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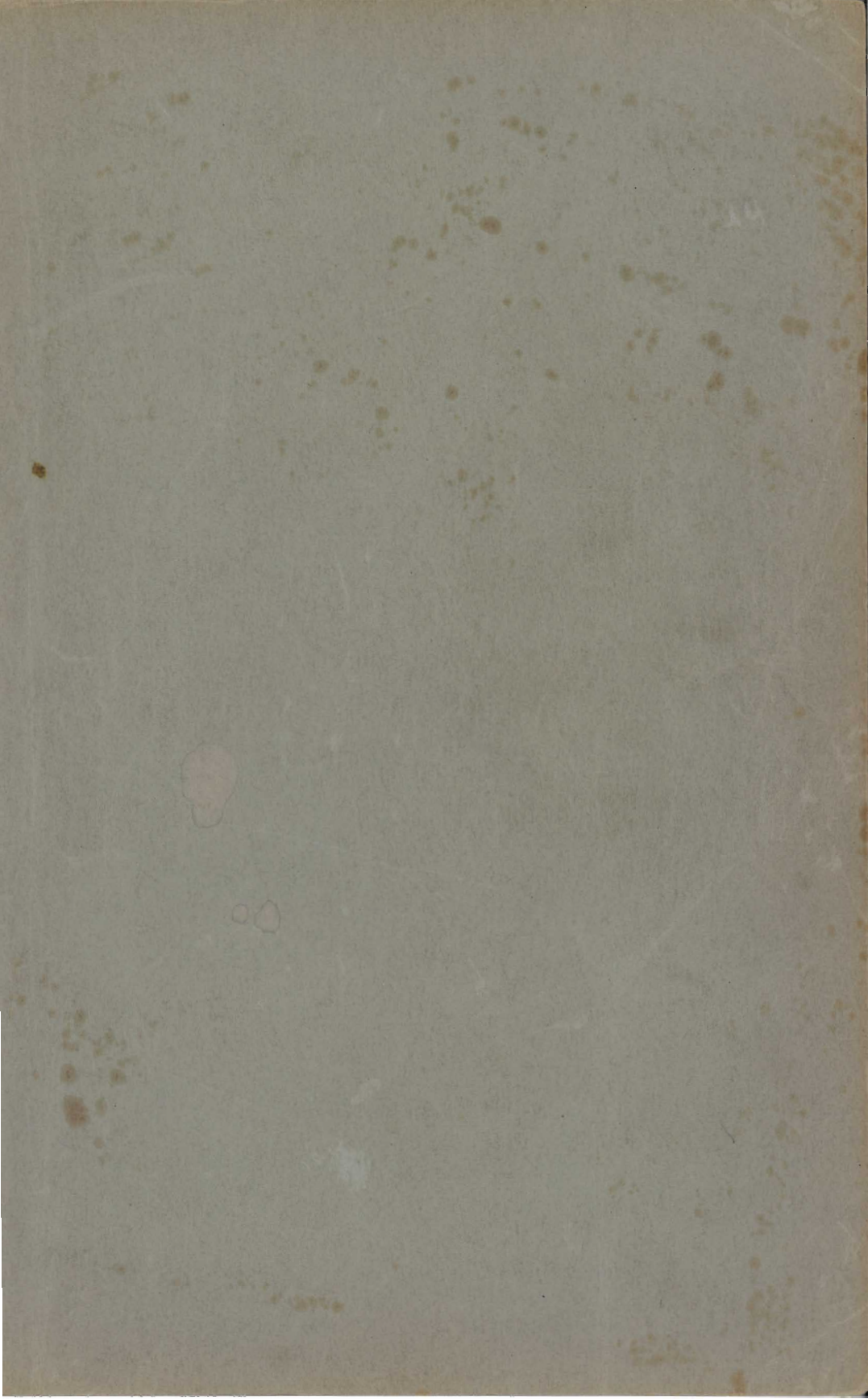
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# OFFICIAL RECORD

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**Home Mission Fund**—Chairman, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner.

**Gospel Herald Society**—President, W. G. Gehman.



## Business Rules of the Conference

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1. Two sessions shall be held daily, as follows: From 9 to 12 m., and from 1:30 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 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 as specified by the discipline.
- (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 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. [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 October 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 Quarterly 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.—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.]

F.—The class leaders and stewards shall be elected shortly before, and their term of office begin immediately after, the last Quarterly Conference. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

G.—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.]

H.—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.]

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

## IV. BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

The following Boards and Committees shall, as soon as practicable after their election, elect a President and a Secretary:

Executive Board, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Trustees of the Home, Board of Publication and Printing. The Chairman and Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be President and Secretary of the Home Mission Fund.

The Annual Conference shall elect a Conference Treasurer annually who shall be the Treasurer for the Executive Board, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Trustees of The Home, the Home Mission Fund and the Annual Conference Fund.

He shall deposit all the various funds in the name of the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania .....Treasurer. The various Boards shall draw on the Treasurer for the funds needed, using form of voucher check furnished by the Annual Conference. They shall not draw beyond the amount of their respective funds except by permission of the Executive Board.

The Treasurer shall keep an account of the amounts drawn by each Board in a book furnished by the Annual Conference and report to the Annual Conference the standing of each fund as well as the total in the Treasury.



All Boards and Standing Committees shall submit a full and classified report of their work, financial and otherwise, to the Annual Conference. They shall hold meetings annually or oftener.

**Executive Board.**—The Annual Conference shall elect an Executive Board annually consisting of five ordained ministers that have submitted themselves unconditionally to the Annual Conference.

This Executive Board shall constitute a Board of Trustees and hold the title of all property belonging to the Annual Conference, except where there is a regularly organized class or church that has a local Board of Trustees and where the Annual Conference has otherwise provided for, by electing a separate Board of Trustees.

The Executive Board shall direct as to how and where the money in the Annual Conference Treasury shall be deposited, and also have the right to place it on certificate of deposit, or savings deposit, or make other good, safe and substantial investments.

It shall have the right to buy any property that it may deem good and necessary for the furtherance of the work of the Annual Conference. It shall have the authority to sell any property that it holds in trust and execute and deliver a lawful deed for the same.

It shall have the authority to sell any property deeded to a local Board of Trustees at places where for any reason there is no longer a local board, or class, or organized church, and execute and deliver a lawful deed and conveyance, and use the net proceeds of the sale of such property for other church properties as it may deem advisable.

It shall have the right to borrow money and issue mortgages on the properties that it holds in trust or give other securities, and shall have the right to loan out any money that it may have on mortgages or other good securities, and also satisfy said mortgages or securities.

It shall have charge of all property belonging to the Annual Conference unless otherwise provided for.

It shall have charge of all the old quarterly conference records, class records, and all other records that are no longer needed by the various classes, boards or committees.

It shall act as a Board of Advisers to the Pastors and the President of the Gospel Herald Society in matters relative to the purchasing of properties for church purposes and the erection of churches and parsonages. The President of the Gospel Herald Society shall purchase no property for church purposes without consulting the Executive Board and receiving its consent.

It shall act as a Board of Advisers to the Laymen's Benevolent Society in all matters not clearly stated, and in matters of dispute that may arise from time to time between Annual Conferences.

It shall purchase all tabernacles and living tents pertaining to tabernacle outfits, and the lumber for camp-meeting purposes and all new furniture and such articles as may be needed.

It shall designate the place and arrangement for the storing of the camp-meeting equipage and tabernacle outfit.

Camp-meetings held in Mizpah Grove shall pay into the treasury of the Executive Board, rent for the lumber that they use at the rate designated by the said Board.

In case there is a balance left over at the various camp-meetings after all the expenses are paid, the balance shall be paid into the treasury of the Executive Board.

The title to all real estate held, controlled or possessed by any local class, church or congregation shall be vested in a Board of three Trustees to be annually elected by the Quarterly Conference of said local



class, church or congregation in trust for the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania after the following form:

To A, B and C trustees and their successors in office in trust for the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania.

**Foreign Missions—A.**—The Annual Conference shall elect annually a Board of Foreign Missions consisting of five members.

All money contributed for the cause of Foreign Missions throughout the Conference shall be paid into the Annual Conference Treasury. They shall disburse the funds that they receive for the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands according as they deem good and proper.

**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.]

**The Home.**—The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Trustees for The Home consisting of eight ordained ministers and four laymen. They shall be elected for a term of two years in such a manner that the term of office of four ministers and two laymen expires at each Annual Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have the privilege to elect or appoint a Superintendent or Manager, sub-boards or committees to carry forward the work of the Home and the farm connected therewith, and shall direct all other matters relative to the same.

It shall have the right to purchase additional property from time to time as it deems necessary to carry on the work of the Home and shall also have the right to sell any property that to the best of its judgment it may deem advisable for the interest of the work under its supervision and trust and execute and deliver good and lawful deeds and conveyances for the same.

It shall have the right to remove any of the present buildings or to erect additions to the present building or erect additional buildings as may be needed to carry on the work of the Home and the farm connected therewith.

It shall have the right to borrow money and give mortgages or other securities on the properties. It shall have the right to loan out any funds in its possession on mortgages or other securities or make other investments with the funds that it may have on hand, and also satisfy all mortgages or other securities.

It shall decide as to who shall be admitted into the Home and on what conditions, and shall also decide to whom and to what extent the Board shall give help to worthy poor throughout the Church.

All moneys or donations of any kind received by any Pastor for The Home shall be forwarded as soon as practicable to the Superintendent or Managing Committee, who shall acknowledge the receipt of the same.

\*Note. The members of our Church shall be respectively 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 provide by Conference for the support pledged to our respective missionaries.



Each Pastor shall hold a special service at each appointment on which occasion the Annual Offering for the Poor shall be received. The Pastors shall bring this offering to the Annual Conference and pay it into the Annual Conference Treasury as The Home funds.

All money collected for charitable purposes not paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of The Home shall be included in the report of the Treasurer of the local Board of Trustees where collected.

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 Home, who shall bring the matter before the Board. The Board shall assist as it may deem advisable.

**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.]

D.—All expenses of committees of investigations, appointed by the Presiding Elder, shall be paid out of the Conference Fund. [Revised October 17, 1903.]

**Camp Meeting Equipage.**—The Chairman of the Annual Conference shall appoint a committee who, under the direction of the Presiding Elders shall see that the Camp-meeting Equipage and Tabernacle outfits are kept in good working condition and repairs. They shall purchase such articles as will be necessary to the proper maintenance of the Camp-meeting Equipage and Tabernacle outfits. For the payment of their expenses they shall submit bills from time to time to the Executive Board.

In case any Pastor, or the President of the Gospel Herald Society desires to use, or cause to be used a tabernacle he shall make application for the same to his respective Presiding Elder. In case the privilege to use a tabernacle is granted, the Presiding Elder shall inform the Equipage Committee. The Pastor or the President of the Gospel Herald Society shall be present in person and in conjunction with a member of the Camp-meeting Equipage Committee shall see that the tabernacle and outfit is shipped. The expenses of this shall be paid by the one that uses or causes the tabernacle to be used.

The number of tabernacles to be used on the respective Presiding Elder Districts and in the Gospel Herald Society shall be mutually agreed upon by the Presiding Elders.

**Laymen's Benevolent Society.**—The Annual Conference shall elect annually a Board of three Trustees from among the laity for the Laymen's Benevolent Society. The Annual Conference shall elect and designate them as President, Secretary and Treasurer of said board.

The Treasurer shall acknowledge to the various Pastors any contributions which he has received from time to time for this Fund.



Whenever a member of the Society dies, the Pastor shall return the membership book to the Secretary.

Whenever a member of the Laymen's Benevolent Society fails to pay his contribution till after Feb. 1, after it was due he shall pay then and thereafter at the rate under which he would re-enter at that time as a Beneficiary. The Pastor shall be careful that the names of members shall be written correctly and alike in both the Member's Certificate Book and the Pastor's Book. The Pastor should always be careful to send names of members exactly as recorded when he forwards the respective contributions to the Treasurer through the Secretary. If for any reason or other the names of members should change, then the change should be recorded on the books and the Secretary of the Society be informed accordingly.

**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 16, 1909.]

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.]

**Gospel Herald Society.**—Gospel Heralds who desire to take the Reading Course may, with the concurrence of the President of the Gospel Herald Society, be permitted to take the Reading Course without entering the Annual Conference. Upon the satisfactory completion of their Course the Board of Examiners shall give them a certificate which may serve as credit whenever they are admitted into the Annual Conference.

We recommend that the Board of Examiners of Probationers specify the length of time the Probationers shall take to answer the questions according to their best judgment.

Whenever the President of the Gospel Herald Society desires to present a Gospel Herald as an Applicant for Annual Conference License, or turn over a Gospel Herald Mission as a Church appointment, he shall have the endorsement of the Executive Board.

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

**Year Books—A.**—The Annual Conference minutes shall be published only in the Year Book. The Secretary shall be privileged to curtail them as he sees fit. [Revised October 14, 1907.]

**B.**—The pastors shall pay for their Year Books within one week after they receive them. [Enacted October 13, 1905.]

**C.**—The Secretary shall send Year Books 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 Year Book of the same session.

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 Year Book of next year.

#### 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. [See Discipline.]

**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) Gospel Workers' Society—Quarterly.

**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 to 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.—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.] An offering for this Fund shall be lifted sometime before the Semi-Annual Ministerial Convention and a check to the amount be made out to the Treasurer and sent at once to the Secretary.

F.—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 offering for the 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 to the pastor where collected. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]

G.—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.

H.—The Pastor, by virtue of his office, shall be counted as an officer of the Sunday School. The number of officers and teachers of the Sunday School shall be determined by the number of offices and not only by the number of persons holding the offices.

I.—No offering shall be lifted for the Secretary of the respective Sunday School Conventions, and Annual and Semi-Annual Ministerial Conventions, but give him a donation of two dollars on each occasion out of the treasury of the Sunday School Convention and out of the Collections for expenses for the Ministerial Conventions respectively. The Chairman of these respective Conventions shall see that the above is duly paid.

J.—The election of the officers of the Sunday School shall be held in a regular church service shortly after the Annual Conference and not later than November 15. [Enacted October 19, 1925.]





Chinese-Tibetan Border Mission (Courtesy C. F. Snyder.)  
Delegates of the Chinese Advisory Committee.

# Annual Conference Proceedings

## 1933

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### FIRST MEETING

Wednesday Forenoon, October 18, 1933.

The Fiftieth Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of Pennsylvania convened in Beulah M. B. in C. Church, Twelfth and Spruce streets, Easton, Pa.

The first meeting was opened by the Chairman, H. B. Musselman, at 9 a. m., according to announcement, by singing "When the Love of Jesus Dwelleth in the Heart," and prayer by Pastor J. B. Layne, after which the chairman gave us a most earnest, helpful and needful address, emphasizing the strenuous conditions of these last days and the great need of devoted, consecrated laborers, full of faith and courage. This was followed by a season of prayer, during which the Lord touched our hearts. This was a time of thankfulness and praise to the Lord for His gracious help during this Conference year and for the blessings of God upon the officers and members of the Conference, as well as upon our beloved lay members of the various congregations at home, who have stood by the Pastors and the Conference so nobly during the past year.

After singing "Let the Beauty of Jesus be Seen in Me," the Chairman called for the enrollment of members.

The names of the members of the Conference were then enrolled by the Secretary, C. B. Brunner, as follows:

#### Ministers

**Ordained**—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, C. H. Brunner, B. Bryan Musselman, F. M. Hottel, E. N. Cassel, G. F. Yost, J. G. Shireman, A. G. Woodring, N. H. Wolf, P. T. Stengele, F. B. Hertzog, J. C. Roth, T. D. Gehret, R. L. Woodring, H. K. Kratz, W. F. Heffner, J. B. Layne, V. H. Reinhart, E. E. Kublic, J. B. Henry, E. H. Musselman, Paul E. Baer, E. T. Shick, R. Bergstresser, J. F. Barrall, O. S. Hillegass, W. B. Musselman, C. F. Snyder, H. W. Feldges and N. M. Cressman.

**Probationers**—H. W. Hartman, E. George, E. B. Hartman, A. M. Sprock, C. L. Miller, R. H. Gehman, E. W. Bean, M. M. Myers, W. W. Hartman, J. T. Anderson and A. C. Wieand.

#### Delegates

##### Allentown District

G. Henry Hildebrand, Allentown (Bethel.)

Paul H. Cressman, Bethlehem.

Fred Geibel, Philadelphia.

S. W. Heiser, Reading.

Paul I. Wentz, Emaus, Macungie and Zionsville.



H. L. Shelly, Coopersburg and Allentown (Salem.)  
 R. R. Fox, Royersford and Spring City.  
 G. K. Himmelreich, Fleetwood, Blandon and Terre Hill.  
 H. H. Bergey, Quakertown and Hatfield.  
 C. K. Wismer, Graterford and Harleysville.  
 Burton Deppe, Northampton and Walnutport.  
 E. Godshall, Nazareth.  
 A. A. Schaeffer, Lehighton and Weissport.  
 Easton District

Herbert V. Smith, Easton.  
 R. M. Anderson, Shamokin.  
 Mason Klinger, Mt. Carmel.  
 George R. Fish, Stroudsburg.  
 C. B. Brosius, Sunbury.  
 Frank A. Borchers, Scranton.  
 Thomas Campbell, Sr., Wissinoming and West Philadelphia.  
 George S. Messersmith, York.

Both Presiding Elders, all the Pastors, all the Delegates and a number of others were present at the opening of the first meeting.

We are remembering at this time, W. B. Musselman, of Cleveland, Ohio, and his work, and the Gospel Herald Society, a number of whom were present at this Conference; C. F. Snyder and Mrs. C. F. Snyder, of China; N. M. Cressman and Mrs. N. M. Cressman, of French Indo-China; Mrs. Fred Whale, formerly Miss Grace Feldges, of Africa; H. W. Feldges and Mrs. H. W. Feldges and Miss Mary A. Miller on furlough.

Also the following, although not members of our Conference, yet have been supported by our Conference.

Africa—E. E. Crist, Mrs. E. E. Crist, E. R. Hess, Harry Stam, Mrs. Harry Stam, Joseph Ummel and Paul Ummel.

French Indo-China—William C. Cadman, Mrs. William C. Cadman, R. M. Jackson and H. A. Jackson.

Palestine—Miss Mary A. Butterfield, on furlough.

Special thanksgiving has also been offered up in the morning devotion for the noble company of believers whom the Lord has given us and special prayers were offered in their behalf.

**Resolved.** That the first four pews in the center and to the right of the Chair constitute the Conference Bar.

The Secretary appointed his assistants, as follows: Assistant Secretary, B. Bryan Musselman; Recording Secretaries, N. H. Wolf, H. L. Shelly and A. G. Woodring.

**Resolved,** That the Chair appoint a Reporter and a Timekeeper.

He appointed H. K. Kratz as Reporter and J. C. Roth as Timekeeper.

**Resolved,** That no members be permitted to leave the Conference Bar without permission by the Chair, except T. D. Gehret and Herbert V. Smith, the Pastor and Delegate of the Easton congregation.



## Committees

The following committees were then appointed by the Chair and approved by the Conference.

**Committee on Worship:** W. G. Gehman, T. D. Gehret and H. B. Musselman.

**Committee on Communications:** R. L. Woodring and J. B. Layne.

**Committee on Finance:** F. M. Hottel, H. L. Shelly, G. Henry Hildebrand and C. H. Brunner.

**Committee on Statistics:** E. N. Cassel, Paul E. Baer, J. B. Layne, J. G. Shireman, P. T. Stengele and T. D. Gehret.

**Committee on Examinations of Annual Conference Records:** J. C. Roth and W. F. Heffner.

**Committee on Examination of Quarterly Conference Records:** F. B. Hertzog, H. K. Kratz, E. H. Musselman, C. L. Miller, Mason Klinger, E. E. Kublic, Burton Deppe, Frank A. Borchers, George R. Fish, Fred Geibel, George S. Messersmith, C. K. Wismer, Thomas Campbell, Sr., S. W. Heiser and R. M. Anderson.

**Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders:** Herbert V. Smith, H. H. Bergey and G. K. Himmelreich.

**Committee on Examination of Presiding Elders, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries:** P. T. Stengele, H. K. Kratz, J. C. Roth and W. F. Heffner.

**Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License:** C. H. Brunner, B. Bryan Musselman and F. M. Hottel.

**Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination:** B. Bryan Musselman, E. N. Cassel and C. H. Brunner.

**Committee on Resolutions:** W. G. Gehman, R. L. Woodring and J. B. Henry.

**Committee on Auditing:** G. F. Yost, J. B. Henry, Paul I. Wentz, Herbert V. Smith, C. B. Brosius, Paul H. Cressman, A. A. Schaeffer, R. R. Fox, G. Henry Hildebrand, H. H. Bergey and E. Godshall.

**Resolved,** That the Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Minutes shall carefully compare the Annual Conference minutes with a copy of the Year Book and note any and all errors, make a copy of any and all corrections, omissions or additions, and certify in the following form,

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference minutes for the session of .....and found them correct except the following corrections—Two copies of this certificate shall be made and signed and posted into the Conference Year Books, one held by the Chairman and one by the Secretary, which shall serve as the official records of the Annual Conference.

**Resolved,** That we suspend the Rules and have a meeting this evening and that the minutes of the afternoon meeting be read at tomorrow morning's meeting.

**Resolved,** That the Oral Reports of the various Pastors be limited

to four minutes and the Presiding Elders give oral reports limited to five minutes.

**Resolved,** That we suspend the rules and adjourn to three o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned with prayer by Paul E. Baer and benediction by F. M. Hottel.

#### SECOND MEETING

Wednesday Afternoon, October 18, 1933.

The Chairman opened the afternoon meeting at 3 o'clock with singing "Leaning on Jesus," and prayer by S. W. Heiser.

The roll was called after which the minutes of the forenoon meeting were read and approved.

The following reports were read and adopted:

**Report of the Committee on the Examination of Quarterly Conference Records:**

We, the Committee on Quarterly Conference Records, beg leave to report that we have examined the Quarterly Conference Records and found them in an excellent condition. A few slight mistakes were found which we instructed the Pastors to correct.

F. B. Hertzog,	George R. Fish,
H. K. Kratz,	Fred Geibel,
E. H. Musselman,	George S. Messersmith,
C. L. Miller,	C. K. Wismer,
Mason Klinger,	Thomas Campbell, Sr.,
E. E. Kublic,	S. W. Heiser,
Burton Deppe,	R. M. Anderson,
Frank A. Borchers,	

Committee.

**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 in a satisfactory condition.

P. T. Stengele,
H. K. Kratz,
J. C. Roth,
W. F. Heffner,

Committee.

**Report of the Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Records:**

We certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Records of 1932 and found the following errors:

First, On page 30 reads "To organize for these Conventions," in Year Book reads on Page 20, "Organize for these Sunday School Conventions."



Second. In summary of Statistics reads, "Total Decrease 114," in Year Book reads, "Total Decrease 116."

Third. In minutes, Home Department members 1482, In Year Book 1483.

J. C. Roth,  
W. F. Heffner,  
Committee.

**Report of the Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders:**

We beg leave to report that we have examined all the Traveling Elders through the various delegates and found them all satisfactory, being highly commended for their lives of noble sacrifice, devotion and earnestness in preaching the Word, and fulfilling their various duties connected with the Lord's service.

Herbert V. Smith,  
H. H. Bergey,  
G. K. Himmelreich,  
Committee.

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

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

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

**Report of the Ministerial Convention.** (See Reports.)

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

**Report of H. B. Musselman, Presiding Elder of the Allentown District.** (See Reports.)

**Report of W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Easton District.** (See Reports.)

**Report of W. G. Gehman, President of the Gospel Herald Society.** (See Reports.)

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

**Resolved,** That the Secretary call the roll for Conditional and Unconditional Ministers. The following was the result:

Unconditional—H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, C. H. Brunner, B. Bryan Musselman, F. M. Hottel, J. G. Shireman, E. N. Cassel, J. C. Roth, G. F. Yost, R. L. Woodring, H. K. Kratz, A. G. Woodring, N. H. Wolf, W. F. Heffner, E. E. Kublic, J. B. Layne, P. T. Stengele, F. B. Hertzog, T. D. Gehret, J. B. Henry, E. H. Musselman, Paul E. Baer and C. L. Miller.

Conditional—None.

**Resolved,** That we elect two Presiding Elders.

The Chair appointed the tellers as follows: G. F. Yost, J. B. Layne and F. M. Hottel.

The following were elected Presiding Elders for the ensuing year: H. B. Musselman and W. G. Gehman. Vice Presiding Elders: B. Bryan Musselman and C. H. Brunner.

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

**Resolved** That we suspend the rules and extend the time indefinitely.

**Resolved**, That we adjourn to meet tonight at 7.45 o'clock.

Adjourned at 6.00 with prayer by E. H. Musselman and benediction by J. G. Shireman.

### THIRD MEETING

Wednesday Evening, October 18, 1933

The evening meeting was opened at 7.45 o'clock with singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and and prayer by A. G. Woodring.

The roll was called.

The Pastors submitted their oral reports.

Presiding Elders H. B. Musselman and W. G. Gehman submitted their oral reports.

Adjourned at 9.25 o'clock with prayer and benediction by W. G. Gehman.

### FOURTH MEETING

Thursday Morning, October 19, 1933.

The meeting was opened with singing "Sweet are the Promises," and prayer by E. N. Cassel.

The Chairmen read 2 Corinthians, Chapter 4 and made some very helpful remarks.

The roll was called after which the minutes of the Wednesday afternoon and evening meetings were read and approved.

The following reports were read and adopted:

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

**Report of the Beneficiary Society.** (See Reports.)

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

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

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

Rev. W. S. Hottel, Bible Teacher and Evangelist of Detroit, Michigan, and Rev. Titus Hottel, Pastor of the 12th Street Baptist Church, Allentown, Pa., were introduced to the Conference.

**Resolved**, That the two Presiding Elders and a delegate from each station and circuit constitute the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

**Resolved**, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.



Adjourned at 10.25 o'clock with prayer by W. S. Hottel and benediction by Titus Hottel.

#### FIFTH MEETING

Thursday Afternoon, October 19, 1933.

The meeting was opened at 2.00 o'clock with prayer by T. D. Gehret. The roll was called after which the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following report was read and adopted:

The Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee reports progress and asks to sit again.

**Resolved,** That we suspend business until the call of the Chair not later than 4.45 o'clock.

Business was resumed at 4.05 o'clock.

The following Reports were read and adopted:

**Report of the Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License:**

We beg leave to report that we have had no applicants for Annual Conference License at this Conference.

C. H. Brunner,  
B. Bryan Musselman,  
F. M. Hottel,  
Committee.

**Report of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.**

(See Reports.)

**Resolved,** That we suspend business for 20 minutes.

Business was resumed at five o'clock.

**Resolved,** That we suspend the Rules and extend the time to 5.30 p. m.

The following Reports were read and adopted:

**Report of the Board of Trustees of the Home.** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Executive Board.** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Conference Treasurer.** (See Reports.)

**Resolved,** That we proceed with the election of Officers, Boards and Committees.

The following were elected:

**Chairman of the Next Annual Conference:** H. B. Musselman.

**Secretary and Treasurer of the Next Annual Conference:** C. H. Brunner.

Adjourned at 5.30 o'clock with prayer by E. E. Kublic and benediction by G. F. Yost.

#### SIXTH MEETING

Friday Morning, October 20, 1933.

The meeting was opened with prayer by G. F. Yost.

The Chairman read 1 Timothy 4, followed by some very instructive remarks.

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

**Resolved,** That the next Annual Conference convene in Bethel Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, Allentown, Pa., on October 18, 1934, and also that the Conference include Sunday services.

An invitation was also received from the Bethlehem congregation to entertain the next Annual Conference.

The following report was read and adopted:

**Report of the Committee on Resolutions.**

(1) **Whereas,** We have listened with great interest and profit to the reports of our Presiding Elders, also the report of the President of the Gospel Herald Society, in which glowing tribute was paid to the faithfulness and loyalty of the Pastors, as well as the laity on the various charges who have manifested deep interest and concern in the Lord's work and have sacrificed greatly, and,

**Whereas,** Our Presiding Elders have toiled willingly and untiring, spending and being spent for the good of the work, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we herewith express our appreciation of their wise counsel, able leadership and thoughtful consideration of the various problems that have confronted them, and that we pray that they may be Divinely sustained and preserved until He come.

(2.) **Whereas,** During the past year the Lord has again wonderfully preserved the lives of all of our Pastors, and,

**Whereas,** The Pastors have reported spiritual progress and victory, so that much definite work has been done for God, souls have been saved, others have been remarkably healed, therefore,

**Resolved,** That the Lord be praised for His marvelous leadings, for His blessings so abundantly bestowed upon the ministry, and that by the grace of God we strive to prove worthy of the calling wherewith we have been called, and serve Him to the very best of our power and strength.

(3.) **Whereas,** C. H. Brunner, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, who has been in constant touch with our representatives on the various Mission fields and has reported at length concerning the work being done, and,

**Whereas,** The Lord has graciously overruled in the preservation of the lives of all the Missionaries, having enabled them to continue in the spread of the Gospel and the winning of souls, so that much effectual work for God has been done, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we praise the Lord, who has hitherto supplied the needed strength, and who has sustained the Missionaries in these troublous times, and further,

**Resolved,** That we pray God to continue to bless and prosper them in the future.

(4.) **Whereas,** C. H. Brunner, the Editor of the "Annual Year Book" and Secretary of the Annual Conference, has with his many duties se-



cured many valuable facts of interest and arranged matter for the press throughout the entire year, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we highly appreciate his whole-hearted interest and untiring labor, and further,

**Resolved,** That we donate \$50 out of the Annual Conference Fund as a token of appreciation for his services thus rendered.

(5.) **Whereas,** The Union Gospel Press, of Cleveland, Ohio, has published the Christian Life Series of Sunday School literature which has won its way into many Sunday Schools throughout the world, and,

**Whereas,** They consider no labor too great in making this literature the very best possible, both doctrinally and spiritually, and,

**Whereas,** Through this medium, tons of Gospel literature are sent into many parts of the world, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we give hearty thanks to God for His leadings and heartily pledge our prayers and support otherwise and continue to pray God's choicest blessings upon them that their courage, health and strength fail not and that our fellowship in the Word and work of the Lord may increase more and more until the Lord's return.

(6) **Whereas,** We realize the value and importance of spreading good, wholesome, sound literature in these last days, when false doctrines are being widely circulated through the pulpit, stage and printed page and thereby the untaught in the truth are being ensnared by the errors and deceptions of Satan, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we urge all our Pastors to spread as much Gospel literature as possible and thereby help to spread the truth, and further,

**Resolved,** That whenever Pastors sell literature for which they receive the retail price, the same shall be reported on the Schedule accordingly. When they sell through members on their charge, allowing a certain commission, the Pastors shall report only the net proceeds, and further,

**Resolved,** That whatever literature is sold, the amount of the price of which has already entered the accounts, such as the Christian Life Missionary, etc., the same shall not be reported by the Pastor on the schedule.

(7) **Resolved,** That the church property at Hereford be in charge of the Board of Trustees of Macungie, Pa.

(8) **Resolved,** That we as a Conference recognize W. G. Gehman, President of the Gospel Herald Society, as the agent appointed by the Union Gospel Press to handle their Sunday School supplies and all other publications.

(9) **Resolved,** That the Pastors hold the Home Missionary meetings under the direction of the respective Presiding Elders and that the subscriptions be taken some time between Conference and New Year. The pledges for Foreign Missions shall be taken some time between New Year and April 1.

(10) **Whereas,** It is one of our standing rules for each Pastor to

hold a special service at each appointment, on which occasion the Annual Offering for the poor shall be lifted, and,

**Whereas,** The Home for our aged is in need of funds, and,

**Whereas,** The offering for the poor has been very low from year to year, therefore,

**Resolved,** That our Pastors shall lay special stress upon this offering, designating it as an offering for The Home and that this offering shall be lifted at a Special Service on or before Thanksgiving Day.

(11) **Resolved,** That W. G. Gehman, President of the Gospel Herald Society, shall have charge of the general sale of the Church Hymnal.

(12) **Resolved,** That we ask the Sunday Schools to remit 25 cents for each Officer and Teacher reported on this year's schedule, to be added to the Conference Fund for printing of supplies. This amount to be paid to the Conference Treasurer before next New Year.

(13) **Resolved,** That the management of the Cafeteria of the Mizpah Grove Camp Meetings continue under the direction of the Executive Board.

(14) **Whereas,** The Pastor, T. D. Gehret, and the members of the Easton Congregation have so abundantly provided for the entertainment of the Annual Conference members and friends of the work, all meals being served in the basement of the Church, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we appreciate their devotedness to the Lord, His servants and His work, and further,

**Resolved,** That we tender them a rising vote of thanks and unitedly pray God's blessing upon them for usefulness in the Lord's work.

(15) **Whereas,** The daily papers, the "Easton Express" and the "Bethlehem Globe-Times," have given us such splendid service in publishing the proceedings of the Annual Conference, and,

**Whereas,** Their correspondents have so courteously cooperated with our Conference Reporter, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we express our appreciation of their services and pray God's blessing upon them, and further.

**Resolved,** That a copy of this resolution be signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Conference and be forwarded by Pastor T. D. Gehret.

W. G. Gehman,  
R. L. Woodring,  
J. B. Henry,  
Committee.

**Resolved,** That each class lift an offering for the next Annual Conference expenses, the amount to be based on the basis of 10 cents per member. These amounts shall be recorded in the first empty space of both Financial and Statistical Schedules.

**Resolved,** That we proceed with the election of Officers, Boards and Committees. The following were elected:



**Resolved,** That W. B. Musselman be recognized as Missionary Presiding Elder, Ex-Officio.

**Resolved,** That the officers be nominated and elected by ballot.

**Committee over the Presiding Elders:** F. M. Hottel, G. F. Yost and P. T. Stengele.

**Executive Board:** H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel and B. Bryan Musselman.

**Board of Examiners:** E. N. Cassel, H. K. Kratz and T. D. Gehret.

**Board of Foreign Missions:** H. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, W. G. Gehman, B. Bryan Musselman and F. M. Hottel.

**Board of Trustees of The Home (For two years:)** H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, E. N. Cassel, C. H. Brunner, Allen M. Gehman and H. N. Rishel.

**Whereas,** Pastor J. G. Shireman has requested to be relieved from membership on the Board of Trustees of The Home on account of his physical condition, therefore

**Resolved,** That his request be granted. F. B. Hertzog was elected to fill the vacancy.

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

**Resolved,** That all contributions received by the Laymen's Benevolent Society shall be paid by check or money order, made payable to H. G. Brunner, Treasurer, and forwarded to him at Zionsville, Pa., who in turn shall forward the items of receipts to the Secretary, G. O. Billig, 941 Liberty street, Allentown, Pa.

The following were appointed by the chairman:

**Committee over Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits:** Chairman, B. Bryan Musselman; Secretary, F. M. Hottel; F. B. Hertzog and P. T. Stengele.

**Board of Publication and Printing:** President, B. Bryan Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel.

**Committee of Three to Compile a Report of the Conference and the Evening Services for the "Gospel Banner:"** E. N. Cassel, A. G. Woodring and T. D. Gehret.

**Resolved,** That we hold a Sunday School Convention in each Presiding Elder's District. The Presiding Elders, Pastors and Delegates of their respective districts shall constitute a committee to organize for these Sunday School Conventions.

**Resolved,** That the Chair appoint a Chairman in each district to organize for these Sunday School Conventions.

He appointed the following:

**Allentown District**—C. H. Brunner.

**Easton District**—T. D. Gehret.

**Resolved,** That we hold two Camp Meetings on the Allentown District and one on the Easton District.

**Resolved,** That the Camp Meeting Divisions comprise the congregations as follows:

Bethlehem Division—Bethlehem, Reading, Fleetwood, Blandon, Terre Hill, Royersford, Spring City, Quakertown, Nazareth, Walnutport, Northampton, Lehighton and Weissport.

Allentown Division—Allentown (Bethel), Allentown (Salem), Philadelphia, Emaus, Macungie, Zionsville, Coopersburg, Graterford and Harleysville.

Easton District—Shamokin, Mount Carmel, Sunbury, Easton, Stroudsburg, Scranton, Wissinoming, West Philadelphia and York, Pa.

**Resolved,** That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by C. K. Wismer and benediction by J. C. Roth.

#### SEVENTH MEETING

Friday Afternoon, October 20, 1933.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Fred Geibel.

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

The following reports were read and adopted:

**Report of the Committee on Statistics:** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Committee on Auditing:**

We, The Committee on Auditing have examined the following accounts: Presiding Elders' Reports, Benevolent Society, Camp Meetings, Sunday School Conventions, Board of Publication and Printing, Quarterly Conference Records, The Home, Executive Board, Foreign and Home Missions, Gospel Herald Society, Conference Treasurer and the Report of the Committee on Finance. The records were all found to be in a good condition. A few minor errors were corrected in the presence of the parties concerned.

G. F. Yost,	A. A. Schaeffer,
Paul I. Wentz,	R. R. Fox,
J. B. Henry,	G. Henry Hildebrand,
Herbert V. Smith,	H. H. Bergey,
C. B. Brosius,	E. Godshall,
Paul H. Cressman,	Committee.

**Report of the Committee to Organize for the Allentown Division Camp Meeting of the Allentown District.** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Committee to Organize for the Bethlehem Division Camp Meeting of the Allentown District.** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Committee to Organize for the Easton District Camp Meeting.** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Committee on Ordination:**

We beg leave to report that we have met Brother C. L. Miller who has filled a Conference appointment as pastor at Mount Carmel during the past year satisfactorily, have examined him and recommend him to this Conference for ordination.



We have also met Brother W. W. Hartman who has passed the Reading Course satisfactorily and believe him to be sincere, devoted and faithful, but owing to the fact that he has not had the opportunity to show himself approved to the Conference, therefore, we recommend that his ordination be deferred for the present.

B. Bryan Musselman,  
E. N. Cassel,  
C. H. Brunner,  
Committee.

**Report of the Committee on Communications:**

We have received a Communication from J. F. Barrall, Local Preacher of Shamokin Quarterly Conference, stating that his courage to serve the Lord is as good as ever. but on account of business conditions could not attend.

R. L. Woodring,  
J. B. Layne,  
Committee.

**Report of the Committee to Organize for the Allentown District Sunday School Convention.** (See Reports.)

**Report of the Committee to Organize for the Easton District Sunday School Convention.** (See Reports.)

The various Boards and Committees reported the election of the following officers:

**Committee over the Presiding Elders**—Chairman, F. M. Hottel; Secretary, P. T. Stengele.

**Executive Board**—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, E. N. Cassel.

**Board of Foreign Missions**—President, H. B. Musselman. Secretary, C. H. Brunner.

**Board of Examiners**—President, E. N. Cassel; Secretary, H. K. Kratz.

**Board of Trustees of The Home**—President, H. B. Musselman; Secretary, E. N. Cassel; Assistant Secretary, Paul I. Wentz.

**Board of Publication and Printing**—President, B. Bryan Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner.

**Committee Over Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits**—Chairman, B. Bryan Musselman; Secretary, F. M. Hottel.

**Beneficiary Society**—President, W. G. Gehman; Secretary, F. M. Hottel; Treasurer, B. Bryan Musselman.

**Resolved,** That Brother C. L. Miller be ordained during this evening service. The Chairman, H. B. Musselman, shall have charge of the ordination service.

**Resolved,** That the matter of a Hymn Book be left to the Executive Board.

**Resolved,** That we hold the Annual Ministerial Convention at Bethlehem, Pa., on April 19, 1934. All ordained Ministers and Pro-

bationers having charge of a work shall be members of this Convention.

The following officers were elected for this Convention: Chairman, C. H. Brunner; Secretary, J. B. Layne.

Committee on Program: H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and P. T. Stengele.

**Resolved**, That Gospel Heralds who desire to take the Reading Course may, with the concurrence of the President of the Gospel Herald Society, be permitted to take the Reading Course without entering the Annual Conference. Upon the satisfactory completion of their course the Board of Examiners shall give them a certificate which may serve as credit whenever they are admitted into the Conference.

**Resolved**, That we recommend that the Board of Examiners specify the length of time the Probationers shall take to answer the questions according to their best judgment.

**Resolved**, That whenever the President of the Gospel Herald Society desires to present a Gospel Herald, as an applicant for Annual Conference License or turn over a Gospel Herald Mission as a church appointment he shall have the endorsement of the Executive Board.

**Resolved**, That these resolutions be made Standing Rules.

**Resolved**, That the Committee to compile a Report of the Conference and the Evening Meetings for the "Gospel Banner," submit their report to the Conference Secretary to be published in the Year Book as well as in the "Gospel Banner."

**Resolved**, That we print 1000 copies of our Year Book for 1933.

**Resolved**, That the price of the Annual Year Book be twenty-five cents and in case of a deficit this shall be provided for out of the Conference Fund.

**Resolved**, That we have 1200 copies of the Report of the Gospel Herald Society printed for distribution among those not having Year Books.

**Resolved**, That we ask the Board of Foreign Missions to print 1800 copies of the Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

**Resolved**, That the Pastors shall meet the officers of the Beneficiary Society at the Ministerial Convention and present their check for the offering for the Beneficiary Fund.

**Resolved**, That a Committee of five, including the two Presiding Elders, be appointed who shall arrange and publish a program for all the services for the next Annual Conference.

The following were appointed: H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman, B. Bryan Musselman, C. H. Brunner and the Allentown Delegate.

**Resolved**, That we revise Article Number 3 in the By-laws of the Laymen's Benevolent Society by striking out the words "Presiding Elders" and substituting the words "Executive Board."

**Resolved**, That we suspend the Rules and extend the time indefinitely.

**Resolved**, That whenever an election is held, except where otherwise provided for by our Discipline, the informal ballot shall be used



to nominate the candidates and where one candidate is to be elected the three highest shall be used as candidates. Where three candidates are required the five highest shall be considered. A majority in every instance shall be necessary for an election. After the first ballot has been cast if there be no election the candidate receiving the least number of votes shall be eliminated.

**Whereas,** The question relative to the advisability of using musical instruments in connection with our religious services has been brought up occasionally during the past, and,

**Whereas,** Our Discipline has referred this question to the decision of the respective Annual Conferences, therefore,

**Resolved,** That we as a Conference declare ourselves as not being antagonistic to the use of musical instruments in connection with our religious worship. This question shall be left to the discretion of the various individual congregations to be decided by a two-thirds vote of Quarterly Conference.

The minutes of the afternoon meeting were read and approved.

Adjourned at 6 p. m. with prayer by W. G. Gehman and benediction by E. N. Cassel.

Signed,

H. B. Musselman, Presiding Elder, Chairman.

W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder.

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

B. Bryan Musselman, Assistant Secretary, Vice Presiding Elder.

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J. C. Roth

W. F. Heffner,

J. B. Layne.

Paul E. Baer,

J. B. Henry,

E. H. Musselman,

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C. L. Miller.

Fred Geibel,

G. Henry Hildebrand,

R. R. Fox,

Paul H. Cressman,

S. W. Heiser,

Paul I. Wentz,

G. K. Himmelreich,

Herbert V. Smith,

R. M. Anderson,

C. B. Brosius,

E. Godshall,

Burton Deppe,

A. A. Schaffer,

C. K. Wismer,

George S. Messersmith,

Frank A. Borchers,

Thomas W. Campbell, Sr.,

H. H. Bergery,

George R. Fish,

Mason Klinger.



Bethel Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, 418-20 Elm Street, Emaus, Pa., Rev. G. F. Yost, Pastor. The building is 48x96 feet, the lot 80x150 feet. The lot and building completely furnished, cost \$41,500. Construction began June 13, 1932. Everything was finished as it is now by January 19, 1933 and dedicated January 22.



# REPORTS

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## I.—Presiding Elders

### REPORT OF THE PRESIDING ELDER OF THE ALLENTOWN DISTRICT

How the years sweep on! We wake, we lie down to rest; a day has gone on the wings of the wind to join the years which have become a part of eternity. Before we know it, it comes time to drop life's curtain and fold the hands forever. "Thou carriest them away as a flood." We listen for the roar of the waters but all is still. So quiet in their passing! We do not look from our work until they are gone! Out of the boundless tide we are borne, with all we have done, leaving so much undone.

As year by year we grow older, from childhood into youth, from youth into manhood, then on into middle age, we find the other spiritual world ever growing larger. The circle of human forms that live around us lessens in number, but the memories that constitute this other world fasten themselves upon us and cling with an undying hold. By every timely separation, and with every new and final goodbye,



Bethel M. B. in C. Church, Emaus, Pa., looking north from the pulpit.

we are just so much more enriched within ourselves. It brings to us an invisible host of feelings and memories that are to us an everlasting possession. The glorious Hope set before us, causes all nature and its beauties to fall into the background and spurs us onward to labor more faithfully for Him, whose love has wrought an eternal redemption for us, and has counted us worthy to be witnesses unto Him.



"As servants of God we are left on the earth,  
To witness for Christ and to tell of His worth,  
God's Gospel the message, the Spirit its power  
And the time to declare it the present brief hour."

The Lord has graciously spared to us all of the pastors and their families, with one exception, in the departure from this life of Brother Harold Kratz, son of our esteemed Brother and Sister Kratz, who fell asleep in Jesus on September 1, 1933, after a lingering illness. Our prayers and sympathies, with the everlasting consolation of God are theirs.

The Lord has been sustaining His work and workers during the past year in a way which should evoke abundance of praise and adoration unto Him, for grace given, amid trials and problems that are confronting us in these last perilous days. The pastors have been holding forth the Word of life faithfully. We greatly appreciated their loyalty and the much kindness showed us in every way.



Bethel M. B. in C. Church, Emaus, Pa., looking south toward the pulpit.

No spasmodic revivals were noted, but souls have been blessedly saved throughout the entire year on the various pastorates. A goodly number were also healed in body, while others were kept in health, through trusting in their God.

The attendance at prayer meetings as well as the attendance of general church services has been remarkable throughout the entire year, while the Sunday Schools continue to tax the seating capacity of the churches in most instances. The general depression has been keenly felt on all sides, but hitherto the Lord has helped and we can safely trust Him for the future (2 Cor. 9:8.)

Two Camp Meetings were held on the District. Both of these gatherings were held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa. The Bethlehem Division Camp Meeting had 200 tents put up and the Allentown Division Camp Meeting had 227 tents. A goodly number of services at both of these camp meetings were broadcast over radio station WCBA. The Lord alone knows the value and result of these services as they were brought into the homes of many. The Lord's presence was especially manifested in the preaching of the Word, God giving His servants much liberty and unction. The attendance was very good throughout.

The newly erected church edifice in Emaus which was in course of construction during last year, was formally dedicated to the worship of the Lord in January last. This is a very elaborate church building along many lines and makes it a most desirable place of worship.

We humbly await the Master's orders, as to our future, whether our days should be few or many.

## FINANCIAL

### (a) Receipts

Balance, October 16, 1932 .....	\$ 200.00	
Received from Home Mission Treasurer .....	1,100.00	\$1300.00

### (b) Expenditures

#### (a) Appropriations

Quakertown and Hatfield .....	\$120.00	
Nazareth .....	120.00	
Northampton and Walnutport .....	120.00	
Lehighton and Weissport .....	240.00	\$600.00

#### (b) Miscellaneous

Conference and Gen. Conf. Executive Board .....	\$ 128.87	
W. G. Gehman .....	30.00	
Donations to various pastors .....	125.00	
To aged minister .....	65.00	
Camp Meeting and Missionary Work .....	88.00	
Expenses on Truck .....	32.00	
Miscellaneous (Fares, etc.) .....	56.10	
Balance .....	175.03	700.00

Total

\$1,300.00

H. B. Musselman, P. E.

## II.—Presiding Elders—Continued

### REPORT OF THE PRESIDING ELDER OF THE EASTON DISTRICT

Another year has passed with its trials and tests and manifold blessings.

The Pastors and their families prospered and were in health even as their souls also prospered.

The economic conditions have left their imprint on the work possibly more than in any previous year. In spite of it all the Adorable Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ ruled and overruled to the Glory of God.

Souls were saved and baptized and added to the church during



the year on about all of the charges. The sanctifying and healing power through the Lord's indwelling presence has been manifest in many lives as they fully presented their bodies a living sacrifice.

The prayer meetings, Sunday Schools and regular church services are well attended. The church and Sunday School officers and teachers are a band of loyal and faithful workers who stand by their Pastors and labor according to the Word as God gives them ability.

The Sunday School Convention for the District and the Gospel Herald Society was held in Wissinoming, Philadelphia, Pa. The attendance all day long well taxed the capacity of the church. The reports and essays and addresses were interesting and edifying. There seemed to be a deep appreciation of the program as rendered. The Pastor and his classes entertained the members and friends in a very hospitable manner.

The Camp Meeting held in Edgewood Grove, Shamokin, Pa., was in many respects the most glorious held for years. There were more tents than the previous year, 124 erected. The expenses were more easily met. This must have been the doings of the Lord. Quite a number were led to the Lord. Others took a stand for Christ and the work as never before. The Pastors and missionaries preached the word and work of the Lord faithfully with everlasting results. We were glad for the presence of the Pastors and members of the other district.



M. B. in C. Parsonage, 35 South Second Street, Shamokin, Pa.  
Finished and occupied on March 2, 1933. Pastor J. G. Shireman.

Sunbury built a very cozy room on the third floor of the parsonage. Shamokin built a very nice brick veneer parsonage. Mount Carmel built a men's Bible Class room in the basement, papered and painted inside the parsonage and put a new roof on it. Scranton installed a new heating plant in the Church. Stroudsburg remodeled the church heating plant. These were all paid for during the year. Repairs were made on the other properties on the District.

V. H. Reinhart, who was stationed to Mount Carmel resigned from the active work, whereupon C. L. Miller, Gospel Herald, stationed at Newark, N. J., was appointed to Mount Carmel, Pa.

There is an inseverable tie between the Pastors and their flocks and I believe I may include myself, for which the Lord is responsible.

With gratitude toward God and the brethren in the ministry we wish them God speed as they herald the truth unto the coming of the Lord.

### FINANCIAL

#### Expenditures

##### (a) Appropriations

Sunbury .....	\$180.00	
Mount Carmel .....	180.00	
Scranton .....	120.00	
Stroudsburg .....	180.00	
Wissinoming and West Philadelphia .....	180.00	
York .....	300.00	\$1,140.00

##### (b) Moving

C. L. Miller .....	\$25.00	
E. E. Kublic .....	35.00	
E. N. Cassel, N. H. Wolf, T. D. Gehret, P. T. Stengele and F. M. Hottel .....	220.00	280.00

##### (c) Miscellaneous

Storage, Allen M. Gehman .....	\$ 20.00	20.00
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Total .....		\$1,440.00
Received from the Treasurer of the Home Mission Fund		\$1,440.00

W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder.

## III.—Gospel Herald Society

### REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE GOSPEL HERALD SOCIETY

October 1, 1932 to September 30, 1933.

The Gospel Herald Society has Missions in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware. These are conducted by men in uniform called Gospel Heralds who preach and sing the Gospel in open air meetings, halls and tents and sell Bibles, Testaments, Mottoes, the official paper called "The Gospel Herald and Saturday Evening Call," the "Christian Service Calendar," and other religious publications. While engaged in this sort of work they are in training also for pastoral, evangelistic and missionary work at home and abroad, as the Holy Spirit leads.

#### Lebanon, Pa.

The Lord has been blessing the work in Lebanon during the past year. The Word of the Lord preached faithfully, led quite a number to accept Him as their Saviour, a number of whom are standing fast in the Lord. A number were gloriously healed according to James 5, 14, 15, proving that the Lord is the same yesterday, today and forever.





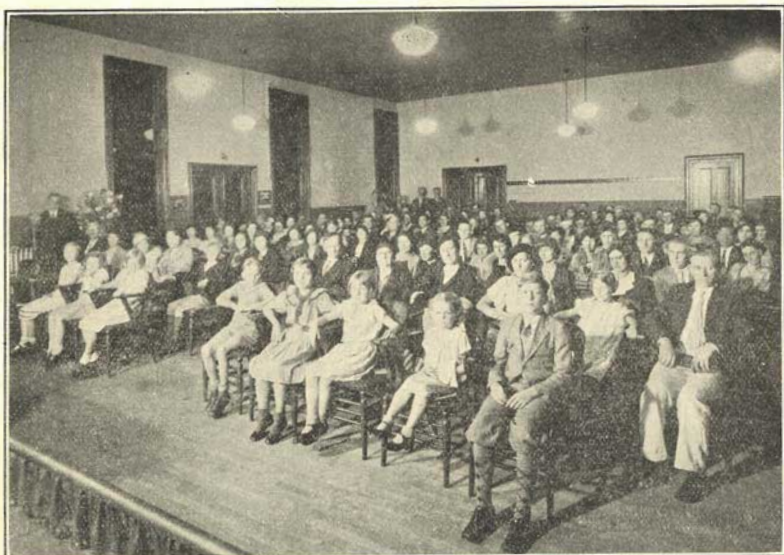
Gospel Herald Society, Harrisburg, Pa. (Courtesy Rev. E. J. Rutman).  
G. H. S. Mission, Broad and Fulton Streets.

The spirit of unity is increasing among the Lord's people which will bring results.

The Prayer meetings held during the week are growing in interest. A number of open air meetings were held during the summer. The Sunday School is a live one. A number of the scholars were saved. The teachers and officers are standing by faithfully. Eight were baptized. E. George and E. E. Kirkwood are laboring together faithfully at this place.

#### Harrisburg, Pa.

The class becomes more united and others are being added to it. The attendance is better than it used to be especially on Sunday evening. The Sunday School has made some forward strides. The Gospel is regularly broadcast over Radio Station WCOD on Saturday at 4 p. m., and Sunday at 2 p. m. Each second and fourth Sunday at 7.30 p. m. it is broadcast from the Mission Hall by remote control. By this means many professed Salvation and others were edified and are standing firmly for the Lord. It is not unusual for people to come regularly 30 miles and others sometimes 60 miles to these services. The Lord provides for the financing of these programs which runs into



Gospel Herald Society, Harrisburg, Pa. (Courtesy, Rev. E. J. Rutman).  
G. H. S. Hall, Broad and Fulton Streets. An ordinary Sunday evening audience. Seating capacity about 250.

thousands of dollars a year without any guarantee from any human source. As many as 3,682 letters have been received from one program. Some meetings are held in other churches by invitation where occasionally a couple thousand people are present. Nine were baptized. E. J. Rutman has had charge of this work for quite a number of years.

#### Chester, Pa.

There is a faithful class of people worshipping here who have their heart on things eternal. A series of 22 cottage prayer meetings was held during the winter, quite a number of them in Trainer, Pa., in which many unsaved people heard the Gospel. Revival meetings were held in the early Spring in which a number were saved and healed. A hall was rented in Trainer where special meetings were held during June. A number of open air meetings were held and tracts given out.

A children's service was held every Saturday afternoon during the summer months. Memory work, object lessons, Bible Stories and learning new choruses was the order of these meetings. The Sunday School kept up the attendance during the summer months, officers and teachers standing by nobly and getting new people in attendance. Five were baptized. R. H. Gehman has had charge of the work during the past year and is assisted by R. O. Snyder.

#### Wilmington, Del.

The Lord's work is increasing here. A number were saved during the past year and eight were baptized. The Sunday School has increased to 70. During the summer months open air meetings were



held regularly in the business and residential sections, attended by hundreds of listeners. Twenty-four Monday night cottage prayer meetings were held with an average attendance of twenty-six. Most of these were held outside of the city in the home of new friends, in Elsmere, Hockessin and Richardson Park. Much of the time is devoted in distributing Gospel literature, visiting the sick, the aged and others who need spiritual help. Six hundred and sixty-two visits were made during the year. E. W. Bean has had charge of the work and is assisted by J. I. Somers and R. Gibson.

#### Elizabeth, N. J.

This year was a year of progress for the Lord's work in Elizabeth. Quite a large number of souls were saved during the year with a fine group of believers gathering regularly for the services. For over three years the mission and residence was located in the business section of the city. In January a spacious house in a residential section was



Gospel Herald Society, Elizabeth, N. J. (Courtesy, Rev. W. W. Hartman).  
Hall and Home.

rented to be used for our meeting place and residence. This affords an ideal place for worship. This move proved to bring an increase in attendance right from the beginning. During the months of July and August tent meetings were held on a prominent corner lot in the neighborhood of the mission with very good results. In these tent meetings many confessed Christ as their Saviour and are standing by our work. This year twenty-one believers went down into the river and were baptized, many of whom were converted in the tent meetings. The open air meetings held on Saturday nights have afforded an opportunity to reach many unsaved people in this city. The workers have held Gospel services regularly in the Almshouse with a number taking Christ as their Saviour during these meetings. The Sunday School though small is steadily increasing. W. W. Hartman has charge of the work and was assisted by A. C. Wieand, T. E. Turnbull and R. C. Reichenbach.



Gospel Herald Society, Elizabeth, N. J. (Courtesy, Rev. W. W. Hartman).  
Baptismal Service, September 10, 1933.

#### Newark, N. J.

Very successful tent meetings were held at 18th and Springfield avenues. The authorities maintained excellent order for us. Quite a number were saved and followed to the Mission. Extra chairs had to be provided. Twenty followed the Lord in baptism. Quite a number of young people are standing by nobly throughout and in open air work where many Gospels of John were given out. Quite a number consecrated themselves definitely to the Lord, others were healed, and all are being well united in the Lord, giving systematically for the support of the work and reading the Bible systematically. E. B. Hartman has had charge of the work, assisted by A. M. Sprock and E. F. Lakjer.



Gospel Herald Society, Newark, N. J. (Courtesy, Rev. E. B. Hartman).  
Group picture of the Sunday School.





Gospel Herald Society, Newark, N. J. (Courtesy, Rev. E. B. Hartman).  
Sunday School in the tent.

#### Camden, N. J.

The work of the Lord here has been progressing nicely in the past year. Quite a number of new families have been brought in as regular attendants and faithful standbys. A number were saved and seven were baptized and are growing in the Lord. Several young converts have been gloriously healed. The Sunday School is doing a solid work for the Lord. The Sunday morning service is proving to be the work of the Holy Spirit. The attendance has increased about 75% and the spirituality is well marked. The prayer meeting is spiritual and well attended. One family comes 25 miles to the services making a total of 100 miles on a Sunday, and they are enjoying the word of God immensely. M. M. Myers has had charge during the past year.

#### Jersey City, N. J.

Tent meetings were held for three and one-half months with glorious results to the very end. Four were at the altar the last night and others during the meetings were saved and stand by in all that is attempted for Christ. Eighteen were baptized. A number of entire families stand by faithfully. Fifteen Park Meetings and fifteen street corner meetings were held. Three thousand one hundred and twelve adults and 2,375 children attended the Park Meetings and 5,700 pieces of literature were distributed. Eighteen professed accepting the Lord. The Young People's meetings have been a source of profit and enjoyment. These meetings are held every two weeks and are also attended by older folks who come and feel the younger for it. The Sunday School has been a source of encouragement. The attendance for the summer averaged nearly 150, while for the year it was 135. On two Sundays recently the attendance reached 212 and then all previous records were broken with 294 present. So while many of the churches closed for the summer God richly blessed us in our work. Our teachers are a faithful band. H. W. Hartman has had charge of the work, assisted by J. T. Anderson and C. M. Bonnet, and also Thomas M. Thompson of this mission, who is assisting whole heartedly at present.

## Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

The Lord led us to open meetings here with a Tent on August 30, at 37 Barney street. From the beginning the attendance was good and increased steadily till the close of the tent meetings. Pastor Paul E. Baer announced the meetings well by radio and with his members from Scranton, Pa., attended occasionally which helped considerably. Quite a number were saved during these meetings and are standing by the work. Some backsliders were reclaimed. J. T. Anderson has charge of the work and is assisted by T. E. Turnbull and E. F. Lakjer. These brethren launched out by faith in a tent like Father Abraham not knowing where they were going but are now located in a nice mission place at 277 Carey avenue.

We now have 20 Gospel Heralds wholly consecrated to the Lord for sacrifice or service. They are faithfully following the Lord, minded to do His will till Jesus comes again.



Gospel Herald Society, Jersey City, N. J. (Courtesy, Rev. H. W. Hartman).  
Sunday afternoon service in Gordon Park, Hudson Boulevard  
and Manhattan Avenue.

## STATISTICAL

Ordained Ministers of the M. B. C. Conference .....	2
Probationers of the M. B. C. Conference .....	11
Full Gospel Heralds .....	19
Applicants .....	1
Transferred to M. B. C. Conference .....	2
Total M. B. C. Membership .....	26
Baptized .....	96
Children Dedicated .....	12
Sunday Schools .....	8
Officers and Teachers Enrolled .....	111
Scholars Enrolled .....	671
Total Enrollment .....	782
Average Attendance .....	571
Home Department Scholars Enrolled .....	132
Cradle Roll .....	80
Children's Meetings and Sunday Schools Held .....	543



Open Air Meetings .....	213
Prayer Meetings .....	641
Sermons and Addresses .....	3,062
Pastoral Visits .....	3,740
Copies of Gospel Herald Sold @ 10c .....	48,300
Copies of Gospel Herald Sold @ 15c .....	1,825
Copies of Christian Service Calendar .....	3,500
Valuation of Mission Properties:	
Lebanon, Pa. ....	\$ 8,500.00
Chester, Pa. ....	18,000.00
Jersey City, N. J. ....	25,000.00
Harrisburg, Pa. ....	20,000.00
Camden, N. J. ....	12,000.00
	<u>\$83,500.00</u>



Gospel Herald Society, Jersey City, N. J. (Courtesy, Rev. H. W. Hartman).  
 Eighteen converts baptized on August 27, 1933, during the tent meetings. On the extreme left, C. M. Bonnet, helper.  
 On the extreme right, H. W. Hartman, leader.

**FINANCIAL**

**(a) Receipts**

**1. Collections**

Rents .....	\$4,586.00
Sundry Expenses .....	2,351.28
Light .....	457.47
Donations, Gifts, Etc. ....	2,331.79
President .....	744.42
Gospel Workers .....	53.11
Sunday Schools .....	2,139.44
Sunday School Convention .....	71.36
Conference Fund .....	198.24
Gospel Herald Society Headquarters Fund .....	7.06
Sinking Fund .....	8.63
Foreign Missions .....	496.53

At Gospel Herald Society Conferences and Conventions .....	80.58	
Chapel and Lot Fund .....	807.52	
Beneficiary Fund .....	133.00	
House Rent, Lebanon, Pa. ....	64.84	
Garage Rent, Chester, Pa. ....	53.75	
Rents, Harrisburg, Pa. ....	1,153.50	
Missionary Work, Harrisburg, Pa. ....	2,277.02	\$18,015.54

## 2. Literature

Literature, etc., Sold at Missions .....	\$7,154.09	
Literature, etc., Sold to Laity at M. B. C. Camp Meetings .....	475.14	
Literature Sold Wholesale to Ministers, etc. ....	3,809.90	
Sunday School Supplies to Sunday Schools .....	5,939.36	17,378.49

## 3. From M. B. C. Home Mission Fund

Appropriations .....	\$1,970.00	
Tabernacle Meetings .....	109.75	
Furniture, Fares, Repairs, Freight, Express, etc., ....	285.35	
Special from Scranton, Pa., Towards Opening Wilkes-Barre, Pa. ....	51.00	2,416.10
Total .....		\$37,810.13

## (b) Expenditures

## 1. Appropriations

Lebanon, Pa. ....	\$360.00	
Camden, N. J. ....	480.00	
Newark, N. J. ....	325.00	
Elizabeth, N. J. ....	425.00	
Wilmington, Del. ....	380.00	\$1,970.00

## 2. Tabernacles

Jersey City, N. J. ....	\$28.83	
Newark, N. J. ....	32.36	
Elizabeth, N. J. ....	11.38	
Wilkes-Barre, Pa. ....	37.18	109.75

## 3. Miscellaneous

Furniture .....	\$ 91.25	
Fares, Postage, Telegrams, Periodicals .....	142.42	
Freight and Express .....	55.93	
Cartage .....	67.25	
Mission Repairs, Furnishings and Supplies .....	81.04	
Rent .....	150.00	
Stationery, Printing, Painting, Heralds .....	24.43	612.32

Deficit last year .....		2,732.38
		<u>\$5,424.45</u>

W. G. Gehman, President and Treasurer.



**IV.—Stationing, Boundary and Appropriations**  
**REPORT OF THE STATIONING, BOUNDARY AND**  
**APPROPRIATING COMMITTEE**

(A) APPOINTMENTS

**1. Allentown District—H. B. Musselman, P. E.**

(a) **Stations**

Allentown (Bethel)—B. Bryan Musselman.  
 Bethlehem—P. T. Stengele.  
 Reading—F. M. Hottel.  
 Philadelphia—G. F. Yost.

(b) **Circuits**

Royersford and Spring City—E. N. Cassel.  
 Graterford and Harleysville—W. F. Heffner.  
 Emaus, Macungie and Zionsville—C. H. Brunner.  
 Fleetwood, Blandon and Terre Hill—A. G. Woodring.  
 Coopersburg and Allentown (Salem)—F. B. Hertzog.

(c) **Missions**

Quakertown and Hatfield—E. H. Musselman.  
 Northampton and Walnutport—H. K. Kratz.  
 Nazareth—R. L. Woodring.  
 Lehighton and Weissport—J. C. Roth.

(d) **Local Preachers**

E. T. Shick—Allentown (Bethel) Quarterly Conference.  
 O. S. Hillegass—Allentown (Bethel) Quarterly Conference.  
 R. Bergstresser—Nazareth Quarterly Conference.

(e) **Quarterly Conference Licensed Workers**

Mrs. C. H. Brunner. W. J. Fretz, E. W. Martin.

(f) **Tabernacles to be supplied.**

**2. Easton District—W. G. Gehman P. E.**

(a) **Stations**

Easton—T. D. Gehret.  
 Shamokin—J. G. Shireman.

(b) **Missions**

Mount Carmel—C. L. Miller.  
 Stroudsburg—E. E. Kublic.  
 Sunbury—N. H. Wolf.  
 Scranton—Paul E. Baer.  
 Wissinoming and West Philadelphia—J. B. Henry.  
 York, Pa.—J. B. Layne.

(c) **Local Preachers**

J. F. Barrall, Shamokin Quarterly Conference.  
 V. H. Reinhart, Stroudsburg Quarterly Conference.

(d) **Annual Conference Licensed Workers**

J. T. Anderson, M. M. Myers, H. W. Hartman, E. B. Hartman, E. George, A. M. Sprock, R. H. Gehman, E. W. Bean, W. W. Hartman, A. C. Wieand.

(e) **Tabernacles to be supplied.**

## (B) APPROPRIATIONS

## 1. Allentown District

Quakertown and Hatfield, per month .....	\$ 10.00
Northampton and Walnutport, per month .....	10.00
Nazareth, per month .....	10.00
Lehighton and Weissport, per month .....	20.00
To be used at the discretion of the Presiding Elder .....	500.00

## 2. Easton District

Mount Carmel, per month .....	\$15.00
Stroudsburg, per month .....	15.00
Sunbury, per month .....	15.00
Scranton, per month .....	10.00
Wissinoming and West Philadelphia, per month .....	15.00
York, per month .....	20.00

## (C) MOVING

C. H. Brunner .....	\$50.00
G. F. Yost .....	50.00

The balance of the Home Mission money shall be used at the discretion of the Presiding Elder of the District and the President of the Gospel Herald Society.

## (D) GOSPEL HERALD SOCIETY

Harrisburg, Pa.—1511 N. 4th St. To be supplied.  
 Lebanon, Pa.—251 So. 5th St. To be supplied.  
 Chester, Pa.—721 W. 7th St. To be supplied.  
 Jersey City, N. J.—45-47 Lincoln St. To be supplied.  
 Camden, N. J.—2006 Federal St. To be supplied.  
 Newark, N. J.—136 19th Ave. To be supplied.  
 Elizabeth, N. J.—1169 Mary St. To be supplied.  
 Wilmington, Del.—1522 W. 4th St. To be supplied.  
 Wilkes Barre, Pa.—277 Carey Ave. To be supplied.

H. B. Musselman, Chairman,  
 W. G. Gehman, Secretary,  
 H. L. Shelly,  
 S. W. Heiser,  
 R. M. Anderson,  
 Paul I. Wentz,  
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 C. K. Wismer,  
 G. K. Himmelreich,  
 G. Henry Hildebrand,  
 Fred Geibel,  
 Committee.

## V.—Camp Meetings

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE

Two Camp Meetings were held in Mizpah Grove, Fourteenth Ward, in the city of Allentown, Pa., and one Camp Meeting was held in Edgewood Grove, Shamokin, Pa.

## Allentown District

Bethlehem Division, July 1 to 9, 200 tents.  
 Allentown Division, July 15 to 23, 227 tents.

## Easton District

Shamokin, August 5 to 13, 124 tents.



**Receipts**

Allentown District		
Bethlehem Division .....	\$1,665.80	
Allentown Division .....	1,997.68	\$3,663.48
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Easton District		
Shamokin .....		1,194.23
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Grand Total .....		\$4,857.71

H. B. Musselman, Chairman

**VI.—Camp Meeting Equipage**

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CAMP MEETING EQUIPAGE**

We worked under directions of the Presiding Elders and Executive Board.

The expenses of the committee were met by the Executive Board.

B. Bryan Musselman, Chairman,	F. B. Hertzog,
F. M. Hottel, Secretary,	P. T. Stengele,
G. F. Yost,	Committee.

**VII.—Publication and Printing**

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING**

We have printed some supplies as needed during the year.

**Receipts**

October 12, 1932, Received at the Annual Conference ...	\$185.73	
Received from the sale of Year Books .	215.75	
Received for Schedules .....	2.00	
Received from the various Sunday Schools .....	183.25	\$586.73
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**Expenditures**

Printing 900 Year Books .....	\$306.39	
Expenses, Board of Examiners .....	22.16	
5,000 Stewards' Receipts .....	15.50	
5,000 S. S. Attendance Cards .....	14.50	
1,200 Gospel Herald Society Reports .....	45.00	
Annual Conference Secretary .....	50.00	
Fares, postage, tablets, .....	18.93	\$472.48
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B. Bryan Musselman, President,  
 C. H. Brunner, Secretary,  
 E. N. Cassel,  
 Board.

**VIII.—Beneficiary Society**  
**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BENEFICIARY SOCIETY**

We have received the sum of \$232.67 at the last Annual Conference.

W. G. Gehman, President,  
 F. M. Hottel, Secretary,  
 B. Bryan Musselman, Treasurer,

**IX.—Laymen's Benevolent Society**  
**TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF**  
**TRUSTEES OF THE LAYMEN'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY**

October 16, 1933, Members Enrolled .....	293
Members Received During Year .....	1
Members Died During Year .....	1
Members Withdrawn During Year .....	20
October 16, 1933, Members Enrolled .....	293

**Financial**

Receipts

Contributions .....	\$595.00	
Interest .....	785.50	\$1,380.50

Expenditures

Donations .....	\$ 75.00	
Sundry Expenses .....	6.06	81.06

**Report of the Treasurer**

Receipts

October 10, 1932, Balance in Treasury .....	\$5,913.06	
Received During Year .....	1,380.50	\$7,293.56

Expenditures

Expended During Year .....	\$5,081.06	
October 16, 1933, Balance in Treasury .....	2,212.50	\$7,293.56

The Society also holds Securities to the amount of \$22,000.00.

Allen M. Gehman, President,  
 H. G. Brunner, Treasurer.  
 G. O. Billig, Secretary.

Board.



### X.—Reading Course

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON THE READING COURSE

Examinations for 1933  
Reading Course (as follows)

	Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation	All About the Bible	Church History	Knowing the Scriptures	Lessons in Holiness	Bible, John Chap. 13-17; 1 Timothy	Romans	Fletcher's Appeal	Jesus is Coming	Divine Art of Preaching	Reformed Pastor	Bible, II Timothy	Bible, Hebrews	Nelson on Infidelity	Average
First Year's .. Course															
*C. E. Kirkwood ..	98	99	98	95	84	98									95
*R. C. Reichenbach .....	97	98	98	98	91	98									97
*T. E. Turnbull ...	89	93	94	90	83	90									90
Second Year's .. Course															
A. C. Wieand ....	94		94	92					90	97	92	85			92
Third Year's .. Course															
W. W. Hartman ..	92		95	88			90	90	94					92	92

\*Not licensed by Annual Conference.

W. W. Hartman having successfully completed the studies in the Reading Course is hereby recommended to the Committee on Ordination.

E. N. Cassel, President,  
H. K. Kratz, Secretary,  
T. D. Gehret,

Board.

### XI.—Executive Board

#### THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Board met a number of times during the year and considered matters presented from time to time as well as routine business.

A new roof was put on the oldest part of the Cafeteria and store room in Mizpah Grove.

Eleven hundred copies of "Praise and Victory" song books were purchased and sold and used at the camp meetings during the summer.

## FINANCIAL

## Receipts

Allentown Division Sunday School Convention .....	\$ 120.00
Pledges paid during the year .....	25.00
Lumber Rent:	
Bethlehem Division camp meeting .....	167.72
Allentown Division camp meeting .....	190.68
Balances:	
Bethlehem Division camp meeting .....	112.28
Allentown Division camp meeting .....	326.06
Cafeteria .....	170.20
Song Books .....	268.88
Interest .....	137.50
Donations .....	16.60
Telephone Toll .....	5.25
	<u>\$1540.17</u>

## Expenditures

Repairs and replacements .....	\$ 57.69
Labor .....	32.75
Roofing .....	12.80
Electric Current .....	114.00
Insurance and taxes .....	56.06
Supplies .....	11.70
Telephone .....	117.06
Car Fares .....	16.24
New Roof .....	132.00
Song Books .....	132.00
Acid .....	21.44
Cement Work .....	29.85
	<u>\$733.59</u>

The Board owes loans amounting to \$20,700.00 and holds trust funds to the amount of \$5,000.00. The actual debt on Mizpah Grove is \$11,761.50. The Board permitted the Trustees of the Home to draw on their funds so the actual available balance is \$1,897.88.

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

## XII.—The Home

## THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HOME

The Board held four regular and three special meetings during the year. C. D. Bean, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Home, fell asleep in Jesus during the year and the Board elected A. A. Wismer to fill the vacancy. The work has been looked after by committees and the Manager, I. K. Wismer, who labored most faithfully during the year, seeking to further the work and doing what he can to provide funds for the maintenance of the Home.



The Matron, Mrs. Kate Fairheller, though advanced in years, has been kept well and with the Manager's wife as Assistant Matron, have been looking after the work.

During the year the Board received into the Home: Mary E. Lynn, a widow, of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh county; Lena H. Satterfield, a maiden lady, of the West Philadelphia congregation; Addie A. Staiber, a widow, of the Reading congregation; Mary Sauerwine, a maiden lady, a freind of the Twelfth Street Baptist congregation. Samuel Carl, of Bethlehem, applied for admission and was adopted as an inmate, but owing to his physical condition, he was cared for in a private home in Bethlehhem and died on February 7, 1933. Funeral services were held in Brickel's Funeral Parlor in Bethlehem, in charge of P. T. Stengle.

All the inmates are in good health and enjoy the hospitality of the Home. The Board is looking to the Lord for means wherewith to enlarge the quarters of the Home as others would desire to be admitted. May many join the Board in praying for the blessing of the Lord on this worthy end of His work. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

Albert Moser, George MacNutt, James Willets and Jacob Fisher are assisting in the work on the farm and dairy. The Glass boys are assisting when not in school.

The herd of dairy cattle is increasing. It was not necessary for the Board to purchase any additional cows as production was kept up by the heifers that came into profit. The milk which is the chief source of income, is sold retail in Coopersburg and Centre Valley. During the year a retail route was started in Bethlehem and recently one in Easton. The Board hopes to increase the production and sale of milk to provide revenue to expand the Home.

The Board thankfully acknowledges the following donations: Mrs. Fred Schule, Mrs. Earl King, Mrs. Charles Weaver, Mrs. F. B. Hertzog, and Mrs. Frank Musselman, each one day cleaning at the Home. William Stoudt, papering one room; W. F. Heffner, papering one room; Albert Hassler and Timothy Hassler, each 65 hours husking corn. a friend, 20 rose bushes; Albert Moser, one wire stretcher; a friend, 80 hours making hay and general work; H. N. Rishel, pair wild ducks; Elizabeth Evans Estate, a lot of clothing; a friend, wall paper, Stanley Weidner and Howard Greenawald, each eight hours painting.

## FINANCIAL

### Receipts

#### (a) Home Account

Offerings for the Home .....	\$ 448.88
Cash Donations and Other Sources .....	847.03
Interest .....	55.03
	<u>\$1350.91</u>

#### (b) Bethlehem Property

Rent .....	126.00
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#### (c) Farm Account

Cattle .....	\$ 669.44
Eggs .....	.90
Milk .....	9,123.62
Potatoes .....	42.00
Provisions .....	156.95

Refund .....	41.32	
Swine .....	138.41	
Truck .....	4.50	
Wheat .....	136.88	
Gasoline .....	35.95	
Wood .....	2.00	10,351.97
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Total .....		\$11,828.88

## Expenditures

## (a) Bethlehem Property

Repairs, taxes .....	\$1336.01
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## (b) Allentown Property

Deed, title search and agreement .....	35.25
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## (c) Inmates

Note .....	100.00
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## (d) Home Account

Periodicals .....	\$ 14.50	
Building Repairs .....	1.94	
Coal .....	258.44	
Electric Current .....	71.29	
Furnishings .....	43.55	
Inmates .....	445.96	
Labor .....	365.00	
Provisions .....	527.95	
Repairs .....	10.16	
Fuel Gas .....	24.21	\$1763.00
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## (e) Farm Account

Advertising, Periodicals and Postage .....	\$ 53.28	
Auto Maintenance .....	220.59	
Building Repairs .....	253.30	
Car fare and Telephone .....	160.59	
Dairy Supplies .....	231.68	
Electric Current .....	284.36	
Freight and Express .....	3.89	
Feed .....	3748.98	
Fertilizer .....	46.93	
Horseshoeing .....	25.55	
Implements .....	40.50	
Lime and Cement .....	32.15	
Labor and Wages .....	2120.68	
Gasoline and Oil .....	480.25	
Registrations and Transfers .....	46.70	
Repairs .....	306.71	
Seeds and Plants .....	58.36	
Spraying Materials .....	29.62	
Straw .....	28.32	
Taxes .....	347.00	
Veterinary Services .....	105.44	8624.88
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Total .....		\$11,859.14



## STOCK ACCOUNT

A committee of five, appointed by the President of the Board of Trustees from among their number, took the following inventory of the real estate and personal property:

## (a) Farm

Properties:		
Farm, including land at the home .....	\$18,000.00	
Tenant's home .....	4,000.00	\$22,000.00
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Implements and Dairy Equipment .....		2,640.00
Live Stock:		
Holstein-Friesian Cattle .....	\$ 5,540.00	
Horses .....	400.00	
Swine .....	418.00	6,358.00
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Produce:		
Potatoes .....	\$ 75.00	
Ensilage .....	1,200.00	
Corn .....	396.00	
Hay .....	1,125.00	
Straw .....	80.00	
Feed .....	205.60	
Wheat .....	224.00	
Truck .....	10.00	
Apples .....	10.00	3,325.60
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Miscellaneous:		
Firewood and Coal .....	34.60	
Crates, etc. ....	30.00	
Oil and Gasoline .....	77.00	
Paint .....	7.00	
Furniture .....	135.00	
Spraying Materials .....	17.40	
Bottles, caps and crates .....	203.75	
Milk Route .....	750.00	1,254.75
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Securities:		
Bills Outstanding .....	\$ 474.75	
Loans .....	400.00	
Investments .....	3,829.95	
Bethlehem Properties .....	5,300.00	
Allentown Property Equity .....	2,000.00	12,004.70
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Total for the farm .....		\$47,583.05

## (b) Home

Property, (The Home) .....		\$12,000.00
Miscellaneous:		
Furniture .....	\$ 450.00	
Canned Goods .....	80.75	
Provisions .....	50.80	
Smoked Meats .....	7.75	
Soap .....	6.00	
Coal .....	8.20	
Poultry .....	30.00	

Office Equipment .....	150.00	
Cider .....	18.00	801.50
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Total for the Home .....		\$12,801.50
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Grand Total .....		\$60,384.55
Treasury Deficit .....	\$ 9,040.62	
Actual Appraised Value .....	51,343.93	60,384.55

## FORMS OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE

### BEQUEST

I give and bequeath unto H. B. Musselman, E. N. Cassel, W. G. Gehman, B. Bryan Musselman, J. G. Shireman, C. H. Brunner, F. M. Hottel, G. F. Yost, Allen M. Gehman, A. A. Wismer, Paul I. Wentz and H. N. Rishel, Board of Trustees of "The Home" of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, Pennsylvania Conference, located at Centre Valley, Pa., and their successors in office the sum of ..... payable one year after my decease.

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### DEVISE

I give and devise unto H. B. Musselman, E. N. Cassel, W. G. Gehman, B. Bryan Musselman, J. G. Shireman, C. H. Brunner, F. M. Hottel, G. F. Yost, Allen M. Gehman, A. A. Wismer, Paul I. Wentz and H. N. Rishel, Board of Trustees of "The Home" of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, Pennsylvania Conference, 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.

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H. B. Musselman, President,  
 E. N. Cassel, Secretary,  
 J. G. Shireman, Assistant Secretary,  
 C. H. Brunner, Treasurer,

W. G. Gehman, Allen M. Gehman,  
 B. Bryan Musselman, Paul I. Wentz,  
 F. M. Hottel, A. A. Wismer,  
 G. F. Yost, H. N. Rishel,  
Board.



### XIII.—Foreign Missions

#### THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

It is with pleasure that we can once more report the Lord's doings through the Church at home and their representatives in the Regions Beyond. From the beginning of our Foreign Missionary interests, our Board has assumed the place of a subsidiary society, co-operating with other active and well organized societies and boards and assisting, beyond the regular support of missionaries belonging to our denomination and approved by our Board, wherever and as much as possible. This position we have maintained up to the present time. Thus our financial activities are governed by the interest and offerings of our dear fellow helpers at home. Should the financial resources be curtailed by unavoidable conditions the spiritual obligations of continued, persistent, prevailing prayer should be increased and intensified. This most important and blessed ministry has no limit, it is open to all; the poorest, the youngest, the weakest may and should take an earnest, daily part in it.

During the past year we had in our churches and at our camp-meetings a number who could in person give us first hand, intelligent information concerning conditions as they exist on the various foreign fields at this very date. We have heard them present the urgent needs with all the emphasis and eloquence possible. We heard their pleas for more prevailing, earnest prayer for the help and blessing of God upon the missionaries and their labors. We have been moved, we have been stirred, we felt sorry for our past indifference, we promised to do better, we vowed, we pledged—Are we doing it? Have we obeyed? Are we holding the ropes or have we left go?

#### The Home Work

The Lord has been graciously blessing the Church in the homeland and especially the churches and missions throughout the Pennsylvania Conference. Many have been saved, baptized and added to the church during the year. Although surrounded on all sides by floods of ungodliness and the terrible inroads of modernism and infidelity, the Lord has kept our church true to the Word. He has helped us thus far to hold to the old landmarks and the "Faith of our Fathers." We realize that we are not drifting toward the days of the apostasy, for they are here, we are in them. We still hold to the truths of Salvation, Sanctification, Separation, Divine Healing and the imminent coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in person.

We held three great camp-meetings this summer, two in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., in charge of Presiding Elder H. B. Musselman. The first of these was held July 1-9 with 200 tents and the second one from July 15-23 with 227 tents.

The third camp-meeting was held in Edgewood Grove, Shamokin, Pa., in charge of Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman, August 5-13 with 124 tents. At these great summer gatherings large numbers accepted

Christ and consecrated their lives while others were healed. Foreign missionaries present at these camp-meetings were Miss Mary A. Butterfield, of Palestine, and Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Crist, of Africa, supported by our conference and representing the work of the Christian and Missionary Alliance. Also the sisters, Mary A. Miller and Bertha Miller, members of our church, on furlough from Africa, working under the Unevangelized Tribes Mission. Rev. Stortz of the Moravian Missionary Society gave an illustrated lecture on the work of his church in Nicaragua. Miss Butterfield, Miss Miller and Rev. Crist also gave very interesting illustrated lectures on the work on their respective fields before large audiences.

Our Ministerial Convention held in our church in Reading, Pa. on April 20, the Easton District Sunday School Convention held in Wisconsin, Philadelphia on May 24 and the Sunday School Convention of the Allentown district held in Mizpah Grove on July 4, all were events of great interest and blessing. On the latter occasion eight of the young people of the church read excellent papers assigned to them, on important phases of Christian work.

Through the courtesy of Pastor B. Bryan Musselman, owner and operator of Radio Station WCBA located in Mizpah Grove, each of these essays, as well as many of the camp-meeting services, were broadcasted. The essays were printed in the Gospel Banner, our church paper.

A great deal of the success of the work is due to the untiring, sacrificing service of a faithful ministry led by devoted leaders and backed up by a loyal band of officers and members who are standing by, shoulder to shoulder in the conflict, keeping the ranks unbroken, standing true to the teachings and practices of the church in a most noble, self-denying manner.

Thus and thus only has it been possible to maintain the work at home and also to hold up the arms, in prayer and support, of those who are going to the deserts and jungles, the mountains and valleys, from the debilitating, deadly climate of the tropics to the dangerous, bleak, frozen plateaus of Tibet. This must continue until Jesus comes. The work must go on.

We also wish to thank all the officers and teachers of our Sunday schools for their help in stimulating interest in the hearts of their scholars. A large part in this noble work has been shared by our scholars, old and young, boys and girls, down to the very youngest. We are sure that the Lord will bless them for what they have given and will make their gifts, large or small, a great blessing in sending Bibles and Testaments, preachers and teachers to the many boys and girls and old folks in heathen lands that they also may learn about our blessed Lord and Savior and find the way to heaven.

We have received many very interesting reports from the various fields, telling of the tests and trials of missionary life, but more of the triumphs and victories; many saved, healed, sustained in the moment of persecution, imprisonment and death. From these letters and reports we again, in a condensed form permit the missionaries to speak themselves. For want of space we had to omit many interesting items.

We have also inserted a limited number of half-tone cuts made from photos received directly from the various fields during the year.

These cuts are quite expensive and the paper and printing of these reports cost a good deal of money. The clerical and editorial work in connection with these reports is done without charge and cheerfully. These reports are published for the benefit and encouragement of such who are interested in the evangelization of all nations and the hastening of the coming of the Lord.



Any such who appreciate these reports and desire to contribute toward the printing of the same or toward the support of any of these co-workers laboring in the isolated, far-off harvest fields, we shall be glad to have you share these blessings with us.

Contributions, large or small will be cheerfully received and receipted by any of the pastors of our conference. Or they may be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer of our Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. C. H. Brunner, 25 North Fifth street, Emaus, Pa., who will promptly acknowledge them.

"PRAY for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee." Pray for God's people Israel as they are approaching "the time of Jacob's trouble" (Jer. 30:7.)

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest" (Matt. 9:38.)

"Ask of Me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession" (Ps. 2:8.)

When Saul of Tarsus received a vision of the Risen Lord he exclaimed, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do," (Acts 9:6.)

When Isaiah "saw the Lord" and heard Him say whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" he answered, "Here am I; send me" (Isa. 6:8.)

Let me here quote the dying words of Richard Roberts, that faithful Christian, Great Britain's oldest lifeguard, who died last August 8, at the age of 95. His last words in his delirium and weakness were, "Pull hard boys, pull hard, we shall get there and save them."

Some can go, more can give, all can pray.

"Send forth thy bread upon the face of the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days," (Eccl. 11:1 Marg.)

"There is that scattereth and increaseth yet more. and there is that withholdeth what is justly due, but it tendeth only to want. The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watered also himself, (Prov. 11:24 R. V.)

"He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully" (2 Cor. 9:6.)

**Financial**

The contributions throughout the year ending October 1, 1933, were as follows:

From the various congregations .....	\$5,582.30	
From the Sunday schools .....	5,006.54	\$10,588.84

We have been supporting a number of missionaries including members of our conference under several boards, as recorded below, during the year. Full allowances have been forwarded by the treasurer for each missionary to the various societies up to January 1, 1934 as follows:

**Christian and Missionary Alliance**

14 missionaries .....	\$6,705.00
Rev. and Mrs. N. M. Cressman, transportation ....	800.00
Rev. and Mrs. N. M. Cressman, repatriation .....	348.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$7,853.00</b>

**United Missionary Society**

2 missionaries .....	\$800.00
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**Africa Inland Mission**

2 missionaries .....	\$900.00
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**Sudan Interior Mission**

1 missionary .....	\$500.00
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## United Tribes Mission

1 missionary .....	\$458.00
Regions Beyond—Engraving, printing, binding, postage .....	\$236.57
Literature to missionaries .....	\$ 46.47
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$10,794.04</b>

## PALESTINE

(Christian and Missionary Alliance)  
Missionary—Miss Mary A. Butterfield

Extracts from the reports of Miss Butterfield:

"For we are laborers together with God," (I. Cor. 3:9.)

This is surely an appropriate "code" for the members of the body of Christ scattered all over the world. As we often sing in our Sunday schools, "You in your small corner and I in mine," are working **together** for the glory of God in the spread of the gospel as each one serves the Lord with a yielded heart and constant obedience to His revealed will.

This summer of fellowship with God's saints, alternating between the Mennonite Brethren in Christ and the Christian and Missionary Alliance Conventions has been most precious. The Lord has made these two groups so one in their devotion to Christ and in their missionary vision that, at times, I confess, I have had to think twice to remember which group was in charge of the meeting being held. It is surely a privilege to have such prayer-backing and sacrificial support as has been evident in the lives of brethren and sisters who are so nobly holding the ropes for those in the regions beyond. I thank God that He has permitted me to be a Mennonite-Alliance missionary to the Palestine and Arabian Border.

So, as I bring before you a resume of our Mission's efforts during the past year, as gleaned from various letters from the field, I want to assure you that "we live" because "ye stand fast." We are indeed "**laborers together.**" Without you we would be helpless, for God has ordained that some shall work from the homeland and others in the regions beyond and each is necessary to the finishing up of the great task of evangelizing the world. Sometimes, those who are at the front find themselves surrounded with hosts of darkness. Troubles assail on every hand and conditions seem to be hopeless. Even faith seems almost gone and God seems to be a million miles away. We get on our knees and try to pray. The heavens seem like brass with green mould upon it. We struggle to "pray through" and it seems impossible. Then, either suddenly or gradually, we become aware of the Presence of God and the darkness lifts. We realize we are not alone and as we pour out our hearts in prayer there comes a blessed thought, "Some one or perhaps a group of praying ones was praying for us." God bless you, dear holders of the ropes and strengthen your grip upon them for the sake of our Savior and the lost ones we are trying to rescue out there! The hours of sacrificial prayer and the gifts you so cheerfully bring to Him are not forgotten, nor are they brought to Him in vain. Precious souls are being won for Christ out there by you, as well as by your representatives there. Just keep on praying on, giving on and going on for God. We need you and God needs you and uses you.



### Palestine and the Jews

So many questions have been asked concerning the Jews and their return to Palestine that it seems good to include a few of the answers with this report.

1. Are the Jews returning to Palestine in large numbers?

Yes they are returning as fast as the country is able to assimilate them. For a few years after the Mandate was given to Great Britain, Jews came pouring into the country too fast. Hundreds found themselves without work or a place to live. So the government had to place a ban on immigration until the Jewish agency could make proper provision for those who would be permitted to enter. Since 1921 about 120,000 Jews have been added to the Jewish population of Palestine, some by immigration and some by natural increase of births over deaths. The present Jewish population is estimated to be between 185,000 and 200,000.



Palestine (Courtesy Miss Mary A. Butterfield)  
Miss Butterfield travelling by auto in Transjordan, later  
continued by camel.

2. Are the Jews in control of Palestine? No, they are not. Great Britain rules the country as a British Mandate, under the leadership of a High Commissioner. Jews, Moslems and Oriental Christians have religious Courts and can handle all matters that pertain to their own communities but all are under British rule.

3. Have the Jews a national flag? They have an emblem which they regard as their national flag. However, it is not recognized by other nations as a national flag inasmuch as the Jews are not yet recognized as a nation. Their emblem is a light blue, six-pointed star, formed by the interlacing of two equilateral triangles, on a white background. They carry it in public demonstrations and have it in evidence on special Jewish holidays, just the same as non-Jewish communities do with their emblems on their special occasions.



4. Are the Jews building their Temple? I confess I do not know.

Since my childhood, I have heard that they have been building it in parts secretly; but I have never found anyone who knows anything about it as an actual fact. One thing is certain, they are not building on the traditional site of the former Temple Area in the southeastern corner of the old city. That spot is in the hands of Moslems and no Jew is allowed to set foot on that site. They are building new synagogues and it is possible that they may have named one of these The Temple, but I do not know of it.

5. Is the Dead Sea mineral wealth being exploited? Yes. The Palestine Potash Company has a force of men employed there. Last year the acreage of the evaporation area increased from 150 acres to 500 acres and over four hundred and fifty men are employed. They have obtained tons of potash, salt and bromine. The last named is being exported to England for medicinal purposes.

6. What about the Rutenburg Plant for harnessing the Jordan for electrical and irrigation service? That plant was completed a year ago. There are high tension towers carrying high tension wires to various parts of the country, even to some of the Jewish colonies in Southern Palestine. It is located at the junction of the Jordan and the Yarmuk (a tributary that flows into the Jordan near the southern end of Lake Galilee.) Cement canals deflect some of the water to the powerplant which is operated much the same as other electrical powerhouses. As for irrigation service, much remains to be accomplished though some of the Colonies in that vicinity are already enjoying some of the benefit of those waters.

7. Is there an earthquake fault in the Mount of Olives? Yes. Scientists tell us there is one. At the time of the great earthquake in 1927, it was found that one place on that ridge was effected more than any other spot in the country and the fault, or weak place, appears to be in the very direction in which the cleavage is prophesied to occur at the time of the return of our Lord (Zech. 14:4.) Of course, we all know that the weak place is not necessary since the Lord has power to break any mountain apart at its strongest place; but it is surely significant that a warning quake was sent on in advance of His return and the fault in that Mount was brought to light as if to remind His people of the Great Event which draws nearer and nearer each day.

Meanwhile the Jews are returning in unbelief, as foretold by the prophets, building and planting. As yet, they have purchased something over four hundred square miles for agricultural colonies and wherever they have settled the "desert is blossoming as the rose" and the wilderness is becoming "like the garden of Eden." Swamps, sand dunes, thistles, thorns and briars are giving way before a people whose vision supercedes their fears and surmounts every obstacle.

#### The Work in Palestine

Jerusalem—The Bible Training Institute under Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and Miss Chalmers had a successful year, though the attendance was smaller than last year. Students were unable to come because of limited means. Those who came were spiritual and earnest in their devotion to the Lord. Five young men were graduated and are looking to God for His place of service. Pray that they may be guided and used of Him.

"The blessing of the Lord is on His work in this area. Funds have been very scarce and sometimes we have felt a deeper sympathy with the Israelites who had to make bricks with no straw. Yet we see His hand in so many precious ways. Only a short time ago a person who is well informed concerning everything that goes on in Jerusalem, told me that our Jewish work was one of two best endeavors in the



city. Others might think differently but we do feel that the blessing of the Lord is on that work. Hundreds hear the Word and thousands read the Word as it goes forth from that centre."

Most of our missionaries are on the East side of the Jordan, since Palestine has a goodly number of missionaries of other societies.

**Madaba.**—Mr. Smalley, the mission chairman, residing in Madaba, near Mount Nebo, writes: "In our Transjordan stations there is every indication of the Master's working in the calling out of those who will listen to His pleas."

They have a large Sunday school, the enrollment being over 180. The place of worship is too small to accommodate them and classes are held outside when the weather permits. In the spring and early summer, the missionaries visit the Bedouin encampments and witness for Christ to many a soul who never heard before.



Palestine (Courtesy Miss Mary A. Butterfield)  
Miss Butterfield travelling by camel in Transjordan

**Kerak.**—The missionaries in Kerak, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ward, are rejoicing in the salvation of souls on their station, as well as over several definite cases of healing. They, too, have a large Sunday school of about 175 scholars. Regular preaching services are held in Kerak and also in four of the surrounding villages. In each of these villages, souls have been saved. Many Moslems in the district have heard the message and a number are persuaded of the truth yet fear the persecution that follows open confession.

**Ma'an.**—This is the station nearest the Arabian border. Here Miss Mabel E. Best and a native evangelist are witnessing for Christ. Last year, Mr. Breaden and his family were ordered to leave the station because of having had some converts from among the Arabs and for preaching the gospel to those who had come over the border. Miss Best, who had prayed for over thirty-three years to enter Arabia, volunteered to take his place in this border town. As many of you know, this town was an Arabian town at one time, but after the World War the border was moved and the town was left in the Transjordanian side.

When you think of these dear ones out there in the desert full of scattered oases with Moslem villages, please imagine what it would be to be in their place without the spiritual atmosphere that prevails in your prayer meetings and then seek to make up for the dearth they are experiencing by praying earnestly for them. It really counts much when God's people do this and your labor will not be in vain. Pray in faith, not in pity. "The prayer of faith," "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man, availeth much," said James, (5:15-16,) and those who are at the battle front realize the truth of the statement as you join their ranks on your knees.

### AFRICA—Belgian Congo

(Christian and Missionary Alliance)

Missionaries—Rev. E. E. Crist, Mrs. E. E. Crist, Rev. E. R. Hess.

Rev. and Mrs. Crist returned to the field again after a much needed rest. After their return from the field on their last furlough their health had been so broken down physically that they feared they could never return to Africa unless the Lord would especially help. This the Lord did for them in answer to prayer. They sailed from New York on August 30, 1933 and were due to arrive at their station on October 10.



Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Rev. E. E. Crist)

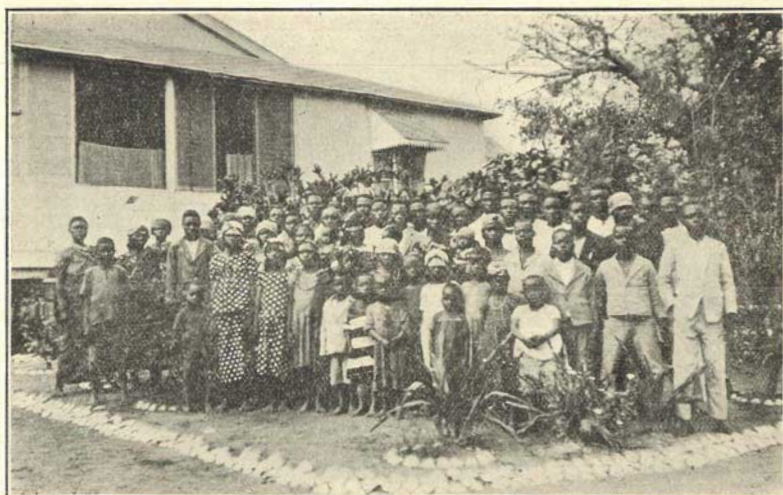
All these teachers with their families left their homes to preach the Gospel in the Banana District. They are real Foreign Missionaries, suffered hunger, some were given poison. Now they have a church of some 30 members.

Brother Crist arrived on the field for his first term of service twenty-nine years ago and Mrs. Crist arrived two years later. At that time they were not married yet. They spent most of these years at Boma, down near the coast.

The executive committee assigned them to Kinkonzi station for this coming term. This they regarded as an answer to prayer, it being the station where he started out. At that time there were hardly 100 Christians in the whole Congo district. Now there are over 12,000.

All the Christian and Missionary Alliance churches in the Belgian Congo are self-supporting and self-governing. They are supplied by native pastors but they want the foreign missionaries to hold all-day meetings and Bible conferences. This will be part of Brother Crist's





Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Rev. E. E. Crist)  
 Teachers and their families working in the Boma District. All  
 except one come from Mayumbi District

work. Later on he expects also to teach in the school. Mrs. Crist also will be one of the teachers. They have three schools in Kinkonzi, primary, preparatory and Bible school. They have between 200 and 300 children in the primary school.

Rev. E. R. Hess is the President of the Bible school and also one of the teachers.

This is a school for the teaching of the Bible and the proper training of native pastors and evangelists. They have a three-years' course. Applicants must have a good recommendation from the congregations of which they are members before they can enter this school. About fifteen graduate annually. The congregations must furnish most of the financial obligations of the applicants which they sent.

Brother Crist told us about the first three native pastors of the Congo church. The first one of these was Paku. He is now president of the board. The next one was Mato. He is now vice president of the board. The third one was Mabengi. He died about three years ago.

The Bible school held its annual commencement in Kinkonzi in January, 1930. There were about 2,000 people gathered together from all over the field. Mabengi, also in company with some others, was coming. As they neared the place he stepped aside from the path, the others expecting him to follow shortly. During the service Brother Hess, the president, noticed that Mabengi was not in the great audience and inquired, but was told that he had come and must be somewhere around. Soon several children came running and said that he was lying down in the bushes along the road, dead! He had evidently passed away suddenly and without a struggle. All had loved and respected Mabengi and he is greatly missed. Photographs of these three had appeared in previous reports.



Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Harry Stam.)  
Rev. and Mrs. Harry Stam and children.

Brother and Sister Crist gave us a few messages at our last camp-meeting in Mizpah Grove, Allentown division, and Brother Crist also showed us a large number of very interesting lantern slides one evening. Let us put them on our regular prayer list if we have not done so already.

#### AFRICA—Belgian Congo

(Africa Inland Mission)

Missionaries—Rev. Harry Stam, Mrs. Harry Stam

The following are clippings from their reports:

"Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased," (Ps. 4:7.)

Dear friends who pray:

How good and how precious it is to walk "before the Lord," and how truly happy we can be when we have the gladness which He puts in our hearts. It is never our Lord who is unfaithful or grudging. When we consider both the record and our experience of His faithfulness, we are struck again by the fact that we, thinking in terms of ourselves, too often limit Him and estimate His power and love far below their actual value. Oh, that in these days we may really learn to trust Him fully!

Once again we have a mountainous debt of thanks due for the many good letters from "putu" (the homeland). They have strengthened our hearts much and have been of truly incalculable help. Often letters would come from friends when their last letter still lay in the pile of "waiting-to-be-answered" mail. You can imagine that such graciousness often makes us to wonder and feel ashamed. It is a little like His great undeserved goodness to us.

The Pennsylvania conference has been so good to us these past years and we are happy, too, for each personal letter that has come. It is a minority of missionaries these days that have their full support, and not a few have lived from day to day, looking hourly to the Lord



to supply necessities. So, very often your goodness to us has meant that some others, too, have been able to work on. We are learning here also to make every penny do a full day's work.



Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Rev. Harry Stam)

Rev. Stam baptizing Danyell Adloga of the Kakwa tribe, a "faithful boy who has served us almost perfectly for eight years" writes Brother Stam.

Again a period of blessing from the Lord has elapsed. Before the year comes to an end, I do want to tell you about the new boys in the School of Evangelists, that you may the better pray for them. How they do appreciate, as we do, being mentioned personally in prayer before the King of kings. Some of them have been through fire and water and can truly be called warriors for the Lord. Some are still comparatively young and rather new in His service.

From our own station home here at Aba we have Paulo Muke (Little Paul) Aezima and Simona Tandau. The former is a doughty little warrior of the Logo race, short of stature with muscular calves that give him a natural strut and a way of wearing his hat, if he has one, at a slightly rakish angle. Yet we suddenly came to the realization that during the past eight years he has kept steadily at work winning souls. Simona T., a Mundu, is not as bright as Paulo as far as we can see, either spiritually or mentally, but he, too, has been a good faithful servant in the bush, giving out the Word of Life. Both, of course, have entered the school by their own request with the consent of, and supported by the Christians here at Aba.

From Todro, forty miles away, we have another Logo named Filipo Akuma, one who has waited for years to come to the School of Evangelists. Aru has sent Simona Nyoka. Several years ago I saw him out in that difficult village of Dema, the largest Kaliko chief, and he has indeed done faithful and fruitful work. With him is a younger boy, Tito Andikebi, the first Ndo to come to the Evangelists' School.

Samwele Dwokisheng and Levi Abok come from the church of God which is at Terakara. That group of Christians, after the departure of the Robertsons, was left without a resident white missionary, but has gone on with the Lord; many of them showing a steady growth in grace. Both Samwele and Levi are a joy to teach because of their love of the Lord and the grounding they have had in His word.

From Linga, where Mr. Litchman has worked at various periods over a long space of years, comes Lazaro Thetho who was ordained as

pastor of that group. He is indeed a dear child of the Lord and much loved by his fellow Christians. Since coming here from his southern hills he has been subject to much physical weakness. First, there was an attack of Blackwater Fever, a very severe attack, from which we feel he recovered by the goodness of God. It left him, however, very weak and with lessened resistance. In May he succumbed to Bacillary Dysentery which he may have been carrying in his system from former years. From that, too, he recovered only slowly and he is still in need of your prayers. Quite naturally both he and the group at Linga as well as ourselves were seriously considering whether there may have been a mistake in his coming up here, for this is malarial country. After prayer, however, it seemed clear to us that this was primarily a series of attacks of the Evil One to keep Labaro from getting the further training in the Word so helpful in giving out the Word. Please continue to pray for him believably.

Blukwa church is represented by three boys, Dawidi Koliba, Elia Thendo, Yoane Barongo, all of them Bahema. For them, too, we covet your prayers that they may be back well equipped to teach the Word in that wonderful hill country with such dense population.

And continue to pray for us that we may have "power" and blessing from on High.

These past months have been full of many and varied experiences, as usual. Some of them were in the nature of new tests, but all seemed destined to teach us to put no confidence in the flesh and all confidence in Him, our wondrous, sufficient Saviour.

First, there was the conference, last September, for our Bangala-speaking native Christians, held at Aru. We had one other such conference, you may remember, in January, 1931, at Aba. This time the church which is at Aru, very lovingly entertained us all. We gathered from almost the whole length of our A. I. M. Congo-Uganda field. A number of delegates from our southern Kingwana-using stations, were old graduates from the School of Evangelists. The Lord had been using many of them and they came with hearts aflame and faces aglow. I think there must have been altogether about twenty "old boys" from the "Ecole des Evangelistes." Much prayer preparation had been made for this conference and results came to pass. We were made to stand in awe and tremble at the manifest power of God. There was conviction of sin and "strong crying and tears" among native and white Christians alike. Truly, God worked mightily and the blessing continues. Boys in various places still speak with shining faces of the blessing received there.

Then, on October 6, Jonathan Philip was born, a lovely, healthy, normal baby boy. He has continued so, one of those good natured babies who seem to thrive on a minimum of attention. He is proving a good second to Paul Jacob, being somewhat better in general health and just as good in spirits.

With Jonathan Philip nicely started on life's journey, his father left for Yalamba on the Congo river. Here four of us from these upper regions where only the very primitive Bangala is used as a trade language, met with four men from the Main stream of the Congo, who use the more highly developed Lingala.

The natives call it all "Mangala." The conference was for the purpose of seeing whether a union of the two could be affected or at least whether a beginning could be made on the production of Bible literature suitable to both regions. We were happily surprised to see how much real union there already was. A start was made with a composite gospel of Mark which the British and Foreign Bible Society



is publishing. Do pray for the language work. It is often hidden and unostentatious, but oh, so important.

Both before, and after this trip, we have been tested by severe physical discomfort, pain and weakness. We feel as though we have not much cause to glory in those bodies of flesh, I assure you. They are at the best, but weak. But we have every confidence in Christ Jesus. A detailed list would include sinus trouble for me again. Dengue fever, especially severe for Alma, Paul Jacob's ear and mastoid infection. Do pray for us steadily, that we may be kept. And we want to praise God with us too, for His power. Little Paul Jacob almost followed Esther Rachel to the land of Glory, but the Lord was kind to us and let him stay with us. Out here one hesitates before deciding on a difficult operation like opening a mastoid. Conditions are still so primitive. But we do thank God now, for His very definite leading to the operation, for the peace of heart He gave us and for His hand upon the doctors' hands during the operation. Dr. Trout came up from Rethi to give the anasthetic, while Dr. Becker operated. Paul has recovered beautifully. Truly the Lord is good.



Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Rev. Harry Stam)  
An outschool in the bush.

Besides the always enjoyable work with the Evangelists in the school and these occasional, delightful trips into the bush, there has been this year also the happy, but rather burden of correspondence for the Literature Committee of our Congo-Uganda Field. We are thankful that under the blessing of God an increasing quantity of Scripture and other material, such as Bible helps, tracts, etc., are being translated into our various languages. The details of printing and publishing, of course, need to be arranged, all of which calls for much correspondence, as does also the distribution of it. We need your prayers for wisdom and for strength in this work. And we crave your forbearance when we cannot get at our personal correspondence as quickly as we would like. You have been so good. Thank you much and truly. May the joy of the Lord be yours daily. We know that many of you at home are knowing what testing means. Be of good courage. Testing often precedes promotion, (2 Cor. 9:8.)

Filipo Mokobi brought in a python last week and was full of the story of its capture. This one, he said, had put up a great fight, so that when he and his friends came in the snake had been pierced and

gashed in many a place. The meat is considered very good eating. Boiled, fried, roasted, smoked or just plain sun-dried, and hence odoriferous, it is always considered a delicacy.

**AFRICA—Belgian Congo**  
(United Tribes Mission)

Missionary—Miss Mary A. Miller

In the fall of 1932 Miss Miller and her sister, Bertha, came home from the field on account of ill health. Both of them had been rather seriously afflicted but have been wonderfully restored and healed. They have been travelling a good deal, speaking in many churches representing the work of the Lord and the bringing of the Gospel to unevangelized tribes in the Congo which had never been reached before. They are trusting the Lord for the funds needed for their speedy return to the field for which they are earnestly longing.

March 27, 1933, she writes the following:

Truly the Lord has been good to me. I do praise Him for the wonderful way in which He has touched and healed me. I am so much stronger at the present time, in fact I am feeling more like myself again. I thank you so much for your prayers in my behalf.



Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Miss Mary Miller.)

Our first baptized young people with their native pastor marked 1. Assistant Pastor marked 2, Treasurer marked 3.

We had a wonderful council meeting with all the members, ten in number, present, and two new missionaries who sailed on March 22nd. The evening meeting was public and an outline was given as to how the Lord blessed the work of the U. T. M. in the five years since it was started. During these five years thirty-four missionaries have gone forth to the field into untouched tribes to places where they had never heard about Jesus. Then they have twenty-five candidates, some of whom have part of their money already in. In these five years seven tribes were opened up. So the Lord has been very good to us.

We both spoke in the evening meeting and told of the work which we have been doing in Congo. Hearts were touched as we told of the need. After the council meeting we left for Iowa, where we held meet-



ings and again told of the need on the field. We believe the Lord has laid the burden on the hearts of some young people who have heard the call and are willing to answer to it. We had the privilege of speaking in a Boys' Training School to 650 boys and young men. Hearts were touched and we saw the tears flow down over the faces of some of the boys. We then returned to Chicago and from there hurried back to Philadelphia to attend to some council business with Miss Doering, then the same day came home.

The next morning we left in our brother's car for New York to be present at the farewell meeting at which we again spoke. Then we went to the pier and watched a party of six leave for dark Africa. Our hearts just longed to join them. I can hardly wait until the time comes when I can again go forth for Jesus but in the meantime I want to be a blessing to all I meet and win souls for Him.

Under date of July 28, 1933, she writes:

The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad, (Psa. 126:3.)



Africa—Belgian Congo (Courtesy Miss Mary Miller.)

Part of a group of boys carrying grass for the roof of our girls' house.

How glad I am today for all the Lord hath done for us since I last wrote to you. He has been so very good to us. He has touched our bodies, so that we are ready to return to the field just as soon as the Lord supplies the needed money for our fares. We would like to go on a freight boat to save expenses. We are praying that the Lord will definitely lead us. Will you join us in this? We realize there is a depression but we do know that with God, our Father, there is no

depression and so we are trusting Him to supply all our need and we know He is faithful and will give us just what we stand in need of.

We had been praying that the Lord would supply us with a printing press to take back with us. We are so glad to tell you that He has answered our prayers and a printer out in Minnesota has offered a press to us free of charge. He said that it has only been used several times, then the depression came and so we can have it for Congo. Is not this just like Jesus? Then several farmers have offered us fruit to dry such as blackberries, peaches and apples. This is the way the Lord is supplying our every need for which we do praise Him so much.

We have had very encouraging word from the field. Souls are being saved, others are growing in Grace and in the knowledge of God. The Word of God is going forth and we do know that the Lord will bless it to some hearts and cause them to turn from their sins and idols to serve the living and true God. But while the missionaries are giving out the Word, the devil is working in the hearts of the natives so that we have received word of another rebellion and that all the lady missionaries in the northern field have been ordered to the coast. They are in great danger at the present time. Will you not please pray that the Lord will indeed protect them and use them to win these lost souls for Christ? Will you also pray that the Lord will soon supply the needed funds so that we can return to the field? Our hearts long to be there and give out His Word to others who have not yet heard and thereby help hasten His return.

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#### AFRICA—Nigeria

(United Missionary Society)

Missionaries—Rev. Joseph Ummel, Rev. Paul Ummel

Extracts from letters from Rev. Joseph Ummel:

We left Zuru and came to Salka December 8th. We were very sorry to leave Zuru before the arrival of my brother, Paul and his wife, but it was considered best for us to come here and take up the work when the Durkees left for home. Brother Durkee had just opened a Boys' School and did not like to close it and send them home.

The Lord blessed us in the work at Zuru. While we did not see as many definite conversions as we would have liked, yet we believe there are some who really found the Lord and are trying to do His Will. There have been difficulties at that place not found at all our stations, but we think some of them are being removed and hope to hear of better results in the future. We are glad to hear that my brother and his wife will soon again be on the field. Financial conditions are such that we feared they might be detained.

Coming here we found a good interest shown by a good many of the people of the town. The attendance at services has been fairly good and there is a large attendance at Sunday school each Sunday. Usually the attendance runs between 175 and 200 or more. Many of the Sunday school attendants are small children, but I noticed upon coming to Salka this time that they average larger in size than they did a few years ago. This is caused partially at least by the fact that they started coming when small and are growing up. How we do hope we will be able to hold them until they find the Lord and grow up to manhood. So often when they get to be about a certain size they drop out and take up with fetishism and the like.



### Devil Worship

Fetichism, or demon worship, has a great hold on them as well, even on those who may not wish to have anything to do with it. For instance, a few weeks ago the main fetich ordered a feast to be held, to drive "evil wind" out of town. This "evil wind" is supposed to bring sickness. For several days no one was allowed to go to work on the farms even though they were very grassy and needed much to be hoed. One young man, an adherent, told me of it and I asked him why they did not simply go anyway. He said if they would they would be fined, would have to furnish a dog for the feast. If they refused, they would be accused to the village chief by the fetich men. The chief being all taken up with the fetich would be certain to stand by them, so what could a person do by standing against them? Hard telling but they might even be poisoned as has often happened.

### School Work

We had ten boys in the school here. Six of them are Kambari, three are Dakakkerri and one is Nupe. The Kambaris are from the tribe most of our work is done with at this station while the other four are from Zuru and Mokwa. The boys all intend to become native workers. Our prayer is that they will be real soul winners. It takes much time to properly teach and train them, but if they will turn out well we are sure the time and effort put forth in their behalf will have been worth while.

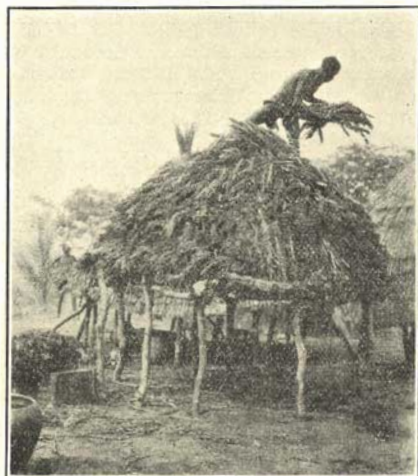


Africa—Nigeria (Courtesy Rev. J. Ummel.)

Brother Ummel preaching to a number of natives in Salka Market

Three of them returned to their hometown at Zuru when my brother and his wife returned in May. I am giving Bible lessons to those advanced sufficiently to study, four of the seven. They seem to enjoy them and I enjoy teaching them. It does my own soul good to study and meditate on God's Word.

All of this work, school work, Sunday school and services, village meetings, medical work, etc., keeps us busy. But we want to be found busy when our blessed Lord comes to claim His own. There is much distress of all kinds about us here, how glad we are to help those in distress, so far as we are able. People are hard up, money is very scarce so that many will not be able to pay all their taxes, we fear. One day last week an enormous swarm of locusts swooped down like a storm. They crossed the compound but we were able to save our garden by beating tins. This kept them from alighting, but they came down on some farms a bit farther on and destroyed the grain crops on them. We are surely living in a time of trouble, world conditions seem to me to be hopeless, unless people confess their sins and truly turn to God. This they do not seem to care much to do. Praise the Lord, it will not always be so. One of these days things will be changed. So let us live for Him and be ready to meet Him.



Africa—Nigeria (Courtesy Rev. J. Ummel.)  
Stacking guinea corn at Salka Boys' School for food.

As you have no doubt seen in the reports given in the "Nigerian Tidings" from time to time, the Lord has been blessing the work on the other stations. While many care for things of God, there are some who really are living for the Lord. Souls are being saved. More out-stations have been opened in villages, in districts where no missionary work had been done, some of these at the request of the villagers. Funds have been rather low and there have been insufficient workers, both native and foreign, but the Lord has been with us and helping. The Annual Native Workers' Meeting was held at Jebba last month. It was unfortunate that both Miss Finlay and Miss Hollenbeck were in bed with fever, or "flu," at the time. Brother Embree and Miss Finlay were to be the teachers, but as it was Brother Embree had to do all the teaching. These meetings are a source of help and blessing to the workers. The native workers had charge of the evening evangelistic meetings.

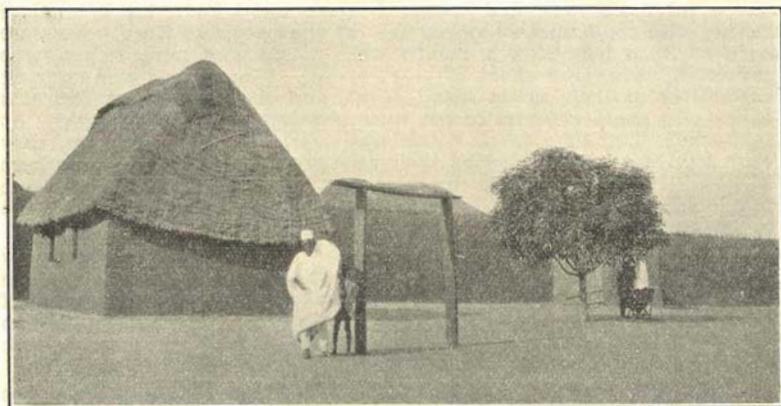
Economic conditions here, as elsewhere, are not good. There was a good harvest, food is very plentiful, but prices are low and money



is scarce. The natives all are having a hard time to pay their taxes or buy anything since they can hardly sell their products. The authorities have been collecting taxes for months but do not yet have them all in. I fear there will be a worse time paying them this coming year. World conditions are surely far from encouraging, but it is not to be wondered at. Man has tried to run this old world for thousands of years without giving God much consideration and surely has made a mess of things. Surely the Lord's coming must be at hand. How it will pay us to have our lamps trimmed and burning, watching and waiting for the coming of our Blessed Hope.

#### Evil Influences From Civilization

One great hindrance to missionary work here is the evil influence of foreign white tradesmen. Walk through town, if you will, and you will see imported cigarettes, perfumes, trinkets and cheap jewelry of various kinds, salt, matches, many kinds of cloth, and many other articles offered for sale. Look a little farther, you may see boys and men gambling with cards brought to this country by white men. In some parts of Africa you may see natives drinking imported intoxicating liquors. How wicked for whites to thus debauch them.



Africa--Nigeria (Courtesy Rev. J. Ummel.)  
Prison and gallows at Zuru.

Some say missions ought to try to make Christians of these people, better to leave them as they are in their original state. The fact is they are not being left in their original state, but by means provided by whites they are being dragged deeper into sin. As time goes on foreign influences are having more and more effect on them. Often these influences are not elevating to them. Unless missions take the Gospel to them they will be in a worse condition as time goes on. Shall we be silent and allow ourselves to stand back and see them thus being dragged to a never ending hell? No, a thousand times, No. The Gospel is the only help that can be offered to them. Which call shall they respond to, the world's or Christ's?

We thank you very much for your prayers, your kind support and the good literature that you are sending us.

Among the interesting items in the latest report of Rev. Paul Ummel, lately returned to Zuru, Nigeria, we submit the following:

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us," (1 Sam. 7:12.)

We are glad to report that in answer to prayer the Lord opened the way for us to return to this place which is His appointed place for us.

We had a delightful trip, especially so from England to Lagos, our seaport. Mrs. Bishop Smith who came to Nigeria for the first time thirty-five years ago, was on the boat with us. She said that this was the smoothest voyage that she has ever seen. We had seven missionaries on the boat besides ourselves which made the trip very interesting. They represented three different mission societies besides ours. Though they were of other societies a person felt that we were one in Christ. We stayed at the coast one day and then came to our Mokwa station by rail the 328 miles. Nearly a week was spent there waiting for our baggage to come by rail and repacking it so that it could be carried up here on the heads of black men. We spent the week-end with my brother Joseph, wife and baby while on our 390 mile trip by motorcycle. We arrived here at Zuru on the 15th of May—a few hours less than six weeks after leaving Goshen, Indiana.

The people of this pagan Dakkarkari tribe rejoiced greatly in welcoming us back in their midst. This station had been completely closed for more than five months because we did not have a native worker who could speak the language of the people of Zuru. We were here at Zuru less than a month when two young men, twins, were converted. They are about 27 years of age. They surely are enjoying themselves in their newly-found Light, and their one great desire is to walk in the Light and to get their relatives and friends saved. At first when they were saved which was nearly three months ago, they were scoffed at and cursed by their relatives and friends but they bore it patiently. Now during the past few weeks some of these same people have been coming to them and inquiring what they must do to be saved.

Praise the Lord! The five who were saved during the past few months as well as one of our little boys who was saved a year ago, are from the town of Rikoto. Two years ago during our famine-relief work at this place we helped more people from the town of Rikoto than from any other single town. We have a lot of very good friends in that town and now we are beginning to see the results of our work.

We have labored since 1925 until a little more than a year ago without seeing any conversions as the result of our work. But ("Praise His Precious Name," Isa. 55:11.) is still true. Victories are being won for our Master though not all is smooth sailing. There is more opposition to the work here at Zuru than I have seen any time since here. We are quite sure that we know the reason why. The work of the Lord is progressing and thus inroads are being made on Satan's territory, therefore, he through his emissaries, the Hausa Mohammedans, is trying to thwart the work. We are glad that He Who is on our side is all powerful. With Him we expect to move forward.

We will be glad for your prayers in behalf of the work at this place and for us. The responsibility is resting upon us to teach these who are just stepping out of heathendom for we are the only white people who can speak and understand their language. You and the Pennsylvania Conference have been so nobly supporting us and you shall share in the reward in that great day.



**AFRICA—Nigeria**  
(Sudan Interior Mission)

Missionary—Mrs. Fred Whale, formerly Miss Grace E. Feldges

Mrs. Whale is the daughter and only child of Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Feldges, formerly of Columbia and Chile, South America, now on furlough residing in Los Angeles, California. The whole family belongs to our church.

Mrs. Whale writes:

It is said that "two are better than one," but we have found that two address lists are too much for us to cope with, and so we have adopted this method of sending you, our more personal friends, this joint letter. To some of you the news this letter contains will be a complete surprise, a pleasant one, we hope; and we trust that we may both have your continued prayerful interest as before.

Now for a little introduction. Mr. Whale, who has been stationed in Fada 'n Gourma the past two years, commenced his preparation for the mission field in the Bible Training Institute, Glasgow, his native city. He also took a two years' course in the Missionary Training Colony, London, followed by six months in French in the Bible Institute, Paris, with a view to work in French West Africa.



Africa—Nigeria (Courtesy Mrs. Fred Whale.)  
Part of her Sunday School class while at Tibiri.

Miss Feldges is the daughter of missionaries to South America, and spent the first twenty years of her life with her parents in Chile and Ecuador, S. A. Then she went to California for several years for Bible and nurses' training.

In May, 1932, Mr. Whale had occasion to visit Tibiri, when on his way to Nigeria for a rest. Our friendship began then and unbeknown to each other we took the matter of our friendship to the Lord in prayer. After some correspondence and about two months of prayer and seeking advice from older and more experienced missionaries, Mr. Whale passed through Tibiri again on his return to Fada and we became engaged.

Then followed six months, when some six hundred miles lay between us. Letters were long, but SO slow in travelling back and

forth (for it takes a letter four weeks one way.) These months gave us time for further acquaintanceship and opportunity to test our sincerity and be assured of His will.

At the suggestion of our Mission Directors the wedding was arranged for February on account of the necessity of travelling to Fada before the rains set in. Otherwise we would have to wait another year which would mean a wasted year as far as language was concerned, for we were studying different languages. We had also to receive the necessary approval from headquarters. This is based upon linguistic attainment, physical fitness, compatibility with fellow missionaries, and general fitness for life and work on the mission field.

The long planned visit of our Field Director, Mr. Beacham, to French territory, was intended to coincide with the date of our marriage, in order that he might perform the ceremony and also that we might have with us a few more fellow-missionaries.

Eventually Mr. Beachman arrived in Fada and spent a few days giving the workers there the benefit of his experience and help in language and general missionary problems. Mr. Whale joined him on the return trip to Tibiri. As it was their intention to see the country with a view to opening more mission stations, a week was spent in the journey. Then we learned that the legal ceremony had to be performed by a magistrate at Kano, 180 miles distant, in compliance with British marriage laws, Mr. Whale being a British subject. This was rather solemn and consisting of taking vows and signing of many papers. We then returned to Tibiri where the religious ceremony was held in the church by the Rev. C. Gordon Beacham.

Then came the preparation for the four-days' motor journey to Fada. We are eager to take up the duties that await us there, but feel the responsibility of it all. We realize that He Who hath commissioned hath also promised the needed grace and strength, and we desire to be of ever increasing usefulness in His service. It is wonderful to feel that we are in the center of His will, being assured of His approval and encouraged by the seals He puts upon the steps that we have taken.

Today He gave one of these seals that has caused our hearts to run over with joy. We have already told you that one purpose of the Field Director's visit to French territory was to choose sites where the mission stations should be opened in the near future. One of these sites was chosen at Diapaga, in the Gourma tribe, and it is to this center we have been appointed. It takes some \$1,000, or £200 to build a mission station and we took this matter to the Lord in prayer. The Mission Directors had agreed to our writing you to help us pray for this need, but before we called, the Lord answered. A small gift had already been designated for this need and we planned to tell you about it. But about two hours ago we were overwhelmed with joy by the news received in a letter, stating that a promised gift from Canada enables us to begin building preparations immediately. These preparations include negotiations with the government regarding the procuring of a site, cutting trees and sawing lumber, making plans of house and other buildings, also the ordering of necessary building materials from the homeland.

While this handsome gift provides for the obtaining of the site and the erection of the buildings immediately necessary, there still remain many incidental expenses for such matters as house furnishings, means of transportation, etc. It will be a joyful day to us when we enter with the Gospel this long neglected area around Diapaga with its some thirty-two thousand lost souls. What a privilege! What a responsibility! What a joy! Our faith has been stimulated and we are encouraged.



Under date of May 8, 1933, Mrs. Whale writes:

Dear friends in the homeland: From you who heretofore have prayed for Tibiri, we request an added interest for the work in the Gourma tribe in which we now labor. A month ago we arrived in Fada after the little wedding ceremony in Tibiri. We are glad to be at work again after the interruptions of the past months and we are praying that our hopes for the future of the work here will materialize. That depends largely, perhaps more than you think, on your prayers.

It may be you would like to know what a high value we place on your prayers. On the first Saturday of each month, a little band of Christians in Glasgow meet to pray for us. Even if we had not been told that this takes place, we would know on that day that somebody is praying for we feel an increased burden for prayer ourselves, and a feeling of strength and courage to press forward, not permitting the many difficulties to lessen our efforts. Let us tell you what took place last Saturday.



Africa—Nigeria (Courtesy Mrs. Fred Whale.)  
Rev. and Mrs. Fred Whale.

While taking a long camel trip recently we found ample opportunity to study that animal and learn more than one spiritual lesson from it. The one which impressed us most was that to load a camel in the morning it must be made to kneel on the ground. When the loads are being placed on its back you would think that the owner was ill treating his animal, for it protests with many loud roars. But when all is ready and the journey is commenced, the camel can go for a whole day without a halt and without having its burden adjusted. How like we humans! When God wants us to take the burden for lost souls and spend time on our knees praying for them, we squirm and writhe, seeking to evade the responsibility. But what great things are accomplished when we obey this call.

The Gourma tribe numbers about 200,000 souls. Fada is 615 miles distant from Tibiri, the neighboring station of our mission, and mail to and fro takes at least two full months. The Gourma people

are still pagan, and we praise God that the Gospel of Truth has been able to forestall the message of the false prophet, Mohammed.

Work was begun in Fada 'n Gourma in 1930 and the workers now number seven. Only three of these are on the station at present, the others being away for a much needed rest. Brave and admirable efforts have been put forth, but they bear no true relation to the claimant need of a teeming population. The first task was to learn the language of the people. This was, and still is, a difficult undertaking. The Gourma is an unwritten and intricate language. There are no books, vocabularies, grammars or even any teachers or interpreters. But today, after three years of labor, there is a tentative translation of one of the Gospels and there are a few boys who are able to read it. There are some who are following the Lord openly and we believe that there is a group who believe as much as they understand, but that is so deplorably little. Their minds are densely dark and slow to receive a new thought. Only after they have heard the simple story many times do they understand enough for a saving belief in Christ.

About a month ago we decided to have a special prayer on behalf of certain individuals for whom we felt a special burden. A time was set apart for this each morning after breakfast, this being in addition to our usual time of prayer every afternoon. The houseboys asked if they might have a copy of the names we had on our list and now they also meet together each morning to pray for their own people still in heathen darkness. Forty-five individuals are thus being prayed for, besides several groups of people. Already the Lord has answered prayers in bringing seven of these people to the Mission. Some have come for personal talks, others to be taught to read. Their coming has been an encouragement to the faith of the praying boys.

Next to the joy of seeing souls saved comes the joy of seeing those young Christians making progress in the Christian life. We have had the peculiar joy of seeing the first Gourma Christian boy who was taught to read at the Mission, stand up in church to read the Scripture lesson in his own language. It made a great impression on the people to hear a Gourma read God's Word in their tongue, for then they realized in a better way what we have been trying to tell them, that is that we have not come to them with "white man's" words, but with the Word of God.

Will you continue remembering in prayer our language difficulties. They seem to increase with our increasing efforts to perfect ourselves in this difficult tongue. It is no unusual thing to spend a whole week translating the portion of Scripture to be read in church on Sunday, only to find that one should have translated a dozen things in a better way. Then we may, and have spent months on translating the Gospel of John, and before the last chapters are typed, to make many corrections in the first chapters. Our language difficulties are more complicated because we have no language teacher. When we talk of having a "Language Teacher" what we really mean, is a native who is willing to answer questions we put to him. He may fall asleep while the answer is being written down, or he may be tired after an hour's study and put you off by telling you anything.

We have recently had a visit from a representative of the British and Foreign Bible Society. He had a selection of Scripture portions in French, Bambara, Arabic, Hausa and several other languages used in this part of the world. Pampanlenli's large eyes sparkled as he saw the precious books brought out for display, but we shall never forget the look of disappointment which came over his face when he realized that the Bible was not yet printed in his mother-tongue.



How can these young babes in Christ grow unless they be fed on the sincere milk of the Word. Mamoudou is a boy of about fifteen years. He attends a French government school in a distant town. Three years ago he became a Christian.

A government agent complained to us yesterday that he was unable to get around to the 3,000 Gourma villages to collect taxes. We wonder if messengers of the gospel will be able to get around to these 3,000 villages before our Lord's return, to collect souls in Jesus' name! "The Bible in the World," the organ of the British and Foreign Bible Society, states that although in recent years Africa has figured predominantly in their lists of new versions of Scriptures, great regions still remain for which not one gospel has been provided. The strong and virible tribes living between the Volta river and the Niger river are without any of the Scripture in their own language. Protestant missionary societies have worked in the coastal regions only, until very recently. The tribes in the interior have been more or less neglected. The Gourma tribe is in this region.



Africa—Nigeria (Courtesy Mrs. Fred Whale.)  
Mrs. Whale cooking a meal.

The conditions are appalling, the needs are beyond description. It is quite evident that these things are not as our Lord desired them to be. The only alternative is, that He has called some who have not responded. Every home mail brings to us news of critical world conditions and the evident near-return of our Lord. We cannot help wondering what excuse professing Christians will offer to the Great Judge for neglecting to give the gospel to the waiting millions.

Did you realize that as you were reading this letter, God has again been speaking to you? Satan also has been there with his "birds of the air" to catch away the "Good Seed Sown in your Heart." Will you be counted among those who are thrilled with missionary letters, frequently attend missionary meetings, listening to appeals for the

salvation of the heathen, but you let the "birds of the air" snatch away the Good Seed and it is not allowed to take root?

Note our new address:

Rev. and Mrs. Fred Whale,  
Sudan Interior Mission,  
Fada n' Gourma  
Colonie du Niger  
French West Africa  
via Dakar

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### FRENCH INDO-CHINA

(Christian and Missionary Alliance)

Missionaries—Rev. William C. Cadman, Mrs. William C.  
Cadman, Rev. H. A. Jackson. Rev. R. M. Jack-  
son, Rev. N. M. Cressman and Mrs.  
N. M. Cressman

From the latest report of the Chairman, Rev. E. F. Irwin, we copy the following:

Jesus said, "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Here is the missionary's message, his orders and the glorious promise that makes his work fruitful.

Twenty-one years ago missionaries obeyed the command and brought the Gospel to Annam. Now it has spread to three nations and many tribes in French Indo-China. One-hundred and four churches have been established among the Annamese speaking people, twenty-seven more among the Cambodians.

Although work has been only just begun by our mission in Laos, already two groups from that nation have come to worship Christ as their Saviour and still others worship Him in Eastern Siam. One young man from the "Jungle Mois" tribe at Dalat has been transformed by the power of God and is now preaching the gospel to a group of his fellow tribes' people who have accepted Jesus as their Saviour and have become our brethren in Christ.

Others from the Tho tribe of Northern Tonkin have been saved and still more from the Muong tribe in Tonkin and members of the Phnong tribe of Eastern Cambodia are listening gladly to the message. Truly it is "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

On January first, 1933, there were 7,508 baptized believers in good standing in the churches of Indo-China, of whom 1,462 were baptized during the year. One hundred and thirteen of these converts are now preaching the gospel to their own people, and \$10,866.33 U. S. A. currency was given in 1932 by these Indo-China Christians as part of their share in fulfilling the missionary command.

Rev. and Mrs. William C. Cadman have charge of the translation and publication department at Hanoi. Here is Mr. Cadman's condensed report.



**HANOI PRESS**

Mr. Cadman reports that 171,770 booklets, totalling 9,930,840 printed pages, were published by the Mission press at Hanoi during 1932. The Lao Old Testament has been completed and the press is binding this with the New Testament previously printed in France. Sixty thousand Bible portions in Annamese and in Cambodian have been printed for the British and Foreign Bible Society. New editions of Gospel and Christian literature have also been printed, as well as the quarterly Call and customary reports, etc.

Twelve issues of the **Annamese Bible Magazine** have been published, 1,400 copies being printed monthly. It is hoped to more than maintain this output of the Magazine during 1933. An edition of a new series of Salvation tracts, with colored picture covers, is being prepared. These are being written by our leading Annamese brethren and we hope to print at least 100,000 during 1933. Annamese character Gospels are also being printed for the Bible Society and it is hoped that these will prove popular.

We take this occasion to thank our kind friends in the homeland for their financial support during the past year. It has been your co-operation that has enabled us to continue our ministry in this department. We feel sure that God will continue to move upon the hearts of His children to support this great work.



French Indo-China, Dalat (Courtesy Rev. H. A. Jackson.)  
Typical Moi family

Report of Rev. H. A. Jackson: We appreciate more than ever the support of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ during this year of such universal depression. Those of us who are on the field often feel that the greatest missionary work is done by those who strengthen the stakes at home and not by those who lengthen the cords in the "region beyond." In many cases I am sure that your sacrifice is greater than ours. May you be richly rewarded for your untiring faithfulness to God and your loyalty to your missionary co-laborers.

Our work during the past year has been different from anything we have ever done or seen done on this field. The reason for this may be attributed to the fact that we are working among the semi-savage Mois who are very different from the civilized Annamese and other natives of French Indo-China.

There was no question as to God's leading at the time we began to employ the Mois for everything imaginable, whether we needed them or not. We knew our first step was to gain the confidence of these timid and suspicious children of the jungle. We had no idea what the outcome would be or to what ends this might lead, but we used every means available to detain all who came to us in order to have the opportunity of assuring them of our love for them. We bought whatever they had to sell and hired them to work as long as they wanted to stay. Although we paid the same wages as all who hire the Mois to work for them, we only required eight hours of work instead of ten, the other two hours being employed in telling them the Gospel story.

The housing proposition was not difficult for the Mois require very little to make them feel comfortable and at home. All that some of these poor jungle wanderers possess can easily be carried in an overcoat pocket. Our old cook used to call them "the people that sleep at the trunks of trees," for we used to see them huddled around a fire at the foot of a tree nearly every time we went to church in the evening. The fire, which marks the camping ground of any group of Mois, serves two purposes; first, it is a protection against wild animals for tigers, leopards, etc., will not come near it. Secondly, it helps to keep them warm. So the grass shelter that half a dozen men can put up in a day was all the protection they required for themselves and their fires.

As time went on and we became better known, representatives of several different tribes came to us. Each time a man left us to go home he told his acquaintances about us and they also looked us up when they came to Dalat. In this way the number increased, more tribes were represented continually and before we knew it there were five temporary shacks here and there among the pine trees on the property. This has been a definite answer to our prayers during the past year, namely, that we be allowed to witness to at least one man from every tribe around us. Twice a day we held services for all who were on the compound, the number always varying, and did personal work among those who came to visit their friends or who dropped in for the lack of a better place to go.

In our work with these primitive folk, we have found the Sunday school picture rolls and small lesson cards of infinite value. In fact, we would not know what to do without them for we have to teach them in much the same way that you teach your youngest children in the homeland. The Mois are not idolators so we are not afraid to give them these pictures to take back to their villages.

Since this has become a Mois center, we have had to abandon the grass shelters and put up a solid, permanent structure. How we praise God for this building which has a class room, a room for Xol, (the Mois evangelist as the French Protestants call him,) and a large well ventilated room in which forty people can eat, sleep and live much as they do at home. The present arrangement is proving to be God's plan for the time being but will you not pray that the Government will soon grant us authorization to go and come in the jungle? There are thousands of poor Mois who never leave their homes. The jungle is full of these forest folk for whom Christ died but to date we are not allowed to do anything outside of the city.

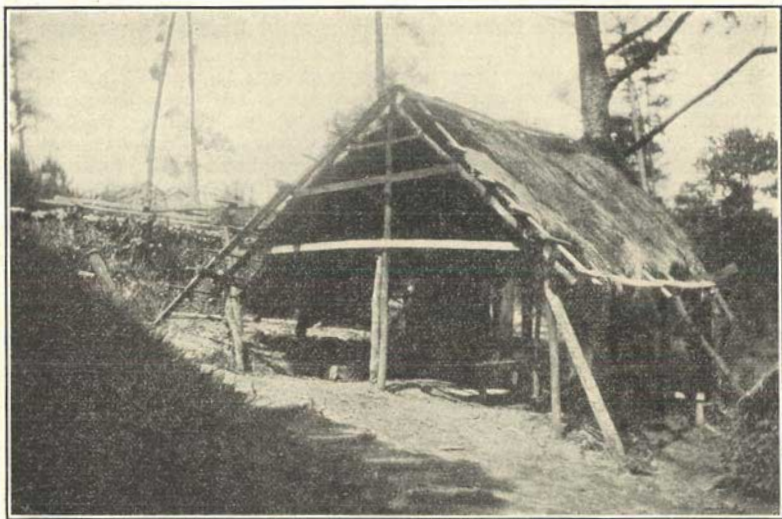
We are called to walk by faith and not by sight so we are living



in expectancy. We know that eventually the doors will be opened, so we are planning to build a stable and pray God to give us horses and equipment for jungle travel.

Will you kindly convey to the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of your Conference, our whole hearted appreciation of their loving sympathy and financial support? Also assure them that it is a joy and privilege to be their representative to the Mois race.

About the first of the year we started to ask God for representatives from all the tribes that have access to Dalat. In answer to that prayer we have welcomed men and women from seven different regions whose dialects and customs, though similar, are not the same. These people have actually lived under the eaves of our house and become acquainted with us. I didn't understand God's reason for keeping us out of the jungle so long, but now I do, for in His good time the necessary authorization will be granted and we'll have friends to greet us throughout this mountainous country.



French Indo-China, Dalat (Courtesy Rev. H. A. Jackson.)  
The first Moi chapel.

You ask what results we have had. Personally, I think it dangerous to count souls according to the wisdom of man. God only knows what has been done in the hearts of these semi-civilized wanderers, but this I know, lives have been changed before our eyes and members of five different tribes have confessed their sins before God and accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour. Many have been laughed at as they returned to their villages and witnessed for Christ. It is possible that some have gone back to the superstitions of their people, but that is all in the hands of God who "knoweth all things" and "doeth all things well." I was never commissioned to keep believers, but to preach the Gospel.

It may be well for me to mention the boat in this report that you may appreciate the work that is being carried on along the waterways of southern Cochin-China. Mr. Nga has a crew of men that has

been selected and sent to him by the Joint Executive Committee and together they canvass the ricefield districts of that great plain. An American marine motor has been installed which enables the men to move faster and whenever necessary regardless of the tide and current. God is so directing the boat work that the men are being led into parts of Cochinchina where the inhabitants have never heard the gospel story. It is a pioneer effort the Annamese have taken over and I know under God's blessing it will soon be self-supporting.

We clip the following from Brother Cressman's circular letter:

Many of you will be glad to know that we had a very pleasant and restful trip here, with many opportunities for service along the way. All of us were kept well excepting the children who were greatly affected by the change in climate. When we reached Hong Kong they were both quite ill with colds, and in fact our little girl there developed pneumonia. However the Lord gave us a very lovely home in which to stay while in Hong Kong with dear Christian people who were very kind to us. We arrived in Saigon in time for Christmas, happy to be finally back home and to again see the many faces of our missionary colleagues, and to receive from others unable to be in Saigon, messages of welcome.

With the present restrictions no new work can be opened, and in many villages where there are Christians there is real opposition and persecution. At the present time we have no paid native workers as our aim is to have a self-supporting, self-propagating native church. Many of the men who have gone to Bible school have either returned to their own villages and farms, or are endeavoring to get along with what meagre amounts they get or are able to earn with their own hands, while they continue to preach. It has been difficult for our native brethren because our Cambodians are a very poor people and in these days without work and unable to obtain much money for their rice, it has increased their poverty. Some of the men who have returned to their homes have gone through real times of testing for many have been given lucrative offers by the ..... if they would preach for them. We are thankful to be able to tell you that so far their efforts have yielded little fruit, although they have visited a good many of our villages where we have preached. Will you not join us in prayer that these simplehearted believers who are still babes in Christ may not be led astray into legalism and false doctrine?

On the other hand our hearts are made to rejoice for here and there the fire is burning, souls are being saved and Christians strengthened. While we may not be able to go out, the Christians are being called in on the various stations and instruction in the Word of God is being given.

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#### CHINA—Kansu-Tibetan Border

(Christian and Missionary Alliance)

Missionaries—Rev. C. F. Snyder, Mrs. C. F. Snyder

The following is the report of Brother Snyder to the Pennsylvania Conference, dated July 25, 1933:

Greetings in the precious name of the Lord Jesus.

Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, (II Cor. 2:14.)

#### I.—A Time of Conferences.

This conference year 1932-1933 with us here may be characterized



in actuality as a time of conferences, more than is the case ordinarily.

To begin, there was the Re-organization Conference which met in the city of Titao, situated on the east bank of the Titao river. Including Sunday, this gathering ran over from September 8 to 12 inclusive, and I might state proved to be a success.

Twenty-five delegates, foreign and Chinese, representing nine districts, assembled themselves in the spacious Titao church building to transact business for the Lord, the primal objective being to draw up a constitution for the Kansu independent church.

The Central China Constitution served as a model with changes made that were suitable to local conditions.

A Provincial Executive Committee consisting of six Chinese regular members and four foreign advisory members sprang into existence, the chairman of this body is Mr. Paul Keo.



Chinese-Tibetan Border Mission (Courtesy C. F. Snyder.)  
Re-organization Conference group at Titao. Delegates and members  
of the church.

The title under which the new organization functions officially is known as "The Chinese Christian Church, Christian and Missionary Alliance."

Thus has the independent church movement received a boost of no small proportions on the high road of self support and self propagation.

Your unworthy servant did have a part and lot in this matter of the reorganization conference in the capacity of secretary.

Third on the list is the never-to-be forgotten Moslem Conference held on July 13 and 14 inst, in our place here in Hochow by Dr. Zwemer of international and missionary fame. Sixteen missionaries were present.

Dr. Zwemer, who arrived in Shanghai on June 19, directly from the States, came to us in a not too strong condition physically having recovered some time previously from an illness.

His journey from Hankow on was made on this wise by rail and motor to Sian and from Sian to Lanchow, an eighteen days' trip per muleback. was traversed by airplane in about three hours.

Coming back to our Hochow conference I can vouch for it that it was a worth while occasion.

Dr. Zwemer gave very helpful and inspirational messages on the approach to Islam which was highly appreciated by all. Our 66 year old brother cleaves to the good old book. the Bible, a comforting fact, indeed, in these days of spiritual defection.

A fourth conference which really should have been placed second in my conference category, in point of time, is the Kansu-Tibetan border Conference which convened this year in Minchow, May 6 to 14 inclusive.

It did one's heart good to see and realize a spirit of intercession hovering as a cloud over us, and undoubtedly results achieved both beneficial to the individual worker and the whole work.

I and II Peter, the conference choice last year, contained very valuable and practical lessons to the believer, as brought out by the several speakers in the Bible Study time.

Three evenings in succession were spent in airing Chinese, Moslem and Tibetan problems—the question box method and the discussions that were provoked enlivened the meetings.

These services were interesting and of real value. Subsequent to the conference, there met together the first full session of the Chinese Provincial Executive Committee with foreign advisors of the Independent church of West China (C. and M. A.) ten individuals all told.

One important regulation enacted made the standard salary of the Chinese pastor \$20 per month for full time service and \$2 for each child—this you understand is Chinese currency.

The same salary accrues to the chairman of the Executive Committee; however, when he journeys in the interest of the young church his road expenses are met by that body.

This brother's duties bring him around to our station twice each year—once to hold annual conference and later in the year to conduct a short-course Bible Study or Bible School for about two weeks.

## II.—Church Notes.

Evangelistic services were carried on in the chapel from February 1 to 9 inclusive, Chinese New Year season, at which times numbers preached, I among them, and testified to good crowds, who on the whole gave rapt attention. Two made bold to profess faith in Christ during this spiritual effort.

Mr. Paul Keo, after his promotion to the chairmanship, made his introductory round of the circuit of Chinese churches, and so he rendered a quota of time with us, i. e., March 26 and 27.

I want to register the fact here that now our local church membership has run up to 104, a cause to praise the Lord.

May it soon double, treble this number yea even increase numerically and above all spiritually beyond our fondest expectations.

It is bound to increase because just recently when the matter was put directly and plainly to the church body, they, including the preacher. Mr. Wang, made themselves responsible to pray for, exhort and endeavor to bring to Christ 106 sinners, this excludes the number on Sister Snyder and my prayer list. Objective, each Christian be a busy worker, by no means a drone.

Practical proof of this was had when two sisters last Sunday led in two outside women who confessed Christ, and also that they were sinners.



Last year, in August, we commenced a one-hour daily class for boys, girls and women to recognize and study Chinese characters—this entirely on our own account and separate from the church.

This, from the 13th of March on, has now developed into an institution of the church, a primary school in which there is co-education of boys and girls. The teacher is a young man, a Christian, and a graduate both of our former mission school and of the government school.

### III—Conclusion.

In the winding up of this report I must not fail to refer to an itinerary to Labrang, in Tibetan district, among the things I should still like to put before you.

Sister Snyder and I with our retinue were absent from Hchoow for the space of time extending from October 18 to November 2. We utilized five days in reaching our destination, generally a three-day's journey, with the express purpose of evangelizing by the way; opportunities for dissemination of the gospel truth was afforded by word of mouth and by the printed page.

The main purpose or aim was to lend assistance in preaching to the crowds, composed of Chinese, Tibetans and Moslems, gathered at the Labrang ninth moon religious fair. Thus for five consecutive days Christ and his claims were upheld before the motley crowd, a veritable seed sowing.

The Tibetans along this march and dwelling in what is known as the "Eight Valleys," after they received a severe castigation from the Moslem military showed themselves exceedingly docile so that travelling through the grasslands and among the nomads was accomplished with comparative safety.

Now since the Moslem soldiery are withdrawn from towns like Heh-tso and Labrang, robberies are again occurring, the Tibetans who have become once more bold, being the perpetrators. Fortunately, the missionaries hold a good reputation among the Tibetans and are thus *persona gratiae* with them, yet in face of this, caution is the word in travelling in their midst.

There are inquiring ones into the gospel existing in Lama Land, such as those from the priesthood and even from the common populace, but, alas! no one is taking a stand to brave persecution in order to accept Christ and be converted. Districts have been evangelized; what is now imperative is the showers of blessing, the revival to bring Tibetans in.

Again, acting upon the invitation of Brother Harrison, we stopped in Heh-tso where I conducted revival meetings for a week, this is a Tibetan mission station. The village itself, a monastery town, is occupied by a mixed population of the ordinary kind, Chinese, Tibetans and Moslems with the surrounding country side entirely Tibetan. One Chinese girl gave her heart to God, while this may appear a result almost nil, yet I am positive the good influence of the gospel will extend beyond our ken. There manifested a searching of heart throughout the services.

A very pleasing event came to pass during our sojourn in Heh-tso, when there emerged into the mission station house thirty odd Moslems, young and old, ecclesiastics and laity with a number of friends and acquaintances from former days, with the ostensible purpose of arguing and hearing what the foreigner had to say. The whole interview came to a very happy issue for a golden opportunity had presented itself for gossiping the gospel by the question and answer method. Presently, when the farmers are over the busy season of harvesting it is understood, the Lord willing that brother Holton and I venture forth

on a preaching tour among the Mongol Moslems in the east country (Tong-hsiang.) Pray for this effort as it means traversing what to us is virgin soil.

Since reporting to your last annual conference I have travelled hither and thither on horseback 2363 li or about 787 2-3 miles. Coming to Colportage work I have to report the following Scripture portion sales: From December 12, 1931 to March 20, 1933, a trifle over a year, 12,006 copies were disposed of. The Sunday school attendance is very encouraging, for example the total attendance from March 27, 1932 to April 16, 1933, covering a period of 55 weeks, is 7,158 or an average of 130 each Lord's day.

Personally, I can testify, it is peace with God and man, in fact this has been the writer's experience for years, as far as in him lay.

Another milestone was passed when on March 11 of this current year, when Sister Snyder and I celebrated our silver wedding anniversary—Surely, goodness and mercy have followed us for which we accord praise to our God. Thank you for your kind support in money, prayer and sympathy, also for the publications sent.

Mrs. C. F. Snyder sends greetings dated July 26, 1933—Greetings to all.

"His compassions fail not. They are new every morning." Even here in far away West China!

We want to especially thank you for your kind support during this time of depression in America. God will not forget your labor of love. Thank you also for your prayers for I am sure you have not forgotten us.

Here at the station the work goes on as usual. A weekly meeting with the women and some meetings in different homes. Quite a few have made a public confession. Nine women were baptized and a girl of fourteen this spring at Native Conference time. I am very much interested in a class of girls that are coming for Sunday school. They come from all sorts of homes and are learning to sing and repeat Scripture. Last Sunday there were nearly 70 of them. I am sure that God will give fruitage from this work. Among the women that were baptized there was a Mrs. Keo whose husband's grandfather was the first Hochow Christian. She has cleaned the home of all idolatry and seems very faithful. Another, a Mrs. Uang, comes from one of the better homes here in the city. So they come by the ones and twos from different ranks in life, just as it always has been. What a procession there will be "When the saints come marching in!"

Wishing you a gracious Conference and wondering if the next might not possibly be in the air with Christ.

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### COLUMBIA

(Christian and Missionary Alliance)

Missionary—Rev. H. W. Feldges

Brother Feldges has returned from Columbia on furlough last October. The present address of Brother and Sister Feldges is 216½ East Avenue 33, Los Angeles, California. They express their sincerest appreciation of the continued support and interest shown by the Pennsylvania Conference. Sister Feldges is not very strong in body. They earnestly desire our prayers in their behalf. They hope soon to be able to return to the field and continue their life work. Let us not forget them in our prayers.

Under date of September 8, 1933, Brother Feldges writes in a personal letter:



Again we are sending you a note of appreciation for your support during another year, not only materially but also with your continued intercession before God's throne of grace.

We are somewhat embarrassed in not being able to tell you about work done in a foreign field. Nevertheless we have been trying to help wherever we had an opportunity given us to do something for our Lord here at home. Sister Feldges has again helped in a Spanish Clinic as they needed her. I had the privilege to be in the Convention party when it was here in this state. Now and then we also presented the needs of missions in various churches and meetings as the Lord opened doors and hearts of interested friends.

As you know our New York Board saw fit to have me come home about a year ago hoping to send us together this year should health conditions permit.

Our field, Columbia, has had quite a siege of sickness. Mr. Lange-loh was obliged to bring his wife home a few months ago and her condition gives us all quite some concern. We ask an interest in your prayers that God may restore her for the work's sake. Only the other day word came that one of our youngest workers went to be with the Lord, leaving only five missionaries on the field. This reminds us of what you Brother Brunner used to tell us, that perhaps those that died so early in their career had finished their task sooner and therefore could go before the rest of us who were a bit slower in getting our assigned work done. We are waiting on God and if He should so lead the New York Board we would be glad to fill in again some where in that great neglected continent of South America, as He will!

How thankful we are that you are also supporting Grace. She, and we also, prize highly your prayerful interest for her and her husband, Mr. Whale, that the Lord may bless them with many souls for their hire. They especially ask for prayer that they may have wisdom given them to put the Language in writing as they translate the Word of God into the tongue of the natives.

Thanks for the "Year Book" which is always a source of inspiration to us as we peruse its pages, also the "Gospel Herald." We appreciate these very much. Pray for us.

## DIRECTORY

The Annual Conference held at Easton, Pa., October 18-20, 1933, elected the following Board of Foreign Missions for the conference year, which organized as follows:

President—H. B. Musselman, 1129 N. 18th street, Allentown, Pa.

Secretary—C. H. Brunner, 25 N. 5th Street, Emaus, Pa.

W. G. Gehman, 1136 Northampton street, Easton, Pa.

B. Bryan Musselman, 529 N. 8th street, Allentown, Pa.

F. M. Hottel, 936 Oley street, Reading, Pa.

### NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MISSIONARIES

#### I. Christian and Missionary Alliance

##### (a) Palestine

Butterfield, Miss Mary A. On furlough, 260 W. 44th street, New York, N. Y.

##### (b) Africa

Crist, Rev. E. E. }	Boma, Congo Belge, West Africa.
Crist, Mrs. E. E. }	Boma, Congo Belge, West Africa.
Hess, Rev. E. R.	

##### (c) China

Snyder, Rev. C. F. }	Hochow, Kansu Province, China.
Snyder, Mrs. C. F.	

##### (d) French Indo-China

Cadman, Rev. Wm. C. }	No. 1, Rue Nguyen, Trai, Hanoi, French Indo-China.
Cadman, Mrs. Wm. C.	
Jackson, Rev. R. M.	Thanh-hoa, Annam, French Indo-China.
Jackson, Rev. H. A.	Dalat, Annam, French Indo-China.
Cressman, Rev. N. M. }	Pnom Penh, Cambodia, French Indo-China.
Cressman, Mrs. N. M.	

##### (e) Columbia, South America

Feldges, Rev. H. W. }	On furlough, 216½ East avenue 33, Los Angeles, Calif.
Feldges, Mrs. H. W.	

#### II. Africa Inland Mission

Stam, Rev. Harry }	Aba, Congo Belge, via Kartoum and Rejaf, Sudan.
Stam, Mrs. Harry	



**III. United Missionary Society**

Ummel, Joseph } Salka, Zunguru, via Lagos, Nigeria,  
Ummel, Paul } West Africa.

**IV. Sudan Interior Mission**

Whale, Mrs. Fred Sudan Interior Mission, Fada'n Gourma,  
Colonie du Niger, French West Africa, via  
Dakar.

**V. Unevangelized Tribes Mission**

Miller, Miss Mary A. On furlough, 707 E. Dewart street,  
Shamokin, Pa.

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**FORMS OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE**

**BEQUEST**

I give and bequeath unto H. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, W. G. Gehman, B. Bryan Musselman and F. M. Hottel, Board of Foreign Missions of the Pennsylvania Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, and their successors in office the sum of ..... payable one year after my decease.

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**DEVISE**

I give and devise unto H. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, W. G. Gehman, B. Bryan Musselman and F. M. Hottel, Board of Foreign Missions of the Pennsylvania Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, 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.

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H. B. Musselman, President,  
C. H. Brunner, Secretary,  
W. G. Gehman,  
B. Bryan Musselman,  
F. M. Hottel,

Board.

### XIV.—Ministerial Convention

The Forty-Third Annual Ministerial Convention of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, Pennsylvania Conference, convened in Grace M. B. C. church, Tenth street near Oley, Reading, Pa., Thursday, April 20, 1933.

The Chairman, Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman, of Easton, Pa., opened the Convention at 9.30 a.m. by singing the Convention hymn, "Sitting at the Feet of Jesus." Pastor T. D. Gehret, of Easton, Pa., led in prayer and also recorded the minutes.

Both of our Presiding Elders, all of the active pastors, excepting J. G. Shirman, with a number of their families, were present, also a number of the Gospel Heralds. The Convention engaged in a special season of prayer in the behalf of Brother Shireman, who was absent on account of illness.

The Chairman appointed the following Committees:

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION: H. B. Musselman, A. G. Woodring and J. C. Roth

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: R. L. Woodring, N. H. Wolf and F. B. Hertzog.

COMMITTEE TO READ THE MINUTES: W. F. Heffner and E. H. Musselman.

TIMEKEEPER: C. L. Miller.

REPORTER: Paul E. Baer.

An essay was then read on "The Gospel of the Grace of God according to Eph. 3:2-7," by Pastor E. N. Cassel, of Spring City, Pa. This essay was well prepared and the discussions very profitable.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor E. E. Kublic, of Stroudsburg, Pa., and benediction by Pastor G. F. Yost, of Emaus, Pa.

#### Afternoon Meeting

The afternoon meeting was opened at 2.15 o'clock with singing and prayer by Pastor P. T. Stengele, of Bethlehem, Pa.

A special selection in song was rendered by a quartet from the Gospel Herald Society.

The following essays were read and discussed:

"Christian Doctrine according to Scripture and to Whom to be Taught," by Pastor H. K. Kratz, of Northampton, Pa.

"Love to the Brethren according to I Jno. 3:14-16; 4:20-21." by Pastor J. B. Layne, of York, Pa.

Both essays were fraught with many important truths and the discussions were free and inspiring.

The meeting was closed with prayer and benediction by Pastor J. B. Henry, of Wissinoming, Philadelphia.

#### Evening Meeting

The evening meeting was in charge of Presiding Elder H. B. Musselman. The service was opened at 7.30 by Pastor F. M. Hottel, who led the congregation in singing. Pastor A. G. Woodring, of Fleetwood, Pa., led in prayer.

A group of brethren from the Bethel M. B. C. church, of Allentown, Pa., and the female quartet of the Reading class rendered several special selections in song.

Pastor C. H. Brunner, of Philadelphia, Pa., spoke on the subject, "The Present Outlook of the Church." He was followed by Pastor B. Bryan Musselman, of Allentown, Pa., who brought an inspiring evangelistic message. These messages were a stirring challenge to all to work faithfully in witnessing for Jesus and winning souls.



The weather during the day was ideal and the attendance all day was very large, at the evening service the church was crowded to capacity.

The Pastor, F. M. Hottel and the members of the Reading Congregation entertained the Convention in a most cordial manner.

The Committee on Publication recommended that copies of the various essays be handed to Pastor C. H. Brunner, associate editor of the *Gospel Banner*, to be used either in part or in whole, for publication as he may see fit.

The Committee to arrange the program consisted of H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and F. M. Hottel.

W. G. GEHMAN, Chairman.

T. D. GEHRET, Secretary.

## XV.—Sunday School Convention (Allentown District)

The Forty-fourth Annual Sunday School Convention of the Allentown District of the Pennsylvania Conference convened in the auditorium in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 4, 1933, during the Bethlehem Division camp meeting.

Pastor B. Bryan Musselman, of Allentown, was chairman, Pastor F. M. Hottel, of Reading, was secretary, and Pastor F. B. Hertzog, of Allentown, was Treasurer.

The committee that had arranged the program consisted of H. B. Musselman, B. Bryan Musselman, C. H. Brunner, P. T. Stengele and F. M. Hottel.

The Presiding Elder, all the pastors of the district, all the superintendents, delegates and essayists were present and registered on the platform at 9.15 a. m. W. G. Gehman, Presiding Elder of the Eastern District, nearly all his pastors and many of the *Gospel Heralds* also were present.

The Chairman opened the convention at 9.46 a. m. Pastor C. H. Brunner, of Philadelphia, led in prayer, after which the Chairman appointed the following committees.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION: H. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner and E. N. Cassel.

COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS: F. M. Hottel, H. L. Shelly and C. E. Musselman.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE: F. B. Hertzog, P. H. Cressman and S. W. Heiser.

Four essays were read in the forenoon as follows:

"Aims and Purposes for a Successful Life," Clarence Hottel, Bethlehem, Pa.

"Weighing in for Christian Service," Kenneth Shick, Allentown, Pa.

"The Slogan. "Tell me what you eat and I will tell you what you are," Alton Cressman, Bethlehem, Pa.

"Our Young People Facing the Great Challenge of the Times," Donald Schoffstall, Reading, Pa.

The afternoon meeting was opened at 2.30 by the Chairman. Presiding Elder, W. G. Gehman, of Easton, led in prayer. The reports of the committees on Statistics and Finance were read after which the following essays were read:

"Team Work and its Rewards," Walter Frank, Allentown, Pa.

"Benefits I Receive from my Church," Miss Naomi Rothenberger, Allentown, Pa.

"The Value of the Sunday School in the Building of Character," August A. Zimmerman, Philadelphia, Pa.

"How May Young People be Successful Soul-Winners?" Miss Marie Moyer, Bethlehem, Pa.

All these essayists were young people of our church. The essays were well prepared, sound, instructive and well read. Between these essays the Allentown Ladies Quartette, the Bethlehem Mixed Chorus, the Bethlehem Male Quartette and a great Men's Chorus consisting of the Allentown and Bethlehem Male Chorus combined rendered a number of excellent selections in song.

The weather was most delightful. It was a beautiful sight to see the large auditorium, seating about 2,000 people, crowded inside and outside with a most attentive and interested audience, largely composed of young people, Sunday School and church workers, together with fathers and mothers—a great crowd of saved people, who are faithfully looking for and earnestly expecting the soon coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Surrounding this scene were the 200 tents of the first camp meeting of the season.

The committee recommends that each of the essays read be handed to pastor C. H. Brunner to be published, together with this report, in the *Gospel Banner*, of which he is Associate Editor.

The convention closed with a very touching scene when eight of our aged brethren from the various congregations stepped on the platform and presented each of the essayists with a beautiful bouquet.

The program of the convention was broadcast over Radio Station WCBA, located in the Grove.

#### Statistics

Sunday Schools represented .....	22
Officers enrolled .....	177
Teachers enrolled .....	360
Scholars enrolled .....	4,129
Total Enrollment .....	4,666
Home Department enrollment .....	520
Cradle Roll Department enrollment .....	680

#### Finances

##### Report of the Treasurer

##### Receipts

Balance in Treasury from last year .....	\$ 5.32	
Received at this Convention .....	206.31	\$211.63

##### Expenditures

Expenses of the Convention .....	\$ 89.80	
Donated to the Executive Board .....	120.00	
July 4, 1933, Balance in Treasury .....	1.83	\$211.63

F. B. Hertzog, Treasurer.

B. Bryan Musselman, Chairman.  
F. M. Hottel, Secretary

## XVI.—Sunday School Convention (Easton District)

The Forty-fifth Annual Sunday School Convention of the Menonite Brethren in Christ, of the Pennsylvania Conference, Easton District, convened in the M. B. C. church, 4414-16 Vankirk street, Wisconsin, Philadelphia, Pa., on Wednesday, May 24, 1933.



The Presiding Elder, W. G. Gehman, all the pastors of the district, all the leaders of the Gospel Herald Society Missions, Superintendents, delegates, essayists and afternoon speaker were present.

Pastors E. N. Cassel, F. M. Hottel, C. H. Brunner, A. G. Woodring and P. T. Stengele, of the Allentown district were present, also the following Gospel Heralds: A. M. Sprock, C. M. Bonnet, T. E. Turnbull, C. E. Kirkwood, J. I. Sommers, R. Gibson, R. O. Snyder and R. C. Reichenbach.

The Committee to arrange the program consisted of W. G. Gehman, J. B. Henry and T. D. Gehret.

Pastor N. H. Wolf, of Sunbury, Pa., was Chairman of the Convention. Pastor Paul E. Baer, of Scranton, Pa., recorded the minutes and Pastor E. E. Kublic, of Stroudsburg, Pa., was Treasurer.

All the pastors, superintendents and delegates were present in the morning service and registered at 9.30 a. m. Daylight Saving Time.

The Convention opened at 9.45 o'clock by singing, "I Left Them at the Cross," and prayer by Pastor J. G. Shireman, of Shamokin, Pa. The Chairman read the second epistle of John with a few instructive remarks.

The Chairman appointed the following committees:

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION: J. G. Shireman, J. B. Henry, Paul E. Baer.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: W. G. Gehman, T. D. Gehret, H. W. Hartman.

COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS: J. B. Layne, E. George, R. H. Gehman.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE: E. E. Kublic, W. W. Hartman, M. M. Myers.

COMMITTEE ON AUDITING: E. J. Rutman, R. H. Gehman.

COMMITTEE TO READ THE MINUTES: E. E. Kublic, E. W. Bean.

TIMEKEEPER: E. George.

REPORTER: C. L. Miller.

The superintendents of the various Sunday schools represented on the Easton District and the Gospel Herald Society submitted their oral, statistical and financial reports. Their reports were interesting and inspiring and gave much credit to the Lord Jesus Christ for His guidance on their various schools.

The morning meeting was adjourned with prayer by Pastor F. M. Hottel, of Reading, Pa.

#### Afternoon Meeting

The afternoon meeting was opened at 2 o'clock with singing, "He is a Friend of Mine," and Scripture reading from I Thess. 1:1-10, by the Chairman N. H. Wolf. Pastor E. E. Kublic followed in prayer.

The roll was called and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Following the reports of the various committees we listened to two essays which were well discussed. They were as follows:

"How to Stimulate Interest in Bible Study," by Pastor Paul E. Baer, of Scranton, Pa.

"The Sunday School as a Missionary Factor," by Pastor C. L. Miller, of Mt. Carmel, Pa.

The Committee on Publication recommended that the essays be given to Pastor C. H. Brunner, associate editor of the **Gospel Banner**, for publication in part or as a whole as he deems advisable.

An instructive address limited to fifteen minutes was given by E.

George, of Lebanon, Pa., on the subject, "How to Secure and Maintain a Good Attendance in the Sunday School."

#### Evening Service

Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman was in charge of the evening service at 7.15 o'clock. After congregational singing and prayer by Pastor F. M. Hottel, of Reading, Pa., two addresses were given in the following. "Non-Conformity to the World," by Pastor J. B. Layne, of York, Pa.

"How to Win Young People for Christ," by Pastor T. D. Gehret. of Easton, Pa.

The messages were very instructive and backed by the power of the Holy Spirit, causing new zeal for more aggressive work in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Convention closed with prayer and benediction by Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman, of Easton, Pa.

Special singing during the day was rendered by the Misses Bertha and Mary Miller, missionaries to Africa, on furlough; also the Easton, Scranton, Wissinoming and Gospel Herald Quartettes.

The class and friends of the Wissinoming M. B. C. church entertained the Convention most cordially under the wise and competent leadership of their pastor J. B. Henry. Meals during the day were served in the basement of the Wissinoming Methodist Episcopal church, a few blocks away.

The attendance at every service was very large. The weather was quite warm but ideal. The spiritual fervor continued as the meetings proceeded.

#### Statistics

Number of Sunday Schools represented .....	17
Officers enrolled .....	103
Teachers enrolled .....	193
Scholars enrolled .....	1,949
Total enrollment .....	2,245
Home Department members enrolled .....	470
Cradle Roll members enrolled .....	392

#### Finances

##### Report of the Treasurer

##### Receipts

Balance in Treasury from last year .....	\$ 11.94	
Received at this Convention .....	200.35	\$212.29

##### Expenditures

Expended at this Convention .....	\$198.16	
Balance in Treasury .....	14.13	\$212.29

E. E. Kublic, Treasurer

N. H. Wolf, Chairman.

Paul E. Baer, Secretary.



## XVII.—Conference Report

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO COMPILE A REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE AND THE EVENING SERVICES FOR THE "GOSPEL BANNER"

The Fiftieth Session of the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ of the Pennsylvania Conference convened in Beulah Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, Twelfth and Spruce streets, Easton, Pa., October 18-20, 1933.

An excellent spirit of love and unity prevailed throughout all the meetings of the Conference. A very interesting and inspiring session was held on Wednesday evening when all the Pastors gave their oral reports, limited to four minutes each, and also the Presiding Elders, limited to five minutes each.

Twenty-three reports were submitted showing the Lord's doings in our midst during the past year. The mercy and goodness of the Lord was manifested in the saving and establishing of many in the Truth, and in healing the sick. The noble company of believers have in many ways shown their love for God's servants. Notwithstanding unprecedented economic conditions, interest in the Church's program in general has been maintained. The spirit of continual sacrifice is evidenced throughout the Conference by the splendid financial support given along various lines.

The work on the charges has been progressing, giving many reasons for rejoicing and thanksgiving. Prayer meetings are largely attended and the Sunday Schools are thriving.

On Thursday evening, Presiding Elder H. B. Musselman, Chairman of the Conference, spoke on the book of Jude, emphasizing latter day conditions and our attitude towards the apostacy and our preparation for the coming of the Lord.

On Friday evening Presiding Elder, W. G. Gehman, President of the Gospel Herald Society, delivered a strong message on, "Thou Man of God," from I Tim. 6:11. He emphasized the importance and responsibility of the Christian minister as the representative of the Lord Jesus Christ.

C. L. Miller, pastor at Mt. Carmel, Pa., was ordained by the Chairman at the close of this service. This ordination service was very touching and impressive.

The brethren spoke with great power bringing forth much needed truth for these last and perilous times, while the congregation listened with rapt attention.

The Easton Congregation, under the leadership of the Pastor, T. D. Gehret, entertained the Conference in a most commendable and hospitable manner. All meals were served in the basement of the church. The Conference expressed its appreciation and thanks for the consideration and kindness of the Class manifested during the time of the Conference session.

#### Home Mission Work

The large gatherings at the Camp Meetings during the past summer have again proved that the people still love and appreciate the spiritual value of these annual Camp Meetings.

In Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., two camp meetings were held with 200 and 227 tents, respectively. Another camp meeting was held at Edgewood Grove, Shamokin, Pa., with 124 tents. Many attended these gatherings for the first time. Through the courtesy of Pastor B. Bryan Musselman, a number of meetings were broadcast direct from

Mizpah Grove Camp Ground over station WCBA which proved a great blessing to many.

Twenty young men are at present in the Gospel Herald Society, working in nine missions which are located in various cities of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. A new mission has recently been opened in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and the work there looks promising. These brethren are engaged in real practical home missionary and colporteur work which has been blessed of the Lord in the saving of souls as well as the scattering of the Truth which shall not return void. The interest and attendance at the various missions has been most encouraging, while the open air meetings have been the means of reaching many hungry hearts.

The Conference has contributed during the year, \$4,889.46 for home missionary work to be used in the Conference and the Gospel Herald Society.

The regular broadcasts from station WCBA which is owned and operated by B. Brvan Musselman, have been made a great blessing to a large number of people. Through this medium of spreading the Gospel some real definite and encouraging results have been noted which occasions rejoicing as we see the hand of the Lord working. The station is located in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., and is operated on a frequency of 1440 kilocycles and 208.1 meters.

#### Foreign Mission Work

The support of a number of missionaries on various fields has again been assumed by Conference. The members and friends of the Church have been much interested in this part of the Lord's work and have given liberally towards its support. The sum of \$8,416.85 has been contributed to this cause during the year by pledges and through the Sunday school. The total offerings throughout the Conference for the past year and for all purposes amounted to \$111,145.48.

#### Officers for 1933-34

H. B. Musselman and W. G. Gehman were again elected to serve as Presiding Elders, and B. Bryan Musselman and C. H. Brunner, Vice Presiding Elders. W. G. Gehman was also elected President of the Gospel Herald Society. H. B. Musselman was elected Chairman of the next Annual Conference and C. H. Brunner was elected secretary and treasurer.

#### Appointments and Announcements

Two changes were made by the stationing committee in the assignment of pastors. C. H. Brunner was transferred to Emmaus, Macungie and Zionsville circuit, and G. F. Yost to Salem, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Sunday School Convention of the Allentown District is announced for Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 4, 1934. The Easton District Convention is announced for Sunbury, Pa., on Wednesday, May 23, 1934.

The Annual Ministerial Convention shall meet in the M. B. C. Church, Bethlehem, Pa., Thursday, April 19, 1934.

The next Annual Conference will convene (D. V.) in Bethel M. B. C. Church, 526-530 North Eighth street, Allentown, Pa., October 18, 1934.

E. N. Cassel  
A. G. Woodring,  
T. D. Gehret,  
Committee.



**XVIII.—Announcements for 1934****(A) MINISTERIAL CONVENTION****Annual Ministerial Convention**

This Convention is announced to convene in Ebenezer Church of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, 1121-25 Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa., on April 19, 1934.

Chairman C. H. Brunner; Secretary, J. B. Layne.

Committee on Program: H. B. Musselman, W. G. Gehman and P. T. Stengele.

**(B) SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS****(a) Allentown District****Report of the Committee to Organize for the Allentown District  
Sunday School Convention for 1934**

This Convention shall convene in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., on Wednesday, July 4, 1934.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, B. Bryan Musselman; Secretary, F. B. Hertzog; Treasurer, F. M. Hottel.

Committee on Program: H. B. Musselman, B. Bryan Musselman, P. T. Stengele, C. H. Brunner and F. M. Hottel.

Two meetings shall be held, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The offerings above the regular expenses shall be used for the improvement of the grove.

A hearty invitation shall be extended to Presiding Elder W. G. Gehman and the pastors of the Easton District.

C. H. Brunner, Chairman,  
F. B. Hertzog, Secretary.

**(b) Easton District****Report of the Committee to Organize for the Easton District  
Sunday School Convention for 1934**

This Convention shall convene in Sunbury, Pa., Wednesday, May 23, 1934.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, T. D. Gehret; Secretary, C. L. Miller; Treasurer, E. E. Kublic.

Committee on Program: W. G. Gehman, N. H. Wolf and J. B. Layne.

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

Two meetings shall be held, 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.

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

T. D. Gehret, Chairman,  
C. L. Miller, Secretary.

**(C) Camp MEETINGS****(a) Allentown District****Bethlehem Division****Report of the Committee to Organize for the Bethlehem Division  
Camp Meeting for 1934**

This Division comprises Bethlehem, Reading, Fleetwood, Blandon, Terre Hill, Royersford, Spring City, Nazareth, Walnutport, Northampton, Quakertown, Hatfield, Lehighon and Weissport.

Place—Mizpah Grove. Date—June 30 to July 8, 1934.

Chairman, P. T. Stengele; Secretary, A. G. Woodring; Treasurer, F. M. Hottel.

The Committee resolved that the Presiding Elder, together with the officers of the Committee, make all the arrangements. The Presiding Elder shall invite the preachers and shall secure the extra help if he and the Committee deem it advisable.

H. B. Musselman, Chairman,  
A. G. Woodring, Secretary.

**Allentown Division****Report of the Committee to Organize for the Allentown Division  
Camp Meeting for 1934**

This Division comprises Allentown (Bethel,) Philadelphia, Emaus, Macungie, Zionsville, Coopersburg, Allentown (Salem,) Graterford and Harleysville.

Place—Mizpah Grove. Date—July 14 to 22, 1934.

Chairman, B. Bryan Musselman; Secretary, C. H. Brunner; Treasurer, G. F. Yost.

The Committee resolved that the Presiding Elder, together with the officers of the Committee, make all the arrangements. The Presiding Elder shall secure the preachers and also extra help if he and the Committee deem it desirable.

H. B. Musselman, Chairman,  
C. H. Brunner, Secretary.

**(b) Easton District****Report of the Committee to Organize for the Easton District  
Camp Meeting for 1934**

This District comprises Easton, Stroudsburg, Scranton, Shamokin, Sunbury, Mt. Carmel, Wissinoming, West Philadelphia and York, Pa.

Place—Edgewood Grove, Shamokin, Pa. Date—August 4 to 12, 1934.

Chairman, J. G. Shireman; Secretary, J. B. Layne; Treasurer, N. H. Wolf.

W. G. Gehman, Chairman,  
J. B. Layne, Secretary.



**(D) ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The Fifty-first Annual Conference shall convene, should the Lord tarry, in Bethel M. B. in C. Church, 526-530 North Eighth Street, Allentown, Pa., at 9 a. m., October 18, 1934, services to continue over Sunday.

Chairman, H. B. Musselman; Secretary and Treasurer, C. H. Brunner.

**(E) READING COURSE****Announcements of the Board of Examiners****Studies for 1934****First Semi-Annual Studies****First Year's Course**

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker. Chapter 1-5.

All About the Bible, Collett.

Church History.

**Second Year's Course**

Reformed Pastor.

Bible, Hebrews.

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker. Chapter 6-12.

Church History.

**Third Year's Course**

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker. Chapter 13-end.

Knowing the Scriptures, Pierson. Chapter 34 to end.

Nelson on Infidelity.

Church History.

**Second Semi-Annual Studies****First Year's Course**

Lessons in Holiness.

Church History.

Bible, John, Chapters 13-17; I Timothy.

Knowing the Scriptures. Chapter 1-16.

**Second Year's Course**

Knowing the Scriptures, Pierson. Chapter 17-33.

Divine Art of Preaching, Pierson.

Bible, Second Timothy.

Church History.

**Third Year's Course**

Romans.

Fletcher's Appeal.

Jesus is Coming, Blackstone.

Church History.

The first examination shall commence on Tuesday, April 17, 1934, 7 p. m., at Bethlehem, Pa.

The second examination shall commence on Tuesday, October 16, 1934, 7 p. m., at Allentown, Pa.

E. N. Cassel, President,

H. K. Kratz, Secretary,

T. D. Gehret,

Board.

### XIX.—Report of the Conference Treasurer

#### (a) Executive Board

##### Receipts

October 5, 1932, Balance in Treasury .....	\$10,131.92	
Received During the Year .....	2,540.17	\$12,672.09

##### Expenditures

Expended During Year .....	\$ 1,733.59	
October 2, 1933, Balance in Treasury .....	10,938.50	12,672.09

#### (b) Board of Foreign Missions

##### Receipts

October 5, 1932, Balance in Treasury .....	\$ 1,849.62	
Received During Year .....	10,812.39	\$12,662.01

##### Expenditures

Expended During Year .....	\$10,794.04	
October 2, 1933, Balance in Treasury .....	1,867.97	12,662.01

#### (c) The Home

##### Expenditures

September 21, 1932, Deficit in Treasury .....	\$ 9,010.36	
Expended During Year .....	11,859.14	\$20,869.50

##### Receipts

Received During Year .....	11,828.88	
September 19, 1933, Deficit .....	9,040.62	20,869.50

#### (d) Board of Publication and Printing

##### Receipts

October 5, 1932, Balance in Treasury .....	\$ 909.41	
Received During Year .....	586.73	\$ 1,496.14

##### Expenditures

Expended During Year .....	\$ 472.48	
October 2, 1933, Balance in Treasury .....	1,023.66	1,496.14

#### (e) Home Missions

##### Receipts

October 12, 1932, Received at Annual Conference .....		\$4,905.10
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##### Expenditures

October 2, 1933, Expended During the Year:		
Allentown District .....	\$ 1,100.00	
Easton District .....	3,805.10	\$ 4,905.10

C. H. Brunner, Treasurer.



## XX.—Financial Report

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Offerings from October 12, 1932 to October 18, 1933.

Appointments	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	Foreign Mission in S. S.	For the Poor	Annual Conference Fund	Conference Expense	Total
<b>(A) ALLENTOWN DISTRICT—H. B. MUSSELMAN, P. E.</b>							
Allentown (Bethel)	\$ 570.00	\$ 465.00	\$ 433.96	\$ 21.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 41.80	\$ 1,546.76
Bethlehem	525.25	405.40	614.50	30.00	11.00	34.10	1,620.25
Philadelphia	360.60	352.60	174.25	16.50	7.65	25.00	936.60
Reading	153.00	123.00	61.50	20.00	5.00	24.60	387.10
Emaus	178.00	154.00	115.39	9.35	5.35	14.10	476.19
Macungie	60.50	53.00	46.84	7.30	4.75	5.30	177.69
Zionsville	192.00	177.00	131.65	4.55	2.55	3.70	511.45
Fleetwood	79.90	123.00	56.95	7.75	4.10	7.80	279.50
Blandon	59.25	45.35	74.25	9.65	4.65	6.10	199.25
Terre Hill	245.00	96.00	94.50	12.50	4.40	7.30	459.70
Spring City	105.50	85.50	96.18	9.75	2.70	7.40	307.03
Royersford	133.50	114.00	134.97	15.25	6.50	7.40	411.62
Graterford	49.60	51.35	109.97	4.50	4.25	6.60	226.27
Harleysville	59.00	57.00	79.50	9.50	3.50	5.90	215.00
Northampton	94.00	69.00	35.92	7.87	2.77	3.20	212.76
Walnutport	95.65	48.45	27.83	6.65	2.50	5.80	186.88
Coopersburg	362.05	366.50	215.31	38.53	6.04	11.00	999.43
Allentown (Salem)	137.00	124.00	151.06	8.80	3.68	8.60	433.14
Quakertown	173.05	149.20	175.87	22.29	5.00	12.56	537.97
Nazareth	91.50	111.50	51.00	5.50	4.65	8.25	272.40
Leighton	88.25	67.25	51.46	6.25	6.25	5.50	224.96
Weissport			28.02				28.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,812.60</b>	<b>\$3,238.70</b>	<b>\$2,960.88</b>	<b>\$ 273.49</b>	<b>\$112.29</b>	<b>\$252.01</b>	<b>\$10,649.97</b>

### (B) EASTON DISTRICT—W. G. GEHMAN, P. E.

Easton	\$ 248.75	\$ 245.60	\$ 208.83	\$ 10.50	\$ 4.75	\$ 13.70	\$ 732.13
Shamokin	122.40	110.75	98.00	10.50	6.50	16.75	364.90
Sunbury	221.75	109.75	114.41	12.00	6.97	10.64	475.52
Stroudsburg	45.00	31.50	40.77	5.00	3.25	5.90	131.42
Scranton	108.10	119.10	147.54	8.50	5.55	6.60	395.39
Mt. Carmel	120.00	55.00	80.56	5.00	5.00	8.60	274.16
Wissinoming, Phila.	83.55	38.25	66.64	12.00	7.00	6.40	213.84
West Philadelphia	46.91	37.00	47.82	5.00	3.62	5.70	146.05
York	80.40	60.00	109.22	4.50	3.62	8.90	266.64
Gospel Herald Soc.			496.53			2.60	499.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,076.86</b>	<b>\$ 806.95</b>	<b>\$1,410.32</b>	<b>\$ 73.00</b>	<b>\$ 46.26</b>	<b>\$ 85.79</b>	<b>\$ 3,499.18</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$4,889.46</b>	<b>\$4,045.65</b>	<b>\$4,371.20</b>	<b>\$346.49</b>	<b>\$158.55</b>	<b>\$337.80</b>	<b>\$14,149.15</b>

F. M. Hottel,  
H. L. Shelly,

G. Henry Hildebrand,  
C. H. Brunner,  
Committee.

# XXI.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS—A.

Appointments	Pastor	Ministers and Officers											Membership											Pastoral Visits	Prayer Meetings Visited	Sunday Schools Visited
		Presiding Elders	Ordained Ministers	Applicants for Arit. Conf. Licenses	Q. C. Licensed P.R.E.	Deacons	Class Leaders	Stewards	Rent Collectors	Baptized	Children Dedicated	Church Fellowship	Rec'd by Transfer	Total Increase	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Transferred	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Membership	Appointments			
Alleontown (Bethel)	B. E. Musselman	1	4	1	1	1	4	4	35	21	20	8	34	5	4	6	18	10	478	1	430	264	104	50		
Bethlehem	P. T. Stengle	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	74	17	20	8	23	5	4	9	99	10	228	1	150	860	108	51		
Philadelphia	C. H. Brunner	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	17	6	38	18	41	1	3	5	11	7	257	1	153	201	131	50		
Reading	F. M. Hottel	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	37	4	35	9	47	1	3	5	4	4	246	1	170	250	72	48		
Rhams	S. F. Yost	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	5	4	6	6	6	1	1	2	4	2	143	1	52	208	22	5		
Macaus	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	54	1	58	80	15	4		
Zionsville	A. G. Woodring	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	41	2	8	1	8	1	1	1	1	5	37	1	51	50	13	3		
Fleetwood	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	78	1	111	292	11	15		
Blandon	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	61	1	46	94	12	15		
Terre Hill	E. N. Cassel	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	73	1	50	78	9	16		
Spring City	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	3	1	5	6	1	1	1	1	4	70	1	83	140	56	48		
Royersford	W. F. Hefner	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	63	1	83	171	60	45		
Graterford	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	5	6	6	6	1	1	1	1	4	70	1	77	146	57	48		
Hartleysville	H. K. Kraus	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	59	1	75	108	33	45		
Northampton	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	39	1	73	227	37	25		
Walnutport	F. B. Hertzog	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	121	1	78	343	39	24		
Alleontown (Salem)	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	10	120	1	82	156	35	26		
Coopersburg	E. H. Musselman	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	35	14	15	5	10	1	1	6	6	9	127	1	176	388	89	94		
Quakertown	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	83	1	101	448	77	47		
Hatfield	R. L. Woodring	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	3	83	1	148	170	45	48		
Nazareth	J. C. Roth	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6		
Lehighton	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Weissport	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Total		17	3	3	3	3	39	40	282	101	164	36	200	50	15	102	39	186	1115	89	2520	21	2261	4684	1071	776

(B) EASTON DISTRICT—W. G. GEHMAN, P. E.

Easton	T. D. Gehret	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	11	3	3	7	8	8	1	1	154	401	71	50				
Shamokin	J. G. Shireman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	8	3	3	4	5	3	5	1	185	280	101	48				
Shubury	N. H. Wolf	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	10	18	3	3	3	11	108	1	168	489	66	48					
Stroudsburg	E. E. Kubic	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	16	16	16	16	25	6	6	6	9	128	1	128	371	80	50					
Scranton	Paul E. Baer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	4	1	1	1	1	221	1	221	350	78	94					
Mt. Carmel	C. L. Miller	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	86	1	86	429	86	50					
Wisconsinung, Phila.	J. B. Henry	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	64	1	64	192	157	46	23				
West Philadelphia	J. B. Layne	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	33	33	33	33	33	4	1	1	1	2	55	1	100	143	46	24					
York	W. G. Gehman, Pres.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	96	12	12	12	12	31	10	10	10	21	110	1	185	224	125	50					
G. H. Society	"	1	10	12	1	1	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	115	4	4	4	6	24	44	48	73	6	862	9	4459	6584	1340	980
Total		1	3	3	3	3	39	40	282	101	164	36	200	50	15	102	39	186	1115	89	2520	21	2261	4684	1071	776			

Presiding Elders  
Missionaries, etc.



Appointments	Pastor	M. B. in C. S. S.	Officers & Teachers Enrolled	Scholars Enrolled	Total Enrollment	Total Average Attendance	Home Department Members	Subscribers to Tonal Banner	Parsonages	Houses	Increase of Church Property	Decrease of Church Property	Present Valuation Church Property	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools	For the Poor
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(A) ALLENTOWN DISTRICT—H. B. MUSSELMAN, P. E.

Allentown (Bethel)	B. Musselman	1	50	513	568	472	74	22	1	1	.....	.....	\$25,000.00	\$70.00	\$455.96	\$433.96	\$21.00		
Bethlehem	T. Stensle	1	60	608	688	576	106	37	1	1	.....	.....	70,000.00	525.25	405.40	614.50	30.00		
Philadelphia	C. H. Brunner	1	41	242	333	251	76	25	1	1	\$5,000.00	.....	35,000.00	360.60	352.60	174.25	16.50		
Reading	F. M. Hortel	1	42	318	300	285	40	30	1	1	.....	.....	45,000.00	153.00	123.00	61.50	20.00		
Ematus	G. F. West	1	29	224	233	184	46	20	1	1	\$38,000.00	.....	54,000.00	178.00	154.00	115.39	9.35		
Macungie	"	1	14	103	117	69	5	6	1	1	.....	.....	4,050.00	60.50	53.00	46.84	7.30		
Zionsville	"	1	10	83	103	63	15	10	1	1	.....	.....	2,050.00	192.00	177.00	131.65	4.55		
Fleetwood	A. G. Woodring	1	20	160	180	140	38	7	1	1	.....	.....	6,600.00	79.90	66.90	56.95	7.75		
Blandon	"	1	18	137	155	121	4	4	1	1	.....	.....	3,000.00	59.25	45.35	74.25	9.05		
Terre Hill	E. N. Cassel	1	17	122	168	190	152	5	11	1	.....	.....	245.00	105.50	96.00	94.50	12.50		
Spring City	"	1	20	92	112	88	35	18	1	1	.....	.....	1,335.00	137.00	114.00	134.97	15.25		
Royersford	W. F. Hefner	1	17	91	108	85	35	10	1	1	.....	.....	8,000.00	49.00	51.35	109.97	4.50		
Harleysville	H. K. Kratz	1	13	52	65	49	25	9	1	1	.....	.....	2,500.00	50.00	57.00	79.50	9.50		
Northampton	"	1	15	140	155	105	8	13	1	1	.....	.....	9,000.00	94.00	60.00	35.92	7.87		
Walnutport	F. B. Hertzog	1	27	238	245	188	40	12	1	1	.....	.....	10,000.00	137.00	124.00	151.06	8.80		
Allentown (Salem)	"	3	1	22	263	225	180	81	23	1	.....	.....	5,000.00	362.05	346.50	215.81	38.53		
Coopersburg	E. H. Musselman	3	1	22	110	132	123	35	28	1	.....	.....	15,000.00	173.05	149.20	175.87	22.29		
Hatfield	"	2	1	18	90	108	65	15	1	1	.....	.....	1,500.00	91.50	111.50	51.00	5.50		
Nazareth	R. L. Woodring	1	1	17	112	129	106	9	11	1	.....	.....	11,500.00	88.25	67.25	51.46	6.25		
Lehighton	J. C. Roth	1	1	16	139	155	102	1	1	1	.....	.....	7,900.00	.....	.....	28.00	.....		
Weissport	"	1	1	16	139	155	102	1	1	1	.....	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Total		30	22	547	4622	4508	3547	688	1343	123	15	4	\$38,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$442,600.00	\$3,812.00	\$3,278.70	\$2,960.88	\$273.49

(B) BASTON DISTRICT—W. G. GEHMAN, P. E.

Easton	L. D. Gehret	1	28	250	258	195	115	11	1	1	.....	.....	\$5,000.00	\$248.75	\$245.60	\$288.83	\$10.50		
Shamokin	J. G. Shireman	1	32	168	200	161	22	10	1	1	\$10,000.00	.....	30,000.00	122.40	110.75	98.00	10.50		
Sunbury	N. H. Wolf	1	20	175	195	143	43	19	1	1	.....	.....	12,700.00	221.75	109.75	114.41	12.00		
Stroudsburg	E. E. Kublic	2	1	15	105	120	76	12	8	1	.....	.....	17,000.00	45.00	31.50	40.77	5.00		
Scranton	Paul E. Baer	2	1	19	99	118	85	19	12	1	.....	.....	21,000.00	108.10	119.10	147.54	8.50		
Mr. Carmel	C. L. Miller	2	1	15	145	160	111	18	8	1	.....	.....	18,000.00	120.00	95.00	80.56	5.00		
Wissinoming, Phila	J. B. Henry	1	1	23	91	114	100	24	5	1	.....	.....	30,000.00	83.55	38.25	66.64	12.00		
West Philadelphia	J. B. Henry	1	1	19	91	113	83	9	5	1	.....	.....	12,000.00	46.91	37.00	47.82	5.00		
York	H. K. Roth	2	1	21	217	238	178	40	1	1	.....	.....	25,000.00	80.40	60.00	109.22	4.50		
G. H. Society	W. G. Gehman, Pres.	1	1	111	671	782	571	132	9	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	496.53	.....		
Total		17	9	303	1995	2298	1703	434	90	9	2	.....	\$220,700.00	\$1,076.86	\$806.95	\$81,410.32	\$1,73.00		
The Home		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60,384.55	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Mizpah Grove		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Missionaries, etc.		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Grand Total		56	131	1850	16017	16807	11329	1433	1322	134	10	6	\$59,002.05	\$5,000.00	\$805,684.55	\$4,889.46	\$4,045.65	\$4,371.20	\$646.49

# XXI.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS—C.

## OFFERINGS—Continued

Appointments	Pastor	(A) ALLENTOWN DISTRICT—H. B. MUSSELMAN, P. E.										
		Church Properties	Reporting Church Properties	Parsonage and Hall Rent	Sundry and Sexton Expenses	Sunday Schools	Presiding Elders	Ministers in Cash	Ministers in Other Contributions	Benefic'y or Super-annuation Fund	Gospel Worker or City Missions	Tabernacle, Mission or Evang. Work
Allentown (Bethel)	E. B. Musselman	\$1,217.57	.....	.....	\$ 1,598.44	\$ 1,606.54	\$ 395.00	\$ 1,921.00	\$ 430.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 28.00	\$2,250.00
Bethlehem	P. T. Stengle	1,507.02	.....	.....	972.44	1,204.71	375.75	1,741.05	275.00	21.00	103.16	750.00
Philadelphia	C. H. Brunner	.....	200.00	.....	1,056.34	1,320.35	242.50	1,039.55	108.00	12.80	83.15	35.00
Reading	F. M. Hoftel	280.00	.....	170.96	755.38	899.79	210.00	1,006.20	110.00	10.00	29.21	330.00
Emaus	G. F. Yost	2,014.91	.....	.....	793.42	432.78	190.00	1,082.40	16.00	9.00	23.69	.....
Macungie	"	.....	.....	87.65	198.21	133.67	211.00	252.60	14.35	3.50	10.96	.....
Zionsville	"	.....	.....	49.45	102.66	97.47	.....	276.10	31.00	3.25	9.66	.....
Fleetwood	A. G. Woodring	.....	.....	61.60	288.83	293.32	113.00	475.00	60.75	6.85	19.50	346.80
Blandon	"	.....	.....	51.39	292.76	219.67	66.00	404.12	32.75	5.55	40.30	.....
Terre Hill	"	.....	.....	79.25	266.60	324.61	63.00	651.00	114.35	6.30	27.20	.....
Spring City	E. N. Cassel	.....	500.00	.....	65.65	249.40	181.64	107.50	110.50	5.70	13.50	30.00
Royersford	"	.....	.....	107.35	274.80	249.93	102.50	605.10	114.50	6.20	24.90	40.50
Gratersford	W. F. Heffner	12.00	.....	85.55	177.26	182.78	66.00	450.35	57.50	4.00	23.95	34.40
Harleysville	"	.....	.....	50.10	114.80	96.01	65.00	407.20	77.75	4.50	16.80	15.00
Northampton	H. K. Kratz	.....	.....	63.00	149.95	139.65	46.00	292.95	20.94	4.30	18.46	26.00
Walnutport	"	.....	.....	36.90	122.48	159.82	44.00	397.25	11.97	4.00	12.58	8.77
Allentown (Salem)	F. B. Hertzog	.....	.....	117.95	360.60	461.57	140.00	479.65	43.98	6.05	22.05	.....
Coopersburg	"	.....	.....	112.55	513.78	434.68	150.00	1,092.21	123.18	12.06	36.20	.....
Hatfield	E. H. Musselman	.....	.....	233.79	417.71	447.81	163.17	923.25	916.25	7.00	27.36	512.40
Nazareth	"	.....	.....	138.50	677.78	141.72	100.00	693.30	81.00	5.00	22.50	27.80
Lehighon	R. L. Woodring	.....	.....	154.20	252.50	190.63	109.50	579.75	153.25	7.00	16.00	.....
Weissport	J. C. Roth	.....	.....	.....	.....	204.68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total		\$5,031.50	\$ 760.00	\$1,725.84	\$ 9,336.04	\$ 9,432.73	\$2,366.42	\$15,114.28	\$2,953.02	\$106.06	\$608.83	\$4,406.85

(B) EASTON DISTRICT—W. G. GEHMAN, P. E.												
		Church Properties	Reporting Church Properties	Parsonage and Hall Rent	Sundry and Sexton Expenses	Sunday Schools	Presiding Elders	Ministers in Cash	Ministers in Other Contributions	Benefic'y or Super-annuation Fund	Gospel Worker or City Missions	Tabernacle, Mission or Evang. Work
Easton	T. D. Gehret	\$ 770.00	.....	.....	\$ 609.61	\$ 973.65	\$ 234.00	\$ 1,398.30	\$ 111.55	\$ 10.25	\$ 50.71	\$ 155.00
Shamokin	J. G. Shreman	66.00	278.56	.....	119.08	452.21	122.10	1,122.00	251.63	16.00	21.63	200.00
Shunbury	N. H. Wolf	.....	.....	282.55	396.63	491.86	192.71	760.25	219.08	10.14	26.43	.....
Stroudsburg	E. E. Kubie	.....	250.50	.....	242.47	171.03	71.12	381.30	128.83	3.00	14.90	.....
Scranton	Paul E. Baer	354.00	.....	187.40	502.60	532.00	152.00	649.80	399.23	5.25	55.70	86.00
ML Carmel	C. L. Miller	55.25	.....	42.25	329.47	318.17	103.53	414.00	476.00	5.00	25.45	27.30
Weston	J. B. Henry	.....	200.00	.....	353.54	428.91	85.00	498.19	498.19	7.05	33.50	.....
West Philadelphia	"	.....	.....	149.00	226.43	272.18	81.00	298.30	54.16	5.16	15.10	.....
York	J. B. Layne	.....	.....	332.35	481.25	408.93	217.85	677.10	250.00	3.35	13.25	.....
G. H. Society	W. G. Gehman, Pres.	807.52	.....	5,858.69	2,808.75	2,139.44	744.42	2,471.85	2,471.85	.....	53.11	2,285.65
Total		\$1,995.04	\$ 807.52	\$7,459.56	\$ 6,028.84	\$ 5,881.29	\$2,003.73	\$ 6,129.44	\$4,424.09	\$ 63.61	\$270.74	\$2,754.55



**OFFERINGS—Concluded**

Appointments	Pastor	ALLENTOWN DISTRICT—H. B. MUSSELMAN, P. E.						Total Offerings	Subscriptions and Literature Sold
		Camp Meetings	Sunday School and Other Conventions	Annual Conference	Annual Conference Delegate Fund	Evangelist Society	Collected For Annual Conference Expenses		
Alentown (Bethel)	E. B. Musselman	\$ 22.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.25	\$ 18.50	\$ 41.80	\$ 11,173.10	\$ 350.00	
Bethlehem	P. T. Stengele	20.00	11.00	20.00	74.50	34.10	8,084.88	230.00	
Philadelphia	C. H. Brunner	20.00	7.65	16.36	23.00	23.00	5,172.05	91.00	
Reading	F. M. Hottel	14.84	5.00	12.65	22.50	24.60	4,258.65	120.00	
Manas	G. F. Yost	9.80	5.35	8.46	37.00	14.10	5,113.50	35.00	
Macungie	"	5.00	4.75	3.65	18.50	5.30	1,116.18	15.00	
Zionsville	"	4.01	2.55	2.25	14.00	3.70	1,091.30	7.00	
Leetwood	"	8.00	4.10	6.75	26.50	7.80	1,986.49	29.10	
Blanton	"	6.00	4.65	6.10	10.50	6.10	1,294.39	16.25	
Terre Hill	"	13.50	4.40	7.15	1.50	7.30	2,014.16	27.75	
Spring City	E. N. Cassel	8.00	2.70	7.87	18.00	7.40	1,985.54	30.00	
Foyersford	"	10.74	6.50	12.24	25.00	7.40	1,985.58	40.00	
Cratersford	W. F. Heffner	7.30	4.25	7.00	7.50	6.60	1,329.80	18.00	
Harleysville	"	5.45	3.50	5.00	6.00	5.30	1,090.61	11.00	
Northampton	"	7.00	2.77	6.04	17.00	3.20	1,003.45	16.00	
Walnutport	"	8.65	2.50	5.16	5.80	5.80	997.80	21.50	
Coopersburg (Salem)	F. B. Hertzog	6.77	3.08	5.25	28.50	8.60	2,215.51	60.00	
Patfield	"	7.85	6.04	13.45	13.50	11.00	3,508.89	117.35	
Nazareth	E. H. Musselman	7.00	5.00	8.25	25.00	12.56	4,227.05	130.00	
Lehighton	"	5.00	4.65	7.00	20.00	8.25	2,154.79	37.00	
Weissport	"	5.00	6.25	13.00	5.00	5.50	1,719.79	95.00	
Mizpah Grove	"	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	237.60	.....	
Camp Meeting	"	\$ 3,663.48	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,663.48	.....	
Total		\$ 3,663.48	\$ 206.31	\$ 112.29	\$ 190.32	\$ 551.00	\$ 252.01	\$ 67,355.05	\$ 1,466.95

		EASTON DISTRICT—W. G. GEHMAN, P. E.							
Easton	T. D. Gehret	\$ 15.00	\$ 4.75	\$ 14.50	\$ 38.00	\$ 13.70	\$ 5,355.58	\$ 146.65	
Shamokin	J. G. Shreman	20.00	6.50	13.00	14.00	16.75	3,228.04	136.00	
Sunbury	N. H. Wolf	23.00	6.87	13.50	7.50	10.64	2,198.17	131.06	
Stroudsburg	E. E. Kubic	9.29	3.25	7.27	5.00	5.90	1,535.55	108.41	
Newton	Paul E. Baer	10.00	5.55	11.00	4.50	6.60	3,007.75	101.72	
Mt. Carmel	C. L. Miller	17.39	5.00	29.16	3.00	8.60	2,144.14	122.50	
Wissoming, Phila.	J. B. Henry	10.00	7.00	8.00	.....	6.40	2,125.70	118.10	
West Philadelphia	"	10.00	3.62	7.00	.....	3.70	1,308.26	30.98	
York	W. G. Gehman, Pres.	12.00	3.62	11.55	.....	8.90	2,474.27	90.00	
G. H. Society	"	350.18	.....	.....	.....	2.60	18,018.14	17,378.49	
Edgewood Grove	"	1,194.23	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,194.23	.....	
Total		\$ 1,194.23	\$ 477.06	\$ 46.26	\$ 116.98	\$ 72.00	\$ 85.79	\$ 43,189.83	\$ 18,384.81
Grand Total		\$ 4,857.71	\$ 683.37	\$ 158.55	\$ 307.30	\$ 623.00	\$ 337.80	\$ 111,145.48	\$ 19,851.86

E. N. Cassel, Paul E. Baer, J. B. Layne, J. G. Shreman, P. T. Stengele, T. D. Gehret, Committee.

## ROLL AND DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS

### I. Itinerants

NAME	Licensed	Ordained	Received Present Charge	POST OFFICE ADDRESS
Bear, Paul E. ....	1924	1928	1928	1033 Taylor Ave., Scranton, Pa.
Brunner, C. H. ....	1893	1896	1933	25 N. Fifth St., Emaus, Pa.
Cassel, E. N. ....	1901	1904	1932	311 Yost Ave., Spring City, Pa.
Gehman, W. G. ....	1896	1899	P.E.	1136 Northampton St., Easton, Pa.
Gehret, T. D. ....	1921	1925	1932	1231 Ferry St., Easton, Pa.
Heffner, W. F. ....	1917	1920	1925	Graterford, Pa.
Henry, J. B. ....	1924	1928	1927	4418 Van Kirk St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Hertzog, F. B. ....	1922	1925	1925	723 Filmore St. Allentown, Pa.
Hottel, F. M. ....	1905	1909	1932	936 Oley St., Reading, Pa.
Kratz, H. K. ....	1906	1909	1923	1737 Washington Ave. Northampton, Pa.
Kubic, E. E. ....	1901	1907	1932	21 S. 6th St., Stroudsburg, Pa.
Layne, J. B. ....	1916	1919	1930	246 E. Princess St., York, Pa.
Miller, C. L. ....	1928	1933	1932	132 W. 4th St., Mt. Carmel, Pa.
Musselman, H. B. ..	1890	1893	P.E.	1129 N. 18th St., Allentown, Pa.
Musselman, W. B. ..	1883	1886	M. D. E.	P.O. 680, Cleveland, Ohio.
Musselman, B. B. ..	1913	1916	1920	529 N. Eighth St., Allentown, Pa.
Musselman, E. H. ..	1921	1928	1930	25 S. Third St., Quakertown, Pa.
Roth, J. C. ....	1900	1903	1925	438 Cypress St., Lehighton, Pa.
Shireman, J. G. ....	1898	1900	1922	35 S. Second St., Shamokin, Pa.
Stengele, P. T. ....	1918	1923	1932	1124 N. Main St., Bethlehem, Pa.
Wolf, N. H. ....	1916	1920	1932	144 N. Sixth St., Sunbury, Pa.
Woodring, R. L. ....	1898	1900	1925	16 S. Broad St., Nazareth, Pa.
Woodring, A. G. ....	1917	1920	1923	119 N. Richmond St., Fleetwood, Pa.
Yost, G. F. ....	1908	1913	1933	3848 N. Park Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

### II. Local Preachers and Evangelists

Bergstresser, R. ....	1901	1904	....	Nazareth, Pa.
Barrall, J. F. ....	1901	1904	....	Shamokin, Pa.
Hillegass, O. S. ....	1889	1892	....	Allentown, Pa.
Feinhart, V. H. ....	1907	1909	....	Stroudsburg, Pa.
Shick, E. T. ....	1899	1901	....	515 Green Street, Allentown, Pa.

### III. Annual Conference Licensed Preachers

Anderson, J. T. ....	1909	....	....	Gospel Herald Society.
Bean, E. W. ....	1928	....	....	" " "
Gehman, R. H. ....	1928	....	....	" " "
George, E. ....	1927	....	....	" " "
Hartman, H. W. ....	1927	....	....	" " "
Hartman, F. B. ....	1927	....	....	" " "
Hartman, W. W. ....	1930	....	....	" " "
Meyers, M. M. ....	1919	....	....	" " "
Srock, A. M. ....	1928	....	....	" " "
Wiand, A. C. ....	1931	....	....	" " "

### IV. Quarterly Conference Licensed Missionaries

Brunner, Mrs. C. H. ....	1893	....	....	Emaus, Pa.
Fretz, W. J. ....	1898	....	....	Bethlehem, Pa.
Martin, E. W. ....	1901	....	....	Terre Hill, Pa.

### V. Foreign Missionaries

Cressman, N. M. ....	1917	....	....	French Indo-China.
Cressman, Mrs. N. M. ....	1926	....	....	French Indo-China.
Feldges, H. W. ....	....	....	....	Los Angeles, Calif.
Feldges, Mrs. H. W. ....	....	....	....	Los Angeles, Calif.
Feldges, Miss Grace	1932	....	....	North Nigeria, Africa.
Miller, Mary A. ....	....	....	....	Belgian Congo, Africa.
Snyder, C. F. ....	....	....	....	Hochow, China.
Snyder, Mrs. C. F. ....	....	....	....	Hochow, China.



## RECORD OF CONFERENCES

### I. EVANGELICAL MENNONITES (Semi-Annual)

Yr.	Time.	Place.	Chairman.	Secretary.
1858	Sept. 24.....	Upper Milford, Pa.	William Gehman ..	David Gehman.
1859	Nov. 1.....	Haycock, Pa. ....	"	"
1860	May 28.....	Upper Milford ....	"	"
1860	Nov. 6.....	"	"	"
1861	June 4.....	"	David Henning ...	"
1861	Nov. 5.....	Haycock .....	"	"
1862	June 3.....	Upper Milford ....	William N. Shelly .	A. W. Stauffer.
1862	Nov. 4.....	Haycock .....	E. Hershey .....	"
1863	June 2.....	Upper Milford ....	"	David Gehman.
1863	Oct. 1.....	Haycock .....	William Gehman ..	"
1864	June 7.....	Upper Milford ....	William N. Shelly .	"
1864	Nov. 3.....	Haycock .....	David Henning ...	"
1865	June 6.....	Upper Milford ....	"	"
1865	Nov. 7.....	Flatland .....	William Gehman ..	"
1866	June 6.....	Upper Milford ....	"	"
1866	Nov. 3.....	Mount Joy .....	William N. Shelly .	"
1867	June 4.....	Flatland .....	David Henning ...	"
1867	Nov. 5.....	Upper Milford ....	William Gehman ..	Joseph Romig.
1868	June 2.....	Flatland .....	William N. Shelly .	"
1868	Nov. 5.....	Upper Milford ....	William Gehman ..	David Gehman.
1869	June 1.....	Flatland .....	David Henning ...	"
1869	Nov. 1.....	Upper Milford ....	William N. Shelly .	"
1870	June 7.....	Coopersburg .....	William Gehman ..	"
1870	Oct. 31.....	Upper Milford ....	David Henning ...	"
1871	June 5.....	Coopersburg .....	E. Hershey .....	"
1871	Nov. 6.....	Upper Milford ....	David Henning ...	"
1872	June 3.....	Coopersburg .....	William Gehman ..	Jonas Musselman
1872	Nov. 6.....	Quakertown .....	William N. Shelly .	David Gehman
1873	June 3.....	Upper Milford ....	David Henning ...	"
1873	Nov. 11.....	Coopersburg .....	William N. Shelly .	"
1874	June 1.....	Quakertown .....	William Gehman ..	"
1874	Nov. 10.....	Upper Milford ....	David Henning ...	"
1875	June 5.....	Coopersburg .....	William N. Shelly .	"
1875	Nov. 6.....	Quakertown .....	William Gehman ..	"
1876	*March 30.....	Coopersburg .....	"	"
1876	June 3.....	Upper Milford ....	David Henning ...	Jonas Musselman
1876	Nov. 11.....	Mount Joy .....	William N. Shelly .	"
1877	June 2.....	Coopersburg .....	William Gehman ..	"
1877	Nov. 10.....	Upper Milford ....	E. Hershey .....	"
1878	June 3.....	Quakertown .....	A. Kauffman .....	"
1878	Oct. 7.....	Coopersburg .....	J. Rosenberger ...	"
1879	March 22.....	Upper Milford ....	William Gehman ..	S. M. Musselman.
1879	Oct. 6.....	Quakertown .....	"	"
1879	**Nov. 8.....	Upper Milford ....	S. Eby .....	"

### II. EVANGELICAL UNITED MENNONITES (Annual)

1880	March 15.....	Coopersburg .....	William Gehman ..	S. M. Musselman.
1881	March 7.....	Quakertown .....	"	"
1882	Feb. 13.....	Upper Milford ....	"	"
1883	Feb. 5.....	Coopersburg .....	"	A. Kauffman

## RECORD OF CONFERENCES (Continued)

### † III. MENNONITE BROTHERS IN CHRIST (Annual)

1884	Feb.	4.....	Terre Hill .....	William Gehman ..	W. H. Gehman
1885	Feb.	2.....	Quakertown .....	"	M. A. Zyner
1886	Feb.	1.....	Upper Milford ....	"	"
1887	Feb.	7.....	Reading .....	"	A. Kauffman
1888	Feb.	6.....	Coopersburg .....	"	"
1889	Feb.	4.....	Terre Hill .....	"	"
1890	Feb.	3.....	Bethlehem .....	"	M. A. Zyner
1891	Feb.	2.....	Quakertown .....	"	C. H. Brunner
1892	Feb.	1.....	Upper Milford ....	W. B. Musselman	"
1893	Feb.	6.....	Coopersburg .....	"	"
1894	Feb.	2.....	Terre Hill .....	"	"
1895	Feb.	1.....	Reading .....	"	"
1896	Feb.	7-10.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1897	Feb.	19-22.....	Royersford .....	"	"
1898	March	4-7.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1899	March	3-6.....	Upper Milford ....	C. H. Brunner	W. G. Gehman
1900	Sept	14-17.....	Reading .....	"	"
1901	Oct.	4-7.....	Bethlehem .....	W. B. Musselman	"
1902	Oct.	17-20.....	Reading .....	H. B. Musselman	"
1903	Oct.	16-20.....	Mt. Carmel .....	"	"
1904	Oct.	27-31.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1905	Oct.	12-16.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1906	Oct.	11-15.....	Reading .....	W. G. Gehman	C. H. Brunner
1907	Oct.	10-14.....	Royersford .....	"	"
1908	Oct.	8-12.....	Bethlehem .....	H. B. Musselman	"
1909	Oct.	14-18.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1910	Oct.	13-17.....	Reading .....	"	"
1911	Oct.	12-16.....	Royersford .....	"	"
1912	Oct.	10-14.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1913	Oct.	9-13.....	Reading .....	"	"
1914	Oct.	15-19.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1915	Oct.	14-18.....	Royersford .....	"	"
1916	Sept	21-25.....	Philadelphia .....	"	"
1917	Sept	21-25.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1918	Nov.	4-6.....	Reading .....	"	"
1919	Oct.	16-20.....	Reading .....	"	"
1920	Sept	23-27.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1921	Oct.	13-17.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1922	Oct.	12-16.....	Philadelphia .....	"	"
1923	Oct.	11-15.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1924	Sept	25-29.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1925	Oct.	15-19.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1926	Oct.	14-18.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1927	Oct.	13-17.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1928	Oct.	11-15.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1929	Oct.	17-21.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1930	Oct.	16-20.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1931	Oct.	15-18.....	Bethlehem .....	"	"
1932	Oct.	12-14.....	Allentown .....	"	"
1933	Oct.	18-20 .....	Easton .....	"	"

\*Special Session concerning the sale of certain church property to the "Church of God."

\*\*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."



## CAMP MEETINGS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE

Year		TENTS		TENTS		TENTS		TENTS
1879								
1880	Chestnut Hill	4						
1881	" "	6						
1882	" "							
1883	" "							
1884	" "							
1885	" "							
1886	" "							
1887	" "							
1888	" "							
1889	" "							
1890	" "							
1891	" "							
1892	" "		Royersford					
1893	" "		Spring City		Catasauqua			
1894	" "		"					
1895	" "		"		Weissport		Annandale	
1896	" "		"		Walnutport		"	
1897	" "		"		Rittersville			
1898	Quakertown		"		"		Sunbury	
1899	"		"				"	
1900	Macungie		Northampton		Terre Hill		04	
1901	"		Neffsville		Mohnsville			
1902	"		56 Northampton		"			
1903	"		52 "		Reading (East)			
1904	Wescoesville		104 Hellertown		73 Spring City			
					(Bonnie Bray)			
1905	"		113 "		82 Spring City			
					(Bonnie Bray)			
1906	"		136 "		125 Reading			
					(Heiner's Spgs.)			
1907	"		122 "		145 Reading		90 Shamokin	
					(Spg. Valley)		(Bunker Hill)	85
1908	"		148 "		164 Easton (Mt.		75 Shamokin	75
					Carmel Dist.)		(Bunker Hill)	
1909	Waldheim		153 "		139 Easton (Mt.		75	
					Carmel Dist.)			
1910	Mizpah Grove		167 Mizpah Grove		154 Easton (Mt.		89	
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		Carmel Dist.)			
1911	Mizpah Grove		156 Mizpah Grove		160 Mizpah Grove		100 Shamokin	43
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1912	Mizpah Grove		163 Mizpah Grove		Mizpah Grove		75 Shamokin	58
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1913	Mizpah Grove		165 Mizpah Grove		169 Mizpah Grove		76 Shamokin	71
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1914	Mizpah Grove		143 Mizpah Grove		170 Mizpah Grove		68 Shamokin	78
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1915	Mizpah Grove		145 Mizpah Grove		174 Mizpah Grove		66 Shamokin	86
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1916	Mizpah Grove		155 Mizpah Grove		194 Shamokin		106	
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1917	Mizpah Grove		162 Mizpah Grove		203 Shamokin		120 Harrisburg	65
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1918	Mizpah Grove		199 Mizpah Grove		183 Shamokin		105	
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			
1919	Mizpah Grove		189 Mizpah Grove		219 Shamokin		126	
	(Allen, Div.)		(Beth. Div.)		(Mt. Car. Dist.)			

**CAMP MEETINGS OF THE PENNA. CONFERENCE—(Continued)**

YEAR		TENTS		TENTS		TENTS	TENTS
1920	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	195	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	238	Shamokin (Mt. Car. Dist.)	128	.....
1921	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	224	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	221	Shamokin (Mt. Car. Dist.)	136	.....
1922	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	240	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	217	Shamokin (Mt. Car. Dist.)	126	.....
1923	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	259	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	212	Shamokin (Mt. Car. Dist.)	174	.....
1924	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	278	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	232	Shamokin (Mt. Car. Dist.)	155	.....
1925	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	282	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	233	Shamokin (Mt. Car. Dist.)	158	.....
1926	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	289	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	265	Shamokin (Sha- mokin Dist.)	170	.....
1927	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	284	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	263	Shamokin (Sham. Dist.)	161	.....
1928	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	294	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	241	Shamokin (Sham. Dist.)	161	.....
1929	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	260	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	235	Shamokin (Easton Dist.)	146	.....
1930	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	229	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	222	Shamokin (Easton Dist.)	147	.....
1931	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	239	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	217	Shamokin (Easton Dist.)	131	.....
1932	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	226	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	225	Shamokin (Easton Dist.)	115	.....
1933	Mizpah Grove (Allen, Div.)	227	Mizpah Grove (Beth. Div.)	200	Shamokin (Easton Dist.)	124	.....

†A Grove Meeting held on Chestnut Hill.

\*Camp Meeting was also held at Fairview Park, between South Allentown and South Bethlehem in 1895 and 1896.

Sunbury Camp Meetings comprised the Church appointments of Mount Carmel and Girardville and the Gospel Workers Society.

The Gospel Workers Society held Camp Meetings at Pine Station, above Williamsport, in 1902, 1903.

Where the number of tents is not given, the number could not be ascertained.—Editor.



### GENERAL CONFERENCES

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The following is a list of the General Conferences held with the names of the Delegates from the Pennsylvania Conference.

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.  
William Gehman and John Traub.
3.                HARRISBURG, O. December 27-29, 1883.  
William Gehman and A. Strawn.  
A Union Conference with the Brethren in Christ. Name changed to Mennonite Brethren in Christ.
4.                ZIONSVILLE, PA. 1885.  
William Gehman, P. E., and A. Strawn.
5.                BERLIN, ONTARIO. 1888.  
William Gehman, P. E., A. Strawn and W. B. Musselman.
6.                HARRISBURG, O. 1892.  
W. B. Musselman, P. E., William Gehman, Noah Detweiler and M. A. Zyner.
7.                COOPERSBURG, PA. 1896.  
W. B. Musselman, P. E., William Gehman and 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 and 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., and W. G. Gehman.  
Laymen—Allen M. Gehman and 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 and W. S. Hottel.  
Laymen—O. B. Bartholomew and 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 and W. B. Musselman, M. P. E., Publisher of the Gospel Banner.  
Laymen—Allen M. Gehman and H. H. Bergey.
12. NEW CARLISLE, OHIO. October 11, 1916.  
Announced for Berlin, Ontario, on the second Wednesday in October, 1916, at 9 a. m., but changed to New Carlisle, O., on account of the war.  
H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. G. Gehman, P. E., C. H. Brunner, W. S. Hottel, E. N. Cassel and W. B. Musselman, M. P. E., Publisher of the Gospel Banner.  
Laymen—G. O. Billig, H. S. Jones and Allen M. Gehman.
13. KITCHENER, ONTARIO. October 13-19, 1920.  
H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. G. Gehman, P. E., W. B. Musselman, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel and B. Bryan Musselman  
Laymen—Allen M. Gehman, G. O. Billig and H. L. Moyer.
14. BROWN CITY, MICHIGAN. October 15-22, 1924.  
H. B. Musselman, P. E., Chairman, W. G. Gehman, P. E., B. Bryan Musselman, C. H. Brunner, F. M. Hottel and E. N. Cassel.  
Laymen—G. O. Billig, Allen M. Gehman, H. H. Bergey and P. Ward Musselman (Alternate.)
15. ALLENTOWN, PA. November 7-12, 1928.  
H. B. Musselman, P. E., W. G. Gehman, P. E., B. Bryan Musselman, C. H. Brunner, E. N. Cassel, G. F. Yost and F. M. Hottel.  
Laymen—G. O. Billig, H. H. Bergey, M. L. Musselman, Allen M. Gehman and C. D. Bean.
16. Announced for Wakarusa, Indiana, on the last Wednesday in October, 1932, at 9 a. m. Central Standard Time.  
This Session has been postponed indefinitely by authority of the Executive Committee of the General Conference.



