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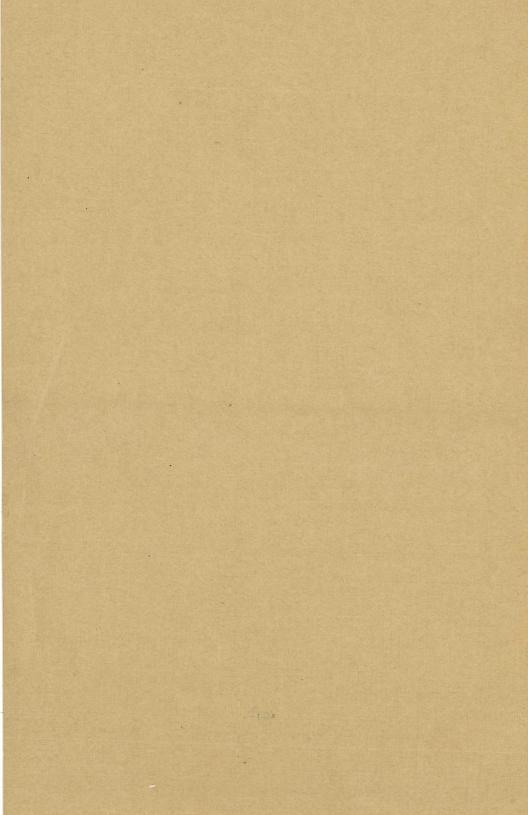
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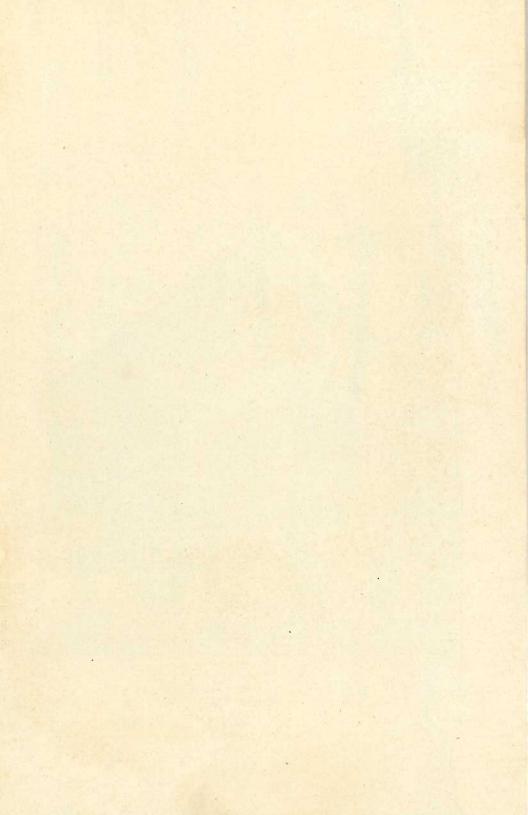
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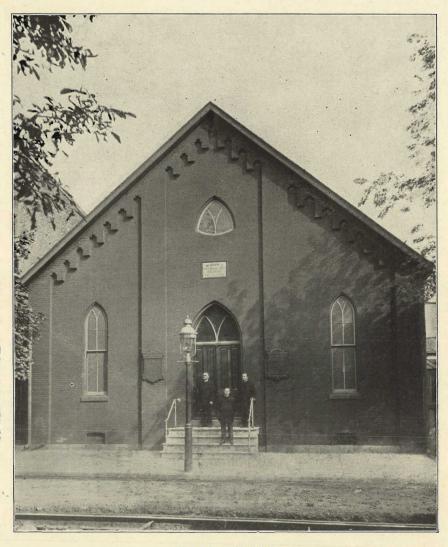
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Business Rules of the Conference.

- 1. Two sessions shall be held daily, as follows: From 8 to 11:30 a.m., and from 1 to 5 p.m.
- 2. The Chairman shall take his seat precisely at the time to which the Conference adjourned, open and conduct the devotional exercises. The Secretary shall call the roll, and read the minutes of the preceding session, after which business shall proceed as follows:
- (a) Committee Reports.(b) Petitions.(c) Unfinished Business.(d) Miscellaneous Business.
- 3. Anyone wishing to speak shall rise and respectfully address the Chair. In case more than one should address the Chair at the same time, the Chairman shall decide who is entitled to the floor.
- 4. No one shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes on any subject unless he receives permission by the Chair.
- 5. No one shall speak the second time until all who desire have spoken. He shall then ask permission of the Chairman.
 - 6. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to preserve order.

COMMITTEES.

Committees appointed by the Chairman, subject to the approval of the Conference:

- 1. Committee on Worship.
- 2. Committee on Communication.
- 3. Committee on Finance.
- 4. Committee on Statistics.
- 5. Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Records.
- 6. Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records.
- 7. Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders.
- 8. Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries.
- 9. Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License.
 - 10. Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination.
 - 11. Committee on Resolutions.
 - 12. Auditing Committee.
 - 13. Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

(Appointed by Conference.)

STANDING COMMITTEES.

- (a) Appointed by the Chairman.
- 1. Committee on Camp Meeting Equipage.
- 2. Board of Publication and Printing.

(b) Elected by Ballot.

- 1. Committee over the Presiding Elders.
- 2. Executive Board.
- 3. Board of Foreign Missions.
- 4. Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home.
- 5. Board of Examiners on the Reading Course.
- 6. Beneficiary Society Officers.
- 7. Laymen's Benevolent Society Officers.

Special Laws and Resolutions.

We print here from the Records, for convenient reference, the following Laws and Regulations, together with the time of their enactment.

I.—MEMBERS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

A .- The following shall be the members of the Annual Conference:

(a) Ordained Ministers.

(b) Probationers who have charge.

(c) One delegate from each charge, elected by ballot at the last Quarterly Conference in the Conference year. [Act of General Conference, 1892.]

Each Quarterly Conference shall elect one Alternate Delegate to the Annual Conference, who shall serve in case the regular Delegate is

unable to do so. [Enacted March 7, 1898.]

It is requested that all the members of the Annual Conference shall be present at each session. In case of absence they shall submit a written report and cause of absence. [Enacted February 3, 1892.]

If a delegate fails to be present at the beginning of the Annual Conference session, except detained through sickness or accident, the Conference is not bound to recognize him as a member. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

The delegates from the Missions who expect support from the Conference shall not be members of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. [Enacted February 22, 1897.]

B.—Advisory Members.

The following shall be Advisory Members of the Annual Conference:

- (a) Annual Conference Licensed Evangelists and Missionaries.
- (b) Quarterly Conference Licensed Missionaries.
- (c) Local Workers. [Enacted February 7, 1896.]

II.—APPLICANTS AND PROBATIONERS.

A.—No applicants for the Ministry shall be received into the Conference as Probationers who are not willing to submit themselves unconditionally to the Stationing Committee or Gospel Herald Society. [Revised October 17, 1903.]

B.—All applicants for the Ministry shall be examined by one of the Presiding Elders as mutually agreed upon, on our Articles of Faith and Church Discipline at the same time and place when the Probationers are examined on the Reading Course. [Enacted February 8, 1893.]

C.—The Annual Lessons for Probationers on the Reading Course for each class shall be divided into two parts. Probationers shall be examined semi-annually by a written examination by a committee to be appointed annually by the Annual Conference for this purpose. [Enacted February 1, 1895.]

D.—The Traveling and other expenses of the Reading Course Committee and Probationers at the spring examination shall be paid out of

the Conference Fund. [Enacted October, 1906.]

E.—No Probationer shall be ordained who is not fully in line with our doctrine, with the itinerant plan, and submission to the Conference. [Enacted February 3, 1890.]

F.—Licenses shall be written and given by the Chairman of the Annual Conference and signed by the Presiding Elder, as Chairman.

III.—QUARTERLY CONFERENCE RULES.

A.—Each Pastor shall see that the Summary Financial Reports are correctly compiled and appended to the proceedings of the last Quarterly Conference of the current year.

B.+ The Presiding Elder shall nominate the Secretaries of the Quar-

terly Conference and the Quarterly Conferences shall elect them. [Enacted October 15, 1906.]

C.—All officers of Quarterly Conference who are absent from Quarterly Conference shall submit a written report and a satisfactory excuse. Failing to do this, they shall appear before the next Quarterly Conference. If such are absent the next time without submitting a written report and statement of the cause of absence, they shall be removed from office. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

D.—We will not permit any of our Quarterly Conference Licensed Workers to travel as Evangelists, except by permission of the Annual

Conference, [Enacted February 22, 1897.]

E.—The classes shall elect no ministers to any office. [Enacted Feb-

ruary 3, 1894.]

F.—No person shall be elected to the office of Deacon, Class Leader, or Sunday School Superintendent who uses or deals in tobacco. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

G.—The class leaders and stewards shall be elected shortly before, and their term of office begin immediately after, the last Quarter-

ly Conference. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

H.—The Quarterly Conference accounts of the Stewards shall be from quarter to quarter, and the reports on the schedules from October 1 to October 1. In case a pastor is changed his allowances shall end with the month of September. The pastors shall report the amounts received out of the Home Mission Fund at the Quarterly Conference. [Revised October 15, 1910.]

I.—The former pastor shall see that the rent is paid for the month of October before he moves from his charge. [Enacted October 15.

1905.]

J.—The pastors shall leave their former charge as soon as possible after the Conference. [Enacted October 15, 1905.]

IV.—BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

Executive Board.—An Executive Board, consisting of five unconditional men shall be elected annually, who shall have power to act as Trustees with authority to purchase, hold, sell or otherwise dispose of personal property and real estate in behalf of the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania. [Enacted October 8, 1908.]

Foreign Missions.—A.—A Board of Foreign Missions consisting of five shall be elected annually. The President shall call and preside over the meetings of the board held annually or oftener. The Secretary shall communicate with the Foreign Missionaries and report to the Annual Conference. The Treasurer shall report the financial standing of the treasury to the Board.

B.—Each Pastor shall continue to hold a Harvest Home Service at each appointment annually, and speak on Foreign Missionary Work. These services shall be held soon after the Annual Conference, and a subscription for Foreign Missions shall be taken on the occasion, to be collected before February 1. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]*

C.—The Pastor shall see that the Superintendent of each Sunday School appoint a "Missionary Day" annually. In this service the necessity of establishing and supporting Foreign Missions shall be impressed upon the minds of the children, and a collection taken up for the same. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

*Note. The members of our Church shall be respectfully recommended to forward their funds for the Foreign Missionaries through the Foreign Missionary Board and not to the missionaries directly, which would lessen or cause to neglect their contributions in the direct channel provided by Conference for the support pledged to our respective missionaries.

D .-- The Treasurer of the Home and Foreign Funds shall be authorized to loan money without interest out of these funds to the M. P. E. of the Gospel Workers Society, according to the judgment of the Treasurer and Presiding Elders.

Orphanage and Home. A. The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Trustees consisting of eight ordained ministers and four laymen who shall have full charge of all the arrangements and management of the Orphanage and Home. They shall be elected for a term of two years. They shall be so elected that the term of office of four preachers and two laymen expires at each Annual Conference.

B .- The money paid to any pastor for our Orphanage and Home shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, through the Secretary. The Secretary shall credit it on the Records and the Treas-

urer shall acknowledge it. [Enacted October 12, 1906.]

C .- The Pastor, or somebody appointed by him, shall hold a Special Service at each appointment, on which occasion the Annual Offering for the Poor shall be received, to be paid into the treasury of the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home. All moneys collected for charitable purposes, not paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home shall be included in the report of the Treasurer of the local Board of Trustees. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

D .- In case there are any poor in any class that need help beyond that given them by their respective classes, the deacon on that charge where there is one, or the pastor where there is no deacon, shall make known the nature of the need to the President of the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home, who shall bring the matter before the Board. The Board shall assist as they deem it advisable. [Enacted October 15, 1910.]

Camp Meetings .- A .- The advisability of having boarding stands at the various camp meetings shall be left to the decision of the Presiding Elder. [Enacted September 17, 1900.] There shall be a General Camp Meeting Committee, consisting of two Presiding Elders and the Chairman of each Camp Meeting Committee, to which matters that may refer to Camp Meetings in general may be referred. [Enacted October, 1906.] The collections for Camp Meetings shall be reported by the Chairman of the General Camp Meeting Committee and be recorded by themselves on the Summary Statistical Report. [Enacted October

B.—All bills of camp meeting expenses shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Committee in an itemized form giving date of all expenses. The Secretary shall have the bill O. K'd. by the Chairman of the Committee and issue an order on the Treasurer, who shall pay such orders when properly signed by the Chairman and Secretary of

the Committee.

The Secretary shall enter the bills in his book as they are submitted, and also enter all money as it is received, giving date, and name of party from whom such money is received, making the Camp Meeting Committee creditor for all money received and debtor for all money paid out. He shall also compile a summary of receipts and expenses at the end of the record of all expenses for the year.

The Treasurer shall make himself debtor in his book for all the various amounts of money as they are received and creditor for all money paid out, giving date and name of party or parties from whom the money is received and date and name of party or parties and number of order to whom money is paid. [Enacted October 10, 1908.]

Camp Meeting Equipage.-The Chairman of the Annual Conference shall appoint a committee of four who, under the direction of the Presiding Elders, shall have charge of the Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits. In case there is more collected at a camp meeting than is needed to pay all expenses, the balance shall be paid to the Treasurer through the Secretary. The Committee shall purchase Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle outfits as needed under the direction of the Presiding Elders. All expenses in connection with Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits shall be paid out of this fund. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

Publication and Printing.—A.—The Chairman shall appoint a committee of three as a Board of Publication and Printing. This committee shall have charge of the Annual Conference Fund. [Revised October 15, 1910.]

B.—An offering shall be lifted once a year in a prayer meeting, in each class by their respective class-leaders for this Fund. The pastor in charge shall bring the same to the Annual Conference. [Enacted October 20, 1902.]

C.—The Annual Conference shall supply class books, steward's books, rent books, trustee books, and all the other account books for the different charges to be paid for out of the Conference Fund. [Enacted October 15, 1906.] Also the expenses of materials used by the Secretary of the Annual Conference. [Enacted October 15, 1910.]

Secretary of the Annual Conference. [Enacted October 15, 1910.]
D.—All expenses of committees of investigations, appointed by the
Presiding Elder, shall be paid out of the Conference Fund. [Revised

October 17, 1903.]

Gospel Worker Society.—A.—A free-will offering shall be lifted for the Gospel Workers in each class at a monthly prayer meeting held by their respective class-leaders. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

B.—Each class shall lift a free-will offering for the Missionary Pre-

siding Elder every Quarter. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]

C.—Whenever the Gospel Worker Society turns one or more missions over to the church, a committee, consisting of the Presiding Elders, Treasurer, and Missionary Presiding Elder, shall appraise the personal property or real estate belonging to said mission in case the Church chooses to buy said property, paying the same out of the Home Mission treasury. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

Journals.—A.—The Annual Conference minutes shall be published only in the Conference Journal. The Secretary shall be privileged to curtail them as he sees fit and have them published in the Gospel Banner. [Revised October 14, 1907.]

B.—The pastors shall pay their Conference Journals within one week after they receive them. [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

C.—The Secretary shall send Journals to our Foreign Missionaries and also the local Railroad Companies. [Enacted October 12, 1908.]

D.—The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall also be Editor of the Conference Journal of the same session.

E.—The Editor of the Conference Journal shall arrange a brief report of the Sunday services at the Annual Conference to be published in the Conference Journal. [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

V.—SPECIAL SERVICES.

A.—Matrimony.—Each pastor shall preach a sermon on Matrimony at each appointment on his charge in the first year.

B.—The Lord's Coming.—Believing that the coming of the Lord is rapidly approaching, therefore we recommend our ministers to give still more earnest prominence to this blessed hope of the church as we see the Day approaching. [Enacted February 4, 1894.]

C.—As the Scriptures contain a number of instances where children of Godly parents were formally and publicly dedicated to the Lord,

(1 Sam. 22:28; Mark 10:13-16,) we heartily encourage our people to dedicate their children to the Lord by prayer and laying on of the hands of the Elders, who shall then furnish proper certificates. [Enacted October 5, 1901.]

D.—Class Meetings.—Each pastor shall hold a class meeting four times a year in each class, and read the general rules or get them read once a year. [Discipline, page 72.]

E.—Camp Meetings.—Camp meetings shall be held annually according to the decision of the Presiding Elders and pastors of their respective districts.

F.—Sunday School Conventions.—One or more Sunday School Conventions shall be held annually. The officers shall be elected at the Annual Conference. The committee on programme shall meet six weeks before the convention to arrange a programme. Each Sunday School shall be represented by the Superintendent, and one delegate from the laity. The Superintendents, Delegates and Essayists shall have their fares paid. Each Superintendent shall take up a liberal collection to defray the expenses of the convention. [Enacted October 29, 1904.]

G.—Funerals.—We recommend our ministers not to officiate at Sunday funerals, and use their influence strongly against the same. [Enacted October 29, 1904.]

VI.—SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

A .- Foreign Missions.

(a) Foreign Missionary Offering-Annual.

(b) Missionary Day in Sunday School-Semi-annual.

B .- Home Missions.

(a) Home Missionary Offering-Annual.

(b) Missionary Presiding Elder—Quarterly.

(c) Gospel Workers' Society-Monthly.

C .- Offering for the Poor-Annual.

D .- Beneficiary Fund-Annual.

E .- Conference Fund-Annual.

VII.-MISCELLANEOUS.

A.—Transfers.—When a good standing member moves from one class to another, his or her name shall be transferred at once. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

B.—Each pastor shall bring an itemized report to the Annual Conference, according to the form of the report of the Financial Secretary.

C.—No charges shall be brought against any Annual Conference member which have not been recorded in the Quarterly Conference proceedings of their charge, except such as have been committed or discovered since the last quarterly conference. [Enacted February 1, 1891.]

D.—Each pastor shall record the mailing lists of the subscribers of the "Gospel Banner" and "Gospel Herald" in a book together with an accurate statement of the account of each subscriber to be transferred to his successor. [Enacted October 15, 1906.]

E.—The Financial Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be Secretary of the Home Mission Fund. [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

F.—Beneficiary Fund.—We recommend each Pastor to make a special effort to swell the Beneficiary Fund to assist the worthy widows of our deceased pastors. [Enacted October 29, 1904.]

G.—Collections.—The pastor shall have charge of the offerings for the Poor, Foreign and Home Missionary work, and Conference Fund, until the Annual Conference, unless needed sooner. The offerings for the Missionary Presiding Elder and Gospel Workers shall be delivered to the Presiding Elder at the Quarterly Conference and reported by the pastor to the Annual Conference. All collections received on a charge for the building or purchase of churches, parsonages or other purposes on another charge shall be reported by the pastor where collected. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

H.—Home Mission Funds.—Whenever any Presiding Elder desires any money from the Home Mission Treasurer, he shall inform the Secretary of the desired amount, who shall take note of the same and forward the request to the Treasurer, who shall forward the same to the Presiding Elder, up to the amount appropriated to him at the Annual Conference.

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FIRST MEETING.

THURSDAY FORENOON, OCTOBER 9, 1913.

The Thirtieth Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania convened in the M. B. C. Church, at Tenth and Oley Streets, Reading, Pa., opening at eight o'clock in the morning of October 9, 1913.

The first meeting was opened by singing "I Will Guide Thee With Mine Eyes," followed by a season of prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the blessing of God upon this Con-

ference session.

The Chairman, H. B. Musselman, then read a portion of the twelfth chapter of Romans, and made a very earnest address before the Conference concerning the importance of the business before us.

The following members were then enrolled:

MINISTERS.

Ordained—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, W. B. Musselman, Wm. Gehman, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel, W. S. Hottel, J. G. Shireman, F. M. Hottel, J. F. Barrall, R. L. Woodring, E. T. Shick, J. C. Roth, W. J. Fretz, R. Bergstresser, H. K. Kratz, O. S. Hillegass, E. E. Kublic, P. J. Musselman, V. H. Reinhart, W. W. Zimmerman, H. L. Weiss and C. F. Snyder.

All of these were present at the opening of the first meeting except W. B. Musselman, Cleveland, O.; H. L. Weiss, Santiago,

Chile, and C. F. Snyder, Taochow, China.

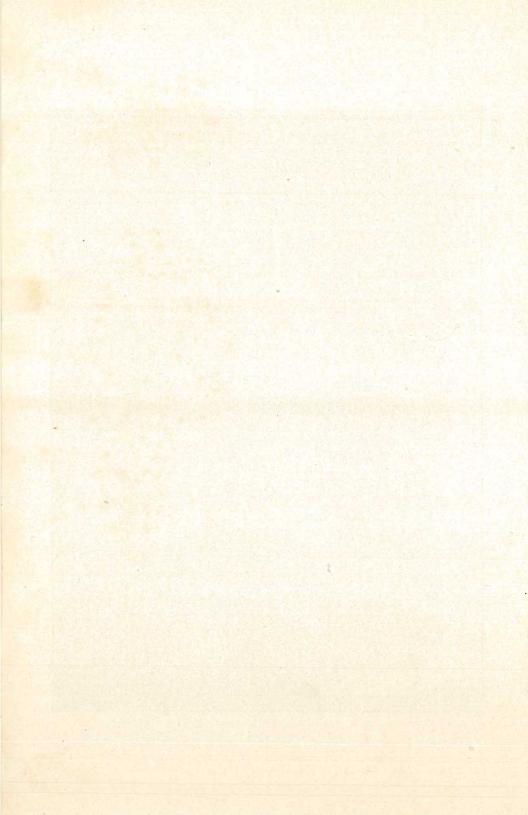
Probationers—M. W. Ettinger and M. H. Kline. M. H. Kline was absent.

DELEGATES.

H. L. Musselman, G. O. Billig, Wm. Schearer, S. S. Geil, Allen M. Gehman, Herbert E. Gehman, C. W. Teel, O. C. Kistler, Maurice E. Brownback, G. K. Himmelreich, H. H. Bergey, A. A. Wismer, Morris E. Stickler, John G. Weiss, A. A. Schaeffer, Alfred Deppe, Thomas Fehnel, C. E. Neff and W. D. Evert. All the delegates were present.

We shall also remember our absent Foreign Missionaries, who are members of our Church: H. L. Weiss, Mrs. H. L. Weiss, M. P. Zook, Mrs. M. P. Zook, H. W. Feldges, Mrs. H. W. Feldges, C. F. Snyder, Mrs. C. F. Snyder, also all our other missionaries sup-

MEMBERS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.



ported by our Church. Also our Missionary Presiding Elder and the Gospel Worker Society and the Gospel Herald Society.

Resolved, That the seats to the right and left of the Chair, and the first three pews throughout the church, and the basement for private meetings, constitute the Conference Bar.

The Secretary appointed his assistants as follows:

Recording Secretary, H. A. Kauffman.

Statistical Secretary, B. Bryan Musselman.

Financial Secretary, J. F. Barrall.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Reporter and a Timekeeper. He appointed W. J. Fretz and E. E. Kublic, respectively.

Resolved, That no member shall be permitted to leave the Conference Bar without the permission of the Chair, except F. M. Hottel and William Schearer.

The following Committees were appointed by the Chair, and approved by the Conference:

Committee on Worship—F. M. Hottel and William Schearer. Committee on Communications—E. T. Shick and W. G. Geh-

man.

Committee on Finance—J. F. Barrall, G. O. Billig and Allen

M. Gehman.

Committee on Statistics—F. M. Hottel, H. L. Musselman and E. N. Cassel.

Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Records— J. C. Roth and E. N. Cassel.

Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records—R. L. Woodring, W. S. Hottel, M. W. Ettinger, W. W. Zimmerman, E. E. Kublic, P. J. Musselman, H. H. Bergey, Thomas Fehnel, Maurice E. Brownback, A. A. Schaeffer and C. W. Teel.

Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders—William Gehman, A. A. Wismer and G. K. Himmelreich.

Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries—J. G. Shireman, O. S. Hillegass and R. Bergstresser.

Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License—E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner and W. S. Hottel.

Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination—W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel and C. H. Brunner.

Committee on Resolutions—W. S. Hottel, W. G. Gehman and J. G. Shireman.

Auditing Committee—W. J. Fretz, E. T. Shick, V. H. Reinhart, J. C. Roth, Alfred Deppe, John G. Weiss, Herbert E. Gehman, Morris E. Stickler, W. D. Evert, William Schearer, O. C. Kistler, S. S. Geil and C. E. Neff.

Committee to Audit Schedules—H. K. Kratz and J. F. Barrall.

Resolved, That the time allowed for the oral reports of each Pastor be limited to ten minutes.

The Pastors now began to submit their oral reports.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to the call of the Chair.

Adjourned with prayer by H. A. Kauffman.

SECOND MEETING.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 9, 1913.

After singing "Nearer My God to Thee," and prayer by W. S. Hottel, the roll was called and all were present.

The minutes of the preceding Meeting were read and approved. Rev. C. H. Eagle, pastor of the Evangelical Association, at Mohnton, Pa., was introduced to the Conference.

The following Reports were read and adopted:

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home. (See Reports.)

Report of the Executive Board. (See Reports.)
Report of the Beneficiary Society. (See Reports.)

Report of the Laymen's Benevolent Society. (See Reports.)

Report of the Board of Examiners. (See Reports.)

Report of the Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries. We have examined the Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries and found them all satisfactory.

> J. G. Shireman, O. S. Hillegass, R. Bergstresser, Committee.

Report of the Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records. The report was referred back to the Committee.

Report of the Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders. We, as a Committee, have examined all the Traveling Elders present and all were passed. However, in consideration of the past and present attitude of the family and, as a consequence his finances, we question the advisability of Elder P. J. Musselman being appointed as pastor in charge under the present circumstances.

Elder M. H. Kline failed to appear at this Conference, but forwarded all his accounts so far as we could ascertain.

William Gehman, G. K. Himmelreich, A. A. Wismer.

Committee.

Report of the Committee on Camp Meeting Equipage. This report was referred back to the Committee.

Report of the Committee on Worship. Resolved, That G. F. Yost shall preach first this evening followed by L. D. Wesner.

F. M. Hottel, Wm. Schearer, Committee.

Report of the Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records. We beg leave to report that we have examined all the Quarterly Conference Records and found them correct, except in the Lehighton and Weissport Records we find no mention of the passing of officers at the first Quarterly Conference.

We also found that the Bethlehem Class recommends B. Bryan Musselman to this Annual Conference as a Candidate for Annual Conference License. All of which we respectfully submit,

R. L. Woodring,
W. S. Hottel,
M. W. Ettinger,
W. W. Zimmerman,
E. E. Kublic,
P. J. Musselman,
H. H. Bergey,
Thomas Fehnel,
M. E. Brownback,
A. A. Schaeffer,
C. W. Teel,
Committee.

The oral Reports of the Pastors were concluded.

The Reports of all the Pastors were very encouraging. The Lord blessed the work throughout the Conference, along all lines, spiritually, financially and numerically.

Many souls were saved, a large number of converts were bap-

tized and added to the Church.

The offerings for Home and Foreign Missions have been wonderful, being \$10,378.78, or about $11\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. higher than last year.

The total offerings throughout the Conference for all purposes

averaged \$42.11 per member.

This is marvellous indeed when we take into account all the many young people and children unable to earn anything towards these large and liberal offerings.

The attendance at the church services, prayer meetings, Sunday Schools and open air services throughout the Conference are

on the increase.

The following young brethren were now presented to the Annual Conference as Applicants for Annual Conference License: B. Bryan Musselman, recommended by the Bethlehem Quarterly Conference, and L. D. Wesner, of Sunbury, recommended by the Gospel Herald Society through their President, W. G. Gehman.

These brethren have passed a very thorough examination on Discipline. They expressed the nature of their call and consecra-

tion, to the entire satisfaction of the Conference.

The time was extended indefinitely.

These brethren were referred to the Committee on Applicants. Resolved, That we have a private session this evening commencing at 7:45 o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by J. G. Shireman.

THIRD MEETING (Private).

THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 9, 1913.

This meeting was opened at 7:45 P.M. with prayer by J. C. Roth.

The roll was called with all present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following reports were read and adopted:

Report of the Committee on Camp Meeting Equipage. (See Reports.)

Report of the Committee on Finance. (See Reports.)

Report of the Bethlehem District Sunday School Convention. (See Reports.)

Report of the Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention.

(See Reports.)

Report of the Annual Ministerial Convention. (See Reports.) Report of the Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention. (See Re-

ports.)

Report of the Committee to Examine the Annual Conference Minutes. We beg leave to submit the following report: We have learned that a Committee appointed at the last Conference to examine and correct the Minutes have examined them and we have learned that they are correct, therefore we did not examine them.

J. C. Roth. E. N. Cassel, Committee.

Resolved. That the three following resolutions be Standing Rules:

Resolved, That all bills of Camp Meeting expenses be submitted to the Secretary of the Committee in an itemized form, giving date of all expenses. The Secretary shall have the bill O. K'd. by the Chairman of the Committee and issue an order on the Treasurer, who shall pay such orders when properly signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Committee.

The Secretary shall enter the bills in his book as they are submitted, and also enter all money as it is received, giving date, and name of party from whom such money is received, making the Camp Meeting Committee creditor for all money received and debtor for all money paid out. He shall also compile a summary of receipts and expenses at the end of the record of all ex-

penses for the year.

The Treasurer shall make himself debtor in his book for all the various amounts of money as they are received and creditor for all money paid out, giving date and name of party or parties from whom the money is received, and date and name of party or parties, and number of order to whom money is paid.

Resolved, That, whenever any Presiding Elder desires any money from the Home Mission Treasurer, he shall inform the Secretary of the desired amount, who shall take note of the same and forward the request to the Treasurer, who shall forward the same to the Presiding Elder, up to the amount appropriated to him at the Annual Conference.

Resolved, That all expenses in connection with tabernacle outfits and expenses in connection with Camp Meeting Equipage shall be paid out of the Camp Meeting Equipage Fund.

Resolved, That the Secretary ask the publishers of the "Gospel Herald" and "Gospel Banner" to furnish each pastor with a copy of the mailing list of the subscribers in his charge through the Presiding Elders.

Report of the Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License. We beg leave to report that we have examined B. Bryan Musselman and L. D. Wesner and found them satisfactory, and recommend them to the Annual Conference for Annual Conference License.

> E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner, W. S. Hottel, Committee.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions—

Whereas, M. H. Kline failed to appear at the Fall Examination, and also at this Annual Conference Session, but has forwarded his accounts properly and feels his incapability of doing pastoral work, therefore,

Resolved, That we drop his name from the roll of probationers.

W. S. Hottel, W. G. Gehman, J. G. Shireman, Committee.

Adjourned with prayer by E. N. Cassel.

FOURTH MEETING.

FRIDAY FORENOON, OCTOBER 10, 1913.

This meeting was opened by singing "Till He Come," and prayer by J. C. Roth.

The roll was called, all being present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following Reports were read and adopted:

Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. (See Reports.)

Report of the Board of Publication and Printing. (See Reports.)

Report of the Chairman of the General Camp Meeting Committee. (See Reports.)

Report of the Chairman of the General Conference Fund. (See Reports.)

Report of the Committee on Statistics. This report was referred back to the Committee.

Report of the Committee to Audit Schedules. This report was referred back to the Committee.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of three to draw up resolutions concerning the reports and services of the Presiding Elders.

The Chair appointed E. N. Cassel, J. C. Roth and R. L. Wood-

ring.

The Reports of the Presiding Elders were now heard.

W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carmel District and President of the Gospel Herald Society, gave his oral statistical and financial reports, which were adopted. (See Reports.) H. B. Musselman, Presiding Elder of the Bethlehem District,

H. B. Musselman, Presiding Elder of the Bethlehem District, also submitted his oral and financial reports, which were adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Missionary Presiding Elder was read before the Conference.

Report of the Special Committee on Resolutions. We beg leave

to submit the following report:

We have listened with interest and pleasure to the report of W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carmel District and President of the Gospel Herald Society. He reported that the work in his district is moving forward. The pastors stand by well, the prayer meetings are largely attended, the work has been solidified. Large and interesting open air meetings are held in many places. A Camp Meeting of 76 tents was held in Mizpah Grove, where the Word was preached with liberty, and souls have been saved, and much good has come from this meeting. The regular offerings have not fallen off in spite of the heavy expenses at many places where churches and parsonages are being built or bought. A church is in course of erection at Stroudsburg, a parsonage has been bought at Walnutport.

The Heralds are self-sacrificing men, satisfied with almost anything. Many souls have been saved in the Missions. The debts on the Mission properties have been reduced considerably.

A Camp Meeting of 71 tents was held at Shamokin, which was better attended than at any time, and the blessing of it is felt in

many of the Missions. Successful tent meetings have been held

at many places and open air services are largely attended.

H. B. Musselman, Presiding Elder of the Bethlehem District, submitted his report to this Conference, which was highly encouraging, making mention of the encouragement of the pastors and the prospects of our young people throughout the Conference. He reported that two Camp Meetings were held in Mizpah Grove, where 169 and 153 tents were occupied respectively. These Camp Meetings were the most blessed ever held, being successful in every respect. Tabernacle meetings have been held at Catasaugua with grand results. The offerings in the entire district were very large. The finances in all the classes are in excellent shape. The ministry is better united than ever, with love and unity prevailing among the two districts. A school house was purchased at Harlevsville, Pa., by one of the former members of the class for the holding of regular services by the Harleysville class. This was received by the class as a God-send. Be it therefore

Resolved, That we praise God for the victories won in both districts of the Church, as well as by the Herald Society, and glorify God for His mercy and love that He has shown toward us; for the souls that have been saved and believers edified, and for all that has been accomplished through the power and grace of God and, further

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the self-sacrifice and labor of W. G. Gehman and H. B. Musselman, and for the devotion manifested and, further be it

Resolved, That we sincerely and unitedly appreciate the conscientiousness, honest frankness, patience and untiring labors of our Presiding Elders, and for the unity that exists among the ministry, and that we pray God for His continued blessing on them and their labors.

W. B. Musselman, Missionary Presiding Elder and President of the Gospel Worker Society, of Cleveland, Ohio, reported by letter, stating that he had wished and determined to be present at the Annual Conference but, due to business pressure connected with the publishing house affairs, did not find it convenient to do so. He states that he never felt greater love for the brethren of the Conference than at the present time, and that the best of feeling toward the Conference exists throughout the Society. He has now about 45 workers in the Society, that are members of the Mennonite Church. This does not represent half the number of workers in the Society.

They also have many new applicants for the Society under consideration. Many have been saved, sanctified and healed throughout the year, and the missions look bright. They are branching

out in publishing literature so that they now print a Roumanian monthly, besides the Wall Roll in six additional different languages, and selling more and more copies of the Scriptures and portions of the same in foreign languages; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the labors and self-sacrificing spirit of W. B. Musselman and the Gospel Workers and,

further

Resolved, That we pray the richest blessings of God to rest upon him and the Gospel Workers as well as upon all their work, and that we continue to uphold them with our prayers and offerings and, further

Resolved, That we do our utmost to secure new subscribers for the "Gospel Herald" and heartily encourage all our Sunday

Schools to introduce the "Gospel Messengers."

E. N. Cassel,
J. C. Roth,
R. L. Woodring,
Committee.

Resolved, That we proceed to the election of officers.

The roll was called for unconditional and conditional ministers, with the following result:

Unconditional—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, W. B. Musselman, William Gehman, C. H. Brunner, W. S. Hottel, E. N. Cassel, F. M. Hottel, J. G. Shireman, J. F. Barrall, R. L. Woodring, J. C. Roth, E. T. Shick, W. J. Fretz, R. Bergstresser, H. K. Kratz, O. S. Hillegass, E. E. Kublic, P. J. Musselman, V. H. Reinhart, W. W. Zimmerman, M. W. Ettinger.

Conditional—None.

The Chair appointed J. F. Barrall and R. L. Woodring as tellers.

Resolved, That we have two Presiding Elders.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Presiding Elders—H. B. Musselman and W. G. Gehman. Vice-Presiding Elders—C. H. Brunner and E. N. Cassel.

Resolved, That the rest of the officers shall be elected by nomination and ballot.

Missionary Presiding Elder—W. B. Musselman.

Chairman of the Next Annual Conference—H. B. Musselman.

Secretary of the Next Annual Conference—C. H. Brunner.

Treasurer of the Annual Conference—Allen M. Gehman.

Committee over the Presiding Elders—R. L. Woodring, W. S. Hottel and J. G. Shireman.

Adjourned with prayer by Alfred Deppe.

FIFTH MEETING.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 10, 1913.

This meeting was opened by singing "Glory to His Name," and prayer by V. H. Reinhart.

The roll was called with all present, and the minutes of the pre-

vious meeting were read and approved.

The Reports of the following Committees were read and

adopted:

Committee to Audit Schedules. We have audited the schedules and found them all correct, except a slight error in addition on the South Allentown schedule, the sum total is \$2484.09 and should be \$2484.79.

H. K. Kratz, J. F. Barrall, Committee.

Committee on Statistics. (Read, revised and adopted.) We examined the schedules and found them all correct except Reading schedule, in membership records; Philadelphia and Norristown schedule, Norristown church was valued \$2,000.00, should be valued \$1,500.00; Royersford and Spring City schedule, New M. B. C. Sunday Schools reported, should be M. B. C. Sunday Schools. Royersford and Spring City schedule, Nazareth and Plainfield schedule, and South Allentown schedule had no General Conference collections reported. The following mistakes were found in recording the General Conference collections: Walnutport schedule reported \$1.50, should be \$2.14; Coopersburg schedule reported \$14.76, should be \$14.86; East Stroudsburg schedule reported \$5.50, should be \$6.00; Nazareth schedule reported \$7.75, should be \$6.75. Walnutport schedule reported 72 total enrollment in Sunday School, should be 64. Nazareth and Plainfield schedule reported 1 new appointment and 1 new M. B. C. Sunday School; these should not have been reported. Mt. Carmel and Northampton schedules report no Benevolent Society collections.

> F. M. Hottel, H. L. Musselman, E. N. Cassel,

> > Committee.

The election of officers was continued:

Executive Board—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel, J. G. Shireman.

Board of Foreign Missions—H. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, and Allen M. Gehman.

Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home (For two years)—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner, Allen M. Gehman, H. L. Musselman.

Whereas, Brother O. Baer has asked to be relieved from the Board on account of being unable to attend, the Conference has consented to relieve him.

H. G. Brunner was elected to serve the unexpired term of O. Baer.

Board of Examiners—E. N. Cassel, W. S. Hottel and E. T. Shick.

Board of Publication and Printing (appointed by the Chair)— J. C. Roth, C. H. Brunner and R. L. Woodring.

Camp Meeting Equipage (appointed by the Chair)—E. N. Cassel, F. M. Hottel, Allen M. Gehman, J. F. Barrall.

Resolved, That H. B. Musselman shall be Presiding Elder over the district comprising part of the Church, and W. G. Gehman Presiding Elder over the district comprising the balance of the Church and the Gospel Herald Society.

Resolved, That C. H. Brunner shall be Vice-Presiding Elder under H. B. Musselman, and E. N. Cassel shall be Vice-Presiding Elder under W. G. Gehman.

Resolved, That we hold a Ministerial Convention some time in the middle of the year, for one day.

The Presiding Elders, and one whom they shall appoint, shall constitute a committee to arrange a program and set the date.

All ordained ministers or probationers having charge of a work shall be present. A hearty invitation shall also be extended to the Ministers' wives and families.

Resolved, That we have another Ministerial Convention on the day prior to and at the same place of the next Annual Conference.

The Committee on Worship reported as follows: That E. T. Shick shall speak first this evening followed by O. S. Hillegass.

F. M. Hottel, William Schearer, Committee.

Resolved, That the two Presiding Elders and the Delegates from the Stations and Circuits constitute the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

Resolved, That we adjourn and that the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee sit this afternoon.

Brother S. S. Geil was excused from Conference until Sunday. Adjourned at 2:30 P.M. with prayer by S. S. Geil.

SIXTH MEETING.

SATURDAY FORENOON, OCTOBER 11, 1913.

This meeting was opened by singing "Forward Still," and prayer by P. J. Musselman.

The roll was called with all present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The various Boards and Standing Committees reported the election of officers, as follows:

Executive Board—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C.

H. Brunner; Treasurer, W. G. Gehman.

Board of Foreign Missions—President, H. B. Musselman; Sec-

retary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman.

Board of Trustees of the Orphanage and Home—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, W. S. Hottel; Treasurer, C. H. Brunner.

Board of Managers—H. B. Musselman, E. N. Cassel and Allen M. Gehman.

Board of Publication and Printing—President, J. C. Roth; Secretary, R. L. Woodring; Treasurer, C. H. Brunner.

Board of Examiners—President, E. N. Cassel; Secretary, W.

S. Hottel: Treasurer, E. T. Shick.

Beneficiary Society—President, W. G. Gehman; Secretary, F. M. Hottel; Treasurer, J. F. Barrall.

Committee over the Presiding Elders-Chairman, W. S. Hot-

tel; Secretary, J. G. Shireman.

Committee over Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits—Chairman, E. N. Cassel; Secretary, F. M. Hottel; Treasurer, J. F. Barrall.

The Report of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating

Committee was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

The Report of the Board of Examiners was read and adopted.

(See Reports.)

Resolved, That we permit Brother P. J. Musselman to leave at this time. We will continue to pray for him and wish him God's blessing under these his extremely trying circumstances.

The following officers were elected:

Committee on Revision of Reading Course, as per General Conference resolution—W. G. Gehman.

Board of Trustees of the Laymen's Benevolent Society—President, Allen M. Gehman; Secretary, G. O. Billig; Treasurer, H. G. Brunner.

Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention—Chairman, C. H. Brunner; Secretary, W. J. Fretz.

Committee on Program—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and J. F. Barrall.

Annual Ministerial Convention—Chairman, E. N. Cassel; Secretary, W. S. Hottel.

Committee on Program—Chairman, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; W. G. Gehman.

Resolved, That the name of G. F. Yost be presented to the Committee on Ordination as a candidate for Ordination.

Resolved, That we hold a Sunday School Convention in each Presiding Elder's District.

Resolved, That the Pastors and Delegates of each District constitute a Committee to arrange for these conventions.

Resolved, That we suspend business to the call of the Chair.

The Chair appointed E. N. Cassel, Chairman, to organize the Bethlehem District Sunday School Convention, and J. G. Shireman, Chairman, to organize the Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention.

The Conference was called to order by the Chair, and business was again resumed.

The Reports of the following Committees were read and adopted:

Report of the Committee on Ordination. We, the Committee on Ordination, beg leave to report that we have examined the brethren M. W. Ettinger and G. F. Yost and find them satisfactory, and therefore recommend them to the Conference for ordination.

W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner, Committee.

Committee on Organization of the Bethlehem District Sunday School Convention. (See Reports.)

Committee on Organization of Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention. (See Reports.)

Resolved, That M. W. Ettinger and G. F. Yost be ordained on Sunday afternoon.

Report of the Committee on Worship. The Committee on Worship begs leave to report that W. S. Hottel shall preach this evening. The Sunday morning service shall open at 9:15 A.M. At 9:45, H. B. Musselman, the Chairman of the Annual Conference, shall preach the Conference sermon. The afternoon service shall open at 2 o'clock. W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carmel District, shall preach the Ordination sermon at 2:15. The evening service shall open at 7:00 p.m. At 7:30 C. H. Brunner shall preach.

W. G. Gehman shall have charge of the forenoon service. The Chairman of the Annual Conference shall have charge of the afternoon and evening services.

F. M. Hottel, William Schearer, Committee.

Resolved, That the next Annual Conference convene at Bethlehem, Pa., at 8:00 A.M., on the third Thursday of October, 1914.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn until two o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned with prayer by E. T. Shick.

SEVENTH MEETING.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 11, 1913.

The meeting was opened by singing "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and prayer by W. D. Evert.

The roll was called with all present, and the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted, as follows:

1. Relative to our Foreign Missionaries:

Whereas, We have been favored with a full report of the work of our Missionaries in the "Regions Beyond," through the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, and have also learned, through the reports, of the Missionaries in the "Gospel Banner" how the Lord has again blessed the work in the various Mission Stations, so that souls have been added to the number of believers, and those already saved have been more established in the Word and service of the Lord, and

Whereas, The Lord has again most graciously upheld and sustained the Missionaries, spiritually and physically, amid all phy-

sical and spiritual pressure, during the past year, and

WHEREAS, They have again, during the past year, continued faithfully in their labor of love in behalf of lost souls, and have sent in reports, through the various channels, therefore

Resolved, That we enjoy these reports and unitedly praise God from Whom all blessings flow, for all the rich blessings of the

past and, further

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, continue to uphold them by our means, and still more earnestly pray for them that the favor of God may abound towards them still more and more, so that the power of God may rest upon them and that success may crown their labors, and that they may be kept in the love of God until Jesus comes.

2. Relative to the Secretary of the Annual Conference:

Whereas, Our worthy Secretary, C. H. Brunner, has so ably and efficiently acted in this capacity for a number of years, which means much tedious labor and hard mental strain, therefore

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, show our appreciation of his tireless services thus rendered by a really large, liberal offering at this time.

3. Relative to our venerable Father Gehman:

WHEREAS, Our venerable Brother, Father William Gehman, who is now past 86 years of age, has again been present at the entire session of this Annual Conference, taking a deep interest in the deliberations of the same, therefore

Resolved, That we heartily praise the Lord for so graciously preserving his life, physical strength, and whole-hearted enthusiasm in the work of the Lord and, further

Resolved, That we enjoy his presence, co-operation and hearty

fellowship with us in the work of the Lord and, further

Resolved, That we unitedly pray God to bless him abundantly, physically, mentally and spiritually, so that he may abound in the work of the Lord still more and more unto the coming of the Lord, and that he may have increased joy and happiness through life.

4. Relative to the Pastor and Members of the Reading Congregation:

Whereas, The Pastor and the Members of the Reading Class have so cordially welcomed the members of this Annual Conference, and have so cheerfully and bountifully provided for our bodily needs as well as given us such grand entertainment, therefore

Resolved, That we manifest our thankful appreciation for their love, liberality, hospitality and whole-hearted fellowship with us in this noble work, by a rising vote of thanks.

5. Relative to the "Gospel Messenger":

Whereas, The "Gospel Messenger," which is published by the Gospel Worker Society, is such a helpful Sunday School paper, being very beautifully illustrated and appropriately classified with departments, making it a splendid general Missionary paper, and

Whereas, It is offered at such low prices, and published at a sacrifice, purely for the purpose of spreading the truth, therefore

Resolved, That we earnestly encourage those of our Sunday Schools that have not as yet introduced it for free distribution, to do so at their earliest possible convenience.

6. Relative to our Annual Conference Delegates:

Whereas, The various Classes have elected and sent to this Annual Conference such noble spiritual men who are deeply con-

cerned in the work of the Lord, as Delegates, and

Whereas, These Delegates have manifested such a sincere concern for the work, not only in their own charge but in general, so that in very deed they have proved themselves worthy of the honor and responsibility the office involves, therefore

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, highly appreciate the selection of such men to this office, and encourage the various Classes to continue to select men of like character as Delegates in

the future.

W. S. Hottel,
W. G. Gehman,
J. G. Shireman,
Committee.

A liberal offering was here lifted for the labor and expense of

the Secretary, amounting to \$12.23. Thanks.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of three to formulate resolutions for publication in the "Gospel Banner," including the report of the Sunday services. The Chair appointed E. N. Cassel, W. S. Hottel and W. J. Fretz.

Resolved, That the following be made a standing rule:

The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall also be Editor of the Journal for the same year.

Resolved, That we donate to the Editor ten dollars (\$10.00)

out of the Conference Fund.

Resolved, That the Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention be held at Royersford, Pa., on Thursday, April 2, 1914.

Brother G. K. Himmelreich was excused by Conference for the

rest of this meeting.

Resolved, That the Executive Board elected at this Conference shall be, hereby, duly authorized and empowered to formulate or elect a board according to the requirements of the law in case the election of the present Executive Board is illegal.

Resolved, That all the receipts from the sale of Church Property where there is no class, shall be turned over to the Executive

Board.

Resolved, That the President of the "Gospel Herald Society" shall purchase no lot or property for Church purposes without first consulting the Executive Board and securing its consent.

Resolved, That money received for "Mizpah Grove" during the year shall be paid to the Executive Board as received, in the usual way.

Resolved, That the Church at Norristown be in charge of the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia, and the Church property at Erwinna be in charge of the Board of Trustees of Easton, Pa., and that the Church property at Hereford be under the control of the Board of Trustees of Macungie.

Resolved, That in case a church or parsonage will be built or purchased during the year, a photograph of the same shall be taken and a cut inserted in the Conference Journal of next year.

Resolved, That we print 600 Conference Journals, to be sold at 25 cents each. Any expenses in connection with the printing of the Journals, not covered by the receipts for the same, shall be paid out of the Annual Conference Fund, or any balance from the sale of them shall be paid into said fund.

Resolved, That the Secretary ask the publishers of the "Gospel Herald" and "Gospel Banner" to furnish each pastor with a copy of the mailing list of the subscribers in his charge through the Presiding Elders.

Resolved, That W. G. Gehman, the Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carmel District, hold all the Home Missionary meetings throughout the Conference, between New Year and the Camp Meetings, and take the subscription with the assistance of the respective pastors.

Resolved, That we suspend business to the call of the Chair.
The Chair called the Conference to order and business was resumed.

The Report of the Auditors was read and adopted, as follows: We beg leave to submit the following report—We have audited the following accounts: Quarterly Conference Records, Orphanage, Equipment Fund, Executive Board, Camp Meetings, Sunday School Conventions, Annual Conference Fund, Benevolent Society, Foreign and Home Missions, Presiding Elders, Gospel Herald Society, Board of Publication, and Committee on Finance.

We found all correct with the following exceptions:

Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention Secretary Book, on page 178, in adding the receipts. The amount is \$104.-58 and should be \$104.48.

Secretary's Camp Meeting Accounts, Bethlehem District, Allentown Division—an error in copying total on page 101.

Quarterly Conference Records, East Stroudsburg, on page 64—Balance in Sunday School treasury is \$6.69 and should be \$8.64; page 67 in Church Building accounts, is \$1145.90 and should be \$1145.60.

Zionsville Record, in forwarding Stewards offering to the Summary in the fourth quarter, the amount is \$76.55 and should be \$76.60.

Northampton Record, in forwarding Stewards collections from first quarter to Summary amount is \$33.50 and should be \$33.30;

also in forwarding amount of rent collectors of first quarter is \$33.30 and should be \$31.15.

W. J. Fretz,
E. T. Shick,
V. H. Reinhart,
Morris E. Stickler,
O. C. Kistler,
J. C. Roth,
Alfred Deppe,
William Schearer,
S. S. Geil,
John G. Weiss,
C. E. Neff,
Herbert E. Gehman,
W. D. Evert.

The Report of the Committee on Communications was read and adopted, as follows: We beg leave to report that we have nothing to report.

E. T. Shick, W. G. Gehman, Committee.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Fund was read and adopted. (See Reports.)

Report of Summary Statistics, compiled by the Statistical Secretary, was read. The report was referred to a Committee of three, appointed by the Chair, for examination. The Chair appointed W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel and J. C. Roth.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Adjourned with prayer by William Schearer.

EIGHTH MEETING.

MONDAY FORENOON, OCTOBER 13, 1913.

This meeting was opened by singing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and prayer by John G. Weiss.

The roll was called with all present.

The reports of the following Committees were read and

adopted:

Report of the Committee to Decide How the Statistical Secretary's Report is to be Made. We have decided that the report shall not have both a net increase and net decrease, but either one or the other, as the case may be.

W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, J. C. Roth.

Committee.

The report of the Statistical Secretary above referred to was referred to the Secretary for completion.

The Summary Report of the Statistical Secretary was read and adopted. This report shall go on the minutes, but not in the Journal.

Resolved, That all contributions received for the Benevolent Society shall be by check or money order, made payable to the

Treasurer, H. G. Brunner, Zionsville, Pa., and forwarded to the Secretary, G. O. Billig, 941 Liberty Street, Allentown, Pa.

Resolved, That the matter of arranging a place for the old records of the Church be in the hands of the Executive Board.

Report of the Committee to Compile a Report of the Conference for Publication in the "Gospel Banner."

The Thirtieth Session of the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania convened in the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, Tenth and Oley Streets, Reading, Pa., October 9, 1913, at 8 A.M.

The ministers and delegates were all present at the first meet-

ing.

The reports of the Pastors and Presiding Elders showed a marked interest and deep enthusiasm prevailing throughout the entire Church.

In every charge and mission, from the largest to the smallest, marked success was realized, if not by way of additions to the Church it was by way of a real manifest deepening of the spiritual life of the class.

Throughout the year 238 were baptized, 157 were received into Church fellowship, and the net increase of membership was 66.

Some very extensive, yet needful, alterations and repairs have been made at a number of churches which, in every instance, have

been paid for with a neat balance left in the treasury.

The ministry is well united in the bond of Christian love and fellowship, and is loyal and obedient to God and the Presiding Elders. The laity is loyal, devoted, self-sacrificing and united. Pastors and members, old and young, throughout the Conference have a mind to work, a purpose to please God, a motive to glorify the Risen Living Christ, and a strong, deep and substantial missionary spirit.

The various offerings were large. In many of them a marked increase was again realized, especially so in the Missionary Offerings. The total offerings for Home Missions for the year were \$7132.05, and for Foreign Missions in the churches and Sunday Schools \$6817.51. The grand total of all the offerings amounted

to \$68,724.56.

The former Presiding Elders and Vice-Presiding Elders were re-elected, and serve in the same Districts as heretofore.

There were only a few changes in pastors. B. Bryan Musselman, the son of Presiding Elder H. B. Musselman, of Bethlehem, and L. D. Wesner, of the Gospel Herald Society, were granted Annual Conference Licenses.

Quite a number of pastors were returned to their former charges for the fourth year. G. F. Yost, of the Gospel Herald Society, was also stationed by the Conference, being sent to Mt. Carmel, Pa. The following changes in pastors were made:

Spring City and Royersford, J. F. Barrall; Fleetwood, Blandon and Terre Hill, B. Bryan Musselman; Lehighton and Weissport, J. C. Roth; Nazareth and Plainfield, E. T. Shick; Mt. Carmel, G. F. Yost.

The Conference throughout was harmonious, and love and peace prevailed. Father William Gehman, who is past 86 years of age, was again present and manifested as deep and unabated interest in the deliberations of the Conference as ever. Father Gehman rejoices as much as any one when young men enter the ministry, and our Conference highly esteems the presence of our fathers in the ministry.

The resolution, relative to the "Gospel Messenger," adopted by a previous meeting of this Conference, shall be included in

this report for the "Gospel Banner."

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The services were opened at 9:15 A.M. by Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman. The Chairman of the Annual Conference, Presiding Elder H. B. Musselman, preached the Conference sermon from 1 Tim. 4:6, his theme having been "A Good Minister of Jesus Christ."

The sermon was a clear, definite and positive exposition of the call, duty and work of the Christian Ministry. It was a forceful and pungent presentation of the truths that bear weightily upon the efficiency and success of the pastor. It was heart-searching and edifying, and will, undoubtedly, bear fruit to the glory of God, in the lives of the pastors, and through them, in the lives of the members in the various classes.

The afternoon services opened at 2 P.M. At 2:15 P.M., W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Mt. Carmel District, preached the Ordination sermon from 1 Tim. 6:11, his theme being "The Man of God." This sermon was a real vivid portrayal of the call, character, qualifications and responsibility of the preacher of the Gospel. It was full of very practical and helpful principles, fraught with life and power.

The brethren M. W. Ettinger, of Stroudsburg, and G. F. Yost, of Mt. Carmel, Pa., were ordained to the Ministry following the sermon, amid the manifest glory of God and the demonstration

of the Holy Ghost.

The evening service opened at 7 P.M. with an inspiring song service. C. H. Brunner, of Bethlehem, Pa., preached at 7:30 P.M. on "The Divine Program of the Ages," from Acts 15:14-18. This sermon was of a dispensational character, distinctly revealing the purpose of God concerning this age and the mission of the Church at the present time. It was inspiring, encouraging and uplifting and resulted in much light and blessing.

A mixed quartet and a female quartet, as well as a duet of the

Reading Class, sang a number of encouraging, inspiring and spiritual selections which were heartily enjoyed and greeted with shouts of praise.

The attendance was large at every service, many having come from far and near. The impressions made were many and deep. and the presence of God was manifested in a gracious manner all day.

The services, we are certain, will not soon be forgotten, and have proved a rich and lasting blessing to the work in general. This Conference goes down in history as one of the best and most blessed we ever had. E. N. Cassel,

W. S. Hottel. W. J. Fretz, Committee.

Resolved, That each Pastor shall record the number of "Children Dedicated" and his offerings for the Annual Conference Delegate, and other offerings on his Schedule in the same order, and place as stated in the Report of the Statistical Secretary in the Journal.

Business being ended, Conference adjourned at 8:50 A.M. with prayer by the Chairman, H. B. Musselman. The signatures follow:

H. B. Musselman, Presiding Elder, Chairman,

W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder,

C. H. Brunner, Secretary, Vice-Presiding Elder.

Allen M. Gehman, Treasurer,

S. S. Geil.

G. O. Billig,

E. N. Cassel, Vice-Presiding Elder, H. A. Kauffman, Recording Secretary,

B. Bryan Musselman, Statistical Secretary,

J. F. Barrall, Financial Secretary,

W. J. Fretz, A. A. Wismer, J. C. Roth, H. L. Musselman.

R. L. Woodring, Morris E. Stickler.

O. C. Kistler. E. T. Shick.

J. G. Shireman, H. H. Bergey, V. H. Reinhart. Alfred Deppe.

C. W. Teel. E. E. Kublic,

R. Bergstresser, i'homas Fehnel,

W. S. Hottel, G. F. Yost.

O. S. Hillegass, A. A. Schaffer.

M. W. Ettinger, Herbert E. Gehman. Maurice E. Brownback. F. M. Hottel,

William Gehman, John G. Weiss.

C. E. Neff, W. W. Zimmerman, W. D. Evert.

G. K. Himmelreich. H. K. Kratz, William Schearer.

REPORTS.

I. Executive Board.

THE TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Board held nine meetings during the year. Last fall we employed several men to cut down the chestnut trees killed by the Chestnut Blight. These were made into telegraph poles, railroad ties, and posts, for which we realized \$63.61.

We purchased 30 Carolina Poplars and 20 Oriental Planes last fall and planted them at the most needed places, all of which are growing

We purchased, from Andrew Keck, 20 feet along the east side of the grove at the rate of \$1000 per acre, or \$321.40. This addition was needed very much as our tent circle was up against the former line at some places. Mr. Keck donated \$50.00 toward this purchase. We now have a fine location for Camp Meetings, 376 feet wide and 700 feet

long, within the limits of the city of Allentown.

The lighting of the Grove, during our Camp Meetings, has always been a problem for the various Camp Meeting Committees. About thirty-five years ago we used nothing but lanterns and coal oil torches. These, though they gave a very dim light, and were very smoky, were about the best thing obtainable in those days. Later on, when we got the gasoline torches, the light was very much improved, but often they did not work satisfactorily. Of late years we have been using the most improved types of gasoline and alcohol lights. These, though they made a fine light when they worked right, cost a great deal in the first place and were difficult and expensive to maintain.

Therefore the Executive Board decided, last spring, to equip the grove with electric lights. This was done by R. R. Ritter, Electrical Contractor, of Bethlehem, Pa. Several of the ministering brethren assisted, lowering the cost of labor considerably. The total cost of labor, and all the material for the equipment of the Auditorium and the whole grove with electric lights satisfactorily, cost us \$304.86, toward which the contractor donated \$56.29.

We exchanged our solid pews in the Auditorium for very strong slat pews from the Walnutport Church, to the advantage of both parties.

We also spent \$72.36 for repairs at the Auditorium, storage house,

Our bill for labor includes cutting out dead trees, taking out stumps, fixing up damaged trees with cement and pitch, grading and filling up the street and entrance. Much of this work, including the planting of the trees, cleaning the grove, has been done free of charge by the pastors, whose actual expenses, however, were paid.

The Board has also received subscriptions from the various classes amounting to \$113.50. Also \$80.00 from the Bethlehem District Sunday School Convention, and \$35.00 from the Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention. We have also received \$700.00 from the Camp Meeting Equipage Committee.

Financial Report.

Receipts. From the several Classes\$ 113 50 From the sale of poles, ties and posts..... From R. R. Ritter, discount on electrical work.... From Andrew Keck, discount on purchase..... From Bethlehem District S. S. Convention..... From Mt. Carmel District S. S. Convention 35 00 From the Camp Meeting Equipage Fund...... 700 00 From other sources 20 56 \$1118 96

Expenditures.

Expenditures.				
(a) Mizpah Grove.				
Electric lighting of auditorium and grove complete.\$	304	86		
20 Feet of Ground along the east side of the Grove	321	40		
50 Trees, freight and expenses	87	00		
Labor and Expense of planting young trees, treating				
diseased trees, cutting down dead ones, making				
poles, posts, ties, etc	152	53		1
Repairs at Storage House and Auditorium	72	36		
Hauling Ground on street and in grove	14	75		
Taxes	9	07		
Exchanging Pews from Walnutport	6	00		
Fertilizers	5	70		
Printing Cards	5	85		
Sundries	10	60	\$ 990	12
(b) 'Church Properties:				
Fares and Expenses in connection with business				
relative to Church Properties\$	21			
Deeds and Legal Expenses	24	-		
Expenses of Board Meetings	3	56	49	94
The second secon			\$1040	0.0
Report of the Treasurer.			\$1040	00
Receipts.				
October 10, 1912, Balance in Treasury\$	523	02		
Received during the year			\$1641	98
The party of the p				-
Expenditures.				
Expended during the year \$	1040	06		
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Note.—The only liability of the Board is a loan of \$1300.00.

October 9, 1913, Balance in Treasury...... 601 92 \$1641 98

H. B. Musselman, President. C. H. Brunner, Secretary. W. G. Gehman, Treasurer. E. N. Cassel.

J. G. Shireman.

Board.

II. Foreign Missions.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We wish to praise the Lord again for His help granted us as a Board at home as well as for His blessings upon the work at home and on the field.

The Board has held six meetings during the year. We have again presented all our Foreign Missionaries with the Gospel Banner, the Gospel Herald, Daily Food Wall Rolls, Diaries and Journals.

The Board authorized the Board of Publication and Printing to procure 20,000 specially designed missionary receipt cards, lithographed in colors, at a cost of \$65.00, for the use of the Sunday Schools on Missionary Day. Also 1250 Money Barrels and 20,000 Barrel Labels.

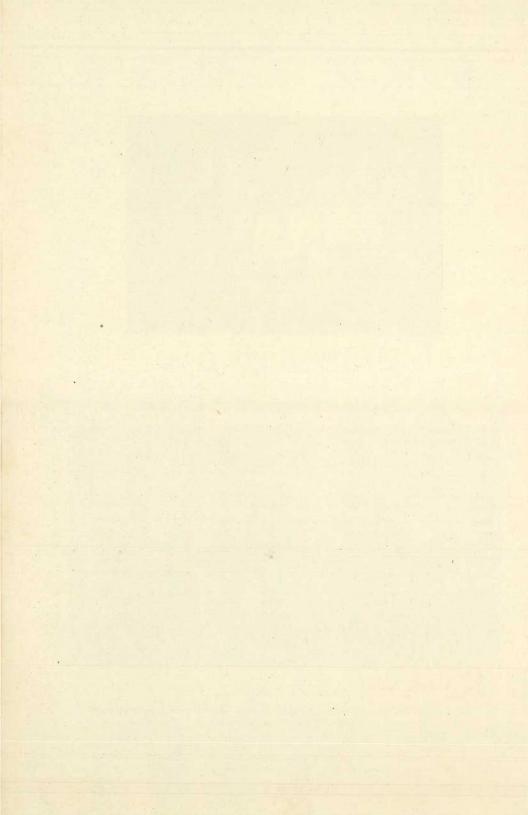


ANNA LE FEVRE
And part of her school in Santiago, Capital of Chile.



"THE MESSENGER."

The steamer lately purchased to bring the Gospel to the numerous villages along the many rivers in Chile.



China.

Brother and Sister C. F. Snyder and their boy, Albert, have been home on furlough during the year. They visited the churches in our Conference during this time. While on this trip their boy took sick and, after a brief illness, died at the home of Brother Snyder's mother in Kutztown, Pa.

ALBERT BRENNEMAN SNYDER,

the son of Calvin F. and Phoebe B. Snyder, was born in Titao, Kansu Province, West China, on September 7, 1909, and died in Kutztown, Pa., March 8, 1913, aged 3 years, 6 months and 1 day. Funeral services were held in the church at Bethlehem, Pa., in charge of H. B. Musselman, President of the Board. He was laid away in Fairview Cemetery, Bethlehem, Pa., to rest until the resurrection.

The Board paid the funeral expenses, as arranged by Brother Snyder, amounting to \$101.23. This was a severe trial for Brother and Sister Snyder, but the Lord wonderfully sustained them through it all. They have filled appointments at many places in the United States and Canada, and sailed for their former field in West China, from Vancouver, B. C., October 1, 1913. They expect to arrive at their station on the borders of Tibet by about Christmas, if everything goes well.

Brother V. G. Plymire, who came home with the Snyders last year is in the home land yet, working in the Gospel Herald Society. Definite arrangements as to his future have not yet been made.

During the year the Board has accepted Brother W. H. Ruhl, originally of Lancaster, Pa., as one of our representatives in the far East, and is now supporting him. He and his family have again settled down on the borders of Tibet. They have rendered seven years of very acceptable service in Western China and have entered upon their second term of service in that most remote and difficult field. Brother Ruhl has met our Board while in the home land on furlough and spoke in our church in Bethlehem. He left a very favorable impression and our people will be glad to help and pray for him and his family, as well as help toward his support.

Chile.

Brother H. L. Weiss still lives in Santiago, the capitol of Chile, a city of 350,000 inhabitants. He purchased a property here where he has a mission besides a rented hall in another part of the city.

He also purchased a steamer lately for 3000 pesos, which is a great advantage to the work, as many of their places can be reached by water.

Santiago is a very unsanitary and unhealthy place. Through overwork, the burden and strain of the work, sometimes lack of proper nourishment in addition to the unhealthful condition of the city and its surroundings, Brother Weiss has been very much broken down in health, principally intestinal troubles, so that it was thought best to send him out into the country for a while.

He writes August 15, from Copiapo, that the General Board of the Christian and Missionary Alliance at New York, insisted that he take a sea-trip and come home for a little while till he would be fully restored, or go to a quiet, healthy place in Chile. So he says "I have decided to come here a little while. I took a steamer and had to be two days at sea. The sea air seems to do me best of all. The climate and air here is delightful. * * * * My object is to make the work self-sup-

porting, gradually as soon as possible. I love the work. I have sacrificed and given myself a sacrifice for the work. * * * * * I am highly pleased with the comparatively good results of the labors of our native pastors, and I ask you to pray for them. * * * * My heart is full of gratitude towards our brethren at home for the forbearance and love shown these many years and trust that the Lord may soon have my full strength return for better and renewed service."

Brother Weiss writes very favorably about their Chilean or native workers. He said in one of his last letters: "I am very well pleased with our native brethren. I feel that I can trust them. Our native pastors are beginning to hold the largest churches. The Chileans undoubtedly are called to preach the gospel to the Chileans. I was in Valdivia, lately, and the large chapel seating about 300 people was fairly well filled on rainy nights and on nice Sunday evenings it is full. We will probably have to put in galleries soon, making a seating capacity of about 500."

The pastor, Vital Sanhueza, asks for prayer that he may be able to lead the newcomers to Christ. Brother Sanhueza had been supported by our Board until the church at Valdivia became self-supporting. He also preaches at two sub-stations where they have often been stoned during the services.

Manuel Gomez has charge of the congregation at Temuco, a city of 20,000. Here they also have a chapel and parsonage. He also has charge of a fine congregation and chapel at Guepe. He also preaches at Huichauhue and Metrenco.

This is the Chilean brother which was in the States with Brother Weiss several years ago. He is the Vice-President of the Chilean Work at present and a very promising man. He is a brother to Innocencia Gomez. These two brethren are both promising pastors and are supported by our Conference.

Brother Innocencia Gomez has charge of a congregation at Lautaro, a town of 5000 population. They have a chapel and parsonage at this place. He also has a congregation at Perhuenco, where they contemplate building a chapel in the near future. He also has regular appointments at Quillem, Cajon and Perquenco.

At Pua, Brother Young, a Scotch farmer, built a chapel some eleven years ago where he has been holding services ever since in English and Spanish. Last year he deeded this chapel to the Mission.

Miss Anna LeFevre, whose photo among several children, accompanies this report, writes from Santiago among other things: "Most of my time during the past year has been spent here in general mission work, principally among the children, besides helping some in the printing work. Besides our Sunday School, which has a fair attendance, I have children's meetings on weekday afternoons where the children are taught hymns and Bible lessons from pictures, etc. The children are interested and the attendance is good, often all that we can accommodate. * * * * There is a great opening for doing much good in this country by mission school work. The children are always the hope of the Foreign Mission field.

"During the summer I spent a few months at Comui, 25 miles from any school or church whatever. Here I found a very needy mission field where, besides the Chileans, many Mapuche Indians attended the mission and school. Some grown-up young men are coming to learn to read in their primers. * * * * We want to open a regular Mission Station and school here, as there are many poor children here, whom we wish to rescue from lives of sin and train them up for the Lord. The great majority have pover heard the true Gospel and never seen a Bible. Now is the opportune time for much real aggressive work in

this country. Of myself I can do nothing but He is my life and strength, my wisdom and power. My life is in His hands."

Brother Weiss has kindly sent us a photo of their steamer, "The Messenger," which enables the brethren to go up the many rivers and visit the many small villages with the gospel. They are printing a monthly 20-page paper, in Spanish. Brother Weiss writes: "We do all the work without any outlay or else it would be impossible to print it. Marie, our daughter, now runs the linotype. We expect to put out a great deal of literature as soon as we are able, financially. At present I must use every cent to keep our native pastors in bread."

Sister Weiss has been kept very busy visiting and comforting the sick and afflicted, distributing tracts and assisting in the meetings and

Sunday School.

Brother and Sister Feldges and their daughter, Grace, have been in the home land on furlough since last March. They have spoken in several of our churches as well as at a few of our Camp Meetings. They are very anxious and hopeful that they may be able to leave for Chile again in November of this year.

Brother A. E. Dawson and family are also in the home land at present. As it is not likely that they will return to the foreign field again,

our Board has discontinued their support.

Brother Niels Gunstadt and wife have separated themselves from the Christian and Missionary Alliance and the rest of our workers in Chile, and started an independent mission. Our Board has not considered it advisable to continue their support.

Argentine Republic.

Brother M. P. Zook and family are still laboring at Guayaquilla for the present. The Lord has been blessing their labors among their brethren and they report excellent health and good courage.

Venezuela.

Brother Fred Bullen, our representative in Venezuela, reports "A remarkable awakening and breaking away from old customs and a widening of the doors to the true message of Christ." They are training a number of young men, natives, who have been going forth to their own people in various towns preaching and selling Bibles with varied success. "Some were received with open arms by simple but sad darkened hearts," he says, "while others tell of rather rough experiences with frenzied priests." He desires us especially to pray for their young native workers.

Financial Report.

Receipts.

Contribu	tions for Turkey from the Church\$	151	79			
Contribu	tions for Turkey from a Brother in the					
	pine Islands	60	00			
	ey Barrels	11	92			
Receipts	at the Annual Conference	6817	51	\$7041	22	

Expenditures.

(a) Allowances for Missionaries:		
H. L. Weiss and family\$	600	00
M. P. Zook and family	600	00
H. W. Feldges and family	600	00
	450	
C. F. Snyder and family	600	0.0
Anna LeFevre	300	00

Fred Bullen
Manuel Gomez
Innocencia Gomez
Niels Gunstadt and family (discontinued) 100 00 \$4175 00
(b) Extras for Missionaries:
H. L. Weiss, for printing, etc\$ 100 00
C. F. Snyder and family, for car fares 40 00
C. F. Snyder and family, funeral expenses 101 23
C. F. Snyder and family, Transportation to China 550 00
(Half of this to be deducted from future allowances.)
H. W. Feldges and family 110 00
Contributions for Turkey
Contributions for Larkey
(c) Miscellaneous:
20,000 Missionary Receipt Cards\$ 65 00
1250 Missionary Barrels
10,000 Missionary Barrel Labels 15 00
Expenses of Board Meetings
Banners, Heralds, Diaries, etc
Other Expenses in connection with Missionaries 37 00 \$ 183 74
\$5471 76
Report of the Treasurer.
Receipts.
October 10, 1912, Balance in Treasury\$10,998 49
Receipts during year (special) 223 71
Received at the Annual Con-
ference 6,817 51 \$18,039 71
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Expenditures.
Expended during the year\$ 5,471 76
October 9, 1913, Balance in Treasury 12,567 95 \$18,039 71
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H. B. Musselman, President, C. H. Brunner, Secretary, Allen M. Gehman, Treasurer, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel,

Board.

DIRECTORY.

(a) Argentine, S. A.

Zook, M. P. Zook, Mrs. M. P.

Stationed at Guayaquilla.

(b) Chile, S. A.

H. L. Weiss, Superintendent, Santiago, Chile, S. A.

Feldges, H. W. Feldges, Mrs. H. W. Gomez, Manuel Gomez, Mrs. Manuel Home on furlough. Expect to return during November, 1913.Adopted October, 1912. Stationed at Te-

muco.

Gomez, Innocencia
Gomez, Mrs. Innocencia
LeFevre, Miss Anna
Weiss, H. L.
Weiss, Mrs. H. L.

Adopted October, 1912. Stationed at Lautaro.
Santiago, Chile.

Superintendent. Resides in Santiago.

(e) China.

Ruhl, Wm. H.

Stationed at Taochow (Old City), Kansu Province, China.

Snyder, C. F. Snyder, Mrs. C. F.

Taochow, Kansu Province, China.

(d) Venezuela.

Bullen, Frederick P.

On the field since 1907. Stationed at Los Tegues.

III. Orphanage and Home.

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ORPHANAGE AND HOME.

The affairs of the Home and Farm were again supervised by H. B. Musselman, E. N. Cassel and Allen M. Gehman, who were elected as a Board of Managers by the Board of Trustees. These brethren did excellent service in this capacity, faithfully overseeing all matters relative to the work. The manager, Titus Hottel, has again, during the past year, labored hard, and has been faithful in every detail of the work, laboring to the best interests of the Home. Success has crowned his labors so that along every branch the work is prospering.

Both the farmer, C. J. Kline, and the hired man, William Moyer, have labored faithfully and have been loyal and obedient to the manager. The matron, Mrs. Kate Feairheller, was likewise faithful in her duties in the Home and loyal and obedient to the manager. Harmony prevailed among the hands throughout and all have been laboring together for the best interests of the Home. All the hands have enjoyed good health and seem to have good courage in the work.

The orphan boys, Elmer Arndt and Martin J. Huffman, have also been very obedient and have proven a grand help in the work on the Farm.

Our aged sisters in the Home, Louisa Horlacher, Sarah Moll, Mary Steiner and Mary Roberts, have been kept real well and are happy, and delight themselves in the care and Christian fellowship of the Home.

In every respect the blessings of the Lord have been manifest throughout the year. Many of the crops have been more bountiful this year than any year since we have the Farm, in spite of the dry season. The herd of cattle has been on the increase and is in a fine and flourishing condition. The business affairs have been moving along grandly and harmoniously. The Lord has led, helped and blessed us.

We wish to submit the following financial account:

Financial Report.

Donations.

Wm. Schaeffer, Allentown—\$50.00 cash order. H. G. Brunner and family, Zionsville—1 quilt. Mary Ann Hottel, Coopersburg—1 quilt. Mrs. George Hartman, Centre Valley—cherries. Mrs. Abner Schwavely, Allentown—soap and 1 quilt. Mrs. O. Baer, Allentown—2 sheets and 7 tea towels. A. O. Gehman, Coopersburg—lot of manure.

Allentown Class—1 kitchen cabinet.

Mary Kropp, Allentown—2 days' labor at the Home.

H. M. Hottel, Coopersburg—paper for ceiling, and labor.

W. G. Gehman, Easton—1 motto, framed.

(A) FARM ACCOUNTS.

manual valuation (a	A) F	AR	M ACCOUNTS.	
	(8	a)	Receipts.	
From Poor Fund at			Labor 33	16
Annual Conference .	\$ 239	86		53
Cream	3308	39		00
Cattle and Calves	2666	0.0		01
Hogs and Pigs	962	75		90
Milk	376	45		15
Potatoes	328	86		55
Horses			Rent for Pasturing	00
Refund	72	83	Meadow 25	0.0
Wheat	216	04	Poultry 2	-
Feed	71	-		
Hide		24	Total\$9098	37
Eggs	26		10001	٠.
raggs	20	00		
	(b)	E	xpenditures.	
Wages	\$ 738	00	Registration and	
Feed		05		90
Freight and Express	386	42		21
Board		0.0		56
Advertising, Periodicals			Straw, Shavings and	
and Postage	92	07	Fodder 118	70
New Building	38	22		88
CarFare and Telephone		62	Litter Carrier 67	23
Dairy Supplies and				35
Testing	198	78		01
Fertilizers	250	34		74
Hardware	14	77		02
Implements	256	86	Holstein Friesian Herd	
Horseshoeing	38	83	Books 25	00
Labor	308	06	Peach Baskets and	
Hogs and Pigs	103	0.0	Crates 9	00
Live Stock	1437	88		-
Oils and Paints	99	93	Total\$7530	35
Provisions	91	92	the state of the s	

(B) HOME ACCOUNTS.

solden mittelike new William	E	Expendi	itures.		
Wages\$	104	00	Provisions	249	71
Ephraim Lesher (dona-			Repairs	52	22
tion)	60	00	Labor	21	00
Mrs. Gephart (dona-			Taxes	21	58
tion)	36	00	Elmer Arndt	43	20
Mrs. Huchins (dona-			Martin J. Huffman	21	98
tion)	10	00	Sarah Moll	8	08
Periodicals	2	00	Mary Steiner	40	25
Coal	181	75	A STANLEY STANLE POR STANLEY		-
Furnishings	25	59	Total\$	891	26
Oils and Paints	13	90			

(C) BETHLEHEM PROPERTY ACCOUNTS.

(a) Receipts.

By rent				.\$	120	00
Lumber	(old	fence)			2	10
				-		-

Total\$ 122 10

(b) Expenditures.

Taxes .									\$	12	99	
Repairs										57	89	

Total\$ 70 88

SUMMARY TOTALS.

Receipts.	Expenditures.
Farm\$9098 37	Farm\$7530 35
Bethlehem Property 122 10	Home 891 26
	Bethlehem Property 70 88
Total \$9220 47	Total\$8492 49

STOCK ACCOUNT.

A Committee of Five, elected by the Board of Trustees from among their number, took the following Inventory of the Stock and Properties:

(A) FARM.

Farm (including land at the	Ho	me).		\$13,000	00
Implements				1,890	00
Live Stock—					
Holstein Friesian Cattle	. \$1	10,562	50		
Horses		1,350	00		
Berkshire Swine		1,010	80		
Poultry		52	50	12,975	80
	-				
Produce-					
Potatoes	. \$	900	00		
Ensilage		850	00		
Feed		648	90		
Corn (12 acres)		500	00		
Wheat		270	00		
Hay		720	00		
Straw		220	00		
Truck		16	00	4,124	90
Miscellaneous-					
Furniture	. \$	30	0.0		
Fire Wood		10	00		
Fence Posts		7	50		
Cattle Crates		14	00		
Paint		5	00		
Cement		2	50	69	00

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(B) HOME.	
Home\$ 4,000 00	
Miscellaneous-	
Furniture \$ 550 00	
Canned Goods	
Provisions	
Poultry 50 10	
Coal	
Feed 6 00 930 21	
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(C) BETHLEHEM PROPERTY.	Y
House and Lot\$ 1,000 00	- 10
SUMMARY TOTALS.	
Farm\$32,059 70	
Home 4,930 21	
Bethlehem Property 1,000 00	
Cash on Hand	
Total\$38,712 83	
STATEMENT.	
Resources. Liabilities. Properties\$18,000 00	
Live Stock 13,025 90 Contributions from	
Implements	10 95
Produce	
Miscellaneous 949 11 Surplus 15,7	
Cash on Hand 722 92	10 01
Cash on Hand 122 52	
Total\$38,712 83 Total\$38,7	12 83
Report of the Treasurer.	
Receipts.	
September 27, 1912, Balance in Treasury\$ 294 94	
Receipts during the year 9,220 47 \$ 9,5	15 41
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Expenditures.	
Expended during the year \$ 8,792 49	
September 26, 1913, Balance in Treasury 722 92 \$ 9,5	15 41
September 20, 1913, Balance in Treasury 722 92 \$ 9,5	15 41
(Signed)	
U D Mussalman President	

H. B. Musselman, President,
W. S. Hottel, Secretary,
C. H. Brunner, Treasurer,
Allen M. Gehman, E. N. Cassel,
H. L. Musselman, J. G. Shireman,
A. A. Wismer, E. T. Shick,
O. Baer, R. L. Woodring,
W. G. Gehman, Board.

Forms of Bequest and Devise.

BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath unto H. B. Musselman, W. S. Hottel, C. H. Brunner, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, J. G. Shireman, E. T. Shick, R. L. Woodring, H. L. Musselman, Allen M. Gehman, A. A. Wismer and H. G. Brunner, Trustees of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Orphanage and Home, located at Centre Valley, Pa., and their successors in office, the sum of payable one year after my decease.

DEVISE.

I give and devise unto H. B. Musselman, W. S. Hottel, C. H. Brunner, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, J. G. Shireman, E. T. Shick, R. L. Woodring, H. L. Musselman, Allen M. Gehman, A. A. Wismer and H. G. Brunner, Trustees of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Orphanage and Home, located at Centre Valley, Pa., and their successors in office, the following described real property, together with the appurtenances, in fee simple, viz.: (Describe nature, situation and contents of property,) possession to be given one year after my decease.

IV. Presiding Elders.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDING ELDERS.

(a) Bethlehem District.

(A) APPROPRIATIONS.
Quakertown and Hatfield\$ 180 00
Northampton 216 00 \$ 396 00
(B) TABERNACLE MEETING.
V. H. Reinhart, Catasauqua, Pa., freight hauling and express . 11 77
(C) MISCELLANEOUS.
H. K. Kratz, Donation\$ 35 00
Donation for Hatfield Church Property 103 23 138 23
Total\$ 546 00
Received from the Treasurer of the Home Mission Fund\$ 546 00
H. B. Musselman, P. E.
(b) Mt. Carmel District.
(A) APPROPRIATIONS.

360 00

120 00

180 00

240 00 \$ 984 00

Lehighton and Weissport \$ 84 00 Easton, Pa.

Nazareth, Pa.

East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Walnutport, Pa.

(B) MISCELLANEOUS.

Donated to Easton, Pa., Church Building\$	50	0.0		
Donated to Stroudsburg Church Building	100	00		
Expenses holding Home Mission Meetings	130	27		
Storage, Allen M. Gehman, Macungie, Pa	20	00		
Tax for Philadelphia Property for 1909-1911 (not				
presented by tax collector before)	46	57		
Expenses, E. N. Cassel and W. G. Gehman, of the				
Executive Board, investigating Walnutport prop-				
erty for Parsonage	3	05		
Expenses, Re-Case of Stella Musselman	14	95	364	84
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Total			\$1348	84
Received from Treasurer of the Home Mission Fund			\$1348	84

W. G. Gehman, P. E.

V. Gospel Herald Society.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE GOSPEL HERALD SOCIETY.

(a) Statistical.

Ordained Ministers of the M. B. C. Annual Conference		2
Probationers of the M. B. C. Conference		3
Gospel Heralds, full members		9
Gospel Heralds, probationers and applicants in the active work		5
Received into M. B. C. Church Membership	. 1	7
Received by Transfer from M. B. C. Church		4
Total Increase	. 2	1
Transferred to Gospel Workers		1
Died		2
Withdrawn	. 13	3
Dropped	. 1	4
Total Decrease	. 2	0
Net Increase		1
Whole Number of Members	. 9	6
Baptized	. 5	9
Sunday Schools		4
Officers and Teachers Enrolled	. 4	8
Scholars Enrolled	. 39	4
Total Average Attendance	. 25	3
Children's Meetings and Sunday School Services Held	. 20	1
Open Air Meetings		0
Prayer Meetings	. 19	8
Jail Meetings, Sunbury, Pa	. 2	6
Sermons and Addresses	. 223	5
Pastoral Visits	. 192	0
Gospel Heralds Sold	.2794	5
Valuation of Shamokin Property\$6	0000 0	0
Valuation of Lebanon Property 3	3000 0	0
		1
Total Valuation\$	0000	0

(b) Financial.

(a) Receipts.

I.—COLLECTIONS.

Rents\$	503	00				
Sundry Expenses	653	25				
Shamokin Camp Meeting	473	85				
Ice, Oil, Lumber, Straw	32	50				
Light	108	42				
Donations, Gifts, Etc.	763	88				
Donations at Camp Meeting	53					
President	461	25				
President at Shamokin Camp Meeting	103	06				
Missionary Presiding Elder	25	74				
Gospel Workers	154					
Gospel Workers at Camp Meeting		13				
Gospel Heralds at Camp Meeting		11				
Steward, Shamokin, Pa	159	40				
Sunday Schools	364					
Sunday School Conventions		33				
Conference Fund		26				
Foreign Missions	261					
Gospel Herald Society Conference		67				
Secretary at G. H. S. Conference		57				
Mission Chapel, Shamokin, Pa	798					
Parsonage Rent, Shamokin, Pa	130					
Mission Chapel, Lebanon, Pa	116	40				
Plumbing, Kindergarten Chairs, Gutter and Curb,	81	50				
Shamokin, Pa						
Chapel Repairs, Lebanon, Pa	10	33	Ф	E 470	10	
Missionary Work	. 41	99	Ф	5,478	40	
II.—LITERATURE.		1710				
Literature, Etc., sold in the Missions\$	3173	91				
Literature, Etc., sold at M. B. C. Camp Meetings.	342					
Literature, Etc., sold at G. H. S. Camp Meeting	59					
Literature, Etc., sold at wholesale prices to min-						
isters	661	91		4,237	25	
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III.—GIFTS.						
From M. B. C. Home Mission Treasu	iry.					
	523	50				
Donations for all the Heralds	130					
To Distribute Literature (extra)	12					
Tabernacle Meetings	66					
	480					
Rent for President	156			1,368	11	
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Total		,	. \$1	1,083	84	
(b) Expenditures.						
Appropriations—						
Shamokin Chapel\$	228	60				
Lebanon Chapel	105					
Lebanon, Pa	139	00				
Sunbury Chapel Lot Fund	50	00	\$	523	50	

Tabernacle Meetings—				
Hackettstown, N. J\$	16	65		
Broadway, N. J	14	46		
Sunbury, Pa	16	75		
Lebanon, Pa	18	68	66	54
Miscellaneous-		NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.		
Donations to all the Heralds\$	130	0.0		
Provisions	9	51		
Rent for the President	156	00		
Literature Distributed (extra)	12	0.0		
Furniture	127	87		
Old Missions-Repairs, Furnishings, and				
Supplies	96	21		
Fares Changing Heralds, Telegrams, Etc	54	04		
Fares to Conventions and Camp Meeting	88	55		
Freight and Expressage	9	58		
Expressage and Freight on Literature	47	41		
Cartage	10	78		
Paints	20	58		
Printing, Stationery and Advertising	15	54	778	0.7
Total			21262	11
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W. G. Gehman, President and Treasurer.

VI. Reading Course.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON THE READING COURSE, (a) Examinations, 1913.

(b) Probationers on th	e Re	eadi	ng Cot	urse:	H. B. W. G		hma	in,	iner	s.
PROBATIONERS.	Bible	Church History	Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation	Lessons in Holiness	Sell's Bible by Books.	Reformed Pastor	Fletcher's Appeal	Nelson on Infidel'y	Jesus is Coming	Average
Second Year. M. H. Kline for Fall Examination, 1912	75					67				
Third Year. M. W. Ettinger M. H. Kline	64	50 36	70 65		78 57		90	85	80 66	75

M. H. Kline failed to appear at the Fall Examination.

Whereas, M. W. Ettinger has passed the Reading Course satisfactorily, therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend him to the Committee on Ordination.

E. N. Cassel, W. S. Hottel, E. T. Shick, Board.

(b) Studies for 1913.

First Year's Course.

(a) First Semi-annual Studies:

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker. Chapters 1 to 5, inclusive.

Sell's Bible Study, by books. Chapters 1 to 17, inclusive. Church History, Horsch.

(b) Second Semi-annual Studies:

Bible, 1 and 2 Timothy and St. John. Chapters 13 to 17, inclusive. Lessons in Holiness, Doty.

The places for, and the dates of the examination shall be left to the discretion of the Board of Examiners.

E. N. Cassel, W. S. Hottel, E. T. Shick, Board.

VII. Camp Meeting Equipage.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CAMP MEETING EQUIPAGE.

Over one thousand feet of lumber has been purchased; a lot of iron stakes, table for office, and a number of dishes have been procured. We have donated \$700.00 to the Executive Board for Mizpah Grove.

Receipts.

Lumber Rents\$	257	85			
Bethlehem Division Camp Meeting	220	45			
Allentown Division Camp Meeting	248	89			
Mt. Carmel Division Camp Meeting	92	34			
Electric Bulbs					
Alcohol, Mantles, and Pump	2	85	\$ 824	83	
Expenditures.				,	
Executive Board\$	700	00			
Iron and Small Stakes	39	40			
Lumber	70	27			
Dishes and Cooking Utensile	9	84			

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Iron and Small Stakes	39	40		
Lumber	70	27		
Dishes and Cooking Utensils	9	84		
Miscellaneous	8	23		
Mantles, Globes and Lights	7	60		
Car Fare, Meals and Hauling	8	36		
Tar Paper	4	46		
Boxes and Expressage for Bulbs	3	50		
Sledge Hammer	1	50		
Table			856	91

Report of the Treasurer.

	Receipts.
October 1, 1912,	Balance in Treasury\$ 121 68
	Receipts during the year 824 83 \$ 946 51
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	Expenditures.
	Expended during the year\$ 856 91
October 1, 1913,	Balance in Treasury 89 60 \$ 946 51
	E. N. Cassel, Chairman,
	F. M. Hottel, Secretary,
	I F Barrall Treasurer

F. M. Hottel, Secretary, J. F. Barrall, Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman, Committee.

VIII. Publication and Printing.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING.

We printed 300 Pastor's Receipt Books and 30 books of Letters of Transfer. We purchased Class Books, Trustee Books, Quarterly Conference Record Books, Literature Account Books, and other supplies. We also purchased 1250 Missionary Barrels which were paid for by the Board of Foreign Missions.

Financial Report.

Receipts.

Annual Conference Journals sold\$	143	00		
General Conference Journals sold	63	00		
Dedication Certificates sold	1	70		300
Tracts and other Conference Supplies sold	3	35		
From Board of Foreign Missions for supplies	98	44	\$ 309	49
Expenditures.				

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600 Annual Conference Journals, including photos,					
half-tone cuts, etc	193	13			
325 General Conference Journals	53	93			
Annual Conference Supplies	36	62			
30 Books Letters of Transfer	4	75			
1250 Missionary Barrels	18	44			
20,000 Missionary Receipt Cards	65	00			
10,000 Missionary Barrel Labels	15	0.0			
Board of Examiners, Etc	15	64			
Editor of the Conference Journal (Donation)	10	0.0	\$ 4	112	51

Report of the Treasurer.

Receipts.

	71				
	Received at Annual Conference	109	37	\$ 544	19
	Receipts during the year	309			
October 10, 1912,	Balance in Treasury\$	125	33		

Expenditures.

		Expended	during the	year	412	51		
October	9, 1913,	Balance in	Treasury		131	68	\$ 544	19

J. C. Roth, Chairman, R. L. Woodring, Secretary, C. H. Brunner, Treasurer, Board.

IX. Home Missions.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE HOME MISSION FUND.

Receipts.

October 10, 1912, Balance in Treasury.......\$3262 95 Received at Annual Conference.. 3561 27 \$6824 22

Expenditures.

Expended during year.......\$3262 95 October 9,1913, Balance in Treasury..........3561 27 \$6824 22

> Allen M. Gehman, Treasurer.

X. Beneficiary Society.

REPORT OF THE BENEFICIARY SOCIETY.

We have given assistance to a pastor's widow.

Report of the Treasurer.

Receipts.

> W. G. Gehman, President, F. M. Hottel, Secretary, J. F. Barrall, Treasurer, Board.

XI. Laymen's Benevolent Society.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LAYMEN'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

Number of Members reported last year	 		 	180
New Members received during the year	 		 	157
Members died during the year	 		 	3
Members withdrawn during the year	 		 	1
Members enrolled October 9, 1913	 		 	333
Receipts.				
Contributions				
Interest on Deposit	15	62	\$ 87	5 62

Expenditures.

 Donations Paid
 \$ 175 00

 Sundry Expenses
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Report of the Treasurer.

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		Receipts.				
October	10, 1912,	Balance in Treasury\$	264	80		
		Contributions received	860	00		
		Interest on deposit	15	62	\$1140	42
		Expenditures.				
		Donations paid\$	175	00		
		Sundry Expenses	4	14		
October	9, 1913,	Balance in Treasury	961	28	\$1140	42
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Allen M. Gehman, President, G. O. Billig, Secretary, H. G. Brunner, Treasurer, Board.

XII. Camp Meetings.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL CAMP MEET-ING COMMITTEE.

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Bethlehem District.

		Grove)	07						
Mt Carmel District									

Mt. C	armel	District	(Mizpah	Grove)	 	 • • •	 	 729	25
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	Total				 	 	 	 Deget	04

H. B. Musselman, Chairman.

XIII. General Conference.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND. Receipts.

Received from the various Classes			\$	249	20
Expenditures.					
For General Conference Delegates of the other Con-		CO. Mari			
ferences, as per General Conference order\$ For Delegates of General Conference from the Penn-	77	12			
sylvania Conference	2	15			
Paid to C. H. Brunner for Trustees of Bethlehem					
Class towards the local General Conference Ex-	169	93	œ.	249	20

H. B. Musselman, Chairman.

XIV. Ministerial Conventions.

(A) REPORTS FOR 1913.

(a) Annual Ministerial Convention.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Convention of the Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church at Tenth and Oley Streets, Reading, Pa., on Wednesday, October 8, 1913.

The morning meeting was opened at 9:15 A.M. by the Chairman, J. G. Shireman. W. J. Fretz recorded the minutes.

Resolved, That all members of the Annual Conference shall be members of this Convention.

Any one who desires to speak shall rise and respectfully address the Chair.

No one shall be permitted to speak longer than ten minutes, and not oftener than once, except by permission of the Chair.

The roll was called, showing that nearly all the Pastors and Delegates were present at the opening of the Convention. After the reading of the minutes the Chair appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Resolutions—C. H. Brunner, W. S. Hottel and H. K. Kratz.

Committee on Publication—W. G. Gehman, F. M. Hottel and R. L. Woodring.

Committee on Absentees—H. B. Musselman, E. T. Shick and J. F. Barrall.

Timekeeper-E. E. Kublic.

Reporter-R. L. Woodring.

The rest of the forenoon session was in charge of H. B. Musselman, Chairman of the Annual Conference.

The afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock with prayer by E. N. Cassel. After the roll was called, and the minutes were read, the following essays were read, discussed and adopted: "The Scriptural Qualifications which bring forth Success in the Life and Labors of the Pastor," by E. T. Shick; "The Pastor and His Flock," by E. N. Cassel. An offering was lifted for the labor and expense of the Secretary.

The reports of the various Committees were read and adopted.

The evening service, in charge of the pastor, F. M. Hottel, was opened at 7:30 o'clock with a song service. This was followed with a stirring address on "Practical Holiness" by R. L. Woodring.

The young people of Reading sang several excellent selections. Committee on Program—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and C. H. Brunner.

J. G. Shireman, Chairman, W. J. Fretz, Secretary.

(b) Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention.

The Tenth Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention of the Pennsylvania Conference convened in Grace Chapel, Nazareth, Pa., on April 3, 1913.

The presiding elders of both districts as well as all the pastors were present. The time in the forenoon was alloted to our esteemed Presiding Elders, H. B. Musselman and W. G. Gehman. Both of them gave us very timely messages which were very much needed and appreciated.

The afternoon session was opened at 1:45 P.M. by the Chairman, F. M. Hottel, with singing, and prayer by E. T. Shick.

The Chair appointed H. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner and E. T. Shick a Committee on Publication; M. W. Ettinger, Timekeeper, and C. H. Brunner, Reporter.

The following essays were read, discussed and adopted: "Dangers Confronting the Pastors of Today," by J. G. Shireman; "The Pastor and His Calling," by F. M. Hottel. After the reading of the first essay an offering was lifted for the expenses of the Convention, and after the reading and discussion of the second essay an offering was taken for the labor and expense of the Secretary, amounting to \$5.86.

The evening service was in charge of Presiding Elder H. B. Musselman. W. J. Fretz preached a very practical and helpful sermon on

"Christian Unity."

A number of the Bethlehem Class sang several selections. The attendance was good all day. The brothers and sisters of Nazareth and Plainfield entertained the Convention royally in their new and beautifully arranged church, which speaks well of the labors of the Pastor, P. J. Musselman.

Committee on Program—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and P. J.

Musselman.

F. M. Hottel, Chairman, R. L. Woodring, Secretary.

(B) ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1914.

(a) Annual Ministerial Convention.

This Convention will be held at Bethlehem, Pa., on October 14, 1914. Chairman, E. N. Cassel; Secretary, W. S. Hottel.

Committee on Program—Chairman, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; W. G. Gehman.

(b) Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention.

This Convention will be held at Royersford, Pa., on April 2, 1914.

Chairman, C. H. Brunner; Secretary, W. J. Fretz.

Committee on Program—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and J. F. Barrall.

XV. Sunday School Conventions.

(A) REPORTS FOR 1913.

(a) Bethlehem District.

The Twenty-fifth Annual Sunday School Convention of the Bethlehem District convened in Memorial Hall, Spring City, Pa., on Decoration Day, Friday, May 30, 1913.

The Chairman, C. H. Brunner, opened the Convention at 9:30 A.M. H. B. Musselman led in prayer. R. L. Woodring recorded the minutes.

All the pastors of the district were present, as were also all the superintendents and delegates with one exception.

The Chair appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Finance—J. F. Barrall, F. M. Hottel and Allen M. Gehman.

Committee on Statistics—E. N. Cassel, W. J. Fretz and B. Bryan Musselman.

Committee on Publication—H. B. Musselman, W. S. Hottel and E. N. Cassel.

Committee on Resolutions-H. B. Musselman and W. S. Hottel.

Committee on Absentees-R. Bergstresser, J. C. Roth and H. K. Kratz.

Timekeeper-E. E. Kublic.

Reporter-H. K. Kratz.

The reports of the Superintendents of the eighteen Sunday Schools represented were very interesting and encouraging.

An offering was lifted for the expense of the Convention. The session closed with the Benediction by J. C. Roth.

The afternoon session opened at 1:45 P.M. W. S. Hottel led in prayer.

The reports of the Committees on Statistics, Finance and Absentees were read and adopted. The following essays were read and discussed: "The Need of Sunday School Work and its Influences," by Albert Gaumer, of Allentown; "The Officers and Teachers of the Sunday School," by W. J. Fretz, of Philadelphia.

An offering was lifted for the labor and expense of the Secretary.

The reports of the Committees on Resolutions and Publication were read and adopted.

It was resolved that we donate eighty dollars to the Executive Board to be used in Mizpah Grove.

The evening session was in charge of H. B. Musselman. After some singing E. E. Kublic led in prayer, followed by a stirring and practical address on Luke 5:1-9 by W. S. Hottel.

Owing to the fact that the Memorial Hall was too small to accommodate the large audience, Rev. Sampson, pastor of the Reformed Church, kindly offered the use of his spacious church for the afternoon and evening services, which was gladly accepted and greatly appreciated. This large church was crowded to the doors both afternoon and evening.

A special train from Allentown, via Reading, brought almost five hundred people from the various classes along that line.

A number of the young people of Bethlehem and Reading sang a number of excellent selections.

The brothers and sisters of Royersford and Spring City did excellent service under the direction of their pastor, J. C. Roth, in so royally entertaining the large gathering.

STATISTICS.

Schools represented	18	Scholars enrolled	2207
Officers enrolled	112	Total enrollment	2530
Teachers enrolled	211		

Report of the Treasurer.

Receipts.

May 30, 1912,	Balance in Treasury\$	6	51		
	Received at this Convention from the various Sunday Schools	142	03	\$ 148	54

Expenditures.

Expended at this Convention	\$	55	81		
Donated to Executive Board		80	0.0		
May 30, 1913, Balance in Treasury		12	73 \$	148 54	
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Committee on Program—H. B. Musselman, R. L. Woodring and C. H. Brunner.

C. H. Brunner, Chairman, R. L. Woodring, Secretary, J. F. Barrall, Treasurer.

(b) Mt. Carmel District.

The Sunday School Convention of the Mt. Carmel District convened in Beulah Chapel, 119 South Fourteenth Street, Easton, Pa., on Decoration Day, Friday, May 30, 1913.

The Convention was opened at 9:15 A.M. by the Chairman, E. T. Shick. M. H. Kline recorded the minutes.

The following Sunday Schools were represented: Easton, Mt. Carmel, Lehighton, Weissport, Nazareth, Plainfield, Walnutport, East Stroudsburg, Shamokin, Sunbury, Lebanon and Washington, N. J.

The members of the Convention consisted of the ministers of the District, the Gospel Herald leaders where they have a Sunday School, superintendents, delegates and essayists. All the others present were advisory members.

All the members of the Convention were present with a few exceptions.

The following Committees were appointed by the Chair:

Committee on Resolutions-W. G. Gehman and J. G. Shireman.

Committee on Publication-W. G. Gehman and C. E. Witt.

Committee on Statistics—P. J. Musselman, S. H. Lichtenthaeler and L. D. Wesner.

Auditors-W. W. Zimmerman and Paul Dreisbach.

Timekeeper-C. E. Witt.

The reports of the Superintendents were very interesting and encouraging. They showed a marked advancement in the various schools.

The following essays were read, discussed and adopted: "The Model Superintendent and the Management of His School," by W. W. Zimmerman; "Pure and Impure Literature, Its Influence upon the Young People and the Attitude of the Sunday School as a Whole Towards It," by Paul Dreisbach.

An offering was lifted for the expenses of the Convention.

Adjourned.

The afternoon session opened at 1:45 o'clock with singing, and prayer by P. J. Musselman. After the roll was called and the minutes read the following essay was read, discussed and adopted: "The Teacher's Preparation and Application of the Lesson," by L. D. Wesner.

The following subjects were considered: "The Pastor's Relation to the Sunday School," discussion opened by M. W. Ettinger; "The Influences Operating Against Our Sunday Schools," discussion opened by M. H. Kline.

The reports of the various Committees were read and adopted.

Resolved, That we donate \$35.00 to the Executive Board, to be used at Mizpah Grove.

The evening service was glorious. After a large open air meeting at the Circle, our Presiding Elder, W. G. Gehman, preached on "The Demonstration of the Spirit," which will not soon be forgotten.

STATISTICS.

	Church.	G. H. Soc.	Total.
Sunday Schools represented	. 8	4	12
Officers enrolled	. 46	21	67
Teachers enrolled	. 61	33	94
Scholars enrolled	. 572	425	997
Total enrollment	679	479	1158

Report of the Treasurer.

Receipts.

May 30, 1912, Balance in Treasury Received at this Convention		28		
the various Sunday Schools		20	\$ 104	48
Expenditures.				7
Expended at this Convention.	\$ 48	00		
Donated to Executive Board.	35	00		
May 30, 1913, Balance in Treasury	21	48	\$ 104	48

Committee on Program—W. G. Gehman, J. G. Shireman and E. T. Shick.

E. T. Shick, Chairman, M. H. Kline, Secretary, M. W. Ettinger, Treasurer.

(B) ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1914.

(a) Report of the Committee to Organize for the Bethlehem District Sunday School Convention for 1914.

This convention shall convene at Allentown, Pa., on Ascension Day, May 21, 1914.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, R. L. Woodring; Secretary, B. Bryan Musselman; Treasurer, J. F. Barrall.

Committee on Program—Chairman, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; W. S. Hottel.

There shall be two sessions, one in the forenoon and one in the afternoon. The advisability of having an evening service shall be left to the discretion of the Committee on Program.

A hearty invitation is extended to the Presiding Elder, W. G. Gehman, and the pastors of the Mt. Carmel District, and Missionary Presiding Elder, W. B. Musselman, to be present.

E. N. Cassel, Chairman, W. S. Hottel, Secretary.

(b) Report of the Committee to Organize for the Mt. Carmel District Sunday School Convention for 1914.

This Convention shall convene at Mt. Carmel on Thursday, May 21, 1914.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, J. G. Shireman; Secretary, E. T. Shick; Treasurer, G. F. Yost.

Committee on Program—Chairman, W. G. Gehman; Secretary, J. G. Shireman; Treasurer, M. W. Ettinger.

We wish to invite, and heartily desire, the Gospel Herald Society and their Sunday Schools to be represented at this Convention.

Two sessions shall be held, one in the forenoon, and one in the afternoon; the Committee on Program shall arrange for special services in the evening.

We wish to extend a hearty invitation, through the Secretary, to the Presiding Elder, H. B. Musselman, and the other ministers of the Bethlehem District, and the Missionary Presiding Elder, W. B. Musselman, to be present at this Convention.

J. G. Shireman, Chairman, E. T. Shick, Secretary.

XVI. Annual Conference.

The Thirty-first Annual Conference will convene at Bethlehem, Pa., on October 15, 1914, at 8 A.M.

Chairman, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, Allen M. Gehman.

XVII. Stationing, Boundary and Appropriations.

REPORT OF THE STATIONING, BOUNDARY AND APPROPRIATING COMMITTEE.

(A) APPOINTMENTS.

Bethlehem District-H. B. Musselman, P. E.

(a) Stations.

Bethlehem—C. H. Brunner.
Allentown—W. S. Hottel.
South Allentown—R. L. Woodring.
Philadelphia—W. J. Fretz.
Reading—F. M. Hottel.
Zionsville—R. Bergstresser.

(b) Circuite

Royersford and Spring City—J. F. Barrall. Graterford and Harleysville—H. K. Kratz. Coopersburg and Springtown—E. N. Cassel. Emaus and Macungie—E. E. Kublic. Fleetwood, Blandon and Terre Hill—B. Bryan Musselman.

(c) Missions.

Quakertown and Hatfield—O. S. Hillegass. Lehighton and Weissport—J. C. Roth.

- (d) Tabernacles.
- To be supplied.

 (e) Local Preachers.
 - Wm. Gehman, Zionsville Quarterly Conference.
- (f) Quarterly Conference Licensed Workers.
 J. H. Moyer, H. M. Gehman, E. W. Martin, Titus Hottel, F. E. Frey.

Mt. Carmel District-W. G. Gehman, P. E.

- (a) Stations.
 Mt. Carmel—G. F. Yost.
- (b) Missions.

Easton—J. G. Shireman.
Nazareth and Plainfield—E. T. Shick.
Stroudsburg—M. W. Ettinger.
Walnutport—W. W. Zimmerman.
Northampton—V. H. Reinhart.

- (c) Tabernacles.

 To be supplied.
- (d) Local Preachers.
 P. J. Musselman, Nazareth Quarterly Conference.
- (e) Annual Conference Licensed Workers. H. A. Kauffman, L. D. Wesner, J. T. Anderson.

(B) APPROPRIATIONS.

1. Bethlehem District.

Quakertown and Hatfield,	per	month	 12	00
Lehighton and Weissport,	per	month	 15	00

Moving.

J. C. Roth\$	30	00	
B. Bryan Musselman	25	00	
J. F. Barrall	25	00	
To be used at the discretion of the Presiding Elder	200	00	•

2. Mt. Carmel District.

Easton, Pa., per month\$	25	00
Nazareth and Plainfield, per month	15	00
Stroudsburg, per month	20	00
Walnutport, per month	20	00
Northampton, per month	18	00

The rent for the President of the	Gospel Herald	Society shall	l be paid
out of the Home Mission Treasury.			

The balance of the Home Mission money to be used at the discretion of the Presiding Elder of the District.

(C) MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Gospel Herald Society.

W. G. Gehman, President.

Sunbury, Pa.—To be supplied. Shamokin, Pa.—To be supplied. Lebanon, Pa.—To be supplied. Washington, N. J.—To be supplied.

Gospel Worker Society.

W. B. Musselman, Missionary Presiding Elder, in charge.

H. B. Musselman, Chairman, W. G. Gehman, Secretary,

G. O. Billig,
H. L. Musselman,
William Schearer,
Herbert E. Gehman,
A. A. Wismer,
Allen M. Gehman,
Committee.

XVIII Conference Finances.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE. (Receipts, October 9, 1913.)

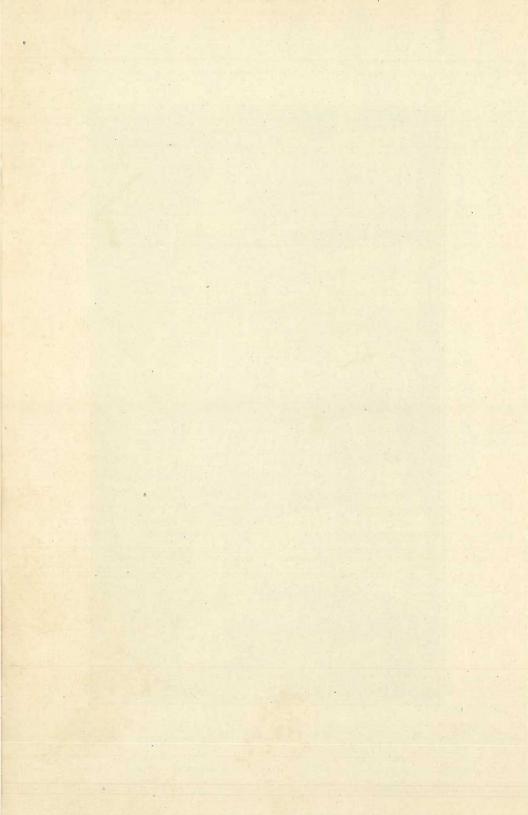
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J. F. Barrall, Financial Secretary, G. O. Billig, Allen M. Gehman,

Committee.

Courtesy of Reading Herald.

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THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Roll and Directory of Ministers.

I. Itinerants.

NAME	Licensed	Ordained	Received Present Charge	POST OFFICE ADDRESS										
Barrall, J. F	1901	1904	1910	Spring City, Pa.										
Bergstresser, R														
				112 Laurel St., Bethlehem, Pa.										
Cassel, E. N														
				East Stroudsburg, Pa.										
				3362 N. 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa.										
Gehman, W. G 1896 1899 P.E. Easton, Pa.														
Hillegass, O. S 1889 1892 1911 Richland Centre, Pa.														
Hottel, F. M	Hottel, F. M 1905 1909 1910 632 Locust St., Reading, Pa.													
Hottel, W. S 1900 1903 1910 819 Gordon St., Allentown, Pa.														
Kratz, H. K														
Kublic, E. E														
Musselman, H. B	1890	1893	P.E.	103 Second Ave., Bethlehem, Pa.										
Musselman, W. B														
Musselman, B. Bryan	1913		1913	Fleetwood, Pa.										
Reinhart, V. H	1907	1909	1911	1737 Washington Ave., Siegfried, Pa.										
Roth, J. C														
Shick, E. T														
Shireman, J. G	1898	1900	1911	125 S. 13th St., Easton, Pa.										
				344 Priscilla St., So. Allentown, Pa.										
Yost, G. F														
Zimmerman, W. W.														
	II. Local Preachers, (Ordained.)													

Gehman, Wm.	1849 1849	Vera Cruz, Pa.
Musselman, P.	J 1905 1907	Nazareth, Pa.

III. Annual Conference Licensed Preachers.

Anderson, J. T	. 1909
Kauffman, H. A	. 1908
Wesner, L. D	. 1913

IV. Quarterly Conference Licensed Workers.

Gehman, H. M 1897	South Allentown, Pa.
Hottel, Titus 1910	Coopersburg, Pa.
Martin, E. W 1901	Weaverland, Pa.
Moyer, J. H	Vernfield, Pa.

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Record of Conferences.

I EVANGELICAL MENNONITES. (Semi-Annual)							
.858 Sept			Milford, Pa				
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.860 May	28	Upper	Milford			1	
860 Nov.			•			1	
1861 June	4	1 .	•	David F	Henning	David	Gehman
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868 June			d				
868 Nov.			Milford				Gehman
869 June			d				
869 Nov.			Milford				"
.870 June			burg				"
.870 Oct.			Milford				**
.871 June			burg				"
871 Nov.			Milford				"
872 June	3	Coopers	burg	William	Gehman	Jonas	Musselman.
872 Nov.	6	Quaker	town	William	N. Shelly.	David	Gehman
873 June	3	Upper	Milford	David F	Henning		"
873 Nov.	11	Coopers	burg	William	N. Shelly.	1	"
874 June	1	Quaker	town	William	Gehman		"
874 Nov.			Milford				**
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II. EVANGELICAL UNITED MENNONITES. (Annual)							
880 Mar	h 15	Coopers	burg	William	Gehman		"
			town				"
			Milford				**
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† III. MENNONITE BRETHREN IN CHRIST. (Annual)

1884 Feb. 4 Terre Hill William Gehman	IW.	H.	Gehman
1885 Feb. 2 Quakertown "	M.	A.	Zyner
1886 Feb. 1 Upper Milford "	1		"
1887 Feb. 7 Reading "	IA.	Kai	ıffman
1888[Feb. 6]Coopersburg "	1		"
1889 Feb. 4 Terre Hill "	1		"
1890 Feb. 3 Bethlehem "	M.	A.	Zyner
1891 Feb. 2 Quakertown "			Brunner
1892 Feb. 1 Upper Milford W. B. Musselman			"
1893 Feb. 6 Coopersburg "	1		"
1894 Feb. 2 Terre Hill	1		"
1895 Feb. 1 Reading "	1		"
1896 Feb. 7-10 Allentown	1		"
1897 Feb. 19-22 Royersford "	T		**
1898 March 4-7 Bethlehem "	1		"
1899 March 3-6 Upper Milford C. H. Brunner	W.	G.	Gehman
1900 Sept. 14-17 Reading	1		**
1901 Oct. 4-7 Bethlehem W. B. Musselman	1		44
1902 Oct. 17-20 Reading H. B. Musselman	1		**
1903 Oct. 16-20 Mt. Carmel "	1		**
1904 Oct. 27-31 Allentown	1		**
1905 Oct. 12-16 Bethlehem	1		"
1906 Oct. 11-15 Reading W. G. Gehman	IC.	H.	Brunner
1907 Oct. 10-14 Royersford "	1		"
1908 Oct. 8-12 Bethlehem H. B. Musselman	1		**
1909 Oct. 14-18 Allentown "	1		"
1910 Oct. 13-17 Reading "	1		"
1911 Oct. 12-16 Royersford "	1		**
1912 Oct. 10-14 Allentown "	1		"
1913 Oct. 9-13 Reading "	1		"

^{*}Special Session concerning the sale ofcertain church property to the "Church

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**Special Conference whereby a union was effected between the Evangelical Mennonites of Pennsylvania and the United Mennonites of the Western States and Canada. Now changed to "Evangelical United Mennonites."

A special conference was held December 27, 1883, at Harrisburg, Ohio, whereby a union was effected with the Brethren in Christ of Ohio and the name changed to "Mennonite Brethren in Christ."

General Conferences.

1. ZIONSVILLE, PA. November 8-12,1879.

A Union Conference, including sixteen Members of the Pennsylvania Conference. Name changed to Evangelical United Mennonites.

2. ELKHART, IND. 1882.

Wm. Gehman, John Traub.

3. HARRISBURG, O. December 27-29, 1883.

Wm. Gehman, A. Strawn.

A Union Conference with the Brethren in Christ. Name changed to Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

4. ZIONSVILLE, PA. 1885.

Wm. Gehman, P. E., A. Strawn.

5. BERLIN, ONTARIO. 1888.

Wm. Gehman, P. E., A. Strawn, W. B. Musselman.

6. HARRISBURG, O. 1892.

W. B. Musselman, P. E., Wm. Gehman, Noah Detweiler, M. A. Zyner.

7. COOPERSBURG, PA. 1896.

W. B. Musselman, P. E., Wm. Gehman, C. H. Brunner.

8. BERLIN, ONT. 1900.

C. H. Brunner, P. E., H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. B. Musselman, M. P. E., W. G. Gehman, J. G. Shireman.

Layman, A. A. Wismer.

9. NAPPANEE, IND. 1904.

H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. B. Musselman, M. P. E., C. H. Brunner, M. P. E., W. G. Gehman.

Laymen, Allen M. Gehman, J. D. Moyer.

10. BROWN CITY, MICH. 1908.

H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. G. Gehman, P. E., W. B. Musselman, M. P. E., J. C. Roth, C. H. Brunner, W. S. Hottel.

Laymen, O. B. Bartholomew, Allen M. Gehman.

11. BETHLEHEM, PA. October 23, 1912.

H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. G. Gehman, P. E., C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel, W. S. Hottel.

Laymen, Allen M. Gehman, H. H. Bergey.

 Announced for Berlin, Ontario, on the second Wednesday in October, 1916, at 9 A.M.

