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Disciplinary Questions

The North Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Madison, N. C., from October 27 to October 31, 1926. Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, presiding.

Secretary—S. A. Peeler, West Raleigh, N. C.

Statistician—P. I. Wells, Thomasville, N. C.

Treasurer—R. W. Winchester, Laurinburg, N. C.

Registrar—J. M. Harris, West Asheville, N. C.

1. (a) Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline? It has a board of trustees.

(b) What Officers and Persons holding Moneys, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what Amounts, According to the Requirements of the Discipline? S. A. Peeler, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, bonded in the amount of \$1,000.

2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? W. C. Adams, East Tennessee.

3. Who have been Readmitted? None.

4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? James W. Hall, Elder from the A. M. E. Z. Church.

5. Who have been Received on Trial? (a) In Studies of First Year? Charles G. Bynum, Benjamin W. Stewart.

6. Who have been Continued on Trial? None.

8. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership? (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year? Benjamin F. Gleaves, Calvin L. Gidney.

9. What Members are in Studies of Third Year? (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year? James W. Hall.

11. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study? (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year? Robert McRae.

12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons? (a) As Local Preachers? William G. Hoover.

14. Who have been left without Appointment to Attend One of our Schools? F. D. Caldwell, H. C. Ganaway, Marshall McCallum.

15. Was the Character of each Preacher examined? This was done in the open conference. W. J. Smith was referred to Greensboro District Superintendent for investigation; S. J. Hayden referred to Wilmington District Superintendent for investigation.

16. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences? T. C. Frazier, East Tennessee.

17. Who have Died? J. A. Laughlin.

18. Who have been Located at their own Request? None.
19. Who have been located? None.
20. Who have Withdrawn? (a) From the Ministry? None.
21. Who have been Deprived of the Ministerial Office? None.
22. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints? None.
23. Who have been Expelled? None.
24. What other personal Notation should be made? O. G. Covington's Deacon's Orders from the A. M. E. Z. Church were recognized. E. G. Crumedy's Deacon's Orders from the A. M. E. Church were recognized.
25. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation? S. B. Cornelius, second year.
26. Who are the Retired Ministers? Daniel Brooks, M. J. Bullock, H. A. Frederick, J. H. Garrett, J. D. Hairston, Elisha Howard, J. W. Jones, A. W. McMaster, J. R. McNair, A. B. McQueen, Dorsey McRae, J. D. Murphy, W. W. Pope, L. W. Thomas.
27. Who have been granted Leave of Absence? None.
28. Who are the Triers of Appeals? S. A. Peeler, G. H. Caldwell, P. I. Wells, R. G. Morris, R. B. Rhyne, R. W. Winchester. Reserves: A. H. Newsome, P. J. Cook.
29. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension? Not made.
30. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions? Not made.
31. What is the Statistical Report? See the Statistician's Report.
32. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report? See the Conference Treasurer's Report.
33. (a) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$10,130. (b) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$227.
34. What are the Claims on the Conference Funds? For Annuity distribution, 346 years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of \$4.20 per year, \$29.38. For Necessitous distribution, .30. Total, \$29.68.
35. (a) What has been Received on these Claims? From The Book Concern, \$1251. From the Chartered Fund, \$40. From Pastoral Charges, \$919. From Board of Pensions and Relief, \$612. From other sources, \$165. Total, \$2987. (b) How has it been Applied? As the Conference directed.
39. Where are the Preachers Stationed? See list of Appointments.
40. Where shall the Next Conference be held? Greensboro, N. C.

Appointments

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

J. P. Morris, District Superintendent

Brown Summit	W. R. Zeigler
Durham	To Be Supplied
Empire	C. G. Bynum
Greensboro—East	P. I. Wells
High Street	W. C. Scarborough
North East	E. S. Swann
— St. Matthews	R. T. Weatherby
— South	A. M. Erwin
— North West	N. S. T. Shambourger
Guilford	R. D. Bethea
Henderson	To Be Supplied
Leaksville	N. M. Black
Newport News, Va.	B. W. Steward
Norfolk, Va.	A. S. McGowan
Oxford and Bullock	J. W. Hall
Pleasant Ridge, Va.	To Be Supplied
Ramseur	B. F. Gleaves
Reidsville	J. E. Brower
Summerfield and Terra Cotta	G. W. Morehead
? Townsville <i>(Guthrie, G. H. & M. List)</i>	Sup.
West Raleigh	S. A. Peeler

WESTERN DISTRICT

N. J. Pass, District Superintendent

Asheville	G. H. Caldwell
Bessemer City	D. H. Kearse
Boone	Sup. S. E. Dunham
Catawba Ct.	E. M. McLeod
Cherryville and El Bethel	Sup. C. I. Withrow
Forest City	J. B. Meekins
Franklin	Robt. McRae
Gastonia	G. T. Foley
Hickory	W. T. Lomax
Lawndale and Brooks	B. L. Burge
Lenoir	R. B. Rhyne
Lenoir Ct.	J. C. Addie
Lincolnton and Mt. Holly	A. M. Robinson
Lovesville and Ebenezer	J. J. Blanton
Macpelah and St. James	Robt. Smith
Marion	J. W. Shuford
Mooresville and Mayhue	G. W. Patterson
Mt. Mourn and Cornelius	Sup. W. C. Cook
Newton and Conover	J. R. Dillard
Old Fort	P. F. Johnson
Shelby and King's Mountain	Sup. by B. C. Littlejohn

Sherrill Ford and Denver	A. E. Robinson
Statesville and Philadelphia	G. W. Brower
Union Mills and Bracketown	J. B. Meeks
West Asheville	J. M. Harris

WINSTON DISTRICT

J. A. Baxter, District Superintendent

Advance	A. D. McDonald
Asheboro	A. H. Newsome
Elkin	E. H. McArthur
High Point	H. L. Ashe
High Point, South	W. E. Hairston
Kernersville	S. L. May
Lexington	N. M. Martin
Madison	W. B. Scales
Mt. Airy	F. J. Lee
Mt. Airy Ct.	B. F. Thomas
Pen Hook, Va.	Sup. B. E. Staten
Rural Hall	Henry Jones
Thomasville	E. D. Petty
Thomasville, East	M. C. Laughlin
Trinity	Sup. Henry Davis
Wilkesboro	G. W. Byers
Winston-Salem—Mt. Pleasant	J. W. Simpson
St. Andrews	P. J. Cook
St. Paul	W. M. Wells
Zion Hill	Sup. G. W. Hoover

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

G. M. Phelps, District Superintendent

Bowmore and Mt. Zion	D. C. Skeen
Beauty Spot and New Zion	R. J. Shipp
Charlotte	A. G. Jenkins
Charlotte Mission	C. L. Gidney
Fayetteville	L. D. McQueen
Gibson and Wadesboro	J. A. Cherry
Goldsboro	W. M. Chavis
Hamlet	S. F. B. Peace
South Hamlet	Sup. Emery Leek
Hoffman and Southern Pines	Henry McNair
Johns and Beavardam	William Crawford
Laurinburg and Cool Spring	R. W. Winchester
Lumberton	D. L. Thomas
Monroe and Bethel	R. C. Little
Maxton and Piney Grove	J. C. Rush
Millers and Pembroke	J. L. Alford
Red Springs	R. S. Abernethy
Rockingham and Philadelphia	J. H. Isham
Rowland and Salem	W. C. Adams
Sanford Ct.	Marcus Mundy
St. Mark and Hickory Bend	E. L. Fletcher
Wilmington	Sup. Frank McCollum

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SIXTY-EIGHTH SESSION

The Sixty-eighth Session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to be convened in St. Stephens Methodist Episcopal Church in Madison, North Carolina, held its opening session at Bennett College for Women in Greensboro, North Carolina, Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield presiding.

On the morning of October 27, 1926, at 9 o'clock, the Conference was called to order and the Bishop led in appropriate devotions, following which he addressed the Conference. Talks were made by Mr. David Jones, recently appointed President of Bennett College for Women, and by Mrs. Jones, wife of the President. G. M. Phelps, District Superintendent of the Wilmington District, made remarks. Dr. B. M. Powell, Field Representative of the Board of Pensions and Relief, was introduced. He addressed the Conference.

S. A. Peeler was chosen Secretary. He named J. E. Brower and G. H. Caldwell as assistant secretaries.

The Conference voted the adoption of the new Pension system. H. L. Ashe offered a resolution which was seconded by R. T. Weatherby and approved by the Conference. (See Resolutions.)

Question 15 was called.

H. L. Ashe passed in character and reported the Greensboro District.

G. M. Phelps was passed in character and reported the Wilmington District.

Mr. Richard B. Harrison was introduced. He recited, to the delight of the Conference, Little Brown Baby.

The first session of the Conference closed with a prayer by S. A. Peeler and the benediction by J. P. Morris.

The Conference held the afternoon session in St. Stephens Church in Madison. Devotions were conducted by the Bishop. J. M. Harris led in prayer.

Question 15 was continued.

J. A. Baxter passed in character and reported the Winston District.

Checks were announced: From Board of Pensions and Relief, \$612.35; Book Concern, \$1251; Chartered Fund, \$40.

These were authorized by the Conference to be handed to the Treasurer of the Conference for collection and distribution.

R. W. Winchester, Treasurer, appointed D. L. Thomas, A. G. Jenkins, J. P. Morris, J. C. Rush and W. T. Lomax to assist him.

P. I. Wells, Statistician, appointed W. M. Wells, E. I. S. Swann, P. F. Johnson and J. H. Isham to assist him.

The characters of the pastors of the four districts were passed and the pastors made their reports.

The Conference fixed the hour of meeting to be 9 o'clock in the morning. The session closed with the benediction by W. A. C. Hughes.

At the evening session P. I. Wells presided. R. G. Morris led in prayer. The address of the evening was made by Dr. W. A. C. Hughes, Field Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. The benediction was pronounced by Dr. J. D. Chavis.

Second Day

Thursday morning at 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair and led the devotions. A. G. Jenkins led in the prayer.

The Bishop, assisted by the District Superintendents, administered the Lord's Supper.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous session and they were approved.

Welcome addresses on behalf of the village were made by His Honor Thomas D. Meador, the mayor of Madison; on behalf of the churches by Rev. T. J. Rogers of the M. E. Church, South, and on behalf of the St. Stephens M. E. Church by J. N. Moseley.

Responses were made by R. W. Winchester, D. H. Kearse and Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield.

The bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first four rows of seats fronting the pulpit.

N. J. Pass passed in character and reported the Western District.

J. E. Brower was appointed press reporter.

Question One was called.

The Conference has a Board of Trustees as the state law requires. The Conference voted to require S. A. Peeler, Treas-

urer of the Board of Trustees, to give bond in the sum of \$1000.

Question 2. W. C. Adams, East Tennessee.

Question 3. None.

Question 16. T. C. Frazier, East Tennessee.

Question 17. J. A. Laughlin.

Question 26. (See list.)

The following retired ministers were present and made remarks: Daniel Brooks, M. J. Bullock, A. B. McQueen, Dorsey McRae, W. W. Pope, L. W. Thomas, J. H. Garrett.

Question 25 was called.

S. B. Cornelius, second year. C. E. Howard was restored to the effective relation. A. W. McMaster and J. D. Murphy were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

W. J. Smith and S. J. Hayden were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for investigation.

The payment of the debt to the Book Concern of J. A. Laughlin, deceased, was ordered by the Conference to be paid on motion of S. A. Peeler.

Dr. J. D. Chavis and J. A. Foust were introduced.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. P. Morris.

At the evening session the secretary of the cabinet gave the list of committees appointed by the cabinet. (See list.)

The Conference was addressed by Drs. J. D. Chavis and J. A. Foust. Mrs. P. I. Wells was very happy in the rendition of a solo.

Third Day

On Friday morning at 9 o'clock the Conference opened with devotions. E. D. Petty led in prayer. The Bishop gave a devotional address on The Ministry of Silence.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous sessions and they were approved.

On behalf of the Greensboro District P. I. Wells presented a purse to H. L. Ashe, retiring District Superintendent. He responded.

Question 4 was called.

James W. Hall's Elder's Orders from A. M. E. Z. Church were recognized and he was received into full membership of the Conference and placed in the studies of the third year.

Question 5 was called.

(a) Charles G. Bynum and Benj. W. Stewart were received and placed in studies of the first year.

Question 6 was called.

(a) Edward M. McLeod and Geo. W. Patterson were continued on trial in studies of the second year.

On motion by S. A. Peeler the Conference reconsidered the action requiring all undergraduates to attend summer school. The requirement was made to include all who are not Students of Gammon Theological Seminary.

Question 7 was called. None.

Question 10 was called. None.

Question 11 was called.

Robert McRae was graduated from the Conference course of study and elected to Elder's Orders.

Question 12 was called.

Green Hoover was elected to local Deacon's Orders.

Question 13 was called. None.

Question 19 was called. None.

Question 20 was called. None.

Question 24 was called.

W. J. Smith was referred to the District Superintendent of the Greensboro District for investigation. C. E. Howard was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Question 27 was called. None.

Question 40 was called. Greensboro was chosen.

Question 28 was called. S. A. Peeler, G. H. Caldwell, P. I. Wells, R. G. Morris, R. B. Rhyne, R. W. Winchester. Reserves: A. H. Newsome, P. J. Cook.

The Boys' Conference as ordered by the last Annual Conference was conducted by R. T. Weatherby. Dr. J. D. Chavis led in prayer. William Dalton on behalf of the boys of Madison made the visitors welcome. Oscar Whitfield made response. The Bishop addressed the boys.

The Secretary was instructed by the Conference to respond to a letter of greetings from H. C. Gannaway.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by M. J. Bullock.

In the afternoon the Boys' Conference reassembled, N. M. Martin presiding. Devotions were conducted. S. F. B. Peace led the prayer.

Mr. David Jones and R. T. Weatherby addressed the Conference. Mr. Richard B. Harrison, the elecutionist, recited one of his masterpieces, to the delight of the Conference. Dr. J. D. Chavis from the East Tennessee Conference delivered a sermon.

William Wells presided at the evening session. J. W. Simpson led in prayer. R. G. Morris made the address.

A pulpit made by Professor Watts, principal of the Negro Public School of Madison, was presented to St. Stephen M. E. Church. D. H. Kearse on behalf of the church and Conference made remarks.

Benediction by the Rev. Mr. Watt.

Fourth Day

Saturday morning's session opened with devotions led by the Bishop. The Ten Commandments were repeated by the Conference while the choir chanted, as laid down in our order of service.

The reading of the minutes of the previous session was not completed.

Under Question 8 (a) Benjamine F. Gleaves was admitted into full connection and elected to be ordained Deacon.

The case of S. J. Hayden was again referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Question 31 was called.

P. I. Wells, Statistician, made his report. Adopted. (See Report.)

Question 32 was called.

R. W. Winchester, Treasurer, made his report. Adopted. (See Report.)

Questions 34 and 35 were called.

The Conference Stewards made their report, and it was adopted by the Conference. (See Report.)

Question 36 was called.

An amount equal to 5 per cent of the pastors' salary was determined by the Conference.

The Conference requested the pastors to furnish all names of conference claimants' children who live on their respective charges.

A resolution touching on the presidency of Bishop Thirkield over the area in which our Conference is situated was read by J. A. Baxter and adopted by the Conference. (See Resolutions.)

The Bishop's salary was fixed at a sum equal to 11-8 per cent of the pastors' salary.

R. W. Winchester was chosen Treasurer for the ensuing year.

P. I. Wells was chosen Statistician for the ensuing year.

Daniel Brooks was chosen official visitor to Bennett College for Women.

The District Superintendents with a commission to be appointed by the cabinet were authorized by the Conference to sell any property that has ceased to be used for church purposes, and to apply \$2000 of funds so realized to our church at Norfolk.

The Committee on Education reported. (See Report.)

President Jones presented a plan for self-denial week for Bennett. It was adopted. The time fixed for the execution of this plan is the week ending February 12.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was made. (See Report.)

The time was extended by vote of the Conference.

The Committee on World Service reported.

Profs. J. A. McRae and W. B. Winchester and the Rev. Mr. Campbell, and Mrs. Mamie McLaurin and Miss Belle Jones were introduced.

N. M. Martin was appointed to collect for the Southwestern Christian Advocate.

C. E. Howard was taken from the supernumerary and placed in effective relation.

A collection of \$172 was made for the minutes of 1925-1926.

O. G. Covington's local Deacon's Orders from the A. M. E. Z. Church were recognized.

E. G. Crumedy's Deacon's Orders from the A. M. E. Church were recognized.

The four District Superintendents were made collectors of the fund for publication of the minutes by order of the Conference.

The Conference voted that after reading the minutes and the appointments they would stand adjourned.

The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

Fifth Day

On Sunday morning love feast was conducted by D. Brooks, W. J. Bullock, W. W. Pope and D. McRae.

The Bishop preached at 10:30 a. m. and 3 p. m. He ordained as Deacons B. F. Gleaves, Calvin Gidney and William G. Hoover; as Elder, Robert McRae.

Sunday evening following the reading of the appointments W. M. Wells delivered the closing sermon.

Reports

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

REPORT OF THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT

H. L. Ashe, District Superintendent

Bishops and members of the Conference, I am blessed with the privilege to come before you with my sixth and final report as Superintendent of the Greensboro District. I am, as you are, profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father (whose we are, and without whom we can do nothing), for His fatherly care over us.

We have labored together these six years in a common cause, dear to us all, and can report some success. Ideals have not been reached, but earnest efforts have been put forth toward them.

Material Growth

All details will be seen in the pastors' reports. During the six years two new churches have been built and two in process of erection. Two new parsonages have been built and occupied, and one parsonage bought and almost paid for. Many of the charges have made substantial improvement, which add much to the material appearance and to the enhancement of the church property. This has been done for the most without embarrassing debts, only one church seriously handicapped with indebtedness.

Education

The outlook for higher education was never so bright as it is at the tick of the watch. The State of North Carolina has forged itself ahead of all the Southern States in a program of education for our people. Standardized high schools have sprung up in various sections of the state, equipped with the best teachers available. The Board of Education of our church and the Woman's Home Missionary Society, under the leadership of Bishop Thirkield, who is always alert for the best things for our people, have worked out a program of education which is destined to prove a mighty advance in the training of our young women for larger usefulness. Our Bennett College that has stood for years as the lighthouse of the North Carolina Conference has been transformed into a College for Women. Prof. David T. Jones, one of Greensboro's favored sons, has been elected President. He is associated by a strong faculty, all college women, representing the best schools in the country. Thus a new epoch has begun in Christian Education for our people.

World Service

The district records show that some gains have been made each year. And while this has been a very hard year financially on account of economical conditions, yet reports indicate that we will at

least hold our own. The fact is world service is coming into its own. The people generally are accepting it as a fixed fact in their church life, and are giving it a more sympathetic and generous support. In 1925 there was a falling income at Chicago which was alarming. At the closing of the fiscal year, May 31, 1926, there was an increase of more than \$200,000—this was heartening to the entire church. The Greensboro District has a large share in this wonderful achievement. A number of charges on the district are coming up this year one hundred per cent.

Spiritual Growth

The spiritual condition of the district is by no means what we desire, but marked progress along modern methods in spiritual evangelism may be noted in many of the charges. There has been a more sympathetic study of the Christian life as it relates to our fellowmen. The results of which there is a greater interest in community life. Personal evangelism is taking hold of the hearts of the people. The need is for a deeper interest in our fellowmen, and a more dilligent application of our time and talent to the study of God's Word. We must understand that our Christ came into the world to save all men, and that He must do it through the Christian church. World salvation is the objective—world service is destined to save every man and all society—the highest, lowest, worst and best shall be given a chance. The church should rapidly come to the place of leadership in the world. The many problems with which the church is confronted require strong spiritual influence and power. We live in an awful day. The world is reeking in sin; the clouds of immorality are lowering upon us; dens of infamy and cesspools of iniquity infest the great centers that throb with human life. Womanhood is being reduced—man power is weak—everywhere there are signs of ruin and decay with much religious indifference. This condition demands strong ministerial leadership. Men called and consecrated—men full of courage. The Redeemer's kingdom cannot be advanced by half-heartedness. While it is a dark day, the courageous Christian leader sees a brighter tomorrow. There is still the sound of the Master, "Go ye into all the world," and the commission is to every creature. Still rings the declaration of John Wesley, "The world is my parish." Such faith takes no denial, but looks opposition in the face and cries, "It must be done."

Brethren, the task may be hard, but the duty is ours. Let us go to it, and stick to it with a determination of iron—a will of steel—and a heart of love. Preach a gospel fraught with life, light and power till Christianity shall have its mild and gentle sway, and peace shall plant its olive wreath in every nation.

"This is our faith tremendous—
Our wild hope who should scorn
That in the Name of Jesus
The world shall be new born."

REPORT OF THE WINSTON DISTRICT

Dear Bishop and Brethren:

I come to make this my second annual report after another year's toil and constant travel. Now as we drop anchor and pitch tent here in this city of brotherly love, we feel grateful for the way God has dealt with us. I dare say there is to be found among us a common experience as its found wherever preachers meet, an experience in common with the great peacher to the Gentiles. We have been in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city and in the wilderness, and in peril by untrue brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchings and fastings often. Besides the things that come from without there comes upon me daily the care of the churches. To this end, Bishop, I with the rest of the brethren come to report on the care of the churches; I, in particular, those of the Winston District.

We are grateful in that the Angel of Rest has not broken the ministerial ranks of the district, though various diseases have intercepted our line of march. We are especially happy that the church has so arranged its program that you, our resident Bishop and chifetain, could preside at this session. Your presence does as heretofore shed a wholesome influence over us, and your brotherly admonitions seem to give us an undaunted zeal that arms us for the affray.

In rendering this report, Bishop, we are fully conscious of the fact that our ideal has not been obtained. Yet with a degree of modesty we feel that some progress has been made as compared with our previous report. Painfully conscious of our former blunders we have profited thereby and have made amends.

The Group Meeting

Early in the year we called in conference at South High Point our district stewards and chairmen of the local World Service Councils, and there by carefully arranged programs endeavored to lay before them the blueprint of the year's work with specifications attached; laying stress not only upon the necessity of strong foundation laying, but gave even the minutest details from cellar to attic. To these plans the majority gave their hearty approval. There was no reason for me to suspect any diversion from these plans, but I did the awful presumptuous act of sending circular letters to the brethren as a kind of follow up method, reminding them of some of the essentials of the program that must not be neglected or overlooked.

Welfare of the Brethren and Care of the District My First Concern

Twelve months ago, Bishop, we were all assigned our work for the ensuing year. As is true of all conferences, many of us got what we didn't want—so did many of the congregations—but suffice it to say we all got a place to work. And my task has been to encourage the brethren to see roses that may bloom and give of their fragrance and beauty to the surroundings that to begin with were thorny and unpromising. And to those that have been faithful to preach the word in and out of season there has been a veritable fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, as reports will show—"The

word has prospered in the thing whereunto it was sent." They have gone even beyond their expectation, for instead of the thorn there has come up the fir tree, and instead of the briar has come up the myrtle tree. Many went forth sowing in tears but have come today bearing the precious sheaves.

Locating Lost Territory

We have not been permitted to see churches grow up overnight, and a great ingathering of the people for which we have so often prayed, but on tiptoes and abated breath we have watched St. Andrew grow under the transforming influence of my illustrious predecessor. We note with pride the gradual development of a strong charge in the foothills of Virginia under the untiring efforts of that tall, dark son of Anak, who is tying his people to him with bands of love, and follow him with devotion not because of the brightness of his intellect but because of the bigness of his soul. These two instances along with others give signs of a gradual growth, but the brightness of these do not dispel gloom that gathers as we note the places where once there was the glad shout of victory and the solemn amen, but now there is the old deserted house of God dilapidated, "Icabod" written thereon—"departed glory." It is true that the people have left, but there is the property of much value laying there that belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church which is not needed in that particular locality. Why not have it disposed of and the proceeds utilized to better advantage? On this district I have found property in Concord, the old Cherry Street property near Lexington, Mt. Sinai near Madison (this we are hoping to reclaim), Fairview beyond Asheboro, property near Mitchell—in searching the records a deed is found that has no revertable clause in it which makes it still our property. One parsonage that is now claimed by a family that claims ownership because her mother boarded a preacher some years ago. In this case we have asked the courts to dislocate the illegal owners and give back to the church its property. Which case is still pending.

Bennett College

On our district we have no church school but well equipped public schools with fine corps of teachers. But I have noted a very small percentage of our own young men and women employed in the high schools, the reason for which is that few have had the required training demanded by the State Board of Education; consequently the bringing in of teachers from other states. To remedy this condition the new Bennett College for Women has come to us freighted with the highest standard and greatest possibilities, bespeaking the noblest achievements that have ever come to the Negro women, not only of the Old North State but for those that inhabit the realm between New York and Atlanta. This achievement we hail with much rejoicing and have pledged thereto our unstinted support.

Young People's Work—Epworth League and S. S. Institute and Boys' Conference

There is a definite movement on in the church at large to corral its youth. That this might be effectively done, a very intensive as well as extensive educational program has been put on in every department, and wherever there has been an adherence to the program there has been a healthy, steady growth in the adult as well as in young life of the church. This we have always coveted for the youth of our district or parish. This wish could be fully gratified through the Epworth League and Sunday School Institute if made to function rightly. We have done our best to foster its existence throughout the district, but it continues to weaken yearly. Searching for the cause of its continued pining away I find it to be suffering from a dreadful wound administered by the G. U. O. P. K.—"The Grand United Order of Progress Killers." Each member of this order is armed with a weapon more deadly than the Italian stiletto, or the poison arrows of the jungle-man. It is that awful weapon of "indifference."

We have the same high hopes and aspirations for our boys' conference. The church is calling as does the country at large—

Bring me men to match my mountains,
Bring me men to match my plains—
Men with empires in their purpose,
And new eras in their brains.

Bring me men to match my rivers,
Continent cleavers, flowing free,
Drawn by the eternal madness
To be mingled with the sea;
Men of oceanic impulses,
Men whose moral currents sweep
Toward the wild infolding ocean
Of an undiscovered deep.
Men who feel the strong pulsation
Of the Central Sea, and then
Time their currents to its earth throbs—
Bring me men!

Through the Boys' Conference the prayer of J. G. Holland must be answered. God give us men. The time demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands.

Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office can not buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor; men who will not lie.

If the country needs such men the church says, "Bring me the boys, that I may bring them in touch with the Creator of men; that they may have Isaiah's experience of seeing Him in His beauty, and undergo the transformation as is brought about by coming in contact with the holy fires upon the altar; let them like Samuel

abide in the church, that when the call comes for larger and nobler service they may be in position to say, "Speak, Lord, thy servant heareth."

Through the boys' conference we hope to convince him that the church sees more in him than a mere bunch of nerves; it thinks of him as possibilities untold and unmeasurable; also to have him realize that as much as the church is sorely in need of him, he needs the church more. We had hoped for and planned large things for our boys at our district conference, but what we failed in then we hope to gain here at the seat of the Annual Conference.

World Service

In these my final remarks I can truthfully say all causes have been presented. At the close of my first official round I worked out the prorated amounts of ministerial support, apportioned General Conference expenses and World Service askings, after which I gave myself unreservedly to the matter of urging the entire amounts raised. And where possible I helped the brethren raise their World Service.

In many instances where the pastors felt themselves responsible for the raising of the entire amounts and laid their plans for such, you will note a well balanced report. There are some who felt the urge to raise only pastor's salary; upon this phase they laid much stress—and distress on others. Feeling duty bound to obey the first law of nature, viz., self-preservation, but when it comes to the matter of others' welfare they are sure to refer you to hymn 92, "The Lord will provide."

When it comes to World Service, the lever and fulcrum for lifting the burdens of a sorrowing world, I know the heartaches that have come to you, Bishop, as one of the chief pastors, as is evidenced by your letters of appeal not only to the superintendents but to each pastor; for I have and do feel the same. I have done my utmost to have the brethren see the value of making weekly collections and monthly reports, and the advisability of having each department of the church share in this responsibility, especially the Sunday school.

I have asked each charge for an increase over last year's giving. This they have promised and of course I am expecting it. First, because of the promise; second, because of the district pride of the men; third, because as ministers and laymen they have begun to realize that in answering the challenge, "Who will go for us?" The most tangible way for us to go is on greenback and on eagle wings, thus answering, "Send me." When our reports are all in, Bishop, after a hard year's work of earnest toil, we hope you will not be disappointed in your expectation, but that you will see some evidences of our endeavors to stand nobly by you in your efforts to put your area in position that you will not be ashamed, and that you will at least see that our group are as eager to answer the call of the old church as that of our native land and country.

REPORT OF THE WESTERN DISTRICT

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Not by lot nor chance, nor accident, am I privileged to present this my third annual report as District Superintendent of the Western District, but by the gracious favor of a kind and loving Father—the well ordered train of Divine Providence to whom I bow in grateful acknowledgement.

I am grateful to Him, not alone for life and reasonable health, but for the opportunity of serving Him through the great task given me by the church of which we are a part.

These duties, in some instances exacting and difficult, I have tried at all times to perform faithfully and efficiently to the best of my ability. On every charge within the bounds of my district (with few exceptions) I have held four quarterly conferences. Into many of the homes of our members I have entered prayerfully and earnestly urging them and pleading with them to faithfully and cheerfully accept the great program of the general church and to unswervingly do their part in putting that program over.

But for the loyal co-operation of the pastors and their wives the success which we have been able to achieve would have been impossible. At no time during the years I have been permitted to serve on the district have I enjoyed so profound an expression of brotherly love and sublime fellowship in the work of the kingdom than has been mine this year. We have understood each other, and like good fellow yokemen we have pulled together in our determined efforts to carry into execution the plans of our great church in all lines for the widening of its borders and its world wide program.

Leaving to these faithful pastors the honor I feel that they deserve to report in detail their work as called for by the Discipline, I will not burden you with any attempt to refer specifically to each except to repeat that all have done their best under varied and trying circumstances attending their respective charges and fields of labor.

Personal Evangelism

This has been our theme throughout the length and breadth of the district. The results attending these personal efforts abundantly justify the wisdom of you, my beloved Bishop, in making this a matter of first importance within the bounds of your area. The district has had more members added to our church, and a greater number brought by divine grace into the kingdom, than in many years prior, for all of which we rejoice with you, Bishop, and give glory to God.

Church Records

Realizing that the very inaccurate manner in which many of our church records have been kept has vitiated our statistics and has made deterioration of our growth in membership appear, so I have urged in all of the churches that records, conforming to the requirements of the Discipline, and prepared by our own Book Concern, be immediately secured and accurately kept. This is of supreme importance as an efficient means of accounting for and taking care

of the many accessions during the present year, as well as those of previous years.

We are also urging that a correct record of all church accounts be kept, and careful notations made of the purposes for which collections are taken and moneys expended.

Revivals

In reporting our work pertaining to "personal evangelism" we did not make it clear that this has been within the bounds of the Western District a year of great revivals.

Almost every church has been marvelously blessed with revivals that reached the souls and stirred the hearts of men, women and children, many of whom yielded to the gentle pleadings of the Holy Spirit, accepted Christ as their Saviour, joined the redeemed hosts, entered into His service and are clothed in their right mind.

Not in many years has there been such a Pentecostal awakening on this the Western District as has been witnessed this year. Truly, the kingdom of the blessed Christ is extending its borders in the hearts of men.

We acknowledge with deep gratitude the able, scholarly and efficient assistance rendered in many of these revival meetings by Dr. M. T. J. Howard, Brothers Withrow, Rhyes, Brower, Smith, Lomax and Adams, and others whom the Lord used mightily in these great efforts.

World Service

Determined under God to make this the banner district, in point of World Service collections, we enthusiastically went to our appointments at the close of the last session of the annual conference.

No task has been shirked in our efforts to "make good" this determination. From an economic point of view this year has been unusual, especially so in the farming or agricultural centers of our district. The drought which threatened the complete failure of the farms was finally broken, but too late to make a crop sufficiently large to offset the slump in prices of cotton. Our people, although aroused as never before to intelligent giving for this and other causes of our church, have faced unparalleled reverses, and while they have given willingly of that which has been left them, the amount given has fallen below their pledges and expectations. A wall of financial depression comes up from the farmers, whose most conservative estimate of what their crops would net them have fallen short.

Yet out of all of these untoward circumstances we have all done our best, and if our reports show no perceptible increase it is consoling to know that we have no appreciable decrease, if indeed we have not fully held our own.

Profoundly grateful to our Father in heaven for reasonable health and strength to serve the great church, and through it serve Him who has bought us with His blood, I submit to you, Bishop and brethren, the foregoing as a faithful accounting of my stewardship as District Superintendent, and fellow laborers with my brethren and with my God on the Western District.

REPORT OF THE WILMINGTON DISTRICT

Dear Bishop, Most Esteemed and Beloved Brethren in Christ:

I consider it my first duty not to waste the valuable time of this Conference in commending the heroic work done by the men of the Wilmington District, which speaks louder for itself than any one can speak for it. Therefore it shall be mine to mention in part the work done and leave the same to commend itself.

At the close of the conference last year a few of the men met, before leaving the seat of the conference, and arranged with the District Superintendent a meeting of all of the pastors, accompanied by their District Stewards, to be called within three weeks after the annual conference. A few days after reaching home the men were notified, and on the appointed day almost every man was present, and those who were not asked to be informed at once of the steps taken that they might work harmoniously with the plans of the district.

In this meeting we discussed first our reports for the past year. We were elated beyond mentioning that we had been successful in nearly doubling our World Service giving. It served as a stimulant for us to make even greater efforts for this year. We resolved that we would beat ourselves. We have done it. While we were pleased with our World Service gain, we were entirely displeased with our one-sided report. We were confident that the World Service had not been over-emphasized; at the same time we were also confident that the other causes had not been emphasized enough.

It was the opinion of the ministers there assembled that the people if properly informed would take care of every interest of the church. It was agreed to spare no pains in informing ourselves through every available source possible, and to unselfishly give ourselves to the cause of the church and Christ's kingdom, so that not one stone within our reach might be left unturned.

In the second and third quarterly conferences the following subjects have been discussed after careful consideration, namely, church records, the use of hymnals, the sacredness of the Lord's Supper, and personal evangelism.

We have been helped greatly this year for our evangelistic endeavors through the re-reading of Dr. Hannan's Book on Evangelism, Personal Evangelism by George B. Dean, The East Windows by Luccock, The Christ of the Indian Roads by Stanley Jones, and by the use both in private and family devotion the book written by our own Bishop W. P. Thirkield. We have gone from our studies daily with a growing passion for souls. We have met with some success but not at all satisfactory. We are in the majority yet, who have not grasped the idea of personal work, but still wait for the old time revival, characterized by a great demonstration. Therefore it has been necessary to spend most of our time in trying to change the idea of the Christians with whom the sinners have to live.

To illustrate: One morning when I had finished preaching I extended the invitation as usual to the unsaved, a young man well in his teens came to the altar seemingly in a penitent mood (observing from his facial expression). While in the midst of the effort to get him in the church an officer of the church arose, stating that

they did not take in any one until they got religion. Such are the difficulties we have to face when decisions are gained in any other way than that of the old time way. Because of this condition we have not weakened in the least in our efforts to reach the unsaved.

Conference Claimants: This has been a matter of great concern with us. We appreciate the fact that whatever our conference is our fathers have made it so. It was through their sacrificial labors that churches have been planted in almost every section of the state. Many of you no doubt under the sound of my voice have trudged your way through all kinds of weather, after having left your homes with but little for your families to go upon. Most honored and beloved fathers, may I assure you that this has not escaped our notice; we fully realize our indebtedness to you. Therefore with heartfelt sympathy and increased interest we come from our different fields of labor made possible by your untimely efforts, not with as much as you need, nor with as much as we wish to bring, but with more than we brought last year, and with a determination not to be content until a sufficient amount is raised each year.

You are not to think, sirs, that the other causes have been neglected. I have placed the greater emphasis on the previous mentioned because of their seeming greater need. But be it known unto you that every cause has been presented, to which the good people on the Wilmington District have liberally responded.

We have come to the seat of this conference feeling that a great work has been accomplished this year, and a greater work is in progress. We have done some church building this year. A handsome brick church is now near completion at Rowland, manned by Rev. S. F. B. Peace. The church at Maxton under the wise leadership of Brother R. D. Bethea has been moved to the rear of the lot, giving space for a more modern structure. As to the improvement of property much of that has been done and will be mentioned in the pastors' reports.

I think I ought to mention here the fine spirit which has been found among the brethren throughout the year. In all of our gatherings (and they have been many) there has been such a fine spirit evidenced that it has brought favorable comment from members of other churches as well as our own.

I shall mention further only one more of our district meetings, namely, the District Conference. This was not given over to the preaching of old sermons, and delivering of old addresses, but we selected from our group men who are doing the job, and gave to them the task of speaking to us along the lines they had been successful in putting over.

We had discussed Personal Evangelism, Stewardship, Systematic Giving and Education. In considering the last named subject Bennett College was included. A strenuous effort has been made on the part of many to do their part in helping to make it a success.

We were pleased to have visit our District Conference Dr. L. H. King. We had been trying for some time to get all of our Unit Leaders to read the Southwestern Christian Advocate. A special effort was made to get as many of them as possible to meet Dr. King. They came in large numbers, many of them ready to take

the paper. We were successful in getting eighty-three subscribers with the promise to make it one hundred.

We are here with heartfelt satisfaction that the cause entrusted to our care has not been neglected, and we await your assignment for another year, that we might willingly go forth to our newly appointed post of labor and there wait patiently, and work and watch and pray for the own good time of that gracious and merciful God who wills not the death of the sinner, but his conversion and his life.

G. M. Phelps.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Receipts

Brought forward	\$659.27
Note (Wilmington)	210.00
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	\$869.27

Disbursements

Repairing Elisha Howard's house	\$140.00
3 trips to Asheboro	6.00
1 trip to Lawndale	8.40
Wilmington note	210.00
On hand	504.87
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	\$869.27

DISTRIBUTION TO PREACHERS

Name	Total Paid
D. Brooks	\$ 142.00
M. J. Bullock	155.00
H. O. Fredrick	84.00
J. H. Garrett	84.00
J. D. Hairston	67.00
E. Howard	96.00
J. W. Jones	134.00
J. R. McNair	101.00
A. B. McQueen	84.00
D. McRae	147.00
W. W. Pope	163.00
L. W. Thomas	50.00
J. D. Murphy	126.00
A. W. McMater	142.00
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	\$1575.00

DISTRIBUTION TO WIDOWS

Name	Total Paid
Mrs. C. W. Blaylock	\$ 75.00
Mrs. F. L. Bost	37.00
Mrs. J. W. Davis	37.00
Mrs. W. Ellison	71.00
Mrs. H. Fink	16.00
Mrs. S. A. Gibson	67.00
Mrs. C. Harshaw	63.00
Mrs. W. P. Hayes	105.00

Mrs. S. M. Haynes	105.00
Mrs. J. W. Hunter	50.00
Mrs. G. F. Hill	105.00
Mrs. O. Letterlough	74.00
Mrs. E. McDaniel	42.00
Mrs. S. McDonald	58.00
Mrs. J. C. Prince	25.00
Mrs. W. A. Prior	31.00
Mrs. M. M. Jones	100.00
Mrs. J. C. Robins	71.00
Mrs. J. A. Laughlin	84.00

\$1216.00

DISTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN

Name of Mother	Total Paid
Mrs. S. A. Gibson	\$ 12.00
Mrs. L. G. McDonald	42.00
Mrs. S. McDonald	84.00
Mrs. J. C. Prince	8.00
Mrs. M. M. Jones	25.00
Mrs. J. A. Laughlin	25.00

\$196.00

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORLD SERVICE

We, your Committee on World Service, respectfully submit the following report:

Service is sublime. Upon it our Savior, the blessed Christ, affixed his seal of approval, not only by words that gave it a sacred meaning, but by the wonderfully unselfish service which he gave to the world.

"He that is Chief, as he that doth serve." Transposed, the words, "World Service," would read, "Serving the world." Written into the program of our great church, it is a fitting definition of what our beloved Methodism is undertaking to do.

Far reaching, and aggressive were our missionary activities, throughout the world prior to the outbreak of the great World War, the conditions affecting the peoples of earth resulting therefrom, made it clear that all prior efforts were entirely inadequate to meet the physical and spiritual needs of a bleeding world.

In the most dreadful calamity that had ever faced the races of mankind, a suffering world cried pitiably to the church of God, for help.

It was purely natural that these people sorely afflicted would turn to Christian America in general and the Methodist Episcopal Church, in particular, to square their principals of religion, by the example of the "Good Samaritan."

Our church promptly accepted the challenge. The Centenary movement, with its wonderful program, was the outgrowth of this challenge, marshalled its tremendous forces, and went forth to its task.

Great as was the Centenary movement—begun in the Methodist Episcopal Church—imitated by other denominations—the success which attended that mammoth undertaking was not disappointing.

In all of our missionary and humanitarian endeavors in both the home and foreign fields, new but consecrated and efficient recruits were rushed to the front, and placed on the firing line, not in a war having for its objective, "World-wide" Democracy, but for the rebuilding of the Christ-life, in hearts of men.

The Centenary served well its purpose, and was not disappointing to those of our Zion who were its authors. Although its time was up, its task had but fairly begun.

These unfinished tasks, gave conception and birth to the World Service, which must be vigorously prosecuted or there must be serious curtailment of our world-wide, soul-saving program.

We notice with joy that there has been increases in World Service offerings on several charges within the bounds of the Conference; we also view with alarm that some others have fallen vastly below what these charges have previously given for this paramount cause. Your Committee begs to offer the following resolutions, which we trust will prevent a re-occurrence of deficiencies on any of the charges:

First: That there shall be adherence to the law of our church requiring that monthly payments be made of all "World Service" money collected.

Second: That there be organized and maintained a regular World Service unit throughout the Conference.

Third: A full and unstinted distribution of World Service literature in all of the churches.

Fourth: That the amount of money to be raised by each charge, should be, wherever possible, equal to the amount fixed for pastor's salary, thus agreeing with the principles taught by the Christ, that we should do as much for others as for ourselves.

We further recommend that each pastor preach a sermon on World Service once a month in his charge, and faithfully follow up results.

We finally recommend that we all go from the seat of this Conference, and, without delay, get under our World Service assessments, and under God, make the year before us the greatest in the history of this Conference, our slogan being one hundred per cent of our World Service assessments, monthly collected, and immediately remitted to the "World Service" Treasurer, Chicago, Ill.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. MORRIS, Chairman,
J. W. SHUFORD,
D. H. KEARN, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE

The ministry of Jesus was a social ministry. In His presence and service at the marriage at Cana of Galilee, in His feeding of the five thousand, in His raising of Lazarus from the grave, and in all other of His activities, Jesus made clear that His was a social ministry.

The history of social progress traces the hand of the Christ along its onward path of development.

Such institutions as Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Hospitals, and charitable institutions of all sorts, are but the outgrowth of the social ministry of the Christ.

In our late years, Social Service has taken on new aspects.

In the rural sections the school houses and the church buildings have become social centers. In urban sections the church co-operates most happily with such recognized social institutions as are at work for the social elevation of humanity.

The Committee on Social Service recommends that all of our churches indorse what authorized social institutions exist so far as they are in league with the program of the church for general uplift.

The Committee further recommends that as far as practical, our rural churches be opened through the days of the week for social activity and that our ministers support morally and actively such service as may be practicable and beneficial.

The Committee indorses Report No. 25 on the Committee of International Justice and Goodwill, as acted upon by the General Conference, 1924, and that the D. S. make the purpose of the General Conference effective by establishing wherever practicable, committees on International Justice and Goodwill in the Quarterly Conferences within the bounds of the North Carolina Conference.

G. H. CALDWELL,
G. T. FOLEY,
A. S. MCGOWANS,
J. C. RUSH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

We, your Committee on Evangelism, recognizing the fact that the supreme object of the church is the salvation of a lost world, that to this end Jesus died, and to this end was the commission given, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," and whereas the Methodist Episcopal Church through its "World Service" program is no longer contented with touching the borders of pagan and un-Christian lands but has converted the oceans and seas into national highways upon which to carry a message of life and power to dead and dying worlds.

Therefore, be it resolved that the North Carolina Conference reconsecrate itself to the task of putting over the great program of Evangelism.

1. By urging our people to cheerfully give back to God of that which he gives them to extend his Kingdom at home and abroad.

2. That we no longer depend upon sweeping the people into the Kingdom in mass upon waves of enthusiasm, but that we enlist each member of the church as a "Life Saver" who is to go to the rescue and save one man.

3. That we appreciate the fact that the youth of the world affords us our largest opportunity, and that we make the Sunday school and Epworth League the field of our chief endeavor (1) By seeing to it that the teachers and workers of these auxiliaries are saved themselves, (2) and that the lessons shall be taught and programs built not to entertain merely, but to evangelize, so that it may be said of the present church as it was said of the early church, "There was added unto the church daily such as are being saved."

W. M. WELLS,
J. M. HARRIS,
W. T. LOMAX.

RESOLUTION

Whereas the North Carolina Conference being fortunately situated in the Chattanooga area is blessed with the distinct honor and pleasure of having Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield as resident Bishop, through whose scholarly attainments and untiring energy has brought our Conference and area to a place of great prominence; and whereas he has taken such an active part in the development of the New College for Women and pledged his continued support to that great institution. Whereas we feel that we are in greatest need of his Episcopal supervision especially since he expects to retire at the next General Conference. Be it resolved that we respectfully request the Board of Bishops to return to us our Bishop beloved.

J. A. BAXTER.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas the North Carolina Conference has been so greatly blessed in having as its President the Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, one of the premier Bishops of Methodism, a man thoroughly consecrated to God and dedicated to the task of helping a defenseless race.

And whereas, he, by his devotional addresses, timely admonitions and brotherly interest has deeply ingratiated himself in our hearts.

Therefore be it resolved, that we show our grateful appreciation by redoubling our interest and quickening our pace in the prosecution of his program for the uplift of our people and extension of God's Kingdom.

Resolved: Second, that by a rising vote we thank him and pray heaven's richest benedictions to rest upon him, and that the providence of God may bring him to us next year.

W. M. WELLS.

Whereas the following General officers and visiting brethren: Drs. Powell, of the Board of Pensions and Relief; Dr. W. A. C. Hughes, of the Board of Church Extension; Drs. J. D. Chavis, Jas. A. Foust, C. I. Withrow, former members of the Conference; and Prof. David D. Jones, President of Bennett College, have greatly inspired and dignified our Conference by their presence and timely addresses.

Be it resolved that we show our appreciation by a rising vote of thanks.

W. M. WELLS.

Whereas the good people of Madison, irrespective of denomination, have so royally entertained this Conference, and, whereas the pastor, Rev. W. B. Scales, has so carefully looked after the comforts of all the people. Be it resolved, that we earnestly pray that peace, happiness and prosperity may ever be theirs.

W. M. WELLS.



XIV. HISTORICAL VIEW SINCE ORGANIZATION IN 1836

From the organization of Methodism in America, the work in North Carolina, was continued in Virginia, and afterwards in the Virginia and South Carolina conferences. In the year 1836 the General Conference set up in North Carolina. Its first session opened as a part of the Virginia Conference, but when it adjourned there were two Conferences.

Date	Place	Bishop	Secretary	Preachers	In Class	Edifices
1 February 8, 1837	Petersburg, Va.	Morris	G. H. Leigh	.....	2030	.....
2 January 31, 1838	Greensboro	Andrews	G. H. Leigh	.....	2030	.....
3 January 26, 1839	Louisburg	Morris	G. H. Leigh	.....	2025	.....
4 January 23, 1840	Newbern	Morris	S. S. Bryant	.....	2588	.....
5 December 20, 1840	Mocksville	Morris	S. S. Bryant	.....	2057	.....
6 October 26, 1841	Raleigh	Waugh	S. S. Bryant	.....	2285	.....
7 October 26, 1842	Louisburg	Morris	S. S. Bryant	.....	2843	.....
8 October 25, 1843	Halifax	Soule	William G. Matton	.....	3229	14
9 December 4, 1844	Pittsburgh	Ames	S. S. Bryant	.....	2124	.....
10 January 14, 1868	Union Chapel	James	William G. Matton	.....	4106	.....
11 January 6, 1869	High Point	Simpson	William G. Matton	.....	28	4560 69
12 December 20, 1871	Lincolnton	Simpson	William G. Matton	.....	36	8411 79
13 December 28, 1872	Greensboro	Ames	William G. Matton	.....	37	8266 79
14 January 8, 1873	Charlotte	Haven	William G. Matton	.....	35	9531 100
15 January 7, 1874	Lexington	Wiley	William G. Matton	.....	44	8582 97
16 January 5, 1875	Greensboro	Foster	William G. Matton	.....	44	9717 104
17 January 5, 1876	Winston	Harris	William G. Matton	.....	47	10171 106
18 January 10, 1877	Wilmington	Scott	E. O. Thayer	.....	42	852 112
19 January 24, 1878	Lumberton	Peck	E. O. Thayer	.....	46	8525 127
20 January 30, 1879	Greensboro	Simpson	E. O. Thayer	.....	39	9854 97
21 February 4, 1880	High Point	Warren	E. O. Thayer	.....	34	7012 97
22 January 27, 1881	Raleigh	Foster	W. F. Steele	.....	30	7338 92
23 January 26, 1882	Laurinburg	Merrill	W. F. Steele	.....	37	7498 87
24 January 31, 1883	Winston	Bowman	W. F. Steele	.....	37	7761 94
25 February 6, 1884	Greensboro	Andrews	W. F. Steele	.....	41	8167 96
26 February 5, 1885	Lumberton	Nine	W. F. Steele	.....	43	8371 95
27 February 11, 1886	Charlotte	Walden	W. F. Steele	.....	44	8424 95
28 October 4, 1886	Raleigh	Mallieu	W. F. Steele	.....	49	8664 100
29 October 27, 1887	High Point	Fitzgerald	W. F. Steele	.....	52	8948 115
30 October 25, 1888	Lenoir	Joyce	C. N. Grandison	.....	54	8034
31 October 23, 1889	Goldsboro	Joyce	C. N. Grandison	.....	60	.....
32 October 23, 1890	Maxton	Warren	C. N. Grandison	.....	63	8200 116
33 October 15, 1891	Winston	Foss	C. N. Grandison	.....	65	8096 119
34 October 20, 1892	Reidsville	Hurst	J. P. Morris	.....	66	8100 125
35 October 19, 1893	Lexington	Hurst	J. P. Morris	.....	66	8100 125

Date	Place	Bishop	Secretary	Preachers	In Class	Edifices
36 October 4, 1894	Oxford	Mallalieu	J. P. Morris	70	9612	124
37 October 16, 1895	Greensboro	Mallalieu	R. W. Thomas	78	8884	133
38 September 17, 1896	Charlotte	Andrews	R. W. Thomas	77	12751	133
39 October 7, 1897	Laurinburg	Foster	R. W. Thomas	77	7943	133
40 October 13, 1898	Lenoir	Mallalieu	R. W. Thomas	77	9525	133
41 October 12, 1899	Winston	Fowler	R. E. Jones	76	16579	133
42 October 11, 1900	Reidsville	Foss	R. E. Jones	78	16579	133
43 October 17, 1901	High Point	Goodsell	R. E. Jones	80	19579	133
44 October 16, 1902	Mount Airy	Joyce	R. E. Jones	84	14555	151
45 October 13, 1903	Greensboro	Walden	R. A. Peeler	88	11109	152
46 October 12, 1904	Hickory	Fitzgerald	S. A. Peeler	76	9773	166
47 October 12, 1905	Maxton	Cranston	S. A. Peeler	76	11894	166
48 October 11, 1906	Asheville	Burt	S. A. Peeler	79	10222	172
49 October 17, 1907	Winston	Spellmeyer	A. Peeler	81	10547	172
50 October 15, 1908	Charlotte	Bristol	A. Peeler	76	10663	172
51 October 14, 1909	High Point	Moore	A. Peeler	78	10984	179
52 October 6, 1910	Leaksville	Neely	S. A. Peeler	84	11499	162
53 October 12, 1911	Lenoir	Anderson	S. A. Peeler	79	12278	169
54 October 20, 1912	Maxton	Henderson	S. A. Peeler	85	12799	171
55 Nov 20-23, 1913	Lenoir	Henderson	S. A. Peeler	86	13225	173
56 Nov. 26-30, 1914	Thomasville	Henderson	S. A. Peeler	91	13921	172
57 December 1-4, 1915	Winston	Wilson	G. Haven Caldwell	90	13762	195
58 Nov. 14-19, 1916	West Raleigh	Bristol	R. N. Brooks	88	14170	143
59 Nov. 14-18, 1917	Hickory	Bristol	G. Haven Caldwell	89	14170	143
60 Nov. 13-17, 1918	Charlotte	Bristol	G. Haven Caldwell	90	13266	195
61 Nov. 12-16, 1919	High Point	Bristol	G. Haven Caldwell	90	12557	195
62 Nov. 11-14, 1920	Winston	Bristol	G. Haven Caldwell	96	12900	195
63 Nov. 10-13, 1921	Reidsville	Jones	G. Haven Caldwell	97	14537	218
64 Nov. 8-12, 1922	Laurinburg	Wilson	J. A. Baxter	97	13261	254
65 Nov. 7-12, 1923	Lexington	Bristol	J. A. Peeler	97	13138	.....
66 Oct. 29-Nov. 2, 1924	Marion	Thirkield	S. A. Peeler	95	11796	.....
67 Oct. 28-Nov. 1, 1925	West Raleigh	Thirkield	S. A. Peeler	95	11796	.....
68 Oct. 27-31, 1926	Madison	Thirkield	S. A. Peeler	95	11796	.....

Facts from the first nine sessions are gleaned from the General Minutes and from the Conference Journal for those years, which is now in custody of the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church South.

At this date the Conference had 19,195 white members and 3,990 colored. Without consulting the wisdom of the latter, nearly the whole membership became part of a new church, organized in May, 1845, and called the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Some entered the A. M. E. Church, some the Colored M. E. Church of America; but thousands turned gladly to the bosom of the old Methodist Episcopal Church, as it returned to the State.

At this session a new Conference—the Blue Ridge—was formed, with twelve preachers, 2839 members and probationers, and 41 church edifices.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—

List Number	NAME OF CHARGES AND PASTORS	Support of Pastor—Total Claim Including House Rent	Support of Pastor—Total Paid Including House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonages	Support of District Supt.—Claim	Support of District Supt.—Paid	House Rent & Trav. Expenses	Support of Bishops—Claim	Support of Bishops—Paid	Support of Con. Claimants—Claim	Support Con. Claimants—Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency
1	Asheville, G. H. Caldwell	1860	1860	360	225	225				75	75	2160	
2	Bessemer City, B. L. Burge	1125	870	125	150	119		15	4	22	6	999	313
3	Boone, G. W. Patterson	500	448			57			4		8	517	
4	Buffalo, P. M. Patterson	100	100									100	
5	Catawba Circuit, E. M. McLeod	925	825	100	105	105			3		2	1035	100
6	Cherryville and Stanley, S. E. Dunham	425	271		50	21						292	183
7	Forest City, W. C. Adams	1150	718	150	145	145			3		4	870	365
8	Franklin, J. B. Meekins	684	684	84	75	75						759	
9	Gastonia, G. T. Foley	1208	1168	168	100	100			10		10	1288	
10	Hickory, W. T. Lomax	1500	1500	300	150	150			10		30	1690	
11	Lawndale and Brooks, Robert Smith	1400	960		200				2		5	967	
12	Lenoir, R. B. Rhyme	1300	1300	200	165	165		10	10	18	10	1485	8
13	Lenoir Circuit, Edward Powell	500	200		75	75						275	225
14	Lincolnton and Mt. Holly, A. M. Robertson	956	600		90	65					2	674	282
15	McPelah and St. James, J. C. Addie	500	400	50	60	50			2		4	456	110
16	Marion, J. W. Shuford	922	778	72	120	87		15	5	42	13	883	288
17	Mooresville and Mayhew, P. F. Johnson	800	800		80	80			1		2	883	
18	Mt. Mourne and Cornelius, W. C. Cook	350	350			15						365	
19	Newton and Conover, J. R. Dilliard	1100	1100	150	125	125			3		3	1231	
20	Old Fort, B. C. Littlejohn	550	550		55	55					1	606	
21	Shelby and King's Mountain, D. H. Kearse	800	350	96	100	40			1		1	392	518
22	Sherrill's Ford and Denver, A. E. Robinson	850	650	150	105	105			2		6	763	208
23	Statesville and Phila, G. W. Brower	1075	950	96	120	95		14	10	24	10	1090	
24	West Asheville, N. M. Martin	975	772		130	110			5		5	892	237
25	Lowesville, J. J. Blanton	1150	950	100	120	120			1		1	1065	200
26	Union Mills and Bractown, J. H. Meeks	150	191		20	10						201	
Total		22905	19435	2211	2573	2189		54	77	181	198	2146	3037

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1	Bowmore, R. J. Shipp	935	935		131	131		19				1065	
2	Charlotte, W. M. Wells	2660	2000	240	170	170			24		26	2220	
3	Charlotte, Mission, C. L. Gidney	350	200			15						250	
4	Foyville, L. D. McQueen												
5	Goldshoro, C. G. Byrum	500	200		75	75					2	277	308
6	Howlett, N. M. Black	1544	1449	144		189		21	15		22	1675	
7	Hoffman, H. McNair	550	268		80	80			1		5	448	
8	Johns and Beaver Dam, W. M. Crawford	1100	1100		165	150		5	2	11	6	1258	
9	Laurinburg, R. W. Winchester	2100	2100	300	270	270		10	10	40	40	2420	
10	Lumberton, A. S. Jenkins	1334	1334	84	190	164		20	20	30	30	1528	
11	Monroe, R. C. Little	300	15			15						15	
12	Maxton, R. D. Bethea	1700	1620	200	225	213		18	15	75	10	1858	160
13	Mt. Zion, D. C. Skeene	1060	860	60	150	150			5		20	1035	250
14	Miller's, A. T. Alford	300			3	3							
15	Pembroke, E. L. Fletcher	500	461		60	60			2		4	527	66
16	Red Springs, D. T. Thomas	1100	976	120	150	142		13	10		15	1148	298
17	Rockingham, W. M. Chavis	1300	642		192	108			2		8	786	706
18	Rowland, S. F. B. Peace	1180	1295	65	224	240			22		40	1499	
19	Sanford Circuit, M. Mundy	700	474		105	105			3	35	12	579	
20	Wilmington, B. F. Gleavis	350	323	130					3		3	323	
21	Gibson, Emery Leek												
Total		18963	16272	1343	2200	2280		106	134	191	243	16590	1788

WESTERN DISTRICT

Baptisms—Children		Baptisms—Adults		Prep. Membership—Received		Prep. Membership—Now on Roll		Received from P. M. of P. of F.		Received by Transfer		Full Membership on Roll		Non-Resident Inactive Members		Deaths During Year		No. of Sunday Schools		Officers and Teachers		S. S.—Total Enrollment		Average Attendance		Egworth League—Senior Members		Egworth League—Junior Members		Church Buildings		Value of Land and Buildings		Parsonages		Value of Land and Buildings		Value of Other Properties, Etc.		Paid for Building and Improvements		Paid on Old Indebtedness on Property		Present Indebtedness on Property		Current Exp. not including Min. Sup.		Local Preachers		Subscribers to the Advocate		Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society		List Number																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																										
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39	7	6	27	21	...	360	39	11	2	28	320	189	19	14	2	50000	1	3000	1724	700	6000	343	2	22	190	9
21	6	6	11	6	...	460	...	3	2	16	90	80	13	...	2	3000	1	500	...	65	325	70	3	17	7	10
2	50	4	3	2	7	...	30	20	10	1	2000	11	1	2
5	13	28	7	21	8	365	40	10	2	26	230	180	90	25	2	5000	1	1500	3	8
26	12	34	34	3	...	167	28	7	3	16	154	2	10000	1	1500	180	75	5	5
...	96	...	1	2	7	55	2
3	19	23	22	2	...	120	12	1	1	12	120	35	10	33	1	8000	1	200	...	14	...	100	2	16
4	...	13	21	3	...	155	46	11	1	3	45	21	30	...	2	1500	90	14	...	65	3	9
22	10	10	65	6	...	250	15	6	2	35	310	200	60	45	2	18000	...	3500	...	50	200	...	160	3	15	...
...	1	16	16	8	2	86	20	4	4	16	128	4	3000	30	30	4	12
4	1	5	...	2	...	39	20	1	1	4	35	16	12	8	1	1500	1	800	...	172	...	150	38	...	5	16
...	6	1	300	21
161	75	184	248	103	12	2933	351	79	33	261	2168	1114	401	246	30	167850	7	13000	180	2961	2117	6843	1617	33	143	305

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CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT—GREENSBORO DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	On Apportionment	Children's Day Fund	Woman's F. M. Society	Woman's H. M. Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Building, Etc.	Hospitals and Homes: Endowments, Gifts	City Missionary or Church Ext. Society	Total Benevolences Ordered by Conference	Support of Dist. Supts.	Support of Bishops	Support of Conference Claimants	Conference Claimants	General Conf. Expenses	Grand Total
Brown Summit	25				25					110		5			143
Central Randolph	6				6					45	2	18			69
Durham															
Empire	72	4			76					123		8			214
Greensboro—East	75				75					71	5	20			100
High Street	115	26			151					150	8	25	4		336
North East	95	5	1		101					360	42	25			214
St. Matthews	1000			36	1036					360	42	100			1538
South	213	8			221					180	5	20			426
North west	63	5			68					91	5	7			171
Guilford	5				5					110					115
Henderson															
Leaksville	112	5		97	214					150	3	10			377
Newport News, Va.	54	6			60					55	2	5			122
Oxford & Bullock	25			6	31					107		7			145
Pleasant Ridge, Va.	75	2		2	79					75	2	2			158
Ramseur	16				16					110					126
Reidsville	210	8	10	20	248	25			25	200	8	35			491
Townsville										39		3			42
West Raleigh	212	10		10	232					131	12	12			387
Norfolk, Va.	155	2			157					120					285
S. E. Greensboro	10				10					20					30
Total	2554	81	11	100	2812	25			25	2332	103	304		4	5568

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT—WINSTON DISTRICT

Advance	39	10			49					76		4	15		144
Asheboro	50	5		33	88					100	10	10			108
Asheboro Circuit	2			1	3					2	2	2			16
Elkin	75	5	1	1	102					113	6	16			217
East Thomasville	60				63					159	5	5			232
High Point	300			130	433					200	19	40	5	4	572
Kernersville	30			1	33					100	2	8	1	1	146
Lexington & Thomasville ..	235	15			250					190	15	15	3		488
Madison	60		1	1	63					117	8	30			219
Mount Airy	62				62					108	6	10			186
Mount Pleasant	105	5			110					112	8	15	2		247
Pen Hook, Va.	30				30					130	1	2			163
Rural Hall	20	2			22					60	1	3	1		87
St. Andrews	169	5		24	200	10	10	12	32	208	20	18		6	484
St. Paul	917			116	1033					300	38	40			1412
South High Point	175	3	1	1	180					175	10	25	3		393
Trinity	60	6			63					122	4	7	1		200
Walnut Cove	27				27					60					87
Wilkesboro	39	5			44					125	10	10			189
Wither's Chapel	12		2		14					40	2	4			60
Zion Hill	10			1	11					40	2	5			58
Total	2477	68	5	481	2735	10	10	12	32	2516	167	245	21	22	5763

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT—WESTERN DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES

	On Apportionment	Children's Day Fund	Woman's F. M. Society	Woman's H. M. Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Building, Etc.	Hospitals and Homes: Endowments, Gifts	City Missionary or Church Ext. Society	Total Benevolences Ordered by Conference	Support of Dist. Supts.	Support of Bishops	Support of Conference Claimants	Conference Claimants	General Conf. Expenses	Grand Total
Asheville	400	20		102	522				225	25	75	22			869
Bessemer City	63	1			64				119	2	6				191
Boone	65				65				57	4	8				134
Buffalo															
Catawba Circuit	57				57				60	1	2				120
Cherryville & Stanley	10				10				41						51
Forest City	200				200				145	3	4	1	1		354
Franklin	53				53				75						128
Gastonia	115	9		15	139				100	10	10				259
Hickory	207	10		58	275				150	10	25	5			465
Lawndale & Brooks	41				41				210	2	5				258
Lenoir	130				130				165	10	10	2			317
Lenoir Circuit	5				5				40	1	2				48
Lincolnton & Mt. Holly	25				26				65	1	2				94
McPelah & St. James	25				25				50	2	4				81
Marion	130	18		25	173				87	5	13				278
Mooreville & Mayhue	59				59				120	1	2				182
Mt. Mourne & Cornelius	35				35										
Newton & Conover	70	3			73				125	3	3				204
Old Fort	20				20				66		2				88
Shelby & Kings Mt.	40				40				40	1	1	1			82
Sherrill Ford & Denver	55	5			60				105	2	8				236
Statesville & Philadelphia	80				80				110	5	7				202
West Asheville	41	3	1	1	46				150						196
Kings Mountain	9				9				10					2	19
Lowesville	85	27	2		116										
Total	2020	96	3	203	2323				2490	89	191	8	26	5	5128

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT—WILMINGTON DISTRICT

Bowmore & Sand Hill	71				71				73	3	12				159
Charlotte	170			54	224				170	24	26				444
Charlotte Mission	5				5				30						35
Fayetteville	6				6				20	1	1				28
Goldsboro	6			1	7				6	1	2				16
Hamlet	105								189	15	22				331
Hoffman & Southern Pines	43				55				80	1	5	1			130
John's & Beaver Dam	77								150						227
Laurinburg & Cool Springs	510			60	570				270	10	40				894
Lumberton & Beauty Spot	200	10	3	2					164	20	30	5			414
Monroe & Bethel	14								30						44
Maxton & Piney Grove	175	8	2	10	195				213	10	15				434
Mt. Zion & St. Mark	51				76				150	2	15				223
Miller's	18				18				30		3				51
Penbroke & New Zion	94								80						174
Red Springs & Rennert	120	5	1	15	140				142	10	15	4			312
Rockingham & Philadelphia	50								128	2	5				188
Rowland & Salem	152	5			157				180	22	12	5			376
Sanford Circuit	62	6			71				73	3	12				159
Wilmington	20								36	3	3				62
Gibson & Wadesboro	5								10						15
Total	1954	34	6	94	2093				2224	132	223	15			4662

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT—RECAPITULATION

Greensboro	2554	81	11	166	2812	25			25	2332	103	304	5		5568
Western	2020	96	3	203	2323					2490	89	191	8	26	5128
Wilmington	1954	34	6	99	2093					2224	132	208	1	15	4662
Winston	2477	68	7	181	2735	10	10	12	32	2516	167	245	21	22	5763
Total	9005	279	27	649	9963	35	10	12	57	9562	491	948	30	68	21123

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—GREENSBORO DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—GREENSBORO DISTRICT																	
	Schools on Charge	Using Graded Lessons	Officers and Teachers	Cradle Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Enrolled in all Depts.	Average Attendance	Pupils, Members	Accession to Church from S. S.	Paid by Sunday School to World Service	Paid for S. S. Supplies
Brown Summit	3	3	15	12		25	18	15	20	10	5		150	75	20	10	20	33
Central Randolph	3	3	16								22		62	40				5
Empire	3	3	14										90	70				9
Greensboro—East	3	3	18										160	150		4	15	28
High Street	1	1	1		20	20	15	10	10	10	10	15	150	70	25	8	21	40
North East	2	2	14		10	10	8	10	11	19	10		92	75	25	17	23	26
St. Matthews	1	1	14										200	110				100
South	3	3	30										200	150		10	75	60
South East	1	1	4										25				5	5
North west	3	3	18		7	8	22	12	27	30	25		150	80			5	20
Guilford	3	3	16										140	115		30	16	25
Henderson	1	1	1										12	12				5
Leaksville	3	3	15										180	90	25	9	22	20
Newport News, Va.	1	1	7		6	8	5	4	3	4	11		45	35			9	20
Norfolk, Va.	1	1	8	20	10	11	6	15	10	14	10	6	80	50	60	12	10	16
Oxford & Bullock	3	3	15										135	80			5	29
Pleasant Ridge, Va.	1	1	8			7	5	6	2		8		28	20	20	5	12	10
Ramseur	3	3	13										80	60			10	15
Reidsville	3	3	24										230	175	120	3	40	50
Townsville	3	3	10										50	35				5
Wentworth	3	3	8										35	21				5
West Raleigh	1	1	27	16									268	145	42	14	30	48
Total	42	42	311	52	53	89	79	72	83	87	101	21	2502	1658	337	122	313	489

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WINSTON DISTRICT

Advance	3	...	14	4	4	8	10	12	11	11	13	4	93	48	93	...	44	68
Asheboro	2	...	9	...	15	11	18	25	20	5	6	...	109	60	60	...	...	6
Asheboro Circuit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Elkin	1	...	18	...	28	23	32	20	25	12	10	...	183	91	64	23	70	75
High Point	1	...	13	...	25	10	8	10	15	20	17	...	105	75	80	17	30	55
High Point-South	3	...	15	...	16	26	8	12	9	11	18	...	116	75	116	8	45	...
Kernersville	2	...	36	...	21	32	60	28	20	22	21	...	240	75	16	...	80	60
Lexington	2	...	16	5	15	10	14	13	26	28	4	...	141	62	68	4	44	68
Madison	1	1	11	...	7	12	4	...	16	...	9	...	56	35	...	...	34	26
Mount Airy	...	...	12	...	26	30	4	18	10	5	8	3	106	38	10	3	...	12
Mount Pleasant	...	...	1	15	...	4	1	20	30	24	19	18	250	175	...	3	42	36
Pen Hook, Va.	3	...	24	...	13	25	15	40	20	21	...	...	134	75	110	3	10	30
Rural Hall	3	3	15	...	4	30	20	15	12	6	6	...	94	50	30	10	24	20
St. Andrews	1	1	14	...	3	2	6	12	18	10	5	7	210	150	5	5	50	45
St. Paul	1	...	21	...	5	21	24	68	83	31	38	70	300	150	70	8	156	153
Thomasville-East	3	...	12	...	7	9	5	10	10	4	6	8	165	85	...	4	10	...
Trinity	5	5	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	6	...	235	175	227	7	45	65
Winston-Salem	4	4	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	145	65	...	4	25	20
Wither's Chapel	3	...	3	...	4	6	5	8	12	5	20	5	62	18	...	...	12	10
Zion Hill	2	2	9	...	15	11	18	25	20	...	...	...	101	60	60	...	...	6
Total	44	19	317	9	199	255	277	321	358	211	250	123	2845	1151	1009	96	722	755

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WESTERN DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES

Schools on Charge	Using Graded Lessons	Officers and Teachers	Cradle Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Enrolled in all Depts.	Average Attendance	Pupils, Members	Accession to Church from S. S.	Paid by Sunday School to World Service	Paid for S. S. Supplies
1	1	15			30	29	25	28	13	25		165	95	102		109	125
2		18										120	78				85
4		3										35	20				
3		14			10	8	12					60	53				
2	2	8	14		10	12	6		13	13		50	30				
1		10								8		102	74				25
1		8	4				8	5				42	30				
1		17		28	14	18	23	17	12	13	14	125	90		2	16	12
1		12		8	23	11	12	13	14	16	37	151	63	137		3	18
3		31										280	120		29	6	80
1		14	12	18	14	18	21	21	26	30		174	90		8	45	64
2	2	8										36	18				20
2		14										80	65	35		8	60
3	3	16		20	25	25	25	15	15			125	75		10	15	15
1		9	12	19	24	18	27	18				127	70		14	25	25
3	3	24		50	43	30	8	10	10	2	150	75		5	15	50	
3	3	12										25					
3	3	14	7	20	21	12	10	8	12	33	2	130	60	89	7	50	30
3	3	14	8									49	34				
2		10		14	34	6	6	5	5	10		84	60	30	14	15	50
2	1	14		7	9	15	18	16	20	42		127	70	115	6	5	30
2	2	15	5	6	10	6	12	20	20	25		106	65	77	10	25	40
2	10	3	12	10			8	7	3	3	4	45	27	29	8	5	25
2	8											32	24				8
2	2	24	50	50	50	60	60	60	60	57	10	320	200	200	16	75	20
48	21	342	89	188	336	258	294	266	225	328	54	2740	1586	823	127	428	784

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WILMINGTON DISTRICT

Bowmore & Sand Hill	2	20	28	15	16	13	12	16	18	12	102	74	63	2	32	
Charlotte	1		18								130	80	86	4		
Charlotte Mission	1		3								30	10		1	2	6
Fayetteville	1		5				8			6	35	16				
Gibson	1		13	10	12	5	4	3	2	6	10	65	40	34	3	2
Goldsboro	1		15	7								102	61		7	18
Hamlet	1	1	13									84	60	40		20
Hoffman & Southern Pines	3	3	14									163	82		15	25
John's & Beaver Dam	2	2	14									320	180	210	12	175
Laurinburg & Cool Sprins	2	2	28												12	175
Lumberton & Beauty Spot	1		12							33					118	
Maxton & Piney Grove	2		3		5							15	12		12	4
Mt. Zion & St. Mark	3		16									220			8	20
Miller's	3	3	16									154				32
Pembroke & New Zion	1	1	4									22	22			
Red Springs & Remert	2	2	7									55	35		25	
Rockingham & Philadelphia	1		12									120	35		10	25
Rowland & Salem	1		3									65	21			24
Sanford Circuit	2	2	35	28	35	50	20	20	22	100	25	310	200	25	15	20
Wilmington	4		16									128		75	10	20
Total	32	19	284	55	61	67	43	38	46	161	25	2140	928	580	99	388

EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS—
GREENSBORO DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Senior League Chapters	Senior League Members	Intermediate League Chapters	Intermediate League Members	Junior League Chapters	Junior League Members	Epworth Herald's Taken	Paid to Central Office	Paid to World Service
Brown Summit .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cetral Randolph .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Empire .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Greensboro—East .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
High Street	1	12	...	...	1	25	...	...	8
North East	1	27	...	...	...	...	...	1	5
St. Matthews	1	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
South	1	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
South East .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North West .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guilford	1	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Henderson .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Leaksville	1	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newport News, Va. ....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Norfolk, Va.	1	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oxford & Bullock .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pleasant Ridge, Va.	1	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ramseur .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Reidsville	1	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	50
Townsville .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Raleigh	1	62	...	...	...	...	...	...	54
Total	10	303	...	...	1	25	...	1	148

EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS—
WESTERN DISTRICT

Asheville	1	70	...	...	...	...	1	...	5
Bessemer City .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boone .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Buffalo .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Catawba	1	16	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
Cherryville .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Forest City .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Franklin	1	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gastonia	1	16	1	...	...	16	1	...	6
Hickory	1	20	...	...	1	15	...	...	...
Lawndale .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lenoir	1	18	...	...	1	14	...	...	4
Lenoir Circuit	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lincolnton .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
McPelah—St. James .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Marion	1	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moore'sville	1	12	...	...	1	10	...	...	4
Mt. Mourne .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newton .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Old Fort .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shelby—Kings Mountain .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sherrill's Ford .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Statesville-Philadelphia	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Asheville	1	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Townsville .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Union Mills .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	12	227	...	...	4	55	4	...	19

EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS—
WINSTON DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Senior League Chapters	Senior League Members	Intermediate League Chapters	Intermediate League Members	Junior League Chapters	Junior League Members	Epworth Heralds Taken	Paid to Central Office	Paid to World Service
Advance	1	18							
Ashboro	1	24							
Elkin	1	24							
High Point									
South High Point	1	30	1	10					
Kernersville	1	32							
Lexington	1	45	1	27	1	32			20
Madison	1	17							
Mt. Airy	1	47	1	16					
Mt. Airy Circuit	1	18					1		
Ashboro Circuit									
Pen Hook, Va.									
Rural Hall									
East Thomasville ..	1	17							
Trinity									
Wither's Chapel									
Winston									
Mt. Pleasant									
St. Andrews	1	34							
St. Paul	1	45	1	10	1	30			9
Zion Hill									
Total	11	327	4	63	2	62	1		29

EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS—
WILMINGTON DISTRICT

Bowmore	1	22			1	32			
Charlotte	1	38			1	36			
Charlotte Mission ..									
Fayetteville									
Goldsboro									
Hamlet	1	42			1	38			
Hoffman									
John and Beaver Dam ..	1	45			1	15			
Laurinburg	1	19			1	14			18
Lumberton	1	13							
Monroe	1	20			1	10			
Maxton	1	90			1	25			
Mt. Zion									
Miller's									
Pembroke									
Red Springs	1	10			1	33			
Rockingham	1	60			1	40			
Rowland									
Sanford Circuit									
Wilmington	1	12			1	8			
Gibson									
Total	11	372			10	256			18

CROWNED FELLOW WORKERS

"BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHO DIE IN THE LORD"

Born	Name	Admitted to Conference	Effective	Departed when and where
1816	Harry F. Pope	1870	7	May 28, 1879....Greensboro
1820	Mingo C. Croom	1874	7	Mar. 17, 1881....Wilmington
....	Geo. W. Price	1871	10	Sept. 12, 1881....Charlotte
....	Florad Waters	1875	7	March 29, 1883....Maxton
1821	Mathew Alston	1870	14	April 1, 1884....Greensboro
....	Nelson Farror	1871	4	January 9, 1887....Raleigh
1816	James Payne	1878	9	April 1, 1888....Greensboro
1825	A. M. Turner	1874	16	August, 1888....Raleigh
....	Josiah Caldicut	1871	16	August 12, 1890....Marion
....	Geo. W. Ratcliff	1891	..	1891.....Hickory
1830	W. W. Morgan	1872	27	Sept. 16, 1882..Kernersville
1825	Wilson Gray	1877	15	November, 1892....Dobson
....	Thomas S. Sitt	1893	1	November, 1894..Lexington
1839	W. W. Smith	1888	19	May 20, 1896....Lexington
1835	Wiley C. Gibson	1875	23	November, 1898....Hamlet
1826	Wyatt Walker	1871	26	May 20, 1900....Reidsville
1846	O. Letterlough	1889	2	April 20, 1900....Maxton
1840	C. Harshaw	1882	16	July 3, 1900.....Lenoir
....	Samuel L. Johnson	1890	12	November 6, 1902..Mt. Airy
1818	Andrew Conner	1870	20	Feb. 7, 1903....Machpelah
1854	M. C. Rogers	1880	22	July 24, 1903.....Salem
1841	John E. Chaplain	1869	34	Oct. 3, 1903....High Point
1837	Isaac Wells	1870	37	Feb. 28, 1907...Greensboro
1846	Evannder McDaniel	1889	18	Aug. 8, 1907....Townsville
1867	Jacob C. Price	1907	4	May 23, 1911....Reidsville
1869	John M. McNeil	1902	9	August 5, 1911....Rowland
....	W. L. Dixon	1910	2	Nov. 18, 1912....Statesville
1852	S. A. Gibson	1890	22	Aug. 22, 1912....High Point
1831	David Connell	1871	41	Dec. 15, 1912....Greensboro
1863	Alexander Clark	1887	26	June 15, 1913....Greensboro
1869	John W. Davis	1893	21	April 14, 1914..Laurinburg
....	L. G. McDonald .....	....	..	August, 1916..Lamar, S. C.
....	Willis Ellison .....	....	23	March 28, 1917....W.-Salem
....	Chas. W. Blaylock .....	....	24	1917.....Greensboro
....	John C. Robbins .....	....	23	July 8, 1917.....Gastonia
1856	W. A. Pryor .....	....	25	Aug. 25, 1918....High Point
1857	F. L. Bost .....	....	12	.....Kernersville
....	J. H. Hunter .....	....	15	.....Greensboro
....	S. M. Hanes .....	....	..	.....Winston
....	Samuel McDonald	1890	30	.....Winston
1853	S. P. West	1882	38	Jan. 22, 1921.....Oxford
....	G. F. Hill	1888	..	Feb. 26, 1920....Old Fort
....	Henry Fink
....	L. B. Gibson	34	May 7, 1922....Greensboro
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