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## Daily Proceedings

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## DAILY PROCEEDINGS

San Antonio, Texas, November 30, 1927, at 9 o'clock.
The West Texas Annual Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, began its fifty-third annual session in St. Paul Church, Wednesday, November 30, 1927, with Bishop Robert E. Jones, of New Orleans, La., presiding.

OPENING-Bishop Jones conducted the devotional exercises and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper assisted by the District Superintendents.

ROLL CALL-C. W. Franklin, secretary of the last conference, upon request of Bishop Jones called the roll of the conference and one hundred members and sixteen probationers answered to their names.

ORGANIZATION-On motion of J. W. Warren, C. W. Franklin was reelected secretary and named his assistants as follows: W. W. Baker and J. H. R. Dudley. These were confirmed by vote of the conference.
J. W. Weakley named his assistants as follows: J. D. Rice, J. W. Warren, S. D. Mosely, W. B. Lott, D. F. Vance, S. N. Harvey, F. J. Hutchinson, and by vote of the conference were confirmed.
C. E. Whitiker, statistician, named his assistants as follows: T. M. Bruton, R. W. Allen, J. B. Phoenix, D. B. Baker, J. F. Muse, J. N. Hooey, B. A. Byars, H. A. Jones, F. D. Young, and upon vote of the conference were confirmed.

On motion of K. W. McMillan, T. B. Echols was elected reporter to the church and daily papers.

BAR OF CONFERENCE-On motion of H. H. Gualls, the bar of the conference was fixed within the first six rows of seats directly in front of the pulpit.

TIME OF MEETING-On motion of K . W. McMillan, the conference voted to open at nine a. m., and to adjourn at one p. m . for dinner, and to convene at $2: 45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and adjourn at will.

STANDING COMMITTEES-On motion of K. W. McMillan, the standing committees as printed in the journal were approved with the following substitutions: Instead of J. C. Eusan, the name of M. W. Stephens was inserted and for C. N. Strait, the name of M Majors was inserted.

QUESTION FIFTEEN-The Bishop called question fifteen and the character of the following Elders was passed:Austin District-J. L. S. Edmondson
Corpus Christi District-J. J. Hardemon
Dallas District-J. H. Childs
San Angelo District-S. E. Blacknell
San Antonio District-K. W. McMillan
Waco District-J. W. Downs.

Victoria District-W. M. Ellison.
The above named men reported the work of their respective districts.
The Bishop called the names of the effective elders of the conference and their character was passed as follows:

Austin District-A. D. Jacques, T. H. Wyatt, J. S. Medlock, P. H. Phillips, J. W. Stone Sr., L. L. Haynes.

Corpus Christi District-L. W. Roberts, W. M. White, R. W. Allen.
Dallas District-P. H. Jenkins, G. A. Deslandes, J. D. Rice, J. L. Wattley, J. H. R. Dudley, R. M. Davis, S. E. Jones, J. B. Phoenix, S. N. Harvey, H. H Qualls, L. E. Muse, J. B. Eggleston, J. W. Stone Jr., J. W. V. Hutchinson, R. A. Appling, W. W. White.

San Angelo District-G. V. Cavett, W. W. Baker, J. E. Brown, F. J. Hutchinson, T. H. Foy, C. H. Hamilton, M. L. Wyatt, D. B. Baker.

San Antonio District-J. D. Mackey, R. S. Mosby, H. O. McCutchin, N. J. Moore, B. J. Easter, A. G. Russell, J. H. Napier, J. F. Muse, C. W. Frankllin, J. W. Weakley, C. E. Whitiker, M. W. Stephens, J. W. Warren, E. C. Henderson, H. L. McKinney, C. T. Wardah.

Victoria District-George Waters, D. F. Vance, J. T. Carper, G. M. Mallory, J. N. Hooey, A. M. Mason, S. D. Mosley, J. H. Swann.

Waco District-John Coe, G. F. Alexander, A. D. Holden, J. G. Browne, H. A. Jones, I. T. Sanford, Sam Graham, B. A. Byars, C. S. Williams, W. B. Lott, M. B. Burkley.

INTRODUCTION-The bishop introduced the following visitors:-Dr. J. T. Curry, of the M. E. Church, South; Dr. M. J. Holmes, of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Dr. I. Garland Penn, of the Board of Education; Dr. E. M. Jones, Field Representative of the Board of Pension and Relief; Prof, R. H. McAllister, Business Manager of the Southwestern Christian Advocate; Dr. R. G. Morris, of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension; Prof. T. R. Davis, President of Samuel Huston College, and J. W. Warren, Pastor of St. Paul M. E. Church.

ADJOURNMENT-The announcements were made; the doxology was sung, after which we adjourned with the benediction given by Dr. M. J. Holmes.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, President
C. W. FRANKLIN, Secretary

## AFTERNOON-First Day

Conference was called to order at 2:45, with Bishop Jones in the chair. J. H. R. Dudley conducted the devotions.

On motion of J. W. Warren, a donation of $\$ 29.00$ was given to Bishop Jones to assist in the work at Gulf Side.

REPORTS-The following efffective elders made reports of their work:A. D. Jacques, J. S. Medlock, P. H. Phillips, J. W. Stone, L. L. Haynes, L. W. Roberts, W. M. White, R. W. Allen, P. H. Jenkins, G. A. Deslandes, J. D. Rice,
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BOOK CONCERN-On motion of K. W. McMillan, T. B. Echols was appointed collector for the Book Concern. The bishop turned over to him the accounts as sent by the Book Concern.

OFFERING-An offering of $\$ 11.25$ was collected for R. A. Appling, who has been sick for the better part of the year. He in turn gave words of appreciation for the same.

ORDER OF THE DAY-On motion of H. H. Qualls, Friday at 3 p. m. was fixed to consider the interest of Samuel Huston College.

ADJOURNMENT-On motion we adjourned with benediction by Bishop Jones.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, President<br>C. W. FRANKLIN, Secretary

## SECOND DAY-Morning Session

Bishop Jones called the conference to order at 9 o'clock.
JOURNAL-The journal of the first day was read and approved. Delinquent reports were called for and the men reported.

SUPPLY PASTORS-The Bishop called for reports from supply pastors. The following men reported:-Zan Holmes, G. W. Kelley, Dave Johnson, Z. E. King, S. J. Johnson, Elmo Watson, W. M. Mosely, A. C. Holden, S. Keesee, E. G. Gray and E. Davis.

QUESTION FIFTEEN-Question Fifteen was resumed and on motion of the district superintendent, the character of R. N. Brooks and T. B. Echols was passed.

Bishop Jones asked R. N. Brooks to preside at this time and R. G. Morris was introduced and spoke of the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

At this point Bishop Jones resumed the chair and on motion of A. M. Mason a committee on Rural Work was raised. (See Committees.)

The roll was called for payment of subscriptions to the Gammon Lectureship fund and a number of men paid their subscriptions and a number of pledges were taken.

INTRODUCTIONS-Dr. J. A. Dierkman, President of Bethsaida Hospital,
of Cincinnatti, Ohio, spoke in an interesting way of the work of the Board of Hospitals and Homes.
F. Rivers Barnwell, representing the Texas Health Department, was introduced and addressed the conference in the interest of his work.

QUESTION SIX-Question six was called and the following men were continued on Trial studies of the first year: J. H Brown, N. W. Stephens, J. A. Thomas, and Henry C. Willis.

On motion of K. W. McMillan, Registrar of the Board of Examiners, the following men were advanced to the studies of the second year: Charles $\mathbf{E}$. Connor, F. M. Hudspeth, Allen M. Harris, G. M. Moten, U. V. Green.

The character of E. T. Allen, O. B. Coe, I. H. Pierce, D. L. Mosby was passed, they made their reports and were continued in studies of the Third Year.

The character of Thomas Bruton, J. H. Strait, F. D. Young was passed and they made their reports and advanced to the studies of the Fourth Year.

On motion the character of M. C. Ellison, P. H. Moore, was passed. They made their reports and were continued in studies of the Fourth Year.

On motion the character of H. J. Jackson, L. L. Strait, Everage McRae, Henry Tollerson, was passed, they made their reports and graduated from the course of study and elected to Elder's Orders.

On motion the character of Esau Smith and T. J. D. Sims was passed and they made their reports and granted an Extension of time to complete the conference course of study and they were continued in the study of the Fourth Year.

On motion of R. N. Brooks, the district apportionments were made for the Summer School of the Theology at Waveland, Miss., as follows:-

Austin District, \$15.00
Corpus Christi District, $\$ 5.00$
Dallas District $\$ 25.00$
San Angelo District, $\$ 15.00$
San Antonio District, $\$ 25.00$
Waco District, $\$ 20.00$
Victoria District, $\$ 15.00$
INTRODUCTIONS-Bishop Jones introduced the following men to the conference: Dr. G. F. C. Curry, Rev. W. G. Merriweather, Dr. W. O. Boyd, Dr. J. S. Scott, and they were invited to sit with interest as we deliberated.

DIVIDENDS-Dr. E. M. Jones presented two drafts from the Board of Pensions and Relief. One for $\$ 776.59$ and another for $\$ 94.49$. This was ordered turned over to the Board of Stewards.

A collection was taken for Mrs. E. Spriggs Ratliff of $\$ 35.00$ and a committee was ordered to bear greeting with Bishop Jones heading the committee and to carry the money.

DEVOTIONAL PERIOD-Bishop Jones took charge of the devotional hour at this time and gave a most encouraging message from the subject: "The heart break of God." Announcements were made, doxology was sung and we adjourned.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, President
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## THIRD DAY-Morning Session

Bishop Jones opened the conference at 9 o'clock with Rev. H. H. Qualls in charge of the devotions.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.
QUESTION EIGHT-On motion of K. W. McMillan, the Registrar, the following men were admitted into full membership being ordained previously: Frank Blair, T. H. Bryant, Henry Kuykendall, J. H. Marshall, Marshall Majors, Clenton Schuler, R. L. Palmer, J. A. Wills.

The case of T. M. Bruton was adjusted and upon the recommendation of the Registrar, he was advanced to the studies of the Fourth Year.

The Bishop received the class after having answered the regular disciplinary questions and satisfied the conference as to all the requirements. Frank Blair, T. H. Bryant, Henry Kuykendall, J. H. Marshall, Marshall Majors, Clenton Schuler, R. L. Palmmer, and J. A. Willis were received.

QUESTION FOUR-Henry Harrison, on motion of the committee on Conference Relations, was received on Credentials from the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and placed in the studies of the Third Year.

ORDER OF THE DAY-On motion of K. W. McMillan, the conference proceeded to ballot for delegates to the General Conference.

On motion of C. S. Williams, the Tellers were appointed by the Bishop and ordered that correct initials of each man appear on the ballot.

The following Board of Tellers was appointed: A. D. Jacques, R. M. Davis, J. D. Rice, J. H. R. Dudley, L. L. Haynes, George Waters, and S. N. Harvey,

The ballot was taken and the tellers retired to count the vote.
INTRODUCTIONS-Dr. M. C. Wilcox was introduced and gave a brief experience as a missionary to China.

Doctor Campbell of the Central Pennsylvania conference was introduced and gave a brief word. Miss C. I. King, representing the work of Eliza Dee Home, was presented and told of the work among us for the past 34 years.

Dr. Paul B. Kern, with Mrs. Kern, of Travis Park M. E. Church South, with Mrs. Stella Allen, Mrs. L. G. Allen, were presented and Doctor Kern gave words of greeting from our sister church.

Dr. I. Garland Penn was presented and spoke for the Board of Education and the World Service Commission.

On motion of G. A. Deslandes, the conference voted to increase the World Service giving by ten percent over the previous year for the World Service Commission. Three thousand dollars was to be raised by February 12, for Sam Huston College.

BALLOT-The Tellers returned and the Bishop announced the results of the election as follows:

The total number of votes cast 111, defective three, total counted 108. Necessary for choice, 55.
K. W. McMillan, 79; R. N. Brooks, 74; J. W. Weakley, 35; J. W. Warren, 23; T. H. Wyatt, 22; G. A. Deslandes, 19; R. S. Mosby, 17; A. M. Mason, 15;
S. E. Jones, 4; J. H. Swann, 2; J. H. Childs, 1. K. W. McMillan and R. N. Brooks, having received the required number were declared elected.

The second ballot was ordered and was taken and the tellers retired to count the vote.

SEAT OF THE CONFERENCE-On motion of J. H. Childs, Saint Paul, Dallas, was voted as the seat for the next conference.

RESULT OF BALLOT-The tellers returned and the Bishop announced the results of the second ballot:

The number of ballots cast 109; defective, 1; number counted 108; necessary for choice, 55; T. B. Echols, 34; J. W. Weakley, 28; R. S. Mosby, 11; J. W. Warren, 11; A. M. Mason, 8; G. A. Deslandes, 8; T. H. Wyatt, 7; J. H. Swann, 1.No one having received the necessary number, the Bishop declared there was no election.

On motion of J. H. Childs, further balloting was deferred until the afternoon session.

Dr J. L. Farmer was introduced and gave the noon day message instead of Bishop Jones, on the subject: "The disciple of Jesus and His Reward."

ADJOURNMENT-The conference adjourned to meet at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. with the Laymen Association. The doxology was sung, the benediction by Bishop Jones.

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## THIRD DAY-Afternoon.

The Bishop opened the Conference at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
QUESTION SIX-On motion of K . W. McMillan, the following characters passed and continued on trial in the studies of the first year: J. H. Brown, J. A. Thomas, N. W. Stephens, Henry C. Willis.

On motion of the Registrar the following were passed in character and advanced to the studies of the Second Year: C. E. Connor, G. M. Moten, F. M. Hudspeth, A. M. Harris.

QUESTION SIXTEEN-The Bishop announced the transfer of Allen M. Harris to the Texas Conference and T. H. Wyatt to the Little Rock Conference.

QUESTION TEN-On motion of the Registrar, M. C. Ellison, P. H. Moore, Esau Smith, T. J. D. Sims, T. M. Bruton, J. H. Strait, F. D. Young, were advanced to studies of Fourth Year.

THIRD BALLOT-The third ballot was taken and the tellers retired to count the same.

QUESTION TWENTY-FIVE-On motion of the Committee on Conference Relation, the following men were continued as Supernumerary Ministers: V. A. Cook, J. M. Foster, J. W. Maye.

On motion of T. H. Wyatt, the Bishop appointed a committee to investigate the matter thought objectionable with reference to L. H. Richardson. The committee is as follows: T. H. Wyatt, G. A. Deslandes and J. W. Warren.

RESULT OF THIRD BALLOT-The tellers returned and the Bishop announced the ballot as follows: Total number of votes cast 97; defective, none; necessary to choice 49; T. B. Echols, 67; J. W. Weakley 15; J. W. Warren, 12; A. M. Mason, 3; T. B. Echols having received the necessary number, was declared elected.
K. W. McMillan read his report as chairman of the Publishing Board, and upon motion of T. H. Wyatt, the board was re-appointed for next year.

On motion of Dr. R. N. Brooks, the matter of gifts and money received for Sam Huston College was ordered printed in the journal, the same to be paid by the college.

On motion of T. H. Wyatt the conference ordered that our conference board be recognized and that monies coming to the conference be paid through our conference treasurer.

BALLOT FOR RESERVE DELEGATES-The ballot for reserve delegates was taken and the tellers retired to count the same.

The Bishop presented K. W. McMillan, R. N. Brooks, T. B. Echols, T. R. Davis, J. S. Henry, and R. A. Atkinson as delegates elected to the General Conference, and each made brief remarks.
P. A. Hill, chairman of the Lay Electorial Conference was introduced and gave remarks as to the laymen position in support of the church program.

RESULT OF BALLOT FOR RESERVES-The tellers returned and the Bishop announced the result of the ballot as follows: Number of votes cast, 100; Defective, 4; number counted, 96; necessary to elect, 49; C. S. Williams, 59 ; J. W. Warren 58; J. W. Weakley 54; A. M. Mason, 23; R. S. Mosby, 20 ; R. M. Davis, 17; T. H. Wyatt, 18; G. A. Deslandes, 14; S. E. Jones, 6, S. D. Mosely, 6; W. M. White, 3; J. G. Browne, 2; J. L. S. Edmondson, 2.

The Bishop declared C. S. Williams, J. W. Warren, and J. W. Weakley elected, having received the necessary number.
K. W. McMillan read a resolution on Bishop Jones, thanking him for his work and life among us and asking at the same time that this conference with a unanimous vote ask the General Conference to re-assign him to the Area for another Quadrennium.

A resolution as printed in the journal was read and the conference voted that this resolution as touching the work of Sam Huston College be adopted, which was done by a unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT-The conference had announcements and doxology was sung, and we adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Jones.

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## FOURTH DAY-Morning Session

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QUESTION SIX-On motion of K. W. McMillan, the following characters passed and continued on trial in the studies of the first year: J. H. Brown, J. A. Thomas, N. W. Stephens, Henry C. Willis.

On motion of the Registrar the following were passed in character and advanced to the studies of the Second Year: C. E. Connor, G. M. Moten, F. M. Hudspeth, A. M. Harris.

QUESTION SIXTEEN-The Bishop announced the transfer of Allen M. Harris to the Texas Conference and T. H. Wyatt to the Little Rock Conference.

QUESTION TEN-On motion of the Registrar, M. C. Ellison, P. H. Moore, Esau Smith, T. J. D. Sims, T. M. Bruton, J. H. Strait, F. D. Young, were advanced to studies of Fourth Year.

THIRD BALLOT-The third ballot was taken and the tellers retired to count the same.

QUESTION TWENTY-FIVE-On motion of the Committee on Conference Relation, the following men were continued as Supernumerary Ministers: V. A. Cook, J. M. Foster, J. W. Maye.

On motion of T. H. Wyatt, the Bishop appointed a committee to investigate the matter thought objectionable with reference to L. H. Richardson. The committee is as follows: T. H. Wyatt, G. A. Deslandes and J. W. Warren.
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the Book Concern of $\$ 1101.00$ and from the Chapter fund $\$ 40.00$. On motion or S. D. Mosely, these were ordered turned over to the Board of Stewards.

QUESTION FIFTEEN-On motion of J. H. Shilds, the character of J. W. V. Hutchinson was passed.

QUESTION FIVE-Upon the recommendation of the committee on Conference Relation and the report of the Registrar, the following men were admitted on trial: Marcus Freeman, W. M. Mosely, Joel S. Jordan, Z. E. King, Dee Tucker, Zan Holmes. By vote of the conference they were placed in the study of the First year.

QUESTION TWELVE-On motion of the district superintendents, the following men were elected to Deacons Orders: Joel S. Jordan, Zan Holmes, Dee Tucker, G. W. Kelley.

On motion R. N. Brooks, E. V. McRae was elected to elder's orders to be ordained elsewhere.

On motion the following men were left without appointment to attend school: B. F. Lee, Henry Tollerson, U. V. Green, J. L. Wattley, E. V. McRae, L. L. Haynes.

The Bishop announced the transfer of W. L. Turner from the Little Rock Conference to the West Texas Conference.

The Board of Stewards read their report and the same was adopted. See their report as printed in the Journal.

Dr. E. M. Jones was asked to take the chair.
The Statistician read his report and the same was adopted. (See Report.) The following Standing committees read reports:

Sunday Schools, Hospitals and Homes, Sabbath Observance, Epworth League, Foreign Missions, Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, W. H. M. Society, Episcopal fund, Deaconess, Resolutions, Treasurer of the Conference, Cabinet Observations, Ovation Day, West Texas Council of Religious Education, Summer Schools, Waveland Schools, Book Concern. (See Reports.)

At this point the Bishop resumed the chair.
The special committee in the case of the matter in the minutes touching L. H. Richardson made its report, which by order of the conference was adopted. (See Report.)

The Campfire Girls rendered several musical selections as an Orchestra, which were enjoyed by all. Miss Ruth Christopher read a peaper and paid a special tribute to our Bishop and wife. They made a donation of $\$ 10.00$ to the work at Gulf Side.

Dr. E. M. Jones was again asked to preside.
Dr. R. G. Morris was presented and spoke in the interest of the rural pastors, schools, etc.

A collection of $\$ 6.48$ was taken to refund J. H. Childs' railroad fare in the case at Waco, for traveling exxpense.

An offering for J. W. Wattley was taken to the amount of \$24.25.
Mrs. S. E. Jones was presented by Bishop Jones and he announced her appointment as Corresponding Secretary of the W. F. M. Society of the Texas Conference.

Mrs. E. V. McMillan was also presented and the Bishop announced her appointment as Corresponding Secretary of the W. F. M. Society of the West Texas Conference.

ADJOURNMENT-The announcements were made, the doxology was sung and we adjourned to meet Sunday night in the final session. Benediction by Bishop Jones.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, President
C. W. FRANKLIN, Secretary

## SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

At 9 a. m., the conference assembled in a joint Church school session with J. M. Bumbry and A. C. Wilson and T. B. Echols in charge.

The Love Feast was conducted at 10 a. m., with Revs. J. E. Brown and M. L. Wyatt in charge.
K. W. McMillan, the District Superintendent of the San Antonio District, took charge of the service promptly at $10: 30$ and proceeded with the order of worship. After the regular disciplinary order was carried forward, he presented Bishop Jones, who took charge of the offering and collected \$66.00 for the morning.

Bishop Jones was presented at 11:30 and gave a very spiritual message from the subject, "Heavenly Warfare." Our hearts were moved to a larger service as he pictured the triumphs and the achievements of the church and especially the part the Christians can play by individual efforts.

## AFTERNOON

K. W. McMillan had charge of the devotions and after the devotions, Bishop Jones with the assistance of the District Superintendents, Doctor Curry, Doctor Campbell, ordained the following Deacons: Dee Tucker, Zan Holmes, George W. Kelley, Joel S. Jordan. In this same service he ordained as elders the following men: H. J. Jackson, Luther L. Strait, Henry Tollerson.

At this point the Bishop and cabinet retired to complete the work of appointments, etc., and Rev. S. D. Mosely took charge and conducted the Memorial service for the following deceased men: J. C. Eusan and C. N. Strait. Mention was also made of Mrs J. D. Mackey and Little Ellen H. Mosby. Rev. S. E. Jones preached the sermon.

## EVENING SESSION

The closing sermon was preached by Rev. C. S. Williams with the devotion in charge of T. W. Wyatt.

Doctor Donahue of the Board or Home Mission and Church Extension was introduced and spoke in an illuminating way of the work of the Board for the past Quadrennium.

At half past nine o'clock' the Bishop with his cabinet came in and the
devotion was conducted by Bishop Jones. After the devotions, Mrs. Ratliff presented the bishop $\$ 17.00$ to express her interest in Gulf Side. Also the night's collection of $\$ 22.18$ was turned over to the Bishop by the officers and pastor to help on the work at Gu.f Side.

On motion of K. W. McMillian after the appointments were read, that we adjourn Sine Die to meet in Dallas, Saint Paul, 1928.

The appointments were read and the doxology was sung, and the Bishop gave the benediction.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, President
C. W. FRANKLIN, Secretary

## CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

San Antonio, Texas, December 4, 1927
This is to certify that I, a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at San Antonio, Texas, on December 4, 1927, ordained the following men as Deacons, who were elected to this office by vote of the West Texas Conference that was in session:
Zan Holmes, Joel S. Jordan, Zebra King, Dee Tucker.
This certifies that on the same day and date, I ordained as Elders by vote of the same conference the following men:

Hilborne J. Jackson, Luther Strait, Henry Tollerson.
Signed:
ROBERT E. JONES, Presiding Bishop.

We do hereby certify that the above is a correct record of the proceedings of the fifty-third session of the West Texas Conference held at San Antonio, Texas, November 30-December 4,1927.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, President
C. W. FRANKLIN, Secretary

## Disciplinary Questions

## Disciplinary Questions

1. (a) Is this annual conference incorporated according to the requirements of the Discipline? It is.
(b) What officers and persons holding monies, funds, etc., are bonded, and in what amounts, according to the requirements of the Discipline? (See report of Bonding Committee.)
2. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? Walter L. Turner from the Little Rock Conference.
3. Who have been re-admitted? There are none.
4. Who have been received on credentials, and from what church? Henry H. Harrison, an Elder from the African Methodist Episcopal Church.
5. Who have been received on Trial?
(a) In studies of the First Year: Marcus Freeman, Joel S. Jordan, Zan Holmes, Zebra King, Dee Tucker.
(b) In studies of Third Year under Seminary Rule: There are none.
6. Who have been continued on Trial?
(a) In studies of First Year: John H. Brown, Newton W. Stephens, Henry C. Willis, Jacob A. Thomas.
(b) In studies of Third Year: Frank Blair, Thomas H. Bryant, Henry Kuykendall, John H. Marshall, Marshall Majors, Clinton Schuler, Rell L. Palmer, John A. Willis, E. T. Allen, Obie B. Coe, U. V. Green, Douglas L. Mosby, Ila H. Pierce.
(d) In studies of Fourth Year: Thomas M. Bruton, John H. Strait, Frederick D. Young, Manny C. Ellison, Philip H. Moore, Esau Smith, Thomas J. D. Simms.
7. Who have been discontinued? There are none.
8. Who have been admitted into full membership?
(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.There are none.
(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously. Frank Blair, Thomas H. Bryant, Henry Kuykendall, John H. Marshall, Marshall Majors, Clinton Schuler, Rell L. Palmer, John A. Wills.
(c) Elected to be ordained elsewhere. There are none.
9. What members are in studies of the Third Year?
(a) Admitted into full membership this year. Frank Blair, Thomas H. Bryant, Henry Kuykendall, John H. Marshall, Marshall Majors, Clinton Sshuler, Rell L. Palmer, John A. Wills.
(b) Admitted into full membership previously: E. T. Allen, Obie B Coe, U. V. Green, Douglas L. Mosby, Ila H. Pierce.
10. What members are in studies of Fourth Year? Manny C. Ellison, Philip H. Moore, Eusa Smith, T. J. D. Simms, Thomas M. Bruton, F. D. Young, John H. Strait.

11 What members have completed the Conference Course of Study?
(a) Elected and ordained elders this year. Hilburne J. Jackson, Luther L. Strait, Henry Tollerson.
(b) Elected and ordained elders previously. There are none.
(c) Elected and ordained elders under the Seminary Rule. None.
(d) Elected to be ordained elsewhere. Everage McRae.
12. What others have been elected and ordained deacons?
(a) As local preachers. George W. Kelly, Joel S. Jordan, Zan Holmes, Dee Tucker.
(b) Under Missionary Rule. There are none.
(c) Under the Seminary Rule. There are none.
13. What others have been elected and ordained elders?
(a) As local Deacons. There are none.
(b) Under Missionary Rule. There are none.
(c) Elected by this conference and ordained elsewhere. Everage McRae
14. Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our schools? B. F. Lee, Henry Tollerson, U. V. Green, J. L. Wattley, Everage McRae, Leonard L. Haynes.
15. Was the character of each preacher examined? This was strictly done in open conference.
16. Who have been transferred and to what conference? Allen M. Harris to the Texas Conference, Thomas H. Wyatt to the Little Rock Conference.
17. Who have died? J. C. Eusan, and C. N. Strait.
18. Who have been located at their own request? There are none.
19. Who have been located? There are none.
20. Who have withdrawn?
(a) From the ministry. There are none.
(b) From the ministry and membership of the church. There are none.
(c) By surrender of the ministerial office. There are none.
21. Who have been deprived of the ministerial office? There are none.
22. Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints? There are none.
23. Who have been expelled? There are none.
24. What other personal notations should be made? There are none.
25. Who are the supernumerary preachers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? Victor A. Cook (2); J. W. Maye (2) ; J. M. Foster (4).
26. Who are the retired ministers? Alfred Brown, James Coe, Enoch Cogswell, E. E. Cooper, R. H. Duncan, Mumford Fountain, S. W. Harvey, J. H. Hutchinson, M. S. Jordan, C. B. Melton, T. S. Moore, George Pleasant, W. M. Reed, N. H. Townsend, J. W. Wright.
27. Who have been granted leave of absence? There are none.
28. Who are the triers of Appeals? R. M. Davis, A. D. Jacques, C. E. Whitiker, J. W. Warren, W. L. Turner.
29. What is the annual report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension? (See Report.)
30. What is the annual report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions? (See Report.)
31. What is the Statistical report? (See Report.)
32. What is the Conference Treasurer's report? (See Report.)
33. What is the aggregate of the Benevolent collections ordered by the General Conference, as reportd by the conference treasurer? \$11,499.00.
(b) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent collection as ordered by annual conference, as reported by the conference treasurer? \$2,041.00.
34. What are the claims on the Conference Funds?
(a) for annuity distributions, $\$ 10,604.00$.
35. What has been received on these claims?

From the Book Concern, $\$ 1,101.00$.
From annual conference investment, $\$ 176.00$.
From the chartered fund, $\$ 40.00$
From pastorial charges, $\$ 826.49$
From Board of Pensions and Relief, $\$ 600.00$.
From other sources, $\$ 000.00$
Total, \$2,654.08.
(b) How has it been applied? (See Steward's Report.)
36. What amount has been apportioned to the pastorial charges within the conference, to be raised for the support of Conference Claimants? $\$ 10,000.00$.
37. What amount has been paid by the conference treasurer to the Board of Pensions and Relief for the Connectional Fund? None.
38. Is there a conference sustentation society, and what is its report? There is no such society.
39. Where are the preachers stationed? (See list of appointments.)
40. Where shall the next conference be held? Dallas, St. Paul Church, K. W. McMillan, pastor, 1814 Burford Street, Dallas, Texas.


## Conference Appointments

# Appointments. 

## AUSTIN DISTRICT

S. E. Blacknell, District Superintendent, Samuel Huston College, Austin, Texas



# CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT 

## C. W. Franklin, District Superintendent, 1323 Paso Hondo Street,

## San Antonio, Texas



## DALLAS DISTRICT

## J. H. Childs, District Superintendent, 2817 Thomas Ave., Dallas, Texas

 Dallas:

St. Paul_-------------_K. W. McMillan, 1814 Burford St., Dallas, Texas
Trinity
J. H. Strait, Route 7-78, Dallas, Texas

Warren_--------------------J. D. Rice, 3710 State St., Dallas, Texas
Wesley-Calvary_---------_C. T. Wardah, 1814 Burford St., Dallas, Texas
Denison_-_-_-_-_-_-_-_-_ H. R. Dudley, 619 Fannin St., Denison, Texas

Fort Worth:
Cowan Chapel_-_----_-_J. A. Wills, Route 4-57, Fort Worth, Texas
St. Andrews_-_---_R. M. Davis, 1024 South Main St., Fort Worth, Texas
Thompson_---------------S. E. Jones, Box 92, North Fort Worth, Texas
Hillsboro_-_--------------------C. E. Connor, Route 5, Mexia, Texas
Hubbard-Dawson_----------------------------P. H. Philips, Hubbard, Texas
Mexia Circuit_-----------------------_H. A. Jones, Route 5-1030, Mexia, Texas
Milford-Italy_-----------------------------H. J. Jackson, Milford, Texas
Maypearl_-----------------------------W. W. White, Route 1, Reisel, Texas

Pilot Point_-_----------------------_Robert Minifee, Pilot Point, Texas
Sherman_-_-----------------Frank Blair, 1007 N. East St., Sherman, Texas
Waxahachie_____-__-_B. J. Easter, 104 Wyatt St., Waxahachie, Texas
Wichita Falls_-_-_-_-_-_ W. Stone Jr., Box 1512, Wichita Falls, Texas
SAN ANGELO DISTRICT

## H. H. Qualls, District Superintendent, Box 82, Temple, Texas


#### Abstract

Abilene G. V. Cavett, 621 North 6th St., Abilene, Texas

Bartlett_----------------------------I. H. Pierce, Box 411, Bartlett, Texas  Brownwood Circuit_-_-_-_-_-_-_-_._-_ E. Brown, Box 743, Brownwood, Texas Cleburne_--------------------------R. A. Applin, North Fort Worth, Texas El Paso_----------------_F. J. Hutchinson, 2021 Myrtle St., El Paso, Texas Knox City A. B. Johnson (Supply)     San Saba_-_-_-_-_-_-_-_-_-_ Hamilton, Box 283 San Saba, Texas San Angelo_---------M. L. Wyatt, 602 North Randolph St., San Angelo, Texas Temple_-------------------------------D. B. Baker, Box 82, Temple, Texas Valley Mills Circuit_-------------------T. J. D. Simms, Valley Mills, Texas 


## SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

## G. A. Deslandes, District Superintendent, 235 Blue Bonnet Street, San Antonio, Texas



## WACO DISTRICT

## J. W. Downs, District Superintendent, 1025 S. 10th St., Waco, Texas

Aquilla Circuit_-------_-_-_H. E. Kuykendall, 1112 Payne St., Waco, Texas Bremond Circuit------------------------G. F. Alexander, Bremond, Texas
Bowman---------------------------------John Coe, Route 3, Marlin, Texas
Cameron_---------------------S. Keesee, 1209 Chestnut St., Waco, Texas
Calvert------------------------------W. W. Baker, Box 77, Calvert, Texas
Chilton--------------------------------------Fred Young, Chilton, Texas



Kosse_-------------------------------Dee Tucker, Route 5, Mexia, Texas
Lott------------------------------------Fred Wilson (Supply) Lott, Texas



## VICTORIA DISTRICT

## W. M. Ellison, District Superintendent, Box 525, Yoakum, Texas



Columbus_------------------------------------George Waters, Columbus, Texas
Columbus Circuit_-_-_-_D. F. Vance, Altair, Texas
Edna Circuit_----------------------------------------_J. T. Carper, Edna, Texas
Garwood Circuit T. H. Bryant, Alleyton, Texas

Halletsville Circuit_------------------------G. M. Mallory, Halletsville, Texas

Schulenburg A. M. Mason, Schulenburg, Texas

Sublime Circuit_------------------W. M. Mosely, R. 7-78, Halletsville, Texas
Victoria S. D. Mosely, Victoria, Texas

Weimar_---------------------------Jack Caesar (Supply) Hellettsville, Texas
Wharton------------------------------------J. H. Marshall, Wharton, Texas
Yoakum-----------------------------J. H. Swann, Box 562, Yoakum, Texas

## SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

R. N. Brooks, Professor in Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., Membership Wesley quarterly conference.
T. B. Echols, Professor in Sam Huston College, Austin, Texas. Membership Simpson Tabernacle Quarterly Conference

Henry Tollerson, B. F. Lee, J. L. Wattley, L. L. Haynes, E. V. McRae, U. V. Green left without appointment to attend school.

Mrs. S. E. Jones, Corresponding Secretary W. H. M. Society, with membership in Thompson Chapel quarterly conference, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. E. V. McMillan, Corresponding Secretary W. F. M. Society, with membership in St. Paul Quarterly conference, Dallas, Texas.
J. W. V. Hutchinson, Educational Worker.

BISHOP R. E. JONES, Presiding Bishop
K. W. McMILLAN, Secretary of Bishop's Cabinet

## Annual Reports

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## SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

## K. W. McMillan, Superintendent

Mr. President:
It becomes my duty as Superintendent of the San Antonio District to report the work of the district and the condition of the same.

I am happy to know that as Superindendent and pastors of the district we have enjoyed a reasonable degree of success this year. God has led us steadily on with His unfaltering hand and we feel that we have been kept as the apple of His eye, and whatever we have been able to do, He has taken the lead and all praise to Him for whatver has been accomplished.

We have felt the hand of death this year, which has brought sorrow to our ranks, but in the midst of it all we have said: "Thy will, O Lord, be done."

On February 21, Rev. J. C. Eusan, our pastor of West End Shurch, was stricken and died almost momentarily after having filled his pulpit on Sunday, he fell a victim to death on Monday. We share whatever grief comes to the family for the loss of this giant in Israel.

Later in the spring, the blessed wife of Rev. J. D. Mackey, after a long and continued illness, also was claimed by the same grim monster, and thus the second time for the immediate ranks of the ministry, we bowed our heads and said: "Blessed are the Dead who die in the Lord."

## Territory

Our work has not been so strenuous this year as of former years, because of the decrease in our territory and the amount of travel that we have had to do, which has been far less, totaling more than 1500 miles for the entire year's work. We have looked carefully after all the interest of the work, however, and doing as best we could to build the kingdom in earth as it is in heaven.

## Pastors

The pastors have been faithful. I would have you know, Bishop, that even though times and crop conditions have been strenuous, but even at that we trudged along with a degree of fidelity that has been charming on the part of the men who have shouldered the burdens of debt and church benevolence. In most cases we have had increases in Benevolent reports, and some in pastors' salaries. Church debts have been decreased more than $\$ 5,000.00$ throughout the district, and the people are to be counted praiseworthy for the excellent spirit manifested in the growth of the churches in the district. Each pastor will report his work, giving the amount of salary, benevolences raised, improvements due and such other items as this session may order reported.

## Revivals

We have had no sweeping revivals. We have been content it seems to conduct in the usual way a protracted meeting with but meager results. We have had some additions but not as a result of great revival meetings held. Perhaps we added 300 to the church membership through the year.

## District Meetings

We have held one district conference, one Sunday School and Epworth League Institute, one W. H. M. S. and W. F. M. Society Convention for the year and pleased to report that this work having had its beginning on the district three years ago, we are growing in interest and numbers. Young people are being quickened to their duty as workers for this kind of contact and fellowship in our institutes.

The educational program carried forward in our Institute is praiseworthy. Our faculty has been as good as we have been able to find in any of our In-stitutes:- Drs. F. H. Butler, W. L. Turner, E. W. Kelly, R. M. Davis, G. A. Deslandes and Revs. R. S. Mosby and C. E. Whitiker, J. W. Weakley constitute the members of our faculty and with this line of men to lead and direct the affairs, we feel that we might congratulate ourselves for having had their services.

## Benevolences

The benevolent interest of the church has been carefully looked after. According to the requirements of the discipline, we have urged that all committees be appointed and that collections be taken for every interest of the church. Just how well we have done our work, you will be able to ascertain when the pastors make their reports.

## Quarterly Conferences

We have held and caused to be held 80 quarterly conferences in the district. We have tried to make these meetings effective and mean more to us than in former years by filling in with musical and literary numbers, all of which have given strength and charm to the work. To this end I have sought to add my word of emphasis to the Life Service and Stewardship Program of the church, which seems to be gripping a few of our young people as well as one or two older ones here and there.

## New Work

Mr. President, we are happy to report two new church organizations in the city of San Antonio, since coming to this district.

The East St. Paul church, we count as one of the outstanding projects
of this three years administration, where we have gathered a beautiful group of members to the number of about 100 at this writing, with a modern parsonage built and furnished for the preacher's home and a beautiful church building for worship and rooms where we carry forward the educational work of the church as well.

Four Sunday school rooms, Reception room, Library with a few books already installed, kitchen that is already equipped and a dining room $22 \times 30$ feet, where we can feed at least 100 persons at one time, with chairs and equipment that will be almost unbelievable for the first two years of this organization. A parsonage and church like this with only a debt of little less than $\$ 10$,000.00 seems rather marvelous since coming to the district.

Then in West San Antonio Heights, we have organized a little band of Methodist believers, fifteen in number with a lot purchased and nearly half paid for and money to build a tabernacle for worship through the winter month. We count these projects worthwhile in a cosmopolitan city like San Antonio. If we could have in the heartiest way the co-operation of all our pastors, instead of seven organized churches, we could easily have a dozen within the next three years, if I remain on the district.

## My Special Duties as District Superintendent

I have traveled throughout the district as per disciplinary requirements, and in the absence of my Bishop, I have presided at district conference and have supplied pulpits with the advice and suggestions of my bishop.

Since the death of Rev. J. C. Eusan,-we placed Rev. C. W. Franklin at West End, but after doing this, we discovered early that with the many duties connected with the building program at East St. Paul that he would not be able to take care for the pastorate of both churches, hence we attempted to releive Reverend Franklin, by placing Rev. H. L. McKinney at West End and the placing of Brother Joe Young, a supply, at Pleasanton, but we found that the people would not consent for this change, we placed Brother McKinney back to Pleasanton and relieved Brother Young, and fortunately we found the Rev. C. T. Wardah having been left without an appointment to attend school and being without work, as late as August, we placed him at West End and he has been succeeding in a nice way, and he will report the work of West End.

I have looked carefully after the spiritual interest of the district as well as the temporal interest. Our deeds and charters conform strictly te the rquirements of the church, and our property for the most part is well insured. One or two exceptions.

We have urged the payment of the Episcopal fund as well as that of General Conference expense.

We have no questions of law, etc., for decisions, hence no agreements nor disagreements in the form of appeals.

It has been our good pleasure to have our Bishop for a visit within the
bounds of our district once this conference year, and he was the guest of my home, and as per discipline, I attended lim while in the bounds of the district.

We have urged the hearty support of our people everywhere in their support for our educational institution, Sam Huston College, and have directed as far as possible, our young people to attend this school.

## Mr. President:

We have done the best we could for our year's work. Cotton crops have been spotted throughout my district, and money has not been as flourishing as we have desired, but we have gone forth and have done the best we could to represent Christ and bring His Kingdom in earth as it is in Heaven.

## Faithfully submitted,

## K. W. McMILLAN, Superintendent

## DALLAS DISTRICT <br> J. H. Childs, Superintendent

Dear Bishop and Brethren:
It is with gratitude to God that we present to you, this our Second Annual report of the Dallas District.

## First: Spiritual and Evangelistic Work

A careful survey of the work showed a great need for a more deflinite Spiritual and Evangelistic organization among the charges. This being done, revivals were held, conversions in practically every charge. Accessions and an increase in attendance.

## Second: A Stewardship Campnign

In order to more fully understand the use of time, means and life, as such relate to kingdom building. Much stress has been put upon the subject of stewardship, as a result, more have been given of time, means and decision of life work made.

## Third: Samuel Huston College

An intensive drive for Samuel Huston College, placing its standing and classification more fully before the young people, resulted in giving of more than $\$ 700.00$ and placing 10 students in attendance. The icy condition broken in the city of Dallas and 8 students from the High school class.

## Fourth: World Service

The pastors seem to have entered upon the year's work, fully touched with the World's Needs, both home and abroad. The laymenn soon caught the spirit, as a result, $\$ 2100$ were reported from Easter offerings. The conference year will give an increase over last by at least $\$ 250$.

## Fifth: Paid on Old Indebtedness

In spite of financial depressions which prevailed throughout two-thirds of the year, it has been one of the best we have had for paying church debts. More than $\$ 7000$ have been paid on old debts.

## Sixth: Developments and New Undertakings

One of the most praise-worthy developments in the history of the conference fir smetime, is the completion of Trinity Church, North Dallas, thus giving us two splendid buildings in Dallas. A new mission in Oak Cliff, Dallas, Extension Sunday school Mission in East Fort Worth, a splendid church purchased from the white people and moved to proper location on the Mexia Circuit and more than 200 feet of paved walk placed in front and around St. Paul Church, Dallas. Work is now going forward upon a splendid new church building at Lancaster.

## Woman Home and Foreign Missionary Societies

These societies under the leadership of the good women have gone forward with outstanding success. Notwithstanding the death of Mrs. L. A. Richie, which came like thunder out of a clear sky. Mrs. Richie had given her life to work.

Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues and other Young People's societies have been given much attention and careful supervision; as a result many of the young people have made decision and signed for definite life service.

I have held one district conference, a meeting for the District Stewards, an Institute of the Epworth League and a Sunday School Convention. I have held or caused to be held four quarterly conferences in each charge.

The report of the pastors will show what has been accomplished in each charge.

Faithfully submitted, J. H. CHILDS.

## CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT

Mr. President, Fathers and Brethren:
It becomes my duty as Superintendent of the Corpus Christi District, the
baby district, to report the work of the district and the condition of the same.
It is gratifying to know as Disrict Superintendent and pastors of the district we have suffered no loss in our immediate rank. God has led us stedaily on with his unfaltering hand and we appreciate the fact that whatever we have been able to do, his strond hand upheld us.

## Territory

The baby district embraces 15 counties in which we have church interest and outlook. I mean by that to say that every three months we travel through fifteen counties, which mak seis very expensive arduous.

Mr. President, from Goliad to Brownsville, is about 350 miles and yet there comes a satisfaction in knowing that this is the gateway to the Southern section of this great state.

Withing this territory we started with only five pastoral charges: Beeville Circuit, 42 members; Corpus Christi, 60; Goliad, 85; Kingsville, 60; Placedo Circuit, 37 ; total, 280 members. Our work on the district is as follows:

Beeville Circuit, Rev. Lewis W. Roberts, pastor. This is Brother Roberts' third year. He is a strong preacher and a hard worker, and knows how to bring things to pass. Brother Roberts and the good people of Beeville entertained the first district conference of the Corpus Christi District in grand style. Brother Roberts has paid on the old debt more than $\$ 500.00$ this year, leaving a balance of about $\$ 400.00$. Electric lights have been installed in the church and on the play ground, he will make a good report.

Corpus Christi, Rev. W. M. White, pastor. This is Brother White's second year. He has worked under hard conditions and will make a good report.

Bishop, Corpus Christi is destined to be one of the greatest cities in the Southwest, because of deep water that has been obtained. Boats are coming directly from New York to Corpus Christi, with dry goods and other commodities. Twenty-eight counties have agreed to ship their cotten crops via Corpus Christi. Many of our people have found employment at the docks which is quite a relief to labor conditions. A wide awake leader with a real program should mean much to Methodism in Corpus Christi.

Goliad. Rev. R. W. Allen, Pastor. This is Brother Allen's first year. He is a good precher and a commendable pastor. He knows how to put the program over. He brings a round report. A recently equipped play ground is proving quite an asset to the program of the church.

Kingsville. Rev. F. Mason Hudspeth, pastor. This is Brother Hudspeth's second year. Although he was away about 3 weeks under the care of a physician, he was able to return and to put over the program in grand style. He brings a round report. The leading white citizens of Kingsville have said to me that this Christian leadership and progressive program have proved more effective in improving the social and moral condition of the colored community than the efforts of the officers of the law. The playgrounds embracing a
lots, is the center of attraction for young and old. Brother Hudspeth is a safe leader.

Placedo Circuit. Rev. J. H. Browne, pastor. This is Brother Browne's second year and it has proven to be the greatest year of his ministry. He has held three revivals and several souls were happily converted and added to the church. He brings a round report. Brother Browne and the good people of Long Mott, entertained the Institute. Not a stone was left unturned to make it pleasant for the delegates.

## New Organizations

Bishop Circuit, Rev. D. D. Johnson, Pastor. Brother Johnson is a supply, but a zealous worker. We organized with five members and have worked steadily and have increased the membership to twelve, and have a commendable sum of money in the treasury for building purposes.

Mathis and Alice, Rev. S. J. Johnson, pastor. Brother Johnson is also a supply. Brother Johnson has held one revival which resulted in ten conversions. With Southern Pacific planning the erection of railroad shops and the citizens planning to develop the rich farm lands in and about Alice, we see wonderful possibilities for Methodism in this section.

Odem Circuit, Rev. W. M. Bennett, pastor. Brother Bennett is a supply. Brother Bennett called the people together and organized with eight members in the first quarterly conference. Thirteen persons were converted and added to the church. With some money and the right type of leadership, Methodism should hold its rightful place in the community. We have now a membership of 27 . We had no school in the community for Negroes. Parents were sending their children from 12 to 15 miles to the nearest school. As a result of our placing the matter before the trustees, we now have a new public school building, with the pastor's daughter, Miss Edna Bennett, a graduate of Prairie View, as teacher.

San Juan Circuit, Rev. Z. E. King, pastor. Brother King, a supply, is veri1y on the job. He organized with six members and built a neat little church $18 \times 36$. We owe about $\$ 200.00$ on lot and building. He has bought a lot in Eddingburg and is holding services in Weslaco. He is a safe leader.

The Corpus Christi district was born in Victoria, December 12, 1926. She made her first step in the Group meeting held in Goliad, Texas, in January. The baby seemed to be a little forward; she actually walked without crawling. Looking at the baby and thinking of its future, all of the pastors were encoudaged and pledged to do their bit to make possible her advent into the New Orleans Area. At the District Conference, May 3, it was the concensus of opinion that the Corpus Christi District was no more a dream, but a reality.

Faithfully submitted,

## J. J. HARDEMON.

## SAN ANGELO DISTRICT

Dear Bishop, Fathers and Brethren:
It is with joy and heartfelt gratitude to our Heavenly Father, that I come to make this my third annual report as district superintendent of the San Angelo District.

To begin with, I am proud to report that none of our men have fallen by the sword of death, that peace and harmony prevails throughout the District and that we have a set of hard working, sacrificing heroes. When we say the San Angelo district, we refer to the Western part of Texas; that part of Texas where we seem to come in contact with the impossibilities; where some of the men must plead for World Service money to people who have never seen a train; where the preacher in making his circuit must travel across counties where it is established that a Negro must not let the sun go down on him in the said county.

But out of all, the Lord has brought us safe thus far and every man has succeeded in some way.

We began our work immediately after the adjournment of the Annual Conference, with Rev. D. B. Baker in Temple. This is Reverend Baker's first full year in Temple and a year that I am sure will be remembered by him. The church debt was in a very bad condition, law suits were threatening; on one occasion he had only thirty days in which to raise $\$ 1000.00$, but he has proven to be the man of the hour; he has paid $\$ 1500.00$ on church debt, raised his world service quota, had a good revival, has had several conversions and accessions, every interest of the conference has been looked after.

Belton Circuit, Rev. W. W. Baker, pastor, This is Reverend Baker's third year on this work. He has paid off all old indebtedness, had a revival with several conversions and 15 accessions. His report will show that every interest of the church has been looked after. He is a good preacher and a splendid pastor.

Bartlett Circuit, Rev. I. H. Pierce, pastor. This is Reverend Pierce's first year on this circuit and it has been a wonderful year for him. He has painted and made some needed repairs on the church and paid for the same; had a good revival with 58 conversions and accessions to the church. Every interest of the conference has been looked after.

Moody Circuit, Rev. T. H. Foy, pastor. This has been a good year for Reverend Foy. He has put over a much needed program at Moody by the purchasing of a new lot and the building of a new church at the cost of \$2500.00. All claimes have been looked after. His report will show an advance of last year.

Valley Mills Circuit, Rev. T. J. D. Simms, pastor. This is Reverend Simms first year on this circuit. At the beginning it seemed to have been a little hard for Reverend Simms, but as the year grew older, he grew more in the hearts of his people. He has erected a parsonage; had one revival with some conversions and accessions. He has done well under conditions, as quite a few of his people have moyed to the West.

Llano Circuit, Rev. P. H. Moore, pastor. This is Reverend Moore's first year on this work. Reverend Moore knows no failure. He has had a good year and has put over a real good program, bought and paid for a neat parsonage at Llano, at a cost of $\$ 750.00$, and has perfected plans for a church building at Mason. All interest of the church has been looked after as his report will show.

San Saba and Brady, Rev. C. H. Hamilton, pastor. Reverend Hamilton has proven beyond any doubt to be a real preacher and leader. He was the entertainer of the District Conference. He has paid off the old church debt; has painted and made some needed repairs on the church and paid for the same. Had a good revival with several accessions to the church. His report will show that every interest of the shurch has been looked after.

Brownwood Circuit, Rev. J. E. Brown, pastor. Reverend Brown happened to be one among the many who never thinks of failure. He has put over a wonderful program this year. Special mention should be made of the proposition at Ballinger, where he has had a few scattering members with nowhere to worship, not even a lot. I do not know where Reverend Brown got the money from, but by some means he personally bought a lot at a cost of $\$ 150.00$, deeded and donated it to the Methodist Episcopal Church; built a neat little church which makes Ballinger a good preaching place. Every interest of the church has been looked after; had one revival with several conversions and accessions.

Abilene, Rev. G. V. Cavett, pastor. This is Rev. Cavett's first year at Abilene. Reverend Cavett has labored under some adverse circumstances, caused by sickness, but nevertheless he went and worked with a determination to put it over; has had one revival with some accessions; has looked after every interest of the church as his report will show.

Lubbock, Rev. R. F. Blackman, pastor. This is an entire new field. We first started off with Rev. Joe Black, but soon found the Reverend Black was not able to handle the situation, so Reverend Blackman took the work in charge, and has done well towards developing the work; has bought and paid for one lot and is now preparing to build a meeting house which will make Lubbock a very good appointment.

El Paso, Rev. F. J. Hutchinson, pastor. This is Reverend Hutchinson's first year at El Paso. He has raised the banner high, made some wonderful improvements upon the living quarters by the addition of two extra rooms, which was paid for in cash; paid a neat sum on the old debt and his report' will show that he has taken care of every interest of the church.

San Angelo, Rev. M. L. Wyatt, pastor. It seems as if Reverend Wyatt was cut out for San Angelo and the people of the town say that the longer he stays the better he gets. Reverend Wyatt has put over a program in San Angelo that is hard to beat. He paid all old indebtedness, made some needed improvements on the church and parsonage; installed new electric lights in the church, all of which have been paid for; had a good revival with several conversions and accessions and his report will show that every interest of the church has been looked after.

Now, Bishop and brethren, we have done our best; we have held or caused to be held, four quarterly conferences in each place. We have traveled over Nineteen (19000) Thousand miles. We have been all the help to the men and people at large, that we could. We have tried to look after every interenst of the church, and every man has stood by me. The people are drifting Westward and must be taken care of. Lots of work needs to be done in the West and we appreciate the fact that every man has proven to be equal to the task.

Yours,
S. E. BLACKNELL.

## VICTORIA DISTRICT

## W. M. Ellison, Superintendent

Dear Bishop and Brethren of the West Tevas Conference:
It is with joy and a heart of gratitude that I am here at the seat of this Annual conference to make my first report as District Superintendent of the Victoria District. Time has let down the curtains and closed behind us another year's work. Whether the pastors of the Victoria District and this your humble servant, have done our best, our reports will tell.

Bishop, not a greater band of self-sacrificing workers are to be found than these men that it has been my pleasure to work with this conference year. We have no slackers among them, but every man of them has been hard at it all of this year.

While we have not been able to accomplish all that we had planned and desired to do, yet their reports will show to a man that all have been busy.

From the seat of the last annual conference held at Victoria, every pastor of the Victoria District received his marching orders from the hands of our beloved Bishop Mead and went to his post of duty without murmuring or complaining.

We have had some sweeping revival meetings in this district this year; from some of which great results have been had; more than 150 conversions and many additions to the church.

We have held one Pastors' council, one District Conference and World Service Council, W. F. M. and W. H. M. s. convention, and one Sunday School and epworth League Convention Institute. All of which were largely attended and much interest manifested.

All of the benevolences have been carefully looked after, just how well we have done our work along these lines, each pastor's report will show.

We have held and caused to be held, 56 quarterly conferences in the district this year, beginning at Eagle Lake with Rev. D. L. Mosby, we found him on the job.

Thence to Columbus, Brother George Waters has brought things to pass. The new St. Paul, which has long been a dream is now a reality. The church has been completely renovated.

Columbus Circuit, Rev. D. F. Vance, pastor, is a steady leader and good work has been done at that place.

Garwood Circuit. I believe, Bishop, that if Brother Bryant is returned to this place, in the near future we will have a worthwhile membership and a meeting house. Brother Bryant is a safe leader.

Schulenburg, Rev. A. M. Mason, pastor, is as ever, the same, and will make a splendid report all around.

Hallettsville, Rev. G. M. Mallory. This never failing pastor has things well in hands. Big things have been done under his leadership.

Oakland Circuit. Rev. J. N. Hooey has built a splendid six room parsonage at this place. His people are proud of him.

Yoakum and Shiner. Rev. J. H. Swann, the old reliable has done real effective work at this place and will make a good report.

Sublime. Rev. W. M. Mosely has built a neat parsonage at this place and will make a good report along all lines.

Wharton and El Campo. Rev. J. H. Marshall. Things looked a bit dark for Brother Marshall at the beginning of the year, but he, being faithful, worked hard until the darkness dispersed and now for him the light is shining. His report will show the work done.

Edna Circuit. Rev. J. T. Carper. His report will show that a pastor has been on the job and work has been done.

Calogne Circuit. Rev.Allen M. Harris will report this work in fairly good shape. He has striven hard to bring things to pass.

Weimar Circuit._-When we came to the district, this meeting house was closed but in a few weeks we succeeded in getting it back into our possession. Brother A. C. Holden will report some work done at this place.

Victoria. Rev. S. D. Mosely has worked hard this year to keep things a going, his report will show that he has succeeded in a wonderful way.

Bishop, we have pushed all causes of the church in every charge and stood hard by the pastors in their work. We have shared with them, the hardships and pleasures of the work of the Victoria District.

All of this we prayerfully submit,

> W. M. ELLISON.

## THE WACO DISTRICT

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, Oh Lord! my strength and my redeemer."

Dear Bishop and Brethren of the West Texas Annual Conference, representatives of the General Church, ladies and gentlemen:

It is with joy inexpressible and heartfelt gratitude to Almighty God, that I am permitted to make my third Annual report of the Waco District.

These have been very hard years, both on body and mind, not withstanding we are happy to say, but out of all the Lord has brought us by His power.

We have come up from our humbl efields of labor, bringing some of the sheaves with us. We began our work right after the adjournment of the An-
nual Conference at Victoria, with Rev. H. A. Jones at Rockey Circuit. This is Brother Jones's fourth year with these good people, he will report a splendid year's work. An increase over last year.

Groesbeck Circuit. The Rev. W. B. Lott, pastor. This is Brother Lott's second year. Groesbec and Mexia is a fine field indeed, flooded with oil and gas and plenty souls to be harnessed up for the Master's Kingdom. He will report his work.

Mart Circuit. Rev. M. B. Burkley, pastor. This is Brother Burkley's second year. His report will show an increase over last year.

Marlin Circuit. Rev. J. G. Brown, pastor. This is Brother Brown's first year. Bishop, Marlin is coming back to its own again, and it looks as though in a short while we will build a new church house; the outlook is bright. Brother Brown has things going his way.

Bowman Circuit. Rev. John Coe, pastor. This is Brother Coe's fourth year. He and his good people have wrought a good work, and increased along many lines. He will report his work.

Satin and Majors. Rev. I. T. Sandford, pastor. This is Brother Sandford's fourth year. They have made some needy repairs on church. He will report a very good year's work.

Chilton Circuit. Rev. F. D. Young, pastor. This is Brother Young's first year with these good people, he will show an increase in the work over last year. He is a splendid young man and will report a good year's work.

Mayfield Circuit. Rev. Esau Smith, pastor. This is Brother Smith's second year at this place. His people love him, his work will show an increase over last year, he too, will report a good year's work.

Calvert. Rev. A. D. Holden, pastor. This is Brother Holden's third year. He is a splendid preacher and workman. He has put up a very good year's work, and increased over last year. He will report his work.

Lott Circuit. Rev. G. M. Moten, pastor. This is Brother Moten's second year at this place; quite a few of our people have moved away from this place. He and his people are moving along nicely. He will report a fair year's work.

Waco, Mt. Zion. Rev. B. A. Byars, pastor. This is Brother Byar's third year with these people. He has wrought well; paid some on an old outstanding debt, of which we hope in some way may be looked after. He will report a very good year's work.

Waco, Jones Chapel. Rev. S. Graham, pastor. This is Brother Graham's first year at this place. His people love him and is putting over a splendid year's work. Some very needy repair work has been done. He will report' his work.

Waco Circuit. Rev. E. Davis, pastor. This is Brother Davis' first year at this place. He is a supply, but he has moved the church house and added on eight feet more, gracing it with a modern front, adding paper and paint which make it very neat and cozy, and all paid for. He will make a good report.

Waco, St. James. Rev. C. S. Williams, pastor. This is Brother Williams' fourth year at St. James, the pride of North Texas. This good man is a mas-
ter church builder, and is loved by all his people and friends. He is laboring under a very heavy load, yet he goes forward. He will report a splendid year's work.

Cameron. Rev. S. Keesee, pastor. Brother Keesee has been pastor at this place for only three months. He is proving himself master of the situation. He will report his work. He and his good people are getting together.

Bremond Circuit. Rev. G. F. Alexander, pastor. This is Brother Alexander's first year on this circuit. He has wrought well. The people love this good man, and they are willing to follow him. He will report his work.

Kosse Circuit. Rev. H. L. Palmer, pastor. This is Brother Palmer's second year on this circuit. Bishop, I am happy to say: this good man is a real pastor. Part of this circuit is a little mission point. He doubled the membership this year, raised his full quota of World Service money; bought a halfacre of land for a church lot and paid for it. He will report his work.

- Aquilla Circuit._-Rev. H. E. Kuykendall, pastor. This is Brother Kuykendall's second year. These good people have just about cleared up an ald debt that caused a lots of trouble. This pastor and people are working together, we have worked our way into West Station, and it seems as though we will be able to build a church house in the near future. He will report his work.

Lorena Circuit. Rev. H. G. Gray, pastor. Brother Gray is a supply, and this is a Mission point. We are trying to get a foot hold at Lorena. Brother Gray raised his full qu(ta for World Service. He will report his work.

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## Final Word

I wish to say as a final word: Bishop, we have done our best, conditions have been very hard, but we have marched steadily onward without complaining. I have endeavored to keep the program of the old church ever before, my people. We are trying to keep Samuel Huston College from trailing in the dust.

Our District Conference and Group Meetings proved to be very helpful. Our convention and Institute proved to be a master-piece of workmanship.

Good revivals all over the district, many souls have been saved and brought in the church.

Faithfully,

## J. W. DOWNS, Disctrict Superintendent

## BISHOP JONES

Truly for the past eight years, these have been days of evolution, when God has led us on by His council and unfaltering hand. Things don't always continue, but for us, these recent eight years have been rather steadfast and we have felt unmoved amidst the busy whirl of things. It is all because we have had the matchless and stalwart leadership of Bishop R. E. Jones, who knows no failure and whose courage in never daunted.

In this the 53d session of the West Texas Conference, we find ourselves the happy associates of the Rt. Rev. R. E. Jones, as presiding Bishop as well as the resident Bishop of this New Orleanes Area.

We have rejoiced in his re-assignment to this area and we rather feel that that this is none other except the hand of God who has held steady the old ship for these years, under his wise and helpful leadership.

And since $h$ ehas been called to the office of a Bishop in this great church and it has been our good fortune to have had him assigned to this area and to the Presidency of our conference at this time, we rejoice again because of this fellowship.

He has given himself so completely and so unreservedly to the work of the church and has won for himself favor both with God and the men with whom he has labored.We believe God is leading him on his strides for Kingdom building and his conquest of this world for Jesus Christ, and we thus brought to this new day, when men of our race and kin are able to shoulder the great responsibilities of the church, which means a brighter day for the, Kingdom and for the advancement of our group.

And since in the wisdom of the Board of Bishops he has been assigned to the Presidency of this particular sission of this conference, we despeak with loud praises the success of this conference for having this distinguished leader, who has not been disobedient to the heavenly vision in answereing the call of the great church and in the language of Isaiah ha ssaid: "Here am I send me."

Now, because we are so profoundly impressed with his leadership and tha $\hat{t}$ manliness which has characterized his every footstep and act as a bishop in the church,

Resolved, That we as a conference, tender him a rising vote of thanks for his painstaking interest in the work of the conference and that we extend to| him at this time, our sincere appreciation for work among us during the recent quadrennium and invite him to be among us whenever it is practicable and that our prayers shall be "The safe-keeping of him and his dear family."

Resolved further, That we do hereby petition the coming General Conference which meets May 1, 1928, in Kansas City, Missouri, to return him or reassign him to this erea for another quadrennium, in order that he may conplete in the finest way possible, the work that has so well gone forward under his leadership.

Signed:

K. W. McMILLAN,<br>J. H. CHILDS,<br>J. J. HARDEMON,<br>J. L. S. EDMONDSON,<br>J. W. DOWNS,<br>S. E. BLACKNELL, WM. ELLISON.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Whereas, the religious motives in education are realized through the effective use of educational methods in religion, and

Whereas, the exaltation of the teaching ministry is fundamental to the intelligent and loyal membership, instructed in the scriptures and trained in advanced church methods;

Resolved, That we correlate the religious educational forces of the conference by approving (1) a uniform program for all institutes, (2) that the council of religious education appoint a suitable person to confer with District Superintendents and fix such dates as will be most suited for each institute. (3) that we approve the appointment of a conference Dean of institutes subject to the approval of the Board of Education.

Signed:
R. N. BROOKS,
T. B. ECHOLS.

## EPWORTH LEAGUE

Whereas, the Epworth League is doing a great and good work. serving as it were, as a hot bed for the church, from which young life is being transplanted into the church, thereby recruiting our ranks for the task of Kingdom building,

Be it Resolved, That we immortalize our conference by giving to this indispensable auxiliary our unstinted support.

Signed:
J. W. STONE, JR.,
F. D. YOUNG.

## HOSPITALS AND HOMES

Whereas, the church has awakened to the sense of connectional interest among all men and is in sympathy with the fortunes and destinies of men everywhere, and since the church appreciates its relation to the human families of the earth, and because men are suffering and women are dying from disease and misery that must be met only as the church, in the spirit of Christ, can meet.

Resolved, That we stand by, in a whole hearted way, the connectional interest of the hospitals and homes of the church that is being carried on by the Board of Hospitals and Homes.

Resolved, further, That we encourage our youth to larger service by taking the course in Nurse Training so that they may be fitted to serve in a largerl way those who may suffer and can be relieved by Christian service.

Signed:
S. N. HARVEY,
C. W. FRANKLIN.

## PROHIBITION-PUBLIC MORALS

Whereas, strong drink in any form is distructive to life and character, and since Prohibition is doing so much for church and state and home to stamp out this evil of drink,

Resolved, That we renew our pledge to fight against this great curse to the last ounce of our energy.

Signed:
GEORGE WATERS,
J. W. STONE.

## DEACONESS

With the ministry of service to the sick and helpless, the Deaconess Board is doing work akin to that of the Red Cross, and other organizations.

Be it Resolved, That we give it our unstinted support, that we request the board to place workers in the bounds of our conference where their service is so much needed.

Signed:
F. J. HUTCHINSON,
J. F. MUSE.

## EPISCOPAL FUNDS

Whereas, the M. E. Church with her world program has greatly encouraged its constituency to live a greater life of usefulness, to both church and state and better prepare themselves for any dutis that may be thrust upon them by electing two of their own group to the Episcopacy in the person of Bishop R. E. Jones and Bishop M. W. Clair,

Be it Resolved, That we will support its cause in every home that is touched by its influence.

Signed:
J. S. MEDLOCK, JOHN COE.

## ACCOUNTS OF L. H. RICHARDSON

We, your committee on L. H. Richardson as to the conference claimant account for the year 1925, of the West Texas Canference, find after due investigation that all money on this account was paid to the claimants of the
 Richardson from all responsibility of the same.

Signed:
J. W. WARREN,
T. H. WYATT,
G. A. DESLANDES.

We reported $\$ 100.00$ for general fund; paid nothing for salaries, paid nothing for conference salaries; paid $\$ 2.41$ for lenten offerings; paid nothing for permanent missionary; paid nothing for Deaconess; paid nothing for Soldiers and Sailors; paid nothing for building and equipment. Thirty-six Deaconesses were asssted last year, and two nurses employed.

Received for support and relief, $\$ 15,274.18$. Disbursed for support and relief, $\$ 11,579.71$. Not one cent of the above amount paid directly by West Texas Conference auxiliary.

The mite box report showed that Oklahoma paid $\$ 1,073.30$; West Virginia paid $\$, 2,188.30$; Little Rock Conference paid $\$ 369.35$; West Texas Conference, $\$ 5.19$.

Therefore resolved, That it is high time that the West Texas Conference auxiliary enthuse more interest in district and local auxiliaries to a greater sense of their obligations.

Resolved, further, That we as a conference pledge to this organization our hearty support in whatever way we can render it, to righten these poor financial conditions.

In the words of Mrs. Collins L. Brock, let us go with spirit filled from this mount of inspiration to radiate the spirit of our Master as mothers in the home, as workers in the local church, as Christian citizens in the community, as patriots loyally supporting the constitution of our country and as world citizens using our resources to bring unto the hearts and lives of all mankind the Kingdom of Heaven.

## Signed:

## P. H. JENKINS

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE

One writer has said with reference to the Sabbath: "How beautiful to Noah when he escaped from the waters of the Deluge. How beautiful to his posterity. How beautiful to us is the bow of the Covenant flushing on the bosom of the impending cloud and telling us that God has not forgotten the world and will no more overwhelm it with waters of flood; How beautiful, yea, how unspeakably more beautiful is the rainbow of the Sabbath round about the throne of a Nation, encircling its constitution, its hours; its lifeties; the sign that God has a covenant with that people-the national sign that the people have a covenant with their God; therefore, let us as fellow-Christians keep that day Holy which God has reserved and hallowed to Himself and urge that others do not desecrate it. Signed:
H. O. McCUTCHIN.

## W. F. M. SOCIETY

"And Jesus came and spake unto them saying: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye, therefore into all the world and teach all
nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Since the field for the work of the W. F. M. Society is abroad, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia and the Isles of the sea, and

Whereas, this organization is not known in many of our charges an circuits and since there are six million unchurched women, men and children in our home parish and seventy-five million in our parish abroad, and

Whereas, there are approxomately two million girls who are members of the Methodist Episcopal church who are responsible for the salvation of eighty-one million of unreached women and girls at home and abroad, and

Since the few women of the Women Foreign Missionary Society are struggling with a problem that rightly belongs to all the two million Christian women in our church, and

Whereas, Mohamedanism is a stagnant religion and is rapidly taking Northern Africa,

Therefore, be it Resolved, That we the pastors do now pledge ourselves to this conference and both the Foreign Missionary Board and the W. F. M. Society that we will become more active in fostering this cause in our respective charges and circuits in order that the W. H. M. Society (sister institution to the W. F. M. Society) become more active in fostering the claims of the W. F. M. Society.

Resolved, further, That each church school in the conference observe a Missionary Sunday each month by celebrating appropriate programs and that collections be taken for this cause.

Signed:
P. H. JENKINS,
D. F. VANCE.

## W. H. M. SOCIETY

God's providence having liberated more that four million of people of African descent who were without organized Christian influences to mold their mdividual characters into intelligent citizens which was essential to their permanency as an intelligent race whose freedom must prove a blessing to humanity and to civilization the world over, stirred to greater usefulness the hearts and minds of Mrs Dr. (later) Bishop Hartzell, Bishop Wiley and Dr. A. B. Leonard, Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, and Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Rust, whose united effort, July 6, 1880 in Trinity M. E. Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, gave birth to the W. H. M. Society of the Methodist Epistopal Church.

The object of this society was twofold; (First) to inlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and the destitute in all sections of our country.
(Second) to co-operate with other societies and agencies of the church in educational, missionary and deaconess work. Forty-seven years of hard toil have given to this society these assets: Cash, $\$ 223,421.19$; Investments, $\$ 888,-$

549,92; Buildings, $\$ 5,571,785.00$; Deaconess Institutions, $\$ 889,903.20$. Making a grand total of $\$ 7,573,650.36$.

Self help in Texas has not compared favorably with our resources and that of other Southern states. We for some cause and not awake to our responsibilities. The general minutes of the forty-fifth annual session of the W. H . M. Society will show that our West Texas Conference Auxiliary 1925-26 as published.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH SCHOOLS AND EPWORTH LEAGUES

This is a day when large emphasis is being placed upon the religious training of youth. If the church is to hold its grip on the world, it must do so by enlisting in its ranks the youth of the world. "What you would have in the life of the nation, you must first put into your system of education." The church must have agencies through which it hopes to enlist young life.

The Methodist Episcopal Church has its agencies, namely: its Church Schools and Epworth Leagues.

We are proud of the work that our Church Schools and Epworth Leagues are doing throughout Methodism.

As a conference, we have also made some progress, but judging from the statistical reports of last year, the results are not as gratifying as one might hope them to be. A study of the statistics of last year's minutes reveal the following facts: There are 13,552 full and preparatory members on the rolls of the various churches of the West Texas Conference. There are only 7,180 members on our Sunday School rolls, with an average atendance of 3,833 . The membership of the schools should equal or exceed that of the adults. If we are to make progress, the youth of the West Texas Conference must be enlisted in Sunday School work.

Again, there are 93 senior and 73 junior chapters of the Epworth Leaguc in our conference. Or, a total of 166 senior and junior chapters of the Epworth League in the whole conference. The total number of senior and juniors of the League is ten less than the total number of Sunday schools. Ther are 103 charges in our conference. In ten of these charges there is no league at all. In thirty of these charges there is no junior league. In these 16 chapters we have a total membership of 2038 , or about one-thids as man; members as we have on our Sunday School rolls. The Leagues are the departments of the church where the young people learn to actually pravtice religion. May these facts stir us to greater League activity.

The West Texas Conference leads the other nineteen colored conferences of our Methodism in the matter of institutes and training conferences. Th results of the year's work along this line are quite gratifying.

We therefore heartily recommend this fine type of Summer training Conferences and Institutes be continued.

Secondly, we urge upon the president and trustees of Sam Huston Colles?
to maintain and even strengthen its department of religious education. "For whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle."

We further recommend that our conference take the necessary steps to secure a conference Dirctor of Religious Education to do field work. We feel that since other conferences are doing so, we should strengthen our conference by doing the same.

Finally we recommend, that Vacation Bible Schools be conducted throughout the conference. That we observe Sunday School Rally Day. And that each Church School take an offering annually for the general board.

Brethren, let us strive to make this the greatest year in the "history of the Department.

Signed:

## C. E. WHITIKER.

## RESOLUTION MEN'S COUNCIL

We feel led to urge upon our constituents and upon the nation at large the importance of the faithful enforcement of all laws, local, state and national and that our people give their hearty support to all officials so engaged.

We affirm our approval of the statement made by Bishop Nicholson, President of the Anti-Saloon League of America, in his recent address before the National Convention of that organization, in which he said:-
"The Prohibition legislation enacted step by step, by local option and then by overwhelming vote of the people, is the most thorough piece of conformity to the American ideal of liberty in the history of the Republic."

We believe that the orderly and the constitutional processes by which National Prohibition has been achieved were representatives of the judgment and desire the great majority of the American people.

Now in order to hold and keep to the fore the galaxy of individuals who would be of great power in helping on this work of the church and the country.

Resolved, that we, as a Conference, organize A Conference Men's Council, with president, vice president, secretary, etc., whose work shall be as such as shall be suggested from time to time by the Board of Sunday Schools and such as will naturally arise in our minds as men fostering a movement so vast in importance and work as the Men's Council.

Resolved, that we, also organize District Councils and that there be organized and maintained in each Local Charge, a Men's Council, that shall work in a civic way to the end above designated and prescribed.

Resolved, further, that there shall be held annually a Conference-wide meeting of the men, and that district meetings shall also be held in the district of the conference for the inspiration and uplift of the men of the conference, both laymen and ministerial rank.

Resolved, that we heartily endorse the movement and that we shall urge
upon our men to attend in large numbers and that each local organization send at least one representative to this coming annual conference.

Signed:
K. W. McMILLAN.

## CONFERENCE JOURNAL

Since there has been so much delay in the publishing of our annual conference journal in recent years, and thereby making it exceedingly hard to collect funds to pay for the same, and because we are desirous of having an early minute, and since the method used last year in handling the publication of the minute, was entirely satisfactory

We recommend that we use the same method.-A publishing board be appointed and that this board be authorized to borrow the amount for publishing the minutes from some bank and that 1200 be published and distributed as follows among the districts and the same when published be shipped C. O. D. to the District Superintendents.


Signed:
K. W. McMILLAN, C. W. FRANKLIN, W. M. ELLISON, J. H. CHILDS,

Publishing Board.

## STATE OF CHURCH

We look with considerable concern upon certain attitudes and practices in the church which greatly rob Christianity of much of its vitality and winsomeness. Admitted evils growing out of superiority complex are sure to greatly retard the whole missionary effort and program. The treatment of the colored race constitutes a direct challenge to the teachings and ethics of Jesus. Resolved that we do not recognize as valid any discrimination on account of race or color and that we use every opportunity to remind the church of her obligation to the end that she may ceaslessly work to maintain in every land, a genuine brotherhood based on the fatherhood of God.

Resolved, further, that we repudiate as un-Christian and untrue the idea that certain races are born to inherant and fixed superiority and rulership. While we note with gratitude their decreasing frequency, we nevertheless record our deep sence of humiliation before God and man, that the lynchings of Negroes under whatsoever provocation, could take place in a Christian country. We deplore as unpatriotic and un-Christian, movements, policies and programs, calculated to humilate our group in any manner whatsoever.

We express our regrets that the feeble efforts to shepherd our people who migrate from southern cities and plantations to northern centers meet with so little success. While a mere handful of the transient group finds its way into our Methodist Churches in the north, we are actually losing thoussands of members annually as a result of an inefficient method. if not in entire lack of method. We call upon the fishers of men to cast the net on the right side, for only a new cast of the old net can save the situation. We rejoice in the efforts which the church makes to educate the membership and constituency. The church bulletins, church news, every member canvass, advocates and Christian colleges have all joined in a great educational awakening. Returned missionaries have brought graphic pictures of the distressing situation in the foreign fields, and yet we dabble in the shallows while deep waters of discipleship stretch out before us.

We recommend that our pastors everywhere give all diligence to conserve our membership by observing carefully the rules and directions of the book of Disciplin relatice to the transfer of membership from on local church to another. We recommend (2) that we importunately urge our pastors to renewed interest in the program of the church in an effort to overcome the effects of the slump in World Service.

We recommend that the men of the West Texas Conference dedicate themselves anew to the task of ushering in a better day for the church.

Signed:

## R. N. BROOKS.

## ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

Much of the current objection to the use of some parts of the Bible in Christian education, would be obviated if the thoughts of the pupils were centered on the main point of the writer's mind.

For many years the church school world, has help theopinion, that the teachings of the Old and New Testament, should be a part of the curriculum for the Christian nurture of our young life.

We have felt that this judgment is justified by the high interest shown by boys and girls of all ages. But the church through its Christian education, is trying to raise the church school above the seven deadly sins that hinder the spiritual, intellectual, financial, and even numerical progress of the church school. The seven deadly sins are as follows:
(1) The lack of right aim.
(2) Looking upon one's election to the superintendency, as though it was an election to the Episcopacy.
(3) Hand to mouth plans and methods.
(4) Maintaining a low standard of hymns, and other music in the Sunday service.
(5) Poor management, such as lack of promptness, low average in attendance, and non-effective class work.
(6) By taking too much time from the study of the lesson, starting too late, lengthy announcements, singing too many songs, and even by holding unnecessary closing exercises.
(7) Sunday School Superintendent's failure to secure a training for his or her position.

And since Samuel Huston College, at Austin, Texas, and Gulf Side school, at Waveland, Miss., offers an opportunity, open wide their doors to Sunday school workers, Be it resolved, that as pastors and District Superintendents, urge, persuade, and teach our church school officers and workers, to strive to use from these two schools, all of the advantages given in them.

Be it further resolved, that the West Texas Conference go down on record, as supporting these schools to this end.

Earnestly submitted,
T. B. ECHOLS,
R. A. APPLING.

## COMPLIMENTARY RESOLUTIONS

Your committee on Complimentary Resolutions takes pleasure in reporting on behalf of the Annual Conference, its appreciation of the manifold services which have been devoted to prove and maintain its efectiveness and comfort during the week of its session. The committee on Entertainment has been instant in its response to every claim, and to them, we acknowledge our gratitude.

The citizens and civic organizations, by whose hospitality we have been greatly helped, have used every available effort to make our stay pleasant and to advance our conference affairs by their eager co-operation in securing our convenience. To the ushers, pages and other helpers, who in practical capacities, have performed those innumerable and unrewarded services, which have so greatly facilitated our labors, we present our real appreciation. For the splendid contribution of the choir. They have both led us in devotional song and furnished splendid entertainment, to them we confess our happy debt. We shall long remember their lofty musical strains, cheering our hearts with their hymns of praise.

To the visitors who have cheered us with their splendid messages and strengthened us by their fellowship and service. To the press for the accuracy with which the sessions have been reported, and for the splendid form in which the report appeared from day to day. They deserve more praise than this brief
acknowledgement can possibly express. We trust that they may be able to read beneath this slight recognition, an appreciation much greater than the phrases through which it is expressed.

To Doctor and Mrs. Warren, for the innumerable personal courtesies, not alone to officials and members of the Conference but to visitors as well. We owe and acknowledge a singular obligation, often unseen by the crowds, and unsuspected by many of us, they have ministered in unnumbered ways to our comfort and well being. We thank Bishop Jones for the fidelity with which, in every circumstance, he has given himself to serve the conference and to safeguard the interest of every cause committed to his charge. For the inspiration of his messages which focused our thought upon our specific duties here; for his council during these days; for his co-operation in such ways as have been proper to his high office. We express again our loyalty to him and our keen appreciation of his helpful administration of the affairs of the area. Tomorrow, we who have been together here in fellowship and labor, shall be widely sperated, with our fellowship a memory, and our labor directed in quite other and perhaps, less pleasant enterprises. But because of our association in this Annual Conference and the recollections which shall be so richly ours, we shall take more constant and impregnable joy in the knowledge that, in every place and at every occupation, we are companions of all them that serve God.

Signed:
A. D. JACQUES,
R. N. BROOKS.

## OVATION DAY

Since the other conferences have set apart and designated April 18, as Ovation, wherein we may close our work for the fiscal year just before the opening of the General Conference and there is determinied effort on that day to roll up every dollar of our World Service askings, and since we are deeply interested and concerned about the rating of our Area, we join in this acclaim, and resolve to stress World Service giving above all other interest and that April 18, about the gathering time of our district conferences and World Service Council make effort make this the banner year in our World Service givings.

And too, on this set apart in some way special honor to our chieftain, Bishop R. E. Jones, and acclaim him the rightful leader of our group of the great church.

Signed:
K. W. McMILLAN.

## SUMMER SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the Methodist Episcopal Church, coveting an educated ministry, requires a candidate to pursue a prescribed course of study extending over
a period of four years, with admission into the ministry, almost entirely dependent upon the general character of the examination; and

WHEREAS, preparation of questions and grading of examination papers by a central board of skilled examiners would incite increased studiousness on the part of our under-graduates, harvest a richer intellectual fruition and make for a uniform advanced standard, which would be prized, we trust, throughout the area, be it

RESOLVED, that we hereby request the Waveland Summer School of Theology to begin the performance of this needed service for our own West Texas Conference, by preparing the questions for our local examination.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board of Examiners be requested to select persons from its number specially suited for the matter of grading and evaluating papers.

No work in the area deserves more the whole hearter support of the several conferences than that of the Summer Schools, which are striving so earnestly to prepare an efficient leadership for these conferences. We therefore recommend (1) the continuance of the Waveland Summer School of Theology and religious education. (2) That we adhere strictly to the action of the conference on yesterday, in creating a fund for the partial maintainence of our students, while in attendence at these schools. (3) That we register our approval of the area promotion of summer schools during this quadrenium and encourage all to look forward to a future bright with possibilities for our Summer School work at Waveland.

Signed:
A. D. JACQUES,
T. B. ECHOLS,
R. N. BROOKS.

## WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

It is our belief that there should be a Conference Council of Religious Education. The purpose of this council would be to direct the training conferences and institutes of the conference, to provide as far as possible, a unified program for the various institutes, to help in selection of faculties and arrange the time of meeting of each district institute in order to avoid conflict. This council should co-operate also with the local churches in seeing that an Epworth League Chapter is well established in every charge and the church school organized and graded according to its needs.

This council should also promote daily vacation Bible schools and whatever other agencies necessary for the religious nurture of the young life of West Texas. Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we endorse the creation of such a council to be composed of District Superintendents, Deans of Institutes, Life Work Secretaries, Directors of Religious Education, District Officers of Epworth League
and Church School and any other ministers and laymen as may be selected by the council,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we shall request the Texas conferences to unite with us in the formation of a State Council of Religious Education. Signed:
T. B. ECHOLS,
J. B. PHOENIX.

Committee.

## SUMMER SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the people of Texas are beginning to realize that unless they become arouse to the need of religious instruction for their children, they shall not get very far. The religious motive in education cannot be realized in the absence of an effective use of educational methods in religion. We know that some type of religious educational program is essential to good citizenship, to preparation for vocations and avocations, to the exalting of the teaching ministry of the church, and in providing for the church an intelligent and loyal membership instructed in the Bible and trained in Christian living.

WHEREAS, a school of religious education would serve a twofold purpose: (First) It would provide a place of study and training for our district officers, district faculties, pastors, and young people in religious education, who cannot go to dstanti schools. Ths would make our college a religious as well as an educational center for our conference and supply leadership for a number of large city churches and rural communities, which are much in need of trained church school workers. (Second) It would serve as a training school for religious leadedrh of other nenominations of Texas and West Texas.

WHEREAS, Ministers and laymen, boys and girls will welcome the coming of our Summer school of Religious Education since our General Church Officers and prominent scholars, who cannot visit our many district institutes, can be obtained for this special school, where all the interests of our conference would be pooled.Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, members of the West Texas Conference, petition the Department of Epworth League and the Department of Church Schools $t$ conduct at Samuel Hustn College, a Summer School of Religious Educaion.

## Signed:

T. B. ECHOLS,
A. D. HOLDEN.

## AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Since in the wisdom and inspiration of the Prophets of the Old Testament and in the love and sacrifices of both our Lord and the Apostles of the New Testament, and because we know the Bible as the only sacred history of all events, and since the slogan of this organization is: "A Bible in Every Home,"


#### Abstract

Resolved, that we set a new standard on each district and that each local charge stand by the slogan to support the work of this society.


Signed:
J. E. BROWN, Chairman,
J. L. WATLEY, Secretary.

## SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL EFFORT WITHIN THE CONFERENCE FOR SAMUEL HUSTON COLLEGE FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR DECEMBER 8, 1926 TO DECEMBER 3, 1927









TOTAL
$\$ 5,289.20$

## OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS SAMUEL HUSTON COLLEGE, DECEMBER 1, 1927


Remodeling offices, Music house and Library--------------------------1, 1, 100.00


TOTAL
\$15,000.61 Signed:
T. R. DAVIS, President.

## RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AND PRESENTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUStees at The special session on samuel huston college

RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees of Samuel Huston College present to the West Texas Conference the necessity of liquidating the present debt of the College arising out of the recent expansion and amounting to $\$ 15,-$ 000.00 and that the conference be requested to raise this year $\$ 6,000$, all amounts to be remitted to the president of the College and by him forwarded to the Board of Education and used as operating income for the College, any surplus remaining over from the operation of any school year in excess of $\$ 3,000$ is to be paid to the Board of Trustees and by them applied on the contract with the Kuntz-Sternenberg Lumber Company.

Signed:
A. D. JACQUES, Chairman
C. R. YERWOOD, Secretary.

## RESOLUTION ON SAM HUSTON COLLEGE BY THE WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

It is a matter of great rejoicing for all of us that Samuel Huston College is now having the greatest success in all its history. There are 322 students in the Institution, of which 273 are in the college courses and 49 are in the Senior High School. The Institution is doing only College and High School work, so that in its academic courses it is in advance of any school in the State. The institution is rated as an "A Class" four-year standard college by the State Department of Education of Texas. The property is valued at $\$ 300,00.00$. At no time in the history of the school has the West Texas Conference and constituency a greater reason to be proud of its position, nor more zealous and loyal in its support.

The remedy for clearing the burden of the Conference. The school will end this school year, however greatly reduced, (and none of its high peaks of progress endangered. Therefore Resolved:
(1) That the West Texas Conference hereby agree to raise $\$ 6,000.00$ for Samuel Huston College to supplement appropriation of the Board of Education, and that the same be divided among the districts as follows:

(2) That it is understood and agreed that the amounts to each district has been apportioned to the charges and is an annual conference benevolence ordered by the annual conference, and is to be reported in column seven of the pastor's report to the treasurer of the conference.
(3) That the conference agree to set aside Lincoln's birthday, Sunday, Feb. 12, as Samuel Huston College day throughout the conference, at which time every charge in the conference will put forth effort to raise 100 per cent of its quota, and send the same to the president, T. R. Davis, Samuel Huston College, Austin, Texas, and a voucher to be sent by him for the same.
(4) It is understood that all subscriptions be turned over to the pastors where members of churches have subscribed, and that the pastors aid in the collection of the subscriptions and sent to President Davis, which may also be credited to their churches and vouchers given them and reported in column seven of the Treasurer's Report.
(5) In as much as this money is needed for the current school year, that
the pastors pledge to raise as much of the apportionment as possible and send it to the President, between now and March 1.
(6) It is also agreed that the Samuel Huston rallies at District Conferences and in Sunday School and Epworth League gatherings be restored and made a part of these annual meetings. Also that the District Superintendents in their report at the Annual Conference and the pastors in their reports to charges to be requested to report what has been raised during the Conference year for Samuel Huston along with their reports for other causes.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. JACQUES.


## FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT-BOARD OF STEWARDS-WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE-ENDING NOV. 30TH-DEC. 4, 1927.

Receipts


## Disbursements:



## Apportionment for the Next Year:

(a)-Total number of years 964 multiplied by $\$ 11$; Annuity Claims $\$ 10,604.00$.
(b)--Total Deductible Income, not including receipts from charges $\$ 9,737.00$.
(c)-Amount required to meet Annuity Claims in full $\$ 20,341.00$.
(d) - Amount recommended by Stewards for necessitous cases $\$ 600.00$. (Six hundred Dollars.)
(e) --Amount fixed by Conference action this year for necessitous cases $\$ 600.00$.
(f)-Total to be apportioned by the Board of Stewards item; (c) and (e) 5 per cent of Ministerial support.

## DISBURSEMENTS TO RETIRED MINISTERS:

| NAME | Years | Annuity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bown, A. | 36 | \$99.00 |
| Coe, Jarnes | 11 | 30.25 |
| Coggswell, E. | 20 | 55.00 |
| Cooper, E. E | 12 | 33.00 |
| Duncan, R. H. | 22 | 60.00 |
| Harvey, S. W. | 36 | 99.00 |
| Hutchinson, J. | 28 | 77.00 |
| Moore, T. S. | 31 | 85.00 |
| Pleasant, Geo. | 5 | 12.75 |
| Reed, W. M. | 35 | 96.00 |
| Wright, J W. | 16 | 16.44 |
| Jordan, M. S. | 30 | 82.00 |
| Townsend, N. | 31 | 85.00 |
| Fountain, M. | 24 | 66.00 |
| Melton, C. B | 28 | 77.00 |
| TOTAL | 369 | \$1,002.75 |

## DISBURSEMENT TO WIDOWS-Years Served With Husband.

| No. | Names | Years | Annuity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Buel, Matilda | 6 | \$16.50 |
| 2 | Brawley, Annie | 6 | 16.50 |
| 3 | Brothers, Annie | 6 | 16.50 |
| 4 | Blackston, W. F | 12 | 33.00 |
| 5 | Bennett, P. B. | 25 | 68.75 |
| 6 | Caviness, M. C. | 3 | 8.25 |
| 7 | Carper, A. L. | 22 | 60.50 |
| 8 | Dennie, R. H | 14 | 38.50 |
| 9 | Dickerson, H. | 10 | 27.50 |
| 10 | Gates, P. | 17 | 46.75 |
| 11 | Henson, Mack | 25 | 68.75 |
| 12 | Holden, J. H. | 16 | 44.00 |
| 13 | Kirkpatrick, F. | 16 | 44.00 |
| 14 | Lynch, A. L. | 1 | 2.75 |
| 15 | Mitchell, W. J | 15 | 41.21 |
| 16 | Mosby, W. H. | 19 | 52.00 |


| 17 Oakman, J. A. | 11 | 30.25 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 18 Shanklin, G. A. | 10 | 27.50 |
| 19 Ponton, R H. | 24 | 66.00 |
| 20 Smith, I. S. | 15 | 41.25 |
| 21 Sodia, R. | 11 | 30.00 |
| 22 Townsend, G. W. | 15 | 41.25 |
| 23 West Brooks, C. P. | 13 | 33.75 |
| 24 Lacy, D C. | 27 | 74.25 |
| 25 Moony, W. M. | 24 | 66.00 |
| 26 Pernell, W. H. | 8 | 20.00 |
| 27 Smith, Moses | 32 | 88.00 |
| 28 Swann, H. | 10 | 27.50 |
| 29 Goff, B. J | 18 | 49.50 |
| 30 Humphrey, S. D. | 7 | 19.75 |
| 31 Stevens, W. H. | 15 | 41.25 |
| 32 Johnson, A. | 19 | 52.25 |
| 33 Eusan, J. C. | 22 | 60.00 |
| Strait, C. N. | 4 | 11.00 |
| TOTAL | 498 | 358.91 |

## DISBURSEMENTS TO CHILDREN

1. Mother, Mrs. W. H. Mosby, one child, W. H. Mosby, Jr. Age 16 years10 -annuity $\$ 27.50$.
2. Mrs. Sodia, one child, age 14 years- 8 - $\$ 22.00$.
3. Mrs. Susie Wyatt, one child, age 14 years-6--\$16.00.
4. Mrs. D. C. Haily, child, age 10 years-4- $\$ 11.00$.
5. Mrs B. J. Goff, child, age 8--8- $\$ 22.00$.
6. S. D. Humphrey, three children, age not given; service two years each-
$\$ 16.50$. Mrs. W. H. Pernell, three children, ages not given; service 5 years each -
7. $\$ 41.25$.
8. Mrs. A. Johnson, three children, ages not given; service 8 each-annuity$\$ 66.00$.
9. Mrs. J. C. Eusan, two shildren, ages not given; years service 7 each$\$ 38.75$.

10 Mrs. C. N. Strait, one year each, ages not given-annuity- $\$ 5.50$.
Total years on the basis of one-fourth years service, 94.
ANNUITY RATE:


## YEARS OF SERVICE.

| (a) | Retired M | 69 years |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (b) | Widows (three-fourths basis) | 498 years |
| (c) | Children (one-fourth) | 95 years |
|  | Total last year | --964 |

## Signed:

T. H. WYATT, Chairman
R. M. DAVIS, Secretary.

## Statistician's Report

AUSTIN DISTRICT WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE, FOR 1927


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NAME OF PASTORS
NAME UN CLARUES
No. of Sunday Schools

| Milicials and Tepts. Incl. C. K., H. |
| :--- |
| Dept. Uns. Schrs., rupis |
| Average Attendance |

Senior Members
Junior Members
Church Buildings
Estimated Value of
Land and Buildings
Parsonages
Estimated Value of
Land and Buildings

Value of other Property
Endow'm't's, Bonds, Etc.
Paid for Building and Improvements

| Paid on Old Indebted- |
| :---: |
| ness on Property. |


| Present Indebtedness |
| :--- |
| on Property |


| Ministerial Support |
| :--- |
| Current Exp., not Incl. |

Local Preachers

Subscribers to the Advocates

Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society

## Statistician's Report



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## Sunday School Statistics

 AUSTIN DISTRICT

DALLAS DISTRICT
1 Corsicana Circuit
2 Denison Sta.
3 Dallas, St. Paul
4 Dallas, Trinity
5 Dallas, Warren
6 Dallas, Wesley
7 Ennis and Ferris
8 Ft. Worth, St. Andrews
9 Ft. Worth, Thompson Chapel-
10 Hubbard and Dawson
11 Milford and Italy
12 Mexia Circuit
$13 \mid$ Pelham Circuit
14 Pilot Point
15 Sherman Sta.
16 Waxahachie Circuit
17 Wichita Falls Sta.
18 Cown
-

9|Angus
$\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{r}1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 29\end{array}\right.$
Totals


| $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 90 \end{aligned}$ | 42 | 75 | 1 | 65 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 240 | 135 | 189 | 23 | 50 |
| 64 | 50 | 9 | 1 | 4 |
| 40 | 20 | 28 | 1 | 15 |
| 40 | 25 |  |  | 12 |
| 85 | 15 |  |  | 20 |
| 460 | 300 | 450 | 10 | 300 |
| 100 | 52 | 74 | 5 | 50 |
| 36 | 20 | 32 |  | 10 |
| 67 | 40 | 40 | 2 |  |
| 300 | 250 |  | 12 | 10 |
| 118 | 75 | 118 | 30 | 42 |
| 44 | 30 | 44 |  |  |
| 34 | 24 | 34 |  | 0 |
| 53 | 35 |  | 5 | 20 |
| 30 | 23 |  | 4 | 15 |
| 30 | 35 |  |  | 41 |
| 832 | 1166 | 1093 | 107 | 686 |

SAN ANGELO DISTRICT


## Sunday School Statistics SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT



WACO DISTRICT


## Sunday School Statistics

CORPUS CHR STI DISTRICT


# Epworth League Statistics <br> <br> austin district 

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EPWORTH LEAGUE

| Senior <br> League | Intermed. League | Junior League |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Epworth Heralds Taken | Paid to Central Office | $\begin{gathered} \text { Paid to World } \\ \text { Service } \end{gathered}$ |


| 1 Simpson Tab., Austin | 25 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 35 |  | 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 Wesley Chapel, Austin | 75 | 1 | 25 | 1 | 50 | 6 | 50 |
| 3 Austin Cir.- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 Ceda- Creek |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 Fayettville.- | 30 | 1 | 15 |  |  |  | 5 |
| 6 Georgetown Sta. |  |  |  | 1 | 14 |  |  |
| 7 LaGrange Sta..- | 10 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 2 |
| 8 Hutto Cir.- | 13 |  |  | 1 | 18 | 2 |  |
| 9 Giddings Cir. | 8 |  |  | 1 |  | ----------- |  |
| 10 Littig and Maynor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 Lockhart Cir.-- | 18 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 19 | 4 |  |
| 12 Luling Cir.- | 18 |  |  | 1 | 24 |  | 15 |
| 13\|Smithville Cir | 18 |  |  | 1 | 21 | 1 |  |
| $14 \mid$ Winchester Cir | 30 |  |  | 1 | 15 |  |  |
| 15\|San Marcos |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |
| TOTAL | 280\| | 4 | 65 | 11\| | 229 | 17) 5\| | 90 |

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT


DALLAS DISTRICT

|  | Corsicana Cir. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | nenison Sta.- | 21 |  |  | 1 | 28 |  |  | 20 |
|  | Dallas, St. Paul | 72 |  |  | 1 | 43 | 9 |  | 20 |
|  | Dallas, Trinity_ | 24 |  |  | 1 | 14 |  | 3 | 11 |
| 5 D | Dallas, Warren | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
|  | Dallas, Wesley | 10 |  |  | 1 | 4 |  |  | 5 |
|  | Ennis and Ferris | 8 |  |  | 1 | 10 | 1 |  |  |
| 8 \| | Ft. Worth, St. Andrews | 100 | 1 | 25 | 1 | 30 |  |  |  |
|  | Ft. Worth. Thompson | 50 |  |  | 1 | 25 |  |  | 20 |
| 10 | Hubbard and Dawson_ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Milford and Italy | 25 |  |  | 1 | 8 |  |  |  |
| 12 | Mexia Cir. | 40 | 2 | 30 | 3 | 30 |  |  | 18 |
| 13 | Pelham Cir | 60 | 1 | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Pilot Point | 101 |  |  | 1 | 5 |  |  |  |
| 15 | Sherman Sta. | 121 |  | - | $1 \mid$ | 4 |  |  |  |
| 16 | Waxahachie Cir. | 12 |  |  |  |  |  | - | 5 |
| 17 \| | Wichita Falls |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 \| | Cowan Chapel | 10 | 4 | 70 | 13\| | 201 | 12 | 31 | 5 133 |

# Epworth League Statistics <br> SAN ANGELO DISTRICT 

EPWORTH LEAGUE
NAME OF CHARGES
$\stackrel{\circ}{z}$
$\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\square}$
$\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\lrcorner}$

1|Abilene
$2 \mid$ Belton Sta.
3|Brownwood Cir.
4 Bartlett Cir.
5|Cleburne Cir
6|El Paso Sta
7|Llano Cir


SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT


WACO DISTRICT


## Epworth League Statistics

## VICTORIA DISTRICT



# Conference Treasurer's Report 

AUSTIN DISTRICT


# Conference Treasurer's Report <br> SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT 



## SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT



## CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT

|  |  |  | 11 | 66 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| umbus Sta. |  |  |  | 163 |  |  |  | 108 | 2 |  |  |  | 181 |
| umbus Cir. |  |  | 5 |  | 14 |  |  |  | 2 | 7 |  |  | 304 |
| , Cir. |  |  | 12 | 87 | 14 |  | 14 | 134 | 1 | 5 |  |  | 220 |
| wood Cir. |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  | 188 | 6 | 13 |  |  | 294 |
| lettsville Cir. |  |  | 20 | 49 188 | 30 |  | 2 | 60 | 2 | 3 |  | 1 | 117 |
| cland Cir. |  |  | 21 | 152 | 21 |  | 30 | 132 | 3 | 9 |  | 1 | 363 |
| ulenburg Cir. |  | 1 | 5 | 88 | 29 |  | 21 | 140 | 2 | 6 |  | 2 | 323 |
| lime Cir. |  | 3 | 1 | 32 |  |  |  |  | 5 | 8 |  | 1 |  |
| toria Sta |  |  | 44 | 376 | 44 |  | 44 |  |  |  |  |  | 37 |
| imar Cir. |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 7 | 28 |  |  | 630 |
| arton Cir |  |  |  | 55 | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 26 |
| kum Cir |  |  | 10 | 125 | 45 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 165 |
| TOT |  |  | 111241 | 1448 | 190 |  |  |  | 35 | 109 |  | 3 8 8 |  |

## Conference Treasurer's Report WACO DISTRICT

|  | W'ld |  |  | ISCIP | LIN | ARY | BE | NEVO | OLEN | NCES | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OTHER CASH } \\ & \text { ITEMS } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NAMES OF CHARGES <br> OR CHRURCES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Aquilla Cir.--- | 30 |  |  |  |  | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 30 |
| 2 Bowman Chapel Ci | 123 |  |  |  |  | 123 |  |  |  | 156 | , |  |  | $29:$ |
| 3 Bremond Cir. | 20 |  |  | 1 | 3 |  |  |  | 3 | 152 |  |  |  | 181 |
| 4 Calvert Cir. | 74 |  |  |  |  | 74 |  | --- |  | 140 | 2 |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{5} 5$ Cameron Cir | 10 |  |  |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{7}{ }^{6}$ Chilton Cir.- | 40 114 |  |  |  | 10 | 42 |  |  | 14 8 | 134 | 2 4 |  |  | 27 |
| 8 Highbank Cir. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 27 |
| 9 Kosse Cir. | 40 |  |  |  |  | 40 | 10 |  | 10 | 72 | 2 |  |  | 12 |
| 10\| Lott Cir. | 10 |  |  |  |  | 10 |  |  |  | 26 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 11 Lorena Cir | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ---- 1 |  |  |  |
| 12\|Mart Cir. | 100 |  |  |  |  | 100 | 10 |  | 10 | 200 | 2 |  |  | 31 |
| 13 Maysfield Cir | 48 |  |  |  |  | 48 | 7 |  | 7 | 140 | 2 |  |  | 204 |
| 14 Marlin Sta. | 300 |  |  |  | 10 | 313 | 42 |  | 42 | 200 | $6{ }^{6} 31$ |  |  | 600 |
| 15 Rocky Cir. | 41 |  |  |  |  | 42 |  |  |  | 149 | 2 |  |  | 200 |
| 16 Satin-Majors Cir. | 47 |  |  |  | 10 | 57 |  |  | 2 | 144 | 2 |  | 2 | 212 |
| 17 Waco, Jones Chapel | 82 |  |  |  |  | 83 | 19 |  | 19 | 100 | 4\|---- |  |  | 206 |
| 18 Waco, Mt. Zion_ | 116 |  |  |  |  | 120 |  |  | 8 | 99 | $6{ }^{6} 14$ |  |  | 25 |
| 19 Waco, St. James | 351 |  |  |  | 10 | 366 | 35 |  | 35 | 300 | 25.50 |  | 18 | 794 |
| 20 Waco Circuit | 20 |  |  |  |  | 20 |  |  | 5 | 80 | $4{ }^{6}$ |  | 4 | 11 |
| TOTAL | 1571 |  |  |  |  | 1626 | 168 |  | 168 | \|2101 | $63 \mid 135$ | -- | 64 | 416 |

## Conference Treasurer's Report Recapulation



## Memoirs

## Memoirs.

Rev. J. C. Eusan departed this life February 21, 1927, San Antonio, Texas.

Rev. C. N. Strait departed this life February 15, 1927, Georgetown, Texas.

Mrs. J. D. Mackey departed this life June 15, 1927, Luling, Texas.
Little Ellen Henrietta Mosby departed this life November 13, 1927, Kerrville, Texas.

Peace to the ashes of those who have slept that sleep to never awake.

## Roll of the Dead

Roll of the Dead.

| Name | Date <br> of Death | h Place of Burial | Time Entered Ministrv | $\begin{gathered} \text { Years } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { Ministry } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. B. Ferguson | \|anuary 6, | 74 Bell County | 1854 | - |
| J. S. Stricklin | March 25, 18 | 1878\| Not given |  |  |
| E. S. Havens | -ebruary 29, 18 | 1875 \|Girard, Kans |  |  |
| Reuben Colema | Pecember 3, 18 | 1857 Bastrop | $\begin{aligned} & 1870 \\ & 1874 \end{aligned}$ | 5 |
| Isaac Wright | April 3, 18 | 1875 Austin ----------- | $\begin{aligned} & 1874 \\ & 1874 \end{aligned}$ | 2 |
| J. G. Webster | March 14, 18 | 1877 Uottonwood Colony | 1874 1874 | 2 |
| Ben Hoffman | March 31, 18 | 1878 Eagle Lake ------ | 1874 |  |
| Archy Johnson | February 6, 18 | 1880 Giddingss -------- | 1874 |  |
| Hiram Melton | August 3, 18 | 1880\| Limestone County | 1874 |  |
| Jacob Oakman | ) ctober 1, 18 | 1882 Flatonia | 1872 | 0 |
| Jack Johnson | ) ctober 1, 188 | 1882 Manor ----- | 1875 |  |
| Larkin Carper | April 26, 18 | 1885 San Antonio | 1870 | 15 |
| Eliah Nesbitt | jept. 21, 188 | 1885 Sprinkle - | 1874 | 10 |
| Caesar King--- | lugust 16, 188 | 1885 Georgetown | 1874 | 11 |
| J. W. Robinson | jeptember 1, 1 | 1888 Austin | 1874 | 11 |
| W. Goodwin Prince Wilson | May 3, 1 | 1890 Manor | 1876 | 14 |
| J. H. Brawley | October 9, 1 | 1890 Luling | 1887 |  |
| G. W. Brothers | April 20, 18 | 1893 Cuero | 1883 | 0 |
| Tony Augustus | August ${ }^{20} 10,18$ | 1883 Columbus | 1879 | 15 |
| J. T. Purnell | June 10, 18 | 1894 Waco | 1890 |  |
| J. H. Williams | J ctober, | 1894 Denison | 1893 |  |
| J. T. Gibbon_ | Jctober, 18 | 1895 San Antonio | 1883 | 13 |
| A. L. Armstrong | August 3,18 | 1895 Gates ville | 1893 | 13 |
| Daniel Harper | Sept. 10, 18 | 1896 Austin | 1874 | 22 |
| Nathan Caswel | )ecember 20, 1 | 1896 Austin | 1876 | 24 |
| B. F. Smith_ | ; e pt. 16, 1 | 1900 Winchester | 1877 | 25 |
| Lee A Ha.rvey | March 20, 1 | 1902 Cedar Creek | 1896 |  |
| A S. Bethany | Tuly 4, 1 | 1902 Fort Worth | 1893 |  |
| Chas. Hart | rune 30, 1 | 1902 Winchester | 1877 | 25 |
| Daniel Humphry | tugust 10, 1 | 1902 Marlin | 1877 | 25 |
| John Neal | Tuly 4, 1 | 1903 Davilla | 1894 |  |
| Samuel Gates | March 22, 1 | 1908 Austin | 1874 | 31 |
| Anderson Brac | Tebruary 25, 1 | 1905 Waco | 1874 | 31 |
| Mack Henson- | ; ept. 10, 1 | 1905 Austin | 1874 | 31 |
| Andrew Foster | June 17, 1 | 1905 Victoria | 1880 | 36 |
| James Jorman | Nov. 26, 1 | 1906 Seguin | 1877 | 29 |
| B. I. Adams ${ }_{\text {Gabial }}$ | December 9,1 | 1908 Littig | 1893 | 15 |
| Gabrial Wilson Thomas Watkins | March 19, 1 | 1908 Calvert | 1875 1886 | ${ }_{23}$ |
| Willis Graves | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { July } \\ \text { April } & 16,1 \\ 10\end{array}$ | 1908 Wartin | 1876 | 32 |
| G. A. Shanklin | May 10, | 1908 Hubbard City | 1881 | 19 |
| J. T Jacobs_ | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { May } & 10, \\ 19 & 1\end{array}$ | 1900 San Antonio | 1882 | 29 |
| W. H. Davis | Varch 11, 1 | 1911 Seguin | 1882 | 29 |
| Jefferson Buel | Fept. 12, 1 | 1910 Waco - | 1877 | 29 |
| C. P. Westbrook | Tunet. 12, ${ }^{\text {coper }}$ | 1910 Hubbard | 1885 | 26 |
| A. J. Lynch | Dec. ${ }^{\text {une }}$ 10, 1 | 1910 Victoria | 1893 | 18 |
| J. W. Mitchell | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Dec. } \\ \text { March } & 18,1\end{array}$ | 1911 Bremond | 1878 | 33 |
| R. H. Ponton- | December 7 , 1 | 1911 Belton - | 1882 | 25 |
| M. C. Caviness | December 7 , 1 | 1911 Lockhart | 1887 | 25 |
| J. H. Holden | Tuept. 19, ${ }^{\text {Tune }}$ | 1912 Hondo ---- | 1887 | 25 |
| Lee Reed_ | Tune 28, 1 | 1912 San Antonio | 1881 | 25 |
| EE Henderson | May 1, 1 | 1912 Luling | 1881 | 32 |
| Alfred Dickerson | Kay 14, 1 | 1913 Sprinkle | 1897 | 26 |
| F. L. Kirkpatrick | 了ept. 9, 1 | 1913 Austin | 1897 | 18 |
| Granville Norman | Tune 9, | 1913 Los Angeles |  |  |
| Joseph Harriford | December 7, 1 | 1915 Victoria | 1894 | 23 |
| J. S. Wyatt |  | Winchester | 1887 | 30 |
| Christopher Young |  | 1917 Victoria | 1875 | 43 |
| G. W. Townsend | Jec. 31, 1 | 1916\|Victoria | 1883 | 33 |
| W. E. Blackson |  | Austin | 1899 | 18 |
| W. H. Mosby |  | 1915 Gonzales | 1888\| |  |
| John Bickham | February, <br> Tanuary | ${ }_{1916} 916$ Marlin | 1891\| |  |
| R. S. Lovinggoo | February, 1 | 1916 Austin | 1900\| | 16 |
| L. R. Parker |  | 1916 \|Smithville | 1901\| |  |
| A. T. Jackson |  | 1916 Dallas | 1887\| | 34 |
| Ephraim Jones | April, | 1918 \|Seguin | ----\| | 27 |
| P B. Bennett |  | 1018 Waco | 1887\| | 31 |

## ROLL OF THE DEAD (cont'd)

| Riley Sodia | 1918 | \|Beeville |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C C. Scrugg | 1919 |  |  |
| R. D. Dennis | 1919 | Calvert |  |
| A. Lockhart | 1919 | Waco |  |
| E. L. Jackson | 1921 | Temple |  |
| C. H. Franklin | 1921 | San Antonio |  |
| J. W. Wormly | 1921 | Winchester |  |
| G. W. Nevils_ | 1922 | LaGrange |  |
| Primus Gates | 1922 | LaGrange |  |
| A. L. Carper | 1924 | San Antonio |  |
| S. D. Humphrey | 1922 | Marlin |  |
| D. C. Hailey | 1924 | Waxahachie |  |
| B. J. Goff | 1925 | Waco |  |
| D. C. Lacey | 1925 | Mexia |  |
| Harry Swann | 1925 | Victoria |  |
| W. H Stevens | 1925 | Winchester |  |
| W. H. Purnell | 1925 | Waco |  |
| Moses Smith | 1925 | Austin |  |
| Moten Lott - | 1925 | Austin |  |
| W. M. Mooney | 1925 | Cuero |  |
| J. C. Mays_-- | 1925 | Temple |  |
| Albert Johnson C. N. Strait | 1926 | Smithville |  |
| J. C. Eusan | 1927 | San Antonio |  |

## CONFERENCE WIDOWS.

Years
Buell, Mrs. Matilda ..... 6
Brawley, Mrs. Addie ..... 6
Blackson, Mrs. W ..... 12 ..... 25
Bennett, Mrs. P. B.
Bennett, Mrs. P. B.
Caviness, Mrs. ..... 3
Carper, Mrs. A. L. ..... 25
Dennis, Mrs. R. D ..... 14
Dickson, Mrs. H. ..... $-10$
Gates, Mrs. Primas ..... 17
Henson, Mrs. Mack ..... 25
Holden, Mrs. J. H ..... 16
Kirkpatrick, Mrs. F. L ..... -16
Lynch, Mrs. A. J ..... 1
Mitchell, Mrs. W. J ..... 15
Mosby, Mrs. W. H. ..... 17
Nevels, Mrs. G. W. ..... 12
Hoffman, Mrs. J. H. ..... 111
Ponton, Mrs. R. H. ..... 24
Shanklin, Mrs. G. A ..... 10
Smith, Mrs. I. S. ..... 15
Soda, Mrs. R.
Townsend, Mrs. G. W ..... 11 ..... 11 ..... 15
Westbrooks, Mrs. C. P ..... 13
Brothers, Mrs. Annie ..... - 6
Purnell, Mrs. W. H ..... $-8$
Lacy, Mrs. D. C. ..... 27
Mooney, Mrs. W. M ..... 24
Smith, Mrs. Moses ..... 32
Goff, Mrs. B. J. ..... 18
Humphrey, Mrs. S. D ..... - 7
Stevens, Mrs. W. H ..... 15
Johnson, Mrs. A. ..... 19
Eusan, Mrs. J. C.- ..... 22
Strait, Mrs. C. N. ..... 4

## Historical

## Historical

## CONFERENCE HISTORY

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in annual conference relations in New Orleans, La., December 25, A. D. 1865, by Bishop Thompson. The Conference then organized included Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, and was named the "Mississippi Mission Conference." Three annual sessions of this conference were held and in January, 1867, the Texas Conference was organized out of the Mississippi Mission Conference, which included the entire State of Texas. There were eight annual sessions of the Texas Conference held, and it was during the eighth session of the Texas Conference held at Marshall, Texas, January 7, 1874, that the "West Texas Conference" was organized with Bishop Thomas Bowman, president. The ministers comprising the West Texas Conference were called to meet in Wesley Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church in Austin, Texas, January 22, 1874. The president of that Conference was Bishop Bowman. Those present in the organization were: G. W. Honey, Jacob Miller, Mack Henson, Daniel Gregory, Samuel Allen, W. O. Sheety, Larkin, Carper, Archie Johnson, J. T. Hill, T. T. Leach, T. G. Lacy, Alex Campbell, London Morris, Isaac Wright, Cyrus Hackett, Daniel Harper and Charles Scruggs. All have finished their course and rest from their labors. This conference to date has seven districts, one hundred seven pastorial appointments and a school that is a credit to the denomination, viz.: Samuel Huston College, located at Austin, Texas.

## CONFERENCE SESSIONS



## Pastoral Record and Roll



## Ministerial Record-Roll of Ministers' Wives

| Year <br> Began |  |  | Year <br> Began |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alexander, Mrs. G. | 1919 | Lott, Mrs. W. B. | 00 |
| Appling, Mrs. R. A | 1911 | Lee, Mrs. B. F. | 1921 |
| Allen, Mrs. R. W. | 1925 | Moore, Mrs. N. J. | 1913 |
| Allen, Mrs. E. T | 1926 | Muse, Mrs. J. F. | 1909 |
| Brown, Mrs. J. G | 1916 | Mosely, Mrs. S. D. | 1916 |
| Browne, Mrs. J. | 1908 | McCutchin, Mrs. H. | 1924 |
| Blair, Mrs. F | 1924 | McMillan, Mrs. K. W | 1919 |
| Bruton, Mrs. T. M. |  | Mason, Mrs. A. M. |  |
| Brown, Mrs. A | 1882 | Medlock, Mrs. J. S | 1927 |
| Brooks, Mrs. R |  | Mackey, Mrs. J. D |  |
| Baker, Mrs. | 1921 | Mallory, Mrs. G. | 1921 |
| Baker, Mrs. W. W | 1922 | Mays, Mrs. J. |  |
| Blacknell, Mrs. S. | 1917 | Mosby, Mrs. R. | 1919 |
| Byars, Mrs. B. A |  | McRae, Mrs. E. | 1927 |
| Burkely, Mrs. M. | 1923 | Muse, Mrs. L. E. | 1922 |
| Brown, Mrs. J. H. | 1926 | Melton, Mrs. C. |  |
| Bryant, Mrs. T. H. | 1924 | Moore, Mrs. T. S |  |
| Childs, Mrs. J. H. | 1915 | Moore, Mrs. P. H. | 1920 |
| Carper, Mrs. J. T | 1926 | Marshall. Mrs. J. H | 1925 |
| Cavett, Mrs. G. V | -1910 | Majors, Mrs. M | 1925 |
| Cook, Mrs. V. A |  | McKinney, Mrs. H. | 1926 |
| Coe, Mrs. John | 1909 | Mosby, Mrs. D. L. | 1925 |
| Coe, Mrs. Jame | 1908 | Moten, Mrs. G. M. |  |
| Coe, Mrs. O. B. |  | Napier, Mrs. J. H. | 1919 |
| Cogswell, Mrs. | 1875 | Phoenix, Mrs. J. B. | 1925 |
| Cooper, Mrs. E. E |  | Pierce, Mrs. I. H. | 1924 |
| Conner, Mrs. C. E | 1926 | Phillips, Mrs. P. H | -1921 |
| Deslandes, Mrs. G. | 1927 | Palmer, Mrs. R. |  |
| Dudley, Mrs. J. H. |  | Pleasant, Mrs. Geo |  |
| Downs, Mrs. J. W | 1912 | Qualls, Mrs. H. H. |  |
| Davis, Mrs. R. M |  | Rice, Mrs. J. D. | 1915 |
| Duncan, Mrs. R. H |  | Roberts, Mrs. L. W | 1910 |
| Ellison, Mrs. M. C. | 1921 | Reed, Mrs. W. M. |  |
| Ellison, Mrs. W. | 1914 | Russell, Mrs. A. G. | 1921 |
| Easter, Mrs. Y. | 1921 | Stone, Mrs. J. W. |  |
| Edmondson, Mrs. J. |  | Stone, Mrs. J. W | 1925 |
| Egglestons, Mrs. J. | 1920 | Stephens, Mrs. M. W | 1912 |
| Echols, Mrs. T. B. | -1926 | Stephens, Mrs. N. W | 1926 |
| Franklin, Mrs. | -1912 | Swann, Mrs. J. H. |  |
| Foy, Mrs. T. H. |  | Smith, Mrs. Esau | 1926 |
| Fountain, Mrs. M | 1903 | Strait, Mrs. L. L. |  |
| Foster, Mrs. J. |  | Strait, Mrs. J. H. |  |
| Green, Mrs. U. | 1926 | Sanford, Mrs. I. T | 1907 |
| Graham, Mrs. Sam |  | Schuler, Mrs. C. |  |
| Henderson, Mrs. E. | 1917 | Simms, Mrs. T. J. D |  |
| Hooey, Mrs. J. N. | 1914 | Townsend, Mrs. N. H | 1893 |
| Hutchinson, Mrs. J. W |  | Thomas, Mrs. J. A |  |
| Hutchinson, Mrs. F. J. | -1915 | Tollerson, Mrs. Henry | 1922 |
| Holden, Mrs. A. D. | 1924 | Vance, Mrs. D. F. | 1905 |
| Harvey, Mrs. S. N | -1905 | Wyatt, Mrs. T. H |  |
| Hardemon, Mrs. J. | 1912 | Wardah, Mrs. C. |  |
| Haynes, Mrs. L. L. | -1922 | White, Mrs. W. M | 1921 |
| Hutchinson, Mrs. J. |  | Whitaker, Mrs. C. | 1924 |
| Hamilton, Mrs. C. H | -1913 | Weakley, Mrs. J. W. |  |
| Harris, Mrs. A. M. | 1926 | Waters, Mrs. Geo | 1898 |
| Harvey, Mrs. S. W | -1882 | White, Mrs. W. W |  |
| Hudspeth, Mrs. F. M |  | Wyatt, Mrs. M. L | 1911 |
| Jacques, Mrs. A. D |  | Warren, Mrs. J. | 1904 |
| Jenkins, Mrs. P. H. | _1921 | Wright, Mrs. J. W. | 1903 |
| Jones, Mrs. H. A. | 1912 | Wills, Mrs. J. | 1925 |
| Jones, Mrs. S. E. |  | Wattley, Mrs. J. | 1919 |
| Jordan, Mrs. M. S. |  | Williams, Mrs. C |  |
| Jackson, Mrs. H. | 1927 | Willis, Mrs. H. C. | 1926 |
| Kuykendall, Mrs. H. | 1922 | Young, Mrs. F. D. | 1923 |

## Probationers

## FIRST YEAR-

Marcus Freeman, Joel S. Jordan, Zan Holmes, Bebra King, Wm. Mosely, Dee Tucker, John H. Brown, Newton W. Stephens, Henry C. Willis, Jacob A. Thomas.

## SECOND YEAR:

Charles E. Connor, Allen M. Harris, Francis M. Hudspeth, G. M. Moten.

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES SINCE ORGANIZATION, 18y4

1876 Ministerial:
1880 Ministerial:
1884 Ministerial:
1888 Ministerial:
1892 Ministerial:
1896 Ministerial:
1900 Ministerial:
1904 Ministerial:
1908 Ministerial:
C. L. Maderson.
C. L. Maderson and Samuel Gates.
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Harry Swann and Moses Smith.
Harry Swann and B. F. Smith. Harry Swann and Moses Smith. Harry Swann and A. M. Mason. Harry Swann and A. M. Mason. D. C. Lacy and L. H. Richardson.

Lay delegates: R S. Lovinggood and J. W. Frazier. 1912 Ministerial: Harry Swann and L. H. Richardson.

Lay delegates: R. S. Lovinggood and S. H. Gates.
1916 Ministerial: Harry Swann and D. C. Lacy.
Lay delegates: R. S. Lovinggood and R. L. Smith.
1920 Ministerial: T. H. Wyatt and J. W. Warren.
Lay delegates: M. S. Davage and R. A. Atkinson.
1924 Ministerial: R. N. Brooks and L. H. Richardson.
Lay Delegates: W. D. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. D. N. Swann
1928 Ministerial: K. W. McMillan, R. N. Brooks, T. B. Echols
Lay Delegates: T. R. Davis. J. S. Henry, R. A. Atkinson.


