Dr. E. B. Paisley, President, Assembly's Training School.

These were referred to Presbytery's permanent committee on Educational Institutions.

From the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly with reference to increase in assessment for the contingent fund to 7½ cents per member.

Rev. L. A. Davis, of Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. M. C. Macqueen, of North Alabama Presbytery, and Rev. R. L. Thompson, of the local Methodist Episcopal church, were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as visiting brothers.

Rev. M. C. Macqueen presented a certificate of dismission from his Presbytery to the Presbytery of Wilmington; and, upon motion, the same was accepted pending the required examination. The examination was held according to the Book of Church Order, and was duly approved as satisfactory. Thereupon it was ordered that Mr. Macqueen be enrolled upon his signing the required obligation.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, presented his report, with information regarding the contributions from the churches to this cause and also as to the candidates for the ministry, retired ministers and widows aided by the executive committee. He also made reference to the considerable decrease in the general contributions toward the funds of the committee. The report was accepted and action thereon continued.

Dr. Gilmour, as chairman also of the special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, reported that contributions to the \$3,000,000 accrued liability fund in the Presbytery had reached its quota of \$38,599. He expressed hearty appreciation for the cooperation he had received from fellow members of the committee and from the churches and individual subscribers. Upon motion, the Presbytery engaged in a season of praise and prayer, expressing gratitude to God for the success met in the Presbytery, and remembering especially Dr. H. H. Sweets, Secretary of the executive committee, Dr. Gilmour, the Presbytery's chairman, and the many persons who have been so generous in their interest in the cause. The report was continued until the special order fixed for the afternoon.

Presbytery, upon motion, gave a rising vote of thanks to Dr. Gilmour and the members of his committee for their services so efficiently rendered.

Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte gave a report of his attendance on the last General Assembly. The report was accepted and his diligence as a commissioner commended.

After hearing announcements and a prayer by Rev. W. P. M. Currie, Presbytery recessed for luncheon and meetings of committees.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:45 p. m. Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by Rev. W. L. Wilson.

Ruling Elder C. A. Powell, Holly Grove church, was enrolled.

Rev. J. T. Echols, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Devotional—Revs. A. J. Howell and D. L. Jones.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. J. I. Knight, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and J. Robt. Phipps.

Nominations—Revs. F. S. Johnston and J. D. Withrow; Ruling Elder L. J. Simmons.

Records of Presbytery—Revs. R. H. Poole and W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder F. F. Newkirk.

Judicial—Revs. S. G. Harness, P. L. Clark and J. I. Knight.

Minutes of Synod—Revs. F. L. Goodman, C. H. Storey, D. D., and E. F. Thompson.

Narrative—Revs. C. C. Myers and J. R. Potts; Ruling Elder Durham Grady.

Leave of Absence—Rev. K. C. Seawright and Ruling Elders W. I. Thompson and J. M. Williams.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elders J. C. Corbett and W. B. Ward.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. R. C. Clontz and B. L. Rose; Ruling Elder D. McL. Shaw.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, according to the docket, made further report in the interest of the Ministers' Annuity Fund, offering the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved:

1. That, in view of the fact that Wilmington Presbytery has secured its quota for the Ministers' Annuity Fund, we give thanks to Almighty God and express our appreciation to every church and every member who has had any part, in any way, in this glorious consummation.
2. That, considering the fact that our Synod and Assembly still lack about \$700,000 of reaching the three million dollar goal, and in view of the additional fact that our whole de-

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nomination has been called to mobilize to complete this goal in this month of April, we earnestly call upon every church that has not yet made or completed its canvass to take immediate action in the matter and advise Dr. Sweets, Secretary, of the result, accompanied by individual pledges or a church pledge, before May 2nd.

Dr. Gilmour also resumed his report on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, and, upon his committee's recommendation, Presbytery voted approval of aid furnished in the same amounts as last year to the following beneficiaries: Revs. J. S. Crowley, Andrew J. Howell, J. M. Plowden, W. L. Wilson and J. E. L. Winecoff. Reference was made to the death of Rev. L. E. Wells, former beneficiary, and Mrs. Medora W. Heller, widow, who is now associated with Concord Presbytery. The report as a whole was approved.

Presbytery's commission on the Minister and His Work, through Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, chairman, made report, reciting the responsibilities of the commission. The same was received as information.

The Stated Clerk presented calls from the Graves Memorial and Holly Grove churches for the pastoral services of Rev. M. C. Macqueen. The same were declared to be in order and were placed in the hands of Mr. Macqueen. Upon his signifying his acceptance of them, the following commission was appointed by Presbytery to install him, viz.:

For Graves Memorial church, 11 a. m., May 7th:

Rev. D. L. Jones to preside,  
Rev. B. L. Rose to preach the sermon,  
Rev. J. I. Knight to charge the pastor,  
(Rev. R. H. Poole alternate to any member),  
Ruling Elder J. H. Clark to charge the people,  
(Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte alternate).

For Holly Grove, 3 p. m., May 7th:

Rev. B. L. Rose to preside,  
Rev. J. I. Knight to preach the sermon,  
Rev. D. L. Jones to charge the pastor,  
(Rev. R. H. Poole alternate to any member),  
Ruling Elder J. H. Clark to charge the people,  
(Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatt alternate).

Arrangement subject to change by the commission.

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3:15 p. m. Rev. R. C. Clontz, chairman of the permanent committee on Educational Institutions, offered report for his committee, which was accepted.

In connection therewith, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the special committee appointed at the fall meeting to further the Flora Macdonald Development Program in Wilmington Presbytery, presented the following report, which was adopted, viz.:

Your committee, consisting of the Board of Trustees of Flora Macdonald college from this Presbytery and the members of the committee of the Presbytery on Educational Institutions, has held two meetings, and wish to present the following recommendations:

1. That, for the purpose of this campaign, the Presbytery be divided into three districts with a chairman, vice-chairman and sub-committee for each district; and that this committee set-up be as follows:  
General Chairman, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., and Secretary, Rev. S. G. Harness.
  - (a) Wilmington District—Glasgow Hicks, chairman; Mrs. F. L. Pearsall, vice-chairman; Mrs. J. G. Carroll, Mrs. John Hall, W. D. McCaig. Rev. A. J. Howell, F. L. Pearsall, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., John Hall, Rev. C. C. Myers, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., H. Lacy Hunt.
  - (b) Elizabethtown District—J. H. Clark, chairman; Mrs. G. O. Rogers, vice-chairman; Mrs. H. C. Bridger, Jr., Miss Amanda Clark, R. C. Carson, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S. Clark, Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. R. H. Poole.
  - (c) Clinton District—F. B. Johnson, chairman; Mrs. O. L. Parker, vice-chairman; Mrs. W. B. Jones, Mrs. Lula S. Herring, Rev. D. L. Jones, Dr. A. H. Kerr, I. F. Witherington, Rev. S. G. Harness.
2. That Presbytery accept as its goal the sum of \$56,000.
3. That this campaign be started at the earliest possible moment and prosecuted to a successful conclusion as speedily as possible.
4. That Presbytery again endorse this effort for our college and urge all the churches of the Presbytery to open their doors for the campaign.
5. That, in connection with this report, the Presbytery hear Rev. L. A. Davis, Director of the Flora Macdonald College Development Program.

C. H. STOREY, Chairman.

Rev. L. A. Davis addressed the Presbytery in the interest of the Development Program, reciting the urgent requirements of the college.

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3:45 p. m. Presbytery observed a special order on the subject of Religious Education. At the request of the Moderator, Rev. J. S. Crowley took the chair.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee, offered report, presenting the chairmen of the sub-committees as follows:

Rev. F. L. Goodman, who spoke with reference to the Children's Division.

Rev. R. H. Poole, of the Young People's Division, made announcements relative to conference to be held at Clarkton on April 20th, and at Warsaw on April 21st; also concerning the spring Rally of Young People April 29th at Westminster church, Whiteville, and the Davidson conference from June 7th to 14th, and Peace conference June 26th to July 1st.

Rev. S. G. Harness spoke with reference to his division of Organization and Extension.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., made report for the division of Adult Work.

(The Moderator resumed the chair).

Dr. Whitmore, chairman, made further report relating to the information supplied by the General Assembly's executive committee, making particular reference to the special offering requested for April 23rd in the church schools and to the Leadership Training school to be held in the summer at Montreat.

The report of the committee as a whole was approved.

Rev. J. S. Crowley, chairman of the permanent committee on the Bible Cause, made report, which was received as information.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., called the attention of Presbytery to the Church and Manse Erection League of the Synod and offered membership cards for the same.

After announcements and the offering of a prayer by Rev. R. C. Clontz, recess was taken until evening.

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TUESDAY EVENING

7:30 p. m. Presbytery engaged in a popular meeting in the interest of Presbytery's Home Missions, with Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee, presiding.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, and a duet was rendered by members of the church choir.

The treasurer of Home Mission funds, Ruling Elder O. H. Shoemaker, presented his report for the past year, as follows:

RECEIPTS

|                                                             |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance on hand April 1st, 1938.....                        | \$1,280.47      |
| Synod's Home Mission Committee (E. E. Gilles-<br>pie) ..... | \$3,031.50      |
| Assembly's Home Mission committee.....                      | 800.00          |
| Dividends from N. C. Bank & Trust Co.....                   | 55.82           |
| Rev. E. F. Thompson (Moving Exp.).....                      | 15.00           |
| On Apportionments .....                                     | 4,033.80        |
|                                                             | <u>7,936.12</u> |
|                                                             | \$9,216.59      |

DISBURSEMENTS

|                                                             |                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Pastors' Salaries—                                          |                   |
| Rev. P. L. Clark.....                                       | \$ 300.00         |
| Rev. W. H. Eubank.....                                      | 500.00            |
| Rev. F. L. Goodman.....                                     | 649.99            |
| Rev. C. C. Myers.....                                       | 400.03            |
| Rev. Robt. Phipps.....                                      | 720.00            |
| Rev. J. R. Potts.....                                       | 600.00            |
| Rev. J. D. Withrow.....                                     | 600.00            |
| Rev. Earl F. Thompson.....                                  | 600.00            |
| Rev. K. C. Seawright.....                                   | 733.31            |
| Rev. Ben L. Rose.....                                       | 595.00            |
| Rev. W. C. Brown.....                                       | 50.00             |
| Rev. C. C. Swain.....                                       | 213.00            |
| Rev. J. T. Echols.....                                      | 200.00            |
| Rev. G. A. Wilson.....                                      | 2,499.96          |
|                                                             | <u>\$8,661.29</u> |
| Rev. G. A. Wilson (Traveling expenses to<br>Richmond) ..... | 15.10             |
| Rev. J. H. Whitmore (Religious Education)                   | 53.25             |
| Rev. M. O. Sommers (Religious Education)                    | 18.00             |
| Carolina Stamp & Printing Co.....                           | 7.50              |
| Repairs to Manse.....                                       | 19.98             |
| Rev. G. A. Wilson (Expenses to Raleigh).....                | 5.96              |
| Stenographic Expenses .....                                 | 7.50              |
| Postage and Exchange.....                                   | 12.60             |
|                                                             | <u>\$8,801.18</u> |
| Balance on hand March 31st.....                             | \$ 415.41         |

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Further special music was rendered by the choir and Presbytery was led in prayer by Rev. M. C. Macqueen.

Dr. Storey, chairman, presented the following report for the committee:

With gratitude to God for His continued guidance and blessing, we are happy to report another good year in our Home Mission work. It has been a year of progress, though not without its problems. During the year Rev. K. C. Seawright has been installed pastor at Morehead City and Wildwood. Rev. Ben L. Rose installed at Chinquapin, Bethel and Beulaville. Rev. J. T. Echols has been settled at Rocky Point, Pike and Currie as Stated Supply. Rev. W. H. Eubank resigned the work at Pink Hill, Pleasant View and Smiths. These churches have called Rev. J. Ray Dickens who has indicated his intention of accepting the calls. This means that all of our fields are supplied with pastoral services, and we feel that we have a splendid corps of workers. Under the leadership of Rev. J. R. Potts, the work at Southport is going forward in a way that it has not done for years. The outlook there is very encouraging. The work at Seven Springs has taken on new life and is awaiting proper leadership to go forward. There are several points in Onslow County that offer opportunities for new work, though we do not have the men nor the funds to enter these inviting fields.

The supplying of all of our fields, together with the item of a Superintendent-Evangelist's salary added last year, has been a drain on our financial resources. We have had difficulty in meeting our obligations and face an unbalanced budget for the coming year. The Assembly's Home Mission committee has graciously consented to increase our appropriation by \$1,000.00, but that still leaves us some \$1,200 difference between our appropriations and expected income. This additional amount must be raised within the Presbytery. For several years we have operated on a budget much smaller than that of a few years ago and the receipts from the churches have likewise fallen off. It is quite evident that we cannot properly man our field on our present income. Unless the appropriations can be reduced or the contributions of the churches increased, there seems to be but one remedy, namely, to set apart a larger percentage of the Benevolent funds for our Presbytery's Home Mission work. Very reluctantly, we are recommending a change in our percentages. This Presbytery has consistently followed the percentages sent down by the Assembly and Synod and, should it be necessary to change them, we sincerely trust that it may be a temporary change.

Your committee would record its hearty appreciation of the interest, zeal and efficient leadership of our Superintendent. We sadly recognize the fact that larger achievements and greater efficiency have been seriously curtailed by the lack of funds with which to carry on the work. The opportunities are here, our Superintendent has uncovered them and prepared the way for the Presbytery to enter new and fruitful fields, but we simply cannot



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finance the work on our present income. We call upon all pastors and all officers to inform their congregations concerning the needs of this important work and urge them to support it more liberally.

For the year 1939-40 we recommend a budget of \$9,800.00 to be disbursed as follows:

\$25.00 per month to aid Burgaw, Hopewell, Maple Hill and Mt. Williams churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. P. L. Clark.

\$33.34 per month to aid Delgado and Topsail churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. C. C. Myers.

\$60.00 per month to aid Pollocksville, Croatan, Jacksonville and Antioch churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps.

\$41.67 per month to aid Grove, Hallsville and Stanford churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. F. L. Goodman.

\$56.67 per month to aid Chinquapin, Bethel and Beulaville churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. Ben L. Rose.

\$50.00 per month to aid Acme and Woodburn churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. D. Withrow, Jr.

\$50.00 per month to aid Pink Hill, Pleasant View, Hebron and Smiths churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. Ray Dickens.

\$50.00 per month to aid Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, White Plains and Ashwood churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. E. F. Thompson.

\$50.00 per month to aid Southport and New Hope churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. R. Potts.

\$66.67 per month to aid George Webb Memorial and Wildwood churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. K. C. Seawright.

\$208.33 per month to the salary and expenses of Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., Superintendent-Evangelist.

\$550.00 for summer workers.

\$50.00 per month to aid Rocky Point, Pike and Currie churches in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. T. Echols.

\$350.00 for the expenses of the Committee.

In accordance with the rule of the General Assembly, all of these appropriations shall be contingent upon said churches making a thorough Every Member Canvass. They are also contingent upon the receipts of the committee, and subject to any necessary revision by the committee.

We recommend that Presbytery approve the appointment of Rev. J. R. Potts as stated supply of Southport, New Hope and Sweet Home churches until the fall meeting of Presbytery.

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We recommend that an evangelistic meeting be held in each Home Mission church, and that each pastor hold at least one evangelistic meeting outside of his own charge.

We would hereby record our sincere appreciation of the efficient services of Ruling Elder O. H. Shoemaker, the treasurer of Home Mission funds, and of the hearty cooperation of Mr. R. M. Sheppard, Treasurer of Benevolent funds for the Presbytery.

The chairman also offered the following recommendation to be considered by the Stewardship committee in connection with a proposed rearrangement of percentages for distribution of benevolent funds:

In view of the urgent needs of Presbytery's Home Missions committee for additional funds with which to carry on its work, we recommend that instead of dividing the benevolent funds of the Presbytery on the basis of 58.5% for Assembly's causes and 41.5% for Synod's and Presbytery's causes, the division be made on the basis of 55-45% and that the percentage assigned to Presbytery's Home Missions be increased from 12.5% to 16%. The 55% assigned to Assembly's causes shall be divided according to the percentages designated by the Assembly, the new set of percentages to be printed in the minutes of Presbytery and copies to be sent to all church Treasurers.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., Superintendent-Evangelist, delivered an address on the subject of the Home Mission activities of the Presbytery, using for illustration a map indicating the Home Mission churches.

The Moderator took the chair.

Upon motion, the reports offered were duly approved and adopted.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman of the permanent committee on Foreign Missions, presented report, which was approved and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That each pastor present to his congregation, and especially to the young people, the challenge of full-time service in foreign fields.
2. That the young ministers of the Presbytery, together with ministerial and medical students, give prayerful heed to the call of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions now sounding forth for well qualified candidates for service in our mission fields.
3. That the church at home continue in prayer for the workers and for the church in foreign lands.
4. That an effort be made to have a foreign mission speaker come to the Presbytery and visit each church in the Presbytery.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, Presbytery adjourned for the day.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

9 a. m. Presbytery engaged in a period of worship conducted by Rev. K. C. Seawright, using the text, II Chron. 20:12.

At the request of the Moderator, Mr. Seawright called the meeting to order, and prayer was offered by Rev. B. L. Rose.

The Moderator took the chair.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The Stated Clerk read a report from the treasurer of benevolent funds, R. M. Sheppard, showing amounts totaling \$3,974.81 received by him and distributed to the causes of the church during the past year. The report was approved, and the Stated Clerk directed to express to Mr. Sheppard the appreciation of Presbytery for his efficient and painstaking handling of the funds passing through his office.

The treasurer of Presbytery's contingent fund, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, reported a balance in his account of \$1,023.44. He urged the importance of the churches meeting their obligations to this fund of the Presbytery. The report was approved.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the commission on the Minister and His Work, presented to Presbytery calls placed in his hands from the Rocky Point, Pike and Currie churches for Rev. J. T. Echols and from the Elkton church for Rev. E. F. Thompson. He advised that the commission had approved these calls and the pastoral relations contemplated.

Upon motion, it was ordered that, when Presbytery adjourns, it shall be to meet in adjourned session in the Westminster Presbyterian church, Whiteville, at 2 p. m., Saturday, April 29th, 1939. This in anticipation of the reception of Rev. J. T. Echols by the Presbytery and the consideration of his calls.

The call for Rev. E. F. Thompson was found in order and placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his ac-

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ceptance of it, the following commission was appointed by Presbytery to install him as pastor of the Elkton church, viz.:

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., to preside and preach,

Rev. R. C. Clontz to charge the people,

Rev. J. W. Miller to charge the pastor.

Ruling Elder C. S. Clark, with Ruling Elder W. J. Burney alternate.

The exercises to be held April 30th, 1939, at 3 p. m., or at the pleasure of the commission.

Rev. J. Ray Dickens, of Albemarle Presbytery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Mr. Dickens presented a letter of dismissal from his Presbytery, which was found to be in order, and, upon motion, he was received as a member of Wilmington Presbytery, pending his passing the required examination. The examination was conducted in accordance with the Book of Church Order, and, the same being approved, Mr. Dickens was enrolled upon his signing the required obligation.

Calls were presented for the pastoral services of Mr. Dickens from the Pink Hill, Pleasant View and Smiths churches, and were declared to be in order. The commission on the Minister and His Work informed Presbytery that it had approved of the pastoral relationship contemplated. Upon motion, the calls were placed in the hands of Mr. Dickens, and he signified his acceptance of them. The Presbytery appointed the following commission to install him: Revs. G. A. Wilson, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. I. Knight and F. L. Goodman; and ruling elders W. D. McCaig, Durham Grady, Henry Edwards and Joseph Miller. Time of the exercises and parts to be taken were left to the pleasure of the commission. Any two ministers and a ruling elder to constitute a quorum.

10:20 a. m. Rev. L. W. Kessler, chairman of the permanent committee on Women's Work, presented Mrs. Angus Cromartie, President of the Presbyterian Auxiliary, who gave a resume to Presbytery of the achievements of her organization for the past year. Upon motion, the hearty appreciation of Presbytery was expressed

to Mrs. Cromartie for her informing report; and order was taken for providing a place on each spring docket for a similar appearance of the President of the Presbyterial.

Mr. Kessler offered for his committee a report containing the following facts drawn from the records of the Presbyterial:

There are fifty-one auxiliaries in Wilmington Presbytery with a total membership of two thousand five hundred nineteen.

One thousand eight hundred twelve are resident members engaged in special study or work. Twenty-seven of the auxiliaries are divided into circles: general circles number eighty-six, home circles fifteen, business circles fifteen. Forty-seven circles are undertaking White Cross work. Forty-two have their history written. In the auxiliaries there are nine hundred eighty-six daily Bible readers, and one thousand two hundred eighty-eight are in Bible study classes. Intercessory prayer groups number six hundred two. There were nine hundred ninety-four readers of "City Shadows," and nine hundred thirty readers of "Star of the East."

Forty-four auxiliaries observed a season of prayer and self denial in the interest of Home Missions, and forty-five in the interest of Foreign Missions. Forty auxiliaries contributed to all denominational benevolences, and twenty-two increased their gifts to Assembly's causes.

To all causes of our church the fifty-one auxiliaries contributed \$14,114, which was divided as follows: benevolences \$9,981, local church work \$3,426. The per capita contribution was \$5.61.

The report of the committee was duly approved.

Rev. J. D. Withrow presented the following report for the standing committee on Nominations:

For trustees of Flora Macdonald college, whose terms have expired, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole, John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

For membership on permanent committees as follows:

Christian Education and Ministerial Relief—Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman. Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., retained. Rev. J. Robt. Phipps retired.

Religious Education, sub-committees—

Children's Division, Miss Lucilla White to replace Miss Mary Wallace Callison.

Young People's Division, Miss Isabella Cox to replace Mrs. L. B. Huie.

Adult Work, Rev. J. R. Potts, Rev. D. L. Jones, J. L. Lamb added. Rev. W. H. Eubank removed. Dr. R. L. Carr retired.

Leadership Training, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., to replace Rev. S. G. Harness.

Organization and Extension, Rev. Ben L. Rose to replace Rev. S. G. Harness.

Educational Institutions—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman, to replace Rev. R. C. Clontz.

Orphans' Home—Rev. R. C. Clontz, chairman, to replace Rev. J. D. Withrow.

Bible Cause—Rev. K. C. Seiwright, chairman. Rev. J. S. Crowley retained.

Sabbath and Family Religion—Rev. J. R. Potts, chairman, to replace Rev. D. L. Jones.

Women's Work—Rev. James R. Phipps, chairman, to replace Rev. L. W. Kessler.

History—Rev. A. J. Howell, chairman, instead of Rev. L. E. Wells, deceased.

Social and Moral Welfare—Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman, to replace Rev. R. H. Poole.

Examination—

Experimental Religion, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman, to replace Rev. D. L. Jones.

Languages, Rev. J. D. Withrow, chairman, to replace Rev. F. L. Goodman.

Mental and Moral Philosophy, Rev. M. C. Macqueen, chairman, to replace Rev. R. M. Engle.

Theology, Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman. Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., retained. Rev. F. L. Goodman retired.

Church History, Rev. B. L. Rose, chairman, to replace Rev. J. D. Withrow.

The report was adopted.

Rev. F. L. Goodman, chairman, made report for the standing committee on the Minutes of Synod, which was approved.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of standing committee on Bills and Overtures, reported no matters handled by the committee.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman of standing Judicial committee, reported no matters to be presented at this time.

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10:40 a. m. Rev. S. G. Harness read a memorial sketch of Rev. Lucian E. Wells, deceased, which was accepted for record as follows:

The Rev. Lucian Elonza Wells was born near Teachey, N. C., on March 3, 1867 and died at his home in Teachey on January 9, 1939. In 1900, he was married to Miss Josephine Ward and she with two sons, Hugh M. and Lucian W., survive him.

He was educated in the public and private schools of Duplin county and the Samuel Clement School in Wallace, N. C. He attended Davidson College and graduated in 1895 with the A. B. degree. He received his theological training at Union Theological Seminary, then located at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia.

He early united with Rockfish Presbyterian church and always held pleasant memories of this church. The funeral services were conducted from the church on January 10 and burial was in the church cemetery.

The call of the ministry first came to him as a call from our foreign mission field, and he volunteered for that service. When ill health caused him to realize that it was impossible to go to the foreign field, he gave his life to the home mission work of our church. The greater part of the twenty-seven years of his active ministry was spent in home mission work, and a large part of this time among the smaller and weaker churches of Wilmington Presbytery.

He was licensed and ordained by Pine Bluff Presbytery, Synod of Arkansas, on Nov. 10, 1898. He was stated supply of Dermott, Wilmot, and Pine Prairie churches, Pine Bluff Presbytery, in 1898-99. He served the following churches in Wilmington Presbytery: Oak Plains, 1900-01; Chinquapin, Hallsville, Hebron, Smiths, and Beulaville, 1901-05; Beth Car, Elizabethtown, Mt. Horeb, and White Plains, 1905-08; Chinquapin, Maple Hill, Hallsville, and Beulaville, 1908-14; Hebron, Smiths, Seven Springs and Stanford, 1914-20. He was pastor of Mallard Creek, Mecklenburg Presbytery, 1920-22; Alford Memorial church, Jacksonville, Fla., 1922-24; and at Fairmont, Fayetteville Presbytery, 1924-25. Ill health forced him to retire from the active pastorate in 1925, and he returned to his home in Teachey. He continued his interest in the church, and was always a faithful Presbyter, and did supply work as a preacher.

The Apostle Paul wrote to the young minister Timothy, "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine." It may be well said of Mr. Wells that he, too, was faithful to these words of Paul. He was a great student of the Word and never lost his interest in its study and the discovery of new truth in it. He was interested in the doctrines of the Word and of our church and faithfully preached and proclaimed them. Like the Master, he loved and served, he was, also, a teacher. In the early years of his ministry, he organized and taught a Presbyterian high school at

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Teachey. During the last twelve years, he had taught regularly the Bible class at the Teachey church.

When the summons came from the Great Head of the church to join "the general assembly and church of the first born," it found him ready and he followed his Master in death with the same faith and courage as he had followed Him thru life.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell spoke in testimonial to the personal qualities and service of Mr. Wells as a minister of the Gospel and member of the Presbytery.

Rev. J. S. Crowley closed the memorial period with prayer.

10:50 a. m. Presbytery took recess for preparation for the communion service.

11:00 a. m. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., by appointment, preached a doctrinal sermon on the subject of the Resurrection from the text. I Cor. 15:3, 4.

The Communion of the Lord's Supper was celebrated, with Rev. J. R. Potts and Rev. Jas. R. Phipps presiding. Ruling elders of the Presbytery served the elements.

Presbytery heard nominations for commissioners to the General Assembly to meet in Montreat, N. C., May 25th, 1939.

Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman of the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, offered the following report, which was adopted:

We find the records of Presbytery concise, orderly and highly commendable.

Rev. L. W. Kessler, chairman of permanent committee on Sessional Records, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee on Sessional Records has examined and approved all the records presented, with the following exceptions:

Acme. Only three meetings of session during the year, and clerk did not sign the minutes.

Bladenboro. Only two meetings recorded for the year.

Brown Marsh. Only two meetings recorded for the year.

Chinquapin. Some meetings of session not signed by clerk; also minutes not read and approved.

Currie. Session book not presented since 1936, and two meetings of session during year.

Holly Grove. Narrative of Christian Life and Work omitted.

Lake Waccamaw. Narrative of Christian Life and Work omitted.



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New Hope. Report to Presbytery not shown.

Pike. Only two meetings of session during year.

The following churches did not present their sessional records: Hebron, Pink Hill, Seven Springs, Smiths, Sweet Home.

Rev. C. C. Myers made report for the standing committee on the Narrative, furnishing details as to various items for the year supplied by the churches; i. e., as to the number of Sabbath services held, the number of prayer meetings (9), the average attendance on the Sabbath (about 50% of membership), etc. 48 churches reported one or more professions of faith, and 7 no professions. 45 Sabbath schools reported professions. There were 46 evangelistic meetings shown. Catechisms were taught in 44 Sabbath schools, and Scriptures were memorized in 43. 36 churches reported tithers, and 48 made an every-member canvass. Nearly all churches reported worldly conformity to a greater or less extent.

The report of the committee was approved.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, chairman, reported that the standing Devotional committee had arranged for all devotional periods. The report was accepted.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee recommends to the families of the Presbytery the use of "Day by Day," the quarterly devotional guide of our church as an aid to family worship.

Rev. R. H. Poole made request that Presbytery increase the apportionment assigned to the Elizabethtown church from \$200 to \$400. The request was heartily approved and commended.

Presbytery heard announcements, and, after prayer offered by Rev. J. D. Withrow, recessed for lunch to reassemble at 2 o'clock.

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## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

2 p. m. Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by Rev. C. C. Myers.

Ruling Elder A. T. Summey, alternate representative, First church, Wilmington, was enrolled.

Ballot was taken and the following commissioners to the General Assembly elected:

### Ministers:

D. L. Jones; R. M. Engle, alternate.  
C. C. Myers; J. S. Crowley, alternate.  
James R. Phipps; L. W. Kessler, alternate.

### Ruling Elders:

Melzar Pearsall; Dr. J. W. Farrior, alternate.  
H. Lacy Hunt; I. F. Witherington, alternate.  
F. F. Newkirk; W. A. Ferguson, alternate.

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, of the permanent Auditing committee, reported that he had audited the accounts of the treasurers of benevolent funds and of the Presbytery's contingent fund, and had found them well kept and correct. The report was approved.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, standing advisory committee on Divorce and Re-marriage, reported that no matters had been presented to the committee. The report was accepted.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman, permanent committee on Stewardship, offered the following report:

Our committee recommends that we adopt the proposed revised figures of 55% of benevolences for the Assembly's causes and 45% for the Synod's and Presbytery's causes for the limited period of one year, and that the Home Missions committee make a study of their sources of income, with a view of obtaining increased offerings for its cause.

That the Stated Clerk be instructed to put the report of the Stewardship committee on the docket of the first afternoon session of each fall meeting of Presbytery.

The report was adopted, with one dissenting vote.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman, standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, advised Presbytery

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that no invitations had been extended for the fall meeting. Upon motion, the Moderator, the Stated Clerk and Dr. Wilson were appointed a committee to arrange for that meeting.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman, standing committee on Leave of Absence, reported the following members excused from attendance:

After the afternoon session, Tuesday—

Rev. W. P. M. Currie,

Ruling Elders D. P. Southerland, J. B. Boney, Paul E. Smith, Q. G. Southerland, D. S. Boney, F. F. Newkirk.

After night session, Tuesday—

Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. R. C. Clontz, Rev. F. S. Johnston.

Ruling Elders Gibson James, H. A. Player, W. G. Prevatte, C. L. Braddy, F. B. Johnson, W. F. Valentine.

After luncheon, Wednesday—

Rev. J. R. Potts.

The report was adopted.

Rev. B. L. Rose offered the following paper for the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks:

The Presbytery of Wilmington desires to express its appreciation to the pastor and congregation of the Faison Presbyterian church for their gracious hospitality. We have enjoyed being in Faison, and are grateful for the kind consideration we have received. Especially do we thank the ladies for the wonderful way in which they served the fine meals provided.

We pray God's blessing upon the church and continue our gratitude for the graciousness and kindness shown us by the people.

The resolutions were adopted by a hearty vote.

The Stated Clerk read a letter from Rev. C. W. Worth, of the Presbytery and missionary to China, relative to his work. It was heard with interest.

The Moderator appointed the Rev. L. W. Kessler to preach the doctrinal sermon at the fall meeting.

Upon final roll call, the following members answered:

Ministers: A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. L. Goodman, R. H. Poole, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, (18);

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Ruling Elders: R. V. Wells, R. C. Carson, D. McL. Shaw, H. A. Creagh, P. S. Cromartie, J. C. Corbett, Dr. J. M. Williams, W. I. Thompson, S. G. Wooten, (9).

The minutes for the day were read and approved.

After the singing of the hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and a prayer by Rev. J. W. Miller, Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Westminster church, Whiteville, on Saturday, April 29th, and in regular stated session on October 10th, 1939.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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The sessional reports for last year showed:

389 new members received on profession of faith, an increase of 135 from 1938.

282 of these new members were from the Sabbath schools, or 97 more than 1938.

620 tithers were reported, an increase of one.

421 family altars were shown, an increase of 42.

The net total gain in membership in the Presbytery for the year was 71.

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## CHURCHES

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| 1—Acme                    | 36—Mt. Horeb         |
| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Olive         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Williams      |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Zion          |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—New Hope          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—Oakdale           |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oak Plains        |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Pearsall Memorial |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pike              |
| 10—Bowden                 | 45—Pink Hill         |
| 11—Brown Marsh            | 46—Pleasant View     |
| 12—Burgaw                 | 47—Pollocksville     |
| 13—Calypso                | 48—Rockfish          |
| 14—Caswell                | 49—Rocky Point       |
| 15—Chadbourn              | 50—St. Andrews       |
| 16—Chinquapin             | 51—Seven Springs     |
| 17—Church of the Covenant | 52—Smiths            |
| 18—Clarkton               | 53—Southport         |
| 19—Croatan                | 54—South River       |
| 20—Currie                 | 55—Stanford          |
| 21—Delgado                | 56—Sweet Home        |
| 22—Elizabethtown          | 57—Teachey           |
| 23—Elkton                 | 58—Topsail           |
| 24—Faison                 | 59—Wallace           |
| 25—Graves Memorial        | 60—Warsaw            |
| 26—Grove                  | 61—Webb Memorial     |
| 27—Hallsville             | 62—Westminster       |
| 28—Harmony                | 63—White Plains      |
| 29—Hebron                 | 64—Whiteville First  |
| 30—Holly Grove            | 65—Wildwood          |
| 31—Hopewell               | 66—Willard           |
| 32—Immanuel               | 67—Wilmington First  |
| 33—Jacksonville           | 68—Winter Park       |
| 34—Lake Waccamaw          | 69—Woodburn          |
| 35—Maple Hill             |                      |

## MINISTERS

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| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff       | 21—F. S. Johnston      |
| 2—W. P. M. Currie         | 22—R. H. Poole         |
| 3—L. T. Newland           | 23—C. H. Storey, D. D. |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 24—J. I. Knight        |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 25—J. S. Crowley       |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 26—Jas. R. Phipps      |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 27—L. W. Kessler       |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 28—S. C. Farrison      |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 29—J. O. Mann          |
| 10—C. C. Myers            | 30—C. W. Worth         |
| 11—R. C. Clontz           | 31—J. D. Withrow       |
| 12—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 32—R. M. Engle         |
| 13—W. L. Wilson           | 33—D. L. Jones         |
| 14—J. Robt. Phipps        | 34—G. A. Wilson, D. D. |
| 15—D. L. Williamson       | 35—E. F. Thompson      |
| 16—S. G. Harness          | 36—J. R. Potts         |
| 17—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 37—K. C. Seawright     |
| 18—J. W. Miller           | 38—Benjamin L. Rose    |
| 19—F. L. Goodman          | 39—M. C. Macquenn      |
| 20—K. B. McCutchen        | 40—J. Ray Dickens      |

## CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

W. K. Cromartie, Edward J. Humphrey, Arnold B. Rhodes, Daniel D. Rhodes, William Lee Paden, Jr., (5).

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## DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—RULING ELDER W. D. McCAIG, Wilmington, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*—  
REV. ANDREW J. HOWELL, Wilmington, N. C.

*Permanent Clerk*—REV. RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Winter Park,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Treasurer of Benevolences*—R. M. SHEPPARD, Southern Bldg.,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Supt.-Evangelist, Home Missions*—REV. G. A. WILSON, D. D.,  
209 No. 13th St., Wilmington, N. C.

## TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1940—J. O. Carr, W. H. Sprunt, R. C. Carson.

## TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1940—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

## TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1942—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S.  
Clark, Dr. A. H. Kerr.

Exit Spring 1940—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, F. L. Pearsall.

## TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. H. Clark.

## PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1937),  
J. H. Whitmore, D. D., W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, D. L. Jones, F. S. Johnston, A. J. Howell;  
Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, Dr. J. E. Evans,  
Eustace Norfleet, J. E. Kelley, Dr. Wilbert Jackson. Honorary  
member, W. H. Sprunt.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. E. F. Thompson (1938), C. C.  
Myers; Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston (1938), F. L.  
Goodman; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. F. L. Goodman (1938), K. C. Seawright,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas, D. W.  
Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. J. I. Knight  
(1939), A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. D. Withrow, S. G. Har-  
ness; Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

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*Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), Chairman.

Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs. F. L. Goodman, (1938), L. W. Kessler, Miss Lucilla White.

*Young People's Division*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Miss Isabella Cox.

*Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1938), J. R. Potts, D. L. Jones; Ruling Elder J. L. Lamb, Miss Lucilla White.

*Leadership Training*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1938), G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Jane Hall.

*Organization and Extension*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs. Newton Robinson.

*Stewardship*—Revs. S. G. Harness (1938), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., F. L. Goodman, E. F. Thompson, P. L. Clark, R. H. Poole, R. C. Clontz, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., L. W. Kessler; Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

*Educational Institutions*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps (1939), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.

*Orphans' Home*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1939), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson, F. L. Goodman; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, J. L. Miller, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark.

*Bible Cause*—Revs. K. C. Seawright (1939), J. S. Crowley, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. J. R. Potts (1939), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, D. D., (1938), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders W. H. Sprunt, J. B. Huntington.

*Women's Work*—Revs. James R. Phipps (1939), W. P. M. Currie, R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.

*History*—Revs. A. J. Howell (1939), J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.

*Auditing*—Ruling Elders J. B. Huntington (1938), W. D. McCaig, C. S. Clark.

*Sessional Records*—Revs. L. W. Kessler (1938), J. D. Withrow, E. F. Thompson.

*Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. C. C. Myers (1939); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

*Divorce and Remarriage (Advisory)*—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), R. M. Engle, F. L. Goodman, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, R. H. Poole.

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*Languages*—Revs. J. D. Withrow (1939), J. W. Miller.

*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole (1938), B. L. Rose.

*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen (1939), J. M. Plowden.

*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller (1939), D. L. Jones.

*Theology*—Revs. D. L. Jones (1939), C. H. Storey, D. D.

*Church History*—Rev. B. L. Rose (1939), F. S. Johnston.

*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. R. C. Clontz (1938), F. S. Johnston.

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| Calypso            | J. R. Maxwell, Calypso, N. C.                      |
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| Elkton             | W. J. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
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| Graves Memorial    | F. B. Johnson, Clinton, N. C.                      |
| Grove              | R. V. Wells, Kenansville, N. C.                    |
| Hallsville         | J. L. Miller, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
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| New Hope           | R. F. Lewis, Bolivia, N. C.                        |
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| Pearsall Memorial  | J. M. Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.                    |
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| Wildwood           | W. F. West, Wildwood, N. C.                        |
| Willard            | H. McN. Johnson, Willard, N. C.                    |
| Wilmington First   | E. T. Huggins, Brookwood, Wilmington, N. C.        |
| Winter Park        | J. L. Lamb, R. F. D. No. 2, Wilmington, N. C.      |
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| MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES NUMBER OF CANDIDATES | POSTOFFICES             | CHURCHES             | Officers |         | Communi-cants       |                      |                           | Bap-tisms |        | Total Sunday School Enrollment |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------|
|                                                |                         |                      | Elders   | Deacons | Added on Confession | Added on Certificate | Whole No. of Communicants | Adult     | Infant |                                |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Burgaw*†             | 6        | 8       | 8                   | 8                    | 217                       | 7         |        | 12                             |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Hopewell†            | 6        | 5       | 17                  | 1                    | 163                       | 9         |        | 7                              |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Mt. Williams         | 2        | 3       |                     | 1                    | 28                        |           |        |                                |
| P. L. Clark, S. S.                             | Maple Hill, N. C.       | Maple Hill           | 2        | 2       | 1                   |                      | 25                        | 1         |        |                                |
| R. C. Clontz, P.                               | Whiteville, N. C.       | Whiteville First*†   | 3        | 6       | 6                   | 4                    | 160                       |           |        | 7                              |
| R. C. Clontz, P.                               | Chadbourn, N. C.        | Chadbourn*†          | 5        | 4       | 10                  | 4                    | 95                        |           |        | 7                              |
| J. S. Crowley, H. R.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Wallace, N. C.          | Wallace*†            | 8        | 9       |                     | 5                    | 250                       |           | 1      | 23                             |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Wallace, N. C.          | Rockfish*            | 9        | 12      |                     | 2                    | 151                       |           |        | 10                             |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Willard, N. C.          | Willard†             | 4        | 4       | 9                   | 2                    | 82                        | 9         |        | 8                              |
| J. Ray Dickens, P. E.                          | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Pink Hill            | 3        | 3       | 7                   |                      | 49                        |           |        | 5                              |
| J. Ray Dickens, P. E.                          | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Smiths†              | 3        | 4       |                     |                      | 55                        |           |        | 5                              |
| J. Ray Dickens, P. E.                          | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Pleasant View†       | 4        | 3       | 26                  | 2                    | 50                        | 26        |        | 5                              |
| J. Ray Dickens, S. S.                          | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Hebron               |          |         | 4                   |                      | 22                        |           |        | 2                              |
| J. Ray Dickens, S. S.                          | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Seven Springs        |          |         |                     |                      | 20                        |           |        |                                |
| J. T. Echols, P. E.                            | Rocky Point, N. C.      | Rocky Point*†        | 3        | 5       | 5                   | 3                    | 55                        | 5         | 1      | 8                              |
| J. T. Echols, P. E.                            | Ashton, N. C.           | Pike†                | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 52                        |           |        | 4                              |
| J. T. Echols, P. E.                            | Currie, N. C.           | Currie†              | 2        | 4       | 6                   |                      | 29                        | 5         |        | 4                              |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C., R. 2 | Winter Park*†        | 6        | 7       | 5                   | 11                   | 191                       | 5         | 4      | 14                             |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C., R. 1 | Pearsall Memorial†   | 3        | 4       | 6                   | 2                    | 135                       | 5         | 4      | 12                             |
| J. L. Fairly, Editor-in-Chief                  | Richmond, Va.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| S. C. Farrior, F. M.                           | Chinking, China         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| A. D. P. Gilmour, P.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       | Wilmington First*†   | 15       | 19      | 39                  | 36                   | 865                       | 11        | 13     | 58                             |
| F. L. Goodman, P.                              | Kenansville, N. C.      | Grove*†              | 3        | 7       | 9                   | 2                    | 125                       | 8         | 1      | 9                              |
| F. L. Goodman, P.                              | Beulaville, N. C.       | Hallsville†          | 5        | 4       | 11                  | 3                    | 122                       | 10        |        | 14                             |
| F. L. Goodman, P.                              | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Stanford†            | 1        | 4       | 2                   |                      | 55                        | 2         |        | 6                              |
| H. C. Hammond, Inf.                            | Red Springs, N. C.      |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Mt. Zion*†           | 7        | 11      | 8                   | 6                    | 212                       | 6         |        | 20                             |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Oak Plains†          | 6        | 4       | 1                   |                      | 69                        |           | 1      | 4                              |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Teachey, N. C.          | Teachey†             | 6        | 7       | 2                   | 4                    | 114                       | 2         |        | 6                              |
| Andrew J. Howell, P. Em., S. C.                | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| F. S. Johnston, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Immanuel*†           | 8        | 8       | 7                   | 9                    | 292                       | 6         | 4      | 25                             |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Faison, N. C.           | Faison*†             | 6        | 6       | 4                   | 9                    | 149                       | 5         |        | 13                             |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Warsaw, N. C.           | Warsaw†              | 5        | 7       | 1                   | 9                    | 145                       | 1         |        | 7                              |
| D. L. Jones, S. S.                             | Bowden, N. C.           | Bowden               | 3        | 2       | 3                   | 1                    | 32                        | 3         |        | 3                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Atkinson, N. C.         | Caswell*             | 3        | 5       | 7                   | 1                    | 93                        | 7         |        | 8                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Ivanhoe, N. C.          | Black River          | 5        | 4       |                     |                      | 45                        |           |        | 6                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Garland, N. C.          | South River*         | 3        | 4       |                     | 5                    | 54                        |           |        | 4                              |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Kerr, N. C.             | Harmony              | 4        | 3       | 3                   |                      | 31                        | 3         |        | 4                              |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Mt. Olive*†          | 6        | 5       | 1                   | 4                    | 204                       | 1         | 2      | 18                             |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Calypso, N. C.          | Calypso†             | 7        | 6       | 6                   | 3                    | 114                       |           |        | 6                              |
| J. I. Knight, S. S.                            | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Baker†               | 2        |         | 2                   |                      | 24                        | 2         |        | 11                             |
| K. B. McCutchen                                | Charlottesville, Va.    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| M. C. Macqueen, P. E.                          | Clinton, N. C.          | Graves Memorial*†    | 11       | 13      | 17                  | 12                   | 229                       |           | 2      | 16                             |
| M. C. Macqueen, P. E.                          | Clinton, N. C.          | Holly Grove†         | 4        | 4       |                     |                      | 89                        |           |        | 9                              |
| J. O. Mann, D. R. E.                           | Maxton, N. C.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| A. S. Maxwell, F. M.                           | Dourados, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| J. W. Miller, P.                               | Clarkton, N. C.         | Clarkton*            | 5        | 11      | 23                  | 10                   | 325                       | 8         |        | 14                             |
| J. W. Miller, S. S.                            | Clarkton, N. C.         | Brown Marsh          | 1        | 1       | 2                   |                      | 33                        | 2         |        | 4                              |
| J. W. Miller, S. S.                            | Bladenboro, N. C.       | Bladenboro           | 1        | 1       | 4                   | 4                    | 33                        | 4         |        | 2                              |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C.       | Delgado*†            | 3        | 2       | 11                  | 3                    | 164                       | 11        |        | 14                             |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Topsail, N. C.          | Topsail†             | 6        | 6       | 5                   | 1                    | 98                        | 2         |        | 6                              |
| L. T. Newland, F. M.                           | Kwanju, Korea           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| J. Robert Phipps, P.                           | Pollocksville, N. C.    | Pollocksville*†      | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 66                        |           |        | 7                              |
| J. Robert Phipps, P.                           | New Bern, N. C., R. D.  | Croatan†             | 1        | 1       | 1                   | 2                    | 28                        | 2         |        | 8                              |
| J. Robert Phipps, S. S.                        | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Jacksonville†        | 2        | 3       | 2                   |                      | 43                        | 2         |        | 2                              |
| J. Robert Phipps, S. S.                        | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Antioch†             | 2        | 1       | 6                   |                      | 40                        | 6         |        | 4                              |
| James R. Phipps, P.                            | Whiteville, N. C.       | Westminster*†        | 5        | 8       | 12                  | 1                    | 160                       | 8         | 2      | 19                             |
| J. M. Plowden, H. R.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Elizabethtown, N. C.    | Elizabethtown†       | 9        | 9       | 2                   | 22                   | 178                       |           | 4      | 16                             |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Tar Heel, N. C.         | Beth Carr†           | 5        | 3       | 8                   | 3                    | 63                        |           | 6      | 6                              |
| R. H. Poole, S. S.                             | White Oak, N. C.        | Oakdale†             | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 43                        |           |        | 6                              |
| R. H. Poole, S. S.                             | Council, N. C.          | Mt. Horeb†           | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 33                        |           |        | 6                              |
| J. R. Potts, S. S.                             | Southport, N. C.        | Southport†           | 2        | 2       | 2                   | 1                    | 31                        |           | 1      | 4                              |
| J. R. Potts, S. S.                             | Winnabow, N. C.         | New Hope†            | 4        | 4       |                     |                      | 38                        |           |        | 6                              |
| J. R. Potts, S. S.                             | Shallotte, N. C.        | Sweet Home           |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Chinquapin, N. C.       | Chinquapin*†         | 5        | 7       | 6                   | 6                    | 122                       | 6         |        | 7                              |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Beulaville, N. C.       | Beulaville†          | 3        | 2       | 5                   | 4                    | 101                       | 5         |        | 8                              |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Beulaville, N. C.       | Bethel†              | 4        | 4       | 4                   | 3                    | 87                        | 4         |        | 8                              |
| K. C. Seawright, P.                            | Morehead City, N. C.    | Geo. Webb Memorial*† | 5        | 4       | 2                   | 5                    | 44                        | 2         | 1      | 11                             |
| K. C. Seawright, P.                            | Wildwood, N. C.         | Wildwood†            | 6        | 5       | 4                   |                      | 72                        | 1         | 1      | 11                             |
| C. H. Storey, P.                               | Wilmington, N. C.       | St. Andrews*†        | 14       | 15      | 11                  | 10                   | 665                       | 10        | 5      | 53                             |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Lake Waccamaw, N. C.    | Lake Waccamaw*†      | 2        | 1       | 1                   |                      | 33                        | 1         |        | 3                              |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Council, N. C.          | Ashwood†             | 3        | 2       | 10                  | 4                    | 50                        | 10        |        | 3                              |
| E. F. Thompson, S. S.                          | Clarkton, N. C.         | Elkton†              | 2        | 3       | 1                   | 5                    | 32                        |           | 2      | 3                              |
| E. F. Thompson, S. S.                          | Rosindale, N. C.        | White Plains†        | 3        | 2       | 4                   |                      | 51                        | 4         |        | 3                              |
| J. H. Whitmore, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Church of Covenant*† | 8        | 16      | 13                  | 16                   | 508                       | 7         | 5      | 40                             |
| D. L. Williamson, F. M.                        | Araguary, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| G. A. Wilson, S. H. M.                         | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| J. E. Winecoff, H. R.                          | Florence, S. C.         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., P.                         | Leland, N. C.           | Woodburn*†           | 3        | 5       | 17                  | 2                    | 80                        | 15        | 1      | 9                              |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., S. S.                      | Acme, N. C.             | Acme                 | 2        | 3       |                     |                      | 58                        |           |        | 6                              |
| C. W. Worth, F. M.                             | Hangchow, Che, China    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
| Candidates 5.                                  |                         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                                |
|                                                |                         | TOTALS               | 297      | 338     | 389                 | 251                  | 8,191                     | 250       | 74     | 6.7                            |









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MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

ADJOURNED MEETING

In accordance with adjournment, the Presbytery of Wilmington met in the Westminster Presbyterian church, Whiteville, at 2 p. m. Saturday, April 29th, 1939, at 2 p. m. There were present:

Revs. J. I. Knight, B. L. Rose, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., Andrew J. Howell, James R. Phipps, E. F. Thompson, G. A. Wilson, D. D., K. C. Seawright, D. L. Jones, J. Ray Dickens, R. M. Engle, (12), and ruling elder R. C. Carson.

Rev. J. I. Knight, the last Moderator present, presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.

Rev. J. T. Echols presented a letter of dismissal from Fayetteville Presbytery, which was declared to be in order. After the required examination, which was voted to be satisfactory, he was, upon motion, accepted as a member of Wilmington Presbytery, and his name ordered to be enrolled upon his signing the usual obligation.

Calls for the pastoral services of Mr. Echols from the Rocky Point, Pike and Currie churches were read and found to be in order; and, the proposed pastoral relations having been approved by the Commission on the Minister and His work, the calls were placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his acceptance of them, the Presbytery named the following commission to install him: Revs. R. M. Engle, P. L. Clark, G. A. Wilson, D.D., and J. D. Withrow, and ruling elders C. S. Bell and A. N. Rhodes; any two ministers and one ruling elder to constitute a quorum. The time of the exercises and the parts to be taken were left to the pleasure of the commission.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, made statement relating to proposed evangelistic efforts in the Presbytery.

Upon motion, it was ordered that, when the session adjourns, it be to meet again in adjourned session in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, at 2 p. m., Tuesday, June 20th, 1939.

The minutes were read and approved.

After prayer by Rev Jas R. Phipps, the Presbytery adjourned as indicated.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.  
ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

# MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

## ADJOURNED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session at the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, N. C., on Tuesday, June 20th, 1939, at 2 p. m.

There were present:

Ministers: J. M. Plowden, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., R. M. Engle, and Andrew J. Howell.

Ruling Elders: W. D. McCaig, Church of the Covenant; Dr. A. H. Kerr, Harmony.

The Moderator, Ruling Elder McCaig, presided, and the meeting opened with prayer by Rev. J. M. Plowden.

The Stated Clerk presented a communication from Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, approving the application of Daniel Burke Kerr to be received as a candidate for the ministry. Accompanying same were the following:

Formal application of Mr. Kerr to be received as a candidate, of date April 1st, 1939.

Report of the session of Harmony church, of which he is a member, recommending him as to character and fitness for the ministry.

Blank containing suggested details for examination as to personal qualifications of the applicant. (The various items were filled in after personal inquiry by the Presbytery.)

All of these various papers were duly accepted and approved.

Mr. Kerr being present, Presbytery proceeded to examine him as to experimental religion and motives for seeking the Gospel ministry, in accordance with the Book of Church Order; and the examination was sustained as satisfactory. Thereupon the required questions were propounded to him, and he, having answered same affirmatively, was duly accepted as a candidate for the ministry and his name ordered to be enrolled on Presbytery's list.

Upon request of the Moderator, Dr. Whitmore delivered a charge to the candidate, and the proceedings closed with prayer by Dr. Storey.

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Mr. Kerr was instructed to pursue his studies under the direction of Presbytery's committee of Christian Education.

The special committee appointed at the spring meeting to select a place for the regular fall meeting reported that an invitation had been extended by the Burgaw church for the meeting (to be held Oct. 10th), and the same was promptly accepted.

Upon motion, Presbytery voted approval of the action of its commissioners to the last General Assembly, pledging a contribution of \$200 toward the fund of \$10,000 subscribed then for meeting the expenses of a proposed evangelistic plan to be put into effect in the Assembly during the current year.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved; and the Presbytery adjourned after prayer by Rev. J. M. Plowden.

R. M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW. J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

### CALLED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington, at the call of the Synod of North Carolina, met in the main building of the East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, N. C., at 12:30 p. m., Wednesday September 20, 1939. The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: J. I. Knight, G. A. Wilson, D. D., J. W. Miller, W. P. M. Currie, J. T. Echols, R. H. Poole, C. C. Myers, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen.

Ruling Elders: Dr. D. D. Clark, Clarkton, and R. V. Wells, Grove.

Rev. J. I. Knight, the last Moderator present, presided, and Rev. W. P. M. Currie led in prayer. Rev. M. C. Macqueen was appointed clerk pro tem.

The object of the call for the meeting being the requested dissolution of the pastoral relation between the Rev. F. L. Goodman and the Grove, Hallsville and Stanford churches, a communication was read from Mr. Goodman asking that the dissolution be allowed and that he be granted a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Fayetteville, to enable him to accept the pastorate of the Montpelier and Laurel Hill churches.

Dr. Wilson stated that he had presided at the congregational meetings of the three churches, and that the congregations accepted Mr. Goodman's resignation as pastor and concurred in his request that the pastoral relation be dissolved. Ruling elder Wells, speaking for the group of churches, referred to the faithful and far-reaching ministry of Mr. Goodman and of their reluctance to accept his resignation.

Upon motion, the request of Rev. F. L. Goodman was granted, effective September 30th, 1939, and the letter of dismissal to Fayetteville Presbytery authorized.

The minutes were read and approved. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after prayer by Dr. Wilson.

M. C. MACQUEEN, Clerk pro tem.



# MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

## STATED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and fortieth stated session in the Burgaw Presbyterian church on Tuesday, October 10th, 1939, at 11 a. m.

By request of the retiring Moderator, Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, the opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., on the text, II Cor. 5:20.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by Rev. E. F. Thompson.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, J. T. Echols, (26).

Ruling Elders: A. D. Ward, Caswell; W. D. McCaig, Church of the Covenant; J. D. McKee, Clarkton; G. W. Fisher, Elizabethtown; I. L. Faison, Faison; F. B. Johnson, Graves Memorial; J. E. Jerritt, Grove; J. D. Evans, Hallsville; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; John Darden, Immanuel; Gibson James, Maple Hill; J. D. Brandon, Mt. Olive; H. A. Player, Mt. Williams; M. L. Carr, Mt. Zion; M. Pearsall, Pearsall Memorial; F. S. Sidbury, Pike; S. G. Hayes, Rocky Point; E. Norfleet, St. Andrews; R. W. Wallace, Smiths; Henry Beatty, South River; E. L. Turner, Teachey; J. W. Farris, Warsaw; F. A. Newman, Westminster; Oscar High, Whiteville First; Hugh Murdoch, Wildwood; J. S. MacKenzie, Wilmington First, (26).

The retiring Moderator addressed the Presbytery relative to several matters which are to be considered during the session.

Rev. James R. Phipps was elected Moderator by acclamation.

A printed docket offered by the Stated Clerk was adopted.

Unpublished minutes of adjourned meetings of April 29 and June 20, and of called meeting of September 20, were read.

The following reports of commissions appointed by the Presbytery were read and accepted for record, viz:

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

The commission appointed to install Rev. E. F. Thompson as pastor of the Elkton church met in that church at 3:00 p. m. on Sunday, April 30, 1939. There were present Rev. R. C. Clontz, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elder C. S. Clark. The meeting was opened with prayer.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D. presided and preached a sermon from Ephesians 4:12. Rev. R. C. Clontz charged the pastor, and Mr. Clark charged the people. Rev. E. F. Thompson was thereupon declared to be duly installed.

The minutes were read and approved, and the meeting closed with prayer.

G. A. WILSON, Chairman.

The commission appointed to install Rev. M. C. Macqueen met in the Graves Memorial church Sunday school building on Sunday, May 7th, 1939, at 10:45 a. m. There were present Rev. D. L. Jones, Rev. J. I. Knight, Rev. Ben L. Rose and Ruling Elder J. H. Clark. Mr. Jones presided.

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer. Mr. Rose was elected clerk of the commission.

The meeting recessed to meet at 11 o'clock in the church auditorium. A sermon was preached by Rev. Ben L. Rose on Matt. 16:16-19. Rev. J. I. Knight delivered a charge to the pastor and Mr. Clark charged the congregation.

Rev. M. C. Macqueen was then declared duly installed. The benediction was pronounced by him; the commission adjourning to meet at 3 p. m. at the Holly Grove church.

The commission met at 3 p. m. according to adjournment, and prayer was offered. A sermon was preached by Rev. D. L. Jones on the text, Titus 2:11-13.

Rev. Ben L. Rose presided and charged the pastor, and Ruling Elder Clark charged the congregation. Rev. M. C. Macqueen was declared to be duly installed. The minutes were read and approved.

The commission stood adjourned after the offering of the benediction by Mr. Macqueen.

BEN L. ROSE, Clerk.

The commission appointed to install Rev. J. Ray Dickens convened at Smith's church at 11 a. m., Sunday, May 14, 1939. There were present: Rev. Frank L. Goodman, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elder Jos. Miller. The meeting was opened with prayer. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., presided.

Rev. F. L. Goodman preached a sermon, and Dr. Wilson charged both the pastor and people. Rev. J. R. Dickens was then declared to be duly installed. The commission recessed.

The commission reconvened at the Harper-Southerland Memorial building of the Pleasant View church at 3 p. m. There were present: Rev. F. L. Goodman, Rev. J. I. Knight, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and Ruling Elders Durham Grady and Henry Edwards.

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Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D. preached a sermon from Acts 2:41-47. Rev. F. L. Goodman charged the people, and Rev. J. I. Knight charged the pastor. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., presiding, propounded the constitutional questions. Mr. Dickens was duly installed. The commission recessed.

The commission reconvened at the Pink Hill church at 8 p. m. There were present: Rev. J. I. Knight, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elders Durham Grady and Henry Edwards.

Rev. J. I. Knight preached a sermon from Romans 16:5. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D. charged the pastor, and Ruling Elder Grady charged the people. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., presiding, propounded the questions. Mr. Dickens was duly installed, and the commission adjourned with prayer, after the reading and approval of the minutes.

G. A. WILSON, Chairman.

The commission appointed to install Rev. J. T. Echols convened at the Rocky Point church at 3 p. m. Sunday, June 19, 1939. There were present: Rev. R. M. Engle, chairman, Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elders C. M. Bell, A. N. Rhodes, and E. A. Armstrong.

The meeting was opened with prayer, and Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., was elected clerk. At the request of the chairman, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D. presided and propounded the constitutional questions.

The three congregations of Rocky Point, Currie and Pike were assembled for the service, according to announcements given.

Rev. R. M. Engle preached a sermon from the text, Judges 11:35. Rev. P. L. Clark charged the people, and Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., charged the pastor.

The constitutional questions were put separately to each congregation, and the vows were taken separately by the pastor for each congregation. Mr. Echols was thereupon declared to be duly installed as pastor of the Rocky Point, Currie and Pike churches. After reading and approval of the minutes, the commission adjourned with prayer.

G. A. WILSON, Clerk.

The Stated Clerk read the following statistical report to the Synod of North Carolina, viz:

Wilmington Presbytery reports for the year ending September 30, 1939:

40 ministers, no licentiates, 6 candidates, 8,191 communicants.

69 churches valued at \$1,249,788; 26 manses valued at \$131,000.

389 received on profession of faith. 15 churches not receiving any on profession of faith.

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Stated Clerk, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Wilmington, N. C.

Officers of Presbytery:

Moderator, W. D. McCaig, Wilmington, N. C.

Treasurer, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Wilmington, N. C.

Permanent Clerk, Rev. R. M. Engle, R.F.D. 2, Wilmington, N. C.

Chairman, Committee on Religious Education, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Chairman, Committee on Stewardship, Rev. S. G. Harness, Rose Hill, N. C.

Member Synod's Committee on Minister and His Work, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Chairman, Committee on Home Missions, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Ministers Received:

M. C. Macqueen, April 11, 1939, from North Alabama Presbytery, J. Ray Dickens, April 12, 1939, from Albemarle Presbytery, J. T. Echols, April 29, 1939, from Fayetteville Presbytery.

Ministers Dismissed:

P. C. Adams, September 6, 1938 to Birmingham Presbytery, M. O. Sommers, October 11 1938, to Cherokee Presbytery.

Ministers Deceased:

Lucian E. Wells, January 9, 1939. Memorial by Rev. S. G. Harness.

No churches organized, dissolved, transferred.

Pastoral Relations Established:

Ben L. Rose, December 4, 1938, Chinquapin, Beulaville, Bethel churches.

E. F. Thompson, April 30, 1939, Elkton church.

M. C. Macqueen, May 7, 1939, Graves Memorial and Holly Grove churches.

J. Ray Dickens, May 14, 1939, Smith's, Pleasant View, Pink Hill churches.

J. T. Echols, June 19, 1939, Rocky Point, Pike and Currie churches.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved:

M. O. Sommers, October 11, 1939, Graves Memorial and Holly Grove churches.

Candidates Received:

Daniel Burke Kerr, June 20, 1939, by examination.

No candidates dismissed or dropped.

Licentiates Ordained:

Ben L. Rose, October 12, 1938.

To be introduced to Synod:

Rev. M. C. Macqueen from North Alabama Presbytery.

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Upon request, the Moderator appointed Ruling Elders E. Norfleet and W. D. McCaig temporary members of the permanent committee on Evangelism.

The following communications were read:

Overtures from the sessions of the First Church, Wilmington, and the Church of the Covenant, requesting that the percentages for distribution of funds for benevolences be restored to the divisions which obtained before the change made at the last spring meeting. Referred to the standing committee on Bills and Overtures.

After announcements and prayer, recess was taken for luncheon.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 P. M. Presbytery reconvened, and, after the singing of a hymn, was led in prayer by Rev. K. C. Seawright.

Ruling Elder H. McN. Johnson, Willard, was enrolled.

Rev. H. W. Koelling, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Worship—Revs. P. L. Clark and A. J. Howell.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. J. W. Miller, J. I. Knight, S. G. Harness, and Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

Nominations—Revs. R. H. Poole and F. S. Johnson, and Ruling Elder J. E. Jerritt.

Records of Presbytery—Rev. J. R. Potts and Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

Minutes of General Assembly—Revs. D. L. Jones and C. C. Myers, and Ruling Elder Melzar Pearsall.

Leave of Absence—Rev. J. T. Echols and Ruling Elders M. L. Carr and F. A. Newman.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Revs. L. W. Kessler and R. M. Engle.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. J. R. Dickens and K. C. Seawright.

The following communications were read:

From the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly and from Dr. Thomas W. Currie with reference to the subject of proposed cooperation and union with the Presbyterian church, U. S. A. Referred to the committee on Bills and Overtures.

From Dr. Warner DuBose concerning action taken by the last General Assembly suggesting financial aid for home mission pastors and others in meeting their automobile expense. Referred to the committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Stated Clerk made report that all pastors of the Presbytery were present at the last spring meeting.

Commissioners to the last General Assembly, i. e., Revs. C. C. Myers, D. L. Jones and Jas. R. Phipps, and Ruling Elder Melzar Pearsall, made report of their attendance and diligence. They made particular reference to the subscriptions for the evangelistic plan projected at the Assembly. The reports were approved.

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A letter was read from Mr. R. M. Sheppard, Treasurer of Benevolences, showing collections amounting to \$135 on account of the \$200 evangelistic subscription for the Presbytery.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, made the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee recommends:

1. That Wilmington Presbytery enter whole-heartedly upon the evangelistic crusade launched at the 1939 General Assembly.
2. That the Presbytery endeavor to carry out as fully as possible the provisions of the report of the Committee on Evangelism of the General Assembly and the report of the Committee on Evangelism of the Synod of North Carolina.
3. That every member of our Presbytery make a thorough study of these reports.
4. That each session consider these reports and take action for making them effective in their respective churches.
5. That the Presbytery's conference on Evangelism recommended in these reports be held (concurrently with meeting of Presbytery) in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, on Wednesday, November 1, 1939, with morning, afternoon, and night sessions.
6. That Presbytery's committee on Evangelism be instructed to arrange the program for this conference, and to have printed programs mailed in advance to those expected to attend.
7. That this conference work out and propose for adoption a plan of procedure within the Presbytery.
8. That when Presbytery adjourns it be to meet in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, on November 1st at 11 a. m., to take such official action as may be appropriate.
9. That Mr. Eustace Norfleet be appointed a member of this committee in place of Mr. W. H. Sprunt, deceased.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, presented report, with recommendations, which was adopted as follows:

MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

Your special committee would respectfully report that, due to the splendid cooperation of the Ministers and Churches in our Presbytery, our quota of \$38,599.00 for the Ministers' Annuity Fund was fully subscribed sometime ago.

As of August 31st, 1939, the amount which has been actually paid by our Presbytery was.....\$25,492.82  
And the balance of outstanding pledges was.....13,612.39  
Making a total of.....\$39,105.21

This is a most gratifying showing.

In our General Assembly more than two million seven hundred thousand dollars of the three million dollar accrued liability fund has been secured in cash and subscriptions, leaving a little less than three hundred thousand dollars yet to be secured. In other words, more than nine-tenths of the whole amount has been raised, which is a most gratifying showing.

An endeavor is being made to raise this balance throughout our General Assembly by November 19, 1939, in order that the whole matter may be completed and the Annuity Fund set up officially by the beginning of the next Church year.

There was a meeting of our Special Committee at Greenville when our Synod met, and at Fayetteville on October 5th twenty-five persons gathered, representing five Presbyteries of our Synod in order to plan for the completion of this work in the Synod. Representatives from other Presbyteries are having similar meetings.

It is most gratifying to report that Dr. O. L. Miller of Charlotte, who was drafted to lead this final effort in our Synod, and Mr. J. H. Clark of Elizabethtown, who was drafted to lead it in our Presbytery, have both accepted the challenge of these bodies and have entered upon their work.

There will be made a careful analysis of each Church of the Synod and the conditions studied and then two men will be requested to visit the officers of each Church to discuss their quota and to adjust it if it seems too high and finally to request them to undertake seriously the raising of this quota by Nov. 19th.

Your Special Committee would recommend that our Presbytery endorse this plan to complete the Ministers' Annuity Fund and endeavor earnestly in every way to co-operate with it, and we hereby pledge ourselves to do everything possible to see especially that every church in the Presbytery makes an earnest attempt to raise its quota by November 19th, requesting the Woman's Auxiliary in those churches which have not met their quotas to make a supplementary canvass.

We submit a table, as of August 31st, showing how the churches of the Presbytery have met their quotas, viz.:



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|                          | Subscribed<br>In Full | Undersub-<br>scribed | Oversub-<br>scribed |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Acme -----               |                       | \$ 50.80             |                     |
| Antioch -----            |                       | 30.00                |                     |
| Ashwood -----            | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Baker -----              |                       | 100.98               |                     |
| Beth Car -----           |                       | 50.00                |                     |
| Bethel -----             |                       | 18.95                |                     |
| Beulaville -----         |                       |                      | \$ 35.12            |
| Black River -----        | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Bladenboro -----         | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Bowden -----             |                       |                      | 1.80                |
| Brown Marsh -----        | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Burgaw -----             |                       | 40.00                |                     |
| Calypso -----            |                       | 265.00               |                     |
| Caswell -----            |                       |                      | 13.50               |
| Chadbourn -----          |                       | 236.00               |                     |
| Chinquapin -----         |                       | 40.86                |                     |
| Clarkton -----           |                       | 28.50                |                     |
| Croatan -----            | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Currie -----             |                       | 31.25                |                     |
| Elizabethtown -----      |                       |                      | 240.00              |
| Elkton -----             |                       | 15.00                |                     |
| Faison -----             |                       |                      | 40.55               |
| Geo. Webb Memorial ----- | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Graves Memorial -----    |                       | 376.25               |                     |
| Grove -----              |                       | 313.08               |                     |
| Hallsville -----         |                       | 43.00                |                     |
| Harmony -----            |                       | 177.00               |                     |
| Hebron -----             |                       | 120.00               |                     |
| Holly Grove -----        |                       |                      | 33.23               |
| Hopewell -----           | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Jacksonville -----       | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Lake Waccamaw -----      |                       | 190.00               |                     |
| Maple Hill -----         |                       | 20.00                |                     |
| Mt. Horeb -----          |                       | 34.00                |                     |
| Mt. Olive -----          |                       | 530.00               |                     |
| Mt. Williams -----       | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Mt. Zion -----           |                       | 332.96               |                     |
| New Hope -----           |                       |                      | 86.00               |
| Oakdale -----            |                       | 140.00               |                     |
| Oak Plains -----         |                       | 154.00               |                     |
| Pike -----               |                       | 121.00               |                     |
| Pink Hill -----          |                       | 42.00                |                     |
| Pleasant View -----      | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Pollocksville -----      | do.                   |                      |                     |
| Rockfish -----           |                       |                      | 1.00                |
| Rocky Point -----        |                       | 159.00               |                     |
| Seven Springs -----      |                       |                      |                     |
| Smiths -----             |                       | 42.50                |                     |
| Southport -----          |                       | 96.00                |                     |
| South River -----        |                       | 136.00               |                     |
| Stanford -----           |                       | 84.00                |                     |
| Sweet Home -----         |                       |                      |                     |
| Teachey -----            |                       |                      | 36.00               |

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|                                       | Subscribed<br>In Full | Undersub-<br>scribed | Oversub-<br>scribed |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Topsail -----                         |                       | 107.50               |                     |
| Wallace -----                         |                       |                      | 55.70               |
| Warsaw -----                          |                       |                      | 13.00               |
| White Plains-----                     |                       | 59.00                |                     |
| Whiteville First --                   |                       |                      | 88.00               |
| Westminster -----                     |                       | 1791.37              |                     |
| Wildwood -----                        |                       |                      | 25.00               |
| Willard -----                         |                       |                      | 60.50               |
| Wilmington:                           |                       |                      |                     |
| Church of the Covenant                |                       |                      | 250.79              |
| Delgado -----                         |                       |                      | 10.00               |
| Wilmington First                      |                       |                      | 3542.60             |
| Immanuel -----                        |                       | 365.00               |                     |
| Pearsall Memorial                     |                       | 130.50               |                     |
| St. Andrews ----                      |                       |                      | 209.61              |
| Winter Park-----                      |                       |                      | 70.32               |
| Woodburn -----                        |                       | 63.20                |                     |
| Presbyterial Auxiliary (paid)         |                       |                      | 215.19              |
| Miscellaneous (paid)                  |                       |                      | 70.00               |
| Total quota for Wilmington Presbytery |                       |                      | \$38,599.00         |
| Total cash and pledges received       |                       |                      | \$39,105.21         |

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, made report for the Commission on the Minister and His Work, which was received as information.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman of the permanent committee on Stewardship, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Table showing gifts of Presbytery for the past five years:  
GIFTS:

|              | 1939      | 1938      | 1937      | 1936      | 1935      |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Current Exp. | \$102,411 | \$100,333 | \$ 98,333 | \$ 89,498 | \$ 87,908 |
| Benevolences | 44,169    | 57,224    | 49,452    | 44,685    | 50,913    |
| Total        | \$146,580 | \$157,562 | \$147,785 | \$134,183 | \$138,821 |

The total gifts of the Presbytery show a decline over the years 1938 and 1937, but show a substantial increase in the five-year period. Current expenses have steadily increased since 1935; the increase for the year ending 1939 over the year 1935 being \$14,503. Our gifts to the Benevolent work show that the gifts for 1939 were the lowest in the five-year period. They were \$13,055 less than in the year ending 1938.

### THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS:

According to reports from the Stewardship office of the General Assembly, fifteen churches of the Presbytery did not take an Every Member Canvass last March; two of these churches reported that they took the canvass but did not get any pledges and two reported that they would take the canvass this fall. There were 87.34% of the membership of the Presbytery in the churches that

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took the canvass. In 1938, there were 88.69% of the membership of the Presbytery in the churches taking the canvass thus showing that our canvass this year did not reach as large a percent of the membership as in the previous year. The percentage for the Synod of North Carolina was 93.15% and the average for the Assembly as a whole 87.35%. We did not reach the average of the General Assembly in the effectiveness of our canvass.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. In view of the increase in current expenses and the large decline in benevolent gifts, that pastors and church officers examine their budgets to see if a larger percent of the gifts may not be applied to the benevolent work of the church.
2. That all churches of the Presbytery be urged to take an Every-Member Canvass this coming year to the end that our Presbytery may be 100% efficient in the canvass.
3. That Sunday, March 10, 1940, be observed as Every-Member Canvass Sunday, when our church membership shall be challenged to make their plans for giving; and that every effort be made to enlarge the number of givers, as well as to increase the giving of those already enlisted.
4. That the Presbytery reaffirm its endorsement of the tithe and urge the membership of the churches to give careful study to the teaching of the Scriptures concerning the tithe, with the view to making the tithe the minimum of their giving.
5. That Sunday, March 24, 1940, be designated as Pay-Up-Day, when all members will endeavor to finish the payment of pledges so that the money might reach the church agencies before the closing of their books.
6. That Churches make a wider use of the central treasurer for benevolences of the Presbytery, Mr. R. M. Sheppard.
7. That Presbytery accept \$37,000 of the \$52,000 asked as its benevolent quota for the year 1940-41.
8. That the \$37,000 be apportioned to the churches on the basis of 10% on membership and 90% on the average gifts for the past three years. (See table of apportionments later.)
9. That Presbytery join with the General Assembly and other communions in the observance of the year 1940-41 as United Stewardship Year.
10. That the Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. (chairman), the Rev. R. H. Poole, the Rev. M. C. Macqueen and Elder J. B. Huntington be appointed a committee to consider the matter of the campaign ordered by General Assembly for the Assembly's Training School and report at the Spring meeting of Presbytery.
11. That a Stewardship Rally for the Presbytery be held at some convenient time in advance of the E. M. C.

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Pending action on the Stewardship report, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., addressed Presbytery on the subject of the Scriptural grounds for the Every-Member Canvass.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, presented report for the permanent committee on Religious Education as follows:

Your Committee of Religious Education in presenting this its fourth annual report desires at the very beginning to record its sense of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for whatever may have been accomplished in this field during the past year. We would also express our appreciation of the cooperation and fine service on the part of many workers throughout the Presbytery. We shall endeavor to make this written report as brief as is consistent with clarity.

A number of meetings of the committee have been held during the year, the most important of which was the annual meeting held in January at the Church of the Covenant, with sixteen members present and also Rev. J. O. Mann, Director for the Synod. This was a luncheon meeting giving ample time for the consideration of all phases of the work and the making of plans for the year. While we have not been able to accomplish all that we had hoped or planned we feel that some things worthy of note have been done.

**CHILDREN'S DIVISION**—The major effort here was directed towards the holding of Vacation Bible Schools. To this end the Chairman of the sub-committee cooperated with Flora Macdonald College in enlisting and training students for leaders in this field. As a result six fine girls from this Presbytery took the course and offered themselves as volunteer workers to the various churches. We were fortunate in having Miss Koelling, of the Assembly's Training School, who did most efficient work in the following churches—Bowden, Croatan, Morehead City, Wildwood, Oak Plains, Mt. Zion and Bladenboro. There were enrolled in the schools of the Presbytery 1839 pupils and 241 workers, making a total of 2080. This is an increase over last year both in the total enrollment and the number of churches holding schools.

We have sustained a very serious loss in this division of the work in the removal of the Rev. Frank Goodman from our Presbytery. He was one of two receiving special mention in the Synod's report for the very fine work done.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION**—We feel that this has been a fine year in the work of this division. Two rallies have been held, in mid-winter at Immanuel Church, Wilmington, with an attendance of about 145 and a spring rally at Westminster Church, Whiteville with an attendance of more than 200. Splendid programs were offered at each of these rallies.

34 young people attended the Synodical Conference at Davidson. The Presbyterial Conference at Peace College was, we believe, the

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best we have yet held. There were present 115 delegates with a staff of 23. A varied and instructive program of Bible study, classroom courses, inspirational addresses and supervised recreation was offered.

The Presbytery has been divided into four districts and this fall we plan to hold a rally in each district. We believe better work can be done by bringing the young people together in smaller groups. These rallies will take the place of the mid-winter rally.

Two Pioneer conclaves have been held, one last fall at Warsaw lasting for a day, and one at White Lake in September lasting two days. There were 80 registered delegates at this latter. The prospects for a five day Pioneer Camp next summer are encouraging. These conclaves have been under the direction of the Rev. J. I. Knight.

The Rev. R. H. Poole, the efficient chairman of the sub-committee on Young People's Work, was sent to Montreat in July to attend the conference for conference leaders.

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING**—So far as reports have come in only one school has been held—the one in Wilmington. 14 churches participated in this, with an enrollment of 313. 65 credits were awarded. This was a very fine school in every way.

Dr. G. A. Wilson, Superintendent, Home Missions, held an officers' training class for four days in the Pink Hill Church.

**ORGANIZATION AND EXTENSION**—Work in this division is necessarily slow and visible results few. One promising outpost Sunday School has been organized in Onslow County with an enrollment of 55 and an average attendance of 40. This was through the effort of the Superintendent of Home Missions; also one at Deep Run.

**ADULT DIVISION**—Other than the fact that there seems to be a growing interest in the work in this age-group and some attention being directed to certain groups within this age such as the young married couples group there is nothing to report.

A conference of all the Presbyterian committees of Religious Education with the Synod's committee was held at the First Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville, last November with over a hundred present. This was the second such conference held and proved to be most stimulating. Plans are being made for a like conference at the Steele Creek Church near Charlotte, November 13th and 14th.

A matter that should give us great concern is the fact that our Sunday School enrollment has not increased and in some cases has decreased.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That an earnest effort be made in every church in the Presbytery to increase the Sunday School enrollment. We believe this to be the hope of the church.
2. That the Young People's Conference be held next June at Peace College, all arrangements for which shall be in the hands of the sub-committee on Young People's Work, and

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that information concerning this conference be given at the spring meeting of Presbytery.

3. That, if the way be clear, arrangements be made to hold a Pioneer Camp next summer.
4. That the Presbytery appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of this committee to be paid out of the treasury of Home Missions.
5. That all churches be urged to send in regularly and promptly the 3% of their Benevolent offerings, apportioned to this cause by the Synod. The Treasurer is Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen, N. C. That all Sunday Schools take the special offering recommended by the Synod for this cause in April.
6. That we record our sincere appreciation of the splendid service rendered by the Rev. Frank Goodman as Chairman of the sub-committee on Children's Work.

Dr. Whitmore, chairman also offered the following financial report for his committee:

COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE:

RECEIPTS:

Home Mission's Committee \$28.25

DISBURSEMENTS:

Promotional and Postage 8.25

Rev. R. H. Poole as delegate to  
Montreat Conference 20.00

Total \$28.25

CHILDREN'S DIVISION:

RECEIPTS:

Balance from 1938 Fund \$16.38

Offerings from Vacation Schools 10.25

Total \$26.63

DISBURSEMENTS:

Traveling Expense 5.20

Postage 1.50

Balance on Hand 19.93

Total \$26.63

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION—PEACE CONFERENCE:

RECEIPTS:

Delegates \$758.95

Sale of Conference Booklets 6.10

Total \$765.05

DISBURSEMENTS:

Peace College for Board \$666.00

Printing, Stationery, Etc. 28.85

Postage and Telegrams 5.00

Conference Booklets 6.00

Bus Fare 1.45

Balance on Hand 57.75

Total \$765.05

Balance from previous conferences \$35.70

Balance from 1939 conference 57.75

Total Balance on Hand \$93.45

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In connection with the subject, Presbytery heard verbal reports of activities of the committees as follows:

- Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, Young People's Division.
- Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman, Leadership Training.
- Rev. B. L. Rose, chairman, Organization and Extension.
- Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, Adult Work.

The report on Religious Education was, as a whole, approved and the papers presented adopted.

Upon motion, Presbytery took order for hearing Rev. J. O. Mann, Director of Religious Education for the Synod, Wednesday morning at 10:15.

Upon motion of Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, Presbytery named a committee consisting of Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Rev. Andrew J. Howell and J. O. Carr, Esq, to prepare resolutions of respect for Ruling Elder W. H. Sprunt, deceased; and also directed that a brief period be set aside at the beginning of the exercises this evening for a memorial service for Mr. Sprunt.

The Auditing committee, through Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, reported finding the accounts of the treasurer of the contingent fund to be correct and well kept. The report was approved.

A communication was presented from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly submitting proposed amendments to Book of Church Order, sent down by the General Assembly for advice and consent, viz., affecting paragraphs 122, 124, 133, 141, 142. Upon motion, the matters were referred to an ad-interim committee consisting of Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, for report at the next spring meeting.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev J. H. Whitmore, D. D., recess was taken until the evening session.

TUESDAY EVENING

7:30 P. M. Presbytery convened.

As directed in the afternoon session, memorial services for Ruling Elder William H. Sprunt, of St. Andrews church, Wilmington, were held; this by reason of his long and consecrated Christian life, and of his outstanding career of service for the benefit of his fellowmen and for the Kingdom of God.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, by request, presided, and made remarks appropriate to the memory of Mr. Sprunt. Prayers were offered by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, expressing gratitude for the remembrance of Mr. Sprunt; by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., with petition that the Lord would raise up others who would continue his labors and interest; and by Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., with expression of thanksgiving for Mr. Sprunt's devotion to the cause of Presbytery's Home Missions.

Suitable remarks were also made with reference to Mr. Sprunt's character and usefulness by Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., Ruling Elders F. B. Johnson, H. M. Beatty and W. D. McCaig, and Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.

In thought of Mr. Sprunt's desire that the beloved hymn "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" be sung at his funeral, the congregation united in singing this hymn as an expression of their sharing in the devoted spirit of Mr. Sprunt.

According to the docket, Presbytery entered into a popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions. Rev. K. C. Seawright, acting chairman of the permanent committee on that subject, presided. Prayer was offered by Rev. Jas R. Phipps. After reading of the Scriptures, Mr. Seawright introduced Rev. Thomas L. Harnsberger, missionary of the Presbyterian church, U. S., at Fowning, Ku, China, who delivered an impressive message on the subject of his missionary work and the general situation in the war-disturbed nation of China.

Rev. K. C. Seawright offered, for the permanent committee on Foreign Missions, a report which was duly approved.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., the Presbytery adjourned for the day.



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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12th

9 A. M. Presbytery reconvened and was led in worship by Rev. M. C. Macqueen, using I Peter 1.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

The following members were enrolled:

Rev. J. S. Crowley; Ruling Elders L. R. Bradshaw, Burgaw; W. R. Rich, Hopewell; A. R. Wood, Bethel; J. E. Kelley, Mt. Olive; C. S. Bell, Currie; A. T. Summey, alternate, First Church, Wilmington.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Social and Moral Welfare. The report was approved.

On request of the Moderator, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., took the chair.

Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman, offered report for the permanent committee on Educational Institutions, making reference to various communications received from colleges. In connection with the report, Presbytery heard statements from the following: Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., regarding Peace Junior college, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., as to Flora Macdonald college, and from Rev. L. A. Davis concerning the development program of the latter.. The report as a whole was received as information.

Upon motion, Presbytery reaffirmed its approval of the development program of Flora Macdonald college, and expressed its intention to continue to participate in it.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Woman's Work which was received as information.

The moderator resumed the chair.

Rev. J. O. Mann, Director of Religious Education in the Synod, addressed Presbytery, according to order, on the subject of the vital importance of home training in the church's plan for fitting the young for Christian life and character.

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The Presbytery, by appointment, heard a sermon by the Rev. L. W. Kessler, on the subject of the Doctrine of Redemption from the text, Eph. 1:7.

The Communion of the Lord's Supper was observed. Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and Ben L. Rose presided, and the elements were served by ruling elders of the Presbytery.

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig offered the following report for the standing committee on Records of Presbytery, viz.:

Your committee has carefully examined the printed minutes of the meeting last spring, and find them, as usual, neatly and accurately published.

In connection with this report, we beg to read the following communication received from Dr. S. M. Tenney, Curator of the Historical Foundation, Montreat, N. C.:

'We have received duplicate copies of the Minutes of Wilmington Presbytery, Spring, 1939. Thank you. I wish to congratulate you on the form and appearance of these minutes. Oh, if we could induce all to reach this standard. I incline to think the very best in all the Assembly.'

We wish to record our pleasure in reading this commendation, and to add our own expression of appreciation of the commendable services rendered by our efficient Stated Clerk for many years.

We recommend that Presbytery express by rising vote its love for Mr. Howell, Stated Clerk, and its appreciation of his good work.

The report was unanimously adopted by rising vote.

Rev. W. F. Walters, pastor of the Burgaw Methodist Episcopal church, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, presented the following report for the standing committee on Nominations:

We beg to nominate:—

W. P. Sprunt and J. H. Clark as trustees of Presbytery; the former to take the place of his father, W. H. Sprunt, deceased; and the latter to replace R. C. Carson, who requested to be relieved.

Committee on Presbytery's Home Missions—Ruling Elder John Hall to take the place of W. H. Sprunt; Rev. M. C. Macqueen to take the place of Rev. W. P. M. Currie.

Committee on Assembly's Home Missions—Rev. J. Ray Dickens to replace Rev. F. L. Goodman.

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Committee on Foreign Missions—Rev. J. T. Echols to replace Rev. F. L. Goodman.

Committee on Religious Education—Rev. M. C. Macqueen as chairman of sub-committee of Children's Division.

Committee on Orphans' Work—Rev. Jas. R. Phipps to replace Rev. F. L. Goodman.

Committee on Evangelism—Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig added to the committee, in addition to E. Norfleet.

Committee on Divorce and Re-marriage—Rev. B. L. Rose to replace Rev. F. L. Goodman.

Commission on Minister and His Work—Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., and Ruling Elder C. S. Clark to be re-elected for three years.

The report of the committee was adopted.

Rev. S. G. Harness offered the following report for the standing committee on Bills and Overtures, viz.:

We respectfully submit the following report:

1. Regarding the resolution passed by the last General Assembly relative to proposed aid for Home Mission and other pastors in meeting their automobile expenses, we heartily commend this suggestion and recommend it to the members of Wilmington Presbytery.\*
2. We recommend that Presbytery express the view, in answer to the communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, that the committee on Co-operation and Union should continue its efforts to find a suitable basis for union with other communions of the Presbyterian faith.
3. Relative to the overtures from the sessions of the First church, Wilmington, and the Church of the Covenant, we recommend the following expression: In view of the action of Presbytery limiting to a period of one year the use of the revised percentages, it is the view of the Presbytery that these overtures should be received by Presbytery as indicating the sentiment regarding this matter of two of our largest contributing churches.

The report was duly adopted.

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\*NOTE. The action of the General Assembly was as follows:

"In view of the cost of purchase, maintenance and operation of automobiles and, also, their necessity to the successful conduct of Home Mission work and self-supporting fields, the General Assembly recommends to all members of our churches who own cars, to give from five to ten dollars a year to the Home Mission Committee of their respective Presbyteries. This fund to be given on a pro-rata basis to our Home Missionaries and to Pastors serving self-supporting fields, whose salaries are modest, to help them own and use automobiles in their work. Let us remember the command of God's word: "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:21.

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Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Presbytery's Home Missions, made report, which was received as information.

Upon motion, Presbytery passed an order authorizing and directing the trustees of Wilmington Presbytery, upon request of the Presbytery's Home Missions committee, to sell on the best terms obtainable any one or all of certain lots in blocks 25, 56 and 69 in the City of Wilmington, conveyed to said trustees by Mrs. Susan C. Cumming by deed dated March 30, 1929; the proceeds from said sale to be turned over to Presbytery's Home Missions committee for their disposal.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

1:45 P. M. Presbytery reconvened, and was led in prayer by Rev. J. I. Knight.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, made report for the standing committee on Assembly's Minutes, which was received as information.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman of the permanent committee on the Bible Cause, made report, which was received.

The Presbytery, by vote, instructed the Stated Clerk to write to Rev. J. M. Plowden an expression of its affection and good wishes for him.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, made report for the advisory committee on Divorce and Re-Marriage, which was received as information.

Rev. P. L. Clark, for the standing committee on Worship, reported that all worship periods had been provided for.

Presbytery having received no invitations for the next spring meeting, a committee, consisting of the Moderator Stated Clerk and Rev. L. W. Kessler, was appointed to select the place for that meeting.

Upon motion, Presbytery changed the time for holding the communion service from the morning of the second day to the first day of meeting after the opening sermon.

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Upon request, Rev. J. R. Potts addressed the Presbytery with reference to the subject of Evangelism, with information especially as to the fruitful services recently held in the Bethel church, of which Rev. Ben L. Rose is pastor. Dr. C. H. Storey made further remarks on that subject.

Rev J. I. Knight, chairman of the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, made report which was received as information.

The Moderator appointed Rev. K. C. Seawright to preach the doctrinal sermon in the spring.

Rev. J. Ray Dickens, chairman, presented report of the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, as follows:

The Presbytery of Wilmington desires to express its appreciation to the pastor and congregation of the Burgaw Presbyterian church for their most gracious hospitality. We have enjoyed being in Burgaw and are grateful for the kindness shown us here. Especially do we thank the ladies for the wonderful meals served, and also for the lovely flowers which decorated the church auditorium. We appreciate also the beautiful music rendered.

We pray God's blessing upon the church and the people as they work for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Rev. J. T. Echols, chairman of the standing committee on Leave of Absence, offered the following report:

The following members of Presbytery asked to be excused from attendance:

After the afternoon session Tuesday, Ruling Elders J. E. Jerritt and F. B. Johnson.

After the night session Tuesday, Revs. R. C. Clontz, F. S. Johnson, J. W. Miller, and Ruling Elders J. D. McKee, Oscar High, F. A. Newman, and F. S. Sidbury.

After the morning session Wednesday, Revs. S. G. Harness and J. R. Dickens, and Ruling Elders M. L. Carr, Dr. J. W. Farrior.

The report was adopted.

The following members answered the final roll call:

Ministers: P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. O. Mann, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D.,

Ruling Elders: H. McN. Johnson, A. T. Summey, W. R. Rich, I. L. Faison, W. D. McCaig, Hugh Murdoch, L. R. Bradshaw, C. S. Bell, L. L. Flowers, J. E. Kelley, (10).  
J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, J. T. Echols, (19).

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The minutes were read and approved.

After the singing of a hymn and a prayer by the Moderator, the Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, Wednesday, November 1st, at 11 a. m., and in regular stated session on April 16th, 1940.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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- 1—Acme
- 2—Antioch
- 3—Ashwood
- 4—Baker
- 5—Beth Car
- 6—Bethel
- 7—Beulaville
- 8—Black River
- 9—Bladenboro
- 10—Bowden
- 11—Brown Marsh
- 12—Burgaw
- 13—Calypso
- 14—Caswell
- 15—Chadbourn
- 16—Chinquapin
- 17—Church of the Covenant
- 18—Clarkton
- 19—Croatan
- 20—Currie
- 21—Delgado
- 22—Elizabethtown
- 23—Elkton
- 24—Faison
- 25—Graves Memorial
- 26—Grove
- 27—Hallsville
- 28—Harmony
- 29—Hebron
- 30—Holly Grove
- 31—Hopewell
- 32—Immanuel
- 33—Jacksonville
- 34—Lake Waccamaw
- 35—Maple Hill

- 36—Mt. Horeb
- 37—Mt. Olive
- 38—Mt. Williams
- 39—Mt. Zion
- 40—New Hope
- 41—Oakdale
- 42—Oak Plains
- 43—Pearsall Memorial
- 44—Pike
- 45—Pink Hill
- 46—Pleasant View
- 47—Pollocksville
- 48—Rockfish
- 49—Rocky Point
- 50—St. Andrews
- 51—Seven Springs
- 52—Smiths
- 53—Southport
- 54—South River
- 55—Stanford
- 56—Sweet Home
- 57—Teachey
- 58—Topsail
- 59—Wallace
- 60—Warsaw
- 61—Webb Memorial
- 62—Westminster
- 63—White Plains
- 64—Whiteville First
- 65—Wildwood
- 66—Willard
- 67—Wilmington First
- 68—Winter Park
- 69—Woodburn

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- 12—H. C. Hammond, D. D.
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- 24—J. S. Crowley
- 25—Jas. R. Phipps
- 26—L. W. Kessler
- 27—S. C. Farrior
- 28—J. O. Mann
- 29—C. W. Worth
- 30—J. D. Withrow, Jr.
- 31—R. M. Engle
- 32—D. L. Jones
- 33—G. A. Wilson, D. D.
- 34—E. F. Thompson
- 35—J. R. Potts
- 36—K. C. Seawright
- 37—Benjamin L. Rose
- 38—M. C. Macqueen
- 39—J. Ray Dickens
- 40—J. T. Echols.

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Exit Spring 1941—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S.  
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Exit Spring 1940—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
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Exit Spring 1941—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. H. Clark.

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J. H. Whitmore, D. D., M. C. Macqueen, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, D. L. Jones, F. S. Johnston, A. J. Howell;  
Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, Dr. J. E. Evans,  
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*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. E. F. Thompson, (1938), C. C.  
Myers; Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston, (1938), J. R.  
Dickens; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. J. T. Echols, (1939), K. C. Seawright,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas, D. W.  
Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. J. I. Knight,  
(1939), A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. D. Withrow, S. G. Harness;  
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*Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), Chairman.

### Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), L. W. Kessler, Miss Lucilla White.

*Young People's Division*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Miss Isabella Cox.

*Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1938), J. R. Potts, D. L. Jones; Ruling Elder J. L. Lamb, Miss Lucilla White.

*Leadership Training*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1938), G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Jane Hall.

*Organization and Extension*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs Newton Robinson.

*Stewardship* — Revs. S. G. Harness, (1938), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., E. F. Thompson, P. L. Clark, R. H. Poole, R. C. Clontz, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., L. W. Kessler; Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

*Educational Institutions*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps, (1939), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.

*Orphans Home*—Revs. R. C. Clontz, (1939), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson, Jas. R. Phipps; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, J. L. Miller, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark.

*Bible Cause*—Revs. K. C. Seawright, (1939), J. S. Crowley, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. J. R. Potts, (1939), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, D. D., (1938), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders E. Norfleet, J. B. Huntington, W. D. McCaig.

*Women's Work*—Revs. James R. Phipps, (1939), W. P. M. Currie, R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.

*History*—Revs. A. J. Howell, (1939), J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.

*Auditing*—Ruling Elders J. B. Huntington, (1938), W. D. McCaig, C. S. Clark.

*Sessional Records*—Revs. L. W. Kessler, (1938), J. D. Withrow, E. F. Thompson.

*Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. C. C. Myers, (1939); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

*Divorce and Remarriage (Advisory)*—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), R. M. Engle, B. L. Rose, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, R. H. Poole.

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EXAMINATION

*Experimental Religion*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps, (1939), L. W. Kessler.

*Academic Studies*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1938), A. J. Howell,

*Languages*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1939), J. W. Miller.

*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), B. L. Rose.

*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), J. M. Plowden.

*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1939), D. L. Jones.

*Theology*—Revs. D. L. Jones, (1939), C. H. Storey, D. D.

*Church History*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), F. S. Johnston.

*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. R. C. Clontz, (1938), F. S. Johnston.

*English Bible*—Revs. J. I. Knight, (1938), A. J. Howell.

COMMISSION ON MINISTER AND WORK (Fall 1939)—

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, (until fall 1942).

Ruling Elder C. S. Clark, (until fall 1942).

Rev. J. I. Knight, (until fall 1941).

Rev. S. G. Harness, (until fall 1940).

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, (until fall 1940).

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BENEVOLENT ASKINGS FOR YEAR BEGINNING

APRIL 1st, 1940.

|                     |          |                      |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Acme -----          | \$ 68.00 | Mt. Horeb -----      | 63.00    |
| Antioch -----       | 28.00    | Mt. Olive -----      | 701.00   |
| Ashwood -----       | 86.00    | Mt. Williams -----   | 40.00    |
| Baker -----         | 93.00    | Mt. Zion -----       | 552.00   |
| Beth Car -----      | 147.00   | New Hope -----       | 169.00   |
| Bethel -----        | 54.00    | Oakdale -----        | 28.00    |
| Beulaville -----    | 99.00    | Oak Plains -----     | 163.00   |
| Black River -----   | 82.00    | Pearsall Memorial -  | 569.00   |
| Bladenboro -----    | 24.00    | Pike -----           | 73.00    |
| Bowden -----        | 50.00    | Pink Hill -----      | 66.00    |
| Brown Marsh -----   | 22.00    | Pleasant View -----  | 50.00    |
| Burgaw -----        | 554.00   | Pollocksville -----  | 127.00   |
| Calypso -----       | 243.00   | Rockfish -----       | 319.00   |
| Caswell -----       | 149.00   | Rocky Point -----    | 152.00   |
| Chadbourn -----     | 150.00   | St. Andrews -----    | 6,339.00 |
| Chinquapin -----    | 163.00   | Seven Springs -----  | 10.00    |
| Covenant -----      | 7,516.00 | Smiths -----         | 36.00    |
| Clarkton -----      | 756.00   | Southport -----      | 39.00    |
| Croatan -----       | 35.00    | South River -----    | 77.00    |
| Currie -----        | 21.00    | Stanford -----       | 45.00    |
| Delgado -----       | 132.00   | Sweet Home -----     |          |
| Elizabethtown ----- | 470.00   | Teachey -----        | 206.00   |
| Elkton -----        | 42.00    | Topsail -----        | 84.00    |
| Faison -----        | 427.00   | Wallace -----        | 829.00   |
| Graves Memorial --  | 937.00   | Warsaw -----         | 501.00   |
| Grove -----         | 214.00   | Webb Memorial ----   | 93.00    |
| Hallsville -----    | 148.00   | Westminster -----    | 447.00   |
| Harmony -----       | 46.00    | White Plains -----   | 32.00    |
| Hebron -----        | 17.00    | Whiteville First --- | 335.00   |
| Holly Grove -----   | 146.00   | Wildwood -----       | 146.00   |
| Hopewell -----      | 175.00   | Willard -----        | 220.00   |
| Immanuel -----      | 548.00   | Wilmington First --  | 9,879.00 |
| Jacksonville -----  | 93.00    | Winter Park -----    | 666.00   |
| Lake Waccamaw ---   | 95.00    | Woodburn -----       | 94.00    |
| Maple Hill -----    | \$ 20.00 |                      |          |

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31st, 1940, as follows:

| Cause                                             | Per Cent | To Treasurer                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Foreign Missions-----                             | 28.8     | Curry B. Hearn, Box 330,<br>Nashville, Tenn.              |
| Assembly's Home Missions...15.2                   | —        | A. N. Sharpe, 573 W. Peachtree<br>St., Atlanta, Ga.       |
| Christian Ed. & Min. Relief... 7.1                | —        | Rev. W. H. Hopper, 410 Urban<br>Building, Louisville, Ky. |
| Religious Education ----- 2.5                     | —        | Dr. Edward D. Grant, Box<br>1176, Richmond, Va.           |
| Assembly's Training School... .8                  | —        | George W. Call, Union Bank,<br>Richmond, Va.              |
| Bible Cause ----- .6                              | —        | Gilbert Darlington, Bible<br>House, New York, N. Y.       |
| Synod's Home Missions----- 8.7                    | —        | Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Religious Ed. in Synod----- 1.0                   | }        | Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen,<br>N. C.                     |
| Religious Work in State<br>Institutions ----- 2.0 |          |                                                           |
| Educational Institutions ---- 8.5                 | —        | Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Union Theological Seminary_ 1.3                   | —        | Union Theological Seminary,<br>Richmond, Va.              |
| Orphans' Home ----- 7.5                           | —        | Ernest Milton, Barium Springs,<br>N. C.                   |
| Presbytery's Home Missions 16.0                   | —        | O. H. Shoemaker, 8 No. Front<br>St., Wilmington, N. C.    |

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1930--1939

MINISTERS

1930

Rev. W. L. Wilson  
Rev. A. V. Gibson

1931

Rev. M. J. Murray  
Rev. W. C. Smith

1932

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.  
Rev. S. G. Harness

1933

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  
Rev. J. A. Boyd

1934

Rev. F. L. Goodman  
Rev. J. W. Miller

1935

Rev. W. P. M. Currie  
Rev. J. Robt. Phipps  
Rev. R. H. Poole

1936

Rev. P. C. Adams  
Rev. D. L. Williamson

1937

Rev. J. I. Knight  
Rev. L. E. Wells  
Rev. R. C. Clontz

1938

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.  
Rev. M. O. Sommers  
Rev. F. S. Johnston

1939

Rev. D. L. Jones  
Rev. James R. Phipps  
Rev. C. C. Myers

RULING ELDERS

1930

Mr. Oscar High  
Mr. Angus Cromartie

1931

Dr. R. L. Carr  
Mr. H. M. Corbett

1932

Mr. W. H. Sprunt  
Mr. S. W. Newkirk

1933

Col. Walker Taylor  
Mr. D. P. Southerland

1934

Mr. H. McN Johnson  
Mr. R. C. Platt

1935

Mr. E. Norfleet  
Mr. J. L. Lamb  
Mr. R. V. Wells

1936

Dr. J. E. Evans  
Mr. J. L. Miller

1937

Mr. H. R. Southerland  
Mr. J. H. Clark  
Mr. H. M. Wells

1938

Mr. C. C. Murphy  
Mr. J. E. Jerritt  
Mr. W. G. Prevatte

1939

Mr. Melzar Pearsall  
Mr. F. F. Newkirk

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ADJOURNED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met according to adjournment in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, at 11 a. m. Wednesday, November 1st, 1939. The Moderator, Rev. James R. Phipps, presided, and the meeting was by him opened with prayer.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. M. Plowden, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, M. C. Macqueen, J. T. Echols, (24);

Ruling Elders: Eustace Norfleet, St. Andrews; W. D. McCaig, Church of Covenant, (2).

The Presbytery united in singing the hymn, "Seal Us, O Holy Spirit," and was led in prayer by Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, addressed the meeting on the subject of the Evangelistic Crusade projected by the General Assembly, and offered report for his committee. The report was duly received, and, pending action upon the recommendations contained in it, Rev. Peter Marshall, D. D., of Washington, D. C., by request, delivered an address on the subject of the irresistible power of the Gospel to meet the needs of a sinful and unhappy world. Following the address, there was a season of prayer, in which petitions were offered by several members.

The recommendations offered by the committee were considered seriatim and were severally adopted as follows:

1. That conferences on Evangelism be held on a Sunday afternoon and night at different places in the Presbytery.
2. That efforts be made to secure attendance of each minister, each elder, each deacon, each officer of the Presbyterial, each officer of the Presbytery's Y. P. League, each officer of every local auxiliary and Y. P. League, Sunday School officers and teachers, and all other church members at these conferences.
3. That sermons dealing with the Pentecostal season and inspirational addresses be arranged for at these conferences.
4. That at each of these conferences arrangements be made for sending a carefully chosen committee on which shall be lay-

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men as well as ministers, to visit each church in the district of that conference to confer with the pastor, officers, and membership of the church, and seek to inspire the churches individually to enter upon a definite and aggressive evangelistic crusade.

5. That the date of these conferences be the afternoon and night of Sunday, January 7, 1940.
6. That the places of these conferences be Clarkton, Wilmington, Warsaw and Pollocksville.
7. That Rev. P. D. Miller, Synod's Representative on the Assembly's Committee, Rev. James R. Phipps, Moderator of Presbytery, Rev. G. A. Wilson, Chairman of Presbytery's Committee on Evangelism, and Mrs. Angus Cromartie, President of the Presbyterial, be asked to constitute a committee to arrange for these conferences.
8. That each church in the Presbytery be urged to carry out as fully as possible the complete program for the local church outlined in Report Number 2 of the Assembly's Committee on Evangelism.
9. That Presbytery recommend that every church hold an Evangelistic meeting beginning on March 17th or as near that date as convenient, and that as many as possible of these meetings be held simultaneously.
10. The Presbytery recommends, that unless there is strong reason for securing another preacher, each Pastor hold his own meetings.

After hearing announcements, recess was taken for luncheon.

2 P. M. Presbytery reconvened, and was led in worship by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., addressed Presbytery on the subject of Evangelism, surveying reports of the committees of the General Assembly and the Synod on the subject.

Ruling Elder F. A. Newman, Westminster church, was enrolled.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., made announcement relative forthcoming meeting in the Steele Creek church, Mecklenburg Presbytery, in the interest of Religious Education.

The minutes were read and approved.

The meeting adjourned after prayer by Rev. C. C. Myers.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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## CALLED MEETING

In accordance with a call by the Moderator, the Presbytery of Wilmington met in the Mt. Zion Presbyterian church, Rose Hill, on Monday, January 29, 1940, at 2 p. m.

Rev. J. I. Knight, the last Moderator present, presided. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. J. Robt. Phipps.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: J. I. Knight, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., G. A. Wilson, D. D., L. W. Kessler, W. P. M. Currie, C. C. Myers, B. L. Rose, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, R. M. Engle, (11);

Ruling Elders: M. L. Carr, Mt. Zion; W. F. Lanier, Bethel.

The call for the meeting, dated January 19, 1940, was read as follows:

The constitutional requirements having been met, I hereby call a meeting of Wilmington Presbytery to convene in the Rose Hill Presbyterian church, at Rose Hill, N. C., January 29, 1940, at 2 p. m., to consider the following business: 1. To consider and authorize the sale of certain property within the bounds of Wilmington Presbytery. 2. To consider any business which may arise out of the above.

(Signed) JAS. R. PHIPPS, Moderator.

The same was found to be in order, the church referred to being construed to be Mt. Zion church, Rose Hill, and Presbytery proceeded to business.

Upon motion, Presbytery authorized the sale and transfer of title by the trustees of Wilmington Presbytery of the Burton schoolhouse property as contemplated; and the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery was directed to inform the trustees of this action.

By a second motion, Presbytery directed that the proceeds from the sale of the property be given to the Chinquapin church to be used towards the erection of a chapel; and a committee, consisting of Rev. B. L. Rose, Joe Woods and W. F. Lanier, was appointed to handle the transaction.

The minutes were read and approved.

There being no further business, Presbytery adjourned after prayer by Rev. B. L. Rose.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and forty-first stated session in the Caswell Presbyterian church, Atkinson, N. C., on Tuesday, April 16, 1940, at 11 a. m.

An opening sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, Rev. James R. Phipps, from the text I Cor. 3:11, "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed, with Revs. F. S. Johnston and J. W. Miller presiding. The elements were served by four ruling elders of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery was called to order by the retiring Moderator, and was constituted with prayer by Rev. Andrew J. Howell.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, R. C. Clontz, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, (25);

Ruling Elders: J. M. Meshaw, Ashwood; E. B. Lee, Beth Car; J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro; S. D. Davis, Calypso; H. G. Cromartie, Caswell; F. L. Pearsall, Church of Covenant; S. Singletary, Clarkton; C. S. Bell, Currie; W. J. Burney, Elkton; I. L. Faison, Faison; P. S. Carr, Graves Memorial; R. V. Wells, Grove; D. C. Fennell, Harmony; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; J. H. Saunders, Hopewell; Raymond Marshall, Jacksonville; Gibson James, Maple Hill; C. Monroe, Mt. Horeb; H. R. Southerland, Mt. Olive; C. F. Blanchard, Mt. Zion; W. I. Hall, Oak Plains; Nick Smith, Pleasant View; J. May Wells, Rockfish; E. Norfleet, St. Andrews; R. W. Wallace, Smiths; Henry Beatty, South River; H. C. Brogden, Stanford; D. S. Boney, Teachey; John Powell, Wallace; M. V. Orr, Warsaw; J. P. Warner, Westminster; W. G. Prevatte, Whiteville First; C. O. Bollinger, Willard; D. M. McIntosh, Wilmington First; C. C. Murphy, Winter Park; A. H. Miller, Hallsville, (36).

Rev. W. P. M. Currie was elected Moderator by acclamation.

A printed docket was submitted by the Stated Clerk and adopted, with change in time of the noon recess on the 17th.



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Minutes of the adjourned meeting of Nov. 1, 1939, and a called meeting on Jan. 29, 1940, were read.

Rev. E. B. Carr, of Fayetteville Presbytery, and Rev. J. A. Boyd, of Holston Presbytery, were introduced and invited to sit as visiting brethren.

The Stated Clerk presented a certificate of dismissal from East Hanover Presbytery for Rev. J. G. Morrison, which was, upon motion, accepted pending the required examination. Presbytery proceeded with the examination; and, the same having been voted as satisfactory, it was, upon motion, ordered that Mr. Morrison be enrolled as a member of Wilmington Presbytery upon his signing the usual obligation.

A note was read from Rev. W. L. Wilson, stating his inability to attend the meeting on account of the condition of his health. His absence was excused.

Resolutions in appreciation of Ruling Elder William H. Sprunt, deceased Oct. 7, 1939, were presented by the special committee appointed at the fall meeting of Presbytery, and adopted by rising vote as follows:

The Presbytery of Wilmington desires to record permanently its very great and sincere appreciation of the Christian character and most useful life of Mr. William H. Sprunt.

Others are bearing testimony to his signal services in his own church of St. Andrews and in the Presbyterian circles of his community and, also, in co-operation with Christian people of other communions, in all the religious and philanthropic work of Wilmington.

However, his Christian interests and activities were not bounded by any congregation or even by the city limits and environment of his own home town. Through his interest in mission work of all kinds, the outreach of his influence extended literally to the uttermost parts of the earth.

But our concern just now is to set forth, with gratitude to God and in loving memory of this consecrated servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, his special interest and activity in Wilmington Presbytery. This was, perhaps, manifested most particularly as a member for a long time of the Home Mission committee of this Presbytery, in the spread and propagation of the Gospel in the ten counties which constitute this part of our Synod. For many years Mr. Sprunt was an active and faithful and most useful member of this Home Mission committee, being an honorary member at the time of his death. He attended its meetings regularly and took a lively interest in the welfare and progress of all our Home Mission churches and their pastors.

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When he died, and for some thirty years previously, Mr. Sprunt was one of the Trustees of the Presbytery, in which capacity, with his co-trustees, he had charge of the legal and business interests of this church court.

His genuine concern in the work of the Presbytery and his helpful services were also manifested by the fact that during his busy life, with its many varied responsibilities, he found time over and over again to represent his own church in the meetings of the Presbytery, and took an active and vital part in all its proceedings.

Furthermore, for no short period Mr. Sprunt served his Presbytery faithfully as a Trustee of the James Sprunt Academy at Kenansville, formerly one of the Christian educational institutions of Wilmington Presbytery.

In short, even from this brief survey of his broader interests and activities, it is readily seen that Mr. William H. Sprunt was no mere congregationalist. On the contrary, he was a real Presbyterian with his vital and unselfish outlook and interests coordinated and integrated with the larger work of his church in Wilmington Presbytery and beyond.

Our Presbytery desires to record its gratitude to the Heavenly Father and to the Lord Jesus Christ, the great Head of the Church, for the very Christian life of unselfish service which this servant of God rendered to his Presbytery throughout many, many years. May his mantle fall upon many others, not only in his large family connection, but also in the larger circles of his friends and admirers. May God give us grace to follow him as he followed Christ.

Wilmington Presbytery would preserve in its permanent minutes this record of appreciation of this outstanding Christian gentleman, who loved his church and his denomination, and, with broad and deep sympathies, the whole body of believers in the Lord Jesus Christ.

A. D. P. GILMOUR,

A. J. HOWELL,

J. O. CARR,

Committee.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. C. C. Myers, Presbytery recessed for luncheon.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 P. M. Presbytery was called to order and was led in prayer by Rev. R. M. Engle.

Rev. J. T. Echols was enrolled.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees for the session:

Devotional: Revs. L. W. Kessler and A. J. Howell.

Bills and Overtures: Revs. Jas. R. Phipps and J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and Ruling Elder E. Norfleet.

Nominations: Revs. J. W. Miller and F. S. Johnston and Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

Records of Presbytery: Revs. D. L. Jones and J. I. Knight and Ruling Elder A. H. Kerr.

Minutes of Synod: Revs. R. H. Poole and K. C. Seawright and Ruling Elder H. R. Southerland.

Narrative: Revs. Jas. R. Phipps and B. L. Rose and Ruling Elder C. Monroe.

Leave of Absence: Revs. E. F. Thompson and J. R. Dickens and Ruling Elder H. G. Cromartie.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: Revs. M. C. Macqueen and C. H. Storey, D. D., and Ruling Elder Raymond Marshall.

Resolution of Thanks: Revs. J. R. Potts and C. C. Myers and Ruling Elder W. F. Valentine.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, treasurer of the Presbyterial fund, made report showing a balance in bank of \$1,153.28. A list of the churches delinquent in paying their assessments was read, and a discussion was held relative to the importance of each doing its part in raising the required amount.

Upon motion, on account of increased assessment by the General Assembly (i. e., to 7½c), Presbytery raised the minimum apportionment to the churches to 14c per capita.\*

The report of the Treasurer was approved.

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\*Expenditures for church year ending March 31, 1940, were as follows:

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Assessment of General Assembly.....                              | \$ 609.00 |
| Assessment of Synod of N. C.....                                 | 143.34    |
| Printing of minutes and docket.....                              | 230.75    |
| Postage for Stated Clerk and Treasurer.....                      | 9.95      |
| Postage for Treasurer Benevolences.....                          | 10.00     |
| Blanks for yearly reports.....                                   | 8.79      |
| Salaries of Stated Clerk (\$125) and Permanent Clerk (\$15)..... | 140.00    |

TOTAL.....\$1,151.83

Report from R. M. Sheppard, treasurer of benevolent funds, was also presented, showing receipts and expenditures for the year of \$4,102.72. His report was approved, and Presbytery directed the Stated Clerk to extend to Mr. Sheppard an expression of its appreciation of his efficient services as treasurer.

A special committee to audit the accounts of the treasurer of Presbytery was appointed, viz.; Ruling Elders D. M. McIntosh and E. Norfleet.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman, made verbal report for the permanent committee on Women's Work, and, in connection therewith, Mrs. R. G. Grady, vice-president of the Presbyterial Auxiliary, gave a resume of the activities of that organization for the past year, as reported to the meeting held at Clinton on April 2 and 3. The following details were mentioned:

400 were present at the April meeting, and decided progress was noted in all phases of work. 49 auxiliaries reported a membership of 2,584, with 961 daily Bible readers, 442 observing family worship, 479 tithers. 43 auxiliaries gave to all benevolences a total of \$14,117, which was an increase over the previous year. For the 7th consecutive year the Presbyterial was 100% in Birthday offerings, which amounted to \$548.12. Value of White Cross supplies was \$110 plus \$32 for transportation. It was voted to accept Presbyterial quota of \$700 for the Synodical building to be erected at Barium Springs. In the fall six district conferences observed programs in furtherance of the Evangelistic Crusade. 480 women were present. 32 young people attended the Davidson conference, and 115 the conference at Peace college. 9 negro women were sent to the Negro women's conference at Winston-Salem.

The report of the committee as a whole was approved.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the special committee appointed at the fall meeting to consider certain proposed amendments to the Book of Church Order, submitted by the General Assembly, offered report recommending concurrence in adopting the six amendments as follows:

Substitutes for Pars. 122 and 124,  
Amending last sentence in Par. 142,  
Substitutes for Pars. 133 and 141,  
Addition to Par. 142.

Rev. R. C. Clontz gave information that he had resigned his pastorate of the Whiteville First and Chadbourn churches, and requested dissolution of the pastoral

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relationship, effective May 1st; also that he be granted permission to labor without the Presbytery until the fall meeting.

Representatives of the two congregations, viz., Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte, of Whiteville First, and Deacon R. B. Brady, of Chadbourn, informed Presbytery of the concurrence of the churches in the request.

Upon motion, Presbytery dissolved the pastoral relations as indicated, and referred the matter of permission to labor without the Presbytery to the commission on the Minister and His Work with power to act.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman of the permanent committee on Stewardship, made report with the following recommendations, which were adopted:

1. That the Stated Clerk be instructed to include in the docket for the fall meeting of Presbytery a popular meeting in the interest of stewardship; this meeting to be held during the afternoon of the first day of Presbytery.
2. That Presbytery appropriate a sum not to exceed \$50 to the Stewardship committee for the promotion of the cause of Stewardship, the amount to be supplied from Presbytery's contingent fund.
3. That the Stewardship committee have printed and make available to church treasurers a uniform blank for making remittances.

Rev. J. R. Potts, chairman of the permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, made report giving data gathered from the narratives of the church sessions as follows:

Number of family altars reported, 421.

In answer to the question, "Is Sabbath observance any real problem?" the following answers appear:

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| To a slight extent, | 9 churches  |
| No problem,         | 19 churches |
| Decided problem,    | 29 churches |

The question, "To what extent does worldly conformity exist in your church?" was answered as follows:

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| To no great or marked degree, | 32 churches, |
| To a considerable extent,     | 8 churches,  |
| To a large extent,            | 5 churches,  |
| No answer,                    | 12 churches. |

The report was approved.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman of the permanent committee on Bible Cause, made report, which was approved and the following recommendations adopted:

1. That Wilmington Presbytery endorse the work of the American Bible Society and commend it to pastors and people for informed and prayerful support, that the Gospel of our Lord may be brought to the hungry multitudes;
2. That the widespread observance of Bible Sunday on December 8 be encouraged that our people may be stirred afresh to appreciation and use of the Bible as the guide of national and personal life;
3. That we urge upon the officers of every church the maintenance of the full contribution to the Bible Society of one per cent of the church's benevolence and missionary budget as recommended by the General Assembly.

Mr. Seawright also offered report for the permanent committee on Foreign Missions, which was approved with the adoption of the following recommendations:

1. That our church agencies, and our individual churches, make special effort to secure reinforcements for our thinning missionary line; and that pastors present the call to missionary work to the choice young men and women of their congregation.
2. That congregations, societies, and individuals assume, wherever possible, definite responsibility for definite parts of the F. M. work; such as the support of a missionary, the endowment of a hospital, or individual gifts to some of our schools.
3. That each pastor and congregation make much use of the F. M. season, not only for the study of the F. M. book for that season, but also to emphasize the cause and the call of Foreign Missions.
4. That we engage now in a period of special prayer on behalf of our F. M. work and workers.

Upon request of the Moderator, Mr. Seawright led the Presbytery in prayer for the cause of Foreign Missions.

After announcements and a prayer by Ruling Elder M. V. Orr, Presbytery took recess until the evening session.

TUESDAY EVENING

7:30 P. M. Presbytery engaged in a popular meeting in the interest of Presbytery's Home Missions, with Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on that work, presiding.

Exercises of worship were held, with prayer by Rev. J. R. Potts, reading of Scripture by Rev. M. C. Macqueen, and a vocal solo by Rev. J. A. Boyd, of Holston Presbytery.

Dr. Storey offered report for the committee, and, pending consideration of it, an address on the subject of Home Missions was delivered by Mr. Macqueen.

The Moderator took the chair, and the report of the committee was adopted as follows:

With grateful acknowledgement of the evident blessing of God upon our labors, we are happy to report a year of progress in our Home Mission work. All of our fields are supplied with pastoral services, all financial obligations met, with a small balance in hand to begin the new year.

Our Superintendent, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., has been active and diligent in administering the work entrusted to your committee, and the evidences of his labors are evident in this report. During the year we had two vacancies, which have been filled. Early in April Rev. J. Ray Dickens became pastor of the Pink Hill group and has been doing splendid work with his churches. Following the resignation of Rev. F. L. Goodman, the Kenansville and Hallsville churches were vacant for a period of four months. On February 1st Rev. J. G. Morrison took charge of this group and has made a promising start in his work. Stanford, formerly in this group, has been temporarily grouped with Seven Springs and is being supplied by Rev. E. B. Carr. Southport has asked for the full time service of Rev. J. R. Potts, and New Hope, formerly served by Mr. Potts, is now grouped with Woodburn and Acme. Bladenboro has continued to make progress and arrangements are pending whereby it will be grouped with Fairmont, a nearby church in Fayetteville Presbytery. We hope to soon have a pastor settled in Bladenboro and serving these two churches.

We are glad to report that several of our churches are making progress in the matter of self-support. Last year Pink Hill, Smiths and Pleasant View assumed an additional \$225, making up the amount formerly paid by Hebron. Hallsville assumed an additional \$150 on their pastor's salary. This year Chinquapin, Bethel and Beulaville have assumed an additional \$280. Grove church at Kenansville has assumed an additional \$150, Delgado an additional \$100, Southport an additional \$300, and Morehead City an additional \$200. Bladenboro will probably assume \$400 of the support of their pastor when one is called. Year by year we hope

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that more of our churches will assume a larger part of the support of their pastors, thereby releasing Home Mission funds for the challenging fields of opportunity which we are not now able to enter because of the lack of funds. There are some very challenging opportunities in Onslow county which your committee is very anxious to cultivate at the earliest possible moment. Lenior county also offers splendid opportunities for the labors of another man as soon as we can finance the program of extension needed there.

There were times during the year when we were anxious about our finances and were forced to borrow money in order to meet our payroll, but the March collections of \$2,083 enabled us to repay these loans and close the year with a balance of \$185.90 more than we had at the beginning of the year.

With a view to conserving our funds and cooperating with a sister Presbytery in the conduct of their Home Mission work, your committee has been negotiating with the Presbytery of Fayetteville to share the services of our Superintendent with them on a fifty-fifty basis. Our committees are in agreement on this matter and are awaiting the approval of their respective Presbyteries before putting into operation the proposed plan. We shall present a recommendation on that matter.

Your committee would gratefully acknowledge the splendid cooperation of the Assembly's Home Mission committee and the Home Mission committee of Synod in the conduct of our work. Their sympathetic counsel and financial assistance has meant much to our work.

We regret to announce that, on account of ill health and very exacting duties in connection with his business, our efficient Treasurer, Mr. O. H. Shoemaker, has resigned and his resignation reluctantly accepted by your committee. We have selected as his successor Mr. E. Norfleet, Box 736, Wilmington.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Presbytery authorize the Home Mission committee to enter into an arrangement with the Presbytery of Fayetteville whereby our Superintendent, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., shall supervise and administer the Home Mission work of both Presbyteries, under the direction of their respective committees and in accordance with plans adopted by them. The salary of the Superintendent shall be divided as follows: Wilmington Presbytery to pay \$1,500 per year and provide a manse, Fayetteville Presbytery to pay \$1,800 per year, the Superintendent to provide and maintain his own car.
2. That Presbytery approve the appointment of the following stated supplies: Rev. J. R. Potts to serve Southport, Rev. J. D. Withrow to serve Acme and New Hope churches, Rev. P. L. Clark to serve Maple Hill, Rev. D. L. Jones to serve Bowden, Rev. J. I. Knight to serve Baker, Rev. J. W. Miller to serve Brown Marsh, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps to serve Jacksonville and Antioch, Rev. R. H. Poole to serve Oakdale and Mt. Horeb, Rev. E. F. Thompson to serve White Plains, Rev. E. B. Carr to serve Seven Springs and Stanford.



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3. That Presbytery approve a Home Mission budget of \$8,499.25 for the ensuing year. The budget to be apportioned as follows:
- (a) \$600.00 to assist the church at Southport in the support of Rev. J. R. Potts, Stated Supply.
  - (b) \$720.00 to the Pollocksville, Jacksonville, Antioch and Croatan churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. Robert Phipps.
  - (c) \$400.00 to the Chinquapin, Bethel and Beulaville churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. Ben L. Rose.
  - (d) \$300.00 to the Delgado and Topsail churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. C. C. Myers.
  - (e) \$600.00 to the Pink Hill, Smiths and Pleasant View churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. Ray Dickens.
  - (f) \$350.00 to the Grove and Hallsville churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. G. Morrison.
  - (g) \$728.00 to the Rocky Point, Currie and Pike churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. T. Echols.
  - (h) \$600.00 to the Lake Waccamaw, Ashwood, Elkton and White Plains churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. E. F. Thompson.
  - (i) \$780.00 to the Morehead City and Wildwood churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. K. C. Seawright.
  - (j) \$600.00 to the Woodburn, Acme and New Hope churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. W. Withrow.
  - (k) \$1,500.00 to the support of our Superintendent, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D.
  - (l) \$350.00 to the Bladenboro church to assist in the support of its pastor.
  - (m) \$120.00 to the Stanford and Seven Springs churches to assist in the support of Rev. E. B. Carr, Stated Supply.
  - (n) \$280.00 for the work of students during summer months.
  - (o) \$200.00 for the expenses of the committee.
  - (p) \$371.75 for dues to the Ministers' Annuity Fund, representing 7½% of the salaries paid by the committee.

In accordance with the rule of the General Assembly, all of these appropriations shall be contingent upon said churches making a thorough Every Member Canvass. They are also contingent upon the receipts of the committee, and subject to any necessary revision by the committee.

4. Your committee has been officially advised that the will of the late J. E. Kelly of Mt. Olive contains a bequest to the Home Mission committee in Wilmington Presbytery of \$5,000.00 "to be used in behalf of the Presbyterian Home Missions within the bounds of the said Wilmington, North Carolina, Presbytery." Mr. Kelly was a member of the Home Mission committee but unable to attend on account of ill health. We rejoice in his thoughtful generosity toward this great work and thank God for this timely gift. The estate has not been settled and the bequest will not likely be paid

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until fall. It is the thought of the committee that very careful consideration should be given to the use to be made of this bequest that its investment may issue in the most fruitful and permanent results.

5. We present the following resolution relating to said bequest, to be adopted by the Presbytery:

The Presbytery of Wilmington, Synod of North Carolina, in regular session at Atkinson, North Carolina April 16, 1940 has heard with profound gratitude of the generous bequest in the will of the late J. E. Kelly of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) "to the Home Mission committee of Wilmington Presbytery in the Synod of North Carolina, to be used in behalf of the Presbyterian Home Missions within the bounds of the said Wilmington, North Carolina, Presbytery."

The Presbytery of Wilmington hereby authorizes and directs its Trustees, J. O. Carr, W. P. Sprunt and J. H. Clark to act for and in behalf of the Presbytery in receiving this bequest at the hands of Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, Executors of said will, to receipt for same and place said funds at the disposal of the Permanent Committee of Home Missions of Wilmington Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Wilmington also directs its Stated Clerk to furnish a certified copy of this action to the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, Executors of the will of the late J. E. Kelly.

There was also presented report of the treasurer of Home Mission funds, O. H. Shoemaker, for the year ending March 31st, 1940, and the same was adopted for record as follows:

RECEIPTS

|                                        |           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance on hand April 1st.....         | \$ 415.41 |
| Assembly's Home Mission committee..... | 1,800.00  |
| Synod's Home Mission committee.....    | 2,652.00  |
| On Apportionments .....                | 5,034.65  |

\$9,902.06

DISBURSEMENTS

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Pastor's Salaries—           |           |
| Rev. P. L. Clark.....        | \$ 300.00 |
| Rev. J. T. Echols.....       | 746.23    |
| Rev. F. L. Goodman.....      | 250.00    |
| Rev. C. C. Myers.....        | 400.04    |
| Rev. J. Robt. Phipps.....    | 720.00    |
| Rev. J. R. Potts.....        | 600.00    |
| Rev. Ben L. Rose.....        | 680.00    |
| Rev. K. C. Seawright.....    | 799.99    |
| Rev. Earl F. Thompson.....   | 600.00    |
| Rev. J. D. Withrow.....      | 600.00    |
| Rev. J. Ray Dickens.....     | 575.00    |
| Rev. J. G. Morrison.....     | 58.33     |
| Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D..... | 2,499.96  |
| T. D. Mullis, Student.....   | 235.00    |

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|----------------------------------------|------------|
| John D. Smith, Student.....            | \$ 150.00  |
| Stenographic service .....             | 20.00      |
| Postage and Exchange.....              | 4.60       |
| Repairs Superintendent's Manse.....    | 10.45      |
| Expense to Richmond, Dr. Wilson.....   | 9.40       |
| Printing and Stationery.....           | 7.50       |
| Religious Education, Dr. Whitmore..... | 34.25      |
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|                                        | \$9,300.75 |
| Balance on hand.....                   | \$ 601.31  |

Upon motion, Presbytery granted permission to the Home Mission churches mentioned in the report of the committee to amend their calls for their pastors in accordance with the amounts referred to.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, offered report as follows:

The committee has done as best it could the work assigned it last fall for promoting the Evangelistic Crusade. The special committee, consisting of the Moderator of Presbytery, the President of the Presbyterial, the Synod's representative on the Assembly's committee, and the chairman of Presbytery's committee, met in Raleigh and arranged for three conferences, namely, at Warsaw, Clarkton and Wilmington. It was not practicable to hold a fourth proposed conference at Pollocksville. The three conferences were well attended and had good results.

The three months period from January to April has been observed by a majority of the churches of the Presbytery, the lines suggested in the Assembly's plan being followed as closely as local conditions allowed. Evidences of spiritual blessings are apparent in many churches. There is great need for more intercessory prayer, evangelistic preaching, and continued concern for the salvation of souls.

The chairman of the committee received from Rev. P. D. Miller \$25 from the Assembly's evangelistic funds, and offerings for expenses were taken at the three conferences held on Jan. 7th. Total receipts were \$53.57. Travel expenses for three participants (C. C. Riddle, J. B. Huntington and G. A. Wilson) amounted to \$39.72, leaving a balance of \$13.85.

Three lay speakers on the conference programs, Dr. John B. Wright, of Raleigh, Mr. C. G. Rose, of Fayetteville, and Mr. Nat Harrison, of Greenville, declined to accept remuneration for their expenses. The ministers, Dr. Richardson, Dr. Lacy and Dr. Miller, charged their expenses to the Assembly's fund.

We recommend:

1. That the Evangelistic Crusade be continued in this Presbytery during the year 1940-41.
2. That each session be advised to adopt some well-defined plan for continuous year-around evangelism.

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3. That the committee on Evangelism be instructed to cooperate with pastors and sessions in an effort to have an evangelistic meeting in each church of the Presbytery during the year.
4. That pastors and sessions be reminded of the great importance of thorough advance preparation for evangelistic meetings.
5. That conversions and denite commitments to Christ and His church be constantly sought in the Sunday schools and young people's leagues.
6. That sessions be encouraged to sponsor outpost Sunday schools.
7. That personal work be encouraged, particularly in the form of house-to-house visitation by church officers and other laymen, and conducting prayer meetings in the homes.

Pending the adoption of the report, Presbytery heard statements from several pastors concerning results of the Evangelistic Crusade.

The report of the committee was adopted.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. K. C. Seawright, the Presbytery adjourned for the day.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

9:00 A. M. Presbytery was led in worship by Rev. J. Ray Dickens, based upon Acts 1:1-8.

Rev. P. L. Clark, by request of the Moderator, was in the chair.

Rev. L. A. Davis, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Minutes of Tuesday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, made report with the following recommendation, which was adopted.:

That Revs. W. L. Wilson and Andrew J. Howell receive the same amounts from the funds of Ministerial Relief that were given last year. These amounts are shown in their applications.

Calls were read from the Grove and Hallsville churches for the pastoral services of Rev. J. G. Morrison, and, upon motion, they were found in order and placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his acceptance, the following commission was named to install him: Revs. J. I. Knight, B. L. Rose, G. A. Wilson, D. D., and D. L. Jones alternate to any minister; and Ruling Elders F. B. Johnson and J. E. Jerritt; any one minister with the ruling elders to constitute a quorum. The time of the exercises and the parts to be taken were left to the pleasure of the commission.

Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman of the standing committee on the Minutes of Synod, made report, which was approved.

Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman of the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee has examined the printed minutes for the fall meeting, 1939, and finds them carefully kept and neatly printed.

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Rev. E. F. Thompson, chairman of the permanent committee on Sessional Records, presented report, which was adopted as follows:

Your committee on Sessional Records has examined and approved all the records presented, with the following exceptions:

Bethel. No records of election of representative to spring meeting, and reports to Presbytery not adopted.

Beulaville. No record of election of representative to spring meeting, and no record of adoption of minutes for year.

Bladenboro. No session meeting recorded for the year.

Brown Marsh. Only one meeting of session during the year.

Chinquapin. Record of reports to Presbytery too meager.

Mt. Horeb. Only three meetings of session recorded.

Maple Hill. Only three meetings of session recorded.

Faison. No record of election of representative to spring meeting.

Rockfish. No record of election of representative to spring meeting.

Smiths. Statistical and narrative reports not recorded.

Southport. No record of election of representatives to church courts.

The following churches did not present their sessional records: Baker, Beth Car, Oakdale, Pink Hill, Pleasant View.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of the advisory committee on Divorce and Re-marriage, made report, submitting the following overture to the General Assembly, which was adopted:

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully overtures the General Assembly meeting in Chattanooga, Tenn., May 16, 1940, to instruct its committee of Publication to print in pamphlet form, suitable for distribution, the actions of the Assembly governing the matter of divorce and re-marriage, with Scriptural references, and to furnish copies of this pamphlet to all the ministers of the Assembly.

The Stated Clerk reported that the accounts of the treasurers of Presbytery's contingent fund and of the Home Missions funds have been duly audited and certified as correct. The report was accepted.

Rev. E. F. Thompson, chairman of the permanent committee on Synod's Home Missions, offered report, which was approved.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the commission on the Minister and His Work, made report, which was received as information.

The Moderator took the chair.

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Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman of the permanent committee on Social and Moral Welfare, made report, which was accepted.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman of the standing committee on the Narrative, presented the following data drawn from the reports from the churches:

Members received on profession of faith, 443.

Members received by certificate, 268.

Members received from Sunday schools, 359.

48 churches held evangelistic services.

159 communion services were held.

34 churches report members faithful in presenting children for baptism. 20 reported not faithful.

32 report children taught catechisms in home. 22 not teaching them in home.

45 report catechisms taught in Sunday schools. 11 reported not.

40 report Sunday school pupils memorize Scriptures.

53 had every-member canvass.

20 accepted in full their apportionment to benevolent causes.

43 report pastors' salaries paid in full.

With reference to the report, Rev. J. R. Potts spoke on the subject of Sabbath observance.

The report was approved.

Rev. F. S. Johnston, chairman of the permanent committee on Assembly's Home Missions, made report, giving the following recommendations, which were adopted:

- (1) That every pastor be urged to read carefully the Executive Committee's Annual Report, that the magnitude and the importance of Assembly's Home Missions may be understood.
- (2) That the Presbytery press upon all its churches the necessity for a larger income for Assembly's Home Missions with which to increase salaries and to meet its responsibility for the annuity payments of the workers supported by the Assembly's funds, particularly those workers in the purely home mission areas serving the underprivileged groups.

Report of the standing committee on Nominations was presented as follows:

We beg to nominate:

1. For trustees of Flora Macdonald college, to fill term beginning at this meeting, Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., and Messrs. F. B. Johnson and Melzar Pearsall.

2. For the sub-committee of Religious Education, Adult Division, Mrs. Litchfield Huie to replace Miss Lucilla White (who is a member of the sub-committee of Children's Division).

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3. For Presbytery's Home Missions committee, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., to continue as chairman; Mr. J. C. Williams to replace Mr. J. E. Kelly, deceased; and Mr. W. D. Jones to replace Dr. J. E. Evans.

4. For committee on Orphans' Home, Mr. R. V. Wells to replace Mr. J. L. Miller, deceased.

5. For additional members of the committee on Sessional Records, Rev. B. L. Rose and Rev. J. G. Morrison.

The report was adopted.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, chairman of the permanent committee on History, made report, stressing the suggestion to keep a current record of matters of importance in the back of sessional record book; and advising that no historical sketches had been sent in since the last meeting. The report was approved.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the financial project of the Assembly's Training school, presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Presbytery of Wilmington appointed a special committee "to consider the matter of the campaign ordered by the General Assembly for the Assembly's Training school and report at the spring meeting of Presbytery." This committee consisted of Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, Chairman, Rev. R. H. Poole, Rev. M. C. Macqueen and Ruling Elder J. B. Huntington.

This committee would respectfully report and recommend as follows:

1. That our Presbytery hereby express its hearty appreciation of the value of our Training school to our local churches, to our Presbyteries and Synods, to our Home Mission and Foreign Mission work and therefore heartily endorse this movement to undergird the Training school in a more adequate financial way.

2. That the quota of \$6,850.00 which has been assigned to our Presbytery be distributed among the churches as follows:

|                   |          |                          |           |
|-------------------|----------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Acme .....        | \$ 30.00 | Caswell .....            | \$ 100.00 |
| Antioch .....     | 10.00    | Chadbourn .....          | 100.00    |
| Ashwood .....     | 25.00    | Chinquapin .....         | 45.00     |
| Baker .....       | 20.00    | Clarkton .....           | 300.00    |
| Beth Car .....    | 40.00    | Croatan .....            | 10.00     |
| Bethel .....      | 15.00    | Currie .....             | 15.00     |
| Beulaville .....  | 25.00    | Elizabethtown .....      | 200.00    |
| Black River ..... | 60.00    | Elkton .....             | 10.00     |
| Bladenboro .....  | 10.00    | Faison .....             | 200.00    |
| Bowden .....      | 10.00    | Geo. Webb Memorial ..... | 75.00     |
| Brown Marsh ..... | 15.00    | Graves Memorial .....    | 275.00    |
| Burgaw .....      | 120.00   | Grove .....              | 100.00    |
| Calypso .....     | 120.00   | Hallsville .....         | 30.00     |



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|---------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Harmony .....       | \$ 40.00 | Southport .....       | \$ 20.00 |
| Hebron .....        | 20.00    | South River .....     | 40.00    |
| Holly Grove .....   | 50.00    | Stanford .....        | 30.00    |
| Hopewell .....      | 35.00    | Teacheys .....        | 50.00    |
| Jacksonville .....  | 30.00    | Topsail .....         | 30.00    |
| Lake Waccamaw ..... | 65.00    | Wallace .....         | 200.00   |
| Maple Hill .....    | 10.00    | Warsaw .....          | 200.00   |
| Mt. Horeb .....     | 30.00    | White Plains .....    | 15.00    |
| Mt. Olive .....     | 300.00   | Whiteville:           |          |
| Mt. Williams .....  | 15.00    | First .....           | 125.00   |
| Mt. Zion .....      | 200.00   | Westminster .....     | 200.00   |
| New Hope .....      | 25.00    | Wildwood .....        | 20.00    |
| Oakdale .....       | 30.00    | Willard .....         | 50.00    |
| Oak Plains .....    | 60.00    | Wilmington:           |          |
| Pike .....          | 30.00    | Ch. of Covenant.....  | 1,200.00 |
| Pink Hill .....     | 50.00    | Delgado .....         | 30.00    |
| Pleasant View ..... | 35.00    | First .....           | 1,300.00 |
| Pollocksville ..... | 70.00    | Immanuel .....        | 100.00   |
| Rockfish .....      | 100.00   | Pearsall Memorial.... | 140.00   |
| Rocky Point .....   | 40.00    | St. Andrews .....     | 925.00   |
| Seven Springs ..... | 10.00    | Winter Park .....     | 125.00   |
| Smiths .....        | 30.00    | Woodburn .....        | 25.00    |

3. That each church in our Presbytery be earnestly requested to accept its quota and to make every effort to raise it not later than April 1941, when this campaign ends.

4. That the Session and Board of Deacons of each church assume the responsibility and leadership of raising the quota of their church and that in this effort they appoint a special campaign committee on the Training school representing every element in the congregation and that they make full use of every organization in the church—the Woman's Auxiliary, Men of the Church, the Church school and the Youth.

5. That the second Sunday in October, 1940, be designated as Assembly's Training School Day throughout our Presbytery and that on this Sunday, or on as nearby a Sunday as possible, every Pastor in the Presbytery be requested to preach a sermon on the Training school, setting forth its vital importance to the work of our church at home and abroad, and that immediately a canvass be made in each church under the leadership of its local committee in an endeavor to raise its quota in full.

6. And that the Presbytery appoint a special committee representing adequately each of its districts to have entire charge of this matter and that this special committee be urged to use all diligence in the preparation and prosecution of this campaign.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman of the special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, offered the following report, which was adopted:

We note, with the greatest gratitude to God and appreciation of all the gifts and services rendered, that after ten years of effort during an almost unprecedented period of financial depression, the

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Ministers' Annuity Fund reached its goal of three million dollars for accrued liabilities on February 22nd, 1940 and went officially into operation on April 1st, 1940. It is obvious that this is a great achievement which is already meaning much to the morale of the church.

We would call upon all the churches in our Presbytery to enter this fund as soon as possible, thus rendering a great service to themselves and to the church at large, as this fund is a type of co-operative insurance depending for its greatest success upon the participation of every minister and every church.

We would earnestly request all the churches and all the Ministers to follow closely the directions of our Louisville office in making their premium remittances and to state specifically the definite object of each remittance, thus avoiding confusion in bookkeeping and delay and expense.

We would hereby make the following final report of the performance of each church in our Presbytery in its endeavor to raise its quota, as of February 16, 1940:

| CHURCH                   | Cash and Pledges<br>Received at<br>Louisville<br>Office |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Acme .....               | \$ 99.20                                                |
| Antioch .....            | 30.00                                                   |
| Ashwood .....            | 118.00                                                  |
| Baker .....              | 17.02                                                   |
| Beth Car .....           | 159.00                                                  |
| Bethel .....             | 60.05                                                   |
| Beulaville .....         | 145.12                                                  |
| Black River .....        | 336.00                                                  |
| Bladenboro .....         | 45.00                                                   |
| Bowden .....             | 57.79                                                   |
| Brown Marsh .....        | 60.00                                                   |
| Burgaw .....             | 560.00                                                  |
| Calypso .....            | 335.00                                                  |
| Caswell .....            | 501.50                                                  |
| Chadbourn .....          | 264.00                                                  |
| Chinquapin .....         | 325.14                                                  |
| Clarkton .....           | 1,503.00                                                |
| Croatan .....            | 45.00                                                   |
| Currie .....             | 58.85                                                   |
| Elizabethtown .....      | 1,243.00                                                |
| Elkton .....             | 35.00                                                   |
| Faison .....             | 940.55                                                  |
| Geo. Webb Memorial ..... | 350.00                                                  |
| Graves Memorial .....    | 1,364.75                                                |
| Grove .....              | 136.92                                                  |
| Hallsville .....         | 113.00                                                  |
| Harmony .....            | 48.00                                                   |
| Hebron .....             | -----                                                   |
| Holly Grove .....        | 283.25                                                  |
| Hopewell .....           | 178.00                                                  |
| Jacksonville .....       | 150.00                                                  |
| Lake Waccamaw .....      | 135.00                                                  |

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| CHURCH                  | Cash and Pledges<br>Received at<br>Louisville<br>Office |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Maple Hill .....        | \$ 22.00                                                |
| Mt. Horeb .....         | 150.00                                                  |
| Mt. Olive .....         | 971.00                                                  |
| Mt. Williams .....      | 60.00                                                   |
| Mt. Zion .....          | 695.04                                                  |
| New Hope .....          | 171.00                                                  |
| Oakdale .....           | 10.00                                                   |
| Oak Plains .....        | 146.00                                                  |
| Pike .....              | 29.00                                                   |
| Pink Hill .....         | 183.00                                                  |
| Pleasant View .....     | 170.00                                                  |
| Pollocksville .....     | 340.00                                                  |
| Rockfish .....          | 452.30                                                  |
| Rocky Point .....       | 66.00                                                   |
| Seven Springs .....     | -----                                                   |
| Smiths .....            | 107.50                                                  |
| Southport .....         | 4.00                                                    |
| South River .....       | 112.00                                                  |
| Stanford .....          | 46.00                                                   |
| Sweet Home .....        | -----                                                   |
| Teachey .....           | 261.00                                                  |
| Topsail .....           | 42.50                                                   |
| Wallace .....           | 1,275.71                                                |
| Warsaw .....            | 913.00                                                  |
| White Plains .....      | 16.00                                                   |
| Whiteville:             |                                                         |
| First .....             | 673.00                                                  |
| Westminster .....       | 376.63                                                  |
| Wildwood .....          | 105.00                                                  |
| Willard .....           | 285.50                                                  |
| Wilmington:             |                                                         |
| Church of Covenant..... | 6,443.79                                                |
| Delgado .....           | 160.00                                                  |
| First .....             | 10,508.62                                               |
| Immanuel .....          | 260.74                                                  |
| Pearsall Memorial ..... | 575.50                                                  |
| St. Andrews .....       | 4,894.11                                                |
| Winter Park .....       | 670.32                                                  |
| Woodburn .....          | 56.80                                                   |
| Presbyterial .....      | 283.20                                                  |
| Miscellaneous .....     | 78.00                                                   |
|                         | -----                                                   |
|                         | \$41,311.38                                             |

Quota for Wilmington Presbytery.....\$38,599.00

In conclusion we would call upon our Presbytery to have a short thanksgiving service in connection with the completion of the Ministers' Annuity Fund, giving thanks to Almighty God for His guidance and blessing.

Upon motion, the special committee on the Ministers' Annuity Fund was continued.

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Rev. L. A. Davis, director of the Development Program of Flora Macdonald college, addressed Presbytery with reference to its financial undertaking.

Rev. L. C. LaMotte, President of Presbyterian Junior College for Men, addressed the Presbytery with reference to his institution.

These addresses were received as information relating to the permanent committee on Educational Institutions.

11:20 A. M. Presbytery heard a sermon by Rev. K. C. Seawright upon the subject of "Power Through the Presence of the Holy Spirit," based upon Acts 1:1-14.

Rev. J. R. Potts, chairman of the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, presented the following paper, which was heartily adopted:

The Presbytery of Wilmington desires to express its deep appreciation to the Pastor, the ladies and all members of the Caswell church for their lovely hospitality. They have been untiring in their efforts to entertain, and they have succeeded in a wonderful manner. Especially do we thank the ladies for the magnificent meals so pleasingly served.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Religious Education, made report; in connection with which Rev. M. C. Macqueen, chairman of the sub-committee on Children's Division, and Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman of the sub-committee on Young People's Division, made announcements and remarks relating to activities of their departments. Rev. J. I. Knight also spoke with reference to proposed "Pioneer Conclave" to be held in September.

The report as a whole was received as information.

Presbytery heard nominations for commissioners to the next General Assembly.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness, recess was taken for luncheon.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

1:15 P. M. Presbytery reconvened, and was led in prayer by Rev. J. R. Potts.

Rev. J. R. Potts was appointed by the Moderator to preach the doctrinal sermon in the fall.

Rev. E. F. Thompson, chairman of the standing committee on Leave of Absence, made report as follows:

Leaves were granted to the following:

After afternoon session Tuesday—Rev. R. C. Clontz, Rev. J. D. Withrow, Rev. J. T. Echols, and Ruling Elders J. M. Meshaw, E. B. Lee, C. Monroe, J. F. Davis, C. F. Blanchard, D. S. Boney and W. G. Prevatte.

After the night session Tuesday—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps and Rev. J. W. Miller, and Ruling Elders S. Singletary, J. P. Warner, W. J. Burney, R. V. Wells, A. H. Miller, Gibson James and J. H. Saunders.

Through Rev. A. J. Howell, for the committee on Educational Institutions, the following recommendations were offered and duly adopted:

1. That Wilmington Presbytery comply with the action of the Synod concerning Presbyterian Junior College for Men by setting September 22, 1940, as "Presbyterian Junior College Day."
2. That the committee on Educational Institutions be authorized to appoint a committee of about twenty in the Presbytery to be a special committee on "Presbyterian Junior College Day."
3. That the objectives in observing the said days are: (1) To give the people more information about their college, (2) To give them an opportunity to contribute to this cause.

The recommendations were adopted.

The following supplementary report was presented by Rev. F. S. Johnston for the standing committee on Nominations:

We nominate for additional members of the special committee on the promotion plan of the Assembly Training School, Mr. Oscar High, Mrs. J. R. Dickens, Miss Mildred Mallard, and Miss Lucilla White; the present committee consisting of Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, chairman, Rev. M. C. Macqueen, Rev. R. H. Poole, and Mr. J. B. Huntington.

The report was adopted.

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The following commissioners to the General Assembly, meeting in Chattanooga, Tenn., May 16, 1940, were elected by ballot:

### Ministers:

Rev. J. R. Potts. Rev. L. W. Kessler, alternate.

Rev. R. M. Engle. Rev. P. L. Clark, alternate.

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. Rev. E. F. Thompson, alternate.

### Ruling Elders:

C. O. Bollinger, Willard. O. F. Cooper, Wilmington, alternate.

Durham Grady, Seven Springs. I. F. Witherington, Faison, alternate.

J. K. Bannerman, Wilmington. Q. G. Southerland, Burgaw, alternate.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman of the standing committee on Bills and Overtures, stated that no matters have been referred to the committee.

The following members answered the final roll call:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. C. Myers, S. G. Harness, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, J. G. Morrison, (22);

Ruling Elders: Durham Grady, H. R. Southerland, C. O. Bollinger, I. L. Faison, H. G. Cromartie, J. C. Corbett, W. F. Valentine, (7).

The standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting reported that no invitations for the fall meeting had been received; and, upon motion, a special committee consisting of the Moderator and Stated Clerk was named to arrange for the meeting.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

After the singing of the hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and a prayer by the Moderator, Presbytery adjourned to meet on Tuesday, October 15, 1940, at 11 a. m. —(arranged by committee) at Elkton Presbyterian church.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.  
ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Reports for last year show:

442 new members received on profession of faith, an increase of 53 over 389 for 1938-39. (There were 254 on profession in 1937-38).

Of the number received on profession last year 359 were from the Sunday schools, an increase of 77 over 282 for 1938-39. (There were 185 in 1937-38).

There were reported 452 family altars and 641 tithers.

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After adjournment of the Presbytery, a conference on curricula of Vacation Bible schools was conducted by Miss Atha Bowman, of the Religious Education office in Richmond. Members of Presbytery and workers from several churches were in attendance.

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## CHURCHES

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1—Acme                    | 36—Mt. Horeb         |
| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Olive         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Williams      |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Zion          |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—New Hope          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—Oakdale           |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oak Plains        |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Pearsall Memorial |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pike              |
| 10—Bowden                 | 45—Pink Hill         |
| 11—Brown Marsh            | 46—Pleasant View     |
| 12—Burgaw                 | 47—Pollocksville     |
| 13—Calypso                | 48—Rockfish          |
| 14—Caswell                | 49—Rocky Point       |
| 15—Chadbourn              | 50—St. Andrews       |
| 16—Chinquapin             | 51—Seven Springs     |
| 17—Church of the Covenant | 52—Smiths            |
| 18—Clarkton               | 53—Southport         |
| 19—Croatan                | 54—South River       |
| 20—Currie                 | 55—Stanford          |
| 21—Delgado                | 56—Sweet Home        |
| 22—Elizabethtown          | 57—Teachey           |
| 23—Elkton                 | 58—Topsail           |
| 24—Faison                 | 59—Wallace           |
| 25—Graves Memorial        | 60—Warsaw            |
| 26—Grove                  | 61—Webb Memorial     |
| 27—Hallsville             | 62—Westminster       |
| 28—Harmony                | 63—White Plains      |
| 29—Hebron                 | 64—Whiteville First  |
| 30—Holly Grove            | 65—Wildwood          |
| 31—Hopewell               | 66—Willard           |
| 32—Immanuel               | 67—Wilmington First  |
| 33—Jacksonville           | 68—Winter Park       |
| 34—Lake Waccamaw          | 69—Woodburn          |
| 35—Maple Hill             |                      |

## MINISTERS

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff       | 22—C. H. Storey, D. D. |
| 2—W. P. M. Currie         | 23—J. I. Knight        |
| 3—L. T. Newland           | 24—J. S. Crowley       |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 25—Jas. R. Phipps      |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 26—L. W. Kessler       |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 27—S. C. Farrison      |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 28—J. O. Mann          |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 29—C. W. Worth         |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 30—J. D. Withrow, Jr.  |
| 10—C. C. Myers            | 31—R. M. Engle         |
| 11—R. C. Clontz           | 32—D. L. Jones         |
| 12—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 33—G. A. Wilson, D. D. |
| 13—W. L. Wilson           | 34—E. F. Thompson      |
| 14—J. Robt. Phipps        | 35—J. R. Potts         |
| 15—D. L. Williamson       | 36—K. C. Seawright     |
| 16—S. G. Harness          | 37—Benjamin L. Rose    |
| 17—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 38—M. C. Macqueen      |
| 18—J. W. Miller           | 39—J. Ray Dickens      |
| 19—K. B. McCutchen        | 40—J. T. Echols        |
| 20—F. S. Johnston         | 41—J. G. Morrison      |
| 21—R. H. Poole            |                        |

## CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

W. K. Cromartie, Edward J. Humphrey, Arnold B. Rhodes, Daniel D. Rhodes, William Lee Paden, Jr., Daniel Burke Kerr, (6).



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## DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—REV. W. P. M. CURRIE, Wallace, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*—  
REV. ANDREW J. HOWELL, Wilmington, N. C.

*Permanent Clerk*—REV. RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Winter Park,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Treasurer of Benevolences*—R. M. SHEPPARD, Southern Building,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Supt.-Evangelist, Home Missions*—REV. G. A. WILSON, D. D.,  
209 No. 13th St., Wilmington, N. C.

## TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1940—J. O. Carr, W. P. Sprunt, J. H. Clark.

## TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1940—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

## TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1943—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, Melzar Pearsall.

Exit Spring 1942—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. R. C. Clontz, C. S.  
Clark, Dr. A. H. Kerr.

## TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. H. Clark.

## PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1943),  
J. H. Whitmore, D. D., M. C. Macqueen, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, D. L. Jones, F. S. Johnston, A. J. Howell;  
Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, W. D. Jones,  
Eustace Norfleet, J. C. Williams, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, John Hall.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. E. F. Thompson, (1938), C. C.  
Myers; Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston, (1938), J. R.  
Dickens; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. J. T. Echols, (1939), K. C. Seawright,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas, D. W.  
Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. J. I. Knight,  
(1939), A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. D. Withrow, S. G. Harness;  
Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

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- Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), Chairman.
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- Children's Division*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), L. W. Kessler, Miss Lucilla White.
- Young People's Division*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Miss Isabella Cox.
- Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1938), J. R. Potts, D. L. Jones; Ruling Elder J. L. Lamb, Mrs. Litchfield Huie.
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- Educational Institutions*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps, (1939), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.
- Orphans' Home*—Revs. R. C. Clontz, (1939), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson, Jas. R. Phipps; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark, R. V. Wells.
- Bible Cause*—Revs. K. C. Seawright, (1939), J. S. Crowley, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.
- Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. J. R. Potts, (1939), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.
- Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, D. D., (1938), R. C. Clontz, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders E. Norfleet, J. B. Huntington, W. D. McCaig.
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- History*—Revs. A. J. Howell, (1939), J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.
- Auditing*—Ruling Elders J. B. Huntington, (1938), W. D. McCaig, C. S. Clark.
- Sessional Records*—Revs. L. W. Kessler, (1938), J. D. Withrow, E. F. Thompson, B. L. Rose, J. G. Morrison.
- Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. C. C. Myers, (1939); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.
- Divorce and Remarriage (Advisory)*—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), R. M. Engle, B. L. Rose, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, R. H. Poole.

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*Academic Studies*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1938), A. J. Howell.

*Languages*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1939), J. W. Miller.

*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), B. L. Rose.

*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), J. M. Plowden.

*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1939), D. L. Jones.

*Theology*—Revs. D. L. Jones, (1939), C. H. Storey, D. D.

*Church History*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), F. S. Johnston.

*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. R. C. Clontz, (1938), F. S. Johnston.

*English Bible*—Revs. J. I. Knight, (1938), A. J. Howell.

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| Baker              | B. C. Thigpen, Mt. Olive, N. C.                    |
| Beth Car           | C. O. McNair, Tar Heel, N. C.                      |
| Bethel             | W. F. Lanier, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
| Beulaville         | Gardner Edwards, Beulaville, N. C.                 |
| Black River        | G. E. Fisler, Ivanhoe, N. C.                       |
| Bladenboro         | J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro, N. C.                  |
| Bowden             | Herman Taylor, Faison, N. C.                       |
| Brown Marsh        | A. F. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
| Burgaw             | T. T. Murphy, Burgaw, N. C.                        |
| Calypso            | J. R. Maxwell, Calypso, N. C.                      |
| Caswell            | C. D. Murphy, Atkinson, N. C.                      |
| Chadbourn          | D. W. Monroe, Chadbourn, N. C.                     |
| Chinquapin         | W. B. Ward, Chinquapin, N. C.                      |
| Church of Covenant | F. L. Pearsall, Wilmington, N. C.                  |
| Clarkton           | C. S. Clark, Clarkton, N. C.                       |
| Croatan            | H. C. Wood, R. F. D. No. 4, New Bern, N. C.        |
| Currie             | C. S. Bell, Currie, N. C.                          |
| Delgado            | W. C. Scoggins, 1809 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C. |
| Elizabethtown      | W. A. Ferguson, Elizabethtown, N. C.               |
| Elkton             | W. J. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
| Faison             | I. L. Faison, Faison, N. C.                        |
| Graves Memorial    | F. B. Johnson, Clinton, N. C.                      |
| Grove              | R. V. Wells, Kenansville, N. C.                    |
| Hallsville         | A. H. Miller, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
| Harmony            | Dr. A. H. Kerr, Kerr, N. C.                        |
| Hebron             |                                                    |
| Holly Grove        | W. F. Valentine, R. F. D. No. 2, Clinton, N. C.    |
| Hopewell           | N. B. Murray, Burgaw, N. C.                        |
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| Jacksonville       | Raymond Marshall, Jacksonville, N. C.              |
| Lake Waccamaw      | J. W. Hall, Hallsboro, N. C.                       |
| Maple Hill         | Gibson James, Maple Hill, N. C.                    |
| Mt. Horeb          | C. Monroe, Council, N. C.                          |
| Mt. Olive          | A. S. Grady, Mt. Olive, N. C.                      |
| Mt. Williams       | R. A. Thigpen, Burgaw, N. C.                       |
| Mt. Zion           | M. L. Carr, Rose Hill, N. C.                       |
| New Hope           | D. R. Johnson, Winnabow, N. C.                     |
| Oakdale            | Sam Robeson, White Oak, N. C.                      |
| Oak Plains         | W. H. Hall, Rose Hill, N. C.                       |
| Pearsall Memorial  | J. M. Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.                    |
| Pike               | F. S. Sidbury, R. 1, Rocky Point, N. C.            |
| Pink Hill          | Dr. H. A. Edwards, Pink Hill, N. C.                |
| Pleasant View      | Durham Grady, Seven Springs, N. C.                 |
| Pollocksville      | H. A. Creagh, Pollocksville, N. C.                 |
| Rockfish           | J. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.                        |
| Rocky Point        | J. B. Armstrong, Rocky Point, N. C.                |
| St. Andrews        | S. A. Haines, Wilmington, N. C.                    |
| Seven Springs      |                                                    |
| Smiths             | R. W. Wallace, Pink Hill, N. C.                    |
| Southport          | Price Furpless, Southport, N. C.                   |
| South River        | R. J. Murphy, Tomahawk, N. C.                      |
| Stanford           | H. C. Brodgen, Mt. Olive, N. C.                    |
| Sweet Home         |                                                    |
| Teachey            | H. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.                        |
| Topsail            | E. V. King, Hampstead, N. C.                       |
| Wallace            | J. N. Wells, Wallace, N. C.                        |
| Warsaw             | Dr. J. M. Williams, Warsaw, N. C.                  |
| Webb Memorial      | D. Cordova, Morehead City, N. C.                   |
| Westminster        | F. A. Newman, Whiteville, N. C.                    |
| White Plains       | A. A. Clark, Rosindale, N. C.                      |
| Whiteville First   | J. R. Marks, Whiteville, N. C.                     |
| Wildwood           | W. F. West, Wildwood, N. C.                        |
| Willard            | H. McN. Johnson, Willard, N. C.                    |
| Wilmington First   | E. T. Huggins, Brookwood, Wilmington, N. C.        |
| Winter Park        | J. L. Lamb, R. F. D. No. 2, Wilmington, N. C.      |
| Woodburn           | D. G. Ellers, Leland, N. C.                        |

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| MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES NUMBER OF CANDIDATES | POSTOFFICES             | CHURCHES             | Officers |         | Communi-cants       |                      |                           | Bap-tisms |        |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------|--------|
|                                                |                         |                      | Elders   | Deacons | Added on Confession | Added on Certificate | Whole No. of Communicants | Adult     | Infant |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Burgaw*†             | 6        | 6       | 6                   | 5                    | 203                       | 6         |        |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Hopewell†            | 5        | 5       | 5                   | 1                    | 167                       | 5         |        |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Mt. Williams         | 1        | 3       | 1                   |                      | 23                        | 1         |        |
| P. L. Clark, S.S.                              | Maple Hill, N. C.       | Maple Hill           | 1        | 1       | 1                   |                      | 26                        | 1         |        |
| R. C. Clontz, P.                               | Whiteville, N. C.       | Whiteville First*    | 9        | 9       | 12                  | 6                    | 175                       | 12        | 1      |
| R. C. Clontz, P.                               | Chadbourn, N. C.        | Chadbourn*           | 5        | 4       | 3                   |                      | 93                        | 3         |        |
| J. S. Crowley, H.R.                            | Wilmington, N. C.       | Wallace*†            | 8        | 9       | 25                  | 17                   | 283                       | 11        | 2      |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Wallace, N. C.          | Rockfish             | 9        | 10      | 5                   | 2                    | 155                       | 4         | 1      |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Wallace, N. C.          | Willard, N. C.       | 4        | 4       | 1                   | 1                    | 73                        |           |        |
| W. P. M. Currie, P.                            | Willard, N. C.          | Willard, N. C.       | 4        | 4       | 1                   | 1                    | 73                        |           |        |
| J. Ray Dickens, P.                             | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Pink Hill*†          | 2        | 2       | 2                   | 2                    | 52                        | 5         |        |
| J. Ray Dickens, P.                             | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Smiths†              | 2        | 2       | 2                   | 2                    | 53                        | 3         |        |
| J. Ray Dickens, P.                             | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Pink Hill, N. C.     | 2        | 2       | 2                   | 2                    | 52                        | 3         |        |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Pleasant View†       | 3        | 3       | 12                  | 6                    | 70                        | 12        | 1      |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Rocky Point, N. C.      | Rocky Point*†        | 5        | 5       | 6                   | 5                    | 66                        | 4         |        |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Ashton, N. C.           | Pike†                | 3        | 3       | 2                   | 2                    | 50                        |           |        |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Currie, N. C.           | Currie†              | 4        | 4       | 1                   | 1                    | 32                        | 3         |        |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C., R. 2 | Winter Park*†        | 5        | 7       | 12                  | 21                   | 217                       | 7         | 2      |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C., R. 1 | Pearsall Memorial†   | 3        | 4       | 5                   | 4                    | 138                       | 3         | 1      |
| J. L. Fairly, Ed.-in-Chief                     | Richmond, Va.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| S. C. Farrior, F.M.                            | Chinking, China         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| A. D. P. Gilmour, P.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       | Wilmington First*†   | 15       | 19      | 23                  | 25                   | 878                       | 13        | 15     |
| H. C. Hammond, Inf.                            | Red Springs, N. C.      |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Mt. Zion*†           | 7        | 10      | 3                   | 7                    | 215                       | 2         |        |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Oak Plains†          | 6        | 4       | 1                   |                      | 63                        |           |        |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Teachey, N. C.          | Teachey†             | 6        | 8       |                     | 2                    | 113                       |           |        |
| Andrew J. Howell, P. Em. S.C.                  | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| F. S. Johnston, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Immanuel*†           | 8        | 8       | 18                  | 11                   | 311                       | 10        | 10     |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Faison, N. C.           | Faison*†             | 5        | 6       | 1                   | 7                    | 153                       | 1         | 3      |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Warsaw, N. C.           | Warsaw†              | 3        | 7       | 3                   | 4                    | 139                       | 3         |        |
| D. L. Jones, S.S.                              | Bowden, N. C.           | Bowden†              | 3        | 2       | 2                   |                      | 29                        | 2         |        |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Atkinson, N. C.         | Caswell*             | 3        | 5       | 2                   | 1                    | 91                        | 1         |        |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Ivanhoe, N. C.          | Black River          | 4        | 4       | 7                   | 3                    | 67                        | 4         |        |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Garland, N. C.          | South River*         | 5        | 3       | 4                   | 1                    | 53                        |           |        |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Kerr, N. C.             | Harmony              | 4        | 3       | 1                   | 4                    | 41                        | 1         | 3      |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Mt. Olive*†          | 5        | 8       | 18                  | 6                    | 196                       | 13        | 1      |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Calypso, N. C.          | Calypso†             | 6        | 6       |                     |                      | 109                       |           |        |
| J. I. Knight, S.S.                             | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Baker†               | 2        |         | 1                   | 2                    | 21                        | 1         |        |
| K. B. McCutchen                                | Charlottesville, Va.    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| M. C. Macqueen, P.                             | Clinton, N. C.          | Graves Memorial*†    | 12       | 14      | 12                  | 21                   | 252                       | 11        | 4      |
| M. C. Macqueen, P.                             | Clinton, N. C.          | Holly Grove†         | 4        | 3       | 4                   | 2                    | 86                        | 4         |        |
| J. O. Mann, D.R.E.                             | Maxton, N. C.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| A. S. Maxwell, F.M.                            | Dourados, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| J. W. Miller, P.                               | Clarkton, N. C.         | Clarkton*†           | 8        | 12      | 14                  | 7                    | 339                       | 9         | 1      |
| J. W. Miller, S.S.                             | Clarkton, N. C.         | Brown Marsh          | 1        |         |                     |                      | 33                        |           |        |
| J. G. Morrison, P.E.                           | Kenansville, N. C.      | Grove*†              | 2        | 7       | 2                   |                      | 125                       |           |        |
| J. G. Morrison, P.E.                           | Beulaville, N. C.       | Hallsville†          | 5        | 5       | 13                  |                      | 119                       | 13        |        |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C.       | Delgado*†            | 3        | 2       | 1                   | 1                    | 160                       | 1         | 3      |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Topsail, N. C.          | Topsail†             | 6        | 4       | 2                   | 2                    | 101                       | 2         |        |
| L. T. Newland, F.M.                            | Kwangju, Korea          |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| James R. Phipps, P.                            | Whiteville, N. C.       | Westminster*†        | 5        | 8       | 28                  | 7                    | 185                       | 19        |        |
| J. Robt. Phipps, P.                            | Pollocksville, N. C.    | Pollocksville*†      | 5        | 5       |                     | 3                    | 69                        |           |        |
| J. Robt. Phipps, P.                            | New Bern, N. C. R.D.    | Croatant†            | 2        | 2       |                     |                      | 23                        |           |        |
| J. Robt. Phipps, S.S.                          | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Jacksonville†        | 2        | 3       | 3                   |                      | 44                        | 3         |        |
| J. Robt. Phipps, S.S.                          | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Antioch†             | 2        | 1       |                     |                      | 38                        |           |        |
| J. M. Plowden, H.R.                            | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Elizabethtown, N. C.    | Elizabethtown†       | 9        | 8       | 5                   | 7                    | 179                       | 1         | 3      |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Tar Heel, N. C.         | Beth Car†            | 5        | 3       | 3                   | 1                    | 67                        |           | 1      |
| R. H. Poole, S.S.                              | White Oak, N. C.        | Oakdale†             | 2        | 3       |                     |                      | 42                        |           |        |
| R. H. Poole, S.S.                              | Council, N. C.          | Mt. Horeb†           | 2        | 3       |                     |                      | 31                        |           |        |
| J. R. Potts, S.S.                              | Southport, N. C.        | Southport†           | 2        | 2       | 6                   | 2                    | 38                        | 3         | 4      |
| J. R. Potts, S.S.                              | Winnabow, N. C.         | New Hope†            | 3        | 4       | 2                   |                      | 37                        |           | 1      |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Chinquapin, N. C.       | Chinquapin*          | 5        | 7       | 25                  | 2                    | 145                       | 25        |        |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Beulaville, N. C.       | Beulaville†          | 3        | 3       | 6                   | 3                    | 107                       | 6         |        |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Beulaville, N. C.       | Bethel†              | 4        | 7       | 59                  | 3                    | 179                       | 52        |        |
| K. C. Seawright, P.                            | Morehead City, N. C.    | Geo. Webb Memorial*† | 5        | 4       | 11                  | 2                    | 76                        | 7         |        |
| K. C. Seawright, P.                            | Wildwood, N. C.         | Wildwood†            | 5        | 5       | 1                   |                      | 72                        |           | 3      |
| C. H. Storey, P.                               | Wilmington, N. C.       | St. Andrews*†        | 11       | 13      | 17                  | 22                   | 656                       | 11        | 2      |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Lake Waccamaw, N. C.    | Lake Waccamaw*†      | 2        | 1       | 2                   | 1                    | 33                        |           | 2      |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Council, N. C.          | Ashwood†             | 3        | 3       | 1                   |                      | 48                        |           |        |
| E. F. Thompson, P.                             | Clarkton, N. C.         | Elkton†              | 2        | 3       |                     |                      | 25                        |           |        |
| E. F. Thompson, S.S.                           | Rosindale, N. C.        | White Plains†        | 3        | 3       | 1                   | 1                    | 51                        | 1         |        |
| J. H. Whitmore, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Church of Covenant*† | 8        | 16      | 15                  | 23                   | 523                       | 10        | 9      |
| D. L. Williamson, F.M.                         | Araguary, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| G. A. Wilson, S.H.M.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| W. L. Wilson, Inf.                             | Acme, N. C.             |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| J. E. L. Winecoff, H.R.                        | Florence, S. C.         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., P.                         | Leland, N. C.           | Woodburn*†           | 4        | 8       | 11                  | 6                    | 96                        | 9         | 2      |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., S.S.                       | Acme, N. C.             | Acme*                | 3        | 4       | 3                   | 1                    | 61                        | 3         |        |
| C. W. Worth, F.M.                              | Hangchow, Che. China    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
|                                                | Mt. Olive, N. C.        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |
|                                                | Bladenboro, N. C.       | Stanford, S.S.       | 1        | 4       |                     |                      | 55                        |           |        |
|                                                | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Bladenboro, S.S.     | 1        | 1       | 2                   | 2                    | 34                        |           |        |
|                                                |                         | Seven Springs, S.S.  |          |         |                     |                      | 12                        |           |        |









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## CALLED MEETING

In accordance with a call by the Moderator, Rev. W. P. M. Currie, the Presbytery of Wilmington met in called session in the Wallace Presbyterian church on Monday, July 15th, 1940, at 2:30 p. m. With the Moderator presiding, there was a period of worship. The hymn, "So Let Our Lips and Lives Express", was sung, and prayer was offered by Rev. J. G. Morrison. After another hymn the Presbytery was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, S. G. Harness, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, J. S. Crowley, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, B. L. Rose, J. T. Echols, J. G. Morrison, (14);

Ruling Elders: John Powell, Wallace; C. O. Bollinger, Willard.

The Moderator requested Rev. J. I. Knight, a former Moderator, to take the chair.

The Stated Clerk read the following call for the meeting:

The constitutional requirements having been met, Wilmington Presbytery is hereby called to meet in Wallace July 15th at 2:30 p. m. to transact the following business: I. To consider and act upon a petition of residents of Castle Haynes, N. C., to be organized into a regular church. II. To dissolve the pastoral relations existing between Rev. W. P. M. Currie and the Wallace, Rockfish and Willard churches, and attend to any matters growing out of the above .

(Signed) W. P. M. CURRIE, Moderator.

July 5th, 1940.

The call was found to be in order and the meeting opened for business.

Rev. C. C. Myers presented a petition from the session of St. Andrews Presbyterian church, Wilmington, and 69 residents of Castle Haynes, the latter of the congregation of the McClure Memorial chapel, requesting that they be organized into an independent church to be known as the McClure Memorial Church. Presbytery accepted and approved the petition, and, pending further action, heard from Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., pastor of St. Andrews church, and Rev. C. C. Myers, supplying the pulpit of the chapel, regarding the work accomplished there and the outlook for the new organization.

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Upon motion, Presbytery named the following commission to effect the organization: Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. H. Whitmore, D. D., G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Andrew J. Howell, and Ruling Elders Geo. S. Boylan, S. A. Haines and J. E. Woodburn. The date and order of the exercises were left to the pleasure of the commission.

Rev. W. P. M. Currie offered to the Presbytery the resignation of his pastorate of the Wallace, Rockfish and Willard churches, and requested that his pastoral relations be dissolved. Representatives of the churches, viz., Ruling Elders Geo. R. Ward, of Wallace, H. McN, Johnson and C. O. Bollinger, of Willard, and A. C. Hall, of Rockfish, informed Presbytery of the concurrence of their churches in the resignation and in the request that the pastoral relations be dissolved. They spoke of the affection of their people for Mr. Currie and their deep regret in having to yield to his request that his pastorate be terminated. Remarks were also made by Rev. S. G. Harness and Rev. J. S. Crowley with reference to Mr. Currie's marked qualities and his long and fruitful pastorate.

Upon motion, Presbytery dissolved the relationship, as requested, effective August 1, 1940; and also recommended that Mr. Currie be honorably retired and become a beneficiary of the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

By rising vote, the Presbytery expressed its sincere appreciation of the membership of Mr. Currie for 36 years (since June, 1904), of his deep interest and wise counsel in its affairs, and of his exemplary pastorate for so long a period; the same being the only pastorate of his ministry.

After approval of the minutes and a prayer by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., the meeting adjourned.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.



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### CALLED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met at the call of the Synod at High Point, September 4, 1940, at 1:45 p. m. to consider matters concerning the property belonging to the Presbytery at Seven Springs.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. James R. Phipps, the last Moderator present, and was led in prayer by Rev. J. R. Potts.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: S. G. Harness, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. G. Morrison, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, D. D., D. L. Jones, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. Robt. Phipps, E. F. Thompson, R. M. Engle, (14).

Ruling Elders: E. Norfleet, St. Andrews; W. H. Henderson, Wilmington First.

Dr. G. A. Wilson explained the plan he had in mind, and, upon motion, Presbytery ordered that he be authorized to negotiate with representatives of the Methodist church looking toward the possible exchange of the Presbytery's property at Seven Springs for Lee's chapel, near Hallsville, and the interest of the Methodist church in Smith's church.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy, of the Second Presbytery, A. R. P. church, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned after prayer by Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and forty-second stated session in the Elkton Presbyterian church on Tuesday, October 15, 1940, at 11 a. m.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. R. Potts on the text, Romans 8:9—at request of the Moderator, Rev. W. P. M. Currie.

The Communion of the Lord's Supper was observed, with Revs. R. M. Engle and M. C. Macqueen presiding. The elements were served by ruling elders of the Presbytery.

Presbytery was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer by him.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, L. T. Newland, D. D., P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, W. L. Wilson, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, R. H. Poole, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, E. F. Thompson, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, J. T. Echols, J. G. Morrison, (24);

Ruling Elders: J. C. Corbett, Black River; A. F. Burney, Brown Marsh; C. D. Murphy, Caswell; D. W. Monroe, Chadbourn; Joe Wood, Chinquapin; L. E. Hall, Church of Covenant; E. H. Munroe, Clarkton; W. A. Ferguson, Elizabethtown; J. S. Elkins, Elkton; W. D. McNeill, Faison; C. B. Barrus, Graves Memorial; S. L. Ferrell, Grove; J. J. Grady, Hallsville; D. C. Fennell, Harmony; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; J. W. Hall, Lake Waccamaw; S. W. Newkirk, Oak Plains; Nick Smith, Pleasant View; C. H. Smith, Smiths; J. W. Farrior, Warsaw; M. V. Hardie, Westminster; E. N. Clark, White Plains; Oscar High, Whiteville First; T. C. Bell, Wildwood; G. M. Ward, Willard, (25).

Rev. L. W. Kessler was elected Moderator by acclamation.

A printed docket submitted by the Stated Clerk was adopted, with certain changes contemplated.

Unpublished minutes of called meeting of July 15th and September 4th were read.

The following reports of commissions appointed by the Presbytery were read and accepted for record, viz:

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## ORGANIZATION OF CHURCH AT CASTLE HAYNES

The commission appointed to organize a church in Castle Haynes at the mission of St. Andrews Presbyterian church known as the McClure Memorial Chapel, met at the chapel Sunday evening, September 29th at 7:45 with the following members present; Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D. and Ruling Elders John E. Woodburn, S. A. Haines and George S. Boylan. The commission was organized with prayer and the parts assigned were carried out as follows:

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., presided and conducted a worship service. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., preached a sermon from Acts 2:46, 47.

The following seventy-three members were received by letter from St. Andrews Presbyterian Church to become the charter members of the new church organization; Alex. Armstrong, R. A. Blossom, Mrs. W. M. Bowen, Mrs. John L. Braak, Mrs. A. Braak, Miss Gertrude Braak, Miss Marie Braak, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Cameron, Mrs. C. W. DeWitt, W. L. Eason, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Farr, C. L. Gregory, Earl Gregory, Mrs. Charles S. Grier, C. Joshua Hardison, Mrs. Max Hardie, Mrs. Walter Horn, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Norman Heath, Mr. and Mrs. E. Heath, Hinton Savage Hale, Mrs. P. D. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Kern, Jane C. Kern, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Loftin, W. A. Loftin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Marshburn, Hugh Marshburn, Jr., Miss Gertrude Marshburn, Miss Clara May Marshburn, Edwin Ray Marshburn, Allen B. Moore, Jr., Clayton H. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Misshoe, Richard Roger Miller, Jr., Mrs. C. J. Miller, Robert Cornelius Myer, Mrs. Irene Manning, Mrs. Norman C. Miller, Norman C. Miller, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Owens, Mrs. C. M. Pridgen, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Savage, Miss Katie Savage, Miss Hattie Scott, Miss Viola Scott, Miss Eva Scott, Miss Eloise Scott, Joyce B. Scott, Mrs. W. H. Shearin, Miss Mary E. Van Ness, Miss Wilma Van Ness, Mrs. G. B. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Webb, Miss Laura D. Webb, Mary Jane Webb, Mrs. C. C. Webb, Albert F. Wells, Mrs. Albert F. Wells, Mrs. D. L. Wells, Eugene Westbrook.

The constitutional questions were then propounded by the chairman and the McClure Memorial Presbyterian Church, of Castle Haynes was declared duly organized in accordance with the constitution and principles of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. To complete the organization the following officers were elected: Messrs. Rex Kern, W. A. Loftin, and John S. Cameron were elected elders. Messrs E. E. Heath, Albert F. Wells and Hugh Marshburn were elected deacons. Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., then examined the officers-elect, and on their acceptance conducted the ordination and installation service for all but Mr. Albert F. Wells who was not present. Mr. Wells was later ordained and installed by the Session of the church.

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After several present had expressed very cordial appreciation of the happy relations which had existed between St. Andrews and this mission and of the splendid service rendered by the men of St. Andrews in conducting services there, all joined in singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds Our Hearts In Christian Love", and the congregation was dismissed with the benediction.

The commission then met and was adjourned with prayer.

C. H. STOREY, Chairman.

### INSTALLATION OF REV J. G. MORRISON.

The commission appointed at the spring meeting to install Rev. J. G. Morrison met in the Grove church, Kenansville, at 11 a. m., and duly organized with Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman, and Rev. J. I. Knight, secretary. The meeting was opened with prayer. Dr. Wilson presided at the exercises and propounded the constitutional questions, and also charged the pastor. Ruling Elder J. E. Jarrett charged the congregation. A sermon was preached by Rev. D. L. Jones. The exercises closed with prayer.

The commission met in Hallsville church in the evening. Rev. J. I. Knight presided and charged the pastor; and Ruling Elder Jarrett charged the congregation. A sermon was preached by Rev. B. L. Rose.

The minutes were approved and the commission dissolved with prayer.

J. I. KNIGHT Secretary

Excuses for absence were conveyed to the Presbytery for the following members: Rev. J. S. Crowley, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., and Rev F. S. Johnston. The same were accepted by the Presbytery.

Rev. E. B. Carr, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced and invited to sit as a visiting brother. Rev. J. R. Kennedy, of the Second Presbytery, Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, was also presented to Presbytery.

The Stated Clerk read the statistical report to the Synod for the last year, which was adopted as follows:

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington reports for the year ending September 30, 1940, that the Presbytery consists of the following:

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| Ministers    | 41                        |
| Licentiates  | 0                         |
| Candidates   | 6                         |
| Communicants | 8,546                     |
| Churches     | 69, valued at \$1,294,400 |
| Manses       | 26, valued at \$ 119,500  |

Total number received on profession of faith, 443.

Number of churches receiving none on profession of faith, 14.

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## OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERY:

Moderator, Rev. W. P. M. Currie.

Stated Clerk, Rev. Andrew J. Howell.

Treasurer, Rev. Andrew J. Howell.

Permanent Clerk, Rev. R. M. Engle.

Chairman of committee on Religious Education, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D.

Chairman of committee on Stewardship, Rev. S. G. Harness.

Member of Synod's committee on the Minister and His work, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.

Chairman of committee on Home Missions, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.

Chairman of committee on Evangelism, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D.

Ministers received, Rev. J. G. Morrison, April 16, 1940, from East Hanover Presbytery.

Minister dismissed, Rev. F. L. Goodman, Sept. 20, 1939, to Fayetteville Presbytery.

Ministers deceased, none.

No churches organized, dissolved, transferred. (*See note below.*)

Pastoral relations established, Rev. J. G. Morrison, May 26, 1940, at Grove and Hallsville churches.

Pastoral relations dissolved, Rev. F. L. Goodman, Sept. 30, 1939 at Grove, Hallsville and Stanford churches; Rev. R. C. Clontz, May 1, 1940, at Whiteville and Chadbourn churches.

No candidates received, dismissed, dropped, licensed.

No licentiates received or dismissed. No licenses revoked. No licentiates ordained.

To be introduced to Synod, Rev. J. G. Morrison, from East Hanover Presbytery.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

(*Note: McClure Memorial Church, Castle Hayne, N. C., was organized September 29, 1940*)

A communication was read from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, submitting for action by the Presbytery proposed amendments to paragraphs 38 and 126 of the Book of Church Order. The same was referred to the standing committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. J. R. Potts, recess was taken for luncheon.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 P. M. Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by Rev. J. T. Echols.

Ruling elders W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove, and S. G. Wooten, (alternate), Clarkton, were enrolled.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Worship—Revs. E. F. Thompson and A. J. Howell.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. W. P. M. Currie and R. H. Poole, and Ruling Elder A. F. Burney.

Nominations—Revs. C. C. Myers and J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and Ruling Elder Oscar High.

Records of Presbytery—Revs. Jas. R. Phipps and K. C. Seawright.

Minutes of General Assembly—Revs. R. M. Engle and J. R. Potts.

Leave of Absence—Rev. J. R. Dickens and Ruling Elders J. C. Corbett and S. W. Newkirk.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Rev. B. L. Rose and Ruling Elders D. C. Fennell and G. M. Ward.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. J. W. Miller and D. L. Jones.

Upon motion, Presbytery established permanent committees on the subjects of the Minutes of Synod and the Minutes of the General Assembly, to replace the standing committees on those subjects.

Rev. J. R. Potts, Ruling Elder C. O. Bollinger and Rev. R. M. Engle made reports as to their attendance as commissioners to the last General Assembly. The same were approved. Report of the diligence in attendance of Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., was also conveyed to the Presbytery.

3:00 P. M. In lieu of the evening program, Presbytery engaged in a popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions. In place of Rev. J. T. Echols, chairman, indisposed, Rev. K. C. Seawright, presided and read report of the chairman. Pending action on the same, Presbytery heard a very informing address by Rev. L. T. Newland, D. D., of our Korean Mission.

The report of the committee was approved and the following recommendations adopted:

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1. That the joint missionary season, January 1—February 9, 1941 be observed in all our churches as a time of church-wide rededication to the task of Christian Missions at home and abroad; and that all church organizations make the largest possible use of study classes and schools of Missions.
2. That every church be asked to observe February 2-9, 1941 as a week of prayer and Self-Denial for Foreign and Home Missions, and that all sessions be urged to arrange for supplemental offerings in the churches, these offerings to be divided in the ratio of 60 per cent for Foreign Missions and 40 per cent for Home Missions.
3. It is urged that all churches and organizations and their treasurers bear in mind that there is to be only one special offering this year for both Foreign and Home Missions and the consequent importance of arranging for prompt and generous contributions month by month during the year so that the interests of these two great arms of our church's work may not suffer by the abridging of their usual seasons of special emphasis in the church.
4. That all young people's organizations be urged this year to cooperate in the special missionary objective "Ten New Missionaries in 1941", and to make sacrificial gifts to provide that part of the Foreign Mission work.
5. That churches, societies, and individuals assume, wherever practicable, definite responsibility for definite parts of the Foreign Mission work.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman, presented report for the permanent committee on Stewardship, which, with included recommendations, was adopted as follows:

During the year 1939-40, Wilmington Presbytery contributed to the Benevolent Causes of our church, the sum of \$40,368. This amount was \$4,183 less than the amount contributed the previous church year. The amount contributed for local church expense was \$83,205, building expense, \$13,211; and miscellaneous, \$2,023, making a total for local work of \$98,539. This amount was \$4,072 less than the amount of the previous year. This makes a total of \$8,255 less contributed by the Presbytery in the year 1939-40 than 1938-39. The decline in gifts to benevolent causes has continued since 1935. This is the first in six years that a decline has been shown in gifts to local causes.

Twelve churches reported that they did not take the Every Member Canvass as against fifteen reporting no canvass in the previous year. The number of churches taking the Every Member Canvass increased by three. The churches taking the canvass represent 90.31 per cent of the membership of the Presbytery. Percentage for the previous year was 87.34 per cent of the membership of Presbytery. The average for the Synod this year was 89.53 per cent and for the Assembly 86.41 per cent. Thus our average was above the averages of both Synod and Assembly and according to the

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report of Synod's Stewardship committee, our Presbytery was the only Presbytery of the Synod that showed an increase in this respect.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Presbytery urge all churches to follow the plan of financing their church work as prescribed by General Assembly and accepted by the greater number of our churches, namely, the Every Member Canvass and the plan of regular giving to the church work; that all members be urged to make a pledge to the work of the church.
2. That Sunday, March 16, 1941, be observed as Every Member Canvass Sunday, when every church shall endeavor to lead each member to record his plans for giving to the work of the Master during the year by pledging an amount commensurate with other expenses.
3. That Sunday, March 30, 1941, be designated as "Pay-Up-Day", when all members are urged to complete the payment of pledges, so that the money may reach the agencies before the books are closed.
4. That we accept the amount of \$37,000 as our benevolent budget for the year 1941-42.
5. That this amount be distributed on the basis of 10 per cent on 1940 membership and 90 percent on average gifts for the past three years.
6. That we urge all churches to put on the campaign for the Assembly's Training School and make every effort to raise the amount apportioned to each church.
7. That we again endorse the recommendations of the General Assembly for the observance of Stewardship year. That we recommend the holding of a Stewardship class in each church as a part of their fall program, using the recommended book, "This World's Goods." If a class be not held, we urge the presentation of the cause of Stewardship by the Pastor through his mid-week services or by sermons.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy presented a certificate of dismissal from the Second Presbytery, Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, to the Presbytery of Wilmington. Upon motion, it was declared to be in order, and Presbytery proceeded to examine him as required by the Book of Church Order. The examination was approved as satisfactory, and Presbytery directed that his name be enrolled upon his signing the usual obligation.



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Calls were read from the First church of Whiteville and the Chadbourn church for the pastoral services of Mr. Kennedy. Upon motion, they were declared to be in order, and were placed in his hands. Upon his signifying his acceptance, the following commission was named to install him: Revs. R. H. Poole, J. W. Miller, L. T. Newland, D. D., and Jas. R. Phipps, with Ruling Elders J. R. Marks and J. H. Clark; any two ministers and one ruling elder to constitute a quorum. The time of the exercises and parts to be taken were left to the pleasure of the commission.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Social and Moral Welfare. The same was received as information.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. P. L. Clark, recess was taken until evening.

### TUESDAY EVENING

7:30 P. M. Presbytery reconvened and engaged in a period of worship. A sermon was delivered by Rev. J. I. Knight on the text, John 8:12.

The meeting was opened for business and was led in prayer by Rev. E. F. Thompson.

The following members were enrolled: Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elder J. M. Meshaw, Ashwood.

Rev. C. C. Myers, made report for the permanent committee on Synod's Home Missions. The same was received as information.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief. It was received as information.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman, offered report for the permanent committee on the Bible Cause. The same was received as information.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman made report for the permanent committee on Women's Work. The same was received as information.

Presbytery was led in prayer by Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., in behalf of the following members: Revs. J. S. Crowley and A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., who are sick, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., whose father is ill in Texas, and Rev. J. M. Plowden, retired.

Rev. E. F. Thompson offered his resignation as pastor of the Lake Waccamaw, Ashwood and Elkton churches. Representatives of the churches, being present, informed Presbytery that the congregations had reluctantly concurred in his request that the pastoral relations be dissolved. Upon motion, Presbytery dissolved the relationship, effective November 1st, 1940, and directed that a letter of dismissal be given Mr. Thompson to the Presbytery of Concord, that he might accept a call to the Front Street Presbyterian church, Statesville, N. C.

Rev. R. M. Engle offered report for the standing committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly. Upon recommendation of the committee, Presbytery gave assent to the proposed amendments to the Book of Church Order, as follows: Adding to Par. 38, "and to receive members into the church when Ruling Elders are not available.", and including in form of call for a pastor (Par. 126) 7½ per cent of salary required for the Minister's Annuity Fund.

Rev. S. G. Harness made report for the commission on the Minister and His Work, which was received as information..

After announcements and a prayer led by Rev. J. R. Kennedy, Presbytery adjourned for the day.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16.

9:00 A. M. Presbytery engaged in a period of worship conducted by Rev. J. G. Morrison, speaking from the text, James 5:16.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, and the minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Upon motion, it was ordered that, beginning with the spring meeting, 1941, a permanent committee of three on Nominations be established to serve one year, no member to succeed himself consecutively.

Rev. R. H. Poole, of the standing committee on Bills and Overtures, reported that no matters were referred to the committee.

Rev. J. G. Morrison took the chair.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, offered report with the following recommendation, which was adopted:

That Presbytery cooperate with the committees of the Synod and the General Assembly in promoting the evangelistic crusade, and that Presbytery's committee be instructed to direct the crusade in Wilmington Presbytery in line with the plans of the higher courts.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., Supt of Home Missions, made report for the Presbytery's committee on Home Missions, presenting the following measures submitted by the committee, viz.:

1. In accordance with the wishes of interested parties, Presbytery hereby authorizes and directs its trustees to convey to the Methodist Church the church lot and building at Seven Springs, N. C., held by the trustees, upon fulfillment of the following conditions, viz.:
  - a. That the congregation of the Seven Springs church, by a majority vote or written petition, approve of said conveyance.
  - b. That the said Methodist Church convey in exchange to the said trustees of Wilmington Presbytery its entire interest in Smith's chapel, Duplin county, and also the Methodist church structure and lot near Hallsville known as Lee's chapel; it being understood that the Methodist congregations at the two latter places give assent to the exchange involved.
2. In view of the satisfactory development of the home missionary work in the vicinity of the lot in Onslow county donated by Humphrey Brothers for church purposes, Presbytery hereby authorizes and directs its trustees to re-convey, in accordance with their request, the said lot to Humphrey Brothers

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Upon motion, Presbytery adopted the measures.

Rev. C. C. Myers was named stated supply of McClure Memorial church, Castle Haynes, until the spring meeting

The Moderator resumed the chair.

Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and R. H. Poole presented the cause of the Assembly's Training school, with special emphasis upon the present financial campaign.

Dr. Whitmore read a communication from the President of Peace Junior college and spoke in the interest of that institution.

Rev. H. G. Bedinger, D. D., President of Flora Macdonald college, addressed Presbytery on the subject of his college.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman of the standing committee on Nominations presented the following report, which was adopted:

### WE BEG TO NOMINATE:

Trustees of Presbytery, J. O. Carr, W. P. Sprunt and J. H. Clark to succeed themselves.

Trustees of Davidson College, Rev. J. Robt. Phipps and W. P. Sprunt to succeed themselves.

Trustees of Peace Junior college, Rev. M. C. Macqueen in place of J. H. Clark.

Trustees of Flora Macdonald college, Rev. J. I. Knight in place of Rev. R. C. Clontz.

Commission on Minister and His Work, Rev. S. G. Harness and W. D. McCaig to continue until spring meeting, 1941.

### Permanent Committees:

Synod's Home Missions—Rev. J. R. Potts in place of Rev. E. F. Thompson.

Stewardship—Rev. J. R. Kennedy in place of Rev. E. F. Thompson; Rev. R. C. Clontz to be omitted.

Orphans' Home—Rev. Jas. R. Phipps in place of Rev. R. C. Clontz.

Evangelism—Rev. B. L. Rose in place of Rev. R. C. Clontz.

Sessional Records—Rev. J. Ray Dickens in place of Rev. E. F. Thompson.

Minutes of General Assembly—Revs J. G. Morrison and J. Ray Dickens.

Minutes of Synod—Revs. J. D. Withrow and K. C. Seawright.

Standing committee on examination, Church Government and Sacraments—Rev R. M. Engle in place of Rev. R. C. Clontz.

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Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, permanent committee on Religious Education, presented the following report, which was adopted:

In presenting this, its fifth annual report, your committee of Religious Education rejoices to record the manifest blessings of God on another year's work. While many of the goals set have not been reached there have been a number of most gratifying accomplishments.

The Sunday School enrollment as reported for the Presbytery is 6,989 which is the highest reported for the past eight years. Enrollment in the Vacation Bible Schools again reached an all high mark. More outpost Sunday Schools have been organized than reported for a number of years. These are all matters that give us cause for rejoicing.

The committee has held a number of meetings, the most important of which was the January meeting held at the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington. Fifteen members were present. The committee continued in session through the morning and afternoon hours, thoroughly discussing all phases of the work and making plans for the nine months of intensive labor which lay just ahead.

Two important conferences were held during the year: one for all members of the committees of R. E. in the Synod held at the Steele Creek Church last October with an attendance of about seventy-five; this Presbytery was represented by a large delegation. The other was the conference for pastors and superintendents held in April at Clinton which we believe proved to be helpful to our workers.

Turning now from these matters of general interest let us note some of the specific accomplishments in the various divisions.

**CHILDREN'S DIVISION:** This sub-committee under the efficient leadership of its new chairman, Rev. M. C. Macqueen, has been active in promoting the D. V. B. S. work along many lines. Some of the girls of the Presbytery were urged to take the course of special training offered by Rev. J. O. Mann at Flora Macdonald College and afterwards assisted in our Bible schools. Miss Atha Bowman was secured for a conference at spring meeting of Presbytery. Schedules were arranged for Misses Fleming and Evans to assist in schools in the Presbytery. As a result of this effort 41 schools were held with an enrollment of 351 helpers and 2616 pupils or a total of 2967 which is an increase over last year of 880. Total cost of this work to the committee was \$8.42 which was more than covered by offerings received.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION:** We feel that this has been one of the best years in young people's work. Four district rallies were held last fall; one in each of the following districts: Wilmington at Woodburn, Elizabethtown at Clarkton, Clinton at Wallace, and Warsaw at Chinquapin. There was a total attendance of over 400. These fall rallies took the place of the old mid-winter rally. Interesting and helpful programs were arranged for each.

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32 young people attended the Synodical Conference at Davidson in June. 106 delegates attended the Presbytery's Conference at Peace. The spirit in these conferences was excellent and splendid work was done. The Pioneer Conclave was held at White Lake in September with Rev. J. I. Knight as Director. This conclave began with supper on Friday and continued through dinner on Saturday with an interesting program of instruction and recreation. There were 83 delegates and 7 teachers. The expense was defrayed by a registration fee of 50c. Rev. R. H. Poole chairman of this sub-committee was appointed to go to Montreat in July to attend the conference for conference leaders.

**ORGANIZATION AND EXTENSION:** Three outpost Sunday Schools have been organized in the Chinquapin field: Salem, Quinn's Store, and Cypress Creek. At Salem a chapel has been erected, paid for and dedicated. There are now in the bounds of the Presbytery 13 outpost Sunday Schools with a total enrollment of 666 pupils. We rank second in this respect among the Presbyteries of the Synod: Albemarle is first with 19 outposts.

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING:** The following Leadership schools have been held:

Elizabethtown, enrollment, 32, average attendance 21, 15 credits awarded.

Wilmington, three classes, enrollment 236, churches cooperating 16, credits awarded (about) 65.

Kenansville, Chinquapin, Pink Hill, enrollment 75, average attendance 35, credits awarded 15.

**ADULT DIVISION:** No special work has been attempted in this division.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That an earnest effort be made in all our churches to increase the enrollment as one of the surest ways of building the church.
2. That a Young People's Conference be held next June at Peace college, all arrangements for which shall be in the hands of the sub-committee on Young People's Work.
3. That a Pioneer conclave or camp be held at such place and time next year as shall be deemed best by the committee.
4. That Presbytery appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of this committee to be paid out of the treasury of Home Missions
5. That all churches be urged to send in promptly to the Treasurer, Rev. E. L. Barber, 3 per cent of their Benevolent offerings appropriated to this cause by Synod; that all Sunday Schools take the special offering recommended by the Synod for this cause in April.
6. That all pastors be urged to make a survey of the fields, with a view to establishing outpost Sunday Schools wherever possible

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Pending the adoption of the paper, Presbytery heard reports from chairmen of sub-committees as follows: Rev. R. H. Poole, Young People's Division, and Rev. J. W. Miller, Leadership Training.

The chairman, Dr. Whitmore, also presented the following financial report for the committee of Religious Education, which was approved:

**COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE:**

**RECEIPTS:**

Home Mission Committee \$ 14.25

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Postage, Stationery and General Promotional 14.25

**CHILDREN'S DIVISION:**

**RECEIPTS:**

Balance from previous year 20.00  
Collections from D. V. B. S. 17.37

Total 37.37

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Travel expense for Misses Bowman and Fleming 8.00  
Phone .42

Total 8.42

Balance \$28.95

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION PEACE CONFERENCE:**

**RECEIPTS:**

Delegates 696.25  
Sale of hand books 4.00

Total 700.25

Balance carried over from 1939 93.45

Total \$793.70

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Peace College for board 640.00  
Printing, Stationery 4.35  
Traveling expense for member of faculty 3.05  
Athletics, Banquet 16.50  
Pre-conference expense 41.20

Total \$705.10

Balance \$ 88.60

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman, made report for the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, approving the printed minutes. The report was accepted.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, chairman, permanent committee on History, made report, suggesting that the committee be supplied with a brief statement of the beginning of each church, with important data, the same to be compiled and bound. Upon motion, the ministers were requested to furnish the sketches desired.

Rev. A. J. Howell, treasurer, reported a balance in bank for the contingent fund of \$460.76, and commended the churches for an improved effort to pay their assessments.

The standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting conveyed an invitation from the First church, Whiteville, for the spring meeting.

The invitation was heartily accepted.

The Moderator appointed Rev. J. D. Withrow to preach the doctrinal sermon in the spring, using the subject of "Limited Atonement."

Upon motion, Presbytery adopted a rule that the subject of the doctrinal sermon hereafter be designated by the Moderator.

Ruling Elder J. C. Corbett made report for the standing committee on Leave of Absence, which was adopted as follows:

At the close of Tuesday session, leaves were granted to the following: Rev. J. Ray Dickens, Rev. J. R. Potts, Rev. J. T. Echols, Rev. W. P. M. Currie; and Ruling Elders E. H. Munroe, N. Smith, C. H. Smith, D. W. Monroe.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman of the standing committee on Resolutions of Thanks, presented the following paper:

We thank the people of the Elkton church and community for their kindness and hospitality during this meeting of Presbytery.

We especially wish to thank those who prepared for us the splendid dinners served at the church.

We thank also those who provided for the music at our services.

We request that these resolutions be read to the Elkton congregation at their next regular service.



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Upon motion, order was taken that, upon the close of this session, Presbytery adjourn to meet in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, on Friday, December 27, 1940, at 11 a. m.

The following members answered the final roll call:

Ministers: L. T. Newland, D. D., P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, R. H. Poole, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, J. D. Withrow, Jr., R. M. Engle, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., E. F. Thompson, K. C. Seawright, J. G. Morrison, J. R. Kennedy, (19);

Ruling Elders: J. C. Corbett, G. M. Ward, T. C. Bell, M. V. Hardie, S. W. Newkirk, A. D. McNeill, (6).

The minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

After the singing of the hymn "Blest Be The Tie That Binds", and a prayer by Dr. L. T. Newland, the Moderator announced the adjournment of Presbytery to meet in adjourned session in Wilmington on December 27th and in regular spring session in the First Presbyterian Church, Whiteville, on Tuesday, April 15th, 1941, at 11 a. m.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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BENEVOLENT ASKINGS FOR YEAR BEGINNING  
APRIL 1st, 1941.

|                     |          |                     |           |
|---------------------|----------|---------------------|-----------|
| Acme -----          | \$ 59.00 | Mt. Horeb -----     | \$ 62.00  |
| Antioch -----       | 24.00    | Mt. Olive -----     | 592.00    |
| Ashwood -----       | 69.00    | Mt. Williams -----  | 37.00     |
| Baker -----         | 100.00   | Mt. Zion -----      | 548.00    |
| Beth Car -----      | 148.00   | New Hope -----      | 173.00    |
| Bethel -----        | 88.00    | Oakdale -----       | 24.00     |
| Beulaville -----    | 75.00    | Oak Plains -----    | 127.00    |
| Black River -----   | 89.00    | Pearsall Memorial - | 546.00    |
| Bladenboro -----    | 32.00    | Pike -----          | 65.00     |
| Bowden -----        | 40.00    | Pink Hill -----     | 64.00     |
| Brown Marsh -----   | 19.00    | Pleasant View ----  | 65.00     |
| Burgaw -----        | 533.00   | Pollocksville ----- | 118.00    |
| Calypso -----       | 198.00   | Rockfish -----      | 271.00    |
| Caswell -----       | 120.00   | Rocky Point -----   | 182.00    |
| Chadbourn -----     | 153.00   | St. Andrews -----   | 5,548.00  |
| Chinquapin -----    | 203.00   | Seven Springs ----  | 5.00      |
| Covenant -----      | 7,103.00 | Smiths -----        | 39.00     |
| Clarkton -----      | 784.00   | Southport -----     | 34.00     |
| Croatan -----       | 33.00    | South River -----   | 63.00     |
| Currie -----        | 28.00    | Stanford -----      | 36.00     |
| Delgado -----       | 128.00   | Sweet Home -----    | 1.00      |
| Elizabethtown ----- | 458.00   | Teachey -----       | 196.00    |
| Elkton -----        | 31.00    | Topsail -----       | 82.00     |
| Faison -----        | 390.00   | Wallace -----       | 811.00    |
| Graves Memorial --  | 964.00   | Warsaw -----        | 465.00    |
| Grove -----         | 196.00   | Webb Memorial ----  | 146.00    |
| Hallsville -----    | 133.00   | Westminster -----   | 474.00    |
| Harmony -----       | 57.00    | White Plains -----  | 28.00     |
| Hebron -----        | 11.00    | Whiteville First -- | 306.00    |
| Holly Grove -----   | 140.00   | Wildwood -----      | 133.00    |
| Hopewell -----      | 156.00   | Willard -----       | 181.00    |
| Immanuel -----      | 527.00   | Wilmington First -- | 11,480.00 |
| Jacksonville -----  | 108.00   | Winter Park -----   | 688.00    |
| Lake Waccamaw --    | 98.00    | Woodburn -----      | 97.00     |
| Maple Hill -----    | 19.00    |                     |           |

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SEND BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS

to

R. M. SHEPPARD,

Treasurer of Benevolences,

Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C.

who will make disposition of them as follows:

| Cause—                                        | Per Cent | To Treasurer                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Foreign Missions.....                         | 30.6     | —Curry B. Hearn, Box 330,<br>Nashville, Tenn.              |
| Assembly's Home Missions...                   | 16.2     | —A. N. Sharpe, 573 W. Peachtree<br>St., Atlanta, Ga.       |
| Christian Ed. & Min. Relief...                | 7.6      | —Rev. W. H. Hopper, 410 Urban<br>Building, Louisville, Ky. |
| Religious Education .....                     | 2.6      | —Dr. Edward D. Grant, Box<br>1176, Richmond, Va.           |
| Assembly's Training School...                 | .9       | —George W. Call, Union Bank,<br>Richmond, Va.              |
| Bible Cause .....                             | .6       | —Gilbert Darlington, Bible<br>House, New York, N. Y.       |
| Synod's Home Missions.....                    | 8.7      | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Religious Ed. in Synod.....                   | 1.0      | } —Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen,<br>N. C.                   |
| Religious Work in State<br>Institutions ..... | 2.0      |                                                            |
| Educational Institutions .....                | 8.5      | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.       |
| Union Theological Seminary                    | 1.3      | —Union Theological Seminary,<br>Richmond, Va.              |
| Orphan's Home .....                           | 7.5      | —Ernest Milton, Barium Springs,<br>N. C.                   |
| Presbytery's Home Missions...                 | 12.5     | —E. Norfleet, P. O. Box 736,<br>Wilmington, N. C.          |

# MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

## DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—REV. L. W. KESSLER, Atkinson, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*—  
REV. ANDREW J. HOWELL, Wilmington, N. C.

*Permanent Clerk*—REV. RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Winter Park,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Treasurer of Benevolences*—R. M. SHEPPARD, Southern Building,  
Wilmington, N. C.

*Supt.-Evangelist, Home Missions*—REV. G. A. WILSON, D. D.,  
209 No. 13th St., Wilmington, N. C.

## TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1943—J. O. Carr, W. P. Sprunt, J. H. Clark.

## TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1943—Rev. J. Robt Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

## TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1943—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, Melzar Pearsall.

Exit Spring 1942—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. J. I. Knight, C. S. Clark,  
Dr. A. H. Kerr.

## TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1941—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. M. C. Mac-  
queen.

## PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1940),  
J. H. Whitmore, D. D., M. C. Macqueen, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, D. L. Jones, F. S. Johnston, A. J. Howell;  
Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, W. D. Jones,  
Eustace Norfleet, J. C. Williams, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, John  
Hall.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. J. R. Potts, (1940), C. C. Myers;  
Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston, (1938), J. R.  
Dickens; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. J. T. Echols, (1939), K. C. Seawright,  
A. J. Howell, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas, D. W.  
Monroe.

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*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. J. I. Knight, (1939), A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., J. D. Withrow, S. G. Harness; Ruling Elder F. B. Johnson.

*Religious Education*—Rev J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), Chairman.

### Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs M. C. Macqueen, (1939), L. W. Kessler, Miss Lucilla White.

*Young People's Division*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Miss Isabella Cox.

*Adult Work*—Revs. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., (1938), J. R. Potts, D. L. Jones; Ruling Elder J. L. Lamb, Mrs. Litchfield Huie.

*Leadership Training*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1938), G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Jane Hall.

*Organization and Extension*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs. Newton Robinson.

*Stewardship*—Revs. S. G. Harness, (1938), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., J. R. Kennedy, P. L. Clark, R. H. Poole, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., L. W. Kessler; Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

*Educational Institutions*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps, (1939), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.

*Orphan's Home*—Revs. Jas. R. Phipps, (1940), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark, R. V. Wells.

*Bible Cause*—Revs. K. C. Seawright, (1939), J. S. Crowley, W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. J. R. Potts, (1939), W. L. Wilson; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, D. D., (1938), B. L. Rose, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders E. Norfleet, J. B. Huntington, W. D. McCaig.

*Women's Work*—Revs. James R. Phipps, (1939), W. P. M. Currie, R. M. Engle; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.

*History*—Revs. A. J. Howell, (1939), J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.

*Auditing*—Ruling Elders J. B. Huntington, (1938), W. D. McCaig, C. S. Clark.

*Sessional Records*—Revs. L. W. Kessler, (1938), J. D. Withrow, J. Ray Dickens, B. L. Rose, J. G. Morrison.

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*Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. C. C. Myers,, (1939); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

*Divorce and Remarriage (Advisory)*—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1938), R. M. Engle, B. L. Rose, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, R. H. Poole.

*Minutes of General Assembly*—Revs. J. G. Morrison, (1940), J. Ray Dickens.

*Minutes of Synod*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1940), K. C. Seawright.

*Nominations*—

### EXAMINATION

*Experimental Religion*—Revs. J. Robt Phipps, (1939), L. W. Kessler.

*Academic Studies*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1938), A. J. Howell

*Languages*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1939), J. W. Miller.

*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1938), B. L. Rose.

*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), J. M. Plowden.

*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1939), D. L. Jones.

*Theology*—Revs. D. L. Jones, (1939), C. H. Storey, D. D.

*Church History*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), F. S. Johnston.

*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. R. M. Engle, (1940). F. S. Johnston.

*English Bible*—Revs. J. I. Knight, (1938), A. J. Howell.

### COMMISSION ON MINISTER AND WORK (Fall 1939)—

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, (until fall 1942).

Ruling Elder C. S. Clark, (until fall 1942).

Rev. J. I. Knight, (until fall 1941).

Rev. S. G. Harness, (until spring 1941).

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, (until spring 1941).

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COMMISSIONERS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1931--1940

MINISTERS

1931

Rev. M. J. Murray  
Rev. W. C. Smith

1932

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.  
Rev. S. G. Harness

1933

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  
Rev. J. A. Boyd

1934

Rev. F. L. Goodman  
Rev. J. W. Miller

1935

Rev. W. P. M. Currie  
Rev. J. Robt. Phipps  
Rev. R. H. Poole

1936

Rev. P. C. Adams  
Rev. D. L. Williamson

1937

Rev. J. I. Knight  
Rev. L. E. Wells  
Rev. R. C. Clontz

1938

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.  
Rev. M. O. Sommers  
Rev. F. S. Johnston

1939

Rev. D. L. Jones  
Rev. James R. Phipps  
Rev. C. C. Myers

1940

Rev. J. R. Potts  
Rev. R. M. Engle  
Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D.

RULING ELDERS

1931

Dr. R. L. Carr  
Mr. H. M. Corbett

1932

Mr. W. H. Sprunt  
Mr. S. W. Newkirk

1933

Col. Walker Taylor  
Mr. D. P. Southerland

1934

Mr. H. McN. Johnson  
Mr. R. C. Platt

1935

Mr. E. Norfleet  
Mr. J. L. Lamb  
Mr. R. V. Wells

1936

Dr. J. E. Evans  
Mr. J. L. Miller

1937

Mr. H. R. Southerland  
Mr. J. H. Clark  
Mr. H. M. Wells

1938

Mr. C. C. Murphy  
Mr. J. E. Jerritt  
Mr. W. G. Prevatte

1939

Mr. Melzar Pearsall  
Mr. F. F. Newkirk

1940

Mr. C. O. Bollinger  
Mr. Durham Grady  
Mr. Q. G. Southerland

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## CHURCHES

- |                           |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1—Acme                    | 36—Mt. Horeb         |
| 2—Antioch                 | 37—Mt. Olive         |
| 3—Ashwood                 | 38—Mt. Williams      |
| 4—Baker                   | 39—Mt. Zion          |
| 5—Beth Car                | 40—New Hope          |
| 6—Bethel                  | 41—Oakdale           |
| 7—Beulaville              | 42—Oak Plains        |
| 8—Black River             | 43—Pearsall Memorial |
| 9—Bladenboro              | 44—Pike              |
| 10—Bowden                 | 45—Pink Hill         |
| 11—Brown Marsh            | 46—Pleasant View     |
| 12—Burgaw                 | 47—Pollocksville     |
| 13—Calypso                | 48—Rockfish          |
| 14—Caswell                | 49—Rocky Point       |
| 15—Chinquapin             | 50—St. Andrews       |
| 19—Croatan                | 51—Seven Springs     |
| 20—Currie                 | 52—Smiths            |
| 18—Clarkton               | 53—Southport         |
| 17—Church of the Covenant | 54—South River       |
| 21—Delgado                | 55—Stanford          |
| 22—Elizabethtown          | 56—Sweet Home        |
| 23—Elkton                 | 57—Teachey           |
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## ADJOURNED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session in the Church of the Covenant, Wilmington, N. C., at 11 a. m., December 27, 1940. The Moderator, Rev. L. W. Kessler, presided, and the Presbytery was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: L. W. Kessler, C. C. Myers, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., W. P. M. Currie, J. R. Potts, D. L. Jones, J. D. Withrow, G. A. Wilson, D. D., P. L. Clark, and R. M. Engle (10).

Ruling Elders: L. E. Hall, Church of the Covenant; E. W. Farrior, Wallace; E. Norfleet, St. Andrews, (3).

Candidate D. Burke Kerr, at his request, was granted a certificate of dismissal to Concord Presbytery, he having moved his residence to Davidson, N. C.

Rev. M. J. Murray presented a certificate of dismissal from Holston Presbytery, which was found to be in order, and which was received, pending Mr. Murray's examination on the subjects prescribed in the Book of Church Order. Presbytery proceeded with the examination, which, as a whole, was sustained as satisfactory, and Mr. Murray's name was ordered to be enrolled as a member of Presbytery upon his signing the required obligation.

A letter of commendation of Mr. Murray from Rev. S. H. Hay, chairman of the commission on The Minister and His Work of Holston Presbytery, was read.

A call was presented from the Wallace church for the pastoral services of Mr. Murray. The same was approved and placed in Mr. Murray's hands, with the understanding that the Wallace congregation has already taken action agreeing to pay 7½% of the pastor's salary to the Ministers' Annuity Fund. Upon Mr. Murray's acceptance of the call, the following commission was appointed to install him, the time and parts of the exercises being left to the pleasure of the commission, viz.: Revs. W. P. M. Currie, D. L. Jones, S. G. Harness and J. I. Knight; Ruling Elders John Hall, First church, Wilmington, and H. McN. Johnson, Willard; any two ministers and one ruling elder to constitute a quorum.

Dr. J. H. Whitmore and Dr. G. A. Wilson made statements with regard to the required papers having been filled out concerning the application of Mr. David Worth

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Sprunt to be received under the care of the Presbytery as a candidate for the ministry. No members of the committee on Christian Education were present.

Mr. Sprunt being present, Presbytery proceeded to examine him on experimental religion and motives for seeking the ministry. The examination was sustained as satisfactory.

The Moderator proposed to Mr. Sprunt the questions required in the Book of Church Order, which were answered in the affirmative.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., pastor of the candidate, delivered a brief charge to Mr. Sprunt and offered prayer.

Mr. Sprunt's name was ordered to be placed on Presbytery's roll of candidates for the ministry.

Presbytery approved and endorsed a projected program, as outlined by Dr. G. A. Wilson, concerning the work of the Synod at Camp Davis and Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Rev. C. C. Myers spoke further on the subject.

The minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned after prayer by Rev. M. J. Murray.

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

Attest:

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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## REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and forty-third stated session in the First Presbyterian church, Whiteville, N. C., on April 15, 1941, at 11 a. m.

The opening sermon was preached by the Moderator, Rev. L. W. Kessler, on the text, John 12:34, "Who is this Son of man?"

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then observed, with Revs. J. Ray Dickens and J. G. Morrison presiding, and ruling elders of the Presbytery serving the elements.



Presbytery engaged in a memorial service for the late Rev. Walter L. Wilson. Rev. W. P. M. Currie offered an opening prayer.

Rev. J. D. Withrow read the following sketch of Mr. Wilson's life:

### REVEREND WALTER LOWRY WILSON

April 12, 1871 — March 22, 1941

Reverend Walter Lowry Wilson was born April 12, 1871 in Bangkok, Siam, of missionary parents, Jonathan McLure Wilson and Catherine Wilson. He received his education at Grove City college, Grove City, Pa., and Western Theological seminary, Pittsburgh, Pa. He was married to Miss Louisa Rhea on December 25, 1897. Mrs. Wilson, brilliant and talented, became one of the leaders in the women's work of our Synod.

Mr. Wilson's first charge was the Fairmount and Pleasant Hill group of churches in Alleghany Presbytery, Synod of Pennsylvania; the former church being the scene of his ordination on January 25, 1898. He served these two churches until October 1904 and then went to Harlem, Montana, where he remained for two years. In 1906 he returned to the Fairmount and Pleasant Hill churches. After two years in this work he accepted a call to the Mineral Ridge church in Mahoning Presbytery in the Synod of Ohio. In September 1912 he came to Fayetteville Presbytery and supplied the pulpits of Elise, Bensalem and Troy for a month and then went to the Mt. Gilead, Biscoe, Wadeville and Peedee churches where he remained for two years. (All of these churches were in Fayetteville Presbytery at that time). In 1914 he began his pastorate at the Bensalem, Culdee and Elise churches. In 1918 the Jackson Springs church was added to his field. Sometime before this he had begun preaching at Pinehurst, and soon there was an organized church there as a result of his efforts. In addition to these five churches we find that for several years he preached regularly at Eagle Springs, Spies and Mt. Hermon.

In 1925 Mr. Wilson accepted a call to the Acme, Bolton and Phoenix churches in Wilmington Presbytery. At the time of his retirement in 1935, he was pastor of the Acme church. Before

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his retirement he had led the way in the organization of Lake Waccamaw church. Altogether in his ministry Mr. Wilson was responsible for the organization of at least four churches. Born of missionary parents, he carried with him through life a definite missionary spirit.

Mr. Wilson's courtliness and unflinching sense of humor made him a very desirable companion. Both young and old enjoyed being in his company. He was a most interesting conversationalist. Drawing upon a vast store of knowledge which was gained from constant reading and studying, as well as from a wide and varied experience in life, he could discuss, interestingly and intelligently, any subject that one brought to him. His firm, unshakeable convictions, his deep faith and the quiet depth of his character was a constant source of strength to those who came in contact with him. His love for his fellow men was so quietly evident that one could not help but respond to it. His passing was a very definite loss to his community where he had the genuine love of everyone.

Several members of the Presbytery made remarks concerning the character and faithfulness of Mr. Wilson in the work of the ministry, and the exercises closed with prayer by Rev. R. M. Engle.

The Moderator called the session for business, and the same was constituted with prayer by Rev. M. J. Murray.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: J. E. L. Winecoff, W. P. M. Currie, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. S. Johnston, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, S. C. Farrior, J. D. Withrow, R. M. Engle, J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen, J. Ray Dickens, J. T. Echols, J. G. Morrison, J. R. Kennedy, M. J. Murray, (26).

Ruling Elders: A. H. Marks, Acme; W. F. Lanier, Bethel; A. W. Gresham, Beulaville; G. E. Fisler, Black River; L. R. Bradshaw, Burgaw; S. P. Judge, Chinquapin; Dr. G. C. Singletary (S. G. Wooten alternate), Clarkton; J. K. Clark, Elizabethtown; A. F. Anderson, Elkton; I. L. Faison, Faison; W. M. Russell, Graves Memorial; E. C. Newton, Grove; A. H. Miller, Hallsville; D. McL. Shaw, Harmony; W. F. Valentine, Holly Grove; H. A. Munroe, Mt. Horeb; J. H. Carr, Mt. Zion; F. F. Newkirk, Oak Plains; R. P. Bender, Pollocksville; E. D. Wells, Rockfish; Geo. S. Boylan, St. Andrews; J. B. Wells, Teachey; J. B. Boney, Wallace; M. V. Orr, Warsaw; F. A. Newman, Westminster; A. A. Clark, White Plains; D. P. Southerland, Willard; Glasgow Hicks, Wilmington First, (29).

Rev. J. R. Potts was elected Moderator by acclamation.

A printed docket submitted by the Stated Clerk was adopted.

Minutes of the adjourned meeting of December 27, 1940, were accepted for record, with certain changes made by the Presbytery.



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The following reports of commissions of the Presbytery were read and accepted for record, viz.:

### Installation of Rev. J. R. Kennedy.

The commission appointed at the fall meeting of Presbytery to install Rev. J. R. Kennedy met in the Chadbourn church November 10, 1940, at 11 a. m., and duly organized with Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, and Ruling Elder J. R. Marks, secretary, after being opened with prayer.

Rev. L. T. Newland, D. D., preached the sermon; Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, propounded the constitutional questions and charged the pastor; and Ruling Elder Marks charged the congregation. The exercises closed with prayer.

The commission met in the Whiteville First church in the evening. Dr. L. T. Newland preached the sermon, and Chairman Poole presided and propounded the constitutional questions. Rev. J. W. Miller charged the pastor, and Ruling Elder J. H. Clark charged the congregation.

The minutes were approved and the commission dissolved after prayer.

J. R. MARKS, Secretary.

### Installation of Rev. M. J. Murray.

The commission appointed by Wilmington Presbytery to install Rev. M. J. Murray pastor of the Wallace church met in the church at 10:45 a. m., Sunday, February 2nd, 1941. There were present: Revs. W. P. M. Currie, D. L. Jones and S. G. Harness; and Ruling Elders John Hall and H. McN. Johnson. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Currie, and was duly organized with Rev. D. L. Jones, chairman, and Rev. S. G. Harness, secretary.

The commission conducted the morning worship with the chairman presiding. Rev. S. G. Harness preached the sermon from Exodus 4:2. Mr. Jones propounded the constitutional questions; after which he declared the pastor duly installed. Mr. Jones delivered a charge to the pastor, and Ruling Elder Hall a charge to the congregation.

The minutes were read and approved, after which the commission was dissolved with prayer.

S. G. HARNESS, Secretary.

The Stated Clerk asked leave to supply the date of the installation of Rev. J. G. Morrison at Grove and Hallsville churches, omitted from the minutes of last fall, i. e., May 26, 1940.

The Stated Clerk made reference to Rev. K. B. McCutchen, a member of Wilmington Presbytery reported to be living in Charlottesville, Va., and for many years to have been engaged in secular work, and concerning whom satisfactory information cannot be secured by correspondence. The Stated Clerk was, upon motion, directed by the Presbytery to send a letter of dismissal for Mr. Mc-

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Cutchen to the Presbytery of West Hanover, in accordance with Art. 71, Chap. XV, of the Book of Church Order.

A communication was presented from Candidate Arnold B. Rhodes, requesting a letter of dismissal to Transylvania Presbytery, within whose bounds he has been called to service. Upon motion the request was granted.

Rev. Raleigh M. Engle offered his resignation as pastor of the Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial churches, effective April 30th, 1941. Official communications were presented from the two congregations that they concurred in his request that the pastoral relations be dissolved, that he may accept a call to the pastorate of the Hampton, (Va.) Presbyterian church. After words of commendation were spoken as to his useful and efficient pastorate in Wilmington Presbytery, the pastoral relations were dissolved and he was granted a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Norfolk. Upon request, Rev. S. G. Harness led in prayer for Mr. Engle as he shall enter upon his new labors.

Rev. M. C. Macqueen made announcement of a conference to be held in Peace Junior college, Raleigh, on June 2-6 to train voluntary Daily Vacation Bible School workers. Each church represented is to be allowed one delegate, whose name should be given to Rev. J. O. Mann, Director of Religious Education of the Synod. The fee for each delegate is \$5.

Recess was taken for luncheon after prayer by the Moderator.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 p. m. Presbytery reconvened, and was led in prayer by Rev. R. M. Engle.

Ruling Elder W. H. Powell, Whiteville First, was enrolled.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Worship—Revs. J. R. Kennedy and A. J. Howell.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. L. W. Kessler and J. Robt. Phipps.

Judicial—Revs. J. W. Miller and M. C. Macqueen, and Ruling Elder D. McL. Shaw.

Records of Presbytery—Revs. K. C. Seawright and J. Ray Dickens.

Narrative—Revs. J. I. Knight, S. C. Farrior and B. L. Rose.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Revs. C. C. Myers and S. G. Harness, and Ruling Elder J. B. Boney.

Leave of Absence—Rev. J. R. Kennedy and Ruling Elders F. A. Newman and J. B. Wells.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and S. G. Harness.

The Moderator also announced the following permanent committee on Nominations to serve until the spring meeting 1942: Revs. P. L. Clark, J. R. Potts and Jas. R. Phipps.

The Stated Clerk read a letter from Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., offering his resignation, on account of illness, as pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Wilmington, effective October 6th, 1941. In connection therewith papers were read embodying the actions of the session and congregation of the church relating to the pastor's resignation and their great appreciation of his long pastorate of eighteen and a half years.

Commendatory remarks were made by members of the Presbytery as to Dr. Gilmour's usefulness in the ministry, and also in anticipation of his continued membership in the Presbytery.

Ruling Elder Glasgow Hicks, as commissioner to the Presbytery from the First church, made report as to the congregation's concurrence in the pastor's request that the relationship between himself and the church be dissolved. Upon motion, the request was granted, effective October 6th, 1941; and the relationship with Dr. Gilmour as Pastor Emeritus from that date was also approved, in accordance with information from the church.

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3:00 p. m. The following report from the commission on The Minister and His Work was offered by Rev. J. I. Knight:

Referring to the matter concerning Rev. R. C. Clontz, committed to your commission at spring meeting 1940, the commission carefully considered reports brought to its members with regard to the repeated giving of worthless checks and other indiscretions on the part of Mr. Clontz; and, hearing from him in person, refused to grant him permission to labor as a minister without the bounds of Wilmington Presbytery, and, incidentally, to preach within our bounds; these restrictions to continue for a year (or until the spring meeting 1941).

If it be the will of the Presbytery that this matter be pursued further, our commission would suggest the appointment by the Presbytery of a commission to conduct judicial process against Mr. Clontz and reach a conclusion in accordance with the Book of Church Order.

The report was approved and accepted for record.

The following resolution was also adopted:

In receiving and recording the report of the commission on The Minister and His Work relative to the request of Rev. R. C. Clontz for permission to labor outside our bounds, the Presbytery would instruct the commission to continue its consideration of this request, and, in the event the request be denied, to make definite recommendations to the Presbytery.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy, upon request of the Moderator, took the chair.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, treasurer of the contingent fund, reported a balance in bank of \$1,333.87, a decided improvement in the condition of the fund, which would probably permit a reduction in the assessment of the larger percentage for some churches for the current year. The report was approved.

The Stated Clerk also read a letter and report from Mr. R. M. Sheppard, treasurer of benevolences, showing the handling of \$4,106.61 during the past year. This report also was approved.

Report was made for the permanent Auditing committee that the accounts of the two treasurers were found to be in order and correct.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., gave information that the books of the treasurer of Home Missions funds would be placed in the hands of the Auditing committee for report to be made for these minutes. (*The accounts have been approved by Auditing committee*).

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Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman, permanent committee on Orphans' Home, made report, which included the following recommendation: That every pastor of Wilmington Presbytery, and an elder from each church, make every effort possible to attend the 1941 meeting of Synod at Barium Springs. The report was approved.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, made report for permanent committee on Religious Education, calling for reports from sub-committees as follows:

Rev. R. H. Poole, chairman, Young People's Division, who announced the forthcoming conferences at Davidson college June 11-18, and at Peace Junior college, Raleigh, June 30-July 5; and also the spring rally to be held at Elizabethtown on April 26th.

Rev. M. C. Macqueen, chairman, who made report for the Children's Division.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman, who made report for the Leadership Training Division.

The report as a whole was received as information.

Rev. B. L. Rose made statement that the congregation of the Beulaville church had concurred with him in his request that the pastoral relation between them be dissolved. Presbytery took action accordingly, dissolving the relation.

Information was presented to the Presbytery that a call had been made by the Beulaville church for the pastoral services of Rev. J. G. Morrison. The call did not appear in Presbytery; but, upon consideration, the following commission was named for the purpose of examining the call, and, if found in order, to take steps for the installation of Mr. Morrison: Revs. M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, and G. A. Wilson, D. D., with Ruling Elders R. V. Wells and Gardner Edwards; the time of the exercises and parts to be taken to be left to the pleasure of the commission.

The Moderator resumed the chair.

Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., in the absence of Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, chairman, made report for the special committee on the financial program of the Assembly's Training school. The report was received as information.

Rev. J. T. Echols, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Foreign Missions, and presented Rev.

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S. C. Farrison, our missionary to China, who made an informative address as to the mission situation in China today. The report of the committee was approved.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. B. L. Rose, Presbytery took recess until the evening session.

### TUESDAY EVENING

Presbytery reassembled at 7:45 p. m., for a popular meeting in the interest of Presbytery's Home Missions. Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on that subject, presided. Prayer was offered by Rev. Andrew J. Howell.

Dr. Storey gave information relative to the status of the ministers of the Presbytery in the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

He also read the report of the Home Missions committee as follows:

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE.

April 15, 1941.

In reviewing the work of another year we would first of all render thanks unto our heavenly Father for His blessing upon our labors. We are grateful to be able to report that all financial obligations have been met and we have a small balance to carry into the new year. Through most of the year all of our fields were supplied with pastoral services though we have at present two vacant fields and the prospect of two or three more. Two of our pastors expect to be called into Army service in the very near future, thereby creating vacancies.

At the beginning of the last church year the church at Southport asked for the full time services of their pastor. More recently, due to adverse economic conditions and other discouragements, the pastor, Rev. J. R. Potts, left the field and is temporarily supplying Willard, Rockfish and the Community church at Penderlea. The Bladenboro church is ready to call a pastor in conjunction with the church at Fairmont but, as yet, have been unable to find the right man.

Possibly the outstanding development of the year was the establishment of Camp Davis within the bounds of this Presbytery. The coming of such large numbers of soldiers and officers and their families into our midst places a very definite responsibility upon our churches to minister to them. This will mean the strengthening of the churches adjacent to the camp and possibly to place one or two new men in the field. Some of this will be done in conjunction with the Synod but it will also call for the regrouping of some fields and additional personnel. Your committee has been studying the situation very carefully and formulating plans as the needs unfold. Our superintendent has been especially active in this work and has devoted a large part of his time to it.

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An encouraging feature of the work this year has been the building of two additional chapels and the establishment of other outpost Sunday Schools. We feel that the importance of such work can hardly be over-emphasized. We are living in tragic days when great issues pertaining to the welfare of mankind are at stake. All kinds of theories are being set forth as substitutes for the Gospel in solving the problems of human relationships, yet we know that only the gospel of Jesus Christ is adequate to human needs. It is increasingly evident that underlying the social, economic and political upheavals of our day is the sad lack of faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. That is but another way of saying that the stability and preservation of our own commonwealth depends upon our undergirding our national life with a stronger and deeper faith in the living God and in His divine plan for redeeming men from the bondage of sin. The times in which we live bring a clarion call to aggressive evangelism. Every possible effort must be put forth to reach every community and every individual with the message of the gospel of Jesus Christ. When men get right with God, the problems of human relationships will find a solution. Your committee would urge all pastors to look about their fields for communities not adequately served with the Gospel and that are suitable for outpost Sunday Schools or preaching points.

For the past year we have paid to the Ministers' Annuity Fund  $7\frac{1}{2}\%$  of the amount paid by the committee on the salary of each Home Mission worker. We expect to continue to do this and strongly urge every church in the Presbytery to pay its part toward providing an old age pension for our ministers, especially the home mission workers.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

We recommend that Presbytery approve the following appropriations for the ensuing year, subject to such revisions as may become necessary and contingent upon the receipts of the committee:

1. \$125.00 per month to Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., as Superintendent.
2. \$75.00 per month to the Pollocksville and Croatan churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. Robert Phipps.
3. \$75.00 per month to the Jacksonville, Maple Hill and Antioch churches to assist in the support of their pastor to be secured.
4. \$68.33 per month to the Chinquapin and Bethel churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. Ben L. Rose.
5. \$50.00 per month to the Delgado, Topsail and Castle Haynes churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. C. C. Myers.
6. \$60.83 per month to the Rocky Point, Currie and Pike churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. T. Echols.
7. \$50.00 per month to the Southport and New Hope churches to assist in the support of their pastor to be secured.
8. \$50.00 per month to the Pink Hill, Smiths and Pleasant View churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. R. Dickens.
9. \$50.00 per month to the Lake Waccamaw, Elkton, White Plains and Ashwood churches to assist in the support of their pastor to be secured.

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10. \$50.00 per month to the Woodburn and Acme churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. J. D. Withrow.
11. \$16.66 per month to the Bladenboro church to assist in the support of their pastor to be secured.
12. \$66.66 per month to the Webb Memorial and Wildwood churches to assist in the support of their pastor, Rev. K. C. Seawright.
13. \$663.65 for our 7½% payment on the above salaries to the Ministers' Annuity Fund.
14. \$600.00 for student workers and committee expenses.  
(This budget totals \$10,113.65 though actual expenditures will be slightly less than that amount, due to present vacancies).
15. That Presbytery approve the following appointments as Stated Supply for twelve months:
  - (a) Rev. D. L. Jones to supply the church at Bowden.
  - (b) Rev. J. I. Knight to supply the Baker church.
  - (c) Rev. J. W. Miller to supply Brown Marsh.
  - (d) Rev. C. C. Myers to supply Castle Haynes.
  - (e) Rev. R. H. Poole to supply Mt. Horeb and Oakdale.
  - (f) Rev. J. D. Withrow to supply Acme.
  - (g) Rev. E. B. Carr to supply Stanford.
16. That Presbytery approve the following appointments as Stated Supply until the next meeting of Presbytery or until pastors are secured for these fields:
  - (a) Rev. J. R. Potts to supply Willard, Rockfish and the Community church at Penderlea.
  - (b) Rev. J. Robt Phipps to supply Jacksonville and Antioch churches.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. STOREY, Chairman.

Pending action on the committee's report, inspiring addresses were heard from Rev. B. L. Rose and Mr. J. A. Bodine, of St. Andrews church, Wilmington, as to outpost Sunday school and missionary work.

The committee's report was duly adopted.

Chairman Storey also presented report of the treasurer of Home Mission funds, Ruling Elder E. Norfleet, which was approved and adopted as follows:

### RECEIPTS

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance on hand April 1, 1940.....     | \$ 601.31  |
| Assembly's Home Mission Committee..... | 1,750.00   |
| Synod's Home Mission Committee.....    | 2,416.60   |
| On Apportionments.....                 | 3,542.97   |
| Mrs. Mary B. Parker, special gift..... | 500.00     |
|                                        | \$8,810.88 |
| Disbursements .....                    | 7,776.84   |
| Balance on Hand.....                   | \$1,034.04 |



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## DISBURSEMENTS

### Pastor's Salaries—

|                                  |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Rev. J. R. Potts.....            | \$ 500.00 |
| Rev. J. R. Phipps.....           | 720.00    |
| Rev. Ben L. Rose.....            | 399.96    |
| Rev. C. C. Myers.....            | 300.00    |
| Rev. J. Ray Dickens.....         | 600.00    |
| Rev. J. G. Morrison.....         | 350.04    |
| Rev. J. T. Echols.....           | 727.92    |
| Rev. E. F. Thompson.....         | 350.00    |
| Rev. K. C. Seawright.....        | 780.00    |
| Rev. J. D. Withrow.....          | 600.00    |
| Rev. E. B. Carr.....             | 120.00    |
| Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D.....     | 1,666.66  |
| Ministers' Annuity Fund.....     | 363.19    |
| Reid Newland.....                | 187.57    |
| David Sprunt.....                | 50.00     |
| Committee of Rel. Education..... | 10.00     |
| O. H. Shoemaker, Supplies.....   | 1.50      |
| Rev. G. A. Wilson, Expense.....  | 50.00     |

\$7,776.84

Less Mary B. Parker Special Fund..... 500.00

Net Balance, Operating Fund..... \$ 534.04

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., was enrolled.

Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman, Stewardship committee, offered report, which was adopted as follows:

Your committee has held one meeting since the fall meeting of Presbytery. It was held at Immanuel church, Wilmington, with nine members present. The purpose of the meeting was to make plans for promoting the Every Member Canvass. After a very fruitful discussion of the subject, it was decided to hold three conferences for Elders and Deacons on Sunday night, February 21st. These were held as planned at Burgaw, Warsaw and First church, Whiteville. Reports were to the effect that much interest was shown, and that helpful and spiritual addresses were made by various speakers; all of which promoted the cause of Stewardship and the Every Member Canvass. One pastor reported that all his officers but one that attended the conference increased their contributions to the work of the church in the Every Member Canvass.

Of the appropriation of \$50 for the committee made by the Presbytery, \$36.27 was disbursed as follows:

|                                                                 |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Printing treasurers' forms.....                                 | \$14.35 |
| Lunch for committee meeting.....                                | 3.60    |
| 500 postal cards for conference notices.....                    | 5.00    |
| Printing cards.....                                             | 2.00    |
| Expense of chairman attending meeting of Synod's committee..... | 6.80    |
| Postage, telephone calls, etc.,.....                            | 4.52    |
| There is an unused balance of \$13.73.                          |         |

We recommend:

(1) That Presbytery continue its appropriation of \$50 for the year for the promotion of Stewardship; the same to be paid by the treasurer of Presbytery.

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(2) That Presbytery adopt the recommendation of Synod and distribute benevolences on the basis of 50% for Assembly's causes and 50% for Synod's and Presbytery's causes.

(3) That the new table of percentages for benevolent contributions adopted by the Synod be adopted by the Presbytery. (See table later).

(4) That Presbytery accept the quota of \$3,500 assigned it by Synod as its part of the \$45,000 to be raised in the national defense program.

(5) That Presbytery join with the Synod in setting May 11, 1941, (which happens to be Mother's Day), as the date for this special offering to be received.

(6) That the goal of \$3,500 be apportioned to the churches as follows:

|                       |         |                         |                   |
|-----------------------|---------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Acme .....            | \$ 5.00 | Maple Hill .....        | \$ 2.00           |
| Antioch .....         | 2.00    | Mt. Horeb .....         | 6.00              |
| Ashwood .....         | 6.00    | Mt. Olive .....         | 59.00             |
| Baker .....           | 10.00   | Mt. Williams .....      | 3.00              |
| Beth Car .....        | 14.00   | Mt. Zion .....          | 54.00             |
| Bethel .....          | 8.00    | New Hope .....          | 17.00             |
| Beulaville .....      | 7.00    | Oakdale .....           | 2.00              |
| Black River .....     | 8.00    | Oak Plains .....        | 12.00             |
| Bladenboro .....      | 3.00    | Pearsall Memorial ..... | 54.00             |
| Bowden .....          | 4.00    | Pike .....              | 6.00              |
| Brown Marsh .....     | 2.00    | Pleasant View .....     | 6.00              |
| Burgaw .....          | 53.00   | Pollocksville .....     | 11.00             |
| Calypso .....         | 19.00   | Rockfish .....          | 27.00             |
| Caswell .....         | 12.00   | Rocky Point .....       | 18.00             |
| Chadbourn .....       | 15.00   | St. Andrews .....       | 500.00            |
| Chinquapin .....      | 20.00   | Smiths .....            | 3.00              |
| Covenant .....        | 650.00  | Southport .....         | 3.00              |
| Clarkton .....        | 78.00   | South River .....       | 6.00              |
| Croatan .....         | 3.00    | Stanford .....          | 3.00              |
| Currie .....          | 2.00    | Teachey .....           | 19.00             |
| Delgado .....         | 12.00   | Topsail .....           | 8.00              |
| Elizabethtown .....   | 45.00   | Wallace .....           | 81.00             |
| Elkton .....          | 3.00    | Warsaw .....            | 46.00             |
| Faison .....          | 39.00   | Webb Memorial .....     | 14.00             |
| Graves Memorial ..... | 96.00   | Westminster .....       | 47.00             |
| Grove .....           | 19.00   | White Plains .....      | 2.00              |
| Hallsville .....      | 13.00   | Whiteville First .....  | 30.00             |
| Harmony .....         | 5.00    | Wildwood .....          | 13.00             |
| Holly Grove .....     | 14.00   | Willard .....           | 18.00             |
| Hopewell .....        | 15.00   | Wilmington First .....  | 1,100.00          |
| Immanuel .....        | 52.00   | Winter Park .....       | 68.00             |
| Jacksonville .....    | 10.00   | Woodburn .....          | 9.00              |
| Lake Waccamaw .....   | 9.00    |                         |                   |
|                       |         |                         | <u>\$3,500.00</u> |

(7) That the expenses of the chairman of the committee be paid from its account when attending meeting of Synod's committee, if not paid by Synod.

After singing of a hymn and prayer by Rev. J. I. Knight, Presbytery adjourned for the day.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16.

9 a. m. Presbytery convened and engaged in a period of worship conducted by Rev. C. C. Myers, who spoke from the text, II Tim. 2:15.

Ruling Elder C. D. Murphy, Caswell church, was enrolled.

Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., addressed the Presbytery concerning the plans of the Synod of North Carolina to minister to the spiritual needs of soldiers in the army camps within its bounds. Upon motion, the Moderator and the Stated Clerk were authorized to sign an application from the Presbytery for \$1,000 from the John Bulow Campbell Foundation to be applied on the salary of a minister to serve near Camp Davis.

Upon information given by Dr. Wilson, Presbytery agreed to cooperate with Fayetteville Presbytery in a Rural Pastors' Institute to be held at Maxton, N. C., July 14-16, 1941.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman of the permanent committee on Social and Moral Welfare, made a verbal report as to moral conditions in this section. The same was approved.

10:30 a. m. Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman of the permanent committee on Educational Institutions, made a report on his subject, which was received as information.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., offered the following overture to the Synod of North Carolina, which was duly adopted, viz.:

In view of the fact that for the past several years an unusually long period of time—last year over four months—has elapsed after the meeting of Synod before the printed minutes were distributed;

And further that this delay often causes inconvenience to the ministers and the churches in carrying out the actions of Synod in the work of the churches:

Therefore the Presbytery of Wilmington would respectfully overture the Synod of North Carolina to instruct its Stated Clerk to endeavor to have the minutes printed and distributed more promptly.

Rev. H. G. Bedinger, D. D., President of Flora Macdonald college, was presented, and delivered an address relative to his institution.

Presbytery took a brief recess.

11 a. m. A sermon was delivered, according to appointment, by Rev. J. D. Withrow on the assigned subject of "Limited Atonement."

Rev. S. N. Lamb, pastor of the Whiteville Baptist church, and Rev. L. V. Harris, pastor of the Methodist church of Whiteville, were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as visiting brethren.

11:45 a. m. Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman of the permanent committee on Women's Work, made report, which was adopted as follows:

As chairman of the permanent committee on Women's Work, I would like to submit the following report:

It is indeed most gratifying to me to call the attention of Presbytery to the splendid and most efficient work which our good women are doing year after year. We find that they now have an enrollment of 2,654, which is an increase over last year. There are 48 auxiliaries in the Presbyterial. These women—the Presbyterian women of Wilmington Presbytery—gave a grand total to all causes of \$14,990, which shows a marked increase over the year before, the increase being \$872. The amount per capita was \$5.65. The women are most heartily commended by your committee for their splendid work.

Mr. Phipps introduced Mrs. Angus Cromartie, President of the Presbyterial Auxiliary, who offered a report in detail of the work of her organization during the past year. Presbytery expressed its commendation of same by a standing vote.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of the permanent committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, made report, approving the same amount of aid as given last year to the beneficiaries of the Presbytery, namely, Rev. J. S. Crowley, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Rev. J. M. Plowden, Rev. J. E. L. Winecoff, Mrs. Josephine W. Wells. The report was accepted.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, chairman, Historical committee, made statement as to a tabulation he is preparing of the dates of the organization of the churches of the Presbytery, for publication in the minutes. The list as prepared is as follows:

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## DATES OF ORGANIZATION OF CHURCHES IN WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

(For guidance in celebration of anniversaries and home-comings,  
and for general information.)

|                            |                         |                        |                                        |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Acme.....                  | May 29, 1892            | McClure Memorial       |                                        |
| Antioch.....               | November 28, 1925       |                        | September 29, 1940                     |
| Ashwood.....               | June 4, 1922            | Maple Hill.....        | September, 1887                        |
| Baker.....                 | May 13, 1934            |                        | (First session record)                 |
| Beth Car.....              |                         | Mt. Horeb.....         | February 3, 1843                       |
| Bethel.....                | May 18, 1924            | Mt. Olive.....         | September 12, 1874                     |
| Beulaville.....            | November 11, 1917       | Mt. Williams.....      | June 15, 1845                          |
| Black River.....           | 1740                    | Mt. Zion.....          | June 26, 1858                          |
| Bladenboro.....            | January 14, 1889        | New Hope.....          | October 19, 1894                       |
| Bowden.....                |                         | Oakdale.....           | December 17, 1933                      |
| Brown Marsh.....           | November 5, 1911        | Oak Plains.....        | July 2, 1859                           |
|                            | (Reorganized)           | Pearsall Memorial..... | June 7, 1914                           |
| Burgaw.....                | January 12, 1879        | Pike.....              | June 6, 1856                           |
| Calypso.....               | July 10, 1903           | Pink Hill.....         | November 11, 1917                      |
| Caswell.....               | (Fall) 1858             | Pleasant View.....     | April 20, 1924                         |
| Chadbourn.....             | May 25, 1897            | Pollocksville.....     | October 13, 1868                       |
| Chinquapin.....            | November 2, 1884        |                        | (First date shown for old<br>Seminary) |
| Church of Covenant         |                         | Rockfish.....          | 1756                                   |
|                            | January 6, 1918         | Rocky Point            |                                        |
| Clarkton (Old Brown Marsh) |                         |                        | September 10, 1922                     |
|                            | Before 1795             | St. Andrews.....       | November 21, 1858                      |
| Croatan.....               | November 18, 1884       | Smiths.....            |                                        |
|                            | (First session record)  | Southport.....         |                                        |
| Currie.....                | August 8, 1914          | South River.....       | Before 1796                            |
| Delgado.....               | June 4, 1916            | Stanford.....          | March 2, 1892                          |
| Elizabethtown.....         | 1834                    | Sweet Home.....        |                                        |
| Elkton.....                | October 28, 1917        | Teachey.....           | April 13, 1902                         |
| Faison.....                |                         | Topsail.....           | August 27, 1871                        |
| Graves Memorial            |                         | Wallace.....           | November 8, 1884                       |
|                            | September, 1831         | Warsaw.....            | October 18, 1884                       |
| Grove.....                 | 1736                    | Webb Memorial.....     | May 5, 1929                            |
| Hallsville.....            | 1900                    | Westminster.....       | March 16, 1920                         |
| Harmony                    |                         | White Plains           |                                        |
|                            | 4th Sunday, March, 1887 |                        | December 22, 1850                      |
| Hebron.....                |                         | Whiteville First.....  | 1869                                   |
| Holly Grove.....           | June 14, 1914           | Wildwood.....          | May 5, 1894                            |
| Hopewell.....              | May, 1800               |                        | (First session record)                 |
| Immanuel.....              | November 8, 1895        | Willard.....           | October 31, 1915                       |
| Jacksonville.....          | April 28, 1911          | Wilmington First.....  | April 4, 1817                          |
|                            | (Reorganized)           | Winter Park.....       | December 14, 1913                      |
| Lake Waccamaw.....         | April 24, 1921          | Woodburn.....          | May 11, 1924                           |

(Other dates will be published later.)

Nominations were heard for commissioners to the General Assembly meeting at Montreat, N. C., May 22, 1941.

After announcements and a prayer by Rev. J. G. Morrison, recess was taken for luncheon.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

2:20 p. m. Presbytery reconvened, and was led in prayer by Rev. Jas. R. Phipps.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman of the permanent committee on the Bible Cause, made report containing the following recommendations:

1. That Wilmington Presbytery endorse the work of the American Bible Society and commend it to pastors and people for informed and prayerful support.

2. That the cause of increased Bible distribution and use be encouraged throughout this anniversary year, and especially on Universal Bible Sunday, December 14.

The report was adopted.

Mr. Seawright, also, as chairman of the standing committee on the Records of Presbytery, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The records of Presbytery have been examined and found in good order, accurate and neatly kept. There is nothing to be brought to the attention of Presbytery.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, made report for the permanent committee on Divorce and Re-marriage, stating that, in several instances, the committee has given counsel to interested persons.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of the standing committee on the Narrative, made report in detail, which was received as information.

Rev. J. W. Miller, chairman of the standing Judicial committee, reported that no matters have been referred to his committee.

Rev. L. W. Kessler, chairman of the permanent committee on Sessional Records, offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee has examined the records of the sessions and submit the following report:

The records of church sessions not otherwise mentioned were approved without exception. Where exceptions were noted, they are so recorded.

1. Immanuel minutes not signed by the clerk of the session.
2. Brown Marsh. Only two meetings of session recorded.
3. Beth Car. No record of Narrative report recorded.
4. Elizabethtown. Reports to Presbytery not recorded.
5. Elkton. No representative elected to present meeting of Presbytery. No record of reports to Presbytery.

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6. Maple Hill. No record of reports to Presbytery. Only one meeting of session recorded for the year.
7. Mt. Olive. Reports to Presbytery not signed by clerk of session.
8. White Plains. Only one meeting of session reported.
9. Hallsville. Minutes of session not signed by clerk.
10. Beulaville. No record of reports to Presbytery.
11. The churches of Ashwood, Lake Waccamaw, Bladenboro, Hebron, Smiths, Southport, Pink Hill, Stanford, Bowden, did not present sessional records.

Presbytery entered into the selection of commissioners to the General Assembly meeting at Montreat May 22nd, and the following were elected:

### Ministers:

S. C. Farrior, F. M., China, Decatur, Ga.; alternate, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

J. D. Withrow, Leland, N. C.; alternate, G. A. Wilson, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

P. L. Clark, Burgaw, N. C.; alternate, K. C. Seawright, Morehead City, N. C.

### Ruling Elders:

Dr. Wilbert Jackson, Clinton, N. C.; alternate, C. D. Murphy, Atkinson, N. C.

R. P. Bender, Pollocksville, N. C.; alternate, F. L. Pearsall, Wilmington, N. C.

Dr. G. C. Singletary, Clarkton, N. C.; alternate, M. V. Orr, Warsaw, N. C.

Rev. P. L. Clark, chairman of the committee on Nominations, presented the following report, which was adopted:

We recommend that Rev. A. J. Howell be named for another term as trustee of Flora Macdonald college, and that Mr. Glasgow Hicks be named in place of Dr. A. H. Kerr, whose term expires this spring.

That the present trustees of Peace Junior college, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., and Rev. M. C. Macqueen, be continued for another term.

That Rev. F. S. Johnston be named for another term as chairman of the committee on Assembly's Home Missions.

That Rev. J. G. Morrison be named in place of Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour on the committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief.

That Dr. J. H. Whitmore be continued as chairman of the committee on Religious Education, and that the following changes be made in sub-committees:

Rev. M. J. Murray to succeed Rev. L. W. Kessler on Children's Division.

Rev. D. L. Jones to succeed Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour on division of Adult Work.

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Rev. R. H. Poole to succeed himself on Young People's Division.

Rev. J. W. Miller to succeed himself on the division of Leadership Training.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy to succeed Rev. R. M. Engle on the division of Organization and Extension.

That Rev. S. G. Harness be named to succeed himself for another term as chairman of the Stewardship committee, and that Ruling Elder H. McN. Johnson be named on this committee in place of Rev. L. W. Kessler, and Ruling Elder C. D. Murphy take the place of Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig.

That Rev. J. R. Dickens be put on the committee on Sabbath and Family Religion in place of Rev. W. L. Wilson, deceased.

That Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., be named to succeed himself as chairman of the committee on Evangelism, and that Ruling Elder R. P. Bender be named in place of Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig on that committee.

That Rev. J. Robt. Phipps be put on the committee on Women's Work in place of Rev. R. M. Engle.

That Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig be named as chairman of the Auditing committee, and that Ruling Elder J. B. Huntington be continued on the committee.

That Rev. J. D. Withrow be named as chairman of the committee on Sessional records in place of Rev. L. W. Kessler, and that Rev. C. C. Myers be added to this committee.

That Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., be named to succeed himself on the advisory committee on Divorce and Re-marriage.

That, in accordance with the Moderator's appointment, Revs. P. L. Clark, Jas. R. Phipps and J. R. Potts continue for one year as the committee on Nominations.

For the committee on Examination, we recommend that

Rev. J. W. Miller be named again for Academic Studies;

Rev. R. H. Poole be named again for Natural and Exact Sciences;

Rev. K. C. Seawright be named for Church Government and Sacraments, in place of Rev. R. M. Engle;

Rev. M. C. Macqueen be added to the committee for English Bible.

We recommend that Rev. S. G. Harness and Ruling Elder McCaig, whose terms expire, be continued on the commission on The Minister and His Work, and that Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., be added to the commission.

That Ruling Elder Q. G. Southerland replace Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig on the committee on Synod's Home Missions.

Rev. L. W. Kessler offered his resignation as pastor of Caswell, Black River, South River and Harmony churches, that he might accept a call to the pastorate of the William and Mary Hart church in Albemarle Presbytery. Representatives from each of his churches were present and in-



formed Presbytery that their congregations had concurred with their pastor in asking for a dissolution of the pastoral relations. They also expressed their affection and appreciation for their pastor and his services. Upon motion, the pastorate of his group was dissolved and he was granted a certificate of dismissal to Albemarle Presbytery.

Rev. J. W. Miller led the Presbytery in prayer in behalf of Mr. Kessler and his family as they go to their new field.

Rev. J. R. Potts, chairman of the permanent committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion, made a report which was approved.

The Moderator appointed Rev. S. G. Harness to preach the doctrinal sermon at the fall meeting, assigning as his subject "Effectual Calling."

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, offered the following report for the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, and the same was adopted by standing vote, viz.:

We wish to express our very sincere appreciation to the pastor and congregation of the First Presbyterian church of Whiteville for their kindness and courtesy during our meeting of the Presbytery. The cordial welcome, the delicious luncheons served by the ladies, the gracious hospitality of the homes, and the thoughtful provision for all our needs, have made the meeting not only delightful, but has enabled it to perform its work more efficiently.

We recommend the adoption of this resolution by a rising vote, and that it be read to the congregation at its next regular service.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy, chairman of the standing committee on Leave of Absence, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The following members requested to be excused from attendance upon Wednesday's sessions: A. A. Clark, F. F. Newkirk, D. P. Southerland, E. D. Wells, John B. Boney, A. H. Miller, A. W. Gresham, M. V. Orr, E. C. Newton, L. R. Bradshaw, Dr. G. C. Singletary, F. A. Newman, and Rev. F. S. Johnston. Their requests were granted.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman of the standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting, reported that no invitations had been extended for the fall meeting. Upon motion, a special committee consisting of the Moderator and Stated Clerk was appointed to make arrangements for that meeting.

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

The following members answered the final roll call:

Ministers: J. E. L. Winecoff, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, L. W. Kessler, S. C. Farrior, J. D. Withrow, R. M. Engle, G. A. Wilson, D. D., J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, B. L. Rose, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, J. G. Morrison, J. R. Kennedy, (24);

Ruling Elders: G. E. Fidler, C. D. Murphy, S. G. Wooten, I. L. Faison, D. McL. Shaw, R. P. Bender, William Russell, R. J. Murphy, J. B. Wells, W. H. Powell, (10).

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

After the singing of a hymn and prayer by the Moderator, the Presbytery adjourned to meet in stated session on October 14, 1941 at 11 a. m. *in the Wallace Presbyterian church.*

RALEIGH M. ENGLE, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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### NOTES

From Reports of March 31, 1941.

There were received in the churches on profession of faith last year 290 new members, as compared with 442 the year before. Has there been a letting down of evangelistic efforts?

Of these new members 274 were from the Sunday Schools, as compared with 359 the year before.

The number of family altars reported increased from 452 to 507; tithers from 641 to 755. This indicates a strengthening of the churches.

Only 71 infant baptisms were reported.

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| Cause—                                                                  | Per Cent | To Treasurer                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Foreign Missions .....                                                  | 26.2     | —Mr. Curry B. Hearn, Box 330,<br>Nashville, Tenn.                |
| Assembly's Home Missions.....                                           | 13.8     | —Mr. A. N. Sharp, 523 W. Peach-<br>tree St., N. E., Atlanta, Ga. |
| Chr. Ed. & Min. Relief.....                                             | 6.5      | —Dr. W. H. Hopper, 410 Urban<br>Bldg., Louisville, Ky.           |
| Religious Education .....                                               | 2.25     | —Dr. E. D. Grant, 6-8 N. 6th.,<br>Richmond, Va.                  |
| Assembly's Training School                                              | .75      | —Assembly's Training School,<br>Richmond, Va.                    |
| Bible Cause .....                                                       | .5       | —Mr. Gilbert Darlington, Bible<br>House, New York, N. Y.         |
| Synod's Home Missions.....                                              | 10.5     | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.             |
| Educational Institutions.....                                           | 10.5     | —Dr. E. E. Gillespie, Box 1124,<br>Greensboro, N. C.             |
| Union Theological Seminary                                              | 1.5      | —Rev. M. W. Norfleet, Union<br>Theol. Seminary, Richmond, Va.    |
| Orphans' Home .....                                                     | 9.0      | —Mr. Ernest Milton, Barium<br>Springs, N. C.                     |
| Synod's Relig. Ed., including<br>Relig. Work in State Ed.<br>Inst. .... | 3.5      | —Rev. E. L. Barber, Aberdeen,<br>N. C.                           |
| Presbytery's Home Missions.....                                         | 15.0     | —E. Norfleet, Box 736, Wilming-<br>ton, N. C.                    |

## DIRECTORY

*Moderator*—REV. J. R. POTTS, Willard, N. C.

*Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Presbyterial Fund*—  
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*Supt.-Evangelist, Home Missions*—REV. G. A. WILSON, D. D.,  
209 No. 13th St., Wilmington, N. C.

### TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit Fall 1943—J. O. Carr, W. P. Sprunt, J. H. Clark.

### TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Exit Fall 1943—Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, W. P. Sprunt.

### TRUSTEES OF FLORA MACDONALD COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1944—Rev. A. J. Howell, Rev. J. I. Knight, C. S. Clark,  
Glasgow Hicks.

Exit Spring 1943—Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D.,  
F. B. Johnson, Melzar Pearsall.

Exit Spring 1942—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. R. H. Poole,  
John Hall, W. D. McCaig.

### TRUSTEES OF PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exit Spring 1944—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Rev. M. C. Mac-  
queen.

### PERMANENT COMMITTEES

*Presbytery's Home Missions*—Revs. C. H. Storey, D. D., (1940),  
J. H. Whitmore, D. D., M. C. Macqueen, P. L. Clark, J. W.  
Miller, J. I. Knight, D. L. Jones, F. S. Johnston, A. J. Howell;  
Ruling Elders R. C. Carson, O. H. Shoemaker, W. D. Jones,  
Eustace Norfleet, J. C. Williams, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, John Hall.

*Synod's Home Missions*—Revs. J. R. Potts, (1940), C. C. Myers,  
Ruling Elders Q. G. Southerland, G. R. Ward.

*Assembly's Home Missions*—Revs. F. S. Johnston, (1941), J. R.  
Dickens; Ruling Elder John Hall.

*Foreign Missions*—Revs. J. T. Echols, (1939), K. C. Seawright,  
A. J. Howell; Ruling Elders Jesse Lucas, D. W. Monroe.

*Christian Education and Ministerial Relief*—Revs. J. I. Knight,  
(1939), J. G. Morrison, J. D. Withrow, S. G. Harness; Ruling  
Elder F. B. Johnson.

*Religious Education*—Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1941), Chair-  
man.

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### Sub-committees:

*Children's Division*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), M. J. Murray, Miss Lucilla White.

*Young People's Division*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1941), C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, Miss Isabella Cox.

*Adult Work*—Revs. D. L. Jones, (1941), J. R. Potts; Ruling Elder J. L. Lamb, Mrs. Litchfield Huie.

*Leadership Training*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1941), G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder L. E. Hall, Miss Jane Hall.

*Organization and Extension*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), J. R. Kennedy; Ruling Elder J. H. Clark, Mrs. Newton Robinson.

*Stewardship*—Revs. S. G. Harness, (1941), J. H. Whitmore, D. D., A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., C. H. Storey, D. D., J. R. Kennedy, P. L. Clark, R. H. Poole, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elders H. McN. Johnson, C. D. Murphy.

*Educational Institutions*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps, (1939), A. J. Howell, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., S. G. Harness, C. C. Myers, G. A. Wilson, D. D.; Ruling Elder H. Lacy Hunt.

*Orphan's Home*—Revs. Jas. R. Phipps, (1940), R. H. Poole, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders John Hall, Dr. A. H. Kerr, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, C. S. Clark, J. H. Clark, R. V. Wells.

*Bible Cause*—Revs. K. C. Seawright, (1939), J. S. Crowley; Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

*Sabbath and Family Religion*—Revs. J. R. Potts, (1939), J. R. Dickens; Ruling Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

*Evangelism*—Revs. G. A. Wilson, D. D., (1941), B. L. Rose, C. H. Storey, D. D.; Ruling Elders E. Norfleet, J. B. Huntington, R. P. Bender.

*Women's Work*—Revs. James R. Phipps, (1939), W. P. M. Currie, J. Robt. Phipps; Ruling Elder J. R. Maxwell.

*History*—Revs. A. J. Howell, (1939), J. M. Plowden, W. P. M. Currie; Ruling Elder H. E. Faison.

*Auditing*—Ruling Elders W. D. McCaig, (1941), C. S. Clark, J. B. Huntington.

*Sessional Records*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1941), J. Ray Dickens, B. L. Rose, J. G. Morrison, C. C. Myers.

*Social and Moral Welfare*—Rev. C. C. Myers, (1939); Ruling Elder R. V. Wells.

*Divorce and Re-marriage (Advisory)*—Revs. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., (1941), B. L. Rose, J. I. Knight, Jas. R. Phipps, R. H. Poole.

*Minutes of General Assembly*—Revs. J. G. Morrison, (1940), J. Ray Dickens.

## MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

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*Minutes of Synod*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1940), K. C. Seawright.  
*Nominations*—Revs. P. L. Clark, J. R. Potts, Jas. R. Phipps (until spring 1942).

### EXAMINATION

*Experimental Religion*—Revs. J. Robt. Phipps, (1939), L. W. Kessler.  
*Academic Studies*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1941), A. J. Howell.  
*Languages*—Revs. J. D. Withrow, (1939), J. W. Miller.  
*Natural and Exact Sciences*—Revs. R. H. Poole, (1941), B. L. Rose.  
*Mental and Moral Philosophy*—Revs. M. C. Macqueen, (1939), J. M. Plowden.  
*Logic and Rhetoric*—Revs. J. W. Miller, (1939), D. L. Jones.  
*Theology*—Revs. D. L. Jones, (1939), C. H. Storey, D. D.  
*Church History*—Revs. B. L. Rose, (1939), F. S. Johnston.  
*Church Government and Sacraments*—Revs. K. C. Seawright, (1941), F. S. Johnston.  
*English Bible*—Revs. J. I. Knight, (1941), A. J. Howell, M. C. Macqueen.

### COMMISSION ON MINISTER AND HIS WORK

Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., chairman, (until fall 1942).  
Rev. S. G. Harness, (until spring 1944).  
Rev. C. H. Storey, (until spring 1944).  
Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, (until spring 1944).  
Ruling Elder C. S. Clark, (until fall 1942).  
Rev. J. I. Knight, (until fall 1941).

# MINUTES OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

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## CLERKS OF CHURCH SESSIONS

|                    |                                                    |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Acme               | A. H. Marks, Acme, N. C.                           |
| Antioch            | J. D. Burton, Jacksonville, N. C.                  |
| Ashwood            | C. L. Braddy, Council, N. C.                       |
| Baker              | B. C. Thigpen, Mt. Olive, N. C.                    |
| Beth Car           | C. O. McNair, Tar Heel, N. C.                      |
| Bethel             | J. J. Lanier, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
| Beulaville         | A. W. Gresham, Beulaville, N. C.                   |
| Black River        | G. E. Fisler, Ivanhoe, N. C.                       |
| Bladenboro         | J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro, N. C.                  |
| Bowden             | Herman Taylor, Faison, N. C.                       |
| Brown Marsh        | A. F. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
| Burgaw             | T. T. Murphy, Burgaw, N. C.                        |
| Calypso            | J. R. Maxwell, Calypso, N. C.                      |
| Caswell            | C. D. Murphy, Atkinson, N. C.                      |
| Chadbourne         | D. W. Munroe, Chadbourne, N. C.                    |
| Chinquapin         | W. B. Ward, Chinquapin, N. C.                      |
| Church of Covenant | F. L. Pearsall, Wilmington, N. C.                  |
| Clarkton           | C. S. Clark, Clarkton, N. C.                       |
| Croatian           | H. C. Wood, R. F. D. No. 4, New Bern, N. C.        |
| Currie             | C. S. Bell, Currie, N. C.                          |
| Delgado            | W. C. Seoggins, 1809 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C. |
| Elizabethtown      | W. A. Ferguson, Elizabethtown, N. C.               |
| Elkton             | W. J. Burney, Clarkton, N. C.                      |
| Faison             | I. L. Faison, Faison, N. C.                        |
| Graves Memorial    | F. B. Johnson, Clinton, N. C.                      |
| Grove              | R. V. Wells, Kenansville, N. C.                    |
| Hallsville         | A. H. Miller, Beulaville, N. C.                    |
| Harmony            | D. McL. Shaw, Kerr, N. C.                          |
| Hebron             | Willard Smith, Seven Springs, N. C.                |
| Holly Grove        | W. F. Valentine, R. F. D. No. 2, Clinton, N. C.    |
| Hopewell           | N. B. Murray, Burgaw, N. C.                        |
| Immanuel           | H. T. Wilson, 1413 So. 4th St., Wilmington, N. C.  |
| Jacksonville       | Raymond Marshall, Jacksonville, N. C.              |
| Lake Waccamaw      | J. W. Hall, Hallsboro, N. C.                       |
| McClure Memorial   | W. A. Loftin, Rocky Point, N. C.                   |
| Maple Hill         | Gibson James, Maple Hill, N. C.                    |
| Mt. Horeb          | C. Monroe, Council, N. C.                          |
| Mt. Olive          | H. R. Southerland, Mt. Olive, N. C.                |
| Mt. Williams       | R. A. Thigpen, Burgaw, N. C.                       |
| Mt. Zion           | M. L. Carr, Rose Hill, N. C.                       |
| New Hope           | D. R. Johnson, Winnabow, N. C.                     |
| Oakdale            | Sam Robeson, White Oak, N. C.                      |
| Oak Plains         | W. H. Hall, Rose Hill, N. C.                       |
| Pearsall Memorial  | J. M. Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.                    |
| Pike               | F. S. Sidbury, R. 1, Rocky Point, N. C.            |
| Pink Hill          | Dr. H. A. Edwards, Pink Hill, N. C.                |
| Pleasant View      | Durham Grady, Seven Springs, N. C.                 |
| Pollocksville      | H. A. Creagh, Pollocksville, N. C.                 |
| Rockfish           | J. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.                        |
| Rocky Point        | J. B. Armstrong, Rocky Point, N. C.                |
| St. Andrews        | S. A. Haines, R. 2, Wilmington, N. C.              |
| Smiths             | R. W. Wallace, Pink Hill, N. C.                    |
| Southport          | Price Furpless, Southport, N. C.                   |
| South River        | R. J. Murphy, Tomahawk, N. C.                      |
| Stanford           | H. C. Brogden, Mt. Olive, N. C.                    |
| Sweet Home         |                                                    |
| Teachey            | H. M. Wells, Teachey, N. C.                        |
| Topsail            | E. V. King, Hampstead, N. C.                       |
| Wallace            | J. N. Wells, Wallace, N. C.                        |
| Warsaw             | Dr. J. M. Williams, Warsaw, N. C.                  |
| Webb Memorial      | D. Cordova, Morehead City, N. C.                   |
| Westminster        | F. A. Newman, Whiteville, N. C.                    |
| White Plains       | A. A. Clark, Rosindale, N. C.                      |
| Whiteville First   | J. R. Marks, Whiteville, N. C.                     |
| Wildwood           | W. F. West, Wildwood, N. C.                        |
| Willard            | H. McN. Johnson, Willard, N. C.                    |
| Wilmington First   | B. B. Reynolds, Wilmington, N. C.                  |
| Winter Park        | J. L. Lamb, R. F. D. No. 2, Wilmington, N. C.      |
| Woodburn           | D. G. Ellers, Leland, N. C.                        |

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|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|
|                                                |                         |                      | Elders   | Deacons | Added on Confession | Added on Certificate | Whole No. of Communicants | Adult     | Infant |                     |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Burgaw*†             | 6        | 7       | 5                   |                      | 206                       | 4         | 3      |                     |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Hopewell†            | 7        | 7       | 5                   |                      | 166                       | 4         |        |                     |
| P. L. Clark, P.                                | Burgaw, N. C.           | Mt. Williams         | 2        | 3       |                     |                      | 28                        |           |        |                     |
| R. C. Clontz                                   | Davidson, N. C.         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| J. S. Crowley, H.R.                            | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| W. P. M. Currie, H.R.                          | Wallace, N. C.          |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| J. Ray Dickens, P.                             | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Pink Hill*†          | 3        | 5       |                     | 2                    | 45                        |           | 1      |                     |
| J. Ray Dickens, P.                             | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Smiths†              | 3        | 2       |                     |                      | 55                        |           |        |                     |
| J. Ray Dickens, P.                             | Seven Springs, N. C.    | Pleasant View†       | 5        | 5       | 11                  | 3                    | 80                        | 11        |        |                     |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Rocky Point, N. C.      | Rocky Point*†        | 3        | 5       | 2                   | 1                    | 66                        |           | 1      |                     |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Ashton, N. C.           | Pike†                | 4        | 5       |                     |                      | 50                        |           |        |                     |
| J. T. Echols, P.                               | Currie, N. C.           | Currie†              | 3        | 4       | 3                   |                      | 32                        | 3         |        |                     |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, R. 2, N. C. | Winter Park*†        | 5        | 7       | 2                   | 11                   | 229                       | 1         | 2      |                     |
| R. M. Engle, P.                                | Wilmington, R. 1, N. C. | Pearsall Memorial†   | 3        | 4       | 8                   | 9                    | 156                       | 5         |        |                     |
| J. L. Fairly, Ed.-in-Chief                     | Richmond, Va.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| S. C. Farrior, F.M.                            | Chinking, China         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| A. D. P. Gilmour, P.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       | Wilmington First*†   | 19       | 23      | 12                  | 14                   | 881                       | 4         | 12     |                     |
| H. C. Hammond, Inf.                            | Red Springs, N. C.      |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Mt. Zion*†           | 6        | 9       | 5                   | 6                    | 211                       | 4         | 1      |                     |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Rose Hill, N. C.        | Oak Plains†          | 6        | 4       | 7                   |                      | 77                        | 1         |        |                     |
| S. G. Harness, P.                              | Teachey, N. C.          | Teachey†             | 6        | 8       | 14                  | 1                    | 125                       | 12        | 1      |                     |
| A. J. Howell, P. Em. S.C.                      | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| F. S. Johnston, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Immanuel*†           | 9        | 11      | 3                   | 2                    | 263                       | 3         | 3      |                     |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Faison, N. C.           | Faison†              | 6        | 6       | 1                   | 6                    | 156                       | 1         |        |                     |
| D. L. Jones, P.                                | Warsaw, N. C.           | Warsaw†              | 5        | 7       | 3                   | 5                    | 143                       | 1         | 2      |                     |
| D. L. Jones, S.S.                              | Bowden, N. C.           | Bowden†              | 3        | 2       | 7                   | 1                    | 32                        | 7         |        |                     |
| J. R. Kennedy, P.                              | Whiteville, N. C.       | Whiteville First*†   | 5        | 8       | 3                   | 11                   | 162                       | 3         |        |                     |
| J. R. Kennedy, P.                              | Chadbourn, N. C.        | Chadbourn†           | 6        | 5       | 5                   | 11                   | 104                       | 4         |        |                     |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Atkinson, N. C.         | Caswell*†            | 3        | 5       |                     |                      | 91                        |           | 1      |                     |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Ivanhoe, N. C.          | Black River          | 4        | 4       |                     |                      | 62                        |           | 1      |                     |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Garland, N. C.          | South River*         | 5        | 3       |                     | 1                    | 43                        |           | 1      |                     |
| L. W. Kessler, P.                              | Kerr, N. C.             | Harmony              | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 31                        |           |        |                     |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Mt. Olive*†          | 5        | 8       | 8                   | 4                    | 200                       | 7         | 2      |                     |
| J. I. Knight, P.                               | Calypso, N. C.          | Calypso†             | 6        | 6       | 7                   | 3                    | 116                       | 3         | 6      |                     |
| J. I. Knight, S.S.                             | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Baker†               | 3        |         | 3                   |                      | 25                        | 3         |        |                     |
| K. B. McCutchen                                | Charlottesville, Va.    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| M. C. Macqueen, P.                             | Clinton, N. C.          | Graves Memorial*†    | 12       | 13      | 6                   | 14                   | 259                       | 5         | 6      |                     |
| M. C. Macqueen, P.                             | Clinton, N. C.          | Holly Grove†         | 4        | 3       |                     |                      | 76                        |           |        |                     |
| J. O. Mann, D.R.E.                             | Maxton, N. C.           |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| A. S. Maxwell, F.M.                            | Dourados, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| J. W. Miller, P.                               | Clarkton, N. C.         | Clarkton*†           | 9        | 11      | 3                   | 9                    | 318                       | 4         | 2      |                     |
| J. W. Miller, S.S.                             | Clarkton, N. C.         | Brown Marsh          | 1        |         |                     |                      | 20                        |           |        |                     |
| J. G. Morrison, P.                             | Kenansville, N. C.      | Grove*†              | 6        | 6       | 5                   | 4                    | 130                       | 3         | 1      |                     |
| J. G. Morrison, P.                             | Beulaville, N. C.       | Hallsville†          | 6        | 6       | 6                   | 3                    | 130                       | 6         |        |                     |
| M. J. Murray, P.                               | Wallace, N. C.          | Wallace*†            | 8        | 9       |                     | 12                   | 284                       |           | 4      |                     |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Wilmington, N. C.       | Delgado*†            | 4        | 4       | 3                   | 3                    | 128                       | 3         |        |                     |
| C. C. Myers, P.                                | Topsail, N. C.          | Topsail†             | 6        | 4       |                     |                      | 96                        |           |        |                     |
| C. C. Myers, S.S.                              | Castle Haynes, N. C.    | McClure Memorial†    | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 72                        |           |        |                     |
| L. T. Newland, F.M.                            | Kwangju, Korea          |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| James R. Phipps, P.                            | Whiteville, N. C.       | Westminster*†        | 5        | 8       | 3                   | 6                    | 168                       | 1         | 1      |                     |
| J. Robt. Phipps, P.                            | Pollocksville, N. C.    | Pollocksville*†      | 5        | 5       | 5                   |                      | 74                        | 4         |        |                     |
| J. Robt. Phipps, P.                            | New Bern, R. 4, N. C.   | Croatan†             | 4        | 2       |                     |                      | 28                        |           |        |                     |
| J. Robt. Phipps, S.S.                          | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Jacksonville†        | 2        | 3       | 4                   |                      | 47                        | 4         |        |                     |
| J. Robt. Phipps, S.S.                          | Jacksonville, N. C.     | Antioch†             | 2        | 2       | 4                   | 1                    | 43                        | 4         |        |                     |
| J. M. Plowden, H.R.                            | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Elizabethtown, N. C.    | Elizabethtown†       | 9        | 10      | 13                  | 5                    | 180                       | 3         | 2      |                     |
| R. H. Poole, P.                                | Tar Heel, N. C.         | Beth Car†            | 5        | 3       |                     |                      | 67                        |           |        |                     |
| R. H. Poole, S.S.                              | White Oak, N. C.        | Oakdale†             | 2        | 3       |                     |                      | 25                        |           |        |                     |
| R. H. Poole, S.S.                              | Council, N. C.          | Mt. Horeb†           | 3        | 3       |                     |                      | 29                        |           |        |                     |
| J. R. Potts, S.S.                              | Wallace, N. C.          | Rockfish†            | 9        | 7       |                     |                      | 150                       |           |        |                     |
| J. R. Potts, S.S.                              | Willard, N. C.          | Willard†             | 6        | 6       | 3                   | 1                    | 80                        | 1         | 1      |                     |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Chinquapin, N. C.       | Chinquapin*†         | 7        | 8       | 35                  | 2                    | 149                       | 27        |        |                     |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Beulaville, N. C.       | Beulaville†          | 2        | 3       | 1                   | 4                    | 77                        | 1         |        |                     |
| B. L. Rose, P.                                 | Beulaville, N. C.       | Beth†                | 6        | 7       | 27                  | 1                    | 204                       | 25        |        |                     |
| K. C. Seawright, P.                            | Morehead City, N. C.    | Geo. Webb Memorial*† | 5        | 4       | 1                   |                      | 76                        | 1         |        |                     |
| K. C. Seawright, P.                            | Wildwood, N. C.         | Wildwood†            | 5        | 5       | 2                   |                      | 65                        |           | 1      |                     |
| C. H. Storey, P.                               | Wilmington, N. C.       | St. Andrews*†        | 10       | 17      | 12                  | 8                    | 576                       | 7         | 4      |                     |
| J. H. Whitmore, P.                             | Wilmington, N. C.       | Church of Covenant*† | 8        | 15      | 22                  | 18                   | 534                       | 8         | 8      |                     |
| D. L. Williamson, F.M.                         | Araquary, Brazil        |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| G. A. Wilson, S.H.M.                           | Wilmington, N. C.       |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| J. E. L. Winecoff, H.R.                        | Florence, S. C.         |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., P.                         | Leland, N. C.           | Woodburn*†           | 4        | 6       | 11                  | 2                    | 110                       | 8         | 4      |                     |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., S.S.                       | Acme, N. C.             | Acme†                | 4        | 4       | 5                   | 7                    | 73                        | 5         |        |                     |
| J. D. Withrow, Jr., S.S.                       | Winnabow, N. C.         | New Hope†            | 3        |         |                     |                      | 39                        | 2         |        |                     |
| C. W. Worth, F.M.                              | Hangchow, Che, China    |                      |          |         |                     |                      |                           |           |        |                     |
|                                                | Mt. Olive, N. C.        | Stanford, S.S.       | 1        | 3       |                     |                      | 21                        |           |        |                     |
|                                                | Bladenboro, N. C.       | Bladenboro v         | 1        | 1       |                     |                      | 34                        |           |        |                     |
|                                                | Pink Hill, N. C.        | Hebron, v            | 2        |         |                     |                      | 15                        |           |        |                     |







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## MINISTERS

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff       | 21—J. I. Knight        |
| 2—W. P. M. Currie         | 22—J. S. Crowley       |
| 3—L. T. Newland, D. D.    | 23—Jas. R. Phipps      |
| 4—P. L. Clark             | 24—S. C. Farrior       |
| 5—A. S. Maxwell           | 25—J. O. Mann          |
| 6—A. J. Howell            | 26—C. W. Worth         |
| 7—A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D. | 27—J. D. Withrow, Jr.  |
| 8—J. L. Fairly, D. D.     | 28—D. L. Jones         |
| 9—J. M. Plowden           | 29—G. A. Wilson, D. D. |
| 10—C. C. Myers            | 30—J. R. Potts         |
| 11—R. C. Clontz           | 31—K. C. Seawright     |
| 12—H. C. Hammond, D. D.   | 32—Benj. L. Rose       |
| 13—J. Robt. Phipps        | 33—M. C. Macqueen      |
| 14—D. L. Williamson       | 34—J. Ray Dickens      |
| 15—S. G. Harness          | 35—J. T. Echols        |
| 16—J. H. Whitmore, D. D.  | 36—J. G. Morrison      |
| 17—J. W. Miller           | 37—J. R. Kennedy       |
| 18—F. S. Johnston         | 38—M. J. Murray        |
| 19—R. H. Poole            | 39—E. B. Carr          |
| 20—C. H. Storey, D. D.    |                        |

## LICENTIATE

William Monroe Wicker

## CHURCHES

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|----------------|----------------------------|
| 1—Acme         | 15—Chadbourn               |
| 2—Antioch      | 16—Chinquapin              |
| 3—Ashwood      | 17--Church of the Covenant |
| 4—Baker        | 18—Clarkton                |
| 5—Beth Car     | 19—Croatan                 |
| 6—Bethel       | 20—Currie                  |
| 7—Beulaville   | 21—Delgado                 |
| 8—Black River  | 22—Elizabethtown           |
| 9—Bladenboro   | 23—Elkton                  |
| 10—Bowden      | 24—Faison                  |
| 11—Brown Marsh | 25—Graves Memorial         |
| 12—Burgaw      | 26—Grove                   |
| 13—Calypso     | 27—Hallsville              |
| 14—Caswell     | 28—Harmony                 |

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## CHURCHES—(continued)

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| 29—Hebron            | 50—Rocky Point      |
| 30—Holly Grove       | 51—St. Andrews      |
| 31—Hopewell          | 52—Smiths           |
| 32—Immanuel          | 53—Southport        |
| 33—Jacksonville      | 54—South River      |
| 34—Lake Waccamaw     | 55—Stanford         |
| 35—Maple Hill        | 56—Sweet Home       |
| 36—McClure Memorial  | 57—Teachey          |
| 37—Mt. Horeb         | 58—Topsail          |
| 38—Mt. Olive         | 59—Wallace          |
| 39—Mt. Williams      | 60—Warsaw           |
| 40—Mt. Zion          | 61—Webb Memorial    |
| 41—New Hope          | 62—Westminster      |
| 42—Oakdale           | 63—White Plains     |
| 43—Oak Plains        | 64—Whiteville First |
| 44—Pearsall Memorial | 65—Wildwood         |
| 45—Pike              | 66—Willard          |
| 46—Pink Hill         | 67—Wilmington First |
| 47—Pleasant View     | 68—Winter Park      |
| 48—Pollocksville     | 69—Woodburn         |
| 49—Rockfish          |                     |

## CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

W. K. Cromartie, Edward J. Humphrey, Daniel D. Rhodes, William Lee Paden, Jr., David Worth Sprunt, (5).

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## CALLED MEETING

In accordance with a call by the Moderator, the Presbytery of Wilmington met in St. Andrews Presbyterian church, Wilmington, on Tuesday, May 27th, 1941, at 11:00 a. m.

The Moderator, Rev. J. R. Potts, presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness. The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: S. G. Harness, R. H. Poole, M. J. Murray, J. G. Morrison, J. R. Potts, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., F. S. Johnston, J. W. Miller, C. H. Storey, D. D., (9);

Ruling Elders: George S. Boylan, St. Andrews, and W. P. Sprunt, Church of the Covenant.

The call for the meeting, dated May 15th, was read as follows:

The constitutional requirements having been met, I hereby call a meeting of Wilmington Presbytery to be held in St. Andrews church on Tuesday, May 27th, 1941, at 11:00 a. m., for the purpose of acting on the request of Rev. Ben L. Rose for the dissolution of his pastoral relations with the Chinquapin and Bethel churches; also to consider a year's leave of absence for Rev. J. G. Morrison to enter the army.

(Signed) J. R. POTTS, Moderator.

The call was found in order, the church referred to being construed to be St. Andrews Presbyterian church of Wilmington; and the Presbytery proceeded to business.

The request of Rev. Ben L. Rose that the pastoral relations between himself and the Chinquapin and Bethel churches be dissolved, and that he be granted permission to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery, was read. While the churches were not represented, several members of Presbytery reviewed the facts; viz: that Mr. Rose, a reserve officer, had been called for a year of active service, and that his churches had reluctantly consented to his resignation. On motion of Rev. J. W. Miller, the request was granted, and several members of Presbytery expressed hearty appreciation of the splendid work Mr. Rose had rendered in that field.

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Rev. J. G. Morrison, also called to active service as a chaplain, requested Presbytery to grant him a leave of absence for one year with the privilege to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery if necessary. J. E. Jerritt, ruling elder from Grove church, Kenansville, presented a joint communication from Grove, Hallsville and Beulaville churches concurring with Mr. Morrison in the request. On motion of Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., the request was granted, and the Moderator asked Dr. Whitmore to lead the Presbytery in a special prayer for divine blessing upon the labors of these two men in their military service. Dr. Whitmore offered prayer as requested.

W. I. Hoy, a student in Union Theological Seminary, who is to supply the Grove, Hallsville and Beulaville churches during the summer, was introduced to Presbytery.

After the reading of the minutes, they were adopted, and a motion to adjourn prevailed. The closing prayer was led by the Moderator.

C. H. Storey, Clerk Pro Tem.

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## REGULAR MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and forty-fourth stated session in the Wallace Presbyterian church, Wallace, N. C., on Tuesday, October 14, 1941, at 11:00 a. m.

An opening sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. R. Potts, on the subject of "The Faith That Counts", from the text, John 9:35, "Dost thou believe on the Son of God?"

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed with the Revs. J. T. Echols and P. L. Clark presiding. Ruling elders of the Presbytery served the elements.

The Presbytery was then called to order and constituted with prayer by Ruling Elder R. C. Carson.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, F. S. Johnston, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., J. R. Potts, K. C. Seavright, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, J. T. Echols, J. G. Morrison, J. R. Kennedy, M. J. Murray, (23);

Ruling Elders: J. G. Reese, Bethel; Gardner Edwards, Beu-  
laville; G. E. Fisler, Black River; J. F. Davis, Bladenboro;  
H. M. Corbett, Burgaw; C. D. Murphy, Caswell; John Hollings-  
worth, Chinquapin; W. D. McCaig, Church of Covenant; L. A.  
Smith, Clarkton; J. K. Clark, Elizabethtown; P. S. Carr, Graves  
Memorial. R. V. Wells, Grove; J. D. Evans, Hallsville; W. F.  
Valentine, Holly Grove; W. R. Rich, Hopewell; Raymond  
Marshall, Jacksonville; H. A. Munroe, Mt. Horeb; I. F. Wither-  
ington, Mt Olive; C. F. Blanchard, Mt. Zion; F. F. Newkirk,  
Oak Plains; Melzar Pearsall, Pearsall Memorial; H. R. Harper,  
Pleasant View; E. S. Williams, Rockfish; A. N. Rhodes, Rocky  
Point; G. S. Boylan, St. Andrews; J. R. Miller, Smiths; P. A.  
Cromartie, South River; H. C. Brogden, Stanford; Osborn Carr,  
Wallace; A. L. Cavanaugh, Warsaw; R. C. Carson, Westminster;  
Oscar High, Whiteville First; C. O. Bollinger, Willard; J. C.  
Williams, Wilmington First; J. L. Lamb, Winter Park, (35).

Rev. J. W. Miller was requested to act as temporary clerk.

The following were introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as visiting brethren:

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Rev. R. K. Davenport, Granville Presbytery, Rev. E. B. Carr, Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. J. N. Evans, Pastor, Wallace Baptist church.

Rev. D. L. Jones was elected Moderator.

A printed docket submitted by the Stated Clerk was adopted.

Minutes of the called meeting of May 27th, 1941, were read.

The following communications were presented:

From the Stated Clerk of the Synod of North Carolina enclosing a list of enactments by the Synod relative to Assembly's causes. Referred to the permanent committee on Minutes of General Assembly.

From Rev. R. H. Poole, advising that he had been called to service as chaplain in U. S. armed forces on October 7th, and requesting approval of Presbytery to the action of his churches in granting him leave of absence for a year. Upon motion, Presbytery granted such approval.

Mr. Poole's absence from committees of Presbytery was called to the attention of the committee on Nominations.

From Dr. D. W. Richardson in regard to funds desired for the use of his committee on Evangelism in the Assembly. Referred to Presbytery's committee on Stewardship.

From the Stated Clerk of the Synod in response to overture from the Presbytery adopted at the meeting last spring in regard to delay in the publication of Synod's minutes. Received as information.

From the Stated Clerk of King's Mountain Presbytery requesting information relative to the attitude of Wilmington Presbytery as to the number of regular meetings to be held during a year. Upon motion, Presbytery confirmed its former decision to hold two meetings only; this information to be conveyed to the party inquiring.

From the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly transmitting copies of proposed changes in the Book of Church Order and Confession of Faith, Referred to the standing committee on Bills and Overtures.

From Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., requesting Presbytery to grant him retirement from the active ministry. In view of the action taken at the meeting last spring, and of his having reached the necessary age, Presbytery granted the request, and recommended him for participation in the Ministers' Annuity Fund, both effective as of October 6th, 1941.

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Presbytery also directed the Stated Clerk to address to Dr. Gilmour a note, expressing its continued good wishes for a useful and happy life during his retirement.

Upon hearing announcements, Presbytery took recess for luncheon after prayer by Rev. S. G. Harness.

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 p. m. Presbytery reconvened, and was led in prayer by Rev. K. C. Seawright.

Rev. W. T. Manson, Jr., of Concord Presbytery, assistant pastor of the First Church, Wilmington, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Reports as to attendance as commissioners to the General Assembly were given verbally by Rev. K. C. Seawright and by letter by Rev. S. C. Farrior. The reports were received.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Worship—Revs. A. J. Howell and M. J. Murray.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. J. R. Potts, M. C. Macqueen and J. H. Whitmore, D. D.

Judicial—Revs. F. S. Johnston and W. P. M. Currie, and Ruling Elder C. D. Murphy.

Records of Presbytery—Revs. J. R. Dickens, J. G. Morrison and J. R. Kennedy.

Leave of Absence—Revs. M. J. Murray and C. C. Myers, and Ruling Elder P. A. Cromartie.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Rev. Jas. R. Phipps and Ruling Elders Gardner Edwards and I. F. Witherington.

Resolution of Thanks—Revs. J. I. Knight and J. S. Crowley, and Ruling Elder F. F. Newkirk.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell offered his resignation as Stated Clerk and Treasurer, effective at the close of the present church year. Presbytery heard remarks favoring the continuance of Mr. Howell in office; and, upon motion, he was asked to reconsider his resignation.

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3:00 p. m. Report of the commission on The Minister and His Work was presented by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., temporary chairman, as follows:

Due largely to the illness of our chairman, Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, our commission has had few formal meetings, though members of the commission have advised with committees from vacant churches seeking pastoral services.

At a meeting held today, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., was elected chairman until the spring meeting of Presbytery, and it was voted to request the addition of one minister and one ruling elder to the commission, that two effective committees might operate in prescribed districts of the Presbytery.

The commission has approved Rev. C. W. Worth as stated supply for one year in the Lake Waccamaw group. Candidate W. M. Wicker was approved as supply for Grove, Hallsville and Beula-ville churches for one year; and Rev. J. H. Caligan was approved as temporary supply at Winter Park church.

The commission has also approved names to be considered by certain vacant churches, and authorized these churches to proceed with the calls when desirable.

It is expected that in the near future your commission will be organized according to the new manual adopted by the General Assembly, and will be in a position to be of much greater service to the churches and sessions of the Presbytery.

Dr. Storey also presented other information relative to the cooperation of the commission and the churches; and, upon motion, the report was approved and the paper presented adopted.

The Stated clerk read the following statistical report to the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington reports for the year ending September 30, 1941, that the Presbytery consists of the following:

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| Ministers    | 38                        |
| Candidates   | 5                         |
| Licentiates  | 0                         |
| Communicants | 8432                      |
| Churches     | 69, valued at \$1,315,500 |
| Mansees      | 26, valued at \$ 125,500  |

Total number received on profession of faith, 290.  
Number of churches receiving none on profession of faith, 26.



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## OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERY

Moderator, Rev. J. R. Potts, Willard, N. C.

Stated Clerk, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Wilmington, N. C.

Treasurer, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, Wilmington, N. C.

Chairman of committee on Religious Education, Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Chairman of committee on Stewardship, Rev. S. G. Harness, Rose Hill, N. C.

Chairman of committee on Home Missions, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Chairman of committee on Evangelism, Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Member of Synod's committee on The Minister and His Work, Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D. D., Wilmington, N. C.

Ministers Received: Rev. J. R. Kennedy, Oct. 15, 1940, from Second Presbytery, A. R. P. Church; Rev. M. J. Murray, Dec. 27, 1940, from Holston Presbytery.

Ministers Dismissed: Rev. E. F. Thompson, Nov. 1, 1940, to Concord Presbytery; Rev. L. W. Kessler, April 18, 1941, to Albemarle Presbytery; Rev. R. M. Engle, April 30, 1941, to Norfolk Presbytery.

Minister Deceased, Rev. Walter L. Wilson, March 22, 1941.

Churches Organized, McClure Memorial Presbyterian Church, Castle Haynes, N. C., Sept 29, 1940.

Pastoral Relations Established: Rev. J. R. Kennedy, Oct. 15, 1940, with Whiteville First and Chadbourn churches; Rev. M. J. Murray, Dec. 27, 1940, with Wallace church.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved: Rev. W. P. M. Currie, Aug. 1, 1940, and Wallace, Rockfish and Willard; Rev. E. F. Thompson, Nov. 1, 1940, and Lake Waccamaw, Ashwood and Elkton; Rev. L. W. Kessler, April 18, 1941, and Caswell, Black River, South River and Harmony; Rev. R. M. Engle, April 30, 1941, and Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial; Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, D D., Oct. 6, 1941, and Wilmington First.

Candidate Received, David Worth Sprunt, Dec. 27, 1940, on examination.

Candidate Dismissed, Arnold Black Rhodes, April 15, 1941, to Transylvania Presbytery.

No candidates dropped or licensed.

No licentiates received, dismissed or ordained.

To be introduced to Synod, Rev. J. R. Kennedy from A. R. P. church; Rev. M. J. Murray from Synod of Appalachia.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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Candidate William Monroe Wicker, being present; offered a certificate of dismission from Mecklenburg Presbytery to Wilmington Presbytery, and requested that he be accepted as a candidate by the latter. Upon examination, the certificate was accepted and he was received as desired.

3:30 p. m. Rev. S. G. Harness, chairman, offered report for the permanent committee on Stewardship, which was adopted as follows:

The total amount of all gifts of the churches of Presbytery for the church year of 1940-41 was:

### GIFTS

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Benevolences -----        | \$ 38,564 |
| Local Church Work -----   | 85,348    |
| Building Expense -----    | 9,359     |
| Miscellaneous -----       | 2,484     |
| Total to all causes ----- | \$135,755 |

Comparing this with the previous year shows that we gave \$3,052 less. Benevolent gifts declined \$1,804, and building expense was \$3,852 less than the previous year. However, gifts to local church work increased \$2,604 and miscellaneous contributions showed an increase of \$461.

### THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

According to the report of the General Assembly's committee on Stewardship and Finance, our Every Member Canvass was not as effective as the previous year. In 1940, the canvass was made in churches that reached 90.31% of the membership of Presbytery while this year it only reached 88.17%. The percentage for the General Assembly as a whole was 86.49% and of the Synod of North Carolina 91.04%. We were above the average of General Assembly, but fell below the average of our Synod. In checking over the reports of the churches we find that many churches failed to report the figures on the Every Member Canvass and others were very indefinite about the report. We urge that ministers and sessions of the churches carefully consider and complete the part of the Statistical Report which deals with the Every Member Canvass.

### SPECIAL OFFERINGS

We call attention of Presbytery to the following action of the Synod at its recent meeting in Barium Springs: "That no cause receiving approximately its apportionment of the benevolent budget be granted the privilege of asking for a special offering and where a special offering is made, that this "Special Offering" shall be credited on the percentage assigned to that particular cause, and

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said cause shall not participate in undesignated gifts until the other causes have received from all sources like percentage of the amounts assigned them in the benevolent budget."

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Sunday, March 15, 1942, be observed as Every Member Canvass Sunday, when every church shall endeavor to help each member to give earnest and prayerful consideration to his plans for giving in the light of God's blessing in Christ, of the need of people for Christ and His Message and of God's invitation to fellowship in His work.
2. That pastors and church officers be urged to help people make their planning for giving, and their giving itself, an act of worship when the human life wrapped up in the offering shall be dedicated as sacred to the purpose of God.
3. That Sunday, March 29, 1942, be designated as "Pay-Up-Day" when all members are urged to complete payment of their Budget pledges.
4. That we adopt the same percentages for 1942-43 and that we urge all churches to adhere to these percentages in the distribution among the several causes of their total benevolences.
5. That we adopt a budget for the year 1942-43 of \$38,000.
6. That this amount be distributed to the churches on the same basis as previous year.
7. That, in view of the fact that some of our churches will be without pastors or have only temporary supplies, we remind the sessions and boards of deacons of such churches of their obligation for planning and conducting the Every Member Canvass.

The committee also offered a table of apportionments to the churches of contributions to benevolent causes, which was adopted. (The table appears elsewhere in the minutes.)

Ruling Elder W. D. McCaig, chairman of the permanent Auditing committee, made report as to the correctness of the accounts of the treasurer of the contingent fund. The same was approved.

4:00 p. m. Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman, presented the following report for the permanent committee on Religious Education, which was adopted:

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Your committee presents herewith its sixth annual report. It does so rejoicing in the manifest blessings of God on the efforts that have been put forth. While there has been no development of a startling nature we do believe that the work has moved forward in a satisfactory manner and is in a healthy condition.

The annual meeting of the committee was held at the Church of the Covenant February 14th. with sixteen members present. The committee was in session for several hours discussing the work in its various phases and making definite plans for the months ahead. In addition a number of other meetings have been held as the needs of the work demanded.

Two interesting and helpful conferences have been held: The one was the meeting of members of all committees of R. E. of the Synod in Durham in October of last year, with approximately seventy five present. This Presbytery was represented by a large delegation. The other was the conference for pastors, superintendents and other workers of the Presbytery held at the Wallace church in April with about 125 present. The program was arranged and put on by the Synod's committee and proved most interesting and helpful.

May we turn now from these matters of general interest to what has been accomplished in the various divisions.

**CHILDREN'S DIVISION:**—This division has had a most successful year's work. The Rev. M. C. Macqueen, the chairman, presents the following report. 43 D. V. B. schools were held with an enrollment of 2618 pupils and 340 workers, or a total of 2958. While the number of schools is slightly smaller than that reported last year due to fact that so many of our churches have been without pastors, the total enrollment was larger. Four workers were furnished: one, Miss Susan Evans, a paid worker for 8 weeks, and three volunteer workers trained at the Institute held at Peace College gave four weeks each in service. Two churches, Graves Memorial and Church of the Covenant, conducted week day expanded sessions.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION:**—The work in this division has also been most encouraging; it is better organized and moving along more smoothly than ever. Rev. R. H. Poole, the chairman, makes the following report: Four district rallies were held—Southport with 75 present; Warsaw with 97 present; Black River with 130 present; Beth Car with 120 present or a total of 422. 35 delegates attended the Davidson Conference. The Young People's Conference at Peace was one of the best yet held; there were present 108 delegates and a staff of 23. Rev. J. I. Knight reports a most successful Pioneer Conclave held at White Lake in September with 99 Pioneers and a staff of 8 adults present - total 107. This was by far the best of these conclaves yet held; the spirit of co-operation was most manifest.

**ORGANIZATION AND EXTENSION:**—The chairman of this Division, Rev. Ben Rose, was called for service in the army as chaplain and I could not secure his report.

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**LEADERSHIP TRAINING:**—Rev. J. W. Miller, the chairman, makes the following report: 8 Leadership Schools have been held with a total enrollment of 196; 4 churches held Leadership Training classes, 5 First Series Training courses; 5 delegates went to the Montreat Leadership School. 11 churches report that they regularly have S. S. Workers' Conferences. 5 attended Montreat Leadership School in July.

**ADULT DIVISION:**—Rev. D. L. Jones, the chairman of this division, reports the organization of the men of the Graves Memorial Church, Clinton. Other than this there have been no special activities in adult work.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That every church be more untiring in its efforts to gather into its Sunday School those that are not enrolled in any.
2. That a Young People's Conference be held next June at Peace College, all arrangements for which shall be in the hands of the sub-committee on Young People's Work.
3. That a Pioneer Conclave be held at such time and place next year as be deemed best by the committee.
4. That Presbytery appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of this committee to be paid out of the treasury of Home Missions.
5. That all churches be urged to give more careful consideration to the need for Leadership Training through Workers' conferences, Leadership classes and schools and by sending delegates to Montreat Leadership School.
6. That all pastors and churches be urged to extend the work and influence of the Sunday School as the most potent means of building the church.
7. That pastors and Sunday School leaders give careful consideration to the Expanded Session as a valuable means of supplementing the work of the Sunday School.

### FINANCIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE:

##### RECEIPTS:

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Home Mission Committee | \$ 10.00 |
|------------------------|----------|

##### DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                              |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Postage, Phone Calls and General Promotional | 10.00 |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|

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## CHILDREN'S DIVISION:

### RECEIPTS:

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Balance from previous year   | 28.85 |
| Collections from D. V. B. S. | 11.84 |
| Total                        | 40.69 |

### DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                               |      |         |
|-----------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Travel expense for Miss Evans, Postage, Phone | 3.93 |         |
| Balance on hand                               |      | \$36.76 |

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION:

### RECEIPTS:

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Balance from previous year  | 88.60  |
| 97 delegates @ \$6.75       | 654.75 |
| 11 delegates @ \$3.50       | 38.50  |
| White Lake Pioneer Conclave | 9.00   |
| Total                       | 790.85 |

### DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                                              |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Board and Room for 131 delegates @ \$5.00                    | 655.00  |
| Banquet                                                      | 10.00   |
| Printing                                                     | 11.00   |
| Conference Paper                                             | 4.00    |
| Honorarium to Misses Clark and Wilkerson                     | 10.00   |
| Expense of Revs. Poole and Knight to<br>Montreat Conferences | 26.00   |
| Total                                                        | 716.00  |
| Balance on hand                                              | \$74.85 |

Pending the adoption of the report, Presbytery heard from the following chairman of sub-committees:

- Rev. M. C. Macqueen of the Children's Division.
- Rev. J. W. Miller, Leadership Training Division.
- Rev. D. L. Jones, Adult Work.

Dr. Whitmore, chairman, also made announcement of the forthcoming conference on "Religious Education in the Present World Situation", to be held in Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 3-5, 1941.

Candidate Wm. Monroe Wicker, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, requested that he be examined for licensure at this time; and Presbytery proceeded to examine him on the subjects named in the Book of Church Order. Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, committee

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on Christian Education, reported the reading and approval of the required thesis, exegesis and popular lecture; and verbal examination was given as to other subjects. These several parts of trial were accepted as satisfactory; and Presbytery heard a sermon from the candidate on the text, Matt. 6:33. The sermon was also approved, and the examination as a whole was accepted as satisfactory.

Presbytery thereupon licensed Mr. Wicker as a probationer for the Gospel ministry in accordance with the Book of Church Order, and records the licensure as follows:

At Wallace, N C., the 14th day of October, 1941, the Presbytery of Wilmington, having received testimonials commending William Monroe Wicker, and evidence of his being a communicant of the church, of his good moral character, and of his having pursued suitable courses of study, proceeded to submit him to the prescribed tests for licensure, which were met to the approval of the Presbytery. On his satisfactorily answering the questions appointed to be put to applicants for licensure, Mr. Wicker was licensed by the Presbytery to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the ministry within the bounds of this Presbytery, or wherever he shall in an orderly way be invited to preach.

The Moderator closed the exercises with prayer and words of counsel to the licentiate.

Mr. Wicker, having expressed his desire to be ordained as an evangelist, Presbytery named a commission to ordain him at a time not less than sixty days hence to be selected by the commission. The members of the commission are: Revs. J. G. Morrison, J. Ray Dickens, J. I. Knight, with alternates Revs. M. J. Murray and S. G. Harness; and Ruling Elders R. V. Wells, Gardner Edwards, J. D. Evans.

As desired, Presbytery selected the Grove church, Kenansville, as the place for the exercises.

Upon hearing announcements and prayer by Rev. W. P. M. Currie, recess was taken until the evening session.

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## TUESDAY EVENING

7:30 p. m. Presbytery met for a popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions. Rev. J. T. Echols, chairman of the permanent committee on that subject, presided and presented a report from the committee.

Rev. Charles W. Worth, a member of the Presbytery and of the China mission, delivered an address on the military and missionary situation in China at this time of Japanese aggression. The address was very informing and stimulating.

Presbytery heard and approved the report of the chairman and adopted the recommendations therein as follows:

1. That in this day of great moral and spiritual confusion in the world, our church reassert her faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ as the Power of God unto salvation and its complete adequacy for all the needs of men, even in such a time as this.
2. That the Foreign Mission Season, January 1 to February 8, 1942, be observed in all our churches as a time for rededication to the world task of Christian Missions, and that all our ministers be urged to preach frequently and fervently on Missions.
3. That all our churches be urged to make the largest possible use of the special Foreign Mission Study Season, and that every church be asked to observe February 1-8, 1942, as the Week of Prayer and Self Denial, and that all sessions be urged to arrange for special offerings in the churches.
4. That this be a time of unceasing prayer for missions.
5. That the church marshal her resources of men and money and spiritual power for the great days of opportunity and challenge that our missionaries tell us must surely follow in the wake of the war.

Presbytery adjourned for the day, after prayer by Rev. J. Robt. Phipps.



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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

9:00 a. m. A period of worship was conducted by Rev. D. L. Jones with use of the passage, Mark 4:26-29.

Rev. J. D. Withrow and Ruling Elder E. J. Wells were enrolled.

Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. J. S. Mackeral, of East Hanover Presbytery, was introduced to Presbytery and invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Upon motion, Rev. J. W. Miller was elected to supply the vacancy of Permanent Clerk.

10:00 a. m. A report on Presbytery's Home Missions was made by Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., chairman; in connection with which Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., Superintendent of Home Missions, gave a summary view of the home mission fields of the Presbytery. The report altogether was received as information.

10:30 a. m. A report on Educational Institutions was made by Rev. J. Robt. Phipps, chairman. In connection therewith, Rev. C. H. Storey, D. D., spoke with reference to the financial campaign of the Assembly's Training school, and Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., relative to Flora Macdonald and Peace Junior colleges. The chairman also gave information with regard to progress of Davidson college. The report as a whole was approved.

Rev. C. C. Myers, chairman of the permanent committee on Social and Moral welfare, made report relative to unfavorable moral conditions in the territory of the Presbytery, on account of the large defense projects. The report was approved.

Rev. J. Ray Dickens, chairman, offered report for the standing committee on Records of Presbytery, which was adopted as follows:

The records of Presbytery have been examined and found to be accurate and neatly kept. There is nothing to be brought to the attention of Presbytery.

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The permanent committee on Nominations, through Rev. P. L. Clark, chairman, presented the following report, which was adopted:

We recommend:—

That Rev. F. S. Johnston be placed on the permanent committee on Evangelism to succeed Rev. B. L. Rose.

That Rev. J. R. Kennedy succeed Rev. B. L. Rose on the permanent committee on Sessional Records.

That Rev. M. J. Murray succeed Rev. B. L. Rose on the permanent committee on Divorce and Re-marriage.

That the following be named on the committees on Examination:

Rev. M. J. Murray to succeed Rev. L. W. Kessler on Experimental Religion.

Rev. J. Ray Dickens to succeed Rev. B. L. Rose on Natural and Exact Sciences.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., to succeed Rev. B. L. Rose on Church History.

For the commission on the Minister and His Work, we recommend that Rev. M. C. Macqueen be named in place of Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, retired; that Rev. J. I. Knight, whose term expires this fall, be named to succeed himself; and that Ruling Elder M. V. Orr be added to the commission for the period ending in the fall of 1943.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman of the permanent committee of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, made verbal report as to the candidates of Presbytery, etc. The same was received as information.

11:00 a. m. Presbytery heard a sermon by Rev. S. G. Harness on the subject of "Effectual Calling" from the text, II Thess. 2:13-14.

Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., chairman of the permanent committee on Evangelism, presented the following report:

Attention is called to the action taken by the General Assembly and by the Synod of North Carolina in regard to the Evangelistic Crusade. Both of these courts have called for continued effort to make the Evangelistic Crusade permanent. Both the Assembly and the Synod approved the employment of a permanent Director of Evangelism for the Assembly and call upon the Presbyteries to push the Evangelistic Programs within their bounds.

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Within Wilmington Presbytery there has been falling off in the number of additions to the church on Profession of Faith, which may indicate a slackening of the Evangelistic effort. The Defense Program activities within the Presbytery have had a tendency to distract the minds of the people from spiritual to temporal things, both in connection with the activities at the training camps and in the stimulus of new business activities. There are forces that work against the spirituality of the church and consequently cause lack of interest in the great work of saving souls. On the other hand the defense activities, by bringing thousands of young men into our midst either as soldiers or sailors in the training camps or as workers in the newly established industries, and by bringing in a large number of families for either permanent or temporary residence, have greatly enlarged our evangelistic opportunities. Furthermore, the Defense Program itself is a challenge to the church to deepen its spirituality and to stress the call of surrender to Christ as Saviour and Lord. The presbytery should call upon all of its churches to face the situation and to stand firm against the demoralizing influences and to move forward to the attack for a spirit of militant evangelism.

Attention is called to the following recommendations passed down to the Presbytery.

1. The Presbytery continue the Crusade of Evangelism.
2. The Presbytery approve the request of the Synod to raise the quota for the support of the Crusade and that this matter be left to the Stewardship committee with authority to act.
3. The Presbytery express appreciation for the fine service of Dr. D. W. Richardson, Chairman of Assembly's Committee on Evangelism.
4. That the committee on Evangelism be instructed to contact every session of the Presbytery and through the session to promote Evangelism along the line suggested by the high courts.
5. That every church, which has not already done so, be urged to hold an evangelistic meeting between now and the end of the church year.
6. That the Stewardship committee be instructed to endeavor to raise \$50 by voluntary subscription from the churches of the Presbytery to be applied toward an Assembly fund of \$2000, said fund to be used to defray the expenses of the Assembly's committee on Evangelism. In taking this action, the Presbytery would go record as opposed to a Secretary of Evangelism.

In consideration of the report, Rev. Andrew J. Howell addressed the Presbytery with reference to the need of a more intense evangelistic spirit on the part of the ministers.

The report of the committee was duly adopted.

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Rev. J. R. Potts, chairman, standing committee on Bills and Overtures, offered report recommending the following action by the Presbytery relative to enactments sent down by the General Assembly, viz.:

Proposed addition to Par. 142, Book of Church Order, relative to retirement of ministers at age 70. Answer to be disapproval.

Proposed addition of certain words in Par. 149, Book of Church Order, regarding election of elders and deacons for limited terms. Answer to be approval.

Proposed addition of Chapter IX, Confession of Faith, on the Holy Spirit. Answer to be approval.

Proposed addition of Chapter X, Confession of Faith, on the Gospel. Answer to be approval.

The report of the committee was adopted.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, D. D., chairman of the advisory committee on Divorce and Re-marriage, made report, which was received as information.

Rev. K. C. Seawright, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on the Bible Cause, which was received as information.

Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on the Orphans' Home, which was received as information.

Rev. J. G. Morrison, chairman, made report for the permanent committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, which was received as information.

Rev. J. D. Withrow, made report as to his attendance as a commissioner to the General Assembly, which was approved.

Rev. Andrew J. Howell, chairman of the permanent committee on History, made report, including a suggestion that Presbytery request the librarian of the Union Theological Seminary to send the historical manuscripts and papers from Wilmington Presbytery which are on file in that library to the Historical Foundation at Montreat, N. C. Upon motion, Presbytery voted such request.

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Rev. G. A. Wilson, D. D., made report of the activities and plans of the work for the U. S. armed forces within the bounds of our Presbytery.

Rev. E. B. Carr, of Fayetteville Presbytery, presented a certificate dismissing him to the Presbytery of Wilmington. Presbytery submitted to him the required examination, and he, having given satisfactory answers, was received into Wilmington Presbytery upon his signing the usual obligation.

The standing committee on Leave of Absence made report, through Rev. M. J. Murray, chairman, that it had excused from attendance the following members:

After Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. S. Johnston, and Ruling Elders Raymond Marshall, Oscar High, Melzar Pearsall, J. L. Lamb, J. K. Clark, H. A. Munroe, L. A. Smith, J. F. Davis.

After the evening session, Rev. C. W. Worth.

Rev. J. I. Knight, chairman, on behalf of the standing committee on Resolution of Thanks, presented the following paper, which was adopted by a rising vote, viz:

Our Presbytery has had a very high privilege in spending two days as guests of the Wallace church. The members of this church have a reputation for their generosity and hospitality. They have set a high mark this week. We wish to express our thanks to the good ladies and the pastor of the church, and all of the members who labored so freely and cheerfully for our comfort. We will long remember the splendid meals served here. You have done every thing within your power to make our visit a happy one. This has been a fine meeting of Wilmington Presbytery. The good people of this church have shown a spirit which has gone far towards making it a success. For all this we again thank you.

The Moderator appointed Rev. J. R. Kennedy to preach the doctrinal sermon in the spring upon the subject of the "Perseverance of the Saints".

The standing committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting reported, through its chairman, Rev. Jas. R. Phipps, that no invitations had been received. The usual committee, consisting of the Moderator and Stated Clerk, was therefore named to arrange for the place of meeting.

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Upon the final roll call, the following members answered to their names:

Ministers: W. P. M. Currie, P. L. Clark, A. J. Howell, C. C. Myers, J. Robt. Phipps, S. G. Harness, J. H. Whitmore, D. D., J. W. Miller, C. H. Storey, D. D., J. I. Knight, J. S. Crowley, Jas. R. Phipps, J. D. Withrow, D. L. Jones, G. A. Wilson, D. D., J. R. Potts, K. C. Seawright, M. C. Macqueen, J. R. Dickens, J. G. Morrison, J. R. Kennedy, M. J. Murray, (22);

Ruling Elders: R. C. Carson, W. R. Rich, R. V. Wells, C. O. Bollinger, E. S. Williams, F. F. DeVane, C. F. Blanchard, E. J. Wells, Osborn Carr, (9).

After the singing of the hymn, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds", and a prayer by the Moderator, the Presbytery adjourned to meet at a place to be chosen on April 14, 1942, — *Clarkton Presbyterian Church*.

J. W. MILLER, Permanent Clerk.

ANDREW J. HOWELL, Stated Clerk.

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## BENEVOLENT ASKINGS FOR YEAR BEGINNING APRIL 1st. 1942.

|                    |          |        |                     |           |        |
|--------------------|----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|--------|
| Acme -----         | \$       | 70.00  | Maple Hill -----    | \$        | 20.00  |
| Antioch -----      |          | 27.00  | Mt. Horeb -----     |           | 106.00 |
| Ashwood -----      |          | 58.00  | Mt. Olive -----     |           | 606.00 |
| Baker -----        |          | 131.00 | Mt. Williams -----  |           | 45.00  |
| Beth Car -----     |          | 175.00 | Mt. Zion -----      |           | 624.00 |
| Bethel -----       |          | 105.00 | New Hope -----      |           | 189.00 |
| Beulaville -----   |          | 66.00  | Oakdale -----       |           | 15.00  |
| Black River -----  |          | 105.00 | Oak Plains -----    |           | 144.00 |
| Bladenboro -----   |          | 33.00  | Pearsall Memorial _ |           | 677.00 |
| Bowden -----       |          | 36.00  | Pike -----          |           | 65.00  |
| Brown Marsh -----  |          | 15.00  | Pink Hill -----     |           | 65.00  |
| Burgaw -----       |          | 614.00 | Pleasant View ----  |           | 84.00  |
| Calypso -----      |          | 195.00 | Pollocksville ----- |           | 153.00 |
| Caswell -----      |          | 93.00  | Rockfish -----      |           | 291.00 |
| Chadbourn -----    |          | 227.00 | Rocky Point -----   |           | 237.00 |
| Chinquapin -----   |          | 239.00 | St. Andrews -----   | 5,208.00  |        |
| Covenant -----     | 7,400.00 |        | Smiths -----        |           | 42.00  |
| Clarkton -----     |          | 867.00 | Southport -----     |           | 27.00  |
| Croatan -----      |          | 33.00  | South River -----   |           | 73.00  |
| Currie -----       |          | 42.00  | Stanford -----      |           | 11.00  |
| Delgado -----      |          | 134.00 | Sweet Home -----    |           | 1.00   |
| Elizabethtown ---- |          | 507.00 | Teachey -----       |           | 225.00 |
| Elkton -----       |          | 23.00  | Topsail -----       |           | 98.00  |
| Faison -----       |          | 485.00 | Wallace -----       |           | 986.00 |
| Graves Memorial _  | 1,204.00 |        | Warsaw -----        |           | 512.00 |
| Grove -----        |          | 229.00 | Webb Memorial ---   |           | 231.00 |
| Hallsville -----   |          | 131.00 | Westminster -----   |           | 571.00 |
| Harmony -----      |          | 59.00  | White Plains -----  |           | 29.00  |
| Hebron -----       |          | 8.00   | Whiteville First -- |           | 371.00 |
| Holly Grove -----  |          | 118.00 | Wildwood -----      |           | 145.00 |
| Hopewell -----     |          | 159.00 | Willard -----       |           | 221.00 |
| Immanuel -----     |          | 591.00 | Wilmington First _  | 10,558.00 |        |
| Jacksonville ----- |          | 118.00 | Winter Park -----   |           | 821.00 |
| Lake Waccamaw --   |          | 99.00  | Woodburn -----      |           | 121.00 |
| McClure Memorial _ |          | 32.00  |                     |           |        |

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## SEND BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS

to

R. M. SHEPPARD,

Treasurer of Benevolences

Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C.,

who will make disposition of them as follows:

| Cause—                                                                   | Per Cent | To Treasurer                                                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Foreign Missions -----                                                   | 26.2     | Curry B. Hearn, Box 330,<br>Nashville, Tenn.                    |
| Assembly's Home Missions---                                              | 13.8     | A. N. Sharpe, 573 W. Peachtree<br>St., Atlanta, Ga.             |
| Chr. Ed. & Min. Relief -----                                             | 6.5      | Rev. W. H. Hopper, 410 Urban<br>Building, Louisville, Ky.       |
| Religious Education -----                                                | 2.25     | Dr. Edward D. Grant, Box<br>1176, Richmond, Va.                 |
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