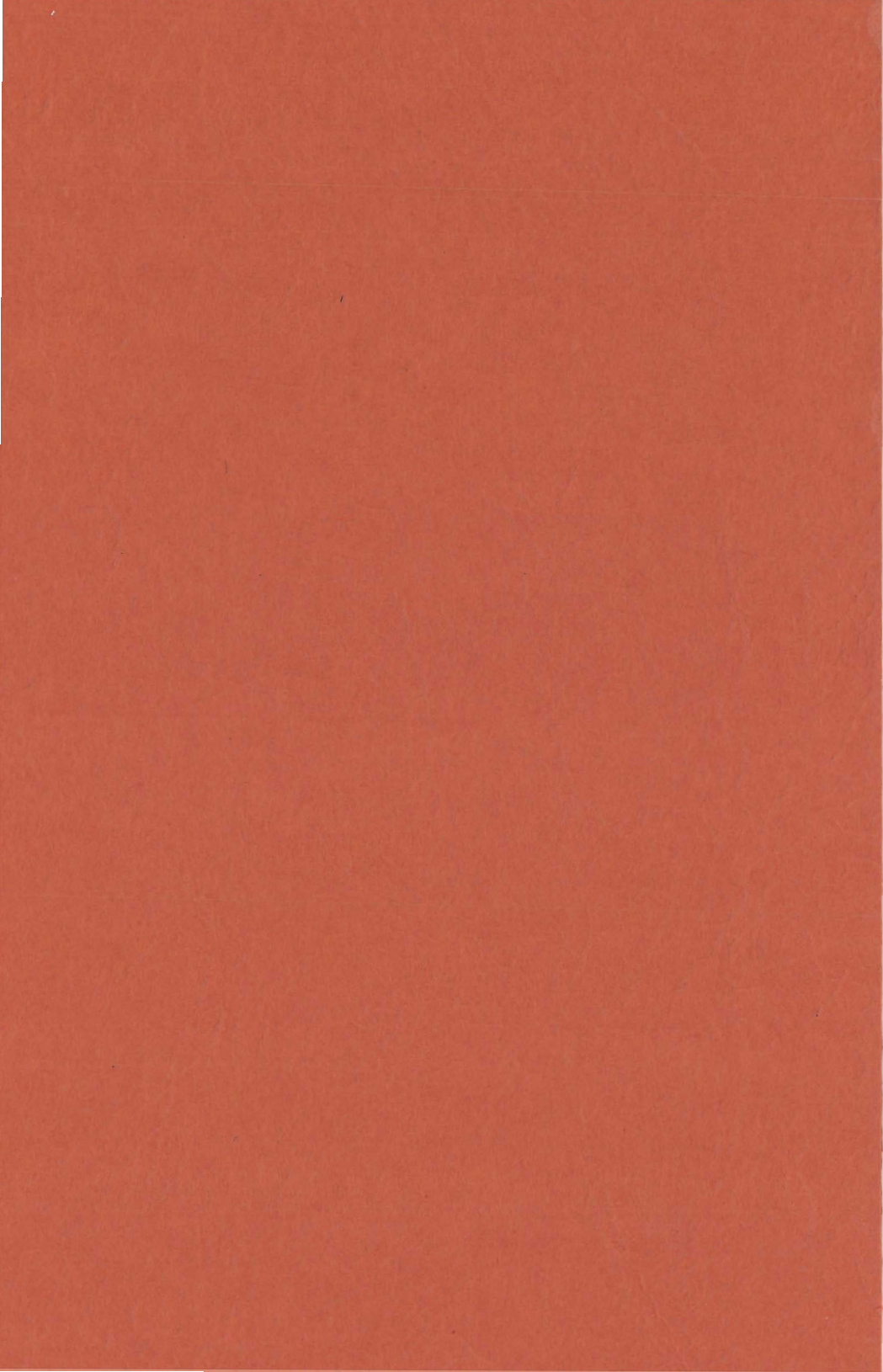


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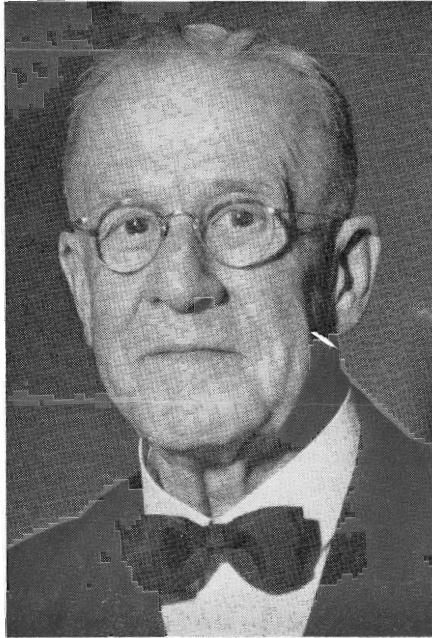
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THE REV. HARVEY B. MUSSELMAN

Rev. Harvey B. Musselman was born in Upper Milford Township, Lehigh County, Pa., February 11, 1868, and departed this life in Allentown, Pa., May 18, 1956, at the age of eighty-eight years, three months and seven days. He was a son of the late Jonas B. and Lucy (Brunner) Musselman. His father was one of the original preachers of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church and his mother was a Home Mission Worker for a number of years.

Funeral services were held in the Bethel Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church, Allentown, Pa., of which he was a member for many years, in charge of District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog. District Superintendent C. E. Kirkwood and the pastor of Bethel Church, Walter H. Frank, assisted. Almost all of the pastors and Home Missionaries, together with many friends, were present to pay him a merited tribute of respect. Through the medium of a tape recording that was made of a radio message that he preached on the occasion of his eightieth birthday, brother Musselman was able to deliver the main message at his own funeral. The message was based on the ninety-first Psalm. Interment was made in the Grandview Cemetery, Allentown, Pa.

Brother Musselman was converted at the age of fourteen and entered the ministry at the age of twenty-two. He was licensed to preach in the year 1890 and was ordained to the ministry in 1893. He served in the active ministry of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church for a period of fifty-five years. He retired from the active ministry in 1945 at the age of

seventy-seven years. From that time until the time of his demise he was District Superintendent Emeritus of the Conference.

He served the following appointments as pastor: Royersford and Spring City, 1891-1893; Lehighton and Weissport, 1894-1896; Bethlehem, 1897-1898, 1905-1906; Mount Carmel, 1899. During the years he served as pastor he was instrumental in organizing the churches at Spring City, Weissport, Lehighton, and Mount Carmel, and was the first pastor of these appointments. In the first three of these places he built chapels.

He served as District Superintendent for a total of forty-three years: in the Schuylkill Valley District for five years—1900-1905; in the Bethlehem District for twenty-one years—1907-1928; and in the Allentown District for seventeen years—1928-1945.

During his fifty-five years of ministry he served in many important offices of the church. He was chairman of the Annual Conference for a total of forty-three years between 1900 and 1945. For many years he was president of the Board of Directors, the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Board of Trustees of the Home.

Brother Musselman was also a member of the General Conference from 1900 to 1947. He was honored with the chairmanship of the General Conference at Brown City, Michigan, in 1924. He was also a member of the General Conference Executive Committee from 1904 to 1947.

He was a man of vision, strong faith, firm convictions, and a warm heart. He had a love for God and the brethren, all of which qualified him for his many years of leadership in the Church. He never failed to conscientiously apply himself to the work to which God had called him. He was an able and faithful preacher of the Word of God and was used of God in winning many souls for Christ. We thank God for the privilege of knowing him and laboring with him. His exemplary life of loyalty and devotion to Christ and His Church has inspired and encouraged many. Remembering his victorious life and testimony we take courage and go on. We sorrow not as those that have no hope—we shall meet him again, perhaps soon.



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Beneficiary Society: N. H. Wolf, President; R. C. Reichenbach, Secretary; Paul E. Baer, Treasurer.

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Business Rules of the Conference

1. Two sessions shall be held daily as follows: From 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon, and from 1:30 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

2. The Chairman shall take his seat precisely at the time to which the Conference is to convene, 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.

7. A Resolution to be effective must appear on the Minutes of the current year's proceedings. Said Resolution must appear on the Minutes for at least three successive years before it can be placed in the Standing Rules of the Conference. [Enacted October 19, 1956.]

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 Local Conference Records.
- 7. Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders.
- 8. Committee on Examination of District Superintendents, 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. Board of Publication and Printing.
- 2. Committee on Camp Meeting Equipage.

(b) Elected by ballot

- 1. Board of Directors.
- 2. Board of Foreign Missions.
- 3. Board of Home Missions.
- 4. Board of Trustees of The Home.
- 5. Board of Education.
- 6. Board of Examiners on the Reading Course.

7. Committee over the District Superintendents
8. Menno Youth General Committee.
9. Beneficiary Society Officers (elected by the Society).
10. 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 a charge.
- (c) One delegate from each charge, elected by ballot at the last Local Conference in the Conference year. [Act of General Conference. 1892.]

Each Local 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.]

The representation of Delegates to the Annual Conference shall be on the following basis: One delegate for the first two hundred members or fraction thereof and another delegate for each additional two hundred members. The first delegate elected by the Local Conference shall be a member of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. [Enacted October 19, 1956.]

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, unless detained through sickness or accident, the Conference is not bound to recognize him as a member. [Enacted February 3, 1894.]

The delegates of all Stations and Circuits and the delegates of those Missions which have received at least \$2,400.00 Steward offerings during the past year; and have through a Local Conference petition to the Annual Conference, expressed their desire to receive no further Home Mission appropriations, shall, with the District Superintendents, constitute the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. [Enacted October 16, 1952.]

B. Advisory Members—

The following shall be Advisory Members of the Annual Conference:

- (a) Annual Conference Licensed Evangelists and Missionaries.
- (b) Local 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 District Superintendents 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 Board elected annually by the Annual Conference for this purpose. [Enacted February 1, 1895.]

D.—Probationers that have passed the Reading Course and served their three years' probation and have served as pastor of a congregation for at least one year, shall be examined orally by the Board of Examiners of the Reading Course, and the District Superintendents, as to their knowledge of the doctrines, rules, forms and general practices and management of the church, before being referred to the Committee on Ordination. The Board of Examiners shall evaluate the branches of study taken by the probationers in schools and give credit accordingly against the prescribed Reading Course. However, all probationers shall be required to take a written examination on "The Law of Liberty" and "Jesus is Coming." [Enacted October, 1948.]

E.—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.]

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

G.—Licenses shall be written and given by the Chairman of the Annual Conference and signed by the District Superintendent, as Chairman.

III.—Local Conference Rules

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

B.—The District Superintendent shall nominate the Secretaries of the Local Conferences and the Local Conferences shall elect them. [Enacted October 15, 1906.]

C.—All officers of Local Conference who are absent from Local Conference shall submit a written report and a satisfactory excuse. Failing to do this, they shall appear before the next Local 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 Local 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 Local Conference. [Enacted October 26, 1904.]

G.—The Local Conference accounts of the Stewards shall be from quarter to quarter, and the reports on the schedules from October 1 to September

30. 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 Local 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.]

J.—Whenever a congregation has a membership of 300 or more, they shall be permitted to increase the membership of the Board of Trustees from three to five. The Board of Trustees, under the supervision of the pastor, shall have charge of the temporal economy of the church, subject to the Local Conference. [Revised October 1948.]

K.—When any congregation contemplates an expenditure involving an amount in excess of \$500.00 except in cases of emergency, the same shall be submitted to the Local Conference for approval. In no case shall a congregation be permitted to mortgage church property for current expenses. [Enacted October, 1948.]

L.—Whenever an election is held for officers accountable to the Local Conference (except where otherwise provided for by our Discipline) the informal ballot shall be used to nominate the candidates. When one officer is to be elected the three highest shall be used as candidates. When three officers 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. In the event that a candidate receives two-thirds of the votes cast in the informal nominating ballot, he may be declared elected by congregational affirmation. [Revised October, 1953.]

M.—Any charges brought against a Pastor or District Superintendent must be in writing and properly signed by the party or parties bringing the charges. [Enacted October, 1947.]

N.—In case a Local Conference desires to sell church property, they must receive the approval of the Board of Directors before conveying title. [Enacted October, 1948.]

IV.—Boards and Committees

The following Boards and Committees shall, as soon as practicable after their election, elect a President and a Secretary: Board of Directors, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Home Missions, Board of Trustees of the Home, Board of Publication and Printing.

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

He shall deposit all the various funds in banks and trust companies approved by the Board of Directors, in the name of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church 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 Board of Directors.

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, and furnish each member of the Board of Directors annually with a statement itemizing the various securities held and the monies on deposit in banks and trust companies.

The Treasurer shall be placed under bond to conform with the Rules and by-laws of the Corporation.

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.

Board of Directors.—The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Directors annually consisting of six ordained Ministers who are members of the Annual Conference and willing to minister under the direction of our Conference, the discipline and the By-Laws of the corporation, and three laymen in good standing with their Local Conference, which Board shall then organize by electing the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Board of Directors shall transact all the business of the Corporation which was previously taken care of by the Executive Board for the Annual Conference.

All vacancies occurring between Annual Conference sessions shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board.

The Board of Directors shall have charge of all the property belonging to the Corporation including property now held by the Executive Board in trust for the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania, 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 Board of Directors shall determine how and where the money of the Corporation 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.

The Board of Directors shall not buy nor sell property except by the approval of all the members of the Board or by Annual Conference resolution.

The Board of Directors 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.

The Board of Directors shall have the right to borrow money and issue mortgages or make loans against any property of the Corporation by the approval of all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference resolution. The Board shall also authorize the satisfaction and cancellation of any mortgages as notes fully paid.

It shall have charge of all the old Local 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 Home Mission Board in matters relative to the purchasing of properties for church purposes and the erection of churches and parsonages.

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 Conference sessions.

It shall purchase all tabernacles and living tents, also 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 outfits.

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

In case there is a balance left at the various Camp Meetings after all the expenses are paid, it shall be deposited into the treasury of the Board of Directors.

The title to Church property where the Church is incorporated shall be conveyed directly to the Corporation. In cases where the Church is not incorporated the conveyance shall be made to a Board of Trustees duly elected according to the Rules of the Annual Conference (setting forth their names), their successors and assigns. Whether the title is conveyed to a Corporation or to a Board of Trustees, said title shall contain a trust clause in the following words:

In trust for the use of the ministry and membership of the-----
Church of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania at
-----; subject to the doctrines, laws, usages, and ministerial appointments of the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania as from time to time established, made, and declared by the lawful authorities of the said church and if the said property shall be sold or encumbered, the proceeds of the sale or encumbrance shall be applied for the use of the aforesaid, subject, however, to the provisions of the law of the church relating to abandoned church properties and of that forbidding mortgaging of real estate for current expenses.

The title to Parsonages shall be conveyed in like manner as the Churches and shall contain the following clause of trust:

In trust, that said premises shall be kept, maintained, and disposed of as a place of residence for the use and occupancy of the preachers of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania who are from time to time duly appointed in said place according to the rules and usages of the said church, and if sold, the proceeds to be used according to the rules of said church. If the congregation controlling this property shall be disbanded the property shall be controlled and disposed of according to the rules of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania.

Foreign Missions—A.—The Annual Conference shall elect annually a Board of Foreign Missions consisting of seven 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 hold a Foreign Missionary Service at each appointment annually soon after Annual Conference and speak on Foreign Missions. At this service a subscription for Foreign Missions shall be taken to be collected before February 1. [Revised October, 1948.]

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

D.—The Pastor shall see that the Superintendent of each Sunday School appoint a "Missionary Day" semi-annually. In this service the necessity of establishing and supporting Foreign Missions shall be impressed upon the minds of the children, and an offering taken for the same. [Enacted February 3, 1934.]

E.—Whenever a Pastor and Superintendent of the Sunday School desire, they may be permitted to designate one of the Semi-Annual Missionary Offerings for Home Missions in the place of Foreign Missions, or may have a Home Missionary offering in addition.

F.—The Home Mission Director shall hold a Home Mission Service annually at each conference appointment in cooperation with the Pastor.

G.—The Women's Missionary Societies that have been or may be organized in our churches shall be recognized by and report to the Local Conference.

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 expire 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, if approved by all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference Resolution.

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, if approved by all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference Resolution.

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 possessions 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, if approved by all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference Resolution.

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.

Contributions for the Home may be made to the Manager or to any of the Pastors, who shall acknowledge the receipt of the same.

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

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.

Duties of Board of Education

1. They shall be responsible for the Doctrines and Practices of the School. They shall safeguard the Fundamental Doctrines of the Bible as set forth in the Discipline and shall enforce the regulations of the Annual Conference.

2. They shall be responsible for the provision of facilities for the school.

3. They shall be responsible for the execution of all legal transactions relating to the institution.

4. They shall be responsible for all funds received as provided by the Annual Conference.

5. They shall elect the President of the School and define his duties.

6. They shall approve all appointments of teachers, administration officers, and major employees upon the recommendation of the President and Faculty Committee.

7. They shall give a full report of all activities of the School to the Annual Conference each year. They shall also present a prospective budget for the coming year.

8. They shall divide the responsibilities by choosing committees from among their own members, and sub-committees from among non-members of the Board.

9. All members of the Board and Faculty shall sign a doctrinal statement on the fundamental beliefs of the Church annually.

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 its 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 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 investigation, appointed by the District Superintendent, 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 District Superintendent, 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 Board of Directors.

In case any Pastor, or the Director of Home Missions desires to use, or cause to be used a tabernacle, he shall make application for the same to his respective District Superintendent. In case the privilege to use a tabernacle is granted, the District Superintendent shall inform the Equipage Committee. The Pastor or the Director of Home Missions 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 District Superintendents' Districts and in the Home Missionary Society shall be mutually agreed upon by the District Superintendents.

Ministers' Retirement Fund.—This shall be a permanent Fund for the benefit of retired ministers of the Pennsylvania Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

The object of this Fund shall be to provide and pay annuities to itinerant ministers of the Pennsylvania Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church who by reason of age are no longer qualified to continue in active service; also to provide and pay annuities to the widows of such itinerant ministers according to the rules hereinafter stated.

The Funds shall be sustained by—First—An offering taken by each Class Leader in his prayer meeting once a quarter and paid to the District Superintendent of the District at the Local Conference. The District Superintendents shall pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Directors the amounts received for this purpose at the Annual Ministerial Convention and at the Annual Conference.

Second—Each Pastor shall pay into this Fund from his Steward's receipts and from his Home Missionary Appropriations and each District Superintendent from his offerings at the Local Conference as follows: One per cent of the first thousand dollars or fraction thereof, 1½ per cent of the second thousand dollars and above. Fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars of the District Superintendents' offerings shall be exempt from assessment to offset traveling expenses. Payments shall be made at the Annual Ministerial Convention and at the Annual Conference.

Third—This Fund will also welcome gifts, bequests and devises from any sources.

Fourth—This Retirement Fund shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the Annual Conference as a separate account and be under the management and control of the Board of Directors of the Annual Conference.

Annuities

First—If a minister of the Pennsylvania Conference of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania has arrived at the age of sixty-five years and is in the judgment of the Board of Directors incapacitated from further serving a charge, he shall be placed on the Retirement List and dating from the time that he has received Annual Conference License, shall receive an Annuity in monthly installments of twenty-four dollars for each year of active service.

Second—A minister having arrived at the age of seventy years may at his own request be placed on the Retirement List and receive an Annuity of twenty-four dollars for each year of active service of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania.

Third—Services rendered after the age of seventy-two years shall in no case increase the Annuity. Annuities shall in no case exceed nine hundred sixty dollars per year. If, however, the money in the Retirement Fund at any time should not warrant the payment of the Annuities in full the Board of Directors shall determine the amount of the monthly installments pro rata.

Fourth—No minister shall be entitled to the full amount of the Annuities unless he and the congregations that he served shall have paid in full as stipulated in paragraphs one, two and three for the period of five years. No exceptions to this rule may be made except by the decision of the Board of Directors.

Fifth—In case a minister is located by the Annual Conference he ceases to be a member of the Retirement Fund. In this case one-half of the dues he had paid into the Fund shall be refunded to him and he thereby forfeits all further claims upon the Fund. A minister who has given thirty years or more of service and desires to change his occupation and be placed on the Local Preachers List shall become an annuitant at the age of seventy years, and receive an annuity for the years in actual service.

Sixth—Widows of deceased ministers who had complied with the provisions of the fund shall receive annuities beginning at the time of the death of the husband provided that the said widow shall have attained the age of sixty-five years or at the time that she shall attain the age of sixty-five years, and continue until the time of her death, or remarriage or her severance from church membership of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church. Widows of ministers who were retired and receiving annuities at the time of marriage shall in no case receive any annuity. Widows' annuities shall be compiled at the rate of \$12.00 for each year that she was the wife of a minister who was in active service, giving his whole time to ministry in the Church, but in no case to exceed four hundred eighty dollars in one year. [Enacted October, 1935, Revised October, 1955.]

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

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.

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 February 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.—The advisability of having boarding stands at the various camp meetings shall be left to the decision of the District Superintendent. [Enacted September 17, 1900.] There shall be a General Camp Meeting Committee, consisting of two District Superintendents and the officers 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 in the Summary Statistical Report. [Enacted October 16, 1909.]

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.]

Home Missionary Society.—Home Missionary Workers who desire to take the Reading Course may, with the concurrence of the Director of the Home Missionary 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 on the Reading Course specify the length of time the Probationers shall take to answer the questions according to their best judgment.

Whenever the Director of the Home Missionary Society desires to present a Home Missionary Worker as an Applicant for Annual Conference License,

or turn over a Home Missionary appointment as a Church appointment, he shall have the endorsement of the Board of Directors.

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, (I Sam. 1:24-28; 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 have them read once a year. [See Discipline.]

E.—Camp Meetings.—Camp Meetings shall be held annually according to the decision of the District Superintendents 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 program shall meet six weeks before the convention to arrange a program. Each Sunday School shall be represented by the Pastor and the Superintendent. The Superintendents and Essayists shall have their fares paid. Each Superintendent shall lift a liberal offering to defray the expenses of the Convention. [Enacted October 29, 1904. Revised October 15, 1938.]

VI.—Special Offerings

1.—To be Paid at the Ministerial Convention

A.—Beneficiary Fund—Annual.

A free-will offering from each class.

B.—Publication and Printing—Annual.

An offering from each Sunday School on the basis of twenty-five cents for each officer and teacher reported at the last Annual Conference.

C—Ministers' Retirement Fund.

- (a) A quarterly offering taken by each class leader and paid over to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference.
- (b) Ministers' personal offerings from receipts since the Annual Conference.

D—Moving Fund—Annual.

An offering from each Church on the basis of twenty-five cents per member according to the membership reported at the last Annual Conference.

2.—To be paid at the Annual Conference

E—Foreign Missions.

- (a) Offering for Foreign Missions—Annual.
Pledges shall be taken between Conference and New Year.
- (b) Missionary Offerings in the Sunday School—Semi-annual.

F—Home Missions—Annual.

Offering for Home Missionary Work.

Pledges shall be taken between New Year and April 1.

G—The Home—Annual.

Offering for the Home for Orphans and the Aged.

This shall be taken on or before Thanksgiving Day.

H—Publication and Printing—Annual.

One Offering received by each Class Leader.

I—Annual Conference Expenses—Annual.

This amount shall be paid by each class on the basis of fifteen cents per member reported at the last Annual Conference.

J—Ministers' Retirement Fund.

- (a) A quarterly offering taken by each class leader and paid over to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference.
- (b) Ministers' personal offerings from receipts since the Ministerial Convention. (See Article "Ministers' Retirement Fund").

Note A—Offerings A, B, C, and D shall be paid by the Ministers at the Ministerial Convention. All the others shall be paid at the Annual Conference.

Note B—Offering A shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Beneficiary Society.

Note C—The other offerings, E, F, G, H, and J shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Annual Conference; offering E on one check and all the others on a separate check.

Note D—For the convenience of all concerned, all of these offerings should be paid by check or money order. If paid in cash, it should be enclosed in an envelope stating name of the giver, the amount enclosed and the fund for which it is designated.

3.—Miscellaneous Offerings

- (a) Offering for the District Superintendents' Parsonages to be forwarded before April 1 to C. E. Kirkwood, 1218 E. Rosemont Drive, Bethlehem, Pa., and made payable to the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pa.
- (b) Offering for the Berean Bible School to be sent by May 1 and made payable to A. L. Wentz, Treasurer, 816 N. St. Elmo Street, Allentown, Pa.

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 2, 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 Local Conference proceedings of their charge, except such as have been committed or discovered since the last Local Conference. [Enacted February 1, 1891.]

D.—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 brought to the Ministerial Convention.

E.—Ministers' Retirement Fund.—A free-will offering shall be lifted in each prayer meeting class once each quarter by their respective Class Leaders for the Ministers' Retirement Fund. [Enacted October 20, 1934.]

F.—Home Mission Funds.—Whenever any District Superintendent 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 District Superintendent, up to the amount appropriated to him at the Annual Conference.

G.—Collections.—The Pastor shall have charge of the offerings for the Home, Foreign and Home Missionary work, and Conference Fund, until the Annual Conference unless needed sooner. The offering for the Ministers' Retirement Fund shall be delivered to the District Superintendent at the Local 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.]

H.—No offering shall be lifted for the Secretary of the respective Sunday School Convention, and Annual and Semi-Annual Ministerial Conventions, but a donation of two dollars shall be given him 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.

I.—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.]

J.—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.

K.—Annual Conference Records.—The Committee on Annual Conference Records shall carefully compare the Annual Year Book with the annual Con-

ference Minutes and note any and all errors, make a copy of any and all corrections, omissions or additions and certify in the following form:

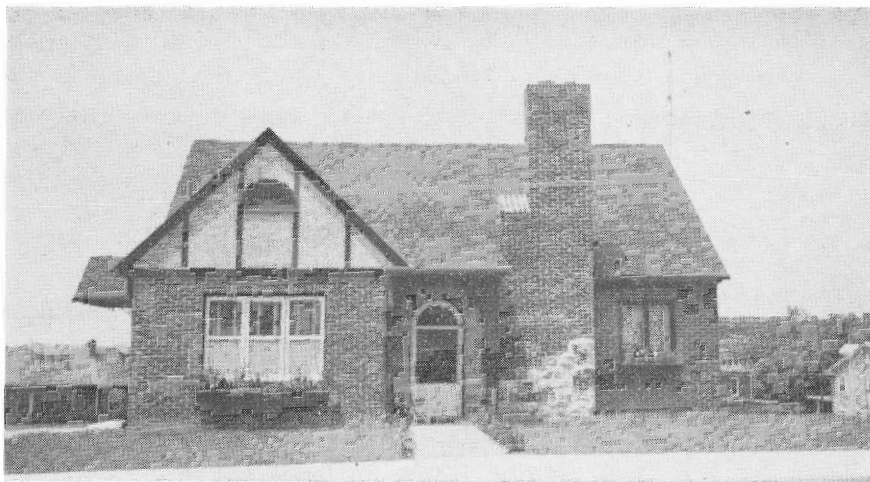
We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Minutes for the Session of _____ and found them correct except as follows: _____

Two copies of this certificate shall be made and signed by the Committee and pasted into two copies of the Conference Year Book, one to be held by the Chairman of the Annual Conference and one by the Secretary. These shall serve as the Records of the Annual Conference.

L.—The time limit for Pastors and District Superintendents in our conference shall be nine years. [Enacted October 10, 1951.]

M.—That the Director of Home Missions be recognized as a traveling elder and be a member of the Board of Home Missions.

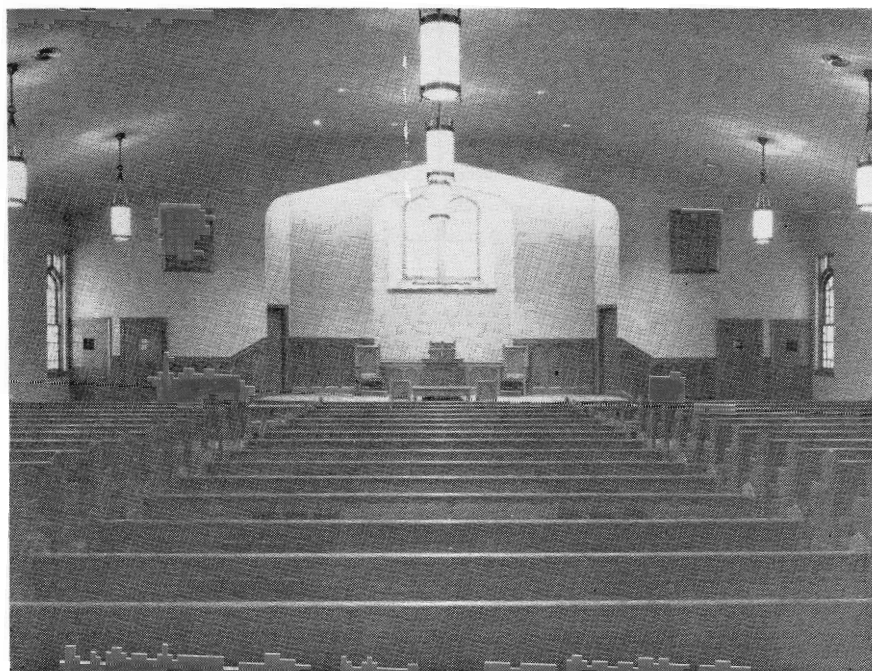
N.—The retirement age of Pastors is established at 72 years. [Enacted October 15, 1953.]



Reading M. B. In C. Church Parsonage



Exterior and Interior Views of the Reading M. B. In C. Church



Annual Conference Proceedings

1956

The Seventy-third Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania convened in Ebenezer Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church, 1121-1125 N. Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa.

The Conference opened at 1:00 p. m. on Monday, October 15, with singing, "Blessed Assurance" and prayer by Willard E. Cassel.

The Chairman, F. B. Hertzog, brought the opening key-note address on "The Mind of Christ Manifested in the Spirit-Filled Believer," basing his remarks on Philippians 2:5-11. This was followed by a season of prayer invoking God's blessing upon the Conference and the church at large and that He will direct us in all the deliberations of the Conference.

The Secretary, N. H. Wolf, appointed the following assistants: Assistant Secretary, Herbert W. Hartman; Recording Secretary, Paul E. Baer.

The following were enrolled as members of the Conference:

Ministers

Ordained—Paul E. Baer, E. W. Bean, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, Walter H. Frank, R. H. Gehman, T. D. Gehret, J. E. Golla, Ernest B. Hartman, Herbert W. Hartman, Jansen E. Hartman, W. W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, W. F. Heffner, F. B. Hertzog, W. B. Hottel, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, James G. Koch, J. B. Layne, R. C. Reichenbach, J. H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, Robert W. Smock, P. T. Stengele, David E. Thomann, N. H. Wolf, H. D. Yarrington, J. B. Henry, C. Leslie Miller, F. M. Hottel, E. E. Kublic, E. J. Rutman, A. G. Woodring, G. F. Yost.

Probationers—Russell T. Allen, Raymond E. Arnold, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Earl M. Hosler, Donald B. Schaeffer.

The following missionaries are members of and are being supported by the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church: Rev. Laird Stengele, Mrs. Laird Stengele, Miss Betty Doverspike, Miss Bertha Miller, Rev. Paul Chaponiere, Miss Margaret Maas, Mr. Merle E. Baer, Mrs. Merle E. Baer, Mr. J. Barclay Harley, Mrs. J. Barclay Harley, Rev. Robert Rampy, Mrs. Robert Rampy, Rev. C. F. Snyder, Mrs. C. F. Snyder, Rev. C. Herbert Dyke, Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke, Rev. Robert W. Gordon, Mrs. Robert W. Gordon, Miss Olive Rawn, Rev. Fred Whale, Mrs. Fred Whale, Miss Luella Reinhart, Miss Mary Miller, Miss Sylvia Miller, Miss Grace Yost.

Delegates**Allentown District**

Clarence L. Kauffman, Francis H. Gehman, Allentown (Bethel)
 Robert Breitegam, Reading
 William E. Miller, Sunbury
 George A. John, Shamokin
 Clair Bupp, York
 E. Willard Maurer, Mount Carmel
 Daniel K. Ziegler, Hatfield
 David F. Gardner, Harrisburg
 R. S. Weidner, Royersford and Spring City
 S. A. Hackman, Graterford and Harleysville
 A. W. Deppe, Nazareth and Northampton
 Raymond Snyder, Lancaster
 Charles W. Weaber, Lebanon
 William P. Snyder, Lehigh
 Burton Deppe, Walnutport
 George R. Fish, Stroudsburg

Bethlehem District

Herbert S. Wieand, Bethlehem
 Byron C. Cassel, Philadelphia (Salem)
 George W. Krigor, Quakertown
 Allen F. LaRose, Easton
 R. Spedden, Chester
 George W. Butler, Scranton
 Edward Judd, Philadelphia (Calvary)
 Raymond L. Winfield, Jersey City
 Robert W. Gehret, Terre Hill
 Harold A. Mann, Coopersburg and Allentown (Salem)
 Paul I. Wentz, Emmaus, Macungie and Zionsville
 Clayton E. Weber, Fleetwood and Blandon.
 Edw. J. Deitzman, Philadelphia (Emmanuel)
 Frederick J. Wagner, Newark, N. J.
 Ralph D. Cole, Staten Island, N. Y.

Resolved, That we accept the excuses of the absent delegates and that when they arrive they be seated in the Conference Bar.

Resolved, That the first five pews across the church constitute the Conference Bar and that all the members of the Conference shall take their places in the Bar.

Resolved, That all Home Mission Workers present be recognized as advisory members. The following brethren were present during the Conference: Robert F. Johnson, Charles L. Mann, Norman F. Gordon, Raynold D. Gardner, Austin G. Shelly, Carl C. Cassel, and Richard H. Kline.

The new delegates were introduced to the Conference.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Reporter and Timekeeper. He appointed R. C. Reichenbach and Raymond E. Arnold.

Resolved, That no member be permitted to leave the Conference Bar without permission by the Chair except the pastor, William A. Heffner, and the delegate, Herbert S. Wieand.

Report of the Committee to Arrange a Program for the Services of the Annual Conference:

- MONDAY: 1:00 P. M. Opening Key-note address by the Chairman of the Conference, Rev. F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent.
- TUESDAY: 9:00 A. M. Speaker, District Superintendent C. E. Kirkwood.
7:30 P. M. Oral reports of the District Superintendents, Home Mission Director and Berean Bible School President, and all Pastors. Reports limited to TWO minutes.
- WEDNESDAY: 9:00 A. M. Speaker, Jansen E. Hartman, President of Berean Bible School.
- THURSDAY: 9:00 A. M. Devotional Period under the direction of District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog. The observance of Holy Communion.
7:30 P. M. Two twenty minute messages by the District Superintendents, F. B. Hertzog and C. E. Kirkwood. This service shall be in charge of the host pastor, William A. Heffner.

The committee recommends that the morning devotional period be limited to thirty minutes and to include singing, prayer, and a brief meditation.

The committee also recommends that the reports be written and read in the Tuesday evening service.

T. D. Gehret,
David E. Thomann,
William A. Heffner,

Committee on Program.

The Committee appointed in 1955 to study Conference procedure presented a proposed agenda for this Conference.

Resolved, That we follow this agenda as nearly as possible.

Resolved, That the Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders consist of the District Superintendents and one member to be appointed by the Chair.

Committees

Committee on Communications: F. M. Hottel, A. G. Woodring, E. E. Kublic, E. J. Rutman.

Committee on Finance: Paul I. Wentz, Byron C. Cassel, Francis H. Gehman, S. A. Hackman.

Committee on Examination of Local Conference Records: E. W. Bean, W. B. Hottel, W. F. Heffner, H. D. Yarrington, James G. Koch, Robert W.

Smock, David E. Thomann, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Donald B. Schaeffer, LeRoy S. Heller, Russell T. Allen, Raymond E. Arnold, George W. Krigor, Herbert S. Wieand, Frederick J. Wagner, Burton Deppe, Claire Bupp, Charles W. Weaver, George R. Fish, Allen F. LaRose, Edward Judd, Robert Breitegam, William P. Snyder, George A. John, A. W. Deppe, Harold A. Mann, George Butler, Raymond Snyder.

Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders: C. E. Kirkwood, F. B. Hertzog, Herbert W. Hartman.

Committee on Statistics: J. B. Layne, Willard E. Cassel, Ernest B. Hartman, J. E. Golla, Jansen E. Hartman, Donald T. Kirkwood, John Dunn.

Committee on Examination of District Superintendents, Local Preachers, Evangelists, Missionaries: N. H. Wolf, Ernest B. Hartman, W. F. Heffner, R. H. Gehman, E. W. Bean.

Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License: P. T. Stengele, W. W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, W. B. Hottel, C. E. Kirkwood.

Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination: C. E. Kirkwood, Herbert W. Hartman, T. D. Gehret, Jansen E. Hartman, Walter H. Frank.

Committee on Resolutions: J. H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, William A. Heffner, Walter H. Frank.

Committee on Auditing: T. D. Gehret, Daniel K. Ziegler, R. Spedden, R. S. Weidner, Edw. J. Dietzman, Clayton E. Weber, David F. Gardner, E. Willard Maurer, Ralph D. Cole, Robert W. Gehret, Clarence L. Kauffman, Raymond L. Winfield, William E. Miller.

Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Records and the Report of the Ministerial Convention: R. H. Gehman, Earl M. Hosler.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules to adjourn to meet tonight from 6:30 to 9:00 p. m.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Clarence L. Kauffman.

SECOND MEETING

Monday Evening, October 15, 1956

The meeting was opened at 6:30 p. m. with singing the hymn, "What a Wonderful Saviour," followed with prayer by R. S. Weidner.

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

The Board of Home Missions and the Board of Directors recommend the following brethren to be considered for Annual Conference license: Carl C. Cassel, Norman F. Gordon, J. Barclay Harley and Austin G. Shelly.

Report of the Board of Examiners: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee on Camp Meeting Equipage:

During the year we have worked under the direction of the District Superintendents.

E. W. Bean, W. W. Hartman,
R. H. Gehman, David E. Thomann, Committee.

Report of the Allentown District Superintendent, F. B. Hertzog: (See Reports)

Report of the Bethlehem District Superintendent, C. E. Kirkwood: (See Reports)

Report of the Home Mission Director, Jansen E. Hartman: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Home Missions: (See Reports)

Report of the Camp Site Planning Committee:

The Committee met in plenary session on four occasions. Several sub-committees met to study the possible uses and development of the property as well as the facilities and program for the immediate operation of a children's camp.

After lengthy discussion of its possible use, the committee decided un-animously to utilize the property as a boys' and girls' camp this season.

A Board of Managers, composed of C. E. Kirkwood, William A. Heffner and Walter H. Frank, was elected from among the committee members to prepare the property, set up a program, acquire the necessary help, and to direct and manage the camp program. Mr. Alan Swaim and Mrs. Joyce Gehman supervised the boys' and girls' camps, respectively.

Participating in the camping program were 57 boys and 64 girls.

The outlined objectives for the camp program were as follows:

1. To seek the salvation of boys and girls.
2. To give practical training towards Christian living.
3. The cultivation of daily devotional-life habits.
4. To provide wholesome recreation in a Christian atmosphere.
5. To foster sportsmanship by group activities.
6. The development of talents and skills.

Through the help of the Lord and the efforts of spiritual counselors these objectives were achieved.

After the completion of the camping season the Board of Managers submitted the following statistical and financial report:

Registrations

1st Camp (Boys) 57 — 2nd Camp (Girls) 40 — 3rd Camp (Girls) 24

Receipts

Total Income from Campers	\$2,388.00
Gifts, etc.	1,697.35
Loan	5,000.00
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Total Receipts	\$9,085.35

Expenditures

Staff—Counselors and Directors	\$ 335.00
Kitchen help	130.00
General help	105.00
Honorarium	35.00
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	\$ 605.00
Development	\$1,738.51
Food (Government surplus)	924.62
	(\$48.80 Credit B.B.S.)
Insurance	69.00
Promotion	138.92
Program	155.55
Furnishings	1,139.18
Sundry Expenses	146.45
Interest	39.58
Photography	118.45
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	\$5,075.26

Receipts	\$9,085.35
Expenditures	5,075.26
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Total	\$4,010.09
Returned to Board of Directors.....	4,000.00
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Balance in Treasury\$ 10.09

The committee resolved that the Board of Managers turn over to the Board of Directors the balance held in account.

With reference to possible future development the committee can report that engineering furnished free by a friend of our work developed a plan to restore the creek dam on the Henninger farm. This plan provides a pond of two acres, with a maximum depth of 10 feet at an estimated cost of \$9,700, including the cost of clearing the pond site.

Should approval to build this dam be given and were funds available, agreement would have to be made with our neighboring land owner as the plan will flood some of his land. Permission to dam the stream must also be obtained from the Water and Power Resources Board of the Commonwealth

of Pennsylvania. Informal talks with representatives of the Board indicate the plan referred to above will be approved, if formal application for approval is submitted.

The committee can also report that information and advice was received from the Soil Conservation Branch of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That every Sunday School receive an offering for the Children's Camping Program by March 1. This offering is to be forwarded to the secretary of the Board of Directors.

2. That the Camp Planning Committee be responsible to show the slides that are available of our Youth Camp in every church.

3. That the Sigmund property living room and basement be available for limited use by our churches. Anyone using it must make reservations through the secretary of the Board of Directors. The charge for use is to be computed at the rate of \$.25 per person.

4. That a name be chosen for the property at Sigmund, the following being suggested:

- (a) Victory Valley
- (b) Grace Valley
- (c) Berean Valley

The maximum of accomplishments and minimum of expenses reflected in this report was made possible through contributions of money, time and material by laymen and ministers.

Note: The sum of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars still remains to be paid to the Board of Directors on the initial loan of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars.

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Report of the Committee on Examination of Local Conference Records:

We have examined all the Local Conference Records and have found them in good condition. A few omissions were corrected by the pastors involved.

The following petitions were found:

1. In the Hatfield Local Conference Minute Book:

Resolved, That we petition the Annual Conference meeting in the 1956 session for permission to observe the Lord's Supper monthly.

Resolved, That we petition the Annual Conference meeting in the 1956 session to grant us the permission to use a nominating committee to make nominations for church officers. The Pastor shall be the chairman of this committee.

2. In the Allentown, Bethel Local Conference Minute Book:

Resolved, That we petition the Annual Conference to study the method of receiving and the promotion of the funds for Home and Foreign Missions, Berean Bible School, and the Camp Fund.

Resolved, That we petition the Annual Conference to consider a longer term of office for the Menno Youth Presidents.

3. In the Staten Island, N. Y. Local Conference Minute Book:

Resolved, That we, of the State Island Congregation, petition the Annual Conference to grant the Staten Island Congregation the privilege of being self supporting and receive the status of a station.

4. In the Fleetwood-Blandon Local Conference Minute Book:

Resolved, That we petition the Annual Conference meeting in session in Bethlehem on October 15, to consider the appointment of a full time pastor to Trinity Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church, Blandon, when it is possible.

5. In the Allentown, Salem and Coopersburg Local Conference Minute Book:

We petition Annual Conference that Salem Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church, Allentown, Pa., be recognized as a separate charge, to be supplied with its own pastor.

We recommend that all petitions to Annual Conference be typed in red in the local conference minutes.

E. W. Bean,	Russell T. Allen,	Edward Judd,
W. B. Hottel,	Raymond E. Arnold,	Robert Breitegam,
W. F. Heffner,	George W. Krigor,	William P. Snyder,
H. D. Yarrington,	Herbert S. Wieand,	George A. John,
James G. Koch,	Frederick J. Wagner,	A. W. Deppe,
Robert W. Smock,	Burton Deppe,	Harold A. Mann,
David E. Thomann,	Clair E. Bupp,	George W. Butler,
Frank L. Herb, Jr.,	Charles W. Weaver,	Raymond Snyder,
Donald B. Schaeffer,	George R. Fish,	
Leroy S. Heller,	Allen F. LaRose,	Committee.

Resolved, That petitions from Staten Island, Fleetwood and Blandon, and Allentown (Salem) be referred to the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

Report of the Committee on Examination of District Superintendents, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries:

We beg leave to report that we have examined the District Superintendents, Local Preachers, and Missionaries, and find them all satisfactory for which we praise the Lord.

N. H. Wolf,	R. H. Gehman,
Ernest B. Hartman,	E. W. Bean,
W. F. Heffner,	Committee.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:15 p. m. with prayer by N. H. Wolf.

THIRD MEETING

Tuesday Morning, October 16, 1956

The meeting was opened with singing the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation" and prayer by R. H. Gehman.

The District Superintendent of the Bethlehem District C. E. Kirkwood, chose for our meditation the theme, "Bonds of Peace," according to Philipians 2:1-4. Pastor Paul E. Baer led us in singing "All for Jesus."

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

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:45 a. m. with prayer by Ralph D. Cole.

FOURTH MEETING

Tuesday Afternoon, October 16, 1956

The meeting was opened with Paul E. Baer leading the body in singing the hymn, "There is a Name I Love to Hear." W. B. Hottel led in prayer.

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

Resolved, That we excuse R. C. Reichenbach and John Dunn from attendance of the Thursday morning and afternoon sessions in order that they may conduct funerals on their respective fields.

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

Report of the Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders:

The Traveling Elders have been individually examined through the delegates, and we are pleased to report that these servants of God are creditably seeking to fulfill their sacred responsibilities before God and men. We, therefore, are happy to recommend them for continued service in the itinerancy of our Conference.

F. B. Hertzog,	Herbert W. Hartman,
C. E. Kirkwood,	Committee.

Report of the Committee to Examine Applicants for Annual Conference License:

This Committee met with Carl C. Cassel, Norman F. Gordon, J. Barclay Harley and Austin G. Shelly and have found them in accord with our doctrine and practices. We are convinced that they are called of God to the ministry. They also have proven their call in Home Missionary service. We, therefore, recommend them for Annual Conference license.

P. T. Stengele,	W. B. Hottel,
W. W. Hartman,	C. E. Kirkwood,
William A. Heffner,	Committee.

Report of the Board of Directors: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination:

We wish to report that we have examined Earl M. Hosler and are unanimously convinced that he is called of God, that he is in accord with the doctrines and practices of our Church and that the seal of God's approval has been upon his ministry. We, therefore, recommend that he be ordained into the Christian ministry in the Thursday Evening meeting.

C. E. Kirkwood,	Jansen E. Hartman,
Herbert W. Hartman,	Walter H. Frank,
T. D. Gehret,	Committee.

Resolved, That the District Superintendents and the delegates of all stations and circuits shall constitute the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. The Annual Conference may grant the status of a station to a mission church which has contributed a minimum of \$2400.00 through the steward offering and has petitioned Annual Conference requesting the change declaring that it no longer desires a Home Mission appropriation.

If a station fails to contribute \$2400.00 steward offering, they shall forfeit their voice in the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee, and further

The petition of the Hatfield congregation relative to the observance of Communion was considered and it was

Resolved, That the petition be considered answered by the action of Annual Conference as recorded in the Year Book of 1951, page 38.

Resolved, That the time of the observance of Communion be referred to the Committee on Church Government.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The minutes of the afternoon session shall be read with the minutes of the evening session in the Wednesday morning meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p. m. with prayer by Daniel K. Ziegler.

FIFTH MEETING**Tuesday Evening, October 16, 1956**

The meeting was opened by the Chairman at 7:30 p. m. After the singing of a hymn, C. Leslie Miller of the Union Gospel Press, Cleveland, Ohio, led in prayer.

The oral reports of the District Superintendents, the Director of Home Missions, the President of the Berean Bible School and all active pastors featured the program.

This was truly an occasion of much rejoicing as the various victories won for Christ during the year were cited, and the large audience in attendance was made to realize that God is still faithful to His own in these days of withering, materialistic philosophy which denies the transcendent power of God and encourages man to glorify himself. All praise to God for His goodness to His servants and His people and to the Holy Spirit Who indwells and is the light and life of the body of Christ.

The meeting was interspersed by the singing of several congregational hymns led by Paul E. Baer, and was adjourned at 9:10 p. m. with prayer by District Superintendent C. E. Kirkwood.

SIXTH MEETING**Wednesday Morning, October 17, 1956**

The meeting was opened with the singing of the inspiring hymn, "There is a Name I Love to Hear," after which W. W. Hartman led in prayer.

The Director of Home Missions and President of Berean Bible School, Jansen E. Hartman, addressed the Conference body on the theme: "The Consciousness of the Presence of the Lord Jesus Christ," directing attention to Philippians 3:1-14, and closing the devotional period with the singing of the hymn, "My Jesus, As Thou Wilt."

The roll was called and the minutes of the Tuesday Afternoon and Evening Meetings were read and approved.

Rev. Robert E. Rampy, recently returned missionary from Venezuela, South America, was introduced to the Conference and gave a brief testimony concerning his work on the field and expressed appreciation of the fellowship of the brethren in the Gospel.

The brethren, Rev. J. B. Henry, Associate General Secretary of the Africa Inland Mission, and Rev. C. Leslie Miller, General Superintendent of the Union Gospel Press, were also introduced and invited to bring greetings to the body.

Report of the Board of the Home: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Education: (See Reports)

The President of the Berean Bible School gave an oral report concerning activities of the school and outlined plans for the future. He also expressed

deep appreciation of the continued support of the Pastors and our entire constituency.

Report of the Committee on Finance: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee to Examine Annual Conference Records:

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Minutes for the Session of 1955 and have found them correct except as follows:

Page 40 . . . Treasurer of the next Annual Conference should read, "Treasurer of the Annual Conference."

Page 42 . . . Fourteenth Meeting "Sunday afternoon, October 22" should read, "Saturday afternoon, October 22."

We herewith submit two copies duly certified.

We have read the report of the Ministerial Convention and believe it to be correct to the best of our knowledge.

R. H. Gehman,
Earl M. Hosler,

Committee.

Report of the Conference-Wide Sunday School Convention: (See Reports)

Report of the Ministerial Convention: (See Reports)

Resolved, That we proceed with elections.

Resolved, That we determine who are the preachers willing to minister the coming year according to the direction of the Conference and our Discipline.

The following ministering brethren responded "yes" to the roll call: Paul E. Baer, E. W. Bean, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, Walter H. Frank, R. H. Gehman, T. D. Gehret, J. E. Golla, Ernest B. Hartman, Herbert W. Hartman, Jansen E. Hartman, W. W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, W. F. Heffner, F. B. Hertzog, W. B. Hottel, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, James G. Koch, J. B. Layne, R. C. Reichenbach, J. H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, Robert W. Smock, P. T. Stengele, David E. Thomann, N. H. Wolf, H. D. Yarrington, F. M. Hottel, E. E. Kublic, A. G. Woodring, G. F. Yost, Russell T. Allen, Raymond E. Arnold, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Donald B. Schaeffer, Earl M. Hosler.

Absent: E. J. Rutman.

Resolved, That two District Superintendents be elected and that the informal ballot be used in nominating the candidates, the five highest to be candidates and elected according to the Discipline.

The Chair appointed as tellers: T. D. Gehret, Ernest B. Hartman, R. H. Gehman and A. L. Seifert.

The following were elected for the coming year: F. B. Hertzog and C. E. Kirkwood.

Resolved, That F. B. Hertzog be District Superintendent over the Allentown District, and C. E. Kirkwood be District Superintendent over the Bethlehem District.

Resolved, That when an Elder has served in the office of District Superintendent for a period of five or more successive years and leaves the office he shall not be eligible for re-election for a period of three years.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn.

Adjourned at 11:55 with prayer by Raymond E. Arnold.

SEVENTH MEETING

Wednesday Afternoon, October 17, 1956

After singing and prayer by A. W. Deppe the roll was called and the minutes of the morning meeting were read and approved.

C. Leslie Miller was called upon by the Chair to explain to the body the reasons that next January the "Gospel Herald" will become a semi-monthly publication.

Resolved, That we tender the Union Gospel Press a rising vote of thanks for their gracious generosity and co-operation in printing the M. B. In C. Supplement of the "Gospel Herald" free of extra cost to us.

Report of the Committee on Church Name:

At the Annual Conference, 1955, this Committee was instructed to send out a ballot to each member of our Conference of voting age. This procedure was followed and the Committee met and tabulated the ballots. Following is a summary of the Committee's findings:

SUMMARY

1. Are you satisfied with the present name of our denomination?
 Yes—1264 No— 629 Total—1899
2. Do you think a change in the name of our denomination would be advisable, if a more suitable name can be agreed upon?
 Yes— 875 No— 853 Total—1728
3. Do you believe that changing the name of our denomination would help to strengthen the Gospel testimony of our Church?
 Yes— 598 No—1106 Total—1704

A further study of the ballots shows the following vote by churches:

1. Are you satisfied with the present name of our denomination?
 Yes— 22 No— 12 Total— 34
2. Do you think a change in the name of our denomination would be advisable, if a more suitable name can be agreed upon?
 Yes— 21 No— 14 Total— 35
3. Do you believe that a change of denomination name would attract more people to our churches?
 Yes— 17 No— 17 Total— 34

4. Do you believe that changing the name of our denomination would help to strengthen the Gospel testimony of our church?

Yes— 15 No— 20 Total— 35

The Committee finds that for various reasons the ballot referred to above was inconclusive except to indicate that a substantial group of our membership feels a change would be desirable. Because the ballot was inconclusive, the Committee is not now suggesting any specific names that might be substituted for our present name.

The Committee recommends the study of this question be continued by a Committee elected by this Conference.

Byron C. Cassel,	T. D. Gehret,
A. L. Seifert,	Jansen E. Hartman,
Walter H. Frank,	Committee.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be elected to continue the study of a new Church name.

The following were elected: Byron C. Cassel, Walter H. Frank, T. D. Gehret, A. L. Seifert and Jansen E. Hartman.

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

Resolved, That we proceed with the consideration of petitions.

Petition number two presented by the Hatfield Church was discussed and dealt with in the following manner:

Resolved, That any Church may use a nomination Committee to make nomination for Church officers when this desire is expressed by a local Conference resolution. The Pastor shall be Chairman of this Committee.

Petition number three presented by Allentown (Bethel) was discussed and dealt with as follows:

Resolved, That a Committee of three ministers and two laymen be elected to study the scriptural principles of giving and to investigate the current methods of giving and to formulate a paper containing the results of their findings. This paper shall be presented and discussed at the next Ministerial Convention. In the light of said discussion they shall present to the next Annual Conference proposals with reference to our over-all financial structure.

The following were elected: Donald T. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, Willard E. Cassel, Byron C. Cassel and Paul I. Wentz.

With regard to petition number four proposed by Allentown (Bethel) the following was the result:

Resolved, That the office of President of the Menno Youth be extended to one year instead of six months, and that he be permitted to succeed himself only once.

Resolved, That we grant the requests of J. B. Henry and Raymond L. Winfield that they be excused from further attendance at this Conference.

Resolved, That we proceed with elections.

The following were elected:

Home Mission Director: Jansen E. Hartman.

Vice District Superintendents: Herbert W. Hartman and N. H. Wolf.

Resolved, That in the event of a vacancy in the office of District Superintendent, the Board of Directors shall determine which of the Vice District Superintendents shall fill the vacancy.

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

Report of the Menno Youth General Committee: (See Reports)

Resolved, That the Menno Youth Committee make a thorough study of the Constitution of the General Menno Youth Society, draft a new constitution and submit the same to the next Annual Conference. (First reading).

Report of the Layman's Benevolent Society: (See Reports)

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to convene tonight in an evening meeting from 6:30 to 9:00 o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by A. G. Woodring.

EIGHTH MEETING

Wednesday Evening, October 17, 1956

The Chair opened the meeting with the singing of a chorus after which LeRoy S. Heller led in prayer.

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

Resolved, That we consider the proposals of the Government Committee.

Resolved, That the material prepared by the Government Committee and cleared by the Board of Directors for consideration at this Annual Conference be presented, and further

Resolved, That all proposals to amend our Discipline must pass readings at two Annual Conferences by a two-thirds vote by ballot before final adoption.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:00 P. M. with prayer by A. L. Seifert.

NINTH MEETING

Thursday Morning, October 18, 1956

The meeting was opened with the singing of the hymn, "He is so Precious to Me." Walter H. Frank led in prayer after which the Chair led the body

in reading responsively I Peter 2:1-10, following with an inspiring talk in which he called attention to the many gems of truth found in this passage. After the singing of an appropriate hymn the body then joined together in solemnly partaking of the Lord's Supper.

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

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet no later than 3:00 P. M.

Adjourned at 9:55 A. M., with prayer by F. M. Hottel.

TENTH MEETING

Thursday Afternoon, October 18, 1956

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

Resolved, That we recess to the call of the Chair.

Recessed at 3:05 P. M.

Business was resumed at 4:35 P. M.

Report of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee: (See Reports)

Resolved, That Carl C. Cassel be seated in the Conference Bar, having been stationed to serve as Pastor at Coopersburg.

Resolved, That all pastors on the coming Sunday fill the pulpits of their new assignments.

Resolved, That we grant the request of William E. Miller to be excused from attendance at this Conference after today.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn.

Adjourned at 4:50 with prayer by the Chairman, F. B. Hertzog.

ELEVENTH MEETING

Friday Morning, October 19, 1956

The meeting was opened with the singing of the hymn, "Something for Thee." E. W. Bean led in prayer. The Chair led the body in reading John 11:32-44 as a Scripture lesson, after which he impressively addressed the body encouraging increased faith that "we might see the glory of God."

The roll was called and the minutes of the Tenth Meeting were read and approved.

Resolved, That we grant the requests of David F. Gardner, George A. John and E. Willard Maurer to be excused from attendance at the Conference after this session.

Resolved, That we have an adjourned session of Annual Conference March 8 and 9, 1957, at Bethlehem. The agenda of this Conference shall include the consideration of the Government Committee report, and further

Resolved, That an offering be received in each church for the delegate.

Resolved, That the Allentown (Salem) congregation be permitted to elect a delegate to represent them in an advisory capacity at the adjourned session.

Resolved, That we have an evening meeting to begin at 6:30 and adjourn no later than 9:00 P. M.

Report of the Conference Treasurer: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee on Communications:

We, the Committee on Communications, beg leave to report that we have received word from Rev. E. J. Rutman, superannuated minister under the Local Conference at Harrisburg, Pa., in which he states that due to work he will not be able to attend this Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That we pray God's continued blessings upon him.

We have also received an aerogramme from Miss Olive Rawn, our missionary to Sudan, Africa, in which she wants us to know that she is standing by in prayer for this Conference and desires us to pray for the land of Sudan as she points adults and children to the Saviour, and also pray for her medical ministry to the sick through their dispensary; therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge our prayers for her and the work to which the Lord has called her.

Brother Merle Baer, our missionary who just returned from French West Africa, sends greetings and regrets he is unable to attend this Conference and wishes to express his appreciation for the support we have given him and his family; therefore,

Resolved, That we pray God's blessings upon Him and his future ministry.

F. M. Hottel,	E. E. Kublic,
A. G. Woodring,	Committee.

Resolved, That we proceed with elections.

Resolved, That the Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Directors annually, consisting of six ordained ministers who are members of the Annual Conference and willing to minister under the direction of the Annual Conference, and three laymen who are members of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania and are willing to serve under the direction of the Annual Conference. These laymen need not be members of the Annual Conference. The District Superintendents shall be members by virtue of their office.

Those elected to constitute the Board of Directors were: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, T. D. Gehret, Herbert W. Hartman, Jansen E. Hartman, Donald T. Kirkwood, Byron C. Cassel, Paul I. Wentz and Daniel K. Ziegler.

Resolved, That the District Superintendents and Home Mission Director be members of the Board of Home Missions by virtue of their office.

Those elected to the Board of Home Missions were: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, A. L. Seifert, William A. Heffner, Clayton E. Weber and S. A. Hackman.

Resolved, That we elect a General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

T. D. Gehret was elected.

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions comprise five ministers and four laymen. The District Superintendent and General Secretary shall be members of the Board by virtue of their office.

Board of Foreign Missions: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, T. D. Gehret, Walter H. Frank, J. E. Golla, James R. Cressman, Kermit Gehman, Rufus Spedden and Robert Breitegam.

Adjourned with prayer by Clayton E. Weber.

TWELFTH MEETING

Friday Afternoon, October 19, 1956

After singing a chorus John Dunn led in prayer.

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

Resolved, That we proceed with elections.

Board of Trustees of the Home:

Members for two years—F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, E. W. Bean, Herbert W. Hartman, Paul I. Wentz and H. L. Shelly.

Board of Education:

Members for three years—T. D. Gehret, Byron C. Cassel, Robert W. Gehret and R. Paul Schaeffer.

Board of Examiners: Paul E. Baer, Chairman; Donald T. Kirkwood, Secretary; Ernest B. Hartman.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint those who shall serve on the Board of Publication and Printing.

Board of Publications and Printing: N. H. Wolf, President; Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary; J. H. Riggall.

Committee Over the District Superintendents: T. D. Gehret, W. W. Hartman and R. H. Gehman.

Resolved, That the District Superintendents, one Pastor and two laymen from each District be members of the General Menno Youth Committee.

General Menno Youth Committee: Robert W. Smock, Paul I. Wentz, Jr., Donald Wieand, J. H. Riggall, Norman Zellers and James Beil.

Board of Trustees of the Laymen's Benevolent Society: Arthur W. Deppe, President; Allen S. Weiss, Secretary; A. L. Wentz, Treasurer.

Resolved, That all contributions received for the Laymen's Benevolent Society shall be paid by check or money order, made payable to A. L. Wentz, Treasurer, and forwarded to Allen S. Weiss, Secretary, 2318 Tilghman Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Committee Over Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits: E. W. Bean, R. H. Gehman, W. W. Hartman, David E. Thomann.

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Committee of two to compile a report of the Conference for the "Gospel Herald" Supplement and the Year Book. He appointed James G. Koch and John Dunn.

Resolved, That we elect a Committee of seven ministers and three laymen outside the Board of Directors, to study and formulate proposals for the revision of our Church government. All work of this Committee is to be cleared through the Board of Directors before being presented to the next Annual Conference.

Committee to Study our Church Government: Willard E. Cassel, J. H. Riggall, Walter H. Frank, William A. Heffner, R. C. Reichenbach, David E. Thomann, A. L. Seifert, James R. Cressman, A. L. Wentz and R. Spedden.

The Chair appointed William A. Heffner as temporary Chairman.

Report of the Editor of the M. B. In C. Supplement of the "Gospel Herald":

Four years ago the Annual Conference decided to ask the Gospel Worker Society of Cleveland, Ohio, whether they would consider printing a supplement in addition to the regular pages of the Gospel Herald, which would carry news of our Conference activities, and also of our local churches. In response to our request, the Gospel Worker Society graciously offered to print this supplement for us without making any extra charge.

As a result, the first issue of the Gospel Herald of March 1953 carried this special M. B. In C. supplement and has continued to do so.

The Board of Directors asked that C. Leslie Miller act as our circulation manager and that T. D. Gehret be the Editor. I have continued to serve in this capacity ever since.

The preparation of weekly editorials and copy has required considerable time. However, we have cause to believe that there was some blessing resulting from this effort. Our only wish is that there might be a more wholehearted support from our Pastors in forwarding material for the pages of the supplement. It would be helpful and very much appreciated if there were more reports from the Pastors, more original articles by them, news of church activities, also news concerning our Berean Bible School and the Home Missionary work.

On a number of occasions there was not sufficient material on hand to fill the four pages of the Supplement. This necessitated the filling in of these pages by the office Editor of the Gospel Herald at Cleveland.

We have tried to do our best in the task that has been committed to us. May we count upon our Pastors for a more whole-hearted support in the future in order that every issue of the M. B. In C. Gospel Herald will be filled with material supplied by ourselves?

T. D. Gehret, Editor

Report of R. C. Reichenbach, the Circulation Manager of the M. B. In C. Supplement of the "Gospel Herald":

I am glad to report that the M. B. In C. edition of the Gospel Herald is entering more homes of our constituency than at any previous time. At present we have 848 subscribers, 136 more than listed by the Union Gospel Press in October, 1955. I believe that this is the result of co-operative effort upon the part of our District Superintendents, Pastors and people and I trust that it will continue. Financially, I have turned over to the Board of Publication and Printing the sum of \$100.00.

The outlook for the year ahead depends upon the faith, vision and effort expended by each one of the Pastors. On January 1, 1957 the Gospel Herald will become a semi-monthly paper instead of a weekly. This may not be in our favor for increased circulation, but I trust that each of us will endeavor to do our part in acquiring new subscribers. Further, increased and constant effort on the part of each Pastor is needed to retain all of our subscribers.

I would suggest that once again we would set aside the month of February as Gospel Herald month, and that every pastor would seek to do his best in promoting our Church paper at that time as well as throughout the year. I further suggest that the \$3.00 rate for new subscribers remain in effect.

FINANCIAL

Balance in Treasury, Oct. 1, 1955-----	\$	6.24	
Received from subscriptions -----		1,940.38	\$1,946.62
Expenditures:			
To Union Gospel Press -----		\$1,769.49	
To Board of Publication and Printing -----		100.00	
Refund -----		6.00	
Printing -----		36.62	
Secretarial Expenses -----		29.23	
Balance -----		5.28	\$1,946.62

R. C. Reichenbach

Resolved, That we elect an Editor of the M. B. In C. Supplement of the "Gospel Herald."

David E. Thomann was elected.

He appointed as Associate Editors: William A. Heffner, Donald T. Kirkwood and James R. Cressman.

Circulation Manager of the "Gospel Herald": R. C. Reichenbach.

Chairman of the Next Annual Conference: F. B. Hertzog.

Vice Chairman of the Next Annual Conference: C. E. Kirkwood.

Secretary of the Next Annual Conference: N. H. Wolf.

Annual Conference Treasurer: Paul I. Wentz.

Resolved, That the Mizpah Grove Cafeteria be under the management of the Board of Directors.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned with prayer by Ernest B. Hartman.

THIRTEENTH MEETING

Friday Evening, October 19, 1956

The meeting opened with the singing of a chorus.

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

Report of the Committee on Resolutions:

1. Whereas, we the members of the 73rd Annual Conference of the M. B. In C. Church of Pa., have been favored with godly and able leadership in the persons of our District Superintendents, F. B. Hertzog and C. E. Kirkwood, throughout the past conference year and have listened with thanksgiving in our hearts to their reports, therefore

Resolved, That we thank God for them and pledge them our unanimous and prayerful cooperation and support during the coming year.

2. Whereas, our Home Mission Director, Jansen E. Hartman has submitted to this Conference an excellent oral and statistical report of the activities and progress of our Home Missionary Society reflecting the guidance of the Holy Spirit by the development of His Church, and

Whereas, the said Jansen E. Hartman has faithfully discharged his responsibilities associated with the presidency of the Berean Bible School, therefore

Resolved, That we thank the Lord for every investment our brother has made in the lives of our young men and women and pledge to him our support in every way, and pray that both our Home Mission Work and our Berean Bible School may attain to new horizons.

3. Whereas, our pastors have submitted reports that reveal a passion for souls and a ministry consecrated to their Lord, and

Whereas, the evident blessing of the Lord has accompanied these labors of love, therefore

Resolved, That we yield ourselves anew to the Lord of the Harvest for the coming year of ministry.

4. **Whereas,** the Lord has given to us a faithful and zealous constituency of members and friends, therefore

Resolved, That we thank God for the gifts of the Holy Spirit to the Church manifested in His people, and that we endeavor to be trustworthy servants to them for Jesus' sake and to feed the flock faithfully, and to inspire God's people to do exploits for Him.

5. **Whereas,** retired ministers G. F. Yost, E. E. Kublic, F. M. Hottel, A. G. Woodring and E. J. Rutman have been serving the Lord faithfully during the past year and have continued to be a blessing whenever they were called upon to minister, therefore

Resolved, That we give thanks to God for each of them and sincerely pray that they may prosper in health, spiritually and physically, for many days to come and continue to be used of God among us.

6. **Whereas,** Pastor William A. Heffner and members of the Bethlehem congregation have so abundantly provided for the temporal entertainment of the conference members, having served all meals in the church basement, therefore

Resolved, That we hereby express our gratitude for their most generous hospitality and delegate our Secretary to provide Pastor Heffner with a copy of this resolution to be read by him in next Sunday morning's service.

7. **Whereas,** the Union Gospel Press has very ably printed and published the M. B. In C. edition of the Gospel Herald, therefore

Resolved, That we pray God's continued blessing upon the publishers, and further

Resolved, That the Secretary of our Annual Conference send a copy of this resolution to them.

8. **Whereas,** the Rev. J. B. Henry, Associate General Secretary of the Africa Inland Mission, and the Rev. C. Leslie Miller, General Superintendent of the Union Gospel Press, have displayed their Christian concern for our work by their presence at this Annual Conference, therefore

Resolved, That we encourage them to continue in the fellowship of the gospel with us, and pray God's best upon their particular fields of endeavor for Him.

9. **Whereas,** the Christian Life Series of Sunday School literature published by the Union Gospel Press continues to be of high calibre and doctrinally true to God's Word, therefore

Resolved, That we pray God's continual sustenance and strength be given the personnel of the Press, and further

Resolved, That Mrs. E. T. Gehman be the recognized agent for these Sunday School supplies and other Union Gospel Press publications.

10. **Whereas,** the following brethren have served the Conference during the past year in an acceptable manner in their delegated responsibilities:

N. H. Wolf as Editor of the Year Book, Paul I. Wentz as Conference Treasurer, and J. E. Golla as Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, therefore

Resolved, That a gift of fifty (\$50.00) dollars be given each in appreciation, the first two to be taken from the Conference Fund, and the latter from the Foreign Mission Fund.

11. Whereas, we have received communications from Brother and Sister C. F. Snyder, retired Missionaries to China, in which they outlined their limited but active life in behalf of the missionary enterprise, also assuring us of their prayerful interest in this Annual Conference, therefore

Resolved, That we request our Conference Secretary to inform them of our appreciation for their interest and prayers, and that we shall continue to ask God's blessing to overshadow them, and further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to them.

12. Whereas, the Editor of the M. B. In C. supplement of the Gospel Herald, Pastor T. D. Gehret, has continued to serve acceptably and efficiently, therefore

Resolved, That one hundred (\$100.00) dollars be given to him from the Conference Fund as a token of our appreciation.

13. Whereas, District Superintendent Emeritus, H. B. Musselman, our faithful colleague in the ministry for many years, was called by his Lord to be with Him, therefore

Resolved, That a suitable Obituary shall appear in this issue of the Year Book.

14. Whereas, our esteemed co-worker in the ministry, G. F. Yost, has for physical reasons been unable to be present at this conference, therefore

Resolved, That we request his Pastor, Donald T. Kirkwood, to assure him that we missed his presence and that we shall continue to pray for him that the blessings of the Lord may be his portion, and further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to him by the Conference secretary.

15. Whereas, Brother E. J. Rutman, who labored for many years in the ministry of the Gospel, was unable to fellowship with us due to unavoidable circumstances and has sent an excuse relative to his absence, therefore

Resolved, That we pray God's continual blessing to be upon him and trust the Lord to give him many more years of service for Christ.

16. Whereas, we have received communications from Olive Rawn and Merle Baer, two of our representatives for Christ in the Regions Beyond, who have been very faithful in proclaiming the unsearchable riches of Christ, therefore

Resolved, That we covenant together to uphold them in prayer that God may pour out His fulness of blessing upon them in their portion of God's vineyard.

J. H. Riggall, William A. Heffner,
A. L. Seifert, Walter H. Frank, Committee.

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

We have examined the reports and accounts of the following: Local Conference Records, District Superintendents, Board of Directors, Board of Home Missions, Board of Publication and Printing, Board of the Home, Camp Meetings, First Division (Allentown), Second Division (Bethlehem), General Camp Meeting Committee, Conference Treasurer, Committee on Finance, Committee on Statistics, Ministers' Retirement Fund, Laymen's Benevolent Society, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Education, Gospel Herald Subscriptions, Beneficiary Funds, Annual Conference Fund, Camp Planning Committee, Camp Meeting Cafeteria Account, Menno Youth General Committee.

These accounts were all found to be in a satisfactory condition except a few minor errors which were corrected in conference with those concerned.

T. D. Gehret,	Clayton E. Weber,	Raymond L. Winfield,
Daniel K. Ziegler,	David F. Gardner,	William E. Miller,
R. Spedden,	E. Willard Maurer,	Edw. J. Dietzman,
R. S. Weidner,	Ralph D. Cole,	Committee.
Robert W. Gehret,	Clarence L. Kauffman,	

Resolved, That the assessment of 25c per member for the Moving Fund be increased to 50c this year.

Resolved, That a Board of seven members be elected, comprised of the two District Superintendents, two Pastors and three laymen, to govern and oversee the program of the Victory Valley Youth Camp.

Those elected were: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Walter H. Frank, William A. Heffner, Francis H. Gehman, Clayton E. Weber and Bryan B. Bray.

Resolved, That the board of Publication and Printing handle the funds relating to the publication of our Church paper.

Resolved, That a resolution to be effective must appear on the Minutes of the current year's proceedings, and further

Resolved, That a resolution must appear on the Minutes for at least three successive years before it can be placed in the Standing Rules of the Church, and further

Resolved, That these two resolutions be placed in the Standing Rules.

Resolved, That the Menno Youth newspaper, the Menno Youth Spotlight, continue if circumstances permit during the year 1956-1957.

The Menno Youth General Committee shall determine the nature of its organization and financial support.

Resolved, That we elect a Program and Promotion Committee to plan for a Conference-wide Sunday School Convention to convene on Saturday, June 8 next.

Resolved, That the District Superintendents shall be ex-officio members of this Committee.

The following were elected: Walter H. Frank, William A. Heffner, Jansen E. Hartman, J. E. Golla, James G. Koch, Norman Reed, James R. Cressman, Harlan Wolf and Glenn Rohrbach.

Resolved, That we print 1200 Year Books to be sold at fifty (50c) cents per copy. Checks shall be made payable and forwarded to N. H. Wolf, Secretary. The deficit shall be paid out of the Conference Fund.

Resolved, That the representation of Delegates to the Annual Conference be on the following basis: One delegate for the first two hundred members or fraction thereof and another delegate for each additional two hundred members. The first delegate elected by the Local Conference shall be a member of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

Resolved, That traveling expenses on official business be 8c per mile.

Resolved, That the Board of Directors be an Agenda Committee to receive all Local Conference petitions, the Secretary of the Local Conference be responsible to give a copy of the petitions to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference where the petition was passed.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to study Annual Conference procedure with a view to expedite business, said Committee to submit a report of its findings to the 1957 Annual Conference.

The Chairman appointed C. E. Kirkwood, T. D. Gehret and Willard E. Cassel to comprise said Committee.

Resolved, That at the last session of each Local Conference the members present vote by ballot as to whether or not they desire a change of their Pastor. The ballots shall be tabulated by the District Superintendent and the Delegate to the Annual Conference after the session adjourns, and the ballots shall be kept by the District Superintendent. The results of this vote shall be held in confidence by the District Superintendent and the Delegate.

Resolved, That the Discipline of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church as passed by the 1951 General Conference, and the present Annual Conference Rules be the Constitution of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania.

Resolved, That all needs for support of missionary work not under the jurisdiction of the Board of Home Missions be controlled by the Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That an offering be received for the District Superintendents' parsonages in a Sunday service by each Pastor and forwarded to C. E. Kirkwood, Secretary of the Board of Directors, no later than April 1, 1957. All checks should be made payable to the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pa.

Resolved, That the Director of Home Missions shall under all circumstances function in cooperation with the District Superintendents, and in all matters of importance act only by approval of the Board of Home Missions.

Resolved, That the next Annual Conference convene in the Bethel Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church, 526-30 North Eighth Street, Allentown, Pa., on Monday, October 14, 1957, at 1:00 P. M.

Resolved, That the following comprise a Committee on Program for the next Annual Conference: T. D. Gehret, David E. Thomann and Walter H. Frank.

Resolved, That a Committee of seven Ministers be elected to study the Articles of Faith for the new Discipline.

The following were elected: C. E. Kirkwood, T. D. Gehret, Jansen E. Hartman, F. B. Hertzog, Donald T. Kirkwood, Willard E. Cassel and A. L. Seifert.

Resolved, That two copies of the completed work of the Committee on Government be submitted to each Pastor by the Secretary of the Committee immediately upon completion.

Resolved, That the Home Mission Board be authorized to establish the status of Home Missionary appointments, and to decide upon questions as to their being incorporated into the Annual Conference.

The various Boards reported their organization as follows:

Board of Directors: F. B. Hertzog, President; T. D. Gehret, Vice President; C. E. Kirkwood, Secretary; Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer.

Board of Foreign Missions: Walter H. Frank, Chairman; T. D. Gehret, General Secretary.

Board of Home Missions: C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; A. L. Seifert, Secretary.

Board of Trustees of the Home: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary; Howard L. Shelly, Assistant Secretary; Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer.

Board of Publication and Printing: N. H. Wolf, Chairman; Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary.

Board of Examiners: Paul E. Baer, Chairman; Donald T. Kirkwood, Secretary.

Committee Over Camp Meeting Equipage and Tabernacle Outfits: E. W. Bean, Chairman; R. H. Gehman, Secretary.

Camp Site Committee: C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; William A. Heffner, Secretary; Walter H. Frank, Treasurer.

Beneficiary Society: N. H. Wolf, President; R. C. Reichenbach, Secretary; Paul E. Baer, Treasurer.

Resolved, That a two-day Ministerial Convention be held Thursday and Friday, March 28 and 29, 1957, at Berean Bible School, Allentown, Pa. Attendance shall be limited to ordained ministers, probationers and Home Mission workers.

Officers for the Ministerial Convention: William A. Heffner, Chairman; Earl M. Hosler, Secretary; Committee on Program: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, T. D. Gehret, Willard E. Cassel.

Resolved, That we hold two Camp Meetings in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., the first to be held by the Allentown District, June 29 to July 7, 1957, and the second to be held by the Bethlehem District, July 13 to 21, 1957.

Resolved, That Paradise, Millersville and Binghamton be included in the First District Camp Meeting and that Finesville, Roxborough and Trenton be included in the Second District Camp Meeting.

Resolved, That one (\$1.00) dollar registration fee per tent accompany each order, not refundable, and be turned over by the Registrar to each respective Camp Meeting Committee.

Resolved, That the rental of tents shall be six (\$6.00) dollars each per Camp Meeting in addition to the registration fee, to be paid to the Pastors before the Camp Meeting. The Pastors shall pay tent rents to the Officers of the respective Committee no later than Tuesday of the Camp involved, together with a list of the names and numbers of tents.

Resolved, That the Board of Directors arrange for the sale of literature, etc., at the Book Cottage during the Camp Meetings.

Resolved, That all tent orders, properly filled in and signed by the person placing the order, be sent to R. H. Gehman, Registrar, no later than June 1, using the order blanks provided for this purpose.

Resolved, That funds be raised for the Berean Bible School in the following ways:

1. Proclamation of a day as Berean Bible School Day in the Sunday Schools and Churches at which time offerings shall be received in the schools and churches for the purpose of promoting interest in and support of the school. Checks for these contributions shall be sent and made payable to A. L. Wentz, Treasurer, 816 N. St. Elmo Street, Allentown, Pa., no later than May 1.

2. A committee to be called "The Laymen Friends of Berean" shall be formed to promote the objectives and to assist in meeting the needs of Berean Bible School. This committee shall consist of one layman from each church who shall be appointed by his pastor with the approval of the respective District Superintendents. This appointment is to be made during Annual Conference, 1956. Each appointee shall be willing to serve on the Committee and to attend the first committee meeting to be held on Home Coming Day, November 3, 1956.

The committee shall organize with a chairman, secretary and seven vice chairmen. Each lay member of the Board of Education will serve as one of the seven vice chairmen. The vice chairmen shall head the regional subcommittees.

Shortly after Conference, the chairman shall meet with the vice chairmen to formulate a plan for raising \$25,000.00 for Berean Bible School and to arrange the program for the November 3rd meeting. Each of the vice chairmen, shortly after the November 3rd meeting, will hold regional meetings which shall be attended by the regional members of the committee and their pastors, at which time this plan will be presented to them.

Proclamation of Berean Bible School Day shall be made in each church to be held prior to May 1, 1957. On Berean Bible School Day offerings shall be received for the school in the Sunday School and church services. The laymen representatives of the churches shall be active in encouraging the contribution of funds from private sources in the areas that they represent.

3. A special offering shall be received at the Annual Menno Youth Rally at each Camp Meeting.

Report of the Committee to Organize for the Allentown District Camp Meeting: The Churches of the Allentown District and the Missions located at Millersville, Paradise and Binghamton shall comprise this Camp Meeting to be held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., June 29 to July 7, 1957. Officers: Walter H. Frank, Chairman; Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary; P. T. Stengele, Treasurer.

The District Superintendent shall secure extra help if he and the Committee deem it advisable.

F. B. Hertzog, Chairman,
Donald B. Schaeffer, Secretary.

Report of the Committee to Organize for the Bethlehem District Camp Meeting: The Churches of the Bethlehem District and the Missions located at Trenton, Finesville and Roxborough shall comprise this Camp Meeting to be held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 13 to 21, 1957. Officers: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; David E. Thomann, Secretary; W. W. Hartman, Treasurer.

The District Superintendent shall secure extra help if he and the Committee deem it advisable.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman,
John Dunn, Secretary.

Resolved, That we select by ballot a name for the new Youth Camp, such name to be chosen from those submitted by the Camp Site Committee.

The name chosen was "Victory Valley."

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 11:00 P. M., with prayer and benediction by the Chairman.

Signed:

F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent, Chairman,
C. E. Kirkwood, District Superintendent, Vice Chairman,
N. H. Wolf, Vice District Superintendent, Secretary,
Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer,
Jansen E. Hartman, Director of Home Missions,
Herbert W. Hartman, Vice District Superintendent, Assistant Secretary,
Paul E. Baer, Recording Secretary,

E. W. Bean,
Willard E. Cassel,
John Dunn,
Walter H. Frank,
R. H. Gehman,
T. D. Gehret,
J. E. Golla,
Ernest B. Hartman,
W. W. Hartman,
William A. Heffner,
W. F. Heffner,
W. B. Hottel,
Donald T. Kirkwood,
James G. Koch,
J. B. Layne,
R. C. Reichenbach,
J. H. Riggall,
A. L. Seifert,
Robert W. Smock,
P. T. Stengele,
David E. Thomann,
H. D. Yarrington,

J. B. Henry,
C. Leslie Miller,
F. M. Hottel,
E. E. Kublic,
A. G. Woodring,
Russell T. Allen,
Raymond E. Arnold,
LeRoy S. Heller,
Frank L. Herb, Jr.,
Earl M. Hosler,
Donald B. Schaeffer,
Carl C. Cassel,
Clarence L. Kauffman,
Francis H. Gehman,
Robert Breitegam,
William E. Miller,
George A. John,
Clair E. Bupp,
E. Willard Maurer,
Daniel K. Ziegler,
David F. Gardner,
R. S. Weidner,

S. A. Hackman,
A. W. Deppe,
Raymond Snyder,
Charles W. Weaver,
William P. Snyder,
Burton Deppe,
George R. Fish,
Herbert S. Weiland,
Byron C. Cassel,
George W. Krigor,
Allen F. LaRose,
R. Spedden,
George W. Butler,
Edward Judd,
Raymond L. Winfield,
Robert W. Gehret,
Harold A. Mann,
Clayton E. Weber,
Edw. J. Deitzman,
Frederick J. Wagner,
Ralph D. Cole,
Committee.

I.—DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**Allentown District**

As we come to the end of another busy Conference Year we humbly and gratefully acknowledge the goodness and faithfulness of God. We pause to thank Him for the privilege of walking with Him. We have come to know Him a little better and love Him more for what He is and means to us. During these twelve months He has favored us with health and strength and traveled with us over more than 25,000 miles of highway to meet all of our appointments.

Some one has said, "these are times that try men's souls," and it is quite obvious that God's children, and His servants in particular, are no exception to this. Conscious of this fact we have in our visits endeavored, in proportion to God's enabling, to move in the Spirit, to preach the Word in love, to encourage the brethren, to strengthen the things that remain, and to direct men's thoughts to Christ. God gave us the opportunity to rejoice with some that rejoiced and on occasion to weep with those that wept. We wish that we could have done more to help the brethren in the performance of their duties and in meeting their constantly increasing problems and burdens.

We are glad to say that another year has passed by in which God has spared each one of our active ministers. For this we are sincerely grateful to God. However, we report with regret, that this was a year of physical testing for some of them: brothers Earl M. Hosler, Herbert W. Hartman, and N. H. Wolf were hospitalized for surgery; brother P. T. Stengele suffered a heart attack which has for some time compelled him to curtail his activities; and several of the pastors' wives and some of their children were also numbered among the sick. God has by His grace sustained His tested children and most of them have sensed His touch and are today enjoying good health.

Our beloved brother, H. B. Musselman, District Superintendent Emeritus, after an illness of several months, departed this life on the eighteenth day of May at the age of eighty-eight years, three months and seven days. A memorial will appear elsewhere in the Year Book.

Construction on the beautiful new church at Reading has been completed and a Service of Dedication, with a capacity audience, was held just a few weeks ago. The new and larger building is greatly appreciated by the pastor and his people and will be a real asset to this growing work. The old church buildings have been sold to a sister church.

The congregation at Harrisburg has completed the paying of their indebtedness on their basement church and plans are now in the making for the building of the auditorium during 1957. The need for larger quarters is urgent.

A few other congregations have done some remodeling and made repairs to their properties. The buildings on the district are generally in good condition. We are happy, also, to note that the indebtedness on church property has been substantially reduced and in some instances totally liquidated,

Most of the churches on the district have organized according to the plan of government adopted at the last Annual Conference and in most cases are now operating smoothly.

Many of the brethren have conducted fruitful Evangelistic Services, Bible and Missionary Conferences, and Daily Vacation Bible Schools. The Word of God was faithfully and fearlessly proclaimed and God blessed it to the salvation of souls, many of these have followed the Lord in baptism and were added to the Church. The pastors are putting forth a real effort to help these converts to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Conference-wide endeavors, such as Camp Meetings, Ministerial Convention, Sunday School Convention, Sunday School Contest, Menno Youth Retreat, and Boys and Girls Camps conducted during the summer, were largely attended, owned of God, and made a source of enrichment to the entire Church.

We shall never cease to thank God for a Constituency that is devoted to the Lord and always willing to stand by His work. Their faithfulness and cooperation plus their generous and sacrificial giving has enabled the Church to move forward. We express our deepest gratitude and thanks to all of them.

We are happy to say that our Ministers are a separated, consecrated and godly group of men who are conscientiously applying themselves to the work to which God has called them, they are blessed of God and loved by the people they serve. The work is not easy, the encounters with the enemy are not a few, but we rejoice in the fact that God has given His Servants real victory through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

It has been a real privilege to meet and fellowship with our Ministers and their families throughout the year. They and their people have shown us nothing but love and kindness. We are greatly indebted to them for their constant prayers in our behalf, their patience and forbearance, and their help and cooperation. My earnest prayer is that God will enable each one of us to "OCCUPY TILL HE COME."

"Give me the love that leads the way,
The faith that nothing can dismay,
The hope no disappointments tire,
The passion that will burn like fire;
Let me not sink to be a clod:
Make me Thy fuel, Flame of God."

—Amy Carmichael

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance from last year -----	\$	8.44
Received from Annual Conference -----		4,080.00
		\$4,088.44

Expenditures

(a) Appropriations:			
Lancaster	-----	\$ 240.00	
Lebanon	-----	720.00	
Lehighton	-----	480.00	
Walnutport	-----	300.00	
Stroudsburg	-----	840.00	2,580.00
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(b) Miscellaneous:			
Donations to Churches	-----	\$ 115.00	
Special Appropriations	-----	1,210.00	
Special Contributions	-----	96.00	
Meals and Subscriptions for Brethren	-----	27.00	
Telephone	-----	29.69	
Miscellaneous	-----	30.75	1,508.44
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			\$4,088.44

F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent.

II.—DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**Bethlehem District**

"Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." II Cor. 7:1.

It is with deep gratitude to our God we present a brief review of the year's activities. We are thankful to our God who has watched over us and preserved us from all danger and harm as we traveled so many miles to fulfill our appointments. We are constantly reminded of those who uphold us daily before the throne of grace. The kindness and love showed us by the Pastors and Congregations make our visits a pleasure. They have welcomed us and shown a concern that delights the heart. Their gifts have been most liberal and we are humbled as we think of their kindness, concern and liberality to us.

We praise God for our Pastors, their wives and families. They lead the way in godliness of life, consecration for service and devotion to duty. These indeed are crucial days to be engaged in the work of the ministry. Never were the demands heavier, and oft times more unreasonable, upon men of God than they are today. The hour is soon coming when it will be well for Congregations to examine their expectations of the work of the ministry and bring it more in line with the Scriptures and thus enable the Men of God to give themselves more to prayer and the ministry of the Word. We are workers together in the great task of soul winning and the work of the Church. There are many of the members in our Congregations who are assuming new and more responsible duties.

God has honored the travail of our Pastors and members and many souls have been won since last Conference. Prayer Meeting interest and attendance is definitely on the rise. Special attention is being given to the work of

the Sunday School and there has been substantial growth in many of the Schools. Much time and money has been spent, and is about to be spent, to provide more adequate facilities for growing schools. In general, the attendance at all of the meetings are excellent. One great cause for alarm, prayer and much effort is the Sunday Evening meeting. It is our opinion this is a matter that concerns all of us and requires much intercessory prayer.

One of the high-points of the year occurred on Sunday, September 23, 1956. It was then our Emmanuel Church in West Philadelphia dedicated their new Church Building. This was a result of much toil, sacrifice and prayer. A beautiful brick edifice 36' by 60' was erected and is now being used by this Congregation. A lovely six room brick home was also purchased for a parsonage by this Class and is now being occupied by the Pastor. Quite a few of the Churches spent considerable money to remodel and re-decorate their buildings. Allentown, Salem completely refinished the interior of their building and also did quite a bit of work in their Basement. Chester redecorated the interior of their structure and covered the floors throughout the building. Fleetwood is now in the process of building a new parsonage. Philadelphia, Salem and Quakertown reduced their property indebtedness by substantial amounts. Philadelphia, Calvary has increased their Building fund by a good amount this year and the hour is drawing nearer when they shall erect a structure upon the basement in which they now worship.

The new type of Ministerial Convention held this past April was a definite help to our Pastors and the different type of Sunday School Convention held in the Spring was a source of much inspiration and instruction to our Sunday School workers. Many were the victories won at Mizpah Grove during the Camp Meetings. Those boys and girls that were privileged to attend the new Bible Camp were helped spiritually.

It is our prayer that God might continue to cleanse and purify His Church. It is only when the Church is cleansed and pure that she is ready to be an instrument of God for healing of spirit and mind and body. The Church pure is the Church powerful. Go back over her history and see how true this is. Numbers have no place in the economy of God, quality is everything. But the Church Spirit-filled is the Church pure. The only power equal to making a Church pure is that of the indwelling Spirit of God. Finally, the Church obedient is the Church Spirit-filled. In proportion as she is obedient to the light she has, she is filled not once and forever, but perpetually with the eternal inrush of the Blessed Holy Spirit of God.

There have been many occasions during the past year when we found we had exhausted our store of endurance and our strength had failed when the task was but half-done. It was on these occasions we learned the extent of our Father's full giving and fled to the rock that is higher than I.

"He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater,
He sendeth more strength when the labors increase.

To added affliction, He addeth His mercies;
To multiplied trials, His multiplied peace.

"When we have exhausted our store of endurance,
When our strength has failed ere the day is half done,

When we reach the end of our hoarded resources,
 Our Father's full giving is only begun.
 "His love has no limit, His grace has no measure,
 His power no boundary known unto men;
 For out of His infinite riches in Jesus
 He giveth, and giveth and giveth again."

Annie Johnson Flint

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance in Treasury from last year	\$ 5.00	
Received from Home Mission Treasurer.....	3,480.00	\$3,485.00

Expenses

(a) Appropriations:		
West Philadelphia	\$ 840.00	
Newark, New Jersey	600.00	
Staten Island, N. Y.	840.00	2,280.00
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(b) Miscellaneous:		
To Churches	\$ 369.00	
To Pastors	585.00	
Programs, literature, fares, etc.	229.44	1,183.44
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Balance in Treasury	\$ 21.56	
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		\$3,485.00

C. E. Kirkwood, D. S.

III.—REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION DIRECTOR TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE, OCT. 15, 1956, BETHLEHEM, PA.

The Apostle Paul set forth the processes of a spiritual harvest. "I have planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase." This process has been going on in the various fields of our Home Mission Department. We can report with joy that God has given an increase. A Spiritual harvest has been realized in the salvation of souls and fruit abounding to the account of the believers in all the appointments.

We wish to commend the brethren who have labored at the various appointments for a job well done. They have labored sacrificially, doing the work cheerfully as unto the Lord. The brethren have given evidence of the Holy Spirit's presence in their lives and ministry.

The Lord has given us strength to meet all of our appointments. We visited the fields 62 times and preached 69 sermons. Twenty-two promotion meetings were held in our churches in behalf of Home Missions. Other meet-

ings conducted totaled 55. Several field trips were made to survey communities with the view of opening new churches.

One of the outstanding features of the work was the Vacation Bible School program conducted in all the Home Mission Department Churches. Our initial objective was to obtain an enrollment of 500 boys and girls. The campaign proved to be a success with 640 enrolled and 100 decisions to receive Jesus Christ as Saviour were recorded. We had the assistance of Miss Pauline Beil and Richard J. Gehman for several of these campaigns.

Binghamton, New York

Norman F. Gordon was assigned pastor of the Binghamton appointment at the last Annual Conference. The church provides a definite ministry for the community. Release time classes were held in the church weekly with over a hundred children in attendance. The Vacation Bible School held this past summer had an enrollment of 150. There has been a marked increase in interest and attendance in all of the services.

During the past year a new roof was put on the church building and a used gas furnace installed. It is encouraging to observe the determination and devotion to the Lord this band of Christians manifest as they courageously maintain a testimony for our Lord Jesus Christ. God is honoring their faith.

Finesville, New Jersey

The work that God begins He always maintains. The grace of God was again manifested in the midst of the church in Finesville. A few of the families attending this church moved away but the Lord has brought in new people to fill in the ranks. Several evangelistic efforts put forth have borne fruit.

The brethren who have been designated by the congregation to assume the responsibility of the various departments of the church have served faithfully. Much work has been done on the interior of the church providing greater comfort and efficiency for the Sunday School.

Pastor Reynold D. Gardner has been in charge of the work assisted by associate-pastor Charles L. Mann, Jr.

Millersville, Pennsylvania

The God of salvation has revealed His power to save in the congregation of the church in Millersville. One can sense as he visits with this group the life of the Spirit of God. One of the evidences confirming this is the interest manifested in the salvation of souls. Other signs are their interest in the Word of God, prayer and in giving to the support of the pastor and Missionary enterprises.

During two weeks in the month of June a tent was erected in the church yard to accommodate a Vacation Bible School held for ten evenings. Besides providing graded classes for the children a class for adults was conducted with excellent results. The total enrollment for the school was 113.

Austin G. Shelly served as pastor during the past year.

Paradise, Pennsylvania

This is the third year a report is given for the work in Paradise. Although the work is small as far as numbers are concerned yet there is stability and balance to the church program. The influence of the church is increasing in the community with a growing Sunday School and an aggressive evangelistic program. Growth and development are in evidence. The future of the work is encouraging.

Carl C. Cassel has served as pastor during the past year.

Roxborough, Pennsylvania

The work in Roxborough is the oldest of the churches under the jurisdiction of the Home Mission Department. In spite of many handicaps the work has continued and not apart from the blessing of the Lord. A few new people have begun attending the services. Others have revealed by their steadfastness and faithfulness that the work done there is not in vain. Several special evangelistic efforts were put forth this past year to win the lost.

J. Barclay Harley served as pastor from the beginning of the year until August. Robert F. Johnson served with Pastor Harley as associate-pastor until August at which time he assumed the full responsibility of pastor. Brother Harley and his wife are missionary candidates who are planning shortly to take up their labors in South America.

Trenton, New Jersey

This has been a most fruitful year for the work in Trenton. During the past year 31 members were received into Church fellowship. The congregation was organized and officers were elected to assume the various responsibilities involved in carrying on the church program. Many more people have been reached in the community where the church is located. A Daily Vacation Bible School was held last summer with 180 enrolled. The Sunday School and other departments have likewise increased their efficiency in carrying out the ministry of the Word.

The class shows financial stability and maturity by the manner in which they assume responsibility for the financial obligations of the church.

The Pastor during this past year was Richard H. Kline.

FINANCIAL REPORT**Receipts**

Balance from last year	\$ 664.17
From Home Mission Board	14,000.00
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Total	\$14,664.17

Expenditures

Regular Appropriations	\$ 9,015.00
Special Appropriations	462.00

Fares and Meals -----	583.19
Maintenance and Repairs -----	838.98
Rent -----	183.92
Furnishings -----	268.80
Moving -----	491.66
Telephone and Postage -----	206.53
Taxes -----	119.79
Literature -----	200.25
Summer Evangelistic Work -----	836.22
Insurance -----	78.39
Promotion -----	398.55
Printing -----	23.15
Loan -----	125.00

Total -----	\$13,831.43
Balance in Treasury -----	832.74

	\$14,664.17

Jansen E. Hartman, Director.

IV.—REPORT OF THE STATIONING, BOUNDARY AND APPROPRIATING COMMITTEE

The Committee organized with F. B. Hertzog, Chairman, and C. E. Kirkwood, Secretary.

After considering the petition from the Local Conference at Staten Island, N. Y., it was

Resolved, That we commend the brethren at Staten Island for their effort during the past years and that we recommend that they continue in their good work and endeavor at some future time to attain the status of a station.

Consideration was given to the petition received from the Local Conference of the Allentown (Salem)-Coopersburg Circuit. Because of their earnest endeavor and great patience in waiting for the granting of this request, it was

Resolved, That the petition from the Local Conference of the Allentown (Salem)-Coopersburg Circuit be granted.

Consideration of the petition received from the Local Conference of the Fleetwood-Blandon circuit was lengthy, including consideration of the burden of the work of the growing Fleetwood congregation and Sunday School. The brethren at Fleetwood were commended for their consideration toward the brethren of the Blandon church. After conclusion of the discussion, it was

Resolved, That we note with appreciation the ambition for the work of the Lord of the brethren of the Blandon church as expressed in the petition received from the Fleetwood-Blandon Circuit. We encourage the brethren of the Blandon church to increase their offering for the pastor's support and

to plan for housing a future pastor. It is with regret that we feel unable to grant this petition at this time because of a lack of manpower.

The following appointments were made:

1. Allentown District

F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent

(a) Stations

Allentown (Bethel)—Walter H. Frank
 Reading—P. T. Stengele
 Sunbury—E. W. Bean
 Shamokin—R. C. Reichenbach
 York—James G. Koch
 Mount Carmel—Herbert W. Hartman
 Hatfield—A. L. Seifert
 Harrisburg—N. H. Wolf

(b) Circuits

Roycrsford and Spring City—Earl M. Hosler
 Graterford and Harleysville—Ernest B. Hartman
 Nazareth and Northampton—J. H. Riggall

(c) Missions

Lancaster—Frank L. Herb, Jr.
 Lebanon—W. F. Heffner
 Lehighton—J. B. Layne
 Walnutport—Raymond E. Arnold
 Stroudsburg—Donald B. Schaeffer

(d) Superannuated Ministers

F. M. Hottel, Allentown, Pa.
 E. E. Kublic, Walnutport, Pa.
 A. G. Woodring, Reading, Pa.
 E. J. Rutman, Harrisburg, Pa.

(e) Local Conference Licensed Workers

Licensed

Beil, James A., Northampton, Pa. -----	1954
Brosius, Bert N., Sunbury, Pa. -----	1952
Carlson, Paul, Allentown, Pa. -----	1954
Deppe, Donald, Northampton, Pa. -----	1951
Fritz, Harvey, Allentown, Pa. -----	1951
Johnson, Ronald L., Shamokin, Pa. -----	1955
Knauer, Donald, Reading, Pa. -----	1952
McIntyre, Robert E., Royersford, Pa. -----	1956
Neumoyer, Rufus, Allentown, Pa. -----	1952
Ruth, Richard, Allentown, Pa. -----	1954
Schaeffer, Richard, Allentown, Pa. -----	1951
Snyder, Clyde W., Hatfield, Pa. -----	1955
Weaber, Harold, Hatfield, Pa. -----	1954
Ziegler, Daniel G., Hatfield, Pa. -----	1955

2. Bethlehem District

C. E. Kirkwood, District Superintendent

(a) Stations

Bethlehem—William A. Heffner
 Philadelphia (Salem)—J. E. Golla
 Quakertown—Donald T. Kirkwood
 Easton—David E. Thomann
 Chester—Willard E. Cassel
 Scranton—Paul E. Baer
 Philadelphia (Calvary)—W. B. Hottel
 Terre Hill—Robert W. Smock
 Allentown (Salem)—R. H. Gehman
 Coopersburg—Carl C. Cassel

(b) Circuits

Emmaus, Macungie and Zionsville—W. W. Hartman
 Fleetwood and Blandon—T. D. Gehret

(c) Missions

Jersey City—Russell T. Allen
 Philadelphia (Emmanuel)—John Dunn
 Newark—LeRoy S. Heller
 Staten Island—H. D. Yarrington

(d) Superannuated Ministers

G. F. Yost, Coopersburg, Pa.

(e) Local Conference Licensed Workers**Licensed**

Dotts, Raymond, Quakertown, Pa.	1956
Gehman, Richard H., Allentown (Salem), Pa.	1956
Shelly, Harold P., Jr., Quakertown, Pa.	1956
Steitz, John D., Jersey City, N. J.	1952
Weiss, Norman, Philadelphia (Salem), Pa.	1954

Appropriations**1. Allentown District****Per Month**

Lancaster	\$ 15.00
Lebanon	60.00
Lehighton	60.00
Walnutport	25.00
Stroudsburg	85.00
To be used at the discretion of the District Superintendent*	1,500.00

2. Bethlehem District**Per Month**

Jersey City	\$ 60.00
Philadelphia (Emmanuel)	85.00
Newark	40.00
Staten Island	50.00
To be used at the discretion of the District Superintendent*	1,400.00

*For the 1956-1957 Conference Year.

The balance of the Home Mission offering is to be used at the discretion of the Home Mission Board.

3. Home Mission Department

Jansen E. Hartman, Home Mission Director

(a) Missions to be supplied

Trenton, N. J. (17 Keswick Avenue, Brae Burn Heights)

Philadelphia (Roxborough), 407 Green Lane

Binghamton, N. Y., 5 Rutherford Street

Paradise, Pa.

Finesville, N. J.

Millersville, Pa., 62 West Frederick Street

C. E. Kirkwood,

F. B. Hertzog,

Clarence L. Kauffman,

R. Spedden,

Edward Judd,

Robert Breitegam,

Paul I. Wentz,

R. S. Weidner,

E. Willard Maurer,

Clayton E. Weber,

William E. Miller,

George A. John,

David F. Gardner,

Harold A. Mann,

George W. Butler,

S. A. Hackman,

Allen F. LaRose,

Clair E. Bupp,

George W. Krigor,

A. W. Deppe,

Daniel K. Ziegler,

Herbert S. Wieand,

Robert W. Gehret,

Byron C. Cassel,

Committee.

V.—THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HOME AT CENTER VALLEY

It is with a deep consciousness of God's faithfulness that we are permitted to submit our fifty-first report to this august body. The picture before us is obviously not one of intriguing beauty as several unsolved problems have deterred us from launching the building program which has been one of our prayerful objectives. To commit ourselves to such a venture would involve a considerable liberalizing of our policy of providing for our own members. Before such a decision is made we want to be certain of divine guidance. Please continue to pray with us for direction from God.

The good hand of the Lord has been upon the endeavors of the Manager and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ritter, as well as their assistants Mrs. Warren Ritter, Mr. Victor Stauffer, who is partially incapacitated, and Ronald Stauffer. At present there are three guests in the Home and a few new applications have been received. The present guests are seemingly enjoying reasonably good health and we consider it a privilege to brighten the eventide of their lives.

The Manager should have more help on the farm but he has worked hard and long, conscientiously doing his best for the farm. Mr. Howard L. Shelly, a member of the Board, assists well in the business management of the farm. The inventory is a little above that of last year and the Holstein-Friesian herd is building up toward a future increase in income.

The Board wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation a substantial gift of fourteen head of cattle purchased at a cost of \$2,550.00 made by Mr. and Mrs. Paul I. Wentz, Sr., as well as a generous gift of much needed farm machinery purchased at a cost of \$1,500.00 by Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Wentz. The Conference is deeply indebted to such friends of the work and will appreciate the continued support and cooperation of the entire constituency.

INCOME**(a) Home Account**

Telephone -----	\$ 93.58	
Guests -----	1,568.84	
Sale of Furniture -----	48.87	
Dividends, Principal and Interest -----	482.07	
Received at Annual Conference, 1955 -----	1,562.46	
Gift -----	2,500.00	
Transferred from Savings Account -----	4,000.00	\$ 10,255.82

(b) Farm Account

Cattle -----	\$ 1,504.69	
Corn -----	28.42	
Hay -----	16.70	
Hogs -----	2,260.20	
Milk -----	9,141.37	
Potatoes -----	581.20	
Straw -----	4.30	
Poultry -----	5.25	
Refund on Bags -----	55.44	
Wheat -----	1,239.92	
Eggs -----	140.42	
Gasoline -----	115.41	
Labor -----	144.31	
Farm Bureau Dividend -----	8.95	
Hides -----	2.00	
Miscellaneous -----	92.26	
Scrap Iron -----	21.50	
Contribution -----	1,500.00	
Advance on working funds -----	4,500.00	21,362.34
Total -----		\$ 31,618.16

EXPENDITURES**(a) Home Account**

Furnishings -----	\$ 150.86	
Guests -----	227.57	
Building Repairs -----	310.08	
Coal -----	341.83	
Electric Current -----	102.46	
Fuel—Gas -----	129.24	
Medical -----	68.57	
Provisions -----	2,062.70	
Taxes and Insurance -----	119.21	
Wages -----	545.50	
Carfare and Telephone -----	210.19	
Social Security and Withholding Tax -----	61.30	
Miscellaneous -----	22.69	\$ 4,352.20

(b) Farm Account

Taxes and Insurance -----	\$ 1,444.82	
Advertising, Periodicals, Postage -----	11.19	
Auto Maintenance -----	225.89	
Binder Twine -----	106.00	
Livestock -----	2,567.25	
Building Repairs -----	1,309.02	
Artificial Breeding Services -----	35.00	
Straw -----	314.48	
Carfare and Meals -----	262.40	
Dairy Supplies -----	110.11	
Electric Current -----	210.43	
Feed -----	4,438.18	
Oats -----	397.04	
Hay -----	451.95	
Fertilizer -----	956.45	
Gasoline and Oils -----	663.96	
Implements -----	2,431.71	
Potatoes -----	83.60	
Registration, Transfers, CTA Dues -----	119.75	
Repairs—Implements -----	677.55	
Seeds and Plants -----	451.73	
Spraying Materials -----	117.24	
Veterinarian Services -----	203.75	
Social Security and Withholding Tax -----	90.16	
Wages -----	5,842.89	
Weighing -----	3.50	
Miscellaneous -----	120.71	
Return of working funds -----	4,500.00	
Balance -----	285.37	28,432.13
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Total -----		\$ 32,784.33

INVENTORY

September 19, 1956

(a) The Home

Property (The Home) -----		\$ 10,000.00
Miscellaneous:		
Furniture -----	\$ 1,100.00	
Canned Goods -----	185.70	
Provisions -----	298.66	
Coal -----	60.00	
Office Equipment -----	55.00	
Poultry -----	164.50	1,863.86
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Securities:		
Loan -----	\$ 100.00	
Investments -----	32,467.50	
Building -----	11,478.71	44,046.21
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Total for Home -----		\$ 55,910.07

(b) The Farm

Properties:

Farms, including Land at Home -----		\$ 37,000.00
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Equipment:

Farm Implements -----	\$ 8,194.00	
Dairy Equipment and Supplies -----	765.00	
Bottles, Caps and Crates -----	51.00	9,010.00

Livestock:

Holstein Friesian Cattle -----	\$ 17,805.00	
Swine -----	1,539.00	19,344.00

Produce:

Potatoes -----	\$ 500.00	
Ensilage -----	960.00	
Corn -----	3,210.00	
Hay -----	2,099.00	
Straw -----	400.00	
Feed -----	61.00	
Oats -----	910.00	
Wheat -----	120.00	
Barley -----	127.50	
Apples and Vegetables -----	25.00	8,412.50

Miscellaneous:

Firewood -----	\$ 20.00	
Oil and Gasoline -----	46.00	
Binder Twine -----	21.00	
Accounts Receivable -----	1,200.00	1,287.00
Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 27.64	27.64

Total for the Farm -----		75,081.14
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Total for the Home -----		55,910.07
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Grand Total -----		\$130,991.21
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T. D. Gehret, President,	F. B. Hertzog,	Ernest B. Hartman
Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary,	C. E. Kirkwood,	George W. Krigor,
H. L. Shelly, Asst. Secretary,	W. W. Hartman,	Timothy H. Gehman,
Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer,	E. W. Bean,	R. H. Gehman,
		Board.

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**VI.—FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

“So neither is he who planted anything, nor he who watered, but God alone, who is making the seed grow. Now, though he who plants and he who waters are one, each will receive his own reward, according to his own service. For we are God’s fellow workers, and you are God’s field, you are God’s building.” I Cor. 3:6-9.—Centenary.

The Board of Directors met frequently during the past year. Every effort has been made by the Board to conduct its business in the manner required of it by God. The Board met during the year with the Camp-Planning Committee and the Church Government Committee. Many hours were spent in discussion and seeking the mind of God in all of these important matters.

The members of the Board have been very faithful in their attendance. On only rare occasions was it necessary for a member to be absent from a meeting. There is unity among the members that is manifest in all its deliberations and decisions.

The Board gratefully acknowledges the following donations:

Liberal gifts to assist in the purchase of the Bible Camp property from Mr. A. L. Wentz, Francis H. Gehman, Kermit Gehman and Paul I. Wentz.

Donations of material and labor from Mr. Clayton E. Weber for the Bible Camp.

Donations of electrical work to Mizpah Grove and the Bible Camp by Mr. George W. Krigor.

Donation to the erection of the Shower Building at Mizpah Grove by Mr. Wm. H. Price.

Balances from the Sunday School Convention and Camp Meeting Committees.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Receipts

MIZPAH GROVE:

Lumber and Tent Rents:

Allentown Division Campmeeting -----	\$	980.00	
Bethlehem Division Campmeeting -----		829.50	\$ 1,809.50

Truck Fund:

Allentown Division Campmeeting -----	\$	100.00	
Bethlehem Division Campmeeting -----		100.00	200.00

Electric Current:

Allentown Division Campmeeting -----	\$	125.00	
Bethlehem Division Campmeeting -----		125.00	250.00

Balances:

Allentown Division Campmeeting -----	\$ 815.05	
Bethlehem Division Campmeeting -----	438.62	
Cafeteria Balance -----	1,257.89	2,511.56

Other Receipts:

Received from Shower Fund -----	\$ 50.00	
Hymn Books -----	501.30	
Restitution Payment -----	8.20	
Refund -----	2.49	
Fire Insurance Claim -----	410.06	
Sale of Tents -----	96.00	1,068.05

\$ 5,839.11

Board of Directors Receipts:

Special Interest, Berean -----	\$ 224.67
District Superintendents' Homes -----	18,981.93
Social Security and Taxes -----	773.14
Interest on Chester, Pa. Loan -----	15.00
Berean Contract -----	1,000.00
Loan for Bible Camp Capital -----	5,000.00
Refund of Cafeteria Capital -----	4,000.00
Sunday School Convention -----	336.63
Mortgage for Bible Camp -----	25,000.00
Special Gifts—Bible Camp -----	8,622.82
Received from Berean Bible School Bonds -----	4,650.00
Lancaster Mortgage Payments -----	1,050.72
Received from Berean Bible School Loan -----	4,500.00
Credit Special Donation -----	25.00
Truck Receipts -----	17.03
Received on Loan—Bible Camp -----	4,000.00

\$ 78,196.94

Expenditures

MIZPAH GROVE:

Telephone -----	\$ 161.06
Electric -----	419.69
Labor -----	1,097.75
Fire Insurance -----	299.64
Taxes -----	189.84
Water and Sewer -----	129.20
Lumber -----	331.58
Tree Services -----	126.50
Watchman -----	50.00
Tools and Equipment -----	104.19
Shower Building and Equipment -----	3,304.56
Gas and Service -----	76.15
Treating and Repairing Tents -----	239.56
Stones -----	105.15
Paint, Twine, Locks, etc. -----	76.96

Electrical Work	100.00	
Hymnals	398.29	
Roofing Paper	59.15	
Removal and Erection of Fence	72.60	\$ 7,341.87

Board of Directors Expenses:

Government Committee Expenses	\$ 458.99	
Cafeteria Working Capital	4,000.00	
Check Books	31.00	
Interest on Berean Contract	224.67	
Berean Bible School Contract	1,000.00	
Lancaster Mortgage Payments	2,101.44	
Safe Deposit Box	5.50	
Legal Fees	35.00	
Board Expenses	298.76	
Bible Camp Loan	5,000.00	
Paid Loan to Foreign Mission Board	8,000.00	
Payment of Loan for Bible Camp to F. M. B.	5,000.00	
Bible Camp Expenses	310.97	
Berean Bonds	4,650.00	
Bonds for Sigmund	4,500.00	
Workmen's Compensation	132.49	
Bible Camp Settlement	22,495.41	
Social Security and Withholding Tax	797.48	
Adding Machine Repairs	7.50	
Truck Repairs	68.81	\$ 59,118.02
Grand Total Expenses		\$ 66,459.89

Designated Funds

Civilian Public Service:

Balance October 3, 1955

	\$ 485.64	
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Balance October 8, 1956

	\$ 485.64	
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Dormitory Fund:

Balance October 3, 1955

	\$ 755.00	
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Balance October 8, 1956

	\$ 755.00	
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Moving Fund:

Balance October 3, 1955

	\$ 425.60	
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Received from Churches

	1,120.00	
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Special Donation

	17.50	\$ 1,563.10
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Disbursements:

Moving Pastors

	2,679.47	
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Deficit October 8, 1956

	\$ 1,116.37	
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Shower Fund:

Balance October 3, 1955

	\$ 50.00	
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Paid on Showers

	50.00	
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Truck Fund:

Deficit October 3, 1955		\$	417.64
Received from Camps	\$	200.00	
Expenditures			51.78
	\$	200.00	\$
Deficit: \$269.42			469.42

MINISTERS' RETIREMENT FUND**Receipts**

Cash Balance, October 3, 1955	\$	32,407.30	
Received from Pastors		1,642.75	
Received from Churches		3,986.21	
Dividends		900.00	
Principal on Property Investment		7,177.28	
Interest on Property Investment		712.00	\$
			46,825.54

Expenditures

Retirement Annuities	\$	6,064.00	
Property Investments		18,000.00	\$
			24,064.00
			\$
			22,761.54

Valuation of Investments

Purchase Price of Stocks & Bonds	\$	12,262.00	
Notes & Mortgages on Properties		29,853.91	\$
			42,115.91

Grand Total in Ministers' Retirement Fund

	\$	64,877.45
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STATEMENT OF SIGMUND BIBLE CAMP—October 15, 1956

Cost of Camp, equipment and furnishings	\$	24,381.66	
Settlement Costs, adjustment, etc.		363.75	
Insurance, Taxes, Refrigerator, etc.		310.97	\$
			25,056.38
Borrowed for Working Capital	\$	5,000.00	
Repaid on Working Capital		4,000.00	
			1,000.00
			\$
			26,056.38
Received from Friends toward Purchase Price	\$	9,620.25	
			\$
			16,436.13

Summary

Loan from Home Board	\$	25,000.00	
To be Applied (Gifts)		9,620.25	
			\$
			15,379.75
Balance Due Home Board	\$	15,379.75	
Balance Due on Working Capital and Miscellaneous		1,056.38	\$
			16,436.13

STATEMENT

Assets:

Cash Balance -----		\$ 23,000.49
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Investments:

Lancaster M. B. C. Church -----	\$ 6,470.80	
Chester M. B. C. Church -----	500.00	
Berean Bible School -----	45,350.00	
District Superintendents' Homes -----	27,244.87	
Bible Camp Property -----	25,000.00	
Berean Repairs -----	305.92	\$104,871.59
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		\$127,872.08

Liabilities:

Lancaster M. B. C. Church -----	\$ 6,470.80	
Loan from Foreign Mission Board -----	22,000.00	
Berean Bond Issue -----	45,350.00	
Loans for District Superintendents' Homes -----	27,244.87	
Loan for Bible Camp -----	25,000.00	\$126,065.67
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Board.

VII.—FOREIGN MISSIONS**The Seventy-second Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions, The Regions Beyond Fellowship, of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church of Pennsylvania, Inc., for the Year Ending September 30, 1956****Sacrifice In Spreading The Gospel**

The Acts of the Apostles records the progress of the Gospel from Jerusalem to Rome. It is a record of faith and fearlessness, devotion and defiance, blood and tears, witnessing and winning. They suffered willingly, surrounded by a devoted few, so that in the hostile world of that day, a world dominated by Satan and defiled by false religions, the Gospel might be preached and souls delivered from an eternal hell.

The world has little changed since then. Satan and false religions are still in bold evidence, and only through Jesus Christ and Him crucified can men be saved. Christian service still costs. It costs everything to be fruitful, to serve one's own generation effectively in the will of God.

Just what does it cost? Think of the Christians and their leaders in Southeast Asia today: In China and India and in almost all communistic controlled areas of the world. Unless they have a capacity for pain as well as for devotion and loyalty to Christ, how can they possibly maintain their Christian witness? The church at home: How can the pressure of the push of the spread of the Gospel unto the utmost part result in any less demand?

If the church at home is to share in any part of God's program of the spread of the Gospel before this age closes, it will be at great cost. This is where the divine burden and vision of the Holy Spirit begins. We must more readily be willing to enter into every parallel sacrifice if we are to experience His promise, "As his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff; they shall part alike." I Samuel 30:24.

Each member of the Board rejoices together in the fellowship of the furtherance of the Gospel. The Board met at stipulated times as well as in many sub-committee meetings to conduct the regular business, to counsel with our missionaries as well as with various candidates who are under consideration from time to time. The work of our Foreign Mission Department is becoming more involved each year. Under God we are learning to accept and to meet our responsibilities. Always there has been His enabling power for every command.

Financial Survey

The income from all sources this year continues to indicate a steady, growing interest. The total income from the churches was \$33,371.04 and from the Sunday Schools \$24,477.67. In addition to this amount, \$2,598.95 was received during the current year from the Union Gospel Press, interest, and various other sources, most of which was channeled through the churches. The missionaries itinerating through the churches during furlough this year received over \$4,000. The personal and supplemental support of our mis-

sionaries and their families amounted to \$51,055.50. For medical, hospital, and travel, \$3,540.60. For stations and equipment, \$2,050. Our total expenditures were \$59,226.61, which is an increase of \$12,804.40 over last year. The budget for next year will in all probability exceed \$65,000.

A very prayerful and thorough study was made regarding investing a larger portion of our cash balance. A short-term loan of \$5,000 at 3% interest was granted to the Bible Camp at Sigmund. We purchased Berean Bible School bonds amounting to \$7,537.50. Also a loan was made on Sigmund property for \$16,000, at 3% interest. The Board of Directors now holds \$22,000 for working capital.

During the year investigation was made regarding the advisability of the purchase or construction of a home suitable for the housing of our missionaries while home on furlough. To properly provide for our missionaries in this way has become an increasing problem.

New Missionaries

From the very outset of this year the Board has been actively engaged in search for missionaries that we could, under God, mutually agree upon and adopt into our missionary family. The names of a goodly number of candidates have come before the Candidate Committee as well as the entire Board. Several faith boards were contacted and a number of missionaries were personally interviewed in a careful search to determine the leadings of the Lord. We are happy to include in our report the addition of six new missionaries to our growing missionary family.

Dr. William F. Campbell is a first-term missionary who sailed with his wife and daughter last January to take charge of the hospital in Tangier, Morocco. The appointment of Dr. Campbell is unique in that he is the first medical doctor to be supported by our church. He labors under the North Africa Mission. Rev. and Mrs. Colin E. Tweddell, formerly of China, who were supported by us a few years ago, are now engaged in educational and evangelistic work in the Philippines under the China Inland Mission. We welcome these dear folks into our renewed fellowship. Mr. David Solt, the chief engineer of radio station TIFC of the Latin America Mission in Costa Rica, has been the most recent addition to the roster. He is a native of Allentown, where his wife and four children now reside, and is presently studying television electronics. The vision of the Latin America Mission is to develop into a television ministry in Latin America, where already there are fifty such television stations. The inclusion of Mr. Solt also gives us a wider scope of ministry in the spread of the Gospel. Mr. and Mrs. J. Barclay Harley and family at the printing of this report will have completed their tour throughout the churches and on December 29 will fly to Costa Rica to undertake their language studies. Their call is to Venezuela under the Orinoco River Mission. The Harleys are the first to fulfill the complete cycle of the regulations of our new Constitution. We especially praise the Lord of the Harvest when our own sons and daughters are thrust forth and obey the call.

ISRAEL

Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Griebenow—Jerusalem

Christian Missionary Alliance

The warning to "Watch" for the "Day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night" startles us with a fresh sense of the fact that it can be all too true that the day will come as a thief when we least expect it to be so, and we pray that we shall not be found sleeping.

Israel Builds On

In spite of new threats to her security during the past year—new arms to Egypt, the Suez Canal crisis, vigorous border attacks, refusals to meet in peace talks—Israel continues to build her new home for her new citizens and for a constant stream of immigrants mounting to several thousand a month. New land is now cultivated in the recently drained swamps of the Huleh Lake in the north, while much more water has begun to flow through larger pipes to the thirsty desert of the south land, the Negev. A score or more new villages and colonies have been built in various parts of the country and another new city between Lachish and Gath has taken shape beside the freshly laid railway tracks. On this new railroad, train service has opened from the north to Beersheba. Oil is being hauled by train and truck from the newly discovered deposit near Ascalon to the refineries at Haifa.

Our Duty and Commission

In the midst of all this our duty and commission calls us to maintain as clear and vigorous a witness for our Lord as is possible. We realize that this must be done by our consistent Christian living as well as by our word of testimony and by a constant distribution and teaching of His Word. Several thousand copies of the whole Bible in Hebrew and some other languages have gone out during the year and some ten thousand New Testaments in about sixteen languages have been given to those who have asked for them throughout the land. The new Hymnbook in Hebrew with the music staff is nearing completion, and we are praying God to supply the unexpected higher cost due to increased prices. In our home we have had the privilege of having quite a large number of friends for meals, for teas, and as overnight guests during which we live to let His Light shine through us to exalt our Messiah Redeemer. One recent guest (a young lad of 19 now serving in the army) has written a letter of appreciation in which he says the following, "It sure was nice staying with all of you, and I have enjoyed myself very much. You can't imagine how much I appreciate your kind, warm and hearty welcome. I have returned with a good feeling that we have both reached a better understanding between ourselves, a fact which means a step closer to peace in our world, which we pray and hope from God will be in the near future. I now realize that we all can live together with continual faith in God, and our mutual hopes and requests will be accomplished . . . You have so impressed me that I now think differently about Christians and I believe that a good Christian is and should be a fine man. Thus I pray and hope that with God's help, enmity between all peoples and nations will gradually be abolished, so that we all can live in a better world and have more faith in HIM. I believe

that sooner or later the Prophet Isaiah's prophecy will be fulfilled, chapter 2:4, 5. I sincerely believe and hope that we will have many more opportunities in meeting you in the future."

Public Services Held

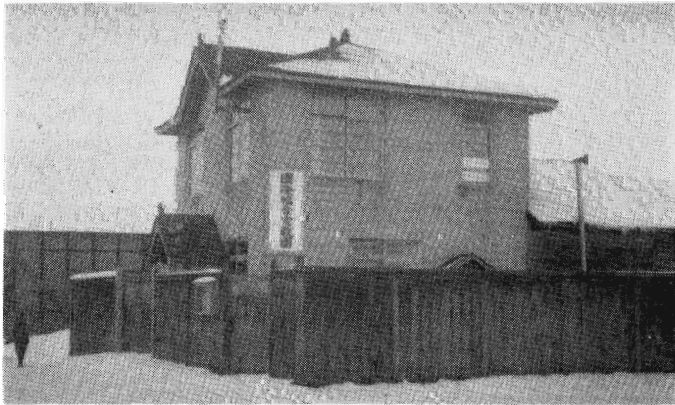
Every Sunday at 11 a. m. a worship service has been held and the Lord's supper served at each first Sunday of the month. An Evangelistic Service was also held each Sunday at 7:30 p. m. in cooperation with several other groups in the city. We meet at that time in the Lecture Hall of the YMCA.

It is very appropriate that this report is written today in Israel as it is the last day of the Jewish Calendar year of 5716. Tomorrow is "Roshashana" or New Year's Day—or rather it actually begins as all Jewish holidays do, with sundown tonight and continues until tomorrow at sundown. Tomorrow we begin the 5717th year since Creation. There is another Jewish Calendar which begins with Passover. The greeting these days is "Shona Tova" meaning "Happy New Year."

JAPAN

Miss Margaret Maass—Tokyo, Japan
Overseas Missionary Fellowship

Since last October we opened a new station in a town of 25,000 in northern Japan, where there had been no Gospel witness before. We started by having public meetings in the town hall. When my fellow worker joined



Courtesy—Margaret Maass

OUR HOUSE IN ITAYANAGI — WINTER TIME

me in November, we divided this group of about fifty inquirers so that now we have a Sunday morning service which those who do not work or have household duties attend, a Sunday evening meeting for prayer and Bible study for Christians, a Wednesday evening meeting for adult inquirers, a meeting once every two weeks, usually on Friday evening, for new contacts, and two Bible classes on Saturday afternoons—one for junior high and one for senior high students. We have not started a Sunday School as I believe that should be run and taught by local Christians who have been trained by

the missionary. Praise the Lord for two such who have offered to teach recently. We trust it will not be long before we will have a Sunday School. The Lord gave us fifteen souls in the nine months of preparing the ground for the harvest in this virgin area, and when we finally had the harvest during our recent tent campaign, the Lord gave us fifty-five more souls. We have had only one baptism, however, because they need more teaching in order to fully appreciate its meaning and because we will not baptize any who are not separated from idolatry.



Courtesy—Margaret Maass

MEETING ON CHRISTMAS EVE

We praise the Lord for the opportunity and privilege of multiplying the outreach for souls through the writing of a D.V.B.S. course for the Japan Sunday School Union—the only interdenominational, fundamental Sunday School publishing house in Japan.

Rev. and Mrs. Hubert Fisher—Aomori City, Japan

Overseas Missionary Fellowship

During the winter my wife and I had nine young people with us studying the language. They had just come to Japan and so could not speak Japanese. Nevertheless, during their free time from language study and in spite of knowing very little Japanese, they won a number of souls to the Lord. They all eagerly engaged in tract distribution, Sunday School work, tent work, open-air work, etc. After thoroughly tracting a nearby town with the help of our language teacher, they held their first meeting, to which 110 people came. Later open-air meetings were held there. We helped in six tent campaigns this spring and summer, at which there were good opportunities. For example, Dr. Suguki dropped into one of our tent meetings and was at once engaged in conversation by one of our boys. He responded to an invitation to visit us. Our students took him to meetings a number of times, and in the end he received Christ and has now applied for baptism.

Three others have recently been baptized in addition to those won in tent work.



Courtesy—Rev. Hubert Fisher
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS LANGUAGE SCHOOL, AOMORI, JAPAN

Two weeks ago a young woman, having received a tract with my name and address written on it, wrote me and unburdened her heart to me. Since then she has received Christ, attends meetings regularly, and is taking a Bible correspondence course.



These two women are tent campaign converts. They are now suffering persecution for not worshipping idols.
Courtesy—Rev. Hubert Fisher

The language students are all out in stations now, but we are expecting another group this winter.

GERMANY

Miss Betty Doverspike—Wiesbaden

Bible Club Movement

How I praise the Lord for all that He has done this past year. Even since I returned to Germany in November, He has been doing a "new work." There have been lasting results of our first camp in the new year (January) with our older girls. Ursula (age 17) who was wonderfully transformed is growing so much in the Lord and has already been such a testimony to many others. In February, I started a Bible Club for the "very needy" children on my street. It has grown so rapidly, we now have two groups. Several have accepted the Lord as their Saviour. Pray especially for Heidi, Jutta, Marianne, Herbert, Helmut, and Waltraut.



Courtesy—Betty Doverspike

TAKEN AT OUR SWISS CAMP IN AUGUST, 1956

These are the German girls who went with me. There were 45 children there altogether.

The Lord wonderfully blessed and gave much wisdom for the first camp which I have directed alone, held in May in the West Woods. Our theme was "Growing in Christ." At the end of the camp, four girls and one boy had accepted Christ, and the other children had surely grown in Christ.

As the German children have school all year round (except for five weeks in the summer and winter), we had Bible clubs until July. We had a wonderful opportunity to teach juniors in the American V.B.S. (Also, I teach American children each Sunday morning.) Immediately after this, I went to Switzerland with seven of our older German girls to help in the Swiss camp. This was such a treat for the girls, and for me, too! Often as I taught, I thought of the first time I was there in 1952 and couldn't say or understand anything. We are still rejoicing over the many children who accepted Christ and those who gave their whole life to Him and for His service. (Two of our girls felt the call to be missionaries!)



Courtesy—Betty Doverspike

CAMP HELD IN THE WEST WOODS, MAY, 1956

When we returned from Switzerland, the Lord had another token of His love waiting for us. He gave us a car (German Opel-Rekord) for the Bible Club work here in Germany. It has already proven such a help and blessing in the work that I'm often wondering how I did without one! In April He wonderfully supplied the need through Bethel Bible School students for a much needed mimeographing machine, and now in August a car. I want to thank each of you who through the years have sent in the gifts that made this purchase possible. My heart is so filled with praise, for indeed, "Great is His faithfulness."

Miss Edna Pridham—Nigeria, Africa

United Missionary Society

The lovely blue and silver Speedbird took off from Lagos January 24. I was suddenly transplanted from our jungle world of waving palm trees, monkeys, quaint mud huts, and great tropical heat to this very different world with icy cold weather, wonderful cars, super highways, markets, and modern buildings.

And now as I write, furlough time is almost over. It has been an enjoyable time of spiritual refreshment and wonderful fellowship with kind Christian friends and loved ones. My heart is full of praise to the Lord for the satisfactory restoration of my broken elbow, as a result of the daily physio-therapy treatments taken for three months after my arrival home. Thank you everyone for upholding me in prayer during that time.

These past six months we have been in "journeyings off" as we have answered calls to speak to various groups in the different churches and camps. It has been a delight and joy to tell of the power of the Gospel to transform heathen hearts, as well as of the progress of the African Church, and to give an account of our stewardship to those who have made our work



E. Pridham with one of the babies recently born at the Dispensary.

possible. My soul has often been thrilled and refreshed as we saw evidences of increased vision and interest in foreign missions. It has also been inspiring to see many respond to an appeal for full consecration in various services.

Reports from the field are most encouraging. Pastors of the Yoruba Conference met at Share recently for a retreat which proved to be a time of spiritual blessing. Letters from the Yoruba Bible School students tell of the blessing of the Lord and the salvation of souls in their visitation and weekend team trips. Missionaries write of revival at our Hospital station with over one hundred converts in just a few days. One wrote, "This is something I had hoped to see ever since the beginning of the hospital, but scarcely had faith to believe for it." These are days of challenge in the midst of changing conditions in Nigeria. They are also days when faith and hope are being brought into fruition.

We anticipate returning to the field early in January. We count on your continued prayers and gratefully acknowledge your gifts and support in the past.



Courtesy—Edna Pridham

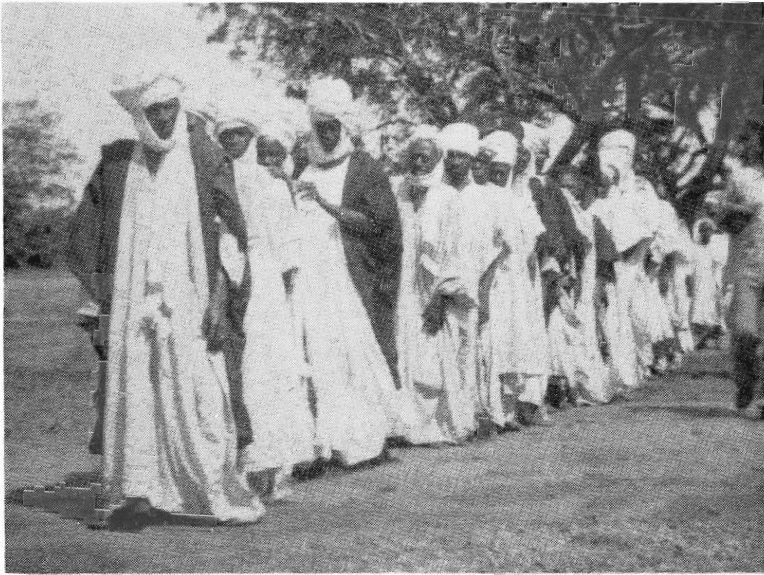
PASTORS OF THE SHARE DISTRICT

Miss Luella Reinhart—Nigeria, W. Africa
United Missionary Society

This year I am delighted to give a report of victory. The area in Nupe Land that has been a burden on our hearts and for which you people also have been praying has now become a source of encouragement, rejoicing our hearts.

One Sunday morning five carloads of missionaries and Africans (two of the five were actually truckloads) left the Share compound making a grand procession to a remote village, buzzing with anticipation of and preparation for our arrival. The event to which we were going was the Dedicatory service to be held at our newest Nupe Outstation. I mentioned this event being a demonstration of victory. Several years ago we were made aware of the fact that the people in this village were eager to have us help them. A pastor was stationed at Share temporarily in order that he might be able to commute back and forth to this village. Then the young men expressed their determination to have a school and a teacher who would be able to spend full time with them. Before long they were faced with strong opposition. The chief and the pastor were called before a judicial group. In that meeting the chief stood his ground. He stood before his superiors with a courage and boldness that amazed them, pleading for his people. He won the day.

This critical situation was backed by much prayer so that this victory was indeed the Lord's.



Courtesy—Luella Reinhart

The Chief of the Nupe Village Leading His Men

Soon after we arrived at our village that morning, the five missionary gentlemen went to salute the chief. In a short time they and the chief with his followers arrived at the church. The Dedicatory service was held outside the church. The pastor divided the people into two groups: the villagers and the guests from out of town. Nathaniel Jiya, the Superintendent of our Nupe conference, with great dignity and solemnity walked between these two groups and paused outside the open door of the new church. There he prayed the Dedicatory prayer. The congregation then filed in in such an orderly manner that we were amazed. The presence of the Lord was there from the beginning to the end. Before the service began there were ten rules given which were to be observed in the church service from that time forward. One of the rules was: "Thou shalt not eat kola nuts in church." The church was packed that day. But a few weeks later when the Field Superintendent visited the church, it was just as packed and half the congregation was not visitors from other places. The pastor's wife is doing an effective work among the young women.

This village is a bright light shining in that small portion of Dark Africa. Its beams are shining out, attracting attention of the villages round about. It seemingly has the Lord's significant blessing. The chiefs of the surrounding villages are awakening to the fact that they are losing out by clinging so stubbornly to their own way of living. At the moment they are only aware of advancement. Let's hold on in prayer until they see miracles wrought by the Gospel influence.

Miss Olive Rawn—Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
Africa Inland Mission

As I think of this year the Lord has given me to serve in Sudan, I can only rejoice in Him for all things and the many blessings He has showered upon me. Psalm 50:15, "And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." In everything I wish to exalt and glorify the Lord. He hath done great things for us whereof we are glad.



Courtesy—Olive Rawn

OUT-PATIENT DISPENSARY

Last year you heard I left because of the disturbances in Sudan. We were out of Sudan just one month and have been back without any difficulties. We in the Equatoria province are still under some restrictions because not all of the mutineers have surrendered, but as to us personally, we have no fear of danger, since we have not been molested at all. The Southern Sudanese still do not want the Northern Sudanese ruling them, but thus far can do nothing about it. The land is now independent and we have our own Sudanese flag flying on the station every day. The schools were not allowed to open as one of the restrictions, but this past month, July, we again have the schools in session.

I said last year that I trust this might be His time of building up His church in Sudan. Do keep praying to this end. Some of our areas have had some better response for a time, but on the whole we do not see the masses coming to the house of the Lord. Pray that we might see many changed lives because of the Power of the Gospel.

This year has also brought about a change in working, for I'm in the Dispensary Building, and how much nicer than being outside all the time! You'll see in the picture our building just as we began in April. I have four huts for in-patients, and they are full most of the time. This week we have again had some new pneumonia cases. Dr. Reitsma and family have re-



Courtesy—Olive Rawn

IN-PATIENT DISPENSARY

turned from furlough, and it surely is good to know I have him to consult with again.

Our station has not been built up completely as yet, with the building of mud buildings only. My medical unit is about a half mile away from my living quarters, and since I've moved the work down here I've gotten a bit thinner. Now I have a bicycle to use and wonder if it will help to keep me there.

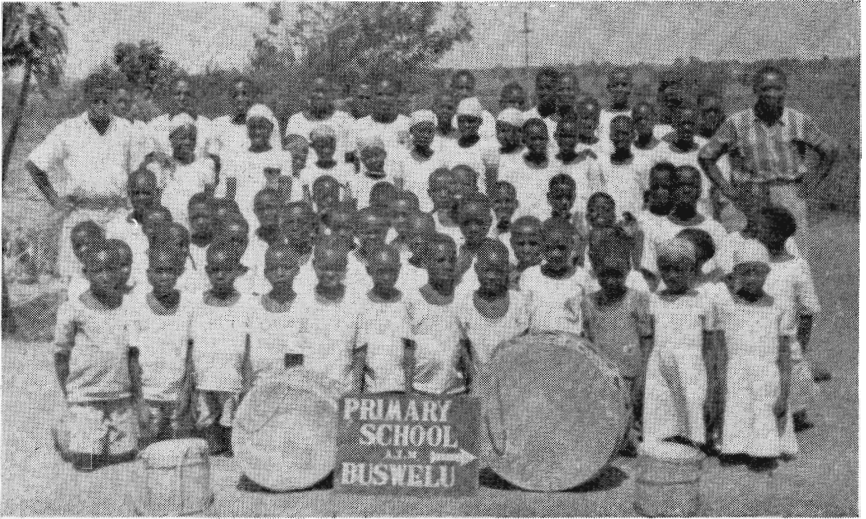
The Gospel recordings for our tribal languages have come, and what a help they are. Keep praying for them to be made a great blessing in helping many to understand the way of salvation aright.

Praise the Lord for all His blessings, and may we stand together anew and see greater things in this coming year.

Miss Sylvia Miller—Tanganyika, East Africa

Africa Inland Mission

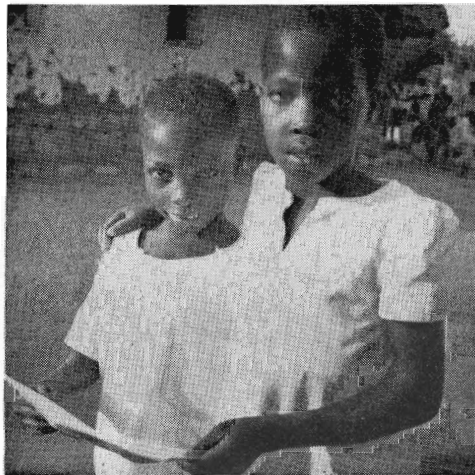
The past year has been another year in which we have seen the faithfulness of our God. My heart has been encouraged to see prayer answered in so many ways. Many of you have prayer with me for a working of the Spirit in the hearts of our teachers—God has answered prayer. In one of our Middle Schools one teacher had a "clouded testimony," but through prayer and the spiritual help given him by a fellow teacher, he was brought through to a real deliverance. He gave his testimony before the student body and as a result, some of the students were brought under deep conviction and have come through to the Lord Jesus. In another school a teacher refused to teach the Bible but was deeply convicted and repented openly of this sin, and his life has been transformed. Now he is bearing precious fruit



Courtesy—Sylvia Miller

SCHOOL CHILDREN IN ONE OF THE A. I. M. MISSION SCHOOLS

for the Lord Jesus. In another government school where there has been no daily testimony for years, we now have a very fine Christian teacher who teaches the Bible period each day. In many schools as I travel from place to place, government teachers have allowed me to teach all the children in



Courtesy—Sylvia Miller

Two African children from a government school in Tanganyika

the school. So Catholics, Mohammedans, and Protestants have heard the one true way of life in the Lord Jesus Christ. Doesn't your heart thrill, and isn't your heart encouraged with these answers to prayer?

God has answered prayer in giving me a car that has made the way much easier and has enabled me to spend many weeks at a time out in the schools. Because the car has a closed back, my sleeping quarters have been provided. The Lord knows what we have need of.

One of our missionaries from our Katungulu station is home on furlough, and so I have added to my work one more area. I am now working in our Butundwe, Usambiro, Kahunda, and Katungulu districts. Many boys and girls are putting their trust in Jesus Christ, and we are praying that from these children Christian leaders for the Church of Jesus Christ will be called out in years to come.

My deepest thanks to many of you who have given yourselves to prayer for the work here. Many of you have given that I might have the car. Others have worked so hard and faithfully on preparing teachers' materials for use in the schools here and have also sent many lovely pictures which are being used as awards for Bible memory work. Let us continue on in His work, for I believe that "The night is far spent, the day is at hand," Romans 13:12; and "The night cometh, when no man can work," John 9:4.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Baker—Tanganyika, East Africa
Africa Inland Mission

Since we have taken up our assignment at this station and district of Kijima, we have been busier than ever before in our missionary career. Every day calls come in from our outstations, all of which we find physically impossible to attend to. I wish to give a few statistics relative to this work so that you can see the immensity of it, and only **one male worker** to supervise it. At the moment I am endeavoring to rebuild a three-room school which fell down during year, and am starting to build a new school in another place. This means two three-room dwellings also, for the African Christian teachers. Then another place is waiting for me to come and build their school, which also fell down during the heavy rains. Many other places are able to go ahead themselves without my presence, for which I praise the Lord. The leadership in some localities is good, but in others not so good. All in all, sixteen schools are in various stages of being completed, some of which will not be altogether completed for two more years.

In addition to schools, we have upwards of 100 outchurches, only a few of which I have been able to visit thus far. Many of these outchurches have over a hundred believers in attendance. The more I get to see the vastness of this work, the more I have to lean on my Lord. He is sufficient for all our needs. Nevertheless we feel the pressure of the work. We have four pastoral districts, and the work is so organized that each pastorate is going on in the work of the Lord. Once every two months the pastors (African) and delegates from each district meet to discuss and coordinate the work as a whole. Much is left to be desired, but our African brethren are taking hold of the reins of the church, for we leave it to the Holy Spirit to teach and instruct them in the way which they should go. Rarely do I have to sit in on the affairs of the mission station church. The pastor and elders are quite capable in carrying on. This is a true indigenous church.

Recently I took eight days out of my busy building work to evangelize and encourage believers in some remote parts of our land. Over 200 professed salvation, and several returned to the Lord, confessing their sins. We traveled by car and trailer with two African evangelists, and ate at the homes of other evangelists as we went along.

Upon returning to the field, Mrs. Baker had been assigned to the language committee. After finishing the typing of the Old Testament books, she revised several manuscripts already on hand. She recently completed cutting stencils of flannelgraph figures to be mimeographed and used throughout our registered schools in Kenya and Tanganyika.

We rejoice to know that Rusty, our son, may soon join us here in Tanganyika. He has a good bit of his funds for coming out, and is waiting for the Lord to raise up his support while on the field. Also Joyce, our girl at the Philadelphia Bible Institute, and her fiance are making application for Tanganyika. He is interested in boat work among the islands of the lake, and she in literature work. Rusty comes as a general missionary, many of which are needed. In this year and 1957 almost half of our missionary personnel are due for furlough. Pray with us for the Lord's enabling and the supply of needed workers.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Chaponniere—Belgian Congo, Africa

Africa Inland Mission

Delays and difficulties in getting the necessary papers for visa application as well as the loss of my re-entry permit by the American consulate



THE FAMILY OF REV. AND MRS. PAUL CHAPONNIERE

seem all to have been allowed by the Lord. Our plans were to return home on furlough in January. Our mission has asked that we might consider

helping in the literature work at Kikwit for a number of months before returning home.

We are still rejoicing in the Lord for the week of vacation we had with our children swimming at Lake Kivu, a beautiful countryside resembling Switzerland in many ways except for the snow. In general we have good health, and already Paulette must return to school at Rethi. Our Monitor school has started this year, September 1, with five classes and an enrollment of 100. Soon a new lady missionary teacher will be arriving to help us. Mr. Windsor, who was on this station when I arrived in 1953, has gone to Belgium and expects to be here by December to replace me.

Our new school building has six classrooms, one auditorium, professors' rooms, storage rooms, and is very fine. Since May we have 1,000 square meters already on the roof. Mr. Dicks, our missionary builder, does a very fine job and builds very rapidly. The government granted us \$20,000, but this amount will not be sufficient to complete it. Its construction is of burner bricks and cement mortar, with a galvanized roof. We will be so thankful when it is completed.

During the daily religious classes, I taught personal evangelism. Their assignment from Easter till June was to reach out among their own folks and witness to them. There were a few encouraging reports of several saved and some strengthened in the Lord. Many have been helped also in the medical ministry of Theresa and her helpers.

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Ryan—Nigeria
Christian Missionary Alliance

Although our furlough had been past due, we promised Conference to stay on for another six months until someone could come to take our place.



Mrs. C. C. Ryan out on visitation work

Ordinarily we would have stayed for a full year, but Mrs. Ryan suffered an infection that threatened to cause us to return sooner. However, one month later Mrs. Ryan was again attacked with infectious rheumatoid arthritis and was practically helpless. We flew home immediately. The Christian Missionary Alliance Board has given notice that retreat for us has been postponed for another year that we might give ourselves to deputation work in our eastern district. Meanwhile we are finding more time for prayer. We shall hope never to retire from that particular ministry. His work goes forward, and through native men whom we have helped to train, the church will be prepared for His return.



Courtesy—Rev. C. C. Ryan

AT THE INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR PIERRE, PASTOR AT KANKAN

Now with over a year in the States, Mrs. Ryan is vastly improved and has taken some speaking engagements. We had left our two daughters on the field and were praising the Lord that though we were facing retirement, yet we were still having a part in the harvest through them. However, in December 1955 Alice, the elder, an R.N., was released three months before her furlough was due in order to accompany her sister, Mrs. Howard Emary,

and two daughters to the homeland after she had sustained a very serious operation for an intestinal tumor which was found to be malignant. She had gained twelve pounds and was weighing 100 pounds when she reached home the 19th of December but quietly slipped away to be with the Lord the 17th of March this year. Much prayer had gone up in her behalf and her promotion came with a very keen sense that He had done all things well even as He had promised. Howard Emary, her husband, returned to the field in July leaving the two little ones here in the homeland.

May the Lord continue His blessing upon the work of missions the world around. We believe that time is running out and soon "He that shall come will come and will not tarry."

Mr. and Mrs. Merle E. Baer—Kankan, French West Africa
Christian Missionary Alliance

Once again it is a pleasure to report of the Lord's goodness in giving us good health and in providing His never-ending protection from physical harm. We were well aware of this as we came home to begin our furlough. Some of our best friends, returning around the same time from the field, had serious sickness. Because of His grace, we were spared a similar circumstance, and we praise Him for it.

Our last year on the field might be termed a clean-up year, for it amounted to that as far as the completion of projects was concerned. Before we left the Printing Department, we felt obligated to repair things as well as possible, which included some wiring and the repairing of motors and machines. We are grateful that, all during our first term on the field, no part broke on any of the machines which held up production to any extent. We realized the hand of the Lord in this, in view of the great distance to any supply house.

We turned the work over to our replacement, a young lady, on July 1. She previously spent a year on the field in 1949, but was forced to return home due to ill health. She returned to French West Africa last March, and worked with us until the time of our furlough.

After our arrival in the States on July 28, we had exactly one month for Marj to prepare for her final year of nursing. Since returning to Cleveland late in August, she has been enjoying her work and making new and old acquaintances.

Pray that the Lord will bless us in our ministries—we are now more than ever aware of our responsibilities as Christians to reach the world with the Gospel. Many are the means—but there is only one message, and may we all continue to work together to preach Christ to the lost.

Rev. and Mrs. Fred Whale—Nigeria, French West Africa
Boys' Brigade

The verse that comes to mind as we write this is: "The LORD has done great things for us, whereof we are glad," and the question which arises in our hearts is: "Would He be able to do more great things for us if we were to put ourselves in the place to receive them?"

To particularize, let us tell you of the great things He has done to make us glad. He has cared for us and amply fulfilled Phil. 4:19 during the past years of our family separation. There have been testings and trials—but He has brought us together again and promises to be our Guide even unto the end.

Another great thing which makes us glad is His blessing on the Boys' work this past term in Africa. Many hundreds of young lads have been definitely won to the Saviour both at Camps and at the regular Bible classes. Leaders have made progress and have received further instruction in the art of teaching and leading boys. The Boys' Brigade work has been consolidated and extended. How else can we be, but glad at the great things HE has done? Praise His Holy Name!

On May 4 Fred flew from Nigeria to London. He spent some time in Britain looking after business, attending committee meetings, and in visiting close relatives. Then he sailed on the Queen Mary to New York. On June 8 he flew to Los Angeles. Now he is trying to rest during these months in compliance with his doctor's orders.

Marjorie Linda graduated from high school in June, and is now preparing to enter Bible School this fall. Grace keeps busy in Christian work. We give you this brief summary of our little family's doings so that you can continue to **pray** for us as you have done so faithfully in the past.

There are now 7,625 boys enrolled in the B. B. in North Nigeria. About 1,000 boys graduate each year and about the same number of new boys enroll. Practically all boys who join the B. B. become believers in a short time. Each week we all study the same Bible class lesson, going progressively through the Word in a five-year cycle. Right now they are in Genesis and in the Pentateuch for the next three months. Please pray that these lessons may be of spiritual profit to them—not only for head knowledge, but true heart experiences.

Miss Mary Miller and Miss Bertha Miller—Kamayala, Congo

Congo Inland Mission

Souls are being saved out in the district, and we receive much joy as we go out over week-ends for special meetings. God is blessing, for which we praise Him. Recently we met an old judge who was saved and baptized a number of years ago. He told us of how God raised him up from death's door and healed him. He said, "It is only because of God's goodness I am here today; I do thank Him for being so good to me." Our Sunday School both at the Leprosarium and on the Mission are well attended. We also have a children's church at each place, where the little ones receive the Word by flannelgraph lessons while the older ones are having their services in the churches. God is blessing in each of these services.

Miss Erma Birky returned to us from furlough and has charge of the girls' work. New girls are coming to us from the villages for training. We expect some of these girls will be the future wives of our evangelists.

In May, Rev. and Mrs. Grutter from Switzerland with their three lovely children came to work with us. They have charge of the Kahemba work and God is using them in house to house visitation, speaking to government clerks, nurses, and telegraph operators. Interest in God's Word is being shown. Then Mr. Grutter is also sharing with Mr. Eidse the care of the evangelistic work. We are expecting much fruit from the efforts put forth.



Courtesy—Mary Miller

PREPARING THE GRAIN AT MEAL TIME

In June we moved out of our old home into the new dispensary. The old home has been torn down and the walls of the new one are up, ready to put the roof on. We thank God for kind friends who are making the new home possible. We pray God to richly bless all who gave. We are trusting that as many souls will find Christ in this new one, as did in the old one.

One day we were speaking about each man carrying either a knife or gun when he goes on the path. We were told, "Before you came with the Message of Life, if a man was found on the path without a weapon of some kind, he was killed." One boy said, "How glad we are the Word of God came to us. What a big difference it has made here." We thank God that we had such a rare privilege of being called to bring the Word of God to them. We thank God for those who have been saved by God's Grace, and we pray that many more will accept Christ as their Saviour. The orphans are growing. New little ones are being added. They have a happy time playing together. Bertha is kept busy each day as she tries to train them to grow up to be real men and women for God.

We now have 140 patients in the Colony, so we are kept busy. Forty-two are baptized Christians, and a number of others are Christians but not yet baptized. Last Sunday seven accepted Christ as their Saviour. We thank God for every one and pray that others too will accept the Lord before it is too late.

We daily ask our Heavenly Father to reward you for your love, kindness, and prayers for us and the work of the Lord here.

INDIA

Rev. and Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke—Jalgaon

Christian Missionary Alliance

“How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?” Romans 10:14.

How important it is that we answer this questioning with THE answer that puts “Go” in our feet! Surely every soul has the right to HEAR—in his own language—the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. This right to hear has compelled men and women to go to the ends of the earth, for, as the hymn writer says:

“Thou mightst have sent from heaven above
 Angelic host to tell the story.
 But in Thy condescending love,
 On man Thou hast conferred the glory.”

What a privilege, what a responsibility to proclaim “THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE” to a dying world! May God direct us all to increase our efforts—particularly intercessory prayer—to reach the millions still in the darkness of sin.

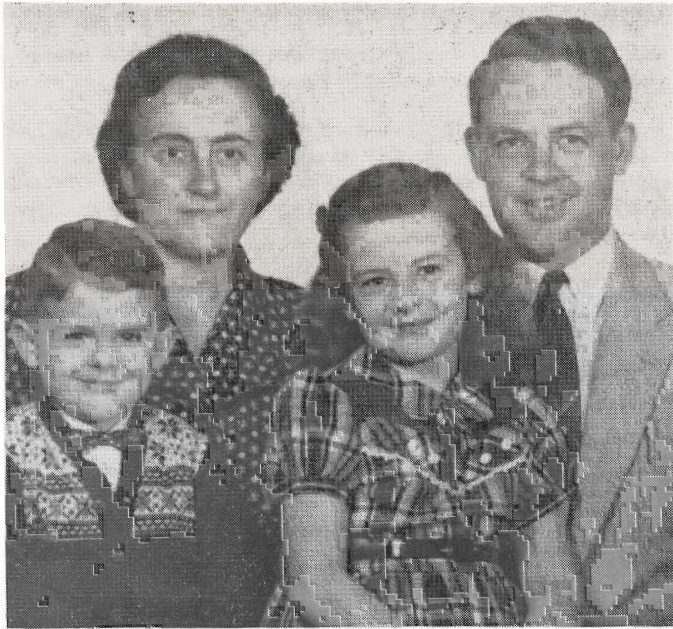
The time of furlough has slipped by very rapidly. The time for setting foot on India’s soil is here again. It is impossible to express the feelings that well up within one’s heart at such a time. On the one hand we are loathe to leave the many friends we have come to know in a more intimate way. But there is such an inexpressible longing to be in the ministry of the Word WHERE the Lord has called us.

The past year has been filled with much activity. We were in three camps and shared in three tours of churches to tell of India. With this task and the visiting of loved ones, we traveled over 30,000 miles by car, train, and plane. We have no idea of the number of people who heard about India in the meetings that numbered over 300, but we trust that many of the individuals will remember India in prayer. We trust also that in the term ahead of us God’s Word will find abundant entrance into many hearts.

In spite of the traveling to and fro we have been very conscious of a precious fellowship. The people of the M.B.C. have been very loyal to us. We know that you are praying for us—what a blessed assurance that is. We are so grateful to the Easton Class for its faithful support of us in gift and prayer. The work of the Lord is made so much easier with this type of deep fellowship and mutual bond in Christ. We made our home much of this furlough in Philadelphia. We have been aware of much blessing gained by the association with the Salem Class. May the Lord knit all our lives together in a way that shall mightily glorify Him.

The world situations, uncertainties, and in particular India’s disinterest in the things of Jesus Christ cause us to examine our hearts. Surely Jesus is coming soon! But until He does, we are anxious to be WHERE He would have us be.

We expect to be stationed at Mission House, JALGAON, East Kandesh, India. This city, about 240 miles from Bombay, presents a great challenge. There is a local assembly of believers. They must be challenged to trust God



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and witness for Him. There are schools and colleges in this county seat with its opportunity to witness to students of nationalistic India. There is a large district where hundreds of thousands still wait for light of the Gospel to come to them. The task is too large for us alone. We are counting on you each one that "ye also helping together by prayer for us" will aid in the spreading of the Gospel to the glory of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Miss Elizabeth Dyke—Ahmedabad, India

Christian Missionary Alliance

This past year has seen the fulfillment of several dreams and has brought the answer to many of our prayers for the work here. In May the very first Daily Vacation Bible School in all Gujarat was held in our Simpson Church. The response was marvelous to see. Not only did children come and adjust themselves to this new type of school but souls were reached for the Master. The Bible School was not only fully self-supporting but it had enough money left over to buy eight long pieces of matting for the church floor. In addition to the work done in the hearts of the children we feel that the Lord opened the eyes and hearts of the teachers in an unusual way. The burden to

reach children for the Lord was laid upon their hearts and they showed a great interest in having a teacher training class started for their help.

This teacher training class got under way in July and now every Saturday evening we meet for an hour of prayer, helps, and making of simple object lessons that can be used out here. It is a real joy to me to be able to pass on the material I have so that in areas all over the city children may be reached for the Lord. This training class has been a direct answer to prayer. Ever since coming to India I have realized that a great share of the responsibility for evangelism rests on our laymen. How to get them to see this and to give of their spare time to the Lord has been a matter of prayer and great concern. The D.V.B.S. and its results opened their eyes as to what God can do in the hearts of children, and the men as well as the women teachers felt they would like to serve the Lord by having little neighborhood classes. They are a bit hesitant to start until they receive some help, and so the teacher training class has come into being for this purpose. How we praise the Lord for the few who have caught the vision and are trusting that many others will also become interested. Do pray for these laymen who are already very busy people but who desire to serve the Lord in this way to the best of their ability.

We have much for which to praise the Lord this year. He has protected us during several quite serious times and stayed the hand of the enemy who desired to hinder the work. He has marvelously kept, sustained, given wisdom and help for the needs of each day. There have been mountains that we thought were uncrossable but which He by His wonderful power knocked down for us. There have been rivers of difficulty and problems so tangled that we felt at times as if we just couldn't go on. Then again the Lord stepped in and made a way where there was no way. Oh, how we praise Him for His goodness and mercy that follows us all the day long.

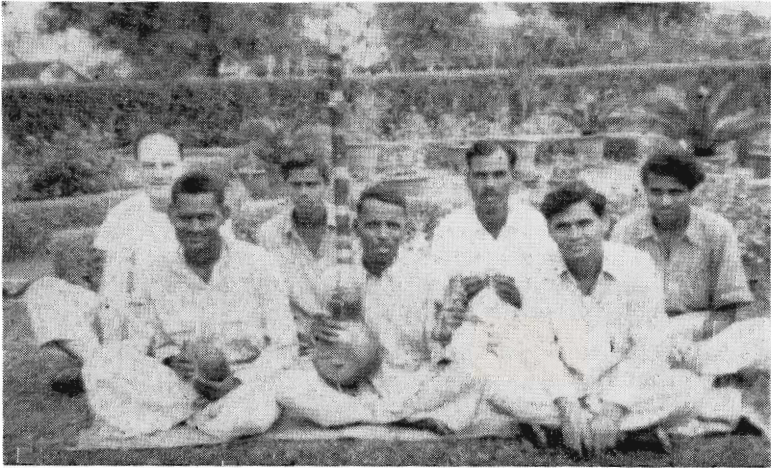
Rev. and Mrs. Laird F. Stengele—Berar, Madhya Pradesh, India

Christian Missionary Alliance

Lamentations 3:22 and 23, "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is Thy faithfulness." We are truly grateful and thankful for the Lord's mercies and unfailing compassions in the Amravati District. The experience of Jeremiah has also been our daily experience throughout this past year.

Included in this report is a picture of our mission compound "bhajan" group. "Bhajan" is a Marathi word which cannot be described by any word in English. It means an instrumental and singing group. They play and sing the Gospel songs and hymns in an effective ministry which is always followed by the preaching of the Word. The fellow on the left in front has a "khanjiri" in his hands. The "khanjiri" is a small hand drum that is beaten with the fingers and is on the order of a tambourine. The fellow next to him in the middle of the front row with a long-stringed instrument is what is commonly called "ektarwalla," or one-stringed instrument player. "Ek" means one and "tar" means wire; hence one-stringed. In his left hand is

a "chipalya" which is somewhat similar to the Spanish castanets. The fellow on the right in the front row is the master or evangelistic worker in this immediate vicinity. The second fellow from the right in the back row is playing the "tal" or small brass cymbals. The other two fellows and I help out with the singing of the Marathi hymns and songs. Actually we all sing together and play the instruments at the same time.



Courtesy—Rev. Laird F. Stengele
A TYPICAL ORCHESTRA IN INDIA

Our daughter, Carol Sue, now almost six years of age, has been in Hebron School in Coonoor in South India since last May. It sure is hard for us to get used to the fact that she is no longer around with us. Our bungalow sure does seem dead and quiet. We really do miss her a lot. Other missionaries have stated quite often that about the greatest sacrifice a missionary is called upon to make is separation from his children when they become of school age. We are still "housed" in our mortal bodies and we still are human, and therefore we must face these times of separation. But the Lord's grace is sufficient for every need. In spite of all these things, we would never think or consider giving up this wonderful life of preaching the Word of life to those steeped in spiritual darkness.

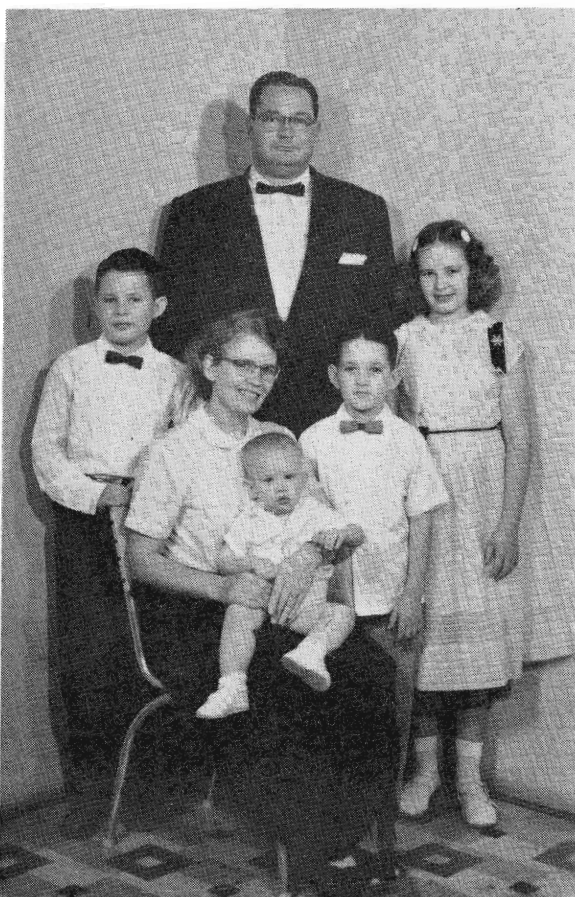
We held three baptismal ceremonies as a result of the adult literacy team. By this you will see we are not only interested in teaching the people how to read and write but also in teaching them the way of salvation. The Christmas season was spent traveling to each station in the district teaching them the story of the birth of the one Saviour who died for their sins.

In Lontak, a village two or three miles outside of Amravati, is a woman by the name of Subi Basukar. She has five children, of which four died about the age of two. She took none of them to the doctor. She just prayed to her idols—put her faith in them. She actually became completely disappointed and discouraged with this god whom she worshiped and has forsaken all idolatry. During the touring season we held a meeting in her village,

when she heard the message of salvation and of the Lord Jesus Christ, the only true God. Her fifth child is now sick with some malady, and she now wants to believe and trust in Christ as her Saviour. Please pray for this woman that the spiritual light may penetrate her darkened heart during these testing days.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Rampy—El Tigre, Venezuela
Orinoco River Mission

We have much reason to praise the Lord for His faithfulness and His blessing on us and on His Word and Work in Venezuela during this last term on the field. We were glad to see the work in El Tigre grow from an aver-



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age attendance of 33 in 1952 to an average attendance of 110 in 1955. That filled our church in El Tigre to overflowing and has led to the purchase of a

rather large piece of property for the erection of a new church building. The radio program of two years had to be given up in order to save the money for construction. This last year we started a new Sunday School in a new district Sunday afternoons. We are trusting that the Lord will bless His Word sown in the hearts of new people.

About a year and a half ago the church in El Tigrito was divided through the effort of "false brethren that had crept in unawares." The rest of the church asked me to serve as their pastor, and the Lord greatly blessed. From the 40 left in the church, now a year and a half later we have some 130 in the Sunday School. Also in this last year we have begun a Sunday afternoon Sunday School where others that have not heard before are now hearing.

Besides these two works, both churches have carried on works in the out-stations. There has been a good work among the Caribes not far from El Tigre. There are now some forty believers among these Caribes. In El Caris this last year we saw the first baptized Christians from that district. El Pao and Pariguan also in spite of being a bit far and difficult to visit frequently has been blessed of the Lord, and men and women are being saved.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Gordon—Maracaibo

The Evangelical Alliance Mission

The great goal of a missionary is to establish an indigenous work—one which is self-propagating, self-supporting, and self-governing. It was a joy this spring to see our Christian students in the High School **on their own initiative** begin meeting together for prayer and Bible study. They elected their own leaders, organizing themselves as "Heralds of Christ." How our hearts rejoice to see such initiative! Another manifestation of God's blessing upon the school ministry was when the Professor of Mathematics publicly confessed Christ as his personal Saviour. This year (1956-57) we have 63 students enrolled in the first and second year courses. Pray that those who do not know Him may come to a knowledge of Christ as we daily are met together.

The radio ministry continues to go forth with blessing. Five people ready for baptism testified recently that their interest in the Gospel came directly from the radio programs. We are thankful to have a small part in this work by preparing the music.

Our furlough was a great blessing to us. We enjoyed renewing acquaintances, deepening friendships, and being with loved ones. We are grateful to each of you who stand behind us in prayer and support. We want to be faithful to Him who hath called us.

KENTUCKY

Miss Grace Yost—Kentucky

Kentucky Faith Mountain Mission

Matthew 9:37 and 38—"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

The past year has seen many changes in our work. My co-worker felt led to resign from the Mission, because of poor health. This leaves me alone with the responsibility of the work. Pray that the Lord will truly send forth laborers into His harvest. I have enjoyed the years of working with Louise. The work has been somewhat hindered because of having no car. But, as far as possible, we are continuing to give forth His precious Word. We have two Sunday Schools each Sunday. We are glad for the interest in them. Pray that many souls might be won for the Lord in this coming year. I praise the Lord for those who pray and give that this work might go on in this part of His vineyard.

We praise the Lord for His blessing upon our Junior and Senior camps. One night during the Junior Camp, four boys raised their hands accepting Christ as their Saviour. The Holy Spirit continued to speak to hearts, and in their cabins other boys said that they, too, would like to be saved. Sixteen boys that night set the courts of heaven ringing, and later in the week three girls came out of darkness into His marvelous light. The Lord is not limited to a place as one of the girls asked the way of salvation while she was washing dishes.

The blessings continued in the Senior Camp when eight girls asked to be baptized. When a future date for the service was suggested, they said, "We don't want to wait that long. We want to be baptized this Sunday." One girl could not get to the service, but seven were baptized the following Sunday after Senior Camp at the strip mine lake at the top of the mountain.

Please pray for the Bible classes held in the public schools for this school year, that His Word may go forth with convicting power.

Morocco, North Africa

Dr. William F. Campbell—Tangier

North Africa Mission

In this first report coming from the Moslem field of Tangier, Morocco, we would like to thank God for His guidance and continuing presence. Since our arrival eight months ago aboard the now sunken Andrea Doria, I have worked almost full time in the hospital. Tulloch Memorial Hospital (named for a nurse who gave her life here) has been used of God to spread His good news over northern Morocco for seventy years. Every week about forty ward patients hear the Gospel nightly and about five hundred persons are reached in the out-patient department. It is the preaching in the wards which has been blessed of God. Long-stay patients who hear the Gospel over and over have their hearts softened by the Holy Spirit and turn to Christ.

Tulloch Memorial Hospital is a moderately well-equipped medical unit. Surgical, medical, and tuberculosis patients are treated with modern medicines and techniques. Improvements made this year have included the purchase of a hospital-size clothes dryer. Previously clothes were dried over kerosene burners—a process which sometimes required twenty-four to thirty-six hours in wet weather. Oxygen tanks have been purchased and can be filled locally which will improve our anaesthesia along with a new suction machine

which one of the English doctors made. Finally, the way has been opened by the Lord, for the purchase of an unused, slightly out-dated X-ray machine. It's value was \$6000 when new, but we shall have it in place for



Courtesy—Dr. Wm. F. Campbell

MRS. CAMPBELL STANDING IN THE REAR AND THREE STUDENT NURSES FROM THE NURSING SCHOOL.

about \$2000 if the Lord tarries. We thank God for His working through you in providing this last item. For it was your support that permitted the purchase of this very good X-ray machine.

Another valuable part of the work has been the nursing school. It is small (seven girls and one boy last year) but the Lord has used it. Several of the girls and Abdullah, the boy, became Christians through attending the school, and it is a means of providing them with a skill with which to support themselves. This last point is important in a country which is poor to start with, and where the Christian, by his decision, makes himself unwanted. James says, "If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, 'Depart in peace. Be warmed and filled'; notwithstanding you give them not those things which are needful to the body; what does it profit?" Recognizing this, the mission is planning a boys' agricultural and mechanical school also.

Finally, we thank God that He has kept us well and our minds sharp enough to progress in the language study. Holly has taken her first exam, passing with a good grade, and I am in the process of taking mine now.

In looking ahead to the next year, we would direct your prayers to the political situation. Pray that as this previously International Zone is handed

over to the Government of Morocco in October, freedom to present the Gospel may continue. It is a time of political crisis in the government, unemploy-



Dr. Campbell checking the pulse of Hamama (means dove) who accepted the Lord this year. She has tuberculosis of the spine and is in a plaster cast. (The type of long stay patient mentioned—she was in the hospital three months before accepting the Lord).
Courtesy—Dr. Campbell

ment, unrest and fear among the Christians. Pray that His sheep, scattered here and there, by twos and threes, would be maintained in His love and live to His glory.

PHILIPPINES

Rev. and Mrs. Colin E. Tweddell—Mamburao, Occ. Mindoro

Overseas Missionary Fellowship

In 1951 we came out of Red China. On our return home from England to Seattle, Washington, we stopped through the eastern States and enjoyed fellowship with some of the brethren of the M. B. In C. Church. We came to the Philippines from Washington, arriving in Manila February 21, 1954. We proceeded to Calapan, capital of Oriental Mindoro, for preliminary and elementary study of Tagalog. We arrived at Mamburao, capital of Occidental Mindoro, the most undeveloped of the provinces, on June 12, 1954.

We knew no one at first, and beginning by singing by rote in Tagalog on our front veranda to a half dozen curious children, we were invited a month

later to hold services on the veranda of a Philippine Christian couple. Very slowly the numbers grew, and the small nucleus was established in the truth of the New Birth.

The church of about average Sunday morning attendance of 16 adults and 10 children has built its own small nipa chapel, dedicated in 1955. The name of the church is Mamburao Evangelical Church.

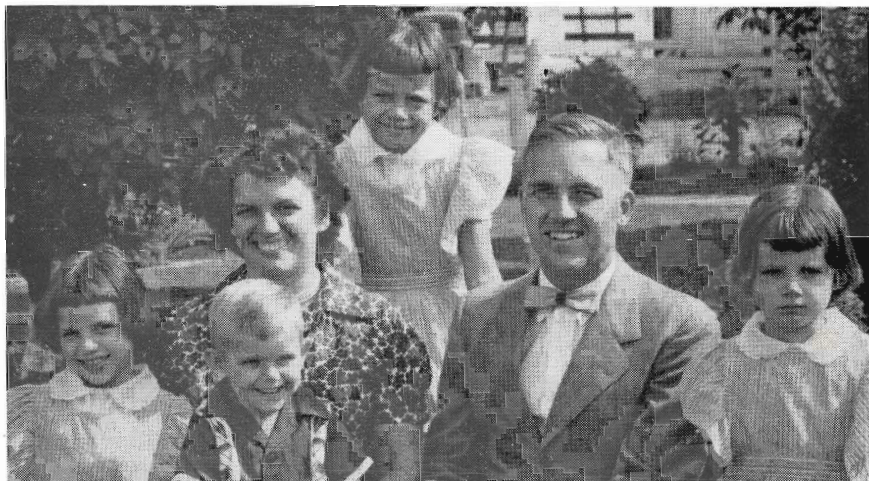
Though our basic assignment is to tribal work amongst the Mangyan tribes-people of Mindoro, we were asked to commence the work for Overseas Missionary Fellowship in this province of Occidental Mindoro in June 1954. The situation here was such that my wife and I were not able to make much progress with Tagalog speech, which has in turn held up survey work amongst the mountain peoples. I made two trips in 1955, and I hope to go out again for survey work to find who lives where and what language they speak. This will guide the consideration of to whom we go as special missionaries to them.

CENTRAL AMERICA

Mr. David Solt—San Jose, Costa Rica

Latin America Mission

I was born on March 17, 1926, in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and on July 20, 1937, at a camp meeting I was born again. I praise the Lord for speaking to my heart at such an early age, because during high school He spoke to me



THE FAMILY OF MR. AND MRS. DAVID SOLT

concerning full-time service. I went on to study electrical engineering, and then Bible School before getting a definite call to radio work in Latin America.

On September 27, 1947, my wife, Georgina, and I under the Latin America Mission arrived in Costa Rica to help set up missionary radio station

TIFC (The Lighthouse of the Caribbean), the second such station in the world! The past nine years have been spent at TIFC, which today is the most powerful in all of Central America. It operates seventeen hours a day telling the good news of salvation to the millions living in superstition and fear in Latin America.

The Lord has blessed us with four children, Lois 8, Lillian 7, Elizabeth 6, and David Lloyd 3. During these past years on the field the Lord has many times proved His faithfulness to us—through revolutions, earthquakes, and many unseen dangers. The prayer of the Lord's people is the source of our power on the field.

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Psalm 126:3.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Barclay Harley—Venezuela

Orinoco River Mission

I Thess. 5:24, "Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it."

It has been a blessing to see the Lord's hand upon our lives these more than seven years since we came to the place in life where we were willing for His will. These years have been spent in schooling and preparation for service in the field which He has laid upon our hearts. It took a total of five years for the two of us to complete Bible School, but the practical ex-



REV. AND MRS. J. BARCLAY HARLEY, LINDA AND JOHNNY

perience of depending upon the Lord was just as valuable as the knowledge received through the hours spent in the classrooms and in personal study. The last two years have been spent in the work of our Home Missions De-

partment where we have had the opportunity to demonstrate our calling of God. We are assured in our hearts that as we give ourselves to Him, He will use us to bear fruit in our lives.

We are looking forward to beginning a year of intensified language study beginning January 7, 1957, at the Escuela de Idiomas located at San Jose, Costa Rica. Upon successful completion of our studies, we will move on to Venezuela, the land of our service for Him.

As we have spent the past weeks in visiting many of our M. B. In C. Churches we have been impressed with the sincere interest which has been evidenced by so many and especially by the various Women's Missionary Societies. We are thankful to the Lord for the effectual ministry which has been accomplished in our behalf. As we now complete our preparation for our departure, we are confident that this interest will continue and carry us before the Throne of Grace.

"Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you."

Accepted Candidates

Mr. Charles L. Mann, Jr. has been passed by the Board as an Accepted Candidate and is recognized as an applicant to the Unevangelized Field Mission for work among the Pygmies in the Congo. In November he will join with the members of the Candidate School and in all probability will be sailing to Brussels, Belgium, for language study the first of the year. It seems that the way has opened up very rapidly for Brother Mann to go, and we believe it to be the Lord's leadings. For about two years he was active in home mission work. He is a graduate of Berean Bible School.

Home missionaries Mr. and Mrs. Austin Shelly, who have been laboring in Millersville for about a year, are now recognized as accepted candidates under our Board. The Shellys feel the call for educational evangelism in Venezuela and within the year should be on their way. We are confident the Lord has a definite place for them in His Harvest Field.

MISSIONARIES RETURNING AND ARRIVING

Throughout the year there was a lively exchange of missionaries coming home from the field while others returned. Miss Mary Miller returned to Africa in January. Rev. Robert Gordon returned to Venezuela in March, and his wife Frances and the two children flew and joined him in April. Miss Betty Doverspike, after a hurried trip home at the time of the death of her father, returned to Germany in June. Rev. and Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke and family sailed to London in September and were refused passage through the Suez Canal en route to India. Leaving their baggage and freight behind, they flew to Bombay.

Early in January Miss Edna Pridham was sent home from Africa because of an injury to her arm received in a bicycle accident. It was decided that she remain home for full furlough time. Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Ryan returned home early in the year and are now engaged in deputation work. It appears

now that they will not be returning to Africa. During June Rev. Fred Whale returned home from Africa on an emergency furlough because of his health. He is now residing in California with his wife and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Merle Baer and family arrived home from Africa for their first furlough in July. Marj is now completing her nurses' course in Cleveland, Ohio. Merle and his son are staying with his father, Pastor Paul E. Baer, in Scranton. Rev. and Mrs. Robert Rampy and family arrived in New York from Venezuela in August. They are now residing in the Houses of Fellowship in Ventnor, New Jersey.

Even though there were quite a number of missionaries home on furlough during the year, only Miss Edna Pridham and Rev. and Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke were enabled to be with us at Camp Meeting. Other missionaries that ministered to us were Dr. Ralph T. Davis, International Secretary of the Africa Inland Mission, and Rev. Harry Post, Borneo, of the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The new Constitution of the Women's Missionary Society was completed in the month of June and was approved by the Board to be distributed throughout the churches. It was adopted by the various organized Women's Missionary Societies.

The rules governing the activities of the General Committee of the Women's Missionary Society call for an election of officers by the Foreign Mission Board. They were elected and organized as follows:

Chairman—Mrs. R. Paul Schaeffer, 10 E. Spruce St., Emmaus, Pa.
 Vice-Chairman—Mrs. Stewart Seifert, 2227 Henderson St., Bethlehem, Pa.
 Secretary—Mrs. James G. Koch, 246 E. Princess St., York, Pa.
 Treasurer—Mrs. Herman E. Boekel, 224 Tyson Ave., Glenside, Pa.

Throughout the year fine reports have been received of the activities of the various regions. The following is a list of the officers in charge and the churches comprising the various regions.

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President—Mrs. James G. Koch, 246 E. Princess St., York, Pa.
 Vice-President—Mrs. Horace A. Kauffman, 26 E. Lemon St., Lititz, Pa.
 Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Charles Weber, R. D. 4, Lebanon, Pa.

Harrisburg, Lebanon, Lancaster, Terre Hill, Millersville,
 Paradise, York Churches

Region No. 2

President—Mrs. Roy Williams, 2139 Walnut St., Ashland, Pa.
 Vice-President—Mrs. Gladys Miller, R. D. 1, Sunbury, Pa.
 Secretary—Mrs. Louise Reitz, R. D. 2, Catawissa, Pa.
 Treasurer—Mrs. Rena Konic, 141 S. Oak St., Mt. Carmel, Pa.

Sunbury, Mt. Carmel, Shamokin Churches

Region No. 3

President—Mrs. Doris E. Hunsberger, 7th Ave., Royersford, Pa.

Vice-President—Mrs. Emma Zintak, Quakertown, Pa.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Lola Weidner, 132 Bridge St., Spring City, Pa.

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Harleysville, Spring City, Royersford Churches

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Scranton, Philadelphia (Calvary), Philadelphia (Emmanuel), New-
ark, N. J., Jersey City, N. J., Trenton, N. J., Finesville, N. J., Staten
Island, N. Y., Binghamton, N. Y. Churches

MISSIONARIES ASSIGNED TO THE CHURCHES

Churches	Missionaries
Allentown (Bethel) -----	Rev. and Mrs. Laird Stengele Miss Betty Doverspike Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Griebenow Miss Bertha Miller
Bethlehem -----	Rev. Paul Chaponniere Miss Margaret Maass Rev. and Mrs. Hubert Fisher
Royersford-Spring City -----	Mr. and Mrs. Merle E. Baer
Philadelphia (Salem) -----	Mr. and Mrs. J. Barclay Harley Rev. Robert Rampy Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Snyder
Reading -----	Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Ryan
Emmaus -----	Dr. William F. Campbell
Easton -----	Rev. and Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke
York -----	Rev. and Mrs. Robert W. Gordon
Chester -----	Rev. and Mrs. Russell A. Baker
Hatfield -----	Miss Olive Rawn Mr. David Solt
Terre Hill -----	Rev. and Mrs. Fred Whale
Zionsville -----	Miss Edna Pridham
Sunbury -----	Miss Luella Reinhart

Churches	Missionaries
Shamokin -----	Miss Mary Miller
Jersey City-Newark-Staten Island -----	Rev. E. F. Irwin
Wissinoming, Philadelphia -----	Miss Sylvia Miller
West Philadelphia -----	Miss Grace Yost
Mt. Carmel -----	Mrs. Theresa Chaponniere
Fleetwood-Blandon -----	Rev. and Mrs. Colin E. Tweddell
Harrisburg-Lebanon -----	Miss Elizabeth Dyke
Coopersburg -----	Mrs. Marcella Rampy

FINANCIAL

September 26, 1955—October 10, 1956

Receipts

Balance, September 29, 1955 -----		\$ 62,877.06
From the Churches, 1955 Conference -----	\$ 33,371.04	
From the Sunday Schools, 1955 Conference -----	24,477.67	
Union Gospel Press During Year -----	1,200.00	
Interest During Year -----	971.95	
Berean Bible School -----	182.00	
Various Other Sources During Year -----	245.00	
Board of Directors -----	8,000.00	68,447.66
		\$131,324.72

Expenditures

Christian Missionary Alliance (14 Missionaries, 4 Children) -----	\$ 18,474.00
United Missionary Society (2 Missionaries) -----	2,400.00
Africa Inland Mission (6 Missionaries, 3 Children) -----	7,700.00
Evangelical Alliance Mission (2 Missionaries, 2 Children) -----	3,581.50
China Inland Mission (5 Missionaries) -----	8,200.00
Orinoco River Mission (4 Missionaries, 6 Children) -----	3,200.00
Congo Inland Mission (2 Missionaries) -----	2,400.00
Boys' Brigade (2 Missionaries) -----	1,500.00
Bible Club Movement (1 Missionary) -----	1,200.00
North Africa Mission (1 Missionary) -----	1,440.00
Latin America Mission (1 Missionary) -----	360.00
Kentucky Faith Mountain Mission (1 Missionary) -----	600.00
Missionaries at Camp, Gifts and Meals -----	450.20
Stations -----	1,325.00
Medical Expenses -----	2,268.00
Travel Expenses -----	1,272.60
Radio Station -----	500.00
Mission Headquarters -----	400.00
Supplies, Postage, Telephone -----	254.81
Equipment and Duty -----	925.00
Special Gifts -----	390.00
Year Books -----	300.00
Herald Subscriptions -----	85.50
	\$ 59,226.61
Invested in Sigmund Property and Berean School Bonds -----	\$ 23,537.50

Summary

Cash on Hand, October 10, 1956 -----	\$ 48,560.61
Investments:	
Loan to Board of Directors -----	22,000.00
Loan to Bible Camp at Sigmund -----	16,000.00
Berean Bible School Bonds -----	7,537.50

**DIRECTORY OF MISSIONARIES
AND MISSION BOARDS**

- Christian and Missionary Alliance**—260 West 44th St., New York, 18, N. Y.
 Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Griebenow—P. O. Box 50, Jerusalem, Israel
 Rev. and Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke—Mission House, Anjangaon Suri, B. P., India
 Rev. and Mrs. Laird Stengele—Amravati Camp, Berar, Madhya Pradesh, India
 Miss Elizabeth Dyke—Bungalow 20, Camp, Ahmedabad 3, B. P., India
 Rev. E. F. Irwin—The Mission Evangelique, Danang, Viet Nam, French Indo China
 Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Ryan—817 Etna Street, Newcastle, Pa.
 Mr. and Mrs. Merle Baer—1023 Taylor Avenue, Scranton 10, Pa.
 Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Snyder (Retired)—335 Mission Road, Glendale 5, California
- United Missionary Society**—1819 S. Main St., Elkhart, Indiana
 Miss Luella Reinhart—Mokwa, Nigeria, West Africa
 Miss Edna Pridham—Share, Via Jebba, Nigeria, West Africa
- Africa Inland Mission**—253 Henry St., Brooklyn 1, New York
 Rev. and Mrs. Russell Baker—P. O. 665, Mwanza, Tanganyika, East Africa
 Miss Olive Rawn—Torit Equatoria, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, Africa
 Rev. and Mrs. Paul Chaponniere—A.I.M. Anungba Djalasiga, Belgian Congo, Africa
 Miss Sylvia Miller—Box 14, Geita, Tanganyika, East Africa
- China Inland Mission**—237 West School Lane, Philadelphia 44, Pa.
 Rev. and Mrs. E. Hubert Fisher — Shinai Tsusui Machi, Aza Tsusui, Aomori City, Japan
 Miss Margaret Maas—36 Maturaka cho, Minato ku, Tokyo, Japan
 Rev. and Mrs. Colin E. Tweddell—Overseas Missionary Fellowship, Mamburao, Via Batangas, Occidental Mindoro, Philippines
- Evangelical Alliance Mission**—2859 W. McLean Ave., Chicago 47, Ill.
 Rev. and Mrs. Robert Gordon—Apartado 402, Maracaibo, Venezuela, S. A.
- Congo Inland Mission**—4610 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago 15, Ill.
 Miss Mary Miller—Kamayala Dist. Du Kwango, Belge Congo, Africa
 Miss Bertha Miller—Kamayala Dist. Du Kwango, Belge Congo, Africa

Boys' Brigade—Nigeria, West Africa

Rev. and Mrs. Fred Whale—670 W. Lexington St., Glendale 3, California

Orinoco River Mission—30 N. Raymond Ave., Pasadena 1, California

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Rampy—6340 Ventnor Ave., Ventnor, N. J.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Barclay Harley—Escuela de Idiomas, Apartment 2240,
San Jose, Costa Rica, Central America

North Africa Mission—1716 Spruce St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

Dr. William F. Campbell—B. P. O. Box 58, Tangier, Morocco

Latin America Mission—161 Park Street, Richfield Park, N. J.

Mr. David Solt—1445 Linden St., Allentown, Pa.

Bible Club Movement—Schaff Bldg., 1505 Race St., Philadelphia 2, Pa.

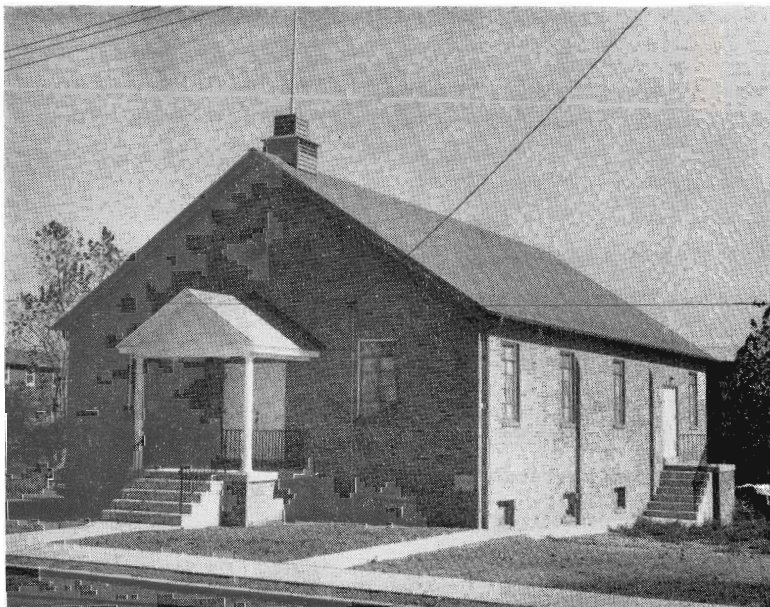
Miss Betty Doverspike—Goethestrasse 3, Wiesbaden, Germany

Kentucky Faith Mountain Mission—Falcon, Kentucky

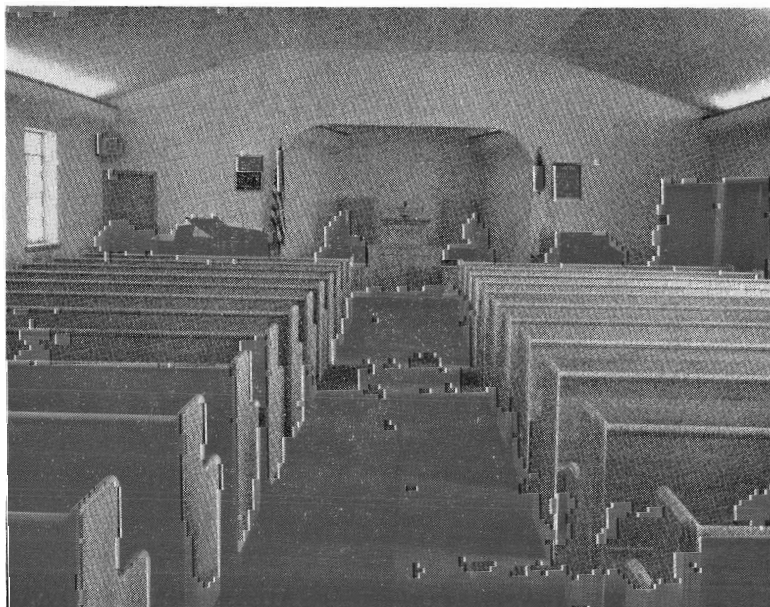
Miss Grace Yost—Falcon, Kentucky



Emmanuel M. B. In C. Church Parsonage, West Philadelphia, Pa.



Exterior and Interior Views of Emmanuel M. B. In C. Church, W. Phila., Pa.



**VIII.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL
CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE, 1956**

Two Camp Meetings were held during the summer season in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

ALLENTOWN DISTRICT
June 30 to July 8—251 tents

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT
July 14 to July 22—237 tents

Receipts

Allentown District	\$ 6,551.60	
Bethlehem District	6,378.84	
Total Receipts	\$ 12,930.44	

F. B. Hertzog, Chairman.

**IX.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION
AND PRINTING, 1956**

Receipts

October 1, 1955, Balance in Treasury	\$ 273.09	
Received from the Annual Conference	508.24	
Received from the Sale of Year Books	539.50	
Received from the Sunday Schools	242.25	
Received from the Foreign Missions Board	300.00	
Received from the Home Missions Board	300.00	
Received from "Gospel Herald" Subscriptions	250.00	
Deficit in Treasury	47.32	\$2,460.40

Expenditures

Honorarium to Conference Treasurer	\$ 50.00	
Honorarium to Conference Secretary	50.00	
Honorarium to Editor of M. B. In C. "Gospel Herald"	100.00	
Working Capital and Expenses for the Editor	100.00	
25 Reams of Mimeograph Paper	27.93	
150 Pastors' Financial Reports	21.00	
150 Pastors' Summary Statistical Reports	6.00	
10M Building Fund Report Slips	13.13	
6 Local Conference Minute Books, etc.	66.05	
Printing 1200 Year Books	1,139.50	
Miscellaneous Expenses Printing Year Books	73.16	
Board of Examiners' Expenses	39.84	
Postage, Telephone, Packing, Supplies, etc.	22.38	
87M Steward Envelopes	233.90	
24½M Church Contribution Envelopes	84.34	
50½M Sunday School Contribution Envelopes	148.47	
45M Building Fund Envelopes	97.20	

50M Home Missions Pledge Cards	60.00	
50M Foreign Missions Pledge Cards	60.00	
1M Pastors' Financial Report Sheets	8.50	
1100 Pastors' Statistical Report Sheets	59.00	\$2,460.40

N. H. Wolf, President,
Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary,
J. H. Riggall,
Board.

**X.—FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
—LAYMAN'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY**

October 15, 1956

Members enrolled, October 11, 1955.....	164
Members died during year.....	4
New member	1
Net decrease in membership	3
Members enrolled, October 15, 1956.....	161

Financial

Receipts:

Cash in bank, Oct. 11, 1955.....	\$25,915.81
Contributions Received	\$ 172.50
Interest Received	560.93
Payments Received on Investments.....	3,021.22
Total Money Received	\$ 3,754.65

Total Receipts

\$29,670.46

Disbursements:

Donations Paid	\$ 311.00
Sundry Expenses	19.40
Money Invested	6,000.00

Total Disbursements

\$ 6,330.40

Cash Balance, Oct. 15, 1956.....

\$23,340.06

\$29,670.46

Assets:

Investments	\$17,293.80
Cash Balance	23,340.06

Total Assets

\$40,633.86

A. W. Deppe, President,
A. L. Wentz, Treasurer,
Allen S. Weiss, Secretary,
Board of Trustees.

XI.—REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

(a) Applicants on Discipline:

Carl C. Cassel	99
Norman F. Gordon	98
J. Barclay Harley	98
Austin G. Shelly	99

F. B. Hertzog, D.S., Examiner.

(b)

	“Jesus is Coming”	“The Law of Liberty in the Spiritual Life”	Average
Carl C. Cassel	98	98	98
J. Barclay Harley	98	98	98
Robert F. Johnson	98	97	98
Charles L. Mann	94	93	94
Austin G. Shelly	98	93	96

Carl C. Cassel, J. Barclay Harley, Norman F. Gordon, Robert F. Johnson, Charles L. Mann, and Austin G. Shelly have passed the Reading Course satisfactorily.

We approve Carl C. Cassel, Norman F. Gordon, J. Barclay Harley, and Austin G. Shelly as candidates for Annual Conference license.

Paul E. Baer,
Donald T. Kirkwood,
E. B. Hartman,

Board.

XII.—READING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENTS**Announcement of the Board of Examiners Studies for 1956-1957**

First Semi-Annual Studies

First Year's Course

Bible, First Timothy.

Church History.

Law of Liberty in the Spiritual Life. Chapters 1-5.

All About the Bible, Collett. Chapters 1-7.

Great Doctrines of the Bible, Evans. To Page 68.

Second Year's Course

Bible, Hebrews

Church History.

Great Doctrines of the Bible, Evans. To Page 134.

System of Christian Evidence, Keyser.

The Holy Spirit, Huffman.

Third Year's Course

Church History.

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker.

Great Doctrines of the Bible, Evans. To Page 210.

Pastoral Problems, Riley.

Hermeneutics, Dungan.

Second Semi-Annual Studies

First Year's Course

Bible, John, Chapters 13-17

Church History.

Law of Liberty in the Spiritual Life. Chapters 6-10.

All About the Bible, Collett. Chapters 8-10.

Divine Art of Preaching, Pierson.

Second Year's Course

Bible, Second Timothy.

Church History.

System of Christian Evidence, Keyser.

The Holy Spirit, Huffman.

Jesus is Coming, Blackstone.

Third Year's Course

Bible, Romans.

Church History.

Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker.

Great Doctrines of the Bible, Evans. Pages 215 to 272.

Voices from Rocks and Dust Heaps of Bible Lands, Huffman.

The following books are required to be read:

First Year—M. B. C. History, editions to date.

Second Year—Parliamentary Practice, by Neely.

Third Year—The Vocal and Literary Interpretation of the Bible, by Curry.

The Spring examination is to be held at Quakertown, Pa., April 8, 1957.

The Fall examination is to be held at Quakertown, Pa., on September 9, 1957.

Paul E. Baer, President,

Donald T. Kirkwood, Secretary,

Ernest B. Hartman,

Board.

XIII.—REPORT OF BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

“My word . . . shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I send it.” Isaiah 55:11

The men working in our Home Missionary Society are a group of consecrated workers who have been faithful in sowing the seed of the Word of God during the past year. Their efforts have not been in vain and we are grateful to God as we rejoice with them for the fruit of their labors.

The Director of Home Missions, Jansen E. Hartman, has again served in a very commendable manner and is much burdened for the work God has entrusted to him.

The Board expresses its sincere thanks to the churches and Sunday Schools for their support of this important phase of our effort to make Christ known.

During the past year the Board of Home Missions met six times in the interest of Home Missions. Though the work of Church Extension is constantly faced with problems and discouragements there has been much evidence of God's blessings upon the work.

The Home Mission Board can report that four appointments: Finesville, Trenton, Binghamton, and Paradise, are organized according to the discipline with a church membership list and a slate of officers. By action of the Annual Conference all the Home Mission appointments submit their reports to the Annual Conference in the same manner as the churches. Every effort is being made to conduct the Home Mission Churches along the same lines as the Churches of the conference.

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance in Treasury, October 1, 1955	\$ 2,367.47
Received from Churches	21,110.34
Received from Sunday Schools	7,515.98
Conference Entertainment Fund	681.35
Received from Mortgages:	
Lancaster	\$576.81
Binghamton	220.00
Finesville	225.00
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1,021.81	
Sale of Trenton Property	6,000.00
Special Gift from Bethel Church	58.51
Sale of Trailer	2,000.00
Loan from Beneficiary Society	3,800.00
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Total Receipts	\$44,555.46

Expenditures

Allentown District Appropriations	\$ 4,080.00
Bethlehem District Appropriations	3,480.00
Conference Entertainment Fund	681.35
Appropriations for Home Mission Workers	14,000.00
Property Settlement Expenses: Fares, Tel., Fees, etc. ..	45.83
Attorney Fees	115.00
Director of Home Missions Allowance*	2,035.11
Insurance	312.80
Finesville Heating: Materials and Installation	2,465.27
Balance: Finesville Property Settlement	79.00
Down Payment on Millersville Property	750.00
Special Grant to Emmanuel Church Building Fund	1,000.00
Special Grant to Board of Publication & Printing.....	300.00
Binghamton Roof	966.63
Repayment of Loan from Ministers' Retirement Fund...	5,914.01
Repayment of Loan from Beneficiary Society.....	1,923.19
Balance in Treasury, October 1, 1956	6,407.27
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\$44,555.46

The Board of Home Missions has the following assets invested in Home Mission Appointment Real Estate:

Lancaster, Pa. -----	\$6,648.52
Finesville, N. J. -----	3,863.64
Binghamton, N. Y. -----	1,635.70

*The Director of Home Missions has also received \$1,000.00 from the Berean Bible School.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman,	F. B. Hertzog,
A. L. Seifert, Secretary,	Roy E. Williams,
J. E. Hartman,	Clayton E. Weber,
William A. Heffner,	Board.

XIV.—REPORT OF THE MENNO YOUTH GENERAL COMMITTEE

One of the outstanding and encouraging societies of our Conference is the Menno Youth. We are blessed of the Lord to have such a fine group of whole hearted, young Christians, who desire to have Christ first in their lives and hearts. With such a future generation in the making, we know that our Conference will continue to see the Lord's blessings upon it.

The highlight of the year's Menno Youth activities was the eighth Menno Youth Retreat held at Milford Park on September 8 and 9. The Friday evening service was a presentation of the activities of the various Menno Youth societies. Saturday was a day of spiritual feasting as we received God's Word from His servants, Mr. Charles E. Jones and Mr. Merle E. Baer.

On April 28, the first Spring Rally of the Menno Youth was held in our Mount Carmel church. The object of the Spring Rally was to bring together the youth of our Conference for a time of spiritual refreshing and instruction. We believe the purpose of the Rally was accomplished.

Upon the authorization of the Menno Youth General Committee a Youth newspaper was established. Four issues were printed and distributed by Rev. Robert W. Smock. The reception of this paper by the youth of our Conference was most gratifying, as seen by their cooperation in supplying material and finances for it.

The Friday evening services of Camp Meeting were again set aside for Menno Youth rallies. The programs for these meetings were arranged and presented by the young people. From their ranks we expect the Lord will call forth laborers for the great harvest field.

The Menno Youth General Committee submits the following recommendation:

We, the Menno Youth General Committee, recommend that Annual Conference give consideration regarding the advisability of continuing the Menno Youth newspaper, entitled, "Menno Youth Spotlight," and also that the nature of its organization and financial support be considered.

STATISTICAL

Officers enrolled	123
Members enrolled	896
Associate Members enrolled	87
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Total Enrollment	1106

FINANCIAL**Receipts**

Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1955	\$ 131.06	
Receipts during year	672.44	\$ 803.47
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Expenses

Expenses during year	\$ 742.67	
Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1956	60.80	\$ 803.47
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Financial For The "Menno Youth Spotlight"

Receipts during year	\$ 179.00
Expenditures during year	193.50
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Deficit	\$ 14.50
Received from Menno Youth General Committee Treasury	\$ 14.50
Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1956—None	

J. H. Riggall, Chairman,
 Glenn Sheats, Secretary
 Paul I. Wentz, Jr., Treasurer
 F. B. Hertzog,

C. E. Kirkwood,
 Robert Smock,
 James Beil,
 Clarence L. Kauffman,
 Committee.

XV.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION—1955-1956

The Board humbly acknowledges the good hand of the Lord upon Berean Bible School. The year has not been without its testings but once again the Lord has proven that He is sufficient for all things.

The Board praises God for His guidance and wisdom and for the ministry Berean has had in training young people for Christian service.

The Lord has given strength and courage to Berean's President, Jansen E. Hartman, who seeks to promote the ministry of the school in a way that will glorify our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Faculty is devoted to Christ and seeks to be real blessing to the fine group of students the Lord has sent to us.

The staff has functioned well and the Board members have served wholeheartedly. Special commendation should be given to the lay members of the Board who have sacrificed greatly in rendering loving service to the School.

The Board met three times throughout the year. In addition to the regular meetings, the various committees have met to carry on business that was intrusted to their care.

The Board organized as follows:

Chairman, T. D. Gehret

Secretary, W. B. Hottel

Treasurer, A. L. Wentz

The Board elected the following committees:

Committee on Finance: Chairman, F. B. Hertzog; Secretary, Francis H. Gehman; Jansen E. Hartman, Byron C. Cassel, A. L. Wentz.

Committee on Faculty: Chairman, T. D. Gehret; Secretary, Horace A. Kauffman, C. E. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, Daniel K. Ziegler.

Committee on Promotion: Chairman, J. H. Riggall; Secretary, R. Paul Schaeffer; Jansen E. Hartman, W. B. Hottel, J. R. Weber.

Executive Committee: Chairman, F. B. Hertzog; Secretary, W. B. Hottel, T. D. Gehret, C. E. Kirkwood, A. L. Wentz.

Jansen E. Hartman was re-elected President of the School for the term of office from June 15, 1956 to June 15, 1957.

The faculty of the School consists of four full-time instructors, Jansen E. Hartman, Norman Jerome, Ruth Hartman, and Doris Schaeffer and two part-time instructors, Donald T. Kirkwood, and Willard E. Cassel.

The three courses being offered at Berean this year are:

Christian Education Course, Missionary Course, and Theology Course.

All the students are encouraged to enlist in some kind of practical Christian service. Therefore, this year again, the students were participating in deputation work for the school, Home Missionary Meetings, summer tent work, Bible Clubs, and Vacation Bible Schools. As the 1956-57 school year opened, 36 students were enrolled in the three courses. The number of students in each class is as follows: first year—15, second year—9, third year—10, and two special students.

Berean held its fourth Commencement Exercises on Friday, June 1, 1956 in Bethel Church, Allentown, Pa. There were fifteen young people who completed their course of study and received their diplomas. This makes a total of 52 graduates in four years. A breakdown of the activities of the Graduates of Berean Bible School. This list does not include many former students who have entered the Lord's work before graduating or those who were already engaged in Christian work when they took work at Berean.

Pastors—8; Pastors' wives—3; Home Mission Pastor who is a Foreign Missionary Candidate—1; Home Mission Pastor's wife who is a Missionary Candidate—1; Approved Candidates for Home Missions awaiting assignment—2; Minister of Music and Young People's worker—1; Students who are continuing their training (Majority—prospective pastors and missionaries)—17; Wives of Students—5; Social Worker at Industrial School for Girls—1; Lay Workers in Local Churches—9; Armed Services—1; Secretary to President of Berean Bible School—1; Secretary in office of Foreign Mission Board

—1; Christian Service unknown—1. We can estimate 19 full time workers and 22 who are studying or are married to students.

Evening classes were held again this year. The interest in these classes is very good and they seem to be meeting a real need in helping to train Christian workers.

The buildings are in good condition. During the past year, a new roof was put on the rear building and the driveways were covered with black top.

A full-time secretary, Joyce Mann, has been added to the staff. This will be a great help to the President and greater efficiency in the operation of the School.

The indebtedness of the School was reduced again this year.

The Executive Committee with the President was given the responsibility of defining the aims and objectives of the School. The following list of aims and objectives were formulated by the Committee and adopted by the Board.

The Berean Bible School sponsored by the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania aims:

1. To teach the Word of God, maintain the evangelical position of that Church, and educate leaders for the denomination.
2. To develop in the student strong Christian character, consistent with the Word of God.
3. To acquaint the student with the knowledge that is essential to Godly living and effective service for Jesus Christ.
4. To develop in the student the abilities and skills necessary to the effective propagation of the Gospel.
5. To stimulate in the student the urgency to fulfill the Great Commission of our Lord to preach the Gospel to every creature.

Upon the recommendation of the laymen of the Board of Education, the Board passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That we recommend to the Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pa., meeting at Bethlehem, Pa., October 15, 1956:

That a committee to be called "The Laymen Friends of Berean" be formed to promote the objectives and to assist in meeting the needs of Berean Bible School.

This committee shall consist of one layman from each church who shall be appointed by his Pastor with the approval of the respective District Superintendent. This appointment is to be made during Annual Conference 1956.

Each appointee shall be willing to serve on the committee and to attend the first committee meeting to be held on Home Coming Day, Nov. 3, 1956.

The committee shall be organized with a chairman, secretary, and seven vice chairmen. Each lay member of the Board of Education will serve as

one of the seven vice chairmen. The vice chairmen shall head the regional sub-committees.

Shortly after conference, the chairman shall meet with the vice chairmen to formulate a plan to raise \$25,000.00 for Berean Bible School and to arrange the program for the November 3rd meeting.

Each of the vice chairmen, shortly after the November 3rd meeting, will hold regional meetings, which shall be attended by the regional members of the committee and their Pastors, at which time this plan will be presented to them.

Proclamation of Berean Bible School Day shall be made in each church to be held prior to May 1st. On Berean Bible School Day offerings shall be received for the school in the Sunday School and church services.

The Laymen representatives of the churches shall be active in encouraging the contribution of funds from private sources in the areas that they represent.

Further Resolved, That a special offering be received at the Annual Menno Youth rallies at each Camp Meeting.

The Board wishes to express its gratitude to God for the friends, Alumni, and entire constituency of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania who pray and give that Berean Bible School might continue its ministry of training young people for Christian service.

FINANCIAL REPORT

September 1, 1955 to August 31, 1956

Balance in Treasury

General Fund -----	\$ 3,995.47	
Foreign Missionary Fund -----	103.98	
Student Activities Fund -----	417.95	
Petty Cash -----	200.00	\$ 4,717.40
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Receipts

Church Offerings -----	\$ 10,391.23	
Sunday School Offerings -----	1,350.29	
Menno Youth Offerings -----	999.15	
Alumni Contributions -----	343.00	
General Contributions -----	2,147.61	
Foreign Missionary Fellowship Fund -----	40.00	
Student Aid Fund -----	452.00	
Student Loan Fund -----	30.00	\$ 15,753.28
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Disbursed from Student Aid Fund:

To Room -----	\$ 56.00	
To Board -----	142.00	
To Tuition -----	254.00	452.00
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Disbursed from Student Loan Fund:

Loan to Student -----	30.00		
		<u>\$ 482.00</u>	\$ 15,271.28
Tuition -----			5,010.76
Room -----			2,442.16
Board -----	7,027.27		
Board Refund -----	564.16		6,463.11
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Library Fees -----			360.00
Registration Fees -----			368.50
Student Activities Fund -----			340.00
Graduation Fees -----			75.00
Rents -----			5,997.80
			<u>\$ 36,328.61</u>
Accrued Social Security -----			19.28
Accrued Withholding Tax -----			88.00
			<u>\$ 41,153.29</u>

Disbursements

Salaries, Wages and Labor:

President -----	\$ 1,000.00		
Faculty -----	5,930.00		
Office -----	725.15		
Assistant Librarian -----	180.00		
Kitchen -----	\$3,157.00		
Kitchen Refund (Mizpah Grove) ----	354.00	2,803.00	
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Janitor -----	540.25		11,178.40
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Food and Procurement -----			4,425.23
Travel -----			188.24
Mileage for Faculty -----			552.92
Light, Gas and Heat—School -----			2,652.53
Heat—Rental -----			489.75
Postage and Telephone -----	411.58		
Telephone Reimbursement -----	272.92		138.66
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Office Supplies, Stationery, Printing	239.78		
Office Supplies Reimbursement ----	1.32		238.46
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Maintenance & Repairs—School -----			1,101.95
Maintenance & Repairs—Rental -----			425.19
Operating Supplies -----			344.05
Publicity -----			1,374.84
Taxes -----			1,053.37
Insurance -----			466.17
Library -----			608.31
Equipment -----			1,722.44
Interest -----			1,619.42

Student Activities	469.53	
Roof—Rear Building	1,105.00	
Legal Expense	25.00	
Cap & Gown Rental	55.25	
Miscellaneous	51.82	
Retiring Bonds	4,650.00	
Payment on Loan	4,500.00	\$ 39,436.53

Balance in Treasury

General Fund	\$ 1,084.36	
Foreign Missionary Fund	143.98	
Student Activities Fund	288.42	
Petty Cash	200.00	\$ 1,716.76
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		\$ 41,153.29

A. L. Wentz, Treasurer.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**Assets**

Cash, August 31, 1956	\$ 1,084.36	
*Real Estate (Book value)	100,000.00	
Accounts Receivable (Students)	1,750.64	
Inventories:		
Food	667.51	
Supplies	262.20	
Fuel	403.56	
Furniture and Fixtures	15,902.95	\$120,071.22

Liabilities

Mortgage Bonds	\$ 45,350.00	
Notes Payable	2,305.92	
Bills Payable	25.00	\$ 47,680.92

*Title to Real Estate is held by the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania.

T. D. Gehret, Chairman,	Jansen E. Hartman,	Byron C. Cassel,
W. B. Hottel, Secretary,	J. H. Riggall,	R. Paul Schaeffer,
A. L. Wentz, Treasurer	Horace A. Kauffman,	J. R. Weber,
F. B. Hertzog,	Daniel K. Ziegler,	
C. E. Kirkwood,	Francis H. Gehman,	Board.

**XVI.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO COMPILE A REPORT
OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR BOOK
AND THE GOSPEL HERALD**

The Seventy-third Annual Conference of the Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church of Pennsylvania convened in the Ebenezer Mennonite Breth-

ren In Christ Church, 1121-1125 North Main Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, on Monday, October 15, 1956 at 1:00 P. M. Rev. F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent of the Allentown District, served as Chairman. Rev. N. H. Wolf served as Secretary and Paul I. Wentz, Sr. as Treasurer.

The keynote address of the Conference was brought by the Chairman, Rev. F. B. Hertzog. The scriptural basis for his very appropriate remarks was Philippians 2:5,—“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.” Something like six qualities of the mind of Christ were mentioned. One could certainly see that as such Christ-likeness would be possessed and displayed by the members of Conference the problems would be greatly minimized.

Before entering into the business of Conference the members of Conference engaged themselves in a season of prayer. Prayer and Christ-likeness are essential for the success of any gathering for purposes such as Annual Conference meets.

The Conference was expeditiously organized. The calling of the roll indicated only a few absentees. Preliminary matters were attended to, committees were appointed and thus the work of Conference began.

At the last Annual Conference a committee of three was appointed to “study Annual Conference procedure with a view to expedite business.” This committee reported early in Conference. The report consisted of a proposed agenda which was adopted and followed where possible. This procedure contributed to the affairs of Conference proceeding with greater dispatch.

Committees began to function promptly and by the evening of the first day of the Conference several reports were already submitted and acted upon. Both the District Superintendents gave good reports of the work of the Lord on their respective districts. The Home Mission Director gave a thorough report of the activities under his jurisdiction. The Home Mission effort is presently confronted with a shortage of workers. Members of Conference were urged to pray that God would meet this need.

The Planning Committee for the children’s Bible camp also submitted a report on Monday evening. This report told of God’s blessing upon the first year’s activities and of plans for more effective future operation. Annual Conference made provision for Conference-wide solicitation of support for this good work. At a later time it was decided that this camp site should henceforth be known as Victory Valley.

The Tuesday morning meeting was opened with a brief message by the Superintendent of the Bethlehem District, Rev. C. E. Kirkwood. The Scriptural basis of his message was Philippians 2:1-4. The theme of the message was “Bonds of Christian Union and Fellowship.” It was pointed out that as these bonds are recognized and observed there will, instead of partisanship, be a spirit of true humility. After the message considerable time was allotted for committee work.

On Tuesday afternoon various reports were submitted. Among them was the report of the Board of Foreign Missions. This report indicated commendable progress during the past year in this vital phase of the Lord’s work. The support of six new foreign missionaries has been assumed. Several

others presently engaged in Home Mission work are looking forward to service in other lands.

The Tuesday evening public session was again a high light of the Conference. As has been the custom for many years, all the pastors, the District Superintendents, the Bible School President and Home Mission Director gave their reports. Most of the reports were limited to two minutes. In general the reports indicated God's blessing in the past year with many things to challenge faith and devotion for the coming year should the Lord tarry. The Philadelphia Emmanuel and the Reading congregations have completed and dedicated lovely new edifices during the past year. Other congregations are planning to enlarge their facilities during the coming year. The past year marked the home-going of District Superintendent Emeritus, Rev. H. B. Musselman. Rev. Musselman was a devoted servant of the Lord and of this Conference for many years.

Wednesday's activities were begun with a third message based on Paul's epistle to the Philippians. This time the speaker was Rev. Jansen E. Hartman, Home Mission Director and President of Berean Bible School. Among other things Rev. Hartman mentioned and enlarged upon several features of true worship. Later Rev. Jansen E. Hartman reported on the work of Berean Bible School. God has blessed this ministry from its inception. However, here too there are needs which challenge our faith and devotion. An intensified effort to decrease the indebtedness on the school is contemplated for the coming year.

The election of District Superintendents in the morning session produced no changes. Rev. F. B. Hertzog was again chosen to serve as District Superintendent of the Allentown District as well as Conference Chairman. Rev. C. E. Kirkwood was re-elected to serve as Superintendent of the Bethlehem District. Both of these men of God have served very acceptably and have the loving respect and support of pastors and people on their districts.

The report of the Church Name Committee was submitted in the Wednesday afternoon meeting. It was decided that this committee should continue its study of this matter during the coming year.

In view of the increasing financial load which is being borne by the Conference a committee was appointed to study the overall financial structure of the Conference.

Rev. Jansen E. Hartman was re-elected as Home Mission Director and Rev. Herbert W. Hartman and Rev. N. H. Wolf as Vice District Superintendents.

A report of the Menno Youth publication, the "Menno Youth Spotlight" indicated that the paper was well received and much appreciated. Annual Conference went on record as encouraging the continuation of this publication for our youth.

The devotional period on Thursday morning was in charge of District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog. The theme of his message was "The Preciousness of Christ" as mentioned in I Peter 2:7. The thoughts of this message were an appropriate preparation for the observance of the Lord's Supper which followed.

The annual roll call of pastors concerning their continued willingness to serve under the direction of Annual Conference produced a response in the

affirmative without one exception. This roll call prepared the way for the work of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. This report which was submitted in the afternoon meeting resulted in only one church change. Two churches, the Allentown Salem and Coopersburg, which had formerly constituted a circuit, were granted Station status. The former pastor of the circuit, Rev. R. H. Gehman, was retained as pastor of the Allentown Salem Church. A former Home Mission pastor, Carl Cassel, who had previously served at Paradise, Pennsylvania, was assigned to the Coopersburg church.

The Thursday evening meeting was open to the public. Each District Superintendent brought an excellent message. Rev. Hertzog spoke on the Scriptural concept of the ministry. Rev. Kirkwood spoke on the church's secret of power which is the Holy Spirit. In this meeting Earl Hosler, pastor of the Spring City-Royersford circuit was ordained to the Christian ministry in an impressive ceremony.

Friday's activities were begun with a stirring message on John 11:40 delivered by District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog. We were inspired with the words of the text,—“Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldst see the glory of God?”

Because of the great amount of work remaining to be done, particularly in the area of church polity, it was decided to have an adjourned session of Conference in March of 1957. Much time on Friday was devoted to the election of boards and committees. Rev. D. E. Thomann was elected to serve as Editor of the M. B. In C. Supplement of the Gospel Herald for the coming year. As his assistants he chose Rev. William A. Heffner, Rev. D. T. Kirkwood and James Cressman. A ministerial convention for ministers only is to be held at Berean Bible School on March 28 and 29. The camp meeting season will begin on June 29, 1957 with the Allentown District Camp Meeting. The Bethlehem District Camp Meeting is to begin on July 13. Another Conference-wide Sunday School Convention is also planned for the coming year.

After a very full day, Conference was adjourned at 11:00 P. M.

By way of a few statistics, the total offerings for the year amounted to \$609,239.76. This represented an increase over the previous year of \$55,739.35. The total received for Foreign Missions was \$62,037.98 which represented an increase of \$3,579.27 over the previous year. Home Mission giving increased by \$3,358.19 for a total of \$31,993.51.

Fine accommodations and food were enjoyed because of the generous hospitality of the host church and pastor.

John Dunn, James G. Koch, Committee.

XVII.—REPORT OF PROGRAM AND PROMOTION COMMITTEE FOR A CONFERENCE WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

This Committee organized with R. C. Reichenbach as Chairman and Byron C. Cassel, Secretary. A program was prepared for June 9, 1956, with Norman L. Reed as Convention Chairman and Roy E. Williams as Convention Secretary and Treasurer.

The program featured addresses by Sherman Williams of Scripture Press Convention Bureau, Mrs. Ethel Barrett of Paterson, N. J., and an afternoon of Sunday School Departmental Workshops.

There were 407 officers and teachers of our school registered at the Convention. A total of approximately 800 people attended. We believe the convention was a blessing to our schools; that it inspired many of our people to greater zeal and showed them better methods of carrying on God's work in this department.

FINANCIAL

Offerings from Participating Schools -----		\$ 883.62
Less:		
Superintendent's Expenses -----		\$ 161.44
Program Expenses -----		363.32
Committee Expenses -----		22.23
		546.99
Balance turned over to Board of Directors -----		\$ 336.63

R. C. Reichenbach,	F. B. Hertzog,	Jansen E. Hartman,
Byron C. Cassel,	C. E. Kirkwood,	William A. Heffner,
Norman L. Reed,	Walter H. Frank,	Roy E. Williams,
		Committee.

XVIII.—SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Sixty-fifth Annual Ministerial Convention of the M. B. In C. Church of Pa. convened in the Berean Bible School in Allentown, Pa. on April 5 and 6, 1956.

The Committee on Program consisted of F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, T. D. Gehret and Willard E. Cassel. Jansen E. Hartman served as Chairman and A. L. Seifert was the Secretary.

In addition to the stationed pastors the following members of the Home Missionary Society were present: Reynold D. Gardner, Carl Cassel, Charles Mann, Norman F. Gordon, J. Barclay Harley and Richard H. Kline.

The Convention opened at 10:00 a. m. on Thursday, April 5 with Donald Schaeffer leading the assembled body in singing "Cleanse Me" followed with prayer by J. H. Riggall.

The following were appointed to serve as a committee on resolutions: Paul E. Baer and Robert W. Smock.

The Chairman read the following objectives formulated by the Committee on Program for the Convention:

1. To search our hearts to take a reckoning as to our stand before God as individuals and as a group of spiritual leaders,
2. To strive to seek a greater unity of purpose and a oneness in Christ.
3. To become acquainted with and to know how to employ the best means of carrying on the work of the gospel ministry.

The balance of the morning session was devoted to prayer directed by four group leaders with assigned subjects for prayer, including:

Personal Requests—Jansen E. Hartman
 The Church at Home—J. H. Riggall
 The Church at Work—N. H. Wolf
 The Church Abroad—J. E. Golla

Thursday Afternoon

The devotional period for the afternoon session commenced at 2:00 p. m. led by Pastor Robert W. Smock of Terre Hill, Pa., with singing of the hymn "Take Time To Be Holy."

The program of the afternoon consisted of a Deeper Life Panel with addresses relative to this topic, including:

"The Deeper Life—What Is It?" by T. D. Gehret
 "How Is It Attained?" by A. L. Seifert
 "What Does It Do?" by Frank L. Herb, Jr.

At the conclusion of these addresses an open discussion was conducted with all the members of the Convention invited to participate.

Thursday Evening

Pastor W. B. Hottel opened the evening service by leading the Convention body in singing two hymns. The ministers' chorus sang, "Are Ye Able?"

The message for the evening service on "Eschatology" was delivered by C. E. Kirkwood.

Friday Morning

The devotional period on Friday morning was in charge of F. B. Hertzog who led the Convention in reading Luke 24:13-35 responsively. Pastor N. H. Wolf led the Convention in singing a hymn. Various prayer requests were then mentioned by a number of the Pastors and remembered during a brief time of prayer.

Three addresses were given under the general subject, "The Pastor":

"His Devotions"—R. H. Gehman
 "Planning His Work"—D. E. Thomann
 "His Library"—Donald T. Kirkwood

A discussion was conducted after the addresses were given.

The Circulation Manager for the M. B. In C. Edition of the Gospel Herald gave a report relative to present subscriptions. The Secretary of the Church Name Committee reported the results of the recent ballot on change of church name.

Friday Afternoon

The closing session on Friday afternoon was in the form of an Evangelism Panel which included three brief addresses:

"The Urgency of Evangelism"—Walter A. Frank
 "The Methods of Evangelism"—William A. Heffner
 "Caring for the New Converts"—Willard E. Cassel

A survey was made of the Convention members regarding the benefit received from the Convention and it was the desire of the body that this type of Convention be continued in the future.

The Convention expressed their appreciation for the excellent manner in which they were entertained by the Berean Bible School. Meals for the Convention members were served in the school cafeteria at a very nominal cost.

May the Lord grant that the lessons learned and the blessings received during the days of the Convention will be remembered and be instrumental in making the ministry of the various members much more fruitful in the days remaining until the appearance of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Jansen E. Hartman, Chairman,
A. L. Seifert, Secretary.

XIX.—REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

(a) Board of Directors

Receipts

October 5, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 5,424.33	
Received during the year -----	84,036.05	\$ 89,460.38
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Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 66,459.89	
October 9, 1956, Balance in Treasury -----	23,000.49	\$ 89,460.38
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(b) Ministers' Moving Fund

Receipts

October 4, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 425.60	
Received during the year -----	1,137.50	\$ 1,563.10
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Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 2,679.47	
October 9, 1956, Deficit in Treasury -----	1,116.37	\$ 1,563.10
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The Board of Directors has the following funds:

Civilian Public Service Fund -----	\$ 485.64	
New Dormitory Fund -----	755.00	\$ 1,240.64

(c) Ministers' Retirement Fund

Receipts

October 4, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 32,407.30	
Received during the year -----	14,418.24	\$ 46,825.54
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Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 24,064.00	
October 8, 1956, Balance in Treasury -----	22,761.54	\$ 46,825.54

(d) District Superintendents' Homes**Receipts**

Offerings received during year -----	\$ 1,617.14	
From Beneficiary Society -----	1,000.00	
Loan from Ministers' Retirement Fund -----	16,000.00	\$ 18,617.14

Expenditures

Expenditures during year -----	\$ 20,318.56	
October 9, 1956, Deficit in Treasury -----	1,701.42	\$ 18,617.14

(e) Board of Foreign Missions**Receipts**

October 4, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 62,877.06	
Received during the year -----	73,447.66	\$ 136,324.72

Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 87,764.11	
October 11, 1956, Balance in Treasury -----	48,560.61	\$ 136,324.72

(f) The Home**Receipts**

September 22, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 329.52	
Received during the year -----	32,454.81	\$ 32,784.33

Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 32,498.96	
September 19, 1956, Balance in Treasury -----	285.37	\$ 32,784.33

(g) Annual Conference Funds**Receipts**

October 4, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 273.09	
Received during the year -----	1,000.49	\$ 1,273.58

Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 1,320.90	
October 9, 1956, Deficit in Treasury -----	47.32	\$ 1,273.58

(h) Home Missions**Receipts**

October 4, 1955, Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 2,367.47	
Received during the year -----	42,187.99	\$ 44,555.46

Expenditures

Expended during the year -----	\$ 38,148.19	
October 9, 1956, Balance in Treasury -----	6,407.27	\$ 44,555.46

Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer.

XX.—ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1957**(a) Ministerial Convention**

The Ministerial Convention is announced to be held at Berean Bible School, Allentown, Pa., Thursday and Friday, March 28 and 29, 1957. Attendance shall be limited to ordained ministers, probationers and Home Mission workers.

Officers: William A. Heffner, Chairman; Earl M. Hosler, Secretary; Committee on Program: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, T. D. Gehret, Willard E. Cassel.

(b) Sunday School Convention

A Program and Promotion Committee comprising F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Walter H. Frank, Jansen E. Hartman, William A. Heffner, J. E. Golla, James G. Koch, Norman Reed, James R. Cressman, Harlan Wolf and Glenn Rohrbach, was elected to plan for a Conference-wide Sunday School Convention to be held on Saturday, June 8, 1957, the site of the Convention to be chosen by the Committee.

(c) Camp Meetings**Allentown District**

The churches of the Allentown District and the Missions located at Millersville, Paradise and Binghamton shall comprise this Camp Meeting.

Place: Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., Date: June 29 to July 7, 1957.

Officers: Walter H. Frank, Chairman; Herbert W. Hartman, Secretary; P. T. Stengele, Treasurer.

Bethlehem District

The Churches of the Bethlehem District and the Missions located at Trenton, Finesville and Roxborough shall comprise this Camp Meeting.

Place: Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa. Date: July 13-21, 1957.

Officers: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; D. E. Thomann, Secretary; W. W. Hartman, Treasurer.

(d) Annual Conference

The Seventy-fourth Annual Conference shall convene, should the Lord tarry, in the Bethel Mennonite Brethren In Christ Church, 526-30 North Eighth Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania, on Monday, October 14, 1957, at 1:00 P. M.

Officers: F. B. Hertzog, Chairman; N. H. Wolf, Secretary; Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer. Committee on Program: T. D. Gehret, D. E. Thomann, Walter H. Frank.

XXI FINANCIAL REPORT

<i>Appointments</i>	<i>Foreign Missions</i>	<i>Foreign Missions in S. S.</i>	<i>Home Missions</i>	<i>Home Missions in S. S.</i>	<i>Annual Conference Fund</i>	<i>For the Home</i>	<i>Conference Expense</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.								
Allentown (Bethel).....	\$ 7,606.73	\$ 2,940.67	\$ 4,818.65	\$ 2,777.02	\$ 37.59	\$ 73.26	\$ 79.65	\$18,333.57
Reading	1,260.00	2,643.18	1,005.00	.....	27.50	65.70	54.60	5,055.98
Sunbury	600.00	933.00	500.00	133.00	21.13	36.00	28.80	2,251.93
Shamokin	528.75	289.01	302.50	289.01	10.07	14.14	23.40	1,456.88
York	1,161.87	1,259.01	1,024.25	408.85	17.00	33.00	27.15	3,931.13
Mt. Carmel	855.00	800.00	800.00	.....	10.00	25.00	14.25	2,504.25
Royersford	1,510.00	1,219.36	995.00	.....	18.63	42.22	10.65	3,795.86
Spring City	705.00	802.06	437.00	.....	15.40	27.37	10.05	1,996.88
Graterford	397.31	135.21	345.50	125.46	7.70	10.00	5.25	1,026.43
Harleysville	398.50	113.09	448.50	100.00	13.00	10.00	8.40	1,091.49
Nazareth	240.50	227.00	167.50	227.00	6.90	15.66	8.70	893.26
Northampton	221.50	196.64	193.50	196.63	4.79	10.73	5.70	829.49
Walnutport	120.00	122.60	59.00	.....	7.80	11.10	7.15	327.65
Lehighton	137.00	159.07	125.25	168.92	4.51	14.40	9.60	618.75
Hatfield	2,518.83	400.00	1,374.50	409.43	12.00	65.00	21.90	4,801.66
Harrisburg	362.00	366.92	208.50	346.41	8.08	35.00	16.20	1,343.11
Lebanon	138.50	115.59	121.00	112.41	15.00	21.00	6.45	529.95
Stroudsburg	114.00	162.77	142.00	98.66	5.50	21.75	5.85	550.53
Lancaster	133.50	120.75	66.50	103.16	6.65	12.00	5.40	447.96
TOTAL	\$19,008.99	\$13,005.93	\$13,134.15	\$ 5,495.96	\$ 249.25	\$ 543.33	\$ 349.15	\$51,786.76
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.								
Bethlehem	\$ 3,060.25	\$ 3,547.95	\$ 1,631.50	\$ 454.09	\$ 35.00	\$ 126.20	\$ 56.40	\$ 8,911.39
Phila. (Salem)	2,040.00	656.44	905.00	.....	15.00	20.00	27.00	3,663.44
Easton	1,000.00	538.30	700.00	.....	13.36	30.71	24.30	2,306.67
Quakertown	1,279.00	270.00	727.00	220.00	10.25	45.00	26.40	2,577.65
Chester	1,928.57	839.81	1,562.36	279.93	13.10	73.37	19.65	4,716.79
Phila. (Calvary)	916.83	428.42	243.00	428.42	5.66	17.25	11.85	2,051.43
Jersey City, N. J.	136.00	100.99	20.00	6.00	7.60	10.00	9.30	339.89
Emmaus	973.50	300.00	851.00	180.00	26.79	101.12	24.15	2,456.56
Macungie	155.00	87.03	142.00	.....	6.00	5.50	3.90	402.43
Zionsville	843.00	553.00	562.00	.....	10.69	15.87	5.40	1,989.96
Coopersburg	721.00	492.00	635.00	.....	10.50	52.00	20.10	1,930.60
Allentown (Salem)	669.25	735.64	520.00	.....	14.50	43.00	16.05	1,998.44
Fleetwood	1,710.50	758.00	1,341.30	.....	12.50	70.00	19.95	3,912.25
Blandon	324.00	551.65	225.00	.....	10.00	30.00	11.10	1,151.75
Seranton	500.00	77.15	300.00	77.15	5.15	19.00	12.15	990.60
Terre Hill	597.00	740.00	542.00	65.00	13.19	31.86	11.55	2,000.60
Phila. (Emmanuel)	141.50	211.55	137.50	211.55	7.25	14.35	8.10	731.80
Newark, N. J.	102.00	221.55	85.00	221.54	4.45	13.00	7.65	655.19
Staten Island, N. Y.	151.42	67.12	45.30	44.76	3.21	10.00	7.35	329.16
TOTAL	\$17,298.82	\$11,176.60	\$11,174.96	\$ 2,188.44	\$ 224.20	\$ 731.23	\$ 322.35	\$43,116.60
HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — J. E. HARTMAN, DIRECTOR								
Binghamton, N. Y.	\$ 186.77	\$ 106.04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 292.81
Finesville, N. J.	93.28	98.02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	191.30
Millersville, Pa.	121.57	211.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	332.69
Paradise, Pa. ....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200.00
Phila. (Roxborough)	100.00	112.37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	212.37
Trenton, N. J.	22.35	296.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	318.47
TOTAL	\$ 523.97	\$ 1,023.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 1,547.64
GRAND TOTAL	\$36,831.78	\$25,206.20	\$24,309.11	\$ 7,684.40	\$ 473.45	\$1,274.56	\$ 671.50	\$96,451.00
Increase	2,810.74	728.53	3,198.77	168.42	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34.79	287.90	9.85	.....

Paul I. Wentz, Byron C. Cassel, Francis H. Gehman, S. A. Hackman,
Finance Committee.

XXII PASTORS' SUMMARY STATISTICAL REPORT

Appointments	Pastors	Ministers and Officers								Membership					
		District Supts.	Ordained Ministers	Probationers	L. C. Licensed Min. and Evangelists	Deacons	Class Leaders	Stewards	Parsonage or Bldg. Fund Collectors	Baptized	Members Not Baptized	Children Dedicated	Received Into Church Fellowship	Received by Transf.	Total Increase
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.															
Allentown (Bethel)	Walter H. Frank	1	4		5	8	4	4	4	23	5	10	38		38
Reading	P. T. Stengele		2		1		2	2	3	29	1	10	19		19
Sunbury	E. W. Bean		1		1		2	2	2			4			
Shamokin	R. C. Reichenbach		1		1		2	2	2	7	2		8	4	12
York	James G. Koch		1				2	2	2	2		6	1		1
Mt. Carmel	Herbert W. Hartman		1				2	2	2	10	2	4	7	1	8
Royersford	Earl M. Hosler				1		1	1	1			2	1		1
Spring City	Earl M. Hosler			1			1	1	1		1	5	2	3	5
Graterford	Ernest B. Hartman		1				1	1	1			3			
Harleysville	Ernest B. Hartman						1	1	1			1			
Nazareth	J. H. Riggall		1				1	1	1	1		1			
Northampton	J. H. Riggall				2		1	1	1	1		2			
Lehighton	J. B. Layne		1				1	1	1			1			
Walnutport	Raymond E. Arnold		1	1			1	1	1			2			
Hatfield	A. L. Seifert		1		3		1	2	2	7	1	4	6		6
Harrisburg	N. H. Wolf		1				1	1	1	5		1	9	2	11
Lebanon	W. F. Heffner		1				1	1	1	6		4	8		8
Stroudsburg	Donald B. Schaeffer			1			1	1	1	8				3	3
Lancaster	Frank L. Herb, Jr.			1			1	1	1		1	1	2	5	7
	TOTAL	1	17	4	14	8	27	28	29	99	13	61	101	18	119
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.															
Bethlehem	William A. Heffner	1	1				4	4	4	17		11	20	1	21
Phila. (Salem)	J. E. Golla		1		1		2	2	2	3		14	2	2	4
Easton	D. E. Thomann		1				2	2	2	10	2	6	3		3
Quakertown	Donald T. Kirkwood		2		2		2	2	2	1		4	3	2	5
Chester	Willard E. Cassel		1				1	2	2	3		4			
Phila. (Calvary)	W. B. Hottel		1				1	2	1			2			
Jersey City, N. J.	Russell T. Allen			1	1		1	1	1			1		2	2
Emmaus	W. W. Hartman		1				2	2	2	6		6	6		6
Macungie	W. W. Hartman						1	1	1	2			2		2
Zionsville	W. W. Hartman						1	1	1	4		2	4		4
Coopersburg	R. H. Gehman		1				2	2	2	1		1	2		2
Allentown (Salem)	R. H. Gehman				1		2	2	2	4		1	5	1	6
Fleetwood	T. D. Gehret		1				1	2	2	9		5	7		7
Blandon	T. D. Gehret						1	1	1	2		3	3		3
Scranton	Paul E. Baer		1				2	2	2		1	4	1	3	4
Terre Hill	Robert W. Smock		1				1	1	1			1	6	2	8
Phila. (Emmanuel)	John Dunn		1				1	1	1			1	1		1
Newark, N. J.	LeRoy S. Heller			1			1	1	1		1	1	1	2	3
Staten Island, N. Y.	H. D. Yarrington		1				1	1	1			4		2	2
	TOTAL	1	14	2	5		29	32	31	62	4	70	66	17	83
Home Miss. Dept.	J. E. Hartman, Dir.		1	1	7		4	4	4	12	2	9	41	6	47
Missionaries															
	GRAND TOTAL	2	32	7	26	8	60	64	64	173	19	140	208	41	249

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Appointments	Membership								Pastors' Activities						S. S.					
	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Transferred to Other Churches	Transferred to M.B.C. Churches	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Membership	Appointments	Sermons Preached	Pastoral Visits	Prayer Meetings Visited	Sunday Schools Visited	Prayer Meeting Classes	M. B. in C. Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers Enrolled	Scholars Enrolled	Total Enrollment	
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HEKZOG, D. S.																				
Allentown (Bethel)	4	2	11	1	1	19	19	550	1	160	850	53	55	4	1	89	796	885		
Reading	3			2	1	6	13	377	1	202	535	86	47		1	51	400	451		
Sunbury	5		1	2		8		184	1	169	730	90	50	2	2	33	246	284		
Shamokin	2				3	6	6	162	1	100	475	63	50	2	1	30	218	248		
York	2	3		1	2	8		174	1	140	343	85	50	2	1	39	233	272		
Mt. Carmel				1	4	5	3	98	1	215	560	95	50	1	1	17	108	125		
Royersford	1			1	1	3	2	69	1	88	215	44	40	1	1	19	97	116		
Spring City				2	3	5		67	1	92	202	43	7	1	1	17	105	122		
Graterford								35	1	75	209	44	1	1	1	18	107	125		
Harleysville		1				1	1	55	1	64	249	45	1	1	1	15	85	100		
Nazareth				1	1	2	1	57	1	100	290	40	6	1	1	24	81	105		
Northampton			1	1		2	2	36	1	75	295	40	6	1	1	17	80	97		
Lehighton	1					1	1	63	1	150	300	42	51	1	1	13	79	92		
Walnutport	1					1	2	52	1	162	358	46	46	1	1	16	115	131		
Hatfield		1		3	4	2		148	1	211	378	44	48	1	1	28	236	264		
Harrisburg		2				2	9	117	1	169	1003	104	49	1	1	21	209	230		
Lebanon							8	51	1	107	230	45	50	1	1	18	123	141		
Stroudsburg				1		1	2	36	1	124	475	49	49	1	1	15	68	83		
Lancaster						1	6	45	1	153	370	50	50	1	1	18	117	135		
TOTAL	19	9	14	17	15	74	68	2376	19	2556	8070	1108	706	26	19	503	3503	4006		
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.																				
Bethlehem	5	2	20			27		6 370	1	214	400	60	76	4	1	58	456	514		
Phila. (Salem)	1		3	3	2	9		5 175	1	160	515	87	49	2	1	33	180	213		
Easton	1	2	7	1		11		8 154	1	198	578	48	48	1	1	35	219	254		
Quakertown	2		13	1	3	19		14 162	1	90	507	40	50	2	1	27	211	238		
Chester	1		4	2		7		7 124	1	119	348	33	49	1	1	30	212	242		
Phila. (Calvary)	1		2			3		3 76	1	147	315	42	50	1	1	23	170	193		
Jersey City, N. J.	2	4	7	3	2	18		16 46	1	164	408	47	51	1	1	17	68	85		
Emmaus		3				3	3	164	1	85	438	22	3	2	1	29	199	228		
Macungie					1	1	1	27	1	45	124	37	3	1	1	7	32	39		
Zionsville			1			1	3	39	1	44	108	16	1	1	1	10	52	62		
Coopersburg	2		5	2		9		7 127	1	64	415	39	24	1	1	23	134	157		
Allentown (Salem)	3	3	8			11		5 102	1	63	416	36	23	1	1	23	126	149		
Fleetwood	2		3	2		7		133	1	124	320	36	16	1	1	26	338	364		
Bland	1		1			2	1	75	1	68	185	33	11	1	1	19	141	160		
Scranton	1		1		2	4		81	1	190	310	38	49	2	1	20	102	122		
Terre Hill	2			2	4	8		77	1	154	415	47	52	1	1	19	116	135		
Phila. (Emmanuel)			5			5		4 50	1	161	315	42	51	1	1	18	58	76		
Newark, N. J.		4	4			8		5 46	1	162	669	59	51	1	1	15	37	52		
Staten Island, N. Y.				1	2	3		1 48	1	178	401	48	48	1	1	13	48	61		
TOTAL	24	15	84	17	16	156	8	81 2076	19	2430	7187	810	705	26	19	445	2899	3344		
Dist. Supts.										410										
The Home																				
Mizpah Grove																				
Home Miss. Dept.				1	11	12	40	5 116	6	711	1746	273	299	5	6	61	299	360		
Home Miss. S. S.																35	157	192		
Berean Bible School																				
Missionaries			12			12		12 28												
GRAND TOTAL	43	24	110	35	42	254	116	121 4596	44	6107	17003	2191	1710	57	44	1044	6858	7902		

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Appointments	S. S.					Church Property				
	Total Average Attendance	Home Department Members	Cradle Roll Members	Mission Sunday Schools	Subscriptions to Gospel Herald	Churches	Parsonages	Decrease of Church Property	Increase of Church Property	Present Valuation of Church Property
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT -- F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.										
Allentown (Bethel).....	642	10	85	50	1	1			\$ 185,000.00	
Reading.....	322		35	26	1	1		\$ 75,000.00	200,000.00	
Sunbury.....	231	15	51	26	1	1			45,000.00	
Shamokin.....	194			22	1	1			52,000.00	
York.....	218			43	1	1			20,000.00	
Mt. Carmel.....	103		12	11	1	1			25,000.00	
Royersford.....	95	4		16	1	1			25,000.00	
Spring City.....	89			8	1	1		5,000.00	15,000.00	
Graterford.....	92			7	1	1			20,000.00	
Harleysville.....	78		5	12	1	1			15,000.00	
Nazareth.....	83		5	5	1	1			20,000.00	
Northampton.....	76		13	13	1	1			19,000.00	
Walnutport.....	70		37	8	1	1			18,000.00	
Lehighton.....	91	1	5	3	1	1			13,000.00	
Hatfield.....	215	42	17	31	1	1			105,000.00	
Harrisburg.....	146		13	42	1	1			48,500.00	
Lebanon.....	107		10	12	1	1			22,000.00	
Stroudsburg.....	73		4	6	1	1			20,000.00	
Lancaster.....	100		13	7	1	1			25,000.00	
TOTAL	3025	72	305	1	348	19	16	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 892,500.00	
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.										
Bethlehem.....	389	12	22	2	38	1	1	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	
Phila. (Salem).....	156		8	15	1	1			75,000.00	
Easton.....	175	6	30	11	1	1			70,000.00	
Quakertown.....	178		24	16	1	1			60,000.00	
Chester.....	182			7	1	1		2,000.00	57,000.00	
Phila. (Calvary).....	137		16	5	1	1			30,000.00	
Jersey City, N. J.....	62	11	8	15	1	1			23,000.00	
Emmaus.....	224	14	32	18	1	1		9,000.00	79,000.00	
Macungie.....	35		5	3	1	1			6,000.00	
Zionsville.....	58		5	1	1	1			8,000.00	
Coopersburg.....	121	12	7	23	1	1		2,000.00	27,000.00	
Allentown (Salem).....	104	10	7	32	1	1			30,000.00	
Fleetwood (Salem).....	259	10	45	53	1	1			65,000.00	
Blandon.....	127		8	28	1	1			15,000.00	
Seranton.....	103		12	14	1	1			23,000.00	
Terre Hill.....	113	13	24	34	1	1			35,000.00	
Phila. (Emmanuel).....	73		5	6	1	1		40,500.00	53,500.00	
Newark, N. J.....	54		4	13	1	1			18,000.00	
Staten Island, N. Y.....	52	6	6	16	1	1			40,000.00	
TOTAL	2602	94	268	2	348	19	14	78,500.00	839,500.00	
Dist. Supts.....									38,000.00	
The Home.....								375.17	130,991.21	
Mizpah Grove.....								25,000.00	*115,000.00	
Home Miss. Dept.....	295		5	66	5		\$6,500.00		70,500.00	
Home Miss. S. S.....	143		12							
Berean Bible School.....									110,000.00	
Missionaries.....										
GRAND TOTAL	6065	166	590	3	762	43	30	\$6,500.00	\$183,875.17	\$2,196,491.21

*25,000 of this for Bible Camp.

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Appointments	OFFERINGS							
	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools	Home Missions	Home Missions in Sunday Schools	For M. B. in C. Home	For M. B. in C. Home (Special)	Church Extension	General Offerings
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.								
Allentown (Bethel).....	\$ 7,606.73	\$ 2,940.67	\$ 4,818.65	\$ 2,777.02	\$ 73.26	.....	.....	\$19,573.77
Reading.....	1,260.00	2,643.18	1,005.00	.....	65.70	.....	\$14,274.60	3,793.12
Sunbury.....	600.00	933.00	500.00	133.00	36.00	.....	.....	1,039.74
Shamokin.....	528.75	289.01	302.50	289.01	14.14	.....	.....	1,682.60
York.....	1,161.87	1,259.01	1,024.25	408.85	33.00	.....	5,344.64	1,918.19
Mt. Carmel.....	855.00	800.00	800.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	1,131.17
Roversford.....	1,510.00	1,219.36	995.00	.....	42.22	.....	.....	1,730.06
Spring City.....	705.00	802.06	437.00	.....	27.37	.....	1,436.86	1,053.28
Graterford.....	397.31	135.21	345.50	125.46	10.00	.....	.....	684.23
Harleysville.....	398.50	113.09	448.50	100.00	10.00	.....	.....	999.70
Nazareth.....	240.50	227.00	167.50	227.00	15.66	.....	950.23	1,881.85
Northampton.....	221.50	196.64	193.50	196.63	10.73	.....	.....	1,115.22
Lehighton.....	137.00	159.07	125.25	168.92	14.40	.....	.....	1,035.24
Walnutport.....	120.00	122.60	59.00	.....	11.10	.....	.....	897.37
Hatfield.....	2,518.83	400.00	1,374.50	409.43	65.00	.....	.....	3,772.63
Harrisburg.....	362.00	366.92	208.50	346.41	35.00	.....	.....	2,400.32
Lebanon.....	138.50	115.59	121.00	112.41	21.00	.....	.....	945.97
Stroudsburg.....	133.50	120.75	66.50	103.16	12.00	.....	.....	678.47
Lancaster.....	114.00	162.77	142.00	98.66	21.75	.....	134.83	1,253.86
TOTAL.....	\$19,008.99	\$13,005.93	\$13,134.15	\$ 5,495.96	\$ 543.33	.....	\$22,141.16	\$47,586.79
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.								
Bethlehem.....	\$ 3,060.25	\$ 3,394.52	\$ 1,631.50	\$ 454.09	\$ 126.20	.....	\$ 5,594.74	\$ 4,630.66
Phila. (Salem).....	2,040.00	656.44	905.00	.....	20.00	.....	.....	1,901.84
Easton.....	1,000.00	538.30	700.00	.....	30.71	.....	.....	2,735.53
Quakertown.....	1,279.00	270.00	727.00	220.00	45.00	.....	.....	1,627.46
Chester.....	1,928.57	839.81	1,562.36	279.93	73.37	.....	.....	2,569.38
Phila. (Calvary).....	916.83	428.42	243.00	428.42	17.25	.....	3,338.25	1,095.60
Jersey City, N. J.....	186.00	100.99	20.00	6.00	10.00	.....	.....	1,895.39
Emmaus.....	973.50	300.00	851.00	180.00	101.12	\$ 4,000.00	430.00	2,265.96
Macungie.....	155.00	87.03	142.00	.....	8.50	.....	.....	426.30
Zionsville.....	843.00	553.00	562.00	.....	15.87	.....	.....	490.43
Coopersburg.....	721.00	492.00	635.00	.....	52.00	125.00	.....	3,128.35
Allentown (Salem).....	669.25	735.64	520.00	.....	43.00	.....	.....	2,560.13
Fleetwood.....	1,710.50	758.00	1,341.30	.....	70.00	.....	.....	3,560.70
Blandon.....	324.00	551.65	225.00	.....	30.00	.....	255.21	1,181.85
Scranton.....	500.00	77.15	300.00	77.15	19.00	.....	938.08	1,434.26
Terre Hill.....	597.00	740.00	542.00	65.00	31.86	.....	.....	2,324.09
Phila. (Emmanuel).....	141.50	211.55	137.50	211.55	14.35	.....	.....	1,247.26
Newark, N. J.....	102.00	221.55	85.00	221.54	13.00	.....	.....	1,219.12
Staten Island, N. Y.....	151.42	67.12	45.30	44.76	10.00	.....	.....	1,220.03
TOTAL.....	\$17,298.82	\$11,023.17	\$11,174.96	\$ 2,188.44	\$ 731.23	\$ 4,125.00	\$10,556.28	\$37,514.34
Home Miss. Dept.....	523.97	1,023.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	157.90	8,701.59
Home Miss. S. S.....	.....	153.43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
GRAND TOTAL.....	\$36,881.78	\$25,206.20	\$24,309.11	\$ 7,684.40	\$ 1,274.56	\$ 4,125.00	\$32,855.34	\$93,802.72

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Appointments	OFFERINGS							
	Parsonage or Building Fund	Sunday Schools	District Superintendents	District Superintendents' Parsonages	Ministers in Cash	Ministers in Other Contributions	Ministers' Retirement Fund	Offerings for Missionary or Evangelistic Work
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.								
Allentown (Bethel)	\$ 5,465.16	\$10,253.02	\$ 1,343.52	\$ 164.67	\$ 8,454.30	\$ 771.50	\$ 197.62	\$10,197.01
Reading	903.85	2,450.64	679.50	84.29	4,278.75	510.00	249.50	1,520.00
Sunbury	1,112.10	4,142.24	448.33	26.07	2,866.50	415.00	148.00	730.60
Shamokin	627.75	1,473.78	282.78	22.86	2,319.75	375.00	77.28	50.00
York		959.70	552.00	40.00	3,117.40	333.71	119.00	1,291.60
Mt. Carmel	535.75	1,046.75	340.00	30.00	3,917.09	981.00	42.61	738.85
Royersford	543.10	478.63	271.96	27.80	2,503.25	497.63	161.00	287.15
Spring City	390.85	797.55	301.99	19.26	1,698.00	497.90	87.00	210.50
Graterford	159.00	711.74	157.24	22.01	1,252.00	200.00	52.75	85.00
Harleysville	167.00	442.11	148.44	32.04	1,841.00	365.92	56.00	125.00
Nazareth	636.95	1,106.45	176.10	14.80	2,102.91	86.00	40.00	125.00
Northampton	554.75	578.88	161.68	9.10	1,872.75	163.00	25.62	110.00
Lehighton	345.00	685.10	225.18	14.50	1,983.25	310.00	69.27	40.68
Walnutport	281.00	756.85	147.55	14.01	2,804.45	200.00	36.56	120.50
Hatfield	1,774.00	1,986.60	359.73	75.66	3,918.75	422.66	232.99	2,396.23
Harrisburg	232.63	1,324.20	384.24	35.00	3,101.42	602.63	102.00	414.75
Lebanon	421.00	628.98	188.00	20.25	1,414.25	176.00	74.85	146.00
Stroudsburg	109.50	1,516.90	105.35	8.80	1,175.46	227.00	21.25	162.78
Lancaster	1,583.00	779.02	179.94	24.75	2,699.00	225.00	34.61	94.86
TOTAL	\$15,842.39	\$32,119.14	\$ 6,453.53	\$ 685.87	\$53,320.28	\$ 7,359.95	\$ 1,827.91	\$18,846.51
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.								
Bethlehem	\$ 2,495.70	\$ 4,389.53	\$ 982.46	\$ 86.00	\$ 6,031.25	\$ 530.00	\$ 398.31	\$ 3,908.24
Phila. (Salem)	1,294.30	2,183.68	445.03	91.20	3,891.50	645.00	118.50	965.00
Easton	829.30	2,623.76	480.21	45.00	3,764.50	297.00	143.82	409.94
Quakertown	593.00	1,545.15	533.00	38.00	3,730.50	471.50	151.45	145.92
Chester	1,339.16	1,650.41	465.00	100.00	4,171.50	312.71	240.00	948.64
Phila. (Calvary)	384.00	1,131.18	257.00	23.18	2,754.00	299.00	37.30	259.92
Jersey City, N. J.	690.20	655.26	160.00	17.55	1,958.00	568.00	40.50	185.00
Emmaus	1,149.15	2,280.32	675.00	90.48	4,055.25	630.00	268.00	921.80
Macungie	201.25	473.52	197.00	16.00	604.00	85.00	45.00	115.58
Zionsville	185.95	400.60	228.00	31.50	601.00	110.00	61.00	2,410.69
Coopersburg	496.75	2,476.33	372.35	76.30	2,451.50	370.40	71.60	647.58
Allentown (Salem)	544.80	1,035.13	350.00	76.00	2,377.00	345.35	88.00	247.00
Fleetwood	1,002.55	4,821.00	308.00	62.00	3,426.25	475.00	225.00	1,093.50
Blandon	309.35	1,853.62	290.00	25.00	1,336.75	220.00	129.00	350.00
Scranton	666.75	861.94	240.00	41.00	2,567.75	335.00	84.85	307.11
Terre Hill	1,335.00	2,057.64	335.00	50.00	2,824.00	600.00	94.00	165.31
Phila. (Emmanuel)	272.15	839.11	206.00	13.26	1,241.25	168.79	31.00	536.26
Newark, N. J.	1,129.50	768.73	167.12		2,156.24	295.00	26.21	61.00
Staten Island, N. Y.	756.25	300.72	176.14	15.00	2,055.70	250.00	40.00	16.52
TOTAL	\$15,675.11	\$32,157.63	\$ 6,867.31	\$ 897.47	\$ 51,997.94	\$ 7,007.75	\$ 2,293.54	\$13,695.01
Home Miss. Dept.	1,033.68	2,886.19	681.10		3,879.69	1,011.19		787.48
Home Miss. S. S.		2,467.14						
GRAND TOTAL	\$32,551.18	\$69,630.10	\$14,001.94	\$ 1,583.34	\$109,197.91	\$15,378.89	\$ 4,121.45	\$33,329.00

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Appointments	OFFERINGS							
	Beneficiary Fund	Sunday School Conventions	Received for Reduction of Church Property Indebtedness	Repairing Church Property	Berean Bible School	For Publishing and Printing	Benevolent Society	Relief and Rescue Work
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.								
Allentown (Bethel)...	\$ 60.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 3,045.00		\$ 3,015.43	\$ 37.59	\$ 19.00	
Reading.....	58.00				142.00	27.50		
Sunbury.....	33.70	25.00	1,517.27		251.27	21.13		
Shamokin.....	9.77	33.02		\$ 384.63	73.45	10.07		\$ 50.00
York.....	34.00	28.11			170.00	17.00		
Mt. Carmel.....	10.00	19.80	263.03		165.00	10.00		
Royersford.....	38.50	20.00	1,650.00		1,049.33	18.63	4.50	
Spring City.....	23.36	20.00		228.53	85.90	15.40	3.00	
Graterford.....	10.62		620.00		98.64	7.70	3.00	
Harleysville.....	15.69		1,004.92		129.84	13.00	1.50	81.10
Nazareth.....	11.53				87.24	6.90		200.00
Northampton.....	11.39	5.00		31.00	113.50	4.79	5.00	50.00
Leighton.....	13.74		1,200.00		67.62	4.51		
Walnutport.....	13.42	9.68	402.98		52.27	7.80		
Hatfield.....	50.00	51.49	7,950.97	273.81	1,263.63	12.00		274.55
Harrisburg.....	30.00	33.85	4,472.20		173.88	8.08		
Lebanon.....	12.00	17.69			81.00	15.00		114.00
Stroudsburg.....	7.10	13.23			33.50	6.65		
Lancaster.....	15.60	22.00	217.12	159.75	254.12	5.50		
TOTAL.....	\$458.42	\$338.87	\$22,343.49	\$ 1,077.72	\$ 7,307.62	\$241.25	\$ 36.00	\$ 769.65
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.								
Bethlehem.....	\$104.00	\$ 51.00		\$ 1,619.32	\$ 760.00	\$35.00		\$ 127.50
Phila. (Salem).....	40.00		\$ 3,682.97		186.00	15.00		154.32
Easton.....	36.84				326.45	19.36	\$ 11.50	
Quakertown.....	36.00	24.30	5,453.00		300.00	10.25	5.50	
Chester.....	13.10	24.90	613.96		246.42	13.10		160.35
Phila. (Calvary).....	5.05	21.90		38.00	190.00	5.66		
Jersey City, N. J.....	10.00	10.00	1,000.00		50.00	7.60		
Emmaus.....	31.09				734.92	26.79	76.00	
Macungie.....	8.85				60.85	6.00	3.00	
Zionsville.....	10.12				48.17	10.69	4.50	
Coopersburg.....	18.00	15.70			340.00	10.50	6.50	
Allentown (Salem)....	34.40	11.92			240.00	14.50	4.50	
Fleetwood.....	49.00	45.00			540.00	12.50	5.00	
Blandon.....	35.00	22.44			160.00	10.00		
Scranton.....	19.80	18.04			176.23	5.15	2.00	
Terre Hill.....	16.70	13.30			354.69	13.19		21.00
Phila. (Emmanuel)....	15.11	10.00	2,603.01		64.19	7.25		
Newark, N. J.....	4.13				35.41	4.45		
Staten Island, N. Y.....	10.00	10.00		344.75	23.24	3.21		
TOTAL.....	\$497.19	\$278.50	\$13,352.94	\$ 2,002.07	\$4,836.57	\$224.20	\$118.50	\$ 463.17
Home Miss. Dept.....		51.63		622.65	216.60			35.03
Home Miss. S. S.....								
GRAND TOTAL.....	\$955.61	\$669.00	\$35,696.43	\$ 3,702.44	\$12,360.79	\$473.45	\$154.50	\$1,267.85

XXII PASTORS' SUMMARY STATISTICAL REPORT

Appointments	OFFERINGS									
	Memo Youth	Women's Missionary Society	Women's Missionary Society (Materials Donated)	Men's Fellowship	Child Evangelism	Annual Conference Entertainment Fund	Annual Conference Delegate Fund	Camp Meetings	Sigmond Property	Total Offerings
ALENTOWN DISTRICT — F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.										
Alentown (Bethel)	\$1,555.70	\$1,674.06	\$3,153.91	.....	\$ 150.00	\$ 79.65	\$ 184.50	.....	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 89,151.74
Reading	531.23	.....	.....	.....	90.00	54.60	82.21	.....	.....	34,703.67
Ambury	228.34	182.32	.....	.....	144.00	28.80	37.00	.....	.....	15,599.41
Amokin	222.39	583.41	.....	.....	76.03	23.40	50.40	.....	.....	9,851.78
York	128.27	326.99	.....	.....	.....	27.15	62.00	.....	.....	18,356.74
St. Carmel	9.07	127.23	85.00	.....	130.00	14.25	20.14	.....	.....	12,096.74
Wyersford	44.68	99.20	.....	.....	105.73	10.65	42.52	.....	.....	13,350.90
Spring City	44.68	99.19	.....	.....	.....	10.05	38.80	.....	.....	9,033.53
Waterford	51.46	65.36	28.00	.....	99.75	5.25	18.28	.....	.....	5,345.51
Marleysville	51.47	65.37	28.00	.....	175.70	8.40	26.72	.....	.....	6,849.01
Nazareth	86.67	67.79	239.00	.....	.....	8.70	34.16	.....	.....	8,739.94
Northampton	30.66	.....	.....	.....	52.20	5.70	64.11	.....	.....	5,783.35
Delighton	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.21	9.60	30.57	.....	.....	6,659.11
Alnport	.....	55.52	104.86	.....	.....	7.15	28.11	.....	.....	6,252.78
Atfield	154.86	409.91	.....	.....	169.91	21.90	64.56	.....	.....	30,404.60
Warrensburg	98.08	285.69	112.69	.....	.....	16.20	80.09	.....	.....	15,226.78
Wabanon	121.42	178.96	.....	.....	98.00	6.45	52.00	.....	.....	5,220.32
Wardensburg	109.37	57.00	.....	.....	34.92	5.40	40.10	.....	.....	4,748.69
Wincaster	56.08	62.47	.....	.....	.....	5.85	50.00	.....	.....	8,396.54
TOTAL	\$3,524.43	\$4,340.47	\$3,751.46	.....	\$1,346.45	\$ 349.15	\$1,006.27	.....	\$ 1,500.00	\$305,771.14
BETHLEHEM DISTRICT — C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.										
Bethlehem	\$ 985.81	\$ 656.35	\$2,120.05	.....	.....	\$ 56.40	\$ 83.20	.....	.....	\$ 44,312.08
W. (Salem)	48.87	280.10	125.00	\$ 456.58	.....	27.00	55.00	.....	.....	20,228.33
Easton	60.41	95.70	.....	.....	.....	24.30	58.97	.....	.....	14,225.60
Eastertown	137.29	167.05	.....	.....	.....	26.40	50.00	.....	.....	17,586.77
Eastester	137.95	85.41	.....	263.79	.....	19.65	73.97	.....	.....	18,133.44
W. (Calvary)	40.39	99.86	.....	59.11	116.71	11.85	25.00	.....	.....	12,226.88
W. (Salem)	51.33	25.15	30.00	.....	.....	9.30	10.00	.....	.....	7,696.27
W. (Salem)	235.24	143.17	.....	.....	187.82	24.15	248.59	\$ 8,593.75	.....	29,473.10
W. (Salem)	.....	80.60	.....	.....	29.86	3.90	9.85	.....	.....	2,759.09
W. (Salem)	.....	63.52	.....	.....	40.48	5.40	14.41	.....	.....	6,690.33
W. (Salem)	66.59	235.76	.....	.....	210.55	20.10	32.40	.....	.....	13,072.26
W. (Salem)	181.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.05	35.30	.....	.....	10,129.22
W. (Salem)	120.68	133.40	.....	.....	.....	19.95	46.50	.....	.....	19,825.83
W. (Salem)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.10	20.00	.....	.....	7,369.97
W. (Salem)	18.32	105.67	.....	84.61	40.25	12.15	40.00	.....	.....	8,752.26
W. (Salem)	87.03	212.19	120.00	.....	161.66	11.55	51.00	.....	.....	12,823.21
W. (Salem)	118.85	.....	50.00	55.73	.....	8.10	17.53	.....	.....	8,221.30
W. (Salem)	101.18	115.33	.....	.....	.....	7.65	27.47	.....	.....	6,761.63
W. (Salem)	181.25	.....	.....	.....	63.75	7.35	18.02	.....	.....	5,810.53
TOTAL	\$2,572.44	\$2,499.26	\$2,445.05	\$ 919.82	\$ 351.08	\$ 322.35	\$ 917.21	.....	\$ 8,593.75	\$266,098.10
W. (Salem)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$12,930.44	.....	.....
W. (Salem)	38.43	63.63	.....	51.78	53.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,819.51
W. (Salem)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,620.57
AND TOTAL	\$6,135.30	\$6,903.36	\$6,196.51	\$ 971.60	\$2,250.83	\$ 671.50	\$1,923.48	\$12,930.44	\$10,093.75	\$609,239.76

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Home Mission Department

Mission Sunday Schools

Appointments		Pastor		Min. & Off.					Membership																							
				Probationers	L. C. Lic. Ministers and Evangelists	Class Leaders	Stewards	Parsonage or Bldg. Fund Collectors	Baptized	Members Not Baptized	Children Dedicated	Received Into Church Fellowship	Recd. by Transfer fr M. B. in C. Church	Total Increase	Transferred to Other Churches	Transferred to M. B. in C. Churches	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Membership	Appointments											
HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — J. E. HARTMAN, Director																																
Binghamton, N. Y.	Home Mission Soc.	1	1	1	1	5	1	6	6	1	5	6	6	1	5	6	6	3	23	1												
Finesville, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1												
Millersville	Home Mission Soc.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1												
Paradise	Home Mission Soc.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1												
Phila. (Roxboro)	Home Mission Soc.	2	2	2	2	7	1	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2												
Trenton, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	1	1	1	1	7	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3												
TOTAL		1	7	4	4	4	12	2	9	41	6	47	1	11	12	40	5	116	6													

Appointments		Pastor		Pastors' Activities					Sunday Schools				
				Sermons Preached	Pastoral Visits	Prayer Meetings Visited	Sunday Schools Visited	Prayer Meeting Classes	M. B. in C. Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers Enrolled	Scholars Enrolled	Total Enrollment	Total Aver. Att. Cradle Roll Members	Subscriptions to Gospel Herald
HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — J. E. HARTMAN, Director													
Binghamton, N. Y.	Home Mission Soc.	84	206	42	48	1	1	16	53	69	62	5	26
Finesville, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	110	296	49	49	1	1	13	45	52	5	10	
Millersville	Home Mission Soc.	119	227	41	50	1	1	5	48	33	3	10	
Paradise	Home Mission Soc.	88	186	44	50	1	1	10	72	51	1	10	
Phila. (Roxboro)	Home Mission Soc.	144	466	46	53	1	1	6	26	32	26	10	
Trenton, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	166	365	51	49	1	1	11	55	66	66	10	
TOTAL		711	1746	273	299	5	6	61	299	360	295	5	66

MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOLS													
Clearfield	William A. Heffner	28	99	127	106	12	.....					
Miller Heights	William A. Heffner	7	58	65	37	.....						
TOTAL		35	157	192	143	12	.....					

Appointments		Pastor		Church Property			OFFERINGS						
				Churches	Decrease of Church Property	Present Valuation of Church Property	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools	Church Extension	General Offering	Parsonage or Building Fund		
HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — J. E. HARTMAN, Director													
Binghamton, N. Y.	Home Mission Soc.	1	\$ 9,500.00	\$186.77	\$ 106.04	\$ 786.03	\$ 250.17						
Finesville, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	1	10,000.00	93.28	98.02	1,435.89	234.71						
Millersville	Home Mission Soc.	1	.....	121.57	211.12	1,443.91	.....					
Paradise	Home Mission Soc.	1	25,000.00	.....	200.00	\$157.90	257.87					
Phila. (Roxboro)	Home Mission Soc.	1	6,000.00	100.00	112.37	823.61	.....					
Trenton, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	1	\$6,500.00	22.35	296.12	2,767.76	290.91						
TOTAL		5	\$6,500.00	\$70,500.00	\$523.97	\$1,023.67	\$8,701.59	\$1,033.61					

MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOLS													
Clearfield	William A. Heffner	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miller Heights	William A. Heffner	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL		.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 153.43	.....					

XXIII

**Home Mission Department
Mission Sunday Schools**

OFFERINGS— (Continued)

<i>Appointments</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Sunday Schools</i>	<i>District Superintendents</i>	<i>Ministers in Cash</i>	<i>Ministers in Other Contributions</i>	<i>Offerings for Mission or Evau. Work</i>	<i>Sunday School Conventions</i>	<i>Repairing Church Property</i>	<i>Berean Bible School</i>
HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — J. E. HARTMAN, Director									
Binghamton, N. Y.	Home Mission Soc.	\$ 195.64	\$101.33	\$ 527.51	\$ 147.16	\$ 54.16	\$ 5.98	\$622.65	\$ 20.50
Finesville, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	509.44	95.71	935.75	340.93	101.63	6.40	.....	79.67
Millersville	Home Mission Soc.	605.24	101.36	597.00	225.00	231.96	13.64	.....	40.69
Paradise	Home Mission Soc.	724.36	105.06	476.05	131.20	20.00	11.05	.....	.....
Phila. (Roxboro)	Home Mission Soc.	333.27	96.47	574.00	20.90	62.70	6.56	.....	17.50
Trenton, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	518.24	181.17	769.38	146.00	317.03	8.00	.....	58.24
TOTAL		\$2,886.19	\$681.10	\$3,879.69	\$1,011.19	\$ 787.48	\$51.63	\$622.65	\$216.60

MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Clearfield	William A. Heffner	\$1,214.46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miller Heights	William A. Heffner	1,252.68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL		\$2,467.14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

OFFERINGS— (Continued)

<i>Appointments</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Relief and Rescue Work</i>	<i>Menno Youth</i>	<i>Women's Missionary Society</i>	<i>Men's Fellowship</i>	<i>Child Evangelism</i>	<i>Total Offerings</i>
HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — J. E. HARTMAN, Director							
Binghamton, N. Y.	Home Mission Soc.	\$25.01	\$38.43	\$24.18	.....	.....	\$ 3,091.54
Finesville, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	10.02	.....	39.45	.....	.....	3,980.94
Millersville	Home Mission Soc.	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$24.00	3,615.49
Paradise	Home Mission Soc.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,527.81
Phila. (Roxboro)	Home Mission Soc.	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.30	2,176.68
Trenton, N. J.	Home Mission Soc.	.....	.....	.....	\$51.78	.....	5,417.05
TOTAL		\$35.03	\$38.43	\$63.63	\$51.78	\$53.30	\$21,809.51
MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOLS							
Clearfield	William A. Heffner
Miller Heights	William A. Heffner
TOTAL	

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XXIV.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

District Superintendents -----	2	Record	
Ordained Ministers -----	32	Appointments -----	44
Probationers -----	7	Sermons Preached -----	6,107
Local Conf. Licensed Ministers -----	26	Pastoral Visits -----	17,003
Deacons -----	8	Prayer Meetings Visited -----	2,191
Class Leaders -----	60	Sunday Schools Visited -----	1,710
Stewards -----	64	Prayer Meeting Classes -----	57
Building Fund Collectors -----	64	M. B. C. Sunday Schools -----	44
Baptized -----	173	Officers & Teachers Enrolled -----	1,044
Members not Baptized -----	19	Scholars Enrolled -----	6,858
Children Dedicated -----	140	Total Enrollment -----	7,902
		Total Average Attendance -----	6,065
		Home Department Members -----	166
Church Membership		Cradle Roll Members -----	590
Received into Church		Mission Sunday Schools -----	1
Fellowship -----	208	Subscribers to Gospel Herald -----	762
Received by Transfer from		Churches -----	43
M. B. C. Churches -----	41	Parsonages -----	30
Total Increase -----	249		
Died -----	43		
Withdrawn -----	24		
Dropped -----	110		
Transferred to Other Churches -----	35		
Transferred to M.B.C. Churches -----	42		
Total Decrease -----	254		
Net Decrease -----	5		
Total membership -----	4,596		

FINANCIAL**(a) Valuation**

Increase of Church Property -----	\$ 177,375.17
Present Valuation of Church Property -----	2,196,491.21

(b) Offerings

Foreign Missions -----	\$ 36,831.78
Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools -----	25,206.20
Home Missions -----	24,309.11
Home Missions in Sunday Schools -----	7,684.40
For the M. B. C. Home -----	1,274.56
For M. B. C. Home (Special) -----	4,125.00
Church Extension -----	32,855.34
General Offerings -----	93,802.72
Building Fund -----	32,551.18
Sunday Schools -----	69,630.10
District Superintendents -----	13,320.84
Home Mission Director (From Missions) -----	681.10
District Superintendents' Parsonages -----	1,583.34
Ministers in Cash -----	109,197.91

Ministers in Other Contributions -----	15,378.89
Ministers' Retirement Fund -----	4,121.45
Missionary and Evangelistic Work -----	33,329.00
Beneficiary Fund -----	955.61
Sunday School Conventions -----	669.00
Reduction of Church Property Indebtedness -----	35,696.43
Repairing Church Property -----	3,702.44
Berean Bible School -----	12,360.79
Publication and Printing -----	473.45
Benevolent Fund -----	154.50
Relief and Rescue Work -----	1,267.85
Menno Youth -----	6,135.30
Women's Missionary Society -----	6,903.36
Women's Missionary Society (Donated materials) -----	6,196.51
Men's Fellowship -----	971.60
Child Evangelism -----	2,250.83
Annual Conference Entertainment Fund -----	671.50
Annual Conference Delegate Fund -----	1,923.48
Camp Meetings -----	12,930.44
Bible Camp -----	10,093.75
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Total Offerings -----	\$ 609,239.76

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ROLL AND DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS

1. Itinerants

<i>Name</i>	<i>Licensed</i>	<i>Ordained</i>	<i>Received Present Charge</i>	<i>Post Office Address</i>
Allen, Russel T. ----	1955		1955	45 Lincoln Street, Jersey City 7, N. J.
Arnold, Raymond E. 1955			1955	20 Cherry Street, Walnutport, Pa.
Baer, Paul E. -----	1924	1928	1955	1023 Taylor Ave., Scranton 10, Pa.
Bean, E. W. -----	1928	1938	1952	650 Catawissa Ave., Sunbury, Pa.
Cassel, Cari C. -----	1956		1956	512 Fairview St., Coopersburg, Pa.
Cassel, Willard E. --	1943	1946	1952	717 W. Seventh Street, Chester, Pa.
Dunn, John -----	1941	1950	1949	6902 Chelwynde Ave., Phila. 42, Pa.
Frank, Walter H. ---	1939	1942	1954	529 N. Eighth Street, Allentown, Pa.
Gehman, R. H. -----	1928	1935	1954	723 Filmore Street, Allentown, Pa.
Gehret, T. D. -----	1921	1925	1954	119 N. Richmond Street, Fleetwood, Pa.
Golla, J. E. -----	1941	1942	1952	3848 N. Park Ave., Philadelphia 40, Pa.
Hartman, Ernest B. -	1927	1936	1952	Graterford, Pa.
Hartman, Herbert W. 1927	1934	1954		132 W. Fourth Street, Mount Carmel, Pa.
*Hartman, Jansen E. -	1942	1945		1020 S. Hall Street, Allentown, Pa.
Hartman, W. W. ----	1930	1937	1951	25 N. Fifth Street, Emmaus, Pa.
Heffner, W. A. -----	1943	1951	1954	1124 N. Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa.
Heffner, W. F. -----	1917	1920	1955	515 Locust Street, Lebanon, Pa.
Heller, LeRoy S. ---	1955		1955	446 Avon Avenue, Newark 8, N. J.
Herb, Frank L., Jr. -	1954		1954	345 N. Queen Street, Lancaster, Pa.
Hertzog, F. B. -----	1922	1925	D. S.	2340 Union Street, Allentown, Pa.
Hosler, Earl M. ----	1953	1956	1955	311 Yost Avenue, Spring City, Pa.
Hottel, W. B. -----	1944	1947	1948	4420 Van Kirk St., Philadelphia 24, Pa.
Kirkwood, C. E. ---	1937	1940	D. S.	1218 E. Rosemont Drive, Bethlehem, Pa.
Kirkwood, Donald T. 1951	1954	1955		25 S. Third Street, Quakertown, Pa.
Koch, James G. ----	1950	1953	1954	246 E. Princess Street, York, Pa.
Layne, J. B. -----	1916	1919	1952	438 Cypress Street, Lehighton, Pa.
Reichenbach, R. C. -	1937	1941	1955	35 S. Second Street, Shamokin, Pa.
Riggall, J. H. -----	1945	1948	1951	16 S. Broad Street, Nazareth, Pa.
Schaeffer, Donald B. 1955			1955	21 S. Sixth Street, Stroudsburg, Pa.
Seifert, A. L. -----	1950	1953	1954	75 West Broad St., Hatfield, Pa.
Smock, Robert W. ---	1950	1953	1955	404 W. Main St., Terre Hill, Pa.
Stengele, P. T. ----	1918	1923	1953	1122 Hampden Blvd., Reading, Pa.
Thomann, D. E. ----	1943	1946	1951	1231 Ferry Street, Easton, Pa.
Wolf, N. H. -----	1916	1920	1954	3210 N. Fourth Street, Harrisburg, Pa.
Yarrington, H. D. --	1942	1952	1955	243 Taylor Street, Staten Island 10, N. Y.

2. Ordained Ministers Working With Other Organizations

Henry, J. B. -----	1924	1928		Assoc. Gen. Sec'y, Africa Inland Mission 253 Henry Street, Brooklyn 1, N. Y.
Miller, C. Leslie ----	1928	1933		General Superintendent, Union Gospel Press, Box 6059, Cleveland 1, Ohio

3. Superannuated Ministers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Licensed</i>	<i>Ordained</i>	<i>Received Present Charge</i>	<i>Post Office Address</i>
Hottel, F. M. -----	1905	1909	|	531 N. Eighth Street, Allentown, Pa.
Kublic, E. E. -----	1901	1907	|	106 Cherry Street, Walnutport, Pa.
Rutman, E. J. -----	1937	1940	|	R. D. 3, (Skyline View) Harrisburg, Pa.
Woodring, A. G. ----	1917	1920	|	R. D. 2, Box 136, Sinking Spring, Pa.
Yost, G. F. -----	1903	1913	|	Coopersburg, Pa.

4. Home Missionary Ministers

Gardner, Reynold D.	1953			
Gordon, Norman F., Jr.	1954			(Rec'd Annual Conference License 1956)
Harley, J. Barclay --	1954			(Rec'd Annual Conference License 1956)
Herb, George E. ---	1956			
Johnson, Robert F. _	1955			
Kline, Richard H. --	1949			
Mann, Charles L., Jr.	1955			
Shelly, Austin G. ---	1955			(Rec'd Annual Conference License 1956)
Van Sandt, G. Howard	1956			

5. Foreign Missionaries

Baer, Merle E. -----				
Baer, Mrs. Marjorie _				
Chaponniere, Paul _				
Doverspike, Miss Betty				
Dyke, Herbert C. ---				
Dyke, Mrs. Betty ---				
Gordon, Robert ----				
Gordon, Mrs. Frances				
Maass, Margaret ---				
Miller, Miss Bertha _				
Miller, Miss Mary ---				
Miller, Miss Sylvia --				
Rampy, Robert -----				
Rampy, Mrs. Marcella				
Rawn, Miss Olive ---				
Reinhart, Miss Luella				
Snyder, C. F. -----				
Snyder, Mrs. Phoebe				
Stengele, Laird S. --				
Stengele, Mrs. Mary A.				
Whale, Fred -----				
Whale, Mrs. Grace --				
Yost, Miss Grace ---				

6. Local Conference Licensed Workers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Licensed</i>		<i>Post Office Address</i>
Beil, James A. -----	1954		Northampton, Pa.
Brosius, Bert N. ----	1952		Sunbury, Pa.
Carlson, Paul -----	1954		Allentown, Pa.
Deppe, Donald -----	1951		Northampton, Pa.
Dotts, Raymond ----	1956		Quakertown, Pa.
Fritz, Harvey -----	1951		Allentown, Pa.
Gehman, Richard H. 1956			Allentown, Pa. (Salem)
Johnson, Ronald L. _ 1955			Shamokin, Pa.
Knauer, Donald ----	1952		Reading, Pa.
McIntyre, Robert E. 1956			Royersford, Pa.
Neumoyer, Rufus --	1952		Allentown, Pa.
Ruth, Richard -----	1954		Allentown, Pa.
Schaeffer, Richard _ 1951			Allentown, Pa.
Shelly, Harold P., Jr. 1951			Quakertown, Pa.
Snyder, Clyde W. --	1955		Hatfield, Pa.
Steitz, John D. -----	1952		Jersey City, N. J.
Weaber, Harold ----	1954		Lebanon, Pa.
Weiss, Norman -----	1954		Philadelphia (Salem)
Zeigler, Daniel G. --	1955		Hatfield, Pa.

*Director of Home Missions and President of Berean Bible School.
Shick, E. T., Inactive Minister.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Pastor	Exchange	Number
Allen, Russel T.	Jersey City, Journal Square	JO 4-2650
Arnold, Raymond E.	Slatington	4852
Baer, Paul E.	Scranton, Diamond	DI 2-2027
Bean, E. W.	Sunbury	AT 6-1094
Cassel, Carl C.	Coopersburg	3681
Cassel, Willard E.	Chester	3-8449
Dunn, John	Phila., Belgrade	BE 6-4413
Frank, Walter H.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 2-0664
(Bethel Church)	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 5-2331
Gehman, R. H.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 2-7275
Gehret, T. D.	Fleetwood	3391
(Faith Church)	Fleetwood	4742
Golla, J. E.	Phila., Radcliff	RA 5-5839
(Salem Church)	Phila., Sagamor	SA 2-5206
Hartman, Ernest B.	Collegeville	9-3368
Hartman, Herbert W.	Mount Carmel	484
Hartman, Jansen E.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 3-6703
Hartman, W. W.	Emmaus, Woodring	WO 5-2682
Heffner, W. A.	Bethlehem, University	UN 6-2703
(Ebenezer Church)	Bethlehem, University	UN 8-5501
Heffner, W. F.	Lebanon	2-3945
Heller, LeRoy S.	Newark, Essex	ES 2-4442
Herb, Frank L., Jr.	Lancaster	3-7677
Hertzog, F. B.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 5-1732
Hosler, Earl M.	Royersford	217
Hottel, W. B.	Phila., Delaware	DE 6-3751
Kirkwood, C. E.	Bethlehem, University	UN 8-2781
Kirkwood, Donald T.	Quakertown	268
Koch, James G.	York	5872
Layne, J. B.	Lehighton	433-R
Reichenbach, R. C.	Shamokin	8-9732
Riggall, J. H.	Nazareth	1953
Schaeffer, Donald B.	Stroudsburg	5193
Seifert, A. L.	Hatfield	2449
Smock, Robert W.	Terre Hill, Hillcrest	HI 5-4401
Stengele, P. T.	Reading	2-3330
Thomann, D. E.	Easton	2-6352
Wolf, N. H.	Harrisburg, Cedar	CE 2-0821
Yarrington, H. D.	New York, Gibraltar	GI 2-2782

Home Missions

Binghamton, N. Y.	New York, Binghamton	2-4988
Finesville, N. J.	Warren, Glenn	2-2791
Paradise, Pa.	Strasburg, Overland	7-3495
Roxborough, Phila.	Phila., Ivy Ridge	IV 3-5959-J
Trenton, N. J.	Trenton, Export	EX 4-1893
Millersville, Pa.		

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Cassel, Byron C. (747 Hillcrest Ave., Glenside, Pa.)	Glenside, Turner	Turner 4-6622
Wentz, Paul I. (10 S. West St., Apt. 1C, Allentown, Pa.)	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 5-6728

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