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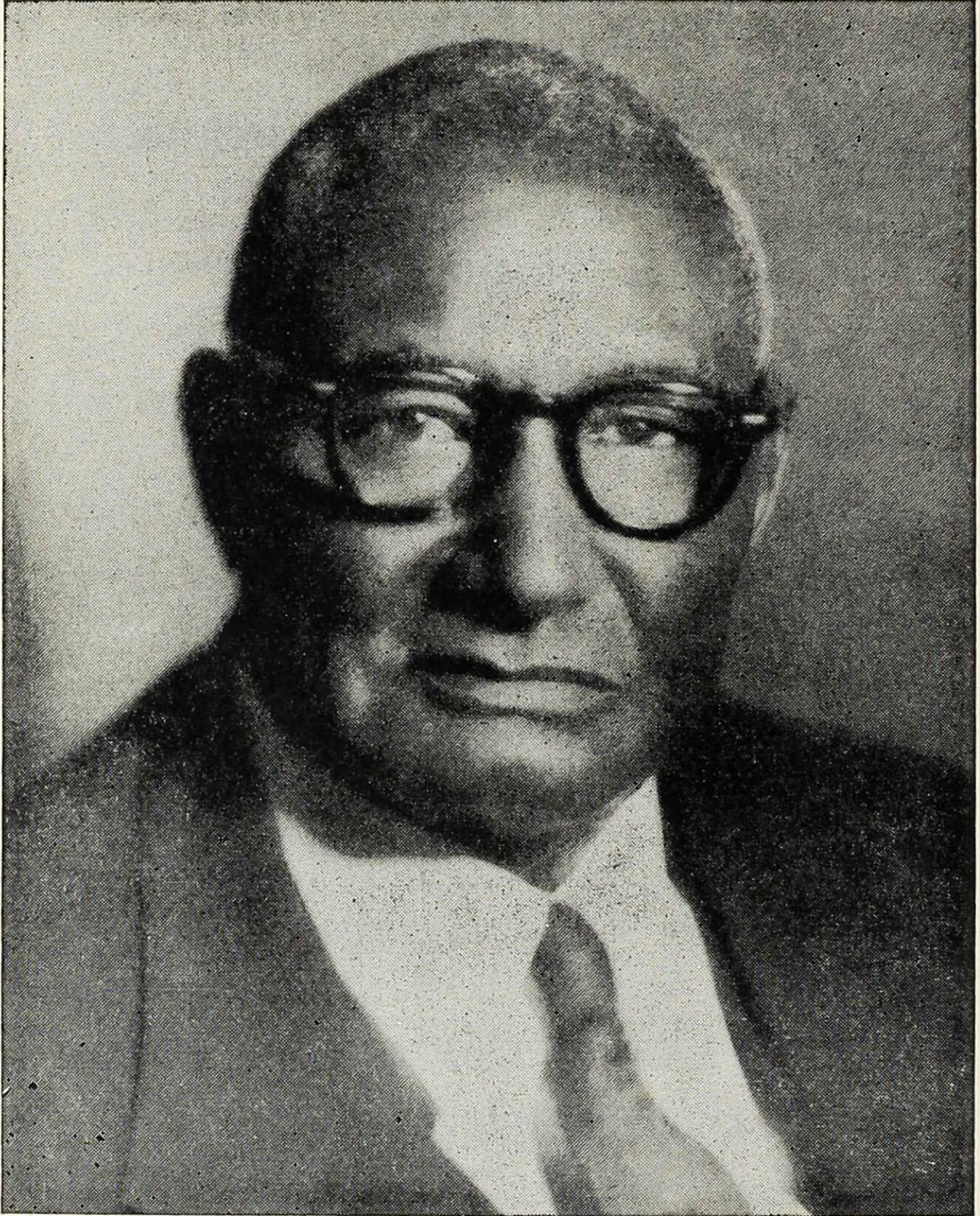
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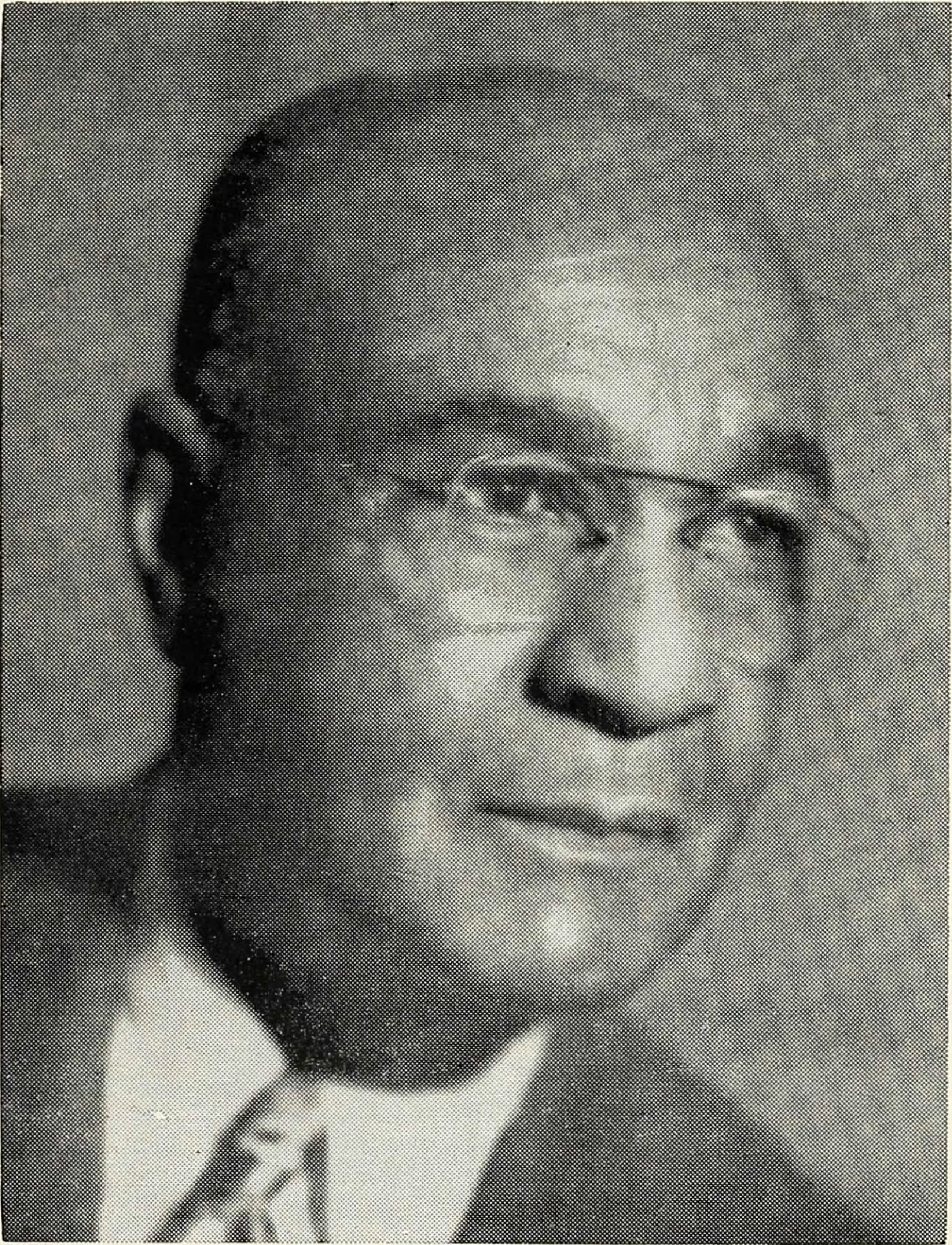
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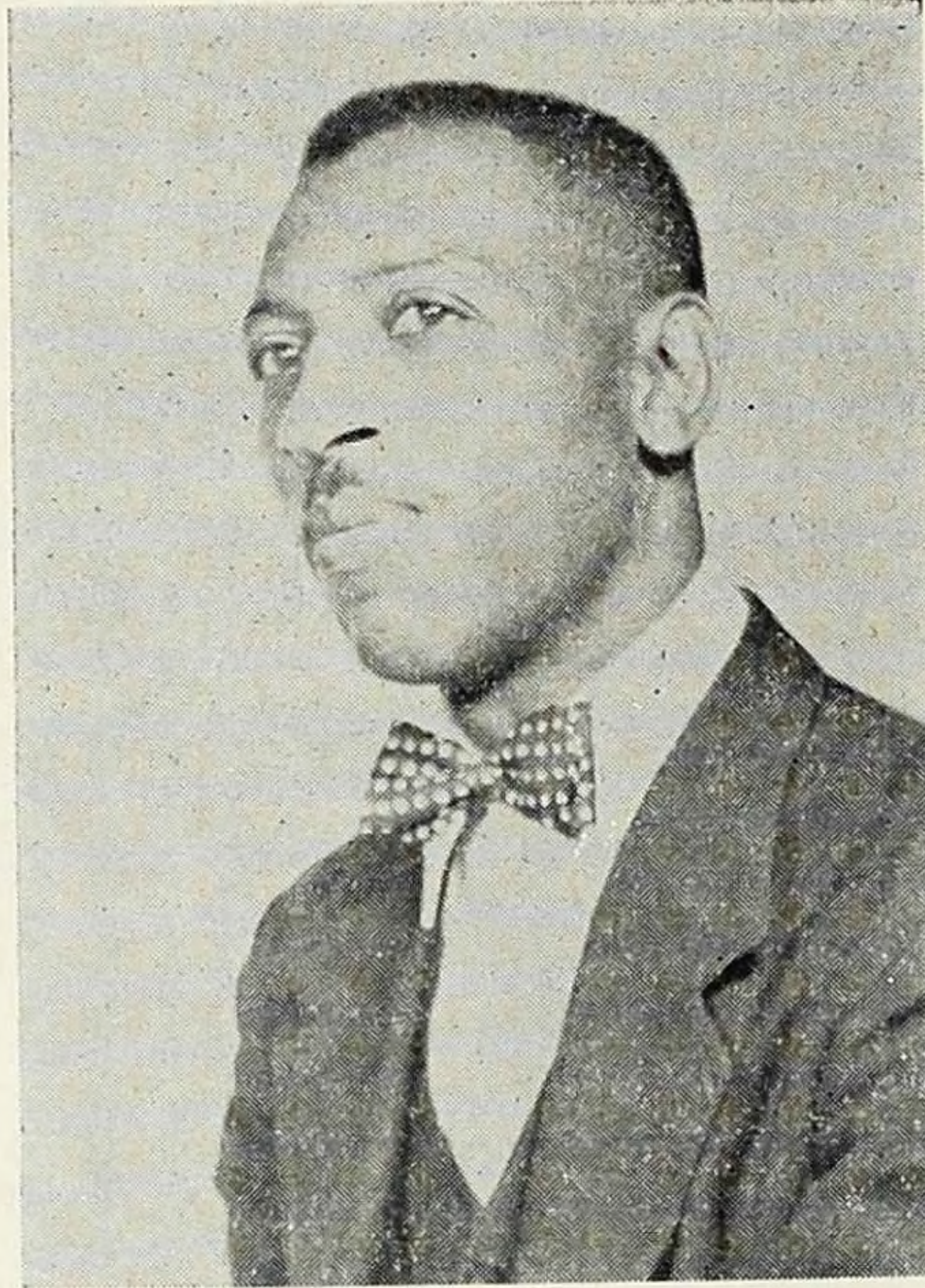


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Llano Ct.—	Mrs. M. B. Burkley.....	P. O. Box 822, Llano, Texas
Lampasas Ct.—	Mrs. P. H. Phillips.....	607 Bridge St., Lampasas, Texas
	Mrs. Cleo Metcalf.....	402 Smith, Belton, Texas
Lockhart—	Mrs. Ada Manney	
Luling Ct.—	Mrs. Mary Duke.....	Luling, Texas
Mason—	Mr. Rubin C. Teal.....	1104 East 4th St., No. 66, Mason, Texas
	Mr. Roland A. Taylor.....	Box 522, Mason, Texas
Martindale Ct.—		
San Marcos—	Mrs. E. L. Smith.....	400 Center St., San Marcos, Texas
	Mr. Thomas Armstrong.....	San Marcos, Texas
Simpson—	Mrs. L. E. Moore.....	1915 East 12th, Austin, Texas
	Mrs. Nettie Ferguson.....	1168 Chestnut Ave., Austin, Texas
St. Peter's—	Mr. Johnny F. Hightower.....	3008 E. 16th, Austin, Texas
	Mrs. Alberta Richardson.....	3015 E. 16th, Austin, Texas
St. Mary's & Fredrick' Temple—		
Temple—	Mrs. E. E. Mosley.....	1017 South 10th St., Temple, Texas
	J. E. Cook.....	518 South 8th St., Temple, Texas
Tilmon Ct.—	Mrs. P. H. Miller.....	Route 2, Luling, Texas
	Mrs. Alphonsa Jones.....	Tilmon, Texas
Wesley—	Mr. Virgil C. Lott.....	2012 Peoples St., Austin, Texas
	Mrs. Oral Lott, Jr.....	2009 Hamilton St., Austin, Texas
Winchester—	Mr. Homer Stevens.....	Winchester, Texas



## DALLAS DISTRICT

Charge	Name, Lay and Reserve	Address
St. Paul, Dallas	Mrs. Odessa Garland.....	3603 Havana St., Dallas
	Dr. S. L. Brown.....	3303 Holmes St., Dallas
Ennis-Corsicana	Mrs. Luella Jones.....	810 E. 10th St., Corsicana
	Mrs. Millie Williams.....	Eastside Project, Corsicana
Wichita Falls	Mrs. Mildred Reeves.....	612 12th St., Wichita Falls
	Mrs. Ava M. McGill.....	902 Redwood, Wichita Falls
Trinity, Dallas	Mrs. Mary E. Jarriett.....	5111 McKinney, Dallas
	Mrs. Estella Basher.....	2438 St. Clair, Dallas
St. Luke, Dallas	Mrs. Donnie Branch.....	4714 Collins, Dallas
	Mrs. M. Washington.....	4811 Collins, Dallas
Pelham Ct.	Mrs. Elmer Porter.....	Route 3, Hubbard
Milford-Italy	Mrs. K. L. McIntyre.....	Route 1, Milford
	Mrs. Blanche Lewis.....	Italy, Texas
Cowan-Ft. Worth	Mrs. Ida L. Thompson	
Warren, Dallas	Mrs. O. L. Jackson.....	3914 Myrtle St., Dallas
	Mrs. Pauline Kirkum.....	2442 Harding, Dallas
Haven Chapel, Denison	Mrs. R. O. Rucker.....	605 Walker St., Denison
	Mr. J. W. Brown.....	714 W. Shepherd, Denison
Sherman-Pilot Point	Mrs. E. L. Mitchell.....	311 N. E. Sherman
	Mrs. S. L. Sims.....	520 College, Sherman
Ferris-Lancaster	Mrs. Neva Bates.....	7773 E. 3rd St., Lancaster
Waxahachie	Mr. Ed Johnson.....	614 E. Main, Waxahachie
	Mrs. Leabert Gibson.....	217 Wyatt, Waxahachie
St. Andrew's, Ft. Worth	Atty. L. Clifford Davis.....	5912 Kilpatrick, Ft. Worth
	Mr. T. M. Shadowens.....	908 E. Terrell, Ft. Worth
Cogswell, Ft. Worth	Mr. James Baker.....	5836 Kilpatrick, Ft. Worth
	Mrs. Fannie Byrd.....	5026 Libby, Ft. Worth
Mexia Ct.	Mrs. Lillian E. Connor.....	Route 1, Box 199½, Mexia
	Mrs. Lewis Echols.....	Route 2, Box 70, Coolidge
Mexia-Jones	Mrs. W. L. Shaw.....	301 N. Echols, Mexia
		715 W. Palestine, Mexia
Thompson, Ft. Worth	Mrs. Ludie Dukes.....	3816 Hamilton, Ft. Worth
	Mrs. H. Hardeman.....	3812 Lee, Ft. Worth

## SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

Charge	Name, Lay and Reserve	Address
Beeville	Mrs. Justine Lott.....	123 Matamoras St., Beeville, Texas
	Mrs. Johnny Langley.....	1004 Gramman St., Beeville, Texas
Corpus Christi	Mrs. Olivia Hall.....	4418 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas
	Mrs. F. D. Hart.....	1613 Lexington Ave., Corpus Christi, Texas
Del Rio	Mrs. K. E. Woods.....	316 E. Losoya St., Del Rio, Texas
	Mrs. Lela Riggs.....	501 De La Rosa St., Del Rio, Texas
Uvalde	Mrs. O. H. Wyndowski.....	313 W. Mills St., Uvalde, Texas
	Mr. Shelley Bell.....	324 W. Calera St., Uvalde, Texas
Floresville	Mrs. Edna Kuykendall.....	General Delivery, Floresville, Texas
	Mrs. Carrie Pass.....	General Delivery, Floresville, Texas
Pleasanton	Mrs. Eloide Johnson.....	General Delivery, Pleasanton, Texas
	Mrs. Ernest Monroe.....	General Delivery, Pleasanton, Texas
Harlingen	Mrs. Hattie Fleming.....	1028 W. Pierce St., Harlingen, Texas
	Mrs. Florence Belt.....	901 W. Fillmore St., Harlingen, Texas
Hondo-Pearsall	Mrs. Frank Holden.....	Box 574, Hondo, Texas
	Mrs. Esther Baker.....	Gen. Delivery, Hondo, Texas
Kerrville	Mr. Joe Eggleston.....	Box 103, Kerrville, Texas
	Mr. Clifton Kelley.....	Box 893, Kerrville, Texas
Kingsville	Mrs. E. K. Lambert.....	Box 483, Kingsville, Texas
	Mrs. C. M. Davis.....	214 W. Huisache St., Kingsville, Texas
Nixon-Runge	Mr. Victor Washington.....	Gen. Delivery, Runge, Texas
	Mrs. Odessa Dibbrell.....	Gen. Delivery, Nixon, Texas
East St. Paul	Mrs. Vivian R. Maye.....	944 Poinsetta St., San Antonio, Texas
	Mrs. Mattie Lott.....	134 Blue Bonnett St., San Antonio, Texas
Ellison-Eads	Mr. Mark Fields.....	521 S. Grimes St., San Antonio, Texas
	Rev. Dave Johnson.....	722 S. Rio Grande, San Antonio, Texas



Jacobs Chapel—	2307 Wyoming St., San Antonio, Texas
Mr. D. H. Miller.....	2118 E. Commerce St., San Antonio, Texas
Jones Chapel—Mrs. D. N. Brownlow.....	215 Annie St., San Antonio, Texas
Mrs. Lena Williams.....	140 Odell St., San Antonio, Texas
St. Luke—Mrs. Emma Saunders.....	502 S. Olive St., San Antonio, Texas
Mrs. Emily Young.....	1107 N. Navidad St., San Antonio, Texas
St. Paul—Mr. Odie Davis.....	1014 Montana St., San Antonio, Texas
Mr. George Clark.....	706 Dawson St., San Antonio, Texas
Sanford Chapel—Mrs. Sallie Byrd.....	1753 W. Poplar St., San Antonio, Texas
Mr. Boyd Tollerson.....	1067 Perez St., San Antonio, Texas
West Laurel Hts.—Mrs. Estella Rudd.....	136 Marietta St., San Antonio, Texas
Miss Jose Marshall.....	136 Marietta St., San Antonio, Texas
Harpers-Olmos—Mrs. J. A. Randle.....	1615 N. San Marcos, Seguin, Texas
Mrs. Maggie Harper.....	318 W. Walnut St., Seguin, Texas
Wesley—Mrs. Ruth Byrd.....	1023 Virginia Blvd., San Antonio, Texas
Mr. A. L. Sance.....	214 N. Saunders St., Seguin, Texas

VICTORIA DISTRICT

Charge	Name, Lay and Reserve	Address
Alleyton Ct.—		
Altair Ct.—Mrs. F. A. Washington		
	Mrs. Bessie Nell Allen	
Belmont Ct.—Mrs. Fannie Morris		
	Mr. Ed Forcey	
Columbus Sta.—Mr. Henry Williams		
	Mrs. A. Diberell	
Cuero-Morales—Mrs. V. O. Miles		
	Mrs. Abbie Haynes	
Edna Sta.—Mrs. Susie Ehart		
	Mrs. America Edwards	
El Campo Parish—Mr. Moses Hopes		
	Mrs. Adella Shavers	
Goliad Parish—Mrs. L. G. Todd		
	Mr. V. T. Hauck	
Gonzales Ct.—Mrs. Josie Stevens		
	Mrs. Mable Johnson	
Hallettsville—Mrs. Ada Grant		
	Mrs. C. M. Cunningham	
Oakland Ct.—Mrs. Myrtle Prince		
	Mrs. Clover Warren	
Port Lavaca Ct.—Mrs. Earline Baerfield		
	Rev. R. L. Williams	
Sublime Ct.—Mrs. Sarah Fisher		
	Mr. Louis Tones	
Schulenburg Ct.—Mrs. N. W. Johnson		
	Mr. M. C. Carroll	
Victoria Sta.—Mr. E. E. Hatchett		
	Mr. J. L. Gilbert	
Waelder Parish—Mrs. Bertha Gay		
	Mr. Ed Clark	
Yoakum-Shiner—Mrs. A. B. Williams		
	Mrs. Eva Hillyer	
Yorktown—Mrs. Alice Rose		
	Mr. Cunningham	

WACO DISTRICT

Charge	Name, Lay and Reserve	Address
Bowman-Longbranch—Robert Brockington.....		Marlin, Texas
	Mrs. Sadie Long.....	Rt. 2, Marlin, Texas
Calvert-St. Paul—James Woodley.....		Calvert, Texas
Maysfield-Pt. Sullivan—Mrs. John Cook.....		Rt. 1, Box 129, Cameron, Texas
	Mrs. Minnie Wheeler.....	Box 81, Maysfield, Texas
Chilton-Parish—Mrs. Elsie Long.....		Chilton, Texas
	C. B. Benson.....	Chilton, Texas







## IV

# Daily Proceedings

Conference Minutes  
Daily Proceedings  
First Day — Opening Thursday  
May 24, 1956

The Eighty-Second Annual Session of the West Texas Conference convened at St. Paul Methodist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas, 9:00 A.M., May 24, 1956, with Bishop Alexander P. Shaw presiding. Morning devotions were conducted by the host pastor, Rev. T. M. Bruton. Music furnished by the senior choir of the host church.

### Communion

The Communion meditation was given by Bishop E. W. Kelly, retired bishop of the Methodist Church, after which the administration of the Holy Communion of the Lord's Supper, assisted by the several district superintendents and the host pastor. Three hundred-forty seven took the communion. The Communion offering was \$166.01.

### Roll Call

Bishop Shaw directed the secretary of the last conference, Rev. William Ellison, Jr., to call the roll of the conference membership. Effective elders, probationers, retired ministers and approved supply pastors answered the roll. Names of all elected lay delegates were submitted to the conference secretary by the several district superintendents.

### Organization

Disciplinary Question No. 1 was called. Who are elected for the quadrennium (Para. 630-790) Secretary? William Ellison, Jr., 1414 McKinley Ave., Austin, Texas, was elected, and appointed as his assistants, Rev. M. C. Stone, Rev. Albert S. Pitts, and Rev. Emmitt J. Tanner.

Statistician? Rev. C. D. Owens, 3733 Myrtle Street, Dallas, Texas, was elected and appointed as his assistants, Rev. G. J. Goff, Rev. E. C. Purnell, and Mrs. O. L. Jackson.

Treasurer? Rev. I. B. Loud, P. O. Box 934, Dallas, Texas, was elected and appointed as his assistants Mrs. O. D. Garland, Rev. L. E. Muse, Mr. W. R. Bryant, Mrs. V. M. Reece and Rev. I. C. Loud.

### Legal Limits

By vote of the conference, the legal limits were fixed to include the entire section of the main auditorium embracing the partitioning columns.

### Memorial Services

Bishop Shaw asked for the roll of those who had passed. The following names were read: Ministers: J. W. Morgan, E. N. King, W. M. Franklin, and P. H. Philips; Ministers Wives: Mesdames Cora Callahan, B. A. Byars, W. M. Mooney, and W. M. Franklin.

Bishop Shaw called upon Rev. I. B. Loud to offer prayer for the bereaved families, with special prayer for a daughter of Rev. A. C. Holden who was seriously ill in San Antonio.

The Congregation joined in singing Hymn No. 232. Prayer by Brother Boyd Tollerson. Reading from the scriptures, Rev. E. C. Purnell, Rom. 8:1. Bishop Shaw made necessary announcements. Mrs. E. L. Madison sang "The Last Mile of the Way," after which Rev. L. E. Muse, pastor of San Angelo gave the sermon on the subject: "Eternal Life through the Gates of Death." After singing the doxology, the benediction was given by Rev. Muse.

### Thursday Afternoon First Day 2:30 P.M.

The afternoon session began at 2:30 P.M. with Rev. G. J. Goff presiding. Hymn No. 346 was sung. Rev. George L. Johnson offered the prayer and read I Cor. 1:1-13, after which Rev. Albert C. Williams led the conference in singing Hymn No. 231.



Bishop Shaw gave enthusiastic remarks on the spirit of fellowship, then asked for the order of the day relative to the program. On motion by Rev. E. A. Smith and seconded by Rev. W. J. Washington, it was voted that the Conference Board of Education would make its report at the 11:30 period following such reports on Memorials on Higher Education presented at the General Conference by Rev. R. S. Mosby and Rev. I. B. Loud.

#### Introductions

Bishop Shaw introduced Mrs. Frances C. Badgett, representative of the Methodist Publishing House. Mrs. Badgett gave timely remarks concerning the publishing house and asked that the conference continue to purchase books from the same. She presented to Bishop Shaw a check in the amount of \$1,863.56 from the Book Concern.

The Central Christian Advocate was also represented by Mrs. Badgett, who in the absence of Dr. P. A. Taylor, the editor could not be present. Mrs. Badgett made a strong appeal for subscribers to the official organ of the church.

#### Recommendations

Rev. S. A. Keesee requested of the bishop the opportunity to present a set of rules or policies to be followed regarding appointment of district superintendents and their position or relation to quadrennial boards, commissions and committees.

After much deliberation by members of the conference the report was adopted with such amendments as necessary.

#### Rules Adopted

The Appointment of any member of the West, Texas Conference to the District Superintendency shall automatically vacate his membership on any of the Quadrennial Boards, Commissions and Committees, except where the Discipline makes them members of an Annual Conference Board, Commission or Committee.

Provided that whenever the Annual Conference deems it necessary for the best interest of the Conference, it may elect a District Superintendent as a member of An Annual Conference Board, Committee, or Commission.

REASONS: 1. It will allow the District Superintendent to give the full time to the Cabinet work.

2. It will accelerate the work in our Annual Conference Sessions for we can proceed with the work of our Boards, Commissions and Committees without having to wait until the District Superintendents adjourn Cabinet Sessions to meet with the Boards, Commissions and Committees.

3. It will allow a larger percentage of the members of our Conference to participate in the Work of the Boards, Commissions and Committees.

4. It will make our conference more democratic by giving to all of our Ministers freedom of thought and action and a part to play in determining the policies of our Conference.

5. We can give our members Better Service for the money we are spending to carry on the work of These Boards, Commissions and Committees.

6. We can build the Annual Conference Budget and make recommendations pertaining to the Finances of our Conference without taking into consideration any personal interest.

7. We will create a Free Christian Brotherhood in our Conference and we can thereby do a better job of building the Kingdom of God in the Earth.

S. A. Keesee

#### Passing of Character

Bishop asked the passing of character of the district superintendents of the several districts. Nothing was found against them.

#### Introductions

Dr. T. B. Echols, representative of the Board of Pensions, was presented by Bishop Shaw. Dr. Echols spoke on a plan now being introduced by the church which has to do with the improvement over the present plan of helping the ministers in retired relations.

Rev. Charles F. Golden, representative of the Board of Missions, was introduced by the bishop. Rev. Golden addressed the conference relative to



the role of the Negro in the Church, and the part he (the Negro) must play.

The conference was apprised of the passing of a brother of Rev. Golden. On motion by Rev. I. B. Loud and seconded by Rev. J. L. Wattley that a message be sent from the West Texas Conference to the family of Rev. Golden. Motion Carried.

**Benediction:** The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Charles F. Golden.

**Friday Morning, May 25, 1956**

**Second Day**

**9:00 A.M.**

The devotions were conducted by Rev. George L. Johnson. Hymn number 36 was sung. This was followed with the Affirmation of Faith and Prayer. After responsive reading from the psalter, the conference sang hymn no. 402.

#### **Conference Business**

Bishop Shaw proceeded with the business of the conference, calling for report of the committee on journal with Rev. E. A. Smith making the report. Adopted. Bishop Shaw spoke briefly on conference appointments.

#### **Introductions**

Bishop Shaw introduced Bishop R. E. Jones (now retired) who spoke in the interest of Gulfside and invited the conference to return to Gulfside for summer school for preachers.

#### **Disciplinary Questions**

Bishop Shaw called for Disciplinary Questions Nos. 2, 4, and 12. The bishop asked for the Composite Report of the district superintendents with the Rev. J. G. Owens making the report. Bishop Shaw complimented the report of the district superintendents.

On motion by Rev. F. D. Young and seconded by Rev. G. F. Alexander, the conference voted that this report be submitted to the secretary of the conference for publication in the conference minutes. Carried.

#### **Passing of Character**

The bishop asked that the character of the pastors and ministers be passed. This was done by the conference district by district. Report of the Committee on Investigation was called for by the bishop. The committee stated that a report would be forth coming at a later time.

#### **Disciplinary Question**

Bishop Shaw called for Question No. 18. Who are approved supply pastors? The report was made by Dr. T. B. Echols. (See report Part II pertaining to Ministerial Relations.) On motion by Dr. Echols the report was adopted.

#### **Disciplinary Question**

Bishop Shaw called for Disciplinary Question No. 20. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? The approved supply pastors came forward. (See Report pertaining to Ministerial Relations.) The bishop challenged the men coming into the conference to study hard and keep abreast with the time in the face of the new day in which we live.

On motion by Dr. R. S. Mosby and seconded by Rev. O. B. Coe the conference voted that a commission on the conference level be set up to study with groups of other conferences the phases of possible integration of programs and churches. Motion carried.

#### **Disciplinary Question**

Bishop Shaw called for Disciplinary Question number 40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held the relations? The name of Rev. C. R. Green was given. On motion by Rev. F. D. Young, the conference voted the Rev. C. R. Green meet with the next conference and be located. Carried. The bishop instructed the secretary of the conference to write Rev. Green apprising him of this action taken by the conference.

Rev. Cecil Williams, song leader of the conference, led in singing hymn number 238.



### General Conference Delegation

Bishop Shaw asked that the delegates to the General Conference come to the platform, and that Dr. I. B. Loud direct the speakers regarding his or her turn in speaking arrangements. Mrs. O. B. Coe, conference president of the W.S.C.S., spoke on the position the conference took regarding the place of women. Dr. R. S. Mosby spoke on the Christian Church and Race. Prof. John T. King, laymen of the conference, pointed up to the conference the direction of the church for the next quadrennial in the field of higher education. Dr. I. B. Loud, who led the delegation, spoke on World Service and Finance.

A motion prevailed that the conference give a rising vote of thanks to the delegation. Carried.

### Reports

Rev. E. A. Smith presented the plans and objectives of the Conference Board of Education for the next quadrennium. Rev. William J. Washington gave a brief report of Christian Education in the local church. (See report.) Dr. J. J. Seabrook, president of Huston-Tillotson College, was presented by Rev. E. A. Smith. The president spoke on the necessity of the conference in following the proposed quadrennial program of higher education as handed down by the General Conference.

On motion by Dr. I. B. Loud and seconded by Rev. E. A. Smith the report was adopted.

### Introductions

Bishop Shaw introduced to the conference the following visitors: Rev. C. S. Weaver, Beaumont, Rev. L. V. Winfield, D.S., Beaumont, Rev. James Perryman, La Marque, and Rev. Allen M. Mayes, pastor of St. James Methodist Church, Beaumont.

The noon day message was given by Rev. Allen M. Mayes. He spoke on the subject: **Nights are not Permanent Things**. Benediction: Rev. Mayes.

### Friday Afternoon — Second Day

2:30 P.M.

Devotions led by Rev. J. B. Richardson. Hymn No. 236 was sung which was followed with reading from the Scriptures and prayer.

Dr. R. S. Mosby, referring to the report on Higher Education given by President Seabrook, made the motion that the conference start from that point with further deliberations on the president's report. Motion carried. Dr. R. S. Mosby made a motion that special privilege be allowed the president of the college to vote the adoption of his report. A standing vote of adoption of the report of the Board of Education carried.

Bishop Shaw called for the report from the Board of Missions and Church Extensions, with Rev. J. H. Carruthers making the report. (See report.) By vote of the conference the budget of \$19,000 as recommended the Board of Missions and Church Extensions was accepted.

### Introductions

Bishop Shaw introduced Dr. Dennis R. Fletcher of the Delaware Conference a representative of the Department of Church Extension. He spoke on the complacency (lack of sincerity) with which debts contracted by the West Texas Conference and urged that all delinquent payments be taken care of. He suggested that the Conference Board of Missions, the bishop and his cabinet prepare a priority list.

Bishop Shaw called for report from the Board of Temperance, with Rev. I. C. Loud making the report. (See report.) Motion for the adoption carried.

A report from the Board of World Peace was made by Mrs. O. B. Coe (see report). A motion for the adoption of this report carried.

### Resolution

Bishop Shaw presented to the conference a resolution from the Mitchell Memorial Methodist Church of the Washington Conference approving the action of transfer of the Mitchell Memorial Methodist Church, Harrisburg, Pa., from the Washington Conference of the Central Jurisdiction to the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Northeast Jurisdiction. That such action had been approved by the district superintendents of the Central Pennsylvania



Conference, the congregation and quarterly conferences of the Mitchell Memorial Methodist Church; and that a request for approval be made by the Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdictions and the respective jurisdictional conferences involved.

A standing vote of the conference was taken as follows: 104 in favor; one (1) against.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. M. A. Freeman.

### Saturday Morning, May 26, 1956

#### Third Day

9:00 A.M.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. D. B. Baker, with opening singing of Hymn 162, "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing."

Rev. G. J. Goff read from the 8th Psalms; Rev. J. H. Marshall offered the invocation. Following responsive reading from the psalter Hymn 210 was sung.

#### Business Session

Bishop Shaw called for report of the Committee on Journal with Rev. E. A. Smith making the report. Carried.

#### Reports

Bishop asked for report of Lay Activities, with C. H. Johnson making the report (see report). Motion for the adoption of report carried. Bishop Shaw asked if the laymen had perfected their organizations and was informed that nomination and election of officers would be made at a later time.

#### Disciplinary Question

Bishop Shaw called question number 33. Who have been ordained elders? Edward Clark, Wallace A. Webb and Lorenza B. Napier.

The bishop called for the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance with Rev. O. B. Coe making the report. (See report.) Motion for the adoption of the report. Carried.

On motion of Rev. I. B. Loud the conference authorized the Commission to make the apportionment to the conference on the basis of one-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) ministerial support, one-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) on benevolences and one-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) on the basis of membership. Motion carried.

Rev. S. A. Keese called attention to paragraph no. 796. A motion prevailed that the Commission on World Service and Finance give to the charge the quota. Motion carried. A motion prevailed that all monies sent to the conference treasurer would be sent by Postal Money Orders, Cashier's Check or Bank Draft instead of personal checks. Motion carried.

Bishop Shaw called for the report of Social and Economic Relations, with Rev. E. T. Dixon, chairman, making the report. By vote of the conference, the report was adopted. (See report.)

Bishop Shaw called for the report on Ministerial Relations, with Rev. D. B. Baker making the report. A motion prevailed that the following persons whose names appeared in retired in the current urnal page 12 (1955) be maintained in the same relations. Carried. Bishop Shaw asked the secretary to call names of all retire ministers. It was done. Bishop asked if any retired minister wished to speak. Those speaking were W. M. Ellison, Sr. and C. W. Franklin. **An Omission:** Attention was called by Rev. Turner Snow that his name had been omitted from the list of retired ministers in the current journal. The secretary was directed by the bishop to include said name in the next journal.

Bishop Shaw called for the Committee on Hospitals and Homes. Dr. C. R. Yerwood, chairman of this committee, made the report. Motion for the adoption of the report carried. (See report.)

#### Disciplinary Question

The bishop called for Disciplinary Question No. 50. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? The conference accepted the invitation of Rev. J. H. Carruthers, pastor St. Andrews of Fort Worth, Texas, as the seat of the next Annual Conference.

#### Youth Delegation

Several bus loads of young people had arrived and occupying the entire



section of the balcony of the church to watch the deliberations of the conference. Bishop Shaw praised the work of the youth for the part they played in the church, and invited them down in order to present them to the conference. A rising vote of thanks for a job well done was given to Rev. W. J. Washington by the conference.

#### Committee on Nomination

The bishop called for report of the Committee on Nomination with Rev. Prenza L. Woods making the report. The report was adopted with the necessary disciplinary corrections. (See officuary.) By common consent it was agreed that the conference resume its work at 2:30 P.M.

On motion by Rev. Prenza L. Woods, the conference voted that the printed program become the official guide of the conference. Motion carried.

#### Noon Day Message

Rev. Cecil Williams, song leader, led the conference in singing Hymn No. 232, "I Need Thee Every Hour." After introductory remarks by Bishop A. P. Shaw, presented Rev. Albert S. Pitts, who brought the message on the subject of Love. Benediction by Bishop Shaw.

#### Saturday Afternoon — Third Day

2:30 P.M.

The afternoon session was begun promptly at the scheduled hour with Rev. C. D. Owens conducting the devotions. After singing Hymn No. 315 conference business was resumed.

#### Conference Business

Bishop Shaw called for report of the Conference Statistician with Rev. Curtis D. Owens making the report. The report of the statistician reflected many errors on the part of the pastors who had submitted reports to the statistician. On motion by Rev. J. H. Carruthers, the conference voted that a special meeting on the various districts be conducted to give guidance in helping pastors make out reports. Motion carried. On motion by Rev. J. G. Owens, and seconded by Rev. I. B. Loud, the conference voted to defer the report of the statistician in order to make necessary corrections. Motion carried.

Bishop Shaw called for report of the Conference Treasurer, with Rev. I. B. Loud making the report. On motion by Rev. O. B. Coe and seconded by Rev. Prenza L. Woods, the report was accepted. (See report.)

On motion by Rev. I. B. Loud and seconded by Rev. O. B. Coe, the conference voted to put into the budget the salary of the area secretary. Motion carried.

On motion by Rev. S. A. Keesee and seconded by Rev. J. A. Wills, the conference voted that the conference pay the expenses of the retired ministers and their wives. Motion carried.

It was motioned by Rev. S. A. Keesee and seconded by Rev. J. A. Wills that the balance be paid on priority. Motion carried.

Bishop Shaw asked for report of the Board of Pensions. This report was made by Rev. D. B. Baker. Motion for the adoption of the report carried. (See report.)

Bishop Shaw asked for report of the Conference Missionary Secretary with Rev. F. D. Young making the report. Motion for adoption of the report carried.

Bishop Shaw called for report of the Conference Secretary of Evangelism Rev. T. M. Bruton, host pastor of the conference was absent at this time.

#### Ministers Wives and Daughters Association

The wives and daughters of the ministers were presented by Mrs. I. B. Loud and made report by districts as follows:

Austin District .....	\$ 451.00
Dallas District .....	1,218.15
San Antonio District .....	734.25
Waco District .....	314.00
Western District .....	379.00
Victoria District .....	103.60
Total .....	\$3,200.00

Bishop Shaw asked that the conference give the ministers' wives and daughters a rising vote of thanks for this report. It was done.



### Presentation

Mrs. I. B. Loud, president of the MWDA, invited Mrs. A. P. Shaw to join the bishop where they were recipients of a gift of remembrance to them from the Association for their fine services to the West Texas Conference. Both Bishop and Mrs. Shaw spoke appropriate words.

### Disciplinary Question

The bishop called for Disciplinary Question No. 23. Who have been received on trial? Charles Espie, Joe H. Carter, Jr. (deacon).

On motion by Dr. T. B. Echols, the conference voted that Joe H. Carter, Jr. be placed on the list of Supply Pastors. Motion carried.

A motion prevailed that Rev. Charles Espie have full connection of the conference. Carried.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. L. Wattley.

### Saturday Evening — Third Day

May 26, 1956

#### Ordination Services

7:00 P.M.

Devotions led by Rev. M. T. Reed, singing: "I am Thine O Lord" and "There Is A Fountain," after which Bishop Shaw called the names of those ministers who were given retired relations. Dr. T. B. Echols presented the names of Reverends D. B. Baker, R. L. Foy, George W. Kelley and J. F. Muse. Citations and retirement buttons were presented to the ministers who were retiring by Bishop Shaw and Dr. T. B. Echols respectively. (Rev. R. L. Foy, who was hospitalized, was represented by his brother, Rev. T. H. Foy.)

Bishop Shaw asked the secretary of the conference to present the names of those to be **ordained as Deacons**: Mason Johnson, Jesse Hudson, James Houston, Joe H. Carter, Jr.

**Ordained as Elders**: Edward H. Rodgers, Lorenza B. Napier, Wallace A. Webb, and Silas M. Cleaver. The bishop was assisted by the superintendents of the several districts. Youth Program followed the Ordination services. Benediction: Bishop A. P. Shaw.

### Sunday Morning, May 27, 1956

#### Fourth Day

The Sunday Morning Session of the Conference began at 10:45 A.M. in the spacious Exposition Hall on the water front in down town Corpus Christi, with the Rev. Prenza L. S. Woods leading the devotions. Rev. R. L. Palmer read words of Assurance; Responsive Reading led by Rev. D. H. Hansboro, New Testament Lesson read by Rev. J. G. Owens and the Pastoral Prayer offered by the Rev. O. B. Coe.

The bishop was ably presented by Rev. J. G. Owens. Bishop Shaw spoke from Acts 3:10-11 on the subject: **The Place of Wonder in the Church**. More than 1500 were in attendance for this service. Morning offering \$364.10. Invitation to Christian Discipleship: Rev. J. L. Wattley.

A brief session of the conference was called by the bishop. Reports on the Committee on Courtesies was presented by Rev. E. J. Tanner. A standing vote of appreciation to the bishop was in order.

### Disciplinary Question

Bishop Shaw called for Question No. 44. Who are left without appointment to attend school? Ellis Green, M. E. Hodge and Dennis Woodling.

On motion by Rev. I. B. Loud and seconded by Rev. T. M. Bruton that following the reading of appointments of the 82nd. Session of the Annual Conference will stand adjourned sine die. Motion carried.

### Appointments

Bishop Shaw read the appointments of the district superintendents of the several districts, special appointments, and appointments of the ministers of the conference.

Closing hymn "God Be With."

Benediction: Bishop A. P. Shaw.



## V.

**The Methodist Church****THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The Minutes of the West Texas Annual Conference held in St. Paul Methodist Church from May 24, 1956, through May 27, 1956, Bishop Alexander P. Shaw presiding.

**Part I. Organization and General Business**

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (Para. 630, Sec. 3, Para. 790):  
Secretary? William Ellison, Jr., 1414 McKinley Avenue, Austin 2, Texas  
Statistician? Curtis D. Owens, 3733 Myrtle Street, Dallas, Texas.  
Treasurer? I. B. Loud, Box 934, Dallas, Texas.
2. Is the Annual Conference Incorporated? (Para. 625.) Yes.
3. (a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? (Para. 637, Sec. 3.) Treasurer, I. B. Loud, \$10,000.00.  
(b) Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? (Para. 637, Sec. 3.) Yes.
4. Have the boards, commissions, or committees been appointed or elected? (Para. 630.) Answer Yes or No.  
(a) Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications? Yes. (b) Committee on Conference Relations? Yes. (c) District Committees on Ministerial Qualifications? Yes. (d) Committee of Investigation? Yes. (e) District Boards of Location and Building? Yes. (f) Board of trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes. (g) Conference Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes. (h) Town and Country Commission? Yes. (j) Conference Board of Missions? Yes. (k) Conference Board of Education? Yes. (l) Conference Board of Temperance? Yes. (m) Conference Board of Lay Activities? Yes. (n) Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes. (o) Conference Board of Evangelism? Yes. (p) Board of Conference Claimants? Yes. (q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes. (r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes. (s) Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support? Yes. (t) Other committees, commissions, or boards? Yes.
5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church? (Para. 637, Sec. 2.) Yes.
6. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See supplementary Report)
7. What is the schedule for minimum support for pastors? (Para. 826.)
8. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (Para. 801-2.) Present D.S. Salary be maintained and that no increase in pastor's salary will effect the present D.S. apportionment for the next two years.
9. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? 15% of pastor's cash salary: 12% for immediate distribution; 3% reserve pension fund.
10. What are the apportionments transmitted by the Council on World Service and Finance to this conference?  
(a) For World Service? \$10,737.  
(b) For Episcopal Fund? 2%.



- (c) For General Administration Fund? \$742.00.  
 (d) For Interdenominational Cooperative Fund? \$588.00.
11. What amount is apportioned to this conference for the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$425.00.
12. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the boards of the conference?  
 (a) What is the report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (Para. 1623.) See report.  
 (b) What is the report of the Conference Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (Paras. 1295-99.) See report.  
 (c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (Paras. 791-809.) See report.  
 (d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocation? (Para. 643.)  
 (e) What are the other reports?
13. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (Para. 1618, Sec. 2c, 11.) Huston-Tillotson College, Austin, Texas.
14. What date is determined for Golden Cross enrollment? (Para. 1569.) None.
15. (a) Who is elected conference lay leader? (Para. 1504.) C. H. Johnson.  
 (b) What is his report? See report.  
 (c) Who are elected district and associate district lay leaders? (Para. 1509.)  
 Austin District, John T. King, Randall Johnson; Dallas District, Earl Goins, Clifford Davis; San Antonio District, Odie E. Davis, B. G. Brown; Victoria District, S. E. Chase; Waco District, J. W. Thompson, Charles Hall; Western District, G. R. Tomlin, George Crayton.

## Part II. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations

16. Are all the ministerial members of the Conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.
17. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? (Para. 931.) See standing committees.
18. Who are the approved supply pastors? W. M. Brothers, W. S. Byars, Edward Clark, J. W. Goode, H. D. Hamilton, Jessie Hudson, A. N. Johnson, Mason Johnson, Z. N. King, Harvey Kinchlow, Dailey LeFall, B. D. Lindsey, Abram McGill, Eugene Mooney, L. B. Napier, Judge L. Mayfield, C. J. Polk, Edward A. Rogers, Rufus Smith, Elmo Watson, Henry Williams, Frank Williams, A. T. Hargroves, Robbie Wade.
19. What approved supply pastors now under full time appointment are taking the conference courses of studies.  
 (a) In the first year? A. T. Hargroves, A. N. Johnson, Robbie Wade, Rufus J. Smith.  
 (b) In the second year? Eugene Mooney, H. D. Hamilton, Harvey Kinchlow, J. W. Goode, Mason Johnson.  
 (c) In the third year? Dailey LeFall, Edward Clark, Frank Williams, Z. M. King, Elmo Watson.  
 (d) In the fourth year? Wm. Brothers, L. B. Napier, J. T. Thomas, B. D. Lindsey, Abram McGill.
20. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full time service during the past year? Wm. Brothers, L. B. Napier, Elmo Watson, Charles Espie, Z. M. King, C. J. Polk, B. D. Lindsey, Abram



- McGill, Edward Clark, Frank Williams, Harvey Kinchelow, E. M. Moony, W. S. Byars.
21. What preachers coming from other churches have had their orders recognized? Edward A. Rogers (from the Baptist church).
  22. Who have been received from other churches as traveling preachers?
  23. Who have been received on trial? Charles Espie, Joe H. Carter (deacon).
  24. Who are continued on trial? Ellis Green, W. A. Webb, Jim Sam Loud, James E. Boughton (Ellis Green to take the vow).
  25. Who on trial are discontinued? John Preciphs.
  26. Who are admitted into full connection? Elvis Herbert Carter, Silas Montazuma Cleaver, Taylor Stewart. (Wm. Shaw and Roy E. Stanley are to take the oath due to absence last year.)
  27. What full members are in the studies? (First year) Robert King, Albert Pitts by special vote of the conference.
    - (a) Of the third year? H. T. Franks, Roy E. Stanley, Emmit J. Tanner, Lawrence Washington, Anton Dykes.
    - (b) Fourth year? W. M. Wamsley, R. W. Johnson.
  28. What full members have failed to complete the studies?
    - (a) Of third year? Sherrill Moore, E. D. Alexander, H. T. Franks, Roy E. Stanley, Emmit J. Tanner, Lawrence Washington, A. Dykes.
    - (b) Of the fourth year? M. E. McMillan, W. M. Walmsey.
  29. What full members have completed the studies of the fourth year? None.
  30. Who have been elected deacons? (a) As local preachers? James L. Houston, Jesse H. Hudson, Mason Johnson. (b) As members on trial in the course of study? None. (c) Under the seminary rule? None. (d) Under the missionary rule? None.
  31. Who have been ordained deacons? Joe H. Carter, James L. Houston, Jesse H. Hudson, Mason Johnson.
  32. Who have been elected elders? (a) As local preachers? Edward Clark, Lorenza B. Napier. (b) As local deacons who have been received on trial? None. (c) As conference members in the course of study? None. (d) Under the seminary rule? None. (e) Under the missionary rule? None.
  33. Who have been ordained elders? Edward Clark, Lorenza B. Napier, Wallace A. Webb.
  34. Relative to accommodation transfers for ordination and reception: None.
  35. Who are readmitted: As deacons? None. As elders? None.
  36. Who have been received by transfer? None.
  37. Who have been transferred out? Evans Crawford, Jr., Lexington, May 26, 1956.
  38. Who have had their conference membership terminated? By withdrawal? Elmo C. Tatum.
  39. (a) What ministerial members have died during the year? W. M. Franklin, E. N. King, J. W. Morgan and P. H. Phillips.  
(b) What deaconesses have died during the year? None.
  40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (Para. 365.) C. R. Green, 4 years; E. D. Alexander.
  41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (Para. 364.) None.
  42. What ministers have been retired? (List alphabetically.)



- (a) This year? D. B. Baker, R. L. Foy, G. W. Kelley, J. F. Muse.  
 (b) Previously? B. W. Anderson, R. A. Appling, C. C. Brown, M. B. Burkley, J. H. Childs, W. M. Ellison, C. W. Franklin, W. M. Franklin, J. J. Hardeman, F. J. Hutchinson, E. N. King, K. W. McMillan, W. M. Moseley, P. H. Phillips, J. S. Ross, N. W. Stevens, Turner Snow, H. C. Tollerson.
43. What approved supply pastors have been retired?  
 (a) This year? W. M. Franklin.  
 (b) Previously? B. W. Anderson, Jack Caesar.
44. Who are left without appointment to attend school? Ellis Green, M. E. Hodge, Dennis Woodling.
45. What is the number of:
- |                                  |     |                     |      |
|----------------------------------|-----|---------------------|------|
| (a) Pastoral charges? .....      | 111 | Readmitted? .....   | None |
| Approved supply pastors? .....   | 25  | Discontinued? ..... | 1    |
| Received on trial? .....         | 2   | Withdrawn? .....    | 1    |
| Received into full connection?.. | 5   | Expelled? .....     | None |
| Transfers in? .....              | 1   | Located? .....      | None |
| Transfers out? .....             | 1   | Deceased? .....     | 4    |
| Rec'd from other churches?.....  | 1   |                     |      |
- (b) Ministers:
- (1) On trial:
- (a) As pastors? 4.  
 (b) Under special appointment? None.  
 (c) Left without appointment to attend school? 3.  
 Total on trial? 4.
- (2) In full connection:
- (a) Effective:
- (i) As pastors and district superintendents? 76.  
 (ii) Under special appointment? 8.  
 (iii) Left without appointment to attend school? 3.  
 (iv) On sabbatical leave? None.  
 Total effective?
- (b) Retired? 19.  
 (c) Supernumerary? 2.
- (c) Total of all ministers? 104. ,
46. What other personal notation should be made? None.

### Part III. Concluding Business

47. What is the report of the conference treasurer? See report.  
 48. What is the report of the conference staistician? See report.  
 49. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the coming year?  
 50. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? St. Andrews Methodist Church, Fort Worth, Texas.  
 51. Is there any other business? None.  
 52. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Conference session?  
 53. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? (See List of Appointments.)



## VI.

## WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

Appointments of the West Texas Conference of the Methodist Church  
1956 — 1957

All appointments are in Texas unless otherwise indicated. The names of retired ministers are in bold type and parenthesis. Supplies are in parenthesis only. The figure at the end of the line denotes years of service.

## AUSTIN DISTRICT

Dale H. Hansboro, Superintendent (5)

	Years
Frederick's Temple—(Robbie Wade).....	2
St. Peter's—Eric Purnell.....	5
Simpson Tabernacle—M. A. Freeman.....	1
Wesley Chapel—R. S. Mosby.....	5
Bartlett Circuit—(D. B. Baker).....	1
Belton: Mt. Zion—T. H. Foy.....	2
Brady Circuit—J. L. Mayfield.....	1
Burnet and Llano—To be supplied.....	
Dale and Smithville—H. T. Franks.....	3
Fayetteville Circuit—S. E. Moore.....	4
Georgetown Circuit—W. M. Ellison Jr.....	1
Hutto—To be supplied.....	
La Grange Circuit—Taylor Stewart.....	1
Lampasas—H. G. Simmons.....	1
Lockhart: St. Mark—J. B. Richardson.....	2
Luling Circuit—E. L. Spencer.....	3
Prairie Lea Circuit—W. S. Byars.....	2
San Marcos: Jackson Chapel—I. H. Pierce.....	2
Temple—G. L. Johnson.....	2
Tilmon Circuit—W. R. Brothers.....	6
Winchester—To be supplied.....	
District Missionary Secretary.....	W. M. Ellison Jr.
District Secretary, Evangelism.....	M. A. Freeman
District Secretary, Temperance.....	H. T. Franks

## DALLAS DISTRICT

J. G. Owens, Superintendent (5)

	Years
Corsicana—M. E. McMillan.....	2
Dennison: Haven Chapel—Charles W. Smith.....	3
St. Luke—To be supplied.....	
St. Paul—I. B. Loud.....	9
Trinity—S. M. Cleaver.....	1
Warren—C. D. Owens.....	3
Ennis and Waxahachie—To be supplied.....	
Ferris and Lancaster—J. B. Phoenix.....	1
Ft. Worth: Cogswell—(Abram McGill).....	4
St. Andrews—J. H. Carruthers.....	11
Associate—F. R. Barnwell.....	
Thompson Chapel—W. W. Baker.....	3
Grand Prairie—(A. N. Johnson).....	2
Mexia: Jones Chapel—W. L. Shaw.....	4
Mexia Circuit—J. S. Loud.....	1
Milford and Italy—(J. F. Muse).....	1
Pelham Circuit—S. G. Pharms.....	3
Sherman-McKinney—Charles Epsie.....	6
Wichita Falls—E. M. Cooper.....	1
Cowan-McMillan—(K. W. McMillan).....	5
istrict Missionary Secretary.....	J. H. Carruthers
District Secretary, Evangelism.....	W. W. Baker
District Secretary, Temperance.....	C. D. Owens



## SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

Prenza L. S. Woods, Superintendent (3)

	Years
Beeville—A. S. Pitts.....	1
Corpus Christi—T. M. Bruton.....	8
Del Rio-Uvalde—(Elmo Watson).....	1
Floresville-Pleasanton—To be supplied.....	
Harlingen—W. M. Walmsley.....	2
Hondo—(Harvey Kinchelow).....	2
Kerrville—S. D. Miller.....	2
Kingsville—C. L. King.....	1
Nixon-Runge Parish—A. D. Porter.....	1
East St. Paul—A. D. Minor.....	1
Ellison-Eads—(W. M. Ellison Sr.).....	1
Jacobs Chapel—F. D. Young.....	3
Jones Chapel—E. T. Fuller.....	2
St. Luke—(E. M. Mooney).....	1
St. Paul—E. A. Smith.....	6
Sanford Chapel—A. C. Holden.....	2
West Laurel Hts.—(L. B. Napier).....	9
Harpers-Olmos—(W. L. Andrews).....	4
Wesley—T. R. Watkins.....	2
District Missionary Secretary.....	E. A. Smith
District Secretary, Evangelism.....	A. D. Minor
District Secretary, Temperance.....	A. S. Pitts

## VICTORIA DISTRICT

J. L. Wattley, Superintendent (3)

	Years
Alleyton Circuit—(A. T. Hargrave).....	3
Altair Circuit—S. M. Franklin.....	2
Belmont Circuit—Marshall Majors.....	2
Columbus—Lavalle Lowe.....	3
Cuero-Yorktown—O. K. Brewster.....	1
Edna—Z. W. Holmes.....	1
El Campo Parish—Antone Dykes.....	4
Goliad Parish—T. J. D. Simms.....	6
Gonzales Circuit—W. A. Webb.....	1
Hallettsville Circuit—M. C. Stone.....	1
Oakland—(Edward Clark).....	1
Port Lavaca Circuit—(Z. M. King).....	
Schulenburg Circuit—D. C. Carroll.....	8
Sublime Circuit—(J. W. Goode).....	
Victoria—J. H. Marshall.....	12
Waelder Parish—(R. T. King).....	1
Yoakum-Shiner—L. H. Haywood.....	2
District Missionary Secretary.....	Z. W. Holmes
District Secretary, Evangelism.....	Lavalle Lowe
District Secretary, Temperance.....	J. H. Marshall

## WACO DISTRICT

O. B. Coe, Superintendent (5)

	Years
Bowman Chapel and Longbranch—(J. E. Carter Jr.).....	1
Calvert—Z. E. King.....	3
Chilton: Goodville and Rose—D. T. Tucker.....	5
Froza Mission—(H. D. Hamilton).....	2
Groesbeck and Bremond—Roy Stanley.....	2
Hubbard and Hillsboro—H. E. Kuykendall.....	11
Marlin: Davis Chapel—G. F. Alexander.....	4
Mart-Springhill—(C. J. Polk).....	5
Maysfield and Port Sullivan—I. C. Greer.....	1
Moody and Gatesville—(G. W. Kelley).....	1
Rockey Chapel-Cedar—R. W. Johnson.....	2
Satin and Majors—(R. J. Smith).....	2



Valley Mills and Crawford—S. W. Curtis.....	3
Waco: Bracks Chapel—G. J. Goff.....	10
Jones Chapel—L. D. Washington.....	2
Mt. Zion—E. J. Tanner.....	5
St. James—S. A. Keesee.....	5
Carver Mission—B. D. Lindsey.....	1
District Missionary Secretary.....	G. J. Goff
District Secretary, Evangelism.....	E. J. Tanner
District Secretary, Temperance.....	R. W. Johnson

### WESTERN DISTRICT

R. L. Palmer, Superintendent (2)

	Years
Abilene: Plum Street—C. J. Houston.....	2
Amarillo: Wyatt Memorial—J. A. Wills.....	8
Brownwood—R. L. Palmer.....	2
El Paso—M. T. Reed.....	2
Hobbs and Lovington—Cecil Williams.....	2
Lubbock—I. C. Loud.....	3
Midland—John Elliott.....	1
Odessa—E. H. Carter.....	1
O'Donnell—(J. H. Hudson).....	2
Roscoe and Colorado City—(E. A. Rogers).....	1
San Angelo—L. E. Muse.....	4
Slaton—I. C. Loud.....	
District Missionary Secretary.....	J. A. Wills
District Secretary, Evangelism.....	L. E. Muse
District Secretary, Temperance.....	M. T. Reed

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Associate, Board of Pensions.....	T. B. Echols
Associate Sec., General Bd. of Education.....	E. T. Dixon
Faculty, Huston-Tillotson College.....	W. M. Ellison, Jr.
Faculty, Langston University.....	Edwin Edmonds
Conference Missionary Secretary.....	F. D. Young
Conference Secretary, Evangelism.....	T. M. Bruton
Conference Secretary, Temperance.....	M. T. Reed
Exec. Secretary, Conference Bd. of Ed.....	W. J. Washington
Left without appointment to attend school:	
	Marshall Hodge, D. A. Woodling, Ellis Green

### HUSTON-TILLOTSON COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mrs. C. A. Barr—2502 Aztec Street, Austin, Texas.
Rev. William E. Brehm—First Congregational Church, Graceland Avenue and Marion, Des Plaines, Ill.
Rev. William C. Burton—First Congregational Church, Trail Lake Drive and Manderly Pl., Fort Worth, Texas.
Mrs. O. B. Coe—114 Cherry Street, Waco, Texas.
Miss Muriel Day—150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.
Dr. James L. Dickey—601 Bland St., Taylor, Texas.
Dr. William F. Frazier—287 Fourth Avenue, New York, New York.
Dr. John O. Gross—Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.
Dr. Edmund Heinsohn—2409 Guadalupe St., Austin, Texas.
Mr. E. W. Jackson—709 Rio Grande St., Austin, Texas.
Mr. D. A. Lacy—4305 Arcady St., Dallas, Texas.
Dr. T. K. Lawless—4321 South Parkway, Chicago, Ill.
Dr. H. E. Lee—2103 Berry St., Houston, Texas.
Dr. Ira B. Loud—St. Paul Methodist Church, Good and Munger Streets, Dallas, Texas.
Dr. Paul P. McClellan—12 Highway Avenue, Old Greenwich, Conn.
Mr. S. E. McCreless—The American Hospital and Life Insurance Co., San Antonio, Texas.
Bishop William C. Martin—1910 Main Street, Dallas, Texas.
Rev. John D. Moore—The Pilgrim Congregational Church, Live Oak at Berry, Houston, Texas.



Mr. Don P. Newton—3012 Maple Avenue, Dallas, Texas.  
 Mrs. Elbert Read—400 West Street, Shenandoah, Iowa.  
 Dr. Phillip W. Sarles—7301 Curtis at Monica, Detroit 21, Mich.  
 Bishop A. Frank Smith—1049 Kirby Drive, Houston 19, Texas.  
 Dr. Philip M. Widenhouse—287 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.  
 Dr. Gordon Worley—802 E. 47th St., Austin, Texas.  
 Rev. Fred D. Young—408 S. Polaris St., San Antonio, Texas.  
 Dr. Connie R. Yerwood—1115 E. 12th St., Austin, Texas.  
 Bishop A. Preston Shaw—2151 W. 20th St., Los Angeles, California.

## VII

### DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPOSITE REPORT

Bishop Alexander Preston Shaw and Members of the Eighty Second Session of the West Texas Annual Conference: "Grace and Peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus Christ our Lord."

It is with a deep and penetrating sense of gratitude on the one hand and profound and reverent sense of humility on the other hand that we your six appointed District Superintendents come to this solemn hour to submit this our annual report to this Eighty Second Session of our Annual Conference. We come with gratitude to God and you for the victories and triumphs which we have experienced during this year. We come with humility and even contrition because of the defeats and failures which we have encountered due to the fact that in our selfishness and pride we have thwarted the Grace of God.

When we survey the path over which we have come this year, we can say with the Psalmist at many points: "The lives are fallen unto us in pleasant places, yea we have a goodly heritage," but on the other hand as one darkly draped messenger after another brought sad tidings of the falling of our comrades in arms, as tragedy appeared on the horizons and as our brethren over powered by illness were forced to sit on the sideline we must say again "surely the hand of affliction has been heavily upon us"; but as followers of Christ, the crucified and brethren of St. Paul, we know what it means to "Be careful for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God and the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

#### Membership and Evangelism

We have been ever conscious of the fact that evangelism is the rejuvenating, sustaining, replenishing and out reaching influence in the church. Where the Spirit of evangelism is present churches flourish, where it is absent churches grow cold and die. We have noted with a great degree of encouragement the rapid increase in our church membership in the cities. We know that while much of this is due to the rapid urbanization of our country; on the other hand our ministers have been hard at work and keenly aware of their opportunities and responsibilities in this field. It is with renewed interest that we call upon our churches in the cities and city missionary societies to strain ever nerve to gather into the fold these people who represent the "mighty march to the city."

We have been ever on the job encouraging our rural and small town churches to keep the fires burning brightly and we are calling upon the ministers of these our smaller churches to see to it that as their members migrate to the cities that they find a place in our methodist churches there. They are our sheep, yes, with respect to the increase in membership, brethren ever district shows a relatively fine gain. But in a recent survey published by U. S. News and World Report, and a copy of which has been sent by our Board of Evangelism to every District Superintendent, shows that by 1975 there will be 228 million Americans. Texas will increase in population by 25 to 50% while New Mexico will increase by 50%. How revealing are these figures. What a challenge they fling down at our feet! How they invite the Church of Christ! "God of grace and God of glory on thy people pour thy power; Crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage for the facing of this hour. Set our feet on lofty places; Gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christ-like graces, in the fight to set men free, Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not man nor Thee!"



### Stewardship

We are using the word stewardship in its most restricted sense here. We are happy to report that there is a growing sense of stewardship on the part of our faithful laymen and conscientious ministers. This is well reflected in the reports for all causes of the church. Many of our churches will show the results of well planned and properly executed financial programs. Our financial reports are highlighted by an ever increasing number of one hundred percent and plus reports.

The San Antonio and Western Districts under the leadership of the Reverends P. L. S. Woods and R. L. Palmer respectively show a greater degree of consistency in their charge by charge reports.

While we are deeply appreciative for the strong devotion to the cause of stewardship on the part of many of our constituents, we are keenly aware of the facts that in many respects the field of stewardship is relatively unexplored. Far too many of our church people turn a deaf ear to the needs of the church and grudgingly cast a few surplus coins over their shoulders to a little needed church and a too little wanted church.

The Johnson Publishing Company of Chicago is currently covering the country showing a film containing data backed up by the Department of the Interior showing that the Negroes of America have an annual take home pay of 15 billion dollars. With this known fact the business world is developing ever new techniques of selling things to our people which modern technology has produced in abundance. We have only to look around us to see the results of their efforts and the effectiveness of their program.

Shall God's church for which His Son died go lacking, while the majority of our people drift toward a sure and definite materialistic way of life? It is the job of the church, yea the responsibility of the church to challenge people to "give themselves first unto the Lord," to "seek first the Kingdom of God." "Rise up o Men of God! the Church for you doth wait; her strength unequal to her task; Rise up and make her great. Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; as brothers of the Son of man, Rise up O men of God!"

### Education

We are always happy to note the splendid progress which is being made in our conference in the field of education. But we have the unique pleasure of following the leadership and program planning of one who is a product of our own educational program. If we are asked will it work we have only to look at "Joe." He has done an excellent job under the guidance of the conference and General Boards of Education. Among the many definite programs to which we can point with pride are our summer Youth institutes, various and sundry conferences and retreats. There have been permanently established in a number of our larger churches annual training institutes. Our Board of Education with its informed and dynamic leadership is showing us the fruits of enlightened minds and warm hearts.

### Our College

On September 1, 1955, the guiding hand of providence brought to the head of the Huston-Tillotson College one Dr. J. J. Seabrooks. He came with a mighty job facing him, but matching it he brought a mind to work. His brief though spectacular leadership has already given to the school two ultra modern dormitories, at a cost of \$600,000, one for men and the other for women, and the work has just begun. We feel that the Board of Trustees demonstrated its far sightedness and wise judgment in bringing this type of leadership to the college. We share, with all, the hope and assurance that the college will continue to so lift its standard, to so attract the finest of youth, and to so undergird all that is being done with such sincere and truly Christian spirit that the world will look to Huston—Tillotson as one of the finest small religious colleges in the nation. We join the College in its anticipation of reaching these goals and pledge the loyal and unstinted support of our conference. Yes, "Build thee more stately Mansions, O my Soul" as the swift seasons roll, leave thy low vaulted past, Let each new temple nobler than the last, shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast, till thou at length art free, Leaving thine out grown shell by Life's unresting sea."



### Church Extension

We have moved across the threshold of a new era in the matter of church extension. We are face to face with the proposition of expansion within and without; we thank God that through the foresightedness of our illustrious and princely leader, Bishop A. P. Shaw, we have come to realize our potentialities in this field. Under his close supervision and direction there is underway a thorough study of the possibilities on every district. New strategy has been outlined. City Missionary Societies have either been organized or are in the making on every district. There have been great church extension mass meetings held on every district with the bishop preaching. As a result of this new spirit which Bishop Shaw has kindled in the heart of the Conference great new projects have been and are in the process of being launched.

The growing and thriving Warren Church in Dallas, the eminent purchasing of the beautiful home for the Trinity congregation in Dallas, the acquisition of the new church site in Hobbs, New Mexico, and Lovelady, and the organization of our first new congregation under the leadership of our own Cecil Williams are visible attestations to this new spirit working in the midst of us. Bishop Shaw has brought fresh emphasis to William Carey's expression "Expect great things of God, attempt great things for God."

### Building and Improvements

We are made to marvel at the unprecedented interest which our people are showing in the development of new plants, the erection of new parsonages, and the renovation of older ones, and the erection of new educational facilities. All these represent the new appreciation for the beautiful and the elevation of higher standards of living among our people. Thanks to God that most of our loyal laymen no longer wish to have their minister and his family live in a shack, no longer are they willing to content themselves that God's house should be less than the best possible. As a result of this growing appreciation here and there all across our great conference new churches, educational buildings and new parsonages are rearing their heads.

The Austin District points with pride to its many improvements; there are the remodeling of our church in Dale, Daniel Chapel, Mt. Olive and Salem churches, San Saba; beautification of the San Marcos parsonage and the relocation and remodeling of Industry Methodist Church.

The San Antonio District looks forward to an unprecedented building program next year. Funds are already on hand and the plans are well laid, at the East St. Paul Church, St. Paul, and Harpers Chapel and Ellison-Eads.

The Victoria District has a new \$6,000 parsonage at Edna, a rebuilt church in the Sand Hill Community and a renovated church and parsonage at the Hallettsville Circuit.

On the Dallas District building and improvement continue. The Cowan Mc-Millan Church will bring to completion in mid July its modern and commodious new educational building. St. James in Sherman has funds on hand for the erection of a new church, the Cogwell church is at work raising funds for their new church. The church at Lancaster has been very beautifully decorated.

One will need to see the new district parsonage in order to appreciate its comfort and beauty.

The Western District is yet living up to its record of setting a new pace in the field. New church sites have been purchased in Lovington and Hobbs, New Mexico.

### The Woman's Society of Christian Service

The women of the conference under the direction of Mrs. O. B. Coe has risen to new and hitherto unattained heights. The women are more closely knit, their fellowship is warm and genuine, and they represent a vital part of the financial back bone of almost every local church. While carrying on their great work touching every phase of human welfare they are among the strongest members in our local churches. In the words of the blessed Mary Mother of our Lord they say by word and deed, in joy and sorrow, in victory and defeat. "We are here to serve the Lord."

### Life in the Church

It is with joy an exhilaration that we speak of the beauty of the growing sense of fellowship in the conference. The walls of jealousy and envy and



strife are crumbling. "We are not divided; all one body we." Every brother is becoming more conscious of our solidarity. The genuine interest on the part of the conference in the salaries and living conditions of every family in the parsonage is heartwarming. We are pleased to note the growing interest in the matter of racial goodwill across Jurisdictional lines. Practically every district and many of our churches report of the wonderful achievement in joint work projects among the races.

We rejoice to know that the great reservoirs of good will were here even preceding the recent legislation of our 1956 General Conference concerning the Central Jurisdiction. But our rejoicing has been increased a hundred fold because of the standing of the church in this matter. We would not be deceived however, by this certain good will and ever strengthening fellowship. As we find our selves more and certain in an integrated church, we hear the ominous rumblings convincing us that we cannot do the work of God in the same old way.

Fellowship in opportunities means fellowship in responsibilities. Again our Lord is asking of his church through this changing period, "Can you drink of the cup that I drink." But in this great fellowship, we can and will answer "Lord we are able, our spirits are thine." We know that we shall move from triumph to triumph, from conquest to conquest, from victory to victory. "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.— Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report— think on these things." . . . The God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting Covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever."

Humbly submitted,

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P. L. S. Woods,  
Obie Coe  
J. L. Wattle  
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**VIII**  
**REPORT OF**  
**WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE**  
**1956 - 1957**

Bishop Shaw, ministers and laymen of the West Texas Annual Conference, we approach the new quadrennium with great interest and appreciation for our great Methodist Church. Through the years Methodist people have been the trail blazers in all progressive history making events.

This was no less true in the most recent session of the General Conference just closed in Minneapolis, Minnesota. With a bird's eye view of quadrennial emphasis on administration we your commission have given every precaution that no Board, Commission or Agency be neglected. And that the program of Kingdom building move forward: We hereby submit the following report for your action and determination.

**WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE**  
**BUDGET FOR 1956 - 1957**

**General and Annual Conference Benevolence:**

**Generals**

World Service..... \$10,737.00

\$10,737.00

**Annual Conference Benevolence:**

**Education:**

Executive Secretary Salary..... \$ 3,400.00



House Rent .....	720.00	
Travel .....	600.00	
Promotion .....	200.00	
Board Meetings.....	200.00	
Social and Economic Relation.....	100.00	
Board of Temperence.....	100.00	
Board of World Peace.....	150.00	
Board of Lay Activities.....	530.00	
Board of Evangelism.....	150.00	
Hospitals and Homes.....	100.00	
Board of Missions Meetings.....	100.00	
Extentions .....		
Missionary Secretary.....	100.00	
Board of Ministerial training for pastors school....	1,137.00	
Christian Vocation.....		
Board of Trustees.....	150.00	
		\$ 7,737.00
<b>Administration:</b>		
<b>General:</b>		
Interdenominational Cooperation.....	\$ 588.00	
General Administration fund.....	742.00	
		\$ 1,330.00
<b>Jurisdictional:</b>		
Jurisdictional Conference Expense.....	\$ 425.00	
		\$ 425.00
<b>Area:</b>		
Area Administration Fund.....	\$ 3,840.00	
		\$ 4,500.00
<b>Annual Conference:</b>		
Conference Journal .....	\$ 1,150.00	
Commission on World Service and Finance.....	600.00	
Conference Treasurer .....	600.00	
Statistician and Staff.....	150.00	
Secretary and Staff.....	200.00	
Memorial Committee.....	25.00	
		\$ 2,725.00
Total Advance Authorized by A. C.....	\$19,000.00	\$33,762.00
Total General, Annual Conference, Benevolence and Alms Fund.....		\$26,644.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL.....</b>		<b>\$45,644.00</b>

We recommend that the following percentages be used in making apportionments to the several districts of the Annual Conference:

Austin District.....	18.7%
Dallas District.....	24.5%
San Antonio District.....	26.5%
Victoria District.....	11.2%
Waco District.....	13.5%
Western District.....	5.6%

#### Huston-Tillotson College

In compliance with quadrennial emphasis, we recommend that each charge in the conference raise one dollar per member for Huston-Tillotson College.

#### Ministerial Support

We recommend that the Episcopal shall be 2% of pastors cash salary in keeping with the General Conference.



**Conference Claimants**

(A) We recommend conference claimants fund for immediate distribution be 12% of pastors cash salary.

(B) We recommend that 3% of pastors cash salary for reserve pension fund.

**Minimum Support**

We recommend 2% of pastors cash salary for minimum support fund.

**Sustentation Fund**

We recommend 1% of pastors cash salary for sustentation fund.

**District Superintendent Fund**

We recommend that the district stewards of the several districts shall set the salary, house rent, travel, and office expense for the District Superintendents; with salary not to exceed 14% of pastors apportioned salary, and a maximum of \$1,500.00 per district administration not having parsonage, and maximum of \$1,000.00 for district with parsonage.

We recommend that the present salary scale for district superintendent be maintained and that no increase in pastors salary will affect the present district superintendent apportionment for the next two years.

**Pastors Salary**

We recommend a 15% increase in pastors salary in each charge in the Annual Conference.

**Special Days**

We recommend the observance of the following days: Methodist Student Day, June 10th; Promotion Day Sept. 23rd; World Wide Communion, Oct. 7th; Race Relations Day, 2nd Sunday in Feb., 1957; and Week of Dedication.

**REPORT OF  
WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE  
May 24, 1956**

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**IX  
CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Preface**

Mr. Chairman, members and friends of the West Texas Annual Conference, greetings. The following report is submitted to you for and in the name of your conference Board of Education.

Our Conference Board of Education is dedicated to the task of helping us accomplish these and other desired goals. The endless number of meetings, institutes, training and leadership schools, clinics, assemblies, and etc., are designed specifically to offer opportunities and experiences for enriching our personal lives and the lives of those with whom we work daily.

The following is a report of activities carried on during this conference year. Also, there are some few basic recommendations for the work of the Board for the next conference year.

**Children's Work**

Our basic interest in Children's Work is to provide experiences, through the church and home, for our children that will become a sure foundation for a full and creative life in the Christian Faith. We seek to provide these experiences on the level of the child so that they become meaningful to them and can be related to their every day living and in accord with their abilities to understand.

Most of our churches, at least 80%, have in operation a program for their



children. This primarily involves the Sunday School class on Sunday mornings. We are very happy to note the increasing number of week-day Kindergartens that are being sponsored in and by many of our churches.

The Vacation Church School is yet one of our best opportunities for providing for the workers and the children experiences that will enable them to know each other better. Too, there is the opportunity for a concentrated period of study and fellowship which is not possible in the routine schedule of the Sunday School.

Plans have been made already for the Vacation Church Schools in many of our local churches. One tri district, one bi district, one district, and several sub district Coaching Conferences have been held for the purpose of introducing the recommended texts for this year and to provide some practical suggestions in the developing and teaching of the texts. We are very happy to report that three of our district superintendents will be using extension workers in their districts this Summer for the Vacation Church School Work. These workers will be granted through the Children's Department of the General Board of Education. The young ladies, Misses: Gean Crawford, Glenda Horne, and Emma Lois Smith are students from Huston-Tillotson College.

### Youth Work

Our conference program in youth work has been projected in keeping with the recommended program from the Youth Department of the General Board of Education being a part of the quadrennial emphasis on youth. Such activities beyond the local church have been senior-older youth institute in each district, a conference youth assembly, and several meetings beyond the conference and jurisdictional levels.

Our greatest interest has been to lend assistance that will result in very good youth programs in the local churches of the conference. We are very happy to report that a very large number of reports have come to the office indicating that very active groups are carrying on programs that are very inspirational and are lending themselves greatly to the personal religious growth of our youth.

The Conference Youth Assembly, always a rich and meaningful experience for our youth, was held this year on the beautiful campus of Huston-Tillotson College. We had an increase in the attendance and four of our six districts were represented. There were two representatives from the North West Texas Conference (SCJ) attending our Assembly. Their contributions to the Assembly were many and we anticipate this type of exchange in representatives in more of our activities.

Many interconference and interjurisdictional experiences were shared by the youth of our conference. Miss Shirley Washington, Hallettsville, Texas, represented well our conference as the exchange person in the North West Texas Conference Youth Assembly which was held in Abilene at the McMurray College. Again this year we were well represented at the SCP Youth Workshop at Mt. Sequoyah. Four of our youth with Rev. E. C. Purnell, Austin district youth director, went to this meeting and have reported that the meeting served as a great source of inspiration for them. Our youth always return and do a wonderful job in the capacities which they serve in their district and conference offices. For the second year now we have cooperated with the San Antonio Youth Workshop. This has been an experiment, sponsored through several agencies, in interracial living. There could be no better place for the proving grounds for such an experiment and we do heartily endorse the endeavor and will cooperate in every way possible.

PROPOSAL OF SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES WITH DATES FOR THE ENSUING CONFERENCE YEAR (June 1956 - May 1957)

### Children's Work

1. This year, more than ever, we hope most of our churches will endeavor to conduct a Vacation Church School. Coaching clinics have been held and three extension workers will be working within the districts to assist in the schools. Their work should greatly facilitate the work in these districts.
2. We hope that the programs already in existence in our local churches for children will be strengthened. We can do this by offering better



leadership. Better leadership can be had by investing in leadership training.

3. The Vacation Church School Coaching Conference will be held on bi-district levels next year during the months of March and April.

#### Youth Work

1. District youth institutes have been planned for each of the districts during the month of July. (Check district superintendents for correct date.)
2. The Annual West Texas Conference Youth Assembly will be held on the campus of Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas, during the last week in July. Announcements will be forth-coming in the immediate future.
3. This year the youth of our conference will cooperate with the youth from the North Texas conference in an interconference Youth Workcamp which will be held in Denison, Texas, during the last week in June. The purpose of the work camp is to provide experiences in living for the youth of both races, and too, the work which will be done at the church will be of great benefit. The kids will conduct the Vacation Church School for the church. The quota of youth from each conference is ten youth and two adults.
4. We have the invitation to attend the Mt. Wesley Youth Workshop again this year, May 30 - June 3. We plan to have at least three of our older youth attend this meeting.
5. We heartily recommend and endorse the Fall Action Project and the Lenten Reading Project as a good and worthy program for our youth to actively engage in their local fellowships. Information may be obtained from either the executive secretary's office or the General Board of Education, Youth Department, P. O. Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.
6. There shall be a number of sub-district youth meetings in each district during the month of August. These meetings will be conducted by the district director and assisted with Miss Emma Lois Smith who will be working with the conference Board of Education during the Summer months.
7. We shall again send some of our youth leaders to the South Central Jurisdictional Youth Workshop in Mt. Sequoyah.
8. Additional dates and other information concerning youth activities will be carried in the News Release.

#### The Methodist Student Movement — Huston-Tillotson College

1. We solicit the support of each pastor in the forwarding of names and addresses of students from his local church who are away in college to the office of the executive secretary. This is necessary if we are to keep in touch with our students and assure them of continued religious nurture.
2. We encourage each pastor to speak to the high school graduates of his church and inform them of the advantages offered in OUR college. Encourage them to attend and to affiliate with the student religious organization.
3. We recommend that the conference vote to cooperate wholly with the recommendations from the General and Jurisdictional conferences relative to the support of our college. We hope that the amount in the budget for the college will be increased and that our Race Relations offerings will be increased. We can use those funds for scholarships.
4. We recommend that a commission be set up, under the auspices of the Conference Board of Education, to carry out the new quadrennial emphasis as ordered by the General Conference.

#### Adult Work

1. We encourage each church to seek first to provide a basic program of Christian education that will include and involve the adult members of the church.



2. We propose a conference-wide week end assembly for adults to come in the very early part of the Fall. Time and place to be announced later.
3. The Conference Young Adult Assembly will be held next year during the month of April. Time and place to be announced later.
4. We plan to support the Area Young Adult Assembly in August at Gulfside.
5. We plan to cooperate with the young adults of the Southwest Texas Conference in their annual Young Adult Assembly.

#### General Church School Work

1. We recommend that every effort be given to increase the quality of our entire Church School program within each local church.
2. We propose three bi district meetings with the administrative staffs in church school work (Commission on Education chairman, church school superintendents, assistant superintendents, secretaries, etc.) These meetings shall be held during the month of October.
3. Our conference and district staffs will continue the practice of assisting in worker's conferences when invitations are extended.

#### Leadership Education

1. Since this is the beginning of a new quadrennial emphasis in "The Work of the Local Church," we are recommending that EACH person in the conference and district staffs attend the Area Leadership Training School which will be held in Waveland, Mississippi, at Gulfside, July 6 - 13. WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THIS A BASIC REQUIREMENT.
2. The Christian Worker's Schools shall be continued on an even larger basis.
3. We recommend that the Church School Rally Day be held on September 25 and that we seek an offering for promotion to amount not less than \$1,500 for the five districts. We recommend that one-third of an amount from a district be returned to that district for the promotion of the work and its workers' expenses.

#### The News Release

The NEWS RELEASE shall still be the voice for the conference Board of Education. Issues shall be mailed bi monthly and shall carry the dates and other news concerning the works of the conference Board of Education.

SPECIAL DAYS TO OBSERVE DURING THIS CONFERENCE YEAR (The asterisk (\*) denotes the days which should be observed with an offering for the cause of the observance.)

1. Methodist Student Day\*—June 10
2. Christian Education Week—September 25 - October 7
3. CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY\*—September 25 (\$1,500.00)
4. RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY\*—February 10 (\$10,000.00)
5. Student Recognition Day—December 29
6. WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY\*—Fourth Sunday of EACH month



**Report by Charges for the Church School Rally Day Offerings  
September 25, 1955**

<b>Austin District</b>		<b>Dallas District</b>	
Wesley Chapel (Austin) .....	\$ 35.00	Corsicana .....	2.00
Lockhart .....	10.00	St. Paul (Dallas) .....	75.00
Temple .....	20.00	Ferris-Lancaster .....	6.45
St. Peters .....	3.00	Cowan-McMillan .....	10.00
San Marcos .....	7.00	St. Andrew's* .....	30.00
La Grange .....	5.00	Sherman .....	9.00
Simpson .....	4.00	Waxahachie .....	4.00
	<u>          </u>	Wichita Falls .....	13.50
	\$ 84.00		<u>          </u>
			\$149.95
<b>San Antonio District</b>		<b>Victoria District</b>	
Beeville .....	8.00	Goliad .....	7.00
Del Rio .....	5.00	Hallettsville .....	2.00
Harlingen .....	5.00	Gonzales .....	6.00
Hondo .....	2.00	Webster (Victoria) .....	22.00
Kerrville .....	2.00		<u>          </u>
Kingsville .....	14.00		\$ 37.00
Nixon .....	2.00		
East St. Paul* .....	5.00		
Jacob's Chapel .....	30.00		
Sanford Chapel .....	5.00	<b>Waco District</b>	
Jones Chapel .....	2.00	Bowman-Longbranch .....	2.00
St. Paul (S.A.) .....	50.00	Chilton-Rosebud .....	5.00
West Laurel Hgts. ....	3.00	Froza Chapel .....	1.00
Wesley (Seguin) .....	10.00	Bremond-Groesbeck .....	5.00
Harpers .....	3.00	Marlin .....	3.00
	<u>          </u>	Mart .....	7.50
	\$146.00	Moody-Gatesville .....	1.00
		Rocky-Cedar .....	2.00
<b>Western District</b>		Bracks .....	10.00
Abilene .....	2.00	Valley Mills .....	5.00
Amarillo .....	8.40	Jones Chapel .....	10.00
El Paso .....	22.00	Mt. Zion .....	10.00
Lubbock .....	20.00	St. James* .....	15.00
San Angelo .....	29.00		<u>          </u>
	<u>          </u>		\$ 77.00
	\$ 84.40		\$575.35
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b> .....			

\*Some Churches are to report additional amounts at the annual conference.

These figures represent reports up to and through May 1. We recommend that a greater effort be put in the raising of these promotional funds. Our Conference Board is truly in need of more promotional monies for its work. This amount more than doubles our efforts of last year (\$219.90)

**RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR JUNE 1956 - MAY 1957**

On the basis of the preceding report and recommendations the following budget is being recommended to the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance for the ensuing conference year.

<b>Budget</b>	
Conference Board of Education.....	\$ 200.00
(Travel for Board members, etc.)	
Executive Secretary:	
Salary .....	\$3,400.00
House Rent (\$60.00 per mo.).....	720.00
Office supplies and sec. ....	300.00
Travel .....	800.00
	<u>          </u>
	\$5,220.00
Promotional Fund .....	\$2,000.00
	<u>          </u>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b> .....	\$7,620.00



## Anticipated Source of Income:

West Texas Conference Benevolence.....	\$5,920.00
Church School Rally Day (September 25, 1956).....	1,000.00
General Board of Education (For Promotion).....	500.00

GRAND TOTAL ..... \$7,420.00

Ernest A. Smith, chairman  
William J. Washington, executive secretary

**REPORT****QUADRENNIAL PROGRAM**

**J. J. Seabrook, President, Huston-Tillotson College**

To Bishop Shaw and Members of the West Texas Annual Conference Greetings:

The College wishes to thank the West Texas Annual Conference for its support during the past years.

We are facing a new day in the field of education since the decision of the Supreme Court, and our school must now meet the standards of any other college. It is no more a Negro institution, but a Christian institution to prepare young people of all races for Christian citizenship.

There was set up a General Conference Commission on Education which included all of the bishops of the Methodist Church in the United States, four ministers, and six laymen from each Jurisdiction. The presidents of the three divisions of the boards, twelve members of the Board of Education and twenty members-at-large were chosen to promote the program.

**Annual Conferences**

Each annual Conference is requested to set up a Commission on the conference level which should include the district superintendents, key members of the Board of Education, selected members from other organizations, such as the Woman's Division of Christian Service, Commission on Christian Vocations, presidents of the colleges, and others whom the Bishop and Conference deem necessary to promote the program.

We would suggest that the delegates to the General and Jurisdictional Conferences be included because they will have information about the program that can be passed on to the local congregations.

The West Texas Annual Conference was honored by having Mr. John Q. T. King placed on the Commission on Higher Education; Mrs. O. B. Coe on the Commission to Study Integration; Dr. I. B. Loud on the Commission on World Service and Finance; and Dr. Robert S. Mosby made one of the most profound speeches at the General Conference.

For these reasons, we feel that we should fully support the proposed Quadrennial Program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the West Texas Annual Conference go on record as accepting and promoting the proposed Quadrennial Program for 1956-1960.

Secondly, that the Conference accept and appropriate an amount equivalent to \$1.00 per adult member of the Conference.

Thirdly, that the Commission on World Service and Finance allocate apportionments to the respective districts and charges.

And fourth, that the Commission set up by the Conference be directed to promote the program for this quadrennium, and an amount be set aside for travel. The college should contribute an equal amount, and also furnish selected staff members to cooperate with the Commission in the promotion of this program.



**BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION  
WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE**

June 1955 - April 20, 1956

**Statement of Receipts and Disbursements**

<b>Name of Charge</b>	<b>To Whom Paid</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
St. Peter's .....	Eric Purnell .....	\$ 110.00
Hutto-Lettig .....	J. T. Thomas.....	91.63
Lampasas .....	Cleo Metcalf .....	91.63
Tilmon-Circuit .....	William Brothers .....	160.38
Winchester-Salem .....	H. G. Simmons.....	114.62
Trinity (Dallas) .....	J. B. Phoenix.....	110.00
Cowan Chapel .....	Kay W. McMillan.....	91.63
Milford-Italy .....	R. L. Foy.....	183.37
Sherman-Pilot Point .....	Charles Espie .....	91.63
Waxahachie .....	E. H. Carter.....	229.13
Denison .....	Charles Smith .....	183.37
St. Luke (Dallas) .....	L. S. Lamb.....	550.00
Social Worker St. Andrews .....	Darnetta Hemphill - Robbie Session..	733.37
Cogswell .....	Abram McGill .....	1,100.00
Del Rio-Uvalde .....	William Ellison .....	137.50
St. Lukes (San Antonio) .....	C. L. King.....	91.63
Ellison-Eades .....	Elmo Tatum .....	112.50
Floresville-Pleasanton .....	A. S. Pitts.....	137.50
Harper Olmos .....	W. L. Andrews.....	91.63
Altair Circuit .....	S. M. Franklin.....	137.50
Port Lavaca .....	John Goode .....	137.50
Weimer Parish .....	Eddie Clark .....	160.38
Yoakum-Shiner .....	L. H. Haywood.....	160.38
Calvert .....	W. A. Webb.....	183.37
Longbranch .....	B. D. Lindsey.....	229.15
Abilene .....	C. J. Houston.....	183.37
Brownwood .....	R. L. Palmer.....	165.00
Odessa .....	J. W. Morgan.....	91.63
Midland .....	E. M. Cooper.....	183.37
Dist. Supt. Western Dist. ....	R. L. Palmer.....	366.63
Wyatt Memorial .....	J. A. Wills.....	183.37
Lovington .....	Cecil Williams .....	1,200.00
Total Amount Disbursed.....		\$7,793.15
Unused Balance.....		162.50
Grand Total.....		7,955.65

**Detail of Receipts**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Check Number</b>	<b>Amount</b>
June 1955	002572	\$714.15
July 1955	002834	714.15
Aug. 1955	003074	714.15
Sept. 1955	003329	714.15
Oct. 1955	003594	714.15
Nov. 1955	003860	714.15
Jan. 1956	004374	714.15
Feb. 1956	004622	714.15
Mar. 1956	004850	714.15
Apr. 1956	005137	814.15
11 Months	11 Checks	\$7955.65

**Detail of Receipts and Disbursements  
Hobbs, New Mexico  
Rev. Cecil Williams (Special)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Check Number</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sept. 1955	2796-1-1	\$150.00
Sept. 1955	2797-1-1 (For Piano)	147.10
Oct. 1955	2796-0-1	100.00
Oct. 1955	2798-1-1 (For Piano)	152.84



Nov. 1955	27951-1	72.41
Dec. 1955	5084	50.00
Jan. 1956	4946	100.00
Feb. 1956	5069	100.00
Feb. 1956	5084	100.00
Mar. 1956	5142	100.00
		<b>\$1072.35</b>

WEST TEXAS	No.	Date	Amount	Prin. Unpd.	Prin. Due	Past Int. Due	Past Due
Austin, Texas—Simpson	A500	1 11-19-52	\$12,500.00	\$ 8,836.43	\$ 651.92	\$ 29.92	
Dallas-Fort Worth—Thompson Chapel	A229	1 10-31-45	2,000.00	1,570.00	2.00	16.41	
Ennis, Texas—St. Delight	2030	9-29-53	2,000.00	2,019.61	900.00	40.40	
Wichita Falls, Texas—Mt. Calvary	2055	9-30-52	2,858.20	2,598.46	1,690.26		
San Antonio, Texas—Jones Chapel	A373	1 3-07-49	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	400.28	
Kingsville, Texas—Scott	1884	1 9-09-49	1,500.00	1,487.58	294.56	29.60	
Kingsville, Texas—Scott	1984	2 11-02-49	500.00	483.98	96.64	9.68	
Victoria, Texas—Webster	2008	1 6-06-51	4,000.00	3,340.21	2,142.77	8.48	
Victoria, Texas—Webster	2008	2 3-19-53	2,000.00	1,059.36	27.78	1.86	
Waco, Texas—Mt. Zion	A460	1 10-30-51	2,000.00	1,418.61	145.58	14.31	
Waco, Texas—St. James	1345	1-05-33	10,000.00	8,120.60	1,000.02		
<b>Western</b>							
Brownwood, Texas—Emanuel	1683	1 5-12-47	6,000.00	6,206.18	6,000.00	1,072.95	
El Paso, Texas—Myrtle Avenue	1866	6-27-49	3,000.00	336.43	197.00	3.00	
				<b>\$47,477.45</b>	<b>\$14,148.53</b>	<b>\$1,626.92</b>	

Jimmie Mae Moore, Secretary,  
Board of Missions Church Extension  
J. H. Carruthers, Chairman,  
Board of Missions Church Extension

**ANNUAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSIONS OF THE  
WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
Conference Year 1955-56**

Friday, May 25, 1956, 2:30 P.M.

Bishop Shaw, my fellow ministers, lay delegates and fellow churchmen:

It is again with thanksgiving in my heart that I submit the Annual report for the Board of Missions. These are challenging, tense and strenuous days in which we live, and it is a great time to be alive, really alive not just in existence but a moving energetic force in the changing affairs of our world. Our days are exciting days, changes are sweeping us along with its irresistible force, so it demands that we be up and going lest we become victims of its powerful wheels.

The demands of these days are calling for wide awake, hard working, alert, pastors and laymen. The Spiritual Life of our churches must be revived, people must be brought into the kingdom of God. In a number of places, our physical plants are inadequate; they need remodeling and rebuilding. Therefore, it means sacrificial giving on the part of our constituency.

In the face of our total Annual Conference needs I submit the following recommendations. There is a contention to cut our Advance quota, but my friends, this is no time for going backwards lest we put ourselves in an embarrassing position in the eyes of the Methodist Church.

Recommendations:

1. I recommend a budget of \$19,000.00 for Annual Conference Advance.
2. That 50% of the Advance raised on each district be designated for projects within that district and 50% go in the general Advance Account.
3. That out of the Annual Conference 50% of the following distribution be made:
  - (a) the 10% for the Board of National Missions.
  - (b) \$1,000 to the Board of Church Extension for the Warren Church debt.
  - (c) Underpaid full time pastors salaries be supplemented in an amount equal to what the board is paying.
  - (d) Since the Board of Missions has agreed to give \$100.00 per month on the salaries of pastors in new projects for the first year on a sliding scale the Annual Conference match what the board is giving.
4. That no projects or persons receive Advance money that have not been approved by the Advance commission.



5. That all men who are to receive supplementary salaries be recommended by the District Superintendent to the Advance Commission.

In the spirit of sincerity, brothers, let us remember the cry for lighter loads by the minister will work its way back to your salaries. It is the pessimist call, a defeatist philosophy.

Every District will form a District Committee on Missions with a Treasurer to receive and expend at the descretion of the District Superintendent.

Humbly submitted,

J. H. Carruthers, Chairman, Board  
of Missions and Church Extension

### THE BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

May 25, 1956, 2:30 P.M.

Bishop Shaw, Members of the West Texas Annual Conference. Alcohol continues to be the number one enemy of our nation, society, home, and church. With the ever forceful call to our youth, from the Radio and Television advertisements, this makes our task even greater. We cannot fail or yield our banner, but we must stand our ground. In order to do this, we will need the help and support of every church in our conference.

1. That a Conference-Wide School of Temperance be organized.
2. That there be a District-Wide Temperance Seminar... with each church represented.
3. That the Conference School send Teams to Tri-District or District sessions.
4. That a large amount of Temperance Literature be sent to, and distributed in every local church of the conference.

We feel that these recommendations will reduce the strides of our number one enemy, Alcohol.

Humbly submitted,

Dale H. Hansboro, Chairman  
Irwin C. Loud, Jr., Secretary  
E. J. Tanner  
L. E. Muse

### CONFERENCE BOARD OF WORLD PEACE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH MRS. O. B. COE, CHAIRMAN

Bishop Shaw, Ministers, Laymen and Friends.

We face contemporary threats of freedom with full recognition of our responsibility to preserve freedom for our children and our children's children. We know Russia is at once an expanding imperialism and an infiltrating ideology. Most of us believe the nation, in cooperation with other Nations and working through the United Nations, must be so strong that we can convince Russia that if She pursues her expansionist policy she will jeopardize the peace and having jeopardized it, because of our strength she cannot hope to win. But Russia is also an infiltrating ideology. We must never forget that an ideology cannot be demolished by atomic bombs, nor suffocated by poison gas. It must be met by a better ideology, equally dynamic, that when translated into reality brings more of freedom, justice, and brotherhood to men; in a word, more abundant living.

#### Conference Activities

World order Sunday was observed thru out the conference. Sermons were preached by the Ministers on World Peace, during this service the Fall Project was presented by M. Y. Fers. The entire U. N. week was observed. Many celebrated the U. N.'s 10th Birthday Skits, Plays, Poster presentation, Worship, Panels and parties was a part of the celebration. Youth participated in same. Every man a brother, whether he be black, white, red, brown or yellow. This is a spiritual fact upon which all rests. I believe in God, the Father Almighty.

The world mission of Christianity with its insistence upon the infinite worth of the individual; with its test of greatness dependent upon service; with its final letters and telegrams were sent to President Eisenhower, Senators and representatives concerning important issues. Our Executive Secretary Dr. Charles F. Bass, Jr. alerted us. We have urged all churches to have a teaching program on World Peace. We also asked that it be taught in connection with



other materials — not alone, for we know how important it is to keep Peace before all groups.

The Youth played well their part during the Fall Project. Worship programs were presented. Used clothing we sent overseas, also cash sent through M.C.O.R., Meals for millions and special Missionary studies were carried out by this group and their adult leaders. Unicef was supported by the children of our conference. They joined with other groups going from door to door collecting funds for the support of this worthy cause. The results were gratifying. Workshops on World Understanding were held in connection with the Womans Society of Christian Service. We joined in five (5) of our Sister Conferences in these workshops. The chairman served on 3 of the 5 conference workshops. All races were included. Men in the Armed Forces and Foreign Students participated in these workshops too. They rendered excellent services.

Some of the Themes were Building Bridges of Understanding. Every citizen is responsible for World Peace. All persons are created equal and a Christian's responsibility for World Peace. Songs of all Nations were sung. A U. N. luncheon with food from various countries was served, U. N. Mats were used on tables, the flags of the U. N. were used for the Centerpiece. Buzz Sessions and Rumor Clinics were held. A large number of Ministers and laymen attended. We plan to have representatives to attend the Fall Seminar in New York. The Bus will be chartered by the Southwest Texas Conference.

#### Recommendations

1. Continue to observe World Order Sunday. Support the U. N.
2. Inform youth about the use of conscientious objectors cards. Work with local Draft Boards.
3. Work and Pray for Peace.
4. Subscribe to the Methodist Peace Courier.
5. Organize Boards on District and Local Levels.
6. Send a representative to General Board Meeting.
7. Promote Conference Work according to actions taken at General Conference.
8. Meetings of The Board: Three meetings per year. One preceding Annual Conference. The second one Conference Retreat, all day meeting, special speakers and discussions during afternoon and early evening. Ministers, Laymen, Leaders of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Youth and interested persons.
9. Mailings: Two or three letters to District Superintendent and Pastors of the Conference, District Secretary of Peace, informing them of the work, so they can support same.
10. Telephoning: Necessary especially for emergency action on critical issues.
11. Visual Education: Movies, film strips to be ordered from the General Board of World Peace.
12. Promote Seminars or Workshops throughout the Conference on World Peace.
13. That the Chairman attend one of the U. N. Seminars in New York.
14. Members of the Board attend regional leaders' meeting, by the General Board of World Peace.
15. We believe the above recommendations to be moderate and reasonable requests.

Humbly submitted,

Mrs. O. B. Coe, Chairman  
 Rev. C. D. Owens  
 Rev. J. B. Richardson  
 Rev. L. D. Washington  
 Mrs. F. M. Burton  
 Mrs. W. L. Smith  
 Mrs. J. M. Rodgers  
 Erma Jones (Youth)



**WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE  
BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES**

**C. H. JOHNSON, CONFERENCE LAY LEADER**

Bishop Shaw and Members of the West Texas Annual Conference:

It is my opinion that if an effective Lay Program is to be realized in the Conference, it must begin in the local churches. So in each local church it is necessary that Laymen work with the Pastor and Church Lay Leader in recruiting consecrated Laymen to work with them in instituting a real program of Lay Activities in their local church. If our churches are to grow in membership as well as spiritually and in other areas where the effectiveness of the church can be felt, Laymen must play an important part. The Minister can not do the task alone.

**Charge Lay Leaders**

I have not been able to get a clear picture of the work being done in the different Charges throughout the Conference by this important official in the Local Church. I understand that in many churches this official understands his duties and responsibilities and is cooperating with Pastor in the total program of the church, promoting observance of Laymen's Day, Benevolence giving, etc.

**District Lay Leaders**

All District Lay Leaders are interested in the Program of Lay Activities and have shown their interest by cooperating with the District Superintendents, Pastors, Conference Lay Leader and Charge Lay Leaders in promoting the program of Lay Activities in their Districts. New Methodist Men Clubs have been chartered in each District and where charters have expired they have urged the renewal. There should be a retreat held in each District each year. So the idea of these retreats need cultivation in most Districts. The need of more chartered Methodist Men Clubs is great, for it is through these clubs the man power of the church can be reached. It will mean a lot to the West Texas Conference, if each District of Lay Activities would pick out the best prospects in the District and work with the Pastor and Charge Lay Leader in organizing a club. For through these Methodist Men Clubs more men can be recruited for leadership in the local church. The four commissions should be well organized in each local church and I believe should have the support of all Lay Leaders on all levels. These four phases of activity are essential to the spiritual life and ministry of every local church.

**Activities of Conference Lay Leader this Conference Year**

Attempted to hold a Conference Retreat on two different occasions and were unable to promote one that would bring enough members of the Conference Board and Laymen together for what I thought would be beneficial. So I made plans to visit in each District during the Conference year and talk with District Leaders, Pastors and Laymen on ways to perfect a more effective program throughout the Conference.

**Districts Visited**

District Conference Austin District, St. Peters Church, Austin.  
 District Conference Victoria District, Columbus, Texas.  
 District Conference Dallas District, Cowan-McMillan Methodist Church, Fort Worth, Texas.  
 Western District Conference, Odessa, Texas, Mackey Chapel.  
 Efforts to attend the District Conferences on the San Antonio and Waco Districts were not successful.

**Other Meetings Attended**

District Board of Lay Activities at Lubbock, Texas.  
 Presentation of Charter Methodist Men at Odessa, Texas.  
 District Roll Call, Dallas District, Fort Worth, Texas.  
 Annual Conference Program Committee, Corpus Christi, Texas.  
 General Board of Lay Activities and National Council, Conference Lay Leaders, Chicago, Ill.



### Chicago Meeting

At this meeting I had the opportunity to meet with the officers of the General Board and the 103 Conference Lay Leaders from the 6 Jurisdictions. 19 of these 103 were absent. There were two absentees from the Central Jurisdiction, with 15 present. Three phases of Lay Activities were emphasized, Stewardship, Methodist Men and Local Church Leadership. I will attempt to give a few high points from the discussions on the three.

### Christian Stewardship

The result of a thorough discussion on all the points wherein Lay Activities are related especially to the cultivation and promotion of stewardship in the local church. Stewardship must become a means of grace, a force for fellowship, a standard of living and of service. We realize that because stewardship has had its share of being "booted around," experimented with and toyed with, we cannot expect to advance its acceptability and practice beyond the ability of our people to absorb, accept and utilize it as a common standard. We can however, find its base of solidity and begin to build until we one day bring to fullness this universal way of making effective Christian way of life in actual practice.

- (a) That we reestablish, continue and enlarge our basic emphasis "the stewardship of all life" — time, abilities and material possessions.
- (b) That we move into the field of the every member canvas and assist in establishing reasonable techniques in the local churches for a long-view, on-going program of sound and adequate church financing. It is our conviction that while life is usually bent upon materializing the spiritual, it should also spiritualize the material. We see this opportunity not as another fund raising gadget, but as an opportunity to finance the program of the church while attending to our central function "deeping the spiritual life of men."

### Methodist Men

Plans were discussed for meeting the 1956 quota set up for chartered Methodist Men Clubs. It was emphasized that the enthusiasm of the Conference and District Lay Leaders is essential to securing chartered groups of Methodist Men. The quota for 1956 is 10,000 clubs. A quota of 12,500 was recommended for the next quadrennial.

The objectives as stated in paragraph 266 of the Discipline were considered. After considerable discussion, a motion to retain the objectives as they are presently stated in the Discipline.

The Committee asks that the General Board memorialize the General Conference that Paragraph 1508 of the Discipline be amended as follows:

"There shall be in every district a District Board of Lay Activities composed of the district lay leader, who shall be chairman, two or more associate district lay leaders, the district superintendent, the lay leader of each charge, and the president of each chartered Methodist Men club."

The committee closed its session in the spirit that prevailed throughout all the discussions. We face problems, but the response of men has been such that these problems do not represent a cause for discouragement. They represent a seeking on the part of men to learn more effective ways of giving themselves to the building of the Kingdom of God. There was a definite spirit of optimism as we looked to the future of Methodist Men and the potential service they can render.

### Local Church Committee

**Recommendations of the Standing Committee on Local Churches.** We recommend that paragraph 1493 of the Discipline be rewritten that Laymen's Day will be recognized as an even more important special day in our church program, and that the pastor and lay leader together, plan and make provision for proper observance thereof.

We recommend that Churches exercise greater care in selecting lay members of Annual Conferences, making sure that these are persons who can and will effectively represent the Church.

We recommend that the Church Lay Leader's Manual be extensively used on the Sub-District level in classes containing both lay leaders and pastors.



This will help the pastor to recognize the proper function of the Church Lay Leader, and vice versa. We recommend the use of the manual also in the local church so that church officials may understand the function of the lay leader.

We recommend that Conference Boards of Lay Activities include the promotion of **Central Christian Advocate** and **The Methodist Layman** as an annual objective. We recommend (Conference, District and Local) subscribe to both magazines, either individually or by groups.

#### **Division of Districts into Sub-Districts**

We recommend that each District be divided into Sub-Districts and that there be an Associate District Lay Leader assigned to each Sub-District. In some cases there may also be needed specialists for various phases of the work, either District-wide or Conference-wide. We consider it most important that the Sub-District in each case be small enough so that the Associate District Lay Leader assigned to the Sub-District may have frequent contact with each Church Lay Leader and pastor.

#### **Attending Quarterly Conferences**

In view of the good experience had in some Conferences by the District Superintendents taking District or Associate District Lay Leaders with them to Quarterly Conferences, we recommend the favorable consideration of this practice by District Superintendents in general.

I wish to recommend to the Conference Board of Lay Activities and the District Board of Lay Activities that we accept the recommendations made at the Chicago meeting of The General Board and The National Council of Conference Lay Leaders, and as far as possible put them into practice. I have other recommendations to make on the following page.

#### **Recommendations**

1. That the Conference Board of Lay Activities meet as soon as possible after the annual conference. That the date and place be set in this session of the annual conference. The reason for the recommendation is, because of the necessity of the District Superintendents being present. If a date can be decided on at this Conference Session, they can arrange their Quarterly Conference dates so they could meet with the Board.
2. That all District Boards of Lay Activities attend this retreat. That Church Lay Leaders and Presidents of Chartered Methodist Men Groups be invited to attend.
3. That a District Retreat be held after the Conference Retreat in each District and all Charge Lay Leaders, Officers of all chartered Methodist Men clubs and all other interested laymen and pastors.
4. That all District, Associate and Church Lay Leaders give their support to the every member canvass and at every opportunity will urge laymen of their obligation to support the total program of the church.

Humbly submitted,  
C. H. Johnson,  
Conference Lay Leader

### **ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE May 26, 1956**

Bishop Shaw and members of the West Texas Annual Conference:

In the new handbook on Christian Social Action "The Modern Samaritan," Dr. Clair M. Cook wrote:

"How we live our ethics, how we practice our Christian faith, is basically the same in Jericho, Vermont, and Jericho of the Jordan, in Bethlehem of Judea and in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. The first Christians and the latest have the same vital aim—to show in life's action the love of our neighbors which Jesus put at the center of his teaching. Beneath the change of centuries, there is a sameness of purpose... Christian social action cannot do everything Christian that needs doing while individual Christian action still finds many mountains to ascend and tasks to do... But the power of modern social action is as necessary in the broad stretches of life's highway today as is the motor-car."

During the past year, your conference Board of Social and Economic Rela-



tions has been aware of the importance of social action in the life of our church and nation. Our major activity was the sponsoring of a Social Action Seminar in cooperation with members of the Rio Grande and Southwest Texas Annual Conferences.

This first year of the new quadrennium finds us looking forward with renewed hope and expectations. Therefore, we are making the following recommendations:

1. During the early fall, the members of our Board and other persons selected by the presiding bishop will plan a joint meeting with similar groups from the other Methodist annual conferences in Texas to examine and give serious consideration to the General Conference legislation regarding the transfer of local churches and annual conferences from one jurisdiction to another jurisdiction.
2. In keeping with General Conference legislation and the general trend in the Methodist Church, our annual conference will move toward the setting up of an Interboard Council to coordinate the work of the Conference Boards of World Peace, Temperance and Social and Economic Relations.

To implement this we are suggesting that:

- a. During the conference year 1956-57, each local church set up and/or develop strong committees of World Peace, Temperance and Social and Economic Relations.
- b. During the conference year 1956 57, the three conference boards involved cooperate in planning, promoting and sponsoring:
  - (1) an annual conference retreat on social action.
  - (2) a series of district and subdistrict Social Action Seminars.
- (c) During the 1957 session of the annual conference, the three boards (Peace, Temperance and Social Action) will meet together to set up and organize an Interboard Council.
3. Each pastor in the West Texas Annual Conference will secure an adequate supply of the handbook on Christian Social Action, "The Modern Samaritan" by Clair M. Cook and set up discussion groups for youth, young adults and adults.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest T. Dixon, Jr., Chairman  
William J. Washington, Secretary

**FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT  
BOARD OF PENSIONS  
WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE  
May 23-27, 1956**

**Amount Available for 1956 - '57 Distribution**

Balance on hand after 1955 - '56 distribution.....	\$ 2,642.54
Amount received from charges on apportionment.....	11,458.00
Amount receive from Board of Pensions on apportionment.....	1,030.00
Amount received from Board of Pensions Chartered Fund.....	75.00
Amount received from Interest on permanent Fund (Estimate).....	756.00
Amount received from the Methodist Publishing House.....	1,863.57
Amount due from the Clearinghouse.....	99.00
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Total Amount available for distribution.....	\$17,924.11

**Years and Annuities of Claimants**

18 Retired preachers.....	515 yrs. @ \$15.00.....	\$ 7,725.00
37 Widows.....	630½ yrs. @ 10.50.....	6,620.00
6 Children.....	188½ yrs. @ 3.75.....	706.00
8 Special Conference Claimants.....		872.00
Others.....	49½ yrs. ....	652.00
Emergency Relief		
R. L. Foy.....	\$100.00	
Mrs. E. N. King.....	100.00	
D. E. Baker.....	100.00	300.00
Responsibilities on other conference increase rates.....		40.00
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Total.....		\$16,915.00
Prospective Balance.....		\$ 509.11



STABILIZATION FUND.....	\$ 1,128.36
PERMANENT FUND.....	18,900.50
<b>TEMPORARY RESERVE PENSION FUND:</b>	
In Chicago office May 14, 1956.....	\$28,257.01
Received from charges on apportionment.....	2,865.00
Received from Ministers Wives Association.....	3,000.00
Received from Special Reserve Pension.....	445.00
Received from Ministers' 2% Cash Salary.....	
<b>Total</b> .....	

**FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT  
BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS**

**West Texas Annual Conference  
May 23-27, 1956**

<b>RATE PAID \$15.00</b>	
<b>Receipts during 1955-56 to be distributed during 1956-57</b>	
<b>Annual Conference Sources:</b>	
Balance Previous Year.....	\$ 2,642.54
Pastoral Charges on Apportionment.....	11,708.75
Held by Board of Pensions: Illinois Corp.....	\$ 803.27
Total Investment Income.....	803.27
<b>Board of Pensions:</b>	
Chartered Fund.....	75.00
Appropriation — Illinois Corporation.....	1,030.00
Due from Clearinghouse.....	99.00
<b>Other Items:</b>	
Methodist Publishing House.....	1,863.57
Pastor's Per Cent of Salary.....	5.00
Ministers' Wives Assoc.....	3,200.00
Charges on Appor.....	2,928.00
Reserve Pension (SPC).....	488.00
Total .....	\$24,843.13
<b>Prospective Disbursements during 1956-57 of funds collected during 1955-56</b>	
<b>Regular Conference Claimants</b>	
<b>On Basis of Service</b>	
Preachers .....	\$7,955.00
Widows .....	6,898.00
Children .....	607.00
Total Regular Annuity.....	\$15,460.00
Regular Relief.....	300.00
<b>Special Conference Claimants:</b>	
On Basis of Service.....	\$ 872.00
Total Special Conference Claimants.....	872.00
<b>Other Items:</b>	
Emergency Relief.....	300.00
Increase in Rate Above Clearinghouse Rate	
Claimants in Other Conferences.....	40.00
Reserve for Stabilization (Para. 1613, Sec. 13).....	500.00
Min. Wives Assoc. MRPF.....	3,200.00
Charges on Appor. MRPF.....	2,928.00
Reserve Pension (SPC) MRPF.....	488.00
Pastor's & Salary MRPF.....	5.00
Prospective Balance.....	750.13
Total .....	\$24,843.13

**STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION  
SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS**

**Supply Pastors and Widows  
West Texas Conference  
1956-57**

Onnuity Rate Ministers, \$9.75; Widows \$6.82; Children \$2.43.

Name of Claimant	Years	Annuity
Ministers:		
Anderson, B. W.....	12	117



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Caesar, Jack .....	28	273
Moore, C. E. (S West).....	10	98
Widows of Ministers:		
Mathis, Mrs. Silas.....	10	68
Prince, Mrs. Belt.....	11	75
Stevens, Mrs. Thomas.....	25	171
Children of Ministers:		
Prince, Mrs. Belt		
Kathrine .....	14½	35
Thelma Lee .....	14½	35
Totals .....		<u>872</u>

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION  
RETIRED MINISTERS

West Texas Conference

1956-57

Annuity Rate \$15.00

Name	Total App'v'd Yrs.	West Texas Yrs.	West Texas Annuity	Other Yrs.	Other Annuity	Total Annuity	Relief
Appling, Robert A.....	27¾	27¾	416			416	
Baker, Daniel B.....	34½	34½	518			518	100
Brown, C. C.....	29	29	435			435	
Burkley, Martin B.....	27½	26½	398	1	12	410	
Childs, Jonah H.....	30¾	30¾	461			461	
Ellison, Wm. M., Sr.....	39½	39½	593			593	
Foy, R. L.....	6	6	90			90	100
Franklin, Charles W...	40½	40½	608			608	
Hardeman, eJsse J.....	39½	39½	593			593	
Hutchinson, Floyd J...	35¼	35¼	529			529	
Kelly, George W.....	26¾	26¾	401			401	
McMillan, Kay W.....	50½	32½	488	18	252	740	
Mosely, Williams M.....	17	17	255			255	
Muse, James F.....	44½	44½	668			668	
Ross, James S.....	47	47	705			705	
Snow, Turner.....	9	9	135			135	
Stephens, Newton W...	11	11	165			165	
Tollerson, H. C.....	15½	15½	233			233	
Totals .....	<u>531½</u>	<u>512½</u>	<u>7691</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>264</u>	<u>7955</u>	<u>200</u>

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION  
WIDOWS

West Texas Conference

1956-57

Annuity Rate \$10.50

Name	Widow's App'v'd Yrs.	West Texas Yrs.	West Texas Annuity	Other Yrs.	Other Annuity	Total Annuity	Relief
Allen, Elijah T.....	8¾	8¾	92			92	
Allen, Ralph W.....	14½	14½	152			152	
Bailey, Robert R.....	9¼	9¼	97			97	
Blair, Frank L.....	7	7	74			74	
Braden, Robert.....	9	9	95			95	
Browne, James G.....	2½	2½	26			26	
Coe, John.....	20	20	210			210	
Cooke, Victor A.....	18	18	189			189	
Downs, Karl E.....	9¾	4¾	50	5	151	201	
Eggleston, Joseph B...	22¾	22¾	239			239	
Eusan, Joseph C.....	18½	18½	194			194	



Fountain, Mumford...	21¼	3¼	34	18	176	210	
Glover, A. J.....	11	11	116			116	
Goff, B. J.....	17	17	179			179	
Harvey, Samuel N.....	44¾	44¾	470			470	
Holden, Adolphus D...	12	12	126			126	
Hudspeth, Francis M...	20	20	210			210	
Humphrey, Sandy D...	11	11	116			116	
Jacques, A. D.....	17¼	17¼	181			181	
Jones, H. A.....	25¾	25¾	270			270	
King, Ervin N.....	9¾	9¾	102			101	100
Lott, William B.....	41¾	41¾	438			438	
McKinney, Hiram L...	13¾	13¾	144			144	
Moore, Norrell J.....	27½	27½	289			289	
Morgan, James W.....	12¼	12¼	129			129	
Mosely, S. D.....	24½	24½	257			257	
Phillips, Preston H....	7	7	74			74	
Roberts, Lewis .....	6¾	6¾	71			71	
Robinson, Walter A....	6¾	6¾	71			71	
Sodia, Riley.....	22¾	22¾	239			239	
Stone, John W., Jr....	10½	10½	110			110	
Stone, John W., Sr....	32½	32½	341			341	
White, W. M.....	13¼	13¼	139			139	
Whitiker, Charles E...	19¼	19¼	202			202	
Williams, Cornelius S.	24½	24½	257			257	
Wyatt, Thomas H.....	26¼	26¼	276			276	
Wyatt, M. L.....	29¾	29¾	312			312	
Totals .....	648¾	625¾	6571	23	327	6898	100

**STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION  
CHILDREN**

West Texas Conference

1956-57

Annuity Rate \$3.75

(Name of mother or guardian first; name of child second.)

Name	Father's App'v'd Yrs.	West Texas		Other		Total Annuity
		Yrs.	Annuity	Yrs.	Annuity	
Blair, Mrs. Frank L... Cynthia Ann	12	21¼	21¼	80		80
Blair, Mrs. Frank L... Frank L., Jr.	10	21¼	21¼	80		80
Blair, Mrs. Frank L... Lorenzo Wayne	8	21¼	21¼	80		80
Downs, Mrs. Karl..... Karleen Mae	16	14½	9¼	35	5¼	91
Ellison, Wm. M..... Alexander M. Mason (1Q)	20	58¾	57¾	54	1	55
Ellison, Wm. M..... Sonye Bertram Mason	14	58¾	57¾	217	1	221
Total .....		195¾	188½	546	7¼	607



**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES  
THE WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS**

May 25, 1956

Bishop Shaw and members of the Eighty-Second West Texas Annual Conference, we your Board of Hospitals and Homes are privileged to make you this report.

The Chairman of the Board of Hospitals and Homes attended the Annual Convention of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes February 8 and 9, 1956 at the Jefferson Hotel in Saint Louis. Outstanding events were the presentation of Service Certificates to those who have served Methodist Hospitals and Homes for 30 and 40 years; and presentation of memberships in the Methodist Hall of Fame in Philanthropy, Dr. Howard A. Rusk received membership in the Methodist Hall of Fame and served as the speaker for the occasion. He spoke on the subject ARE WE MEETING OUR CHALLENGE? In this address Dr. Rusk called attention of every Methodist to the obligation we owe the world in the relief of suffering in the world today. The annual convention still stresses the importance of Golden Cross in the Conference.

In a meeting of this Board on Wednesday, May 23, 1956 Reverend E. A. Smith and Reverend F. D. Young reported that in regard to the resolution passed by the West Texas Conference in Dallas last year concerning the San Antonio Mission Home and Training School, The Southwest Texas Annual Conference passed a resolution that there will be no discrimination in any of their institutions. Since the San Antonio Mission Home and Training School is co-owned by the Texas, North Texas, Northwest Texas, Central, as well as the Southwest Texas Conferences in Texas, those Conferences may make similar resolutions before the San Antonio Mission Home and Training School will be affected.

Your Board of Hospitals and Homes recommends the following:

1. That The West Texas Conference send a resolution to Reverend Robert Armour, Director of the San Antonio Mission Home and Training School, thanking him for interest shown the West Texas Conference in the effort to integrate the San Antonio Mission Home and Training School. (Reverend Armour is soon to be retired and we want him to know how much we appreciate what he has done for us.)
2. That the West Texas Conference send a resolution to the Southwest Texas Conference through Bishop A. Frank Smith commending them for their leadership in the matter of integration in their institutions.
3. That a program of education and cultivation be initiated in the West Texas Conference for the purpose of arousing interest in integration and preparing our people for integrated living, the same to be carried out throughout the conference year.

Respectfully submitted,

**BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES  
THE WEST TEXAS ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE**

S. L. Brown, M.D.\*

T. M. Bruton

W. M. Ellison, Sr.

W. M. Carline, D.D.S.

L. G. Pinketon, M.D.\*

E. A. Smith

J. O. Wyatt, M.D.\*

F. D. Young

C. R. Yerwood, M.D., Chairman

\* Absent from May 23, 1956 Meeting.

**REPORT CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Bishop Shaw

Conference Board of Trustees

Members of the West Texas Conference

The following information is a Sales Report of some abandoned church property, on the Austin District of the West Texas Conference. The negotia-



tions were handled by the Conference Representative, Reverend R. S. Mosby, and the District Superintendent, Reverend Dale H. Hansboro.

**Sales:**

1. Land at Giddings, Texas, netted \$250.00. Deductions, Loan and Interest to the Board of Missions; Abstract and Sales Papers, netted \$249.00. Balance from this sale is \$1.00.
2. Building at Giddings, Texas, netted \$40.00. Total cash from the land and building is \$41.00.
3. Land at Reedville, Texas, netted \$115.00. Deduction, Sales Papers, amounted to \$7.00. Total cash from the land, after deduction is \$108.00.
- b. Building of Bright's Chapel, an abandoned building, was torn down and the materials were used to remodel Daniel Chapel Church, on our district. The total cash from all sales amounts to \$148.00.

In the 1955 Annual Conference session, it was voted that the Austin District be given the privilege to use the receipts, from the sales of abandoned property, for its church extension program.

The total receipts (\$148.00) has been deposited in the American National Bank, Austin, Texas; pending the clearance of property for the relocation of the Fredrick's Temple Methodist Church.

Robert S. Mosby,  
Conference Representative  
Dale H. Hansboro,  
District Superintendent  
Marie Breedlove,  
Secretary

### REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SECRETARY THE MISSION

Mr. Chairman, Brethren and Friends:  
Friday, May 25, 2:30 P.M.

#### OUR MISSIONARY STRATEGY

The work of the Missionary Secretary stems directly from the missionary program of the church.

The Discipline provides that there shall be a conference board of missions in every annual conference, and that there shall be a commission on mission in each church.

The conference missionary secretary and a district missionary secretary in each district represent the total missionary enterprise of the church in areas of their responsibility.

The conference missionary secretary is field worker and Executive Secretary of the conference board of missions. He works within the framework of the annual conference. He is sole executive and promotional agent of the General Board of Missions.

**His duties:**

The duties of the conference missionary secretary are exceedingly important. He must take the initiative in outlining a prehensive program of missionary education in the conference.

He must interpret missions and advance specials in the annual conference. He must present missions in the various programs in the conference, such as Leadership, Schools, etc.

He must aid in the development of an effective missionary program on the district level.

He must set up and emphasize in as much detail as possible certain working goals for all Secretaries, Commissions and Churches.

He must keep in constant touch with the District Missionary Secretaries to supervise their work in cooperation with the District Superintendents.

All this is a mere statement of a very small part of the work of the conference missionary secretary.

A year ago through the excellent cooperation of the District Missionary Secretary, Pastors and District Superintendents we were able to conduct some partial and some exhaustive surveys in our major cities. Again this year under the efficient and tireless leadership of our beloved Bishop Shaw, through the holding of a series of mass meeting we were able to pin point and pin down some specific projects which if brought to fruitage will greatly enhance



the effectiveness of our work in Kingdom building in the very immediate tomorrows.

The Conference Missionary Secretary recommends and urges that:

1. All Districts that have not done so will organize at once District Boards of Missions and Church Extention.  
The Composition of District Boards shall be as follows:  
The District Superintendent  
The District Lay Leader and District Lay Speaker  
The District Secretary of Missionary Education of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.  
Two Urban Lay Men—Two Rural Lay Men  
Two Urban Lay Women—Two Rural Lay Women  
Two Youths  
Two Urban Ministers—Two Rural Ministers.  
Any members of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension living in the district.
2. In each of our major cities there be organized City Missionary Boards, the composition of which will be worked out by the District Superintendent and his staff.
3. A District Missionary Institute be held in Each District each year.
4. The Local Church Commission on Missions, working closely with the W.S.C.S. will hold a school of Missions each year on the local level, and that the text book on Missions for the year will be the text book for the school.
5. A year round program of missions be carried on in the church through the efforts of the Commission on Missions, the Commission on Education and the W.S.C.S. can be of great help in this area through their programs of Education and Cultivation.  
If there is continued education, the church will come to think of its missionary responsibility not merely as related to a few projects but that the whole church itself is a mission. This is the beginning of a growing idea, the logical end of which is the development of the missionary church.

**REPORT OF TREASURER  
AUDIT REPORT OF  
WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE  
METHODIST CHURCH  
AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

To the Board of Directors  
West Texas Annual Conference  
Of The Methodist Church  
Dallas, Texas

We have audited the records of the West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, and we certify that, subject to the comments incorporated in our report, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of income correctly presents, in accordance with fair principles of accounting maintained by the Conference during the period under audit and during preceding years, the financial position as of July 15, 1956, and the results of operations for the thirteen and one-half month period.

GEORGE L. ALLEN & COMPANY  
By: James Walker  
Public Accountant  
July 18, 1956

West Texas Annual Conference  
Of The Methodist Church  
Dallas, Texas  
Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your instructions to make a detailed audit of the financial records and other business of the West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, we are submitting hereonbelow a report covering same. The



period covered by this audit is the time embraced between June 1, 1955 and July 15, 1956, both dates inclusive.

### INCOME & DISBURSEMENTS

Income was derived by checking the Conference Treasurer's report from Pastoral Charges and tracing these entries into the bank deposits and bank statements. Test checking was here employed. Available cancelled checks were examined with entries in the cash journal in order to support disbursement items of the Conference. Total receipts from all sources during the period under audit amounted to \$78,321.55. Of this amount some \$68,148.00 came direct from District Charges. Total disbursements of \$91,435.50 includes \$17,108.81 which was set up in the previous audit report as checks drawn subsequent to the close of the audit period; dishonored and post dated checks in the amount of \$3,413.20 are included in the disbursement items of which \$1,235.50 were repaid prior to the close of this audit period. These vouchers are presently on hand in the possession of the Conference Treasurer for personal examination if considered necessary.

### BALANCE SHEET

The balance sheet as of July 15, 1956, shows total assets of cash in bank amounting to \$3,538.06 with gross assets amounting to \$2,925,658.00. Outstanding obligations representing notes payable, adequately secured by church property, aggregating \$259,346.00 leaves to Conference possessed of a surplus of \$2,666,312.06; this of course is after due allowance has been made for depreciation on physical assets. We ascertained check #975 in the amount of Thirty-five Hundred (\$3,500.00) Dollars drawn in favor of the National Title and Abstract Company of Dallas in connection with the purchase of the Centenary Methodist Church by Trinity Methodist Church was returned to the Conference Treasurer by the Abstract Company with the explanation that the Trinity Methodist Church matter could not be completed. This check is presently in the hands of the Conference Treasurer and upon our recommendation same has been marked void.

The valued cooperation of the Conference Treasurer and his official personnel is gratefully acknowledged. If there is any further information desired in connection with this report please feel free to call upon us.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Walker  
Auditor

## WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Dallas, Texas

### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS

#### INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES:

##### District Charges:

Austin .....	\$11,402.00	
Dallas .....	16,700.08	
San Antonio .....	19,641.50	
Victoria .....	6,144.60	
Waco .....	9,235.50	
Western .....	5,024.90	\$68,148.58

##### Huston-Tillotson College Pastor School:

Board of Ministerial Training		
—M. S. Davage.....	2,000.00	
Texas Annual Conference		
(F. W. Logan).....	385.00	
Marshall Steel (Highland		
Park Meth. Ch.).....	2,500.00	\$ 4,885.00

Contributions for Purchase of Centenary Church.....	831.78
Methodist Publishing House.....	1,863.57
Communion Offering .....	167.22
Huston-Tillotson College Offering.....	339.90



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Sale of Lot (Kyle, Texas).....	50.00	
Board of Education (Nashville, Tennessee).....	500.00	
Board of Pensions (Chicago, Illinois) Refund for Payment to E. N. King).....	300.00	
Dishonored Checks .....	1,235.50	
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Total Income .....		\$78,321.55

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

World Service (T. B. Lugg).....		\$ 7,953.00
Huston-Tillotson College:		
C. W. Loughlin (Regular).....	\$ 2,176.00	
C. W. Loughlin (Race Relations).....	1,705.60	
J. J. Seabrooks (Conference Offering).....	339.90	\$ 4,221.50
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**Board of Education:**

W. J. Washington (Salary & House Rent) .....	5,234.58	
W. J. Washington (Promotion & Cultivation).....	939.48	
Board Members' Travels.....	54.30	
Motive .....	30.00	
Methodist Publishing House.....	44.90	\$ 6,303.26
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**Pastor's School:**

New Orleans Area (Allen Mays).....	\$ 366.00	
Undergraduates (Allen Mays).....	522.00	\$ 888.00
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Interdenominational Cooperative Fund (T. B. Lugg).....	\$ 396.00
General Administration Fund (T. B. Lugg).....	495.00
Jurisdictional Conference Expense (M. S. Davage).....	755.00
Area Administration (A. P. Shaw).....	2,750.00
Memorial Committee (W. W. Baker).....	21.39

**Board of Missions:**

J. H. Carruthers.....	\$ 90.00	
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Mrs. J. M. Moore.....	50.00	\$ 140.00

**Conference Missionary Secretary:**

F. D. Young.....		69.00
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**Treasurer's Office & Commission on World Service & Finance:**

Telephone .....	\$ 953.22
P. O. Box Rent.....	25.00
A B Letter Shop (Printing).....	47.00
Sears Roebuck & Company (Supplies)	31.00
Malone Office Supplies.....	137.61

**Secretarial Help:**

Mrs. A. V. Thomas.....	\$ 15.00	
Mrs. V. M. Reece.....	100.00	
Mrs. O. D. Garland.....	100.00	\$ 215.00
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**Audit & Bond:**

Lawyers Surety.....	\$ 50.00	
G. L. Allen & Company..	157.50	\$ 207.50
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**Travel:**

C. H. Johnson.....	\$ 46.40	
L. L. Stafford.....	23.25	
W. R. Bryant.....	87.21	
O. B. Coe.....	32.00	
Z. W. Holmes.....	6.06	
J. G. Owens.....	16.00	
S. A. Keesee.....	54.90	
I. B. Loud.....	57.50	\$ 323.32
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Board of Temperance:				
D. H. Hansboro.....			55.00	
Board of Lay Activities:				
J. W. Thompson.....	\$	75.00		
H. R. Blair.....		74.00		
John T. King.....		31.94		
Chas. H. Johnson.....		200.00	\$	380.94
Board of Evangelism:				
T. M. Bruton.....	\$	105.00		
E. J. Tanner.....		25.50	\$	130.50
Commission on World Peace:				
Mrs. O. B. Cole.....			105.00	
Conference Journal.....			949.15	
Conference Secretary:				
W. M. Ellison Jr.....			266.06	
Conference Statistician:				
C. D. Owens.....			204.00	
Board of Hospitals & Homes:				
Dr. Yerwood.....			100.00	
Conference Board of Trustees:				
R. S. Mosby.....			191.00	
Annual Conference Expense:				
Guest Preachers:				
E. W. Kelly.....	\$	125.00		
Allen Mays.....		30.00	\$	155.00
Entertaining of Retired Ministers:				
T. M. Bruton.....	\$	126.00		
Dodson Printing Company....		131.50	\$	257.50
Ministers Wives Gifts:				
Mrs. A. P. Shaw.....	\$	102.00		
Mrs. J. W. Morgan.....		5.00		
Mrs. Lola Reed.....		5.00	\$	112.00
Week of Dedication.....				359.00
Fellowship of Suffering and Service.....				379.00
Episcopal Funds:				
T. B. Lugg.....				2,078.00
Methodist Student Day (C. W. Loughlin).....				220.00
Methodist Youth Fund (C. W. Loughlin).....				37.00
Returned Checks:				
307541 .....	\$	471.00		
319479 .....		4.00		
319479 .....		160.00		
329782 .....		160.00		
331783 .....		200.00		
345951 .....		159.00		
347010 .....		10.00		
350648 .....		132.00		
354199 .....		48.00		
354199 .....		175.00		
356172 .....		2.00		
361691 .....		227.00		
362582 .....		20.50		
369959 .....		228.00		
377389 .....		81.00		
379687 .....		156.00		
379687 .....		29.00		
379387 .....		10.00		
379387 .....		27.50		
379387 .....		26.00		



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379870 .....	85.00	
380140 .....	15.00	
380328 .....	240.70	
380076 .....	377.25	
380554 .....	46.00	
380554 .....	21.00	
<u>          </u> .....	377.25	\$ 3,488.20

Texas Council of Churches..... \$ 150.00

Subsidy:

Cecil Williams .....	\$ 700.00	
L. B. Napier.....	65.00	
Harvey Kinchlow.....	50.00	
W. S. Byars.....	50.00	
Z. M. King.....	50.00	
I. H. Pierce.....	75.00	
W. L. Andrews.....	50.00	
C. J. Polk.....	75.00	
C. J. Houston.....	400.00	
E. C. Purnell.....	200.00	
R. L. Palmer.....	400.00	
R. J. Smith.....	150.00	
I. C. Loud.....	300.00	
Frank Williams.....	50.00	
C. L. King.....	125.00	
S. W. Curtis.....	75.00	
G. W. Kelley.....	125.00	
J. L. Wattley.....	406.06	\$ 3,346.06

Huston-Tillotson College Pastors' School:

L. D. Felder (Honorarium).....	50.00	
Tuition (Espie, Napier and Brohen)....	160.00	
Room and Board (Students and Teachers).....	2,311.50	
J. G. Owens.....	444.00	
Robert Hays.....	400.00	
Mrs. M. J. Curry (Typing).....	15.00	
Shirley Thomas (Typing).....	10.00	
Timothy Echols (Program - Promotions) .....	190.12	
Philemon Titus (Faculty).....	400.00	
J. S. Scott (Travel and Honorarium)..	50.00	
P. L. S. Woods (Faculty).....	400.00	
W. M. Ellison Jr. (Faculty).....	400.00	
Braniff Airways (Travels - I. B. Loud)	25.74	
Von B. Jones (Printing Supplies).....	8.90	
Cuts for Publication.....	20.75	
W. M. Ellison Jr.....	44.60	
Travel - Roundtrips .....	339.43	\$ 5,270.04*

Board of Pensions.....	5,702.25	
Refunds (Contributions for Purchase Centenary Church) .....	635.00	
Attorney Fee (Trinity Pastor and Trustees).....	200.00	
Trustees St. Paul Methodist Church, Corpus Christi.....	500.00	
San Antonio District Parsonage.....	400.00	
Shaw Memorial - Hobbs, New Mexico.....	150.00	
Trustee Methodist Church - West Point.....	250.00	
Austin District (Sale of Lot at Kyle).....	50.00	
Republic National Bank:		
Subsidy to Pastors.....	\$ 1,600.00	
Loan Payments (Warren).....	4,000.00	
Interest .....	148.45	\$ 5,748.45

Sustentation & Minimum Support..... 215.00



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## District Expense:

Dallas .....	\$ 449.00	
Waco .....	1,526.00	
Western .....	6.42	
Austin .....	32.00	\$ 2,013.42
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Board of Missions (Philadelphia, Pa.).....	505.00	
Board of Pensions.....	13,572.32	
Emergency Pension Relief (E. N. King).....	300.00	
Subsequent Checks .....	16,808.81	
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Total Disbursements.....		91,435.50
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Excess Disbursements over Income.....		-\$13,113.95
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\*\$5,270.04 was spent out of this Fund and only \$4,885.00 was taken in.  
 \$385.04 was paid by the Texas Conference.

**WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE  
 METHODIST CHURCH  
 BALANCE Sheet as of July 15, 1956**

## ASSETS

Cash .....	\$ 3,538.06
Church Building, Equipment and Land.....	2,403,415.00
Parsonage, Furniture and Land.....	428,700.00
Bonds, and Other Assets.....	90,005.00
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Total Assets.....	\$2,925,658.06
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## LIABILITIES

Notes Payable.....	259,346.00
Surplus .....	2,666,312.06
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Total Liabilities and Surplus.....	\$2,925,658.06
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**WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE  
 METHODIST CHURCH  
 Republic National Bank**

## Reconciliation of Bank Balance July 15, 1956

Balance Per Bank Statement.....		\$15,986.79
Deposit in Transit.....		2,654.92
Outstanding Checks .....	\$15,103.65	
Adjusted Book Balance.....	3,538.06	
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TOTAL .....	\$18,641.71	\$18,641.71
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## COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND COURTESIES

Corpus Christi, Texas  
 Sunday, May 27, 1956

Bishop A. P. Shaw, honorable Mayor, F. D. Smith, Rev. T. M. Bruton, members and citizens of St. Paul Methodist Church.

It is with pride and humility the committee on Courtesies and Resolutions express the sentiment of the conference.

After a brief impressive and inspiring welcome from city officials, representatives of Churches, local and national, business establishment and the climax of the welcoming program with a superb reception, whereas it opened to us new avenues to a better and brighter fellowship with "God and Man."

The service of the Holy Communion led by Bishop A. P. Shaw, and the deep spiritual Communion meditation given by Bishop E. W. Kelly, left an indelible impression upon the hearts of all who worshipped.



We express our appreciation for the dignity and poise with which Bishop Shaw presided.

The devotion periods under the leadership of chosen ministers from over the conference were each masterfully observed.

Whereas the host pastor, and members worked with deep concern, enthusiasm, and spirit leaving not a stone unturned, that every delegate and visitor would have comfort to the superlative degree.

After five days of reports, legislation, deliberation and joyful fellowship here on the brink of the Gulf of Mexico; Now the 82nd session of the West Texas Annual conference stands on the threshold of adjournment.

Be it resolved that this 82nd session of the West Texas Annual conference which is now history be spread across the pages of time.

But it further resolved that we extend to Bishop A. P. Shaw, the host pastor, members and citizens of this fair city a rising vote of thanks for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted

Committee on Resolutions and Courtesies

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE RULES

Mr. Chairman:

### 1. Nominations

The District Superintendents shall be a standing committee on nominations and shall nominate all members of the quinquennial and annual boards, commissions, and committees except where they are otherwise provided for.

### 2. Limits

No member of the Conference shall be permitted to serve upon more than two of the major Conference Boards, except where the Discipline shall provide otherwise. Special effort should be made to place every Conference member upon at least one Board. All vacancies occurring on any Board or Committee shall be filled according to the provisions in rule 1.

### 3. Lay Representation

Lay members to the Annual Conference shall be elected annually.

### 4. Conference Program

A program for the Annual Conference shall be arranged by a planning Committee made up of the resident bishop, all district Superintendents, the host-Pastor, the chairmen of major boards, the executive secretary of the Conference Board of Education, the Secretary of the Conference, the President of the WSCS and the Conference Lay Leader.

This committee shall have the responsibility for the planning and printing of the annual Conference Program — to be paid for by the Annual Conference.

### 5. Reports and Resolutions

All reports and resolutions intended for publication in the conference journal shall be typewritten and submitted in triplicate to the Conference Secretary.

### 6. District Committee Ministerial Qualifications

The district committee on qualifications of local preachers shall consist of five traveling elders in the district.

The names of the District committees will be printed in the Conference Journal.

### 7. Pastors Reports

All Pastors' reports to the Conference Treasurer and Conference Statistician shall be turned in at least fifteen days before the date set for the meeting of the Annual Conference.

Additional rules may be added to this list and these present may be amended or deleted by order of the Annual Conference.

(Rules adopted by 79th Conference Session.)



## X.

## CONFERENCE HISTORY

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in annual Conference relations in New Orleans, La., December 25, A.D., 1865, by Bishop Ghompson. The Conference then organized included Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas, and was named the "Mississippi Mission Conference." Three annual sessions of this Conference was 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 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. Those present at 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 labors.

This Conference to date has six districts, 111 Pastrol Appointments, and a school that is a credit to the denominations, viz., Huston-Tillotson College, located at Austin, Texas.

## In Memory of the Deceased

E. N. KING

J. W. MORGAN

P. H. PHILLIPS

W. M. FRANKLIN

MRS. CORA CALLAHAN

MRS. B. A. BYARS

MRS. W. M. MOONEY

MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

When on my day the night is falling,  
And, in the winds from unsunned spaces blown,  
I hear far voices out of darkness calling  
My feet to paths unknown.

Whittier

Bishop	Secretary	Place and Year
Edward Thompson .....	J. P. Newman .....	New Orleans, Dec. 25, 1865
Matthew Simpson .....	J. P. Newman .....	New Orleans, Dec. 13, 1866
E. R. Ames .....	J. B. Lynch .....	New Orleans, Dec. 19, 1867

## SESSION OF THE TEXAS CONFERENCE

Bishop	Secretary	Place and Year
Matthew Simpson .....	Joseph Welch .....	Houston, Jan. 3, 1867
E. R. Ames .....	G. W. Honey .....	Houston, Jan. 3, 1868
Matthew Simpson .....	Joseph Welch .....	Austin, Jan. 21, 1869



Levi Scott .....	G. W. Honey .....	Houston, Jan. 14, 1870
E. S. James .....	G. W. Honey .....	Austin, Dec. 6, 1871
I. W. Wiley .....	W. B. Fayle .....	Galveston, Jan. 8, 1872
Thomas Bowman .....	W. B. Fayle .....	Marshall, Jan. 7, 1873



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## SESSIONS OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

BISHOP	SECRETARY	PLACE AND YEAR
Thomas Bowman	G. W. Honey	Austin, Jan. 23, 1874
W. L. Harris	L. H. Carhart	Columbus, Feb. 22, 1875
E. G. Andrews	L. H. Carhart	Austin, Feb. 20, 1876
R. S. Foster	A. M. Gregory	Waco, Nov. 22, 1877
Gilbert Haven	A. M. Gregory	Columbus, Nov. 28, 1878
E. O. Haven	B. F. Smith	Victoria, Dec. 3, 1879
H. W. Warren	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 1, 1880
Thomas Bowman	B. F. Smith	Calvert, Dec. 1, 1881
E. G. Andrews	B. F. Smith	Columbus, Dec. 7, 1882
W. L. Harris	B. F. Smith	San Antonio, Dec. 12, 1883
S. M. Merrill	B. F. Smith	Waco, Dec. 4, 1884
R. S. Foster	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 18, 1885
J. F. Hurst	J. T. Gibbons	Victoria, Dec. 16, 1886
Thomas Bowman	J. W. Robinson	Columbus, Dec. 7, 1887
D. A. Goodsell	J. T. Gibbons	Calvert, Feb. 7, 1889
J. M. Walder	J. T. Gibbons	San Antonio, Feb. 6, 1890
C. D. Foss	J. T. Gibbons	Waco, Feb. 5, 1891
S. M. Merrill	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 15, 1892
J. N. Fitzgerald	J. T. Gibbons	Dallas, Dec. 15, 1893
H. W. Warren	Andrew Foster	Columbus, Dec. 5, 1894
E. G. Andrews	Andrew Foster	Calvert, Dec. 2, 1895
W. X. Nindle	Andrew Foster	Cuero, Dec. 8, 1896
W. F. Mallalieu	N. J. Johnson	Waco, Dec. 8, 1897
C. H. Fowler	N. J. Johnson	Denison, Dec. 6, 1898
D. A. Goodsell	N. J. Johnson	Austin, Dec. 22, 1899
I. W. Joyce	N. J. Johnson	Victoria, Dec. 19, 1900
I. W. Joyce	J. W. H. Pickney	Dallas, Dec. 8, 1901
W. F. Mallalieu	Andrew Foster	Luling, Dec. 8, 1902
J. M. Walden	Andrew Foster	Waco, Dec. 16, 1903
L. B. Wilson	Andrew Foster	Fort Worth, Dec. 14, 1904
Henry Spellmyer	T. H. Wyatt	San Antonio, Nov. 30, 1905
L. B. Wilson	T. H. Wyatt	Columbus, Dec. 13, 1906
W. M. Burt	T. H. Wyatt	Marlin, Nov. 28, 1907
W. A. Quayle	T. H. Wyatt	Victoria, Nov. 26, 1908
T. B. Neely	T. H. Wyatt	Waco, Nov. 25, 1909
D. H. Moore	T. H. Wyatt	Austin, Nov. 6, 1910
T. B. Neeley	T. H. Wyatt	San Antonio, Nov. 23, 1911
Robert McIntyre	T. H. Wyatt	Luling, Dec. 11, 1912
Robert McIntyre	T. H. Wyatt	Calvert, Dec. 10, 1913
W. O. Sheppard	T. H. Wyatt	Austin, Dec. 10, 1914
W. O. Sheppard	T. H. Wyatt	Victoria, Dec. 9, 1915
W. O. Sheppard	J. W. Warren	Waco, Dec. 13, 1916
R. J. Cooke	J. W. Warren	Cuero, Dec. 10, 1917
Chas. B. Mitchell	J. W. Warren	Fort Worth, Dec. 18, 1918
Chas. B. Mitchell	J. W. Warren	Yoakum, Nov. 12, 1919
R. E. Jones	S. N. Harvey	Georgetown, Dec. 8, 1920
R. E. Jones	F. W. Brown	San Antonio, 1921
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Austin, 1922
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Fort Worth, 1923
F. T. Keeney	C. W. Franklin	Austin, 1924
C. L. Meade	C. W. Franklin	Waco, 1925
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Victoria, 1926
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	San Antonio, 1927
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Dallas, 1928
Wallace E. Brown	J. H. R. Dudley	Austin, 1929
Chas. F. Locke	J. H. R. Dudley	Columbus, 1930
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Fort Worth, 1931
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Waco, 1832
R. E. Jones	W. W. Baker	San Antonio, 1933
Chas. L. Meade	W. W. Baker	Marlin, 1934
R. E. Jones	W. W. Baker	Dallas, 1935
A. P. Shaw	W. W. Baker	Austin, 1936
A. P. Shaw	W. W. Baker	Waco, 1937
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Fort Worth, 1938
A. P. Shaw	J. H. R. Dudley	San Antonio, 1939
R. E. Jones	C. R. Greene	Dallas, 1945
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Dallas, 1940
A. P. Shaw	J. H. R. Dudley	Austin, 1941
R. E. Jones	C. R. Greene	Waco, 1942
R. N. Brooks	C. R. Greene	Fort Worth, 1943
R. N. Brooks	C. R. Greene	San Antonio, 1944
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	Austin, Sept. 25, 1946
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	Waco, Oct. 7, 1947
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	San Antonio, Oct. 12, 1948
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	Dallas, Oct. 11, 1949
E. W. Kelley	Prenza L. S. Woods	Austin, April 11, 1950
R. N. Brooks	Prenza L. S. Woods	San Antonio, May 1, 1951
R. N. Brooks	Prenza L. S. Woods	Fort Worth, July 1, 1952
J. W. E. Bowen	Prenza L. S. Woods	Waco, June 16, 1953
A. P. Shaw	Prenza L. S. Woods	Austin, May 19, 1954
A. P. Shaw	William Ellison, Jr.	Dallas, May 18, 1955
A. P. Shaw	William Ellison, Jr.	Corpus Christi, May 24, 1956



## XI

## Our Honored Dead

NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Time Entered Ministry	
		Years in Ministry	
J. B. Ferguson, Jan. 6, 1874	Bell County	1854	20
J. S. Strickland, Mar. 25, 1874	Not given	1870	4
E. S. Havens, Feb. 29, 1875	Girard, Kan.	1870	5
Reuben Coleman, Dec. 3, 1875	Bastrop	1870	5
Isaac Wright, April 3, 1875	Austin	1874	2
J. G. Webster, Mar. 14, 1877	Cottonwood Colony	1874	3
Ben Hoffman, Mar. 31, 1878	Eagle Lake	1874	4
John Wright, Jan. 17, 1880	Cottonwood Colony	1874	6
Archev Johnson, Feb. 6, 1880	Giddings	1874	6
Hiram Melton, Aug. 3, 1880	Limestone County	1874	6
Jacob A. Oakman, Oct. 1, 1882	Flatonia	1872	10
Jackson Johnson, Oct. 1, 1882	Manor	1875	7
Jackson Caesar, Sept. 21, 1883	Wharton	1879	4
Larkin Carper, April 26, 1885	San Antonio	1870	15
Elijah Nesbitt, Sept. 26, 1885	Sprinkle	1875	10
Caesar King, Aug. 16, 1885	Georgetown	1874	11
Washington Goodwin, May 3, 1890	Manor	1876	14
G. W. Brothers, Aug. 20, 1893	Cuero	1883	10
J. W. Robinson, Sept. 1, 1888	Austin	1874	14
J. H. Brawley, April 20, 1893	Luling	1887	6
I. S. Smith, 1894	Not given	1875	19
Toney Augustus, June 10, 1894	Columbus	1879	15
J. H. Purnell, Oct. 10, 1894	Waco	1890	4
J. H. Williams, Oct. 3, 1895	Denison	1893	2
J. T. Gibbons, Aug. 3, 1895	San Antonio	1883	12
A. L. Armstrong, Sept. 6, 1896	Gatesville	1883	3
Daniel Harper, Sept. 1, 1896	Victoria	1874	22
Nathan Caswell, Dec. 20, 1896	Austin	1875	21
C. L. Madison, Sept. 16, 1900	Austin	1876	25
G. A. Shanklin, Dec. 29, 1900	Hubbard City	1881	19
B. F. Smith, Mar. 20, 1902	Cuero	1877	25
L. A. Harvey, July 4, 1902	Cuero	1896	6
A. S. Bethany, June 30, 1902	Fort Worth	1893	9
Chas. Hart, Aug. 10, 1902	Winchester	1877	25
Daniel Humphrey, July 4, 1903	Marlin	1887	16
Samuel Gates, Feb. 25, 1905	Austin	1874	31
Mack Henson, June 17, 1905	Austin	1874	31
Anderson Brack, Sept. 10, 1905	Waco	1874	31
Andrew Foster, Nov. 26, 1906	Victoria	1880	26
B. I. Adams, Mar. 10, 1908	Littig	1893	15
John Neal, Mar. 22, 1908	Davilla	1894	14
Thos. Watkins, April 10, 1908	Marlin	1886	22
Willis Graves, May 10, 1908	Waco	1876	32
Gabriel Wilson, July 16, 1908	Calvert	1875	33
James Jorman, Dec. 9, 1908	Seguin	1877	31
Jefferson Buel, June 10, 1910	Waco	1882	28
W. H. Davis, Sept. 12, 1910	Seguin	1887	23
J. T. Jacobs, Mar. 11, 1911	San Antonio	1882	29
A. J. Lynch, Mar. 18, 1911	Victoria	1893	18
J. W. Mitchell, Dec. 7, 1911	Bremond	1878	33
C. P. Westbrooks, Dec. 30, 1911	Hubbard City	1885	26
J. H. Holden, May 1, 1912	Hondo	1887	16
M. C. Caviness, June 28, 1912	Lockhart	1887	25
Robert Dukes, July, 1912	Luling	1886	26
R. H. Ponton, Sept. 19, 1912	Belton	1882	30
Lee Reed, May 14, 1913	Luling	1881	32
Alfred Dickerson, June 9, 1913	Sprinkle	1887	26
E. E. Henderson, Sept. 9, 1913	San Antonio	1881	32
F. L. Kirkpatrick, Dec. 7, 1915	Austin	1897	18



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NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Time Entered Ministry	
		Years in Ministry	
Grauvil Norman, 1915	Los Angeles, Calif.	1908	7
W. H. Mosby, January, 1916	Gonzales	1888	28
W. E. Blackson, Feb. 9, 1916	Austin	1899	17
R. S. Lovinggood, Dec. 17, 1916	Austin	1901	15
Christopher Young, Aug. 13, 1916	Victoria	1875	41
G. W. Townsend, Sept. 19, 1916	Victoria	1883	33
J. S. Wyatt, Dec. 24, 1916	Victoria	1896	20
L. R. Parker, 1916	Smithville	1901	15
John Bickham, Oct. 24, 1917	Groesbeck	1896	21
Joseph Harriford, 1917	Winchester	1891	26
Ephraim Jones, April, 1918	Seguin	1897	27
A. T. Jackson, 1918	Dallas	1887	34
P. B. Bennett, 1918	Waco	1887	31
Riley Sodia, Nov., 1918	Edna	1895	23
W. L. Huff, 1918	Austin	1917	1
C. C. Scruggs, 1919	Yoakum	1877	42
R. N. Dennis, 1919	Calvert	1902	17
A. Lockhart, 1921	Waco	1879	34
E. L. Jackson, 1921	Temple	1894	26
C. H. Franklin, 1921	San Antonio	1905	16
J. W. Warmley, 1921	Winchester	1888	32
G. W. Nevils, March, 1922	La Grange	1892	32
Primus Cates, 1922	La Grange	1874	17
A. L. Carper, 1924	San Antonio	1899	25
S. D. Humphrey, 1924	Marlin	1912	12
D. C. Hailey, 1924	Waxahachie	1896	26
B. J. Goff, Jan. 8, 1925	Waco	1890	33
D. C. Lacy, Dec. 25, 1925	Mexia	1887	37
Harry Swann, May 25, 1925	Victoria	1875	46
W. H. Stevens, 1925	Winchester	1877	22
W. H. Purnell, April, 1925	Waco	1906	19
Moses Smith, Jan. 12, 1925	Austin	1882	43
Moten Lott, 1925	Austin	1876	5
W. M. Mooney, Nov. 30, 1925	Cuero	1893	30
J. C. Mayes, 1925	Temple	1900	25
Albert Johnson, 1926	Georgetown	1893	30
C. N. Strait, 1927	Luling	1920	7
J. C. Eusan, Feb. 15, 1927	San Antonio	1898	30
N. H. Townsend, August, 1928	Yoakum	1894	30
H. H. Qualls, June 10, 1928	Waco	1897	31
J. H. Swann, June 11, 1928	Lytton Springs	1899	35
S. W. Harvey, Aug. 10, 1928	Ennis	1881	36
J. W. Wright, 1929	Mexia	1902	16
J. L. S. Edmonson, Oct. 13, 1929	San Antonio	1919	10
M. S. Jordan, 1930	Cuero	1893	30
B. F. Wright, Oct. 15, 1930	Fayetteville	1929	1
J. H. Hutchinson, 1930	Austin	1892	32
Alfred Brown, 1931	Shiner	1882	36
William Reed, 1931	Waco	1884	35
C. B. Melton, 1931	Kerrville	1899	28
George Pleasant, 1931	Austin	1892	5
J. W. Weekley, 1932	Luling	1891	41
G. M. Moten, 1932	Waco	1928	4
Clinton Schuler, 1932	Luling	1925	5
S. E. Jones, 1933	Cuero	1899	30
D. L. Mosby, 1933	Columbus	1924	9
J. N. Napier, 1933	San Antonio	1889	43
John Coe, 1933	Marlin	1911	18
J. E. Brown, 1934	Lampasas	1909	25
E. E. Cooper, 1934	Oakland	1877	12
Enoch Cogswell, 1934	Mart	1875	20
L. W. Roberts, 1935	Milford	1908	27
J. W. Stone, Jr., June, 1935	Hubbard City	1915	19



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NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Time Entered Ministry	
		Years in Ministry	
C. S. Williams, 1935	Marshall	1903	32
J. W. Stone, Sr., 1937	Lockhart	1897	40
C. H. Hamilton, 1937	Mexia Ct.	1916	21
George Waters, 1937	Yoakum	1898	30
James Coe, June 12, 1938	Luling	1911	5
I. T. Sanford, July 13, 1938	Waco	1894	33
H. A. Jones, Dec. 23, 1938	Austin	1904	34
A. D. Jacques, January, 1939	Pine Bluff, Ark.	1907	32
L. L. Strait, January, 1939	Gonzales	1922	17
A. M. Cuerington, Aug. 22, 1939	Cameron	1936	3
G. M. Mallory, 1939	Waco	1910	22
W. A. Robinson, 1940 (Prot. Meth.)	El Paso	1882	30
T. J. Jackson, (Prot. Meth.) 1940	Dale	1939	
S. S. Hudspeth, (Prot. Meth.) 1940	Lockhart	1939	
E. C. Henderson, 1941	Schulenburg	1905	16
George Bailey, Prot. Meth., 1941	San Marcos	1939	21
A. M. Mason, Aug. 30, 1941	San Antonio	1893	48
J. W. Downs, Feb. 18, 1941	Austin	1919	20
M. Fountain, 1942	Waco	1901	24
S. D. Mosley, 1942	San Antonio	1912	26
J. D. Mackey, 1942	Luling	1916	21
J. T. Carper, 1942	Houston	1905	29
L. H. Richardson, 1942	San Antonio	1894	37
E. T. Allen, 1943	Granbury	1926	9
J. G. Brown, 1943	Waco	1907	36
C. E. Whitiker, March, 1943	Austin	1923	20
M. L. Wyatt, 1943	San Angelo	1914	29
B. F. Braden, Prot. Meth., 1940	Lockhart	1918	21
M. W. Stephens, Oct. 20, 1943	San Antonio	1916	27
J. B. Eggleston, Oct. 27, 1943	Yoakum	1919	24
J. W. Warren, Nov. 23, 1943	San Antonio	1904	39
D. F. Vance, Dec., 1943	Austin	1905	35
B. J. Easter, May 4, 1944	San Antonio	1921	13
N. J. Moore, Aug., 1944	Winchester	1900	44
F. C. Callihan, Prot. Meth., 1945	Not given	1920	19
T. S. Moore, 1945	Marlin	1892	31
W. M. White, 1945	Hondo	1919	17
M. C. Ellison, Sept. 27, 1946	Luling	1922	24
A. G. Russell, Oct. 6, 1946	Floresville	1922	24
J. H. R. Dudley, Oct. 1947	Giddings	1917	29
J. S. Medlock, 1947	Mexia	1900	33
Victor A. Cook, Dec. 15, 1947	Austin	1915	32
Ralph A. Allen, Mar. 28, 1948	Goliad	1924	24
S. G. Graham, Oct. 1, 1948	Waco	1918	31
T. H. Wyatt, June 1, 1948	Austin	1900	47
T. H. Bryant, Aug. 12, 1948	Alleyton	1926	22
Karl Downs, Feb. 26, 1948	Austin	1935	13
H. L. Mckinney, Aug. 24, 1949	San Antonio	1926	14
Frank Blair, 1949	Mexia Ct.	1925	24
Silas Mathis, 1950	Bremond	1940	10
H. G. Grant, 1950	Hallettsville	1942	10
Joel S. Jordan, 1950	Cuero	1927	22
H. S. Byars, Prot. Meth., 1950	San Antonio	1927	22
J. W. Maye, 1950	San Antonio	1920	30
W. B. Houston, Prot. Meth., 1950	Kyle	1902	38
J. W. V. Hutchinson, 1950	Austin	1913	26
J. H. Strait, 1950	San Antonio	1921	21
A. D. Holden, 1950	Hondo	1923	27
J. H. Brown, 1951	Columbus	1924	22
J. N. Hooey, 1951	Houston	1914	34
B. A. Byars, 1951	San Antonio	1919	32
G. A. Deslandes, Jan. 26, 1951	San Antonio	1900	41
R. H. Duncan, 1951	Austin	1896	23



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		Years in Ministry	
S. N. Harvey, 1951	Hallettsville	1905	46
Belt Prince, 1951	Edna	1937	11
G. V. Cavitt, 1952	Floresville	1910	37
W. M. Booker, Sept. 13, 1953	Oakland	1943	9
W. B. Lott, 1953	San Antonio	1900	41
F. M. Hudspeth, 1953	San Antonio	1920	22
B. F. Lee, 1955	San Antonio	1922	33
Esau Smith, 1955	El Campo	1921	36
T. W. Stevens, 1955	Hallettsville	1933	22
E. N. King, 1955	Maysfield	1935	20
W. M. Franklin, 1956	Victoria		
P. H. Philips,	Lampasas		
J. W. Morgan, 1956	Waco	1930	16



## XIII.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Wednesday Evening, May, 23, 1956

Local Program of Welcome

Dr. William R. Carline, Presiding

- 7:30 P.M. Music: Solomon Coles.....A Capella Choir  
 Invocation.....Rev. E. D. Alexander  
 Welcome Address:  
     St. Paul Methodist Church.....Mrs. Ardalia T. Young  
     City of Corpus Christi.....Mayor Ferrel D. Smith  
 Music:  
     Instrumental Solo.....Mrs. Olivia Hall  
     Instrumental Solo.....Patricia G. Haven  
 Welcome on behalf of:  
     Interdenominational Alliance.....Rev. C. H. Warren  
     Public Schools.....Prof. H. E. Johnson  
 Vocal Solo.....Mrs. Sidney R. Smith

Thursday Evening, May 24, 1956

- 7:30 P.M. Hymn Singing.....Rev. Cecil Williams  
 Worship Service.....Rev. J. H. Marshall  
 Sermon.....Bishop E. W. Kelly  
 Offering  
 Announcements  
 Benediction

Friday Evening, May 25, 1956

- 7:30 P.M. Huston-Tillotson College Night.....Rev. F. D. Young, Presiding  
 Music.....Huston-Tillotson College Choir  
 Address.....Dr. J. J. Seabrook, President  
 Music.....Huston-Tillotson College Choir  
 Offering  
 Announcements  
 Benediction

Saturday Evening, May 26, 1956

- 7:00 P.M. Devotions.....Rev. Merrill T. Reed  
 Ordinations.....Bishop Alexander P. Shaw  
 Benediction  
 7:45 P.M. Youth Program  
 Offering  
 Announcements  
 Adjournment



## XIII

## APPENDIX

## SPECIAL SESSION WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Thursday, July 19, 1956

10:00 A.M.

Special Session of the West Texas Annual Conference convened at Wesley Chapel Methodist Church, Austin, Texas, July 19, 1956 with the Rev. D. H. Hansboro, district superintendent, presiding. Opening song: Savior like a Shepherd lead us, was followed with the Affirmation of Faith. Rev. F. D. Young gave the invocation. After reading from the psaltry and the introductory remarks by the District Superintendent, Rev. Cecil Williams, song leader, led in singing hymn No. 251, Take Time to be Holy. Rev. J. H. Carruthers, pastor at St. Andrews, brought the meditation message on the Missionary Challenge of the Church. Hymn No. 231, Pass Me not O Gentle Savior, concluded the devotions.

Bishop Willis J. King, resident bishop of the New Orleans Area, was presented by Rev. Hansboro. The bishop gave impressive remarks on the occasion for the call session, referring to paragraph 627-628 of the Methodist Discipline; and the joy to be back home, and the opportunity of meeting and fellowshiping once again with friends of the West Texas Conference, and to follow through with the organization of the Boards, Commissions and Committees for the 1956-60 quadrennium.

On motion by Rev. M. A. Freeman and seconded by Rev. J. A. Wills the printed program became the official program of the day. Motion carried. On motion by Rev. J. A. Wills and seconded by Rev. G. F. Alexander the bar of the conference was set to include all pews extending to the second window of the main auditorium. Motion carried.

Bishop King asked the secretary to give direction to be followed regarding the plans of assembly for the several boards, commissions and committees. The secretary distributed prepared copies of the quadrennial boards, commissions and committees submitted by the conference nominating committee as of May 26, 1956. Necessary corrections were made among the boards, commissions and committees. The secretary asked Rev. R. S. Mosby, host pastor to stagger these boards, etc., giving the time and place of meeting. This was done. **Transfer:** Bishop King read a telegram from Bishop J. W. E. Bowen acknowledging the transfer of Dr. J. J. Seabrook, president of the Huston-Tillotson College, from the South Carolina Conference to the West Texas Conference, effective July 19, 1956. Dr. Seabrook was presented to the Conference by the bishop.

A motion prevailed the bishop appoint a committee of seven, the purpose of which is to study the several districts with the advisability of reducing the present number of districts. (See committee elsewhere) **Introductions:** Bishop King presented Dr. R. F. Harrington, who spoke on the summer activities at Gulfside. He concluded with an adequate tribute to Bishop King.

The bishop spoke about the expense of the Area Council and asked the conference treasurer, Rev. I. B. Loud for a statement. This was done. Rev. S. A. Keese made observations regarding the Commission and World Service as to quotas and percentages for the several districts. After some discussion relative to \$6820.50 previously made by the chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, Bishop King suggested that the West Texas conference report at least one-third of this sum on or before August 17, 1956. A motion prevailed that one-third askings by the bishop be accepted by the conference. Motion carried.

**Introductions:** Bishop King introduced Rev. Robert Hill of Mt. Calvary, Methodist Church, New Orleans, La. He brought greetings to the conference and paid a worthy tribute of respect to the late Rev. C. E. Whitiker.

Mrs. O. B. Coe, president of the W.S.C.S., represented the School of Mission with appropriate remarks.

Rev. J. B. V. Goins, of the A.M.E. Church, was introduced and brought greetings. Offering: \$47.17.

A motion prevailed that all boards, commissions and committees return at 4:00 P.M. for the afternoon session to make their reports. Motion carried

Benediction: Dr. H. Hansboro.







Abbreviations:  
 Re. — Retired  
 T. — Transfer  
 Ef. — Effective  
 O.T. — On Trial  
 F.C. — Full Connection

XIV

MINISTER'S SERVICE RECORD

Exc. — Years Not Effective  
 Supply  
 Located  
 Supernumerary  
 More than two years on trial  
 Student without Pastoral Work

Name	Present Relation	First Admitted			Full Year Connection	Ordained		How and When Received — West Texas		Exc.	Date Ret'd.	Years of Service
		Conference	Year	How		Deacon	Elder					
Alexander, E. D.	Super	West Texas	1947	O.T.	1951	1946	1951	O.T.	1947	2		7
Alexander, G. F.	Ef.	West Texas	1920	O.T.	1922	1920	1924	O.T.	1920			36
Baker, D. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1922	1921	1925	O.T.	1921			35
Baker, W. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1925	O.T.	1921			35
Barnwell, E. Rivers	Ef.	West Texas			1942		1942	Union	1942			14
Brown, C. C.	Re.	Col. M. M. P.	1919	O.T.	1922	1919	1920	Mer.	1939		1949	32
Bruton, T. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1926	1928	O.T.	1924			32
Brewster, O. K.	Ef.	West Texas	1941	O.T.	1943			O.T.	1941			15
Burkley, M. B.	Re.	West Texas	1920	O.T.	1922	1920	1924	O.T.	1920		1952	34
Carroll, D. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1930	O.T.	1934	1930	1933	O.T.	1930			26
Carter, E. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1954		1956	1950	1950					
Carruthers, J. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			25
Coe, O. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1924	1929	O.T.	1924			32
Childs, J. H.	Re.	West Texas	1915	O.T.	1918	1915	1918	O.T.	1915		1946	33
Cooper, E. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1951	O.T.	1953	1951		O.T.	1951			5
Cleaver, S. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1954		1956	1953	1956					1
Crawford, Jr. Evans D.					1955							
Curtis, S. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1945	1941	1947	O.T.	1943			10
Dixon, E. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1945	1946	O.T.	1943			13
Dykes, Antone					1955							1
Echols, T. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922			34
Edmonds, Edwin	Ef.	West Texas	1945	O.T.	1951	1945	1951	O.T.	1945			12
Elliott, John					1955							1
Ellison, Wm., Jr.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929	2		27
Ellison, Wm., Sr.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1916	1912	1918	O.T.	1912		1952	42
Foy, R. L.	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.	1950			O.T.				1
Foy, T. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1915	O.T.	1918	1915	1920	O.T.	1915			41
Franklin, C. W.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1914	1912	1916	O.T.	1914		1953	43
Franklin, S. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	Cred.	1946		1946	Cred.	1946			10
Franks, Hiawatha					1955							1
Freeman, M. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1928	O.T.	1930	1928	1931	O.T.	1928	3		25
Fuller, E. T.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1924	O.T.	1927	1924	1929	Mer.	1939			32
Goff, G. J.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	O.T.	1951	1945	1951	O.T.	1946			10
Green, C. R.	Super.	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933	2		22
Greer, I. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933			23
Hansboro, D. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1937	O.T.	1939	1937	1941	O.T.	1937			19
Hardimon, J. J.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1916	1912	1918	O.T.	1912		1952	42
Haywood, L. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1938	1943	O.T.	1943			13
Hodge, Marshall					1955							1
Holden, A. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			27
Holmes, Z. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927	3		26
Houston, C. J.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1928	O.T.	1931	1928	1933	Mer.	1939			27
Hutchinson, F. J.	Re.	West Texas	1914	O.T.	1916	1914	1918	O.T.	1914		1950	38
Johnson, George L.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943		O.T.	1943			13
Johnson, Robert W.					1955							1



Keesee, S. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929		27
Kelley, G. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929		27
King, C. L.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1940	O.T.	1942	1940	1944	O.T.	1940		16
King, Robert					1955						1
King, Z. E.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.				O.T.	1927	6	23
Kuykendall, H. E.	Ef.	West Texas	1923	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1923		33
Loud, I. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933		24
Loud, I. C.	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.				O.T.			1
Majors, Marshall	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		31
Marshall, J. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		31
McMillan, K. W.	Re.	West Texas	1900	O.T.	1902			O.T.	1900	1951	53
McMillan, M. E.	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.				O.T.			1
Miller, S. D.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1924	O.T.	1927	1927	1929	Mer.	1939		32
Minor, A. D.	Ef.	West Texas	1947	O.T.	1953	1942	1946	O.T.	1947		10
Moore, Sherrill	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.				O.T.			1
Mosby, R. S.	Ef.	West Texas	1919	O.T.	1921	1919	1923	O.T.	1919		37
Mosley, Wm.	Re.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927	1944	18
Muse, J. F.	Ef.	West Texas	1911	O.T.	1913	1911	1915	O.T.	1911		45
Muse, L. E.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922		34
Owens, Curtis	Ef.	West Texas	1946	O.T.	1948	1946		O.T.	1946		10
Owens, J. G.	Ef.	West Texas	1939	O.T.	1943	1939	1945	O.T.	1939		17
Palmer, R. L.	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		31
Pharms, S. G.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	Cred.	1947		1947	Cred.	1947		9
Phillips, P. H.	Re.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1927	O.T.	1921	1952	33
Phoenix, J. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922		34
Pierce, I. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1924	1929	O.T.	1924		32
Pitts, Albert S.					1955						1
Porter, Ashley	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1917	O.T.	1919	1917	1921	O.T.	1917		39
Purnell, E. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	O.T.		1945	1951	O.T.	1946		10
Reed, M. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943	1947	O.T.	1943		13
Richardson, J. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943	1947	O.T.	1943		13
Ross, James	Re.	Col. M. M. P.	1901	O.T.	1901		1903	Mer.	1901	1948	49
Simms, T. J. D.	Ef.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1925	O.T.	1921		35
Smith, C. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1947	O.T.		1947		O.T.	1947		9
Smith, E. A.	Ef.	Central Ala.	1938	O.T.	1941	1939	1941	Trans.	1951		17
Smith, Willie	Ef.	West Texas	1948	O.T.		1948		O.T.	1948		8
Shaw, William	Eff.	West Texas	1953		1955						1
Spencer, E. L.	Ef.	West Texas	1936	Cred.	1936			Cred.	1936		20
Stanley, Roy E.	Ef.	West Texas	1952		1955	1952	1956				1
Stewart, Taylor	Ef.	West Texas	1954		1956	1934	1956				1
Stone, M. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.		1943		O.T.	1943		13
Tanner, Emmitt J.					1955						1
Tollerson, H. C.	Re.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1927	O.T.	1927	1951	27
Tucker, D. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927		28
Walmsley, Walter	Ef.	West Texas	1948	O.T.	1951	1947	1951	O.T.	1948		
Washington, J. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1951	O.T.	1953	1951	1953	O.T.	1951	1	4
Washington, L. D.					1945	1941	1947	O.T.	1943		13
Watkins, T. R.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1921	1919	1923	O.T.	1919		27
Wattley, J. L.	Ef.	West Texas	1919	O.T.	1955						
Williams, Albert Cecil					1955						
Wills, J. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		31
Woodling, Dennis A.					1955						1
Woods, P. L. S.	Ef.	West Texas	1941	O.T.	1948	1945	1948	O.T.	1941	6	9
Young, F. D.	Ef.	West Texas	1923	O.T.	1926	1924	1928	O.T.	1923		33











Table No. 1

The Methodist Church

Statistical Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1956

C. D. Owens, Lubbock, Texas

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												CHURCH SCHOOLS												W.D.C.S.		Meth. Men		Property and Other Assets															
Baptisms		Total Full Members Reported Last Year	Received from Preparatory Membership and on Prof. of Faith	Received from Other Denominations	Received by Transfer from Other Methodist Churches and Res.	Removed by Death	Removed to Other Denominations	Removed by Transfer to Other Meth. Ch. and Discontinued	Total Full Members	Total Local Preachers (Incl. in Line 11)	Church School Membership						Attendance			General Information					Amount Paid for Local Work	Number Chartered Groups	Membership	Number Subscribers to The Christian Advocate	Number of Preaching Places	Estimated Value of Church Building Equipment, and Land	Estimated Value of Parsonages, Furniture and Land	Estimated Value of Other Property (Incl. Cash, Bonds, etc.)	Indebt. on Bldgs., Equipment Parsonages and Current Expenses										
Infants Presented by Parents or Guardian	All Others: Children, Youth, Adults										Officers and Teachers	Nursery Home Members	Child Div. 0-11 Yrs.	Youth Division—12-23 Years	Adult Div. 24 Yrs. & Over	Adult-Home Members	Adults (Exclude Col. 17)	Total (Add 13-18 Inclusive)	Average Attendance at Sunday School (All Ages)	Average Att. Sun. Evening Fellowship	Children	Youth	Adults	Number of Church Schools on Charge										Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Vacation Church Schools	Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Weekday Schools	Church School Memb. Joining the Church on Prof. of Faith	Are All Lesson Material used App. by the Meth. Church	Church School Offering for World Ser. and Conf. Bene.	Number of Societies (Not Guilds, Groups, or Circles)	Membership (Including Wesleyan Service Guild)			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41			
1			46		5			3		48		3		16	5		5	29	23	4		8		1				Yes	34	1	10					1	9000	4000					
2	42	16	198	1366	28	16	40	12		10	1428	1	41	68	136	94	51	361	751	421	136	129	80	274	1	164		18	Yes	220	1	318	750	1	50	326	1	200500	45000	40000	24400		
3			16	75				2	5	3	65		5	3	7	5			20	7			3		1			Yes		1	9	30			3	1	20500	7500		4320			
4	15	5	20	310	12	27	30	5	4		370		25		45	48		60	178	98	25	20	15		1	75		22	Yes	85	1	81	625	2	25	8	1	150000	9000		31000		
5	2	3	4	97		4		3	1		97		7	7	11	3	14	9	43	25	7	20	15		1			Yes		1	43	67		10	9	1	6000	4000		200			
6	2	2	17	68	2	1		1	2	3	65	1	6		8	8			22	12		8	5		2			1	Yes		1	12	35		6	1	2	4500	1500		2000		
7	24	2	26	310	40	12	2	2	1	1	421	1	31	41	40	18	12	12	172	111	20	12	10		1	90		30	Yes	162	6	110	600			2	1	35000	10000		6000		
8	16	4	134	1418	8	5	2	2	4		1527	2	32	53	134	72	26	141	458	190	25	30	30		1	150		5	Yes	162	1	290	2596	2	255	50	1	255000	15000	5000	12000		
9	5	4	4	33	3	4	2	1			41		5	1	15				18	35	20				1		1	7	Yes	5			300					4700		2049			
10	2	6	45	234	8	8	2	1	5	2	245	21	15		65	26	10	20	136	43	5	20	12	6	1	16		7	Yes	50	2	40	1172			3	1	20000	10000				
11	2		21	120			2	4		10	108	2	14	7	8	12		60	67	40		8	5		2		15	95	Yes	16	2	32	100	1	12		2	12000	2000				
12	5	7	55	121	12			2		3	128		12	7	45	13	7	3	67	44	4		18	14	1				Yes	16							1	5000	3000				
13	3	10	9	148	9	2		2			157		8			75			67	45	20	20	25	12	3				Yes		1	5				5	3	3000	500				
14				52							52		3		7	18		6	34	18					2				Yes								2	3000	1500				
15	2			94	4		2			4	96	1	22		39	25		49	135	125		10	15		3				Yes		1	12	54			6	3	5000	3000				
16	4	3	7	47	4		2			4	96	1	6		11	13		12	42	23	18	11	13	5	1	85	24	3	Yes	35	1	19	500	1	7	8	1	7000	4500				
17	2		2	35	2	2					39		8		16	6		8		15		8			1				2	Yes		1					1	6000	1500				
18	7		15	74	2	5	3	1	2	1	80		1		19	16		7	32	45	15	18	12	1	1			2	Yes	30	1	14	82		14		1	16000	3000	250	2100		
†	133	72	573	4678	134	93	85	38	29	37	5018	30	244	187	622	457	120	753	2204	1320	299	314	266	312	25	580	40	200	Yes	657	22	995	6911	5	379	425	26	751700	125000	45250	84069		
††	78	82	512	4302	98	172	111	43	35	107	3633	10	188	130	469	402	103	522	1591	1020	185	248	234	310	24	267	35	77	Yes	593	21	880	3500	6	288	118	20	598500	115500	44505	33105		
*	55		61	376	36						1385	20	56	57	153	55	17	231	613	300	114	66	34	2	1	313	5	123	Yes	64	1	115	3411		91	308	6	153200	9500	745	50964		
**		10				79	26	5	6	70																										1							

†Total (or Carried Forward)      **DALLAS:**      5 Denison, Charles W. Smith      11 Farris-Lancaster, S. M. Cleaver      17 Corsicana, M. E. McMillian

††Total Last Year      1 St. Luke (Dallas) L. S. Lamb      6 Waxahachie-Ennis, E. H. Carter      12 Mexia: Jones, W. L. Shaw      18 Wichita Falls, John Elliott

\*Increase      \*\*Decrease      2 St. Paul (Dallas), I. B. Loud      7 Ft. Worth: Cowan, K. W. McMillan      13 Mexia Ct., J. F. Muse

3 Trinity (Dallas), J. B. Phoenix      8 Ft. Worth: St. Andrews, J. H. Carruthers      14 Milford-Italy, R. L. Foy

4 Warren (Dallas), C. D. Owens      9 Ft. Worth: Cogswell, Abram McGill      15 Pelham Ct., S. G. Pharms

10 Ft. Worth: Thompson, W. W. Baker      16 Sherman-Pilot Pt., Charles Espie



Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1956

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										Connectional Fund				BENEVOLENCES														Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74								
Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid Other Current Expenses, Incidentals, etc.	Paid for Ch. School Administration Lesson Materials, Supplies, etc.	Pastors and Associate Pastors				Dist. Supt.'s Fund		Episc'l Fund		Conf. Claim's'		Min. Salary Fund		General Administration	Jurisdictional Administration	Area, Conf. and Dist. Administration	Interdenom. Co-op. Fund		World Service & Conference Benevolences			World Service Special Gifts	General Advance Specials	Week of Dedication	Fellowship of Suffering and Service	Conference Advance Specials	W.D.C.S. (Including W.S.G.) Cash Sent to Dist. & Conf. Treasurers	Methodist Student Day	Church School Rally Day		Methodist Youth Fund	Race Relations Sunday	Colleges	Wesley Foundation	Hospitals	City and Dist. Missionary Societies	All Other Benevolences	
				Salary Estimated, for Pastor and Associate (s) at Beginning this Yr.	Paid Pastor	Paid Associate Pastor (s)	Total Paid Pastor and Associate Pastor (s)	Paid Pastor's Travel and Expense Fund	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned				Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Accepted									Paid								World Service
42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	73	74	75
1	75	112	976	30	1500	923	923	144	144	18	135	135	18	66	1	56	56	16	4	5	41	18	2	12	2559															
2	100	200	250	50	2080	2000	2000	75	320	300	41	20	300	50	41	50	3	228	228	75	105	67	20	3362																
3	109	900	550	40	1800	1800	1800	75	288	288	36	36	270	281	36	3	3	137	3	3	162	142	162	14	4	20	120	74	6	6	12	37	4680							
4	238	136	35	1500	975	975	975	150	150	18	135	18	135	18	52	52	50	5	15	21	4	4	1629																	
5	4408	17595	13021	939	6500	6500	6500	1150	1040	1040	130	130	975	975	130	130	21	21	1442	21	21	1288	1288	1496	120	100	54	1080	515	25	150	200	125	500	100	51858				
6	668	225	456	75	2000	1448	1448	320	75	40	300	40	300	40	178	178	15	10	3	100	3	3095																		
7	4788	600	5120	150	3500	3500	3500	300	560	560	70	10	525	470	70	6	6	153	6	6	354	454	429	40	10	24	355	165	20	15	50	16837								
8	300	321	25	1200	1200	1200	1200	196	116	24	180	15	24	5	1	1	32	32	32	3	33	12	2063																	
9	4150	5785	963	175	1500	1000	1000	200	160	160	20	20	150	150	20	20	1	1	61	1	1	80	80	127	7	10	10	64	40	5	10	25	12985							
10	3499	600	27993	850	6360	5460	900	6360	500	874	960	191	119	819	819	119	21	21	1449	21	21	1288	1288	1587	127	33	50	1143	664	30	10	152	455	47463						
11	752	1371	1210	145	2860	2860	60	2920	260	457	456	57	30	429	300	57	5	4	287	4	4	404	404	261	30	12	5	300	281	9	50	8692								
12	150	250	60	1300	700	700	700	208	208	26	8	105	34	26	28	2	176	176	57	2	169	11	1548																	
13	60	1200	900	700	208	208	26	25	135	178	24	61	1	172	172	56	3	169	11	2	20	1677																		
14	150	385	22	1000	875	875	192	192	24	154	64	26	2	2	136	2	2	136	2	2	136	136	100	4	4	41	27	4	1830											
15	100	450	54	1300	1033	1033	20	208	208	26	20	153	64	26	2	2	136	2	2	136	136	100	12	10	124	51	7	5	2398											
16	96	535	824	32	1800	1200	1200	50	208	208	24	20	180	136	24	1	1	78	1	1	100	100	72	7	71	29	9	3367												
17	72	138	20	1300	600	600	45	208	208	12	7	105	25	12	2	74	100	100	63	5	2	7	54	14	4	1341														
18	400	100	950	62	2606	2350	2350	30	384	384	47	282	46	47	3	2	93	2	2	136	136	103	8	76	72	14	8	4743												
19	321	166	12	1000	230	230	160	45	4	30	1	4	12	2	6	2	803																							
19117	29342	54156	2776	42300	35550	960	36514	2705	6237	5862	756	505	5359	3709	756	152	64	62	4205	70	63	5062	5042	4775	393	177	218	3905	2085	72	242	10	514	125	955	227	172930			

DALLAS:

- 1 Corsicana, M. E. McMillan
- 2 Denison: Haven Chapel, C. W. Smith
- 3 Ferris-Lancaster: S. M. Cleaver

- 4 Dallas: St. Luke, L. S. Lamb
- 5 Dallas: St. Paul, I. B. Loud
- 6 Dallas: Trinity, J. B. Phoenix
- 7 Dallas: Warren, C. D. Owens
- 8 Fort Worth: Cogswell, Abrom McGill
- 9 Fort Worth: Cowan, K. W. McMillan

- 10 Ft. Worth: St. Andrews, J. H. Carruthers
- 11 Fort Worth: Thompson, W. W. Baker
- 12 Mexia: Jones, Wm. L. Shaw
- 13 Mexia Ct.: J. F. Muse
- 14 Milford-Italy, H. L. Foy
- 15 Pelham Ct.: S. G. Pharms

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- 17 Waxahachie-Ennis, E. H. Carter
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1	3	10	58	8	1			6		66		4	13	12	10		7	46	25	8				1	89		2	Yes	36	1		29			1	1	6000	4000				
2	68	91	159	902	30	5		3	3	931		18	42	95	36	51	38	280	198	18	27	19	29	1	198		38	Yes	200	1	58	359	1	53	25	1	97000	10000		20520		
3	4	21		121		2	2	2		123		9						36	32			16	59	2				Yes		3	18	150	1	7	1	2	1400	3200				
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9	36	4	65	1307	20	7	26	25	2	4	1329	30	36	130	66	11	86	354	250		40	27	50	1	100		18	Yes	150	1	110	967	1	66	30	1	140000	19000	22000			
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†Total (or Carried Forward)

††Total Last Year

\*Increase \*\*Decrease

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				Salary Estimated, for Pastor and Associate (s) at Beginning this Yr.	Paid Pastor	Paid Associate Pastor (s)	Total Paid Pastor and Associate Pastor (s)	Paid Pastor's Travel and Expense Fund	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned				Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Accepted																	Paid	World Service	Conference	Other					
42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	73	74	75								
1		641	78	1800	1800		1800	35	288	288	36	36	270	270	36		4	3	140	3	3	169	169	171		3			140	30		8		30					3680									
2	5892	973	5394	738	5200	5200	5200	523	832	832	104	104	780	780	104		18	15	314	14	14	788	788	788		11			500									22096										
3	704	400	150	45	1200	1200	1200		192	192	24	15	180	93	24		3	3	116	3	3	140	140	140		8	7		80	45		5		20				3229										
4			50	25	1300	1300	1300		208	208	26	10	195	185	26		3	2	95	2	2	112	112	112		10	6		92	21				20				2141										
5			191	42	2000	1900	1900		320	320	38	5	300	50	38		2	2	72	2	2	172	172	172		5		1	142	140			25				3041											
6			161	36	300	300	300		50	50	6	6	45	60	6		1	1	49	1	1	57	57	57		1	3		50	10		2	10				798											
7		409	112	31	1850	1800	1800	273	280	280	36	18	278	100	36	9	1	1	72	1	1	175	175	175		7			152	70		2					3513											
8	450	40	218	25	1100	1100	1100	75	384	328	22	18	165	66	22		1	1	94	1	1	110	110	110		3			106	35		14					2690											
9		3608	43	27	1080	980	980	60	172	172	22	2	162	98	22		1	1	46	1	1	110	110	125		2	6		102	20		2	20				5316											
10			75	25	1000	700	700		160	120	20		150		22		1	1	49	1	1	82	82	41		1			50								1064											
11		1300	1662	200	3000	3000	130	3130	900	563	60	60	450	450	60		8	7	472	7	7	550	550	587		10	30	5	500	71		5	100				10067											
12	3392	815	3417	208	4200	4200	4200		672	672	84	84	630	630	84	84	17	15	616	14	14	721	721	721		66	39	15	589	183		30	100			84	15991											
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1	394	150	84	18	1000	900	230	160	160	20	20	150	60	20	.....	1	1	109	1	1	50	50	55	.....	1	.....	.....	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2197	
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3	190	1620	525	112	2600	2210	.....	416	384	52	20	390	170	52	.....	3	3	180	2	2	250	250	225	.....	1	.....	.....	230	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6015	
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5	660	8000	887	60	2860	2860	.....	458	458	57	57	429	100	57	.....	3	3	269	3	3	254	254	234	.....	10	12	.....	213	31	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14020	
6	.....	495	356	107	1500	1500	.....	240	248	30	24	225	136	30	.....	1	1	110	1	1	82	82	90	.....	.....	.....	9	81	.....	8	7	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3237	
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10	.....	230	72	33	1000	500	.....	160	160	20	.....	150	24	20	.....	1	1	234	1	1	106	106	114	.....	.....	.....	.....	98	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1470	
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| 1. Altair Ct., S. M. Franklin            | 4. Cuero, D. B. Baker            | 10. Schulenburg, D. C. Carroll               | 16. Alleytown, A. T. Hargrove    |
| 2. Yorktown, Frank Williams              | 5. Edna, A. D. Minor             | 11. Sublime Ct., Z. M. King                  | 17. Waelder Parish, Edw. Clark   |
| 3. St. Paul, Columbus, Lavelle Lowe, Jr. | 6. Goliad Parish, T. J. D. Simms | 12. Webster Chapel, Victoria, J. H. Marshall | 18. Yoakum-Shiner, L. H. Haywood |
|  | 7. Hallettsville, I. C. Greer    | 13. Belmont Ct., Marshall Majors             |                                  |
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1		30	50							50		6	10	22			38	22					2				Yes	18	2	17	22				2	2500					
2	3	9	92			2	1			101		10		7			8	27	20			5					Yes	4	1	12	14				2	2500					
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4	12			153		4		2		153		12		20	40		26	100		38			3				Yes	25	3		30			2	3	5000	8000		275		
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6	8	3	35	70	7	3				80		18	20	17	16		11	78	49		7		2				Yes	18	2	20	30		23		2	5000	500				
7			26	84						84		12		23	20		12	65	35		10		2				Yes	50	2	19	19				2	7500					
8	16	41	57	247	26	3	1		1	273	1	6	25		4	10	15	61	35	12	5	10		1			3	Yes	50	1	18	60			1	15000	5000				
9			35	121		1		2	2	115		21	18	17	24	52	24	156	108	31			2				Yes	4	2	65				32		2	6615	2100			
10				22		1	4			27		6						22	49								Yes	10							2	3500					
11	2		31	111	1				1	111		12					41						2				Yes	50	1					3	2	4000	1000				
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14	3		78	154		3	3			160		12	14	38	26	18	20	128	70	20	10	15	20	1			Yes	39	1	58	200			5	1	5000	7000	1500			
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16	20	2	22	525	3	2	3	8		526	1	21		92	86		28	222	82	12	52	18	12	1			2	Yes	100	1	84	556	1	15	10	1	100000	10000		2500	
17	17	7	90	162		3		3		162	1	16	62	49		47		174	58				2				7	Yes	38	2	36				2	12000					
†	96	66	591	2379	46	32	19	23	6	5	2491	5	291	173	391	281	130	209	1432	676	167	103	63	58	23	163		14	Yes	541	25	382	1136	3	104	29	28	204115	44100	1500	5225
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*	33	44		71		6	1	2		2		5	106	21			55	181		1	15	7	5		43						30					10915	15200				
**								2	11						67	17			92					4			14		20			367		39	22					8061	

WACO:

†Total (or Carried Forward)

††Total Last Year

\*Increase \*\*Decrease

- 1 Bowman, B. D. Lindsey
- 5 Froza Chapel, H. D. Hamilton
- 11 Rocky-Cedar, R. W. Johnson
- 2 Maysfield, G. W. Kelley
- 6 Groesbeck-Bremond, Roy Stanley
- 12 Valley Mills-Crawford, S. W. Curtis
- 3 Calvert, W. A. Webb
- 7 Hubbard-Hillsboro, H. E. Kuykendall
- 13 Bracks Chapel-Waco, G. J. Goff
- 4 Chilton-Goodville, D. T. Tucker
- 8 Marlin-Davis Chapel, G. F. Alexander
- 14 Jones Chapel-Waco, L. D. Washington
- 9 Mart-Springhill, C. J. Polk
- 15 Mt. Zion, E. J. Tanner
- 10 Moody-Gatesville, J. S. Loud
- 16 St. James, S. A. Keese
- 17 Satin-Majors, R. F. Smith



Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1956

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

	EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT								Connectional Fund				BENEVOLENCES													Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74										
	Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid Other Current Expenses, Incidentals, etc.	Paid for Ch. School Administration Lesson Materials, Supplies, etc.	Pastors and Associate Pastors				Dist. Supt.'s Fund		Episc'l Fund		Conf. Claim's'		Min. Salary Fund		General Administration	Jurisdictional Administration	Area, Conf. and Dist. Administration	Interde-nom. Co-op. Fund		World Service & Conference Benevolences			World Service Special Gifts	General Advance Specials	Week of Dedication	Fellowship of Suffering and Service	Conference Advance Specials		W.D.C.S. (Including W.S.G.) Cash Sent to Dist. & Conf. Treasurers	Methodist Student Day	Church School Rally Day	Methodist Youth Fund	Race Relations Sunday	Colleges	Wesley Foundation	Hospitals	City and Dist. Missionary Societies	All Other Benevolences
					Salary Estimated, for Pastor and Associate (s) at Beginning this Yr.	Paid Pastor	Paid Associate Pastor (s)	Total Paid Pastor and Associate Pastor (s)	Paid Pastor's Travel and Expense Fund	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned				Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Accepted																
42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	73	74	75
1	50	100	44	16	800	674	674	112	112	16	12	120	45	16	1	1	81	1	1	84	84	69	1	1	77	2	1287													
2	200	24	18	1400	600	600	168	168	28	210	28	128	1	1	128	1	1	84	84	33	43	1214																		
3	85	65	40	1300	865	865	208	208	26	18	195	129	26	2	2	131	2	2	125	125	125	3	3	115	5	1817														
4	6	8	300	200	48	48	6	4	45	24	6	42	1	1	42	1	1	28	28	21	26	381																		
5	72	28	1200	1200	192	168	24	15	180	50	24	169	1	1	139	139	124	2	128	5	1964																			
6	350	50	20	20	1200	510	510	192	160	24	10	180	35	24	66	1	1	139	139	32	128	1381																		
7	132	439	439	54	2600	2000	380	384	384	40	20	300	40	40	4	3	305	3	3	362	362	224	5	85	3	4528														
8	100	180	171	70	1600	1600	10	256	264	32	240	171	32	2	2	130	2	2	139	139	159	3	3	128	39	8	3042													
9	50	50	120	69	1200	800	800	192	140	24	2	180	20	24	88	2	139	139	67	1406																				
10	50	70	700	460	460	32	112	112	14	9	105	74	41	1	56	56	42	1	51	942																				
11	60	10	28	18	1200	775	775	192	168	24	7	180	66	24	1	1	110	1	1	139	139	90	2	2	128	10	1477													
12	75	11	52	66	1150	960	960	184	160	23	173	23	130	2	139	139	18	128	1600																					
13	50	270	325	36	1200	750	80	192	144	24	15	180	113	24	1	1	80	1	1	84	84	91	3	1	76	5	2047													
14	300	250	450	95	2080	2080	2080	355	333	333	42	42	312	312	22	3	2	202	2	2	172	172	187	5	5	180	44	10	4857											
15	400	700	225	2860	2860	2860	340	458	458	57	25	429	175	57	2	1	183	1	1	194	194	148	28	8	5	180	476	11	50	6248										
16	304	225	263	86	2600	2000	2000	17	416	416	52	71	536	536	71	13	12	588	11	11	594	594	594	3	180	10	3950													
17	1779	500	4378	120	3576	3576	3576	402	572	572	71	71	536	536	71	13	12	588	11	11	594	594	594	28	10	7	511	179	15	20	13923									
	3585	2620	7132	943	26966	21910	21910	1616	4211	4015	527	273	3955	1907	493	32	27	2656	36	26	2881	2881	2145	28	8	5	180	476	11	50	6248									

WACO:

- 1 Bowman-Longbranch, B. D. Lindsay
- 2 Calvert, W. A. Webb
- 3 Chilton Parish, D. T. Tucker

- 4 Froza, H. D. Hamilton
- 5 Groesbeck-Bremond, R. Stanley
- 6 Hubbard-Hillsboro, H. E. Kuykendall
- 7 Davis Chapel, G. F. Alexander
- 8 Mart-Springhill, C. J. Polk
- 9 Maysfield-Pt. Sullivan, Geo. W. Kelly

- 10 Moody-Gatesville, Jim Sam Loud
- 11 Rocky-Cedar, R. W. Johnson
- 12 Satin-Major, R. F. Smith
- 13 Valley Mills, S. W. Curtis
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- 15 Jones Chapel, L. D. Washington

- 16 Mt. Zion, E. J. Tanner
- 17 St. James, S. A. Keesee



Table No. 1

The Methodist Church

Statistical Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1956

C. D. Owens, Lubbock, Texas

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												CHURCH SCHOOLS												W.D.C.S.			Meth. Men		Property and Other Assets													
Baptisms		Total Full Members Reported Last Year	Received from Preparatory Membership and on Prof. of Faith	Received from Other Denominations	Received by Transfer from Other Methodist Churches and Res.	Removed by Death	Removed to Other Denominations	Removed by Transfer to Other Meth. Ch. and Discontinued	Total Full Members	Total Local Preachers (Incl. in Line 11)	Church School Membership					Attendance			General Information					Number of Societies (Not Guilds, Groups, or Circles)	Membership (Including Wesleyan Service Guild)	Amount Paid for Local Work	Number Chartered Groups	Membership	Number Subscribers to The Christian Advocate	Number of Preaching Places	Estimated Value of Church Building Equipment, and Land	Estimated Value of Parsonages, Furniture and Land	Estimated Value of Other Property (Incl. Cash, Bonds, etc.)	Indebt. on Bldgs., Equipment Parsonages and Current Expenses								
Infants Presented by Parents or Guardian	All Others: Children, Youth, Adults										Officers and Teachers	Nursery Home Members	Child Div. 0-11 Yrs. (Exclude Col. 14)	Youth Division—12-23 Years	Adult-Home Members	Adults (Exclude Col. 17)	Total (Add 13-18 Inclusive)	Average Attendance at Sunday School (All Ages)	Average Att. Sun. Evening Fellowship	Avg. Att. Add. Meet. Ch. School	Children	Youth	Adults												Number of Church Schools on Charge	Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Vacation Church Schools	Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Weekday Schools	Church School Memb. Joining the Church on Prof. of Faith	Are All Lesson Material used App. by the Meth. Church	Church School Offering for World Ser. and Conf. Bene.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41		
1	3	6	30	50	12	4	.....	1	6	3	95	.....	8	10	20	12	9	4	63	45	4	22	4	8	1	42	1	7	Yes	15	1	26	472	1	18	4	1	20000	9500	.....	1977	
2	1	6	9	30	1	3	6	.....	.....	.....	55	1	8	10	16	8	12	14	58	25	10	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	Yes	40	1	5	82	.....	10	1	1	25000	5000	.....	1987	
3	1	.....	11	46	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	48	.....	5	.....	7	11	.....	4	27	14	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	Yes	10	1	7	260	1	.....	3	1	10000	1000	.....	7000		
4	1	.....	46	127	17	.....	.....	3	.....	8	133	.....	9	12	10	19	10	4	55	36	.....	12	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	3	Yes	40	1	47	600	.....	.....	9	1	35500	4000	.....	597	
5	12	17	29	116	6	20	.....	1	7	10	124	1	6	.....	18	19	.....	16	59	40	14	20	14	15	1	112	.....	6	Yes	10	1	27	44	.....	10	3	1	35000	15000	20000	2500	
6	4	3	33	67	3	1	2	1	3	2	67	1	5	10	11	6	10	3	53	30	6	2	4	4	1	20	.....	3	Yes	20	1	12	300	1	8	2	1	20000	8000	.....	1283	
7	2	1	37	127	5	2	.....	2	.....	.....	132	1	8	20	15	9	4	15	71	35	20	10	7	15	1	30	20	2	Yes	20	1	15	500	1	12	5	1	20000	5000	.....	.....	
8	2	7	30	220	12	3	.....	1	2	.....	232	1	10	.....	25	23	.....	12	70	40	10	.....	10	15	1	.....	25	.....	Yes	25	2	20	58	1	15	6	1	52000	8500	.....	80	
9	2	.....	20	.....	.....	26	10	.....	3	5	36	.....	7	.....	12	4	.....	5	28	18	.....	4	10	4	1	35	.....	.....	Yes	.....	1	4	90	.....	.....	6	2	3400	.....	.....	2000	
†	28	40	235	783	56	59	21	10	21	28	922	5	66	62	116	111	45	77	604	283	64	70	79	61	9	239	51	22	Yes	162	10	112	2406	5	73	39	10	220900	56000	20000	15344	
††	27	14	158	608	17	31	38	13	9	21	710	3	48	31	102	188	26	59	385	269	32	36	35	36	8	193	43	21	Yes	242	8	106	1165	3	85	44	9	197000	55000	21500	23684	
*	1	26	77	175	39	28	.....	.....	12	7	212	2	18	31	14	23	19	18	319	14	32	64	44	25	1	46	8	1	Yes	.....	2	6	1241	2	.....	.....	1	23900	1000	.....	.....	
						17	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	5	.....	.....	.....	8500	8340

- WESTERN:
- 1. Amarillo, J. A. Wills
  - 2. Abilene, C. J. Houston
  - 3. Brownwood, R. L. Palmer
  - 4. El Paso, M. T. Reed
  - 5. Lubbock, I. C. Loud
  - 6. Midland, E. M. Cooper
  - 7. Odessa, J. W. Morgan
  - 8. San Angelo, L. E. Muse
  - 9. Hobbs-Lovington, A. C. Williams
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Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1956

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42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	73	74	75
1	566	393	32	1786	1786	1786	100	287	284	36	25	268	140	36	1	1	79	1	1	104	104	107	8	5	5	85	40	2	10									3670		
2	296	1143	4167	46	3120	2560	3120	341	499	388	62	27	468	148	62	1	1	85	1	1	48	48	60			2	54	60	8	19									9967	
3		290	59	25	1500	1500	1500	240	93	30	5	225	30	30	1	1	76	1	1	92	92	92			5	81				30									2289	
4				20	2600	2600	2600	185	416	416	52	20	390	200	52	4	3	94	3	3	250	250	272																	1130
5		20	70	40	1000	1000	1000																																	7726
6	1968	450	750	50	2860	2860	2860	75	458	458	57	57	429	290	57	4	3	214	3	3	202	202	218			5	5	186	95	5	20	10							6181	
7	885	350	1400	100	2600	2600	2600	75	416	316	52	30	390	200	52	1	1	90	1	1	60	60	86					106	40										6071	
8	1102	1000	600	60	2600	2600	52	2652	75	416	216	52		390		1	1	48	1	1	84	84	114			10	3	128	40	5		12							489	
9	20	10	50	30	500	300	300		50	50	6		45		6					1		18	18	18				11											7545	
10	1000	200	1335	50	3000	3000	3000	50	480	440	60	60	450	540	60	7	4	255	5	5	286	286	307			5	9	255				23								
	5837	3453	8824	453	21566	20806	52	21418	901	3262	2561	407	224	3055	1548	407	20	15	941	17	16	1144	1144	1274	8	25	47	1110	275	10	52	116						49138		

WESTERN:

- 1. Abilene, Charles J. Houston
- 2. Amarillo, J. A. Wills
- 3. Brownwood, R. L. Palmer

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- 6. Lubbock, I. C. Loud, Jr.
- 7. Midland-Hollowell, E. M. Cooper
- 8. Odessa, J. W. Morgan
- 9. Rosco & Colorado, N. C. Scott
- 10. San Angelo, L. E. Muse



**WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT  
CONFERENCE YEAR 1955 - 1956**

	DISTRICTS							Total
	Austin	Dallas	San Antonio	Victoria	Waco	Western		
Spiscopal Fund	\$ 379.00	\$ 455.00	\$ 530.00	\$ 227.00	\$ 263.00	\$ 224.00	\$ 2,078.00	
Conference Claimants	2,378.00	3,303.75	4,296.00	1,206.00	2,014.00	1,439.00	14,636.75	
Pension Reserve Fund		4.00		39.00			43.00	
1. Church	160.00	15.00	133.00	42.00	5.00	90.00	445.00	
2. Pastor - 2% Pastor's Salary			5.00				5.00	
Minimum Support:		130.00	93.00				223.00	
Sustentation	6.00	79.00				2.00	87.00	
General Administration Fund								
Jurisdiction Fund								
World Service:	3,927.00	5,796.00	8,146.00	2,147.00	2,881.00	1,568.00	24,735.00	
Conference Benevolence								
General Benevolence								
Fourth Sunday		132.38	83.00	59.00		25.50	299.88	
Advance Specials	3,756.00	3,928.00	4,467.00	1,879.00	1,999.00	1,021.00	17,050.00	
Rally Day	49.00	226.95	155.00	29.00	75.00	81.40	616.85	
Week of Dedication	40.00	177.00	193.00	43.00	37.00	22.00	512.00	
World Communion	47.00	198.50	27.25	12.00	97.00	47.00	428.75	
Methodist Student Day	10.00	71.00	42.00	29.00	25.00	43.00	220.00	
Race Relations	173.00	457.00	735.00	49.00	106.00	83.00	1,603.60	
M. Y. F. Funds		10.00	2.00	10.00			22.00	
DISTRICT PARSONAGE		403.75					439.75	
M. C. O. R.								
Disrict Administration	26.00	94.00			1,383.00		1,503.00	
Minister's Wives Assn.	451.00	1,218.15	734.25	103.60	314.00	379.00	3,200.00	
Total	\$11,402.00	\$16,700.08	\$19,641.50	\$6,144.60	\$9,235.50	\$5,024.90	\$68,148.58	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>								

I. B. Loud, Treasurer  
Post Office Box 934, Dallas, Texas  
May 26, 1956



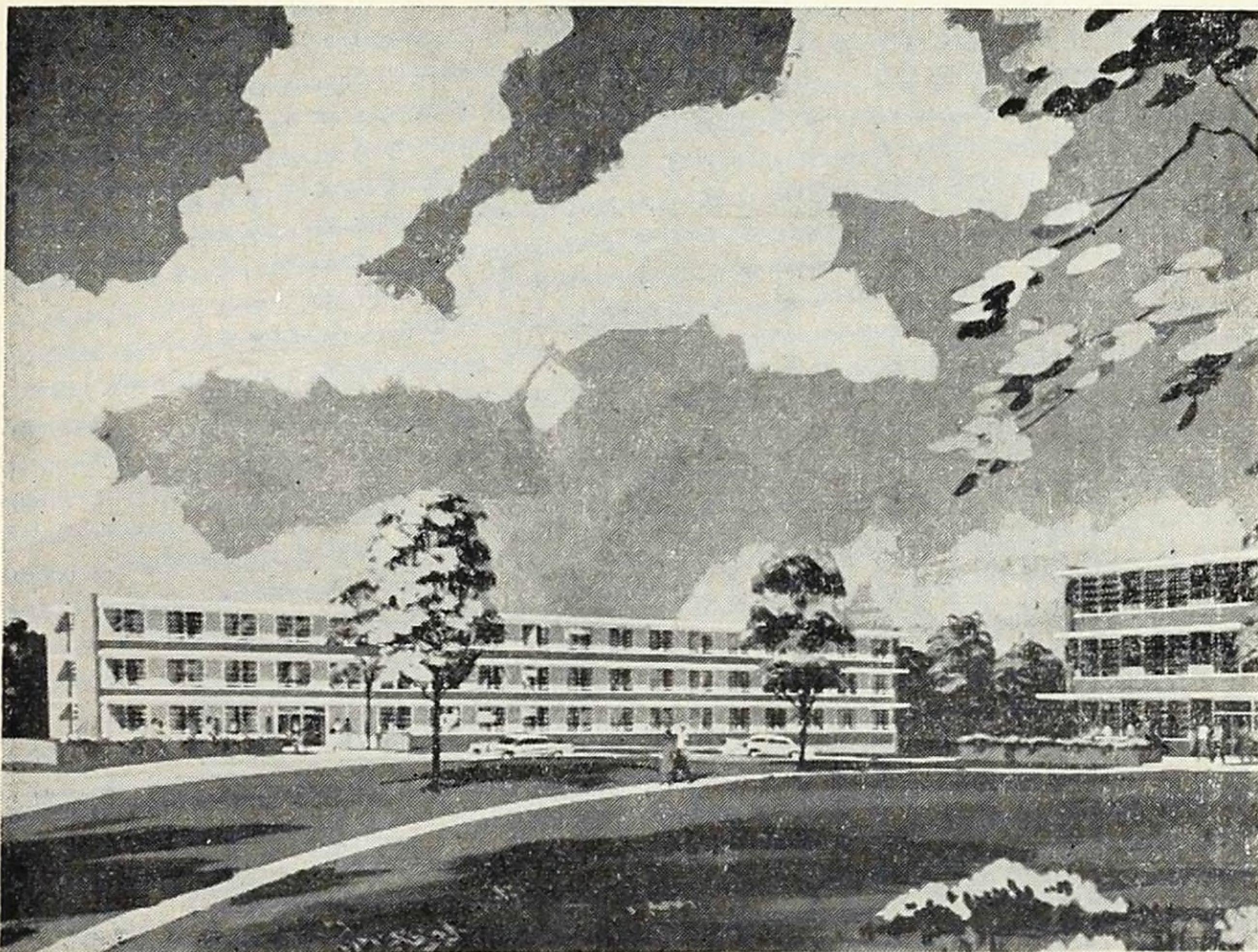








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Short Term.....June 3-July 13, 1957  
Long Term.....June 3-August 3, 1957

## FALL TERM

Septemebr 9, 1957







